

# The Trailer Tongue

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Newsletter of the Southern Idaho Sailing Association

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## UPCOMING EVENTS!!!!

**Last regatta of the season at C.J. Strike, September 27-28:** It's time for the end of season celebration at C.J. Strike and you won't want to miss it. SISA is providing beef tenderloin for the potluck so all you need to bring is a side dish and your plate (silverware is always good, too). We'll be holding a wind raffle before the potluck and rumor has it that Bob Entwistle will be serving his famous Grog. The skippers' meeting will be held at the Cove on Saturday morning at 11:00 a.m. with racing to follow at high noon, wind permitting. See you there!

**Save the date for the Annual SISA Holiday Bash, December 12:** If sailors can't sail, they can certainly party! Plan on joining us for the annual holiday party and Sailors' White Elephant gift exchange on Friday night, December 12th at 7:00 p.m. More details will follow in future issues of the Trailer Tongue.

## AWESOME WIND AT C.J. STRIKE

The first regatta at C.J. Strike was amazing! The wind blew steady and true at 7-11 knots both days, making it one of the best regattas of the season. So where were all of you???

With only seven boats on the start line each day, the Race Committee of John Gabiola and John Spurlock had a pretty relaxing weekend. Thanks guys for giving us seven great races! And thanks to everyone who did come out to race and potluck, we had a good time as always.

The winners for the weekend (Open Class of course) were:

1st Place	Keith and Lynn Sander	Mac 26
2nd Place	Dick Armstrong and Bob Entwistle	F-27
3rd Place	Ken, Katie and Maddie DeAngelo	Mac 25

This was also a special weekend for some of the kids as Mark and Christine Fiechter found out that the Boise Astronomical Society was holding an event at the Bruneau Sand Dunes. After the potluck on Saturday night, several kids and parents made the trek to the Dunes to see the stars and planets through some large and powerful telescopes.

## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

By Commodore Dick Armstrong

Because of my Commodoreship and only because of it, the wind and weather were perfect for our last regatta. Therefore it will be perfect all month! Okay, so I don't sound exactly like a politician but it comes quite close to some of the outlandish statements that are rolling around right now. The truth is the weather and wind were fabulous. The nine boats that made the last regatta were really blessed, sort of like shooting an eagle in golf. So don't miss the last regatta of the season at C.J. Strike on Sept. 27-28. We have a number of fun events planned including a poker run (I have hauled these cards around for two years) and battleship with water balloons.

**News Flash!!** SISA's Board has purchased a 1995 Tracker pontoon boat to replace our aged *Rachel*. We've nicknamed her *Large Marge, The Party Barge* for now. She is 21 feet long with 25-inch tubes and a 60 hp engine versus *Rachel's* 19 inch tubes and ancient outboard. This winter we'll schedule some work weekends to set up *Large Marge* with lockers, masts and anchors. More details to come later this fall.

We have a final diagnosis on our old engine. The top piston had all the rings frozen and the cylinder wall metal was transferring to the piston. Piston #2 had two frozen rings, #3 had one frozen ring and #4 was just fine and running. It looks like she was not getting enough cooling water due to a weak water pump. It served the club well but may be beyond repair due to the depth of the cylinder wall damage.

It has been a great sailing season with more SISA members than we have had for several years, and many new boats at regattas learning about racing. I want to thank all of you for being part of the organization and contributing to the success of the club. See you at C.J. Strike on September 27<sup>th</sup>! Thanks for listening.

## FOR SALE: STARTER BOAT FOR SISA SAILORS

1981 MacGregor 21 with trailer, good condition, has five sails including new main (2007) and spinnaker w/pole. Has mast-raising system, custom winter cover, swim ladder, boat hook, fenders, life jackets, etc. With some cosmetic work and small outboard motor, she's ready to sail. **\$1,200.** Call SISA (Keith at 761-4258 or Joel at 375-2204).

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DATE

LOCATION

COMMITTEE

**Sept. 27-28, 2008**

**C.J. Strike Reservoir**

**Tom and Becky Valasek**

**This is it—the last regatta of the season! Don't miss it, the sailing will be awesome and the food will be fabulous—we promise! Check inside for all the details.**

**October 7, 2008**

**IdaSailor Marine**

**Board Meeting**

can you think of a better way to  
spend a crisp fall weekend than at  
the last regatta at C.J. Strike? SISA  
is going to provide beef tenderloin for  
the potluck. yum-yum!



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