

Monthly Newsletter of the NorthWest Sailing Association

We, the members of NorthWest Sailing Association, share our love for the sport through our quest for increased knowledge, improved seamanship, exchange of experiences, and the promotion of safe boating.

Important Dates & Info

**Monday – Feb 21,
at 7pm**
General Club Meeting
Via Zoom

Membership Dues
Are DUE!!!
Please mail in your
payments!
(Checks ONLY)

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YOU CAN'T BE BORED WITH THE NEW BOARD!

Greetings and a “big wave” to our new Board of Directors!

Commodore: Wayne Smith / Social Media

Vice Commodore: Tom Steider

Fleet Captain: Lorraine Klabunde

Librarian: Robbie Leighton

Member at Large: Donna Prestel

Membership Director: Vasu Gandhavadi

Purser(s): Hoai Ha & Gordon Human

Ship's Store: George & Sally Andersson

Social Director: Asayo Horibe

Technology: Joyce Clifford

Yeoman: Trish Baker

Commodore Emeritus: Mark Holdwick

Public Relations: Jason Taylor





**Piping Over the Side
Presenting the Club's 36th Commodore
Wayne Smith!**



Happy February club members,
I received my launch packet from Skipper Buds last week, so that means spring is almost here, and with spring comes new opportunities. Opportunities to help other Skippers with their de-winterization projects, perhaps some bright work, fix that loose cleat, look into that pesky drip that leaks every time it rains hard. Another new opportunity is planning upcoming sails, and looking at your summer schedule, to see what weekends you will be free to sail and planning to figure a week for a lake crossing, or a coastal cruise. Perhaps a trip to the Bahamas or ports unknown is in your future sailing itinerary.

Whatever the future holds for please keep the club members in mind, as we literally have hundreds of years of sailing experience in our club. Although some of our members are no longer sailing, they are a great resource, and chances are that there has been a member that has experience with anything you can think up. Our members are truly our greatest resource, and I am excited for our upcoming season. If any member of the club needs anything, feel free to contact me or any board member, and if we cannot answer your questions, we will steer, or tack you in the right direction of a board member that handles that area.

Commodore,
Wayne Smith



Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry – Arriving on shore 1813



Notes from the Vice Commodore -Tom Steider



Ahoy February Club Members!

Although we're now in the dead of winter, it's not too early to start preparing for our upcoming sailing season. You can do this in a number of ways. First you can lay out your sailing gear to see if anything needs replacing. Are those sailing gloves tattered from last year's wear and tear? Does the canister in your PFD need replacing? Do you have an emergency whistle attached to your PFD? Is your foul-weather gear adequate for early or late season sailing? Do you have a knife with a marlin spike that you carry with you when sailing? You never know when that can come in really handy.

Secondly, review the [rules of the road for sailing](#), and remember the most important rule of all: never assume that the other boat is familiar with the rules of the road.

Thirdly, now is a good time to start your pre-season exercises to be ready and fit for the sailing season.

Lastly, for you boat owners you should begin focusing attention to inspecting and addressing any deficiencies regarding the engine, electrics, rigging, deck gear, sails, safety equipment and steering gear.

I will be in Florida this February. While down there I will be taking some offshore cruising courses. I look forward to sharing my training experience when I return in March.

Tom Steider, 2022 Vice Commodore

:::Outsider Influence!:::

Our friends at Larsen Marine hold free seminars/ product demonstrations on Saturday mornings.

Below is the schedule for February, but you can sign up for their mailing list, or check out their website for updates!

www.larsenmarine.com

(By the way, they also sell boats!)

February 12, 2022

Real Life – Nautical Navigation Edition

Brian Earl, BE-Nautical

Kevin Kriegel, Larsen Marine

February 19, 2022

Safety Above & Below the Waterline

Mark Kish, Larsen Marine

February 26, 2022

Experience Chicago to Gulf of Mexico by Inland Rivers

Capt. Paul Uhl, Aegir Expeditions



Fleet Captain's Report -Lorraine Klabunde



As the snow accumulates outside my window, thoughts turn to the balmy days of summer and sailing. Our 2021 sailing season proved more successful than 2020 but the shadow of Covid still hung over us. Fewer social events, zoom meetings, and less participation from membership tarnished our hopes for a return to normal. Cancellation of "Strictly Sail" for two years in a row additionally put a damper on membership recruitment. Fingers crossed for this upcoming season.

Tentatively, a SKIPPERS MEETING will be held on either Monday, February 28 or Monday, March 7. The date will be decided by the General Membership meeting on Monday, Feb. 21, and a blast sent out as a reminder before the meeting. As of this writing, most probably it will be scheduled as a Zoom meeting, depending on Covid numbers. Although the meeting is specified for skippers, comments and suggestions from all members are welcome, especially before the schedule is determined. Any ideas can be forward to me or Donna Prestel, our Member-at-Large.

Our schedule will remain mainly in line with previous years and is very dependent on the number of boats we have in the various harbors, both in the Chicago area and the northern harbors. General goals for the season include expansion of social events (to pre-Covid levels), both after sails and as individual events; continued development of onboard boat management and sailing skills, expanded sailing opportunities, and (my personal hope) a bit more eagerness from our members to volunteer as Cruise Captain. Cruise captains communicate with skippers and crew the logistics of a sailing event - where, when, who, how, and whatever else is deemed relevant to assure a great day. I encourage non-skippers to volunteer since this is an expedient way to meet both skippers and other members of NWSA.

Lastly, although an attempt is made to schedule sails based on events that might be occurring in specific harbors or on lakefront locations on certain weekends, e.g., the Air and Water show off of Chicago, occasionally I am not aware of these events. So, please communicate in advance of our Skippers Meeting any special events of which you are aware sponsored by the city/harbor management/yacht club. Thanks for your help. Looking forward to a great season!
- Lorraine Klabunde, Fleet Captain

Pictured: The chaos and disorder of a sail WITHOUT a Cruise Captain. Please consider volunteering your time and talent so we can avoid further bloodshed and pollution on our beloved Lake Michigan



Notes from the Social Director

By Asayo Horibe



Happy New Year to everyone in the Year of the Tiger 🐯!

So many events have been cancelled because of the covid pandemic. It's put a damper on our gathering together as well as being with our dear friends. We are sailors and we are intrepid. We have toughed out other storms and rough waters so we will weather this too.

Lorraine, our Fleet Captain, will be planning the sailing schedule so we need to gear up too. Get your sailing gear together and please make your reservation for the summer sails.

The Door County Sail is usually the last weekend of July. I suggest making reservations in Door County as early as you can. If you are going to the Green Lake Sail, find your lodgings early. I hope to scout out places for our other social gatherings so we at least have a venue.

We will be having the "I Wish I Were Sailing Party", The Backyard Lamb Roast, Annual Awards Banquet and a lot more social events.

This is the best social sailing club in the world. Our members are skilled skippers, sailors and the most generous and thoughtful people on land and on the waters. Let's continue to get better acquainted with our new members and find some other like-minded sailors or wanna be's.

As social director, I will try to be sure

we have enough beverages and noshes for our gatherings. I gratefully accept any offerings you may want to contribute, and I know members will also appreciate your donation. Any suggestions from you are welcome.

May you continue to stay safe and healthy! Looking forward to seeing you all again when we can gather safely.

Fair winds,

Asayo, Social Director

Fun Fact: Tigers LOVE boats!



NOTES FROM THE SHIP'S STORE GEORGE & SALLY ANDERSSON



Hello fellow sailors from your friends at “The Ships Store”

Until we have another in-person meeting with the club we can't get items to you but what we can do is show you a few of our top sellers

NWSA caps \$ 15

NWSA T-shirts \$ 12 available sizes small, medium and XL

Burgees \$ 18

Patches \$ 2

40th Anniversary shot glasses \$ 5

Our latest addition Pens with stylus (1) for \$3 or (2) for \$5



One thing that I have done for my boat this winter was to put a leather wheel on, and if I say so myself it looks and feels nice. I can't wait until sailing season.



That's all for now,
George and Sally Andersson -Ships Store



Pursers Report - Hoai H. With Special Guest Gordon Human



Pulsar's Monthly Statements Report - What Happened in December 2021 and January 2022

December 2021

- We accrued a reserve during 2020-2021, due to Covid restricting our activities, and which we carried over to 2022.
- We received some membership dues, and the last receipts for the Annual Banquet.

January 2022

- Checks received in January were banked in early February, so there is no income reported for January.

NWSA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES			
December 31, 2021			
Beginning Balance		\$	3,442.90
Income			
		Amount	Total
Membership		\$140.00	
Annual Banquet		\$560.00	
Ship Store		\$0.00	
Membership Directory		\$0.00	
50/50 Raffle and donation		\$0.00	
Garage sale		\$0.00	
		\$0.00	
Total Support & Revenue			\$700.00
Expenses		Amount	Total
Monthly Bank Fee		\$12.00	
Annual Banquet		\$0.00	
Sailing Awards		\$0.00	
Annual Banquet Refund		\$40.00	
Member Repay		\$0.00	
Total Expense			\$52.00
Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets			\$648.00
Ending Balance		\$	4,090.90

NWSA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES			
January 31, 2022			
Beginning Balance		\$	4,090.90
Income			
		Amount	Total
	Membership	\$0.00	
	Annual Banquet	\$0.00	
	Ship Store	\$0.00	
	Membership Directory	\$0.00	
	50/50 Raffle and donation	\$0.00	
	Garage sale	\$0.00	
		\$0.00	
	Total Support & Revenue		\$0.00
Expenses		Check # Amount	Total
	Monthly Bank Fee	\$12.00	
	Annual Banquet	\$0.00	
	Sailing Awards	\$0.00	
	Annual Banquet Refund	\$0.00	
	Member Repay	\$0.00	
	Total Expense		\$12.00
	Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets		(\$12.00)
Ending Balance		\$	4,078.90

**Some words from our new Librarian
-By Robbie Leighton**



“Shhhhhhhhhhhhh.”

Just kidding.

He was kind enough to share some important safety information for the season!

ON THIN ICE

Winter can be full of fun with activities such as ice skating, ice fishing and hockey. But a frozen lake or pond can be a death trap because ice can give way at any moment.

The USCG Ninth District which includes our area, responded to over a thousand rescue cases over the past decade. It's impossible to know just how many people fall through ice, but it happens every year. That's why experts say you should never go out onto the ice alone. As an old saying goes, mom doesn't know what she is talking about. When I was 8 years old, my older brother, who was 9, went down to the river. The ice was starting to flow. I went out onto the ice and started jumping up and down on it yelling to my brother... see mom doesn't know... I never finished the sentence. If it wasn't for the swift response of the brother, I would have been dragged under the ice and would have drowned. My brother and I spent the afternoon in the emergency room.

So, what should you do if you fall in?

According to the Weather Nation article, there are a few simple steps you can take to stay alive.

1. Stay Calm

Once you've fallen through the ice, your body will start to do some pretty incredible things. Your heart rate will increase, and you will start gasping for air. Though this is a survival mechanism, in water, this isn't what you want to be doing. Stay calm and focus on returning your breath to normal so you can take the next step toward getting out of the ice.

2. Focus on Getting Out

Stay calm, you want to focus on getting out of the water.

- Get rid of anything weighing you down.
- If underwater, find the hole you fell through by looking for contrasting light above. Swim for the small spot in the ice that looks different than the rest.
- At the surface, yell for help if there are people nearby.
- You must get out quickly. Within minutes the cold water will render your muscles inoperable.

3. Get Yourself Out

Most of the time, you will be on your own. If you fell through it means the ice is too thin for help to reach you safely. Remember, don't stress, you can do this.

- Grab the edge of the ice where you plan on getting out.
- Get as horizontal as possible in the water
The ice is too slippery, and you aren't strong enough to just pull yourself to freedom. So you'll want to take a trick from seals.
- Once horizontal kick as hard as you can to propel yourself onto the ice.

If that doesn't work, stop moving. You'll want to conserve energy and heat if you are waiting for help. You will have about 10 minutes before hypothermia fully sets in.

4. Roll to Safety

Once you are out of the water, the real battle for survival has just begun. Roll for as long as possible, or until you know the ice is thick enough to support you. Usually this is several feet just to be sure. This is typically about 4" thick. Once on your feet, retrace your steps to get off the water— you've already walked it once, you know it can hold your weight.

5. Surviving the Cold

If it hasn't already set in, you'll want to do anything in your power to avoid hypothermia.

- *Remove wet clothes.* It seems counter intuitive, but all that cold water won't allow your body to warm back up.
- *Find shelter.* If you can, a building or car will be best. Otherwise, get away from the cold and wind as best as possible.
- *Get Warm.* If you still have energy, start with some pushups or jumping jacks to get the blood flowing. A heater or fire will be your best bet for external heat.
If you are using warm water bottles or something similar– spot treat the areas with thin skin and high blood-flow. Groin, Armpits, wrists, shoulders, etc.
Drink warm liquids if possible. The warm cup can help warm your hands.
- Slow and Steady Warming up too fast can be a bad thing. Slow and steady is the way to go!

If you go out on the ice, take along ice safety picks.

They cost about 10 dollars and they are a great investment.

And remember what mom said!



**Inspiring words from our new Membership Director:
Vasu Gandhavadi**



File Photo: May not actually be Vasu**

Novice sailor makes a remarkable rescue

It was a gorgeous light wind day on Santa Monica Bay and Koz Khosravani was excited to be taking his new-to-him Catalina 25 out with friends for the first time. The boat, with its crew of four aboard, was power sailing from Marina del Rey to Malibu when a pod of dolphins crossed the bow, and everyone was taking photos as the dolphins swam out to sea.

And then Khosravani saw a hand come out of the water about the length of a city block away.

At first, he thought he must have made a mistake. Surely there couldn't be someone three miles offshore in the middle of the Pacific.

But Khosravani decided to alter course, anyway, heading west even though he couldn't see anything in the water.

"At this point I thought, OK, I didn't see what I thought I saw," he said. "But then, I saw the hand one more time."

As Khosravani brought *Defiant*, which he had purchased just a month before, close he spotted a woman in the water. With the sails up, but not drawing on the nearly windless day, he maneuvered the boat with the 10-horsepower outboard, just as he had learned in ASA 101 and 103, two beginning sailing courses he'd taken at Blue Pacific Yachting just a week before.

He tossed a throw rope to the woman, but she was so weak she wasn't able to hang on, so he threw another larger throw rope that he bought on Amazon a few days before "just in case."

"We pulled her slowly to the center of the boat, probably about 10 feet away, and then I shut off the outboard and we pulled her to back with the boarding ladder," he said. "When we got her to the bottom of the ladder, we noticed she was nude, and that she wasn't able to help us get her on board at all."

Khosravani, a weightlifter, and his friend managed to pull the 26-year-old onboard. Two other guests on board grabbed towels and blankets to warm the woman, who was barely conscious, he said. They were able to get her to tell them her first name and that she was alone.

"At that point I got on channel 16 to call the Coast Guard, and I said, 'I just found woman alone in the middle of the ocean.'"

Within minutes the Los Angeles County Fire Department rescue boat arrived, and they took the woman to shore. She was in the hospital for a few days and treated for hypothermia. She told crew on the rescue boat that she had gone skinny dipping at about midnight the night before, more than 11 hours before Khosravani found her barely floating in 68-degree water.

Even Khosravani recognizes that the story is almost unbelievable, so he explained what led him to discover that hand rising from the water.

Six months ago, Khosravani, who came to the United States from Iran 43 years ago, moved from inland Irvine, California, to Marina del Rey.

“For the first time in my life, I thought about buying a sailboat,” he said. Khosravani had never sailed and actually had a fear of the water until six or seven years ago when a weight-lifting injury left him unable to work out and he learned to swim by watching YouTube videos in order to keep fit.

He bought the 1982 Catalina 25 and took the boater’s safety course required in California but decided he wanted additional safety courses and took ASA 101 and 103, the organization’s introduction and coastal sailing courses.

A week after taking the classes he invited friends for a sail to Malibu for lunch. Before leaving the dock, he talked his guests through safety and man overboard procedures, assuring them not to worry because “this never happens.”

That instruction would turn out to be crucial in the rescue, as one friend knew to immediately act as a spotter and point at the woman in the water and another was able to provide GPS coordinates to the rescue boat.

“I wouldn’t have seen her without the dolphins,” Khosravani said. “They took my attention to the port side of the sailboat and if we hadn’t been so excited to see them, we wouldn’t have seen that hand.”

“So many things went right and aligned.”

He includes the survival skills of the victim, who survived nearly 12 hours in 68-degree water, on that list.

Khosravani said that Capt. Matt Rhodes, who operated the boat that took the woman to shore, recognized how unusual the rescue was.

“He said he feels that if it wasn’t for us picking her up she probably would have died soon,” he said.

The L.A. County Fire Department declined to comment.

Khosravani said the sailing courses prepared him well.

“I got my money’s worth on that used sailboat and those classes,” he said. “The fact that this woman is alive; you can’t put a price on that.”

The experience left his friends shell-shocked, but only made Khosravani’s burgeoning love of sailing grow stronger.

“I have major plans now,” he said. “Before my whole goal was to sail to Catalina Island, but now I’m seriously considering sailing south someday, going through the Panama Canal and to the Caribbean.”

As a step toward that goal, he sold the Catalina and bought a Capri 30 in November.



Pictured: The Infamous Catalina 25. Death-trap of the 7 seas!



A Large Hello from our NEW Member-at-Large -Donna Prestel



I would like to inform the membership that the Midwest Women's Sailing Conference is updating their directory this year. If you are interested in attending, please go to their website and register!

The Conference fills up quickly, so the early bird gets the cool mast perch! (And the worm).



MAY 14, 2022

On a more personal note; I enjoy my golden hour every evening, but it would be great to exchange the pictured snow with ocean waves, and an unobstructed view of the horizon!



CLUB MEMBER NEWS

I wish I Were Sailing / Diving -By David & Syma Hutchings

Here we are in the full grip of winter on the Great Lakes and I can only think about warm breezes, flippers and sun downers. Our club has (had?) a standing winter party labelled “I Wish I Were Sailing” (IWIWS) which gave us a chance to come together for deep winter fun, frivolity, and fantastic stories. COVID obviously blew a hole in getting together for 2 years running. We’re already talking about having a social gathering that might be an outdoor event. Any way to gather, safely, is highly welcome.

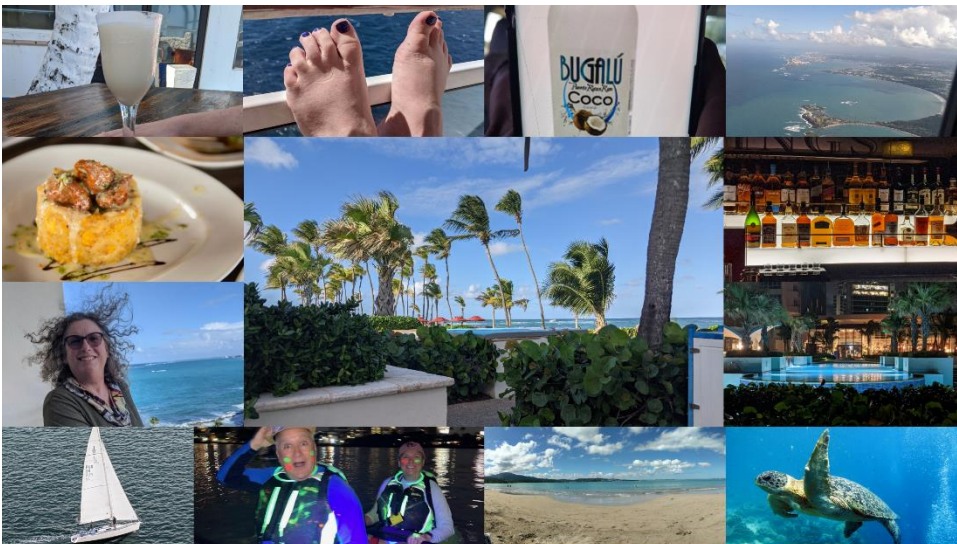
“If wishes were horses, beggars would ride”

In the IWIWS concept, I took a trip to the Caribbean in January. And guess what? I **still** had the same wish: I wished I were sailing when I saw all those sailboats going by. I so wanted to join them! When I reached Bonaire, the shore diving capital of the world, I also had the diving wish. I wish I were diving! I found myself too short on time to organize a dive.

Let me pivot and talk about how to stop wishing and make things more of a reality.

- Make a plan
- Put yourself out there
- Ask questions
- Be inquisitive
- Be flexible
- Take a chance
- Join in

So, in this world of opportunity, it can take effort to convert from wishing to doing. As time availed, I went and did active things. My Caribbean trip presented the opportunity to do the sand, sun and fun thing. And I embraced it. Truly. Rain forest tours, drinking, food, drinking, kayaking, snorkeling, drinking, sightseeing and even a few more adult beverages all made for a great vacation! The vacation went as well as it did because I followed the outlined tenets. Back to the wish side, adding a monohull sail or exploring a coral reef at 40 feet of depth would have been a little icing on the cake. But the trade-off is it would have cut into my gastronomic events.



In Memoria -From Debbie Garrity

Many of us have fun memories of sailing with Rich Kingdon on his boat Impetuous out of Montrose Harbor.



He joined the club in 1984.

Richard Kingdon passed away on Monday, 2/7/22

I'd say my Dad, Rich Kingdon was happiest when he was sailing but next best when he could talk about sailing, learn something new about sailing, teach something new about sailing, work on his boat, work on someone else's boat-you get the idea! He didn't know a lot of sailors until he joined the NWSA and found his people. Dad enjoyed years of sailing camaraderie with his fellow enthusiasts, and we enjoyed watching him (and you all) have fun too. We were proud to see the respect and genuine enthusiasm his fellow sailors had for him and hope you know he returned it all. And he enjoyed showing off his family at the Father's Day picnics and we were all on our best behavior regardless of how old we were-haha!

I think it was too painful for him to attend meetings after he sold his boat in October of 2018-sailing was such a big part of his life but his favorite t-shirts to wear were still always his NWSA ones! I'm happy to share that he was delighted with a few of the NWSA gear items he got for his last birthday in 2021 and after that there was always the latest sailing club communicate on his table. He enjoyed his fellowship with you of the NWSA to the very end.

We would like to try to thank you for the many years you shared your joy of sailing with him by inviting you to his life celebration at Busse Woods this summer (probably August, date TBD) where we enjoyed so many Fathers' Day picnics with you."

Hope to see you in August!

Laura Henry, Rich Kingdon's daughter

6860 Appletree Street

Hanover Park, IL 60133

Here is the obituary

[Richard Kingdon Obituary \(2022\) | Hanover Park, Illinois \(echovita.com\)](#)

Domo Arigato Mrs. Roboto!
Our New Technology Director Joyce Clifford



Sailing communication goes high tech, throw out those megaphones



Does this sound familiar:

"You're 4 feet from the dock & coming in too fast."

"What?"

"You're going to hit the dock box."

"What? What about the dock box?"

... Crash ...

"Why didn't you tell me about the dock box."

"I did tell you."

You all know how the rest of the evening went.

Has this ever happened to you? Sailing at low visibility conditions at an unfamiliar marina.

Coming into the marina with low visibility. The Skipper prudently put someone at the Bow, mid ship port & starboard. Steering guidance / information had to be relayed from the Bow to mid-ship to the Helmsman. The Dodger was fogged up. The flashing day markers could not be seen by the Helmsman. The person at the Bow relayed steerage to mid-ship and then to the Helmsman to safely navigate to the entrance. Now the challenge was to find the correct fairway and slip. Once in the marina, visibility substantially improved & they were able to dock.

Wind noise, obstructions blocking the view of hand signals, distance between crew members, etc. can hamper communication between the helmsman & the crew.

Ever think of using headsets? No more yelling while docking. They can substantially improve communication, reduce stress, and increase safety while docking. They can be a relationship saver too & improve your chances of the swabbie serving a round of drinks once you're docked.

The cost of a decent 2-person headset system can start at \$300.

For further information check out websites like <https://seadogboatingsolutions.com/radio-communication-systems.html> or <https://www.powerandmotoryacht.com/electronics/tested-wireless-headsets-for-boaters>



That Library Guy will NOT stop Talking!

Looking for a good book to snuggle up on your couch and read this winter? Try the NWSA Library. We have adventure, romance, and mystery novels. Need to brush up on your sailing skills? We have just what you need. Just pick a book and we will send it to you via the USPO with a prepaid return envelope. This offer is good until we start meeting in person. What are you waiting for? Contact me at librarian@nwsail.com.



:::MORE Outsider Influence!:::

They Have Yachts!

They have "Palooza" in the Name, so you know it's going to be fun!

For more information on their seminars, vendors, and special events for the day

You might even see some familiar faces at our table!

Go to Crowleys.com



Saturday March 19, 2022 from 8am to 4pm

CURSES FROM THE CEILING

Public Relations- Jason Taylor



Greetings and salutations!

Our two images on page 1 are the HMS Erebus and the HMS Terror, two exploratory vessels that perished in the ice searching for a Northwest Passage through the Arctic circle.

Winter makes me think of perishing on the ice. Freezing and starving and not sailing. That's winter in Chicago!
(Very similar to winter in the arctic circle!)

On a more upbeat note...

For your viewing pleasure, January's work is "**A Thaw at Castle Bran**"

(In the vain hope that there will someday be a thaw).

February's work is "**Hanging Vase**" because... I don't know, is February famous for something or other?



I look forward to serving up the monthly Communique and hope to hear from you all about what you want to see (I stress, it is YOUR publication). Any submissions should be given to me by the first of the month to ensure I can get it formatted in, but if there is an urgent issue or update, please contact me directly so I can get it included.

ALL HANDS TO MUSTER FOR THE ORDERS OF DETACHMENT!

Though we have a year-end celebration and a secret Board Handover meeting to celebrate the transition, it goes without saying that our club does not exist without the hard work of our Board of Directors.

It also goes without saying that a good job deserves accolades and a higher paycheck!

Well, we don't have a paycheck, but we have lots of accolades!

So, a hearty huzzah and hurrah and a few hips hip hoorays to our outgoing Board Members!

Commodore **Marc Holdwick**

Librarians **Larry & Linda Gulotta**

Technology Director **David Hutchings**

Member At Large **Irene Jarmulska**

Social Media **Ted McClintic**

Public Relations **Gwen Brodeur**

On Behalf of the Membership, thank you for all that you have done for NWSA!

Excited To Join?

Fill out the form with a check made payable to "NWSA" and mail it to:



Membership Application
NorthWest Sailing Association
P.O. Box 921, Arlington Heights, IL 60006

Date: _____
Name: _____
Name for Badge: (if different): _____
Partner's Name: _____
Name for Badge (if different): _____
Mailing Address: _____
City / State / Zip: _____
Home Phone #: _____
Cell Phone #1: _____
Cell Phone #2: _____
Email Address: _____
Partner's Email Address: _____
Membership: (Circle one) Single (\$40.00) or Family (\$50.00)
Referred by (New Members Only) _____
Do you want to be removed from the online directory (Yes or No)
Rating Scale #1: _____ Partner's Rating Scale #2: _____

Crew / Skipper Information / Availability

- | | | |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> NWSA Events only | <input type="radio"/> Weekends | <input type="radio"/> Any Time |
| <input type="radio"/> Weeknights | <input type="radio"/> Weekdays | |

Boat Owners:

Boat Name: _____
Boat Length: _____
Make: _____ Moored? _____ Trailered? _____
If moored, which harbor? _____ Slip Number: _____
If trailered, will you bring your boat to a club sailing event? Yes or No

**Membership is open to those 18 years old and older

RATING SCALE

1. I have no sailing experience, but I want to learn.
2. I'm learning knots, parts of a sailboat, and the points of sail as well as helm a sailboat with supervision.
3. I can handle halyards, sheets, winches, cleat lines, and tie basic knots-stopper, square, clove hitch and bowline.
4. I can trim sails, I know "Boating Rights of Way" and when/how to make a mayday call on VHF radio.
5. I can help in/out of slip or secure on/off mooring lines and set/weigh anchor.
6. I can helm, tack, jibe, heave to, reef sails and give instructions to crew.
7. I can helm a MOB person overboard recovery.
8. I can read and understand nautical charts and sail by compass, plot and record course using speed, time and heading with standardized notation.
9. I'm competent in heavy weather sailing and night sailing
10. I can operate various marine electronics and engines and I'm experienced in all aspects of sailing solo.