# **Topics for Class #4**



- Crew Safety
- Weather Safety
- Crew Overboard Recovery
- Navigation Lights
- Charts/ Lake Lanier Map
- REVIEW

## Class Schedule

Meetings: Mondays 8-9:30PM Student Center Room 343

 June 1<sup>st</sup>: Introduction, Terminology, Gear, Steering & Sail Trim

Knots: Figure Eight, Bowline, & Coiling

June 8<sup>th</sup>: Points of Sail, Tacking & Jibing, Spinnaker,
& Racing Intro

Knots: Square Knots & Cleats

June 15<sup>th</sup>: Maneuvering, Right of Way, Docking, Anchoring,
& Maintenance

Knots: Barrel Roll & Clove Hitches

- June 22<sup>nd</sup>: Safety, Navigation Lights, Charts & REVIEW
- June 29<sup>th</sup>: "Advanced Sailing" Written Exam (Optional)

### Web Resources

http://www.gtsailing.org/keelclassoutline.php

#### **Crew Safety**

## Safety Intro

"Tragedy Hits Home"

Crew Safety: First Aid (Page 70)

## Physical illness: Hypothermia

- Can result from cold air, water, or both
- Signs and Symptoms:
  - Shivering
  - Numbness
  - Glassy Stare
  - Confusion
  - Weakness
- What do you do?
  - Remove ALL wet clothing
  - Gradually warm person up



Crew Safety: First Aid (Page 70)

## Physical illness: Heat Exhaustion

- Can be caused by heat and/or a lack of water intake
- Signs and Symptoms:
  - Cool, moist, pale skin
  - Headache
  - Nausea
  - Dizziness and weakness
  - Exhaustion
  - Dilated pupils
- What to do?
  - Move person to cool location
  - Loosen or remove clothing
  - Apply moisture to skin
  - Drink cool water in moderation



Crew Safety: First Aid (Page 70)

## Physical illness: Heat Stroke

- Can be Life Threatening!
- Signs and Symptoms:
  - High body temp
  - Dry skin (stopped sweating)
  - Constricted pupils
  - Rapid, shallow breath
- What to do?
  - Move person to a cool location
  - Contact EMS
  - Cool person rapidly by immersion in a cold bath
  - Do not give anything to eat or drink



#### **Crew Safety**

## Required Safety Equipment

(Section I of "Advanced Sailing Exam")

#### **Department of Natural Resources (DNR) requirements:**

http://georgiawildlife.dnr.state.ga.us/



Type I, II, III, or V PFD per person

Type IV PFD in cockpit

**B-I Fire Extinguisher** 

Sound Producing Device

Other safety equipment required for racing: Anchor, Motor, First Aid Kit

**Navigation Lights are required for Boating at Night** 

#### **Crew Safety:**

## Sample Test Questions

- DNR Required Equipment? Page 78
- Where should life preservers be stored?
- Radio Distress Signals? Page 79
- Fire Extinguishers and how to opperate?
- Boating and Alcohol?
  - Legal Laws (DNR and US Coast Guard)?
  - Affects of alcohol on the sailor?

#### Weather Safety (pages 62-63)



## Weather

What does lightning do to a sailboat?



- The weather can change very quickly- ALWAYS check the forecast before heading out!
- Watch clouds for storms, extreme temperatures and high winds
- The wind on the water may be VERY different from weather when rigging
- ALWAYS have life jackets on, or easily accessible
- Have a back up plan- always have a plan to get everyone off of the water fast- don't stray too far away on the lake.

**Keelboat vs Dinghy Sailing?** 

Weather Safety (pages 62-63)

## Sample Test Questions

- Thunderstorm safety?
- Reading a weather map?
  - Surface pressure (barometric) and weather?
- Appearance of the lake?
  - Whitecaps
  - Wind, Fetch, and Waves
  - Beaufort Scale

## When in Doubt....

## Don't Go Out!!!

#### **Crew Overboard Recovery**

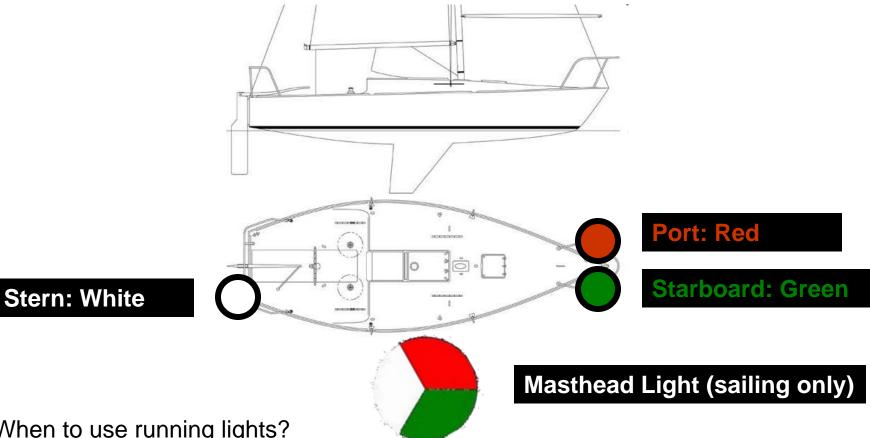
### **Man Over Board!**

- 1. Let everyone know: Hail "Man Overboard!"
- 2. Throw a flotation device to the person
- 3. Assign Crew Responsibilities:
- \*At least one set of eyes on the person in the water\*
- 4. Lower the head sail (Genoa or Jib)
- 5. Approach the person slowly with them to windward of the boat with little or no speed
- \*Remember jibing is dangerous in heavy air\*

**US Sailing Textbook: Pages 72-73** 

#### **Navigation**

**Navigation Lights** 



- When to use running lights?
- Colors of navigation lights of vessel under sail?
- Lights required for Sailboat underpower at night?
- Lights required while anchored at night? All round white light, visible all directions
- "Masthead Light" refers to what?

#### **Navigation**

## **Lake Lanier Map**

http://www.gtsailing.org/keel/lake\_lanier.tif

#### **Basic Navigation Aids**

Textbook: Pages 68-69

#### **Exam Concepts**

- Lake Lanier Channel Markers?
- Key Places (Buford Dam, Brown's Bridge, Aqualand, LLSC, X Island, Chattahoochee Bay, Flowery Branch Bay)?
- Lake Lanier Racing Markers?
- Reefs and obstructions?

## **Review from Clinics**

- Light Wind vs. Strong Breeze
- Skipper and Crew- Working Together
- Proper Tiller/Sheeting Form
- Spinnaker Sailing
- Learn those Knots!!!
- Sail Trim, Sail Trim,

## **Instructional Opportunities**

**Summer 2009** 

Clinic #1 (	Sunday	<b>/ 6/7</b> )	
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Safety Orientation

Rigging

Crew Positions

Docking

Lots of Sailing Practice!

De-rigging

#### Clinic #2 (Saturday 6/20)

Docking

Tacking/Jibing

Sail Trim

Right-of-Way

Spinnaker sailing

## Regatta (Sat-Sun 6/13-14<sup>th</sup>)

"Intro to Racing"

LLSC Reggae Regatta

Details TBD

#### **Clinic #3 (Sunday 6/28)**

Overboard Recovery Drill

Right-of Way

Spinnaker sailing

Quick Work-party at the end

### **On-the-Water Exam**

- Rigging
- Terminology
- Safety
- Crew Management
- Boat Handling (Tacking, Jibing, Points of Sail, Spinnaker)
- Man Overboard Drill
- Docking
- Proper Derigging "Don't get lazy at the end!"

Must be conducted in winds over 10kts with a GTSC J/24 Instructor.

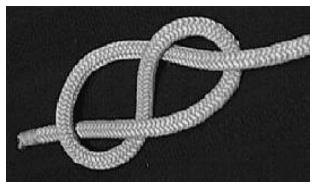
More information at <u>www.gtsailing.org/instruction</u>

The practical (on-the-water) exam is difficult and requires practice

# What does being GTSC "Skipper Qualified" mean?

## **Knots to Review:**

**Figure Eight Knot** 



**Square Knot** 





Cleating and Coiling

