

Austin Sailing Club Tell-Tale

April, 1960

The slow advent of spring-like weather in the Austin area has hampered the offseason rejuvenation of the sailboats affiliated with the Austin Sailing Club, but the Club has moved forward nevertheless since the time of the last Tell-Tale.

Item -- three new members have been added to the roster.

Item-- our presentation at the Boat Show has exposed a current of interest in sailing activities generally and in the Club in particular which was unexpected in extent and which promises to expand the present membership of the Club. This interest reflects credit on every member of the Club who helped put the display across. It is gratifying to note that practically every member of the Club contributed generously his time and energy to the success of the enterprise.

Item-- Every store in town devoted to the sale of boating supplies has reported a great increase in the number of inquiries from customers about sailing and sailboats. They have all requested and received copies of the little hand-bills we distributed at the Show, and as these are put in the hands of inquirees and returned to the Club management we will enlarge our list of prospective sailors in the area.

LOCAL ACTIVITIES COMING UP

SPORTS FAIR-- Easter weekend; this activity, to be held in the City Auditorium, has received so much advance publicity that it isn't necessary to detail it again here. We have been given a 10 x 20 booth inside the Auditorium which we will use to acquaint the visitors with our program and aims. The expenditure of time and money on our part won't be as great as was required for the Boat Show, but as before it is the division of effort which will result in a successful display with minimum inconvenience to the members. Keep this in mind when you are requested to do something for the Sports Fair.

DINNER MEETING-- Friday night, April 22, in the Upstairs dining room at El Toro, there will be a meeting of the Sailing Club members and any other persons interested in the Club. The food will be ordered at 7:15, but the dining room has been reserved for 6:30 to accommodate the beer drinkers. The meeting should get underway by 8:00 and be over by about 9:00.

This is the last meeting to be held before the sailing season officially begins for the Club, and this will probably be the last meeting held in town until after the close of the racing season. For this reason, we are making a particular effort to assure that invitations to the meeting are issued to everybody in the area who might be interested in the activities of the Club. If you know anybody who might be interested, give them a call and invite them. Don't assume that the management has already done so. Better yet, give one of the Club officers a call and have a copy of the Tell-Tale sent. The information about the meeting is built in, and the other information may round out the picture of the Club's activities.

At this meeting, a Secretary-Treasurer will be elected. Two meetings ago, when nominations for the office were sought, only Coleman Gay, the present Temporary Secretary-Treasurer, was nominated. That was, of course, before the membership observed what results when he sets pen to paper. This is your chance to rectify the situation. Further nominations will be accepted at the meeting. DON'T let this election go by default. This is a particularly interesting and stimulating

office, with opportunity for grand theft, general indolence and the outlet of repressed hostility. DON'T repress; you too can be sending out bills to doctors, lawyers, and others! Get your friends to nominate YOU for this office. Better still-- join your friends and gang up on somebody else. What lower blow could you deal than to saddle some poor soul with this job? PoLiTiCs--Intrigue...Don't miss it. (If you can't attend the meeting yourself and you are entitled to vote, give some other member your proxy; Members not represented in person or by proxy are assured of their nomination...)

SAIL-AROUND-- Saturday afternoon, April 23, at 2:00 o'clock, all the boats in the Austin Sailing Club are invited to come out to Jesse's and join in a pre-racing tune-up. We will have cameramen there to take some publicity shots, there will be free beer at the Clubhouse, and we expect to attract a large group of interested non-members. Make a particular effort to have your boat in the water by April 23 and plan to take part in this event.

CLUBHOUSE PARTY-- Saturday night, April 23, from 7:30 to 11 (or later). This is a BYOL affair (unless we have some beer left from the afternoon), and your guests are particularly welcome. This will be the first party of the 1960 season at the Clubhouse; music will be provided and we are looking forward to seeing YOU there.

RACING-- Beginning Sunday May 1, and every Sunday thereafter, there will be racing from Jesse's starting at 2:00 o'clock. Your Fleet Captain will issue more specific instructions later, with respect to buoys, starting flags, etc. Check in at the Clubhouse before the races if instructions have not been otherwise published. The May races are tune-up races only; race points won't be based on the results of these races.

STATEWIDE ACTIVITIES COMING UP

April 23-25: Woodlawn (San Antonio) Sailing Club Regatta

April 30-May 1: Buccaneer Days, Corpus Christi Lake Sabine Yacht Club Regatta

May 6-8: Dallas Corinthian Yacht Club Annual Invitation Regatta

May 20-22: Shreveport Yacht Club Regatta

May 29: Sailfish Regatta (Galveston)

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