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President's Corner

It is hard to believe, but spring is just around the corner, which means sailing season is upon us again. As we begin making our annual "to do" lists for the boat and crew, let's remember there are a number of people who work behind the scenes to keep our fleet growing. In this article, I would like to thank Fleet 5 from Lake Michigan for manning and marketing the Class at Strictly Sail Chicago this year. This type of dedication will keep our Class active for years to come. Again, a big "thank you" to Fleet 5.



By now everyone has seen the announcements on the 2012 Midwinter Championship that is being hosted by Fleet 17 at Lakewood Yacht Club in Seabrook, Texas. This is the first major J/105 event that the Class has run on Galveston Bay. This area is a major hub of sailing, and Fleet 17 has been actively racing one design here for 10 years. The bay will offer an exciting and challenging experience for all. There have been a number of national events from other classes hosted here, and I know this will be a first-class regatta. We have 13 boats registered and are hoping this will continue to grow as the date approaches. Charters are still available, so feel free to contact Bill Lakenmacher (bill@lockeprotective.com) or me (vic@forsyths.net) if you have any questions.

As I close out this article, a bit of house-keeping—the rules that we voted in are now active, so please take a few minutes to become familiar with these changes at www.j105.org. Understanding these rules will continue to keep the boats level and our racing top-notch.

Fair sailing, and see you at the Midwinter Championship,

Vic Forsyth, J/105 Class President



Some wear t-shirts and some wear something a bit warmer, but it's always nice to go out in January for a bit of racing. If you're not coming to the J/105 Midwinter Championship and want to keep in touch with the activities, try watching the Fleet 17 Kattack feed on March 9, 10, and 11. You can also follow live racing updates and results at www.j105mw.com and on the J/105 Class pages on Facebook and Twitter. Should be a blast!

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Old man weather could be nasty, of course, but if the 14 of January 2012 picture on the previous page is any indication, shirt-sleeves should be the order of the day. For those of you in the great nation of sunny south Texas who might be using an iPhone, the password is turkey.





Registration is now open for the J/105 North American Championship in San Diego, CA from October 17–21, 2012. The Southern California Fleet is excited to welcome sailors from all around North America to America's Finest City for this great event.

San Diego is a special city known for its great weather and extraordinarily friendly and hospitable locals who will no doubt make you feel right at home. San Diego Yacht Club is home to some of the best sailing and the best sailors the USA has to offer. October is an especially incredible time to visit San Diego, whether you're visiting the world famous Zoo or Sea World, the amazing USS Midway Museum or enjoying the fun of the Gaslamp Quarter which is known for topnotch restaurants and nightlife. You will be visiting at the perfect time of year—after all of the summer visitors have gone home—making the hotel rates a bit friendlier and the restaurants a little less crowded. Sailing in San Diego in October promises consistent weather with the normal 8-11 knots, sailing just off Coronado with some of the best race management available in the world who will be making sure you will get full days of

is not one of the most important factors as the organizers plan on having some of the best sailors from Fleet 8 providing local tips, along with experts at North, Ullman and UK onhand giving free clinics and help prior to the event.

Fleet Captain Chuck Driscoll is working on low to no cost arrangements for visiting J/105 sailors for launching and trailer storage, along with locating all the available J/105s he can for charter. Jon Dekker has volunteered to head up the measurement process, and a large group of volunteers from SDYC are already hard at work to make the regatta run flawlessly. Stay tuned for information on local charter opportunities and travel information. The Fleet and Regatta Committee look forward to putting on a great J/105 national Championship that you will not want to miss!

Register today for the J/105 North American Championship at www.j105nac.com.



Technical Committee Report

Walt Nuschke – Class Measurer, Fleet 3, Annapolis Pat Benedict – Fleet 1, San Francisco Robert Baker – Fleet 4, Toronto

Finding Parts

The Technical Committee regularly gets requests for sourcing on repair parts, and the most frequent lately have been regarding winches. The current factoryinstalled winches are the Harken Radial Self-Tailing winches listed below. Please note that there is a typo error in the currently published Factory Specification.

Primary: 46.2STA Secondary: 35.2STA

A wide range of boats were produced with Lewmar winches. Replacement parts and rebuild kits are readily available from a variety of sources. Some have also had the drum surfaces resurfaced as the surface has worn smooth. This is potentially less expensive than purchasing a new drum. I have seen both sand blasting and machining of cross hatching methods.

If you find a part, please let your fellow owners know the details.

Below is a list of parts that have been recorded. Owners are encouraged to forward any information regarding parts that are not on this list. Send this information to either Chris Howell (howell@j105. org) or the Class Measurer (w.nuschke@lsi-controls. com) so it can be shared with everyone. As many of you know, the former builder—TPI—has effectively gone out of business which has made finding parts information on less common items a detective job.

Electrical

Mast Light Bulb: Perko #SDL4410321

Deck Mount Bow Lights:

Green – Perko 963 G00 CHR (full assembly) Red – Perko 963 R00 CHR (full assembly)

Set – Perko 963 DP CHR Bulb – Perko # FIG.71

Yanmar 2GM20F Engine

Oil Filter: Yanmar #119660-35150

Sea Water Pump Impeller: Yanmar #124223-42092

Impeller Gasket: Yanmar #124223-42110 Impeller Cover: Yanmar #121575-42150

Alternator V-Belt: 25132-003700 Water Pump Belt: 104511-78780

Engine Stop Cable: Yanmar #104271-67550

Roller Furling

Model #MKIII Unit-1

Harken direct: 262-691-3320

Spare fastener set – Harken #HFG-634

Lock Screws (2) on the top of Torque Tube – Harken

#HFS-333

Mounting Screws (3) on bottom of Torque Tube –

Harken #HFS-334

Plastic Spool Assembly – Harken #HFG601

Headstay adjustment instructions:

www.harken.com/furling/j105-furl-install.php

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Raymarine

Wind Transducers: Part #R28170 (This is the new style but is compatible with old ST-60 style.) List price \$315. Available for \$277 from dealers. Wind Transducer Cable (30m) – A28162. List price is \$102.

Note: The new transducer has gold plated contacts, and the old style has tin. This difference makes it wise to replace both the connector assembly and the transducer as a pair. Otherwise the connection will eventually be unreliable.

800-539-5539

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- 2 H295 flat risers for cam cleats
- 2 H1515 double sheaves to replace windward car sheaves

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Part# 62194 RDS Manufacturing, Inc. Florida 850-584-6898 \$372 plus shipping, comes with fuel gauge and painted with primer

Head Door Hinges

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http://www.marinedoorandcabinethardware.com/hinges.htm

Winches

Primary – Harken 46.2STA or Lewmar 44AST Secondary – Harken 35.2STA or Lewmar 33AST

Schaefer Lead Block Sheave Part # 62-019-02B



A Few of My Favorite Go-Faster Tips

Perfect for spring fit out

By: Paul Beaudin, #334 loulou

The Mast Butt

Clean your butt plate. In February, I took the time to remove the plate, clean the floor, the anchor nuts and bolts. Then lube them up with Lanacote. I also cut out a piece of chopping mat for under the base. This is a must if you know you are going to be adjusting your butt position. I get these cutting mats at a home store. They are 1/32" thick plastic, and I got a package of 6-11x15 mats for \$6. Also spray the mat with a dry lubricant. As an alternative to McLube, try Blaster Dry Lube at the auto store—again \$6.

Record Your Gaps

Get a little waterproof notebook to keep track of your rig numbers. I consider mine the second most important thing on the boat, right after the cooler. I have open body turnbuckles and use a caliper to measure my screw gaps for my different rig tunes (see drawing). If you have the Ronstan calibrated turnbuckles, it is easier. I am currently just using three tension settings: light, medium and heavy. From recording my gap measurements, I know my port uppers and intermediates are 2 mm longer and the lower is 4 mm shorter than the starboard side. This allows me to get back to straight quickly if I screw up. I know how many turns it takes to get from one setting to another to quickly and accurately change the rig. From light to medium on my boat, it's 2 turns uppers, 2 1/2 intermediates and 1 on the lowers.

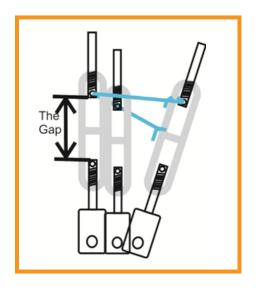
The Rig

If the rig is out, take the time to wax it and tape the top spreader ends. I use Dynaglide Teflon tape, which really helps to keep the spinnaker from hanging up on those light air jibes. I also tape the pulpit to help the tack of the spin run out smoothly. It is not cheap, but I still have half a 1"x 18 yd roll after five years. This is also a good time to recheck your forestay length. I am at the old maximum of 13,035 mm, and I do not change my forestay length for conditions. I keep the drum as low to the deck as I can and only use a small shackle on the tack. Clean and lubricate your turnbuckles and re-caulk your chainplate bases.



loulou	Super light	Light P	Light S	turns	Medium P	Medium S	turns	Heavy P	Heavy S
Uppers	-1/2	87(35)	89	+4	82(45)	84	+4	72	74
Intermediates	-1/2	80	82	+5	75	77	+5	65	67
Lowers	-1	86	82	+2	82	78	+2	74	70

I use a simple 2 mm string through the top screw studs to keep the turnbuckles from spinning. I drilled out the intermediate stud to the same hole size as the others so the string goes through easily. For rig tools, I have tied a ³/₄" and a 9/16" wrench together with a 2' line. I can change my rig tune in a minute, in any condition, without having to look up and don't need a tension gauge on the boat once I have my numbers.



Telltales

On *loulou*, for instruments I use GPS, compass and boat speed. For the wind, we use telltales on the shrouds primarily for downwind. We put them as high as our tallest crew can reach, and they are very good when running deep. Keep the telltale pointing at the spinnaker; if it points to weather of the sail, you are too deep. Adding a telltale on the backstay is a great reference for everyone looking aft. Looking up at a windex or down at instruments is always slow.





Calendar

Dates	Event	Contact
March 9-12, 2012	J/105 Midwinter Championship Lakewood Yacht Club Houston, TX	Bill Lakenmacher 832-419-6181
March 16-18, 2012	San Diego NOOD San Diego Yacht Club San Diego, CA	Valerie Mey 401-845-4412
April 19-22, 2012	Charleston Race Week Charleston Harbor Resort & Marina Mt. Pleasant, SC	Daniel Havens 843-722-1030, x18
April 22-27, 2012	Bermuda International Invitational Race Week Royal Bermuda Yacht Club Hamilton, Bermuda	Audrey Pope 441-295-2214
April 29-30 and May 6-7, 2012	American Spring Series American Yacht Club Rye, NY	Paul Beaudin 917-584-5194
May 4-6, 2012	Annapolis NOOD Annapolis Yacht Club Annapolis, MD	Valerie Mey 401-845-4412
May 18-20, 2012	Seattle NOOD Seattle Yacht Club Seattle, WA	Valerie Mey 401-845-4412
May 19-20, 2012	Manhattan Regatta Manhattan Sailing Club New York, NY	David Spence
June 2, 2012	Leukemia Cup New York Yacht Club Newport, RI	Brad Dellenbaugh 401-845-9633
June 2-3, 2012	East Coast Championship Cedar Point Yacht Club Westport, CT	Paul Beaudin 917-584-5194
June 8-10, 2012	Chicago NOOD Chicago Yacht Club Chicago, IL	Valerie Mey 401-845-4412

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June 9-10, 2012	158th NYYC Annual Regatta presented by Rolex	Brad Dellenbaugh
	New York Yacht Club	401-845-9633
	Newport, RI	
June 18-22, 2012	Block Island Race Week	Ted Zuse
	Duck Island Yacht Club	203-675-9550
	Westbrook, CT	203 013 7330
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June 22-24, 2012	Long Beach Race Week	ABYC 562-434-9955
Julie 22-24, 2012		
	Alamitos Bay Yacht Club & Long Beach Yacht Club	LBYC 562-598-9401
	Long Beach, CA	
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July 13-15, 2012	Sail Newport Regatta	Anderson Reggio
	Sail Newport	401-846-1983
	Newport, RI	267-304-1873
July 19-22, 2012	NYYC Race Week presented by Rolex	Brad Dellenbaugh
	New York Yacht Club	401-845-9633
	Newport, RI	
July 26-29, 2012	Marblehead NOOD	Valerie Mey
	Eastern Yacht Club	401-845-4412
	Marblehead, MA	
	Marbienead, Mr	
September 1-3, 2012	Annapolis Race Week	Chris Groobey
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	Annapolis, MD	705 201 7717
	Aimapons, MD	
September 6-9, 2012	Rolex Big Boat Series	Race Office
September 0-9, 2012		
	St. Francis Yacht Club	415-563-6363
	San Francisco, CA	
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September 22-23 and 29-30, 2012	American Fall Series	Paul Beaudin
	American Yacht Club	917-584-5194
	Rye, NY	
September 22-23, 2012	San Francisco NOOD	Valerie Mey
	Corinthian Yacht Club	401-845-4412
	Tiburon, CA	
October 13-14 and 20-21, 2012	Manhasset Bay Fall Series	Paul Beaudin
	Manhasset Bay Yacht Club	917-584-5194
	Port Washington, NY	
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October 17-21, 2012	North American Championship	Jon Dekker
,,	San Diego Yacht Club	619-838-5066
		017-030-3000
	San Diego, CA	



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