



Hoping For a Happy New (Sailing) Year

The 2021 CRSA officers are looking forward to a more normal year, although last year was not as much of a disaster as feared. Youth Sailing, ASA Certified Sailing and regattas were among highly successful activities done in a Covid-safe manner. A special thanks to members who worked hard on each. Socials and our awards banquet were Covid Casualties that hopefully can come back this year.

Details on some upcoming events will be in the MainSHEET, on our website caverunsailing.org, on Facebook and in email blasts. Look for them. Stay safe, wear your mask, keep social distancing, get your vaccine if you can and hope for the best.

CRSA Continues the 2020-2021 Winter Seminar Series

Still tired of Covid, quarantines, nostril swabs, limited outside entertainment? This winter CRSA is continuing to offer free Zoom virtual seminars on various topics of sailing interest. What do you need to know when buying a boat or making a boom cover? How about tips on going fast in slow conditions? These seminars are for both young beginners and old salts alike.

Take another break from everyday life - re-enter the sailing world! Mark your calendars now. All seminars are still on the second **Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm**, and free! Each winter series seminar will be described individually with links on facebook and email blasts sent to all CRSA members prior to the events. This series was the brain-child of former and long term **Commodore Valerie Askren** who had help from CRSA members suggesting speakers and arranging Zoom meetings. The first program on sail trim by Greg Fisher was a tremendous success with over 50 attendees.

“Sewing for Sailing” with Lyn Lewis Wednesday Jan. 13, 2021, 7 PM

Join us for our next Winter Seminar, Wednesday Jan. 13, 2021 @ 7 pm: “Sewing for Sailing” by **Lyn Lewis**. Lyn and her husband Rich are long time CRSA members and former liveaboards on their 42' Valiant, *Fellowship*. The sewing machine earned its space on board for numerous projects including a mainsail cover, sail bags, binnacle and winch covers, a full boat sun awning, cushions, sail repair and chafe protection, and more. Lyn will talk about fabrics, thread, materials, tools, resources, and a few techniques. Free to all sailors of ill repute and their mates! Zoom information to follow.



Tahiti Trip Has Openings

CRSA Cruise Director Merritt Wade is looking at adding a fourth boat to the three already reserved for the CRSA Tahiti Cruise for June 23 to June 30, 2021. The fourth boat will be a mono hull thru Dream Yacht Charters. It is a Sun Odessey 449 with 4 cabins and two heads. CRSA currently has a Captain for this boat and is looking for sailing crew members. The cost for this boat is \$900.00 per person based on two persons per cabin. If you are interested send, or bring to Merritt, a deposit check for \$500 per person (double occupancy) or \$1000 for single occupancy. If Merritt is unable to get the boat reserved, the deposit will be refunded. Contact Merritt as soon as possible through email at merritt.wade@live.com. His cell is 859-619-4490.



CRSA Members Qualify for Discounts on Boats Chartered Thru Dream Yacht Charters

CRSA Cruise Director Merritt Wade has worked out an arrangement with Dream Yacht Charters to give CRSA members a discount on boat charters. If you are interested please check with Merritt for details at merritt.wade@live.com. This is yet ANOTHER benefit of CRSA membership.

Future Winter Seminar Series Programs

CRSA has two additional Winter Seminar Series programs scheduled for 2021. These are in addition to the January 13th program by Lyn Lewis described on the cover page of this issue of the MainSHEET.

“Boat Selection, Maintenance, and Budgeting” with Marc Crutcher Wednesday Feb. 10, 2021 7 PM

Marc is the owner of Unbridled Sailing, based out of Louisville, KY, a full service stop for sailing needs, including: sails, rigging, instruction, and project management. CRSA member Cliff Hynniman is familiar with Marc from sailing at Kentucky Lake. He commented that whenever Marc is in a race he finishes first. Guess Marc really knows what he is talking about.

“All About Sails” with Joey Waters Wednesday Mar. 10, 2021 7 PM

Owner of Waters Sails, Joey has 45 years of sailing experience including being a member of the Citadel Sailing Team, and multiple national and mid-winters championships in the Y-Flyer, Catalina 22, Capri 22, and Raider Sports and JY 15.

CRSA Gets YouTube Channel See Greg Fisher’s Winter Seminar

CRSA now has a YouTube channel for viewing special events. The first Winter Seminar Series program from Greg Fisher is now up. Addresses are below:

CRSA YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2jRJzihud43IzIVrU-5TsA>

Youtube link to Greg's video:

<https://youtu.be/y-hXHdz8MS4>

Interested in Radio Controlled Sail Boats?

Here is another notice. CRSA has at least four members who have purchased radio-controlled sailboats and plan to sail them this spring. That probably means racing. If you are interested contact CRSA Secretary Ken Ruhl at secretary@caverunsailing.org.

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2. conducting sailing education classes,
3. providing a forum for good will and social activities among those interested in sailing and
4. participating in charitable and community service activities.

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