



Mainsheet

JULY 2015

COMMODORE'S MUSINGS

Well, it's sure been hot, however the creator of winds has been in our favour, allowing plenty of racing and some fun times out sailing. The Commodore's Sail Past was awesome, with plenty of help from many volunteers. Unfortunately on that day, the winds were more favourable for rowing than sailing. Many thanks to Keith Briggs for rowing my grandson Olin and me along the dock, up and down both sides. The repast that followed was delicious and well attended. I was glad to see so many past and present members in attendance.

The following weekend was a wonderful sailing filled Founder's Regatta featuring fleets of Fireballs and Lasers with Radials as well. There was good attendance and the camaraderie was enjoyed by all.

Sail Week is coming up next week (July 20 – 24) and the theme is Vegas Baby!! We all hope to see many out for the fun and frivolity if only for a day or two Please stop by in the evening if you are unavailable during the day. Wednesday night is the usual Olympic night with races for all ages.

Thanks to Fred and his reliable crew for his Thursday night fun racing. It has been lots of fun this year and



The Sail Past was a row past! Commodore Judy Townsend waves to WSC members cheering from the dock. Frank and grandchild, Olin enjoy the ride. Transportation courtesy of Keith Briggs.

there are 2 more Thursday nights left for your pleasure, July 16 and 30. I hope to see everyone out for a few fun races.

Green Fleet continues on Saturday mornings at 10 for those racers who would like some training and practice before joining the regular races. Every week brings a new instructor and new knowledge to be gleaned. Come on out for "lessons", just like Saturday mornings as a child at swimming lessons.

This Saturday July 11 is another Potluck dinner. I'm ready for the diverse and often interesting foods that somehow manage to arrive from various hands and round out a pleasant communal meal.

Cheers

Judy Townsend

Commodore



Welcome New Members

Wabamun Sailing Club experiences a welcome influx of new members in each season. If you are one of them I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to our fabulous club. We all invite you to regularly come out and enjoy our facilities, sailing and hospitality. Participation through sailing, racing and social activities should be part of your plans as a new member. Many of our club members who are currently involved in racing in fact started as non-racers. Please know that both racers and non-racers are equally welcome. Many social events are included with your membership including potluck dinners, Commodore's Sail Past, various regattas, Thanksgiving dinner, and our year end finale, the Commodore's Dinner and Awards Night, typically the first or second Saturday in November at a venue in Edmonton.

Your children are welcome at the club and can also learn to sail through lessons that are provided by NASC (Northern Alberta Sailing College). Children's sailing programs are offered through our Junior Sailing Program and for teenagers through our Youth Sailing Program.

Our activities occur on weekends from May clean-up to Thanksgiving and on Thursday nights in June and July. Thursday races are less formal than our weekend racing and it is an easy way to get started for those who are new or coming back to the sport. Green Fleet training is also available on many Saturday mornings between 10 and noon. This is an informal program provided for those members of the club who may be a bit intimidated by the large courses and long sails that are often involved with our regular racing.

There is ample space for tenting, if you wish to spend a weekend at the Club. Our RV waiting list and regulations are also available on our website and through the membership chair.

In summary we truly hope you enjoy the Wabamun Sailing Club. Please feel free to approach any current or executive member with any questions.

Again welcome.

Derrick Hiltz, Vice-Commodore

Did You Know

You can bring your RV to Sail Week & Regattas? If you are planning on attending, please speak to Lori and she will direct you to a safe spot. Also, any members not using their trailer and are willing to share their spot or unit can contact Jorydce, Lori or one of the executive to make arrangements.

Tent and trailer spots are first come, first served. membership@wabamunsailingclub.com



Photos to share?



Do you have some fantastic photos that you have taken that you would like to share with other members? We have set up a Dropbox folder where you can download your photos into relevant directories where we can access them for the website, the Mainsheet, and our Year End Presentation during the Commodore's Awards night. Please email Jorydce (Secretary@wabamunsailingclub.com) if you would like access to this folder.

Sail Week 2015



Come one, come all to Sail Week

2015: Viva Las Vegas!

From July 20-25 there'll be a little bit of the Strip on the shores of Wabamun. Think Elvis & Celine, dealers & Mafia, showgirls & magicians. Dress up for the opening ceremony or casino nights and serenade the crowds with your best version of "My Way". I may even hand out a beer or two if you are brave enough. We'll have the usual assortment of activities. Rob Legate is interested in doing a horseshoe tournament (they're lucky!). We've also got a giant Jenga game (because everything's bigger in Vegas) for all to try out. Any unresolved bocce or pickle ball matches will be played on Thursday evening. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be posted Monday morning for meal setups and cleanup, as well as a sign-up for Spaghetti Potlucky on Thursday. We have lots of poker sets. If anyone out there has access to a roulette table or wheel of fortune, let me know. Junior Sailing schedule for Sail Week will follow. There are only a few spots left however. Go to www.northernalbertasailingcollege.com for more information. See you all at Sail Week. Cheers! Gord

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 am Sunrise race	9 am coffee, cereal and oatmeal	9 am coffee, cereal and oatmeal	9 am coffee and leftovers	9 am coffee and leftovers
945 am Opening	10 am Sail	10 am Sail	10 am Sail	10 am Sail
10 am Pancake breakfast	2 pm Sail	2 pm Sail	2 pm Sail	
1 pm Poker Race	4 pm Mae's ice cream	4 pm Mae's ice cream	4 pm Mae's ice cream	345 pm closing
4 pm Mae's ice cream	5 pm Cock of the walk		5 pm Cock of the walk	
5 pm Cock of the walk	530 pm Hot Dog Night & banana boat dessert	4:30 Commodore's Punch	530 pm Pasta Night	
530 pm BYO BBQ	6 pm Bocce/ Pickle Ball/Horseshoes	5 pm Cock of the walk	7 pm Scavenger hunt	
6 pm Bocce/Pickle Ball/Horseshoes	8 pm Casino hosted by the back row folks	530 pm Hamburger Night	8 pm Capture the Flag	
9 pm movie	9 pm movie Now You See Me	7 pm Olympics	8 pm Casino hosted by the front row folks	
Oceans 11	Campfire	9 pm movie Vegas Vacation	9 pm movie another Vegas movie	
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Registration Fees and Meal Details:

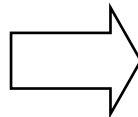
Family Weekly Registration \$80	Monday Dinner (BYOBBQ, everything else provided)
Family Daily Registration \$20	Tuesday Hot Dog Dinner \$5
Individual Weekly Registration \$50	Wednesday Hamburger Dinner \$10 adult / \$5 12 and under
Individual Daily Registration \$15	Thursday Dinner provided
	Breakfasts(Cereal etc.) provided Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday maybe Thursday

The Casinos are unscripted events hosted by the back and front rows (cottage owners are considered back row, everyone else can align themselves as they see fit) the idea is to host a casino, provide some snacks, games and atmosphere that will show the folks from the other row how to party Vegas style!

Thank You For Volunteering!



WSC hosts **Casinos** once every 18 months or so, with money raised used to support Junior Sailing and promote our club. The new WSC website was funded through the Casino account. 36 shifts, some ending in the wee hours of the morning, were filled by generous members.



Name that Boat!
Our Whalers Need names! Please send your ideas to Jordyce (secretary@wabamunsailingclub.com) or see me at the Club. Jordyce.

Founders Volunteers

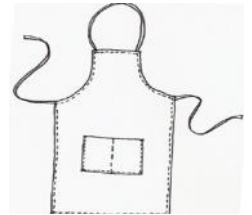
A small team provided breakfasts, lunches, dinners and a social for the four day event. Special thanks to the unscheduled workers who lent a hand.

Corinne

New member?

Contact me for volunteer opportunities, both on and off the water. It is a great way to meet the our Wabamun family.

volunteer@wabamunsailingclub.com



Fun Had at The Founders Regatta!



How Did the Founders Regatta Get Its Name?

After the demise of the June Series several years ago & when we agreed to move the date for what had been "the Open", the Exec. felt a new name would be in order.

I pulled the name "Founders Regatta" out of... [thin air] & after due consideration it was adopted. That's my story & I'm sticking to it,

Bill



Did You Know?

Sometimes our Club rules are not very well communicated to new members and sometimes long-time members forget what they may have known in the past. In this column your executive will write about some lesser known or not well understood rules at WSC.

Member guests

We encourage you to bring your friends out to enjoy the Club, however it must be noted that this is a private club at which members pay a substantial amount for the privilege of using the facilities. Occasional visits by guests are fine, but should not become a habit. There is no definite number, but if your guests want to come out frequently then please encourage them to join our wonderful club. Also please remember that while they are at the Club you are responsible for your guest's well-being, safety and seeing that they follow our rules.

Green Fleet Sailors vs Novice Racers

Green fleet sailors are anyone who participates in the green fleet training exercises on Saturday mornings. Novice racers have an option to start a regular series race 1 minute early (at lowering of preparatory) to avoid the crowded conditions at the start line and when they start this way the remainder of the fleet will endeavour not to sail within 3 boat lengths of the novice boat. Racers wishing to start this way must inform the OD of their intention to do so. You will have a 1 minute advantage when scored and as soon as your placing improves it is expected you will be starting with the rest of the fleet.

Kitchen Supplies and Equipment

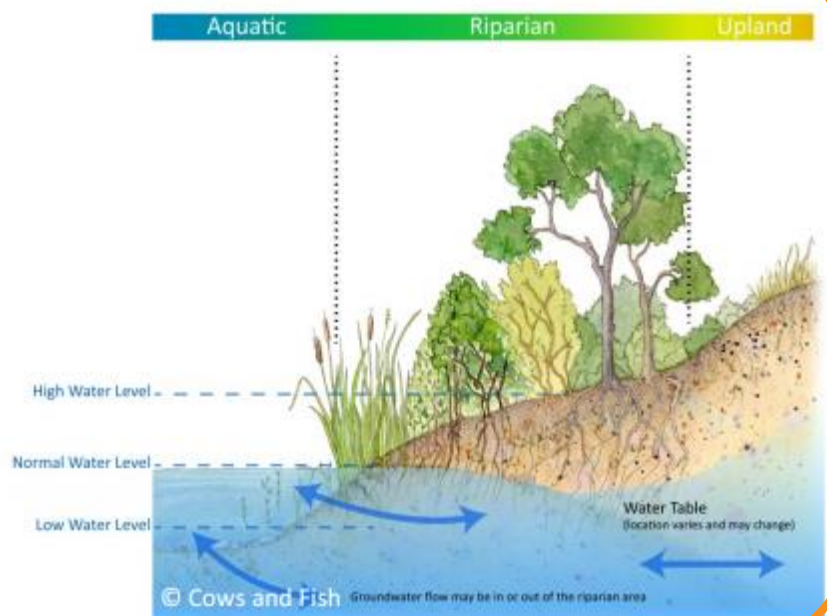
Paper plates, plastic utensils, etc. are purchased by WSC for various functions that we host such as regatta meals, pot luck dinners and the Commodore's Sail Past. It is not intended that individual members use these supplies for their own personal use. Please bring your own dishes with you when you cook and eat in the club kitchen. Pots, pans, knives, cutting boards, and other kitchen equipment is also intended for use during Club sponsored events. While the occasional use of this equipment is acceptable, please be sure to leave everything you use where you found it. It goes without saying that the kitchen and all equipment must be clean when you are finished. WSC replaces a staggering amount of kitchen equipment on a regular basis. Please do not remove anything from the kitchen.



Below is a link to the Wabamun Watershed Management Council's Riparian Health Assessment of Lake Wabamun. If you are interested in the health and stewardship of our lake you may find this an informative read.

Click here:

<https://www.nswa.ab.ca/sites/default/files/Riparian%20Health%20Assessment%20Wabamun.pdf>





2015 Alberta Provincial regatta, 2015 District 5 Laser Championship and the last regatta for the Laser Class Dick Degner Championship.

September 4-7, 2015

Organizing Authority: Wabamun Sailing Club

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The Preamble to RRS Part 4 and RRS 40 is changed to require personal flotation devices (PFD's) to be worn at all times when afloat, except when changing clothing.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all dinghy and catamaran classes.
- 2.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the onsite registration process or by pre-registering at <http://wabamunsailingclub.com/regattas-events/provincial-regatta-registration>
- 2.3. Five or more boats of the same class registered by September 5, 2015 0900 will be scored as a fleet. All other boats will be scored using the current wind adjusted Portsmouth handicapping system.

3. FEES

- 3.1. Prior to or on August 22, 2015
 - Single handled \$85.00
 - Double handled \$130.00
- 3.2. After August 23, 2015
 - Single handled \$135.00
 - Double handled \$180.00
- 3.3. Meal packages will be available at registration time.

4. SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event
August 22		Early registration discount deadline
September 4	1900-2100	Registration
September 5	0800	Registration
	0900	Competitors' meeting
	1000	First race of the day
	After racing	Daily debrief by Event Coach
September 6	1000	First race of the day
	After racing	Daily debrief by Event Coach
September 7	1000	First race of the day

On September 7 no warning signal will be made after 1500.

5. Number of races

10 Races are scheduled.

6. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration time.

7. Venue

Racing will take place on the waters of Lake Wabamun, Alberta.

8. Courses

The courses will be Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid.

9. Scoring

- 9.1. One race is required to constitute a series.
- 9.2. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's score for the regatta will be the sum of her total race scores.
- 9.3. When from 5-10 races have been completed, a boat's score for the regatta will be her total score less her worst score.

10. Radio Communication

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

11. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded based on the following numbers of boats per fleet:

2-5 boats	1st place
6-9 boats	1st & 2nd places
10 or more boats	1st, 2nd & 3rd places

12. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The organizing authority does not accept any responsibility for verifying that a boat has valid third-party liability insurance.

14. Rights to Use Name and Likeness

In participating in an event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organizing Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in these events event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the events without compensation.

15. Accommodations

<http://www.wabamunsailingclub.ab.ca/index.php?Page=605>.

Please contact the Regatta Chair for further information about RV camping.

Please do not park on the side of the road near the lake, nor in the "No Parking" zone on the North side of the neighbouring county parking area. WSC will provide parking instructions upon arrival.

16. Coach and support boats

Please register on the link above as it gives us a more accurate count for food requirements.

17. Further Information

Regatta chair: Tim Harris

Email: timmyutah@hotmail.com

Phone: 780-983-9835

WSC Club Racing Sailing Instructions Amendment

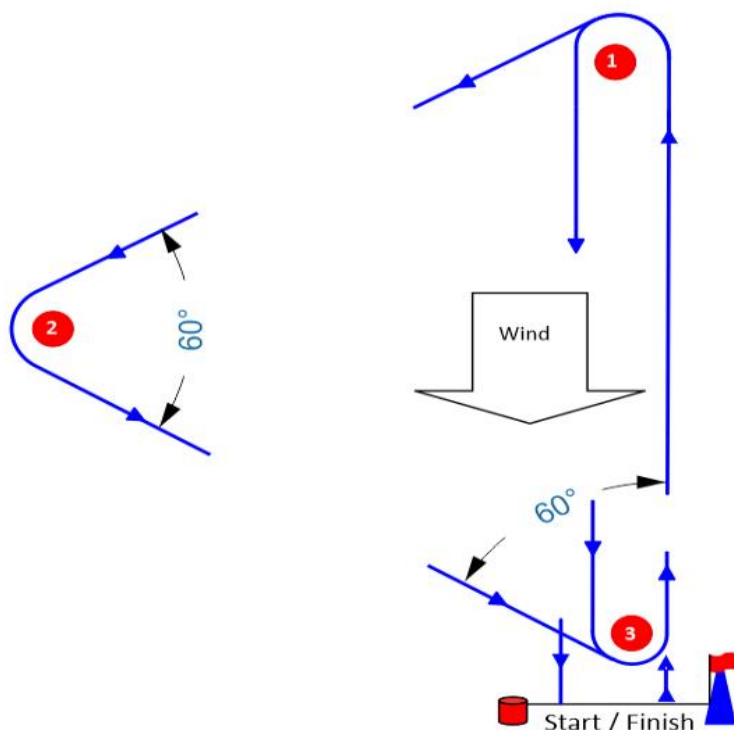
Replace sections 7 and 8 with the following:

7 CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be either the Club burgee on a yellow background or the Club burgee on a green background, depending on which course is to be sailed.

8 THE COURSE

The diagram and text below shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.



SEQUENCE WHEN CLASS FLAG HAS A YELLOW BACKGROUND

Start-1-2-3-1-Finish (Triangle-Windward-Leeward)

SEQUENCE WHEN CLASS FLAG HAS A GREEN BACKGROUND

Start-1-3-1-Finish (Windward-Leeward)

This amendment has been posted on our official notice board.

It is intended to provide the option for the OD to set the race course for windward-leeward (W-L) races on those days when there are only Lasers sailing or if the OD has spoken to all the skippers on shore and everyone has agreed that a W-L course would be acceptable. The 2016 Sailing Instructions will be updated next year to include this amendment.

