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From the Helm

**By Tom Pezzella,
WSA Commodore**



It was a full and beautiful day at WSA Fall Banquet, with the Nims make up trophy race, followed by a spectacular Fall Banquet and Business meeting. Thanks to all who participated in the race, brought magnificent dishes to share, and helped clean up afterwards. It made for an enjoyable and memorable day.

Norm's treasurer's report showed that WSA is in good financial shape, and the winter storage fees help us get through the winter and spring bills.

We will be asking newer members to participate in the grounds and program committees, as we need help in those areas. Anyone who would like to volunteer for those duties should contact me.

The current slate of officers was re-elected, with the voting for 3 trustees for this year as Joe Bottasso, John Colby and Ken Stevens.

Congrats and thank you all for serving.

Two new Senior members were voted in, Joe & Margaret Bottasso and Peter & Judy Schotanus. Both families are long time members and have made many contributions to WSA over the years.

Race Committee chairman Phil Bastien presented new, beautiful trophies for this year's racing participants. Thanks, Phil, for all your hard work and dedication in your first year!

After a large, bright orange sunset, our meeting was adjourned.

I hope to see many of you at the work party, and remind you to get your winter storage forms in to Josh Hines by October 15th.

Regards,

Tom Pezzella

Commodore

WSA Executive Committee

Announcements

2021 WSA OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES



Commodore

Tom Pezzella

Senior Vice Commodore

Bob Gurlitz

Executive Committee

**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 TRUSTEES

From Bob Gurlitz

3 trustees were voted in; Joe Bottasso, John Colby and Ken Stevens

According to the WSA Trust, the declaration of trust (article 4) the trustees shall be 3 in number and and elected annually to the exec committee of the Webster Sailing Association. The W.S.A. by-laws (section 2) state the 3 elected members at large shall serve on the exec committee and will also serve as the trustees of the W.S.A. Trust . They are the holders of the assets of the trust and are responsible to issue certificates to raise monies for W.S.A., when and if the need become necessary. The responsibilities are to serve on the exec committee and to oversee the distribution of the W.S.A. assets should the association decide to dissolve and cease to be an association.

I would strongly urge all members to read the declaration of trust and the by-laws of W.S.A.

WSA WINTER STORAGE PROGRAM

From Josh Hines

it is time to start thinking about the cooler weather. WSA will continue to offer members the opportunity to participate in a winter storage program this year. The fee for winter boat storage at WSA is \$100 per boat. For those interested in the winter storage program, please complete and mail the Winter Storage Form with your payment to me at the address on the form no later than October 15th. Applications postmarked after October 15th may be subject to a late fee. Unfortunately we had a few issues last year that deem a late fee necessary. Please let me know if you have questions.

{WSA WINTER STORAGE PROGRAM cont.}

For all other members, all boats and personal items must be removed from the Anchorage no later than November 30th. This includes all items in the sail loft and all gas cans in the bin.

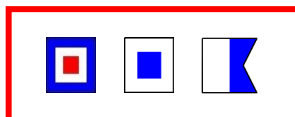
The fall season is typically great for sailing. I hope that everyone has the opportunity to enjoy the next few months of good weather.

Webster Phone Numbers

From Ken Spindola

During the meeting at the Fall Banquet, it was requested that everyone have access to important phone numbers. From our Spring Newsletter, I have listed the numbers below:

911	Any Emergency
508-943-2218	Medical Services (EMT & Ambulance)
508-943-1212	Police
508-949-3875	Fire
508-949-3861	Water / Sewer
508-340-5189	Animal Control
508-949-3861	Highway
508-987-8190	Hazard Marine
508-461-6020	Lakeview Marine
508-943-7525	Post Office
508-943-0404	Point Breeze Restaurant
508-943-2222	Waterfront Mary's
508-943-3871	Indian Ranch
508-943-1639	Samuel Slater's Restaurant
508-949-0000	The Lodge Restaurant
508-949-8888	Eighty Ates Restaurant
WSA Anchorage:	4 Bates Point Road, Webster, MA 01570





WSA & Lake News

Any news or events that are WSA or lake related.

WSA 2021 RACING RESULTS



Kenyon Series:

1st Place – Phil Bastien

2nd Place – Lee Amodeo

3rd Place – Josh Hines



July 4th Trophy Race:

1st Place – Kryngle Daly

2nd Place – Eric Belske

3rd Place – Josh Hines



Craver Memorial Race:

1st Place – Josh Hines

2nd Place – Phil Bastien

3rd Place – Eric Belske

Phil Nims Memorial Race:

1st Place – Bob Cloman

2nd Place – Eric Belske

3rd Place – Phil Bastien



Sunfish Regatta Race:

1st Place – Darlene Snay

2nd Place – Jonathan Chalmers

3rd Place – Josh Hines



Point Breeze Regatta Race:

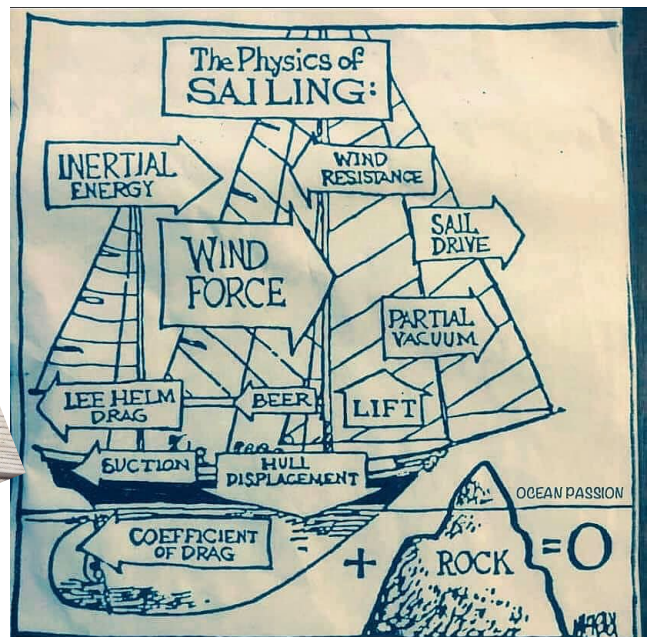
1st Place – Andy Greg

2nd Place – Bob Cloman

3rd Place – Darlene Snay



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE...



DRONE VIDEO & PHOTOS

From Kringle Daly



Compiled droned footage from the Point Breeze Regatta.

https://youtu.be/_mBlqTixMfU



Members DIY Hints

Member hints regarding upgrades and boat maintenance including boat product critiques

SYNTHETIC TEAK

Synthetic teak is a non-porous composite material that looks like natural teak. It is a low maintenance, light weighted material. You can use synthetic teak instead of teak wood for your decking.



The pros of teak are as follows: Teak has a high oil content, high tensile strength, and exceedingly tight grain. These factors combine to create a wood that is tremendously weatherproof. There's a lot more to it than that, of course. Teak is resistant to rot, fungi, and mildew. The beauty of real teak wood on boat decks is undeniable, but look-alike decking made of synthetic teak substances has become a popular trend for many reasons.

Those reasons include its affordability, low maintenance, nonskid appeal, uniform appearance, and soft feel underfoot. The downside has been its tendency to absorb heat, which makes the product uncomfortable for bare feet in southern boating locales that have continuous sun exposure (e.g. Florida). Technological improvements have enabled today's product offerings to be cooler underfoot. They also to benefit greatly from the type of materials used, manufacturing processes, color options, and ease of installation.

Some DIYers may have the skills and patience to tackle installing new synthetic teak decking themselves. But an annual haul-out is the ideal time to add [new decking](#) to your boatyard's project list. If your boat is overdue for new decking, take a look at some of the hottest, cool-comfort synthetic teak decking offerings on the market

I decided to replace the carpeting in my cabin as well as the cockpit with this "synthetic teak". After reviewing and getting samples of various products, I selected "SeaDek". The following is the description of what SeaDek is...

"SeaDek Sheet Material is made from soft yet durable, non-absorbent PE/EVA blended foam material. Our sheet material is perfect for DIY projects. It can be cut with a sharp razor knife to fit a number of applications including seating, cooler tops, decking, and polling platforms. SeaDek is a superior alternative to marine carpet and traditional molded-in non-skid. Designed to withstand the harsh conditions of the marine environment, SeaDek is made from UV-resistant closed-cell PE/EVA foam that will not absorb water and provides exceptional traction when wet or dry. SeaDek is a foam deck for your boat. The product debuted in 2002, and over the past 19 years, it has been growing in popularity.

According to the Florida-based company SeaDek, its product of the same name is "utilized not only by the top boat builders in the marine industry but also in the aftermarket by boat owners seeking custom products. Made from closed-cell PE/EVA foam, SeaDek products offer safe and comfortable alternatives to marine traction products currently on the market. Easy to install and customizable, SeaDek replaces the need for molded-in non-skid, saving OEMs time and money during the manufacturing process."

SeaDek utilizes an acrylic-based pressure sensitive adhesive for a robust bond and easy peel-and-stick application.

SeaDek Sheet Material is perfect for all types of DIY projects. Available in a variety of sizes and colors, these 5mm thick sheets feature our micro-dot embossed texture for maximum comfort underfoot and exceptional non-skid properties. Easily cut with a sharp razor knife, SeaDek sheet material is perfect for many different applications, including: seating, cooler tops, decking, and polling platforms, the possibilities are endless! SeaDek Sheet Material is backed with our 3M pressure sensitive adhesive to provide an easy peel-and-stick application."

I went with SeaDek for a few reasons... first was for the positive reviews and then for it's looks as well as having a 3M adhesive to the backing. With the adhesive backing, it eliminated steps on preparing the boat surface for putting glue on the material and boat deck. For a fee, one option was to make templets of the area you are covering and sending them to SeaDek to be professionally made. A less expensive option was to purchase sheet material (4x8') and cut it to fit using scissors or a razor blade. I went with the sheet material.

On the whole, I'm very pleased with the outcome doing this for the first time (see Photos). YouTube was a big help with photos and instructions on the installation.

Ken S.



WSA Photo Gallery



WEDNESDAY NIGHT SAIL Iain Ridgway... "A surprisingly good sail last night with Jonno, Josh and Becky. Turned into a decent breeze. "



FAMILY DAY AT THE ANCHORAGE Jonathan Chalmers... "I've never seen the WSA dock so busy!"





A NO SAIL WEDNESDAY Jonathan Chalmers... “Another windless Wednesday yesterday.... so we grilled and chatted, and Kryngle's friend Andrew took some great drone photos of the lake and WSA.”





CRAVER MEMORIAL RACE Kryngle Daly... "My wife Bethany took a pile and a half of pictures from the committee boat yesterday".







THE SUNFISH REGATTA Jonathan & Bethany Chalmers...



AFTERNOON SAIL Jonathan Chalmers... “Went for an great afternoon sail with Josh Hines and Liam, and bumped into Becky and her sister who is visiting from CA and Lee Amodeo.”

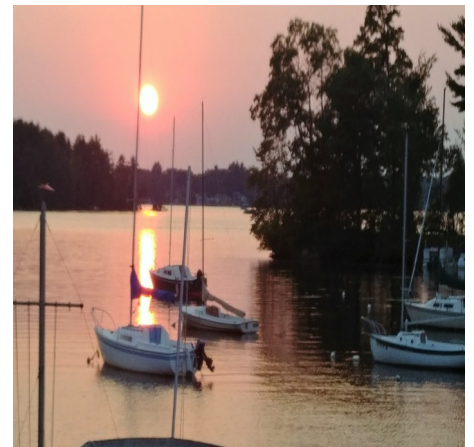


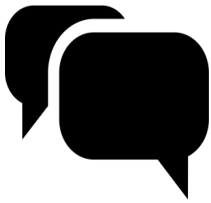
JULY 4th FRIENDS & FAMILY





WSA FALL BANQUET





Members Blog

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

WSA Sailing Reminders

This season, we provided reminder emails to our members on weekly sailing events. All WSA outings and events are open to all and we encourage everyone to participate as much as possible. This season we focused on sailing reminders for Sunday Afternoon Racing and Wednesday Night Sailing. Besides the sailing reminders, we included weather conditions at the lake. This is your sailing association so if you have an idea or would like to see us put together an outing, please let us know.

WSA Wednesday night sailing

Enjoy sailing with
fellow members

EVERY WEDNESDAY
EVENING AT THE
ANCHORAGE

ARRIVE: 4:30-5:00 pm



FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY Sunday July 4th



1:00pm: July 4th Trophy Race

4:00pm: Lake Tours



5:00pm: Cookout



PLEASE REPLY TO ELAINE AT ecz56@charter.net
TO LET US KNOW IF YOU PLAN ON EATING WITH US

Storm Preperation

With the storm coming, we want to prepare our boats and the grounds. Please make sure that your boat is fastened to its trailer, and that there are no loose items that can blow away. If you go there, please bring in the plastic chairs, shower curtain and grill. Turn over the tables. As a general reminder of things I've noticed lately, when you leave, please close the Windows, lock the doors and gate, turn off the lights, hose and gas grill.

Tom Pezzella

In addition to the above info - make sure there is slack in the lines holding the docks in place (if the lake rises the docks can lift the anchors if the lines are too tight) - double up the lines holding the committee boat - secure or remove the canopy - remove the flags - block the wheels on any boats that can be pushed by the wind - stay safe

Bob Gurlitz

