Tell-Tales Newsletter









Message from the Director

What an amazing summer! We have been blessed this summer with great weather and healthy staff and sailors. It's been hot, but we have had wind everyday and have managed to wrap up most days before the afternoon storms hit. We are so excited that we were able to serve the community youth by giving sailors - both youth and adult - a chance to get out on the water and enjoy the outdoors. As of this writing, the summer program has had over 275 registrations and we have sold out almost all of our sessions! We still have openings for our High School Race Intro, Full Day Adventure Sail and Adult Learn to Sail for August, so check it out and register now! We look forward to many of our summer sailors joining us for our school year race team and adventure sail programs. We plan to also offer an adult C420 Race Series on Friday evenings this fall! Read through this newsletter for more information about Fall Sailing registrations and Kick Off Party.

Finally - thanks to all our instructors, sailors and sailing families for helping us to meet our virus safety requirements to keep all of our sailors safe. It has been a strange summer, but sailing has helped us to keep some sort of normalcy in our lives. Thank you!

2020-2021 Race Team and Adventure Sailing

We are excited to announce that we WILL be offering a fall race team and adventure sail program starting in September. Of course this is subject to change with the virus situation, but with Sarasota County schools slated to start by the first week of September, we plan to get back to sailing as well!

We have some exciting news coming soon concerning a new Head Coach, new Adult Race Series, a new local Regatta Series (in conjunction with Sarasota Youth Sailing) and our new Laser fleet. Please stay tuned to our website Sailing Programs page for the latest information and watch for upcoming emails. We plan to post all the school year sailing information by the first week of August, including practice schedules, tuition, tentative regatta schedules, and coach assignments. If you are new to our race team, don't worry - we will have a Kick Off party to answer all your questions and will provide a parent handbook!

We expect to have the following fleets this year:

- Opti Green
- Opti RWB
- Laser
- C420 Racing
- Venice High School Race Team
- Adventure Sailing
- Adult C420 Race Series (every other Friday)

SAVE THE DATE:

- August 3rd Fall Sailing Information Posted to Website and Registration Opens!
- August 22nd, 12pm-2pm Fall Sailing Kick-Off Party! Join us for a party at the Venice Yacht Club Pool! Meet coaches, get any of your questions answered, swim and have a hot dog cookout!
- September 9th Fall Sailing Practices Begin!

Higel Park Expansion

We are growing!! As of the June 23rd Venice City Council meeting we are now approved to begin using Higel Park as part of our new storage and launching facilities! We are in the beginning stages of contracting to put up a very attractive privacy fence in the area behind the Higel Park picnic shelter. We will immediately begin using this area for storage of our larger boats. Once the fence is in place, we will also be constructing a floating dock we will use to launch our C420s and Lasers. This is a HUGE improvement for us, as most of you know our space now is completely maxed out. We will be able to grow our fleets as well as host more events with the expanded launch capability. EXCITING TIMES! You can see our entire plan HERE.

Unfortunately expansions like these don't come cheap. If you feel able to contribute to these efforts, your donations are, as always, deeply appreciated by our Board, staff and especially by our sailors. Please consider making a donation if you can. You can Donate Here online, or contact Kelley Severns at director@veniceyouthboating.com for more information.



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Summer Sailing Continues!

<u>Stay Tuned for more information on School Year programs in August!</u>

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