





## Fleet 5 Newsletter

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## **GREETINGS FROM THE PREZ**



2022.. here we go. As I sit here early on this snowy morning, I can't help but appreciate the silence brought on by falling snow. As I begin my second year as Fleet Captain, it is hard to believe this pandemic is still going strong. While none of us

would have anticipated that it would impact us so greatly, for so long, it certainly does make you appreciate what you do have, and are able to do – things we often took for granted before. Fortunately, the winter is a good time for hunkering down and/or spending some time out in the fresh air – and better yet, we have been lucky enough to have Covid not really prevent us from doing what we all love to do most – sail.

First things first I would like to start off by thanking **Kim** and Christina Pandapas for hosting a well-attended Awards Party at their beautiful home in November. The Awards Party is always a fun one, and while **Mike Nash** and I always loved hosting it – parties and 3 year olds don't go together all that well, so we appreciate Kim and Christina stepping up to host after Peter and Wendy Frisch took over for us a few years back.

Congratulations are in order for Harm's Way with Mike and Kathleen Lane winning the Charlie Barr Trophy for the Twilights and Mike Lane and Renee Heffernan for winning the Nick Nichols Trophy aka *The Cup*. See page 3 for the full report on the awards, including our Fleet perpetuals and my personal favorite, the Hacker Award. Did **Stefan** win the triple crown/dunce cap? You'll have to read on to find out..

The Fleet Leadership Team met mid-December to hash out the upcoming season. We will be meeting again in January to finalize some loose ends, but the most pressing thing to come out of our first meeting is that the Winter Party, which would typically fall on 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in January, will be postponed for the moment until things settle down and we can responsibly consider getting

and keep your fingers crossed that it will all work out.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Winter Party - Postponed for now. Stay tuned for the details on one of our most well attended Fleet Parties.

Spring Clinic - TBD Fleet 5 will host its annual Spring Clinic, mostly likely the first week in May. Got ideas for topic? Send them to elise.mazareas@gmail.com

Measurement Days - TBD While we did a great job getting boats measured ahead of the Nationals, if you have work done over the winter and need to update your certificate, let Stefan know so he can plan accordingly:

sjthibodeaux@gmail.com

Twilights Commence - May 26th The Twilight Series will start on May 26th, the Thursday before Memorial Day. Scoring will start June 2<sup>nd</sup> Start time for the Rhodes will be **7:06pm.** 

Spring Series - May 28th-29th Spring Series will kick off on the Saturday & Sunday of Memorial Day weekend.

East Coasts - June 10-12th

It's on! Our good friends in Manchester have agreed to host the East Coasts yet again. Fingers crossed it happens this time!

<u>Marblehead NOODs</u> – July 28th-31st Hosted by BYC.

Nationals - August 16th-19th at Chicago Corinthian YC.

folks together. We are tentatively considering sometime in March, so stay tuned for that

While the race for the Cup may be over 'til next season, many of our Fleet 5 members have been out racing, representing and racking up the awards. Check out Short Tacks on page 2 to see what people have been up to and page 5 for an update on **Lindsay Smith's** progress. In the meantime, stay healthy!







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# SHORT TACKS

## **MRA Fleet Reps Meeting Recap**

The MRA held its Fall fleet reps meeting on Tuesday Dec 14th to solicit thoughts on the previous season and suggestions for next season. Kim Pandapas and Elise Nash attended for Fleet 5. Fleets were generally appreciative of MRA's efforts as well as of the consistent, high-quality RC work. On the topic of the race Series configuration, Fleet 5 shared the feedback received from Fleet members, which was primarily that the current Series configuration (6-1) is good, though there was almost equal support for the 4-1 Series. Regardless of the series configuration, most people felt MRA could spend less on trophies as long as there would be no less racing and were generally open to trying different formats for racing in the Fall series. If you have questions, feedback or suggestions for MRA, please forward to kpandapas@comcast.net.

#### **Race Committee Accolades**

Speaking of all the hard work done by our Race Committees, both **Judy Adam** and **Barbara Hallawell** were awarded the Ives Bowl at the Corinthian Yacht Club's Sailing Awards Party this year for their contributions to the CYC Race Committee. **Judy** and **Ken Adam** did 18 days on the water this summer with **Barbara** doing 19. A huge thanks to them for all they do to keep us racing.



#### **Post Season Race Wrap**

Numerous Fleet 5 members have not let the end of the season be the end of racing.

First up was the Greenwich Cup, a match-racing event between CYC and EYC. This year, EYC bested CYC and will host this fun event next year. Sailing for the victors were Fleet 5's Matt Hooks, Peter Frisch, Tom Dailey, Beanie Eissner and friends Bill, Hannah and Peter Lynn.



Following the Greenwich Cup, was another great local event, the Halloween Team Race, hosted by EYC. Lots of Fleet 5 members and friends were in attendance including **Christina Pandapas** sailing for CYC, **Beanie Eissner**, **Alix Israel**, **Hannah** and **Peter Lynn** sailing for EYC, **Lindsay Smith** and **Jay Watt** sailing for BYC, **Ian Cook** Sailing for NYYC and **Adam Roberts** sailing for Seawanhaka Corinthian YC.



And last but certainly not least, a huge congrats to **Rob Hallawell**, son of **Kent** and **Barbara Hallawell**, who not only won the Laser Masters World Championship in Barcelona Spain, but won it by a significant margin. Hats off to **Rob!** 







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#### Fleet 5 Awards

Competition for The **Nick Nichols** Trophy, aka *The Cup*, is fierce and in addition to our very competitive MRA racing, we had some tight competition for **Charlie Barr Trophy** for the Twilight Series. Congrats to **Mike Lane**, **Renee Heffernan** and **Kathleen Lane** for winning them both respectively and congrats to **Seamus Hourihan** and **Peter Frisch** for taking the MRA Overall Title. The coveted Raceweek Spitoon is back at Chez **Pandapas**, so congrats to **Kim** and **Christina** for their top performance in one of our toughest events.

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Team Cooke / Kaznoski

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Team Lane / Heffernan	2623	32.00	3
MRA 2 - Final			
Name	Boat #	<b>Points</b>	Finish
Team Lane / Heffernan	2623	11.00	1
Team Cooke / Kaznoski	2648	13.00	2
Team Taylor	1926	16.00	3
MRA 3 - Final			
Name	Boat #	<b>Points</b>	Finish
Frisch / Hourihan	1210	15.00	1
Team Lane / Heffernan	2623	22.00	2
Team Pandapas	982	28.00	3
MRA 4 (LD Series) - Final			
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Fall Series - Final			
Name	Boat #	<b>Points</b>	Finish
Team Lane / Heffernan	2623	10.00	1
Team Dittrich / Renny	1217	12.00	2
Stefan Thibodeaux	1790	13.00	3
Raceweek - Final			
Name	Boat #	<b>Points</b>	Finish
Team Pandapas	982	35.00	1
Team Fava / Nash	1316	40.00	2
Adam Roberts / Parker Dwyer	1680	44.00	3
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Twilight Series 1 - Final			
Name	Boat #	<b>Points</b>	Finish
Steve Uhl	2585	11.00	1
Team Lane / Heffernan	2623	11.00	2
Team Martini	1466	16.00	3
Twilight Series 2 - Final			
Name	Boat #	<b>Points</b>	Finish
Team Colsman	2561	4.00	1
Anne Marije Veenland	2651	13.00	2
Team Martini	1466	15.00	3
Twilight Series - Overall			
Name	Boat #	<b>Points</b>	Finish
Team Lane	2623	27.00	1
Steve Uhl	2585	27.00	2
Team Colsman	2561	28.00	3
Rhodes 19 Overall - Final			
Name	Boat #	<b>Points</b>	Finish
Team Lane / Heffernan	2623	182.00	1
Frisch / Hourihan	1210	220.00	2
Team Pandapas	982	238.00	3
Steve Uhl	2585	254.00	4
Team Cooke / Kaznoski	2648	271.00	5
Tom & Kathryn Dailey	1015	372.00	6
Team Taylor	1926	381.00	7
Stefan Thibodeaux	1790	395.00	8
Team Fava / Nash	1316	396.00	9
Shoreman / Reynolds	722	404.00	10







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## Fleet 5 Perpetual Awards

## Hallawell Trophy

One of the notable things about Fleet 5 are the number of families that are out there racing together. We have husband and wife teams, father and son teams, father and daughter teams – and multiple of them: **Erhardts, Taylors, Pandapii, Nobels, Daileys, Hoguets, Colsmans, Lanes** etc. This year's award goes to yet another family team, this time a pair of brothers.

These two brothers have been sailing together for as long as I have been in Fleet 5 and have been steadily improving, being more and more in the mix over the past several years. Additionally, these two have been instrumental in helping us put on just spectacular Nationals events over the past 10 or so years heading up our fundraising team. Even in 2020, they managed to secure donations to help run the event, and when it was postponed, they did it all over again in 2021. Congratulations to **David** and **Mark Rubin** 

#### Rookie of the Year

Awarded to that first-year skipper with the most impressive showing, typically based on overall scores.

This year's recipient bought her boat in 2020 and rather than take it up to **Chris Small** or **Greg Dolan** to get it all tuned up, she did the work herself to get it race ready. She first appeared on the line in July, and went on to race in Raceweek and the Nationals, as well as in the Twilight series where she took second in Series 2. Congrats to this year's Rookie of the Year **Anne Marije Veenland** 

# **Most Improved Award**

Awarded each year to the skipper who demonstrates the most improvement from the previous season. Selection is based primarily on a comparison of the overall score for all local events.

This year, the award goes to yet another father son pair, who saw notable improvement this season. Not only did they make their first debut in the Top 10 for the Road to the Cup – not an easy feat considering the depth of this fleet, but they also took 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Nationals. This year's Most Improved Award goes to **Tom and Will Dailey.** 

## **Richie Santos Trophy**

Named in memory of **John Burke's** crew, **Richie Santos**. This trophy is awarded each season to that individual who most distinguishes him or herself in a crew capacity. Candidates must be nominated by a skipper registered in the fleet, and nominations typically are submitted in a letter to the fleet president. Final selection is at the discretion of the President, and can be judged on the basis of long-term contribution, overall performance during a single season or regatta, or even on a single compelling or outstanding event.

When I sent out requests for Outstanding Crew nominations, this one came back almost immediately: "2021 was a breakout year for 1015 because Will fixed our upwind pointing deficiency. One day we were on port tack, sailing about 15 degrees below everyone else, and he said, "this is not us, we need to pull a rope"... yeah but which one? The jib fine tune was sitting there so he pulled on a full arms-length and that was our OMG moment – our jib luff looked much tighter than everyone else, but his move turned our whole season around. Besides that, he got very lucky picking sides." Congratulations to this year's Richie Santos Outstand Crew Award recipient, Will Dailey.







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## The President's Trophy

The President's Trophy is Awarded each year to a person or persons who makes the most outstanding contribution to the fleet that year. Final selection is at the sole discretion of the president.

This year, for me, this was a no brainer. This person, not surprisingly, has one this award twice before, and I wouldn't be surprised if they win it again. The list of why this year's recipient deserves this award is long. In addition to serving as the Fleet MRA Rep and the Fleet Scorer, he also, with a little art twisting from yours truly, served as the Co-chair for the Nationals, for two years in a row, at a time when planning and hosting an event was far from the normal way of doing business. On top of all that, and in addition to writing the well-loved and widely circulated Road to the Cup every weekend, **Kim** does a tremendous amount behind the scenes, including spending hours on recruiting – connecting people selling boats to people looking for boats, walking them through what to look for when buying a boat and offering to come look at the boat with them and making suggestions for how to make the boat faster. Congratulations and Thank you to Kim Pandapas for all he does to keep our Fleet as healthy and vibrant as it is.

### The Hacker's Award

The Hacker's Award is awarded each year to the Fleet 5 member who distinguishes him or herself in a manner for which they may not want to be remembered. Stories are told at the Awards Party and the winner is determined by the highest "Hack-ometer" readings based on audience cheers and jeers

This year's recipient is **Will Dailey** for "Dude, where's my plug?" as recounted by dad **Tom Dailey:** "Will and Eric had been best friends and Pleon instructors from early days but this was their first time teaming up in a Rhodes. First day of NOOD 2021. After launching the boat on the south hoist of

the Pleon pier, William dashed off to stash the car and trailer, grab sandwiches and hit the head, expecting to pop down to the dock with Eric having rigged sails and ready to shove off. Not so. Eric was still on the float, finger in hole, idling discreetly so as not to draw eyes. Promptly they reversed order on the entire exercise, drained the boat, and re-launched."

#### SCUTTLEBUTT

We heard some good news from Cindy and Jud



Smith this week, and that is that 8 weeks into her recovery, Lindsay has moved over to Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital where she is continuing to build her strength. This is certainly a marathon of a journey for the entire Smith Family and Jud and Cindy were greatly

appreciative of the small gift from our Fleet. Check out <u>Caring Bridge</u> for updates on Lindsay's progress and if you haven't got your Fast Mermaid Sticker yet, hit up Kenny Harvey at <u>kenny@harveyrigging.com</u> or stop by <u>Mud Puddle</u> toys and pick one up!

Got News? Let's hear from you. Send your gossip, rumors and embarrassing tidbits to:elise.mazareas@gmail.com

#### MAIL BAG

While we all appreciate the Road to the Cup, especially the Holiday Edition, a few fleet members took the extra step to put their thanks in writing.

From **Joan Thayer** "Great email! Thank you for all your fun reporting and cajoling throughout the year. Santa needs to give you more time for your personal enjoyment this season. Great idea about the Mermaid stickers. I'll hop right down and get one today. Merry Christmas to you and Christina."

And from good friend **JP Zonnenberg** "Happy holidays. Merry Christmas. Just wanted to say that the latest Rhodes to the Cup was super special. Thanks for the extra effort. Our love, JP and Susan."







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#### NOTICE BOARD

**Rhodes 1475 for sale** - Many of you probably know the boat - Wootzl - Fred's old boat. Sail #1475(?). The hull number is 408229. It's reported that the main, jib and spinnaker are all in good condition. It comes on a trailer. There are a number of accessories that come with the boat as well. The boat will take some LOVE to get it to racing standards but it's an "opportunity." Asking \$4,000. If you know of anyone looking who may be interested, please direct them to Jim Norgaard. (508) 277 6167 <a href="mailto:immorgaard@mac.com">immorgaard@mac.com</a>

**Clear Out Those Old Sails** – Reclaim all that space in your garage, attic or sail locker. Please consider a tax-deductible donation of your old sails to either Sail Salem at <a href="https://www.sailsalem.org">www.sailsalem.org</a> or Courageous at <a href="https://www.courageoussailing.org">www.courageoussailing.org</a>.

Nahant Fleet Needs Sails – The Nahant Sailing Program (NSP) has 6 Rhodes 19s that are used to teach kids and a twilight program for adults. The majority of funding comes from an annual fund raiser by The Friends of Nahant Sailing. The Rhodes sails need replacement, so if you have or are purchasing new sails, please consider donating your old ones to "The Friends of Nahant Sailing." Not only will it help the program grow, but the donation is tax deductible. Please contact **Bob Cusack** at (781) 581-1159 or rjcusack@verizon.net if you are interested.

**Savanah Fleet Looking for Sails -** The Savannah Fleet is interested purchasing used sails. Our boats are not looking to compete at a national level but our club racing is very competitive and we want to refresh the sail inventory. If you know of any of your members that are looking to purchase new sails and looking for a partner to reduce their overall cost, we would be very interested in sails that are in good shape. Please contact **Doug Powelson, Captain, Fleet 49 at dpwlsn@gmail.com** or 912-665-5485

**Looking for Sails** – **Chad Atwood** writes: Where can a person find a nice set of recreational sails for my Rhodes 19. Thanks, Chad Atwood: 443-995-6773 or chadattwood@gmail.com

Please mail postings and updates to elise.mazareas@gmail.com

#### RACER'S RESOURCE BOARD

**Dave Whittier** of **Stuart Marine** in Rockland Maine is the exclusive builder of Rhodes 19s. Call Dave at 207-594-5515 for pricing on new boats, used boats, repairs and parts.

Doyle Sails at (978) 740-5950 for new sails and repairs.

Chris Small – Full restorations and glass work- <a href="mailto:csmall9021@yahoo.com">csmall9021@yahoo.com</a>, (978) 500-9021.

**Seacoast Specialty Marine** Call **Greg Dolan** at 978-255-2769, click on <u>seacoastspecialtymarine.com</u>, or visit on Facebook <u>@seacoastspecialtymarine</u>.

Neal Lewanda – Repairs, fiberglass/gel coat, rudders, keel work, etc. - neal@lewandamarine.com, 978-525-2700

**Benjamin Parker** of Aequoris Yachts and does glass work and boat repair. Contact Ben at 58 Gregory Street, Marblehead (207) 319-3583 or benjamin.parker@aequorisyachts.com.

Waterline Systems provides a complete range of services. Call at (401) 682-1661.

**Cape Cod Shipbuilding** makes Zephyr extrusions and a full range of mast and boom hardware and fittings. Call **Dick Landis** at (508) 295-2240.

**The Trailer Shop** – Located on 87 High St. in Danvers for any trailer repairs. Call **Dan Sullivan** at (978) 750-6799 **Sailor's Tailor** <u>www.sailortailors.com</u> for boat covers, rudder bags and marine stitching.

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