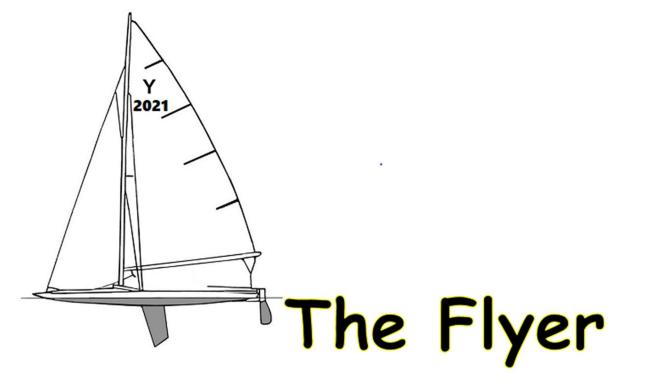
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The Newsletter of the American Y-Flyer Sailing Association



MidwYnters Update...

"Come Hell or High Water," At this point we are "a go" to host the 2021 AYFSA Midwinter Championship Regatta in Atlanta March 19-21!

To help run a safe regatta AYC is in the process of purchasing a large tent to provide outside seating options. Registrations are coming in and t-shirt/sweatshirt sales are brisk, so do not miss out as sizes are limited, first up, best dressed. If you would like a shirt but are unable to attend, we can make that happen for you. If you are thinking about attending but are still on the fence, please let me know so we can plan accordingly. If you are planning to attend, please register. It should be a great event, and a nice change of venue for those stuck in the polar vortex gripping the Midwest and South. Right now, we are predicting winds between 8 – 10 and 75 degrees. As the Canadian border is currently closed, we will hope for the best for our northern friends and raise a glass if they are not able to attend.

Register at Atlanta Yacht Club - 2021 Y-Flyer MidwYnters



Nationals Report

by US Nationals Chairperson Tracy Sykes

The Y-Fleet at the Grande Maumelle Sailing Club has decided to delay the Y-Flyer National Championships to the "back-up" dates of July 26th through July 30th. Looking forward to seeing everyone.

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Quilt Auction in Progress

from Indianapolis



Bidding is now open and ends March 20th, 2021 for a quilt that's been donated to the Y-Flyer Class.

Trip Around the World quilt is 88"x88". The quilt pattern shows a variety of colors radiating out from the center. This is a tradition Amish pattern made of solid color fabrics. The backing fabric is a multicolor fabric and matches all the front fabrics. The quilting pattern is a large cabbage rose with lots of leaves. The quilt is machine washable and dryable. Quilt was made and quilted by <u>Wanda Black</u>.

You can make a bid at this link:

BiddingOwl - American Y-Flyer Sailing Association Auction



| | 2021 | Y-Flyer | Regatta | Calendar | | | | |
|-------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------|---------|--------------------------|
| Month | | Regatta Name | Club | Lake | Location | State | Country | Type of Event |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Mar | 19th-21st | Midwinters | Atlanta YC | Allatoona | Acworth | GA | USA | Y-Flyer Only |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Apr | 10th-11th | Schultz Hospice | Harbor Island YC | Old Hickory | Nashville | TN | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 24th-25th | Atlanta Open | Atlanta YC | Allatoona | Acworth | GA | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 24th-25th | Spring Dinghyfest | Rush Creek YC | Ray Hubbard | Rockwall | ТХ | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | | | | | | | | |
| May | 1st and 2nd | Keowee Cup | Keowee SC | Keowee | Seneca | SC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 15th and 16th | Animal Cracker | Browns Creek SA | Guntersville | Guntersville | AL | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 29th-30th | Hawg Wild | Grande Maumelle SC | Maumelle | Little Rock | AR | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Jun | 11th-13th | Riviera | Mattoon SA | Mattoon | Neoga | IL | USA | Y-Flyer Only |
| | | June Bug | Fanshawe YC | Fanshawe | London | ON | Canada | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 19th-20th | James Island | James Island YC | Charleston Harbor | James Island | SC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 26th-27th | Low Country | Beaufort Y&SC | Beaufort River | Beaufort | SC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Jul | 3rd-4th | 4th of July | Lake Norman YC | Norman | Mooresville | NC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 10th-11th | Thoroughbred | Saratoga Lake SC | Saratoga | Ballston Spa | NY | USA | Y-Flyer Only |
| | | Vale | Sudbury YC | Ramsey | Sudbury | ON | Canada | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 10th-11th | Hobcaw | Hobcaw YC | Wando River | Mt Pleasant | SC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 16th-18th | Charleston Open | Charleston YC | Charleston Harbor | Charleston | SC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |

| | | Ontario Provincials | (?) | (?) | (?) | ON | Canada | Y-Flyers Only |
|-----|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----|--------|---------------------------|
| | 26th-30th | Y-Nationals | Grande Maumelle SC | Maumelle | Little Rock | AR | USA | Y-Flyer Nationals |
| | 31st-Aug 1st | Carolina (SC) Open | Carolina Yacht Club | Charleston Harbor | Charleston | SC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Aug | 7th-8th | Rockville | Sea Island YC | Bohicket Creek | Rockville | SC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 7th-8th | Carolina YC (NC) | SAYRA Open | Banks Channel | Wrightsville Bea | NC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | | Canadian Nationals | (?) | (?) | (?) | (?) | Canada | CYFYRA Sanctioned Regatta |
| | | Western Championshi | (?) | (?) | (?) | ALB | Canada | |
| | 28th-29th | Indy Outty | Indianapolis SC | Geist Reservoir | Indianapolis | IN | USA | Y-Flyers Only |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Sep | 4th-5th | Bluegrass/Bourbon/Bo | Louisville SC | Ohio River | near Louisville | KY | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | | Quebec Provincials | (?) | (?) | (?) | QC | Canada | Y-Flyers Only |
| | | Sudbury | Sudbury YC | Ramsey | Sudbury | ON | Canada | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 11th-12th | Whale/Beer&Boats | Carlyle SA | Carlyle | Carlyle | IL | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 11th-12th | Fall Dinghyfest | Rush Creek YC | Ray Hubbard | Rockwall | TX | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 25-26 | Lake Lemon Regatta | Bloomington YC | Lake Lemon | near Bloomingto | IN | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Oct | | Pumpkin | Fanshawe YC | Fanshawe | London | ON | Canada | Open and/or Invitational |
| | 2nd-3rd | Y-Flyer and Friends | James Island YC | Charleston Harbor | James Island | SC | USA | Y-Flyer Only |
| | 9th-10th | Gilbert Beers | Atlanta YC | Lake Allatoona | Acworth | GA | USA | Y-Flyers Only |
| | 23rd-24th | McDougal | Harbor Island YC | Old Hickory Lake | Near Nashville | TN | USA | Open and/or Invitational |

| Vov | 5th-7th | Midlands | Columbia SC | Lake Murray | near Columbia | SC | USA | Open and/or Invitational |
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| | | | Other Clubs | Potentials | | | | |
| | | | Beaver Lake SC/64 | Beaver Lake | Garfield | AR | USA | future regatta? |
| | | | Chippewa YC/4 | Chippewa Lake | Medina | Ohio | USA | rekindle? |
| | | | Western Carolina YC | Lake Hartwell | near Clemson | South | USA | Hospice Regatta |
| | | | Lake Murray SC | Lake Murray | Chapin | South | USA | rekindle? |
| | | | Heuston Woods SA/2 | 5 Acton Lake | Oxford | Ohio | USA | rekindle? |

American Y-Flyer Sailing Association

Fleets

| FLEET | CLUB | ADDRESS | CITY, ST | ZIP | CONTACT | EMAIL - PHONE |
|-------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Atlanta Yacht Club | 7120 Yacht Club Drive | Acworth, GA | 30102 | Nile Hatcher | nile2762@hotmail.com |
| 2 | Mohican Sailing Club | 2187 Mifflin Township Road 1265 | Lucas, OH | 44843 | | - |
| 3 | Berlin Yacht Club | 10557 Northview Drive | North Benton, OH | 44449 | | 330-758-5689 |
| 4 | Chippewa Yacht Club | 5878 Longacre Lane | Chippewa Lake, OH | 44215 | John Baker | mbaker14@neo.rr.com |
| 5 | Savannah Yacht Club | 730 Bradley Point Road | Savannah, GA | 31410 | 0 | (912) 897-1318 |
| 6 | White Lake Yacht Club | 6748 South Shore Drive | Whitehall, MI | 49461 | | 213-894-4516 |
| 7 | Shreveport Yacht Club | 2905 Municipal Pier Road | Shreveort, LA | 71119 | | (318) 631-7414 |
| 8 | Indianapolis Sailing Club | 11325 Fall Creek Road | Indianapolis, IN | 46256 | Kevin Black | kblack2752@gmail.com |
| 9 | Oconee Sailing Yacht Club | 117 Yacht Club Road NE, | Milledgeville, GA | 31061 | 0 | - |
| 10 | Carolina Yacht Club | 50 East Bay Street | Charleston, SC | 29401 | Briggs Monteith | briggsmonteith@gmail.com |
| 11 | Cataract Yacht Club | 11874 IN-243, | Cloverdale, IN | 46120 | | 765-795-3700 |
| 12 | Louisville Sailing Club | 7300 Beachland Beach Road | Prospect, KY | 40059 | Pat Passafiume | jibsail2681@yahoo.com |
| 13 | Bloomington Yacht Club | 911 East Sail Away Lane | Unionville, IN | 47468 | Doug Kinzer | evenkeel2788@gmail.com |
| 14 | Decatur Country Club | 2401 Country Club Rd SE | Decatur, AL | 35601 | | 256-353-5773 |
| 15 | Gulfport Yacht Club | 4638 Del Rio Way S | Gulfport, FL | 3371 | | 727-215-9357 |
| 16 | Columbia Sailing Club | 292 Shuler Road | Columbia, SC | 29312 | | 803-764-6065 |
| 17 | Elkhart Sailing Club | | Elkhart, IN | | | - |
| 18 | Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club | 30 Yacht Club Drive | Beaufort, SC | 29907 | Bob Turner | kiva46k@gmail.com |
| 19 | Jacomo Sailing Club | 22103 SW Woods Chapel Road | Blue Springs, MO | 64015 | Ed Bigus | biguslaw@aol.com |
| 20 | Lake Lanier Sailing Club | 6206 Commodore Drive | Flowery Branch, GA | 30542 | | 678-828-9131 |
| 21 | Lake Norman Yacht Club | 297 Yacht Road | Mooresville, NC | 28117 | | 847-255-0210 |
| 22 | Valley Sailing Association | Unknown | Machens, MO | | | |
| 23 | Augusta Sailing Club | 5462 Sailing Road | Appling, GA | 30802 | | 706-305-7357 |
| | | | | | | |

| 24 | Corinthian Sailing Club | 441 E Lawther Drive | Dallas, TX | 75218 | | 214-758-0788 |
|----|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-------|----------------|------------------------------|
| 25 | Hueston Sailing Association | Hueston Woods State Park | College Corner, OH | 45003 | Brett Hart | hartbrettr@gmail.com |
| 26 | Eagle Lake Sailing Club | Unknown | Worchester, MA | | | - |
| 27 | Wateree Sailing Club | 67 Nautical Drive | Camden, SC | 29020 | | 803-504-1052 |
| 28 | Pelican Yacht Club | 6712 False River Drive | Oscar, LA | 70762 | | - |
| 29 | Lake Quivira Yacht Club | - | Kansas City, KA | | | - |
| 30 | Grande Maumelle Sailing Club | 12000 Maumelle Harbor Road | Rowland, AR | 72135 | Drew Daugherty | drew.daugherty@sbcglobal.net |
| 31 | Dixie Sailing Club | 767 New Hope Church Road | Alexander City, AL | 35010 | | - |
| 32 | Texarkana Yacht Club | Unknown | Texarkana, TX | | | - |
| 33 | Orlando Yacht Club | Unknown | Orlando, FL | | | - |
| 34 | Tyler Yacht Club | 17636 East Side Drive | Tyler, TX | 75707 | | - |
| 35 | Wilmington Sailing Club | 330 Causeway Dr | Wilmington, NC | 28480 | | |
| 36 | Seattle Sailing Club | | Seattle, WA | | | |
| 37 | Western Carolina Sailing Assn | | Greenveille, SC | | | |
| 38 | Midland Sailing Club | | Midland, TX | | | |
| 39 | Mattoon Sailing Association | 3635 County Road 903 North | Neoga, IL | 62447 | Bill Totten | wtotten@tottenlawllc.com |
| 40 | Kentucky Lake Sailing Club | | Aurora, KY | | | |
| 41 | Lindenhurst Sailing Club | | Lindenhurst,NY | | | |
| 42 | Crab Aorchard Sailing Assn | | Carbondale, IL | | | |
| 43 | Warsaw Sailing Club | | Warsaw, IN | | | |
| 44 | Columbus Sailing Club | | Columbus, IN | | | |
| 45 | Alenandria Sailing Club | | Alexandra, VA | | | |
| 46 | Connorsville Sailing Club | | Connorsville, IN | | | |
| 47 | Raleigh Sailing Club | | Raleigh, NC | | | |
| 48 | Jackson Yacht Club | | Jackson, MS | | | |
| 49 | Southern California Sailing Club | | | | | |

| 50 | Central lows Sailing Assn | | DesMoins, IA | | | |
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| 51 | Lake Murray Sailing Club | 235 Old Forge Road | Chapin, SC | 29036 | David Parshall | sunfish2595@gmail.com |
| 52 | Westhampton Yachting Squadron | Remsenberg, NY | | | | |
| 53 | Lake Lashaway Sailing Club | 6 Lakeview Road | North Brookfield, MA | 01535 | Eric Nash | eric@nashcontractinginc.com |
| 54 | Lake Monroe Sailing Assn | | Bloomington, IN | | | |
| 55 | Lake Glendale Sailing Club | | Glendale, PA | | | |
| 56 | Carlyle Sailing Associaion | 20960 Hazlet Park Road | Carlyle, IL | 62231 | Dan Haile | dhaile2784@yahoo.com |
| 57 | Portland Sailing Club | | Porland, OR | | | |
| 58 | Overland Yacht Club | | Boise, ID | | | |
| 59 | Lake Saint Louis Sailing Club | | Lake St Louis, MO | | | |
| 60 | Creve Coeur Sailing Association | Creve Coeur City Park | Maryland Heights, MO | 63043 | Dennis Bardle | flymale@sbcglobal.net |
| 61 | Evergreen Sailing Club | Evergreen Lake | Hudson, IL | 61748 | | |
| 62 | Harbor Island Yacht Club | 300 Harbor Drive | Old Hickory, TN | 37138 | Ray Marley | rpmarley@gmail.com |
| 63 | Saratoga Lake Sailing Club | 163 Manning Road | Ballston Spa, NY | 12020 | Terry Fraser | elfraser51@gmail.com |
| 64 | Beaver Lake Sailing Club | 11184 Lantham's Landing Road | Garfield, AR | 72732 | Susan Sisco | susan.r.sisco@gmail.com |
| 65 | James Island Yacht Club | 734 Wampler Drive | Charleston, SC | 29412 | Ned Goss | mr.ned.goss@gmail.com |

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Wedding Bells in Charleston



by Area VP Ned Goss

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Henry and Stephanie McCray on their recent nuptials! Celebration to come once the world gets back to business as usual !!!





New Set of Sails Up for Raffle

by Area VP, Ned Goss

Evolution Sails South Atlantic and Charleston's fast-growing Y-Flyer Fleet are excited to announce the "Save The Molds" Raffle. All proceeds, less the processing fees, from this raffle will go towards upgrading and retooling the Y-Flyer molds that are currently at High and Dry Boatworks in Charleston. The winner of the raffle will receive a brand-new set of Y-Flyer sails from Evolution Sails with sail designs influenced by Greg Fisher.

With only 60 tickets available at \$100 each, we know that tickets will go fast. Raffle will not end until all tickets are sold. Visit the link below today for a chance to win!



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Chippewa Yacht Club Reaches Long Term Lease Agreement



On Wednesday, February 10, 2021, 1:35 PM, Chippewa Sailing <<u>chippewasailing@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

CYC Members and Alumni,

As you probably know, last summer the Medina County Park District purchased the former Chippewa Lake Amusement Park with the intent of making the 95-acre property into a public park. This plot of land also includes the grounds that Chippewa Yacht Club occupies. For over 50 years, CYC has been on a year-to-year lease agreement with the former owner of the site, Chippewa Lake Properties, a division of Continental Business Enterprises. This prohibited any long-term planning at the club, as there was always the possibility that we may have to find a new home.

The sale to MCPD is seen as the best possible outcome for CYC. Throughout the negotiation process, the park district was always open to the possibility of allowing CYC to remain in its original location. Additionally, MCPD is committed to improving the water quality in the Chippewa watershed, restoring wetlands, and reintroducing

native vegetation to the area. All of these projects combined improve the overall health and vitality of Chippewa Lake and are helping to decrease the toxic algae bloom issue.

Since the sale was announced, members of our executive committee have negotiated on behalf of the club with MCPD Director Nate Eppink. We are pleased to announce that on January 1, 2021, CYC entered into a 20-year lease agreement with the park district, thus putting to rest the uncertainty that has hindered the club for more than five decades.

In exchange for this long-term lease, CYC has agreed to offer some limited public programming, and we hope to announce those details soon. While we will still remain a private, members-only club, this public outreach will raise our profile in the community and ensure we are continuing to foster interest in sailing and boating education at Chippewa Lake well into the future.

Chippewa Yacht Club <u>www.chippewasailing.org</u> Like us on <u>Facebook</u>

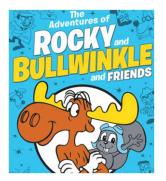
(Editor: Our thanks to Gary O'Neal for the information)

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President's Comments

Before lapsing into somewhat the questionable thought process below (my usual and oft failed attempt at relevance), we, as a class, should acknowledge the efforts of our membership who have risen to the task of donating to the class association, of your time, efforts and of course considerable monetary contributions to help continue the process of mold refurbishment. If we were to start naming those involved, the list would be quite extensive and due to the class policy of anonymity in donors, justice would not be served. One of the most remarkable contributions that is readily visible and with efforts to make it more visible, is that contribution from Wanda Black (Aka Kevin's parole officer...shhh) with her quilt auction that has been up and running for almost a month. Activity has been quite pronounced and, as auctions go, will start to get frenetic as the MidwYnter deadline approaches. An extraordinary contribution for sure. Thank you, Wanda!! Bid, Bid, Bid.

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Keeping Fractured Sailing History Relevant

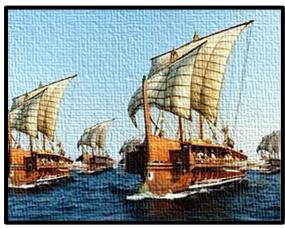
by His Imperial Majesty, Bob Turner



At this writing, it is unclear whether March came in like a lion or more like a lamb. That will likely be debated for some time with the outcome decided at some <u>bar</u>._Regardless, March is here and that is the only point of any consequence. March has garnered much significance over the years with one of the most celebrated historical dates (according to Julius Caesar's second cousin twice removed) being the "Ides of March", March

15th, (literally the middle of March). Apparently, some old crone with nothing better to do, killed a chicken, made some chicken soup and then tried to find a good way to make the chicken bones pertinent. (*Ed Note: Likely this was before cats were discovered as a means to pretend you had a domesticated animal but later found out that the only command cats acknowledged from their owner was "ignore my existence, you wretched feline lump of fur"*). But I digress...yet again...

So, the Romans, after deciding they had battled enough in the Senate (go figure), decided to divert their misery to a more fun activity and celebrate the "coming of spring" which had yet to be invented. The idea was bounced around by some sailors who found themselves temporarily stranded on(in)**** a <u>bar</u>. That's when Harvey Glotzback, lead drummer from the Trireme "Vene Vide, Vice" challenged, Ringo Kardashian, (great great great great great great...oh never mind) from the "Eat My Dust", out of Carthage, to a championship race



on the 20st of March. It turned out to be a grand affair with great preparation, polishing of oars, mending of sails and practicing new forms of "epithet hurling" to distract the opposition.

Inset picture: Years later, Phoenicians from the other side of the lake would join the fun. Taken from a mosaic on the floor of a <u>bar</u> immediately adjacent to one of the well-

known launching ramps where weary sailors could be found face down reportedly paying homage to one of their favorite sports.

Sports illustrated would later describe the intense battle: "It was a close race right out of the starting box but soon became evident that "Eat My Dust" was outclassed in the long down-hill slog. They gained some

temporary advantage by yelling "your mother has snakes for hair" continuously at the competition. Vene Vidi Vici*** would regain the lead temporarily by passing out KOSS head phone protection to all the oarsmen. But alas the victory would not go to the triple V favorite. The drummer for Eat My Dust would reach into his own bag of tricks and dust off an LP record of Buddy Rich, that fabled drummer of yore and played it on "78" setting on the turntable. The rest, my fellow oarsmen, is history" (Editor's note: This account did not get much notice since most of the subscribers hadn't put down their February SI Toga Swim Suit issue...another story another time...)

Continuing the history of Spring rituals. After several years, there developed a really poor attitude among the losers and dockside would find such activities as boats burned and or intentionally run aground on one the numerous <u>bars</u> in the area. This proved expensive even for the well-off Yachty-Type owners and it quickly morphed into a slightly different sacrificial activity. Sock burning!! Initially, this celebration did not allow for the removal of said socks from the losing team so after much "crying of foul" it was relegated, temporarily to the trash heap of history. A couple of thousand years later +/-, the burning of socks would once again become an annual ritual, performed dockside round-tha-world, in anxious anticipation of the spring sailing season.

Enter the newly revived (3/4 of a century ago+/-) Midwinter Championship whose most exuberant incarnation can be found at our own Y flyer Midwinter Championship regatta. Probably one of the most anticipated events of the year given that it does, in fact, signal the end of the Winter season which has typically reduced our 'on the water activities' to a trickle...or in the case of this year... a melting icicle-trickle. The "Come Hell or High Water" event promises to mark the approach of the upcoming sailing season. A season that was only occasionally brightened by carefully orchestrated events that promised safe sailing, plenty-o-smiles, great revelry and the much missed "hurling of epithets" to rekindle those fun times of the last 7 decades shared with the greatest group of sailors one can imagine.

I have been assured by the most honorable event organizers from $FLEETUS\ I\ MAXIMUS$, that the $MMXXI\$ event acknowledges

- 1) No boats will be burned
- 2) No feet will be harmed
- 3) The "one fathom" rule etc. is encouraged

Foot note: Since the Come Hades or High Water Event will occur on the last day of winter/first day of spring* the smell of burning Argyles in the air is highly likely**. (after removed from feet of course...) will NOT result in incarceration**. BYOS

Glossary

Bar: N: def. Treacherous collection of sand, shell, coral or some collection of the above, often placed in areas that receive the maximum amount of sailing traffic, thereby stranding sailors for hours...see also; "Bar" def. treacherous collection of beer, wine, spirits, mead, ales, lagers etc. often placed in areas that receive the maximum amount of sailing traffic thereby stranding sailors for hours (Coincidence? I don't think so)

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BYOS: directive: e.g. "Bring Yur' Own Socks"
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*As determined by those "pre-quartz-movement" great sidereal movements by which time is/was commonly reckoned),

** This activity was decriminalized after the 1st amendment was passed

*** Veni Vidi, Vici was recently sighted at some boat yard in Secaucus, NJ, renamed "Veni Vidi Sed Non-Vici.

******** This translation is still being debated by historians.

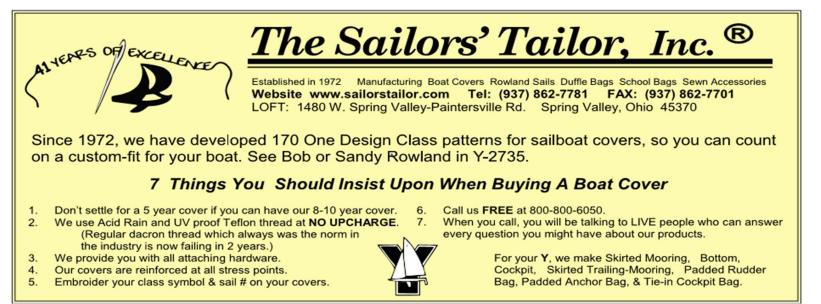
And now you know "the rest of the story" See you all in Atlanta!!



Kiva clear, standing by on XVI...Static, break...more static...



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Eight Bells

It is with great sadness and a deep and personal sense of loss that I have to report the passing of one of our young sailors and favorite sons. Our small community of Pawleys Island and even smaller Y flyer class association community lost Noah Benton to what can only be described as a tragic event. Noah was found unresponsive on Sunday evening last.

Adding to the tragedy, Noah's parents, Mike and Sheila Benton, had been living in Japan for the past year. Due to travel restrictions, their return home was delayed until sometime Thursday evening. For those of you who had the privilege to share the water with Noah and benefit of meeting his parents, I'm sure this news will be devastating. I'm asking all to keep Noah's family in your thoughts and prayers as they come to grips with the recent loss of their youngest son. My heart aches for them and hope they can find peace in the coming months/years.



My offering to the newsletter was basically finalized before I received the call from Mike Benton on Monday evening. I wrestled with the light trivial nature of the copy. Thankfully, Terry's (The Flyer editor) schedule allowed me an extra two days to consider what would be appropriate. This notice may have well ended up replacing that article. After talking with close family friends, I elected to move forward with that copy and then set aside this opportunity to advise on the recent turn of events. I like to think that Noah, were he to be reading that newsletter, may have found cause to chuckle at some portion or another, as inane as it was. To that end, and with the midwinter championship coming up fast, I would like to encourage all who are on the fence regarding registration, to please come and share that activity and the friendships that Noah had so readily embraced.

Over the past year, we have been pressed to choose "quantity of life" over "quality of life". In light of this devastating news, we are reminded that "quantity" is never a given, that tomorrow is never promised and that we are, in fact, in charge of our own "quality" however we choose to define

that.

Join us in Atlanta, participate in that which you enjoy, remember Noah's passion, and celebrate those fleeting joys life has to offer.

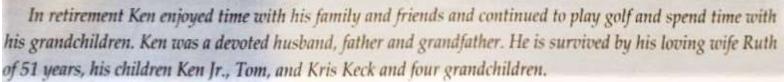
Light a candle, hug someone close, embrace life. Eight Bells, Noah Benton...

Bob Turner. (Thank you, Amanda Hodges for the above picture! It says it all)

Eight Bells

Ken Schaefer, Sr, Carlyle Sailing Association

Also passing was Ken Schaefer, Sr. who died at home in St. Louis on April 15, 2020 at the age of 84. Ken was also a former VSA and CSA Sailor, fleet captain, club officer and commodore during the 1960s to 1980s. Ken attended Kirkwood High School, proudly served in the Marine Corps for three years, and then put himself through night school at Washington University receiving a degree in accounting. He worked for Price Waterhouse as a CPA and then for Pott Industries as the Chief Financial Officer. Later Ken owned Allied Gear and Machine and then founded Orion Capital, an investment group. Ken was an accomplished sailor competing in races with his wife Ruth.



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Canadian Corner by Bob Somek, Canadian Y-Flyer Secretary-Treasurer

Unfortunately, the border is not only closed for vehicle traffic but also air traffic until April 30th. So, there are no Canadians coming this year to the MidwYnters. After discussions with some of our executives we will be lucky here in Canada to have a racing schedule unless things improve, until late fall.

The new restrictions are this, if you are a Canadian returning by either plane or by vehicle from anywhere, you are required to have a COVID-19 test 72 hours in advance before arriving in Canada or face a \$3000 CDN fine. You are then sent once crossing the border for isolation at your cost of \$2000 CDN in a hotel specified per person for 3 days. Then after being tested again negative you must still be isolate for 14 more days.

Also because of testing here in Ontario, they have found 309 cases of the UK variant, 9 cases of the South African variant and 1 case of the Brazil variant in just the past week. Since this past Tuesday, Feb 16th, the Niagara area (where I live) across from Buffalo, NY has been in lock down as a precaution. Our cases are low, deaths minimal but they are not taking any chances. The variants may be no more dangerous but they spread like wild fire.

The vaccine roll out has been slower here due to shipment delays. Canada may not be fully vaccinated until September or October.

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Current Membership Numbers Released

Y-Flyer Secretary-Treasurer, Paul White announced that as of March 1st, 2021 there are:

66 Regular Members

6 First Time Members

8 Associate Members

4 Junior Members

18 Crew Members

5 Life Members

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From Your Editor:

Membership numbers at this point in time might cause some concern. However, it is expected that with both the Nationals and Midw Ynters on the planned 2021 racing schedule our numbers should increase significantly during the course of the year.

Membership numbers, along with associated dues, are important to the health and well-being of our Class.

With The Flyer going out to nearly 400 readers, your Editor can assume that many potential members are waiting.

Let's all throw in our support for our Class. Join or renew now, bid in the quilt auction and participate in the sail raffle!

This month I've included a list of the sanctioned Y-Fleets. If you know someone in a fleet that's less active than it used to be, perhaps an email or call to open a line of communication and it might be helpful to get that fleet participating again. An invitation to socialize or even race at a regatta might strike a chord.



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For Sale

Y-2804

A 2008 Turner with a white hull w/ green "swoosh"

- boat is in nearly new condition, lightly used
- stored indoors in the winter
- white powder coated spars
- Harken Carbo blocks throughout
- one set of sails (main, jib)
- lifting bridle
- kick-up rudder
- top cover
- bottom cover
- mast cover
- boom cover
- trailer w/ spare wheel/tire
- trailer bunkers replaced within the past 1-2 years
- trailer is titled/registered in Indiana; boat is not
- boat located in Indianapolis, IN





Asking \$15,000

(We showed this boat at the Y-Flyer display of the Chicago Boat Show and we took the pictures above. We received many compliments and comments about the boat) ... Editor



A recent picture:

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