



# ***ILYA Scowlines***

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## The Bell Tolls

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pending)*



**MELGES**  
*Performance Sailboats*



## AND HERE'S HOW YOU DO IT! - -Andy Burdick

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**The scow classes seem to have a culture that promotes 'inter-generational' teams. Is there anything in particular that encourages this climate?**

The Inland Lakes Yachting Association has been a fantastic organization to be a part of. They do pass down the love of the sport for generations. We see it with so many families. I personally feel very fortunate to be a part of this group.

What encourages this climate? Don't take it all too seriously! Go out and enjoy the sport of sailing. Include your kids or include others and give them an opportunity to see what sailboat racing is all about. Be a family and do it together.

The approach is a theme here at the new Buddy Melges Sailing Center on Lake Geneva. Bottom line is - give the kids an opportunity to fit into an adult team, race, perform and learn. Lots of learning. By including them we realize that winning may not happen but we do realize that the fun factor will be high. The stories will be endless and the learning will be for life. Over time, I have been really impressed with the sailing my kids have done and what others have done too.

Sailing around all day long in a single-handed boat is not the answer for the long term love for the sport. The answer is make it a family thing. Make it a fun for all ages and include them on all kinds of boats. Cross training in a sense. The kids get pretty darn good at a young age. You don't have to win. You just have to create the experience.

Sailing is a lifetime sport. It does need to happen all at once.....lay the foundation for the love of the sport now so your kids enjoy the sport for a lifetime!



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## Regattas / Calendar

### November

- 13 Jim Smith retirement party - Monona Terrace 7:00
- 14 ILYA Board Meeting - Madison Monona Terrace Hilton

### Submit your 2016 dates June

- 10-12 C Nationals - Monona
- 21-22 TRAP X - Pine
- 27 LBSS Opti - Lake Beulah

### July

- 5-6 Quad X - Nagawicka
- 11-12 GLSS X
- 13 - GLSS Opti
- 18-19 Xtreme X - Oshkosh
- 14-17 MC Invite - Harriet
- 23-24 WYA X - Beulah
- 27-30 ILYA X Champs - Okoboji
- 31- 8/2 Opti Champs - Clear

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## Any tips for others that would like to have a positive experience racing with their kids?

Go sail with your kids! That is what I have been telling my friends and others. Give the kids an opportunity to fit into a team. Let this experience supplement their sailing school time and other sailing. Make it an adventure. Go to new venues and new regattas. Meet new people and make the kids a major part of the social experience. They will quickly adapt to the sailing and to the social side of things too. It is amazing!

## So you have solved your crew issues for awhile?

You would think that as they get older (bigger and stronger), I would be sailing more with my kids, but this summer found them on other boats though much of the time. They have officially branched out sailing with other great sailors at our club and of course sailing with their friends. It is great to see them want to do things on their own, make arrangements to sail and crew with others on their own. They now have the love of the sport in them!

My son, who is all of 60lbs, has worked his way on an A scow (38ft. of pure power scow sailing) with some great sailing friends - Vincent Porter, Dave Navin, Chris Impens, Greg Gifford and Ryan Fitzgerald. Finn loves it and even at 60lbs thinks he is contributing to the team. So, the kids are making the sport their own too. The kids are figuring it out and have learned that sailing with others is great fun.

- See more at: <http://www.sailingscuttlebutt.com/2015/09/22/give-kids-the-opportunity-to-love-sailing/#sthash.4d37HKUq.dpuf>

## E Class Video - Gary Jobson

### Monday, October 26th, 7:00 pm at Harken World Headquarters in Pewaukee.

As many of you know, the National Class E Scow Association funded Gary Jobson's production company during the E Blue Chip to produce a documentary about the E Scow and the Blue Chip.

The documentary is scheduled to appear on the ESPN Classic channel on Wednesday, October 28th at 7:00 pm.

Prior to this, Gary Jobson is going to have a screening for us at Harken the evening of Monday, October 26th at 7:00 pm.

This event will also be a fundraiser for our friend and current E Blue Chip champion Bora Gulari and his olympic campaign. We will have a short live auction with some amazing gifts donated by our fellow sailors. Be ready to raise your hands and win some incredible adventures:

-- Beautiful Hawaiian vacation for one week for up to 8 courtesy of Bora's parents at any one of their three vacation properties <http://www.luxurykauaihome.com>

-- Escape to Coleman Norris's Chalet in Grindelwald Switzerland for up to 12 people for a week

-- A once in lifetime Chicago America's Cup World Series Dream



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Experience - June 10-12, 2016 in style with Bill Goggins of Harken  
 -- Escape Wisconsin for a week's stay at the Harken's Cape Coral House in Florida  
 -- Amaze your youth sailor and a few of his or her friends by bidding on an Bora Fantasy Sailing Camp  
 -- Host a Smokin' Ricky Pig Roast for 50  
 -- Dinner with Bora prepared by Dex and Buckeroo.  
 -- Other auction items and opportunities to support our Olympic hopeful will be available at the event.

We are looking forward to a wonderful evening to celebrate the 50th E Blue Chip tradition and further all hopes and dreams of sailing

## X Boat Dates Firming up

### Submit your dates

Clubs around the Inland are firming up 2016 dates. The X fleet is near completion. If you do not see your regatta on the calendar on the left, please submit your date for inclusion.



### Hotels for X Inlands - Okoboji

**The following have blocks of rooms available. Please mention Inland X Boat Championships and date of regatta when making reservations.**

**Link to map and locations: <http://bit.ly/1jp5jr7>**

#### **Bridges Bay Resort and Water Park**

**Reservations: (712) 332-2202**

**Website: [bridgesbayresort.com](http://bridgesbayresort.com)**

**Location: East Lake, 8.6 miles from OYC**

**Double Rooms (\$148)**

**King Suites (\$245) with separate bedroom, living area, kitchen**

**All rooms come with 2 water park passes. Additional passes \$10 each.**

#### **Vintage Block Inn and Suites**

**Reservations: (712) 332-8040**

**Website: [vintageblockinnandsuites.com](http://vintageblockinnandsuites.com)**

**Location: 9 miles from OYC**

**Suites and guest rooms, family suites that can lodge up to 9 guests. Rates vary.**

**Complimentary hot breakfast.**

**East Lake boat dock access with access to West Lake.**

**Village West Resort**

**Reservations: (712) 337-3223 ext. 253**

**Website: [villagewestresort.com](http://villagewestresort.com)**

**Location: 2.4 miles from OYC**

**Double rooms (\$156 weekday - \$195 weekend) must book by January 1, 2016**

**Boulders Inn & Suites**

**Reservations: (712) 338-4424**

**Website: [bouldersinnokoboji.com](http://bouldersinnokoboji.com)**

**Location: 6.3 miles from OYC**

**Doubles and King Rooms (\$119)**

**The INN at Okoboji (Rooms not currently blocked but some availability.)**

**Reservations: (712) 332-2113**

**Website: [bojifun.com](http://bojifun.com)**

**Location: 8.9 miles from OYC**

**Those listed above are resorts with rooms blocked. There are many other resorts and motels available in the Iowa Great Lakes area. Please visit [vacationokoboji.com](http://vacationokoboji.com) to learn more.**

**Questions: Brigid Wilkening, Regatta Chair, [brigidwilkening@aol.com](mailto:brigidwilkening@aol.com), (402) 681-0783**

**US Sailing Combined One Design/Junior Symposium**

**2016 Sailing Leadership Forum**

US Sailing is hosting their second Sailing Leadership Forum in San Diego, February 4th through the 6th. Sailing Leadership Forum 2016 offers a unique experience for all types of sailors to connect on important and relevant issues on all aspects of our sport. Leaders from sail training and education, yacht club and sailing organization management, race officials, and industry professionals will meet and learn from one-another in the surroundings of this spectacular Southern California venue. Who attends? Instructors, coaches, race officers,



program directors, class/fleet leaders, yacht club management, organization leaders, and volunteers find key takeaways from this pioneering event. Interested? Follow the link to find out more and register. [2016 Sailing Leadership Forum](#)

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## Sign up for Jim Smith Retirement Party - this week

### Friday, Nov. 13

He has served us for 37 years. He is the glue that holds us together. So let's join together to thank him, tease him, praise him and review the jist of him. We have surprises in store for trusty old Jim. All we need is YOU! The event is scheduled such that the MN and IA clan can leave work at noon to get to Madison. Milwaukee folks, take an hour off at the end of the day. Everyone is invited.

Many of you received written invitations. These were developed from the 2015 membership list removing the youth sailors. Please share with all your ILYA friends.



[Registration is online.](#) The earlier you register, the easier it is to plan with Monona Terrace. Deadline is October 31st but help Beth Wyman and Candace Porter by registering today. The registration page also contains a link for a donation for a gift, if you desire.

Hotel rooms have been reserved within walking distance to Monona Terrace at the Hilton Monona Terrace. **The block will be held through the 18th but reserve now. Rooms were still available yesterday from online vendors.**

Digital photos and memorable stories can be sent to [candaceporter@wi.rr.com](mailto:candaceporter@wi.rr.com) for inclusion in the evening's festivities.

Again, everyone is invited. Please reach out to the older members of your yacht club and consider forming a table of your friends to honor Jim Smith.





 Meal (Chicken Marsala or Vegetarian Option) RSVP, Payment of \$36 per meal, and optional donation for Jim's gift can be made at [www.regattanetwork.com](http://www.regattanetwork.com)  
Scroll to November 13, Celebration of Jim Smith or scan the QR code on the left

 Room Block Reserved at the Hilton Madison Monona Terrace \$149 per room, Block available until October 18, (608) 255-5100

Memories, digital material can be forwarded to [candaceporter@wi.rr.com](mailto:candaceporter@wi.rr.com)

We invite you to share this invitation with dear friends who are no longer active in the ILYA



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