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Put swim noodles and water cannons on sailboats and what do you get? A whole lot of fooling around. Racing Rules got bent a little but in the end they were returned to their rightful owners no worse for the wear.

Team Egg Noodles (below) sailed off with the hardware – medallions declaring them “Noodle Kings” while Team Hot Noodles consisting of Jim Mossman, crew Elizabeth, Jerry Brewster, and Megan DeArmon, took second.

There was plenty of artillery in the battle as just about every boat was heavily armed. You were most likely to get shelled when you were about to get a noodle handoff. No animals (or children) were harmed.

## Interfleet Fun Day Was... Fun! Team Egg Noodles Gets Win

It was noodle versus noodle Sunday as the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual HSA Noodle Relays took to the lake to vie for the title of “Noodle Kings”. The event, sponsored by HSA’s membership committee, saw 18 sailors in 12 boats compete for the handsome awards you see draped around the winner’s necks at the lower right. That’s Rose Schultz, Hailey Mett, Brendan Draper, Yours Truly, and Yours Truly Jr. (Kofi)

### What’s Inside:

#### HSA’s Full Weekend

Last weekend saw activity from Friday thru Sunday. Take a look at what the club has been up to on page 2.

#### Next Issue?

Next week’s AA is devoted to Race Committee Duty. Hear what others have to say about how it should be done





## Club Does Some Teachin'

### Hart Family Gets Tiller Time

Last Friday Brett, Melissa, and Maggie Hart braved the forecast for isolated thunderstorms and made it to the water for their own personal Learn to Sail. After almost two hours out in really good wind, the forecast began to come true.

The rain and we mean **THE RAIN**, struck shortly after pulling boats out. Roger Henthorn helped with instruction and is at the far left.



### Learn to Race is a Winner!

Season's first LTR had six participants getting a dose of race procedures and tactics and then getting out on the lake for a little dust up. Left to right: Bill Molleran, YT, Jenny Deaton, Mark Bengel, Kathy Wilson, Jerry Brewster (seated), Mark Weber, Emily Wilson, and Russell Vela. Bill and Jerry were the course stewards and official fleet border collies.

By race two (of three) everyone was at the line on time and headed for the windward mark. Junior camp vet Emily won the first race and Mark Weber took the other two but not without a fight. Both Jennifer and Russell had second place finishes as the leads changed hands several times. Mark Bengel found out that having your hull full of water = slow. Russell Vela found out the wrong way to show tiller skill. Ask him about it next time you see him. ☺

### Noodle Relay Results

1. Team Egg Noodle (Mike, Kofi, Hailey, Rose, Brendan)	1	1	2	3.5
2. Team Hot Noodles (Jim M., Jerry B. Megan)	2	2	3	7
3. Team Noodles & Co. (Roger, Bobbie, Charlie D., Kayla)	4	4	1	8.75
4. Team Elephant (Ryan, Kevin, Brianna)	3	3	4	10

Sunfish Island is a mess of boats Sunday. Pre-noodle.





Charlie and family plus Brianna at left. At right, Jim Mossman shows crew Elizabeth the proper rolling of sail.



## News and Notes from Acton Lake

The Summer Solstice may have come and gone in the last few days, but there is still a lot of summer left at HSA.

Next Sunday is the last chance to qualify in the Spring Series. July 4<sup>th</sup> and July 6<sup>th</sup> are the two dates for the Fourth of July Series with the 6<sup>th</sup> as the date for the potluck in the Hueston Room.

Then comes the BIG WEEK of July 12. Kicking things off are the Camptown Races (aka Sunfish #2) on that Sunday. It is typically the biggest Sunfish day of the summer.

The next day, July 13, is the beginning of Junior Camp, running till Wednesday, followed by Ladies Camp on Thursday and Friday.

The next day (Whew!) is an LTS day in Sunfish followed by the Hobie Challenge on Sunday. Can you say “Packing it in?”

Much appreciation to Noodle Day Race Committee: Jerry Callahan, JoAnn Callahan, and John Shipley. Short courses, crisp starts, taut scorekeeping, wind. It couldn't have been done any better. Thanks, guys.

## Noodle Picnic

### Post Race Picnic Draws a Crowd

After the noodles were cooked, HSA gathered for a post race debriefing, heckling, and smack talk. About 30 people showed up for the barbecued pulled pork, a ton o' other food stuff, and awards.

HSA will do another Fun Day on Sunday August 10 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Beach Day. In that event, sailors will leisurely play a gigantic game of Texas Hold 'Em on the water. That's right, folks. Poker. You betcha.

