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ATTENTION LAKE MICHIGAN PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET SAILORS: WE NEED YOUR HELP, YOU NEED OUR HELP

by Glenn McCarthy

LMSRF's goal is to grow sailboat racing on Lake Michigan. An obvious major component is to keep our ("our" collectively at "yacht clubs" through all "supporting organizations") existing sailors (customers) happy. It has come to our attention that the individual Handicappers and Council Members of LMPHRF do not get feedback from the LMPHRF Certificate Holders. Verbal reports aren't recorded and shared. To make this clear, they believe that LMPHRF is doing a swell job as they see no complaints, or for that matter, compliments.

However, the LMSRF office and members of the LMSRF Board of Directors have all received complaints, but have not logged or cataloged them well, either.

This is where you come in. With LMSRF as an independent body from LMPHRF, I have accepted to become the collector of compliments and complaints on the Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet. You can do this with attribution or ask me to keep your comments anonymous. We seek comments from race organizers whether the delivery system or verification of handicaps is working well for them. I will submit 100% of them to the LMPHRF Handicappers and Council (with a summary in the next issue of *Lake Michigan SuRF*). We hope the number of responses is overwhelming.

The obvious intent is to improve the service of LMPHRF to the sail racers of Lake Michigan.

Please put "LMPHRF" in the subject line and email your compliment(s) and/or complaint(s) to me at glenntmccarthy@yahoo.com. Do....it.....NOW!

Note: Glenn McCarthy is not on the Board nor the Council of Lake Michigan PHRF. This project is completely independent of that organization.

DICK STEARNS STEPS DOWN

by Gene T. McCarthy

An elector on the secret LMSRF Lake Michigan Sailing Hall of Fame selection committee has decided to retire after nine years of service. Dick Stearns' knowledge of those nominated for the Hall was a great asset to the committee. His service will be missed and it is hoped he will continue to be in good health and enjoy the sport of sailing for years to come. We thank him for his dedication and support.

CHICAGO BOAT SHOW BRINGS NOTABLE SUCCESS

Advancing its mission to grow sailing and sail racing in the Lake Michigan area, Lake Michigan Sail Racing Federation returned to the 2018 Chicago Boat, RV & Sail Show. Information about programs for 2018, racing schedules, grants opportunities, youth development, and more were provided. Sailors had the opportunity to identify races they would like to see count for the 2018 Best on Lake Michigan Offshore Championship

PROGRESSIVE CHICAGO Boat, RV & Sail Show

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This 36' S2 11.0 Aft Cockpit is a nimble performer and very spirited sailor. An excellent family cruiser, she is a sure footed rugged vessel in heavy conditions. Comfortable below with plenty of warm hand oiled teak plus a new teak & holly sole that looks great. Accommodations include a large private v-berth forward with large opening hatch for ventilation and egress. Enclosed head with hot and cold pressurized water with shower. She boasts a large main cabin with U shaped dinette and a settee across to starboard. There is a dedicated and generous forward facing nav-station to starboard and a huge quarter berth behind it. Across and to port is the galley with double Stainless sink, 3 burner stove and oven, and large Adler Barbour refrigeration. There are plenty of drawers and lockers for storage and gear. She is a well laid out and comfortable cruiser that is easy to sail. She has got some nice upgrades including; Harken Roller Furling System, self-tailing winches, air conditioning, heat, refrigeration, and a newer Yanmar diesel with 300 hours!

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CHICAGO BOAT SHOW BRINGS NOTABLE SUCCESS, *Continued from page 1*

and for their applicable Area Offshore Boat of the Year Series. LMSRF Area 3 racers picked up all of the printed offshore schedules that were brought to share-we RAN OUT!

An LMSRF representative was present at the Scholastic Sailors Event and shared the latest 2018 LMSRF Youth Racing Calendar and a brochure about all the benefits LMSRF membership brings, including the renowned Grants-in-Aid program.

CHICAGO SHOW REPORTS STRONG SALES AND LEADS

Our friends at National Marine Manufacturers Association, organizers of the Progressive® Insurance Chicago Boat, RV & Sail Show®, report it wrapped a five-day run with a final attendance of 48,644, up 4% from last year's attendance of 46,670. Exhibitor feedback was positive on strong sales and crowds, including Saturday, which saw more than 20,000 visitors in attendance. On Sunday, Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel toured the show with Show Manager Keith Ogulnick, and met with exhibitors and attendees, before hosting a tourism-focused press conference at the show.

Vendors reported to us that they reached and/or exceeded their goals for the show. Different this year was though there were actually MORE sailboats on the floor, there were no J/Boats present. The Inshore One-Design vendors had a big presence and experienced great interest in what they were showing. Nearly all traditional vendors were present, perhaps in a smaller space; the tradition, presence and importance of the "Strictly Sail Chicago" show remains strong. Next year's date is tentatively set: January 16-20, 2019, mercifully almost a week later.

KEEP YOUR EARNED PLACEMENT IN THE CHICAGO-MACKINAC RACE

by Glenn McCarthy

It is barely a footnote in the Chicago-Mackinac Race results. It doesn't get any publicity or magazine write-ups that very many boats engage with the Protest Committee at Mackinac Island after the finish of the race (http://competitor.cycracetomackinac.com/results-overall.cfm > bottom of page). With 200 finishers, there were 35 Protest Committee actions. Six boats were parties in two hearings and at least 15% of the finishing fleet met with the Judges. This simply isn't healthy for every reason imagined. Let's see what we can do to reduce the burden.

ASSISTING OTHERS - BRAVO!

Not all protests or redress requests are negative, some are actually quite positive. Five boats sought redress to regain the time they lost in the race for coming to the aid of fellow sailors. Who dat? *Triumvirate* responded to a Man Overboard call. *Aftershock* responded to a Mayday call and found the victim in the water at night. *Split Decision* responded to the search for a Man Overboard. *St. Francis* and *Tide the Knot* saw two flares and went to a flipped multihull. We have great honor for these boats who: 1. followed the Racing Rules of Sailing requiring assistance; 2. followed the IRPCAS laws requiring assistance; and, 3. had the right morality to put a game aside and go to the rescue of sailors in need. Congratulations to all of these sailors. The Jury rightfully awarded each boat the time they took when they stopped racing.

ENGINE WON'T START AT FINISH LINE - One and a half hours of penalties collectively

Six boats earned a time penalty of 15 minutes each for not having a "quickly available motor" at the finish line. This is in the rules and is a safety issue. Having an engine that will fire up immediately can be ultimately important in a rescue of an sailor overboard, avoiding a freighter in fog, getting an injured crew to shore, avoiding an accidental grounding, or removing your boat from a grounding before the waves demolish your boat and put your crew at risk of great harm.

What can be done to assure your engine will start every time?

Perform annual maintenance by a professional - replace air and oil filters, oil change, check injectors on diesel engines, spark plugs on gas engines, wiring, etc.

As they say, engines need three things to run: Air, Fuel, Electricity.

- **AIR** - is the easiest.
    - Is the air filter clean or dirty? Just looking at it will tell you. Did a piece of plastic get into your engine compartment and wrap around the air intake? Simply remove it.

- **ELECTRICITY** –

We all know batteries last only so long. A mechanic can do a "load test" and test the acid's "specific gravity" to see how the batteries are holding up. Replace them if at all questionable.

  - Your home ashore uses 120 volts. You see on the plug on your vacuum that it is tarnished, but it seems that it always works like a champ. Tarnish is resistance, and at the high voltage, this resistance tarnish provides is not significant. However, on your boat with 12 volts, tarnish is extremely significant and is a big factor of resistance. Each year I take the battery terminals off. I use a wire brush that is two pieces from the auto parts store to polish the outside of the post on the battery and the inside of the clamp on the wire. This corrosion alone can prevent your engine from starting. Maybe every five years, I will go to the other end of the battery wire (connected to the battery switch or maybe connected to some part on the engine) take those off and wire brush, or use wet or dry sandpaper, and bring them back to a shine.
  - Boats that have one battery have a hand crank to start the engine if the battery voltage has gone low from running devices.
  - However, most offshore boats have two batteries. One battery that is dedicated to starting the engine (we call this the "Engine" battery), the other(s) to run lights and electronics for long times (we call this the "House" batteries). When the House batteries get low, the electronics shut down, and commonly racers fire up the engine to charge the house batteries (as well as recharging the engine battery for its short use to get the engine going). Commonly where the wheels fall off is, either the installer mis-marked the switch for the battery selection, or after charging, crew on board have forgotten to switch the battery switch back to House from either having it on "Both" or "Engine" which then depletes the electricity out of the Engine starting battery. What is the resolution to this? I have installed a permanently wired, no switch, low voltage alarm on the engine battery. When "12 Volt" batteries are fully charged they commonly have 13.8 volts in them, as they drain, the voltage goes down, with electronics cutting out at 10.5 volts or so. To assure the engine battery is ready, the alarm is set at 12 volts, so if for whatever reason, the engine starting battery drops from its 13.8 volts down to 12 volts, a really ugly noise will occur, and won't shut off until the engine is running, charging things back up. I just bought one for $12 on EBay for our latest boat and installed it.
  - Alternator - Alternators fry and there is never a right time for it to happen. If the batteries go low and you go to charge and they won't charge, your options are very limited. One could be to carry a spare alternator and install it, another would be to carry a small spare hand carried battery booster. You would save the battery booster until such time that you needed to fire up the engine and not waste it before then. Also, you'd need to add it to your Mac preparation list to fully charge it before leaving the dock.

- **FUEL**

This has been my nemesis. I am terrible at diagnosing this underway and a mechanic on shore is the one who always figures it out.

  - Fuel pump - some have an electrical booster pump, the electric motor can go bad, the rubber pump diaphragms can go bad. Again, if you can figure this out, carry spares onboard, you can replace it and keep going.
  - Injectors - These can wear, they can become plugged. If they become plugged you have a problem with your filtering system. Fix one (injector), requires fixing the other (filter system). I haven't heard of anyone carrying spares or replacing while racing.
  - Screen in tank – On one Tartan 10 we had, after sailing hours in big seas (like this year's Mac), the engine ran for a short time and died. I checked the filter, I looked for kinks in the line, I could not figure out why it would not run. The next day the mechanic arrived, knew exactly what the problem was, unscrewed the fuel hose at the fuel tank, no fuel came out, took the pencil from behind his ear, poked it into the tank, withdrew it and fuel started flowing. He reconnected the hose and handed the bill. The tank manufacture had put a screen inside the tank at the hose connection. The swirling in the waves had stirred up the sediment, when the engine ran the sediment clogged the screen. The mechanic explained that this is what the fuel filters were intended for and this screen prevents you from simply replacing a fuel filter and is completely unnecessary.
  - Bad fuel - Once when delivering a 49' Motor Sailor from Colón, Panama to Puerto Rico, the big fuel truck pulled up to top our tanks off after transiting the Panama Canal the day prior. Little did we know that they pumped mud into the fuel tank. Two hours after departure the engine started running badly. We replaced the fuel filter in the genset, and every two hours thereafter we replaced the fuel filters, until the entire case of fuel filters was gone. You couldn't see the yellowish orange fuel through the Racor filter, all you could see was dark black/brown. Next we rolled a sock up into a ball and shoved it over the post and screwed the fuel bowl back on. I don't remember if any of the five crew had any socks left at the end of the 13 day voyage.
  - Fuel Filter - The older Racor fuel filters had a clear plastic bowl so you could look for water at the bottom, or see sediment and see how clean or dirty the filter was. There is a drain at the bottom of these filters so you can simply

drain the water. There has been an effort by safety people to get rid of these plastic bowls. Reason being if there was a fire, the plastic bowl will melt, adding unneeded fuel to your fire. Today they recommend a steel bowl.

- Cleaning tank - No matter how carefully you clean the plate before filling your tank, no matter if you use a screen to filter your fuel through when filling, sediment builds up in your fuel tank. Year by year, a little more accumulates. On boats we have bought, if the fuel tank is easily removed, I have taken them out, dumped the remaining fuel into a pail, used new fuel to rinse and pour into the pail until the inside of the tank was clean, then reinstalled the tank. There is a mold that grows in diesel that really can stop your fuel flow. I can sleep completely comfortably knowing the fuel tank is clean. Our recently purchased, current boat is 40 years old, and has had substandard maintenance done to it for years. The fuel tank is very inaccessible. It is on my list to get the inside of the tank cleaned prior to launch. But how? There are companies that will come to your boat and clean your fuel, or perform "fuel polishing." It runs clean fuel into your tank swirling what's in the tank and them removing the fuel running it through filters until the fuel comes out clean.

USING THE ENGINE BETWEEN THE START AND FINISH - Waived

Cherry Bomb ran aground briefly and used their engine to get clear without advancing up the race course. *Jonathan Swift* stopped racing and used their motor to take a crew to shore to go to the hospital and returned to the same spot before resuming racing. Well done! You must declare your use of an engine for propulsion during a race to the Protest Committee by redress and ask the Protest Committee to determine whether this was acceptable or not. In the case of *Cherry Bomb*, their engine use was waived and their time not adjusted (basically earning a time penalty for the time aground). The same was ordered for *Jonathan Swift*, to keep all of their elapsed time including the time to get off and back on the race course. They didn't go to the rescue of others, they saved their own crew. Both boats were exonerated for using their engine, in gear, during the race, as it did not advance them towards the finish line.

READ, READ, READ - A whole hour of various penalties

I've done a few seminars on successful racing. The biggest thrust has been "Read!" I wrote an article just for crew not long ago explaining how they can be more valued by reading all of the race documents to keep a boat within the lines. All of these things are written into the race documents, and are incredibly easy to comply with:

- Five boats earned a time penalty of 5 minutes each for not turning in their Finish Card within 3 hours of the Finish at the Island. What advice do I have for these? Read!
- Three boats earned a time penalty of 5 minutes each for not having a compliant reflective sailboard displayed. What advice do I have for these? Read!
- One boat earned a time penalty of 5 minutes for not making the required call-in after the Bridge. What advice do I have for these? Read!
- One boat earned a time penalty of 5 minutes for not having a current EPIRB NOAA Registration. What advice do I have for these? Read!
- Two boats earned a time penalty of 5 minutes each for not having a self-igniting light attached to their Lifesling. What advice do I have for these? Read!
- Two sought redress to have an automatic penalty reversed after proving their compliance. Granted.

BOAT VS. BOAT PROTESTS OR REDRESS

- One was a boat vs. boat protest regarding an ORR rating. It was dismissed for not filing within the time limit.
- Two redress requests were dismissed for not filing within the time limit.
- One protest was boat vs. boat protest for not sailing the course. 15 minute penalty assessed.
- One protest versus three boats for sailing an improper course, protest dismissed.
- One redress request to change time that was granted in the rescue time to another boat, redress dismissed.

Hey fellow sailors, let's clean up our act all on our own. READ and APPLY the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and the Chicago-Mackinac Safety Regulations. Use them as a checklist and go through everything on your boat to assure you are in compliance. Explain to your crew before the Start all of the things they have to remember throughout the race: the call-in after passing under the bridge, the sail number board before the start and coming up to the finish line, turning in the finish card within the prescribed number of hours after the finish, and all of the rest.

Good luck to you all and may you not see the Protest Committee in 2018.

TURN THE TIDE: VIRGIN ISLANDS RELIEF REPORT

We're extremely happy to announce that the Turn the Tide Fundraiser to help the hurricane ravaged Virgin Islands raised just over $30,000 to be donated to our two designated Virgin Island charities! We were absolutely overwhelmed by the incredible turnout, and humbled by your generosity. There are not enough thank yous to go around, but let us try.

Thank you to our generous sponsors.

Thank you to the many people, organizations, and businesses that donated fantastic Silent Auction and Raffle items.

Thank you to the individuals who donated cash though they couldn't make the event.

Thank you to all that volunteered their time and effort.

And most of all, thank you to the 288 people that bought tickets to the event.

We hope you had a great time while supporting this extremely worthy cause!

The list of 58 donations to be auctioned and raffled off was unbelievable.

It's not too late to help. The need continues. To help the U.S Virgin Islands, donate here - https://www.convoyofhope.org/ , and to donate to the British Virgin Islands, donate here - http://www.stjohnrescue.com/.

THANK YOU! Lake Michigan sailors have been very generous supporting the affected all across the Caribbean and the Gulf of Mexico.

CALLING ALL PAST COLLEGIATE BUSA TOUR TEAM MEMBERS

An effort is underway to reconstruct the rosters of all past BUSA (British University Sailing Association) Tour teams for the Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association (ICSA). Held every four years, an ICSA all-star team is selected to tour England or sail events in the U.S. and team race against the BUSA college teams. The tour has been going since the late 60s or early 70s. If you participated in any of these teams, or know of someone who has, send the information to zachary.leonard@yale.edu.

RACE TO MACKINAC RELEASES THE 2018 SAFETY REGULATIONS

The Chicago Yacht Club Race to Mackinac announced the publication on the Race's website of the 2018 editions of the Chicago Mackinac Safety Regulations (CMSRs) for monohull and multihull competitors.

"The Mac has a deep, abiding commitment to safety, and the CMSRs are one way we honor that commitment," said Race Chair Sarah Renz. "The Committee spends the fall reviewing best practices, consulting with experts, and judging the current worldwide state of safety equipment recommendations for offshore races, to ensure that our CMSRs represent the most current knowledge in offshore safety."

Renz said that the documents include change logs which highlighted new requirements for 2018. These include requiring a handheld VHF radio with DSC capability; requiring the ability to mark the position of a crew overboard electronically; and requiring lifelines made of stainless steel due to the propensity of some other materials to fail due to chafe.

Interested competitors can download the CMSRs here: http://www.cycracetomackinac.com/the-race/race-documents/.

GROWING SAILING

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THE NUMBERS TELL THE STORY – WOMEN'S SAILING NEEDS ATTENTION

by Gail M. Turluck

According to a recent report from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the educational attainment of women ages 25 to 64 in the labor force rose substantially from 1970 to 2016. In 2016, 42 percent of these women held a Bachelor's degree and higher, compared with 11 percent in 1970. In 2016, six percent of women had less than a high school diploma—that is, did not graduate from high school or earn a GED—down from 34 percent in 1970.

The full report can be accessed here: https://tinyurl.com/17BLSWomensStats.

Why is this important to sailing? It's important because it means that women's incomes have risen (though they still lag behind men's) and it means they have the means to pursue activities like sailing and sailboat racing.

Women need to advance their cause! A late January 2018 internet search for "women's sailing" first brought back a list of stuff to shop for. REALLY! Not programs, not famous women sailors, not opportunities for women to learn to sail, but stuff to shop for. We need to start screaming from the mountaintops that women sail, women race, and women make a difference in sailing.

From time to time LMSRF has put out a call seeking a woman who would be interested in serving as the Women's Sailing Committee Chair. We seek an individual who can set objectives, build and work with a team, enjoys a challenge, is a self-starter, has a volunteer mentality, and is an annual member of LMSRF. Please contact the LMSRF Office at lakemichigansrf@gmail.com.

SAFETY

LELAND HARBOR SERVES MACKINAC RACERS IN 2017

by Glenn McCarthy

Leland dredge being offloaded and launched in 2017. Photo courtesy Leland Township Harbor Commission.

The Leland, Michigan, harbor was slated to be closed in 2017. Both the State and Federal governments said they would no longer provide funding for the annual dredging. A call to arms was made, and in the Spring of 2017 LMSRF voted to donate $1,000 to help pay for the Leland Township Harbor Commission to purchase their own dredge. The discussion centered around the need to keep this Harbor of Refuge open for the safety of our sailors, primarily in the Mackinac Race, both going up to the Island and returning home.

Leland was able to dredge with the $200,000+ they raised and kept the harbor open this year.

The distance between Leland and the nearest port to the north, Northport, is 25 nautical miles. The distance between Leland and the nearest port to the south, Frankfort, is 35 nautical miles. This would leave a stretch of water of 60 nautical miles range without a harbor of refuge. No docking, no fuel, no food, no medical services.

Lo and behold, with the tremendous wind and waves of the 2017 Mackinac Race, two boats used Leland Harbor.

JONATHON SWIFT

Jonathon Swift, a Hobie 33 owned by Ronald Nolan of Louisburg, Kansas, made it into Leland Harbor around 9:00 am on Monday, July 17. With seven on board, six crew were seasick. One in particular recognized he needed fluids and was severely dehydrated. They went into Leland Harbor, dropped him off in a "touch and go." That crew member went to Traverse City to the hospital, received IV fluids and was well two hours later. Meanwhile, the boat returned to the spot where they had stopped racing, raised sails and completed the race to Mackinac Island. They were not aware that Leland Harbor might have been closed in 2017 if it weren't for the graciousness of donors.

DOUBLE TIME

Double Time, a Reynolds 33, owned by Martin Foster of Chesterfield Township, Michigan, dropped out of the Chicago-Mackinac and Super Mac and pulled into Manistee Harbor. Upon fueling and with conditions calmed some, they headed back out on the Lake for the trip home. The maximum range on a full fuel tank is about 50 nautical miles. Around 5:30 pm on Monday, July 17, 2017 they pulled into Leland Harbor to refuel. Had Leland Harbor been closed in 2017, they would have gone to Northport or Suttons Bay in Grand Traverse Bay to refuel, and with Monday's light winds would have had to slow down and sail some portions to conserve fuel in order to make it. If the weather was still rough, they may have gone into the lee of the Manitou Islands or Grand Traverse Bay to stick it out until weather subsided for a smoother trip. They were not aware that Leland Harbor might have been closed in 2017 if it weren't for the graciousness of donors.

Of course the Yellowbrick trackers were off all boats as they returned from Mackinac Island southbound to their home ports. We presume many Mackinac race boats stopped at Leland for recreation or refuge. Now, with Leland owning their own dredge, their destiny is in their own hands, and our destiny is in their hands.

YACHT CLUB AND SAILING ORGANIZATION OPEN HOUSES

Send us your Open House dates and times and we'll help get the word out to aid you in growing your yacht club membership. Include pertinent information, like food and drink, free sails, facility tours, etc., and send it to lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org. If you don't have an acknowledgement in two days, call the office!

CHICAGO YACHT CLUB, 400 E. Monroe St., Chicago, Illinois, is hosting a Prospective Member Reception on Thursday, February 22, 2018, from 6-8 pm for anyone interested in learning more about club membership and on the water opportunities. RSVP to Emily Giaimo at membership@chicagoyachtclub.org or call: 312-861-7761 to attend. Complimentary parking, cocktails and tours of the Club included. You must register in advance to attend.

YOUR INPUT MATTERS

NOMINATE NOW FOR 2018 NATIONAL SAILING HALL OF FAME

The US National Sailing Hall of Fame, in its year-round effort to gain nominations for consideration, has a deadline of March 30 for nominees to be considered for the Class of 2018 Inductees. Any nominations received after March 30 will automatically be included for consideration for the Class of 2019 Induction.

Nominating categories:

SAILING Category recognizes achievements made on the water as a Sailboat Racer, Cruiser or Offshore Sailor.

TECHNICAL Category recognizes those who have significantly contributed to the technical aspects of sailing. Examples include Designers, Boat Builders, Sail-makers, etc.

CONTRIBUTOR Category recognizes those who have made other significant contributions to the American sailing experience. Examples include Teachers, Coaches, Administrators, Media (including authored works, TV, film, etc.), Artists, Musicians, Promoters and Organizers.

How to Nominate:

Nominee requirements:
• Be a U.S. citizen. Although if someone of international birth has made a significant impact on the development of the sport of sailing here in the United States, they may be nominated.
• 45 years of age or older. Posthumous nominations may be made 5 years postmortem or in the year the deceased would have reached 45 years of age, whichever is sooner.

Nomination requirements:
• List of accomplishments in and contributions to the world of Sailing — races won, inventions, publications, awards, other recognitions, etc.
• List of notable accomplishments and contributions outside of sailing that you feel should be considered.
• A listing of articles, web pages, photos, videos or other publications is helpful.
• All of this information should be condensed to a clear and concise argument for your candidate.

Every nominee is considered by the Nominating Committee. Submitting duplicate nominations or engaging others in a "campaign" for your person only adds to the burdens placed on our volunteers. To learn more, including tips and videos on how to prepare your candidates information for submission, click here.

Nominate now at www.nominate.nshof.org.

The Class of 2018 Inductees will be selected from a combination of publicly-submitted nominations and carry-over nominations from last year, as determined by a selection committee appointed by the National Sailing Hall of Fame (NSHOF), comprised of representatives from NSHOF, U.S. Sailing, the sailing media, the sailing industry, community sailing, a maritime museum and NSHOF founding member clubs.

The Induction Ceremony for the Class of 2018 will be held at the Lauderdale Yacht Club in Fort Lauderdale, Florida on November 10-11, 2018.

ENGAGE ON STATE BOATING ISSUES WITH NEW BOAT/US ADVOCACY TOOL

With the adage that "all politics is local," Boat Owners Association of the United States (BoatUS) offers a new online Advocacy Tool for recreational boaters. The tool serves as a one-stop shop for federal and state recreational boating issues and gives recreational boaters the option to track relevant bills by state, find contact information for elected officials, speak to policymakers to express their views, and advocate for boating issues in their community.

As the boater's voice in Washington, D.C., BoatUS closely follows federal legislation and regulations that matter to boaters and boating. Using the Federal Action Alerts tool, boaters can find out if action is needed on a particular bill or rule that would impact boating.

A State Action Alerts tool tracks bills relevant to recreational boating by state as well as their status and sponsor, providing a simple and effective way to be kept informed of upcoming legislation and alerts that matter.

A key to affecting change is knowing your elected representatives and learning how to contact them. Using the Find your Elected Officials search box, boaters will get a complete list of contact information for federal, state and local elected officials.

"At the federal level, when we speak to Congress, BoatUS represents more than a half-million dues-paying members," said BoatUS Government Affairs Manager David Kennedy. "Our new Advocacy Tool magnifies that strength and brings it to the state level, giving boaters the chance to have their voices heard when boating issues are being debated."

"With significant issues, such as the mandate for more ethanol in gasoline or funding for dredging and infrastructure improvements to protect our waterways, boaters can use the BoatUS Advocacy Tool to remain engaged," added Kennedy.

BoatUS is the nation's only recreational boat owners group with a dedicated government affairs team speaking up for boaters. For more go to www.advocacy.boatus.com.

LMSRF does not perform any kind of political action. It provides this information in the interest of educating its members on how to more effectively work with and learn from their legislative representatives.

LMSRF AREA 1 NEWS

2018 AREA 1 BOAT OF THE YEAR OFFSHORE CHAMPIONSHIP

by Gail M. Turluck

At the Chicago Boat Show we collected input for races to count for the 2018 LMSRF Area 1 Boat of the Year series. Suggested were:

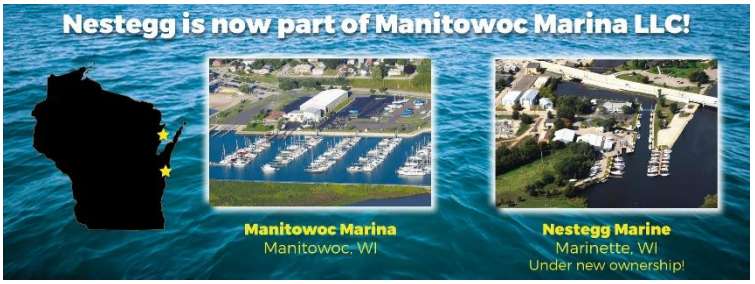
Hull of a Race (Oconto to Marinette)
Green Island Race (Sturgeon Bay)
Wave Pointe Race (Windjammers Sailing Club)

The series is in development and more input is sought. Please email your suggestions to lakemichigansrf@gmail.com by February 20. Please put A1BOTY in the subject line. Thank you!

MANITOWOC MARINA ACQUIRES NESTEGG MARINE

Manitowoc Marina LLC is incredibly excited to announce our acquisition of Nestegg Marine in Marinette, Wisconsin!

"We are thrilled to be welcoming the Nestegg Marine employees and customers into our Manitowoc Marina LLC family. Nestegg's reputation as a quality marina and boatyard on Green Bay is exactly what we were looking for to better service our customers in Door County, the western shores of Green Bay, and beyond. We look forward to growing Nestegg's capabilities and harnessing synergies between our two facilities. I look forward to meeting the Nestegg family of boaters and working to make the most of their boating experience." said Rich Larsen, President and General Manager of Manitowoc Marina and Nestegg Marine.



Learn more about Nestegg Marine at www.nesteggmarine.com!

LMSRF AREA 2 NEWS

PLAN NOW FOR 2018 QUEEN'S CUP

by Scott Burke

Plan now to enter the 80th challenge of one of the most storied yacht races on the Great Lakes. This year's Queen's Cup night race across Lake Michigan departs from Milwaukee, Wisconsin for Grand Haven, Michigan on June 22, 2018. The finish in Grand Haven features an improved safe harbor. Reserved slips are available and there will be protection added to harbor entrance wall. Both Milwaukee's South Shore Yacht Club and Grand Haven's Grand River Sailing Club will provide an experience worthy of this 80th Queen's Cup Regatta.

START: Festivities, friendly accommodations and a traditional over-the top pre-party at SSYC's Harbor of Hospitality on Thursday June 21st
FINISH: Celebratory welcome party for all and improved safe harbor for your vessels at GRSC In Grand Haven.

The race is open to all boats with a valid 2018 Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (LM-PHRF) rating certificate. We will continue to have starts for the shorthanded fleet (with a limit of two crew per boat) and a cruising fleet for non-spinnaker monohulls.

We are looking forward to increasing the participation of one design boats such as the J/111, Beneteau 40.7, Beneteau 36.7, and Tartan 10s. The racing between these boats and other one design boats has been close in prior years.

The fee structure is based on boat length. This helps to make the fee schedule more affordable for smaller boats.

Registration will be open and the South Shore Yacht Club website Queen's Cup page will be updated with the Notice of Race (NOR) and other documents by early February.

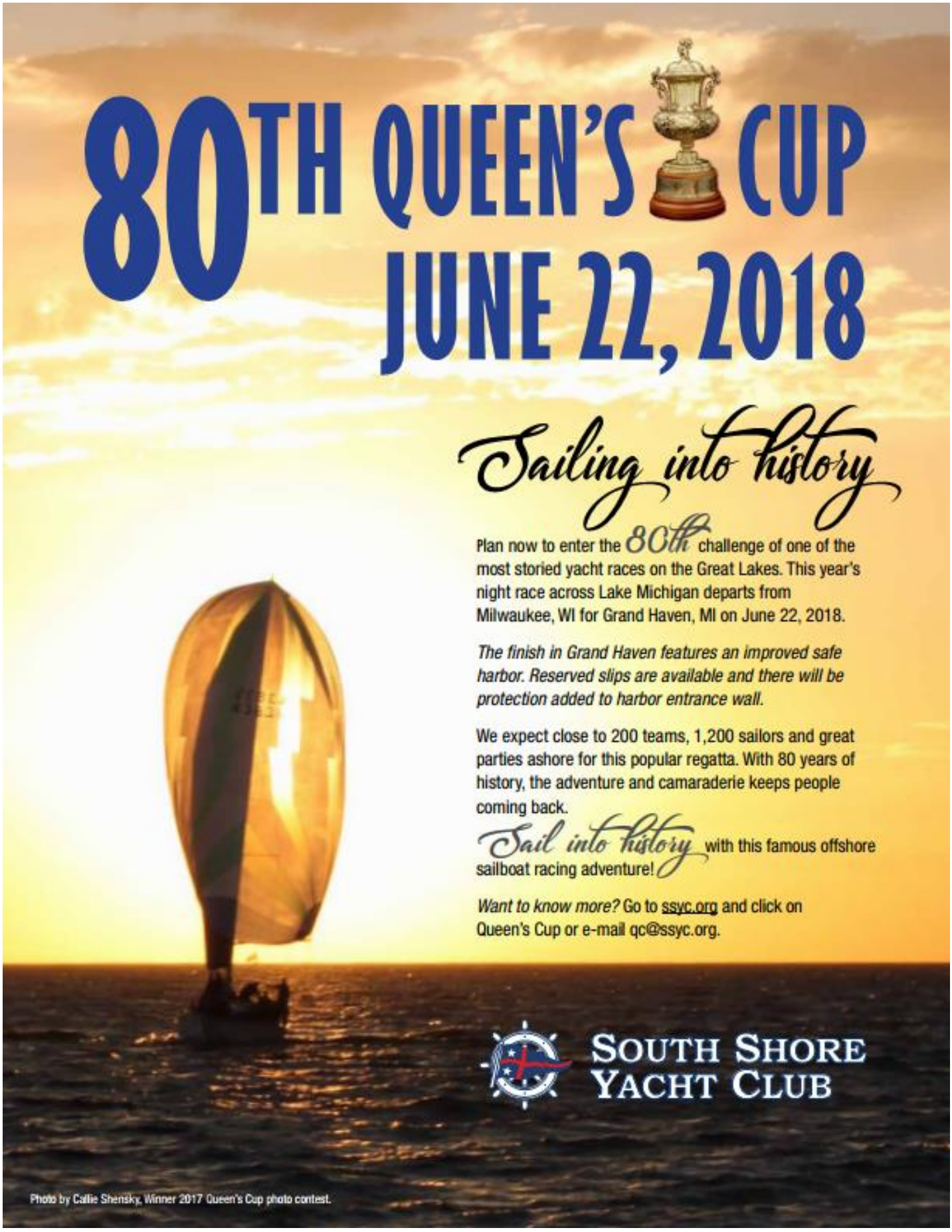
2018 AREA 2 BOAT OF THE YEAR OFFSHORE CHAMPIONSHIP

by Gail M. Turluck

At the Chicago Boat Show we collected input for races to count for the 2018 LMSRF Area 2 Boat of the Year series, though no suggestions were made.

The series is in development and input is sought. Please email your offshore race suggestions to lakemichigansrf@gmail.com by February 20. Please put A2BOTY in the subject line. Thank you!

Area 2
LMSRF
LAKE MICHIGAN SAIL RACING FEDERATION
Offshore Championship


80TH QUEEN'S CUP
JUNE 22, 2018
Sailing into history
Plan now to enter the 80th challenge of one of the most storied yacht races on the Great Lakes. This year's night race across Lake Michigan departs from Milwaukee, WI for Grand Haven, MI on June 22, 2018.
The finish in Grand Haven features an improved safe harbor. Reserved slips are available and there will be protection added to harbor entrance wall.
We expect close to 200 teams, 1,200 sailors and great parties ashore for this popular regatta. With 80 years of history, the adventure and camaraderie keeps people coming back.
Sail into history with this famous offshore sailboat racing adventure!
Want to know more? Go to ssyc.org and click on Queen's Cup or e-mail qc@ssyc.org.
SOUTH SHORE YACHT CLUB
Photo by Callie Shensky, Winner 2017 Queen's Cup photo contest.

LMSRF AREA 3 NEWS

CORINTHIAN UNIVERSITY GROWS ITS PRESENCE

by Chris Garbacz

Corinthian University has a couple of new bits of contact information. Our updated website for our education programs is:

http://www.corinthian.org/education

We have a brand new Facebook page to showcase and share all the news about all of Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club's educational programs - Crew School, Adult Sailing, Junior Sailing and all of our sailing and safety seminars.

https://www.facebook.com/corinthianuniversity/

If you have questions, please contact me:

Chris Garbacz, Program Director
CCYC Sailing Crew Training Program
http://www.corinthian.org/education
crewschool@corinthian.org
(773) 334-9100 x707

COLUMBIA YACHT CLUB MAGISTER NAVIS

by Scott Johnson

Character by all measures is the most distinctive human trait. This one trait that is more important than anything else. This should be a citadel. It cannot be usurped as it is a fortress that cannot be encroached upon. It is the proof there are betterments beyond our frailties. A man/woman has to live with one's self, and thus thereby by inclusion is in 'good company.' We, as the Membership of Columbia, have resolved to honor those, through their steadfast longevity and devotion, who have honored us by allowing us into their enlightened 'good company.'

Throughout the 125-years of Columbia, there has been an indispensable citadel of these members. On our Quasquicentennial, December 9, 2018, we bestowed the Magister Navis (Master of the Ship) upon

- Mr. John Boyle
- Mr. Peter Goldman
- Mr. Larry Kwiat
- Mr. Joseph Svoboda

From left: Larry Kwiat, Joseph Svoboda, Peter Goldman, John Boyle. Photo courtesy: Columbia Yacht Club.

The honorees were presented with an aesthetic symbolic trophy and Columbia shall be inscribing their names to a prominently placed plaque of merit in the coming year.

Our honorees' strength and virtue are not only measured by their special exertions, but by their continued inspired devotion and being a citadel of admirable character-acts to the betterment of our community. This can only be called, in totality, a 'Poised Dignity.'

Such Poised Dignity consists not merely in possessing honors, but in the consciousness that righteous ideals are shared for the general betterment - fortunately the recipient of that betterment - is our revered Columbia Yacht Club.

CREW FINDER MEET, GREET, AND LEARN

Chicago Yacht Club is hosting the Crew Finder Meet, Greet and Learn on Sunday, March 4, 2018, from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome, from any club, on any boat or anybody who wants to sail! Provided will be a casual atmosphere at Chicago Yacht Club's Monroe Station (400 E. Monroe St.) where owners, crew members and potential crew members can gather, talk, and exchange contact information. This event is FREE!

After a couple hours of getting acquainted, there will be a one hour presentation on Heavy Weather Racing by Perry Lewis of North Sails.

The goal of this afternoon is to connect crew and potential crew, beginners to advanced, together with boat owners to meet, exchange information and then learn how to sail fast by the best. This is open to all. Please invite anyone you know who may want to sail and who may need to find a boat to sail on.

Members and non-members are welcome. Please call the Front Desk to RSVP at (312) 861-7777.

SCHEDULE
1:00 PM Meet & Greet
3:00 PM Heavy Weather Racing with Perry Lewis
4:00 PM Q & A and More Mingling
5:00 PM Conclusion

JACKSON PARK YACHT CLUB CREW U

by Karen Harris

This class is designed to teach the basics of sailing in the classroom and help drive enrollment in our on-the-water lessons that will happen in the summer. All the class materials are written. The materials were developed from the US Sailing Basic Keelboat book. There will be two sessions of classes and each session is 4 weeks. Classes will be held every Wednesday from 7-8:30 pm on the dates listed below:
Session 1 — March 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th
Session 2 — April 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th
Check our web page for cost and information on how to register at www.jacksonparkyachtclub.org.

SPRING SAILING HIGH SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

by Zachary A. Hernandez

Sheridan Shore Sailing School is a non-profit organization that introduces the sport of sailing to people young and old from all over the Chicagoland area. In the fall and spring, we host the Beacon Academy, Evanston Township High School, and Loyola Academy sailing teams. In the summer, we run day camps for kids ages 8-18 where we teach sailing in a safe and fun environment.

In 2014, Sheridan Shore Sailing School became accredited as one of 26 US Sailing Community Sailing Centers. This honor recognizes that SSSS exceeds all the required standards set forth by U.S. Sailing and maintains an impressive commitment to high quality public access to sailing through our educational resources and outstanding staff.

For the last eight years Sheridan Shore Sailing School has had the largest number of high school sailors in the nation at one program. Operation at this capacity really strains all of our gear and equipment. It is an impossible task to keep up with it all. I believe that we have the leadership, the coaching, and focus to stay top.

My staff and I spend way too much time repairing some of the older SSSS equipment. The less time we have to repair broken parts, the more time we can focus on practice and developing our talented High School Sailors.

Sheridan Shore Sailing School just purchased ten brand new Zim 420s that your sailors will get take advantage of. We have a multitude of people around the sailing school for nine months out of the year. Having so many sailors requires new sails every few years and a lot of Safety Boats for appropriate safety and coaching. Unfortunately, our twenty five High School Sails and some of our Safety Boats are on their last legs.

Deflated inflatables and blown out sails slow staff attention to growing sailing. Photo courtesy: Sheridan Shore Sailing School.

The sailing school uses the facilities of the Wilmette Harbor Club, located on the North Shore of Chicago at Wilmette Harbor in Gillson Park.

As the director of the sailing school, I can ensure that every dollar we receive will go straight to funding for our New Safety Boats and New High School Sails.

We would love to reach our goal of $80,000 to have our new safety boats in time for our high school season which starts in late March 2018. Please help our High School Teams reach our goal. Click here to donate: https://tinyurl.com/SSss2018Donate.

The Chicago Tartan Ten Association and the
Corinthian Offshore Fleet invite everyone to attend a Speed Seminar:

Rigging

Staying out of trouble

Join us, Saturday, February 17, 2018
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon at
Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club at Montrose Harbor

This is a free seminar given by Kristian Martincic from Chicago Yacht Rigging on rigging. Topics are likely to include the type of line that Tartan 10s would usually use, how each is best suited for use, and how they can be used in projects in the yard. He may review concepts the Tartan 10 Class Association is considering for use. He will speak about rig safety and what owners should look for in the Spring season of yard work. Bring your questions!

We are providing coffee and breakfast treats to attendees!

RSVP TO: sfink26340@aol.com and add questions you'd like discussed

Send this to all your crew!

EVERYONE WELCOME- FROM ANY FLEET, ANY CLUB!

Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club: Lysa Hynes, Commodore
Chicago T-10 Association, Steve Mark Croll, Fleet Captain

Corinthian T-10 Fleet Captain, Steven Fink
Offshore Fleet Captain, Chuck Fogel

2018 CREW SCHOOL

Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club

Sailing Crew Training Program

Learn the skills needed to be a valued crew member on a racing or cruising sailboat.

Experienced racing crew and skippers will introduce you to:

- Nautical Terms & Physics
- Points of Sail & Sail trim
- Crew Roles & Responsibilities
- Behavior on Board
- What to Wear
- Personal Safety
- Weather & Boat Safety
- Racing Rules

...and more...

Wednesdays
April 4th through May 9th
7pm - 9:30 pm

Hands On Demos:

- Knot Tying
- Sail Folding
- Winch Operation & Care
- Outdoor Boat Demo
- Skipper Meet & Greet

What: There are many opportunities to get out on Lake Michigan so whether you want to Race or Cruise, our program is for you!

Who: Anyone Age 18 years and older

Cost: $200 includes book and materials

$25 DISCOUNT for Early Registration
(Until 03/01/2018)

Where: Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club
601 West Montrose Drive (east of Lake Shore Drive)
Chicago, IL

Free Street Parking

Apply online: www.corinthian.org/education

For more information, email crewschool@corinthian.org
or
Call 773-334-9100, Ext. 707

No Boat Required.

LMSRF AREA 4 NEWS

2018 AREA 4 BOAT OF THE YEAR OFFSHORE CHAMPIONSHIP

by Gail M. Turluck

The Area 4 Boat of the Year Offshore Championship series is set and ready for offshore racers to make their entries. The Notice of Series is available at the Area 4 web page and through this link: http://lmsrf.org/images/stories/docs/OffshoreCouncil/2018/2018Area4BOTY-NoS-Final.pdf.

Entries close on Wednesday, May 30, 2018.

North Star Sail Club
32041 South River Road
Harrison Township, MI 48045
586-463-2192

2018
J/35 North American Championship

January 8, 2018

To all members of the J/35 Class Association and J/35 Sailors,

You are cordially invited to compete in the 35th Anniversary J/35 National Championship. This year's championship regatta will be held July 26 thru 29 in Cheboygan, Michigan. North Star Sail Club, Harrison Twp. Michigan is delighted to host this year's regatta.

Cheboygan Michigan offers a unique opportunity to J/35 sailors to compete in some of the best fresh water sailing in the United States. It also provides you, your crew and your family the ability to take in and see historic Mackinac Island and the Mackinaw Bridge, just a short drive from Cheboygan. You will also be close to of some of the best vineyards and micro brewery's in the state.

The city of Cheboygan provides great harbor facilities and a city park with excellent picnic facilities and live entertainment in the evening.

Come and participate in an established / competitive one design series and take in *Pure Michigan*. For the first time in the 35 years of this competition, Rod Johnstone, the designer of the J/35 and J-Boats founder will be attending.

As a side note to all J/35 owners, the two weeks preceding the North American Championship are the Bayview Mackinac Race and the Chicago Mackinac Race. Two of the best long distance fresh water races anywhere. For more info on these http://www.bycmack.com/ and http://www.cycracetomackinac.com/

We look forward to hosting this event and meeting all of you both on and off the water.

Laurel Hurite
Commodore
North Star Sail Club

Web Site: http://www northstarsail.org

LMSRF AREA 5 NEWS

2018 AREA 5 BOAT OF THE YEAR OFFSHORE CHAMPIONSHIP

by Gail M. Turluck

The LMSRF Area 5 Boat of the Year offshore series is in development and your input is sought. Port-to-port and offshore race series regattas may be counted for this championship. At least four and preferably five races should be identified to be counted for this series.

Please email your suggestions to lakemichigansrf@gmail.com by February 20. Please put A5BOTY in the subject line. Thank you!

IRISH BOAT SHOP GROWING

Irish Boat Shop has announced it is adding a new location in Traverse City, Michigan. Their intention is for the new shop to open in 2018. They are planning special opening events and to offer a new line of boats! More details to come.

OFFSHORE COUNCIL NEWS

2018 BEST ON LAKE MICHIGAN INPUT SOUGHT

by Gail M. Turluck

LMSRF is seeking input from its sailors for races that should be counted for the 2018 Best on Lake Michigan Offshore Championships. There will be series for LM-PHRF, ORR, Beneteau 40.7, Beneteau 36.7, J/109, J/111, and potentially the Tartan 10 and J/105.

The following fleets may be added: Farr 40, Farr 395, Beneteau First 10R, J/35, J/88, J/130, Mumm 36, C&C 110, C&C 115, Thomas 35, and other Offshore One-design vessels. To have your fleet added, please have your fleet captain email lakemichigansrf@gmail.com.

Sailors at the Chicago Boat Show suggested:

- Colors Distance Race
- Waukegan to Chicago Race
- 100 Miler
- Tri-State Races
- Chicago to Waukegan Race
- Chicago to Michigan City to Chicago
- Queen's Cup
- Hook Race
- PHRFection Races
- NOOD-Chicago
- Chicago-Mackinac Race
- Chicago to St. Joseph Race
- Verve Cup
- Little Traverse Annual Regatta

Most of the suggested races are focused on LMSRF Area 3. It is important that there be races that will be conducted in Areas 1, 2, 4 and 5. Please email lakemichigansrf@gmail.com with your suggestions. Input will remain open through February 20, 2018.

Best of

LAKE MICHIGAN PHRF RENEWALS DISTRIBUTED

To the owners that had a 2017 Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet rating, large, bright orange envelopes have begun to arrive in mailboxes with the 2018 certificate renewal application inside! Take care of completing this promptly and mailing it in, so the Committee has enough time to process your application, along with everyone else's, and it comes back to you well before you're wanting to start entering races this season!

If you're going to be new to offshore racing on Lake Michigan or have a different boat for this coming season, visit www.lmphrf.org, download the application form, carefully complete the application, and mail it to LMPHRF. The process of receiving, analyzing, confirming and distributing LM-PHRF rating certificates takes as long as four weeks.

Submit your rating application promptly so you'll have your 2018 rating certificate in plenty of time to be able to enter races and be scored. The 2018 racing season on Lake Michigan promises to be a terrific one!

INSHORE ONE-DESIGN COUNCIL NEWS

2018 STAR GREAT LAKES CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE BLUE STAR AT PAW PAW LAKE

by Glenn McCarthy

For the first time in history, the Paw Paw Lake Star Fleet and Paw Paw Lake Yacht Club have been awarded the 2018 Great Lakes Championship. It will be held September 7-9, 2018, at Paw Paw Lake Yacht Club, Coloma, Michigan.

The skipper winning this event is then mandated to change the color of the Star on his or her sail to blue to permanently signify their champion status. A crew is awarded a blue bar and upon owning a Star boat can fly the blue bar under the red star on their sail.

If you have ever thought about owning a Star boat, now is the time to do it. We can help you find a boat (affordably!), join a fleet, get you practice and get your boat prepared to challenge for this honor.

Paw Paw Lake is just eight miles northeast of St. Joseph, Michigan. It is located just about smack dab middle of the Great Lakes District. Boats from fleets in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and parts of Ontario, Canada, are eligible to compete. Early commitments lead us to expect at least 15 - 20 boats on the starting line.

Contact Glenn McCarthy to get going: glenntmccarthy@yahoo.com.

LIGHTNING CLASS 2018 BOAT GRANT PROGRAM

by Greg Fisher

The International Lightning Class will loan two competitive Lightnings to promising young sailors for the 2018 summer sailing season. The grant covers all regatta entry fees, boat insurance, some travel money *and* we also provide you with a competitive boat, great sails and a mentor to help get you started. You'd be provided with all you'd need to compete at the highest level! The Lightning Class Boat Grant Program provides sailors like yourselves, who maybe can't afford to buy and campaign a competitive 3-person dinghy like the Lightning, with all they need to sail against some of the best racers in the World!

Application deadline is February 19, 2018. Find out more: https://tinyurl.com/18LightningGrant.

DRAGON CLASS RULES UPDATED

There is an update on the Dragon Class Rules. To view the latest version see: http://sailing.org/28289.php.

INVESTIGATION LEADS TO J/70 CLASS SUSPENSIONS

It has been a challenge for the J/70 Class to harness its massive global growth, and as the participants became more competitive, measurement rules came under scrutiny. People were pushing the limits, and the limits weren't pushing back.

But the Class said enough was enough at the 2017 J/70 World Championship, and initiated a thorough measurement process which rejected seven boats due to modifications to their keels beyond what was permitted in the rules.

"The Class Regulations leave no room for interpretation," said the Class statement at the event. "No modification is allowed to J/70s other than minor repairs of imperfections and blemishes. Those who were found with irregularities at the time of measurement clearly violated the Class Rules by giving themselves an illegal advantage over the fleet."

The Class also indicated at the time that further disciplinary actions may be forthcoming. That was in September, and now four months later the Class has suspended membership to the individuals that were "involved, to different degrees, in the 'Intentional violation of the Class Rules' and/or 'unsportsmanlike conduct' at the 2017 World Championship and/or some extended period prior to the World Championship."

ACTIONS:

- Carlo Alberini: owner of hull #949, Class membership is suspended for 12 (twelve) months commencing on 1 December 2017.
- Claudio Dutto: owner of hull #922, has been warned that although the Executive Committee did not suspend his membership, he needs to be more diligent that his boat is in compliance with the Rules at all times.
- Mauro Mocchegiani: owner of hull #1088, Class membership is suspended for 4 (four) months commencing on 1 December 2017.
- Alessandro Molla: owner of hull #570, Class membership is suspended for 4 (four) months commencing on 1 December 2017.
- Achille Onorato: owner of hull #1269, Class membership is suspended for 4 (four) months commencing on 1 December 2017.
- Alessio Querin: former owner of hull #922, Class membership is suspended for 24 (twenty four) months commencing on 1 December 2017.
- Marco Salvi: owner of hull #910, Class membership is suspended for 12 (twelve) months commencing on 1 December 2017.
- Alexey Semenov: owner of hull #667, has been warned that although the Executive Committee did not suspend his membership, he needs to be more diligent that his boat is in compliance with the Rules at all times.

In addition to the suspensions, the following boats have had their Manufacturers Declarations withdrawn and are not permitted to sail in J/70 events until the boats are inspected and corrected by the Licensed Manufacturer: Hull/sail #949 owned by Carlo Alberini; Hull/sail #1269 owned by Achille Onorato; Hull/sail #570 owned by Alessandro Molla; Hull/sail #910 owned by Marco Salvi; Hull/sail #667 owned by Alexey Semenov.

YOUTH COUNCIL NEWS

SCHOLASTIC SAILORS EVENT

by Gail M. Turluck

A Scholastic Sailors Event was held as part of the Chicago Boat, RV & Sail Show on Thursday, January 11, from 5:00-6:30. With lead coordination provided by Lake Michigan Sail Racing Federation, Crowley's Yacht Yard arranged to have Dawn Riley as the guest speaker, and Matt Knighton and Meg Six shared thoughts on how to pursue sailing opportunities as a career. Riley grew up sailing in Detroit, was the first woman ever to manage an entire America's Cup syndicate, and was the first American, man or woman, to sail in three America's Cups and two Whitbread Round the World races. Knighton served as an embedded reporter on Abu Dhabi Ocean Racing in the 2014-15 Volvo Ocean Race. Six has competed in the Women's International Match Racing Series. The youth attendees were enlightened to learn there are opportunities in the sport for a lifetime. Upon completion of the presentation, which had the "Breaking Stuff" seminar occurring in the room concurrently, the youth were provided free tickets to the Boat Show and left to explore.

US SELECTION PROCESS FOR 2018 YOUTH MATCH RACING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Dave Perry

The 2018 Youth Match Racing World Championship, organized by World Sailing, will be held on Lake Ledro in Trentino, Italy, on July 3-8, 2018, in the J/22.

US Sailing announced that the selection process for the skipper representing the U.S. will be by resume. Applications must be submitted by 12am/Midnight CST on February 15, 2018.

In order to be considered for selection, skippers must meet the eligibility criteria:

- They must be current members of US Sailing when competing in the Youth Match Racing World Championship.
- They must be a U.S. citizen or eligible permanent resident with written authorization from World Sailing for an exemption under World Sailing Regulation 24.5.4.
- They must meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19, Eligibility Code.
- They must not have turned 23 years of age as of December 31, 2018.

Click here for the Notice of Race published by World Sailing: https://tinyurl.com/18YouthWMRC.
US Sailing Code of Ethics: US Sailing Code of Ethics: https://tinyurl.com/USSACode.
Selection Procedure: Selection Procedure: https://tinyurl.com/18USSelProc.
Application Form: https://tinyurl.com/18YWMRCAp.

For questions or more information, contact Dave Perry at davperry@optonline.net.

MIDWEST COLLEGIATE SAILING ASSOCIATION UPDATE

by Gail M. Turluck

The 2018 Midwest Collegiate Sailing Association Midwinter Meeting was hosted by Grand Valley State University at its Grand Rapids campus. College sailing in the Midwest is in great shape. Three schools, John Carroll University, Baldwin-Wallace University and Hillsdale College were admitted to membership. There are some 26 college and universities active now. Attendees were divided into teams to start work to create a Mission and Values statement for the association.

Nicholaas Zomer, graduate of Grand Valley State University, was appointed to the position of Development Chair. He is going to work to assist with enhancing current programs and advance special projects like offshore sailing, alumni sailing and more.

Conference Commissioner Brian Toblemann reported on the recent Coaches Conference and ICSA Midwinter Meeting. The ICSA is encouraging team development, modernizing and diversifying sailing. A strong accent is being placed upon growing Women's Sailing. The New England conference is adding a Women's Team Race. ICSA is discontinuing some traditional fall interconference regattas and adding what they are calling the Fall Showcase that will feature Women's regattas at two sites to qualify teams for "finals" two weeks later and Coed regattas at two sites to qualify teams for "finals" two weeks later. Separately, ICSA is going to hire a consultant for $15,000 to evaluate its current structure for possible changes and realignment. For teams and observers planning to attend the 2018 ICSA Spring National Championships, to be held at Old Dominion University in Hampton, Virginia, a new Parents/VIP area with food and alcohol for purchase is being planned. It will be defined and competing athletes will be excepted from entering this area.

Wisconsin took delivery of 18 new E420s from Zim Sailing. MCSA launched a new website on the ICSA platform: http://mcsa.collegesailing.org/. The Conference is trying to increase women's participation by requiring teams participating in the MCSA Fall Dinghy Championship to have a female skipper half of the races at the event. The conference plans to work to switch its focus from adding new teams to developing and strengthening the teams they already have. MCSA is interested in bidding for the 2020 Nationals, likely at Wisconsin. Wisconsin is building a new waterfront which will make hosting the event much better.

Treasurer Nicole Coleman reported that the MCSA is out of the red and the financial difficulties experienced by having the Midwinter Meeting in Chicago have been relieved. The lowered cost of having member schools host the event has been critical to this improvement.

MCSA is implementing qualifications for the MCSA Fall Championship by designating the Fall Fury, Pere Marquette, Cary-Price and Emma Biagioni Regattas as qualifying events.

Abby Reeg, Hope College Team Advisor and Development Officer made a presentation on college sailing fundraising. She discussed how teams should work to find allies, make a clear case, and work their plan. She provided a detailed document to aid the clubs in implementing material she presented.

Dave Rearick was featured and spoke about how his life path and relationships led him to the opportunity to obtain an Open 40, *Bodacious Dream*, how he did major racing across the globe, and how he teamed up with 11th Hour Racing to develop an education program for school aged students after the around the world race he was planning to enter was canceled and he instead sailed around the world as an ambassador.

The developing Midwest Collegiate Offshore Program is planning for a Lake Erie Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta in Cleveland in Tartan 10s in the spring and the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta in Chicago in Tartan 10s in the fall. To incentivize participation in these events, a trophy will be established for the best scoring school annually in Midwest offshore events.

Sixteen Midwest schools currently have enough women skippers to field a team for a regatta. There is a deep need for Laser Radials to be available for the MCSA Women's Singlehanded Championship in the fall that qualifies women for the ICSA Singlehanded National Championship. Only six women identified that they could acquire a boat to sail. This is a serious issue.

An MCSA-Alumni listserve is going to be established. An MCSA Alumni Reunion Regatta is being planned for Fall 2018 or 2019. Current collegians have strong connections to recent alumni and are excited for this development.

Regatta scheduling was accomplished. Presentation of the MCSA perpetual trophies was made at the banquet. The members of the 2017 All MCSA Team were announced and certificates presented.

MCSA FOUNDATION

George Griswold, Chair of the MCSA Foundation, made its annual report. The MCSA Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to support the MCSA and its schools to advance education in sailing through funding athletes to ICSA Championships and interconference events. When it was established in 2011 a fundraising campaign was launched and by its founding $75,000 was collected. With market growth, its balance currently stands at $97,000. There will be $9,000 to distribute in 2018.

U.S. J/70 YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP

The second annual U.S. J/70 Youth Championship will take place in St. Petersburg, Florida on Tampa Bay from November 16-18, 2018. The event will be hosted by the St. Petersburg Yacht Club in its fleet of club-owned matched one-design J/70's.

The U.S. J/70 Youth Championship (USJYC) is open to twelve Youth Teams representing US Sailing recognized Sailing Clubs or Organizations. Sailing clubs may enter more than one youth team per event, but may only qualify one team for the USJYC championship. The twelve (12) Youth Teams will compete on ten J/70 Class sailboats with class sails (main, jib, spinnaker).

The 2018 qualifiers are:

- February 15-18 Helly Hansen St. Pete NOOD Regatta- St. Petersburg, FL
- March 7-11 Bacardi J/70 Invitational- Miami, FL
- March 16-18 Helly Hansen San Diego NOOD- San Diego, CA
- April 12-15 Sperry Charleston Race Week- Charleston, SC
- May 04-06 Helly Hansen Annapolis NOOD- Annapolis, MD
- June 2-3 Cedar Point YC One-Design Regatta- Cedar Point, CT
- June 08-10 Helly Hansen Chicago NOOD- Chicago, IL
- June 15-17 Cleveland Race Week- Cleveland, OH
- July 06-08 The Newport Regatta- Newport, RI
- Jul 15-16 St. Francis Sportboat Regatta- San Francisco, CA
- July 26-29 Helly Hansen Marblehead NOOD- Marblehead, MA

Here is the USJYC Notice of Race (https://www.jboats.com/images/stories/pdf/J70_Youth_NOR_2018.pdf).

For more U.S. J/70 Youth Championship information, please contact J/Boats at info@jboats.com or refer to the USJCA website: http://www.jboats.com/j70-youth-championship.

ADAPTIVE SAILING NEWS

BRAZIL GETS FIRST LOOK AT BLIND SAILING

by Juju Senfft

While I was back in Brazil for the Holidays, I had the chance to visit a project in Sao Paulo called Sailing Sense and do a demo of the Acoustic Marks System for Blind Sailing. Sailing Sense provides opportunities for visually and hearing impaired people to get out on the water and they are planning to start a blind sailing team. Miguel Olio, the project manager, sailed blindfolded and had a chance to experience what it is like to sail using the sound of the marks.

He said, "This experience was really motivating, sailing around the race course using just the sounds was extremely hard." We also had the participation of a volunteer from Sailing Sense and three disabled sailors from a Paralympic Sailing project that runs at the same club.

It was a great opportunity to show the technology used for Blind Sailing that SEAS is improving and introduce it to a new country. We hope to see a Brazilian team at international regattas in the near future!

COOL THINGS CLUBS ON LAKE MICHIGAN HAVE DONE

Get your club's fun events noted here. Send a report to Lake Michigan SuRF at lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org.

WINTHROP HARBOR YACHT CLUB, Winthrop Harbor, Illinois, has an exciting schedule of a variety of group cruises planned for their membership, including a murder-mystery cruise, a Summerfest cruise, and more! This gives sailors a fun outing with their boats, friends and families, perhaps on a weekend they take off from racing.

GRANTS-IN-AID NEWS

The Grants-In-Aid Committee considers applications and makes grants to LMSRF members for sailing education and major competitions from the proceeds of the LMSRF Endowment Fund. Not one penny comes from dues. Learn more at http://lmsrf.org/grants-in-aid/grants-requirements and locate the application by visiting: http://tinyurl.com/LMSRF-GIA-Ap.

$21,016.36 AVAILABLE TO GRANT IN 2018

BY GLENN MCCARTHY

Through the charitable donations of sailors, LMSRF has an Endowment Fund that currently has over $590,000 in it. We take a 12 quarter average of account balances, make a once-a-year calculation, and transfer funds into the Grants-In-Aid Fund for the Grants-In-Aid Committee to award to LMSRF member sailors and clubs around Lake Michigan. In 2018, the Grants-In-Aid Committee has $21,016.36 to award.

All it takes is a fairly simple application from you (http://tinyurl.com/LMSRF-GIA-Ap). In return, all we ask for is a short story about the things you learned from your experience using the grant money. Please be sure to review the grants requirements, too (http://lmsrf.org/grants-in-aid/grants-requirements).

Ideas of what we have given grants for (this is not a list is not comprehensive, "pitch your own effort" that you come up with):

- Instructor Certification for your sailing school. Either the instructor or the club/school can apply (both shall be members).
- Expenses to compete in championships away from Lake Michigan (whole crew shall be members).
- Olympic efforts.
- Symposiums/Clinics.
- A coach for all competitors at a junior event.

On a personal note, I have been chair of the Donations Committee that brings the money to the Endowment Fund that ends up in the Grants-In-Aid Fund. When I started, LMSRF had $50,000 in the Endowment Fund. I do not claim I brought a 1/2 million dollars in, it takes a team of the Donation Committee, Judge Advocate, and our solid Finance Committee Chair David Radtke to get it to this amount. In 2017 we had cash donations and two boat donations that will continue to grow the Endowment Fund. To accomplish these donations, I took the time and expense to drive to St. Joseph, Michigan, on three occasions for one donation and another trip up to Long Grove, Illinois, for the other boat donation. I'm quite proud of our accomplishment, which is duplicated at a few other Regional Sailing Associations across the U.S. and is not a norm for all sailors in the U.S. Consider LMSRF as something special, simply because it is.

The success of the Donation Committee is when it sees that all of the money that the Grants-In-Aid Committee has to award each year is given away to our sailors in need. Let's see to it that all $21,016.36 is taken by you this year and there is nothing left in the Grants-In-Aid Fund as of December 31, 2018. APPLY, APPLY, APPLY THROUGHOUT 2018!

GRANT RECIPIENT REPORTS

LEVEL 1 INSTRUCTOR AND STEM TRAINING OUTCOME

I wanted to share with you the success of Jackson Park Yacht Club's 2017 Junior Sailing Program. Had it not been for LMSRF's grant, allowing me to become certified as US Level 1 Instructor and obtain US STEM training, I would not have been able to help implement a successful re-launch of Jackson Park Yacht Club's Junior Sailing Program. JPYC's Junior Sailing Program was a composed of five sessions of 2 weeks each starting in June and concluded just before Labor Day. We enrolled over 60 young sailors, ranging in age from 8 to 14, including both boys and girls from diverse backgrounds. Safety and fun were at the top of our priority list. I used the tools and techniques I learned in the US Level 1 and STEM courses to develop the JPYC program. The Reach/Stem Program was put to good use by using a brainstorming technique with our sailors, discovering our planet's use of recyclables and potentially eco-destroying pollutants. Along with our discussions, we took to the harbor shore with nitrile gloves, bags and determination to rid the shoreline of plastic bottles, plastic bags, disposable lighters, a variety of paper goods, aluminum cans, bottle tops and food containers. While there we also enjoyed a refreshing splash at the beach. Thank you LMSRF for awarding me at grant to make this experience possible. I am extremely proud of the fact that because of the skills I learned through this grant I could share with the community the joy of sailing and help JPYC to re-launch its Junior Sailing Program.

--Michele Bartlow
JPYC Director of Sailing

RACE MANAGEMENT

VOLUNTEER SOUGHT

LMSRF seeks an individual to serve on the Race Administration Committee. Desired attributes include having or having had certification as a Race Officer or Judge, willingness to educate others in Race Management, being a self-starter, having a volunteer mentality, and being an annual member of LMSRF. Please contact Glenn McCarthy at glenntmccarthy@yahoo.com.

RULES RULES RULES

by Glenn McCarthy

Why are rules made? Some are for fairness, safety, right-of-way, behavior, course designation, etc. While everyone who sets out to write a rule has something decent and reasonable in mind, I am highly confident no one sits down before publishing to think about "unintended consequences."

Let me be blunt, it is not ever considered whether that rule will piss anyone off and cause them to quit racing, or whether it will grow racing.

Every event writes their own Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions with their own personal tweaks; these are Rules. This layers on additional rules to what has been standardized for racing. So many times I see things that are utterly ridiculous, which are onerous, time wasting, unneeded, unnecessary, and some … piss me off. I know I am not alone. I am thinking about quitting some events that are plainly being stupid as they gave someone a badge, the power has gone to their heads, and they became overzealous.

One rule that I saw causing some people to quit was the implementation of "crew weight limits." 1. Some sailors quit because they were told they could no longer race with their friends who had sailed with them for years. So they took up cruising and continued to sail with their friends. 2. With this "crew weight limits" rule in place, it is a common cause of friction between boats, with allegations that a boat sailed with too much weight or too many of their friends, sometimes leading to protests, pissing off people even more on both sides of the table. 3. Additionally, the lack of protests, expecting someone else to go do the heavy lifting of protesting and weighing the crew, and then sitting around and complaining endlessly about it leads people to leave. Is this rule really a positive experience? What's our goal? Being perfect in simple club racing? Or is our goal to get as many people as possible racing? Are these questions ever asked?

I'm not talking about the Farr 40 World Championship. Yes, to level the playing field that event should have weight limits strictly enforced. But for weekend club racing, give up this nonsense, let friends race with their friends, introduce more people to racing, and enjoy! Look closely at what you do. The more rules you remove, the better your event becomes.

WOMEN'S SAILING

CASRA TO HOST WOMEN'S SAILING CONFERENCE

by Gail M. Turluck

At the 2018 US Sailing Leadership Forum at the Women's lunch workshop, Jackson Park Yacht Club Commodore Karen Harris announced that a Women's Sailing Conference is being planned for late April to early May to begin the work of growing sailing for women and by women in the south Lake Michigan area. Watch the next issue of *Lake Michigan SuRF* for full details.

'WOMEN OFFSHORE' VIDEO BEING DISTRIBUTED

The Storm Trysail Club, which is working on an initiative to encourage more women sailors to experience sailing offshore, has produced *Women Offshore*, a new video in which ten highly experienced women sailors share helpful ways to get more women on the water. Here is a three-minute trailer of *Women Offshore*: https://youtu.be/Bx1_xri647Y.

Women Offshore is being offered to yacht clubs and sailing organizations wishing to present this important video to their memberships. Free downloads of *Women Offshore* can be requested by contacting Storm Trysail Club member Charles "Butch" Ulmer at butch@uksailmakers.com.

Women Offshore is the latest addition to the Storm Trysail Video Library. In addition to this new program, this collection offers a range of videos covering specific safety-at-sea best practices. To learn more… click here: https://tinyurl.com/STCVideos.

By making these informative videos available, the Storm Trysail Club seeks to encourage more people to safely participate in offshore sailing.

SWEET WATER ROOTS – SALT WATER DREAMS

by Ken Quant

Sometimes sailing is just in your blood. This is certainly the case for young Alison Kent. Raised in a family of Lake Michigan sailors, she has pretty much been sailboat racing since birth. Her family were regular fixtures on the local race circuit and her father, Tim Kent, even skippered an Antrim Open 50 named *Everest Horizontal* to a 2nd place finish in the 2002-2003 Around Alone race.

Having been around boats her whole life, Alison was able to hone her sailing skills at an early age through the family races and local youth sailing programs. With her background of sailing in the often-tough conditions of the Great Lakes and her recent experience working as a rare women sailmaker in New Zealand, it's no wonder Alison was recently selected as one of the four promising female sailors to join The Magenta Project's 2017 Sydney to Hobart race entry.

The Magenta Projects is an international organization established to provide top level sailing opportunities to some of the brightest and most promising women sailors from around the world. According to their mission statement; The Magenta Project is a collective of passionate, committed female sailors on a mission to accelerate women in sailing and industry by creating pathways, empowering leadership and driving change. Towards that goal, the Magenta Project is sponsoring the first all-female crew in 16 years in this year's Sydney to Hobart race.

A notoriously tough test of sailors and boats alike, the 628-mile sprint from the Australian mainland to the island state of Tasmania is renowned for its huge seas, brutal winds and stunning coastal scenery. The 2017 event has 107 yachts entered, including 30 internationals and four supermaxis. As tradition dictates, the race starts from Sydney Harbor on Boxing Day, December 26th, heading out towards the Tasman Sea past Sydney Head. A summer sight to behold, the race fleet is surrounded by thousands of spectator boats as they sail up the harbor towards open water.

The four selected Magenta Project sailors will round out an 8-woman crew racing Lisa Blair's modified Open 50 named *Climate Action Now*. A highly accomplished sailor herself, Lisa recently proved you don't have to be a dude to be a tough sailor by became the first female to solo circumnavigate Antarctica. Joining the team as co-skipper will be Libby Greenhalgh, navigator of *Team SCA* in the Volvo Ocean Race 2014-15. Two other highly experienced offshore professional racers fill out the core crew. Together, these experienced women will help mentor the new crew on the rigors of offshore racing and the importance of team work.

Over 170 applications from all over the world were submitted for the four apprentice crew positions. Of all those entries, Alison was selected to join the elite crew. Experience was important, but even more than that was an applicant's professional motivation. According to Alison, "They asked for experience, but more about what you wanted to do with your sailing in the future, why you wanted to do the race, and what being a woman in sailing meant to you. It was clear they were looking for motivated women who needed a pathway to extend their sailing and were pushing to get ahead."

These positions were not just for the young. Each of the four available spots were earmarked to tap into a wide cross-section of women sailors across 4 categories including; Youth, Emerging Professional, Wild Card and Mature Sailor. Alison is the Emerging Professional. According to Blair, "It has been great to see so many amazing women from all around the world apply. The applications were varied with many different experience levels and age ranges with the youngest being 18 and the oldest above 65. I look forward to working with and sharing some of my knowledge to the successful applicants and I hope to continue to offer opportunities like this in the future."

Certainly, for Alison, opportunities abound. No matter if she becomes a true offshore racing professional, or a sailing industry lifer, I have no doubt that her sweet water roots will almost undoubtedly lead her to a lifetime of salt water dreams.

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LAKE MICHIGAN AREA MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Get your championship listed here. Simply email lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org with the date, event title, host club, and web site URL for the event or club. Thanks!

July 26-29, 2018	J/105 North American Championship
Little Traverse Yacht Club, Harbor Springs, Michigan	https://ltyc.org/2018-j105-north-american-championships/
July 26-29, 2018	J/35 North American Championship
Cheboygan, Michigan	https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4588
July 30-August 4, 2018	Sunfish Youth, Junior and Open North American Championships
Lake Bluff Yacht Club, Lake Bluff, Illinois	https://www.sunfishclass.org/regattas/2018-regattas/08/2018/August/01
September 12-15, 2018	Star Vintage World Cup
Gull Lake Yacht Club, Richland, Michigan	http://gulllakecc.com/yacht-club-schedule-events/
September 18-21, 2018	J/111 North American Championship
Macatawa Bay Yacht Club, Macatawa, Michigan	http://mbyc.com/j111-2018-north-american-championship/
September 18-23, 2018	M32 World Championship
Chicago Match Race Center, Chicago, Illinois	http://m32world.com/m32-na-championships/
September 29-October 9, 2018	Farr 40 World Championship
Chicago Yacht Club, Chicago, Illinois	https://tinyurl.com/2018Farr40Worlds

MATCH RACING NEWS

CANADA'S CUP PRESENTATION AT BAYVIEW YACHT CLUB ON FEBRUARY 3

by Marc Hollerbach

Bayview Yacht Club, 100 Clairpointe Street, Detroit, MI, is very pleased to host a special presentation by the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of Toronto, Ontario, of their plan for a re-imagined Canada Cup on February 3, 2018, at 12:00 noon EDT.

Under the new format the event will be in held in privately owned IC 37s, the New York Yacht Club's new platform for their NYYC Invitational event and will be open to any member of a Great Lakes yacht club. The Canada Cup will consist of separate round-robin match race eliminations for the US and Canada with thetwo2 winners meeting in the Canada Cup final. All crew members must be Corinthian (ISAF Group 1) and must belong to the club from which the yacht is sailing.

The proposed format will make it more accessible to a much wider group of sailors and will inject a new level of interest and participation in this grand old competition.

Please join us, either in person or via WebEx, for this presentation on February 3 at 12:00 noon at Bayview Yacht Club. We apologize for the late distribution of this information. It appears that some of our earlier announcements failed to reach their intended recipients. Please distribute this message and the invitation to your fellow members or to anyone you believe would be interested in knowing about this newly imagined Canada Cup.

Call Marc Hollerbach with questions at 248.765.7300 or email marc@karmapartners.net.

You Are Invited to Attend

A PRESENTATION BY THE ROYAL CANADIAN YACHT CLUB

Hosted by **Bayview Yacht Club**

CANADA CUP 2020

A Totally Reimagined Canada Cup Event

- **One-Design Platform – NYYC Melges IC 37**
- **All Corinthian, All Club-Member Crews**
- **All Members of Great Lakes Yacht Clubs Invited**
- **Up to 8 US Boats Sail Round-Robin Match Race at RCYC**
- **Up to 8 Canadian Boats Sail Round-Robin Match Race at RCYC (concurrently)**
- **Winners Meet in Canada Cup Final**
- **Minimum of Three Events Planned: 2020, 2022, 2024**

Please join us at Bayview Yacht Club for a multi-media presentation by Royal Canadian Yacht Club of their proposed format for a reimagined Canada Cup.

- Imagine a Corinthian Canada Cup open to every Great Lakes owner with a focus on encouraging diverse club member participation.
- Imagine an event sailed in an exciting, one-design IC 37 under strict one-design rules.
- Imagine an event that is no longer a "challenge" event but is scheduled every 2 years under the same rules providing stability, preservation of boat value and the opportunity for sponsor brand growth.

New York Yacht Club has created the IC37 to support their bi-annual NYYC Invitational. The NYYC has ordered 20 boats with delivery to start in spring of 2018. Orders for an additional 17 boats have been placed by private owners, many of them in the Great Lakes. With an attractive price-point, a focus on Corinthian sailing, high performance, and the ability to fit the boat for coastal and offshore racing, the IC 37 appears to be on its way to becoming one of the premier one-design classes in the country.

Everyone is welcome, whether potential owner, crew or just want to know more

When: February 3, 2018 at 12:00 pm

Where: Bayview Yacht Club, 100 Clairpointe Rd., Detroit, MI

OR, if you cannot attend in person, join the webex at:
https://intermedix.webex.com/join/marc.hollerbachintermedix.com

Attendees will be welcomed to use the BYC bar and restaurant. Private housing provided as necessary.

Questions: Please contact

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PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR PARTICIPATION **Call the BYC office at 313-822-1853**

SPECIAL MEMBER BENEFITS

Lake Michigan Sail Racing Federation's Corporate Member program provides the opportunity to provide current LMSRF Individual Memberswith exclusive special benefits annually. Current offers:

Chicago Sailing, *the Midwest's largest public sailing facility offering US Sailing certified instruction, charters and rentals, offers $50 off its Basic 101 & Advanced 202 lessons for LMSRF members. Use code "LMSRF50" at checkout. Click logo link:*

Digital Interplay *provides web hosting and design for your business or club. We print plastic membership cards. Free initial consultation for your web site or initial design for your membership card. Click logo link and ask for Chuck:*

Marine Pro Service: *request your special LMSRF member discount. Click on our logo link:*

Modern Geographic: *Contact Capt. Paul Exner about a sailing expedition and you will be mailed a Modern Geographic sticker from someplace cool! Click link at right:*

RailMeets.com: *Services are always free to Captains and Crew. LMSRF member clubs receive 10% off RailMeets.com yacht club services including a private branded crew finder and racing fleet management software.*

Schuss Marine Survey *offers LMSRF members one free 15-minute phone consultation. Contact Marian at Schuss Marine Survey by clicking on the logo link:*

Skyway Yacht Works: *LMSRF members who contact Steve Kindra at Skyway Yacht Works in Chicago to set up your boat's winter storage get free mast step in the spring included. Click on logo link:*

TowBoat/US-Starved Rock – Joliet – Waukegan - Racine, *Unlimited Freshwater Towing - 1 year Membership for only $47 (Any boat that you own, borrow or charter)! Click on logo link at right:*

World Yachts: *LMSRF members who are thinking either of buying or selling a boat get a free market analysis, a $25 value. Click link at right and contact Eric Jones at World Yachts.*

Wolverine Inflatables: *LMSRF members get 10% discount on parts and labor for liferaft service OR $100 off price of a new liferaft.*

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Like it? Hate it? Have more details?
Share your thoughts about our publication at lakemichigansrf@gmail.com.

I thought the email invitation to the LMSRF Area 3 PHRFection Race (last year) was SOOOO COOOOL! Thanks.

Herb Philbrick
Michigan City Yacht Club

SAILING EDUCATION

To have your event listed here, please email title, host/location, date and time, very brief description of program, who to contact with phone and email, and pre-registration or web site link to lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org.

WINTER EDUCATION SERIES-PRACTICAL ELECTRONIC NAVIGATION - February 7, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. Presenters: Mark Gillespie, David Elsmo. An introduction to GPS and how to use it wisely in combination with traditional paper charts. We cover basic use of chartplotters and handheld GPS units including smartphones and tablets, and how to work simultaneously with paper charts for greater situational awareness (i.e. how to avoid a "GPS assisted grounding"). We'll also cover some of the important factors that go into creating a sailing route and where to find crucial information effecting navigation and planning. Free. Register here: https://lessons.hoofersailing.org/event/register/index?id=64163.

WINTER EDUCATION SERIES-CHARTERING FOR THE NOVICE - February 14, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. Have you ever wanted to charter a boat in the Carribean or Medditerannean but felt overwelmed by all the moving parts? One of our top ASA instructors, David Jeter will take the time to outline the process from start to finish. Presenters: David Jeter, David Elsmo. Register here: https://lessons.hoofersailing.org/event/register/index?id=64164.

TARTAN 10 FLEET WINTER LECTURE SERIES - February 17, 2018, 9 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club, 601 West Montrose Avenue, Chicago, IL. Free.

I'VE GOT THE DIESEL FUEL BLUES – February 20, 2018, GLCCSchool is an internet-based offering of the Great Lakes Cruising Club. GLCCSchool webinars are conducted by experienced GLCC-accredited sail or power boating colleagues and industry specialists. GLCCSchool webinars are open to everyone, whether they are a Great Lakes Cruising Club member or not. All you need to participate in GLCCSchool webinars is a computer (Windows, Mac or Linux) with speakers, a browser, and a desire to learn more about cruising our Great Lakes. To register: https://www.glccschool.com/open-classes.

BASIC WEATHER PATTERNS - Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. Have you ever wondered how weather works beyond just watching the Weather Channel or checking an App? This course will give you a foundation to build your weather acumen, you will learn how to interpret weather maps, where to find alerts, and begin to learn about local weather phenomenon to better prepare you for a safe and fun time out on the water. Speaker: TBA. Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/basic-weather-patterns-tickets-38787709082.

WINTER EDUCATION SERIES-BERMUDA REVISITED-HOW IT ALL WENT DOWN IN 2017AC - February 21, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. This session will consist of an in-depth review of the most recent staging of the world's oldest sporting competition which took place this past summer in Bermuda, featuring an overview of the teams, sailors, boats and technology that took center stage during this event. Presenters: David Jeter, David Elsmo. Register here: https://lessons.hoofersailing.org/event/register/index?id=64165.

ONE DAY OFFSHORE SAFETY AT SEA - Saturday, February 24, 8:00am-4pm. Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. For crew members of offshore races, long distance cruisers, any sailor wanting to improve his/her sailing skills. Tops are the same as the Coastal Course plus Heavy Weather, Storm Sails, Crew Health, Hypothermia, Jury Rigging and Repair, Fire Precautions, Lending Assistance, Life Rafts, Signals. Give us a day, and we can give you detailed safety skills and information that will improve your confidence and your enjoyment on the water. Cost: $150 plus 5% discount for US Sailing Members. Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/offshore-safety-at-sea-tickets-42291308442.

TWO DAY INTERNATIONAL OFFSHORE SAFETY AT SEA WITH HANDS-ON TRAINING - Saturday, February 24-Sunday, February 25, 8:00am. Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. This Course is for… crew members participating in International races or where World Sailing (ISAF) certification is required, long distance cruisers, any sailor wanting to find out how life jackets and life rafts work in a safe environment. Topics are the same as the Offshore Course plus hands-on sessions on life jackets and life rafts in the water; group activities to test problem solving abilities. Use the gear, practice the skills, and hear from the experts about safe and successful racing and voyaging. Two days of intensive training for sailors who want to be self-sufficient. Cost: $300 with 5% discount for US Sailing Members. Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/international-safety-at-sea-with-hands-on-training-tickets-42290415772

GREAT LAKES WEATHER 1: MARINE WEATHER BASICS – February 27, 2018, GLCCSchool is an internet-based offering of the Great Lakes Cruising Club. GLCCSchool webinars are conducted by experienced GLCC-accredited sail or power boating colleagues and industry specialists. GLCCSchool webinars are open to everyone, whether they are a Great Lakes Cruising Club member or not. All you need to participate in GLCCSchool webinars is a computer (Windows, Mac or Linux) with speakers, a browser, and a desire to learn more about cruising our Great Lakes. To register: https://www.glccschool.com/open-classes.

THE GREAT LAKES WEATHER SAVVY MARINER SERIES – February 27, 2018, GLCCSchool is an internet-based offering of the Great Lakes Cruising Club. GLCCSchool webinars are conducted by experienced GLCC-accredited sail or power boating colleagues and industry specialists. GLCCSchool webinars are open to everyone, whether they are a Great Lakes Cruising Club member or not. All you need to participate in GLCCSchool webinars is a computer (Windows, Mac or Linux) with speakers, a browser, and a desire to learn more about cruising our Great Lakes. To register: https://www.glccschool.com/open-classes.

WINTER EDUCATION SERIES-TBD - February 28, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. Presenters: David Jeter, David Elsmo. Register here: https://lessons.hoofersailing.org/event/register/index?id=64166.

ONE DAY RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR – March 3, 2018, 9:00 am-5:00 pm at Columbia Yacht Club, 111 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL. $65 seminar fee includes course material, online testing, lunch (sandwich buffet) and beer at the end of the day. Online registration closes on Monday, February 26, 2018, @ 2355 (Eastern). Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451405. Please contact Kurt Thomsen, kurt@colyc.org, for additional information. Instructor: John Strassman.

NORTH U. BOATSPEED AND RACING TRIM SEMINAR - Saturday, March 3, 2018, 9:00 am-4:00 pm. DePaul University, Lincoln Park Campus, 2320 N. Kenmore Ave., Chicago, IL, (near Fullerton & Halsted), Seminar Location: Schmitt Academic Center, Room: SAC-161. The North U Racing Trim Seminar is offered as a one-day course focusing on boat speed and sail trim. Access the North U Sail Trim Simulator for home study and review. It's the same Simulator we use to teach the course. North U Trim Seminars teach the latest in racing skills with an emphasis on practical, proven, real-world techniques that will help you win. You will learn the fundamentals of upwind performance, plus advanced techniques that balance angle of attack, sail depth, and twist in both the main and jib in order to optimize speed and pointing in all conditions. Through animated graphics, photos, and video you will see how the champions do it. In addition, the course covers the latest in spinnaker trim and control for both symmetric and asymmetric spinnakers. Fee varies. Register: https://northu.com/product/trim-seminar-chicago-il/.

NORTH U. BOATSPEED AND RACING TRIM SEMINAR – Sunday, March 4, 2018, 9:00 am-4:00 pm. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Sailing Team, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3210 N. Maryland Avenue, Milwaukee, WI, Seminar Location: Lubar School of Business, Room: TBA. The North U Racing Trim Seminar is offered as a one-day course focusing on boat speed and sail trim. Access the North U Sail Trim Simulator for home study and review. It's the same Simulator we use to teach the course. North U Trim Seminars teach the latest in racing skills with an emphasis on practical, proven, real-world techniques that will help you win. You will learn the fundamentals of upwind performance, plus advanced techniques that balance angle of attack, sail depth, and twist in both the main and jib in order to optimize speed and pointing in all conditions. Through animated graphics, photos, and video you will see how the champions do it. In addition, the course covers the latest in spinnaker trim and control for both symmetric and asymmetric spinnakers. Fee varies. Register: https://northu.com/product/trim-seminar-chicago-il/.

GREAT LAKES WEATHER 2: FORCES CONTROLLING THE WIND/USING DOPPLER WEATHER RADAR – March 6, 2018, GLCCSchool is an internet-based offering of the Great Lakes Cruising Club. GLCCSchool webinars are conducted by experienced GLCC-accredited sail or power boating colleagues and industry specialists. GLCCSchool webinars are open to everyone, whether they are a Great Lakes Cruising Club member or not. All you need to participate in GLCCSchool webinars is a computer (Windows, Mac or Linux) with speakers, a browser, and a desire to learn more about cruising our Great Lakes. To register: https://www.glccschool.com/open-classes.

WINTER EDUCATION SERIES-INTRODUCTION TO THE RACING RULES OF SAILING- March 7, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. We will be presenting the Racing Rules of Sailing in a methodical yet simple format to help you understand how to play the game, make smart decisions and enjoy every moment on the water! This particular seminar will be concentrating on the starting rules, and the first upwind leg of a course. Presenter: David Elsmo. Register here: https://lessons.hoofersailing.org/event/register/index?id=64167.

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Marine Weather Education and Forecasting Resources

Great Lakes Basic Marine Weather Seminar

South Shore Yacht Club

March 3, 2018

Overview

Learn a little meteorology and reduce some of the uncertainty of boating on the Great Lakes. An enhanced understanding of basic weather principles and a few simple forecasting skills can improve cruise planning, racing performance and reduce the likelihood of being exposed to uncomfortable or hazardous weather conditions.

The Basic Marine Weather Seminar will provide attendees with an understanding of basic meteorological principles and explore the conditions favoring the development of severe weather. Graphics and case studies of actual weather events will be used to focus on the interesting and unique forecasting challenges associated with the Great Lakes. Attendees will also develop a basic daily forecasting resource kit based upon readily available government and university websites.

Location: South Shore Yacht Club
2300 E. Nock
Milwaukee, WI

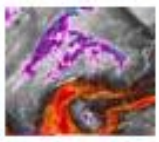
When: **March 3, 2018**
8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Fee: Early bird $50 until February 28. $60 after February 28 Fee includes lunch.

Registration: Contact the SSYC office at 414-481-2331 to pay by credit card. To pay by check, please send payment to South Shore Yacht Club, Attn: Great Lakes Marine Weather Seminar, 2300 E. Nock Street, Milwaukee, WI 53207.

Seminar Outline

Section One:	Introduction
Section Two:	A Solid Foundation (Basic Meteorological Principles)
Section Three:	Interpreting Weather Graphics
Section Four:	The Invisible Forces Controlling the Wind
Section Five:	Clouds And Precipitation
Section Six:	Dissecting A Low Pressure System
Section Seven:	Observational Tools (Radar & Satellite Imagery)
Section Eight:	Thunderstorms
Section Nine:	Waves
Section Ten:	A Daily Forecast Routine
Section Eleven:	On-board Resources (Monitoring The Weather After You Leave The Dock)



Online Forecasting Tools
Basic Marine Forecasting Seminars
Presentations
Case Study/Event Summaries

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US Sailing Safety at Sea Seminar - March 10, 2018, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Columbia Yacht Club, 111 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois. Speaker: Multiple. Cost: $125 non-US Sailing member/ non-Columbia member; $125 standard pricing, $120 non-Columbia member but US Sailing member; $100 Columbia member. Lunch is provided and keg beer to follow. http://www.columbiayachtclub.org/sailing-school, (312) 465-3514 or sail@colyc.org.

Great Lakes Weather 3: Weather Makers … Forecasting High & Low Pressure Systems - March 13, 2018, GLCCSchool is an internet-based offering of the Great Lakes Cruising Club. GLCCSchool webinars are conducted by experienced GLCC-accredited sail or power boating colleagues and industry specialists. GLCCSchool webinars are open to everyone, whether they are a Great Lakes Cruising Club member or not. All you need to participate in GLCCSchool webinars is a computer (Windows, Mac or Linux) with speakers, a browser, and a desire to learn more about cruising our Great Lakes. To register: https://www.glccschool.com/open-classes.

Winter Education Series-Introduction to Outboard Repair and Maintenence (limited avail.)- March 14, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. During this seminar we will be going through the inner workings of outboard motors. Presenter: David Elsmo. SOLD OUT

Tartan 10 Fleet Winter Lecture Series - March 17, 2018, 9 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club, 601 West Montrose Avenue, Chicago, IL. Free.

Advanced Race Management Seminar – March 17-18, 2018, 8:30 am-4:00 pm daily, at Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont Station, 300 W. Belmont Ave, Chicago, IL. Parking is available for a small fee. Coffee, continental breakfast, and a lunch buffet will be provided both days. Enroll now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451668. Contact: Libbi Dust, regattamanager@chicagoyachtclub.org. Instructor: Thomas Duggan.

Great Lakes Weather 4: Thunderstorm Primer / Creating Your Own Marine Forecast - March 20, 2018, GLCCSchool is an internet-based offering of the Great Lakes Cruising Club. GLCCSchool webinars are conducted by experienced GLCC-accredited sail or power boating colleagues and industry specialists. GLCCSchool webinars are open to everyone, whether they are a Great Lakes Cruising Club member or not. All you need to participate in GLCCSchool webinars is a computer (Windows, Mac or Linux) with speakers, a browser, and a desire to learn more about cruising our Great Lakes. To register: https://www.glccschool.com/open-classes.

Sailing Rules & Mock Protest Hearing - Wednesday, March 21, 2018, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. This session is for current and aspiring sailboat racers looking to review or learn more about the Racing Rules of Sailing. Common questions and recent rule changes will be focused on such as mark rounding situations, penalty turns, and how class rules can change certain rules will be discussed. Bring your own questions for the group to discuss! The session will conclude with a mock protest hearing for some great practice! Speaker(s): TBA. Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sailing-rules-mock-protest-hearing-tickets-38788153411.

Winter Education Series-Simple Sailboat Rigging, Tuning and Troubleshooting- March 21, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. Learn how to properly inspect a rig, its pins/rings, and looking for any potential hazards. We will also delve into how to properly tune a rig, maintain and look for problems that may occur after sailing and general mast care. Presenter: David Elsmo. Register here: https://lessons.hoofersailing.org/event/register/index?id=64170.

I'm Cool but my Diesel is Hot - March 22, 2018, GLCCSchool is an internet-based offering of the Great Lakes Cruising Club. GLCCSchool webinars are conducted by experienced GLCC-accredited sail or power boating colleagues and industry specialists. GLCCSchool webinars are open to everyone, whether they are a Great Lakes Cruising Club member or not. All you need to participate in GLCCSchool webinars is a computer (Windows, Mac or Linux) with speakers, a browser, and a desire to learn more about cruising our Great Lakes. To register: https://www.glccschool.com/open-classes.

US Sailing Sanctioned International Offshore Safety at Sea course with Hands-on training - Saturday, March 24-Sunday, March 25, 2018. Jackson Park Yacht Club, 6400 S. Promontory Drive, Chicago, IL. Registration: http://jacksonparkyachtclub.org/safetyatsea.html. Contact: Dennis Hansen, jpycevents@gmail.com, 773.551.4540. Hands-on day (day 2) will be held at the Chicago State University Pool, 9501 S. King Drive, Chicago, IL.

WINTER EDUCATION SERIES-INTRODUCTION TO COMPOSITE SAILBOAT REPAIR- March 28, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. Delve into boat construction as it pertains to proper repair and maintenence or fiberglass. We will go through the difference between polyester and Epoxy repairs. How best to work with gelcoat and the different styles of composites (fiberglass, carbon fiber, and Kevlar.) Presenter: David Elsmo. Register here: https://lessons.hoofersailing.org/event/register/index?id=64169.

CORINTHIAN CREW SCHOOL – Wednesday, April 4-Wednesday May 9, 7pm-9:30pm. Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club, Montrose Harbor, Chicago, Illinois. We will teach you the skills you need to become a valued crew member. All classes are held indoors. Experienced Skippers and Racing Crew will introduce you to: Nautical Terms & Physics; Points of Sail & Sail Trim; Crew Roles & Responsibilities; Behavior on Board; What to Wear & Safety Equipment; Weather & Boat Safety; Racing Rules & More. Hands on demos include: Knot Tying; Winch Operation & Care; Sail Folding & Spinnaker Packing; Outdoor Boat Demo; and a Skipper Meet & Greet. Participants must be at least 18 years old. Cost: $200, $25 discount for Early Registration (until 3/01/18). Class fee includes Book & Materials. Register here: https://tinyurl.com/18CorinthianCrewSchool.

WINTER EDUCATION SERIES-SAILING WITH SPINNAKERS: MAKE THEM EASIER AND FASTER- April 4, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. Learn how to simplify using the sail to make your life easier and more enjoyable on the water with some simple tricks and techniques. We will be covering sets and douses, gybes and the differences between asymmetrical and symmetrical kites. Presenter: David Elsmo. Register here: https://lessons.hoofersailing.org/event/register/index?id=64171.

ONE DAY US SAILING SAFETY AT SEA SEMINAR-OFFSHORE SEMINAR - April 7, 9:00am-4:00pm, Chicago Yacht Club, Chicago, Illinois. Includes classroom instruction. Cost: $175.00. Register: https://chicagoyachtclubadultprograms.checklick.com/.

TWO DAY OFF SHORE US SAILING SAFETY AT SEA SEMINAR WITH HANDS-ON TRAINING - April 7-8, 9:00am-4:00pm, First Day includes classroom instruction, Second Day includes hands-on training. Cost: $350.00. Register: https://chicagoyachtclubadultprograms.checklick.com/. **SOLD OUT**

WINTER EDUCATION SERIES-WEATHER ACCORDING TO LAKE MENDOTA- April 11, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm. Hoofer Sailing Club, Memorial Union, Madison, WI. Learn how to use the charts, maps and resources that help weathermen and women predict the forecast. This will help anybody become a better sailor, instructor and all around dryer person! This seminar will aimed at how the geography and weather systems affect the greater Madison lakes. Presenters: Sir Daniel Sutton, David Elsmo. Register here: https://lessons.hoofersailing.org/event/register/index?id=64172.

RACE COMMITTEE REFRESHER – April 14, 2018, at Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont Station, 300 W. Belmont Ave, Chicago, IL. Parking is available for a small fee. Details tba.

ACCELERATED SAFE POWERBOAT HANDLING - Saturday, May 12, 2018, 8:00am – 5:00pm, Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. This 8- to 12-hour hands-on, on-the-water course is for anyone who has taken a classroom boating course but needs experience to safely operate a small motorboat and improve their boathandling skills. Students will be expected to study the course materials at home to challenge and pass a written exam covering equipment requirements, rules of the road, aids to navigations, preparation, environment regulations, safety and emergencies. This course focuses on hands-on application of all skills, consequently it is NOT approved by the U.S. Coast Guard or the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) as meeting requirements for a state boating safety education certificate. Learn more and register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/accelerated-safe-poweboat-handling-tickets-40149533335.

MIDWEST WOMEN'S SAILING CONFERENCE – Saturday, May 19, 2018, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Milwaukee Community Sailing Center, 1450 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr., Milwaukee, WI. The event has sold out every year. For all levels of experience. Fees: $145 per person. Complete information and registration packet: http://www.midwestwomenssailing.org/uploads/6/0/3/6/60368939/2018_brochure_w_form_and_cruise.pdf.

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1450 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive, Milwaukee, WI (414) 277-9094

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Safe Powerboat Handling - Saturday, May 19, 2018 – Sunday, May 20, 2018, 8:00am, Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. This 16-hour hands-on, on-the-water course is for anyone who wants to learn how to safely operate a small motorboat and improve their boathandling skills. No previous experience is required! The US Coast Guard and the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) have approved this course and an increasing number of states have recognized it as meeting their requirements for a State Boating Education Certificate. These national and state approvals call for the course to include a total of six to eight hours of classroom sessions covering required education topics. Learn More & Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/safe-powerboat-handling-tickets-40150159207.

Small Boat Instructor Level 1 – Friday, May 25-Monday, May 28, 2018. Chicago Yacht Club, 400 E Monroe St, Chicago, IL. Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451754, (early registration discount until 4/27/2018). Contact: Julia Melton, sailingschool@chicagoyachtclub.org; Instructor: Matthew Thompson, matthew@wayzatasailing.org.

Small Boat Instructor Level 2 – Friday, May 25-Saturday, May 26, 2018. Columbia Yacht Club, 111 N. Lake Shore Dr, Chicago, IL. Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451756, (early registration discount until 4/27/2018). Contact: Katie Tinder, katie@colyc.org, Instructor: Katie Tinder, katie@colyc.org.

Small Boat Coach Level 3 – Saturday, May 26-Sunday, May 27, 2018. Macatawa Bay Junior Association, 2157 South Shore Drive, Macatawa, MI. Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451919, (early registration discount until 4/28/2018). Contact: Nick Hovland, nhovland3@gmail.com, Instructor: Cappy Capper, HCCapper@aol.com.

Small Boat Coach Level 3 – Sunday, May 27-Monday, May 28, 2018. Columbia Yacht Club, 111 N. Lake Shore Dr, Chicago, IL. Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451757, (early registration discount until 4/28/2018). Contact: Katie Tinder, katie@colyc.org, Instructor: Katie Tinder, katie@colyc.org.
Small Boat Instructor Level 1 – Tuesday, June 5-Friday, June 8, 2018. Macatawa Bay Junior Association, 2157 South Shore Drive, Macatawa, MI. Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451918, (early registration discount until 5/5/2018). Contact: Nick Hovland, nhovland3@gmail.com, Instructor: Cappy Capper, HCCapper@aol.com.

First Sail - Saturday, June 9, 2018, 10:00am – 12:00pm, Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. The First Sail Experience is a two-hour lesson offered to anyone through First Sail locations, comprised of community sailing centers, sailing schools and yacht clubs around the country. This unique opportunity offers beginners an introduction to sailing in a casual setting and is designed to provide a memorable experience that will motivate newcomers to continue sailing. Learn More & Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-sail-tickets-40856113736. Second session same day: 1:00pm – 3:00pm, Learn More & Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-sail-tickets-40856113736.

Small Boat Instructor Level 1 – Thursday, June 14-Sunday, June 17, 2018. Racine Yacht Club, 1 Barker St, Racine, WI. Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451699, (early registration discount until 5/17/2018). Contact: Amy Cermak, acermak@gmail.com, Instructor: Amy Gross-Kehoe, agkehoe@gmail.com.

Basic Keelboat Certification - Saturday, June 16, 2018 – Sunday, June 17, 2018, 8:00am, Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. Are you dreaming of learning the skills required to sail a boat under your command? This is your first step! SEAS is offering the Basic Keelboat Class with the curriculum created by US Sailing. Those who take this course will learn how to properly prepare a boat to sail, leave the dock/mooring, control a boat in confined waters, navigation rules and tips, control a boat in open waters, heavy weather sailors, safety and emergency procedures and more. Those who pass this class will receive a Basic Keelboat Certification from US Sailing. Learn More & Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/basic-keelboat-certification-tickets-40167209204.

Small Boat Instructor Level 2 – Saturday, June 16-Sunday, June 17, 2018. Macatawa Bay Junior Association, 2157 South Shore Drive, Macatawa, MI. Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451922, (early registration discount until 5/19/2018). Contact: Nick Hovland, nhovland3@gmail.com, Instructor: Cappy Capper, HCCapper@aol.com.

SMALL BOAT INSTRUCTOR LEVEL 1 – Thursday, June 21-Sunday, June 24, 2018. Milwaukee Yacht Club, 1700 N Lincoln Memorial Dr, Milwaukee, WI. Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451857, (early registration discount until 5/24/2018). Contact: Catherine Lennon, catherine.m.hackbarth@gmail.com, Instructors: Sean Lennon, spatricklennon11@gmail.com.

SMALL BOAT INSTRUCTOR LEVEL 1 - Tuesday, August 14-Friday, August 17, 2018. Macatawa Bay Junior Association, 2157 South Shore Drive, Macatawa, MI. Enroll Now: http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13451923, (early registration discount until 7/17/2018). Contact: Nick Hovland, nhovland3@gmail.com, Instructor: Cappy Capper, HCCapper@aol.com.

FIRST SAIL - Saturday, June 30, 2018, 10:00am – 12:00pm, Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. The First Sail Experience is a two-hour lesson offered to anyone through First Sail Locations, comprised of community sailing centers, sailing schools and yacht clubs around the country. This unique opportunity offers beginners an introduction to sailing in a casual setting and is designed to provide a memorable experience that will motivate newcomers to continue sailing. Learn More & Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-sail-tickets-40856113736. Second session same day: 1:00pm – 3:00pm, Learn more and register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-sail-tickets-40856113736.

ACCELERATED KEELBOAT FUNDAMENTALS - Saturday, July 14, 2018 – Sunday, July 15, 2018, 9:00am, Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. This course is designed to present the basics required to successfully and safely sail a small keelboat. SEAS instructors are US Sailing Basic Keelboat Certified Instructors and this course will have a maximum 4:1 Student to Instructor ratio to ensure the most attention possible while on the water. This course is great for crew wishing to learn more, families to sail together, and new boaters not ready to commit the time or money to the four day Basic Keelboat course. Learn More & Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/accelerated-keelboat-fundamentals-tickets-40803857436.

BASIC KEELBOAT CERTIFICATION - Saturday, July 21, 2018 – Sunday, July 22, 2018, 8:00am, Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. Are you dreaming of learning the skills required to sail a boat under your command? This is your first step! SEAS is offering the Basic Keelboat Class with the curriculum created by US Sailing. Those who take this course will learn how to properly prepare a boat to sail, leave the dock/mooring, control a boat in confined waters, navigation rules and tips, control a boat in open waters, heavy weather sailors, safety and emergency procedures and more. Those who pass this class will receive a Basic Keelboat Certification from US Sailing. Learn More & Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/basic-keelboat-certification-tickets-40167209204.

FIRST SAIL - Saturday, August 4, 2018, 10:00am – 12:00pm, Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. The First Sail Experience is a two-hour lesson offered to anyone through First Sail Locations, comprised of community sailing centers, sailing schools and yacht clubs around the country. This unique opportunity offers beginners an introduction to sailing in a casual setting and is designed to provide a memorable experience that will motivate newcomers to continue sailing. Learn More & Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-sail-tickets-40856113736. Second session same day: 1:00pm – 3:00pm, Learn more and register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-sail-tickets-40856113736.

BASIC KEELBOAT CERTIFICATION - Saturday, August 18, 2018 – Sunday, August 19, 2018, 8:00am, Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. Are you dreaming of learning the skills required to sail a boat under your command? This is your first step! SEAS is offering the Basic Keelboat Class with the curriculum created by US Sailing. Those who take this course will learn how to properly prepare a boat to sail, leave the dock/mooring, control a boat in confined waters, navigation rules and tips, control a boat in open waters, heavy weather sailors, safety and emergency procedures and more. Those who pass this class will receive a Basic Keelboat Certification from US Sailing. Learn more and register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/basic-keelboat-certification-tickets-40167209204.

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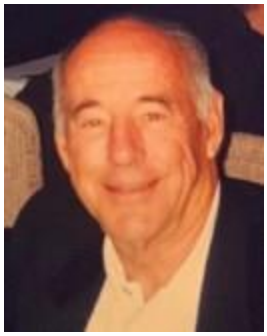
Margarete Hendrickson, 70, passed peacefully into eternal life January 2, 2018, after a 2-year battle with cancer. She is survived by her husband of 38 years, Gary; sister Helen McIntyre (Raymond); nephews Kevin McIntyre and James R. Schneider Jr.; nieces Jennifer Hinrichsen (Eric) and Elizabeth Meyer (Dylan); great nephews Kai McIntyre, Kaden Meyer, and Jack Hinrichsen; and great niece Briana Meyer. Margarete is preceded in death by her parents John and Margit Schneider and brothers John Schneider Jr. and James R. Schneider Sr.(wife Laurette). Margarete was born in Germany in 1947, immigrated to the US with her family in 1952 living in Cleveland and Auburn, Ohio. Margarete and Gary moved to Chicago in 1978, and then to Fort Lauderdale in 2012 to be closer to her mother, sister and brother. Margarete was a graduate of Kenston High School in Bainbridge, Ohio, and Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, earning a degree in English. She retired from Northwestern University after 20 years as Administrator of the Mathematics Department and Business Manager of a community outreach division of the Northwestern School of Medicine Psychiatry Department. Margarete enjoyed gardening and served as a volunteer at the Chicago Botanic Garden for many years. She was also a member of the Art Institute of Chicago with an interest in painting. Margarete especially enjoyed music and sang soprano in her church choir in Evanston, with the North Shore Choral Society in Evanston, and with the Nova Singers in Fort Lauderdale. She enjoyed reading, and particularly loved her golden retrievers Candy and Rosie. Margarete became a sailor and enjoyed being on the water with Gary on their sailboat at the Racine Yacht Club on Lake Michigan. A memorial service will be held Saturday, February 10th, at 11:00 a.m., at Christ Church United Methodist, 4845 N.E. 25th. Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Donations in Margarete's memory may be made to The Lazarex Cancer Foundation, Danville CA. Details can be found at www.lazarex.org.

Jerome Denis 'Jere' Sullivan died on January 27, 2018, peacefully at his home surrounded by all of his loving family. Jere lived an amazing life, born on September 4th, 1925 in Lakewood, Ohio. He started sailing boats in Clifton Lagoon at a very young age and sailing continued to define his entire life. He won many sailing titles at the Cleveland Yacht Club, where he also served as Commodore in 1970. He even spent his honeymoon with his bride, Chris, the love of his life, on a Star boat 71 years ago, sailing up to Put in Bay in the dead of night. He was named Sailor of the Year at both the Cleveland Yacht Club and the Milwaukee Yacht Club. He played the saxophone and clarinet in clubs around the downtown Cleveland area with a band that filled in for the Glen Miller Band when Mr. Miller was serving in WWII. Jere was a veteran of WWII and was awarded a purple heart with double clusters. He then came home to finish college at the University of Michigan. He later got his MBA at the University of Chicago. He started the Sullivan Corporation in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1971 where he and Chris made their permanent home after moving from Rocky River. In Milwaukee, he continued his sailing adventures by winning the Chicago-Mackinac Race and the Queen's Cup Race more than once on his 75 square meter boat *Bacchant*. He was inducted into the Great Lakes Sailing Hall of Fame in 2016. He and Chris enjoyed their winter home in Vero Beach, FL for 40 years. He was on a Senior Olympics Volleyball Team and was active in the YMCA in Milwaukee. His infectious laugh and zest for life will continue to be a shining example to all who knew and loved him. He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Christine, brothers Frank and Denis. He is survived by his adoring daughter, Jane Marquard and her husband Richard, their children, Dana Bacardi, her husband Anton, children Abby and Jesse, and their son Jesse Marquard, his wife Nancy, their children Emily and Kelsey, and his sister Jane Esther Sullivan Barth. A Memorial event is being planned for Milwaukee this coming summer. Rest in peace my Irish eyes.



Thomas A. Knapp, age 85, of Mequon, Wisconsin, passed away Monday, December 4, 2017. He is survived by wife of 64 years Nancy Rae (nee Stutzman) and his children: Susan (Robert) Burseth Cony, Kevin Knapp, Stacey (John) Koss, and Kent (Shannon) Knapp. Further survived by his grandchildren Justin (Nicole) Burseth and their children Henry, Benjamin, Charles. Joel (Maria) Burseth and Jonathan (Joanna) Burseth, Caleigh Rae Koss, Zoey Rae, Miles, Isaiah, Oscar, Dharma and Tashi Knapp. Born May 2, 1932 in Milwaukee, Tom attended Custer High School and graduated in 1951. He went on to Central Technical Institute, Kansas City. In 1952, he entered the US Army where he was stationed at Fort Riley, KS and Fort Leonard Wood, MO. His career included air freight forwarding with the Flying Tigers, City of Milwaukee Port Authority, and an International Trade Specialist with the U.S. Department of Commerce for 27 years, retiring in 1994. Tom enjoyed sailing on Lake Michigan and the Caribbean. He has been a member of the South Shore Yacht Club since the 60's. Services have been held. Memorials in Tom's name to Rite-Hite YMCA appreciated.

Peter T. Haase, passed away suddenly of natural causes on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at the age of 55. Loving brother of Anne (Mike) Haase-Kehl and Tom (Deborah) Haase. Peter is preceded in death by his parents Emil and Fayne Haase and his brothers Mark and Jim Haase. Private services will be held at a later date. Peter was the well-known volunteer "tentmaster" at South Shore Yacht Club, helping as recently as this past October with the grounds cleanup.

Dr. Harold Humphrey, age 77, passed away on December 24, 2017, following a recent illness. Harold was born and raised in Lansing, Michigan, where he graduated from Sexton High School in 1958. Harold then continued his education earning both his

Bachelors and Master of Science degrees at The University of Michigan, and a PhD in Microbiology and Public Health from Michigan State University in 1970. Upon graduation, he secured a US Patent and formed the company Kelmik. After selling the company, he later went on to have a distinguished career in epidemiology, working for the Michigan Department of Public Health. Among Harold's many accomplishments, he is best known for his role in designing the first Great Lakes Fish Eaters Study and the Michigan Long Term PBB Study. Harold also published over 50 scientific articles and appeared in the National Geographic Magazine in 1987. Harold's greatest joys in life, however, revolved around spending many summers sailing on the Great Lakes aboard his sailboat *Shadowfax*, and being with family at his summer home in Charlevoix, Michigan. Harold is survived by the love of his life and wife of 54 years, Jane; his loving son, Jason; his two sisters, Christine and Barbara; as well as grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his son, Michael. We are all deeply saddened by the loss of this great man, and will miss his wisdom, wit, and guiding love. Services have been held. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Episcopal Church or to the Greater Lansing Food Bank in memory of Harold Humphrey.

LMSRF CLASSIFIEDS

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FOR SALE

1975 DuFour 35, beam 11' 3", draft 6' 3", displacement 15,000lbs. This flush deck, fire engine red boat, is in above average condition for its age, recently repowered with a 21hp Yanmar 3YM Diesel engine. Asking $30,000. Lying St. Joseph, MI.
http://www.yachtworld.com/boats/1975/Dufour-34-3151943/St.-Joseph/MI/United-States#.Wim24jdryUk.

HELP WANTED

Senior Instructor Positions Available
Ephraim Yacht Club is immediately accepting applications for Senior Instructors. Mandatory staff training starts June 25 and lessons continue through mid-August. Instruction and racing are offered in Optimists, 420s, Lasers and Flying Scots. Senior Instructors should have prior sailing instruction experience and graduated from high school. Current USSA Level 1, First Aid and CPR certifications are required prior to the 2018 season. High school/college racing experience is preferred. If interested, please send an email with resume and references, including complete contact information, to commodore@eyc.org.

Office Administrator
Kenosha Yacht Club is currently looking for a part time Office Administrator. Applicants should have the following skills: QuickBooks; Basic Accounting Knowledge; MS Excel; MS Word; and be a Self Starter. If you are interested in applying for the position, please send your resume to office@kenoshayachtclub.com.

US SAILING NEWS

US SAILING SEMINARS, TRAINING AND LEADERSHIP

TRAINING

If you have questions about training, contact our local representative to the US Sailing Training Committee: Cappy Capper, Member at Large, 3645 Laurel Dr, Wayzata, MN, 55391, 612.961.1756.

US SAILING SANCTIONED SAFETY AT SEA SEMINAR

Visit http://www.ussailing.org/education/safety-at-sea/find-a-seminar-near-you/ for the up to date schedule and to register for any session.

RACE OFFICER, JUDGE, UMPIRE AND CLASSIFIER CERTIFICATION

Visit http://www.ussailing.org/race-officials/ for the up to date schedule and to register for any session. Check frequently, as once posted, events often fill quickly.

SMALL BOAT INSTRUCTOR, SAILING COUNSELOR, INSTRUCTOR TRAINER, KEELBOAT, WINDSURFING INSTRUCTOR, REACH-STEM INSTRUCTOR, ADAPTIVE SAILING INSTRUCTOR, JUNIOR BIG BOAT, COMMUNITY SAILING, OR POWERBOAT CERTIFICATION

Visit http://www.ussailing.org/education/ for the up to date schedule and to register for any session. As sailing season nears many instructor sessions will be added. Check frequently as once posted, events often fill quickly.

2018 US SAILING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP CALENDAR

Visit http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/ for details on each of these Championships and also for qualification requirements. As they are made available to us, *Lake Michigan SuRF* will publish information about Area K qualifying events.

GULL LAKE AMONG 2017 COMMUNITY SAILING AND ONE-DESIGN AWARD WINNERS

US Sailing announced the 2017 Community Sailing and National One-Design Award winners for their contributions to the sport of sailing in the United States. They are:

- Andrew Alletag (Tewksbury, Massachusetts) of Community Boating, Inc. in Boston, Massachusetts received the Jim Kilroy Outstanding Outreach & Inclusion Award.
- Erik Skeel (Woodinville, Washington) of Sail Sand Point in Seattle, Washington received the award for Excellence in Instruction.
- Jamie Jones (Westerville, Ohio) of the Hoover Sailing Club received the award for Outstanding Organizational Leader.
- Joan Storkman (Gig Harbor, Washington) was named Volunteer of the Year for her ongoing dedication as a volunteer at Gig Harbor Junior Sail Program.
- Wayzata Community Sailing Center (Wayzata, Minnesota) received the award for More than Ten Years of Hallmark Performance for their continued commitment to community sailing.
- Sail Nauticus (Norfolk, Virginia) received the award for Creative Innovations in Programming.
- Delavan Lake Yacht Club (Delavan, Wisconsin) received the National One-Design Regatta Award for excellence in development, promotion and management of the year's most outstanding one-design regatta.
- Jon VanderMolen (Richland, Michigan) and Don Parfet (Richland, Michigan) of Gull Lake Yacht Club received the National One-Design Creativity Award for the inaugural Vintage Star Class Gold Cup. Twelve wooden, 1959-65 era Star sailboats were restored to racing condition, including the Gold Medal boat from the 1964 Olympic Games. Gold Medalists, and World Champions were invited to compete in two divisions: Classic Vintage and Performance Vintage. As part of the social and entertainment element of the event, sailors were treated to the Gilmore Classic Car Museum where they were able to drive classic cars to fit in with the vintage theme. The prize-giving ceremony was a celebration of the history of the Star Class.
- San Diego Yacht Club (California) received the National One-Design Club Award recognizing administrative excellence, fleet growth, creative programming, regatta support and member contributions.

RECORD-BREAKING ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP BY US SAILING TEAM IN MIAMI

The US Sailing Team and US Sailing's Olympic Development Program (ODP), together with Debris Free Oceans and US Sailing Center Miami partnered to remove nearly 2,500 pounds of trash and debris from the shorelines of Coconut Grove, Florida as part of January's national team training camp. Dozens of America's top Olympic hopefuls took a break from an intensive training schedule to care for the environment surrounding their primary training site in the United States.

"This is one of my proudest moments since taking this job," said two-time Olympic Gold Medalist Malcolm Page, Chief of U.S. Olympic Sailing. "The national team joined with the ODP for this special cleanup project, and really made a difference in the environment surrounding the US Sailing Center Miami."

Utilizing US Sailing Team coach boats, athletes and coaches combed through the mangroves and removed a wide range of human-made debris, much of which was deposited in the area by recent hurricanes.

"Sailors are connected to the environment in a profound way," said US Sailing Team athlete and 11th Hour Racing Ambassador Steph Roble (East Troy, Wisc.). "We all care a lot about the waters and habitats around the places where we sail, and especially at home here in the U.S. It was really exciting to watch our whole team fully commit to the cleanup project during this training camp, and to provide an example for other sailors around the world. This was a great opportunity for me to support the work of 11th Hour Racing that takes place on and off the water - as an Ambassador, I am out in the field to research and execute ways sailors can improve the health of our oceans and promote positive change."

Prior to the cleanup, participants were inspired by Debris Free Oceans Co-Founders Caiti Pomerance and Jeremy Waks, who gave a talk about plastic pollution to over 60 US Sailing Team athletes, ODP participants, staff, and coaches. Among other facts, the group learned that by 2050 it is expected that there will be more plastic than fish in the ocean by weight.*

the Last plastic Straw

Thanks to LUSH Cosmetics, all cleanup members also received a zero-waste toolkit, including a reusable bottle, reusable bamboo silverware, and reusable bag, so they could not only remove trash from the surrounding waters but also prevent more single-use plastics from entering the waste stream. After the prep session, all involved put their strength and athleticism to the test and broke the record for most trash collected during a Debris Free Oceans cleanup.

"This has blown our [previous] cleanups out of the water. It's been incredible," said Debris Free Oceans Founder Caiti Pomerance (Miami, Fla.). "We've cleaned up at least 1,500 pounds more [trash] than our average cleanup. These [sailors] are strong, they're competitive, dedicated, and passionate people. It clearly showed by picking up so much garbage."

PETER DUNCAN, ERIKA REINEKE ARE US SAILING 2017 ROLEX YACHTSMAN AND YACHTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR

A seasoned veteran steeped in determination and a breakthrough performer on the verge of stardom are the subjects of US Sailing's 2017 Rolex Yachtsman and Yachtswoman of the Year.

J/70 World Champion Peter Duncan of Rye, New York, and Enoshima Olympic Week Laser Radial Gold Medalist Erika Reineke of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, were selected as Rolex Yachtsman and Yachtswoman of the Year for their remarkable sailing performances in 2017.

The selection follows the announcement in December of the six men and eight women who were shortlisted for these prestigious awards and recognized as sailing's top performers of the year by US Sailing.

Reineke and Duncan will be honored on Wednesday, February 28, 2018, during a luncheon at the New York Yacht Club in Manhattan, where they will be celebrated by family and friends, teammates and crew, past winners, sailing dignitaries, and representatives from US Sailing and Rolex. They will also be presented with specially-engraved Rolex timepieces.

ROLEX YACHTSMAN & YACHTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR

The partnership between Rolex and US Sailing is natural considering the Swiss watchmaker's more than 60-year commitment to fostering yachting excellence worldwide. Rolex is the committed partner of the most prestigious yacht clubs, including the New York Yacht Club as its first alliance in the late 1950s, as well as the sport's leading institutions and events. In doing so, it shares the highest standards of excellence and superior performance with US Sailing, acting together as joint custodians of yachting's finest spirit.

Peter Duncan – US Sailing's 2017 Rolex Yachtsman of the Year

Left to right: Peter Duncan, Victor Diaz de Leon, Willem van Waay, Jud Smith at J/70 Worlds. © zerogradinord

Peter Duncan of Rye, New York, 58, a life-long one-design sailor and proud member of the American Yacht Club, was once again at the top of his game in 2017 at the highest-levels of international competition and in a variety of sailboat classes. He received this honorable distinction for first time in his illustrious career.

"I was just honored to be nominated for the award," said Duncan. "When I found out I won, I was just stunned. "It is just so humbling to be associated with so many great sailors who have won this award. It's an honor of a lifetime."

"With all the racing and training we did in 2017, I was actually on the water for 110 days last year, which is absolutely extraordinary. That's what you have to do to accomplish what we did last year."

His year was highlighted with a win at the ultra-competitive Audi J/70 World Championship in September off the waters of Porto Cervo in Sardinia, Italy. Duncan and his talented crew including Jud Smith, Victor Diaz de Leon and Willem van Waay, won the 161-boat World Championship by a 15-point margin over contender Brian Keene. Duncan's Relative Obscurity was dominant through six races. They placed in the top three in each race, including three wins.

"You can't find a better crew to sail with as far as I'm concerned," added Duncan. "We got there early to practice and we spent a great deal of time preparing ourselves for this event. It was a serious venture."

One member of the selection panel noted that "to win first place so convincingly in a highly-talented and large fleet at the J/70 World Championship in Italy is a testament to Peter's abilities and preparation."

He won four other J/70 regattas in 2017, including the Italian National Championships (Alcatel Cup), New England Championships, Bacardi Cup and Sail Newport Regatta. His team placed second out of 58 at the J/70 North American Championship in Rye, New York and third at the European J/70 Championship.

"We won the Italian Nationals on the last race of the last day," explained Duncan. "We got there early and were hopeful to learn a lot about the competition. We knew that the Italian fleet was going to be very strong and it was a very deep fleet. It was really close racing. And again, we got what we put into it. We worked hard and got the result in the end."

Duncan participated in multiple classes throughout 2017, including the Etchells, Melges 20 and Melges 24. His Etchells team took home first place honors at the Sidney Doren Memorial Regatta featuring 45 competing boats last January in Coconut Grove, Florida.

Duncan has been sailing for about as long as he can remember. He started sailing with his parents on the weekends at American Yacht Club in their 210 sailboat.

"I love the competition and I enjoy racing in large fleets. That to me is wildly exciting. But it's also about all the camaraderie and the people that you meet and the places you go. Luckily, the fleets we compete in are generally the same, so whatever issues you might have had out on the water are usually left on the water and it's really a great group of people to spend time with."

Erika Reineke – US Sailing's 2017 Rolex Yachtswoman of the Year

Erika Reineke of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 24, will be honored for the first time as US Sailing's Rolex Yachtswoman of Year. The Florida native and veteran US Sailing Team athlete distinguished herself nationally and internationally while competing in both College Sailing and the Olympic Laser Radial class in 2017.

"I was a little shocked when I got the phone call, but I'm really proud," said Reineke. "Just to even make it on to the shortlist this year, with so many other amazing sailors, was a big achievement for me. It hasn't sunk in yet that I actually won the award, so I'm super happy and really thankful for everybody who has supported me over the years."

Reineke's 2017 highlights include being honored as the 2017 Quantum Women's College Sailor of the Year, winning A-Division at ICSA Women's College Nationals, placed third in the A-Division at ICSA Coed College Nationals, winning silver at the Aarhus World Championship Test event in the Laser Radial, and winning gold at Enoshima Olympic Week 2017, the first major multi-class regatta held at the 2020 Olympic Games venue.

2017 was a time of transition for Reineke, who started her year focusing on intercollegiate competition for perennial contender Boston College. After graduation, she moved into training with the US Sailing Team in the Laser Radial full-time, and continued chasing her Olympic dream.

"Looking back on my last year of college sailing, I was a fifth-year senior," said Reineke. "I took a year off [for the Rio 2016 Olympic Trials] and came back to a team that I didn't know as well, but they welcomed me back with open arms. Going into Nationals, it just felt like we were a family, and I think that's what made our performance so strong."

Reineke has worked hard to balance school and competitive sailing for much of her career, but only in the latter half of 2017 was she able to turn her entire focus towards international Laser Radial sailing under the guidance of US Sailing Team coach Steve Mitchell (Toronto, Canada).

"It's definitely hard to balance the two worlds of school and sailing, but I think it was worth it," said Reineke, who won her first major international championship at age 17 at the Laser Radial Class Youth Worlds. "I have learned a lot of different styles of sailing. I think I have a better perspective on sailing in general, and it was totally worth it. After college, there is more time to focus on little things that maybe I didn't before. Steve has been working with me on turning those little things into strengths."

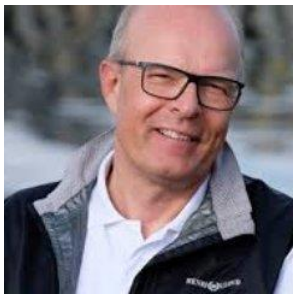
"Erika had an incredible year on the water for the national team, and the way she has progressed in the Laser Radial while conducting a historically great career at Boston College has been remarkable," said Malcolm Page (Newport, R.I.), Chief of U.S. Olympic Sailing. "She has not only become one of our top performers, and one of our brightest medal prospects, but a leader in our effort to create a tighter-knit and more collaborative Olympic program."

Reineke did not come from a sailing-centric family, but quickly took to the sport as a child growing up in Fort Lauderdale. "My parents didn't know much about sailing, but through the years they saw little prams and Optimists out on the bay, and wanted me and my sister to try it. We went from absolutely hating it at first, to quickly making friends and then really loving the sport."

WORLD SAILING NEWS

WORLD SAILING PRESIDENTIAL UPDATE – JANUARY 2018

by Kim Andersen



Kim Andersen. Photo courtesy: World Sailing.

Let me start my first newsletter of 2018 by wishing you all a happy new year and much success, both on and off the water. In my last note I expressed my excitement and optimism about 2018, and I truly hope that we are able to share very special moments throughout the year.

2018 is a crucial one for sailing, and I expect to see us make clear progress in all our priorities, including increasing the level of transparency and accountability in World Sailing's governance, creating a compelling offering for youth, and increasing participation and growing the global audience of our sport.

As we seek to turn these objectives into realities, it is very important to me that we listen as much as possible to the views of sailors and those close to the sport – about where we can improve as an organization and as a sport. Many of you have already reached out to me, and so I encourage you all to continue getting in contact – I am always happy to hear from you.

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Our Paralympic Future

With the start of a new year, it is always great to have some good news to share. And, indeed, I am very happy to report that Sailing has successfully moved into the next stage of the application process for the 2024 Paralympic Games in Paris.

We have worked very hard on the re-instatement of Para Sailing into the Paralympic Games, and we will continue to do so. And I would like to re-iterate the importance of Para Sailing within the wider scope of our sport and our continued efforts in ensuring that Para Sailing is included in all of our events. For me this is a fundamental part of our organization and of our sport, I look forward to continuing building our Para Sailing programs with all our MNAs around the world.

On a practical note, we are now moving ahead to stage two of the IPC process, and we have until 9th July to complete a final application. The Governing Board of the International Paralympic Committee will announce its final decision on the Paris 2024 sports program in January 2019.

Equipment for Olympic Classes

As we start the year, a lot of questions have been raised about the evaluation of future Olympic classes and events. Some uncertainty regarding the process is understandable, as we are applying the new EU anti-monopoly regulations and at the same time using Regulation 23 for the first time.

Bearing this in mind, the whole process has two main streams:

- The first focuses on equipment and the compliance of EU law regarding anti-monopoly. Currently, World Sailing is updating its Olympic Classes Contracts, in order to ensure that they comply with the new and updated EU laws on the subject – this process will help us as an organisation going forward. In addition the Board decided that the Laser equipment (men and women) and RSX equipment (men and women) should be reviewed in accordance with our anti-monoploy policy. This gives the opportunity for equipment evaluations to be held for the relevant events and, based on the outcome, Council can then make a sound decision to either reselect the equipment or choose new equipment.

- The second focuses on Regulation 23. Accordingly, the 2024 Events & Equipment Working Party is currently reviewing the 10 events for the Olympic Games, and will propose which events should be placed under further review in order to ensure that World Sailing has a strong slate of events going forward. Recommendations will then be made to Council in November 2018, and all decisions on equipment will be finalized no later than November 2019 is when all equipment decisions for the 2024 Olympic Games will be made.

These processes are incredibly important as they help us to shape the presentation of our sport and give us the ideal platform to combine the development of our sport with the Olympic Games. On a similar note, we are working very hard on growing women's participation in our sport and have seen many positive developments in recent years and, with the support of the IOC Agenda 2020, we have an opportunity to really accelerate this expansion.

Improved Coverage for Sailing

One of the goals we set out last year was 'to bring the sport to a greater audience'. Looking at the footage available now, it is clear to me that the quality has increased, and the new media platforms work well for our sport. Having seen the footage from the Star Sailors League and now the Miami World Cup finals, we have set new standards in broadcasting our sport, using graphics, tracking, onboard cameras, course action shots and live commentary. Now, we must make sure that this footage is readily available on our websites, in sailing clubs, in bars and so on. The objective remains the same – to bring this fantastic sport to a greater audience!

Ocean Racing

The Volvo Ocean Race is again showing how incredible ocean racing can be, and has seen very impressive achievements by the crews and the equipment. With the coverage that is available, I am sure that ocean racing will attract both new fans and new sailors wanting to try one of the many different disciplines we have. Ocean racing and endurance competition is increasingly popular and we have some strong events like Volvo Ocean Race and Vendee Globe doing an excellent job promoting it.

One of Ocean racing's pinnacle events, the Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race, recently had perfect conditions. It was great to see the Chairman of the Oceanic & Offshore Committee Stan Honey taking line honors with the team Comanche, and his Vice-Chairman Matt Allen winning overall with his team *ItchiBan* in what must be a historic moment for the Committee! It is certainly good to see such a strong link between the governance of our sport and the practice of it. Congratulations guys!

Sadly, in recent weeks, ocean racing has also reminded us of how easily and quickly fatal accidents can happen in our sport. Maximizing the safety of our sailors and the environment around them has, and must remain a priority for World Sailing. I can only second the thoughts of the Vestas 11th Hour Racing crew in sending my sincere condolences to the families and all those affected by the recent incident. To all our crews and athletes racing, I continue to send my well wishes for safe and strong sails!

CHECK OUT THE WORLD SAILING SHOW

The January 2018 World Sailing Show program includes coverage of Volvo Ocean Race Leg 2 & 3, how & why the new America's Cup boat will work, aboard *Imerys* – how the Class 40 season title was won eSailing World Championships, Gabart smashes solo world record, and Youth Worlds Sanya, China.

Watch now: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VUgTLTRor1M.

WORLD SAILING IS HIRING

World sailing is currently recruiting for a Race Officials Executive (https://tinyurl.com/WS-ROE-desc**)** and Head of Fundrasing (https://tinyurl.com/WS-HoF-JobDesc).

All applications should be sent to: human.resources@sailing.org with a CV and covering letter.

WORLD SAILING SUSTAINABILITY SURVEY

You can provide your views and feedback on sustainability to World Sailing. The Sustainability Agenda 2030 survey is available is English, French and Spanish.

Send feedback: https://tinyurl.com/18WSSustSurvey.

WHAT HAPPENED …

Guarantee your club's regatta and sailing stories, photos and results are in the Lake Michigan SuRF newsmagazine. Write it up and be sure to include the fun stuff, the unexpected, and the social stuff, then email lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org as soon as the regatta is over!

2018 DN North American Championship

Charlevoix, Michigan

January 25-26, 2018

Iceboat racers complain that race starters hold the flag up much too long before dropping it to signal the start. Those few seconds feel like an eternity to the racer in a sprinter's crouch, tense, holding boats that beg for release to fly with the wind. But patience is part of iceboating, and it was hugely tested for the 2018 DN North American Championship when a five day wait was needed to find a suitable site for the competition. After a tricky delay-causing weather system rolled through North America, it was Lake Charlevoix in Petoskey, Michigan that finally presented a prime sheet of thick, hard ice. Eighty-three competitors from seven countries made their way to northern Michigan as fast as they could once DN Central Rear Commodore Bill Cutting of Traverse, City, Michigan gave his scouting report to the regatta organizers on January 23. The first day of racing began on January 25 but patience was tested once again as the start was postponed in the wait for wind to arrive. DN Bylaws require that no race start 45 minutes before sundown and the regatta chair, Eastern Region Commodore Chad Atkins of Jamestown, RI, resolved to keep everyone out on the course until the last possible minute. His continued patience paid off when the wind arrived and the flag dropped for the Silver fleet qualifier race at 3:36 PM. With two fleets in the regatta, a Gold and Silver based on the sailor's international ranking, the Silver qualifier race enabled the top 12 finishers to move up to compete in the Gold fleet races which began on Friday, January 26. On Friday, the race committee efficiently executed 5 races for each fleet in sunny and relatively warm conditions which softened the ice as the day went on. The breeze was light to steady, the competition was fierce, and there were 4 different winners in the Gold fleet and 5 different winners in the Silver fleet. As DN Bylaws state that the North American Championship begins on a Monday and ends on a Friday, with Saturday as a reserve day to be used only if three races in all fleets had not been completed by Friday, the title was confirmed after one day of racing. Defending Gold fleet champion, Ron Sherry of Harrison Township, MI, edged out Minnetonka, MN sailor, John Dennis, by one point to win a record 13th national championship. Steve Madden of Plymouth, MA took top honors in the Silver fleet by only 2 points over Don Brush of Leicester, VT. Christian Seegers of Hamburg, Germany was the top finishing European competitor in 11th. 2017 Silver fleet champion Griffin Sherry (Ron Sherry's son), Harrison Township, MI, was the highest placing youth sailor with a 13 in the Gold fleet. The agonizing days when the entrants had no idea if they'd be in Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Canada, or New Hampshire were all forgotten proving that for winter's sailing warriors, even just one day of racing makes it all worth waiting for.**--Deb Whitehorse**

Gold fleet

Pos	Sail#	Name	Race>	1	2	3	4	5	Points
1.	US 44	SHERRY,	RON (S)	2	3	(3)	1	3	9.00
2.	US 4691	DENNIS,	JOHN (S)	4	(DNF)	1	3	2	10.00
3.	US 4926	ORLEBEKE,	STEVE	1	2	11	(16)	1	15.00
4.	US 5224	THIELER,	JAMES	3	1	9	(15)	11	24.00
5.	US 4975	EVANS,	ROBBIE (S)	7	(18)	2	8	9	26.00
6.	US 4487	ATKINS,	CHAD	9	9	5	4	(15)	27.00
7.	US 4824	CHRISTENSEN,	MARK (S)	11	7	4	5	(18)	27.00
8.	US 4638	LOVEJOY,	GUY (S)	(21)	10	13	2	7	32.00
9.	US 5166	BERGER,	CHRIS (S)	8	4	(27)	12	12	36.00
10.	US 3	GROGAN,	JIM (M)	17	12	(22)	6	4	39.00
11.	G 551	SEEGERS,	CHRISTIAN (M)	5	11	10	14	(21)	40.00

12.	G	107	ZEIGER,	BERND	(25)	14	14	7	6	41.00
13.	US	4	SHERRY,	GRIFFIN (JR)	18	13	7	9	(19)	47.00
14.	US	216	POTCOVA,	RICHARD (S)	(23)	5	12	13	20	50.00
15.	US	5014	ISABELL,	MARK	(26)	19	6	22	8	55.00
16.	G	679	SCHNEIDER,	MARTIN-BJORN	6	6	40	(DNS)	5	57.00
17.	US	60	HARPER,	JOHN (M)	14	16	(28)	19	14	63.00
18.	S	713	GUSTRING,	RICHARD (M)	(24)	23	15	17	10	65.00
19.	US	5432	BLOOM,	MIKE (S)	(27)	15	17	11	22	65.00
20.	US	5116	CLAPP,	DAVE (S)	(30)	21	23	10	17	71.00
21.	US	2545	DERUSHA,	MIKE (S)	22	17	20	(26)	13	72.00
22.	US	1188	HADLEY,	JAMES (S)	16	(31)	8	18	31	73.00
23.	US	5193	ANDERSON,	ERIC	15	20	19	21	(26)	75.00
24.	US	4480	STANGE,	AARON	12	26	21	(33)	25	84.00
25.	US	807	FRANCIS,	JR	10	(34)	24	23	32	89.00
26.	US	3283	WILLIAMS,	J.BRUCE (GM)	19	27	16	(29)	29	91.00
27.	S	107	BOKFORS,	STEFAN (S)	28	(33)	18	24	23	93.00
28.	US	5415	MILLER,	CHRIS	35	8	(38)	20	36	99.00
29.	US	2500	SMITH,	ERIC (S)	36	30	25	(40)	16	107.00
30.	US	4868	RICHARDS,	JULIE (M)	(38)	32	26	25	27	110.00
31.	Z	102	L'HUILLER,	ARNAUD	(37)	29	33	28	24	114.00
32.	US	4882	WOLLAM,	RICHARD (GM)	29	(37)	30	27	30	116.00
33.	KC	4360	BABY,	ANDRE (GM)	33	22	29	32	(DNS)	116.00
34.	G	737	BOHN,	JOERG (S)	13	(36)	32	36	35	116.00
35.	US	3705	HOLMAN,	ROBERT (S)	31	25	(35)	31	33	120.00
36.	KC	4536	CRINION,	BOB (M)	(39)	24	36	34	28	122.00
37.	KC	5514	CURTIS,	JOHN	32	28	(37)	30	34	124.00
38.	H	467	VAN RIEMSDIJK,	DIDERIC (S)	20	35	41	39	(DNS)	135.00
39.	US	5369	MILLER,	MIKE (M)	34	(38)	31	37	38	140.00
40.	US	5592	SMITH,	MICHAEL (JR)	(40)	40	34	38	37	149.00
41.	US	294	LOENNEKE,	LOUIS (GM)	(DNF)	39	39	35	DNS	156.00
42.	US	5053	REIS,	GEORGE (M)	DNS	(DNS)	DNS	DNS	DNS	172.00

Silver fleet

1.	US	4512	MADDEN,	STEVE (M)	(21)	1	2	1	2	6.00
2.	US	4009	BRUSH,	DON (M)	1	2	3	2	(9)	8.00
3.	US	5219	BAKER,	KENT	2	4	(26)	5	4	15.00
4.	US	5435	KJOLLER,	JODY	7	5	7	6	(30)	25.00
5.	US	4775	WHITCOMB III,	EBEN (S)	(15)	8	1	12	5	26.00
6.	US	5358	FROST,	DAVID (S)	(16)	3	8	15	6	32.00
7.	US	4249	GLICK,	DAVE (M)	3	11	6	(17)	14	34.00
8.	US	610	JONES,	DONALD (GM)	6	(14)	9	11	10	36.00
9.	US	4155	LEMBERG,	RICHARD (M)	(24)	9	4	8	16	37.00
10.	US	5451	ALLEN,	ANDREW (S)	4	10	5	19	(33)	38.00
11.	KC	3786	NETHERCOTE,	WARREN (M)	11	17	(24)	9	7	44.00
12.	US	3433	CUMMINS,	ROBERT (GM)	14	16	11	4	(18)	45.00
13.	US	4974	JONES,	STAN (GM)	9	(21)	17	10	11	47.00
14.	US	445	CAVE,	BOB (M)	18	7	22	(24)	1	48.00
15.	KC	4684	SAMSON,	ART (M)	13	(37)	10	7	19	49.00
16.	US	637	MEADE IV,	JOE	8	12	19	(26)	15	54.00
17.	US	5285	TEAL,	CHRIS (S)	10	(27)	15	21	13	59.00
18.	US	4203	FITZGERALD,	PATRICK (GM)	(23)	15	13	13	21	62.00
19.	US	5350	TRUESDELL,	PETER (S)	(27)	23	21	3	17	64.00
20.	US	5465	NILES,	DON (S)	12	13	(33)	22	23	70.00
21.	US	2360	JOHNS,	PETE (GM)	5	19	23	23	(31)	70.00
22.	US	5498	GORDON,	RICK (S)	19	25	(25)	18	12	74.00
23.	US	1277	BOWMAN,	HAL (GM)	(34)	6	12	30	26	74.00
24.	US	1313	RAST,	ROBERT (M)	17	29	18	14	(DNS)	78.00
25.	US	5430	CUTTING,	BILL (S)	26	18	20	16	(27)	80.00
26.	US	582	GORDON,	CHRIS	(31)	24	14	31	22	91.00
27.	US	4137	SMITH JR,	KEN (M)	20	20	(34)	29	25	94.00
28.	US	4690	FORTIER,	DAVE	(DNS)	22	30	34	8	94.00
29.	US	4925	VALENTINE,	SCOTT (S)	32	30	31	(36)	3	96.00
30.	KC	5457	DUNCAN,	COLIN (M)	30	(32)	29	20	20	99.00
31.	US	581	RENJI,	CLINTON	22	26	27	25	(DNS)	100.00
32.	KC	5591	WEBBER,	MIKE	28	28	(32)	27	24	107.00
33.	US	107	KAISER,	HANK (M)	25	(33)	28	32	29	114.00
34.	US	8	MCGOWAN,	PETER	29	34	(36)	33	32	128.00
35.	P	71	ZIOLKOWSKI,	LESZEK (M)	(DNS)	DNS	16	28	DNS	128.00
36.	US	209	ROSE,III,	TREY (N)	35	(35)	35	35	28	133.00
37.	KC	3475	DRUIVEN,	LESTER (S),(N)	36	36	37	(DNS)	DNS	151.00
38.	US	1576	JONES,	BRIAN (N)	DNS	31	(DNF)	DNS	DNS	157.00
39.	US	3743	CARNAGHI,	J.P.(S)	33	DNS	(DNS)	DNS	DNS	159.00
40.	US	1630	CONNELL,	DANIEL (S)	DNS	(DNS)	DNS	DNS	DNS	168.00
41.	US	3535	KENT,	JEFFREY (M)	DNS	(DNS)	DNS	DNS	DNS	168.00

USA 2018 World Cup Miami
US Sailing Center Miami, Coconut Grove, Miami, Florida
January 23-28, 2018

Mathematically eliminated from medal contention before the start of the Medal Race, the American 49erFX squad of Stephanie Roble (East Troy, Wis.) and Maggie Shea (Wilmette, Ill.) went into their final race of the 2018 World Cup Series Miami looking for something less tangible, but no less important on the road to the Tokyo 2020 Olympics. "This week has been full of highs and lows for us," said Roble. "The first few days of the lighter air, we had some up-and-down scores. As the breeze built, we had an unfortunate capsize in one of the races that caused the time limit to expire on us. I'm really looking forward to getting more consistent results as we move forward as a team. That being said, heading into the medal race today, we were really hungry for redemption and really wanted to have a solid race against this group of girls, so we were fired up and ready to roll." Roble and Shea showed impressive speed and boat handling in conditions that tested the fleet and caused more than one of their competitors to capsize. They rounded the first mark in seventh and then progressively moved up through the fleet and won the race. "We had basically a lay day because we couldn't sail [on Friday due to too much wind], and that gave us some time to really reflect on what we struggled with on the breezy day before, diagnose the problems and focus on how we were going to change techniques and maneuvers," said Shea. "We focused on a couple of critical moments that led to a bad result earlier in the week, and we corrected some things that really helped us achieve a solid result today. Steph kept her head out of the boat and nailed some really critical laylines. I just put my head down and pulled really hard at times. But Steph was really comfortable with the boat going fast and, you know, she loves the boat-on-boat stuff." The race win moved Roble and Shea from ninth in the overall standings to eighth. But the real reward is the momentum they'll carry into the rest of the season. "From here on out, we're going to head to Europe for a bit," said Roble. "There's some big training camps going on in Portugal, so we'll head over there to gain some more experience on the starting line and just racing against other boats. We feel like our boat handling is pretty solid, and we want to continue making gains against the fleet. It will be a pretty Europe-heavy spring and summer leading up to [Hempel Sailing World Championships Aarhus 2018, in late July], and we're just looking to make as many gains we can for the big event." "We came into the day pretty happy with how we were doing so far, and we had nowhere to go but up," said NACRA 17 skipper Ravi Parent (Bradenton, Fla.), who finished ninth in today's Medal Race for the foiling catamaran class. "We had set our expectations of just having fun and sailing fast around the course, pushing ourselves as hard as we could, and we achieved that, plus some. We were really happy to be up there in the mix at the top mark with those top guys. We're looking forward to getting the next opportunity to really push it against them." As the top American team in the regatta—and because they made the Medal Race—Parent and Persson were named to the US Sailing Team after today's sailing, putting a big smile on both of their faces. "I'm humbled by the events of today," said Persson (Fort Lauderdale, Fla.) "It's just been really great working with all the other teams, just getting to know everybody and sailing together and learning together and pushing one another. It's been a really great experience, so for me, that's really important." Bora Gulari (Detroit, Mich.) and Helena Scutt (Kirkland, Wash.) capsized in the NACRA 17 Medal Race and did not finish. But their 10th place finish in their first regatta together is a good sign of what's to come for this duo, both of whom who participated in the 2016 Rio Olympics. Judge Ryan (San Diego, Calif.) and Alain Sign (GBR) were eighth in the 49er Medal Race and finished ninth in the overall standings. Sign was a one-time fill-in for Ryan's normal partner Hans Henken (Coronado, Calif.). For Ryan, the opportunity to sail with a Rio Olympian and continue to refine his skills while Henken recovered from injury was quite valuable. "The 49er demands consistent sailing all the time," said Ryan. "A 49er sailor needs to get reps in, and it makes a big difference. After Hans needed time off for a medical issue, I was contemplating sitting out in Miami depending on which crew could come. My coach, Mark Asquith, set things up with Alain Sign, an Olympian and world-class crew. The opportunity to sail with a top-notch athlete from a different program was great, and brought value for the future. Hans is now 100-percent recovered, and after he finishes his masters degree in March, we will be fully back to campaigning toward Tokyo 2020. We'll be stronger than ever, and ready to crush racing this summer." With all 10 Olympic events competing, 543 sailors from 50 nations came to 2018 World Cup Series Miami on January 23-28 to get a measure of progress toward their goal of competing at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. The format for each class had an opening series with only the top ten advancing to the medal competition. After international sailors dominated the medals as five events confirmed their results on January 27, North America would find the podium on the final day of the competition. A year and a half ago, with the majestic hills of Rio de Janeiro as a backdrop, Caleb Paine (USA) proved that he's not afraid of the bright lights, claiming the Finn class bronze medal in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games with a stirring win in the Medal Race. Earlier today, on Biscayne Bay, Paine came up big again, earning the Finn silver medal. Paine started the Medal Race needing to place one boat between himself and Alican Kaynar (TUR) to move from third to second in the overall standings, while also not letting Ioannis Mitakis finish too far ahead. Giles Scott (GBR), the reigning Olympic Medalist, had simply to finish the race to ensure himself of the gold medal. Scott shares his secret on his this week, "I think consistency in the top positions is key and that applies to most fleets. "The trick is just to say steady and easy into it at the start and don't do anything outstanding during the first couple of races of an event. You just keep plugging away and try and secure the top three results. This was my strategy in Miami." Paine put himself in a difficult spot at the start when his plan to attack Kaynar before the start didn't quite go as planned, forcing both sailors to make an early clearing tack and work the right side of the course while the bulk of the fleet streaked off toward the left. While the Medal Race is short, there's still plenty of opportunity to come back from a bad start as the smaller fleet-10 versus 26 boats in the case of Finn-makes it easier to find clean lanes. Paine was patient, working himself past Kaynar on the first beat and then making the decisive move on the final run, slipping past Max Salminen (SWE) and Tapio Nirkko (FIN) to put two boats between himself and Kaynar and claim the silver medal. In the Men's 470, Luke Patience and Chris Grube (GBR) won gold. The pair led the fleet majority of the week and triumphant by a 27-point margin ahead of the French, Kevin Peponnet and Jeremie Mion, who took silver. Peponnet and Mion have only sailed together for six months and they walk away with silver medals, "Overall we are really happy because we've only been sailing together for six months and we've done so well. Our height and weight is perfect, that's what lets us perform better than most in the fleet." said Peponnet. The Laser Radial was the most wide-open of the five classes, with nine of 10 sailors starting the Medal Race mathematically alive for a medal. Alison Young (GBR) had a five-point advantage over second place starting the day. But the way that Young closed the regatta-with four wins in five heavy-air races-there didn't appear to be much chance to unseat her at the head of the class with the Medal Race being sailed in much the same conditions, 16 knots and choppy seas. Young jumped out to the early lead with an impressive first beat. Mári Érdi (HUN) would slip past on the second beat, but second was more than enough for the Briton to clinch the overall title. Emma Plasschaert (BEL) played solid defense to hold on to the silver while Anne-Marie Rindom (DEN) did the same to claim bronze. Rindom says she could improve on her hiking, "I've been struggling with hiking this week and that's something I definitely need to improve on." With the gold medal locked up courtesy of a 30-point advantage, Tom Burton decided to use the Medal Race to work on his starts. All evidence to the contrary-including two race wins and eighth top-seven finishes in this event-Burton wasn't quite satisfied with his ability to get off the line. He'll need a little more work as he pulled the trigger just a hair early and was called OCS by the race committee. Without anything to gain or lose, Burton was content to follow the fleet around the track, finishing ninth and still winning the class by 17 points. Separated by just a point going into the race, Nick Thompson (GBR) and Philipp Buhl (GER) were effectively tied going into the race. And Sam Meech (NZL), the bronze medalist from the Rio 2016 Olympics, was lurking just three points back. It all looked good for Buhl when he rounded the first mark in sixth, with Meech in sixth and Thompson in ninth. But Thompson ground back into contention and it was anyone's race as the Lasers surfed down the final run, flicking side to side and aggressively working the short, steep chop of Biscayne Bay. It was the final race of the day, in the Women's 470 division, that proved to be the most entertaining. Tina Mrak and Veronkia Macarol (SLO) gave the fleet a hint of hope by rounding the first mark in fourth. But an impressive run, which vaulted them into the lead, all but squashed any hope of another team closing the 13-point gap and taking over first place. "It was a great week of sailing, particularly on the first few days of racing, we did really well," said Mrak. Their biggest challenge this week was sailing downwind in lighter winds. The real battle then settled on silver and bronze with three teams, Afrodite Zegers and Anneloes Van Veen (NED), Agnieszka Skrzypulec and Irmina Mrózek Gliszczynska (POL) and Ai Kondo Yoshida and Miho Yoshioka (JPN),

separated by three points going into the race and a fourth, Amy Seabright and Anna Carpenter (GBR), with an outside chance should two of the three falter. The race turned at the bottom of the second run when Zegers and Van Veen ran into some equipment issues with their boat, which required Van Veen to come off the trapeze and spend a few minutes inside the boat. In the breezy conditions, this was fatal as the fleet streaked away from the Dutch team. The Polish and Japanese teams matched each other for the second lap of the race, with Skrzypulec and Mrózek Gliszczynska maintaining the advantage and locking up the silver medal. "We've had a week and it's been great sharing the podium with our sparring partners. We've done our best and we've managed to achieve silver so we are blessed," expressed Gliszczynsk. With a 10th place in the race, Zegers and Van Veen, the defending champions at this event, dropped from second to fifth. Amy Seabright and Anna Carpenter (GBR) won the Medal Race and jumped to fourth in the overall standings.

NACRA 17													
1.	Jason Waterhouse Lisa Darmanin	AUS	1	4	-12	1	1	1	3	2	1	2	16
470 Men													
1.	Luke Patience Chris Grube	GBR	2	8	-28	3	1	2	1	2	1	4	24
470 Women													
1.	Tina Mrak Veronika Macarol	SLO	5	8	6	-9	5	4	1	3	1	4	37
49er													
1.	Dylan Fletcher-Scott Stuart Bithell	GBR	1	17	2	2	(BF)	12	1	3	8	4	50
49erFX													
1.	Victoria Jurczok Anika Lorenz	GER	2	-5	4	1	1	1	1	4			14
Laser													
1.	Tom Burton	AUS	4	-34	2	7	6	6	1	6	1	18	51
27.	Malcolm Lamphere	USA	15	43	-62	47	11	22	33	31	27		229
Laser Radial													
1.	Alison Young	GBR	3	51	-52	1	1	1	9	1	4		71
RS:X Men													
1.	Louis Giard	FRA	-18	7	1	1	3	3	6				21
RS:X Women													
1.	Hélène Noesmoen	FRA	3	-30	15	17	1	3	1	2			42

2018 Mid-January J/Fest
St. Petersburg Yacht Club, St. Petersburg, Florida
January 19-21, 2018

The inaugural J/Fest St. Petersburg Regatta took place on Tampa Bay. Host St. Petersburg Yacht Club and its Race Committee, PRO and volunteers made a valiant effort to get in as many races as they could considering the cards they had been dealt- essentially no, or very little, wind for all three days. The weather prognosticators were, unfortunately, more accurate than normal for Tampa Bay. An enormous High pressure system had parked itself north of Florida over Georgia and nothing moved it for well over four days-an unusual phenomenon, especially this winter where storms have been ravaging the North American continent about once per week and wreaking havoc everywhere. The flip side of that coin was that it warmed up fast all three days of sailing and the sunny days and warm 70 degree days were a welcome reprieve for many sailing teams that had migrated down to Florida from the north. The largest class in the regatta were the J/111s. Winning was a relative class newcomer, Jeff Davis and his team on *Shamrock* rode a 1-2-2 record to handily win the class. The J/88s had a real battle going by the end of the second day. The top two boats were tied on points with a 1-2 for each team. Mike Bruno's *Wings* were even with Andy Graff's *Exile*. Both were experienced in light air sailing on those two bodies of water. Graff's *Exile* crew misjudged the adverse current and got hung up on the anchor line of the Race Committee boat at the start; as a result they scored a 4th and barely held on to second place for the regatta. Winning the regatta and crowned as J/88 Midwinter Champion with a 1-2-2 score line for 5 pts was Bruno's crew on *Wings*. In the J/70s, there was also a similar battle taking place. After two days and two races, two teams had 1-2 scores-Gary Weisberg's *Africa* and Connor Mraz's *Vamos*!! On the last day, Weisberg's *Africa* took the class crown by winning the race.

J/111							
1.	Shamrock	Jeffrey Davis	Cleveland, OH	1	2	2	5
J/88 Midwinter Championship							
1.	Wings	Mike Bruno	Armonk, NY	1	2	2	5
2.	Exile	Andy Graff	Chicago, IL	2	1	4	7
4.	Albóndigas	Al Minella	Milwaukee, WI	4	3	3	10
J/70							
1.	Africa	Gary Weisberg	Gloucester, MA	1	2	1	4
4.	USA 167	James Prendergast	Whiting, IN	DC	DC	DC	18

2018 DN Western Region Regatta
Lake Mendota, Madison, Wisconsin
January 13 - 14, 2018

The 2018 DN Western Regionals are in the books. Even though temperatures were above 10 F today, the overcast skies made it seem even colder than Saturday. Winds were up from yesterday at 8-15 mph. The ice remained hard and fast. Congratulations to Steve Orlebeke for his win in the Gold Fleet and Mike Barnett in the Silver Fleet. Many thanks to the Western Region Commodore Daniel Hearn, PRO Dan Heany, Race Committee helpers Fred Stritt, Julie Jankowski, and Jori Lenon, and scorer Mercedes Auger. Thanks to Loretta Rehe for tabulating back at the Home Office in Michigan.

Steve Orlebeke with the Westerns perpetual trophy. Photo by Jori Lenon.

Steve Orlebeke, racing on Lake Mendota, sail No. 4926. Photo by Rick Myslinski.

Gold fleet

1.	US 4926	Orlebeke,	Steve	1	1	4	(4)	1	1	1	3	12.00
2.	US 4691	Dennis,	John (S)	(6)	4	1	3	3	3	3	1	18.00
3.	US 5166	Berger,	Chris (S)	4	(9)	8	1	2	5	2	4	26.00
4.	US 4824	Christensen,	Mark (S)	2	(11)	3	6	4	2	4	5	26.00
5.	US 4975	Evans,	Robbie (S)	(8)	7	2	2	5	4	5	2	27.00
6.	US 5432	Bloom,	Mike (S)	3	2	6	(11)	7	6	6	6	36.00
7.	US 5352	Hearn,	Daniel (S)	10	(10)	7	8	6	7	8	7	53.00
8.	US 5508	Sugar,	Tim	5	6	11	9	(13)	8	9	8	56.00
9.	US 4923	Jeff,	Solum	(12)	8	10	5	8	9	10	9	59.00
10.	US 5486	Elsmo,	David	11	3	5	12	9	(DS)	7	12	59.00
11.	US 5501	Orlebeke,	Peter	7	5	9	7	(11)	10	11	10	59.00
12.	US 5536	Schmitt,	Matt	9	12	12	10	(12)	11	12	11	77.00
13.	US 4249	Glick,	Dave (M)	13	13	13	13	(14)	13	14	13	92.00
14.	US 602	Meyer,	Tom (M)	14	14	DS	(DS)	10	12	13	14	92.00

Silver fleet

1.	US 5507	Barnett,	Mike	1	(2)	1	1	2	1	2	1	9.00
2.	US 5522	Metzloff,	Kyle	3	4	2	(4)	3	2	1	2	17.00
3.	US 5479	Hearn,	Brian	2	1	3	(5)	4	3	3	3	19.00
4.	US 4203	Fitzgerald,	Patrick (GM)	8	3	(10)	9	6	4	4	4	38.00
5.	US 548	Hovland,	Nick	6	7	4	2	(12)	5	9	6	39.00
6.	US 5517	Thompson,	Jason (S)	4	9	(9)	8	5	6	6	5	43.00
7.	US 5602	KICKHAFER,	MATTHEW (JR)	10	5	8	7	8	7	5	(DNS)	50.00
8.	US 3433	CUMMINS,	ROBERT (GM)	9	(12)	7	6	9	8	7	8	54.00
9.	US 2360	JOHNS,	PETE (GM)	7	8	6	10	7	9	12	(DNS)	59.00
10.	US 1277	BOWMAN,	HAL (GM)	5	6	DNS	(DNS)	10	10	8	7	64.00
11.	US 5397	FOSSATI,	DANNY (N)	12	10	12	12	1	(DNF)	11	10	68.00
12.	US 4137	SMITH JR,	KEN (M)	13	11	5	3	11	12	(DNS)	DNS	73.00
13.	US 4602	KICKHAFER,	DAVID (S)	(14)	13	11	11	13	11	10	9	78.00
14.	US 1313	RAST,	ROBERT (M)	11	14	13	DNS	(DNS)	DNS	DNS	DNS	110.00
15.	US 888	ROSTEN,	THOR (JR)	15	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNS	123.00
16.	US 294	LOENNEKE,	LOUIS (GM)	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNS	126.00

2018 Lauderdale to Key West Race

Southern Ocean Racing Conference/Storm Trysail Club/Lauderdale Yacht Club, Fort Lauderdale, FL

January 10-12, 2018

IRC								
1.	Privateer	Ron O'Hanley	Cookson 50	Boston, MA	11/Jan/18 - 06:45:53	0:17:40:53	1:00:29:19	1
PHRF A								
1.	24 Heures	Anson Mulder	Oyster 575	Boca Raton, FL	11/Jan/18 - 10:25:15	0:21:15:15	0:18:59:15	1
3.	Longbow	James Carolla	Owen/Clarke Class 40	St. Joseph, MI	11/Jan/18 - 09:34:27	0:20:24:27	0:20:53:47	3
PHRF B								
1.	Petisa	Harold Brandan	Salona 44	Hollywood, FL	11/Jan/18 - 13:42:02	1:00:27:02	0:21:01:42	4
Racer Cruiser - ECRCA								
1.	Sempre Amantes	Colin Whittaker	Hunter Passage 42	Margat, FL	11/Jan/18 - 18:19:10	1:04:59:10	0:22:56:30	11
Multihull								

1.	Elvis	Jason Carroll	Gunboat 62	New York, NY	11/Jan/18 - 06:02:10	0:16:37:10	0:18:37:10	1

2018 Bob Levin Memorial Regatta
Coral Reef Yacht Club, Miami, Florida
January 6-7, 2018

Coral Reef Yacht Club
Miami, Florida
January 06- 07, 2018
LEVIN MEMORIAL REGATTA

The Star Winter Series continued with the Bob Levin Memorial regatta. Five races were scheduled on the pristine, warm blue waters of Biscayne Bay, Florida over the two days. As with all schedules, adjustments are sometimes called for. Winter's first real blast in quite some time had the entire Eastern US in a deep freeze, with snowfall recorded as far south as northern Florida, and air traffic remaining disrupted due to extreme cold temperatures throughout. While there was no snow (never has been, we're told) in Miami, the unusual weather made its presence felt. The RC set up a race course on Saturday close to the channel to Coral Reef Yacht Club, and the first starting sequence was commenced on time in a fresh, crisp, 14 knot northerly. The fleet, while small, was highly competitive, with three Gold Star (World Champions), at least two Silver Stars (continental Champions) helmsmen on the course, and numerous other luminaries of the class throughout the fleet, it was clear early on that some reigning in of the aggressiveness was called for. The PRO brought out the U flag, and the second attempt was a go, with only two UFDs. That flag stayed out for the remainder of the day, and the fleet behaved as true Corinthian sailors, in fact there were no further UFDs in the regatta. Midway thru the second race of the day, a lingering rain squall descended on the race area. This was not in the forecast. The breeze came in before the rain, dropped out during the rain, came back in with authority after the rain, shifted thru at least 40 degrees (depending on who you ask!), then back again and settled in to a steady course axis and velocity for the remaining racing. Three good races were finished with some of the usual suspects at the top of the fleet, and very few breakdowns ruining anyone's day. Sunday morning arrived with the two remaining races on the schedule, and breeze from the northeast at a fairly steady 14 knots. The first start occurred on time, a 4 leg course sailed in somewhat shifty conditions, with some pressure variations that separated the fleet as the race wore on. Paul Cayard and Magnus Liljedahl won the race, putting them in a tie with SWS leader Jack Jennings and Frithjof Kleen - recently the SSL Finals-winning crewman – going into the final race. Close racing ensued for the first lap of the race, and Paul & Magnus opened up on the second to win the race over Jack and Frithjof in second to seal the regatta victory.

1.		Paul Cayard / Magnus Lijedahl	San Francisco, CA	5	1	2	1	1	10
2.	Pied Piper/National Marine	Jack Jennings / Frithjof Kleen	Niles, IL	1	5	1	2	2	11

2018 Sidney Doren Memorial Regatta
Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, Coconut Grove, Florida
January 6-7, 2018

2017/2018 Biscayne Bay Regatta Series
Sid Doren Memorial Regatta
06 & 07 January 2018
Etchells
Fleet 20 Biscayne Bay

1.	Lifted	Jim Cunningham / Jeff Madrigali / Mark Ivey / Serena Vilage	1	2	3	[8]	5	11
2.	Scimitar	Steve Benjamin / Michael Menninger / Ian Liberty / Evan Aras	[9]	9	8	1	1	19
3.	War Canoe	Michael Goldfarb / Morten Henriksen / Skip Dieball	[31]	5	4	6	6	21
4.	Tiburon	Mark Watson / Dirk Kneulman / Andy Beadsworth / Rob Scribner	3	1	7	[21]	11	22
5.	Skanky Gene	Jay Cross / Michael Buckley / George Peet / Wilson Stout	4	[18]	2	9	7	22
6.	Gumption3	Kevin Grainger / Chuck Norris / Jeremy Wilmont	6	[20]	14	4	3	27
7.	Raging Rooster	Peter Duncan / Jud Smith / Andrew Parffery	[13]	10	1	5	13	29
8.	Blackadder II	Andrew Cumming / Brian Kamilar / William Felder / Nikki Medley	5	[22]	16	10	10	41
9.	America Jane 11	Scott Kaufman / Alex Curtiss / Austen Anderson / Jesse Kirkland	2	[21]	6	15	19	42
10.	Freedom	Craig Mense / John Harford / Fred Strammer / Atlantic Bruckman	[26]	6	20	16	2	44
11.	Caramba	Jose Fuentes / Luke Lawrence / Ian Coleman	15	11	10	[17]	8	44
12.	American Baby	George Francisco / Karl Anderson / Ezra Culver	10	14	9	13	[20]	46
13.	Swedish Blue	Ante Razmilovic / Noel Drennan / Brian Hammersley	[24]	8	13	14	14	49
14.	Clean Execution	Michael Gavin / Bill Abbott / Wes Bemus	7	3	17	24	[35]	51
15.	The Martian	Marvin Beckmann / Jeff Eiber / Nick Turney / Danielle Septembre	[34]	27	23	3	4	57
16.	La Tormenta	Shannon Busch / Brad Boston / Phil Trinter	17	13	[24]	12	15	57
17.	Goombay Smash	William Douglass / Chris Larson / Mark Andrews	22	4	15	19	[39]	60
18.	USA1300	Ernest Pomerleau / Monica Morgan / Chris Morgan / Emory Williams	14	[24]	5	23	18	60
19.	KGB	Senet Bischoff / Ben Kinney / Clay Bischoff	[27]	19	25	7	9	60
20.	Mahalaga	Peter Vessella / Tracy Usher / John Callahan	[30]	7	12	22	22	63
21.	Something Good	Bill Mauk / Ched Proctor / Rafael Malendez / Andre Guaragna	23	28	11	2	[32]	64
22.	US Youth Team	Connor Needham / Jimmy Kennedy / Bram Brakman / Hannah Polster	12	23	19	11	[25]	65
23.	USA 1424	Barry Parkin / Peter Mannion / Clay Snyder	19	12	[31]	18	24	73
24.	Firing Line	Bruce Burton / Glenn Burton / Jon Easley	8	29	[36]	30	12	79
25.	Leading Edge	Jeff Dever / Anson Mulder / Cameron Borkowski	20	15	26	20	29	81
26.	Highlife	Peter Rogers / Ben Cooper / Neil Harrison	25	16	[28]	25	16	82
27.	Victory	Buddy Cribb / Eamonn DeLisser / Joe Logan	11	26	21	29	[33]	87
28.	Blackadder	Enrique Quintero / Brendan Healy / Rebecaa Liggins / Simon Sanders	[37]	17	18	27	27	89
29.	Press Gang	Roland van Hazel / Geoff Moore / Marco	[29]	25	27	26	21	99
30.	Not Ninkasi	Rick Kaiser / Gerri Whitley / Mary Bruecker / David Miller	18	[36]	34	35	17	104
31.	USA 1371	Ken Womack / Watt Duffy / Dan Peckham	16	[37]	35	33	26	110
32.	Vertigo	Christopher Lanza / Ed Cabassa / Alvaro Sanchis	[36]	32	33	31	23	119
33.	Athena	John Donnelly / Chris Clark / Paul Abdullah	21	35	30	34	[RT}	120
34.	Annie	Gary Gilbert / Alan Kelley / Ridgly MacKenzie	35	33	22	[36]	31	121
35.	China Wight	Nicholas Stagg / Rob Goddard / Ollie Spencer Cornfield	28	30	29	[37]	34	121
36.	Nemesis	Jeff Nehms / Tim Banks / Yadir Gomez	32	31	[37]	32	28	123

37.	Volition	Ed Kriese / Tom Dawson / Tac Beston	38	34	[RT]	28	30	130
38.	Jeremiah	Jonah Pruitt / David Bannister / Gabriele Armstrong	33	[38]	32	38	36	139

2018 Quantum J/70 Winter Series 2
Davis Island Yacht Club, Tampa, Florida
January 6-7, 2018

Davis Island Yacht Club
Quantum J 70 Winter Series 2
January 06 - 07, 2018

1.	Catapult	Joel Ronning	Excelsior, MN	1	3	[5]	2	2	1	9
10.	Rip Rullah	Bob Willis	Chicago, IL	12	1	7	22	14	[39]	56
12.	Empeiria	John Heaton	Wilmette, IL	[28]	16	4	7	7	23	57
14.	WinterWind	Nancy Glover	Marblehead, MA	6	12	19	[27]	20	8	65
18.	Berteau Group	KC Shannon	Chicago, IL	20	11	[27]	16	17	21	85
19.	USA 167	James Prendergast	Whiting, IN	23	14	21	15	19	[46]	92
49.	Bombora	Molly & Bryan Hayes	Chicago, IL	43	38	41	40	[52]	52	214
53.	Taipan / SB	Lloyd Karzen	Chicago, IL	47	53	53	[DC]	DC	DC	261

2017 Sugar Bowl
Tulane University Sailing Club, New Orleans, Louisiana
December 30-31, 2017

Sailors were greeted at Lake Ponchartrain and Southern Yacht Club by light winds, flat water, and a slight chill in the air. A combination of 10 coed and women's teams hit the water right on time and racing began promptly at 10:00am in 420s. The Southern Yacht Club race committee, led by Peter Hopkins, did a fantastic job keeping up with a breeze that oscillated throughout the day from the North and East before ratcheting to the ESE by the day's end. In all 6 races were sailed in both A and B divisions in 3-7 knots of breeze. Many thanks to the Tulane Sailing Team for ferrying the boats over in the morning to make things easier for the competitors, and to the Southern Yacht Club team for providing excellent races and a hot meal for the sailors and spectators throughout the day! Sunday greeted the sailors with very different conditions than the previous day. The temperature began to drop and an annoying mist accompanied a building Northerly breeze and steep chop. Racing began again at 10:00am with the breeze ranging from 13-17 knots and gusts a little higher. A division was able to complete a set and come in for their rotation. Shortly thereafter the breeze began to build for B division and by halfway through race 7B, the breeze climbed above 20knots and a good portion of the fleet was capsized and required assistance. With the conditions showing no signs of improving and a forecasted continued temperature drop below freezing and building winds, the decision was made to send the sailors in, where racing was ultimately called for the day. The cold and wet sailors were happy to find some hot coffee and comfort food (red beans and rice) awaiting them once they came to shore and trophies were handed out, again thanks to the gracious hosts at Southern Yacht Club. Since racing ended after race 7B, race 8A was dropped from the scores, and in the end the results were very close. Congratulations to the Golden Eagles from Marquette on the close win that came down to the last race, and many thanks to all of the teams who drove from far away to help make the 2017 Sugar Bowl Interconference Regatta a success.

1.	Marquette	A	5	3	1	8	6	1	6	30
	Golden Eagles 1	B	3	1	3	4	3	4	4	22
			8	12	16	28	37	42	52	52
3.	Michigan	A	7	5	2	2	2	4	1	23
	Wolverines 2	B	2	2	4	1	4	9	DF	33
			9	16	22	25	31	44	56	56
6.	Marquette	A	4	7	5	4	5	2	8	35
	Golden Eagles 2	B	9	8	6	8	5	3	5	44
			13	28	39	51	61	66	79	79
8.	Michigan	A	9	4	6	5	3	7	4	38
	Wolverines 1	B	10	10	7	3	10	10	DF	61
			19	33	46	54	67	84	99	99

2017 Open Orange Bowl Regatta
Coconut Grove Sailing Club, Coconut Grove, Florida
December 26-30, 2017

29er 12 boats													
1.	Bella Casaretto/Kaitlin Hamilton	Lauderdale Yacht Club	2	1	1	3	2	1	2	1	5	1	[OC]	19
I420 37 Boats														
1.	Thomas Rice/Trevor Bornarth	Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club	4	1	2	3	3	1	[10]	2	1	5	1	23
Laser 16 Boats														
1.	Pedro Fernandez	Club Náutico de San Juan	2	3	1	1	[4]	1	1	1	1	3	1	15

6.	Roman Plutenko	Chicago Yacht Club	6	[RT]	3	9	2	5	6	6	8	5	6		56
8.	Paul Wurtzebach	Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club	9	[RT]	8	8	7	8	9	9	9	9	9		85
10.	Mitchell Polgar	Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club	10	[RT]	6	10	8	DF	11	10	10	10	DF		109
Laser Radial 3 Boats															
1.	Alexander Birukoff	US Sailing Center-Miami	2	[RT]	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1		15

2017 Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta

Coral Reef Yacht Club, Miami, Florida

December 26-30, 2017

The Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta brings world-class sailing talent to South Florida in a five-day event that has become the largest international youth regatta in the U.S. and South America for sailors ages 8-18. The 2017 event was held December 26-30 at Coral Reef Yacht Club in Miami, FL. It featured more than 700 sailors from 20 countries.

C420															
1.	Luke Arnone/Mariner Fagan	Mantoloking Yacht Club	RG	1	2	3	1	-11	2	2	2	-11	9	7	30
2.	Boyd Bragg/Aisling Sullivan	Chicago Yacht Club	3	1	3	11	3	1	1	4	-25	7	4	-16	38
11.	Ethan Hanley/Olivia Hanley	Chicago Yacht Club	6	9	-36	19	6	18	3	-36	10	6	2	5	84
12.	Robert Hunter/Victoria Flately	Chicago Yacht Club	7	13	-16	6	5	3	9	-21	15	10	15	2	85
32.	Marleigh Belsley/Quinn Keenan	Chicago Yacht Club	14	12	21	21	17	23	20	25	-30	28	-36	4	185
37.	Jemima Korbel/Lily Wojcik	Columbia Yacht Club	5	23	26	17	20	(UF)	13	31	21	-39	30	10	196
49.	Noah Barton/Izzy Cox	Sheridan Shore Sailing School	-32	29	-30	26	29	25	25	8	8	4	8	6	168
59.	Luke Hosek/Margo Cicero	Columbia Yacht Club	RG	26	25	30	28	(UF)	31	(UF)	BF	9	13	14	225
61.	Lillian Nemeth/Emerson Wright	Columbia Yacht Club	26	22	33	34	24	29	-35	15	(BF)	11	20	22	236
65.	Samuel Childers/Elizabeth Gildea	Columbia Yacht Club	30	28	30	33	30	32	(DQ)	(UF)	10	14	25	25	257
67.	Matteo Torquati/Katherine Faris	Columbia Yacht Club	-37	35	26	33	35	-36	36	20	15	30	22	16	268
73.	Caroline Sandoval/Luke Rickard	Chicago Yacht Club	36	37	37	35	34	-38	-38	23	21	19	29	20	291
RS Feva 4 boats															
1.	Ava Hurwitz/Wendi Froelich	American Yacht Club	-1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-2	1	1	1	1	10
Laser 18 boats															
1.	Leo Boucher	Severn Sailing Association	1	1	2	-4	-4	4	1	1	1	2	3	2	18
15.	Nikolas Chambers	Chicago Yacht Club	15	15	15	15	-17	15	16	12	15	-17	13	17	148
17.	Leif Sigmond III	Chicago Yacht Club	-17	16	16	16	15	16	-17	11	16	16	17	16	155
18.	John Hultquist	Columbia Yacht Club	18	-18	-18	18	18	17	18	15	18	18	18	18	176
Laser Radial 98 boats															
1.	Chase Carraway	Lauderdale Yacht Club	1	1	2	3	7	4	3	-10	2	1	6	-20	30
28.	Lawson Levine	Lake Forest Sailing	6	22	15	-32	20	-36	27	30	12	27	20	1	188
85.	Noah Robitshek	Grand Traverse Yacht Club	31	42	-43	42	38	26	31	27	-44	32	36	27	330
94.	Samuel Walker Wojcik	Columbia Yacht Club	46	-47	-48	44	39	43	37	25	38	39	31	44	386
Laser 4.7															
1.	Stefano Viale	Club de Regates Lima	2	(OC)	1	12	1	2	4	4	4	3	-14	2	35
10.	Jack Baldwin	Chicago Yacht Club	4	2	15	(OC)	-23	7	10	12	11	5	4	13	83
Optimist Red/White/Blue 263 Boats															
1.	Stephan Baker	Red	Lauderdale YC	(BF)	1	1	1	1	1	3	(BF)	15	1	2	3	29
31.	Peter Barnard	Red	Chicago Yacht Club	21	-42	6	15	4	-45	28	21	30	35	25	19	204
73.	Christian Prendergast	Blue	Chicago Yacht Club	25	21	12	42	15	18	(BF)	-72	69	57	66	55	380
133.	Deana Fedulova	Blue	Chicago Yacht Club	11	48	16	30	60	49	59	13	-67	57	-78	35	378
153.	Owen Bannasch	Red	Saugatuck Yacht Club	56	64	26	31	45	76	9	-84	65	-82	15	66	453
189.	Annie Samis	Blue	Chicago Yacht Club	64	56	65	50	-80	-78	10	11	5	25	31	19	336
192.	Henry Scholz	Red	Lake Forest Sailing	49	62	62	-70	57	-67	2	5	23	27	16	39	342
197.	Avery Baldwin	Blue	Chicago Yacht Club	68	57	-72	(BF)	47	69	25	16	15	26	30	9	362
228.	Spencer Glickson	Red	Lake Forest Sailing	(DN)	78	56	54	82	76	27	(BF)	56	42	36	58	565
249.	Spencer Gerber	Blue	Grand Traverse Yacht Club	83	80	64	74	33	81	71	54	49	(DC)	(DC)	DC	679
251.	Ethan Gerber	Blue	Grand Traverse Yacht Club	77	64	78	72	71	74	42	55	70	(DC)	(DC)	DC	693
256.	John Renz		Columbia Yacht Club	DC	DC	DC	DC	DC	DC	(DC)	(DC)	DC	DC	DC	DC	894
Optimist Green 71 Boats															
1.	Helena Borcherding	Green	Key Biscayne Yacht Club	4	-13	3	1	7	1	2	9	1	1	-25	6	35
16.	Evan Wern	Green	Chicago Yacht Club	32	29	16	3	3	8	1	23	25	-58	24	-42	164
23.	Grace Renz	Green	Chicago Yacht Club	-39	33	33	16	2	24	7	24	-50	16	38	17	210
44.	Quinn Gerber	Green	Grand Traverse Yacht Club	(TL)	-64	58	27	61	58	48	38	34	39	37	11	411
49.	Caleb Kinnear	Green	Chicago Yacht Club	48	44	43	-58	43	47	54	-56	44	34	45	51	453
60.	Cooper Gerber	Green	Grand Traverse Yacht Club	58	60	49	57	47	57	51	41	-61	(DC)	51	44	515
68.	Cate Baldwin	Green	Chicago Yacht Club	TL	65	(DC)	66	62	67	66	60	64	62	(DC)	DC	648

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