

WYCSEF Newsletter

WIANNO YACHT CLUB SAILING EDUCATION FOUNDATION • FALL 2020

Welcome, Wendy!



Wendy Lajava Johnson has been elected to the Board of WYCSEF. Wendy grew up in Centerville and learned to sail at Wequaquet Lake Yacht Club. She went on to become WLYC's first female Commodore!

Wendy has taught and coached sailing at WLYC, Waquoit Bay, Hyannis YC, Wianno Yacht Club and at Barnstable High. She is a graduate of Providence College and was a member of their sailing team for four years. She is a certified US Sailing Instructor and a US Sailing Level I instructor trainer. She has recently been certified as "Club Race Officer" by US Sailing.

Wendy lives in Centerville and has two teenage daughters who share her love of sailing. She teaches mathematics at Barnstable High School and works for an online education company, 3P Learning.

We are thrilled to welcome Wendy to the Board of the WYC Sailing Education Foundation!

2020 in Review:

"Has this dumpster fire gone out yet?"

Remember the good ol' days when four kids and an instructor would hop on a boat and go sailing? In the summer of 2020 a few Cape Cod sailing programs offered scaled back instruction, but many, like Cotuit Mosquito and WYC, only offered private lessons.

For our part, WYCSEF was able to conduct a successful virtual fundraiser that raised \$7,800. This "Shark Night" presentation on July 23rd featured the world renowned expert Greg Skomal.

WYCSEF funds are used to amortize the mortgage on the property at 101 Bridge Street, pay for maintenance and storage of donated boats, distribute grants to sailing programs around the region and individual sailing-related scholarships.

This year we have provided financial grants to the Buzzards Bay Sailing School, Sail Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket Community Sailing and Pleasant Bay Community Boating.



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RECIPE FOR FALL SAILING – CAPE COD STYLE

1 Day of Fair Winds and a Following Sea
1 October Sky with Sunshine
Good Friends to Make the Journey
Plenty of Warm Clothing
1 Seaworthy Vessel
A Friend to Wave You “Bon Voyage”
A Friend to Greet You at the End of the Journey

Blend together the first four ingredients then wait for the right day. Get aboard and wave “farewell”. Several hours later, return to home port where friends are there to greet you with hot chocolate, a warm fire, and launch service!



SHARKS AROUND CAPE COD

The Foundation would like to acknowledge Greg Skomal, Ph.D., Senior Fisheries Scientist, MA Division of Marine Fisheries, our featured speaker last summer. Due to the spread of COVID-19, our event had to be remote, but our audience was no less interested in learning the latest shark news from around the Cape. The Foundation board and our ticket buyers, again, thank Greg for reserving time out of his very busy schedule to inform our community. ***The Foundation would also like to acknowledge the generous support of our event sponsors.*** The continued generosity of our sponsors allows the Foundation to increase its support of sailing education in the region.

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Coming in 2021: Our 3rd Annual Summertime Event

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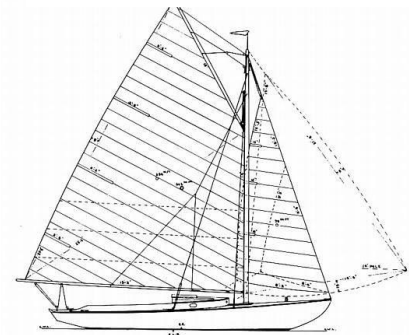
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