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Sailing School Stronger Than Ever

By all measures, 2018 was another strong season for the Sailing School. The kids that came to the school had a great experience and built new relationships and skills that will last a lifetime. The staff of Certified Instructors and Junior Instructors was one of the strongest ever. They worked hard, had fun, and made it fun and safe for the kids. The LWSA set a high bar for these young leaders, and they took great pride in striving for excellence and working to improve the school and its programs. This culture of teamwork and excellence can be largely attributed to Amy Tripp, our Executive Director's leadership style and talents.

A high level of quality brings good things. Once again enrollments are up year-to-year, this year by over 10%, it is clear that we are becoming better known in our community, around New England and online. Although the focus of our school is to teach seamanship and strong sailing skills we are also a school that prides itself on teaching teamwork, independence, confidence building, environmental stewardship and community.

This past year we had 229 kids go through the youth sailing or community sailing programs, 23 adults take lessons with our instructors plus 24 private lessons. We were able to provide 12 scholarships to kids that may not have otherwise been on the water this summer and over 35 multi week discounts to families. In addition, we had record attendance in weeks 3 and 6 of the summer program with 40 and 41 students respectively.

Our fleet of boats is expanding and now consists of; 6 - motorboats, 2 - Sonar Keelboats, 1 - J80 Sport Boat, 10 - 420s including 8 new boats, 10 - Open Bics, 12 - Optis and 2 - kayaks. This fleet would never have been possible without the generous support of our members, benefactors, volunteers and donors.



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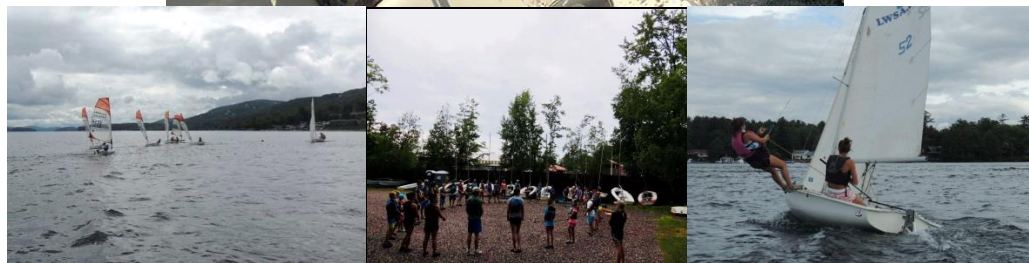
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Although we have provided a lot of statistics on the previous page, perhaps the best measure of success may be subjective, and that is to hear comments from parents and kids on how much fun the school is or friendships they have made. Al Posnack, who is the LWSA's number one volunteer thought about what the LWSA and the school in particular means to him and when you think about it, to all of us that care about boating on this beautiful lake.

The LWSA gets you the pleasure of:

- Seeing a kid alone in a boat with a big smile on her face!
- Seeing a scared child conquer his fear.
- Providing scholarship funding for needy kids – some who have never been on a boat or the Lake that they have lived near their whole life.
- Helping a youngster discover a new passion – perhaps for life!
- Helping people with disabilities conquer new horizons.
- Watching self-confidence build in young sailors.
- Giving hundreds of kids an experience they will never forget!
- Giving strength and sustainability to an organization that is so important to our community.

So take a look at some of the pictures of the school in action below and let's hear it for another year of success for the LWSA Sailing School!!



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LWSA Kids doing what they do best EAT, SLEEP and SAIL

Sailing School Scholarship Program gives \$3,300 in Scholarships

LWSA is committed to removing financial barriers so that affordability does not prevent youth in our communities from enjoying the sport of sailing. Our Sailing School has for many years granted scholarship registrations to children from families with needs but this year we have really focused the program by soliciting “directed” scholarship donations and by searching out families that would benefit from their child entering our program.

We entered the year with just \$650 in our Scholarship Fund. Over the summer season many donors brought the fund up to a level of over \$6,000 allowing our summer program personnel to grant a record 12 scholarships, a value of about \$3,300. Thanks to some 30 individuals, families, and foundations that directed a charitable contribution to the Scholarship Fund. A special thanks to the LWSA PHRF Racing program that directed the net proceeds from their season races to the fund and to the Winnepesaukee Yacht Club for its continuing long history of support.

You can make a charitable gift to the Scholarship Fund at any time. Just go to www.lwsa.org and click on the “Give a Scholarship” button.



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J80s Going Fast and Building the Fleet

Racing sailboats doesn't get any better than what we had this year! With the addition of Ron Eagan's Finishing Touch II, Fleet 1 saw eleven boats on the line this year. The season began, as usual, the third week in May and ran for a total of 18 weeks divided into Spring, Summer and Fall Series.

The Spring Series was won by Jason Blais and the crew of Blondie and both the Summer and Fall seasons were won by Les Beckwith and the crew of FKA.

This J/80 season also saw many Fleet 1 boats travelling the east coast. The third week in August found six Fleet 1 boats travelling to Boothbay Harbor, Maine for the J/80 East Coast Championships including; More Gostosa, FKA, Blondie, Sea Biscuit, LWSA (skipper and crew were LWSA Sailing School Instructors) and Mistress all in attendance. Fleet 1 was by far the best represented Fleet. This was the first time Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club had hosted a Class event and they knocked it out of the park.

In a stunning display of boat speed in light air, Les Beckwith and his team on 1151 FKA came from behind and won. FKA had a solid first day of racing with a couple of bullets, but also a 10th place and a couple of mid-pack 6th place finishes in the 16-boat fleet to put him in fourth place after 5 races on the first day of racing-which was held east of Squirrel Island in a light SSW'ly 4-6 knot breeze and sunny skies. The left side of the course paid off all day with a lift off Fisherman's Island and a bit more velocity.

The standings after day one had *More Gostosa*, helmed by Conor Hayes leading with 16 points followed by Dan Shanahan's *Lawyers, Guns, and \$*, (*Mangos*), Ken Mangano from Annapolis being a guest trimmer, with 22 points, followed closely by Craig & Madeline Preston's hull # 4, *Sky Rocket*, then Beckwith, a slim point behind them in 4th place, with 24 points.

The 16-boat fleet, with boats from Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, and New Hampshire joined the host fleet-14 Maine boats back at the Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club for a traditional lobster bake with all the fixings, including a Maine blueberry sheet cake for desert-No one left Hungry!

Sunday morning the wind was up a bit more to start, blowing 8-knots out of the South and PRO, Carter White set up on the west side of Squirrel Island to take advantage of that. This time the right shore lift paid dividends, especially for Beckwith and his FKA team who recorded four straight bullets to jump over everyone to win the East Coast Championship. Les and his team on FKA had 6 bullets in the 9 races run.

More Gostosa slipped to second overall in spite of a strong 2,2,5,2 second day. In his acceptance speech, Beckwith thanked the BHYC organizers and co-chairs Jen Baker & Ken Colburn for a fabulous venue and incredible hospitality!

Next up on the circuit was the 2018 J/80 North American Championships in Marion, Massachusetts and hosted by the Beverly Yacht Club.

Thursday evening at the skippers' meeting before racing opened, Race PRO Sam

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Vineyard promised a brisk turn-around between races, for the 22 teams assembled, as a cold front with heavy rain and a lightning show outside the BYC clubhouse swept in a strong northeasterly breeze that would hold and build across the event. Vineyard was true to his word, getting off 5 races on day one in 13-knots and better; day two saw 15-plus knots with higher gusts in the often oscillating winds and washing machine-like chop; day three saw 15-20 knots under a low overcast cloud cover- all in unusual contrast to Buzzards Bay usual southwesterly thermal and wave set.

The conditions made the starts critical as those who got off with clear air got to choose when to tack on each shift while the boats in the second row looked to clear air but often got pin-balled by the lead group. After three days of racing, which were held at times in near epic conditions, *More Gostosa* from fleet 1 on Lake Winnepesaukee, helmed by Conor Hayes, finished in second overall. Also participating and in the mix was *FKA*, *Blondie* and *Sea Biscuit*.

Last, but definitely not least, the tour wound up on Fleet 1 home turf with the 31st Annual J-Jamboree with visiting boats from Maine, New York and Annapolis and hosted by the Winnepesaukee Yacht Club. Once again, Lake Winnepesaukee did not disappoint. Day 1 blew hard with winds of about 20 knots and gusts well over 25 and the race committee under PRO Bob Knowles worked the fleet hard. Five races were run with great conditions and lots of excitement. Boats were planing downwind at over 13 knots! There were also a few broaches to keep things interesting too. At the end of day 1 it was apparent that *More Gostosa* and *FKA* were locked in another epic battle for lake superiority and bragging rights. At the Saturday dinner held at WYC there were lots of smiles and stories about the day, and a few sore bodies too! Day 2 dawned sunny and light. What a difference a day makes. Welcome to New Hampshire! After a short delay for the breeze to fill in the race committee was able to get off two light air races which took concentration and patience. *FKA* took two bullets for the day to keep things close but in the end *More Gostosa* held off *FKA* and won by 1 point. As is tradition, the awards ceremony was held at Fay's Boat Yard and there were lots of smiles all around. The end to a great Fleet 1 racing season.



31st Annual J Jamboree September 22, 2018

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Camp Resilience and LWSA, Two Great Organizations Become One



On Wednesday June 6, 2018, and again on Friday September 14, 2018 **Camp Resilience** teamed up with the **Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association (LWSA)** in order to get American Veterans on the water with the LWSA sailing fleet.

The first event day involved the cruising sailboats from the LWSA and began with a lunch together at the LWSA Dave Adams Memorial Sailing Center on Davis Road in Gilford. During the lunch, the sailors and volunteers got to meet the Veterans as both groups got to know a little more about each other while making plans for the afternoon sail. From the Sailing Center, the group travelled to Fay's Boatyard on Varney Point where everyone boarded the cruising sailboats; Haleakala, Painkiller, Renaissance, and Claddagh for a fun day on the water. Each of the veterans played an active role in setting sail for the day including raising the sails, skippering the boats and trimming the sails for the most speed. The cruise began by motoring out of Smith Cove and on to the southern portion of Welch Island in the "Broads" of Lake Winnepesaukee. Due to initial light winds, the four vessels motor-sailed with just their mainsails around the southern portion of Welch then north towards Six Mile Island where the wind began to come alive and the genoa sails were raised and motors snuffed so the veterans could enjoy the quiet of a Lake Winnepesaukee late spring day-sail. As the wind picked up and Haleakala, Painkiller, Renaissance and Claddagh sailed between Birch and Dollar Island, it seemed as though a bit of competition ensued as winches began ticking on all the boats to improve sail trim and speed to see which boat would sail back to the docks at Fay's the fastest. Everyone arrived back at Fay's Boatyard late in the afternoon and all were thankful to have gotten to know each other and enjoy a day on the water. The LWSA sailors and Camp Resilience volunteers were especially thankful to have gotten to spend the day with American heroes that afternoon.

The second event day also began at the LWSA facilities for lunch and meet and greet. This event was special because the veterans were accompanied by their significant others who would join them for a spirited day on the J/80 Fleet 1 Sport Boats. After a safety briefing, the skippers and crew were shuttled to the awaiting J80s in Smith Cove sitting on their moorings using the LWSA skiffs. Although there were similar concerns of lack of wind for the day, the gods were smiling upon the fleet as the wind picked up as we headed out of Smith Cove and onto the broader lake. From there, each of the J/80s including Sea Biscuit, Argo III, Pressure and Mistress hoisted their main and jib and sailed around the northern and southern portions of Welch Island then on to the areas surrounding Timber Island and the Witches. Interestingly, although none of the veterans had ever sailed before, they were all at the helms of each J/80 by midway through the day and at least two boats (Argo and Mistress) were showing off by flying their spinnakers. The sailing finished with a sail back to Smith Cove with the boats sailing right back to their moorings through the narrow channel. However, this was not the end of the day as the **Gilford Rotary Club** had a full barbecue set up, complete with homemade desserts ready for all the participants.

Many thanks to all the volunteers from the LWSA on those two days including; Casey Nickerson, Heidi Kephart, Dave Stowe, Al Posnack, Marty Barrett, Frank Hoell, Bob Garland, Jean-Pierre Czech, Jay Norden, Dan Frisbie, Keith Spaulding and to Guy Nickerson and Jeff Rabinowitz for the use of their J80s.

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Camp Resilience cont.



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PHRF Fleet Year in Review

The Lake Winnepesaukee PHRF Fleet had a very rewarding year on the water holding five major events during the course of the season.

The year started on June 16, with an important fundraising Poker Run that not only included sailing vessels but power boats as well. The event yielded \$960.00 towards the new Sailing School Scholarship Fund. The day started with a skipper's meeting at the LWSA headquarters on 25 Davis Road where the sailboat fleet and power boat fleet were provided with their instructions for the day. In order to get a Poker Hand and come to the Pot Luck Dinner/Awards and Party at the LWSA Adams Sailing Center, each boat had to conduct a scavenger hunt by taking pictures from their boat of the scavenger hunt locations, all of which were completed on the waterways of Lake Winnepesaukee. The power boats toured the lake by locating the Libby Museum in Winter Harbor, the Barber Pole on Tuftonboro Neck, Becky's Garden in Moultonboro, MV Mount Washington and finally, Nipple Rock. The sailboats searched for Gunstock, Jay's Reef off Six Mile Island, Dollar Island, MV Mount Washington and finally, Nipple Rock as well. The party and playing of poker hands back at the LWSA were lots of fun and after a lot of laughter (and perhaps some cheating) the following awards were handed out to the best Poker Hands:

- Sailing Division - 1st Renaissance, 2nd Moonshadow, 3rd No Shoes
- Power Boat Division - 1st Chaparral, 2nd Arianna Leigh, 3rd Special K

Many thanks to all the skippers and crew aboard the following boats that donated and participated in such a great event that day including: Mike and Tory Cheslock on Arianna Leigh, Kay Potfora and Dennis on Special K, Jeff and Andrea Johns on Moonshadow,



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Jean-Pierre and Maria Czech on Czechmate, Bob and Donna Garland on Haleakala, Jim and Mary Kennedy on Miramar, Jay and Sandra Norden on Claddagh, Keith and Nellie Spaulding on Painkiller, Dan and Sue Frisbie on No Shoes, Jim and Maureen Beaton on Rumours, Marty and Sue Barrett on Almost Heaven II, Ken and Heidi Nielson on Chaparral, Joe and Kim Saro on Bellavita III, Steve and Lynn Porter on Sanity Island, Frank Hoell and Kathy Downes on Renaissance, Pierre Angier and Sue Patz on Mojo.

The Spring into Summer Regatta occurred on June 30, 2018 with fair winds that took the 8 boats from the southern side of Welch Island, around the Witches and off to round the 70s out by Bear Island and Meredith Neck with a return to Welch Island for the finish. It was a great competition with the following finish order:

- A Division - 1st Haleakala, 2nd Painkiller, 3rd Fireworks 4th Sugar Mountain
- B Division - 1st Next Best Thing, 2nd Miramar, 3rd Czech Mate 4th Mojo

The third and fourth events of the season occurred on Labor Day weekend. The traditional two times around Welch Island "Frying Pan" Double Handed Regatta was on Friday, August 31 and had 12 boats on the line. The winds were strong out of the east which made for a great event for the sailors. The spinnaker division saw a very close competition among J Boats with Jesse Thompson and Pete Crosby taking top honors on Tubby. The final spinnaker results were as follows:

- Spinnaker - 1st Tubby, 2nd Argo III, 3rd Pressure, 4th Jolly Mon, 5th Navy Blazer

The cruising division was also a very tight race with Mark Sinofsky and Gary Hayes taking top honors on Sugar Mountain after a fantastic start and lead that they never surrendered. The final Cruising results were as follows:

- Cruising - 1st Sugar Mountain, 2nd Fireworks, 3rd Pain Killer, 4th Haleakala, 5th Czech Mate, 6th Nirvana, 7th Counsellor

The Labor Day Weekend Regatta saw very light winds so the course was short from the southern side of Welch out to and around Middle Ground Shoals and back. The gritty crews hung in there to finish the Race with Bob and Cary Long on Navy Blazer taking first flying her spinnaker and Mike Curtin on Shadow taking first in the Cruising Class. The final order of finish for the Cruisers was as follows:

- Cruising - 1st Shadow, 2nd Haleakala, 3rd Painkiller, 4th Fireworks, 5th Miramar, 6th Czech Mate

The final PHRF event of the year was the traditional Fay's Boatyard Race combined with the LWSA Season Ending Regatta on September 29th. This event saw 10 boats compete with Bob Long and Don Parsons on Navy Blazer taking first in the spinnaker class and Keith Spaulding, Dan Frisbie and Steve Porter on Painkiller taking first in the cruising class. Here is the finish order for the day for the Cruisers:

- Cruising - 1st Painkiller, 2nd Haleakala, 3rd Sugar Mountain, 4th Mojo, 5th Nirvana, 6th Miramar, 7th Little Linda, 8th Czech Mate, 9th Moonshadow

The Fay's Race scored separately saw Pain Killer take first, Haleakala 2nd, Czech Mate 3rd and Moonshadow 4th. It was a great ending to a rewarding LWSA PHRF season and many thanks go out to all the participants this year.

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PHRF cont.

Lastly, in addition to the LWSA events, members of the LWSA PHRF fleet were also able to participate in all of the Winnepesaukee Yacht Club events including; the WYC Reverse Start Charity Event, WYC JBT Race and Auction, WYC Full Moon Classic, WYC Commodore's Cup and the ever popular season finale Cold Duck Race.



Annual Frying Pan Regatta August 31, 2018 Special K during the Poker Run on June 16

Donated Boats Keep the LWSA Strong

As a non-profit organization, the LWSA is fortunate to receive a variety of donated boats from many generous supporters. Occasionally we can use these boats in our youth sailing program, but more often we sell them to help benefit the youth sailing program. Last summer proceeds from donated boats allowed us to purchase over \$40,000 in boats and equipment!

We typically sell these boats below market price - a practice that is not only consistent with our mission but also helps us to move them quickly! Additionally if you are interested in helping sell the boats that are donated to LWSA please contact Al Posnack at his email below.

Here is our current inventory.

Pls contact Al Posnack at al@lwsa.org for more info.

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Share Your Talent and Philanthropy

If you would like to share your talents, time or philanthropy, the Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association WANTS YOU. We have immediate needs in the following areas if you would like to help keep the LWSA going strong:

- Boat maintenance (keel boats, motor boats, and class boats). You don't have to do it all, but we could use help with any aspect. This could be anything from tightening bolts to running new lines to fixing motors to patching sails.
- Helping advertise and coordinate the Spring After-School Program. This program is our early spring program that needs someone to advertise, reach out to various Lakes Region Communities, and coordinate with our head instructor and program director.
- Helping advertise and coordinate the Community Sailing Program.
- Help coordinate and schedule adult and private lessons.
- Get involved in Youth Racing Program. We have many talented racers in our program that need some parent volunteers to get them to traveling events and coordinate our home event.
- Help form and coordinate our new Adaptive (Disabled) Sailing Program. Lots of help needed here in the development of this new initiative.
- Marketing, advertising, public relations, social media. You don't have to own all of these, but if you could help in one aspect it would be appreciated.
- Coordinating the merchandise sales (hats, shirts, etc.).
- Building and grounds maintenance...there is always work to be done on the main building, garage, and sheds.

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