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Saratoga Lake Sailing Club



Web page: sailsaratoga.org

August, 2011

Windsurfing Open House

Thursday, August 25, 6:00 pm Free Dinner

All SLSC members are invited.

Activities:

How to get started In Windsurfing - Panel Discussion

Buying Equipment? New, Used, What to get - Panel Discussion

Exhibit and explanation of equipment

On water demonstration, depending on wind and weather

Videos of Windsurfing at SLSC and other local areas?

Free Dinner. Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Chips, Soda

Sponsored by SLSC Sailboard Fleet and Adirondack Boardsailing Club.

It's FREE, but you must email Gene Altman, GALTMAN903@AOL.COM so we can plan for food.

Labor Day Lobster Boil

Monday, September 5, 2011 Appetizers at 4:00 - Dinner at 5:00

Lobster Dinner \$23
Steak Dinner \$20
Surf &Turf \$28
Kids (hot dogs/burgers) \$7
Soft drinks, Beer, Wine

Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share

Members whose last names begin with the letters M through Z. Please sign up for set-up or clean-up when you make your reservation.

> E-mail reservations: SLSCreservations@gmail.com or contact Margaret Shirk 475-0412

Please make your reservations by September 2nd.

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Upcoming Events

Sept 5	Lobster Boil
•	Ensign Regatta
	Collegiate Regatta

Ensign Class Association Fleet 72

Ensign Clinic, July 16, 2011

On a beautiful Saturday morning recently a dozen Ensign sailors gathered at the club in anticipation of gaining crucial knowledge in the proper setup, tuning and racing techniques of their Ensigns. Following a successful clinic in 2010 given by John Power many of the fleet members requested a repeat in 2011 to ensure that their edge would not be lost. After a very difficult start to the season which delayed many of the fleet going in the water it was decided to postpone the clinic from the early June scheduled date to July 16th. In the meantime I was contacted by Doug Burtner, of Haarstick Sail makers in western NY, to see if he could come out and meet with us. Apparently some of our fleet members have placed orders in recent years and he wanted to provide a bit more customer service than an on time shipment.

Once we secured the date between John Power and Doug Burtner we revised the itinerary for the day to include Doug's talk on sail trim and care. Little did we realize that Doug is an avid Ensign sailor in the Rochester area and has a very acute knowledge of the boats strengths and weaknesses. Needless to say we learned a few things from Doug that went against some conventional Ensign thinking. After Doug's enlightening Talk we proceeded to head to the docks where, due to the calm winds, it was perfect weather for a tuning session. After Doug got everybody's rig in shape it was time to take a break for lunch and partake in some traditional wind generating activities.

The early afternoon was spent getting a refresher course on the finer point of rule 18, "When Boats Meet", with our very own Captain JP (John Power). Anybody who's been around for more than a couple of years knows John and his no BS teaching style. John combines no nonsense practical sailboat racing advice with a keen eye toward the rules. Johns on land chalk-talk was followed by a few on-the-water exercises designed to give most of our fleet members more starts in one day than they would otherwise get in an entire season. Doug also joined several members on the water to provide some one-on-one sail trim advice. The combination of John and Doug's instruction and advice worked so well together I could not have envisioned a better outcome.

The Day was capped off by a BBQ dinner and our pupils sharing their new found knowledge and experiences. We are looking forward to the Ensign Nationals and 50th Class Association Anniversary in Canandaigua NY beginning on August 14th. On September 10th we will be holding our own fleet 72 regatta which will mark its 3rd year.

- Tony Cannone, Fleet 72 Captain.



Doug Burtner - Explaining Tuning Process



John Power- When Boats Meet

Fleet 161 News

Flying Scot NAC's 2011 Cedar Point YC July 10-15, 2011

The Flying Scot Women and Junior North American Championships were held July10, 2011 at the Cedar Point Yacht Club, Westport CT. Skippering her first NAC was Samantha Butler and crew, Lucy Fahy. Ann Seidman, crewed for Linda Nickleson from Stone Harbor YC along with the new President of the Flying Scot Class Diane Kamph from Massapoug YC, actually vice president until the vote by the fleets at the annual meeting four days later. Three races were run, the first in a dying breeze and a shortened course and the rest in building winds.

Since Saratoga Lake does not have tides, current, oysterbox poles as well as channel markers and large sailing vessels to hinder progress on the course, Samantha declared about her experience when interviewed after the race,

"I certainly learned a lot of information about sailing this boat". Both Sam and Lucy looked really cool wearing tartan bandannas and sporting specially designed spf50 long sleeved NAC regatta shirts on their boat.

Captain John Power provided a spectator photo boat services on his J28 for this event. Many of the husbands of the women sailing were aboard. Beer was also aboard! It was great to see John and the SLSC burgee flying from his boat on Long Island sound as they sailed around taking pictures and making comments to themselves.

The Club put on a great welcoming party during the awards for the Women and Juniors.

Glen Miner and Mike Funk sailed the week long event.

Ann K. Seidman Flying Scot District Governor New York Lakes

Sailing School Update

The Sailing School has been very busy this summer and is in the process of wrapping up another successful school season. To date, the school has had over 120 students come and take one of our programs, and unfortunately we had additional students on waiting lists who we simply could not accommodate. All in all, a very good problem to have.

On top of our traditional week-long class sessions, the school has also given quite a few private lessons to both kids and adults throughout the season. These lessons ranged from basic learn-to-sail students on up to racers who were looking to improve their skills. We will continue

to offer private lessons until we stop sailing, so please feel free to contact either Mary Kate (marykate448@nycap.rr.com) or Emmett (mccarthy.emmett@gmail.com) for more details.

The Junior Racers program has been steadily growing and we are happy to see the kids coming out on Tuesday and Thursday nights. We are even happier to see some of them coming out and trying their hand on Wednesday and Sunday races with the adults. We sent 5 racers up to the Lake George Club for the annual Cheeseburger Regatta (2 FJ's and an Opti). The kids competed well and had a good time and got some valuable experience in their first regatta in the While they struggled the first day, we were happy to see them bounce back and put up some nice finishes on the second day. This included a 3rd place (out of 25) by Brett Howe and Drew Welcome and a 6th place John Howe and Peter Czajkowski. are looking forward to our own regatta on 8/11 and sailors coming from Northern Lake George, the Lake George club and (we hope) Mayfield Yacht Club.

As always, the school is looking for assistance in the form of volunteers and/or equipment donations. Our current wish list includes: a serviceable Flying Scot cover, spinnaker and related equipment for the white club Scot, any and all useable spare parts for Scots and Lasers. Any boats that we can fix up and use or sell to buy other equipment is appreciated as well.

If you have any questions regarding the school, you may always contact Mark Welcome at slsc sailingpgm@sailsaratoga.org

On the Block

C&C 29

1983 C&C 29 Mark II, berthed on the Hudson at Haverstraw Bay Marina, West Haverstraw, NY. Extensive refitting and upgrading. \$15,500.

Photos and details may be found on the internet at: www.yachtworld.com/boats/1983/C%26C-29- Mark-II-2374507/West-Haverstraw/NY/United-States

Kestrel

Hull #1000. Trailer included. This is an older boat in decent shape. The boat and trailer can be viewed in the SLSC field. The sails are at the owner's home. \$1100.

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SARATOGA LAKE SAILING CLUB

The Saratoga Lake Sailing club promotes and develops interest in sailing and sailboat racing.

The Club cooperates with and aids individuals and groups interested in sailing and requires in return, observance of such rules and regulations as are set forth by this organization.

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