



Jibs and Jibes

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Notices To Mariners

Renew Yourself

Your application renewal form, proof of insurance, and payment for the new season must be in by March 1st.

Opening Work Party

The opening work party will be March 29, 2014 this year. We start at 9:00 am. In addition to getting the docks in, there is general cleanup, some repairs to the docks, some work on the fence on top of the retaining wall, and some work on the deck railing. I'm sure the list will grow as we get closer to the date. So bring your tools, gloves and rakes and let's have a good turnout. The rain date is Saturday, April 5.

Dry Sailing or Mooring?

Your parking registration form must be in by April 1st. We need a new form from you each year, so it does not matter if you sent in one previously.

Spring Banquet

The Spring Banquet will be held April 26, 2014 at the Point Breeze restaurant. Cocktails are at 5:00 pm, dinner is at 6:00 pm, and the business meeting is at 7:00 pm. This is a wonderful event that everyone should consider attending.

Racing Clinic

On Saturday, June 21, 2014, I plan to hold a racing clinic from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. The

morning session will be classroom instructions with some information about setting up a race-equipped boat. The afternoon will be on-the-water race instruction with a short course set up. Although this course is aimed at the novice racer, some of the information may help more advanced racers.

Day Sailer North American Championship

This year's North American Championship Regatta will take place on Lake Massapoag, Sharon, MA on June 23-27, 2014. It will be hosted by Day Sailer Fleet 79 at the Massapoag Yacht Club (<http://sailmyc.org/>). Information can be found at their web site.

Roger's Perspective

Another Sailing Season Coming Soon

I know it's hard to think about the upcoming sailing season...especially in February. But some of those over-50-degree days in January certainly got me daydreaming about many warm days on the water.

Now is the time to start planning what needs to be done to your boat to be ready to sail this year. Check your shrouds for rust or broken wires. Do any lines need to be replaced? Do your sails need repair or replacing? Are there any serious leaks in the hull? Does your centerboard go up and down easily? Are there any broken fittings? Too many times I've seen boats towed down to the club, not ready for

sailing. So get to work on your boat as soon as it is warm enough.

And most important, prepare yourself mentally. I know many of you start off with good intentions to sail more and be involved in the club, but things get in the way. You have to make a commitment to yourself to actually do these things.



Membership

A Sad Farewell

On December 6, 2013 Ron Stone died peacefully at his home. Ron was a longtime member of the Webster Sailing Association and a well-known Jazz musician in the New England area. He will be missed.

To Do List

I made some changes to the committees last year, and now we need to start implementing some of those changes. I know many of you would like to help out, but do not know what to do. By opening day, I will have a list of projects with a sign up sheet for you to volunteer for one or more of these projects. Also, we can always use more people to help with the operation of the club.

Articles

Web Site

I hope by the time this *Jibs and Jibes* comes out, we will have a new web site. A professional developer is now working on it and I expect the changes will be dramatic. We plan to have a site that is easier to navigate, up to date, and much more informative. And once it is up and running, I expect comments and suggestions from you to make it even better.

Photos



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2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEBSITE: WWW.WSASAIL.ORG

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MARCH	1	SAT	DUES DUE FOR RENEWING MEMBERS TO LEE AMODEO, SECRETARY PENALTY ENFORCED FOR LATE PAYMENT	
	29	SAT	OPENING WORK PARTY: DOCKS IN, GROUNDS CLEAN-UP, REPAIRS. BRING TOOLS, GLOVES & RAKES RAIN DATE: SAT 4/5	9:00 AM
	29	SAT	GATE LOCK CHANGED, NEW COMBO SENT ON MEMBERSHIP CARD	
APRIL	1	TUES	W.S.A. PROPERTY OPEN FOR MEMBER USE & BOAT STORAGE	
	1 26	TUES SAT	PARKING REGISTRATION DUE TO ROGER LIVINGSTON SPRING BANQUET/BUSINESS MEETING--POINT BREEZE RESTAURANT 5PM COCKTAILS, 6PM DINNER, 7PM BUSINESS MEETING	5-7 PM
JUNE	1	SUN	1 ST POINT SCORE RACE	2:00 START
	8	SUN	2 ND POINT SCORE RACE	2:00 START
	21	SAT	RACING CLINIC	9:30 AM START
	22	SUN	3 RD POINT SCORE RACE	2:00 START
	22	SUN	1ST SUNSET/FULL MOON SAIL	SUNSET
	29	SUN	JULY 4 TH TROPHY RACE (ONE RACE)	1:00 START
	29	SUN	FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY (ALL MEMBERS) HOSTS: PROGRAM COMMITTEE. 4-5 APPETIZERS & LAKE TOURS 5 PM COOKOUT (BYOB)	4:00 PM START
JULY	4?	FRI	WEBSTER FIREWORKS DISPLAY MEMORIAL BEACH	DUSK
	6	SUN	4 TH POINT SCORE RACE	2:00 START
	13	SUN	5 TH POINT SCORE RACE	2:00 START
	20	SUN	6 TH POINT SCORE RACE	2:00 START
	20	SUN	2 ND SUNSET/FULL MOON SAIL	SUNSET
	27	SUN	CRABER MEMORIAL TROPHY RACE (ONE RACE)	2:00 START
AUGUST	2	SAT	SUNFISH REGATTA: OPEN RACES WITH COOKOUT TO FOLLOW NUMBER OF RACES TO BE DETERMINED BY RACE COMMITTEE PREREGISTRATION FOR NON-MEMBERS ON WEBSITE	2:00 START
	3	SUN	7 TH POINT SCORE RACE	2:00 START
	10	SUN	8 TH POINT SCORE RACE	2:00 START
	17	SUN	9 TH POINT SCORE RACE	2:00 START
	17	SUN	3 RD SUNSET/FULL MOON SAIL	SUNSET
	24	SUN	PHIL NIMS MEMORIAL TROPHY RACE (ONE RACE)	2:00 START
	31	SUN	POINT BREEZE TROPHY RACE--POINT BREEZE RESTAURANT 9:30 AM REGISTRATION, 10:00 SKIPPER'S MTG, 5:00 PM DINNER AWARDS FOLLOW DINNER	1:00 START
SEPT	7	SUN	FALL POTLUCK BANQUET & BUSINESS MEETING AT THE ANCHORAGE. PLEASE BRING MAIN DISH & SALAD/DESSERT/APPETIZER TO SHARE. 5:00 POTLUCK BANQUET AROUND 6:00 MEETING & TROPHIES	4:00 START
NOV	1	SAT	CLOSING WORK PARTY: DOCKS IN, GROUNDS CLEAN UP	9:00 AM
	30	SUN	W.S.A. CLOSED FOR SEASON ALL BOATS & DINGHIES MUST BE REMOVED	

NOTE: THE RACE COMMITTEE WILL ALLOW ADDITIONAL DROP RACES FOR THE POINT SCORE RACES. THIS WILL ALLOW YOU TO SELECT THE SUNDAYS THAT YOU WISH TO RACE. FAIR WINDS!

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