

# Lake Townsend Yacht Club

# Tell Tales



LTYC'S LETS GO SAILING INTRODUCES THE JOY OF SAILING!



## Upcoming Events

May 25  
May 31  
May – August  
Every 4th Sat.

Pirate Regatta  
42nd LTYC Mayor's Cup  
Junior & Adult Learn To Sail Classes  
Social Sails

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# 42nd Annual LTYC Mayor's Cup

**Fast approaching! The 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mayor's Cup Regatta, June 1-2, second regatta of the Carolina Series!**

Have you registered yet for the 2019 Mayor's Cup? We had 37 boats on the starting line in 2018, and we're hoping to have even more in 2019. Expected classes include: Flying Scot, Wayfarer, Laser, Tanzer 16 and more. Register by May 24 to receive the \$10 early registration discount, and note that T-shirt orders are due by May 22.

And, whether you are racing in the Mayor's Cup or not, everyone is also welcome to join us late Friday afternoon, 4-6 pm, for a racing strategy seminar led by Mayor's Cup 2018 winner (Uncle) Al Schonborn. Find links to Uncle Al's topics for the seminar on the Lake Townsend website through the Mayor's Cup link. We'll pass the hat for a pizza dinner to be held at the Shelter immediately after Al's seminar. Rumor has it that several musically-inclined members will bring out their guitars for a sing along. Come join us!

## 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual LTYC Mayor's Cup

**May 31 - June 2, 2019  
Lake Townsend Yacht Club  
Greensboro, NC**

### NOTICE OF RACE

Lake Townsend Yacht Club, Greensboro, NC and Greensboro Parks and Recreation invite you to the 2019 Mayor's Cup Regatta located on Lake Townsend. Lake Townsend is a gem of a lake with minimal motorboat traffic and a great venue for the social events that accompany the regatta. Come join the fun!

For complete information use this link : <http://laketownsendyachtclub.com/racing/MayorsCup.asp>

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Nancy Torkewitz shares this story about Uncle Al Schonborn, our speaker for the Race Seminar on Friday night prior to the Mayor's Cup.

Robert (Bouknight) and I were at a Flying Scot regatta at Lake Norman this weekend (the annual Great Scot regatta), talking up the Mayor's Cup. I was showing our MC website to the regatta chair Sean O'Donnell, and when he saw the photo with all the Wayfarers, he said "Hey, have you ever heard of this guy called Uncle Al Schonborn?"

Then he went on to tell me that when he was first learning sailing, he found Al's website and used it as his Bible. I played dumb while he showed me Al's website and told me how much he'd learned from it and how much he uses it when teaching others (BTW, Sean is now one the most active FS sailors in the Carolinas district and is the Executive Director of the Community Sailing Center at Lake Norman, see <https://www.lnsailing.org/Default.aspx?tabid=597441>). He said he learned more about the Rules of Racing from Al's website than any other source.

Then I quietly pointed to the announcement about Al's seminar on Friday night. Sean was SO EXCITED at the thought of meeting one of his idols! And he's definitely coming to race in the MC because he knew it was part of the NC Series.

Fun, huh?

Nancy

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**Sailors,**

**It's that time again! Winter winds have given way to warm breezes. You can connect with the wind, water and friends in the great outdoors again! Don't forget to renew your LTYC membership! Make a point to bring friends and get more boats involved this year.**

**Thanks,**

**Cathy Leonard**



## *A Note from the Commodore*

What awesome volunteers you are! On Thursday, April 25 we had 18 sailors come to the lake to take inner-city kids sailing. It was a beautiful day and the wind was perfect. Kids who may have never had the opportunity to sail experienced a long sailboat ride and were shown STEM demonstrations. It was a feel good-day for our volunteers and a happy day for what started out as nervous kids. LTYC even received the Volunteer of the Month award from the Parks and Recreation Department for hosting this event! Congrats to every volunteer!

Our Let's Go Sailing event on April 27 was a huge success. Many thanks to Gail Walters, Joleen Rasmussen, Cathy Leonard, Nancy Torkewitz and so many others who helped out! Tom Bews as always (cleaning up), was hosing the goose poop off the docks before many people arrived. So many skippers and two safety boat crews showed up and we took a record number (~130) sailing. It was gusty but everyone really had lots of fun.

We're doing something different in the hope of getting more of our members involved and aware of what your board of directors does. The next board meeting will be held on June 6 at 6:30 at Shelter 10. There will be light hors d'oeuvres, snacks and beverages available. If you'd like to contribute a snack or drink it would be much appreciated. Please join us and see what goes on behind the scenes. We actually have fun as well as accomplish a thing or two.

Two more community outreach opportunities are coming up: The P&R Extreme Teen Camps will be held on June 26 and July 24. These are both on Wednesdays so the lake will be open just for this. We need skippers and SCAT boat drivers for both events. Scratch sheets have been created for both so please sign up at your earliest convenience. Thank You!

<http://laketownsendyachtclub.com/activities/SignUp.asp?gid=1893857537>

The next big regatta is the 42nd Mayor's Cup on June 1 & 2. An added bonus is a seminar by Uncle Al Schonborn, who won the MC last year. It will be held Friday, May 31 and we will determine where it will be held once we have a better idea of how many of you are coming. Please sign up on the scratch sheet.

<http://laketownsendyachtclub.com/activities/SignUp.asp?gid=1893857537>

Uncle Al's topics include "It's All in your Mind," "What the Beginner Needs to Know about the Racing Rules," and "Definitions Illustrated and Explained." The link to download these pages is on the Mayor's Cup page on our website. This seminar is for all classes of boats (not just Wayfarers).

We still need instructors and assistants for our Learn to Sail classes. Please sign up for a day or two or if you can, the whole week. You'll be amazed how much you'll learn just by helping.

Again a BIG Thank You to the volunteers who make our club so great!

See you on the water.  
Trish McDermott

# Lets Go Sailing

April 25, 2019

What a rip roaring success! Great weather and we had wind! 45 volunteers sailed 130 guest, the most successful Lets Go Sailing ever!!!! Demonstrations were set up for knot tying, washers afloat, blocks and weight and the High School boat. A&T University had a STEM display area.



Trish McDermott-Commodore  
Marcia Williams-NCA&T



Gail Walters Event Organizer  
Extrodinaire



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<b>CAPTAINS</b>	<b>CREW</b>	<b>BOATS</b>
David Bezanson		Club TZ
Hudson Barker	Tom Bodo, Caleb	FS
Tom Bews		FS
Mark Critzer		Weta
George Enell	Various	Club TZ
Andy Forman		WF
Starling Gunn	Ken Butler	Club Scot Argo
Steve Morris	Roger Bates	FS
Caroline Sherman		Club TZ
Keith Smoot	Marty, George	WF
Alan Taylor		Club TZ
Frans van Zeeland		Club TZ
Bill Young		Club TZ

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Registration Dawn–Michelle Oliver (Sailors to read and sign waivers and then stamp hand) Elizabeth Bonnell

Life Jackets–Richard Fadle & Others

Boat Assignment–Joleen Rasmussen

Heading Out/Welcome Back–Nancy Torkewitz

Dock Hands–Phil Leonard, John Russell, Many, David Bezanson, Gail Walters, Kraig Butler

High School Boat–Stephanie Taylor, Nino Criscuolo

NC A&T–Donald McCoy, Marcia Williams

Knots etc.–Linda Heffernan

Hot Dogs–Cathy Leonard, Julie Feldkamp

Food Supplies & Money–Gail Walters

Sheet-er-in Block & WGT Knots–Eric&Phil set up

Block&Tackle Demo–John Russell

Washers Afloat–Scott Bogue–Buoyancy Demo

Scat 1–Jim Heffernan, Jason Reiner Scat 2–Brad Earle, Eric Rasmussen (Also Photography)

## Youth Services Day a huge success!

April 25<sup>th</sup> marked the Youth Services day sponsored by the Greensboro Parks & Rec. Department. Eighteen youth experienced the joy of sailing for their first time. Your Lake Townsend Yacht Club, true to its reputation, had many members volunteer their time and sailboats to provide free sailboat rides. In addition the 18 youth interacted with exhibitions of how Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) play a part in sailing. Many exclamations of Whoo, Wow, Really and Are you kidding me were heard as eyes were opened to the world of learning present in the realm of sailing. Both youth and members ended the day with a warm glow in their heart!



AnnMarie Captains an enthusiast crew! Sailors never looked more at home!



Starlin Gunn, long time LTYC member, captains a boat with crew Britt Huggins with Sponsor Greensboro Parks & Rec. (Left) and LTYC crew Robert Uzzle.

Starling stated he needed a sailing fix while Robert said he learned a thing or two from Starling's skill & experience!

## April 20 Annual Work Day “Got ‘Er Done”!

By Scott Bogue

Every year, LTYC holds a Work Day to get three powerboats, 10 Club sailboats, and 17 City sailboats ready for classes, outreach events, rentals, and racing. If you have a boat, you know it's a BIG task!

The weather wasn't particularly friendly, with temperatures in the 50s, broken clouds, and a sturdy but shifty breeze. In a word, it was chilly, especially for the power washer operators. They got wet, there was no avoiding it.

Thanks to the willingness, resourcefulness, initiative, and teamwork of 17 adult sailors and four members of the High School Sailing Team, much more was accomplished than even the admittedly ambitious original plan, which was to wash down all of the Club boats and City sailboats, both inside and outside, get the Capri rudders and Aqua Finn tillers installed, and get the Aqua Finns and Sunfish turned right side up.

Everyone did his or her part, and then some, but I'd like to mention Eric and Joleen Rasmussen and Phil and Cathy Leonard, who (with willing help, and without being asked) also took on the additional tasks of repairing multiple Club boat covers, inventorying/reviewing the City boat sails and spars, and reviewing the Club boat sails, lines, and rigging for completeness and condition.

Also worthy of individual mention are the power washer operators (again, think cold and wet): Derek Robinson, Steve Morris, JC Aller, and Keith Smoot.

And last but hardly least, George Enell, who was feeling bad, but made good on his promise to bring a cooler of drinks and a bag of snacks.

Pepi Stahlmann(L)  
and Robert Bouknight  
wash down the Capris  
and attach the rudders  
and tillers.



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Eric Rasmussen(L) and Cathy Leonard work on Club boat sails and covers.



Otto Afandor totes a bunch of "stuff" for review, repair, recycle, or discard.



JC Aller (L) and Steve Morris took the Club boats from green and grubby to sparkling clean.

Joleen Rasmussen (L) and Cathy Leonard work through a mountain of Club boat sails



Photos by Otto Afandor and Robert Uzzle

# High School Sailing Team Report

By Mark Hayes

The High School Sailing Team has been busy! After taking delivery of our new C420s late last year we have been learning to sail them competitively. Like the rest of the club, the weather has been iffy for us this spring. In fact, we were told after checking into our hotels in Norfolk that an invitational regatta we were attending was cancelled! But we are planning for a big May, with plans to race our C420s in the May regatta at Townsend and another invitational against Research Triangle Park High School Sailing Team in Raleigh on May 18, before wrapping up our spring season at the Mayor's Cup.

We wish to give a big THANK YOU to all those who have helped us, including volunteering to drive the coach boat for our practices and for loaning us trailers for our boats!

Please follow us on Instagram at [lycsailingteam](https://www.instagram.com/lycsailingteam), and of course, on facebook at [www.facebook.com/laketownendyachtclub/](https://www.facebook.com/laketownendyachtclub/)



**Soap + water + enthusiasm = clean boats!**



**Getting in a little early practice.**

# High School Sailing Team

## Spring 2019 LTYC High School Sailing Team Schedule

- Weekly Practices: (Total of 16 practices) Mondays: 5 pm to 7 pm (10 practices) Saturdays: 9 am to 12 noon (6 practices)
- Regattas designated by \* (2 away, 2 home; with options for additional)
- No practice over Memorial Day Weekend, May 25-27

### **Remainder of Spring Season**

May 18: Away Regatta RTP/LTYC Invitational—Lake Crabtree, Raleigh, NC\*

May 20: Last Scheduled Practice

June 1-2: Home Regatta LTYC Mayor's Cup\* (Last event of season)

**Let's Go Sailing!**

# May Day Regatta

May 11, 2019

By Stephanie Taylor, US Sailing Race Officer

You never know what the day holds until you are in that moment. Saturday, May 11 was LTYC racing day with a perfect SSW wind direction running the length of the lake. Fourteen boats were rigged and ready to race.

My goal was to get in as many races before the predicted weather front hit. Race Committee had no time to rest as the weather mark and offset were reset prior to the last boat finishing each race and the pin quickly moved back out. No dilly-dallying. Turtles get out of the way! The hares were taking over. The fleet barely had a few minutes in between each race before the sequence was started again.

Light rain fell as race one and two were set up as a short WD and winds held around five to six knots. Before race three, the winds built to a steady eight to ten knots. We took advantage of the lake length and extended the course by football fields and changed to WD2 with a leeward gate. Knowing before we started that anything could happen, I had already prepared for a high probability that a change of course or shortened course would be needed. As the rain continued to drop, so did the wind. I alerted Race Committee to pull out their supplies in preparation of a change. Plan one was to put in a change mark. Another obstacle: none of the the Race Committee boats had an extra mark. Plan two was to change the course by moving the weather mark in much closer. Since the Club does not have a + or - sign, we drew a minus sign on a piece of paper and slid it in a plastic folder for protection from the rain. Unfortunately, the fleet was too spread out for this to be executed. The final plan was to shorten the course and finish early. The rule book was pulled out to verify that we could finish at the leeward gate. Kids, never leave your rule book at home! This plan was quickly executed and everyone finished correctly except one boat. Lesson learned! Pay attention to the flags and horns.

Three races were completed as the light rain continued. Mission accomplished! Most of the sailors had their boats put away before the deluge came. At this point though, they were already wet. Rounding out the day was a debrief and festivities at the shelter.

The racing leads varied with AnnMarie Covington taking race one and Jim Heffernan race two. Although Tom Bews had a bad start, he got gifted clear air, sailed smart and crossed the finish line first in the final race of the day. A special mention to High School Sailing Team Skipper Logan Hayes and his various crew of Emma and Jack McArthur for beating a number of faster boats time for time.

Don't let the weather forecast scare you away. Anything can happen at the lake, even when it's cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms.

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L to R Jack McArthur and Joseph Carbone "working hard" on the Signal Boat.



Eric and Joleen not taking pictures or working on signal boat!



Saturdays race scores are now posted on the website. FYI, Logan,, Jack and Emma earned first place on adjusted time, in the second race against ALL competitors. This dynamic trio were only 1 minute, 29 seconds behind the boat that crossed the finish line first.



Photos by Alan Taylor, Mark Hayes, and George Bageant

## OF IMMEDIATE INTEREST

Remember that qualified members may use Club boats at no charge. Here's what to do:

- Go to LTYC home page, laketown-sendyachtclub.com
- Scroll down to Scratch Sheet: Participation Signup. Click.
- Go to the headings at the bottom of the page.
- Scroll right or left to "2016-19 Club Boat Usage."
- First time? Check Usage Policy and follow instructions.
- Scroll down to 2019 and fill in the blanks.
- Club event? There's no launch fee!
- Not a club event? Pay lake launch fee or check in if you have a season pass.
- Go sailing!



**LTYC members launch free  
on Club event days!**

All other times:

- Pay the regular lake launch fee.
- If you have a season pass, just check in.

**Bring Your PFD**



This year you will **NOT** be able to borrow a PFD from the Marina office (policy change!)

Be sure to bring one for yourself and one for your crew or guest(s).

# Want to learn more about sailing?

## Here's how to get a crew spot.

Crewing for an experienced sailor is the best way to learn. You can crew during races held on the second (full weekend) Saturday of the month, on Sailing Savvy Sundays, or during our Social Sails, held on the fourth Saturday of each month April through September.

Here's how you do it: go to [www.laketownsendyachtclub.com](http://www.laketownsendyachtclub.com) and click on Scratch Sheet: Participation Signup. Find the race date at the bottom and click on it. Scroll down to the green section titled "Available to Crew" and put your name and phone number and/or email in there.

Another way to get a crew spot is to show up on a race day, Sailing Savvy Sunday, or Social Sailing day. Come to the skippers' meeting, usually held at 11 a.m. and tell the group that you'd like to crew.

Name: Available to Crew	Contact Info	Come out early for an 11:00 participants meeting. Boat rigging tends to start around 9:30.	

### A Quick Look at Some of the Benefits of Your Membership:

- \* Monthly newsletter
- \* Make new friends
- \* Great food and adult beverages after sailing
  - \* Mentors available to help you
- \* Free use of city sailboats during LTYC events
  - \* Free use of club sailboats
- \* Free boat launching during club events
  - \* Continuing education programs
  - \* Yacht club reciprocity

## Lake Townsend Yacht Club Board

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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 the first Thursday of each month at 6:00. Watch for location!**



**Please Like LTYC on facebook**

- Check in at LTYC on facebook
  - Tag us
- Write an endorsement for LTYC
- Like LTYC on the "Like" page
- Post a review of LTYC on FB
- If you need help to post pictures or a video on our page, please contact JC Aller at [aller.jc@gmail.com](mailto:aller.jc@gmail.com)

**Next newsletter deadline: May 10, 2019**

## Buy - Sell - Want to Buy

Boats-Equipment-Accessories – Ads run for 3 months. If not renewed by the seller, they are deleted.

newsletter@laketownsendyachtclub.com

### 1979 Boston Whaler Harpoon 4.6 Sailboat \$2300.00 firm

Includes 1984 Long heavy duty trailer which has buddy bearings, new winch, new tongue jack with wheel, spare tire. One year old Sailor's Tailor boat cover can be used with mast up or down. Sails include main and jib.

New main sheet ratchet block and cam cleats. Motor mount on boat stern.

In the past, this was the US Sailing training boat for new sailors. Very easy to sail and comfortable for a parent and children.

Contact Stephanie Taylor at (336) 209-0328 for additional information. 4/19

### WAYFARER 16 MARK I - MAHOGANY/FIBERGLASS HYBRID, SAIL # 2324 (\$3500)

"The Beedlebaum", a 1972 Wayfarer 16 Hybrid, has upper works, centerboard and rudder of mahogany and a spruce mast. The boom is anodized aluminum and her hull is full fiberglass. The mainsail and genoa are like-new North Sails, with reefing points, very lightly used. It comes with a 2002 Load-Rite bunk-type trailer with working lights, equipped with 12" X 4" tires. A canvas twill tent cover by Hans Gottschling is included. The sale also includes fenders, PFDs, extra lines and parts, shrouds, an anchor, and an older working set of sails with storm jib and a spinnaker with pole, sheets and hardware. The foredeck was refinished two years ago; there are some spots of blistered varnish here and there that will require routine maintenance.

The boat is ready to sail. I have the full documentary trail for the boat through the years, including the original owner's manual! A move to landlocked Texas means that she deserves another family who can appreciate and create new memories with her.

Please contact Bryan Giemza - bgiemza@gmail.com - (919) 418 0761 for photos and to ask questions. Thanks!