

Bullseye Sailing Association

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From the President

At a meeting of your Executive Committee on February 11, the Nominating Committee reported that, due to unforeseen circumstances, it was necessary to appoint an Acting President to oversee the affairs of the Association until the Annual Meeting in May. As the Nominating Committee had already asked if I would stand for election to be President at the Annual Meeting I, of course, agreed to step in and assume the office now. On behalf of the Bullseye Sailing Association, I would like to thank past president Ed Kirschner for his service to the Association, the class and its sailors. It is an honor to be asked to take the reins of the BSA. We have a fantastic group of folks on our Executive Committee, both elected and appointed, and I'm looking forward to continuing our work together.

A little information about me. Many of you may know me from my newsletter articles in advance of the 2017 Nationals where I was Nationals co-Chair. In September, I finished four years as Commodore of the Winter Harbor YC in Maine, and currently I am a board member of the Card Sound Sailing Club in Florida. I count myself very blessed to be part of two large and very active Bullseye fleets. As such, my wife and I own multiple Bullseye's including the Bullseye that I learned to sail on as a teenager in Maine. We are "all in" when it comes to Bullseye's!

I hope that all of you will join us on May 19 in Providence, RI for our Annual Meeting and informal luncheon as well as join Bullseye sailors from numerous fleets as we convene at the Beverly YC for the 57th Nationals August 3-5. Further Information on both these events can be found elsewhere in this newsletter or on the BSA website.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at these events! Best Regards,

Windsor D. Coffin Acting President Bullseye Sailing Association

Bullseye Sailing Association Annual Meeting and informal lunch

11:30 – 1:00 Saturday, May 19, 2018
Community Boating Center
http://communityboating.com/about/us.html
109 India St, Providence, RI 02903

\$20 per person

Please reserve place via Pay Pal using buy button on http://www.bullseyesailing.org or by sending check by May 12 to:

Bullseye Sailing Association Ed Tiffany, Treasurer (edtiffany@gmail.com) 19 Braddock Park, Boston, MA 02119

The Bullseye meeting will have a full agenda including election of officers, reports of the secretary and treasurer, discussion and updates related to the 2018 Bullseye National

Regatta in Marion, MA (August 3-5) including single handed Bullseye racing in conjunction with the Buzzards Bay Regatta, planning for the 2019 Nationals and other business.

The meeting site http://communityboating.com will be a wonderful opportunity to see this very active community sailing program located at India Park in Providence.

In addition, the timing of the meeting coincides with the Volvo ocean fleet racing in Newport, RI and the opportunity for those attending the Bullseye meeting to also go to Newport to view the fleet and racing in Newport Harbor. For more info: https://www.volvooceanracenewport.com

From the Editor

This is my last Newsletter as Editor. I want to thank all who have contributed articles, comments, reports of Nationals and other items that have found their way into the Newsletter. Without your input there would be no Newsletter.

I specially want to thank the class secretary Laura for all that she has done to provide an excellent product. While I may ask for input, Laura takes all that she receives and makes it into the final product and sends it out to the membership. She also keeps track of such things as when the Annual Meeting notification needs to be published and the annual dues notice. She has made my job much easier. Thank you, Laura

Al Maybach ESSEX #747

BULLSEYE 57th NATIONAL REGATTA with Buzzards Bay Regatta

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, August 3 – 5, 2018 at Beverly Yacht Club in Marion, MA http://www.bullseyesailing.org

Register NOW online at http://www.buzzardsbayregatta.com/

Join the fun, great sailing and hospitality in Marion, Massachusetts at the Beverly Yacht Club! The 2018 57th Bullseye Nationals will be raced on Buzzards Bay in conjunction with related festivities of the 46th Annual Buzzards Bay Regatta http://www.buzzardsbayregatta.com, the camaraderie of other racers, food, drink and live music ashore in addition to Bullseye specific hospitality including dinner hosted at a home overlooking sunset on the outer harbor, local hosts for accommodations and Bullseye Single Handed Championship racing on Friday, August 3 as a warm-up to the Nationals on Saturday and Sunday, August 4 and 5.

The local Bullseye National committee has been working since September to plan an event that has all the makings of a terrific regatta. Buzzards Bay is well known for steady winds and hosting of numerous racing events including the Marion to Bermuda race. Marion is a quintessentially small coastal New England town, a 20 minute drive from New Bedford where the novel Moby Dick begins and home to a large fishing fleet, the New Bedford Whaling Museum and other historic sites. Here is what Wikipedia has https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marion, Massachusetts#History

Prizes will be awarded for the overall top five finishers of the regatta, to the winner of each race, to the Single Handed Championship winner, the Beverly Trophy for most improved, the E. L. Goodwin Trophy for the overall winner and the Rockport Trophy given to the highest finishing boat not from the National Regatta host fleet, and the Filial Trophy for top family boat with two or more generations. http://www.bullseyesailing.org/awards.php.

The Bullseye registration fee of \$280 includes dinner for two Friday evening at a member's house, subsidy for PRO and other volunteers as guests at dinner, prizes, thank you gift to host families and dollars to support grants for students and other young people to participate.

An initial survey of sailors planning to participate has representatives of BYC, Sandy Bay, Fishers Island, Card Sound, Winter Harbor, Deer Island, and Ann Arbor: Kym Lee and Jed Hofer, Will Tifft, Chris and Kathryn Collings, Wendy Goodwin, Kathy Reed, Susan Mead, Joan and Ed Tiffany, George Lucas, Chris Streit, Laura Hallowell, Elizabeth Wohler Stowe, Niko Kotsatos and Carolyn Marsh, Chris Verni, Windsor Coffin, David H. Burnham, Michael Barr, Connie Lavigne and Suzanne Gosselin, and Malcolm Forbes.

Race Training – Sundays June 24 and July 8, 2018

Open to all sailors Hosted at Beverly Yacht Club (BYC) in anticipation of Nationals

Plan ahead to attend two morning training sessions hosted at Beverly Yacht Club with leadership from local sailors organized by Will Tifft followed by the opportunity to have lunch and race with the BYC Sunday fleet. Experienced sailors including Bullseye National winners will share tips and other information. The goal is to have fun and include everyone in helping to encourage and prepare sailors for participation in the Nationals hosted by BYC this summer.

In general, the training content will include rigging (especially spinnakers), weight distribution, maneuvers such as tacking and jibbing, spinnaker flying, jibing and takedowns, starts, Q&A. The practice sessions will be on the water with various volunteer experienced skippers/crews taking 2 or 3 sailing together on skipper's boat. Lunch will be on the water or at BYC followed by optional racing with socializing and discussion following racing.

Mark your calendar for race training sessions: 11am - 12:30 pm Sunday, June 24, 2018 and Sunday, July 8, 2018. Time and interest permitting additional dates may be added. Please contact Will Tifft (willtifft@gmail.com) or Joan Tiffany (joan.t.tiffany@gmail.com) if you plan to participate or have questions.

Single Handed racing in the Cape Cod Bullseye

Single-handing a Bullseye requires some courage, and maybe a little luck, but because of its forgiving handling the boat is an excellent platform for solo sailing and inviting to first timers.

It's catching on at Beverly Yacht Club and around our fleet. An event started 2 years ago has grown with enthusiasm. Single-handing was included in the 2017 Winter Harbor Nationals and is scheduled again with the upcoming 2018 nationals. BYC has added the "Single Handed Challenge" to the annual fall racing calendar.

While very exciting, singlehanding is not a new idea. Bullseye skippers have been enjoying solo sailing for



years. Each of our fleets has a few that regularly sail by themselves and that's really where the idea for a "single handed" challenge or championship came from. Preparing and racing a Bullseye, as a single hander, is a different experience from crewed racing and offers fleet racers and newcomers something new.

The BYC Single Handed Challenge has attracted both our regular racers and "non owner" participants. I think the stable platform the hull provides, manageably sized sails, and the jib boom arrangement are significant advantages over other boat designs. The Bullseye isn't the fastest boat, or a planing hull, but it excels at beating down chop and waves, and sails well with lots of or a little crew weight. All these qualities make the Bullseye inviting to newbies and easy to handle for single-handed racing.

Have you considered adding a single-handed event to your fleet calendar? Here are some pointers that can help.

- Make the Single Handed series a one day event
 - Allows sailors to participate with out committing to a whole month of racing.
 This helped bring in participants that wouldn't otherwise have the time.
- Lots of short races instead of 1 or 2 long races
 - Windward/leeward course no more than 1000' long legs
 - 2 legs (up and back) or 4 legs (twice a round)
- · Race in waters close to home
 - Run races in a sheltered area (for fall sailing)
- Keep it short
 - Limit racing to 2-3 hours on the water
- "Non owner" newbies
 - o Invite sailors from other fleets to participate
 - o Invite your local juniors to race

Adding a Single Handed Event to our club calendar has attracted new faces and given our current members a new way to race and compete. I encourage everyone to join us in the fall, and hopefully into adding a single hand event to your own fleet schedule.

Chris Collings, BYC

Dear Wendy:

Water is gaining access to the floor air tank in my Bull's Eye, but when I test, I can't find any leaks. What should I do now"

Frustrated Fred:

Dear Fred:

When pressurizing your air tank, you might actually be sealing up a pesky leak. During the test, press all around the tabbing in the well & the tabbing where the floor & hull connect. See if the pressure holds for 24 hours. If not, you have a slow leak that most probably is somewhere where a tabbing flap can at times close up under pressure.

From time to time we get a Bull's Eye here in our care where the water is actually leaking from the tank test plug hole in the hull. We test only to learn that the tank holds consistent pressure for 24 hours.



The threads that were tapped into the fiberglass of the hull can overtime become less sharp. The tank test plugs, especially the bronze ones, can also at times get soft & no longer hold a good grip. You may need to replace the tank test plug, or grind & fiberglass up the tank test hole & drill & tap a new one on the opposite side. The threaded pipe plugs are slightly tapered so when inserting, take care as eventually from wear, you can drop it right into your air tank. Use pipe threading/sealant the next time you check your tank & install the plug for some added assurance that the connection won't leak.

Sincerely,

Wendy J. Goodwin Cape Cod Shipbuilding Co.

Look What Showed up at the Boat Show!



Bullseyes were represented in style by this brand new Bullseye at the Boat builders' show on Cape Cod. We hear that this boat is still available. Thanks to our officers and Cape Cod Shipbuilding for putting this wonderful display together.

Executive Committee Meeting 2/11/18, conducted by a conference call.

We learned that that President Ed Kirschner was no longer participating in Bullseye affairs. The Nominating Committee nominated Vice- President Windsor Coffin to become acting President. He was elected unanimously.

Secretary Laura Hallowell reported that we currently have 41 individual members and 9 family memberships, for a total of 50 memberships and 59 members. This is about the same as last year. This year the first dues notice was not sent out until mid-January.

Treasurer Ed Tiffany reported that we supported the nationals in Winter Harbor with \$750, and the single-handed regatta with \$100. The 2017 annual dinner cost about \$1000 more than receipts. However as of December 31 we had about \$1000 more in our treasury than at the end of 2016.

Susan Mead and Joan Tiffany have been working to find an interesting location for the Annual Meeting and to assemble a slate of officers. The biggest challenge is to find a new newsletter editor and newsletter production manager, since both Al Maybach and Laura Hallowell are retiring from these positions. Hallowell will support the new team in any way that they want. The Annual Meeting will be on May 19 from 11:30 to 1:00P.M. at the Community Boating Center in Providence. An announcement will be sent to members as soon as all the details have been ironed out.

The 57th Nationals will be held at Beverly Yacht Club in Marion with the Buzzards Bay Regatta, August 3-5. The BSA will pay for launch and haul for visiting boats. Single-handed races will be held on Friday, while the official Nationals will be Saturday and Sunday. Registration will be through the BBR Regatta Network. The NOR is almost complete. Participation requires US Sailing membership. Insurance for loaner boats is included.

Saunderstown Yacht Club is considering whether to host the 2019 Nationals. President Coffin will write to the SYC Board to emphasize the BSA strongly supports their participation and will offer any help that they feel is appropriate.

David H. Burnham will be Nationals Chair for the event on Fishers Island in 2020.

Laura Hallowell, BSA Secretary

Late notice: Saunderstown YC has agreed to host the 2019 Nationals. The tentative dates are August 23-25, 2019T

The David Burnham Maritime Fund

Dave and Anne Burnham were deeply involved in the Paul Cuffee School, a public charter school in Providence, RI which serves under privileged students. Dave was particularly interested in trying to link the school's academic curriculum to maritime activities. The BSA gave a one-time substantial donation to the school in honor of Dave and Anne in 2014.

As your Secretary, I receive information about donations to the David Burnham Maritime Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation every year. This fund seeks to give every high school junior the chance to participate in a maritime-themed expedition. I thought that some Bullseye sailors would like to support this effort. You can make a donation at www.paulcuffee.org or by sending your tax-deductible donation, payable to the Paul Cuffee School to the David Burnham Maritime Fund, Paul Cuffee School, 459 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908

Boats for Sale

Asking \$17,500 Owner Ralph Caselnova, Orient, NY 11957 Home Phone: 631-323-1304, Cell phone: 631-365-3497, Fax: 631-466-3535 Boat location: Orient, NY, Home. Sail number: 931, Date of Mfg. 2009, Hull number: 5, Coast Guard ID 007056909 Sails: Main by Quantum excellent condition, Genoa by Quantum in excellent condition, Working Jib by Quantum in excellent condition. Gear: Genoa tracks, Boom vang, Compass, Winches, Anchor, Boom rest, Cockpit cover in good condition Trailer: Make-EZ Haul, 2015 Out Board Bracket, Outboard Motor by Honda, 2 HP, year 2010 in excellent condition. Remarks: The boat was Lightly sailed.

Asking \$8,900 Owner: Tyler Fitzsimmons, Stowe, MA. Phone: 978-549-4712 tfitzs24@gmail.com Boat location: Stow, MA, Sail number 822, Hull number 589, Date mfg. 1989, Colors: Deck blue; Topside white; Boot top blue; Hull red, Sails: Main by Thurston in fail condition; Working jib by Thurston in fair condition. Gear: Boom vang, Compass, Jib clutch, Anchor, Boom rest, Cockpit cover in excellent condition, Outboard bracket. Trailer: Triad, 2008 in good condition. Remarks: Includes 150 lb. mushroom mooring with 25 ft. of chain, mooring ball, pendent and pick-up buoy. The boat is in good condition and ready to sail

Asking \$5,000 Owner: Herresshoff Marine Museum, 1 Burnside Street, Bristol RI 02809 Phone: 617-529-5832, wwylnn@herresshoff.org Boat Location: Bristol, RI Sail number: 701, Boat name: Smoke Sails: Main by Horizon in good condition, Genoa by Horizon in good condition Gear: Spinnaker pole, Boom vang, and has varnished wood seats. Remarks: 2013 National Regatta Champion - needs some work, but Smoke was a great proven winner.

About Us

Fleets located all along the East Coast keep in touch through this newsletter, which is packed with sailing tips, stories, regatta information, and results. Established fleets and their fleet representatives are below:

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Everyone comes together for the National Regatta. The location of the regatta rotates around the fleets. Come join the fun! It only costs \$30 to join. You can find the form on our website, www.bullseyesailing.org

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