

# The F 'C'S'LE

Hunterdon Sailing Club, Inc.

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## Ladies Regatta Crowns John Parsekian

On August 19, 2000 under a clear blue sky and nice afternoon breeze, the Y2K Ladies Regatta was held. We had a great showing with 10 boats entered. The Egg Race was first with a LeMans start. The entire fleet ignored the general recall and John Parsekian took an early lead with his spectacular launch from the beach. He was able to retrieve his egg before some of us even left the shore. Only two eggs met their demise during the race, with all others brought to shore safely.

The Duck race followed, with the chase for the ducks, (balloons), with the highest bonus points. Brent and Barbara Benson took first place with a negative(!) final score.

The final race was a hand of poker. There was a lot of confusion at the start, as there was no one way to cross the starting line. The fleet circled the buoys and collected their cards. On shore we played our hands, with Gordon Sell holding the top hand of two pairs.

As mentioned before the race, in an effort not to exclude the men of the club, the Ladies Regatta was open to both men and women as long as the men dressed as women. The men sported some very lovely bonnets and the winner of "best man dressed like a woman" was chosen by the real women of the fleet. John Parsekian, wearing a lovely bonnet and set of faux pearls, was crowned with the perpetual LR Bonnet, which provided a spectacular photo opportunity.

Overall, John Parsekian was the top finisher, followed by Charlie Engler, Gordon Sell, the Benson's, Janet Bodner and Debbie Scheibe, Rich Baumann, Susan Mallows, a tie between Ed Spicer and Ellen Kiskel, and Lisa Spicer. Thanks to all the participants who made this regatta a success!

A special thanks to Tom Nawrot who chaired our race committee; Irena Nawrot, our shore based RC, and to Tim Spicer, Jessica Mallows and Mike Szmaida who assisted on



**I told you I don't make the rules!!!**

### Sam Nelson Regatta for Juniors – August 19<sup>th</sup>

The Sam Nelson was held on Saturday, August 19. The sky was clear and the wind was strong (enough to cause a few capsizes). There were three races held on a long triangle course. Tim Spicer won 1<sup>st</sup> place getting both the Sam Nelson and Walter C. Finne trophies. Special thanks to everybody who showed up and to Tom Nawrot, Tom Maier, and Ed Spicer who were on Race Committee.

1	Tim Spicer	78344	1	2	1	4	midge
2	Dominika Nawrot	78125	2	3	2	7	midge
3	Nate Maier	75065	3	4	4	11	midge
4	Jessica Mallows	77723	4	1	8	13	midge
5	Chris Bergmann	26407	5	5	5	15	junior
6	Mike Szmaida	33066	7	8	3	18	midge
7	Henry Teuber	47496	6	7	6	19	midge
8	Matt Sell	78303	8	6	7	21	junior



### HSC 2000 JUNIOR SERIES FINAL

Participation Requirement Met *	SCORE	6/14			6/21			6/28			7/5			7/12			7/19			7/26			8/2			8/9			8/16				
		#1#	#	#4#	#2#	#	#5#	#2#	#	#2#	#4#	#	#3#	#2#	#	#3#	#2#	#	#3#	#2#	#	#3#	#2#	#	#3#	#2#	#						
J Laks	86.21%							1	2	1																	1	2	3				
* D Nawrot	78.79%	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	4	1	2
* T Spicer	76.77%	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	4	1	1	2	2	2	3	1
M Sell	50.00%												3																				
C Bergmann	38.00%									4	4	4							3	3	3	3	3					3	3	5	5		
J Mallows	32.14%									5	5	4	3	3								4	2	3	3	3	4	5	4	4			

# New "HSC Chandlery"

Arrangements are currently in progress to create a small collection of high quality wearing apparel customized with the HSC logo. Items to be available for sale through the new HSC Chandlery include:

- 100% cotton heavyweight "Beefy" T-Shirts in white with screen-printed green logo on front (\$10-\$12)
- 100% cotton heavyweight (6.5 oz.) pique polo-style shirts with 2-button placket, knit collar & cuffs, in putty with embroidered dark green logo on front (\$20-\$25)
- Two-tone "unstructured" baseball-style caps (khaki with green bill) with dark green embroidered logo (\$15-\$20)
- 100% cotton "crusher" (or "bucket") style hat, in light khaki with dark green embroidered logo (\$15-\$20)

This is not a fundraising project, so exact prices will be determined by the total quantity ordered from the printer. Approximate prices are shown in the parentheses. Order forms will be mailed to each member soon. In the



Ladies Regatta Results									
Participant	Boat	Race 1	Penalty	Final Race 1	Race 2	bonus	Final Race 2	Race 3	Final Score
John Parsekian	SF	0.75		0.75	4	-2	2	3	5.75
Charlene Engler	SF	2		2	3	-3	0	5	7
Gordon Sell	SF	4		4	5	-1	4	0.75	8.75
Brent and Barbara Benson	Jet	3		3	0.75	-1	-0.25	9	11.75
Janet Bodner/Debbie	F5	7		7	8	-3	5	3	15
Rich Bauman	F5	5	2	7	2	-2	0	10	17
Susan Mallows	SF	6		6	6	-1	5	8	19
Ellen Kiskel	SF	8		8	7	0	7	7	22
Ed Spicer	SF	9	2	11	10	-1	9	2	22
Lisa Spicer	SF	10		10	9	-2	7	6	23

### HSC 2000 SUMMER SERIES FINAL

* Participation Requirement Met		7/2			7/9			7/16	7/23		7/30			8/6			8/13			8/20			RC
SCORE		#1	#2	#3	#1	#2	#3	#1	#1	#2	#1	#2	#3	#1	#2	#3	#1	#2	#3	#1	#2	#3	Crdt
<b>Force 5</b>																							
*	R Baumann	100.00%	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				1	1	1				1	1	1	
	R Buchanan	78.26%							2	2				2	2	2							3
	B Bauer	66.67%																		3	2	2	
*	J Bodner	59.09%							3	3				3	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	3
	T Spicer	50.00%				2	3																
	M Kaplan	45.83%				3	2	2	4					4	4								
*	S Mallows	40.54%	2	2	2				6	4							3	1	1	4	4	4	
	C Bergmann	36.00%							5					5	5		1	3	3				
<b>Albacore</b>																							
	B Mohan	96.15%	2	1	1			1			1	1	1	1	1	1							
*	G Cassa	72.22%												3	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	3
	A Mohan	70.00%	1	2	2			2															
	G Peatick	54.55%							1	1	2	3		2	3	3	2	1	2				
	G Spilane	45.45%		3	3							2	2										3
<b>Jet 14</b>																							
*	B Benson	98.41%	1	1	1			1						1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1		
*	C Engler	84.00%	2	2	2				1	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	3	2				
*	B Seip	75.00%							3	2	1	1	3	3	3	3				1	2	1	
	N Einthoven	61.54%		6	3							3	2				3	2	3				
*	S DeFusco	56.14%	4	3	4	3	1	1	2	2	4						5	4	4				3
	R Mattison	48.98%	3	4	5	2	2	2	3								4	5	5				
	Einthoven/Roswell	41.38%	5	5	6	1	3	3															
	A Roswell	40.63%							4	3				4	5	4				3	3		
	C Warren	40.00%								4													3
*	R Hall	28.85%		7	7			4			5	5	4	5	4	5							2
	O'Gwen/Donofrio	26.19%				4		5			3	4	5	6	6	6							
<b>Day Sailer</b>																							
*	T Nawrot	89.19%	2			1	1	1	3	1	1	2	1	1				1	1	1	1	1	3
	R Baumann	81.82%						1				1	2	2									
	N Maier	75.00%	1	2																			
	R Rosswaag	70.00%				2	2	2	2	2													
	K O'Connor	45.45%		1	1				4	4													
	P Teuber	44.44%						5	3	3							2	2					3
	R Marsiano	37.50%				3		4															
	D Suler	33.33%															3						
<b>Sunfish</b>																							
	Hall	100.00%						1															2
	T Spicer	100.00%																1	1				
	R Rosswaag	90.91%												1	1	1				1	2	2	
	N Mentessana	79.17%							1	1				2	2	2				3	1	1	
	J Parsekian	70.59%															1	2	2	2	3		
	D Nawrot	50.00%												3	3	3							
	L Spicer	44.44%															2	3	3				
	J Mallows	26.67%												4	4	4	3						3
	C Bergmann	25.00%																		4	4		
<b>Portsmouth</b>																							
	D Venio	100.00%	1	1	1												1		1	1	1		3
	J Parsekian	100.00%												1	1	1							1
	G Sell	85.71%				1	1	1	1	1										2	2	1	
	M Kaplan	75.00%															2	1	2				
	P Ford	66.67%												2									
	D Cantor	62.50%										1	1				3	2					
	H Kleinhans	50.00%				2	2	2		2													
	L Spicer	50.00%	2	2																			
	A Cantor	33.33%												3			3						



## Letters

### Benson's win Wren Wregatta!

The Wren Wregatta was fun despite weather reports that said rain and thunder all weekend long. Five skippers and crew came to Spruce Run Reservoir with their Jet 14's on Saturday, August 12 to see if the weather report counted there. The sky was cloudy, with no signs of rain or other danger. The wind speed varied from 1/2-inch waves to 3-inch waves. We launched and started the regatta. The wind kept making 90 to 180 degree shifts, so the race committee tried three times to set a proper course. Finally the first race started. About two seconds into the race, there was a rumble from somewhere downwind in the sky, and the "if there is lightning during the race, the race doesn't count" rule was invoked. We all sailed to shore as the wind picked up to whitecaps. It was decided to have a very early lunch and then to think about trying again. Half way during lunch, a thunder and lightning storm moved into the area. There was lightning for several hours, and it was decided to cancel for the day.

On Sunday, we tried again. One boat that was there on Saturday couldn't come, but someone who couldn't come Saturday could and did come on Sunday, so there were still 5 boats.

The sky was cloudy with no signs of rain or other danger. The clouds were smaller and brighter than yesterday. The wind speed was also steadier, and a little stronger than yesterday morning. We rigged our boats and went sailing. Sean DeFusco and Kerrie Giguene sailed an excellent race and won the first race! Half way through the race, Brent and Barbara Benson passed me to finished second. The rest of the races were combined with HSC's regular Sunday series. In the second race, on the second leg, the Benson's were leading and Sean was in second place until he capsized. Sean quickly had his self-rescue Jet right side up and started bailing. Sean and Kerrie bailed and sailed. Brent and Barbara Benson won that race, and Charlie Engler and Ann Parsekian finished second after passing me. The Bensons again won the third race, but they had to fight for it, this time with Nicky Einthoven and Jamie Parsekian in second. In the last race, Bob Mattison and crew were off to a good start. The Benson's won again, with Charlie and Ann as second again. We used the old scoring system. The weather held and the sails were dry as we put them away. Thank you Gene Spillane and crew for an excellent job running the races!

Sail	1, 2, 3, 4	points	skipper & crew
1	1007 2 1 1 1	4 1/4	Brent & Barbara Benson
2	1129 4 2 3 2	11	Charlie Engler & Ann Parsekian
3	1116 3 3 2 3	11	Nicky Einthoven & Jamie Parsekian
4	1105 1 5 4 4	13 3/4	Sean DeFusco & Kerrie Giguene
5	1107 5 4 5 5	19	Bob Mattison & Doug Haymaker

Nicky

### 2000 AROUND LONG ISLAND REGATTA by Ramon Rosswaag

July 27<sup>th</sup> found me aboard RAZZLE DAZZLE, a Nonsuch 30 skippered by a high school classmate, along with 3 other crew including my HSC Sunday Day Sailer crew, Eric. A Nonsuch is a catboat with a wishbone rig containing a loose-footed mainsail and an un-stayed mast and moves best in winds over 10 knots. We were in Division I (non spinnaker, under 34') and started first in a fleet of 17, including another Nonsuch 30, off Rockaway Point. Total number of entrants was 117 boats up to 73 feet long. Normal prevailing winds for this 200 mile, 48 hour event were from a southerly direction, meaning an easy broad-to- beam reach up the ocean side. It was soon evident that that was not going to be the case for this regatta. Winds, about 12 to 16 knots were right on the 'nose' from the north to northeast. Intermittent showers made foul weather gear replace sun block. We made steady progress toward our waypoint, Montauk Point, as the winds held and our speed was 6 to 8 knots.

Watches were to be 4 hours on and 6 off, with two people on watch with a backup. After dark we were in life jackets and safety harnesses and clipped on to jack lines topped off with foul weather suits as the rain had become quite steady. My watch, along with Eric, was the midnight to 4 a.m. On a new-moon night, out of sight of land, with a cloudy sky spitting rain, I quickly learned the true definition of BLACK. Radar reached out to show things within 8 miles around. We did see some lights; one was obviously a cruise ship and also a few competitors (sloops) passing to windward, but other 'lights' remained a compete mystery. The waves seemed to have a consistent pattern; about every 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> one would be a real slammer, momentarily cutting speed by half.

Ed, the skipper was in charge of breakfast. The only LEVEL object aboard was the gimbaled stove, so water could be heated for coffee or tea. Juice was offered in 1/2 full paper cups, as was cold cereal. Slops and spills were rampant (in the head too) and trying to stay in a bunk worked half the time, depending on what tack. Yours truly make Dagwood sandwiches for lunches, and the other 2 guys (retired fireman and airline pilot) made dinners, Dinty Moore Beef Stew, etc.

Wind and weather held steady as the new day arrived but at 1430 that afternoon suddenly the wind stopped. We were 18 miles off the coast and still 43 miles from Montauk. Waves and swell were still with us so we rocked merrily back and forth, each revolution bring a resounding 'smack' from that huge main sail. After dark a slight breeze moved us at 2 to 3 knots but by midnight we agreed that our plight was hopeless.

We'd never reach the finish line at Sea Cliff Yacht Club (Glen Cove) in the allotted 54 hours. Our homeport, Keyport Yacht Club, was 15 motoring hours away so Ed cranked up the reliable diesel. By mid-morning of that new day the wind filled in nicely and we sailed for the last 5 to 6 hours of our memorable experience.

At the time of our withdrawal we were 23 miles ahead of the other Nonsuch.

Though we didn't FINISH, we WON AN AWARD! The E-Gad! Trophy went to the boat that won the start; (pin end favored) good ol' RAZZLE DAZZLE.

INTERESTING NOTE; One of the crew, Bud, formerly owned an identical Nonsuch. As we toasted his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday he recounted the tale of his experiences 6 years ago. He and one other set sail from New York for Bermuda in early December after being assured of a favorable weather window for the next 5 days. The second day out found them in 70 knot winds and 40 foot seas. The boat did a full roll over and when it righted the mast was gone and water filled the cabin. After 12 hours in a life raft (luckily they were in the Gulf Stream) they were plucked from the sea at 2300 hrs by a Japanese coal carrier bound for Ireland. That was their home for the next 11 days after which Aer Lingus sent them back to Kennedy FIRST CLASS and The New York Times gave them FRONT PAGE space and the TODAY show had them as guests. Quite a yarn from a grand old salt!

## Force Five Fleet Report

The 2004 Annual Millard Filmore Regatta will be held on Sunday, Sept. 17. Skippers meeting at 9:30. If you've got, or can find a boat, you'll want to be there.

Here's the exciting news about the regatta:

1. We'll have water in September!
2. We have two new boat owners in the fleet and have added one more!
3. We will have a trophy for the highest finisher among racers who have never won a Force 5 trophy.
4. We are expecting some of the top finishers from the North American Championships to compete.
5. We expect the Star-Ledger to cover the event.

To point #2 above, Janet Bodner and Susan Mallows have purchased boats in the past month. Because of that and the activity of new member Mark Kaplan, we've been getting as many as five starters for the past few weeks. The Fleet is talking about a lot of sailing in the Fall series, and maybe sailing into November.

Rich



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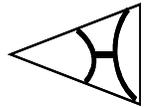
Jet 14	Vim Einthoven & Nicky Einthoven
Force 5	Rich Baumann
Day Sailer	Tom Nawrot
Handicap	David Veno
Sunfish	Gordon Sell
Junior	Dominika Nawrot
Ladies	Janet Bodner

For those of you who followed with interest the escapades of Barbara & Steve Seide they have a home page that you can view their pictures which is:  
<http://www.geocities.com/siderealttime46/homepage.html>

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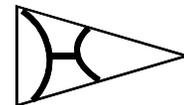
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