

# SUMMER 2022

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#### LAST CALL FOR VAN DER WAL!



Onne van der Wal, world famous marine photographer, will speak on his life behind the camera and on the sea on June 15<sup>th</sup> at the Wianno Club. You can still participate in our Summer Kick-off event, but you <u>need to buy your tickets today!</u> Visit <u>www.Wsailing.org</u>

#### LET'S GO SAILING!

A new sailing season is upon us! This summer the Wianno Sailing Foundation (WSF) is pursuing new ways to help make the sport of sailing more accessible to all. Read on!

### WSF SUPPORTS SENIORS!

Wianno Seniors, that is. The Foundation continues to be the major underwriter for two Seniors that are loaned to WYC and are made available to all Cape Cod sailing programs. Your donations help us to provide adults and young adult sailors, who have graduated from dinghy programs, with the rare opportunity to experience the thrill of sailing a Wianno Senior.

#### FOCUS ON OPTI GREEN FLEET

The Optimist pram has become the worldwide entry level boat for young sailors. At "Opti" regattas the sailors are divided up into four fleets: White Fleet (age 10 and under), Blue Fleet (age 11 and 12) and Red Fleet (age 13 to 15). The Green Fleet is reserved for sailors of any age who lack experience in competitive sailing. Green Fleet races are shorter, less formal, allowing coaching during the races and place the emphasis on Fun.

WSF is taking a sponsorship role in three Opti Regattas this summer. Barnstable Yacht Club hosts an Opti Regatta that is exclusively a Green Fleet event and this year's BYC Opti Regatta will be completely underwritten by WSF and be a free regatta!

WSF will also provide a 50% discount on all Green Fleet sailor registrations at the Wianno and Stone Horse Yacht Club Opti Regattas this summer.
Our goal is to directly encourage more families to get their first-time sailors out on the water by underwriting a portion of the cost. All it takes is one positive experience on the water to create the spark that makes for a lifelong sailor.



"Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than those you did. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from safe harbor. Catch the wind in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."

#### WSF TO THE RESCUE!

Last August 2021, the remnants of Hurricane Ida delivered a knockout blow to Wild Harbor Yacht Club in Falmouth. Their boat launching ramp was effectively destroyed



This boat ramp, which is open for public use, serves as the primary (and only) access point to Wild Harbor and Buzzards Bay beyond and is used by hundreds of sailors every season. Recognizing the urgency of the situation, WSF stepped up and was a major donor to the boat ramp reconstruction project.



The final concrete pour happened on May 1<sup>st</sup> and the recently completed ramp assures that Wild Harbor's sailing season will start on time!

#### "BATTEN DOWN THE HATCHES"

This nautical expression means to prepare for trouble. The word batten comes from Old French "baston" meaning a flat strip of wood. To minimize deck leaks in foul weather, sailors of old would stretch tarpaulins over the hatches and pin down the edges with battens.

"The hatches were constantly battened down and when the forward deck began to leak, Bligh gave orders that people should sling their hammocks in the great cabin aft."

- Mutiny on the Bounty

## WSF SUPPORTS "SEA LEGS" ADAPTIVE SAILING PROGRAM

Adaptive sailing refers to programs that provide unrestricted access to the water and experiential sailing for persons with disabilities. There are three US Sailing approved Adaptive Sailing Program in our region. These are offered by Nantucket Community Boating, Pleasant Bay Community Boating and Sail Cape Cod in Hyannis.

Each of these facilities offers special equipment and trained staff to make sailing accessible for disabled folks of all ages.

Improving access to sailing resonates with our mission statement and WSF is proud to provide financial support all three of these sailing programs.



#### 1 2 3 4 CARIBBEAN RUM PUNCH



This rum punch recipe is easy to remember....if you can count to four. You'll need 1 part sour, 2 parts sweet, 3 parts strong, 4 parts weak. You choose the ingredients! "Sweet" could be a sugar syrup or a naturally sweet fruit juice. Here's one combination that is tropical, fruity and fresh without being cloying.

#### Ingredients:

1 part sour: Fresh lime juice 2 parts sweet: Pineapple juice 3 parts strong: Rum (or rums!) 4 parts weak: Orange juice A dash of grated Nutmeg is required!

If ratios confuse you, just replace the word "part" with cup, and you'll end up with a little over a half gallon.



#### WIANNO SAILING FOUNDATION

Visit our website for real time data from our Weather Station located on the WYC dock. Thank you!

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