



IN THE BREEZE

October/November Issue 2006

Pumpkin Cup Scares Up Fun !!

It's the most wonderful time.....of the year! That's right, windy fall weather welcomes the Pumpkin Cup more often than not. Fall weather is also VERY comfortable for camping.

O yeah, let's not forget the beautiful Dallas Corinthian Yacht Club facility that we have been invited to enjoy to boot! But don't send in your check yet because we'll be screening *Young Frankenstein* on Saturday night after Dinner in the Clubhouse.

I'd better stop before this starts to sound like a Popeill TV ad. Its not! Its an even better value than the slice-a-matic.

Did I mention Custom Event T-shirts, BBQ dinner, Trophies and Giveaways? No? Well I should have! This is my pick for the most fun event of the year. Its our way of re-

laxing AND having windsurfing fun all at the same time.

The Pumpkin Cup is a more casual event than some of our others. It's a great opportunity to kick back and enjoy the great Fall sailing with other windsurfers. We'll have youth sailors and the scraggly old timers. We'll have hot showers for our campers and a beautiful facility in case of good OR bad weather.

Pumpkin carving normally tops off the evening. If you are a picky carver, you'll want to bring your own pumpkin, we should have a few spares laying around for folks who want to get into the "spirit" on the spur of the moment.

Those of you with kids can have 'em test out their Halloween costumes on all of us! Rumor has it that

there may be some treats for spooky boys and girls this time of year.

This is also the last hurrah for the outgoing NTWR officers. It may be the last time we all get to see Maureen Haggbloom (our regatta guardian angel) as a big group also. She'll be heading up to Alaska (I'm cold just thinking about it) just before our next year's Texas State Champs. Don't forget to give her a big hug and wish her well as she embarks on her new life with her fiancé in the frozen tundra.

You'll find registration information in the newsletter. I'll stop boring you with details. Just remember, we're going to have a ghoulishly good time with or without YOoooouuu.

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"GET ACTIVE IN YOUR CLUB TODAY" **2006 FALL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

October 17th
Club Meeting
Mariner Sails
7:00 pm

Oct 28th and 29th
Pumpkin Cup At DCYC
Lake Lewisville
Fun Regatta and Camping
Directions at
www.dcy.org

Second Tuesday
Special Meeting Date
November 14th
Last Club Meeting of 2006
Officer Elections
Mariner Sails
7:00 pm

December 9th
Mariner Sails'
Christmas Party
7:00 pm till ??

January 16th
1st Meeting for 2007
And
Wine and Cheese Party!
Mariner Sails
7:00 pm

Club Website
<http://www.ntwr.org>

Hobie Regatta Full of Goodwill and Fun for All

I normally have to steel myself up to help host sailing events. Its not that I don't have fun, I do. I am fortunate to enjoy many of my customers as friends also. Still, it always seems no matter how much I plan I always seem to find myself behind the Que-Ball much of the event. The Hobie 18/20 Continentals at Lake Texoma was no exception. Officially I was invited to supply replacement parts for broken boats at the event but I knew there could be more.

The first day..... a broken mast. Normally the type of thing that throws a wrench into a week of fun, but not this time. The sailors were new to Hobie racing. They dashed up hoping I'd have what they needed. I got lucky, its normally a 50/50 shot at best. They grabbed the part and started their repairs. They were on the water racing the next morning! Wow!

The second day..... major collision. One boat cut the transom off of another boat. I don't mean a little damage, the transom and rudder system were laying on the trampoline when I saw the boat. Normally the type of thing that throws a wrench into a week of fun, but not this time. Almost before the damaged boat reached shore, the event staff rigged a replacement boat to loan the racers of the damaged boat. Nobody locally really knew this guy from California, but the Benge family volunteered their own boat for this competitor instantly. He didn't miss a race and ended up chartering the loaner boat for the rest of the week.

The third day.....no wind. We've all been there. Races called off after drifting around for a couple of hours. Normally pretty bad for sailors' moods but not this time. The event staff met the sailors with soft drinks, water and mojitos for those who were interested. Lots of hand shaking and back pounding abound.

The fourth day.....just enough wind to race. Normally lots of folks complain about being forced to get out in light air but not this time. The race committee got in three races AND got everyone back in time for a shower and a nice dinner. All participants participated in the generous purchase of raffle tickets to benefit St. Jude's Children's Clinic. Over \$2500 was raised for charity.

The fifth day.....and the last day also saw light air. Four races and an Awards Banquet topped off the event. Speeches were full of praise for the spirit of the participants and the event. Everyone reveled in the magic of the moment. Me too.

Don't get me wrong, this event was hard work. Midnight runs to Dallas for more goodies. Loading and unloading spares daily for display. Mandatory hours of operation and helping with event staffing take a toll over 5 days. No sailing, oh well. Bottom line, I have seldom been as proud to be a part of a sailing event as I am proud to have been involved with this one. Stranger and friend alike were welcomed and welcoming. A bunch of sailors enjoying sailing AND figuring out how to include charitable thoughts and deeds. As with our windsurfing community, the organizers and participants of this event soar above the fray. I'd go back in a minute!

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Son of Still No Free Lunch? How 'bout Free Dinner instead !! NTWR's November "Dinner and a Movie" Meeting

That's right! Free Dinner and even a Movie too! Your North Texas Windriders will be hosting the November Officer Elections Club Meeting at Mariner Sails starting at 7:00pm on Nov. 14th. We'll have lots of food and a projector and sound system set up. We'll also have soft drinks abound. Adult beverages are BYOB for this one. Did I say POPCORN. Yes, popcorn too! We'll keep the meeting efficient and the fun abundant! Soooo..... see ya there.

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PUMPKIN CUP 2006

Participant has Read the Following and Agrees that

Boardsailing and Boardsailing Racing involves some risk. The participant acknowledges this risk and agrees to hold harmless Mariner Sails, Inc. and it's employees, The North Texas Wind Riders windsurfing club along with it's officers and members, Dallas Corinthian Yacht Club along with it's officers and members, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and their employees and any volunteer or sponsor from any and all losses, damages, injuries and claims arising from any demonstration, instruction, race or spectator participation, and/or equipment or facility use by the participant. The participant certifies that he/she is a capable swimmer and takes full responsibility for any inconvenience, damages, injury or accident that may result from participation in the Texas State Championships Regatta, Dinner, Camping, Festival activities and Party.

Signature _____ Date _____

(Please - One waiver per clinic participant or racer)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Email: _____

Sail #: _____

Age _____ Weight _____ Sex _____

Are you a 2006 Member of NTWR:
 YES NO

Select the fleet you are going to sail in below:

NOTE: Fleets subject to change depending on number of participants.

Formula	
Slalom	
Open Class	
7.5 Limited	
Women's Fleet	
Fun Fleet	

Description	Qty.	Non-NTWR Member	NTWR Member (Less 10%)	Totals
<i>Pre Registration Thru Club Meeting Oct 17th</i>				
Pre-Registration RACER / CLINIC PKG: postmarked on or before Oct 15 includes racing, giveaways, dinner and a t-shirt. Only pre-registered entrants will be guaranteed a t-shirt)		\$35.00	31.50	
RACER / CLINIC PKG: postmarked after Oct 15 includes racing, giveaways, dinner and a t-shirt. Only pre-registered entrants will be guaranteed a t-shirt)		\$45.00	\$40.50	
2007 NTWR Annual Membership: (\$25 single, \$30 family)		\$25/\$30		
T-SHIRT/DINNER/PARTY:		\$25.00	\$22.50	
DINNER/PARTY ONLY:		\$10.00	\$9.00	
EXTRA T-SHIRT:		\$15.00	\$13.50	
CAMPING: The club has reserved 7 campsites (for Fri. and Sat. night) that accommodate 3 vehicles per site. These campsites will be available on a first come first served basis. \$10.00 per vehicle.		FREE	FREE	
Total Enclosed (Make checks payable to 'NTWR')				

T-SHIRTS	S	M	L	XL	XXL
Please enter the number of t-shirts/size needed -->					

Oct. 28-29

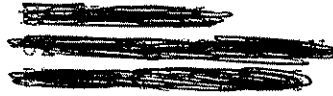
(Please print and fill out completely)

Send to: NTWR c/o Mariner Sails, 10903 Indian Trail #100 Dallas, TX
 75229 (972) 241-1498

Please make checks payable to "NTWR"

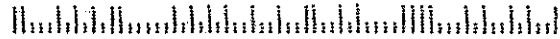
(must be postmarked by ~~Nov 1~~ 2006 to qualify for pre-registration fee)

NORTH TEXAS WINDRIDERS
c/o Mariner Sails
10903 INDIAN TRAIL NO 100
DALLAS, TX 75229



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Pumpkin Cup
Oct 28th and 29th

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YES I AM INTERESTED!!

in joining the North Texas Wind Riders

\$25.00 Individual Membership Enclosed \$30.00 Family Membership Enclosed

Racing is important Social Events are important

Clinics are important Other: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Work Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Please Send replies to:

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How would you like to be reminded about upcoming events?

work phone home phone e-mail

Please e-mail my newsletter Please mail my newsletter

Please include my Information in the Club Roster

Thanks!