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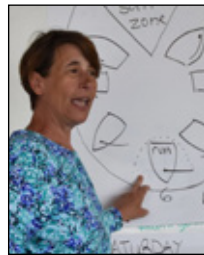
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## FSSA Needs You!

Bill Dunham, FS#5601



**W**hether you are a weekend sailor, a casual cruiser, a local racer, or a regatta enthusiast, the Flying Scot Sailing Association needs your assistance. Your involvement as a participant, a fleet officer, a host of an event, a district officer, or as a member of a committee, helps the class to maintain its strength and to continue to grow as it strives to meet the needs of all Flying Scot sailors. Statistics around the country indicate that this is a challenging time for sailing. If we work together, we can continue to build our class, to support our excellent builder, and to develop friendships that will last a lifetime.

The FSSA is currently seeking venues to host our national events in 2021 and beyond. The Executive Committee, Board of Governors, and the NCC are all working on developing means through which the FSSA can better assist host clubs, so that hosting events will be less burdensome. The individuals serving on those committees, who are all volunteers, are ready to answer your questions and to assist you if you are interested in investigating the possibility of hosting. I hope that you consider taking a chance and

inviting other Flying Scot sailors to your club to see it, and to share a wonderful experience together.

If hosting a regatta is not a possibility, I still encourage you to become involved. It is easy to become comfortable sailing your Flying Scot without worrying about the experiences other Scot sailors are having. However, if you are interested in setting up a cruise in your Scot with friends, let other people know. I think that you would be pleased to find out that there are other Scot sailors who share your interests and passions. If you conduct a successful fleet building exercise at your club, share the experience with other clubs in your region and around the country. All fleets benefit from learning how other clubs find success.

On the other hand, if the FSSA is not meeting your expectations, please let us know and/or take on a role that will enable you to assist us in addressing the concern(s) you raise. Identifying problems is an easy task. Finding solutions to those problems is often more difficult. The FSSA wants to hear from members who have new ideas, who have thoughts as to how we can better address the needs of our membership, and who can offer advice as to how we can appropriately

change with the times while maintaining the one design nature of the boat we all love. There are many roles one can take as a fleet captain, a district governor, a class officer, or a committee member. Our committees are quite diverse and your expertise, energy and enthusiasm would be greatly appreciated. If you are skilled in web management, publication, advertising, marketing, team building, race management, fleet development, or writing, we would appreciate a helping hand. Most importantly, if you are passionate about the Flying Scot, we want your voice to be heard!

Many of the class officers have been involved far longer with Flying Scots than I have, with my 30 years of experience. These individuals have devoted countless hours at the local, district, and national level to direct the FSSA and to maintain the value of the Flying Scot. I appreciate all that they do, but I hope that other members will meet the challenge and take on leadership positions in our class.

If your fleet or club would be interested in hosting a National event in 2021 or thereafter please let us know ASAP.

Thank you for your love of the Flying Scot, and I hope to hear from you soon! ▲



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# The Birth of the Flying Scot

Ned Johnston, FS#6088, *Scots n' Water* Editor

**Y**ou never know what will turn up in the mail. Last November, a manila envelope arrived at the Flying Scot Sailing Association office. Inside was a brief letter and four well-worn, black and white snapshots. We are so grateful to Rosemary Tidball Callahan for giving us this glimpse into the pre-history of our Class - boat number zero - a Flying Scot before there were Flying Scots! 🚤

Dear Flying Scot Association,

I have sent a few pictures to you which may or may not be of interest, but I could not think of anyone else who might like them or understand them.

My father and mother, Jim and Sally Tidball, bought the prototype Flying Scot when I was a young girl. We traveled to Mentor to purchase it from Sandy Douglas. Daddy restored it and we sailed and raced at Atwood Lake in Delroy, Ohio. Even though we were at a huge weight disadvantage we did race at regattas all over northern Ohio. I remember when we finally got our "0" number and put it on our sail! Someone bought it from us after a few years and they supposedly took it to the Finger Lakes of New York for day sailing which it was perfect for, being so heavy. It was strip plank mahogany, I believe, and was truly gorgeous inside!

Anyway, I found these pictures and thought you might find them of interest. I hope "0" is still going strong. Glad to see the Flying Scots are doing so well. Thanks for listening!

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PS It looks as if that day was pretty breezy looking at that one picture which looks as if we are doing an uncontrolled jibe!



# Old Sails Breathe New Life

By Naomi Delzell (with Richard Brown), FS#4846, Capital District

*“A sailboat’s biggest fear is not going down in the roiling sea amid cannon fire, but being forgotten on a sandy hill under an oak.” – Louisa May Alcott\**

## Editor’s Note:

One of the joys of pulling on my editor’s hat for this publication is that a variety of strangers from all over the country, who share only a connection to Flying Scots and an ability to write, pepper my inbox with interesting comments, pictures and stories. It IS just like a box of chocolates...

A woman I did not know named Naomi Delzell sent this story, along with the pictures, but told me nothing about herself. Only later, a note and photo from her co-author, Richard Brown, gave me background:

*Naomi is an amazing friend and sailing instructor. She is a teacher by career so getting up in front of people is her dream. Not only does she run our Lady’s sail camp, but she provided two sailing lectures at Virginia Tech University. When Virginia Tech came to our lake to try out Flying Scot sailing Naomi was the first one to dive into the water to help the 4 cadets get the boat back up from be turtled.*

At Virginia Inland Sailing Association on Smith Mountain Lake (VISAYC), our old Flying Scots don’t go to the glue factory: They are sailed and bumped; capsized and muddied; sung upon and napped upon;

\*The authors of this article were entirely unencumbered by facts.

taken on picnics and raft-ups; and now, thanks to some generous FSSA donors, they will be winning some races again.

Our Club-Owned Sailboat program (COS) started a hundred years ago\* when the widow of VISA member, John Ullman, donated his Scot, “Ullman Joy,” (#1358), to the club to be enjoyed by members. The boat was a hit at the annual kids’ sailing camp week, and soon, drunken sailors at the yearly 4th of July Family Camp Week wanted in on the fun.

Four more Scots were donated over the years, and thanks to a one-man-show maintenance program - Ted “I’m an engineer, not a community organizer” Wagstaff - the boats were kept ship-shape for all to use, for the low price of \$100 per year for each family in the program.

Our COS program is now being run by two members, Anne Pfeiffer (who raised her hand because she thought she was volunteering to go for a sail) and Scott Podosek, an avid Club Scot racer who can’t wait to win some races with the newly-donated sails. They plan to organize fix-it parties and training groups, and are streamlining the clunky COS reservation system.

About 20-30 kids have been attending VISA’s Junior Sailing Camp each summer since 1967\*, and while Lasers are for daytime lessons, the teenage sailors love the social time on the Club Scots for their evening sails.

In 2012, we started an annual Women’s Sailing Camp which is always fully booked with 20-25 students, plus a wait-

ing list. This camp is organized, directed, and taught by women, with a volunteer staff of 40 female sailors and about 8 men in the kitchen. The women skippers teach on their own boats or using a Club boat, and we try to rotate the campers onto as many boats as possible. The Club Scots are an integral part of this weekend of laughter and friendship, and many of the women come back again and again to take a Club Scot out for a sail or a race.

The introduction of Men’s Sailing Camp followed, though there are fewer men who will admit they don’t know how to sail, and the Club Scots are used to teach these guys about wind and trim, rigging and docking.

The Scots are also used for college sailing: Ferrum College, Liberty University and Virginia Tech’s NAVY Cadet program all bring students to try their hands at sailing. Last August, after a 20-minute sailing lesson (“If you’re moving forward, you’re doing it right. If you’re not, try something different.”) 16 of Virginia Tech’s cadets took out 4 Scots. The boats couldn’t have been better for hands-on physics problem sets, as one Scot ran aground, one halyard was twisted and locked atop the mast, and a third Scot turtled. These cadets, all of whom are now stationed on nuclear submarines, had a blast, and watching them figure out how to get to the top of the mast, how to get off the sandbar, and how to drain the water without a back bailer, was a sailing teacher’s dream.

5th graders from Roanoke (Virginia)

City Public Schools and Roanoke County Schools summer PE classes, also come each May and June for sailing fun, and the Scots are always a sensation. Some of these kids have never before seen a lake - or a boat - so sailing on a Scot is a magical experience for them--as it is for us all!

And, of course, the Club Scots are used regularly by members. One member offers free sailing lessons to club members. As of November 30, he had given 89 sailing lessons this year, mostly on our Club Scots.

Every centerboard division race involves at least one or two Club Scots. They line up against other boats that are freshly polished and ding-free, with new lines and sails, and all the fancy gear. This is why Richard Brown decided to ask the FSSA about acquiring new-ish sails. Two generous donors immediately volunteered their mains and jibs and even a spinnaker! Cheers to Jamie Jones and Bob Graves for their benevolence! Your sails have found a loving new home and on on their way to becoming happy old sails!

Our club sends many thanks to the Flying Scot Foundation for helping us obtain these new sails. Your generosity will help us to encourage the joy of sailing and the love of racing! 🚢



Eager participants at the Women's Sailing Camp.



Virginia Tech NAVY cadets learning to rig a Scot.



The author teaching another crop of new sailors.

# 2019 Women's NAC at Massapoag Yacht Club – Fun for All Ages

By Diane Kampf, FS#6130, FSSA Web Editor – Photos by Bob Gaffney and Diane Kampf

**W**e had 12 awesome teams from 7 different states register for the Flying Scot Women's NAC at Massapoag Yacht Club in Sharon, Massachusetts. Loads of credit goes to Texas for registering 5 teams. Our MYC team worked really hard on preparations ahead of the regatta and we think "The Little Yacht Club That Could" did a fine job taking care of our guests. We had people of all ages from our youngest crew, 15-year old Melinda Telford, to our youngest skipper, 30-something Emma Davidson, to our oldest competitor – well I'm not telling who that was. We had fun with burgee swaps and we got 7 burgees from different participants.

Of the 12 teams, 8 borrowed Massapoag boats and 4 of those teams were in the top 5. We believe that being able to lend boats is key to the success of this event. It is hard to come 100+ miles for a weekend event, but because we were able to loan boats, several teams could fly in and not have to drive with a boat in tow. All 6 teams that requested housing were housed by MYC members, another cost savings for the sailors. A few people camped on site including Greg and I, although you might not call sleeping in the Roadtrek camping. One of our member families gave up their house to visitors and had a blast trying out their brand new luxury camper right in their own backyard.

Boats were launched and retrieved by MYC members, so none of guests had to worry about trailer hitches, backing down our ramp or parking their boats. We heard from lots of people how much this was



appreciated and how easy it made it for the teams. Lots of crews brought shore teams; we were able to borrow extra boats so they could go out as spectators and watch the races. We know this was fun for the spectators, although in truth our lake is small enough to watch the races from the shore.

PRO Gary Werden and his race committee did a great job getting in a practice race and all 5 scheduled races. We held the practice race Friday evening at 6PM to give most teams time to get to the regatta and set up their boats the way they wanted them. Melanie Dunham and Stacey Rieu won that race. The wind started out on Saturday at 5-8 MPH from the South and we got in 1 windward-leeward, 5-leg

race before the wind died. We did have to have a bit of patience as it stayed very light for several hours. But we got back out at 4PM and got in two more great windward leeward, 5 leg races. On Sunday the wind was ESE and was very light, but Gary sent everyone out so we could start immediately when the wind filled in. We managed 2 windward leeward races in 2-8 MPH, so it was quite challenging for all. This is often the way with lake sailing – you never know what you're going to get. Most of the competitors were lake sailors so they were pretty used to this.

How cool is it that this event featured 3 former Women's NAC champs? We had Greta Mittman with crew Jennifer Judkins from Texas, Melanie Dunham from



Maryland with crew Stacey Rieu from Wisconsin, and MaryAnn Hopper with crew Jennifer Draheim and Melissa Miller from Texas. The competition was fierce and places changed often, but in the end they finished (1) Greta, (2) Melanie and (3) Mary Ann. First-time skipper Natalie Coleman-Fuller from Massachusetts, with crew Kate Sharp and Connie Eckart, came in 4th. Rounding out the trophy winners

were Sally Morris from Alabama with crew Denise Whatley from Alabama and Laura Graham from California. The top 3 teams got gold, silver and bronze medals provided by the Flying Scot Foundation. The top 5 got sail bags with Flying Scot logos, finely crafted by Stacey Rieu from MAD sails with keychains attached that displayed their places. The bags were a big hit, so thanks Stacey for making

them for us! And we were lucky enough to have FSSA President, Bill Dunham, on hand to support us and hand out the awards. You can find the full results on **FSSA.com** under Regatta Results. Each participant got a 2019 Women's NAC keychain and we have ordered pink t-shirts to commemorate the event. We also gave out small some smaller sail bags with a little taste of New England



Regatta winners Jennifer Judkins and Greta Mittman with Jeff Sprung, Diane Kampf and Bill Dunham.



Don't mess with Texas women!



Diane Kampf, Melinda Telford and Emma Davidson.



Susan Jenkins, Kirstin Naase and Jennifer Truscott.



Linda Vitt and Rachel Bowling at the leeward mark

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inside – maple syrup. These went to the first time Women’s NAC skippers Natalie Coleman-Fuller, Lynn Simpson, Jennifer Truscott, and Emma Davidson, and one for the skipper who drove the furthest, Linda Vitt from Missouri.

We want to send a heartfelt thanks our sponsors: the Flying Scot Foundation, Flying Scot, Inc., MAD Sails, North Sails,

Quantum Sails, Fleet 76 and Cabellas, who provided raffle prizes and money. Bill Draheim from Quantum and Ryan Malmgren from MAD sails hosted a roundtable talk with the leaders on Saturday. It was good to hear what decisions each skipper made under different conditions and what made the boats move the fastest.

The shore crew did a fine job keep-

ing everyone fed, from our cookout on Friday night, to the breakfast and lunches Saturday and Sunday with the piece de resistance being our cocktail party and lobster feast on Saturday night. But don’t worry, there was chicken and beef for our meat lovers and pasta primavera and plenty of salad veggies for everyone. We heard quite a bit about the food and the



At this event, men are spectators.



Melanie Dunham and Stacey Rieu.



Greta Mittman and Jennifer Judkins lead the way downwind.



Nina Cummings, Bowman O'Connor and Sherrie Galaway.



hospitality and we don't think anyone left hungry!

We also kept [FSSA.com](http://FSSA.com) and Facebook updated regularly – sometimes not fast enough for some of our users - but we did our best to provide regular updates, even from the water as we went out to start and as we came back in. We know this is appreciated

by those who cannot be at the event, just as it is at the Midwinters and the NAC. We have loads of pictures by Bob Gaffney and me at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/41106915@N04/albums/72157710418662142>. Pictures by Gail Sheridan at <https://www.gaylesheridan.com/wnac2019>. There are also some pictures by Gina Ellis

on the Flying Scot Sailing Association Facebook page.

We had a blast and didn't want the event to end. We'd love to do it again someday, and your clubs should consider giving this event a try. Plan on going to next year's Women's NAC at Deep Creek in Maryland. This promises to be a great event hosted by a great group of people! Be there! 🚢



Natalie Coleman-Fuller,  
Connie Eckart  
and Kate Sharp



Melissa Hemker and  
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# New England District Report

By Timothy Story Mallette, FS#18, New England District Governor

The author and Pat O'Neil crewing for Bob Anderson.



Rich Obste, Fleet 196, captain and crew.



**N**ew England Scot sailors have a lot to look forward to in 2020. Whether you are a dedicated local hero, a regional player, or a North American underdog champion – it's all happening this year in our unique district. Looking back at 2019 there were some terrific articles in Scots n' Water edited by our very own Ned Johnston, who hails from Bar Harbor. The FSSA Measurer, Roger Sharp and his wife Kate, are always within a few points of Connie and John Eckart out of Massapoag Yacht Club in Sharron MA. Massapoag Fleet 76 is the most competitive fleet in New England on and off the water. The FSSA Webpage Editor, Diane Kampf, wears so many hats I can't keep track. Her focus in recent years tends to be on the National

and Northeast Region. I believe she led the way for the Woman's NAC that was held at Massapoag in August. Diane is responsible for all the content you see on the FSSA web site, and she has just launched a new upgrade of the site. We could probably just rename the New England District the Diane District for all that she has done this past year, and years past remembering. The FSSA President, Bill Dunham isn't too far away in New York. I'm not sure if he considers himself a New Englander.

My own experiences in 2019 provided a few glimpses at our district fleets. I enjoyed road trips to Massachusetts and Connecticut for regattas in September and October. The lake racing at Massabesic Yacht Club in Auburn, NH, and the ocean

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# A Fond Look Back at the Wife-Husband Regatta in Dallas

By Diane Kampf, FS#6130, FSSA Web Editor

Photo by Steve Benemson.



**F**lying Scot Fleet 23, from Corinthian Sailing Club in Dallas, TX, put on a great show for the 37 teams who came to race and play at the 2019 Wife Husband Championship on beautiful White Rock Lake. This is just a lovely venue with the clubhouse perched on the docks with a nice view of the rest of the lake. Everyone at this club was so helpful and friendly and the food was just great! The hospitality was over the top and we all had so much fun that no one left for hours after the event was over!

There were 10 states represented for the event with people from as far away as Wisconsin and Massachusetts, our home state. Several of us visitors borrowed boats so we could just come and sail without having to tow a boat to the event. Greg and I needed to do that because he just did not have enough vacation time to

drive to Texas and back. Well, this fleet not only had a work party to get the boats ready for the guests, they had a welcome label on each berth with the name of the people using the boat, the fleet and club they hail from and their home state. Our boat, FS 5884, was courtesy of Bowman O'Connor, who just bought the boat from Alana Strong. All we had to do is take off the cover, put on the sails and go! What a deal! The fleet also housed several of the out of town guests in their homes, which really helps defray the cost of the event for out-of-state visitors.

As with the 2009 Woman's NACs, that we ran at Massapoag Yacht Club, there were 3 divisions, with 22 boats in Championship, 5 boats in Challenger and 10 boats in the Non-spinnaker divisions. The Non-spinnaker option allowed couples who have just started to race together, or don't normally sail as a couple, a

chance to compete without the need to fly a chute. In all 3 divisions the competition was friendly, but there were some really good sailors in this bunch so it wasn't going to be easy!

As people arrived on Friday, they either brought their boat for easy launching on the ramp, or were directed to their borrowed boat. Later in the day, we were treated to an awesome welcome party with lots of appetizers and plenty of beverages provided by the sponsors. Greg and I were lucky enough to be able to follow that with a dinner with Greg's brother Danny and his wife, who live in Dallas.

On Saturday, we had a beautiful sunny day in the 90s, with the wind from the preferred easterly direction, but just not steady enough to go out for a 10:00 start. The breeze was expected to fill in a little later in the day, so up went the AP flag. PRO Mark Smith explained at the skip-

Photo by Sherrie Galaway.

Championship Division runners up Bill and Jennifer Draheim. Photo by Sherrie Galaway.



Photo by Sherrie Galaway.



Championship Division winners Kelly and Heidi Gough. Photo by Sherrie Galaway.

Photo by Steve Benenson.

Eileen and Eric Reisdorf.



John and Susan Domagala.



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pers meeting that he would take the flag down at noon, or later, rather than having us out floating around the course. We headed out about 12:30 and races started shortly thereafter. We got in three great 4-leg Windward-Leeward races in 6-10 MPH easterly winds, and there was very little consistency in the results. People who finished badly in race 1 did great in race 2 and vice-versa. We had lots of fun on the water and looked forward to the evening's festivities. What could be better?

Bill Draheim led an impromptu chalk talk with the fleet leaders Kelly Gough, Ryan Malmgren and himself sharing their experiences on the water. Everyone finds these talks so helpful and we all learn so much! And then we were treated to a wonderful dinner of steak and shrimp, with loads of sides, beverages and yummy desserts. Stories from the day, and from

previous sailing events, were shared into the night and no one wanted to leave! Alas, we did have to get some sleep and get ready for the next day's racing.

On Sunday, another beautiful sunny day, the wind gods were not as cooperative as Saturday so up went the AP flag. With not a whisper by 11:30am there was little hope for the wind to fill in before the deadline, so we did not sail on Day 2. Regatta Chairs, Red Dog Jones and Bowman O'Connor, gave out the lovely awards, which were framed Flying Scot portraits by local artist Juliana Crownover, along with the perpetual awards and gifts for the people who helped. There were lots of people to thank and the crowd freely showed its appreciation for everyone who helped put on the event. No one wanted to leave so we stayed for a lovely lunch and plenty more stories.

And here are the winners: Championship Division winners were: (1) Kelly and

Heidi Gough also winners of the Ted and Florence Glass Championship Trophy and the Eric and Mary Aman Century Trophy, (2) Bill and Jennifer Draheim also winner of the best finish by a first time team, (3) Ryan Malmgren and Stacey Rieu, (4) Tom and Melissa Miller, and (5) Jeff and Amy Smith Linton. Challenger Division winners were (1) Robert and Margaret Muller, also winners for the Cal and Anita Hudson Trophy and (2) Forest and Mandy Atkins. Non-spinnaker Division winners were (1) Joseph and Elizabeth DeCosta, (2) Peter Petrik and Adrienne Palmer, and (3) Laurie Berger and Brian Levine. Full results are on [FSSA.com](http://FSSA.com) under regatta results.

Fleet 23 and Corinthian Yacht Club were wonderful hosts for the event and we hope they will host more events like this in the future. Thanks so much for a wonderful weekend! We hope you can make it next year's Wife-Husband Championship! 🚤

# Cedar Point, Sprite Island, and Candlewood Yacht Clubs to host the 2020 NACs

By Chris Perez, FS#5384, 2020 NAC Regatta Chairman

**W**elcome back to Cedar Point Yacht Club! We, along with our partners in crime, Sprite Island YC and Candlewood YC, wish to invite all of our fellow Scot sailors to the 2020 North American Championships, being hosted at CPYC, July 11 – 15.

You can register and get all of the details through the FSSA website or at [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com).

The Flying Scot Class last held its National Championship at CPYC in 2011, when Andrew Eagan and Jackson Benvenuti, from Bay Waveland Yacht Club, won the Gordon K. Douglas Trophy in the Championship Division. Go to [FSSA.com](http://FSSA.com), look through the archive of past issues of *Scots n' Water*, and click on the link to issue 2011 Vol 55 #5. Read the two articles about that event and tell me you are not just a wee bit excited about joining the fun this July.

Cedar Point Yacht Club has hosted numerous World and National Championships in the last decade, and is known for world class race conditions and race management. That's all well and good, but Fleet 177 asked itself, "What have you done for the Flying Scot Class lately?" We threw our hat into the ring, won the bid, and enlisted (or impressed, depending on your point of view) the able assistance of Fleet 142 (Sprite Island) and Fleet 24 (Candlewood). Our goal: to attract as many competitors as possible to the NACs. With that goal foremost in mind, we set out to make the 2020 Championships affordable. **The entry fee is only \$310.00**, and we haven't cut back on the deliverables, either. For example, each morning Zeke Horowitz and Brian



2011 NACs at Cedar Point.



Aerial view of the CPYC.

Hayes will be hosting their *Coffee with North* series. These morning sessions include pre-race discussion of race conditions, insider local knowledge, pointers on tactics and strategies, as well as the famous "Tip for the Day."

What about F & B, you ask? We have you covered, with two dinners, kegs of

beer, wine and soft drinks, complimentary, as well as other food options that can be purchased at the club. The Sunday night Welcome Party, included with the entry fee, will set the tone with copious appetizers and beverages to mark the official opening of the regatta. For Monday evening's post-qualifying-race festivities,



our team will beat back those hunger pains with wood oven pizza of all flavors, salads, and gelato, from the locally famous “Red Diamond Pizza Truck”. This event is also included at no cost for registered participants (extra tickets can be purchased for guests). Tuesday night will feature a traditional Clam Bake Dinner (with Lobster!). The Clam Bake is one of the most popular regatta evening dinners at Cedar Point. Tickets will be available for purchase and you should be sure to get your tickets early to avoid missing out on New England *Lobsta*. Wednesday evening is OPEN for competitors to enjoy the local restaurant scene with friends and family. Recommendations for local dining options are available on the regatta registration webpage. The Awards Dinner will be held after racing Thursday. Trophies and awards will be presented, and tickets will be available for purchase during registration for the Italian dinner portion of the evening. Beverages will be provided at all of the social functions!

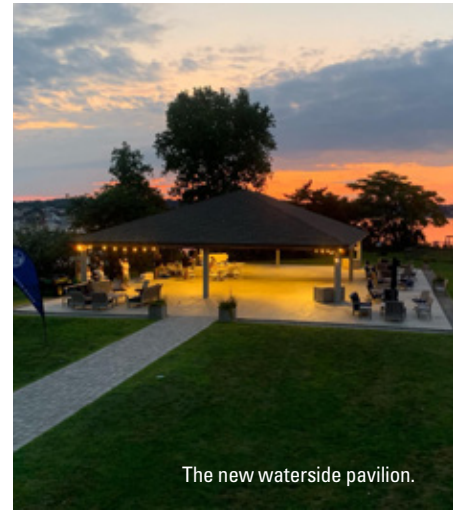
If you haven't returned to CPYC since 2011, we have a few surprises for you. The club now has a beautiful, open-air pavilion, nearly at water's edge, for the post-racing celebrations (beer and whining), the awards dinner, and just hanging out. The drysail area is repaved and water hoses are conveniently placed throughout. We are also making a few improvements to the clubhouse this winter, including a renovated women's restroom and showers.

As sailors, we are all aware of the plastic pollution that is threatening our waterways and oceans. For this event alone, we estimated that we'd use over 5,000 single use plastic cups. Well, we couldn't let that happen! Instead, we will be providing responsibly made, 100% recyclable, stainless steel cups to competitors (two per boat) to use on land, and a water filtration system to fill (and re-fill) any water bottles you bring to the event. Our Green and Clean Regatta Team will also be working towards comprehensive recycling, and other ways to reduce the regatta's footprint on this precious planet of ours!

Last, but not least, we wish to congratulate and express our appreciation to

Bill Dunham (FS 5601) for taking up the mantle of Class President. We are fortunate to have a well-supported, friendly and family-oriented national class with spirited volunteers. The North American Championship is the most important class event of the year; one that cements all of the districts into one family. The 2020 NAC syndicate is working hard to make this a memorable event, and we look forward to seeing the registration list fill up FAST. Our goal is to have 60 boats registered, but are hoping for many more. We can handle 100! Who is up for the challenge?

Register today! See you in July. 🚩



The new waterside pavilion.



CPYC clubhouse.



Action at the 2011 NACs.

# What's in a Name?...

# Sometimes it's Math

An ongoing occasional series by Amy Smith Linton, FS#6133, Florida District

**B**ack in 1991, the Monmouth Boat Club (MBC) in New Jersey started an Adult Sailing program. The program was popular but consisted of a single venerable Lightning.

Denis Farley took the reins in 2006, adding a nameless Flying Scot (#173) to the program. In 2008, the club bought Flying Scot #1301, a boat by the name of *Tilted Kilt*. In 2012, just before Hurricane Sandy barreled ashore in New Jersey, hull #366, *Tooth Fairy*, was donated to the club.

The following spring, boat #4178, which had been heavily damaged in the storm, was donated and refurbished, and dubbed *Hard Knocks*. An appropriate name for a boat that had taken a few hits!

Then, in 2018, neighboring Pine Beach YC donated Flying Scot #2923, which had sat, uncovered, for five years. The boat found tender loving care at MBC, which put it back into service as *Second Wind*.

When a kid, I read nearly anything I could find, including a thin paperback book that pointed out a number of shocking parallels between the assassinations of President Lincoln and President Kennedy. That book probably should have been titled, "*Conspiracy Theories for Young Readers*," but luckily the only part that stuck in my memory are that:

a) The two presidents were elected 100 years apart

b) Lincoln had a secretary named Kennedy and Kennedy had a secretary named Lincoln\*; both secretaries warned their presidents not to go.

c) Both presidents were succeeded by someone named Johnson



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Denis Farley, here aged 82, skippering *Hard Knocks* at the Full Moon Regatta at MBC last June. As a teen, crew Dave Watts sailed for Farley aboard a *Lightning*. By the way, it was blowing 20-25 knots, and the Farley-Watts team won two races as well as the regatta.



Above: The fleet of Adult Sailing Scots at Monmouth Boat Club. Maybe it could be called "Scots Alley"?



Left: *Second Wind* waiting patiently for the next lesson.

d) One assassin ran from a warehouse to a theater, the other from a theater to a warehouse.

e) Both assassin's names — and they are known by their full three names — add up to 15 letters.

\**Spooky, but untrue, by the way. No Kennedy secretary for Lincoln.*

**More stories to come about boat names as space and Scots n' Water permit. If you'd like me to share your story, drop me a line! You can find me at [aslinton@aol.com](mailto:aslinton@aol.com) or on my website [www.amysmithlinton.com](http://www.amysmithlinton.com)**

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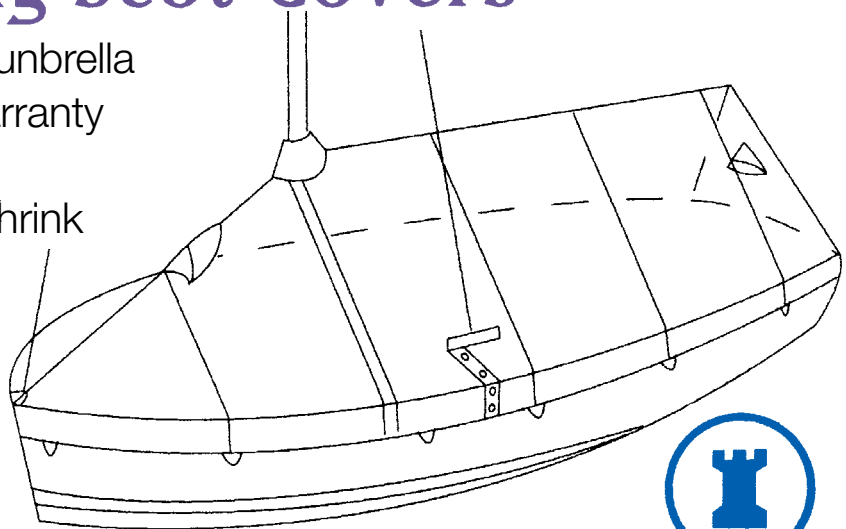
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By Sam Grant, Fleet Captain, Fort Walton Yacht Club

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FWYC cannot wait to share the fun, sailing and hospitality with the Flying Scot Class.

Come on down and "get a little sand in your soul".

You'll find the links to the NOR and to register on [FSSA.com](http://FSSA.com). 🚤



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This tangent by way of explanation: each of the Flying Scots in the MBC Learn to Sail program shares an unusual characteristic. Their names are comprised of two words and ten letters. As is “Flying Scot.”

- 4178 *Hard Knocks*
- 2923 *Second Wind*
- 366 *Tooth Fairy*
- 1301 *Tilted Kilt*

According to Denis Farley, who at 83 has handed off the Adult Sailing Program to MBC member Bill Jaeger, the name thing started after he noticed that the club had three boats with parallel names. And *Hard Knocks* simply made sense.

The MBC Learn to Sail program now has six US Sailing-certified instructors and puts 25-30 students onto the water each year. They have no plans to add a fifth boat, but I can't help but wonder what name would come next...

Thanks to Denis Farley, who e-mailed this numerical anecdote to me. 🏴‍☠️

racing with Fleet 11 in Rockport was terrific. I don't believe I had more than two consecutive weekends with the same crew, but I enjoyed very much meeting so many new people. Art Bookstein, a former Scot owner, crewed for me in the Labor Day Series at the SBYC. He offered some sage advice and uttered a few memorable quotes, such as the one from Betty Davis: “Getting old is not for sissies.” I look forward to sailing again with Art in his 87th year walking the earth. Glenn McKibben, a formidable Scot sailor and Tartan 30 skipper who sails out of the Navy base in Portsmouth, crewed for me at Cedar Point in October. We had a good time and we managed to finish second in one of the races. There was a williwaw at the end of the last windward leg, and we almost had enough lift to get around the mark first. Let's see how we do in 2020 with new sails. I look forward to racing for, and against, Glenn and his wife, Joan, at Massabesic and elsewhere. Glenn and Joan also travelled to Virginia to race their Windmill. Life is short – you better not miss too many days on the water! It was all fun with Kristine Funsch, from Duxbury MA, as crew for

the annual Massapoag Regatta. We sailed fast, but unfortunately the big dumb male skipper sailed much further than our competitors. I'm confident there will be underdogs at the head of the pack in 2020. Rich Obste, Fleet 196 Captain, had top of the podium for the annual Massabesic Regatta. The District Championships were held at Sandy Bay in July, and everyone had a good workout with perfect weather and about 12 knots of consistent wind for eight races in one day. Jan Reimers, a new Scot owner, joined me as crew. He will be a formidable opponent. The 2020 New England Districts will be held at Massabesic Yacht Club. We are looking forward to seeing crews from Fleet 76, 11, from Duxbury, Connecticut, and elsewhere.

In the coming weeks I will reach out to less active fleets to see if the association can help jump start the crews or rekindle old flames. Check the FSSA schedule often, and register for regattas throughout New England and the Northeast this year. I'm sure I forgot to recognize someone or something in this article – maybe next time! Go have some fun with crews in clubs that are not that far away. 🏴‍☠️

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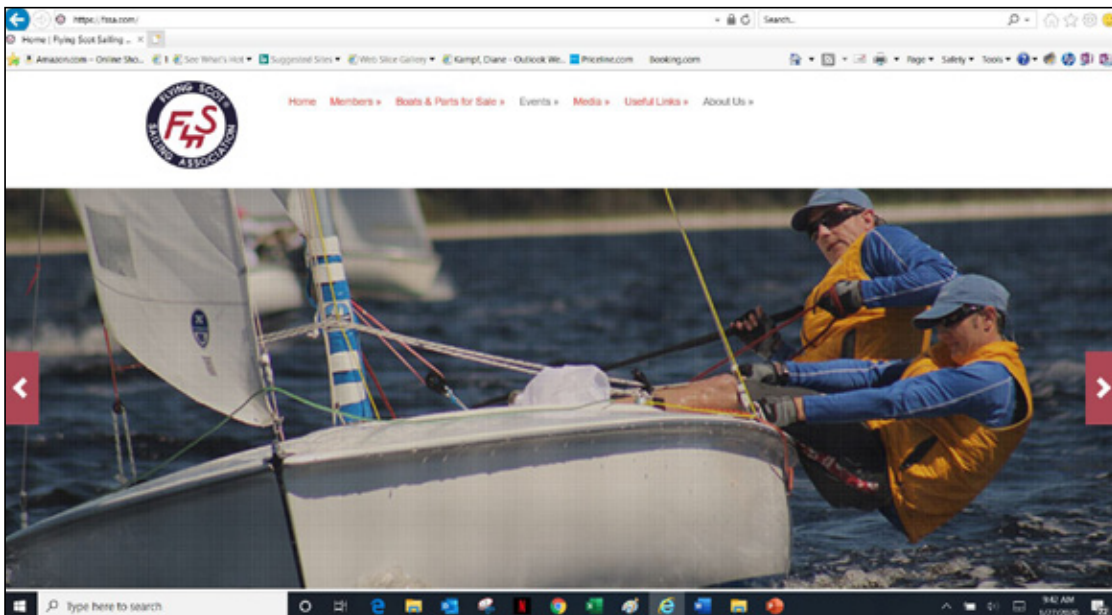
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### Calendar Of Monthly Events

(FROM MARCH 2020 TO MAY 2020)

#### Regatta: 2020 Midwinters at Ft. Walton Yacht Club

District: Florida • State: Florida • Date: 03/21/20 - 03/26/20  
Info: patsun@yahoo.com

#### Regatta: Florida District Series #7 at Indian River Yacht Club, Cocoa, FL

District: Florida • State: Florida  
Date: 04/04/20 - 04/05/20  
Info: Laura.marriott.dar@gmail.com

#### Regatta: 2020 Choo Choo Regatta

District: Dixie Lakes • State: Tennessee  
Date: 04/18/20 - 04/19/20  
Info: lynnb403@gmail.com

#### Regatta: Gulf District Championship at Jackson Yacht Club

District: Gulf • State: Missouri  
Date: 03/14/20 - 03/15/20  
Info: r.j.muller@me.com

#### Regatta: 2020 Great 48 at Lake Norman Yacht Club

District: Carolinas • State: North Carolina  
Date: 05/02/20 - 05/03/20  
Info: sean.odonnell@LNsailing.org

#### Regatta: Florida District Series #8 at Upper Keys Sailing Club

District: Florida • State: Florida  
Date: 05/02/20 - 05/03/20  
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