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#### Dear NBYC Members:

The 2017 Summer Barnegat Bay Sailing Season kicks off with the BBYRA Saturday Race series on June 24<sup>th</sup>, followed by the opening of the NBYC Junior Sailing Summer Program on June 26<sup>th</sup> and by the NBYC Sunday Afternoon Races starting on July 2<sup>rd</sup>.

As members of the Normandy Beach Yacht Club, we hope you all will participate and/or support the sailing program and events or at least come by the club and watch the races while enjoying a cold beverage on the porch.

I want to thank all of the volunteers on the Sailing, Race and Junior Sailing Committees. Without their support there would be no sailing at NBYC. A special thanks to Betsy & Steve Foster and Larry Reid, Linda Graham, Pete Newman, Janey Rosenberg & Bob Ceresi who's dedication year in and year out keeps sailing alive at the club.

## **NBYC -Sunday Afternoon Club Races**

We have scheduled 7 race days for the 2017 Sunday Afternoon Race program. Race dates are July 2<sup>rd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and August 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. All rules pertaining to the Sunday Races, including the Sailing Instructions, will be posted on the club's website – www.nbycnj.com. To qualify for season ending awards, a boat must sail in at least 5 of the scheduled races. If 6 or 7 races are sailed, the 5 best finishes will be scored.

For the second year, we plan on including a "Mid-Bay Championship" as part of the Sunday Series where NBYC sailors will get the chance to race against competition from Shore Acres and Lavallette Yacht Clubs. More details to follow.

### **Junior Sailing**

NBYC is proud to sponsor the Junior Sailing Instructional Program for children ages six and up. The program runs for 8 weeks (from June 26<sup>th</sup> through August 17<sup>th</sup>). Novice clinic scheduled Monday through Thursday. NBYC club sailboats (Optimist Prams) are provided for both of these clinics. NBYC also offers Intermediate and Advanced clinics (Monday through Thursday) for our more experienced students. Sailors will be evaluated by our instructors as to their individual sailing capabilities before being placed in the appropriate group.

We are bringing back our Wednesday, Mid-Week Racing Series! All Intermediate and Advanced Junior sailors may participate in these full-day races, 10 AM to 3 PM. Lunch will be available for purchase at NBYC on those occasions. We have plans for some great Fun Days to break up the curriculum, as well.

The Junior Sailing Program's goals are to introduce members' children and grandchildren to the joy of sailing. The outstanding instruction with a low pupil to instructor ratio has produced some very successful sailors over the years. Don't miss out on this opportunity. Please contact Linda Graham, NBYC Junior Sailing Coordinator, at 732 793-7403 or <a href="mailto:linbgraham@aol.com">linbgraham@aol.com</a> for more information.

# **BBYRA – Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association**

Steve Foster will continue as our club's representative for the BBYRA. The Saturday Race series starts on June 24<sup>th</sup>. We encourage all of our Adult Intermediate and Advanced Junior Sailors to compete in this series. Please go to the BBYRA website (<a href="www.bbyra.org">www.bbyra.org</a>) to view all current changes to the Sailing Instructions and payment plans. If you have any questions regarding the 2017 BBYRA regatta season, please contact Steve.

# **Sanderling Regatta**

Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup> marks the <u>43<sup>rd</sup></u> year that this traditional and well respected regatta will be sailed at NBYC. The regatta is open not only to all BBYRA Sanderling sailors, but to any Sanderling sailor regardless of their location or club affiliation. The regatta consists of 3 races with the overall winner awarded the prestigious Commodores Cup. Please contact Steve Foster for more information or if you can help.

### NBYC/BBYRA Race Day, Saturday, August 12th

NBYC is full of activity and excitement on August 12<sup>th</sup> as we host the BBYRA race day. The day begins at 7:00AM as the BBYRA race officials arrive to prepare for the day's races. Two races for each class are scheduled for both the morning and afternoon. NBYC needs many volunteers to assist at the club and on the water throughout the day. We ask all members to consider volunteering, especially those with power boats for patrolling a part or all of the day. Please contact myself and/or Steve Foster to let us know of your availability for our "Day on the Bay".

### **Reciprocal Yacht Club Privileges**

NBYC is a member of the Yachting Clubs of America. You are invited to take advantage of the benefits that this affiliation affords our members. Benefits include temporary dockage at some clubs and the use of restaurant and bar facilities at member prices, where available. NBYC is identified as club10.40 and the password is y100446. The website www.ycaol.com lists participating clubs and their facilities, which you are all welcome to visit and use.

#### **Awards Ceremony**

NBYC will host our annual end-of-season Awards Ceremony where awards will be given to both our adult and junior sailors on Labor Day weekend.

Sincerely,

Peter Schwartz Vice Commodore - 2017