



## Turkey Trot Regatta a Success! College Sailing Report

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In celebration of the arrival of the additions to the 420 fleet, the sailing teams of Oklahoma City University and University of Central Oklahoma banded together to host an ICSA sanctioned regatta on November 13<sup>th</sup>.

As part of the preparations, invitations were sent out to all district teams, the 420s were carefully checked and repairs made, youth shed painted, food acquired, volunteers solicited and trophies made. The available berths quickly filled up with responses from Colorado University, University of Oklahoma, University of Texas, University of North Texas, and of course the hosting teams.

The teams from Colorado and Texas arrived on the evening of the 12<sup>th</sup>, equipped with air mattresses and sleeping bags, accepting the invitation of OCBC to stay at the club. Representatives from both host schools were on hand to welcome them and stayed the night too.

The morning of the regatta was initially a concern. Before sunrise, the forecasted blue sky was nowhere to be seen, but like clockwork, the skies began to clear as the sun peaked over the eastern horizon. The overnight cloud cover really helped keep the temperature from falling, which was a blessing to all. By 7:30 a.m., both host teams had arrived and were rigging boats then staging them at the end of A Dock. A fire had been built in the club house and donuts, Kolaches, coffee and juice were available. The Skipper's meeting was held at 9:30 a.m. with welcomes from the two University team captains and Commodore Bob Chope. Rotation sheets and sailing instructions were distributed; then, the teams made their way to the boats. Wetsuits were the uniform of the day.

The Race Committee set up a windward/Leeward course and 16 races were held throughout the day. Shifty winds called for several adjustments to be made, which the Race Committee executed with professional precision. Often, host schools must provide their own race committee for hosted regattas. The luxury of having OCBC's race committee was truly enjoyed by all athletes and one of the many positives cited for wanting to come for regattas in the future.

Behind the scenes, the OCBC membership was making things happen. Many athletes had family members arrive and then there were other guests from the campus communities of the host schools. Bill Brett was on hand to welcome them and point them in the right direction. Donna Bass, Courtney Holman and Teresa Holman were busy in the kitchen, keeping

### Calendar of Events

**12/2 Board of Governors meeting 1900**

**12/9 Membership meeting 1930**

**12/11 Christmas Party**

**12/13 PHRF Meeting 1900**

**12/31 New Years Eve Party & Breakfast**

**1/1/11 New Year's Day Sail & Black-eyed peas**

the coffee brewing, preparing lunch and simmering a stew. Team sponsors were busy manning the safety boat, solving maintenance problems, and directing traffic as the crews rotated boats on A Dock.

The 16<sup>th</sup> planned and final race ended as the sun was setting on a perfect day of sailing. All teams greeted the fleet as it returned and immediately set out to de-rig the boats and put gear away. After the fleet was secured, the athletes made their way back to the clubhouse to socialize while the much anticipated results were prepared. Team Captains Nick Ward (UCO) and Peter Harlin (OCU) announced the results: 8<sup>th</sup> place – OCU Team #2; 7<sup>th</sup> Place – UCO Team #2; 6<sup>th</sup> Place – UNT; 5<sup>th</sup> Place – UCO Team #1; 4<sup>th</sup> Place OCU Team #1; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Colorado; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Texas; and 1<sup>st</sup> Place – OU. Trophies were presented to the top 3 teams and Commodore Choep presented out-of-town teams with OCBC burgees.

The hosting team members worked hard to make this event a reality, but there is no way it could have been done without the help of OCBC and its membership. If there were any super heroes of the regatta, it has to be the race Committee for enduring 6+ COLD hours on the water. OCU and UCO Sailing Teams wish to thank: Mike Anderson (race committee); Donna Bass (kitchen); Bill Brett (greeter and volunteer at large); Jeff Burke (race committee); Bob Choep (greeter and volunteer at large); Richard Drennen (race committee); Tony Fuller (race committee); Courtney Holman (kitchen); Teresa Holman (kitchen); Ann Kilpatrick (race committee); Paul Pape (race committee); and Gary Sander (Protest Committee Chair). Thank you for giving up a Saturday and more to make this event a reality. Your efforts were truly appreciated by all participants and they all look forward to coming back! The professionalism, thoroughness, and dedication of everyone working the event, coupled with the facilities, have already generated discussion of regional championships and possible national championships being conducted at OCBC.

On behalf of all the sailors and volunteers associated with the three collegiate programs sailing out of OCBC I would like to offer our sincerest appreciation for your support. Thank you and Happy Holidays!

*Glede Holman*





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## Rear Commodore's Report

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday. December is here and with it comes the colder weather. As always we are having some breakers tripping because of overloading. Please remember that we share power with others, and keep it down to one extension cord per boat. Really! Set your thermostats and wattage low. These are 15 amp circuits and will not support even two 1500 watt heaters. All you need is enough to keep your boat from freezing. Our electric bill is high enough. Thanks

We had a great turnout for the work party on Nov.20. Over two dozen of your friends worked all morning on the clubhouse, cleaning under, around, and behind most everything. Windows, floors, bookshelves, refrigerators and storage all got a good clean start for the holidays. Thanks to Steve, Eric, Dan, Bob, Paul, Rudy, Karl, Cindy, Lori, Sue, Craig, Larry, Ed, Teresa, John, Tom, David, Marcelo, Deal, Roy, Carl, Jeff, Dan, Walt, and Jack. You guys are the best. If you don't know all these first names, you should. They are the ones who are always taking care of us. Tell them "thank you" when you see them.

I am happy to report that the widening project on the ramp at the west hoist is complete. The old ramp is now eleven feet wider to the west. A stable crushed rock base was packed before the 16 cubic yards of steel reinforced concrete was placed. This stabilized what was left of the old ramp, which was undermined and washing out. The work had to be done before an estimated 3 feet of water arrived from Lake Canton. This asset to OCBC is a direct result of the increased funding that you, the members, have provided. It took a big bite out of the HD&A budget, but no Capital was used. Please be as frugal as possible with the Club's assets (electricity, heat, water) this winter so we can stay within our budget for the year. Lights out, doors locked and all that stuff your mother told you.

That is all I have for now. I will see you at the Christmas party on the 11<sup>th</sup> and be sure to come enjoy the New Year's events.

Merry Christmas!

*Robbin Phillips – Rear Commodore*

## Vice Commodore's Report

### The Seawall Project – Communication and Update

We continue to make progress.

The engineering drawings and plans are almost complete and should be ready for submission to the city for review and approval in the next week or so. We'll provide a further update at the general membership meeting on Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. The good news is that we believe the process lies within the utilities department, and does not require review and approval at a formal meeting of the Planning Commission.

The BOG has been provided a draft "Construction Agreement" between OCBC and Manhattan Road & Bridge. A legal review is underway.

As reported last month, the BOG is confident that limitations placed on borrowings (\$120,000) will be more than sufficient to fund the entire Seawall Proposal approved by the membership, although the exact figure cannot be determined until we get the first tranche of assessment payments are received – they are not due until January 1, 2011.

Thus far, we have approximately twenty members interested in helping to fund the project thus far. The Planning Committee determined that only voting members of OCBC may participate in the financing. In addition, it was determined

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that each share will be set at \$10,000 – making the loan administration, documentation, communications, etc., manageable.

If you haven't expressed interest in participating in the financing program for the seawall project, please send an email to both Cal Monsma ([c\\_monsma@cox.net](mailto:c_monsma@cox.net)) AND Liz Eagan ([lizeagan@swbell.net](mailto:lizeagan@swbell.net)) at your earliest convenience.

## **The Planning Committee – Communication and Update**

As announced at last month's general membership meeting, the 2010-2011 Planning Committee was formed and consists of four members: Cal Monsma (Chair); Harold Eiseman (1 year appointment); David Cheek (2 year appointment); and John Barnett (3 year appointment). The initial meeting was held last month and we recognize there is a lot of work ahead of us – but we're up to the task.

In conjunction with our coordinating the seawall proposal and the administration of the business arrangements as well as the financing requirements necessary, our first order of business is to fully understand any commitments OCBC has made in relation to the new extended lease that was entered into recently. This is something we expect to address before the beginning of the new year.

The next step will be to develop and refine a list of potential projects – an activity that the membership needs to be involved in. We expect to hold an open meeting during the month of January/February where ideas can flow freely and the membership is urged to participate. Much like any brain storming session, ideas can be raised at this session, without the need for substantive support, the threat of ridicule, and without debate or evaluation. We want to make sure that all members are heard.

*Cal Monsma, Vice Commodore*

## **2011 Lighthouse Charity Regatta – Communication and Update**

**Dates:           Centerboard Weekend – June 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
**Keel Boat Weekend – June 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

The first organizational meeting of the 2011 Lighthouse Charity Regatta was held last month and we're off to a good start.

Committee chairs are: Race – Mike Anderson; Regatta – Scott Law; Food – Don Steeber; Publicity – Sue Ogroki, Ron Stahl; Registration – Gene McClendon; Tickets – Duke Fuzzell; Website – Bayless Kirtley; Wine Glass Pull – Ginny Green.

In addition, the Lake Hefner Challenge Cup will be co-chaired by: Glede Holman, Jay Collins, and Keith Green. Scott Law has again agreed to handle the Race Committee.

Thanks to all who have stepped up and have agreed to take on leadership roles. For those of you willing to help, please contact one of the chairs and offer your services. We're certain they'll be able to find something for you to do. For others, don't hesitate to say "yes" when asked for assistance.

It is possible that we may re-introduce the auction this coming year. In the past, it has been very "entertaining" and some believe that it might be fun to try again. We want to limit the number of items to be included so if you have something really special that you'd like to offer up, let us know!

And speaking of entertainment, we are glad to report that the "Mystery Dates" are returning for the 18<sup>th</sup> and that "Pearl" is returning for the 26<sup>th</sup>. Needless to say, a good time is expected to be had by all!

*Cal Monsma and Terry Parker*  
*Co-Chairs of the 2011 Lighthouse Charity Regatta*

Two local organizations got early Christmas gifts courtesy of the Oklahoma City Boat Club Lighthouse Charity Regatta. Commodore Bob Chope, Vice Commodore Cal Monsma, and LCR organizer Ann Kilpatrick recently presented checks to Prairie Dance Theater and Citizens Caring for Children.

Prairie Dance Theater, besides being a professional touring dance company, provides free-of-charge dance-based programs to Oklahoma Public School children. They received \$7,000 from proceeds from the 2010 Lighthouse Charity Regatta.

Citizens Caring for Children serves children who have been taken from their homes due to abuse or neglect, offering services such as mentoring, clothing, shoes, books, basic school supplies. The organization helps approximately 36,000 foster children each year. Citizens Caring for Children received a check from Lighthouse for \$14,000.



## LIGHTHOUSE CHARITIES

### **2011 Lighthouse Charity Regatta – Never Too Late AND Never Too Early!**

With the 2010 calendar year rapidly coming to a close, many of us focus our attention on the upcoming holidays and shortly thereafter - filing those dreaded tax returns. Well there is a way to help you reduce taxes paid in 2010 and also make a difference supporting the sport we all know and love – sailing. Think about making your Lighthouse contribution and becoming a sponsor NOW - and avoid future phone calls! Sponsor forms are on the website – [www.okclighthouse.com](http://www.okclighthouse.com)

Donations may be made out to: “Lighthouse Charities, Inc.”  
c/o Oklahoma City Boat Club  
P.O. Box 20245  
Oklahoma City, OK 73156-0245

(or better yet - save a stamp, place your check in an envelope and slip it in the slot in the office door!)

*Cal Monsma and Terry Parker  
Co-Chairs of the 2011 Lighthouse Charity Regatta*

## Commodore's Report:

How soon the year flies by.... or so when you get older. Already the Holiday Season is upon us and we find ourselves in the stores on Black Friday, or now Cyber Monday, looking for that special gift for a loved one, a close friend or many others near and dear to us. Let us not forget when forging ahead the true meaning of Christmas and what it means to us as family, friends or individuals. I would like you all to give a very special thought to those in our military who through their volunteerism for all of us will not be with their families, friends or others. No matter what, I wish you all and your families a very special Happy Christmas from all of us here at the Chopes.

We had a very long, drawn out BOG this past Thursday covering a lot of ground for the ensuing year. Of course, our main topic was the seawall which appears to be right on schedule with the filing of plans, specifications, contracts, etc. with the City of Oklahoma City. I will leave further information on this to your Vice Commodore who is very involved and working with Ken Wert our primary lead on this project.

We approved the annual Honorary Members to continue on in this status for another year based on the rule laid out in our By-Laws. A downside to the membership review was the loss of a few of our members based on dues increases and/or assessments. Some of the resignations letters were very complimentary as to our progress with the projects though felt at this time, based on their ages/fixed income, they could not assist the Club with an increase at this time. We wish them all well and will hold the door open to them to visit whenever they wish. The Membership Chair made a presentation with regard to eight (8) newbies moving up the ranks to the next position. This will off-set the loss of income from the resignees. Our Treasurer presented a very in-depth look at our financial structure for the future as well as where we have been financially over the past years, which now affects our current status. She had a draft projected budget for the next year, though this could not be verified as we still have outstanding dues payments and/or assessment pending receipt. Our roof repair project has been a point of discussion over the past two or three BOG meetings. At this particular meeting the BOG agreed to let this contract to Red River Roofing and Construction, Inc. of Edmond, Ok, for a total of \$21,289.00. Other bids on this project were received from JC Construction and Land Run Roofing. I will let the Rear Commodore give you full details on these bids.

As is projected on the Calendar, the Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 11, 2010, starting at 1830. It will be a sumptuous meal prepared by Chef Jim Bowen and his able crew. There will be appropriate libations to ensure any attitude adjustments prior to the meal. Our New Year's party will of course be, as in past years, "bring a dish" to share with your fellow revelers. We will open our usual New Year's celebratory bottles of "Champers" at midnight, then Don will cook his usual breakfast. New Year's Day, thanks to Steve and Lori Meyer, we will have Black-eyed Peas and Cornbread with, again, our Bloody Mary and Mimosa Luncheon. My question for all of this is, who will be the first on the water with full sail???

Happy Holidays to all.

*Bob Chope, Commodore*



**“No lessons, just fun.** If you would like to bring an appetizer, your favorite music and join in the warm fire and an evening of dancing - either practicing what you have learned or just having fun - come to OCBC Tuesday, December 7, 2010 through Tuesday, February 1, 2011, 6:30 till about 9:00 pm.

**Dance Lessons** will start up again on Tuesday, February 8, 2011. Beginners division begins at 6:30 pm and the Intermediate division begins at 7:30 pm. The classes will go through February up to and including March 29, 2011.

We have a minimum of 8 couples and a maximum of 10 couples in each division. The cost is still \$100.00 per couple. Call Ethelyn Barnett if you are interested in getting together with other boat club members eating, laughing, staying mentally sharp for sailing and learning something too.”

*Ethelyn Barnett*

Andrew had the opportunity to meet Secretary of Defense Gates while the Secretary visited the USS Abraham Lincoln this week. Accompanying is a picture of Andrew and the Secretary.

**Bill Brett**

Editor’s Note: Andrew was one of our top sailors in the club’s youth program. This should all make us proud.



## OCBC Race Committee at the Banquet



Photo by Sue O’Groki

## **QUOTE OF YE MONTH:**

*“Ports are no good – ships rot,  
men go to the devil.”*

*—Joseph Conrad, from  
“The Mirror of the Sea,” 1906*



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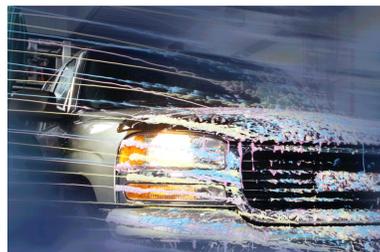
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## "The Fab 4" Gay McMillan, Kerri Alford, Ann Kilpatrick, and Letty Eby

" Saturday September 11th started out as a cool day for Old Lady of the Lake Regatta. Four centerboards racing, 4 Picos and 1 Dolphin Sr. Winds looked good leaving the harbor but in a short time that changed to gusting winds. With the high winds and being chilled to the bone by the drenching wave action before the start of the 1st race, ladies decided to start 1st race and not finish and go right in. Once on shore, it was declared all 4 ladies were winners of the regatta. The Old Lady of the Lake Regatta finished a great summer of Saturday ladies centerboard sailing led by Letty Eby.



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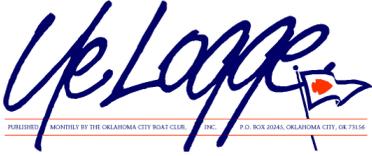
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