



# Barefoot News

October 2023

## Upcoming Events

Please RSVP for events using the links here, or at [barefootsailingclub.org](http://barefootsailingclub.org).

Date	Time	Event/Registration Link	Presenter/Host	Location
Oct 21	11 a.m.	<a href="#">Fall LARC Series #3</a>	LARC	LLSC
Oct 22	6:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Member Social and Meeting</a>	Bradford Rogers	Brimstone
Oct 27-29	See site	<a href="#">LLSC Halloween Open Regatta</a>	LLSC	LLSC
Oct 29	11 a.m.	<a href="#">Fall Race Series #5</a>	Fred/Chico	Aqualand
Nov 4	11 a.m.	<a href="#">First Saturday Cruise</a>	Norm Plotkin	Sunrise Cove
Nov 5	10:00 a.m.	<a href="#">Boat Cleanup Day</a>	Laura Clarke	Sunrise Cove
Nov 5	11 a.m.	<a href="#">Fall Race Series #6</a>	Fred/Chico	Aqualand
Nov 12	See web	<a href="#">Dorton Cup</a>	BFSC	Aqualand
Nov 14	6:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Sailfest Planning</a>	Byron Tobin	Sunrise Cove

## From the Commodore

Happy Fall to all of you Barefooters! We just completed the 49th annual Barefoot Open Regatta! It was AMAZING! A huge thank-you to the many volunteers, sponsors, and participants who made it such an epic event this year. Please check the BFSC website and the event report in this newsletter for a list of sponsors, event results, and more. I particularly want to thank University Yacht Club for the use of their beautiful pavilion. We are already looking forward to next year's BFO at the same location.

Barefoot Sailing Club will get even better as you—our members—participate in events and meetings held throughout the year and volunteer to help out where you are able. Please let me or any of the other board members know what we do well as a club and what you would like to see more of.

Please see the information below on this month's member social and meeting, and mark your calendar for December 3—annual holiday social, meeting, and officer induction ceremony. Again, I want to thank everyone who had anything to do with this year's BFO regatta. I am looking forward to seeing you all this Sunday at the meeting.

*Lisa Schoer, BFSC Commodore*



### October 22 Member Social and Meeting



Mark your calendar for the [member social and meeting](#) in October. We'll have a special guest, Bradford Rogers, producer, musician, voice-over artist, alleged sailor, and host of the [How Not to Sail](#) podcast. We'll also be presenting the proposed slate of officers at this meeting, with a virtual meeting on Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> for you to vote. Visitors welcome!



## ANNUAL AWARDS

At least four club awards are presented annually at the Barefoot Holiday Awards Banquet. These awards are selected by the BFSC board from written nominations submitted by BFSC members. The only criteria for these awards are that the individual submitting the nomination(s) and each nominee must be current BFSC members. If you would like to submit nominations for one or more of the following awards for 2022-2023, please send them to our Yeoman, Linda Hoopes, at ([bfscyeoman@gmail.com](mailto:bfscyeoman@gmail.com)) no later than Nov. 10.

### CREW OF THE YEAR

The Crew of the Year Award recognizes the member who, in a position other than skipper, has contributed to the "success" of the boat/team. The member may have crewed either on racing or cruising boats or both. Crew may have been particularly skilled, dependable or supportive of the skipper's objectives, may have provided consistency or cohesion to the team or may have ensured that gear or provisions were in order, so the skipper could focus on other concerns. The crew may have taken initiative to better her/himself and thereby improved the overall team.

### CRUISER OF THE YEAR

The Cruiser of the Year Award recognizes the member who embraces or, by example, personifies non-competitive sailing (cruising) activities. The member may have organized or participated in local or blue-water cruising events, entertained in a cruising environment, embarked on a cruising lifestyle, provided coaching during cruising events, or derived or imparted joy and/or enthusiasm for cruising events.

### SKIPPER OF THE YEAR

Usually nominated by the Racing Captain, but if club members have nominees, please submit. The Skipper of the Year is a member who is skilled at the helm. S/he also demonstrates a great deal of sportsmanship on the water during a race. S/he promotes racing for the betterment of the sport and club participation.

### SPARK PLUG AWARD

The Spark Plug Award recognizes the member who has contributed to the success of the club this year. The member may have taken on a special project, organized an activity, volunteered or pitched in when there was a need, or in some way helped the club reach out to its members. The member may have been the catalyst to make things happen or to get something done. Or the member may have "helped" the club by engendering enthusiasm and/or participation in club activities. This member provided a special "spark" that was otherwise missing.

### SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

The Sportsmanship Award, awarded by BFSC and submitted for national consideration to US Sailing, recognizes the sailor who has demonstrated a concern and dedication to the betterment of the sport of sailing. This member consistently demonstrates the traits of fair play and sportsmanship, a commitment to individual and collective safety in sailing activities and the on-going development of the sport of sailing.

### SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

There are also *one-of-a-kind* awards... sometimes special recognition or humorous awards. One popular award in the past has been the "Boom Stop" award. Another recent one is the [POLYWOG](#) award recognizing the new sailor and/or member whose excitement and enthusiasm for sailing and the sailing community embodies the spirit of the Barefoot Sailing Club. These are fun, and at least mostly tasteful, awards that members personally present.



## Volunteer Opportunity: Perpetual Awards



Several of these awards include perpetual trophies. These are given to the recipients for a year, then collected, engraved with the new recipient names, and handed out at the awards event. **We need a volunteer** to take the awards to an engraver (there is one we've used in the past) once the recipients are finalized, and then make sure they get to the Dec. 3 party for redistribution. Once we get this year taken care of, we are hoping to find someone to manage these awards on an ongoing basis. If you're interested in volunteering for either of these roles, please contact Erin Schroder (bfscweb@gmail.com).

## From the Social Chair

There are two more fall races, and we are looking for dirt-up (party ashore) coordinators—it's great when racers can host, and other members are also welcome to help out. I will deliver the drinks, coolers, dirt-up box and supplies to you prior to the event. You add the meal planning and any food items we don't have, and turn in the receipts to David Steadman. Plan on 6-18 attendees. Let me know if you can volunteer:

BFSC Fall #5	Sunday, 29 October	(open)
BFSC Fall #6	Sunday, 01 November	(open)

### **Boat Cleanup Day – November 5<sup>th</sup>** – Coordinator: Laura Clarke

Historically, we have an annual cleanup day to help our club members that may need an extra hand. This year we are going to help maintain a boat owned by Tom Swendiman, who is having some mobility issues. Let me know if you know someone else who needs a hand.

### **Awards Party and Transition of Officers** – December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Coordinator: open

Brimstone Tavern is lovely when decorated at the holidays. We have reserved it for Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> for our annual Awards Party and Transition of Officers.

**Laura Clarke—Social Chair**



## Event Report: 49<sup>th</sup> Barefoot Open Regatta



For the 2023 Barefoot Open Regatta we had 19 sailboats registered; 18 sailboats with their skippers and crews showed up promptly at 10AM for the grand start. Winds were perfect—10+ knots with gusts and all sailors were excited to race enjoying the high winds and having lots of fun. The winds began to increase during the afternoon topping up to 20+ knots of gust. (Woohoo!)

We witnessed boats gracefully cutting thru water like we have not seen for some time. Spectacular! Some boats unfortunately took a hit with the high winds causing them to retire early from the race. Favored End also had engine problems and had to retire. Come Sunday 11 brave skippers returned for the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of sailing. All 11 skippers and crew were tired but eager to show the better sailor. It was an adventure and a fun race with big smiles. [A full gallery of event photos](#), courtesy of Ron Goldfarb, is on the Barefoot web site.

We want to thank all Barefoot skippers, crew, RC, volunteers and power boats that made the 49<sup>th</sup> Barefoot Open Regatta one of the greatest. Special thanks to University Yacht Club who hosted the event in their beautiful Sailing Club and to all our sponsors (listed below). Here are the racing results:

### Overall Results

#### Division=PCRF Low

Sail	Skipper	Boat	PHRF Club	Type	Rank	Total	Race #1	Race #2	Race #3	Race #4
41325	Haeberle,Juergen	Seniorita X	138 LLSC X95		1	3	1	1	6*DNC	1
1011	Winham,Pete	Southern Cross	90 BFSC Morgan 45		2	6	2	2	6*DNC	2
375	Kempner,Fred	Saucy Wench	132 BFSC Hunter 37		3	15	3	6*DNC	6 DNC	6 DNS
48	Lanier,Darryl	InstiGator	111 BFSC Capri 30		4=	18	6*DNS	6 DNS	6 DNS	6 DNS
33345	Paes,Kathey	TAKA	90 BFSC Islander Peterson 40		4=	18	6*DNC	6 DNS	6 DNS	6 DNS

#### Division=PCRF Mid

Sail	Skipper	Boat	PHRF Club	Type	Rank	Total	Race #1	Race #2	Race #3	Race #4
751	Gay,Spencer	Revelry	147 BFSC Hunter 34		1	4	1	1	3*	2
42178	Meinersmann,Tedd	Heatherset	177 BFSC Tartan 28		2	5	3*	3	1	1
37	Bryant,Stephanie	Carribbean Soul	177 BFSC Hunter 340		3	6	2	2	2	3*
888	Wittlin,Jon	WitchBurner	162 BFSC Hunter 335		4	12	4*	4	4	4
1350393	O'Shea,Tom	It's Here	168 BFSC Hunter 33.5		5	18	5	5	8*DNC	8 DNS
00	Bond,Bill	Money Penny	147 BFSC Hunter 356		6	18	7	6	8*DNS	5
144	Samuels,Mark	Alexia	156 BFSC Endeavour 35 7		22	6	8*DNC	8 DNS	8 DNS	

#### Division=PCRF High

Sail	Skipper	Boat	PHRF Club	Type	Rank	Total	Race #1	Race #2	Race #3	Race #4
181	Chambers,Jim	Wind Spinner	192 BFSC Beneteau 285		1	4	1	2*	2	1
219	Cadenhead,Randy	Spirit	237 BFSC Cape Dory 27		2	4	2*	1	1	2
586	Plotkin,Norman	Starcatcher	210 BFSC Catalina 28mkII 3		11	3	3	5*DNC	5 DNS	
28	Harding,Chris	Messing About	219 BFSC Sabre 28		4	13	4	4	5*DNS	5 DNS

#### Division=PHRF

Sail	Boat	Skipper	PHRF Club	Type	Total	Race #1	Race #2	Race #3	Race #4	Race #5
1	3363 She-Devil	Stewart,Dana	171 LLSC J/24		5	1	2	4*DNC	1	1
2	006 Hot Toddy	Guy,John	48	J/90	6	2*	1	1	2	2
3	220 Vivace	Harris,Cal	99 LLSC Rondar K6		15	3	4*DNC	4 DNS	4 DNS	4 DNS



**THANK YOU SPONSORS OF  
49TH BAREFOOT OPEN REGATTA!**



**Kirk S. Jockell**

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## From the Racing Captains

### Fall Series

The upcoming Fall Series races are listed below:

- October 29, 2023
- November 5, 2023

**Fred Kempner & Chico Wojna—Racing Captains**

## From the Cruise Captain

### First Saturday Cruise

Skippers and Crew, sign up for the First Saturday Cruise on November 4. (Meet up at Sunrise Cove Marina club house deck at 11 a.m. And feel free to invite non-members that may be interested in sailing on our lake and joining our club.

**Norm Plotkin—Cruising Captain**

## Membership Update

New members this month:

- **Stephanie Bryant**—recently purchased Caribbean Soul and competed in the Barefoot Open—her first regatta!
- **Amy Stone**—sailed competitively in college, interested in website and cruising. She’s jumped right in—has sailed with Bruce Barton on First Saturday, and raced with Jim Chambers on WindSpinner in the Barefoot Open.

**Jacqueline Steadman—Membership Captain**

## Purser's Update

The club remains in good financial shape. Highlights since Sep 11th:

- We have \$6,178 in our checking account, down \$203 since last month (was \$6,381)
- There are a lot of financial moving parts leading up to the BFO; I’ll give the membership a BFO financial summary next month after the dust settles.
- Paid \$92 to renew our BoatUS membership, which includes unlimited freshwater towing for Favored End.

Upcoming:

- Remaining Fall Administrative expenses for US Sailing, LARC, and our PO Box are expected to total **~\$1,250**

**David Steadman—Purser**



## Event Report: Lake Lanier Association Shoreline Cleanup



This year's 35th annual shoreline cleanup hosted by Lake Lanier Association was a success. Among the hundreds of volunteers who participated were Barefoot members Lisa, Jack, Laura, Cyndi, and Maria. Volunteers gathered on the cool and cloudless morning of Sept. 23 to later scatter across the lake to collect trash, debris, dock floats, and more. Many worked on land while some worked from boats collecting trash in the water.

Although some volunteers arrived with water, snacks, or gloves, Lake Lanier Association provided garbage bags, gloves, and t-shirts. The garbage pick-up process was efficient. Some people volunteered to drive to locations once notified by other volunteers who'd compiled the bags of trash and were ready to be collected.

Lake Lanier Association reported collecting "tons" of trash. In fact, they said some volunteers returned to a number of sites the following days to collect trash with heavier equipment. The yearly Shore Sweep event "averages 140,000 pounds of trash and over 1,000 volunteers annually," according to Lake Lanier Association.



## Announcements

- Planning for Lake Lanier Sailfest 2024 is in full swing. Check out the [web site](#) for more information. The next planning meeting is on November 14.
- UYC will host the Lanier Cup Regatta on November 4. This is a competition among the various clubs on the lake, and BFSC can enter up to four boats and skippers to represent us. We can have up to two spinnaker entries with the others being non-spinnaker. A current PHRF certificate of 111 or higher is required. For more information, please contact Chico or Fred, who will be coordinating BFSC's entry.



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