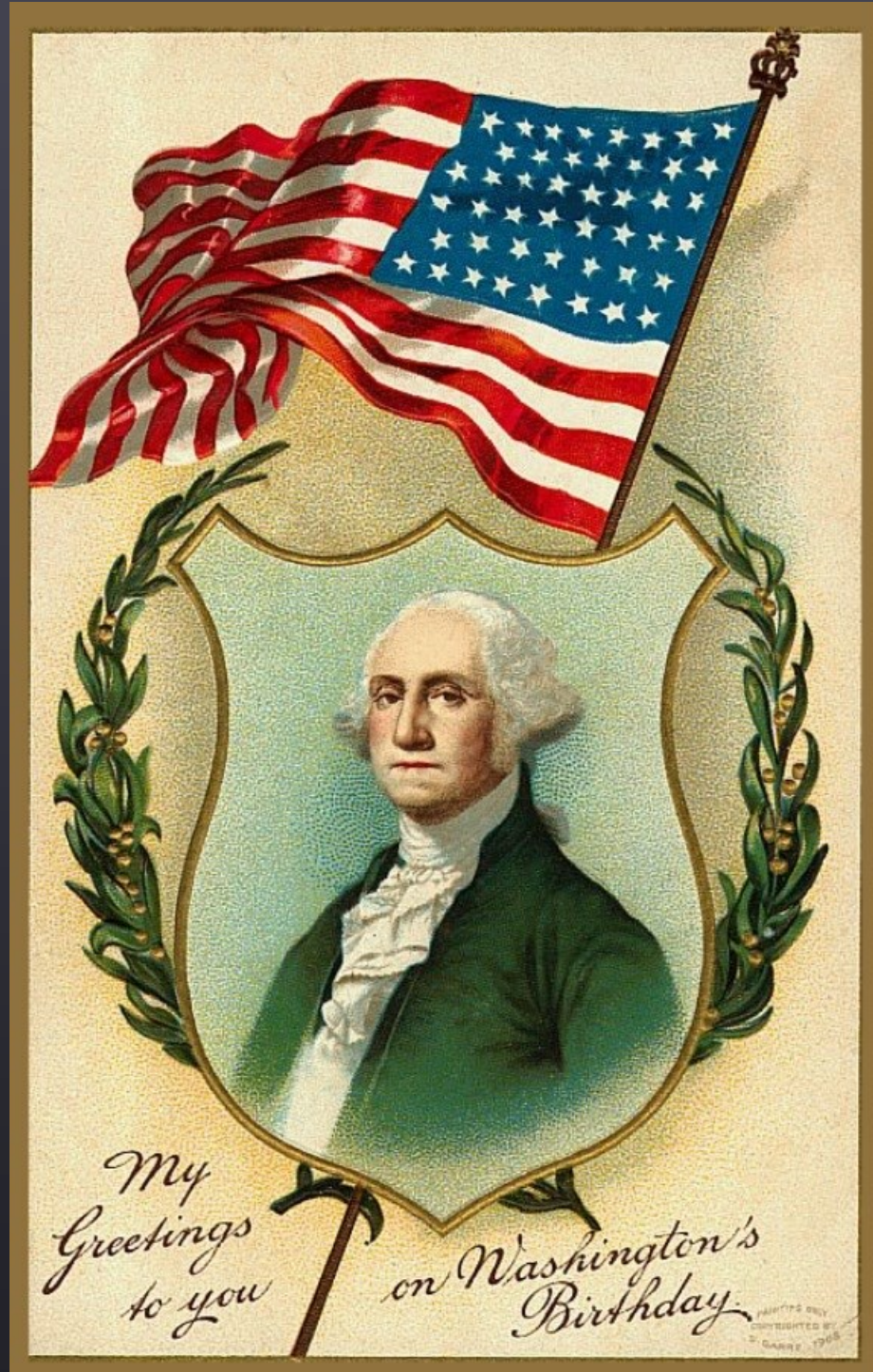


Lake Townsend Yacht Club

Tell Tales

FEBRUARY, 2022



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN

2023 Memberships Renewals Are Due

The Benefits of Membership

Competitive Fun Sailing

On the second Saturday of each month (March-October) we hold our regular LTYC race series. This is 'around the buoys' racing where courses are laid out and there is a Signal Boat (pontoon boat) which carries the Race Committee who administer the race. There are specific times set to attend an online competitors meeting prior to the race day and to have your boat at the starting area to race. Typically, there are three races run.

Social Fun Sailing

On the fourth weekend of each month (March-October) we have a Sail-abration! There is no set time or agenda. This weekend is for daysailing and cruising just for fun. Club members are there who may either invite you to go sailing on their boat or give you advice about sailing your boat or a rental. It's a good time to practice and improve your sailing or racing skills. Best way to learn is to be onboard with one of our experienced skippers.

Other Benefits

Seminars and training for beginning and intermediate sailors

Availability of club boats including one Lightning, two Flying Scots, two Wayfarers, and four Tanager 16s. All are ready for use, mast-up and on trailers. For more information, see the [club sail-boat usage policy, agreement, and reservations](#) in the Members' Cove.

You can join the Lake Townsend Yacht Club or [renew your existing membership](#) by clicking the button below.



New Membership

Membership Renewal

February "Snow Flake" Race

By Andy Forman

Racing at LTYC is off to a great start in 2023.

Despite the occasional minutes of light wind, February 11's Winter "**SnowFlake**" race day, the first racing of 2023, was excellent with brisk temperatures of 50 degrees, wind speeds around 5 to 7 mph and a competitive fleet of 9 boats competing in the club's Frostbite Winter series under **PRO Tom Bews** with Signal help from **John Russell** and **JC Aller** and mark-boat help from **Leigh Wulforst** with **Wendell Gundlach**, and **Conal Deedy** with **Richard Fadle**. Our new **Vice Commodore, Mark Wilson**, was also present at the skipper's meeting to be sure all went well.

The results are in and top honors for the day go to:

1st - **AnnMarie Covington** with **Eric Hakala**

2nd - **Phil Leonard** with **Cathy Leonard**

3rd - **Andy Forman** with **Dede Richardson**

Special mention also goes to **Evan Trudeau** with **Sun Kang** with a 4th place.

Also **Logan Hayes** with **John Spinoza** were in second place in their 420 at the end of the second race, but then retired from racing for the remainder of the day.

Full score details can be seen at Homeport/Racing/Race Series Scores/ or this link:

<https://laketownsendyachtclub.com/racing/RaceSeriesScores.asp>

The social afterwards was excellent with half subs and fixings organized by **Judi Matthews** and adult beverages provided by **Mark Wilson**.

Hope to see you all out on the water soon!

We'll need volunteers for cleanup and repair of our and Lake Townsend's fleet of dinghys. Please volunteer when you can.

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Jockeying for position during the starting sequence

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Preparing the committee boat for launch (some members have fun even when they're working)



Mark Green (with Dr. Ted as crew) rounding the upwind mark in the lead

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Minor rigging adjustments by AnnMarie and Erik between races



Important Reminder

Volunteers Needed

Don't all jump at once... but don't be bashful either.

Last year, LTYC taught 13 teenagers and 53 adults to sail, improved the racing skills of 16 sailors, and gave 6 people their very first sailing experience.

Last year we put on 19 different events and positively impacted 88 different people, but to make all this happen, **volunteers are critical**. Both instructors and safety boat support staff are needed.

Besides the revenue this generates for Lake Townsend Yacht Club, these efforts go a long way toward promoting sailing and boating safety in our community.

This year the club has planned:

4 Private Sailing Classes

Limit 2 students per class

1 Zoom session + 2 days on the water

2 Junior Sailing Classes

Limit 6 students per class

2 Zoom/in-person sessions + 4 days on the water.

6 Adult Beginner Sailing Classes

Limit 6 students per class

Combination of Zoom/in person instruction & 2 days on water

10 First Sail Experiences—**URGENT!!** These have all been sold and we need instructors.

1 – 2 students per class for 1 day on the water.

1 - Intermediate Adult Class

1 day shore-based instruction + 2 days on the water.

1 - Learn to Race Class

2 days shore-based instruction & 2 days on the Water

Sign up HERE or...

Contact [Ron Washburn via email](#) to see how you can help.

Youth Sailing Report

WAKE FORREST UNIVERSITY PARTNERS WITH LTYC!

It's official-the Wake Forrest University Sailing Team will begin practicing at Lake Townsend Yacht Club this month!

The LTYC Board first approved the move last year, and after negotiations with the city over the winter, practices were given the green light to begin this spring.



Our relationship will be unique. The WFU Sailing Team is an officially supported club sport at Wake, and has competed on the college circuit since 2018. The team competes against both club and varsity teams. They will continue to have their own officers and budget, supported by the University; but will also be integrated into our club. Its students will join LTYC as members, and the club will provide them with all they need to practice, including our high school fleet of C420s, the SCAT boats, racing equipment, and even volunteer coaching.

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After careful vetting by Wake Forrest, AnnMarie Covington, Steve Morris and Mark Hayes will coach the team at Lake Townsend. Practices are currently set for Tuesday afternoons in the spring and fall during the school semesters. The team will compete on weekends at college regattas. Many of the Wake students are very experienced racers, who grew up competing at their home clubs and on their high school teams around the country. College regattas are held in C420s or Flying Juniors, which are nearly identical. We are not anticipating any college regattas being held at Lake Townsend. Our high school team will continue to operate as before, and we are planning joint practices with both teams.

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Be sure to welcome our newest club members if you are at the club on Tuesday afternoons this spring!

And while I have your attention...
have a look at the new [Collegiate Sailing](#) page on the LTYC web site.



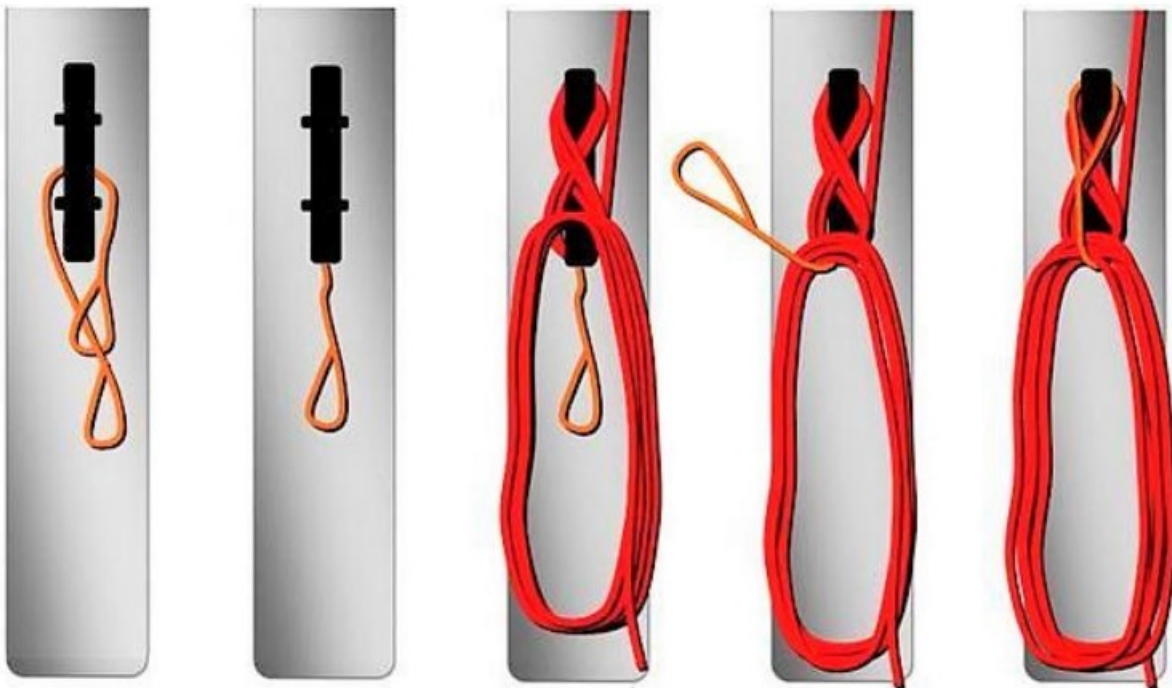
Tame Your Sail Halyards with This Magic Toggle

Captain John,

[Www.skippertips.com](http://www.skippertips.com)

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How can you keep long halyard tails and extra line organized? Sure, you might use the "twist and hope it stays on the cleat horn" finishing touch. But that can fall off when you sail heeled over in heavy weather. Follow these sailing tips to make any line work easier aboard your small sailboat.



Sail short-handed and lines can pile up like spaghetti dumped from a five-gallon barrel. Halyard tails are the longest lines at the mast that need to be contained. But they also need to be ready to cast off in a jiffy for trim adjustments, reefing, hoisting or hauling down the sail. The more common method will be to coil the tail and drape a twisted bite over the top cleat horn. And hope for the best!

Slippery halyards built of high-tech material can work their way off the top horn. I've seen this happen more than once. I get in a hurry, make up the tail, return to the cockpit. A while later the loop slides off the cleat horn.

The halyard slides downhill to leeward and spills over the side. Now you have to go forward to the mast again to start all over. Cut this nonsense off at the pass. Install small diameter rope toggles at the mast to contain halyard tails. You can use variations of this super quick technique anywhere aboard your boat. Follow the basic steps below.

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Cut nine inches (or a length suitable for your boat) of small diameter line. Form an eye at each end. Push one eye beneath the cleat and between the two cleat legs. Thread the other eye through the first to anchor the toggle to the lower cleat leg (first illustration--toggle length exaggerated for clarity). Pull tight to remove all slack (second illustration).

Make up the halyard as you always do with figure eights on the cleat. Coil the excess tail and hold it in your non-dominant hand (third illustration). Reach through the coil and pull the eye of the toggle through the coil (fourth illustration).

Drape the toggle eye over the top cleat horn (fifth illustration). That's it; you're done! Now, your coil will be ready to cast off in an instant for trimming, hoisting, hauling down or reefing.

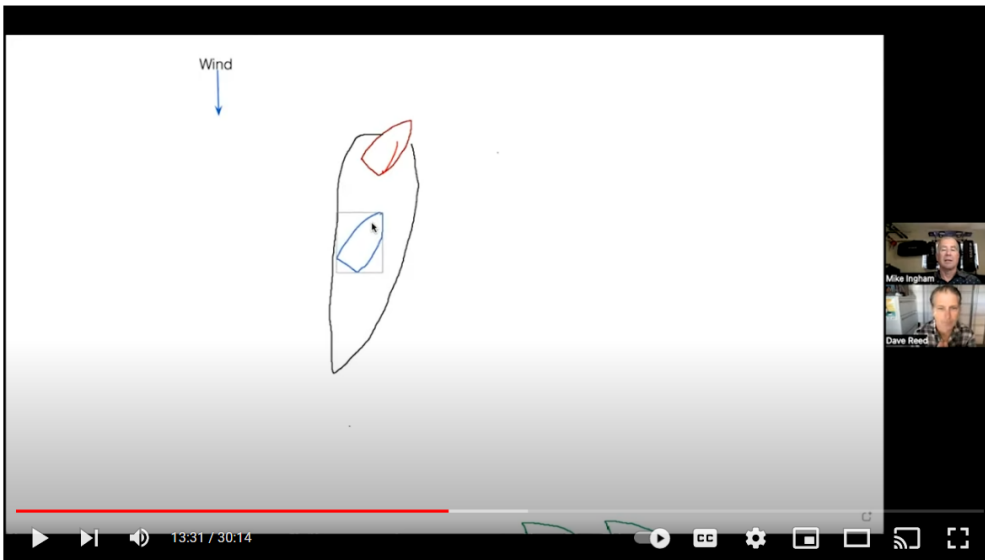
Reverse the process to release the coil from the toggle. Hold the coil. Pull the toggle up and off the upper cleat leg and drop the toggle. It'll stay in place, ready in an instant for the next time you need it. And, you can remove it anytime for replacement when it wears out. Use simple sailing tips like these to make sail handling faster and easier--wherever you choose to sail or cruise!

Racing Tactics (videos)

from: **Sailing World**
Courtesy **YouTube**

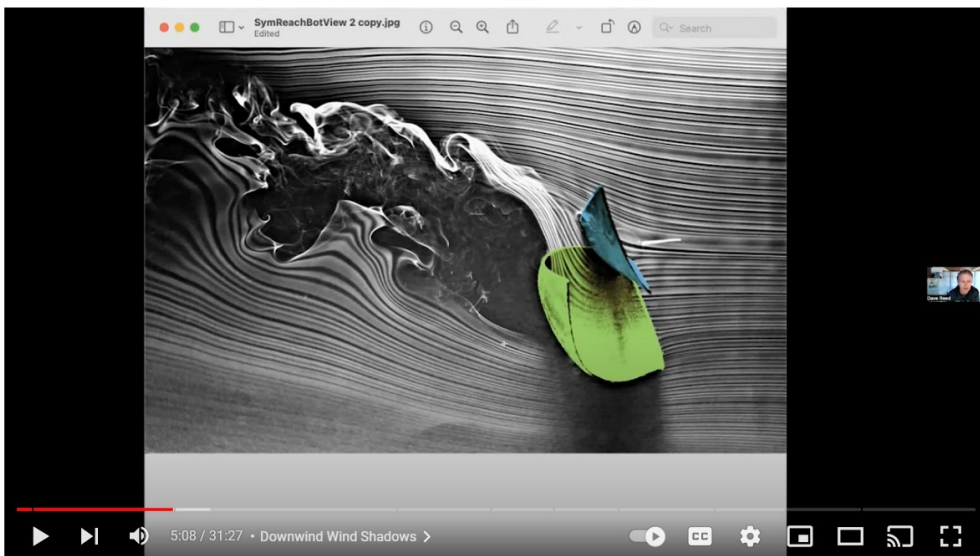
Sailboat Racing Tips: Sailboat Racing Tips: [How to Position for Windshadows](#) (CTRL-Click to play in new window)

Sailing World Racing Editor Mike Ingham explains the tactics and strategies around windshadows when racing upwind.



Sailboat Racing Tips: [Downwind Wind Shadows Explained](#) (CTRL-Click to play in new window)

Sailing World Racing Editor Mike Ingham explains how to manage wind shadows of other boats on downwind or reaching legs of the racecourse



Wayfarer Midwinters

Lake Eustis FL * February 3-5, 2023



A contingent of Wayfarers from LTYC competed in the 2022-23 Wayfarer Midwinters on February 3rd through the 5th, at Lake Eustis Sailing Club in Florida.

The regatta attracted a fleet of 21 Wayfarers from as far north as Canada and as far south as Florida.

Two races were completed on each of the three days with mostly warm and sunny weather... And GREAT wind!!



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This year, Jim Cook and Mike Taylor of Catawba Yacht Club successfully defended the 2023 Midwinter championship, winning 6 out of 6 races of the regatta. In fact, they were forced to throw out one of those six races, as the 6 race regatta provided for one throw out and their worst place was... a first place finish!



Do they seem to be gloating just a little? Deservedly so. Congratulations Jim and Mike.

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LTYC Performance in the 2023 Wayfarer Mid-Winters

Note: AnnMarie and Ali each scored a total of 33 points, but AnnMarie was awarded 6th place overall because she had the best individual race finish



Lake Townsend's AnnMarie Covington and Gareth Ferguson placed 6th overall

Lake Townsend's Ali Kishbaugh and Mike Sigmund placed 7th overall



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Lake Townsend's Jim Heffernan, with son Mark placed 9th overall

Lake Townsend's Uwe Heine and his wife, Nancy Collins finished 12th overall



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Lake Townsend's
Andy Forman and Sd
Hale finished 13th
overall

Lake Townsend's
Marie-Lyne Lavoie with crew
Phil Leonard placed 14th
overall



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Of the 21 boats registered to compete, only 14 completed the 5 races required to be scored. **ALL** of Lake Townsend Yacht Club's competitors completed the requisite number of races.

Official scores:

Sailed: 6, Discards: 1, To count: 5, Entries: 14, Scoring system: Appendix A											
Rank	SailNo	Helm/Crew	Club	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total	Nett
1	10873	Jim Cook/Mike Taylor	Catawba YC	(1)	1	1	1	1	1	6	5
2	11158	Peggy Menzies/Chris McGrane	Michigan SC	3	2	(4)	3	3	2	17	13
3	971	Paul & Dawn Miller	Mystic River Mudheads SA	6	3	3	2	(7)	5	26	19
4	11222	David & Anne Pugh	Mississauga SC	2	(RET)	2	7	12	9	47	32
5	10864	Beatriz Newland/Grace Moring	LESC	8	5	7	(9)	4	8	41	32
6	11134	AnnMarie Covington/Gareth Ferguson	Lake Townsend YC	10	4	11	(RET)	2	6	48	33
7	11137	Ali Kishbaugh/Mike Sigmund	Lake Townsend YC	5	9	5	8	6	(11)	44	33
8	11336	Richard Johnson/Michele Parish	Oriental Dinghy Club	4	7	8	5	(10)	10	44	34
9	8705	Jim & Mark Heffernan	Lake Townsend YC	(14)	11	6	11	5	4	51	37
10	11344	Craig Yates/Rob Krentel	LESC	9	(10)	10	6	9	7	51	41
11	3854	Al Schonborn/Mike Codd/Pat Kuntz	Mystic River Mudheads SA	7	8	(DNC)	4	11	12	57	42
12	11338	Uwe Heine/Nancy Collins	Lake Townsend YC	13	12	9	(RET)	8	3	60	45
13	10888	Andy Forman/Sid Hale	Lake Townsend YC	12	6	12	12	(13)	13	68	55
14	11340	Marie-Lyne Lavoie/Phil Leonard	Lake Townsend YC	11	13	13	10	(14)	14	75	61

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Photos for the Wayfarer Mid-Winters were provided by John Cole and Uncle Al Schonborn. All photos (copious amounts) can be seen here

[2023 Midwinters index page \(wayfarer-canada.org\)](http://wayfarer-canada.org)

Today < > March 2023							Month	L
MON 27	TUE 28	WED Mar 1	THU 2	FRI 3	SAT 4	SUN 5		
	● 3:45pm WFU Team Practice		● 7pm Board Meeting		C420 Cleanup HSST - LTYC			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	March Madness Races - LTYC	Rental Fleet Inspection Day -
13	● 3:45pm WFU Team Practice	15	16	17	18	19	St. Patrick's Day	HSST North Points#7 (Wrightsville Beach) Cleanup Day - LTYC ● 9:30am HSST Practice-LTYC
20	● 3:45pm WFU Team Practice	22	23	24	25	26		
27	● 3:45pm WFU Team Practice	29	30	31	Apr 1	2	● 9:30am HSST Practice-LTYC	

Today < > April 2023							Month	L
MON 27	TUE 28	WED 29	THU 30	FRI 31	SAT Apr 1	SUN 2		
	● 3:45pm WFU Team Practice				● 9:30am HSST Practice-LTYC			
3	● 3:45pm WFU Team Practice	5	● 7pm Board Meeting	7	8	9	Miss Piggy Regatta - LTYC	CSC-LTYC Interclub Regatta
10	● 3:45pm WFU Team Practice	12	13	14	15	16	● 9:30am HSST Practice-LTYC	
17	● 3:45pm WFU Team Practice	19	20	21	22	23	Opening Day (Fowl Regatta) - Social Sailing - LTYC ● 9:30am HSST Practice-LTYC	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	● 9:30am HSST Practice-LTYC	● 12pm Lake Townsend Op

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Next newsletter deadline: March 19, 2023

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You don't have to be a board member to help out. Everything this club does is done by volunteers. Please contact the individual board members to see how you can contribute.

Thanks for making LTYC the best!

Board meetings are open to all members. They are held virtually, via, Zoom the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.