

HSA Basic Rigging Capri 14.2

Prior to sailing any HSA boat, the member should make an entry in the “Sign Out Log”, verify that any non-member crewmen have signed a liability form and determined that the weather forecast is suitable.

- Our Capris’ are stored on trailers along the back of the Pavilion. There should be a rudder and center board bungee in the boat. Remove the drain plug on the transom to check for hull leaks, then replace it. There should be a loop of line running through the drain plugs. In the event of a capsize you may use it as a step to reboard the boat. Bring a dolly from the sail room, attach it to the trailer ball, remove the chocks and **back** the boat and trailer around the pavilion, down the ramp and into the water until the boat can be floated off the trailer. If it is busy at the club, return the trailer to its original place otherwise, leave it alongside the ramp.
- Carefully beach the boat with the bow facing into the wind. Avoid scratching it on the rocks.
- Obtain the sails from the sail room. The main and jib are usually in one bag however, they may be in separate bags.
- Rig the main sail: Slack the main sheet. Starting near the gooseneck, slide the mainsail clew bullet and foot bolt rope aft in the foot-track on the boom. Detach the main halyard from the clew block (Hang on to it, you will use it soon.) and reeve the outhaul through the block and back along the port side of the boom to the clew outhaul clam cleat. Screw the tack pin through the tack grommet. Attach the main halyard to the head of the sail (Make sure the sail is not twisted.) then raise the sail by having one crewmember feed the bullets into the mast track while another crewman hauls down on the halyard. (Keep looking up – the sail often jams on the spreaders.) Raise sail to within 5 inches of the top of the mast. Adjust the outhaul, downhaul and vang.
- Rig the jib: Attach the jib tack to the stem fitting with the shackle (This shackle should remain on the boat, but sometimes it is left on

the sail). Starting at the bottom, hank the jib hanks on to the forestay. Attach the jib halyard to the jib head. Run the jib sheets **outside** the shrouds to the fairlead/cleats. Raise the jib.

- Attach the rudder with the tiller under the traveler line. Attach the bungee between the eye on the inside of the transom and the shackle on the forward end of the center board.
- Make sure everyone has a PFD and water. Go sailing. Have fun!