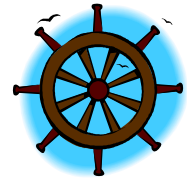


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## Lake Guntersville Sailing Club

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November 2008

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### *Lake Guntersville Sailing Club Annual Dinner*

### *Gunter's Landing Clubhouse*

Saturday November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Social: 6:00–7:00pm, Dinner 7:00pm

*Please join us for an evening of social fun, dinner  
and awards presentation*

*Cash Bar available*

Dinner Buffet Menu: Meats: Seed Encrusted Boursin Stuffed Chicken/Herb Roasted Pork  
Tenderloin

Vegetables: Roasted Potatoes , Green Beans, Roasted Mixed Veggies, Corn Casserole  
Gunter's Landing Favorite Green Salad w/Homemade Dressing

Desserts/Yeast Rolls /Ice Tea-Coffee-Water

*\$25.00 per person*

**R.S.V.P – by November 7th**

**(256) 851-9375/ [gbrown1@hiwaay.net](mailto:gbrown1@hiwaay.net)**

**Make checks to LGSC & mail to: George Brown  
482 St. Clair Lane, Huntsville, Al 35811**

## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS, George Brown

It's been almost two years since I was elected Commodore, and my time is about up. Next month, at our Annual Meeting, we will elect a new set of officers to guide the club over the next year. Both Trish and I have enjoyed our time on the Board and plan to stay active with the club and Board. It has been a truly wonderful experience, mainly because of the great people we were blessed to work with on the Board. I need to personally thank all of you who have made the past two years successful. We still need a few good volunteers to serve on the next Board. If you are interested or know somebody else that would do a good job, contact our Nominating Committee Chair – Charlie Rains.



We still have a full schedule of events and races from the Autumn Challenge to the Annual Meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup>. In fact, we only have one weekend from now till then that we don't have an activity planned, so keep checking the schedule and come join in on the fun.

The Annual Meeting will be on November 15<sup>th</sup> at Gunter's Landing. We are planning a bigger and better event than last year (which may have been our biggest event ever), with presentations by the owners and election of new officers. See the attached flyer for dinner and RSVP information.

Hope to see you at the marina. If you are new, introduce yourself to us so we can get to know you.

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### Activities at a Glance and the LGSC Race Schedule

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
<b>Sat., October 25</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>	<b>Skipper's Meeting – Saturday Pursuit Fall Series #5</b>
	<b>12 Noon</b>	<b>Start – Saturday Pursuit Fall Series #5</b>
<b>Sun., October 26</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>	<b>Skipper's Meeting – Sunday Pursuit Fall Series #5</b>
	<b>12 Noon</b>	<b>Start – Sunday Pursuit Fall Series #5</b>
<b>Sun., November 2</b>	<b>10 a.m.</b>	<b>Skipper's Meeting – Joint Pursuit #5</b>
	<b>12 Noon</b>	<b>Start – Joint Pursuit #5</b>
<b>Sat., November 15</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>	<b>Annual Membership Meeting &amp; Dinner - Gunter's Landing</b>

**FROM THE RACE CHAIRMAN, Keith Kuhlman**  
**If you need crew or want to crew, contact Keith Kuhlman at**  
[bkkuhlman@hotmail.com](mailto:bkkuhlman@hotmail.com) or call 256-582-1108



We have a hot Fall Series going with some very close contest. Wish I could say the wind was “hot” but in general it has “not” until Fall Series 4. So you have to believe our time has come and it is going to be great this coming Saturday and Sunday for wind so come on out!!!

In the Fall Saturday Series we have Charlie and Amy tied for first with 7 points. Chip is showing some new found competitive spirit (new bottom job!!!) and is in third at 8 points. Keith and Sterling are tied at 9 for fourth. So, like earlier in the season, the final race will be with have a lot to do with the final out come!!!

In the Sunday Series we have 10 boats that have participated but only four that have the possibility of three races this season. Keith is in first with five points, Sterling is second with six and Amy is third with seven. Again, a win by Amy could win it all!!!!

The Autumn Challenge was awesome. It started out with a great, hot breakfast provided by William ??? (sorry, his last name is something Scandinavia). William has just started participating with the club and is using John Smith’s “second” boat the Hunter 25.5. Thank you very much William!!

For the pending race we saw a wind prediction of 10 to 15 mph out of the North all day so we changed the course to a windward leeward from our normal start line to Buck Island Light to the North down to Short Creek Light to the South and finish at Seibold. We had planned on three races but the effort to do the first one told the committee that two would be plenty. Thank you!!! Thanks to Dick Potter, Mary Stewart, John Smith and his friend Debbie for doing the committee work. It was very considerate and flawless. Great Job!!!

We had several calamities during the race. Deanna got so fed up with Charlie’s ranting that she threw down the helm and went down below. Seems they had a torn head sail that kept the boat from doing what Charlie thought it could do and he took it out on the driver!!! Lesson in there somewhere for all you men with your wives steering the boat!!! Sterling had a great close in counter with Seibold Light. Not sure what happened but in involved a broach and that is always an exciting thing. We all have to give Judith a hug for sticking it out with him!!! George and Trish were on their ear several times due to the gusty conditions. That is a testimony to the adverse conditions as they are very good at the two handed sailing thing!!! I would also like to congratulate all the other male-female teams that stuck it out; Jean Paul and Melissa, Larry and Stacy,

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Grady and Kathy, Nick and Jean Boulder, Clark and Beth and my helmswoman Miss Beverly.

John Marsh prevailed to be the winner despite loosing a jib halyard shackle and fouling his spinnaker drop (new handicap for you John!!!). Keith and Bev beat their brains out for second trying all they could to catch John in the last race. Brent Beam and crew were steady with two thirds to come in third. Randy Rathman showed that the Pearson is a strong boat with a great fourth at nine points. Sterling finally got the Colgate going well despite the broach and had a fifth with eleven points. George and Trish did a great job getting their "cruising" boat to perform and finished sixth with twelve points. So some pretty close competition and a lot of hard work makes for a good excuse to have a cold one. Thanks to everyone who participated to make it a great day!!!!!!!!!!!!

We finished the evening off with a great dinner set up by Kathy Bryant. Thank you so much for all the great meals after the regattas. Afterwards a number of us enjoyed the new fire place on the porch. Good cozy talk about an exhausting but exhilarating day. Thank you new owners!!!!

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### **Nominees for 2009 LGSC Board**

Commodore	Keith Kuhlman
Vice-Commodore	Tony Martin
Rear-Commodore/Social Chair	Trish Brown
Secretary	Amy Stapleton
Treasurer	Beverly Kuhlman
Race Chair	Dick Potter
Commodore at Large	still open

This is the current list of nominees. I will let you know if Commodore at Large is found for now he's still at large.

Charlie Rains

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**RESULTS OF The LGSC Autumn Challenge October 18, 2008**

**Course:** Seibold Light to Buck Island Light to Short Creek Light to Seibold Light - 7.2/7.92 miles

**Wind:** North all day from 6 to 18 mph and mostly in the range 12 to 15 mph

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Boat:</b>	<b>Race 1</b>		<b>Race 2</b>		<b>Overall:</b>	
		<b>Time:</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Pts.</b>	<b>Pos.</b>
John Marsh	Hunter 33.5	1 56 38	2	1 35 27	1	3	1
Keith Kuhlman	Catalina 320	1 55 34	1	1 37 12	2	3	2
Brent Beam	Catalina 320	1 58 49	3	1 40 35	3	6	3
Randy Rathman	Pearson 31	2 02 40	5	1 49 21	4	9	4
Sterling Phillips	Colgate 26	2 02 14	4	1 53 05	7	11	5
George Brown	Beneteau 321	2 04 44	8	1 50 52	5	13	6
Charlie Raines	Capri 25	2 07 23	11	1 51 54	6	17	7
Jean-Mark Zanni	Catalina 25T	2 02 41	6	2 01 16	12	18	8
Quill Briggs	Hunter 28.5	2 06 53	10	1 54 45	9	19	9
Larry Bontrager	Catalina 25S	2 08 36	12	1 53 44	8	20	10
Tony Martin	Catalina 27T	2 05 52	9	2 01 26	13	22	11
Amy Stapleton	Catalina 27T	2 04 20	7	2 28 49	15	22	12
Dan Plank	Hunter 28	2 12 35	13	1 55 40	10	23	13
Clark Mason	Hunter 280	2 13 25	14	1 56 32	11	25	14
Rich Mason	Hunter 34S	2 18 56	15	2 14 06	14	29	15
Nick Bouler	Catalina 22	DNF	18	DNS	18	36	T 16
Grady Bryant	Beneteau 323	DNF	18	DNS	18	36	T 16

## 2008 LGSC Board

Commodore	George Brown	256-851-9375
Vice Commodore	Charlie Rains	256-878-8330
Secretary	Mary Stewart	205-681-7643
Treasurer	Beverly Kuhlman	256-582-1108
Committee-at-Large	John Marsh	256-355-5003
Race Chairman	Keith Kuhlman	256-582-1108
Social Chairman	Kathy Bryant	256-831-9353
Membership Chairman	Hollis Babb	256-506-2834
Binnacle Editor	Marsha Babb	256-582-0661
Web Master	Hollis Babb	256-506-2834
Dock Master	Quill Briggs	256-652-0916

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### NEW OWNER INFORMATION

**Please make slip checks out to:**

Lake Guntersville Resorts, LLC  
 404 Montgomery Street  
 Gadsden, AL 35901

Please **FIRST** contact Quill Briggs, Dock Master, for **ANY** problems, request or suggestions.

Bookkeeper: Elizabeth Manasco  
 Fax number: 256-549-0735

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### LGSC WEB SITE!

<http://www.lakeguntersvillesailingclub.com>

Need pictures to post on the web site. Please e-mail to [sailor@mindspring.com](mailto:sailor@mindspring.com). Thank you!

