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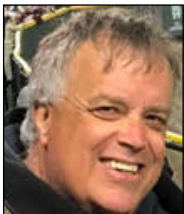
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# Spring is Upon Us!

Jim Leggette, FS#1518, FSSA President



All around are signs of warmer and longer days. Baseball is gearing up and March Madness has come and gone. For us sailors, it is time to break our beloved Flying Scots out of their winter cocoons to prepare for another year and renewal of friendships. No doubt folks are realizing they never got around to that winter project!

Flying Scot national events started over President's Day weekend when 72 teams from twenty states made the journey to Lake Eustis in central Florida. Over 80 teams registered for the regatta, but some canceled due to the forecast. Despite two days of rain, those who made the journey enjoyed the hospitality and camaraderie that goes with a Scot regatta. The record turnout for Midwinters featured competitors ranging from 82 to 14 years of age as well as several female competitors. Bravo Zulu to the Lake Eustis Sailing Club for working through the challenges that come with bad weather and record turnout. Yes, they did win the party.

Our next major event, the North American Championships (NAC June 23-27) will be on Long Island Sound at the Cedar Point Yacht Club in Westport Connecticut. The regatta team, led by John Cooke, is very experienced running national regattas. Their proven playbook helps make these events memorable. If you are flirting with attending a national regatta, why not make this the one? It is a good opportunity to improve skills and meet new people who share your passion for sailing the Scot. Junior sailors should stay to participate in the Junior North American Championships (June 28-30).

Planning a slate of national regattas requires a long lead time. If your club members are interested in hosting a national event, please contact 1st VP Nina Cummings. While the regattas require a significant amount of planning and effort to execute, they are very rewarding for both the host club and your guests.

One of the goals this year is to improve membership numbers. Thanks to the efforts of 2nd VP Bruce Kitchen and others, we are markedly better in this area. Please make sure your fellow fleet members have renewed, or invite new skippers, crew, and clubs to join. For about the price of a modest dinner out you will support the FSSA and all activities. *Bruce's ambitious goal of returning to, and sustaining, over a 1000 members is within reach.* He was offered a bottle of his favorite beverage when the goal is realized. However, he must share it with fellow Scot sailors!

District Governor Jim Crabtree's communication task force presented their report and recommendations to the Executive Committee recently. Among the key findings are that all one design classes today struggle with the most appropriate communication tools for members. Our problem is perhaps more challenging since our flag ship vehicle, *Scots n' Water*, is unique. Magazine print has challenging economics, but it has remained stable since the pandemic. The task force provided interesting options of how a print publication can fit into the digital world. The group also provided recommendations to effectively communicate our message and brand to the world. To that end, it became obvious that someone with marketing and communications expertise would help guide the organization evolve using the tools that best serve the membership. If you are interested and have these skills let me know.

Well, it is back to springtime activities. The boat projects are already done due to early Midwinters this year. Time to head off to a baseball game and Mississippi State. 🏈



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# Frostbite Scots at the Starting Line for a Promising Year

By Richard Baucom, FS#5844, Capital District, Greater Richmond Sailing Association

**M**oving to the Richmond Virginia area recently I experienced two significant realizations. The first occurred during a detour from house hunting, leading me to the Greater Richmond Sailing Association (GRSA) amidst a regatta in 2021. The prevalence of Flying Scots in the parking lot was striking; an estimated sixty adorned the premises. Observing the regatta, it became clear that joining GRSA and buying a Flying Scot was in my future. I submitted my membership application that same evening! After an 18-month waitlist period, by Spring 2023, I proudly called GRSA my new sailing home.

Nestled on Swift Creek Reservoir about ten miles southwest of Richmond, GRSA enjoys a prime location on the north side of the reservoir. Chesterfield County built the reservoir in 1965 and the reservoir spans 1,700 acres. The lake is ideal for sailing as the county only permits the use of electric motors on the lake. Pontoon boats are common on the reservoir.

The second revelation came with the commencement of the club's Frostbite Series in February 2024. Anticipating a modest turnout of 3-5 boats on the starting line, I was pleasantly surprised to see 17 Flying Scots ready to compete!

GRSA sails the Frostbite Series over four days (biweekly on Sundays), featuring 3-4 races each day. While most participants were GRSA members, we welcomed sailors from Charlottesville, Virginia, Washington, DC and Deltaville, VA. Tyler Andrews (Flying Scot Inc) raced on day one and four. Tyler used day one as a "tune up" event in preparation for

the Mid-Winter Regatta in Florida. His efforts paid dividends as he and his wife Carrie won the event. On the final day, Tyler presented a well-attended and much appreciated "tuning clinic."

Light wind prevailed during the first three days of racing, but on the fourth and final day we raced in ideal conditions. Temperatures were in the mid-sixties with winds at 8-12 knots and puffs in the mid-teens. The Race Committee managed to complete fifteen races over four days. For safety reasons, the R/C set the courses in the small cove near the clubhouse

and life jackets were mandatory. The confined space combined with light air (on the first three days) magnified the effect of land contours on wind direction. In addition, the light air and short legs placed a premium on clean starts and clear air.

The regatta concluded on St. Patrick's Day, the one day every year that everyone is Irish. The luck of the Irish was clearly with us as the sailing conditions were ideal and the party afterwards was festive. We welcome all to a new year of Scot sailing! 🏴‍☠️





# Midwinters Tale of the Nauti Dog

By Diane Kampf, FS#6286, New England District, Web Editor, Past President FSSA



The 2024 Midwinters was the first regatta that Greg, Dory and I have gone to in the actual WINTER! (George Washington's birthday weekend). The date was a challenge for us since we would have to start out from Massachusetts with the camper winterized, meaning no showers and no running water. We were also challenged by snowstorms along our route. But we did some planning and managed to miss the first snowstorm and settled down the first night at a Walmart in Pennsylvania.

When we woke up in the morning, it had snowed overnight, but the plow driver cleaned up all around our camper. It was easy to get out. The next night we were able to de-winterize and have running water. We arrived at Lake Eustis in "sunny" Florida on Wednesday. We were there with our BRAND new boat, *Nauti Dog*, named for our favorite crew member. We probably should have practiced, but practicing on the way to the racecourse on the first day has been our usual MO!

We brought a couple of surprises with us, some artwork by my friend Diane

Haynes. Including "*Looking for Wind*" that we presented to Tracy and Barry Hembrick from Birmingham Sailing Club. It was a gift from several sailors who participated in the 2023 Wife-Husband Championships. The artwork was interpreted by Diane H. from a photo of boats waiting at the dock. The painting will hang proudly in their clubhouse. We also bought "*Hendrix*" for Nona and Robert Cummings, the proud parents of this beautiful pup, also painted by Diane H.

Everyone at Lake Eustis Sailing Club

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were just wonderfully helpful. They were also hosting the 54th GWBR along with the Midwinters. Ray Laguna and Ariel Harrington and crews made everyone feel welcome by smiling all the time in the madness of 80+ teams showing up at their club. From the folks helping in the parking lot, to those checking us in, to those helping us get our boat and camper placed for the weekend, LESC went above and beyond to accommodate the record number of registrants. They dropped moorings for people who wanted them for the weekend which cleared space for dry sailed boats, and made it easier for people to launch and retrieve boats after racing. And did I mention the awesome breakfasts and lunches at the welcome party and the Saturday dinner? All awesome – with lots of smiling faces behind the serving tables.

We arrived early enough to go for a nice hike along the railroad tracks with Dory (*Nauti Dog too*). The people whose houses were along the railroad tracks were very friendly and welcomed us, and our dog, to the neighborhood. On Thursday, David Ames gave a terrific clinic on what to expect and how to best work with the weather and 80+ boats on the water! Later on Thursday, 50 or so Flying Scot sailors headed to the Troff, the local favorite seafood place where we took over the back

room for several hours of fun visiting old and new friends.

On Friday it was time to race, but Mother Nature was not cooperating. We postponed on shore and waited for the wind to pick up. Ultimately, we did get out on the water, and Greg and I had the race of our lives. We were in the Challenger Division, but found ourselves up with the Championship Division that had started several minutes ahead of us and we were far ahead of the next Challenger boat. Unfortunately, just before the finish, after a RC mishap on the finish line, the race was abandoned! We returned to the starting line for the next race. The remaining two races that day weren't quite as good for us, but we enjoyed the brand-new boat and had a wonderful time overall. After racing was the welcome party with great hospitality and lots of stories to tell. Everyone was apparently in 1st place in the abandoned race! Charlie Brown luck all around.

Well on Saturday, a chilly day by Florida standards, the fog rolled in while the wind rolled out, so we postponed a few times on shore before finally abandoning for the day at 2PM. There was lots of time for catching up with so many of our friends, but with the size of the crowd, I am sure we missed some people. We also had another splendid walk with Dory and

got back in time for dinner. With all the people giving her lots of attention, she was one happy dog, I can tell you that.

We had one more day of racing on Sunday in decent wind, but it was chilly and raining cats and nauti dogs. We had a couple good races and ended up 6th of 31 in the Challenger Division, just one away from a trophy. The Championship winners were our wonderful builders Tyler and Carrie Andrews. Carrie's parents, Harry and Karen Carpenter and their 3 children, were there proudly watching them receiving their awards. We just love that they sail along with us and are such great friends of the fleet. The Challenger Division was won by Florida District Governor Henry Picco and his crew Jeff Bott. Full results can be found on our website at <https://fssa.com/content/2023-2024-florida-district-5-midwinters-and-54th-gwbr-lake-eustis-sailing-club-eustis-fl>.

Last but not least, the prestigious Allen Douglas Sportsmanship award is voted on by all the participants in the regatta, each with a chance to



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nominate the person(s) who did the most to demonstrate excellence in sportsmanship. The award went to Ray Laguna and his Regatta Committee for the marvelous job managing the enormous fleet all weekend long – it was well-deserved.

Now there was one wrinkle in our trip, and that was packing up and leaving in the pouring rain. It seemed like it took forever

to get everything put away and get the covers on. It got so late that we considered staying an additional night at Eustis. We ultimately decided to travel a few miles that evening, and we think that turned out to be a good decision. Once we got going, our trip home was uneventful, and we visited family in Maryland along the way. It was a relief to return home without

incident. We really appreciated the 3-day event, and we thought that making it 3 days contributed to the tremendous turnout. We'll see what happens in the future.

Thanks again to Lake Eustis Sailing Club for hosting us and our baggage! Thanks to all our friends who make these events superb winter tales – we had a blast, and we will be back! ▲

Photos say it all.





# A Fleet Builder's Perspective

By Eric Bussell, FS#6130, Midwest District, Clinton Lake Sailing Association



A recent US Sailing survey of one-design classes suggests that the Flying Scot Sailing Association is one of seven associations that stood out as “healthy”. You can access the survey results on the US Sailing one-design central page. FSSA membership trends are looking positive since the declines leading up to the pandemic. However,

some once-active sailing centers are morphing into little more than social clubs with sailing themes. The sailing homes of once-mighty fleets are, in some cases, becoming parking lots filled with inactive sailboats. It may seem like the sky is falling, but I believe we can reverse the tide and turn things around in a very positive way. Our fleet building success stories may be few, but with a few

adjustments coupled with a little fleet building enthusiasm, I believe we can introduce transformational change and start bringing in new sailors faster than those who are leaving.

At the Clinton Lake Sailing Association (CLSA) we successfully rebuilt the club into an attractive and vibrant sailing community. We now offer a low-cost First Sail opportunity that attracts 50+



adult sailing prospects on weekends throughout the season. Our Introduction to Sailing class is taught on Lasers and Sunfish, is offered twice per season, and accommodates an additional 20 new sailors. Graduates of the class are invited to attend Small Boat Tuesdays where coaches are available to help new sailors practice what they learned in the class and develop confidence. Our Flying Scot and Thistle fleets offer coordinated beer can races on Wednesdays and Thursdays respectively. Fleet coordinators match skipper and crew so sailors of any skill level simply need to sign up and show up. We've recently introduced Family Friday events to encourage fun on the water. Our calendar includes a weekend racing series and one-design regattas such as the Glow in the Dark Regatta that attracts 35-40 Flying Scot racers from all over the country!

From 2013-2022, membership grew from just 57 to 166. Our Flying Scot fleet grew from 5 active boats to 25 locally active boats while the Thistle fleet grew from 3 active boats to 12 active boats. Sailing activity exploded over this period. Back in 2012, we experienced a steep downward slide with sailors and boats leaving faster than we could replace them.

Clinton Lake is somewhat remote, so it was up to us to generate traffic. It was a struggle to get people to the lake. Even if we figured out how to get people to the lake, what would we do with them? It felt like starting from scratch, but things would start to turn around in 2013 with some innovative fleet building initiatives.

I'll never forget that feeling of despair when I volunteered at the registration table at the CLSA open house in 2012 and nobody showed up. With membership in freefall and our boat parking lot shrinking, it felt like we were a sinking ship. CLSA did not offer much of a pathway to sailing at the time. There was no education program. We had a small fleet of club-owned Lasers and Banshees that nobody really sailed. The dwindling Flying Scot fleet organized racing on Wednesdays that would only attract a handful of boats. The mixed fleet handicap weekend racing program merely attracted a smattering of regular

racers. The up-and-coming Glow in the Dark Regatta was a bright spot. It drew me to the club, but there were less than half the boats than those racing today.

The Flying Scot fleet wanted to take the lead in helping to rebuild our club, and we decided on a bold strategy for a complete pathway to sailing. We committed to mentoring sailors and helping them every step of the way towards becoming lifelong sailors. The Scot is a great training and development boat with a big race following, and we had a small enthusiastic fleet. Our team of "instructors" would show newbies the lines. New sailors could practice what they learned and develop their confidence by venturing out with more experienced sailors at beer can racing on Wednesday nights. The Glow in the Dark regatta at the end of the season allows local sailors to look forward to a big fleet event against top talent in our own backyard. Having the Glow on the schedule motivates sailors to prepare and host with pride. From novice sailors to experienced regatta racers, and everyone in between, our goal is to help everyone sail better and have fun.

Our local Thistle Fleet Captain didn't seem to like the idea that the Flying Scot Fleet would have all the fun, so he learned from the Scot fleet success and helped establish a parallel pathway to sailing that offered learning on Lasers and Sunfish. The Thistle fleet added Thursday night beer can events and introduced multiple Thistle regattas. This created even more sailing activity and more opportunity, and the club exploded in a very good way.

As organizers and mentors, we carefully evaluated the many barriers that prevent prospective sailors from becoming lifelong sailors. The barriers that most concerned us were the following:

1. Making people aware that sailing is accessible.
2. Offering fun and attractive sailing activities and events
3. Overcoming affordability and difficulty misconceptions
4. Solving capacity constraints
5. Providing access to education and coaching

6. Easing the burden of finding a sailing partner

7. Helping to make it easier to buy a starter boat.

Any one of these barriers can easily discourage new sailors and give them an excuse to find something else to do with their limited free time and energy. From our perspective, we wanted to give new sailors an excuse to keep going down the pathway and keep driving out to the club. Our mentorship team is committed to going above and beyond to help new sailors progress further down that pathway. How we approached each barrier is described below.

### **MAKING PEOPLE AWARE THAT SAILING IS ACCESSIBLE**

A general lack of awareness is a barrier that prevents prospective sailors from taking advantage of affordable introductory sailing opportunities. Today, social media advertising is affordable and effective and now allows sailing organizations and fleets to broadcast pictures and videos of sailors having fun with convenient links to program details and registration.

Before mastering Facebook advertising, we first tried something innovative and partnered with Parkland Community College in the Champaign-Urbana community to create an Introduction to Sailing class on Flying Scots. For our first class, we recruited 5 volunteer skippers to comfortably teach 10 new students, which in 2013 seemed like a huge number of new sailors.

The beauty of partnering with Parkland College included advertising the class to 10s of thousands of mailboxes via their adult education catalog. They paid us to do so while only taking a small cut of the action. Our test case was successful in 2013, so in 2014 the Thistle fleet captain followed suit and decided to introduce an additional introduction to sailing class using our club-owned Lasers and Sunfish in partnership with Heartland Community College. Now we were advertising sailing opportunities to 10s of thousands in the Bloomington-Normal community. There

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**Now social media gets the word out easier than ever. But what do we do with the influx of prospects after they respond to our ads and take advantage the opportunity? If we want to get butts on sailboats, we first need open spots on those boats.**

was an immediate influx of new sailors, and we effectively reversed the tide and membership immediately started to grow.

We were pleased but hardly satisfied. We wanted to grow faster, so the Flying Scot fleet once again led the effort to introduce First Sail, which allowed prospective sailors to take an introductory lesson for only \$25. We promoted this sailing opportunity through Facebook advertising where we could target our ads to adults 35-60 living within an hour drive of Clinton Lake. With a limited budget and limited volunteer resources, we targeted the demographic that was most likely to purchase a sailboat. Facebook ads allowed us to share videos and pictures of people having fun with convenient registration links. Facebook advertising was a game changer. Not only did we fill up our First Sail seats, we noticed that most of our introduction to sailing class registrants saw us on Facebook ads. They then learned about other education and sailing opportunities after investigating our website.

Many new sailors said they saw our Facebook ads, started following us, and had been following us for years. Our First Sail program generated a huge Facebook following for our club. By leveraging advertising, our sailing programs are always sold out and we could probably double the number of new sailors coming into our sailing programs if we could handle that many. We have since ended our partnership with the community colleges because catalogs in the mailbox simply can't compete with Facebook ads. Getting people into empty boats was once the most difficult challenge, but today it is not a challenge at all.

#### **BUILDING FUN AND ATTRACTIVE SAILING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

A fun and vibrant sailing community is attractive and makes it easy to recruit

new sailors. They look forward to time on the lake and keep coming back.

Regattas like the Glow in the Dark offer marvelous racing and exceptional camaraderie. Aspiring regatta racers are motivated to practice on the lake and prepare for the big event. Everyone has pride in the legacy of the regatta. The "Glow" at Clinton Lake has grown to 40 boats and the Thistle regattas have now grown to 15 boats. The vibe at a regatta with traveling sailors is exciting and can be almost addictive to some. We invite prospective sailors to join us as a volunteer on the race committee or just come out and enjoy Saturday dinner and experience the scene. We're feeding them and hopefully creating an appetite for sailing at the same time!

Our Wednesday night beer can event grew from 3-4 boats to 8-13 boats from 2013-2022 and quickly developed into our signature activity. Weeknight activities don't compete with the busy weekend social schedule. The midweek work break features fun sailing, beautiful sunsets, and cold beverages with new friends. Together with the Thistle fleet we regularly attract 15+ boats and 50+ sailors to the lake every week. Beer can events are fun and laid back, and we welcome sailors of all skill levels. We match lesser experienced sailors with more experienced sailors. Eating hot dogs and brats at sunset and enjoying a cold beverage with new friends is almost as enjoyable as sailing. People keep coming back for more of both!

#### **OVERCOMING AFFORDABILITY AND DIFFICULTY MISCONCEPTIONS**

There is a common misconception that sailing is a "rich man's sport" which certainly discourages average income prospects from the many affordable sailing opportunities that exist. Promoting affordability and diversity prominently in your advertising and publicity efforts

goes a long way in helping to overcome this misconception barrier.

We can create a more appealing and less intimidating pathway for prospective sailors by identifying potential barriers and working to make obstructions less discouraging. Acknowledging and planning for hurdles helps mentors plan and better guide new sailors over and around deterrents or challenges. Seeing and appreciating a less intimidating pathway and understanding that mentors are there to help you every step of the way encourages prospective sailors to continue further down the road to becoming a lifelong sailor.

Providing prospective sailors a roadmap in our promotional material and showing them a clear and viable pathway makes it more likely a prospect will take the first steps on their sailing journey.

#### **SOLVING CAPACITY CONSTRAINTS WITH STARTER BOATS**

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When we made our push to try and grow the club, our core fleet building team consisted of a married couple and a father and son team with two Flying Scots. We each decided to purchase a second boat and designate our second boats as fleet building boats. It would free up 4 additional seats on Wednesday nights, which seemed like a lot at the time. Our hope was that we could sell those boats to future regular Wednesday night sailors and then use the money to replace the fleet development boat with another. Each time we sold a fleet development boat, we would add more and more capacity to our program. A condition of the sale



of any fleet development included a gentleperson's agreement that allowed us first buy-back rights. Additionally, one of our trusted instructors were allowed to borrow their boat on Wednesday if they didn't come out to sail. The instructor could then loan their boat to an up-and-coming skipper and prospective boat owner. It worked extremely well, and our fleet exploded.

The approach effectively helped us overcome two big barriers. We not only added capacity, but we always had at least one turn-key starter boat that required little to no upgrades to race competitively. These fleet development boats were privately owned and well maintained. We intentionally placed prospective boat owners on a fleet development boat so they could fall in love with the boat and hopefully make a long term commitment and buy it. Our fleet development boats could only be sailed under supervised conditions and non-boat-owning skippers were required to take on new sailors as assigned by the fleet coordinator. There was never any pressure to buy a boat if you wanted to keep sailing with the fleet, but you would have to buy your own boat if you wanted the full freedom to sail it whenever and with whomever you wanted.

There is huge value in offering a turn-key starter boat for sale at your sailing club. However, finding a good starter boat can be a daunting and intimidating proposition. The unknown costs associated with fixing up an old boat can cause even the most experienced boat expert serious hesitation. Driving many hours to inspect a boat that you might now tow back with you is a huge investment of your time with no guarantee of seeing a return. Having to upgrade a starter boat could potentially take up a lot of free time that you'd rather spend sailing, not working on it.

Once procured, our fleet development boats first went to Rod's garage or Ben's garage and came out regatta-ready with no significant repairs or upgrades needed to fully enjoy a competitive race boat. Thankfully, we had multiple people in our fleet who enjoyed working on boats. We found good deals and offered our fleet

development boats at less-than-market value to our Wednesday regulars. It was too good an opportunity for many to pass up. Several of the boat owners in our fleet today would not have made the leap if a quality starter wasn't sitting right in front of them.

Knowing you have a team who will help you with maintenance projects and parts upgrades also inspires confidence and makes boat ownership more likely.

**Tip:** If fleet building boats are not an option, fleet builders can always help keep an eye out for good used boats and continually make prospective boat owners aware of boat buying opportunities. Offering to help with the inspection and transportation process can also go a long way.

#### EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Learning to sail, learning how to rig, and learning to speak a whole new sailing language can seem like a monumental challenge to the novice sailor. Having someone in your club or fleet who can show a new sailor the lines is only the first step. Both new and intermediate sailors are always thirsty for knowledge, on-board instruction, and ongoing coaching. We started offering on-the-water instruction in 2013 to new sailors. Outside of that, our club offered no clinics of any kind and simply scheduled racing every weekend. Instead of offering racing every weekend, we decided in 2021 to add skipper training clinics to the weekend schedule. We had 26 sailors on 13 Flying Scots taking up the entire CLSA sailing dock. Our weekend handicap racing program today attracts six boats on a good day, but we can have 10-15 Flying Scots a clinic with our experienced sailors coaching lesser experienced sailors. We realized how important education, and more specifically ongoing coaching is to our fleet members.

Prospective sailors arriving at our club will wonder who is going to be there to help them after they take the basic sailing course. At CLSA, our Flying Scot fleet offers a training and development program with access to sailboat instructor. com online courses and on-the-water coaching clinics. At the Glow in the Dark Regatta, we offer a Friday clinic a part of

the regatta fee with elite coaches. Our club offers Small Boat Tuesdays where coaches are on hand to help new class graduates with rigging and sailing questions. The Thistle fleet also offers clinics as part of their regatta events.

Many members of our club are also members of the local US Sailing and Power Squadron chapter which offers sailing classroom courses over the winter. New sailors who come into CLSA have access to plenty of high quality training and education. We don't lose any sailors because they lack access to education and coaching, at least not anymore!

#### CREW MATCHING

Finding crew is one of the biggest challenges for sailors who sail on boats like Flying Scots and Thistles. Landing a sailing partner with the desired skills and abilities and developing fun chemistry can be an even bigger challenge. We are buying up Flying Scots from other fleets and one common reason for selling a boat is that it was "too difficult to find crew". With our crew matching program, we turned one of the biggest roadblocks into one of our biggest attractions.

We wanted to make sailing on Wednesday night as easy as making a tee time in golf. Our fleet makes it easy for anyone simply sign up and show up. People are busy and may not have the motivation to recruit a sailing partner. Not everyone is outgoing and less outgoing people can be reluctant to reach out to prospective sailing partners. For our Wednesday night racing, our fleet coordinator sends out an email asking everyone in the fleet to confirm their availability. Those who confirm will get an email with boat assignments on Wednesday afternoon. It's that easy! It takes a small and manageable amount of volunteer time to make all the difference in the world.

Connecting sailors at our beer can events promotes fellowship and helps sailors find regular sailor partners for other sailing activities such as weekend racing or regattas. Instead of the same people sailing with the same people, sailing with different people helps develop new

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relationships and build camaraderie in the fleet. Getting to sail with different sailors of different skill levels on a regular basis has many educational and development benefits. Once more sailors are connected and want to sail together, finding crew for other activities is easier and less of a burden, so more sailors are more likely to be sailing on sailboats more often. A good crew matching program like this one checks off many important boxes and is easier to manage than you might think.

Our racing events on Wednesdays and Thursdays are very laid back. We refer to our beer can race as recreational racing or social sailing. Offering this type of format does not preclude sailing spouses or established partners from sailing together. The fleet coordinator quickly learns individual crew preferences and can match people together for maximum learning and maximum fun.

**IN CONCLUSION**

When we started our fleet building effort, CLSA could not attract new sailors to the club as we were hardly active in mentoring new sailors at any level. We even had doubters in our own fleet who did not initially subscribe to the idea that they should take time away from their sailing enjoyment to grow the fleet because it sounded like work. Sailing with a third person on the boat, at least on a Flying Scot, took away from quality practice time for the upcoming race or regatta. Over time, those exceptions became fewer and everyone quickly realized the benefits of a growing and thriving fleet offset and downside by a very large margin. More importantly, people realized that fleet development and social sailing is not only a lot of fun,



but it also actually feeds our competitive racing program in a big way instead of taking away from it.

Our one-design fleets at CLSA may be racing focused, but we continue to introduce many recreational sailors through our introductory and other programs. Many people get on a sailboat with aspirations of having picnics on the lake or retiring and sailing the tropics. Many tell us they are not competitive and have no ambition for racing. Thankfully for them, our beer can events are laid back and casual. We remind them that developing good boat handling skills on Wednesday nights will make them better sailors on Lake Michigan or the Caribbean.

It is fun to watch so many in that category immediately realize that casual racing is fun and continue to come back. It's even more fun to watch some of those people attend their first regatta and get hooked.

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Writing this article has been a fun trip down memory lane for me. I'd like to thank everyone in my fleet for helping to bring transformation change to our sailing club. I'd like to thank those in our club who supported us. I'd like to thank the Flying Scot Foundation for financially supporting our innovations and helping to make our success a reality. Hopefully, our story inspires you to help bring transformational change to your fleet and create more fleet building success stories.

Eric Bussell (pictured above, left) was awarded the US Sailing One-Design Creativity Award in 2023. ▲

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# Ahoy Spouses!

By Nancy Molitor, FS#6149, Dixie Lakes District, Atlanta Yacht Club

Whether you are a seasoned Flying Scot sailor or not, if you do not regularly race your lovely craft with your spouse, then this is the year to be brave and take the plunge. In fact, we are taking a bit of a plunge ourselves by hosting a major regatta while we are still arguably wet behind the ears. Our still-new Fleet 211 berthed at the Atlanta Yacht Club (AYC) on Lake Allatoona, Georgia, is revving up to offer a first-class Flying Scot event in September. We promise a hospitable venue that will be memorable for all spouses. Lest you think we are new at this regatta stuff, we hasten to assure you that it is only our fleet that is young. AYC members have hosted major regattas for its several one-design fleets for over 70 years, and we're pretty darn good at it! Our Scot Fleet is fortunate to have support from the entire club for a successful and fun weekend start to finish.

For anyone who might feel — shall we say, cautious? about racing in a major event with your spouse, consider that AYC is known for its hospitable, relaxing environment, but at the same time for well-run racing and first-class competition (we're counting on you to provide that part!). Forget about the Atlanta big-city feel and remember that our home is actually adjacent to the not-so-bustling metropolis of Acworth, Georgia. Once you enter our club grounds you will be in another world that is all about fresh air, fun sailing, and good friends. Whether you are a seasoned racing couple or your spouse is waiting to be encouraged, we offer the same,

stress-free invitation to those at both ends of the spectrum.

AYC is located about 35 miles northwest of Atlanta, on the south shore of Lake Allatoona, a 75-year-old inland lake formed from river dams built by the Army Corps of Engineers. The Club is home to five other one-design fleets, now six with the addition of the Flying Scots. In addition to the annual regattas that are hosted, we have scheduled Club races on almost all weekends from March to September. We do not have hoists, but there are two double ramps adjacent to our docks, which offer plenty of space to tie up and leave your boat overnight if you wish. Parking is plentiful, and other class boats will be moved to make space for you while our guests. We will have a team of helpers to assist with launching and haul-out. For guests with campers or RVs, several boat launch vehicles with drivers will be available to get your boat in and out of the water.

As for lodging, there are numerous chain motels hovering around the intersection of I-75 and GA 92, approximately 3.5 miles from the Club. We have arranged for a special price at the Holiday Inn Express and Suites Acworth on the Friday and Saturday of the regatta, which information you will find in the NOR or on the AYC website under "Regattas." The motel is recently renovated, and a very nice breakfast is offered.

For those who camp, we offer plenty of space for tents and small campers on the lawn across from the Clubhouse, where you will have access to restroom facilities both upstairs and down, as well as a spacious shower room on the lower level. We have a designated campground down

by the waterfront swimming beach, with more room for campers and tents. There are several 120v outlets, water, and picnic tables. Port-a-potties are nearby, but it is only a short walk to the Clubhouse if you prefer. Finally, we have two parking spots for RVs across from the Clubhouse that offer full hookups. These are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Please be reminded that guests are not permitted to bring motorcycles, firearms or pets onto Club grounds.

The AYC Clubhouse was recently rebuilt with a full kitchen, spacious indoor dining, and laid-back atmosphere. We can spill over outside and spread out to enjoy happy hour and appetizers, casual dining, a fire pit with seating and a sizable deck overlooking the lake. Here is where we will launch our weekend festivities with a welcome party on Friday night and host all of the meals and social activities to follow. A continental breakfast will be served on both Saturday and Sunday mornings, with lunch on Saturday before the racing begins and on Sunday after the races. We will wrap up the weekend with the awards presentation. Plenty of H2O and attitude-adjustment beverages will lead you seamlessly into the pinnacle of our social hour on Saturday night, which will feature a Margarita party, live music, and a sumptuous dinner prepared by AYC's own renown cooks. We promise you will not go hungry, and we hope you will linger into the evening. But I digress. We are here to sail, after all!

The sailing venue at AYC is just outside Atlanta Yacht Club Cove in one of the wider parts of beautiful Lake Allatoona.

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It is visible most everywhere from the Club grounds, and especially from the viewing pavilion on the shore and a benched seating area at the “Point.” In late September, we usually expect warm temperatures and good wind. Depending on the course location and conditions, Lake Allatoona can deliver quite shifty breezes and challenging racing — no surprise for a small pond.

With Atlanta beginning to emerge as the hub for many Flying Scot regattas in the Southeast, early verbal commitments are numerous. We are looking forward to a great attendance from both the seasoned “travel team” and new competing couples, as well as some Scot-exploring sailors joining the FSSA in order to sail this event in borrowed boats. As this is AYC’s first Flying-Scot-only regatta, we are excited for the opportunity to showcase not only the boat itself, but the energy of the Flying Scot Class organization, both of which are bound to spark enthusiasm and a growth spurt within our own fleet.

As a bonus this year, travelers will be able to sail back-to-back weekends with the Scot-a-Hoochee Regatta, hosted by Fleet 111 at Lake Lanier Sailing Club on September 20-21. LLSC has kindly offered to allow participants to keep their boats on club grounds for the week in between the two regattas, or if it works better for you, AYC can offer the same courtesy. Why not make it a twofor? 🚤

As always, commemorative regatta apparel will be available for on-line ordering from Coral Reef Sailing Apparel (CRS). This and other links can be found on the NOR, accessed from the FSSA website, as well as on AYC’s own website. You will find the registration page on both websites. We are excited and hopeful that you will be joining us in September, and we will make every effort to ensure you have a terrific weekend. For any questions please contact Regatta Chair Art Molitor: [artmolitor@yahoo.com](mailto:artmolitor@yahoo.com), or 404-226-8345.



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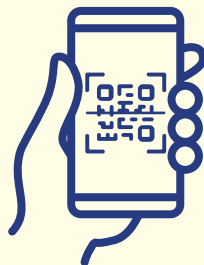
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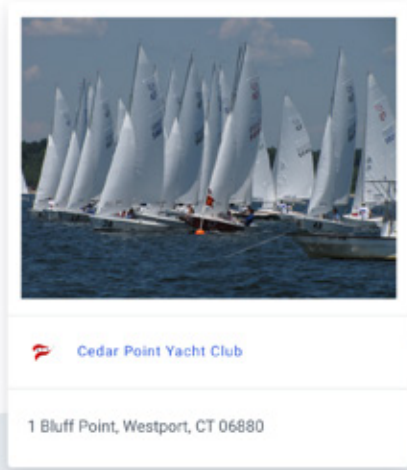
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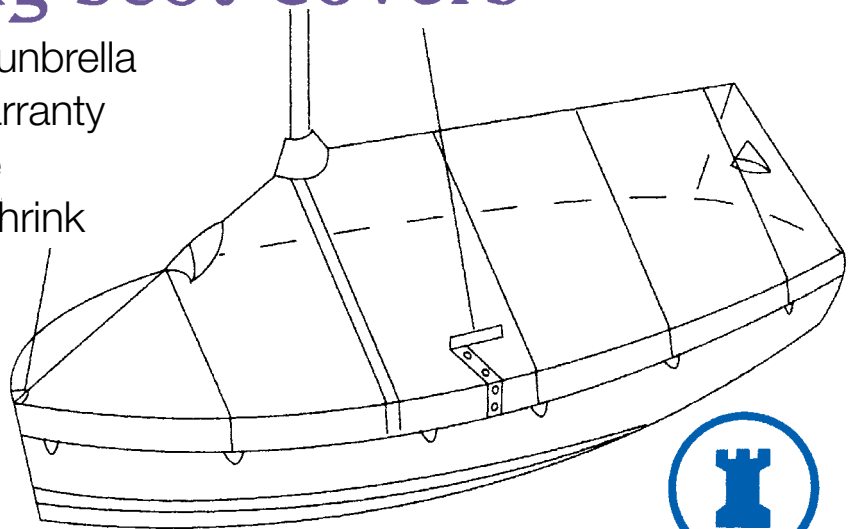
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### Membership Increases by District as of May 2024

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**Midwest District:** 35 members

**New England District:** 20 members

**New York Lakes District:** 9 members

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# NEW MEMBERS

### Capital District

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John Hooper  
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### Carolinas District

**Boat #5867**

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**Boat #3910, 5313 / Fleet #211**

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**Boat #4501 / Fleet #193**

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**Boat #3745 & 1393**

Mario Sanjol  
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### Greet Our New Members!

Feel free to call or email one of our new members and make them feel welcome!

Who knows, you may make a new friend, or have someone to meet at a regatta you never attended before...



## MEMBER METER

In each upcoming issue **"The Member Meter"** will track 2nd Vice President Bruce Kitchen's ambitious but achievable goal of returning the membership to at least 1,000 members. The rallying cry of this effort is "get to a thou." The current membership total is 796 as of this issue, last issue was 469 (+327!). Stay tuned!

→ Which district recently increased membership the most? Greater New York! (+51) "Get to a thou!" ←

# STARTING LINE Calendar Of Monthly Events

(VISIT FSSA.COM FOR A FULL CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS)

- Regatta: 2023-2024 Florida District 7, Upper Keys Sailing Club, Key Largo**  
**Date:** 05/18/2024 to 05/19/2024  
**District:** Florida  
**Info:** Regatta: 2024 Rush Creek Dinghy Fest - Rush Creek Yacht Club, Heath TX  
**Date:** 05/18/2024 to 05/19/2024  
**District:** Southwest  
**Info:** Ginger.Womble13@gmail.com
- Regatta: Ohio Districts & Buckeye Regatta - Columbus Ohio**  
**Date:** 05/18/2024 to 05/19/2024  
**District:** Ohio  
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- Regatta: 2024 Hawg Wild 40th Regatta, Grand Maumelle Sailing Club, Roland, AR**  
**Date:** 05/25/2024 to 05/26/2024  
**District:** Southwest  
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- Regatta: PRSA Spring Regatta**  
**Date:** 05/25/2024 to 05/26/2024  
**District:** Capital
- Regatta: Come Help Southern Yacht Club Celebrate Its 175th Year of Sailing!**  
**Date:** 05/25/2024 to 05/26/2024  
**District:** Gulf
- Regatta: 2024 New England Districts**  
**Date:** 05/25/2024  
**District:** New England  
**Info:** Regatta: Flying Pig Regatta  
**Date:** 06/01/2024 to 06/02/2024  
**District:** Ohio
- Regatta: WRSC Dave Irely Memorial Regatta**  
**Date:** 06/01/2024 to 06/02/2024  
**District:** Capital
- Regatta: 2024 Wind and Waves Regatta, KOA Resort, Rodanthe, NC**  
**Date:** 06/07/2024 to 06/09/2024  
**District:** Carolinas  
**Info:** info@hatterassailing.org
- Regatta: 2024 Egyptian Cup Regatta, Carlyle Lake, Illinois**  
**Date:** 06/14/2024 to 06/16/2024  
**District:** Midwest  
**Info:** ecsutton@charter.net
- Regatta: Michigan-Ontario District**  
**Date:** 06/15/2024 to 06/16/2024  
**District:** Michigan - Ontario
- Regatta: Lake Sunapee Invitational Flying Scots & Viper 640s**  
**Date:** 06/15/2024 to 06/16/2024  
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- Regatta: 2024 Berlin Yacht Club Invitational, North Benton, OH**  
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- Regatta: Summer Solstice Regatta**  
**Date:** 06/22/2024 to 06/23/2024  
**District:** Capital  
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- Regatta: 2024 NAC at Cedar Point Yacht Club, Westport, CT**  
**Date:** 06/23/2024 to 06/27/2024  
**District:** Greater New York
- Regatta: 2024 Junior NAC at Cedar Point Yacht Club, Westport, CT**  
**Date:** 06/28/2024 to 06/30/2024  
**District:** Greater New York
- Regatta: 2024 Madison Clinigatta - LMSC Madison, WI**  
**Date:** 07/12/2024 to 07/14/2024  
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**Date:** 07/13/2024 to 07/14/2024  
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- Regatta: FBYC Annual One Design Regatta**  
**Date:** 07/20/2024 to 07/21/2024  
**District:** Capital  
**Info:** Regatta: DCYRA Women's & Junior Regatta - Deep Creek, MD  
**Date:** 07/20/2024 to 07/21/2024  
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- Regatta: 2024 Women's NAC - Madison, WI**  
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- Regatta: Sandy Douglass Regatta - Deep Creek, MD**  
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- Regatta: 119th Annual Ephraim Regatta**  
**Date:** 08/02/2024 to 08/04/2024  
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- Regatta: 2024 Saratoga Lake Sailing Club 37th Annual FS Regatta, NY**  
**Date:** 08/10/2024 to 08/11/2024  
**District:** New York Lakes  
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- Regatta: 2024 NERD and 75th Annual Massapoag Regatta, Sharon, MA**  
**Date:** 08/16/2024 to 08/18/2024  
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- Regatta: Crystal Ball Regatta**  
**Date:** 08/17/2024  
**District:** Michigan - Ontario  
**Info:** Lastsm7@gmail.com
- Regatta: 2024 Dillon Open Regatta, Dillon Yacht Club, CO**  
**Date:** 08/23/2024 to 08/25/2024  
**District:** Southwest
- Regatta: WRSC Billy Heinz Memorial Regatta**  
**Date:** 08/31/2024 to 09/01/2024  
**District:** Capital  
**Info:** Regatta: Scots on the Rocks  
**Date:** 08/31/2024 to 09/01/2024  
**District:** Carolinas  
**Info:** r98gaskin@gmail.com
- Regatta: 2024 Sail for the Grail, Moraine Yacht Club, Portersville, PA**  
**Date:** 09/07/2024 to 09/08/2024  
**District:** Ohio  
**Info:** msweterlitsch@columbus.rr.com
- Regatta: \*Cancelled\* 2024 Decatur Regatta (Illinois)**  
**Date:** 09/07/2024 to 09/08/2024  
**District:** Midwest
- Regatta: RBSA Invitational Regatta**  
**Date:** 09/07/2024 to 09/08/2024  
**District:** Capital

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**Regatta: 2024-2025 Florida District 1, Coconut Grove Sailing Club, Miami**

**Date:** 09/07/2024 to 09/08/2024

**District:** Florida

**Info:** walcutts@bellsouth.net

**Regatta: 2024 Match Racing Regatta at Lake Decatur**

**Date:** 09/09/2024 to 10/12/2024

**District:** Midwest

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**Regatta: Macan OD Race**

**Date:** 09/13/2024 to 09/14/2024

**District:** Greater New York

**Regatta: 2024 17th Annual Glow II Regatta at Clinton Lake**

**Date:** 09/14/2024 to 09/15/2024

**District:** Midwest

**Regatta: 2024 Scot-A-Hootchee Regatta At Lake Lanier Georgia**

**Date:** 09/21/2024 to 09/22/2024

**District:** Dixie Lakes

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**Regatta: Presidents Cup Regatta**

**Date:** 09/21/2024 to 09/22/2024

**District:** Capital

**Regatta: 2024 Wife Husband Championship, Atlanta Yacht Club**

**Date:** 09/27/2024 to 09/29/2024

**District:** Dixie Lakes

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**Regatta: 2024 Roger Punzi Memorial Regatta**

**Date:** 09/27/2024 to 09/29/2024

**District:** Greater New York

**Regatta: 2024 Kentucky Bourbon Regatta (Sail-Fest)**

**Date:** 10/04/2024 to 10/06/2024

**District:** Ohio

**Info:** dickc82sig@gmail.com

**Regatta: GRSA Invitational Regatta**

**Date:** 10/05/2024 to 10/06/2024

**District:** Capital

**Regatta: 2024 WCSC Hospice Regatta and Dixie Lakes Districts, Anderson, SC**

**Date:** 10/12/2024 to 10/13/2024

**District:** Dixie Lakes

**Info:** jakreidler1@gmail.com

**Regatta: 2024 Open House Regatta, Corinthian Sailing Club, Dallas, TX**

**Date:** 10/18/2024 to 10/20/2024

**District:** Southwest

**Info:** mma4fa@gmail.com

**Regatta: 2024 Great Scot Regatta, Birmingham Sailing Club, AL**

**Date:** 10/19/2024 to 10/20/2024

**District:** Dixie Lakes

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**Regatta: Fall 48 at Lake Norman Yacht Club**

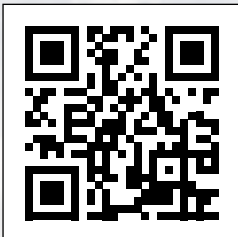
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