

BOW WATCH

BEAUFORT YACHT & SAILING CLUB

JUNE 2023

COMMODORE JASON RUHF



Dear Members,

It's that time of the year again! We are delighted to declare that pool season has officially commenced. Members and their families are welcome to enjoy the refreshing waters and take part in various family-oriented activities. Friday Night Pool parties kick off this Friday. This event runs parallel to Sunset Friday at the bar so, grab your sunscreen, throw the kids in the car, and come make a splash! It's a great facility available for us all to enjoy, please let's clean up after ourselves and remember there is no food or glass permitted on the pool deck.

We are also very excited to announce that updated North Dock Plans have been submitted to the state for review. The permit is being amended to include new functionality that will permit the launch of small craft. The dock has been carefully designed to provide ease of access and enhanced safety for launching and retrieving your vessels. You can review the submitted design for the dock at our clubhouse where we have the design on display. We hope this new addition will further enhance your club experience and encourage more of our members to explore the joys of small-craft sailing.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Beaufort Water Festival Regatta on June 10th. This highly anticipated event draws juniors and adults from all over the region, bringing together a diverse range of sailing classes and enthusiasts. The regatta offers multiple courses catering to the dinghy and PHRF fleets, as well as a Portsmouth class for non-one design boats. Participating classes include PHRF fleet, catboats, VX1, Laser, MC Scow, Sunfish, JY-15, 420's, Open Bic's, Optimist, and Portsmouth. The regatta promises friendly yet competitive racing, alongside a variety of related activities. This regatta will also serve as the final Spring series event for the Catboats, so make sure to join in and support our fellow members in their pursuit of victory.

We hope you are as excited as we are for the upcoming events and improvements at our sailing club. Your continuous support and participation contribute to our vibrant and welcoming community. We look forward to seeing you on the water, at the pool, and at all our exciting upcoming events!

Kind regards,

Jason Ruhf Commodore, BYSC

From the bulletin board



BYSC Summer Camp

The BYSC Summer Camp provides an active, hands-on, playful, safe environment for children to explore the outdoors during the summer. Land and water-based activities include games, crafts, fishing, boat tours, and sandbar adventures.

BEAUFORT YACHT & SAILING CLUB

MAKING THE BEST SUMMER MEMORIES!
byscsummercamp2@yahoo.com
Register at www.byscnet.com

Registration Opens:
Members: February 20, 2023
Community: March 1, 2023

Member **\$255**

Non-Member **\$295**

Summer Camp

TIME: 8:30AM-4:30PM

AGE: RISING 1ST GRADE - 12 YRS OLD

CIT: 13 & 14 YRS OLDS

WEEKS:

ONE: JUNE 5-9
TWO: JUNE 12-16
THREE: JUNE 19-23
FOUR: JUNE 26-30
FIVE: JULY 10-14
SIX: JULY 17-21

COURT-GAMES, FIELD-GAMES, ARTS & CRAFTS, FISHING, KAYAKING, BOATING, AND SWIMMING

BYSC SAILING CAMP IS A SEPARATE CAMP

SUMMER SAILING CAMP 2023

WITH BEAUFORT COMMUNITY SAILING AND BOATING

AT THE BEAUFORT YACHT AND SAILING CLUB

-JUNE 5-9

--JUNE 12-16

---JUNE 19-23

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-----JULY 17-21

-----JULY 24-28

REGISTRATION OPENS:

BYSC MEMBERS - MARCH 7TH, AT 10AM

NON-MEMBERS - MARCH 9TH AT 10AM

9AM - 5PM

AGES 8-16

\$375/WEEK NON-BYSC MEMBERS

\$335/WEEK BYSC MEMBERS



Beaufort Community
Sailing & Boating



SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER
OR FOLLOW THIS URL

<https://theclubspot.com/register/camp/HzzajnRbwE/class>

CONTACT NOAH KIPAR AT

SAILINGDIRECTOR@BEAUFORTSAILING.COM WITH ANY QUESTIONS.



Summer Sailing Camp

Sailing should be a part of every low-country child's life! BCSB's Learn to Sail Summer Camp teaches sailing skills to beginners through advanced sailors. Campers thrill at the challenge of sailing and other water-based sports and activities.

Noah Kipar

From the bulletin board

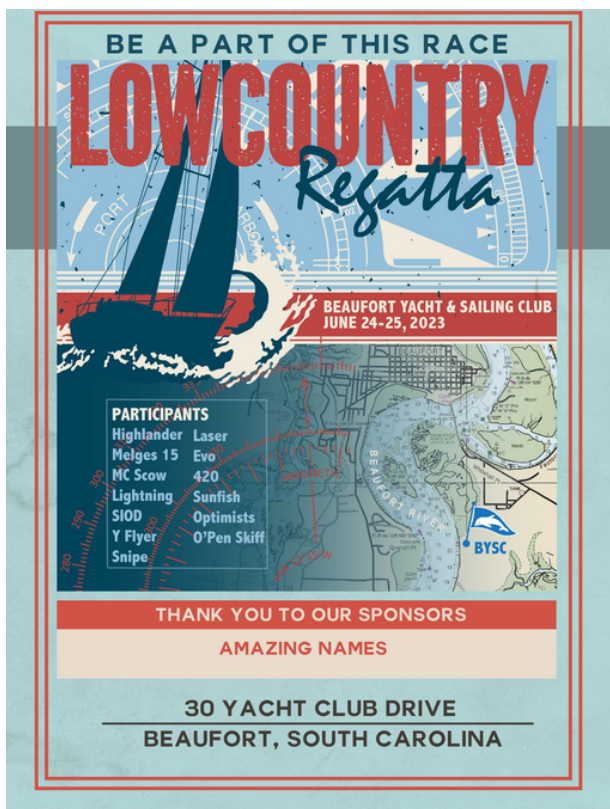


Water Festival Regatta

The Annual Beaufort Water Festival Regatta has multiple courses to accommodate the various dinghy and PHRF fleets as well as a Portsmouth class for non-one design boats.

Juniors and adults from all over the region flock to this friendly, competitive regatta and related activities. Classes: PHRF fleet including catboats; multiple dinghy classes: VXI, Laser, MC Scow, Sunfish, JY-15, 420's, Open Bic's, Optimist, and Portsmouth.

Want to be a sponsor?



The Lowcountry Regatta

The Lowcountry Regatta is our largest regatta and is known for excellent racing, entertainment, socials, and welcoming southern hospitality.

Multiple racecourses accommodate different classes, including dinghies and PHRF boats, and adults and juniors. Participants frequently camp on the BYSC grounds. Classes: VXI, Laser (all rigs), MC Scow, Sunfish, JY-15, 420's, O'Pen Skiff, Optimist (Green, RWB), SIOD, Lightning, Snipe, Y Flyer, Highlander.

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From the bulletin board



Looking for a Mooring?

We have recently completed some maintenance on a couple of our mooring balls, so we have two available for lease. Each of them can hold up to a 40' length and 35,000-pound vessel. Please contact Paul to discuss annual lease if you are interested.

GENERAL MANAGER: PAUL KOWALSKI
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843-522-8216 EXT:101

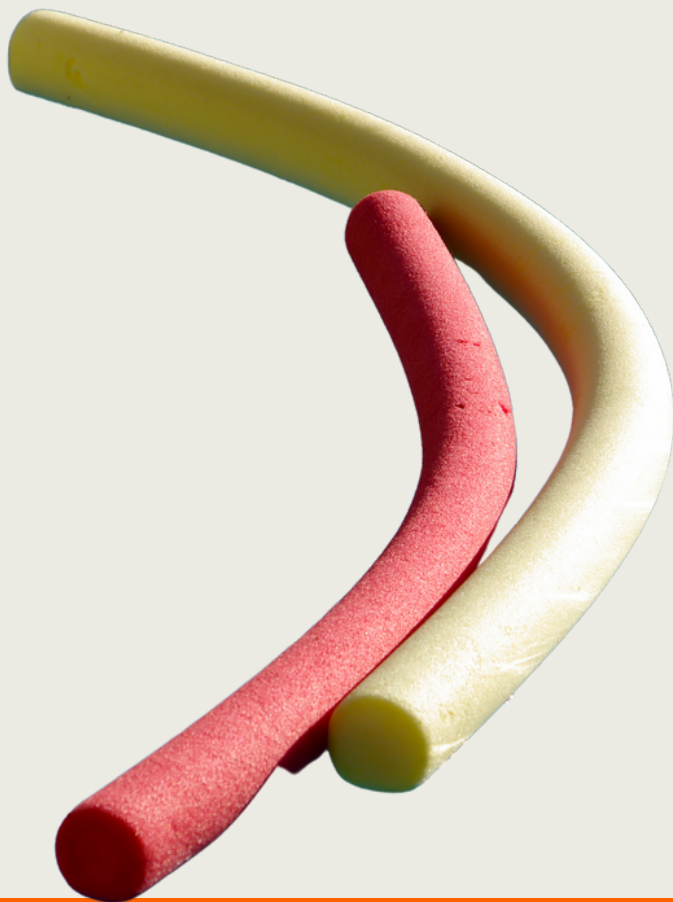


Help welcome Katherine Taylor, our 2023 Head lifeguard. Please help be supportive to the rules and regulations of the pool as our summer staff works to maintain a safe and healthy environment for you and your guests.

Please note we have a guest QR code hanging on the fence for your guest fees.



From the bulletin board



WATER AEROBICS

Looking for an efficient and fun way to stay fit and healthy?
Look no further than water aerobics!



We will begin Monday
June 5th, 9:30 -10:30.

Please bring a "fat" noodle.
They are about 3" in diameter. The smaller ones can be used, but do not give enough support or resistance in the water.
Put your name on your noodle!!! Otherwise, it can be left to whoever uses the pool.



MORE
INFORMATION



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WE WOULD LOVE YOUR USED KAYAKS★PADDLEBOARDS



SUMMER
CAMP

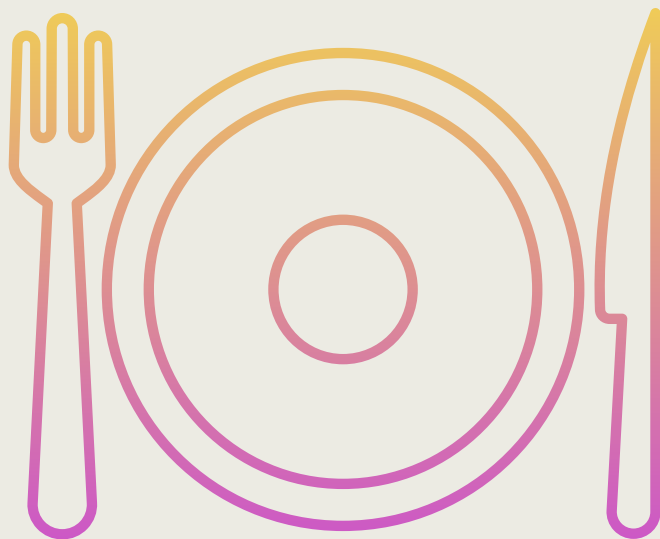
FAMILY
OUTINGS



ADVENTURE



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STEAK NIGHT

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

WOODY NORWOOD

Contributed by Jean Story

June 2023



The annual Catboat Rally was held May 3-6, 2023, and for the 15th year, Woody Norwood chaired the event. Woody is Captain of the fleet of Catboats at BYSC and has served as Founder/Chairman of the Classic Boat Rally and its' successor Catboat Rally since 2006.

Woody grew up in Atlanta and began sailing at Lake Allatoona as a child in the 1950's. He recalls heading up to the lake on summer weekends, stopping on the way for 50 lbs. of ice because there was no electricity yet at the "Allatoona Reservoir" as it was known at the time. The Atlanta Yacht Club was formed in 1950 and Woody's parents were among the earliest members. They bought a Snipe class boat that year and an Opti for Woody, who was 9. By age 11 Woody was skippering his own 15 ½-foot Snipe class sailboat with his younger sister, Beth, crewing. Woody sailed in the U.S. Snipe Nationals as a junior and as a senior throughout the 1950's, finishing 3rd twice in the Juniors. He also served as Commodore of the Juniors at AYC.

Woody enrolled at Vanderbilt in 1959, but in 1961 he transferred to Tulane University where he was elected Racing Team Captain for the Tulane University Sailing Club (TUSC) in 1961-62 and then Commodore of TUSC in 1962-63. After graduating from Tulane, he earned an MBA in Finance from The University of Chicago's Graduate School of Business (1965) and then lived for two years in New York City where he crewed on the 36-foot yawl "Escape" owned by Harlow Reed, on the Long Island Sound circuit.

While building a successful career in corporate finance, Woody relocated back to Atlanta and regained his interest in the Snipe Class. He campaigned a series of Snipes in the 1980s to the early 2000s in regional, national, and world events that took him to Spain, Portugal, Bermuda, Nassau, Denmark, Norway, Argentina, Italy, and Japan, as well as many sailing venues around the USA. In addition to competing in world events, Woody also served as captain in bareboat charters in the Virgin Islands of the Caribbean and the Whitsunday Islands in Australia, and along the Turkish coast of the Aegean.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

WOODY NORWOOD

Continued

In 2004 Woody had a new “Herreshoff 12 ½” (waterline length, 16’ LOA) built for him by Cape Cod Shipbuilders in Wareham, MA, and that brought him to Beaufort where the only people he knew were Frank and Marilyn Pontious. Frank had served as Commodore of Atlanta Yacht Club as had Woody, and they had been Snipe Class competitors for over a decade. At the end of a week of sailing around Beaufort in his H 12 1/2, Woody purchased a second home in Beaufort in 2005 and joined BYSC (he permanently relocated from Atlanta to Beaufort in 2011).

In 2005, Frank Pontious helped Woody sail the Herreshoff from Savannah to Charleston, in a unique adventure. This became, in 2006, the Classic Boat Rally, which has garnered more national attention than any other sailing event in Beaufort. This popular annual race is now known as the Catboat Rally, with a course from the Savannah Yacht Club to Beaufort with an overnight stop on Hilton Head at the South Carolina Yacht Club in Windmill Harbour.

After racing a series of sailboats that included a Flicka 20 (which Woody sailed to Nova Scotia on the Atlantic Ocean “outside” in 2010), a Compac 16, a Cape Dory 22, and a Marshall 18 Sanderling catboat, Woody settled on a Marshall 15 ½ Sandpiper named “Celadon” which, at the age of 82, he finds “fast, challenging, fun, and (relatively) easy to manage.

Woody’s contributions to the club include helping to build up the fleet of catboats, numbering 11+, which is now the most active sailing fleet at BYSC. He has served as PRO (Principal Race Officer) as well as on the BYSC Board of Directors for three years.





MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

WOODY NORWOOD

Continued

Few people know that Woody's heritage goes back to the very early years of South Carolina. His direct forebears were among the earliest immigrants to Charleston, Edisto Island, and Beaufort and include one of the founders of Beaufort in 1711, Edmund Bellinger. Woody's father grew up in Marion, S.C. and was a graduate of The Citadel as well as MUSC Medical School. His grandfather was the principal owner of The First National Bank of Marion, and a graduate of Furman College and The Wharton School. Woody's great grandfather was a prominent banker in South Carolina in the late 19th century and was the biggest donor to Furman in that century.

Woody's wife of 20 years, Alice, passed away from cancer in January 2000. He remains very close to his two children from a previous marriage, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Woody was fortunate enough to reconnect recently with a friend that he met many years ago on the racing circuit, Priscilla "PJ" Hill from Fort Worth, TX. PJ is also a lifelong sailing enthusiast and she and Woody look forward to pursuing their love of sailing together.

