

AHOY MEMBERS,
SPRING HAS SPRUNG . . . TIME TO GET THOSE BOATS ON THE WATER!

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THE LCSEA MAIN SHEET

LCSEA Commodore's Report

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Time doesn't stop and this newsletter date snuck up on me. Maybe it has been the days without frost in the morning and t-shirt afternoons that make me think I should be on the water and not at work.

I've gotten out on the water a couple of times so far this spring. Why is my mast 10 pounds heavier to hoist up than last fall? Even so, I find it's worth the extra effort and maybe an ibuprofen too.

I took someone out for their first sail a couple of weeks ago. We set it up a

week in advance. I later found out that was about all he could talk about that week before and the week after.

I understand the boy scouts had a great time and picked up the park in record time knowing that as soon as the work was done they got to go for a sail. I appreciate all those that turned out to take a boyscout out on a ride.

Why am I musing like this? Well, for one, the sun is currently shining, the wind is blowing, it's fairly warm out and I can't

be on the water. But I want to encourage you to get out there. Even though it takes time and effort, I want to encourage each of you to dust off the cobwebs and find the ibuprofen if you need it. Get a familiar someone, or a new someone to help you lift the mast, pull halyards, tend sheets and a keep a hand on the tiller.

I hope to see you out there with a smile on your face.

Greg

Frostbite Series 2011



2011 has not been a great year for racing. We have failed to get any racing in on three of the five days.

Feb 20th - Inconsistent wind, no races completed

Feb 28th - Canceled due to snow/rain, limited visibility and predicted winds in excess of 25mph

March 13 - East wind faded, two boats completed one race

March 27 - Solid wind, 5 boats, 5 races

April 3 - Canceled due to excessive current, debris in the river.

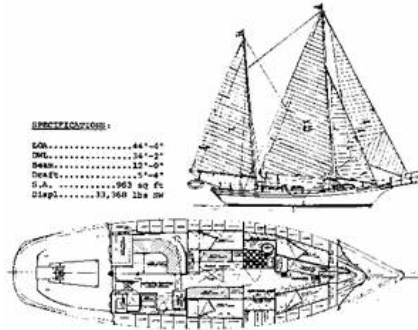
Next weekend is the Inland Northwest Outdoor Show at the Nez Perce County Fair Grounds followed by the Alex Bell Regatta

ALEX BELL REGATTA 2011

April 16th and 17th, 2011
held on the Snake River in front of
Rooster's Landing – Clarkston, WA.

See the website for the Notice of Race and
Entry Form.

Alex Bell was a life long sailor. Alex's first boat was ALSANAL. Built in 1959, she made numerous trans-Atlantic passages, was in the charter business in Turkey, and is now chartering in the South Pacific. Alex's first circumnavigation aboard ALSANAL started in 1961 and ended in 1965.



ALSANAL's successor, ALSANAL TOO, had an identical rig since the Alex had an extra suit of sails; however, she was 52' on deck. At the last moment, her plans were altered from steel to ferro-cement, and she was built in Ecuador. Alex made a second circumnavigation aboard ALSANAL TOO that started in 1972 and lasted until 1978, the average age of the crew being in the 70's.

Along with the voyages, Alex also published two books about his adventures at sea. The books are

basically excerpts from the ships log book that have been woven into interesting stories about sailing and his life at sea. His first book was titled Sailing Into Adventure and was the bigger of the two books. His daughter Alice sailed with him on different legs of the trips, when she just a little kid.

Alex Bell was in his seventies and in bad health when he moved to Moscow, Idaho to live with his daughter Alice. He came down to the Valley to several of the LCSA meetings and gave presentations about his sailing adventures. After his passing it was decide to name the annual spring regatta in him memory.

There will be a display in Reid Hall at LSCS on the Alex Bell later this week as part of the 2011 Dogwood Festival





Classifieds

Need Parts?

Blair's Wind and Wood

is still open. For those who don't know, the store is now at Randy and Kay Blair's home. They have a great assortment of boat parts and can order almost anything, from teak for rails and trim to complete mast assemblies. In addition, Randy is quite skilled in repairs, from minor dings and dents to rudders, keels and larger repairs requiring the use of the sling in the boat shed.

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trioneon@webtv.net

Classifieds

Got something to sell? Need something? Club members can advertise their sailing related items in the newsletter and on the website. Send your information to webmaster@lewisclarksailing.org.



MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome our newest members

Kerry Meadows

Mike and Lorena Brown

Remember that Club dues are due. We currently have 17 paid memberships with 26 members (including family members) and 8 racing memberships.

Past members are encouraged to renew their membership to help support the Club. Please feel free to contact any officers if there are reason you are not planning on renewing.



Classifieds

For sale -

17' O'Day

It is a one owner and in nice shape. I refinished the teak a couple of summers ago and have kept it covered and stored inside. It is on a trailer with new bearings, races, and tires and new lights. Trailer needs paint. It will include a Johnson O/B 3HP motor with long shaft and all required boating accessories. I didn't sail it last summer and I am running out of space to store it and it is too nice to leave outside to deteriorate.

\$2,500 with the motor , all the equipment and cover.

Interested?

Ralph Nauman

208-596-1330

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SUMMERTIME GATHERINGS

Never too early to start filling in the summer calendar!

The LCSA Summer Picnics will consist of a cruise from the Marina to the Park, food & beverage at the park supplied by the Club, and a reserved campsite for those wishing to stay overnight. Picnic will be on Saturdays with dinner at 5:00pm and programs (if available) starting at 6:00pm

May 7th

June 4th

July 9th

August 6th

REMINDER!

LCSA APRIL MEETING

April 7, 2011

Rooster's Landing

Clarkston, WA

5:30PM—Food & Socializing

6:00PM—Meeting

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April

- 7 Club Meeting - Rooster's Landing
Program - Local cruising by Robbie J.
- 10 Inland Northwest Outdoor Show
- 11 Inland Northwest Outdoor Show
- 16 Alex Bell Regatta - Day 1
- 17 Alex Bell Regatta - Day 2

May

- 7 Club Picnic - Chief Timothy Park, Wa
Afternoon cruise to the park
Program - Anchoring by Greg U.
- 18 Wednesday Evening Fun Sail

June

- 4 Club Picnic - Chief Timothy Park, Wa
Afternoon cruise to the park
- 15 Wednesday Evening Fun Sail
- 18–23 San Juan Island Cruise
Contact Caesar Paul @
sanjauncruising@lewisclarksailing.org

July

- 9 Club Picnic - Chief Timothy Park, Wa
Afternoon cruise to the park
- 16 Full Moon Overnighter
- 20 Wednesday Evening Fun Sail

August

- 6 Club Picnic - Chief Timothy Park, Wa
Afternoon cruise to the park
- 17 Wednesday Evening Fun Sail



CLUB OFFICERS

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Loren Murphy

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