

The F 'C'S'LE

Hunterdon Sailing Club, Inc.

4th of July Week 2012

Number 459.1

SPECIAL EDITION - 4th of JULY WEEK AT HSC!

Warm weather and sunny skies are expected for the holiday week!
Here are two great reasons to venture out to Spruce Run:

Wednesday, 7/4 – “Little Brown Jug” Regatta

Sunday, 7/8 – Sunday Summer Series Racing

2012 “Little Brown Jug” Regatta

***Wednesday, July 4th, 11AM Skipper’s Meeting, 12PM Start
Picnic: Immediately after the race!***

The Sailing Part of the Day

On Wednesday July 4th, club members will be sailing the LBJ (not named for the past president) for the honor of having the largest perpetual trophy in the club, the Little Brown Jug, gracing your home. All fleets race together with a staggered start based on Portsmouth ratings. The race committee will announce the starting sequence and timing at the skipper’s meeting. The first boat to reach the finish line wins regardless of when she started. The course will encompass the whole lake and will last approximately 100 minutes. The race has one prize for first place and a best in fleet for those fleets represented by 3 or more boats.

The Picnic Part of the Day

You do not need to race to come to the picnic! Burgers, condiments and drinks will be provided by the club. Please bring something to share: last names A-M please bring a side dish; N-Z please bring a dessert. ***See you all there on Wednesday, July 4th!***



Last year, Doug Brown and Susan Mallows took home the “Little Brown Jug,” leading the pack in their Jet-14!

Sunday Summer Series Racing

When: Sunday, July 8th

Sunday Start: 1:30 PM

Last weekend kicked off the Summer Series, with over twenty boats racing in beautiful weather conditions with a steady breeze at 7-10 knots. The holiday week is a great time to get in on the action!
Hope to see you on the water!



***A variety of boats prepare for the start of last year's LBJ regatta.
This event uses the Portsmouth rating system – ALL sailboats are welcome!***

July 4th ADVICE

Some advice for coming to the park: Do not try to beat the crowd. July 4th is the busiest day of the year at Spruce Run, and there will be a line forming early in the morning, with the park closing the beach area as soon as the parking lots are full. If you arrive at 10:00 or later and tell the park staff that you are going to the boating area for a sailing club regatta and picnic, you should have no problem.

The park superintendent suggests bringing something “boat like”, such as an oar, PFD or even a canoe or kayak on the roof, or a boat on a trailer. Bring your boat storage tag, if you have one. Make it clear that you are a HSC member. Be patient with the park staff. They will be having a busy day!



Racing action this past Sunday – over 20 boats on the water, with great showings from the Sunfish, Flying Scot, Force 5, and Jet 14 fleets! Join us this Sunday!