



Halifaxsailing.org

Weekly Reminders for January 29-February 3

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.

Saturday, Feb. 3 - - Youth Race Team practice 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Gen. Membership Mt Pasta dinner, bring a dish to share

Saturday, February 3rd- First General membership meeting of 2024 at 4:00 pm. At 5:00 p.m. we will have an Italian-themed pasta potluck. Please bring an Italian pasta dish to share afterwards. BYOB. Sail beforehand if you'd like!

Sunday, February 4-Reilly's Run-Skipper's meeting at 12:30 p.m. First start at 1:30 p.m. After the race we will continue with our Italian theme for food afterwards. As always, it is BYOB!

Saturday, Feb. 10 - ERAU will host a SAISA Collegiate regatta at HSA - 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Also **Saturday, Feb. 10** - 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. - Youth Race Team practice

Announcements:

- January 31 is the deadline to pay your membership dues for 2024. To renew online you must go to our website - halifaxsailing.org - click on the "join" button, then click on the "pay here" button under the membership you're renewing. This will send you the regatta network website where 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**.
- One of the most important tasks we need help with is for a couple of members who can act as a Volunteer Coordinator(s) for the membership. Initially, this will involve time, but with a couple of people working together to organize this, things can be running smoothly by mid-year or so. Whoever takes this on, your volunteer hour commitment will be accomplished (and then some!) with this very important task!!! Who's interested? Please contact Lisa ASAP to discuss this further (lisa.herbster@gmail.com; (386) 679-6315_).
- Our 1st General Membership get together will be on Sat. Feb. 3 beginning at 4 PM. This meeting will focus on the new Volunteer hours requirement of HSA membership. We will

have the BOD there. Each BOD member will be leading a committee, which will then work on organizing things that need to be done. We'll need some members to serve on committees to help us organize projects, and we'll also need members who can complete hours at HSA, as well as behind the scenes in other ways (i.e., phone calls, researching ways to sell/buy equipment, etc.). We'll discuss where/how to log your hours worked (for now), as well as what types of jobs qualify as volunteer work, etc. Most of the meeting will focus on this new aspect of HSA. (We are planning for other General Membership meetings to NOT be about HSA "stuff" so much, but rather we hope to have guest speakers of various types to come share their stories of sailing and/or boating life with us. We'll fill you in more about this as we approach our next General membership meeting.) If the weather is nice come down for a sail beforehand. After the meeting we will gather socially with Italian-themed Dinner after the meeting. Please bring an Italian dish to share. BYOB.

- Reilly's Run will be on Sunday, February 4. The skipper's meeting will be at 12:30 p.m. First start is at 1:30 p.m. The race will be followed by an Italian-themed Dinner just like on Saturday. Bring an Italian dish to share with everyone. BYOB.
- 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. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Biringer at dano1252@hotmail.com
- Last weekend, when the Fleet Race was canceled for weather, Chris Sinnett did a chalk-talk on powerboat driving to support sailing lessons and regattas. There was also a nautical trivia game that was a lot of fun. Several people attended, and it was well received. We will continue to offer alternatives when either the Reilly's Run or Fleet Race are canceled due to weather.