



Reporter Doug Richards of WAGA demonstrates the effects of "Wind Chill". See page 2.

The Atlanta Boardsailing Club's Lake Wind Advisory

Either My Battens Got a Whole Lot Stiffer or My Sail is Frozen Issue

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President in Exile Replaced by Junta

In a furious bit of shoveling not seen since the building of the Panama Canal, ex-el supremo generalissimo and glorious commodore presidente William Fragakis divied up the duties of the office of the president amongst an elite and handpicked group. A growing consensus (which has since been successfully removed in an outpatient procedure) felt that the club's growth had made the previous organizational structure too demanding upon the time and resources of elected members. With a schedule that often had an organized event every month, members present at the January meeting decided to go ahead and break down the president's office into a committee. In this manner, members could undertake a finite commitment which made scheduling things around their real life much easier.

We assigned events and responsibilities roughly based upon what we have done in the past couple of years. This certainly allows for other new events to take place but we needed to start from a baseline. The rest of the club owes a hearty thanks to these folks who stepped up into the breach and have volunteered a bit of themselves.

Honorary President of the Letterhead: Ed Marks

President Emeritus: William Fragakis
President of Meeting Planning: Alex Navarrette

President of Membership: Lisa Kloepfer
Presidents of Spring Charity Event: Greg and Kelli Baxendale, Eddie Brodeur and Phil Duvic

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Iceberger Phil Duvic, on the left, heads right while from left to right, Glenn Tanner, Kevin Osburn, Carl Arrigoni and Scott Spreen head left. Got that?

Story and photos by Chris Voith

It was just about the perfect setting for the Iceberg Regatta. A cool, grey overcast and 20 knot northwest winds greeted the intrepid Icebergers on Saturday, January 17th. The clubhouse at the Lake Lanier Sailing Club with its roaring fire and view of the racecourse, made for a comfortable spot to spectate. William Fragakis made a pot of chili and his tasty spiced cider while **Scott Spreen** provided some adult beverages for the Apres-shed festivities. It was great to have some warm food and drink, a fire and a toasty place to hang after a cold day on the water. Fifteen or so racers actually crossed the start line at various times, but a lot more people turned out to shred, enjoy the spectacle and perhaps for the chance to be interviewed or pho-

tographed by AJC reporter Al Levine and photographer Rich Addicks who came to document the day.

Tim Carter and I set a small "M" course for the boards. The LLSC Laser fleet used two of our marks for a windward-leeward course. I tried to arrange it so neither fleet would have to wait long between races, but the boards were so quick through the slalom, that they all finished way before the first Laser, (even though the Lasers started first and sailed a shorter course)!

Kevin Osburn was pretty con-

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Next Meeting

We're be at **Powers Court** on the February 10th at 7:30 pm. We'll be showing the recent WAGA video.

Powers Court is conveniently located at the intersection of Roswell and Wieuca Rds. at the southern edge of beautiful downtown Sandy Springs, 2 miles inside the Perimeter. This central location is within 20 minutes of most of the Greater Metropolitan Atlanta Area. Children, family and friends are always welcome, too.

Join us! See page 5 for details.

Attention Current Members:

A lot of memberships expire in the next couple of months. Renew now and save the club money and keep my hair from graying any further.

WAGA Clips

WAGA (channel 5) came out and taped a chilly, 38 degree session, on New Years Eve and broadcast a report on the 10 pm news a couple of weeks ago. Here are some selected clips.



“David Delozier, Windsurfer”? Who are they kidding? Dave did come down with some of the best lines of the broadcast including: “They said it was a small craft advisory today so I guess I’ll grab my small craft and go out.”



Boys of summer? This guy just got his AARP card. Would I kid about a thing like this? **Tim Carter** using only 5 cm of his 268 cm board.



Eddie Brodeur marches bravely to the water against all odds and challenges the raging sea.

Phil Duvic confirms that the water is cold. Phil spent 15 minutes jumping literally within feet of the rocks off this point to give the camera a good shot. Here he was waterstarting after another aerial adventure.



All video courtesy of WAGA, Fox5.



Mark Eberhart launches one for the camera



“I guess I should really be working...”

Thanks, Dave, tell everyone our dirty little secret. Half these guys just told their boss that they were on the way to visit an ailing aunt.



Not as close as it seems. **Phil Duvic**, airborne, in front of **Eddie Brodeur**

Dept. of Natural Resources Ranger Mike Bergamy gives the *Fox5* crew a lift out on the water but suggests that the day is too rough for sensible boating. What he actually said was, “It’s extremely hazardous...not a good day.”

And after a wave crashes over the bow, windshield and into the cockpit, he declares, “I told you boys it ain’t a good day to be out here!”

Oh, please don’t throw me in the briar patch, Brer Fox...





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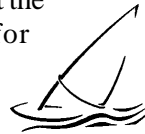
vincing, finishing first in all but one race. Scott Spreen made him work for it in every race and earned second. The real story on the course was **Phillip Duvic's** third place finish on a slalom board. He was raging! It took a couple of heats for Phillip to get dialed in, but once he did, it was great fun to watch... one tack to the weather mark, then speeding past the raceboards through the slalom part. If Phillip had not fallen several times I'm sure he would have won a couple of the races.

Many thanks go the race com-

Scott Spreen tacks out of bad air behind Glenn Tanner, Eddie Brodeur, Gregg Cattanach and Carl Arrigoni and Kevin Osburn (behind Carl)

mittee, **Robert & Barbara Blazer, Pam Barron and Tom Wynn** for their hard work, I know it's a lot colder standing around on the boats than it is shredding on the race course. Thanks also to **Ginny Ferguson** and little **Christopher Voith** (ed. note: Do we detect a little nepotism here?) who kept the fire stoked.

If there's enough interest, I'd like to try another local race sometime in February again at the LLSC. Stay tuned for more details.



Iceberg Photo Fest

Missed it? You weren't one of the more than 25 club members to come out and join us for the chili, the chilly and the wind? The Atlanta Journal and Constitution will cover the event in their monthly supplement, "Atlanta at Play", scheduled for Friday, February 6. Reporter Al Levine and photographer Rich Addicks spent a Saturday afternoon with us and will spill the beans to the world about how much fun we have during the cold months. Look for it.

Officers Continued from page 1

President for the Spring Regatta: Chris Voith

Presidents for Instructional Clinics: Ed Marks and Brian Lojko

Presidents in Charge of Fall Regatta: Scott Spreen and Chris Voith

President in Charge of Fall Charity Event: G.T. Brown

Secretary and Treasurer: Gene Mathis

Newsletter Editor: William Fragakis

Obvious advantages of this method include a wider participation among club members in the club's activities and the greater variations in style and method which should prove more interesting.

For those of us who don't have

our name on the marquee, we should feel free to phone up and volunteer if we have particular area of interest and we might also expect to get a phone call asking for our help. Because, the more we can help these folks out, the more we can get out of the club.

I'm not an officer. What can I do to help?

The obvious is stick your hand up when someone asks for volunteers. Most of us are quite good at that. Don't be afraid to step forward when nobody asks, however, as sometimes officers can be a bit shy about asking for help.

A big thing you can do is turn

this page over, cut it out and make about 15 copies of it. Put the copies in a Ziplock baggie and keep them in your quiver, board or sail bag. When you are at a park rigging up and see a new face, ask them if they are a member.

If they are, you automatically have a new friend with whom you can share laughs and fun. If they aren't, you can make them feel welcome to join and be a part of the community. They'll be impressed that we are a friendly bunch and probably have been looking for an excuse to join. You've just given it to them.

Lastly, use one of the copies during the year to remind you to renew. Put it in the bill stack and you'll have an easy reminder when the time comes.

The Atlanta Boardsailing Club

Passport to Windsurfing Friendship and Fun

The Atlanta Boardsailing Club invites you to join us in getting the most out of windsurfing in the Southeast. We are over 130 members from Atlanta and the Southeast who enjoy the company and companionship of each other as we sail, learn, race and travel together.

Who We Are:

We are kids to retirees, beginners to expert racers and high wind fanatics. Even if you've never windsurfed before, we welcome you. Our most experienced sailors also get the greatest joy in teaching and helping beginners.

The club was established in 1978 and is one of the oldest in the country. We are a member of **US Windsurfing**, our sport's national organization.

What We Do:

We have **monthly meetings** for friendship, club business, and the occasional video or slide show. We also have cookouts and a year end holiday party.

A **monthly newsletter** that keeps you up to date on club and regional events plus shows the lighter side of our sport.

We host two major **regattas** (races) each year, spring and fall. We are proud to announce that our fall regatta is also includes the Senior Nationals for windsurfers. We also have several "fun" races each year, including the January Iceberg Regatta. Races are open to windsurfers of all abilities from beginner to potential Olympian. We have novice clinics for those not familiar with racing. Racing is one of the quickest ways of learning new skills and making friends.

We host two **charity events** a year where we combine windsurfing with our involvement with our community. Last year, we held a long distance sail for Parent-to-Parent and a

Speedcheck/Lotto Race for the Initiative for Affordable Housing, DeKalb, Inc.

We hold a **Learn to Windsurf Clinic** every summer. We also hold occasional seminars for club members who are interested in learning skills for higher wind conditions. And, of course, the most valuable resource are the more experienced sailors who are happy to answer any question.

We also act as a local **advocate for windsurfing** to ensure appropriate water safety laws and water access. In the recent past, the club has successfully worked to eliminate the mandatory PFD law in Georgia and gain access to Lake Lanier during temporary park closings.

The club hosts a **trips** to Cape Hatteras and other windsurfing destinations.

Why Should You Join? Because:

Windsurfing really is a communal sport. Sharing it with friends makes it more enjoyable. Join today and discover a world of friendship and fun

Welcome to the Atlanta Boardsailing Club

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

e-mail address _____ Phone _____

Individual Membership..... \$20.00/ 38.00 (1 yr/ 2yr.)

Family Membership\$30.00/ 57.00

Junior (Under 17) Membership.... \$15.00/ 28.50

Total enclosed \$ _____

While your checkbook is open, consider joining **US Windsurfing**, windsurfing's national advocacy group and enjoy group benefits including travel discounts, insurance eligibility, a newsletter and more. As an ABC member you can join for only \$15 (save \$10!). Send your name, address, phone, email and the name of our club to: US Windsurfing, PO Box 978, Hood River, OR 97031

Being fully knowledgeable of the risks of boardsailing as a sport, I agree voluntarily to assume all risks of participation in the Atlanta Boardsailing Club's activities and hold harmless those sponsoring or aiding in any events from any liability of any nature whatsoever for accident or injury to myself or my property. I agree to be bound by all rules that govern this event and general boating safety. I certify that I can swim.

Signature (or Parent/Guardian) _____

I am/ We are interested in:

- Shortboard Sailing
- Course Racing
- Freestyle
- Sailing Clinics and Demos
- Trips to other Areas
- Parties, Cookouts, etc.
- Helping with Club Functions
- Writing articles for the News letter
- Other _____

Do you have access to a windsurfer (sailboard)?

Yes No

What Kind? _____

Please complete this form and return with check or money order payable to:

Atlanta Boardsailing Club
P.O. Box 28376
Atlanta, GA 30358

Have a question? Call 404-237-1431 or <http://www.commandcorp.com/atlanta.windsurf/>

New Members

Welcome to our newest members:

Marek & Danuta Skupien

We have **95** current individual and family members.

Join Us! Membership is still only \$20/yr. for individuals and \$30/yr for families. Join for **2 years** and get a 10% discount on the second year (\$38 and \$57 total). Mail a check to ABC, PO Box 28376, Atlanta, GA 30358. Please include name, address, phone no., and an email address (if you have one).

Existing members: Remember, introduce a new member to the club and get three months added to your membership.

Expired? Check the address label. Don't miss the fun.

The Atlanta Boardsailing Club

Board of Directors:

President Cause We Need One Chair: Ed Marks

Charity Event (Spring): Eddie Brodeur, Phil Duvic, Greg and Kelli Baxendale

Charity Event (Fall): G.T. Brown

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Need to reach us? Try the new Hotline (770-908-0348), email (fragakis@mindspring.com), the Website (<http://www.command-corp.com/atlanta.windsurf/>) or snailmail (PO Box 28376, Atlanta, GA 30358)

News from Local Clubs

The Berkeley Lake Organization of Windsurfers (BLOW) once again experienced frustration during their mid-winter Frostbite Regatta. Plans to have it covered by the local media met with frustration.

The *Atlanta Journal/Constitution* was unable to cover it because of a commitment to another local event. *Creative Loafing* turned down the opportunity once they found out that a harness was neither a body piercing or a toy for consenting adults. The "Neighborhood"

papers turned it down as the event tends to have both a lack of photo ops for local socialites and a depressive effect on local real estate values. As nobody was promised to be slain, robbed or bribed, most of the local news crews passed on it. WAGA kindly offered to cover it if held in the summer and calm water. Understandably, their recent experience with the ABC left them in no mood to get soaked to the bone on a 38 degree day again in the name of journalism. And we, the *Lake Wind Advisory*, declined because, heck, we just plain don't care.

BLOW sent us the results but who has the time to format and print it? Not us. Sorry guys. Maybe next time.

Dear Sirs,

I noticed with a certain morbid fascination the similarity between some of the comics in last month's newsletter and some well established and copyrighted characters. Doesn't this pose a problem?

Sincerely, Bill Cates, Seattle, WA

Dear Bill,

Thank you for being concerned with legal issues on our behalf. Yes, there is a similarity in the look and feel of the comic characters portrayed in the newsletter and some more widely published. But as we didn't copy any character directly and only reverse engineered the drawings, we feel confident that we haven't infringed on any intellectual property rights.

Think of our loveable beagle in "Windnuts" not as the well-recognized MacInSnoopy or Snoopy Navigator but, say, WindowsDog or Internet Explorer Dog. And since we are happy to give away copies of the strip in question for free, we don't expect the Justice Dept.

The Atlanta Boardsailing Club's Lake Wind Advisory is copyrighted 1998 and the sole property of this organization. Unauthorized duplicators will be violated. Other windsurfing clubs, however, may copy copiously- just try to spell our name rihgt. However, we've never said no when asked nicely.

Letters to the Editor

to have any problems with this.

Dear Sirs,

It has come to our attention that in order to receive a free copy of "Windnuts", one must also pay for a membership to the Atlanta Boardsailing Club. Based upon a previous consent decree preventing windsurfing clubs from cross-licensing both membership and humor we must insist that you stop this practice. We feel strongly that windsurfers who join a club should not be required to laugh as well.

Yours Sincerely, The U.S. Justice Dept.

Dearest Janet,

Given the lack of 5.5 days recently, we feel that it would cripple our club to be forced to unbundle humor and membership. Humor is an intregal part of our club and to strip it out would result in a newsletter containing drivell like the following:

In a furious bit of shoveling not seen since the building of the Panama Canal, ex-el supremo generalissimo and glorious commodore...

Now we can't have that can we?

201- Boards & Rigs

Xantos 325, barely used w/ board bag \$700. **Gaastra M6 5.5** and 6.6 sails, \$150 each. Gaastra 6.2 3 cam Race/slalom \$100. Call Robert Blazer 404-321-5365

1996 **Naish Kaholo** Race 7.5 Used 8 times, Great shape \$300, w/ mast and boom \$400. Call Greg Baxendale @770 578-8417 or GBAXENDALE@AOL.COM

O'Neill Drysuit 2 pc (Ronny style). Men's small (<140 lbs.) \$100 firm. Call Dan Burch 404-876-0007

FOR SALE: Two **Angulo slalom** boards. 9'-2" ~105L, Straps & 2 fins / \$125. 8'-10" ~90L w/ True Ames fin (Tuttle box), Straps - faster than what-ever you're riding now! \$150. Tim Carter / 770-889-4203

'96 **Hot Race** 7.2, 6.3 @ \$250, 95-97 **Sailworks** 8.5, 8.0, 6.9, 6.5, 6.2, 5.9, 5.6, 5.3 @ \$325-225. '96 **Roberts Custom** Race 9-10 approx 120 ltrs. w/ Finworks 393 fin and straps \$750. Latest **Isl. Comp** Lightwind C-S Race. 14lb. 5-25 mph wind range. \$1450 w/ fin, straps, pads, bag. Dynafiber XL masts 500cm \$250, 460cm \$250. Gaastra '89 1-2 cam 10.0, 8.4, 7.2 @ \$125 John Danovic 770-775-2170

Weichart Alum. mast, 500/30mcs cc 2 pc. exc. cond. \$75 Mylar 7.6 RAF exc. cond. \$15 Call Bob Adams 770-751-1916 or email rea@command-corp.com

'94 **Hood River 3 cam Race** 7.0 \$150, '96 **Worldsail** 6.2 (2 cam) \$200, **UP** 5.5 twin cam \$100, all VGC. Quiver deal for 7.0, 6.3 and 5.5- \$400. These will cover 95% of Lanier sailing. NP 3.7 Slalom RAF \$65. **North IQ** 6.5 \$350, NP '96 **V8** 7.5 \$300. Call William Fragakis 404-237-1431

North Masts (2) two piece February, 1998

Aluminum like new \$90 each, both for \$175. Ampro Grey Wave mast \$75. WSH tie-on booms (2) \$20ea. Call Chris Voith 404-250-0287

Beginner shortboard: Seatrend 9-10, 150 ltrs. w/fin \$200. '93 Sailworks 8.0 Race \$250 Call G.T. Brown 770-432-8553

Gaastra 7.5m SpeedFoil and a 110-degree gold Windsurfing Hawaii boom with Chinook front end. 1 piece Mistral mast. Older but in great shape, good for novices in light summer air. \$100 for all Dave Tulis 404-634-3576

1991 **Mistral One Design** (IMCO) complete with 7.4 rig. \$725 Call Andrew Ziolo 404-233-5489

Mistral Ecstasy 8'4" great shape \$300w/fin/straps. Hyper Tech 8'8" new deck super fast \$300/fin/straps. 5.1 **Gaastra** Pro Race mono-film cambered sail \$75 obo 4.4 Gaastra Speed Slalom single removable cam \$50 obo 3.6 Areotech wave great learner sail \$50 obo Call Mark Woodman 770-338-1903

96 **Neil Pryde 4.7** Wave NR, 1997 **Peter Thommen F2 295**, 134 ltrs. semi complete with bag and Northshore fin. Mint condition (basically new) \$900 Chinook slalom booms \$75 ea. Call Garrison Smith 404-256-1079

1990 Mistral Screamer DCS (103 liters, 9'1") with 3 fins, good condition, \$200. 1995 Mistral Energizer CHS (110 liters, 278 cm, 17 lbs.) with 2 fins, exc. condition, \$450. 1995 Mistral Electron CGI (later called Screamer 263, 263 cm, 87 liters, 17 lbs.) with fin, exc. condition, \$430. Contact Andy Keeler at akeeler@agecon.uga.edu or 706-613-1758

'94 **Equipe XR** w/ Carbon

centerboard, fin & padded bag, Like New \$1200 '95 **Neil Pryde 7.5** Race w/ fiberspar mast and boom \$900 Board and rig \$2,000 call Jim Tafel 770-664-7885

For sale: (\$50 each) **North** mast sections Space Tech 30% carbon (flex top) Base 220 cm (2) Tops: 245 cm 220 cm 200 cm 180 cm AL 75 Base 220 cm Chris Zeitvogel (757) 249-1272 or czus7212@travelin.com

96 **Pro-Tech Light-Wind** wave 8'8, 90L (with padded bag and excellent fin) \$550. 97 **F2 Xantos 285** with fin \$750. Call Chris Campbell (706) 729-9756

'95 Mistral Explosion CHS (9'-5") \$475 w/fin. '96 Explosion II XR \$625 (sailed once). Or will consider trade for jetski :-). Call David Wade 770-978-7660.

Boards: Protech slalom (1301, 9-4) \$175, 1996 Mistral Energizer (1101, 9-2) EC \$350, Protech (951, 9-0) \$50, 1996 Fanatic Ultra Shark (1251, 9-6) \$275, 1991 Fanatic Ultra Cat \$350, Mistral Superlight \$200 **Sails:** 1995 Hot AWOL (1 cam) 4.0 (used only once), \$185, 5.0 \$150, 1995 NP Race 6.0 (5 cam) \$200, 1993 NP Raceboard & .5 \$185 **Booms:** Dakine 4'6"-5'6" \$50, Fiberspar 6'6"-8" \$125, F'spar 5'6"-7' \$125, W'surf HA 5'6"-6'6" \$40 **Masts:** F'spar WC 480/30 \$150, WC 460/25 \$150, Racespeed 440/23 \$150, North epoxy 453 \$25, Tyroplast 13'6" \$25, Ampro glass 15'7" \$25 Contact Eddie Brodeur 770-928-9872

'97 **Mistral Wave** 253 \$700, '97 Mistral Equipe (Unused) \$1350, '97 Mistral SLE 278 \$700, '97 **Naish Mana** 6.8, 5.8 @ \$265, Naish 490 Race mast \$180, Naish wave boom \$75, Naish mast ext. \$35 tendon uni \$35 Call Randy Somnitz 850-785-7601

208- Accessories **Thule** #300 Gutter mount feet and

one set of Thule sailboard mounts. @ \$25.00 or \$40 for both. Call Josh Hope 770-531-1056

Sailboard Attachment for Thule racks. Never used. Cost new \$80+, will take \$25 Call Jonathan Jewell 770-932-6327

319- Local Shops

WINDSENSE SPECIALS: (All in stock and all new stuff!!!) **Neil Pryde MPS 4/3** suit (XL) - \$165. **NP Cup 5/3** (M) - \$250. Adjustable **harness lines** - \$26. **Epic** padded board bag (275CM) - \$75. **DaKine** padded mast bag (for 2-pc masts) - \$60. **Oke Skin Dry** (1 men's size 9-10 & 1 women's size 4.5-5.5) - \$50. Gorge (8-8.5 M / 11-12M / 4-5W) - \$35. Fun (zipper boot) (11-12M / 12.5/13.5M) - \$30. **Chinook** 1-1/8" slalom boom - \$140. 770-888-1584.

Whitecap Windsurfing:

1996 **F2 Xantos 285** 9'4" 118 liters EC. \$599. 1991 **BIC Electric Rock** 8'10" 105 liters great cond. \$199. Call or email for a free North sails book. Renee Jenkins 706-868-7792

412- Real Estate- FL.

Wade's Gulfront Condo- Seagrove Beach (between Destin and Panama City). Great rates spring/ fall. Pool, tennis and sauna. Call David Wade 770-978-7660

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911- Editor's Note

Ads must be renewed every three months. Please let me know when you buy/sell something. We want to keep these as fresh as possible.

The Atlanta Boardsailing Club

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Upcoming Events

Upcoming Events:

Feb 10 Meeting, Powers Court

March 10 Meeting, Powers Court

Late March TBA Long Distance Sail

April 18-19 Inland Windsurfing Championships

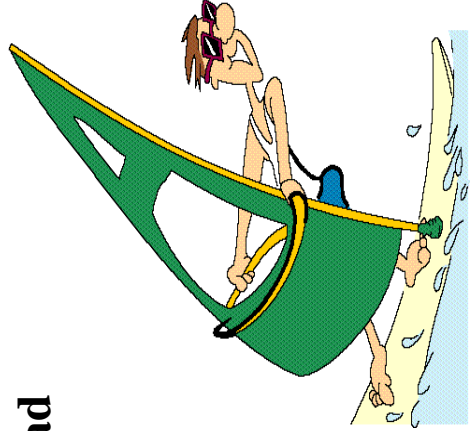


What Can We Say? If She Had Instead Spent Her Summer Windsurfing in the Gorge or Maui...

And that's all we are going to say about this silliness.

This Month's Bad Clip Art*

What was this artist thinking? Or is this really Ken Winner's next big innovation and we just don't know it, yet? Perhaps one of the many graphic artists in the club could tell us more. How 'bout it guys and girls?



**Clip Art is commercially produced art sold in collections for use by us mere mortals who can't draw. In the old days, they came in books, from which you would clip out the art you wanted to use and paste it on to your document. Today, they come on CD-ROMs and other electronic media.*