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A newsletter for members and supporters of North Coast Women's Sailing Association

From the Commodore

Beth Tyson

In this, my last note as Commodore, I just want to thank all my board members for the last two years! We've had two successful race seasons – tho' the weather wasn't always very cooperative! Participation in the off-season still seems to be a problem but we do hold true to the "10% of the membership" being involved, most of the time.

Thanks to one and all! Hope to see you at the Holiday Party!

US SAILING MEMBERSHIP - SUPPORT THE SPORT!

**This is not required – just encouraged by NCWSA. US SAILING membership information*
<http://www.ussailing.org/join/e-ussailing>.

If you are already a member and have recently moved or changed e-mail addresses, please let US SAILING know so you will continue to support our sport and receive the great benefits US SAILING offers. Visit <http://www.ussailing.org/myussailing/myinfo.asp> to update your membership information.

Here Ye Here Ye....

We are trying to find interesting ideas for meetings in 2006. If you have suggestions of programs you would enjoy (and actually come through snow and sleet to hear), please contact me so we can try them out. I can't make any promises, but we need to know what YOU will come to hear!

Let's get the attendance at membership meetings up! These meetings are for all of us, so send your ideas to jibwench@gmail.com !

Thanks, and see you at the December party!
Pat

2005 Race Results

Fleet			Sail Number	Points
Ensign	1	Limit Up	761	8.00
	2	On Rust	1368	12.00
	3	MBSS Medella	1556	13.00
	4	Jabiru	1503	19.00
	5	Wotthehell	601	19.00
	6	Vulcan	634	24.00
J-22	1	Free Energy	1037	9.00
	2	Tung & Groove	1011	15.00
	3	Daisy	650	15.00
	4	Hey Sue	1058	19.00
	5	Roxie	239	42.00
	J-24	1	Carry On	4513
2		Ghost	5322	16.00
3		Gray Area	1697	30.00
PHRF	1	Lazy Lass	331	6.00
	2	Kamikazi Again	50347	9.00
	3	Coyote	23851	12.00
	4	Team SOS	40817	28.00
JAM A	1	Trivial Pursuit	33734	5.00
	2	Patrimpas	329	13.00
	3	Panacea	31329	19.00
	4	Play It Again Sam	41229	21.00
	5	Extravagance	31528	21.00
	6	Chip Ship	15481	25.00
	7	Watchamacalit	30	31.00
JAM B	1	Miss Wahoo	50213	4.00
	2	State of Mind	803	8.00
	3	Tsunami	42981	11.00
	4	S-C-S	1	24.00

US Sailing's Rolex Yachtsman and Yachtswoman of the Year Awards

Established in 1961 by US SAILING and sponsored by Rolex Watch U.S.A. since 1980, the Yachtsman and Yachtswoman of the Year awards recognize outstanding on-the-water achievement within the calendar year. These prestigious awards are viewed by the sail-racing industry as among the nation's top sailing distinctions. A slate of nominees, determined by the membership of US SAILING, is presented to a panel of accomplished sailing journalists, who together discuss the merits of each nominee and then vote by secret ballot to determine the ultimate winners.

Source: <http://www.ussailing.org/awards/rolex/index.htm>

Help Shape Sailing History Nominate for the 2005 US SAILING Rolex Yachtsman and Yachtswoman of the Year

[Nominate for the 2005 Rolex Yachtsman of the Year](#)
[Nominate for the 2005 Rolex Yachtswoman of the Year](#)

Nominations for the 2005 Rolex Yachtsman and Yachtswoman of the Year Awards will be accepted until **Wednesday, November 30, 2005**. *Only 1 nomination for each category is accepted per US SAILING member.*

Previous Winners

2004 Paul Foerster & Kevin Burnham/Jody Swanson	1984 Bill Buchan/Betsy Gelenitis
2003 Augie Diaz/Hannah Swett	1983 Dave Curtis/Wendy Thomson
2002 John Kostecki/Liz Baylis	1982 Randy Smyth/Betsy Gelenitis
2001 Steve Fossett/Cory Sertl	1981 Dave Curtis/Betsy Gelenitis
2000 Reynolds/Liljedahl/Isler/Glaser	1980 Dennis Conner/Lynne Jewell
1999 Eric Doyle/Dawn Riley	1979 Ted Turner/Nell Taylor
1998 Paul Cayard /Betsy (Gelenitis) Alison	1978 Buddy Melges/Bonnie Shore
1997 Chris Larsen/JJ Isler	1977 Ted Turner/Jan O'Malley
1996 Dave Ullman/Courtenay (Becker) Dey	1976 Lowell North/Allison Jolly
1995 Ed Baird/Cory Sertl	1975 Dennis Conner/Joan Ellis
1994 Ken Read/Danielle Brennan	1974 Ted Hood/Sally Lindsay
1993 Cam Lewis/Betsy (Gelenitis) Alison	1973 Ted Turner/Sally Lindsay
1992 Kevin Mahaney/Julia Trotman	1972 Buddy Melges/Jane Pegel
1991 Ed Adams/JJ Isler	1971 Ding Schoonmaker/Jane Pegel
1990 Jim Brady/Courtenay Becker	1970 Ted Turner/Jan O'Malley
1989 Larry Klein/Jody Swanson	1969 Robert F. Johnson/Jan O'Malley
1988 John Kostecki/Allison Jolly & Lynne Jewell	1968 Lowell North/June Methot
1987 Ed Adams/Susan Dierdorff Taylor	1967 Bus Mosbacher/Betty Foulk
1986 Dennis Conner/JJ Isler	1966 Bill Cox/Jerie Clark
1985 Ken Read/Kathy Steele & Heidi Backus	1965 Dick Tillman/Timothea (Schneider) Larr

From the 2005 Race Chairs



Hello NCWSA Members!

Just a note from the 2005 Race Chair corner . . . the end of the year awards are ready to be distributed to the 2005 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place finishers! This year we had a total of 29 boats with 37 skippers registered!

Remember that if you are going to Co-Skipper (or **think you will be a Co-Skipper), you need to complete the Skipper Registration form. In conjunction with that, your corresponding Skipper and Boat Owner must know what your intentions are – and likewise, the NCWSA Race Chairs! This can easily be done **with** the Boat Owner Waiver and the main Skipper Form – with the crew list on it. For 2006 we are anticipating more member enthusiasm and have available a 2006 Co-Skipper Registration Form. **YES** – this means there will be 3 forms!*

For 2005:

About 150 members were on a boat! We had 6 Fleets this year – consisting of J-22, J-24, Ensigns, and a wide variety of boats that entered in JAM (sailing with their jib sail and main sail only) and PHRF (which is a sailboat handicap rating). Recognition needs to go to each of the NCWSA Fleet Captains. **Diane Kube** - Ensign, **Mindy Sminchak** – J-22, **Angie Karges** - J-24, **Ginia Volter** - JAM A&B, and **Pat Mahoney** - PHRF Fleet. The Race Chairs rely on their communication with each NCWSA Skipper!

We would like to thank the **Boat Owners** again (and we **cannot** thank them enough) for their time, enthusiasm, and opening their sailboat hatches of their cabins to the NCWSA Women! Thank you to: **Rick & Denise Messerman**, **Mary & Trevor Dodge**, **Ted & Pat Mahoney**, **Bill & Jeanette Elkanick**, **Linda & Bill Giles**, **Arthur Fee & Nancy Johnson**, **Clifford & Stephanie Peshek**, **Anthony Timperio**, **David & Elizabeth Young**, **Tony & Aura Jucaitis**, **Gary Eby**, **Kent & Pat Minshall**, **James & Barbara Rooney**, **Victor Ryckman**, **Wally Fograscher**, **Robert Edwards & Anne Lindsay**, **Nicholas & Jeannine Lubar**, **Robert Anschuetz & Susan Higham**, **Robert & Candice Frantz**, **Kent & Mary Ann Johnston**, **Wesley Kroeze & Dianne Kube**, **Keven & Jeff Eiber**, **Sue McDowell**, **John Zelli**, **Kellie & Chip Shaffner**, **Connie Aguero**, **Terry & Ann Bowdish**, **Robert & Barb Rosenbaum**, **Edward Brzytwa** and **Kaki Brzytwa**.

In addition to the NCWSA Racing Fleets – there were 3 cruising-spectator boats out on the water this year! Thank you to **Tom Einhouse** with Ovation - 29' J boat, **Rob & Sue Rowlands** with Myrtea - 29' sloop and **Ellen Sukenik** with Windblown Again - 38' Catalina.

We cannot have a race without a **RACE COMMITTEE!** **Mike Dills**, as our PRO (Professional Race Officer) and his assistants, **Joe Volter**, **Pete Tylee** and **Brian McSweeney**. Likewise, our sailing hats go off to **NCWSA Scorer**, **Sherrie Desmond!**

Have a wonderful Winter!

Hope to see you sailing again in 2006!



Cathy Rakovan, Race Chair

Beth Paganini, Race Chair

Dear Racer Reader,

As we are nearing the end of 2005, it is time to look back on this Summer 2005 NCWSA Season and analyze the data. For you members out there interested in numbers, here are a few that I hope you will find interesting:

2005/2006 NCWSA memberships:

- 187 members
- 114 returning members
- 73 new members
- 52 of the NCWSA members are also EYC members
- 36 Skippers
- 2 of the 36 skippers are also co-skippers
- 18 of the 36 skippers are also EYC members

Members Experience Mix

- 3% = advanced
- 47% = beginners
- 24% = experienced
- 26% = intermediates

Looking forward to gather your membership forms/information for the 2006/2007 season,
Sincerely,

Olivia Rault, Membership Chair

PS: New/Renewed memberships will be accepted starting with the NCWSA February 7, 2006 meeting.



NCWSA Holiday Party

December 6, 2005 -7:30pm

We look forward to seeing you at Edgewater Yacht Club for the NCWSA Holiday Party and Awards. This party is our chance to thank the many coaches, boat owners, race committee and members of EYC for their support and dedication.

Our race chairs and fleet captains will also be awarding the 2nd and 3rd place sailing awards for the season and the specialty awards.

Join us for an evening of fun, drinks, food, music and most importantly, good friends. We ask all NCWSA members to bring a dish of your favorite appetizer, food, snacks, cookies or other treats to share with the group.

And for the best contribution, we will have a special prize.

NCWSA will be providing Beer and Wine for the event.

Please email any questions about the party to me at kataz99@hotmail.com

Winter Education Public Boating Safety Classes

Schedule

If you would like to check availability of classes offered by other Squadrons and organizations, you might wish to [search](#) within the ODNR web site for classes in northeast Ohio. Or call me (Neil Steiger) at 216-283-7452 and I'll tell you what I know (??)

Boating Safety Course Description

How long does it take? - 16 hours - Typically two hours per evening, meeting once a week for eight weeks.

What's Covered? - Basic terms, State laws, Required and recommended equipment, Meaning of lights and markers on boats, and on the water and shore, Anchoring, Basic knots, Marine radio, Reading charts, Plotting courses, Speed, time, and distance calculations

BoatSmart® Course Description

How long does it take? - 10 hours - Typically five hours per day for two days, or two hours per evening for five evenings.

What's covered? - Same as Boating Safety, somewhat condensed, but charts and plotting are excluded.

Costs, Certificates, etc

How much do Boating Safety and BoatSmart cost? - Cost varies depending on location. Typically \$30 per person, plus \$50 for Boating Safety materials (manual, plotter, dividers, chart), which may be shared. Cost of materials for BoatSmart is \$20 per manual.

Do these courses satisfy State of Ohio's education requirement? - Yes they do. This requirement applies to people born on or after January 1, 1982 who wish to operate power craft.

Will I get a discount on my insurance? - Probably yes. Many insurance companies give discounts to people who pass these courses.

If I pass, will I get a certificate? - Yes you will. You will get State certification as well as Power Squadron certification. However it is possible to meet State requirements but not meet Power Squadron requirements and vice versa.

What if I meet Power Squadron requirements? - You will be eligible to join United States Power Squadrons®.

Who do I call? - Neil Steiger, phone 216-283-7452, or e-mail neilsteiger "at" yahoo "dot" com.

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SOURCE:

<http://www.usps.org/localusps/cleveland/index.htm>



NCWSA Mission Statement ~ *to encourage women to become more actively involved in sailboat racing through regattas and clinics, and to create a spirit of good fellowship among members.*

Alinghi, Defender of the 32nd America's Cup, is US bound



Alinghi vice-president, tactician and skipper Brad Butterworth, veteran match-racer and one of Alinghi's three helmsmen, Ed Baird and Alinghi general counsel and America's Cup historian, Hamish Ross, will be touring the west coast of the USA from 16 to 21 November. The team will make five yacht club stops to do a chalk-talk with junior yacht club members and a presentation to the members, sponsors and friends of Alinghi. The mission: to share the experience of being the America's Cup Defender with the American public. Hamish will give an overview of the America's Cup history and Alinghi's part in it, Brad will explain what Alinghi is all about, the values, the spirit and what the team stands for and Ed will describe what it is like to be a part of the defending team, day to day team life and the racing.

Alinghi's first stop will be the Chicago Yacht Club on the 16th November, before heading west to Long Beach Yacht Club on the 17th and continuing on to the California Yacht Club in Marina del Rey for the 18th and later the Seattle Yacht Club on the 20th. The tour will finish at the St Francis Yacht Club on the 21st November.



- Brad Butterworth (NZ) is a three-time America's Cup winner. This will be his sixth campaign and he has recently been named skipper of the America's Cup Defender, Alinghi.
- Ed Baird (USA) is one of three Alinghi helmsmen. He is a veteran match racer, the only American to rank ISAF No.1 and the only American winner of the World Championship of Match Race Sailing, not once but three times: in 1995, 2003 and again in 2004.
- Hamish Ross (NZ) is Alinghi general counsel and an America's Cup historian. He has been with Alinghi since the 2000 and previously represented the New York Yacht Club's Young America campaign from 1995-2000.

For any media interested in meeting the team members, there will be media opportunities at each stop and your point of contact will be Alinghi press officer Daphne Morgan Barnicoat. Please register your interest before the 11 November.

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