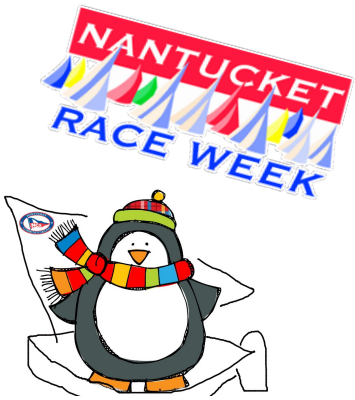
NANTUCKET COMMUNITY SAILING NEWSLETTER

Happy Holidays From NCS!

Give the gift of sailing this holiday season



* Fill stockings with gift certificates for private lessons and water sports rentals – or even an outing on the Waszp!
* Give an adventure seeker (of any age!) a Jetties Sailing Center membership
* Make a gift to the NCS Scholarship Fund in a loved one's name
* Purchase our popular merchandise: jackets, hats, accessories, beautiful NRW photos, and more!

Donate Your Red Tickets to NCS

Not going to be on Nantucket for Christmas Eve for the Annual Red Ticket Drawing? NCS is accepting Red Ticket donations now through December 20th (Friday) at 5pm. You can drop tickets off at the NCS Main Office or send them to us via snail mail (PO 2424 Nantucket, MA 02584).

2019/2020 Annual Appeal

Keep an eye out for our Annual Appeal mailing and consider making a donation to NCS this holiday season. NCS will enter its 26th sailing season in 2020, and we are so very grateful to all our supporters. Thank you.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING NCS!

2020 Program Registration Opens January 27th/February 1st

Keep an eye out for information on Summer 2020 Programming, which will open on our website at 12pm EST on February 1, 2020. Island Family Early-Bird Registration will open at 12pm EST on Monday, January 27th. At the end of each summer, youth program participants are placed, by their instructors, according to ability and interest, into a recommended program for the subsequent season. To find out the recommendation for your sailor, please call or email (registration@nantucketcommunitysailing.org) the NCS Office anytime. We encourage all sailors to learn their proper placement prior to registering for programs. Set reminders and mark your calendars now because this is one date you don't want to miss!

Welcome Pamela Newham

We's like to extend a warm welcome to Pamela Newham, NCS Programs Manager! A native of upstate New York, Pam has been a summer resident of Nantucket since 2004. She has spent the bulk of her summers on Nantucket working in the hospitality industry, with winters spent either traveling or working in tropical climates. She is looking forward to the transition of working in a community based organization and embracing the off-season of Nantucket. Welcome, Pam!

Rebuild the Fleet - Name a Boat!

This winter, NCS is aiming to rebuild both the NCS 420 and Opti Fleets, and the Nantucket High School Sailing Team 420 Fleet. Our goal is to cycle our fleets: every 3 years we try to replace 3 Club 420s (used with Teen Green 420 Blue, 420 Race on-island and off-island, 420 Development, the Nantucket High School Team, 420 Private Lessons and 420 Rentals) and 6 fiberglass Optis (used in Opti Green, Opti Blue, Opti Race, Opti Private Lessons and off-island). These boats take on tremendous wear and tear and it's time to freshen up the fleet. This winter we're asking you to consider donating a boat to Nantucket Community Sailing - and consider naming it in the process! This can be a really nice way to build a legacy at NCS. Club 420s (complete with dolly) cost $9,000. Optis (complete with dolly and covers) cost $4,200. Please help us fund updates to our teaching, high school, and rental fleets. Summer 2020 will be here soon, and we want to be ready for you! To discuss donating a boat, please contact NCS Program Director, Emily Taylor, emily@nantucketsailing.org

Shop Olivela x NCS

Twenty percent of proceeds go directly to NCS! Shop Olivela in-store (Nantucket, Aspen, and Boston pop-up) or online and support NCS at the same time! A huge thank you to Olivela for their support. Happy shopping!

2019 - 2020 NCS Board Members

At the NCS Annual Meeting on October 5, 2019, new board members and advisors were elected and those rolling off were thanked for their dedicated service. The 2019-20 NCS Board and Officers are:

Harry Rein, President
Linda McGrath, 1st Vice President
Traci Weaver, 2nd Vice President
Penny Dey, Treasurer
Carolyn Grant Zarrella, Secretary

Bill Birch
Barbara Desai
Paul Gaucher
Chris Gould
Bill Grieder
Pell James
Tracy Marshall
Sue McCollum
Minou Palandjian
Arthur Reade

Tom Richards
West Riggs
Steve Siegler
Julie Steindler
Wendy Sykes
Wink Van Ogtrop
Roger Vandenberg
Craig Venter
Tom Whidden

Shop AmazonSmile - Support NCS

Shop AmazonSmile this holiday season! AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support Nantucket Community Sailing every time you shop, at no cost to the customer. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon – with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to NCS. To shop at AmazonSmile, please click here.

2020 Summer Employment Application Posted

The 2020 NCS seasonal employment application has been posted on our website. Hiring will begin immediately and continue on a rolling basis throughout the spring. All of our instructional positions require a US Sailing Small Boat Level 1, 2 or 3 Instructor certification and current First Aid and CPR certifications by the start of employment. You can find our 2020 application here. You can also view our ads on Sail1Design for more information. We look forward to putting together a great group of seasonal instructors again this year!

Old Sails - Please Donate

We are once again seeking donations of old sails. Over the years, we've been able to send our old sails to Sea Bags in Maine as part of a program where NCS tote bags are created in exchange for the used sails. We will be sending another shipment of used sails their way this summer – if you are looking to get rid of some of your old inventory, please drop the sails by the NCS Office!

Now… for a few NCS Fun Facts!

Our NCS Board Treasurer, Penny Dey, is multi-talented! She won an award for "Best New Director" for her film, Dr. Winslow's Heart: A True Story, at the Nantucket Shorts Festival in October. It is a great film! The film is just under ten minutes long and you can watch it here.

And, some past local Nantucket students/instructors (Adam Ceely, Mary Lentowski, James Roggeveen, and Annie Sager) put together a 2.5 minute video about what Nantucket Community Sailing has meant to them as they move forward in their lives. Adam is a sailmaker and professional sailor, Mary is an attorney, James is getting a PhD in Fluid Dynamics, and Annie is a water quality engineer. They are a shining example of the kind of people that Nantucket Community Sailing helps develop. View here!

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