

October 2019 Newsletter



Bullseye Sailing Association
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From the President

Dear Bullseye Sailors,

I hope that all of you had a great summer sailing your Bullseye's!

As we look back on this past summer, the unfortunate cancellation of our National Championship stands out. But moving forward, the Fisher's Island Yacht Club are enthusiastic about next summer's Nationals. Your Executive Committee recently had a very productive and positive teleconference discussing the 2020 Nationals at FIYC.

However, and I cannot stress this strongly enough, for the 2020 Nationals to be a success we need sailors to register to compete. I hope that many of you will register and come to Fisher's Island next summer to race, have fun and support Bullseye sailing!

You'll read more about the 2020 Nationals at Fishers Island, the successful launch of the Bullseye based Marion Community Sailing program, and other Bullseye news in this newsletter.

Fair winds and following seas,
Windsor D. Coffin
President
Bullseye Sailing Association

Bullseye Class Association Executive Committee Meeting 10/01/19 Minutes

This meeting was conducted by a conference call at 6:30 P.M.

Present : Windsor Coffin, David H. Burnham, Chris Collings, Kathryn Collings, Peter Drinkwater, John Glendon, Wendy Goodwin, Gordon Goodwin, Laura Hallowell, Niko Kotsatos, Kym Lee, George Lucas, Michelle Mayagoitia, Chris Streit, and Ed Tiffany.

President Coffin began the meeting by asking John Glendon, Commodore of Fishers Island Yacht Club and Bullseye skipper, to tell us about his plans for the Nationals. Glendon said FIYC is excited to host the Nationals and the club is 100% behind the effort. He proposed August 7-8-9 as the date and asked if there were any conflicts. While there is a minor conflict at Winter Harbor Yacht Club, it is not likely to affect those planning to come. All other attendees expressed support for the date, but all will check with their home clubs and confirm promptly. It is a particularly good date for FIYC.

Launch and haul will be at Spicer's Marine, as it has been before. Often the BSA has paid for launch and haul, or some other special expense. It is up to FIYC to make the request, but it is one way to encourage participation by sailors from other clubs. It was noted that some sailors will need assistance stepping masts etc.

Activities will include a special Saturday night dinner hosted by a member, as well as a Friday night dinner (not yet planned), and Sunday afternoon catered lunch at FIYC. Glendon is working on some special activity for non-sailing spouses. Housing will be in members' homes as usual.

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The race committee will be highly professional; Glendon intends to use the PRO from the Eastern Connecticut Yacht Racing Association.

The registration procures were discussed. It was felt that having a system for on -line registration, and one in which one could see what other sailors had registered was essential. Tiffany suggested using US Sailing's "Regatta Network" which BYC uses for all its races and regattas. It has a scoring component as well as registration options. Kotsatos sent in a list of four other platforms which he has used. FIYC will look into them.

Hallowell stressed that frequent publicity is very important, and that she can quickly send out any bulletins that may be needed to supplement the newsletters. In the past FIYC has done a great job informing sailors of sights and stores on the island. Glendon said he would prepare a short article for the upcoming newsletter. He expects to be able to post the regatta date right after Columbus Day weekend; all other clubs should confirm that the date works for them before that time.

Glendon was asked if loaner boats would be available. FIYC has three club Bullseyes and he knows of other boats that can be accessed, so he expects to have about 5 loaner boats available. WHYC provided 5, CSSC 10, BYC, several, and SBYC provided 2-3, as many as were sought. Collings stressed that having several loaner boats is a sure way to increase participation.

A lot of historical information is available for FIYC's use. Other clubs are willing to share their NORs, their cost information, and anything else that would be helpful.

Collings noted that he will be running an event in September of 2020. It will be run by the Marion Community Boating "Calm Sailing " program, and may be a fundraiser. He will write an article for the upcoming newsletter as well.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Hallowell, Secretary

**2020 Bullseye National Championship will be
hosted by Fisher's Island Yacht Club
Tentatively scheduled for August 7, 8 & 9, 2020
More information to follow**

Developing Racing Skills in Marion MA with Bullseyes!

The Marion (MA) Recreation Department launched Community Sailing this summer in coordination with the Marion Harbor Master's office and with support from two local boatyards, Barden's and Burr Bros. "*Calm Sailing in Marion*" is a program of organized short races in the Outer Sippican Harbor.

Buzzards Bay has a reputation for big wind and seas so the Marion Community Sailing Program scheduled its races to start early to avoid the heaviest of the famous sea breezes. Hence it's moniker "*Calm Sailing in Marion*." The format was to have 5 or 6 short races with first "gun" at 10 AM and finishing the last race by 12:30 PM.

Our fleet started modestly with 2 town owned Bullseyes that are used each week to provide sailing lessons via the recreation department. Generous family donations of idled Bullseyes increased our boat stock to 4, then 5 boats. We also added "BYOB" (bring your own boat) and

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welcomed a steady number of local fleet sailors. Starting early on Saturday also helped with participation, as we wrapped up by 1pm each day.

Each Saturday started with lots of help from the Harbor Master's team; the boats were towed in to the town dock as our program volunteers rigged the boats. After a short "pre race" discussion, everyone sailed out to the race course.



Short race courses keep everyone close together and allow for a number of starts. We used a whistle & 3-minute sequences to run as many as 6 races each Saturday. Multiple short races also allow boat crews to exchange roles onboard, thereby learning and developing confidence in both skippering and crewing.

After the racing - we all ate! Nothing fancy (grilled hamburgers & hotdogs) but lots of "race talk" as everyone shared their experiences or asked a question on racing rules or tactics.

Plans are already underway for next summer. Watch for updates and keep your September open for a new BE class regatta hosted by *Calm Sailing in Marion*.

For additional details, updates, or ways to volunteer or donate to our program: Please contact: Chris Collings by email, Collings766@icloud.com

Chris Collings

Ask Wendy

Have a question about your boat? Ask Wendy! Wendy Goodwin, President of Cape Cod Shipbuilding, is happy to answer your questions & enlighten us all. Please submit questions to editor@bullseyeclass.org

Dear Wendy:

I have a bullseye class and throughout the years it has developed a 1 1/2" - 2" separation between the hull and keel. Any information on the cause and repair of this problem, the boat is in SC.

Thanks,
Richard Warder

Dear Richard:

Thank you for your question. The Bull's Eye class association editor forwarded your question to us, the builder. This is a common worry. A few photos of how the boat is constructed & the below description should help ease your mind.

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The crack that is appearing on your Bull's Eye is the seam between the fiberglass & lead keel. This crack appearing is common on all Bull's eyes as they age. Attached are photos of what a new Bull's Eye looks like as we install the lead keel, apply under water body filler & then paint the bottom with antifouling. This should help you visualize why the crack is appearing on your boat. The under water body filler helps smooth over the whammies to assure the bottom is perfect when the first coat of bottom paint is applied.



The keel most probably is not falling off your Bull's Eye. The filler material that smooths the seam between the keel & fiberglass hull is just



failing. This under water body filler needs to be routed out & replaced about every 6 years or so if you are racing. The filler materials job is to connect the lead & fiberglass. After so many years of temperature change, & the fact that the filler is connecting fiberglass & lead, 2 materials that that heat & cool/expand & contract as different temperatures, you must replace the filler from time to time. If you don't & just paint over the imperfections that is OK too, it just effects performance & looks.

On your Bull's Eye, it's probably time to sand/strip all old antifouling paint. Apply new under water body filler & apply new antifouling. As you are stripping off all old antifouling, now is a good time for you to research & decide which antifouling paint might be best for your needs. I've had great success with Interlux



Fiberglass Bottomkote Aqua in Buzzards Bay. It's an ablative antifouling that burnishes just as well as Baltoplate but is water based so it's not so bad for the environment. It also prevents growth much better than lower quality ablative paints. It's not a true multi-season paint like Baltoplate but you could extend the season or perhaps go 2 seasons. Hope this reply has helped. Please send a photo of the keel & I'm happy to elaborate. Where are you sailing?

Sincerely,

Wendy J. Goodwin

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Boats for Sale

Please refer to the website for the current listings

For Sale - \$4,500 Owner: Bruce Maffeo, Brooklyn, NY, 11215 Phone: 917-648-3899 e-mail: jbrucemaffeo@gmail.com Boat location: Port, Washington, NY Sail number: 966, Boat name: Applesauce Color: Deck: White, Topside: White, Boot Top: Navy, Hull: Blue Sails: 2 Main, Genoa, Working Jib all by Thurston in fair to good condition. Gear; Anchor, Boom rest, Cockpit cover, Pump, boat cushions, 4 life preservers, bumpers. Trailer; Make: Highland in fair condition Outboard bracket, Outboard Motor by Mercury, 3 1/2 HP, year 2012 in good condition.

For Sale - \$9,000 Owner: Blue Wheeler, Saunderstown, RI 02874 Phone: C 401-829-8542, e-mail: bluwheeler1@gmail.com Boat location: Saunderstown, RI Sail number: 859, hull number CAC00704D595, date mfg. 1995 Colors: Deck; cream, Top side; cream, Boot Top; black, Hull; jade green Sails: 2 main sails by Quantum in good condition, 2 working jibs by Quantum in good condition, 1 spinnaker by Quantum in good condition. Gear: spinnaker pole, boom vang, jib clutch, boom rest, outboard bracket, pump, cockpit cover in good condition. Trailer: Triad, year 1995, in good condition. Remarks: 5th at Nationals in 2013. Clean, ready to sail, black bottom paint.

For Sale - \$11,000 Owner: Richard P. Reeve, Fairhaven, MA Phone: cell 508-728-7826, E-mail: pcreeve@comcast.net Boat Location: Fairhaven, MA Colors: Deck, white, Topside: white, Boot top: white, Hull: white Hull number 1-88 date of mfg. 1988, Boat Name; Lark Sails: Sail number 811, Main sail by Quantum in good condition, Genoa by Thurston in good condition, Working Jib by quantum in good condition, Spinnaker by Thurston in good condition. Gear: Spinnaker pole, genoa tracks, boom vang, winches, jib club, anchor, boom rest, cockpit cover in good condition, outboard bracket, hand pump. Outboard Motor: Evinrude Yachtwin, 4 HP, year 1989, in good condition. Remarks: Includes 5 boat stands with blocks & chains, custom seat cushions, tiller extension, older mainsail and jib sheet, halyards and anchor with chain and line. Note: The 'Lark' previously was raced as part of the BYC Bullseye Fleet.

For Sale - \$3,000 CAN / \$2,400 US Owner: Mern O'Brien, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3P1P4, Canada Phone: cell 902-999-3537, e-mail: mernobrien@gmail.com Boat Location: Chester, Nova Scotia Sail number: 4, Boat Name: Dart, date mfg. C 1955 Colors: Deck white, Topside white, Hull Blue. Sails: Main by North Sails, Lunenburg in excellent condition, Working Jib by North Sails Lunenburg. Gear: boom vang, Winches, anchor, cockpit cover in excellent condition, pump. Remarks: Boat in very good condition, well maintained, ready to sail. See internet ad with pictures of boat on Kijiji.ca - under used sailboats.

For Sale - \$8,500 Owner: Bruce and Christine Thompson, Cotuit, MA 02635 Phone: H 508-420-1769, C 206-795-3975, e-mail: christinewthompson@comcast.net Boat location: Cotuit, MA Sail number: 909, Hull Number 5-2003, Date Mfg. 2003 Colors: Deck; light grey, Topside: White, Boot Top: Red, Hull: green Sails: Main by Quantum/Thurston in excellent condition, Working Jib by Quantum/Thurston in excellent condition. Gear: compass, anchor, boom rest, cockpit cover in excellent condition. Remarks: Wood seats with oiled finish, teak trim, removable hiking stick, swim ladder, porta-potty.

For Sale - \$4,000 Owner: Herreshoff Marine Museum, 1 Burnside Street, Bristol RI 02809 Phone : 617-529-5832, w.ylnn@herreshoff.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.

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Used Boats Wanted

Wanted to Buy - Any age, any condition considered. Trailer preferred, outboard preferred. Located close to Northern Michigan is best, but any location considered. Grandchildren have learned to sail on Lake Michigan in the summers! Ready to crew! Reasonable price around \$3,500. Please contact Tom Mackell tpmholdings@comcast.net 804-221-6100 mobile/text. Pictures helpful!

Sails for Sale

For Sale - \$700 Contact: mary Ellen Ambrosi, ort Chester, NY 10573. Email: metw424@gmail.com Phone: 914-937-7629 Sails were cut for bullseye#960 but were never used and never put n the boat. Main sail – red, jib- red with sail bag. Sail maker UK Halsey. Aid \$950. Sale rice \$700 includes shipping.

To List Your Bullseye for Sale

To list your Bullseye for sale, download and print the Bullseye For Sale Form PDF and mail it along with a \$25 check made out to the Bullseye Sailing Association to:

Conrad Lavigne, Boat Coordinator
34 Parker Street
Rockport, MA 01966

Email:
boatcoordinator@bullseyesailing.org

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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