

Windscoop



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE WINDLASSES

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★★★★★ **FROM THE HELM** ★★★★★
Dotty Bellefleur, Captain

Our cold winter has limited our sailing for the last two series and “cabin fever” has set in. Not a pleasant thing for a sailor to experience. March 24th starts our Spring Series and the ending of our sailing year. It feels too soon.

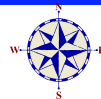
We are such a large group that it has become a challenge for our luncheon meeting hosts to find a venue large enough for us. Robin, Sylvia and Rita came through with the lovely Belleair Country Club and Rita Root cleverly provided us with some unique and personal center pieces.

We amended the Windlasses’ Constitution at our January General Meeting and are now working on the Bylaws. Discussion and member input on the proposed changes is going on and will continue for a few more weeks. Thank you for all of the comments we have received.

2011 Spring Schedule

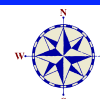
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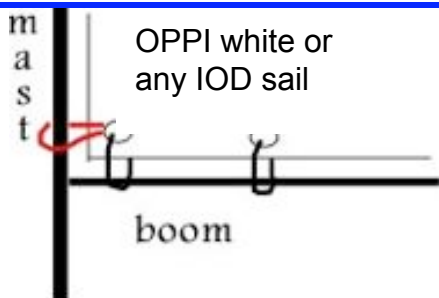


Cruise News

Lori McConnell



Well, the weather was almost perfect for the soup cruise. Some were able to get out on the water. Thank you to all who brought the wonderful soup, deserts, and appetizers. It was still a great day to spend together. Looking forward to our next cruise in April. More information to follow.....(it's gonna be fun!)



Maintenance Reminder

When de-rigging an OPPI white sail, or an IOD sail, be sure to **UNTIE** the sail tie shown in **RED** (left). Loop it through the **SAIL GROMMET ONLY** and tie it off so it doesn't get lost. If this tie is left around the mast, the **sail grommet may RIP OUT** when the next person 'lowers the boom' during the rigging process. Be sure to retie the sail tie around the mast when you are rigging an OPPI white or IOD sail. Thank you!



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Race Committee

Paula Shur



Amazing is the word that comes to mind. Everyone found amazing patience each week as the cold water and cold wind kept us from sailing. It is always better to not go out and wish you had, than to go out and wish you had not. So ... a gigantic thank you to all for your patience during this run of bad weather.

Susan Pulling Robinson has been amazingly generous in volunteering her boat as the second safety boat for the Winter Series. She not only volunteered her boat, but also volunteered to go out each day and train someone to use her boat. When the weather did not allow for many days of training, Susan volunteered to extend the training to the Spring series. Thank you Susan for your amazing generosity.

Speaking of safety boats, I am also grateful to Lou Abilock for jumping in to run the city safety boat for the Winter Series and Spring Series.

During the gusty conditions on March 3rd I was relieved to know that we had two safety boats on the water, when some of us took an unexpected dip in the Gulf. Thank you Lou and Susan.

I want to thank all the amazing volunteers who make each race day happen. Thank you Sunfish PRO (Principal Race Officer) Elsa Soto and her assistants - Jan Negley, Bobbe Hall, Betty Dick, Catey Horn and Jet Lightner. Thank you Pram PRO Margo Currey and all who have served as assistants. I want to especially thank the Planning Race Committee who have guided this ship so well this year - Margo Currey, Robin Babka, Donna Sharpless, Cheryl Young, Barb Meyer, Carolyn Diehl, Paula Dulin, Denise Goldberger and Sally Irving.

As much as I have had fun being Race Chairman, I am delighted to hand over the tiller to Margo Currey for the Spring Series. Margo has been more of a Co-chairman than an assistant this year, so I expect the transition to be very smooth. Thank you Margo for all of your help.

Looking forward to some great weather because we deserve it!!

Paula Shur
Race Chairman



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City Liaison
Diana (Dinah) Carsey & Assistant
Leila Bugenhagen



Windlasses and Youth Sailing
Mary Kolb

The Dunedin Youth Sailing Association (DYSA) program started the first weekend of March. They use the prams and equipment in the Pram Shed on Sunday afternoons. Because of the use this year of the new OPPI's, costs for repair for have been lower than in past years.

The City has opened the new waterfront park on Alt. 19, Weaver Park. Many people are enjoying the quiet waterfront and the long pier into St. Joseph Sound.

The next activity for coordination with the City is our annual spring meeting and the annual end-of-session inventory. All the groups that use the boats will participate in the inventory, and findings will be discussed at the meeting. The City will take responsibility for repairs that have to be made over the summer months.

2010-2011 WINDLASS OFFICERS

CAPTAIN	Dotty Bellefleur
RACE CHAIRMAN	Paula Shur
ASST RACE CHAIRMAN	Margo Currey
SECRETARY	Ellen Hardgrave
TREASURER	Fran Abilock
CRUISE CHAIRMAN	Lori McConnell
EX-OFFICIO	Carol Elwood



Windlass Robin Story heads out in the Safety Boat with Karl & Ryley Bohlmann

Windlasses Karen Auman, Tangi Bohlmann, Cyndi Rodts, Susan Pulling Robinson, Robin Story and Tracie Gattas were on hand March 6th for the very windy beginning of the Dunedin Youth Sailing Spring series. The young sailors spent a lot of time capsized in cold water, but at the end of the day they were smiling and proud of themselves.

This season there are 23 young skippers, 4 of whom are on full scholarship. Thank you to the many Windlasses who donate their time and money to make sailing a reality for some kids who would otherwise never be able to experience our wonderful sport.



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EDITOR'S Corner
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Special Races 🌲❤️🎃🍀
Denise Goldberger
& Sally Irving

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Special races, like regular sailing, have been a challenge due to our erratic weather. Fortunately, with the change to the sailing instructions allowing us to combine our make up races with regular series races, we at least have winners for both the Holiday and Valentine races.

We had the luck of the Irish with us on March 17th, and were finally able to sail one of our crazy, fun courses.



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2010 - 2011 RACE RESULTS WINTER SERIES, HOLIDAY & VALENTINES

Rank	Name	Total	Rank	Name	Total	Rank	Name	Total
	IOD		B	PRAM/OPPI		A	SUNFISH	
1	Mabe	4	1	Durstein	3	1	Komar	5
2	Lucas	9	2	Ewert	5	2	Shur	6
3	Foote	11	3	Renner	6	3	Williamson	12
4	Mahoney	13	4	Anderson	6	4	Kohl	16
A	PRAM/OPPI		5	Boylan	11	5	Reeves	25
1	Babka	6	6	Patton	12	6	McConnell	26
2	Abilock	7	7	Watson	14	AA	SUNFISH	
3	Conlon	15	BB	PRAM/OPPI		1	Kreutzer	5
4	Muller	17	1	Dulin	2	2	Meyer	6
5	Story	18	2	Graham	4	3	Diehl	19
6	Root	21	3	Casey	7	4	Hayes	21
7	Risberg	23	4	Green	7	5	Twining	23
8	Fiore	25	BBB	PRAM/OPPI		B	SUNFISH	
9	Bissonnette	34	1	Powell	3	1	Williams S	8
10	Dowling	37	2	Bley	3	2	Martens	11
AA	PRAM/OPPI					C	SUNFISH	
1	Goldberger	4	2010	Holiday		1	Auman	16
2	Giroffi	10	IOD	Mabe		2	Page	16
3	Bowers	13	A	Abilock		3	Hart	16
4	Sharpless	13.5	AA	Giroffi		4	Neland	23
5	Purcell	18	B	Durstein		5	Shellenberger	24
6	Rothberg	22	BB	Dulin				
7	Schmidt N	25	BBB	Bley				
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Sailors competing in at least one race of the series are listed above.



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2010 - 2011 C A L E N D A R

Aug. 26 August General Meeting & Coffee 9:30 am (Board Meeting 8:00)
Sept 2 New Salt Testing, Race Committee programs

Fall Series

Sept 9 First Race
Sept 16 Second Race (Planning Race Committee meeting after racing)
Sept 21 Windlasses host FWSA luncheon - Countryside Country Club
Sept 23 Third Race
Sept 30 Fourth Race
Oct. 2 *Saturday - Dunedin Cup*
Oct. 7 Grape Cruise (Board meeting 8:00 am)
Oct. 14 Fifth Race
Oct. 21 Sixth Race/Windscoop Deadline
Oct. 28 **Halloween Race**

Holiday Series

Nov. 4 First Race
Nov. 11 Second Race (Planning Race Committee meeting after racing)
Nov. 18 Third Race (Board meeting after racing)
Nov. 25 Thanksgiving --No Racing
Dec. 2 Fourth Race
Dec. 9 Fifth Race/Windscoop Deadline
Dec. 16 **Holiday Race/Party** (Board meeting 8:00 am)
Dec. 23 Holidays--No Racing
Dec. 30 NewYear's--No Racing

Winter Series

Jan. 6 Cruise (Board Meeting 8:00 am)
Jan 13 First Race
Jan. 20 Winter Luncheon
Jan. 27 Second Race (Planning Race Committee meeting after racing)
Feb. 3 Third Race
Feb. 10 **Valentine's Race**
Feb. 17 Soup Cruise (Board meeting 8:00 am)
Feb. 24 Fourth Race
Mar. 3 Fifth Race
Mar. 10 Sixth Race/Windscoop Deadline
Mar. 17 **St. Patrick's Race** (Board meeting after racing)

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