



Golden Anchor

Golden Corner Lakes Sail & Power Squadron
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District 26

Monthly Newsletter



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1 Newcomer Club of the Foothills

3 GCL EXCOM - Executive Committee Meeting

5 Winterization Clinic

19 Change of Watch Luncheon

20 Commander's Brunch

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Commander's Report

Ron Osburn, SN

This weekend I spent doing one of the things I like doing best, boating. I had the privilege of participating in the Western Carolina Sail Club's Hospice Regatta. I was the captain on the race committee boat for the Keel boat races which gave me an excellent vantage point to learn more about the workings of a regatta. There is a lot to running a regatta, the flags alone boggle the mind. As of this writing they have raised over \$82,000.00 for the Hospice of the Upstate, way to go WCSC.

Hopefully, you attended the Pig Roast and election of officers at the Western Carolina Sail Club.

I spent the first week in October getting my reports ready, getting uniforms packed, confirming reservations, etc., and suddenly

everyone is watching Matthew and the course it would follow. As far as I know, there was some property damage, but thank goodness, there were no casualties among our D/26 members. The arrival of this hurricane caused the postponement of the D/26 Fall Conference and Change of Watch. It appears that the Conference and Change of Watch will take place electronically by use of the "Go To Meeting" program. I will let everyone know when I hear from the district about the new date.

Remember GCL's C.o.W will take place at noon on Saturday the 19th of November at Magnolia Manor in Westminster. See you all there as we say goodbye to our old bridge and welcome Brian and his new bridge.

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Upcoming Events

Election of Officers & Change of Watch

Redford's & Hublou's

Change of Watch

Saturday, 19 November

1200 - Social Time

1245 - Dinner

1345 - Change of Watch

Magnolia Manor Reception Hall

This month's election of new squadron officers at the Annual Meeting is followed by the Change of Watch on Saturday, 19 November. We are pleased to have D/X/O John Ozols, AP as the district representative for our Change of Watch. John is a past commander of Golden Corner Lakes and currently the district executive officer. We look forward to having John and his wife Marite as our guests and district representatives. His assistant will be P/C Ed Lashley from our squadron. The current Bridge and Commander will be released from duty and the new

Commander and Bridge will be sworn in. Dress Code for the CoW is Uniform A with bow tie or other appropriate attire (jacket & tie for men). Hope to see you there.

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NAME(S) _____

All dinners are served with iceberg lettuce wedges topped with house buttermilk blue cheese dressing, freshly baked rolls and butter. Cost includes a 15% gratuity and all taxes.

_____ Beef Tenderloin, seasoned potato bake, and Normandy blend vegetables \$31 / person

_____ Pork Chop with peach glaze, red skinned mashed potatoes and Normandy blend vegetables \$26 / person

Dessert # _____ Fresh Strawberry Layer Cake # _____ Chocolate Fudge Layer Cake

TOTAL \$ _____ Send check for this amount.

Cash Bar Raspberry, Peach, or Apple champagne mimosas, sangria, and house wines @ \$3.50 per glass, bottled beer @ \$2.50 each and draft beer @ \$1.50 per cup.

Make checks payable to Golden Corner Lakes (reservation deadline **11 November**)

MAIL TO: Karen Hublou 915 Ivy Ridge Ct., Seneca, SC 29672-0797

Please note this event begins at NOON on 19 November.

Directions: Magnolia Manor, 207 Westminister Highway (183), Westminister, SC 29693 (864-647-8559) The reception hall is behind the main house.

Parking: From Highway 183, turn in between the two orange traffic cones near the black and white parking sign, and follow the gravel driveway down to three parking lots where each entrance is marked with two orange traffic cones. Enter through the double doors. (Complete directions may be found under "Contact Us" on the Magnolia Manor website, www.magnoliamanorbb.com).

Upcoming Events

GCL Holiday Party

Caldwell's & Snowden's

Holiday Party
Sunday, 11 December
1730
Western Carolina Sailing Club

Join us Sunday evening, 11 December, at 1730, at the Western Carolina Sailing Club for a fun-filled evening as we celebrate the holiday season.

Toys for Tots is our charity again this year. Please bring new unwrapped toys to brighten some child's Christmas. Also bring a wrapped present (1 per family) for our annual swap game.

Dinner will be a catered buffet consisting of turkey and dressing, ham, rice and gravy, macaroni and cheese, green beans, tossed salad, rolls, tea and a variety of cakes. Cost is \$15 per person.

Please register with your check payable to GCL and mailed to:

Mary Ann Caldwell, 206 WestWind Harbour Drive, Anderson, SC 29626 by December 1.

Anyone desiring something to drink other than tea or coffee should BYOB.

Hope to see you there!!!

Winterization Clinic

Bee & Stroven

Winterization Clinic
Saturday, 5 November
1000
Ben Bee's House

The GCL Boat Winterization Clinic will be held on Saturday, 5 November starting at 1000 at Ben Bee's house. Ben's address is 80 Kay Street, Hartwell, GA (**new address**). Ben and Marlyn look forward to seeing you there. If you have any questions, feel free to contact either Ben or Marlyn.

The **Fair Play Christmas Parade**, will be held on Saturday, 10 December. Line up is at noon; parade starts at 1300. Please help out with your suggestions! Additional information coming by email.

The **Hartwell Christmas Parade**, will be held on Sunday, 11 December, at 1600. Line up is at 1500. Look email for information.

Wrap Up

GCL Charity Poker Run

Fifty-four members and guests attended our GCL Charity Poker Run on Lake Keowee this year.

Eight captains volunteered their boats to cruise up to 40 miles looking for puzzle locations and recording data. It was an opportunity for our newer members to practice their skills using navigation tools including charts, compass, chart plotter, taking bearings, measuring distances, spotting navigation aids, and setting headings. The weather was perfect—many thanks to our current Weather Class.

Our guests were Julie Fruchtman, Sophia Yakumithis, Lori Fox, Debbie and Andy Calhoun, Bill Sharp, and Aron Becker. Our newer members were Jon and Dot Becker, David Clark, Mike Hammett, Carolyn and Walt Lindow, and Jim and Nancy Hackett as member transfers.

Dinner and play of the poker hands were at the Club at Keowee Key. As usual, the Club staff provided excellent food and service for us, and we thank them very much for taking good care of us for this event. Thanks also to my helpers on the committee: Ann Chengrian for working with

Gene Kunkel, SN

the Club to help set the menu and dinner arrangements. She is very conscientious and always looking for ways to improve food and service. Thanks also to Mike Chengrian for serving as our MC. He keeps us on track and helps make for a fun evening. Jim Hackett gave me many good suggestions to make the puzzles interesting. Karen Hublou and Ann Chengrian checked people in and ran the raffle. Wanda and Bill Glover provided the playing cards. Many thanks to our eight boat captains who volunteered their boats and helped as table monitors when the poker hands were played. This event could not happen without their support: Brian Hackley, Ed Lashley, Jon Becker, Jim Hublou, Marlyn Stroven, Lyn Geiben, Ron Lang, and Walt Lindow.

Following dinner, 82 poker hands were played with 50% of the pot donated to our selected charity Ripple of One and 50% to poker hand prizes. The top five winners were: (1) Weiland with 5 Tens, (2) Lang with 4 Kings, (3) Pam Stroven with 4 Queens Ace high, (4) Lashley with 4 Queens Nine high, and (5) Theresa Kunkel with 4 Eights. The raffle prize went to Joe and Donna Mayeur.



Wrap Up

GCL Charity Poker Run



Left top: Jim Hublou, Mike Chengrian, Marite Ozols, Ann Chengrian

Middle: Marite Ozols, Wendy Carter, Walt & Carolyn Lindow select toppings for their ice cream

Bottom: Kitty Dunn working on Terri Lynn nut sales with Jim Hackett and Marlyn Stroven

Right top: Kathy Redford, Karen Hublou, John Ozols, Betty Snowden, Jim Snowden

Middle: Bill Glover presents Gene Kunkel with a useful birthday gift

Bottom: Jim Dunn, Jim & Arline Ray



Wrap Up

Hospice Regatta

This was my first time attending the Regatta for Hospice. I found it to be totally fascinating!

Our pontoon boat was one of three GCL boats setting marks or acting as safety boat. In fact, our itty bitty pontoon boat towed a 5 ton sailboat out of dock into the main channel. Think of the little engine that says “I think I can, I think I can” and you’ll get the picture. I believe the crew on that sailboat were Canadian—a father, 2 sons and a daughter who spoke interchangeably both English and French and their camaraderie was infectious. The best part of any boating adventure are the people enjoying the experience together.

The marks were set so the sailboats would know the course to take. There was the positioning and repositioning to find the optimal wind and best water depth to anchor the marks. Lucky for us Don, from the Western Carolina sail club, did all the heavy lifting and entertained us with his life stories—what a guy!

Off in the distance you could see a myriad of dinghy sailboats seemingly to dance on the water—pivoting here and there—ebbing and flowing in perfect harmony.

Wendy Carter

The whole event was perfectly orchestrated..

Our marks were for the keel boat sailing vessels. It was fascinating to see them round the marks in a precise counter-clockwise direction and then hoist up their spinnaker sail to maximize their wind speed. There is an art and there is a science and it is all extra-ordinary.

After the race, complimentary cookout of hamburgers, hot dogs, sides and condiments was available. Beverages, including beer and wine, were offered at no charge. All of these goodies were donated from co-sponsors of the event. I was there only for one day—but keep in mind this event runs from Friday to Sunday with all meals and beverages and music included—and the view is drop-dead gorgeous!

A total 77 boats were registered, more than \$82,000 was raised for the worthy cause of hospice, AND a good time was had by all! What’s there not to love?

This may have been my 1st Regatta for the Hospice, but it most definitely won’t be the last!

Congrats to all for such a wonderful fundraiser!



Wrap Up

Hospice Regatta



Left top: GCL volunteers helping Western Carolina Sail Club to set marks on Lake Hartwell. Redford's boat, WCSC signal boat and Hackley boat in view.

Bottom: Keel boat course

Right Top: Jim Ray preparing to set course marks

Bottom: Sailboat racing on Lake Hartwell raised over \$82,000 to benefit Hospice of the Upstate located in Anderson, SC

Center: Lake Hartwell from Western Carolina Sail Club

NEXT PAGE Left top: A.G. Caldwell

Middle: Jim Snowden

Bottom: Don Redford

Right Top: Gail Wilshire and Kathy Redford

Middle: Commander Ron Osburn prepares to pilot a Signal boat.

Bottom: Wendy Carter



Wrap Up

Hospice Regatta



Bridge Reports

Safety Report

What Causes Capsizes

All boats can capsize under the right conditions. Instability causes boats to capsize. Boats are inherently stable until something causes them to become unstable. And that something is “weight” – where it is and how much it is determines when a boat will tip over far enough to capsize or fill with water.

A capsize is defined as a boat rolling over onto its side or completely over; swamping typically means that a boat fills with water but remains floating. Nearly all capsizes can be

Mary Ann Caldwell, P

assigned one of three causes.

Weight - The most common is too much weight or poorly distributed weight.

Leaks – Leaks can be caused by such things as forgetting to put the drain plug in or leaking fittings.

Weather – Small boats are easily overwhelmed by modest waves or even wake, especially when the boat is loaded and sitting low in the water.

Life jackets can buy extra time until you’re rescued, but they have to be worn.

Adapted from Boat USWhat

Executive Report

Here it is November, and soon we’ll be gathering with our families for Thanksgiving! Where did the year go? Take a look at the Golden Anchor and you can see all the fun, friendships, and community involvement that we Golden Corner Lakes members enjoy.

I am extremely thankful this year for all the wonderful support and contributions by members of our squadron making this a fun and eventful year: as

Brian Hackley, SN

Executive Officer, I thank all of you who contribute in the areas of Vessel Safety Checks, Co-op Charting, Public Relations, Boating Safety, and Community Activities. I am grateful that we have an active and involved membership at GCL.

Elsewhere in this issue, you’ll find articles on my favorite part of being a GCL member – getting out “on the water” at the Poker Run and Regatta to benefit Hospice of the Upstate.

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Calendar

November 2016

1 - 15	ATON Inspections Lake Hartwell	Hartwell	George Schiller	A lot of fun and an excuse to get on the water Bundle up to stay warm!
1, 8	Weather Class continues	OHC Oconee Room	Gene Kunkel	9 weeks
TBD	Fall Color Cruise	Watch the Anchor or your email for details	John Ozols / George Schiller	Dress warmly and enjoy the foliage from a boat. Invite Lake Thurmond Sqdn
1	Newcomer Club of the Foothills	St. Mark in Seneca	Jim Hackett	GCL Volunteers attend to promote Public Boating Class and Squadron
3	GCL EXCOM - Executive Committee Meeting	Oconee Room, Downstairs Oconee Hospital Outpatient Seneca	Ron Osburn	GCL Bridge and all members welcomed
19	Change of Watch LUNCHEON	Magnolia Manor Westminster SC	Hublous and Redfords	Come and enjoy the company of our members and welcome in the new EXCOM
20	Commander's Brunch	Westminster Fire Dept	Ron Osburn	Thank the outgoing EXCOM and get to know the new EXCOM

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3	GCL EXCOM - Executive Committee Meeting	Oconee Room, Downstairs Oconee Hospital Outpatient Seneca	Brian Hackley	GCL Bridge and all members welcomed
9	WCSC Parade of Lights / Rain date Sat Dec 10	Western Carolina Sailing Club	Jim Snowden	GCL Members welcome to participate
10	Fair Play Christmas Parade	FairPlay, SC	Teri Zahn	Always a lot of fun
11	Hartwell Christmas Parade	Hartwell, GA	Ben Bee	Always a lot of fun
11	GCL Christmas/Holiday Party and Membership Meeting	Western Carolina Sailing Club	Caldwell's & Snowden's	Great way to end our great year
24	Ed & Libba Lashley Drop in	Ed & Libba's house-Clemson	Ed & Libba Lashley	Great party, great food, everyone's invited

January 2017

3	Newcomer Club of the Foothills	St. Mark Church Seneca, SC	Jim Hackett	GCL Volunteers attend to promote Public Boating Class and Squadron
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Hunting & Fishing Day

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Cdr Osburn and Zippit, SCDNR Safe Boating Mascot



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