



Halifaxsailing.org

## Weekly Reminders for January 22-28

### Important Dates:

**Wednesday, January 31**-Deadline to pay membership dues

**Thursday, February 1**—Amateur Radio Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the HSA pavilion. There are more details about ordering materials for this on the 2<sup>nd</sup> page!

**Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**- First General membership meeting of 2024 at 4:00 pm. Bring an appetizer to share afterwards. BYOB. Sail beforehand if you'd like!

**Sunday, February 4**-Reilly's Run

### Announcements:

- January 31 is the deadline to pay your membership dues for 2024. To renew online you must go to our website - [halifaxsailing.org](http://halifaxsailing.org) - click on the "join" button, then click on the "pay here" button under the membership you're renewing. You can pay your dues online with a credit card. If you want to pay by check, you **MUST** also renew your membership online up to the payment portion. Checks should be made out to **Sailing Center, Inc.** and should be given to either Chuck Wright or Carolina Martin. If you would like to mail the check please send it to the following address: **P.O. Box 2031, Daytona Beach, FL, 32115-2031**.
- We urgently need a Volunteer Coordinator (Coordinators?) ASAP. This person will work with a BOD member to help us organize all members who volunteer and for which projects/activities they are working on. If you are interested, please contact Lisa ASAP.
- Our 1st General Membership get together will be on Sat. Feb. 3 beginning at 4 PM. We'll discuss Volunteer Hours, Volunteer Projects, Joining Committees, etc. We will have sign-up sheets ready for people to join a committee. If the weather is nice come down for a sail beforehand. We'll gather socially with some type of food (TBD) after the meeting.
- Progress continues on the preparations for spring. The "Karen T" should be ready to launch this Thursday and we will be pulling the "Dispute" from the water for its turn under the spotlight. If the weather cooperates, we plan on having all our keel boats go through this cleaning and maintenance process. The 16.5' Capri is also ready to launch and should be in the water this coming Thursday, 1/25. It will be docking next to the Flying Scott, at the end of the floating dock. The boat lift for the Proline chase boat has been repaired and a special thank you to Chip, Dewey and Kim for their outstanding work in rough weather!

- On the land side, we continue to organize the sail room and annex. A special thank you to Kelly for the generous donation of a rolling toolbox and all the tools therein. This is cause for great joy for the mechanics among us! Appreciation for all the work our volunteers do cannot be understated, both great and small. We could never do what we do without you!!!
- Those interested in wireless communications, N4HSA will be meeting on Thursday, February 1 at 6PM, at the club pavilion. You do not need a radio license to participate in this group.

**Windward Women Welcomed in Florida Women's Sailing Association**

- On Wednesday, January 17, 2024, five Windward Women trekked to Sarasota to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Florida Women's Sailing Association (FWSA) at the Meadows Country Club. "We were treated to a very warm welcome as the newest group to join FWSA," shared Kathy Sinnett, Captain of the Windward Women of Halifax Sailing Association, Daytona Beach.

During the meeting of over a hundred in attendance, FWSA officers reported on the organization, the Young Woman Sailing Award, recognized past leadership and led a roundtable exercise to guide the long-range planning committee. Each member club gave a brief synopsis of their program. Lisa Herbster, HSA Commodore, shared the successes of the Windward Women, including being the first female Commodore and our annual Pink Ribbon Charity Regattas. The meeting was followed by a tasty meal, luscious cupcakes, line dancing and a champagne toast for the next fifty years: Hip, Hip, Hurrah!



L-R: Sonia Kodela, Laurie Hess, Maria Regeci, Kathy Sinnett, Lisa Herbster