

# The F 'C'S'LE

## Hunterdon Sailing Club, Inc.

April 2001

NO. 353

### FRIENDS OF SPRUCE RUN

P.O.Box 612 New Providence NJ 07974  
Phone or Fax: 908-464-5564

Presentation to the NJ Assembly Appropriations  
Committee 3/22/01

Re: A2793 / S1462

My name is Charles Engler. I have enjoyed using Spruce Run and Round Valley Recreation Areas for many years, as have many thousands of New Jersey residents.

Since the mid-eighties, the utilization of these facilities has been frequently interrupted in mid-season due to low water levels. In 1999, for example, the Spruce Run swimming area was closed in July, effectively putting a very popular park out of business, and causing serious harm to the fish populations and the environment.

Since the 90's, suggestions have been made to the NJ Water Supply Authority (which was established in 1981) to return to the cooperative plan in effect when the reservoirs were first constructed. Water was borrowed on occasion from the 55 billion gallon Round Valley reservoir during dry summers. This not only kept the park open, but also as water was pumped back into Round Valley the following spring, provided needed nutrients.

In 1998, the Friends of Spruce Run, a grass-roots group of recreationalists, sportsmen and environmentalists was formed to take more positive steps to gain acceptance of our suggested plan. Through extensive efforts, we were able to demonstrate that no harm would come to our water supply, and that the modest expense would not increase the cost of water sold to the for-profit water purveyors (this cost is about \$.02 per retail water customer per year).

From a financial standpoint, our plan will average about \$40,000 per year, some years nothing and other years more. For each added week of utilization of Spruce Run Recreation Area however, the State will receive approximately \$10,000 in admission fees, thus off-setting a portion of the pumping costs to refill Round Valley.

In return, the citizens of New Jersey, and these areas do attract people from a wide area; will once again have the use of beautiful recreation areas, for which multimillion-dollar expenditures were made. This access, in fact, was envisioned in the Water Bond act of 1958, which stated, "The reservoirs constructed pursuant to this act shall be available for public

use for recreation, swimming, fishing and boating in such manner and to such extent as shall not impair the availability of the water therein..." (58:22-16.).

Based on this promise to the people, Department of Conservation and Economic Development Commissioner Roe ordered a study made in 1966, which resulted in multimillion-dollar expenditures to create these remarkable recreation areas we have today.

A list of the groups supporting our plan is included with the material supplied. You will see that we have attracted the support of thousands.

And through the efforts of the bill's sponsors, Assemblyman Lance and Senators Schluter and Littell, and with your approval, we can return to the original operating plan of balancing our resources for the maximum benefit.

### HELP NEEDED

It's that time of year to start planning our Spring Regattas. Please let everyone know that we need their help. The Sunfish Fleet is looking for a Race committee for three Regattas this May. The First is the SANJL on May 5th; Coordinator Gordon Sell. The Second is the USSFCA mid Atlantic May 12th; Coordinator Nicky Einthoven. The Third is the Memorial Day Open Regatta on Monday May 28th; Coordinator Bob Inglis. Spread the word.

Bob Inglis

## COMMODORE'S CORNER

It's now March 21st and we finally made it to Spring. Spring is the 'best of all' of the Seasons. The weather improves, days are longer, flowers and trees bloom, and the Spring showers will put Spruce Run at 100% capacity for our opening day in early May. It's now time to uncover your boat and begin to spruce it up for Spruce Run. Uncovering a boat from a long winter's nap is fun. You see what has been living in your boat over the Winter and you feel the "rush" as you clean the boat and prepare it for sailing on a warm Spring day.

Membership applications are arriving at our house every day. Patty and I have received about 35 applications and we see that our classes (Adult and Youth) are all about 1/2 full. If you have sent us your application, then we say thank-you. If you haven't sent your application to Patty Seip, then please take the time to fill out an application form and send it in.

I hope that all of the Membership participates in some or ALL of the events scheduled this year. Your Executive Team has worked hard over the Winter months to prepare the Schedule of Events, make revisions to the Handbook, and prepare a Budget. The Membership approved the 2001 Budget at the February - General Membership Meeting. Sorry that we had to increase Dues and Training Fees, but our Insurance increase was substantial. All you have to do is participate and you will get the "Yudels of Pleasure" that let you feel that your money was well spent.

Happy Sailboat Preparation,

Barry Seip

Commodore

**Born: Willem Andrew Einthoven**

**To: Pieter and Kathy Einthoven**

**Date: January 15, 2001**

Many older Sailors will remember Pieter Einthoven, who at one time was the youngest active sailor at HSC.

His four year old sister Kristen is looking forward to taking the new family member on his first sail, on the Chesapeake Bay with the rest of the family.

## Jet Fleet Report

News from the West River, Maryland, Jet Fleet: Dave Irey passed away last night (March 3, 2001) at home in his sleep. He was there under hospice care. Heart disease and pancreatic cancer finally brought him down. As some know, Dave suffered significant health problems for about 20 years. He never gave up his sailing and was a tough competitor all through this period. I can remember helping him with his dialysis machine in 1983 during the Saratoga Nationals. He was a real inspiration to many of us.

Dave sailed all his life; he grew up sailing Thistles and Penguins at West River. He got into Jets in the late fifties; some remember him crewing for Joe Willis in 540. He campaigned a MORC boat in the early 70s. He got back in Jets in 1976 when he and Doug Gregory rebuilt 729. He was a major factor in the growth and spirit of the Jet Class and the Fleet at West River from the early 80s until the present both on and off the water. He was Class President in 1982.

Dave really appreciated reminiscing with all the Jet sailors that visited with him over the past 9 months while he was confined. He would become very animated and fired up during those conversations.

There was a memorial service for Dave the week of March 4 at West River Sailing Club.

Randy Bruns

## Open Fleet

The Open Fleet was formed to provide an additional outlet for those skippers who wish to sail competitively. All types of boats that are not part of the Club's one-design fleets are part of the Open Fleet and are welcome to race with the club. An official start is given at the end of the starting sequence each Sunday. The Open Fleet sails a modified triangle course unless direct otherwise by the race committee. For a skipper's score to count towards qualification, the skipper must start with and sail the same course as all other Open Fleet skippers participating for the day.

Scoring will be done under the US Sailing Portsmouth Yardstick Handicapping system to make all boats equal. This system is explained in handbook under HANDICAPS. When racing with the Open Fleet, each skipper is expected to follow the one-design class rules and specifications that govern the type of boat being raced at that time. When qualifying for a series, a skipper need not race the same type of boat for the entire series. Regardless of the number of boat types used, a skipper's entire participation in the series will be used to determine his/her final standing and minimum participation requirement.

## A MID-WINTER ODYSSEY

This year's Mid-Winters started on the Wednesday of the last week in February with the Force 5's at the Upper Keys Sailing Club in Key Largo. Three days of fine weather and good winds on Buttonwood Bay.

Rich Baumann and I enjoyed the sailing but could not put together a good series and ended in the lower portion of the fleet of 16 boats. Rich's question, "It the competition tougher than we're used to?"

Fred Meno, back to racing 5's again won the event followed by the perennial Bobby Cullen.

Rich headed home and I headed for Lake Mantee for some practice on my new Sunfish. At the launch a fat local made some smart remarks about seeing 16-foot aggressive alligator. I didn't see any.

Next it was on to Clearwater YC for the tree day Sunfish Mid-Winters. It was a 68-boat madhouse. Friday was great. Saturday a front came through and it blew in the 20's and 30's. Only one race and 32 boats either didn't go out, broke down or couldn't finish. I put on my first gens, it slipped, and the boom hit the deck. I quite and flew back to the beach on a flying beam reach. The boat hummed.

Sunday it rained with strong winds, your blizzard that didn't happen. They called it off. Seve Smeulders took 12<sup>th</sup>, Posy was 39<sup>th</sup> and I was 54<sup>th</sup>.

So I took off across Clearwater and Tampa to get back to Manatee for more practice. I lost the highway and got on some back streets in Tamps. Found the highway again but I couldn't find my dolly wheels out my motor homes' back window. Then I couldn't find the dolly, the Sunfish, the Force 5 or the trailer.

With thoughts of all kinds of disasters that the trailer might have caused, I found out from the Tampa police dispatcher that it was at an address on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. It must have bounced off at a cross street and ended up against a parked Audi and over its hood. Feeling lucky, I waited a long while for the police, had a cup of tea with the lady owner and with the help of a Jamaican restaurateur we got rid of the Sunfish rack that had splintered, clam-shelled the sunfish on the Force 5 and sedately headed for Manatee.

HINT..always bolt or lock the hitch release down and use two safety chains. I will always...always.

Finally the Sunfish International Mid-Winters were the next weekend at Port Charlotte, south of Sarasota. Sixty-five boats showed up. It was absolutely beautiful weather, nice winds, especially in the afternoons. What a great place to sail.

Class members will recognize the top finishers names.. Charlie Clifton, Dan Bergman the wife Jean Bergman, I finished 28<sup>th</sup>. An 11<sup>th</sup> and a 16<sup>th</sup> were my best races. In the first race my halyard slipped off my boom and I was happy to catch 2 boats.

Hey, come on down. Get your priorities in order. The Sunfish events are always the first two weekends in March. Either fly or charter a boat or drive in the to 4 days. Retire anyone? I spent 4 weeks in warm, mostly sunny days.

HBWT

## THE FRIENDS OF SPRUCE RUN

P.O. Box 612 New Providence, NJ 07974

February 8, 2001

THOSE INDICATING SUPPORT OF OUR PROPOSAL INCLUDE:

- ? DEP Assistant Commissioner Cari Wild ("...the Department has offered its full support of the Modified Operating Plan" letter dated 10/10/00)
- ? NJ Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife ("The current operating plan...has direct negative impacts to the Spruce Run ecosystem" – Lisa Barno, Principal Fisheries Biologist).
- ? NJ Division of Parks and Forestry ("without water we have little to attract visitation" – Joseph Winnicki, Superintendent, Spruce Run Recreation Area)
- ? Water Resources Management, Inc. (WRMI) President Daniel Sheer ("...will improve water quality both for environmental and water supply purposes' maintain or improve the hydrologic reliability of supplies, and provide important recreational and other environmental benefits.")
- ? The Sierra Club
- ? ANJEC
- ? Round Valley Trout Association Dennis Haggerty
- ? The New Jersey B.A.S.S. Federation John Carlone II
- ? The Hunterdon Sailing Club Commodore Barry Seip (requested useable water levels since 1991; length of docks unimportant)
- ? The First Occupational Center of New Jersey President and CEO Rocco Meola (The disadvantaged are prevented from using this fine facility when significant water level reductions occur)
- ? The Baptist Camp and Conference Center Director Donald Smith
- ? New Jersey State Fish and Game Council
- ? New Jersey PIRG – Public Interest Research Group
- ? NJ State Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs (Much of the land that Spruce Run is on was originally purchased with funds from Fish and Game license fees).
- ? State Council, Trout Unlimited ("tremendous boost to area economy")
- ? Recreational Fishing Alliance
- ? Jersey Coast Angler's Association
- ? Gone Fishing Enterprises
- ? Highlands Coalition
- ? Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Alliance
- ? Long Hill Township
- ? Numerous local businesses
- ? And -----
- ? Hundreds of written and verbal expressions of support received from users of Spruce Run and Round Valley Recreation Areas

*\*Contributions to help defray our expenses are most welcome. Make out to "HSC - Friends of Spruce Run" Thank you!*

**HUNTERDON SAILING CLUB, INC. ~ CLINTON, NEW JERSEY  
APPLICATION FOR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERSHIP - 2001**

New: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal (no changes from the previous year's Handbook): \_\_\_\_\_

**Adult Members in Household - (Age 18 and over):**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Children of Adult Members in the Household - (Under 18; give full date of birth)**

1. Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ )

2. Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ )

3. Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ )

4. Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ )

Note: dependents up to age 22 may be considered "children" for the purposes of membership.

**Sailboat Information:**

Boat/Class Class Member? Sail # Boat Name

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

*In the event of election to membership in the Hunterdon Sailing Club Inc., I hereby agree to abide by its constitution and by-laws, and all rules and regulations now in force or that may hereafter be adopted by the Club, so long as my membership continues.*

*This includes use of Club boats for the use of pleasure and/or racing. I also certify that only capable swimmers will operate my boat(s) and that Non-swimmers aboard as passengers will wear approved personal flotation devices at all times. I also will not hold the Hunterdon Sailing Club, Inc., its officers, members and employees liable for damage to my boat(s) or injury to myself or family.*

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: You will be assigned to one day (Sunday) of Race Committee as shown in the inside cover of the 2001 Handbook.**

**Interested in crewing? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a member of US Sailing Association? \_\_\_\_\_**

**ADULT INTRODUCTION TO SAILING**

**Adult Training ( Introduction to Sailing )** : No additional fee. Offered in early June.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Sailing Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

**FEES**

Annual Membership Dues (**\$75.00 per household**): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Add **\$10.00 for RENEWALS after 4/1/2001**)

Non-Member Focsle Subscription (**\$15.00** per year): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Training (**\$50.00** per child per Session): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total, Payable with Application:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**The "Friends of Spruce Run- FOSR" are working diligently to have laws passed to control the water level in Spruce Run.**

**Donations are appreciated and can be included with your membership check or as a separate check made out to HSC/FOSR.**

**Donation Levels: Commander \$10.00 Captain 25.00 Admiral: \$50.00**

Please send form & check (payable to "Hunterdon Sailing Club") to:

HSC/Patty Seip, 120 Pleasantview Ave., New Providence, NJ 07974 Phone 908-464-0534

**In accordance with Club By-Laws, dues "shall become due in March of each year."**

SAIL TRAINING PROGRAMS ARE ON THE PAGE THREE



# Spruce Run Recreation Area Boat Storage Application



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Make: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle License No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Trailer License No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Registration No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit to be stored (check one):  Car Top Boat     Boat & Trailer     Double Deck Trailer

Applications are accepted beginning March 1st. Only one application per family or organization will be acknowledged, and any application not fully completed will be returned. Mailed applications must be accompanied by credit card information or check or money order made payable to *Treasurer, State of New Jersey*. (No cash will be accepted through the mail). Storage sites will be assigned consecutively on a first come first served basis beginning with site number one until 300 applications have been satisfied. Boat storage permit holders shall not make use of the Spruce Run Boat Storage Area contrary to regulations and written instructions as regulated under NJAC 7:2-2.13.

	<u>April 1 – October 31</u>
Single Boat Storage Fee	\$125.00
Double Boat Storage Fee	\$187.50
Cancellation Fee	\$ 20.00

*The undersigned acknowledges that only one application is submitted, per family or organization, and acknowledges receipt of a copy of Spruce Run Recreation Area Boat Storage Selection Procedures and Regulations and is responsible for full compliance with these regulations. The State of New Jersey and its employees or agents are not responsible for the protection of boats or any equipment stored and is not liable if vandalized, damaged or stolen. Enclosed is credit card information or a check or money order in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant Date

**Method of Payment**

Cash    Check or Money Order    Credit Card (check one)   Please include credit card number and expiration date.

Billing Address: If you are using a credit card, make sure the address above is where you receive your credit card statement.

MasterCard                      Discover/Novus                      Visa

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to:

Superintendent  
Spruce Run Recreation Area  
1 Van Syckel's Road  
Clinton, NJ 08809

-----  
Office Use Only

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ Site No. \_\_\_\_\_ Remarks \_\_\_\_\_



# Spruce Run Recreation Area

## Boat Storage

### Selection Procedures and Regulations



The State Park Service provides 300 boat storage spaces at Spruce Run Recreation Area. Please read the following selection procedures and regulations before completing the attached application.

### Selection Procedures:

- Applications will only be accepted beginning March 1st. Storage sites will be assigned consecutively on a first come first served basis beginning with site number one until the first 300 applications have been satisfied.
- After the first 300 applications are received, any remaining applications will be placed on a waiting list in the order in which they were received. Any vacancies resulting from cancellations will be awarded from this list.
- The first 300 applicants will be issued a permit through the mail. All remaining applicants will be notified of their waiting list number through the mail.
- Required refunds will be processed through the State Treasurer's Office.

### Regulations:

- The boat storage season extends from April 1st through October 31st.
- Stored boats are limited to a length of 25 feet and a maximum height of 30 feet above the water line.
- Stored boats must be removed from the water and placed in assigned storage spaces each night.
- Boat storage sites will be assigned consecutively on a first come first served basis beginning with site number one.
- Boat storage permits are not transferable.
- Possession of a boat storage permit will not guarantee admission to the boat launch peninsula when the area is full.
- Issued boat storage decals must be permanently affixed to each stored boat and vehicle.
- Stored boats greater than 12 feet in length (except canoes and kayaks) or motor powered boats (regardless of length and type) must display a current New Jersey registration number and sticker.
- The State of New Jersey and its employees or agents are not responsible for the protection of boats or any equipment stored and is not liable if vandalized, damaged or stolen.
- The State of New Jersey reserves the right to discontinue boat launching for special events or, if in its opinion, the reservoir level reaches an elevation which is considered unsafe for boating or boat launching. The State Park Service is not responsible for, nor guarantees, the water level at the reservoir during the boat storage season.

- If a boat storage permit is destroyed, damaged or lost, a replacement permit may be issued. To receive a replacement, proof of the lost, damaged or stolen permit is required by providing permit remnants, police reports for stolen or damaged vehicle/boat or any other documentation that provides reasonable proof of loss or damage.
- The boat storage fee includes the daily parking fee for one vehicle. Vehicle decals must be permanently affixed to the permittee's vehicle or the daily parking fee will be charged.
- Cancellations and refund requests for a boat storage permit will be prorated and require a \$20 cancellation fee.
- Boat storage permit holders will not make use of the Spruce Run Boat Storage Area contrary to park regulations. Violators may be subject to penalties under NJAC 7:2-2.13. A full text of rules is posted and is available upon request.

For additional information, please contact:

**Superintendent**  
**Spruce Run Recreation Area**  
**1 Van Syckel's Road**  
**Clinton, NJ 08809**  
**(908) 638-8572**

*If you want a storage space near the HSC sheds (numbers 270-300) Put on your application "Prefer Sailing Club Area"*

## Hunterdon Sailing Club

[www.redkoh.com/hsc](http://www.redkoh.com/hsc)

### Officers

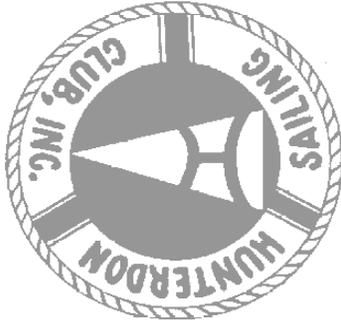
Commodore	Barry Seip	908-464-0534
Vice Commodore	Brent Benson	610-282-3611
Rear Commodore	Brian Mohan	908-369-6115
Assistant Rear Commodore	John Parsekian	908-766-6103
Secretary	Debbie Schiebe	908-780-8711
Treasurer	George Cassa	908-832-5011
Jr. Past Commodore	Susan Mallows	908-638-5210

### Staff

Protest Chairman	Ray Buchanan	973-635-7764
Membership	Patty Seip	908-464-0534
Training		
Scorekeeper	David Veno	609-799-8036
Newsletter Editor	Barbara O'Connor	908-730-9007
NJYRA Representative		
Web Master	Paul Ford	908-904-0743
State Liaison	Charlie Engler	908-464-5564
Librarian	Gene Spillane	908-918-0842
Handbook Editor	Janet Bodner	908-832-8953

### Fleet Captains

Albacore	Gene Spillane	908-918-0842
Day Sailer	Tom Nawrot	973-927-9107
Force 5	Susan Mallows	908-638-5201
Jet 14	Nicky Einthoven	609-882-3392
Jet 14	Roger Hall	570-839-6221
Sunfish	Mike Wheeler	973-887-6961
All Other Boats	David Veno	609-799-8036
Junior	Tim Spicer	908-735-7016
Ladies	Janet Bodner	908-832-8953

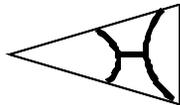


The FO'C'S'LE is the monthly newsletter by and for the members of the Hunterdon Sailing Club. Material is welcome from all members. Submit copy to the editor at: 1 Chrystal Drive, Lebanon, NJ 08833 or e-mail to: [bo\\_connor@hotmail.com](mailto:bo_connor@hotmail.com). Newsletter articles must be identified as such in the subject line with month of publication noted. Press deadline is the 20th day of the month.

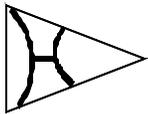


*Patty Seip for:*  
 Membership/Training  
 bseip@telcordia.com  
 908-464-0534

HUNTERDON SAILING CLUB, Inc.  
 Box 612  
 New Providence, New Jersey 07974



## Hunterdon Sailing Club, Inc.



HUNTERDON SAILING CLUB, Inc.  
 Box 612  
 New Providence, New Jersey 07974

The **FO'C'S'LE**

APRIL 2001