



Jibs & Jibes

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***Official Newsletter of the
Webster Sailing Association***



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From the Helm

**By Tom Pezzella,
WSA Commodore**



Welcome everyone to the 2022 season.

We're looking forward to a new venue for our Spring Banquet and Business Meeting at The Lodge Restaurant in May. There are new WSA shirts and hats available this year. We are also coordinating with other lake groups to increase our awareness and events. As part of this initiative, there is an open house planned that should increase our membership. As always, we need volunteers to make our program an ongoing success, so please volunteer or participate when asked.

Can't wait for that first breeze in our Sails!

**Tom Pezzella
Commodore**

WSA Executive Committee

Announcements

2022 WSA OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES



Commodore
Senior Vice Commodore
Executive Committee

Tom Pezzella
Bob Gurlitz
Lee Amodeo, Dr. Kringle Daly, Phil Bastien, Charlie Farber,
Josh Hines, Bob Ciabaszewski, Norman Cloutier,
Doug Kenyon, John Czebotar, Ken Spindola, John Colby,
Lewis Wolfenson

WSA BOARD MEETING

Your WSA Executive Committee met on January 15, 2022 to discuss and review plans for the 2022 sailing season.





FROM BOB GURLITZ (Senior Vice Commodore)

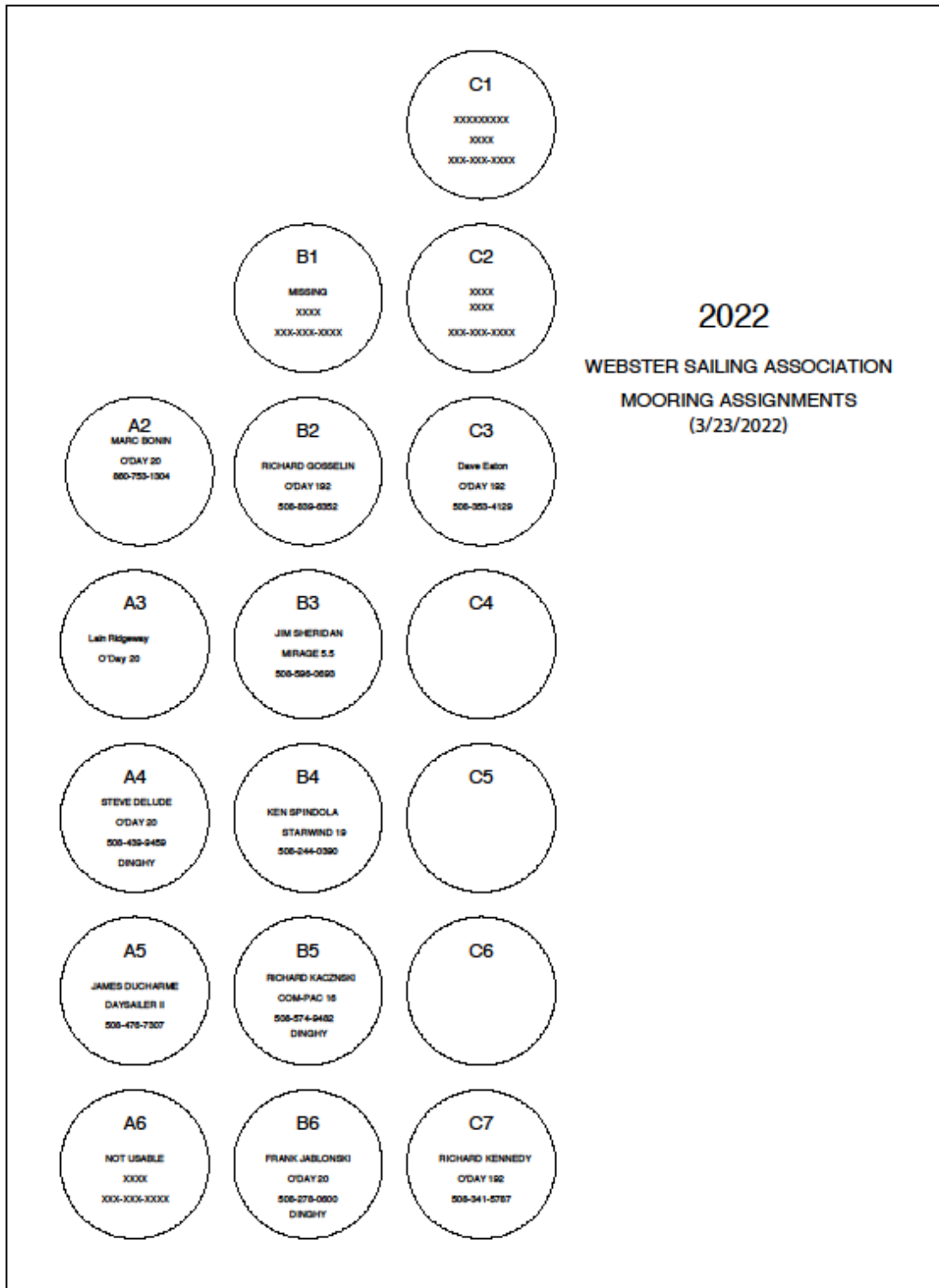
TRAILER SAFETY REMINDER

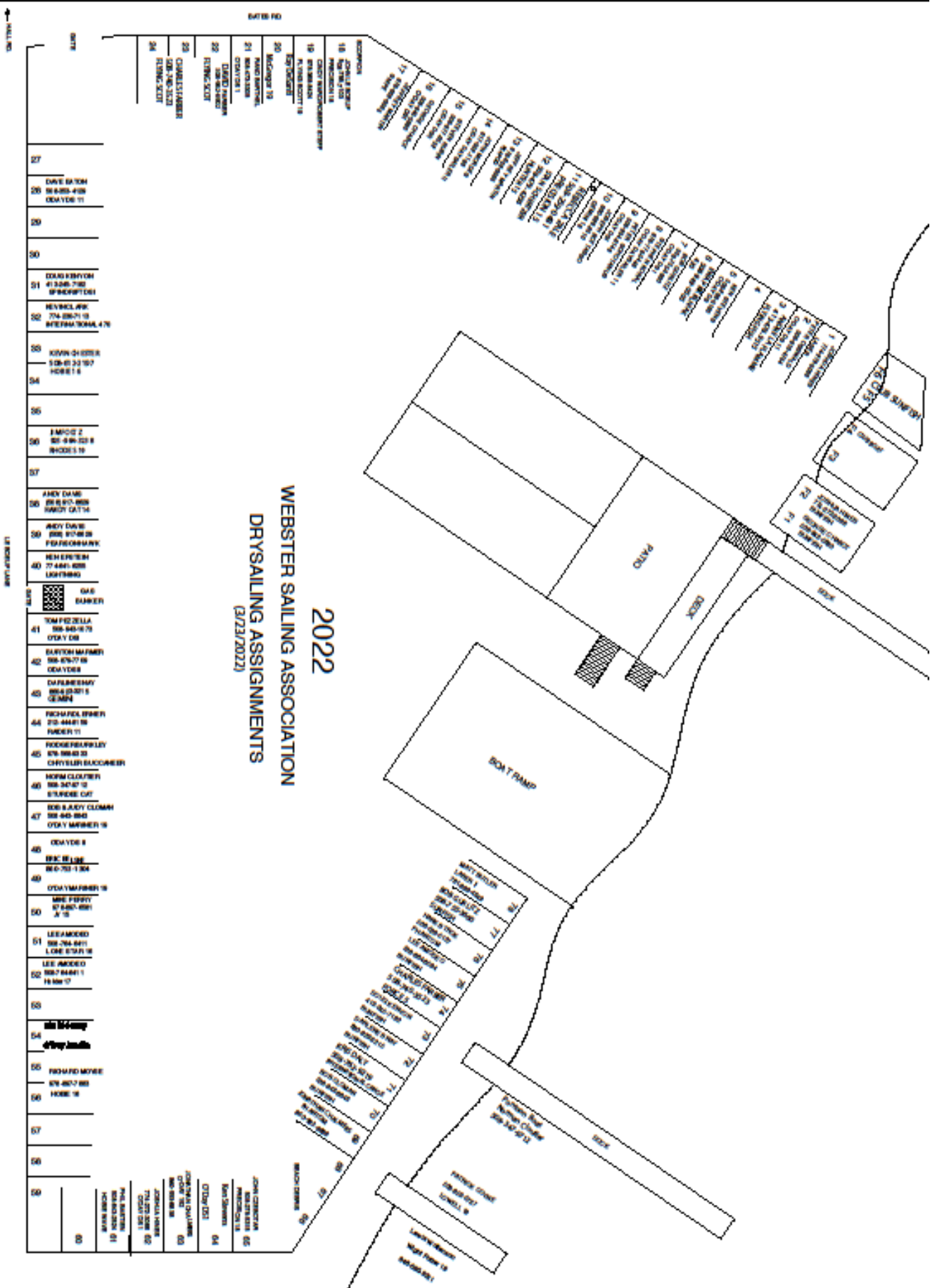
Just a reminder to those who stored their boats both on and off the W.S.A. property. Check the tires on the boat trailer for low tire pressure before launching the boat and especially before traveling over the road. Last year we had a member's boat trailer with a flat tire after the winter storage.

FROM CHARLES FABER (Vessel Assignments)

2022 BOAT LOCATION ASSIGNMENTS

Charles Faber has recently posted the new boating areas for both moorings and dry dock. If there are any questions or concerns on your boat location, please contact Charlie at winddr@hotmail.com





FROM JOHN COLBY (Safety Officer)

SPRING / SUMMER BOATING CLASSES

The Coast Guard is holding their Spring/Summer boating classes. The boating class forms had been emailed to everyone last month. For additional information or signing up contact John. colbyjohn@charter.net

WSA AWARDED

WSA has been awarded the U.S. Coast Guard Certificate of Recognition. Through our WSA Coast Guard Safety Officer John Colby, USCG Safety Information has been available and presented to the WSA members every season.

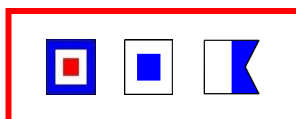


FROM LEWIS WOLFENSON (Communication Chairman)

FACEBOOK HELP NEEDED

We would like to create a Facebook page for WSA to be seen by the public. It would announce our public events (the open house, the Sunfish regatta, and the Point Breeze regatta). We could then announce these events to other local groups. It would increase our visibility and perhaps attract new members.

If you have ideas, talents, or desire, please email the Chair of the Communications Committee, Lewis Wolfenson, at WSAsailWeb@gmail.com.



WSA Photo Gallery



First 70 Degrees of March! Josh Hines along with the Chalmers Family enjoy an early Spring day at the Anchorage



A Late Winter's Day...

The Moon and WSA Flagpole

Opening Work Party



















WSA & Lake News

Any news or events that are WSA or lake related.

THE WSA SCHEDULE FOR 2022.....

Social Events

March

26th - Opening Work Party



May

22nd - USCG BOAT INSPECTION (free) Noontime

24th - WSA Spring Banquet

June

18th - OPEN HOUSE, 11:00am Prizes, Music, Cookout; Noontime Lake Tours

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July

3rd – FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY, 4:00pm Lake Tours & Appetizers, 5:00pm Cookout

September

11th – FALL POTLUCK BANQUET / BUSINESS MTG. / RACE TROPHIES, held at WSA

Please bring a main dish and desert to share 5:00pm, mtg. & trophies

October

22nd – CLOSING WORK PARTY



Racing Schedule

The same safety and racing rules implemented in the past will be enforced for the 2022 season.

Kenyon Series Races – 2:00pm start

May

22 – 1st Kenyon Series Race

June

5 – 2nd Kenyon Series Race

12 – 3rd Kenyon Series Race

26 – 4th Kenyon Series Race

July

10 – 5th Kenyon Series Race

17 – 6th Kenyon Series Race

24 – 7th Kenyon Series Race

August

7 – 8th Kenyon Series Race

14 – 9th Kenyon Series Race



Racing Events

July 4th Trophy Race – Saturday July 3rd, 1:00pm start

Sunfish Regatta – Saturday July 23rd, open race (members & non-members), 11:00am registration, cookout & trophies after race (3 races). Race starts at 2:00pm

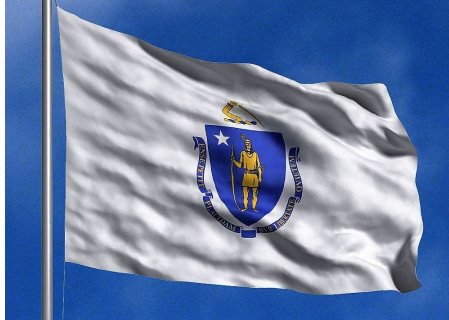
Craver Memorial Trophy Race – Sunday July 31st, 2:00pm start

Phil Nims Memorial Trophy Race – Sunday August 21st, 2:00pm start

Point Breeze Cup Race – Sunday September 28th, open race (members & non-members), 10:00am registration & skipper's mtg. at WSA, Race starts at 1:00pm, 5:00pm dinner & Trophies

FLAG POLE MAKEOVER

Last year we added the “WSA” Coded Flags to fly along side the American Flag. This year we will include the Massachusetts State Flag as well. The plan is to give the pole a fresh coat of paint as well as new hardware.



15th Annual ICE-Out: Einstein Winners

Contest Winners

Fall through time: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 8:49 AM.

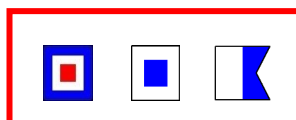
1st (\$2,000 Prize) Marek Rudnicki, March 8 8:20 AM.

2nd (\$1,000 Prize) Debi Bohenko

3rd (\$500 Prize) Cynthia Raps

4th (\$250 Prize) Sheri Rogers

5th (Tie: \$125 Prize) Alejandro Moreno & Peter Luchina



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE...



SPENDING \$4.99 ON A BIRTHDAY CARD FOR YOUR WIFE



SPENDING \$3000 TO MAKE YOUR BOAT GO FASTER

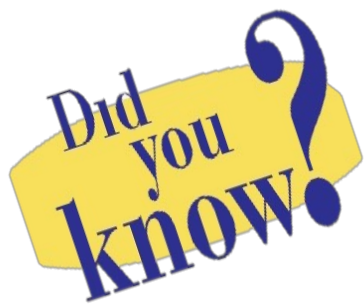
And just like that ...



The boat took my paycheck!

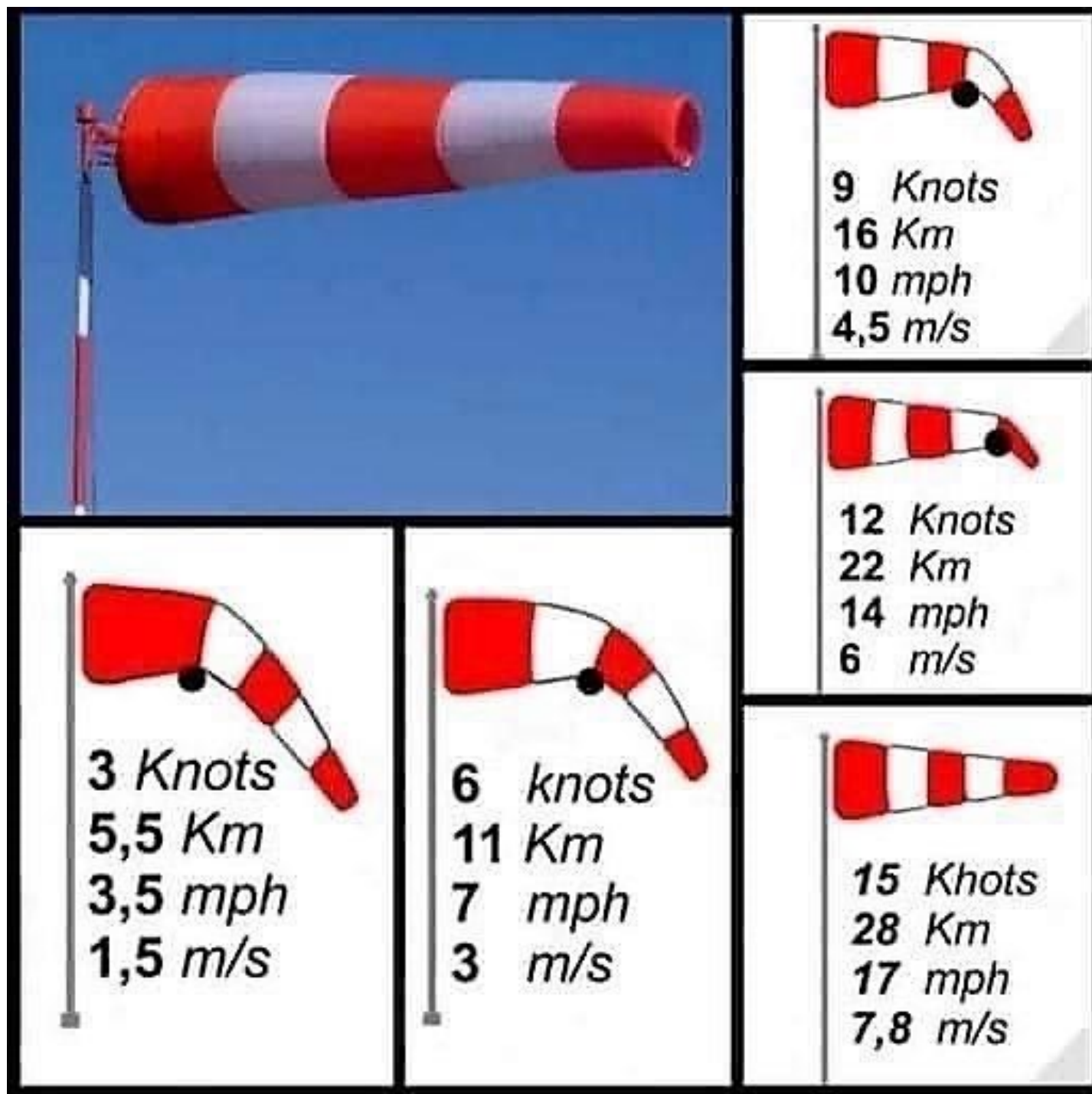
Who's the wise guy that yelled
"OVERLAP"



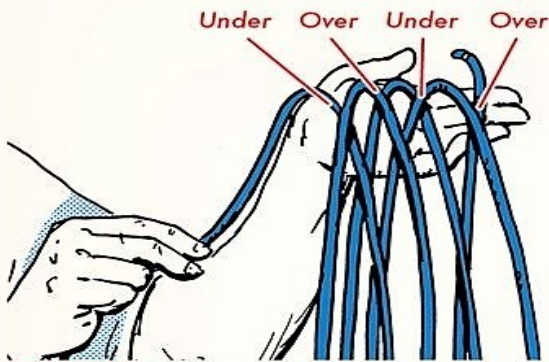


This section is for information or interesting articles for the education of our members.

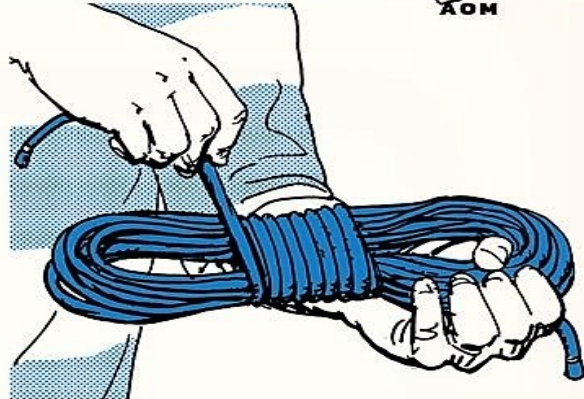
HOW TO READ A WINDSOCK



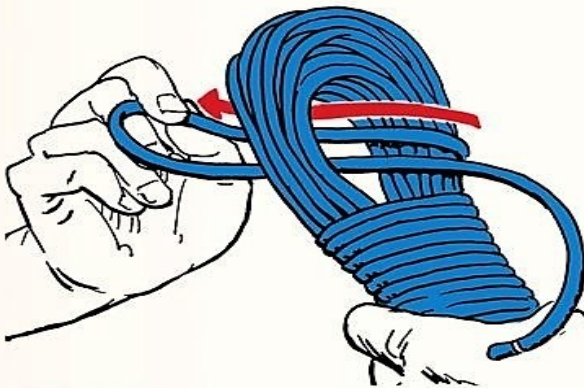
HOW TO COIL ROPE



1: MAKE a coil in your hand.
Each alternate strand is inverted.
Continue making loops alternating
over and under.



2: WHEN you have about two or three
feet of rope left, wrap it around the coil
several times.



3: MAKE a bite (a bend) in the
remaining end and pass it through
the coil.



4: SPREAD the bite and bring it down
over the coil.



5: PULL tight.



6: HANG from coil.

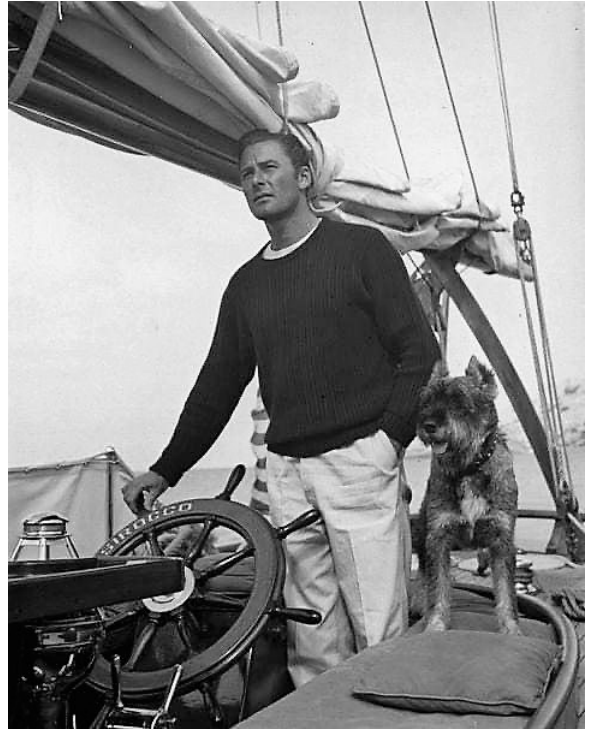
NAME THE ACTOR....

This actor was as well known for his swashbuckling roles in pirate movies like *Captain Blood*, *The Sea Hawk*, *Against All Flags* and *The Master of Ballantrae* as he was for his real-life swashbuckling ways. An avid sailor and owner of multiple boats.

How he got his hands on the first *Sirocco* is up for debate. One story claims the boat was purchased for him by his mother. Another holds that the boat was bought for him by his father, however he claimed he won her in a rum-fueled card game. His second *Sirocco*—which despite sailing superstition he named simply *Sirocco*, and not *Sirocco II*—was a 75ft ketch built by John Alden and launched in 1929. He took possession of her in 1938. This photo was taken in 1941 of him sailing *Siracco* with his dog Arno.....

Who is he????

(answer at the end on the newsletter)



SAILBOATS ARE SLOW (BUT EFFICIENT)...

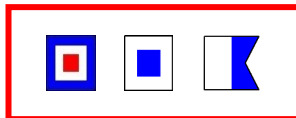
The average sailboat cruises at about 4-6 knots, (4-7 mph or 7-11 km/h) and has a top speed of 9 knots (10 mph or 17 km/h). It's just not that fast. That isn't to say there aren't any quick boats: they can be incredibly fast. Especially the multihulls, which have to displace a lot less water. They can go up to 50 knots (almost 60 mph or 93 km/h). Most sailboats are slow is because they are small (under 20') - and the hull speed is directly related to the length of the boat. Longer sailboats are faster.

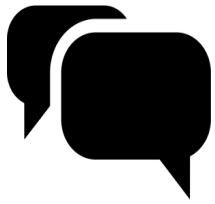
THE IDEAL WIND SPEED FOR SAILING...

The easiest wind to maneuver small and mid-sized boats is between 8-12 knots, while still being able to reach good speeds. Anything between 5-8 knots is ideal for beginners that are trying to learn to sail. Anything under 5 knots gets tediously slow.

FEELING BLUE IS ORIGINALLY A SAILING TERM...

If a ship lost its captain during a voyage, the sailors would sail blue flags, indicating their loss. So if you're feeling blue, you're actually referring to the blue flags that used to sign the ship's crew is in mourning.





Members Blog

This section is for members to share their thoughts, questions, opinions and stories.

WSA Items are in!

If you didn't pre-order your items, there are extras that can now be purchased (contact Tom). Please make checks out to WSA and mail them to Norm Cloutier, 16 Shepard Rd, Sturbridge, MA 01550

WSA T-SHIRTS: \$15 The ladies t-shirts are v-necked while the men's are crew neck. Both are silk screened and royal blue. Mens' are printed front & back, ladies front only.

WSA POLO SHIRTS: \$25 The ladies' polo shirts have 4 buttons, the men's 3. Both are embroidered and royal blue.

WSA FLEECE PULLOVERS: \$30 The fleeces are 1/4 zippered, pullovers, royal blue. Embroidered.

WSA HATS: \$15 The hats are nice cloth material, khaki with blue embroidery, Velcro adjustable.

WSA VISORS: \$12 The visors are khaki with navy blue embroidery, Velcro adjustable.

Plans for the Spring Banquet are now finalized

Place—The Lodge Restaurant

Date—May 14, 2022

Cocktails—5:30pm

Dinner—6:00pm

WHAT BETTER WAY TO SPEND A WARM SPRING EVENING THAN TO BE BY BEAUTIFUL LAKE CHARGOG-GAGOGGMANCHAUGAGOGGCHAUBUNAGUNAMAUGG. COME AND ENJOY YOURSELVES, MEET NEW FRIENDS, AND RENEW OLD ACQUAINTANCES. OUR THANKS TO THE STAFF OF THE LODGE RESTAURANT FOR THEIR GRACIOUS HOSPITALITY.

(Form is included on the next page)

Answer to NAME THE ACTOR....

Errol Flynn

WEBSTER SAILING ASSOCIATION
2022 SPRING BANQUET MEAL ORDER FORM
SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2022

THE LODGE RESTAURANT, 148 GORE ROAD, WEBSTER, MASSACHUSETTS; (508) 949-0000

TAKE EXIT 2 OFF RT. 395; GO EAST ON GORE ROAD TOWARD WSA, ½ MILE ON THE RIGHT.

.COCKTAILS 5:30 PM, BANQUET ROOM ; DINNER 6 PM, BUSINESS MEETING 7PM

FOR 2022, THE WEBSTER SAILING ASSOCIATION WILL SUBSIDIZE EACH MEMBER'S MEAL
BEYOND THE PRICES LISTED BELOW, WHICH INCLUDE
ROOM CHARGE, LINEN CHARGE, MEAL, TAX, TIP.

THESE ARE PLATED DINNERS, SERVED BY THE STAFF. PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR ENTRÉE CHOICE
ALL ENTREES INCLUDE DINNER ROLLS, SALAD, DESSERT, COFFEE & TEA.

CHOICE OF ENTRÉE: INDICATE NUMBER OF MEALS:

BAKED HADDOCK, POTATO, VEGETABLE	\$20.	_____
HOMEMADE MEATBALLS, ZITI PASTA, GARDEN SALAD	\$18	_____
MARINATED STEAK TIPS, POTATO, VEGETABLE	\$24	_____
CHICKEN CORDON BLEU, POTATO, VEGETABLE	\$20	_____

MEMBERS' NAMES	MEAL CHOICE	COST
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
TOTAL COST		\$ _____

PHONE _____

GUESTS', FAMILY MEMBERS' NAMES _____

PLEASE FORWARD THIS FORM, BY MAY 1, WITH A CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO THE

WEBSTER SAILING ASSOCIATION

TO: VICTOR STEFANIAK, 170 UPPER GORE ROAD, WEBSTER, MA. 01570 508-943-2891

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