



Austin Sailing Club

Tell-Tale

October, 1961

The next meeting will be at the Lake Austin Inn, Saturday, October 14. (Please note the corrected date). This will be both an awards party and a business meeting. Dinner will be ordered from the regular menu and there will be an orchestra for dancing. The usual cover charge will apply. At the last meeting it was proposed that club dues be reduced to \$1.50 per month. This motion will be voted on. There will also be several new members to be voted in.

The Texian Navy Cup will be awarded this year to the winner of a series of races. The five Lofland Snipes have been offered to sail the races. Bill Houston is in charge and will probably have contacted you by phone by now. If you are interested, contact Bill at GR 6-3009.

October first was the end of the 1961 scheduled race season. Following is a resume of the year as entered in the log book. Excluding the club regatta, Lightning Districts, and days on which races were called because of weather, races were sailed on May 21, June 4, 18, July 23, August 6, 20, 23, 27, 30, September 24 and October 1. If you multiply the number of races by the number of boats participating, this comes to a total of 66 boat-races. This figure breaks down into 46 for Snipes, 9 Lightnings, 6 Interlakes and 5 Thistle. This is certainly an encouraging record and indicates how far the club has progressed in 3 seasons. The lightnings have been plagued by misfortune--fires, explosions, and being rammed by a powerboat, but are still active and with the prospect of at least one new boat by next year. The Interlake fleet is growing and only needs to interest its skippers in racing. These boats are all new fiberglass and in good condition. The Snipes have emerged as the core of the Club. There are five identical Lofland fiberglass Snipes in the club with more coming. Lagow should have his wooden boat back in next year. With two Windmills this boat shows promise of developing into an active fleet next year. There are no Thistles currently in the club.

The Austin Chamber of Commerce is planning a 10-day water festival next summer to promote the Highland Lakes. The Austin Sailing Club will cooperate in this endeavor and probably schedule our regatta then. This should give us additional publicity. It was proposed at the last meeting that we obtain large permanent trophies to be awarded then and call it the Governor's Cup Regatta, capitalizing on the presence of the state government. More about this at the next meeting.

Following is a list of the current members and their boats.

SNIPES: J. Leech, A. Lagow, F. McIntyre, E. Rachlin, K. Wagner,
C. Williams
INTERLAKES: W. Houston, L. Griffin
LIGHTNING: C. Larrison, D. Marsh
WINDMILL: E. Gerhardt, J. Stambaugh
MISCELLANEOUS: H. Flowers--Flying Dutchman, Jr.; W. Moore--Chesapeake
32 & T 31; C. Gay--Sabot; P. Kimbrough--T 24; T. Crow--Sunfish
NO BOATS: M. Finley, M. Kengla