

September 2023



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## NAUTICAL WISDOM

By waves and wind I'm tossed and driven.

But still my little ship outbraves

The blust'ring winds and stormy waves.

From: Sailing Alone Around the World By: Capt. Joshua Slocum MAKE PLANS FOR THE NEXT NJSC SPRING PICNIC/POTLUCK



Looking ahead, the NAS JAX Sailing Club Spring Picnic/Potluck is on the calendar for **Sunday afternoon, April 28 from 1200 - 1700**. The day will kick off with a lunch/picnic/potluck. We'll gather for a brief update meeting on the Sailing Club. The remainder of the afternoon will give us a chance to enjoy a Sail Day. The club will plan to get the full fleet of Flying Scots and the Catalina 22 out on the water. In order for this club event to get launched, we need a volunteer leadership team to step forward to plan, coordinate and execute it. We've had great success with this event in previous years, so let us know if you're willing to help.

> Ourn GrooupMe app is available to message other sailors to find or offer to crew on a sailing trip. To join:

(1) downloading the "GroupMe" app on your mobile device and

(2) emailing Fritz McVay (mcvayw72@gmail.com) your Full Name & Phone Number.

# NJSC Calendar of upcoming events:

- Jan 22, 24 Celestial Navigation Star Finder with Skipper Neil
- Jan 29; Feb 5, 7, 12,19, 21, 26, 28 Celestial Navigation, ASA 107 with Capt Jack
- Jan 27, 28 or Feb 10, 11 or Feb 24, 25 or Mar 9, 10 - Sailing Made Easy, ASA 101 (Catalina 22)
- Mar 16, 17, 23, 24 Sailing Made Easy, ASA 101 (Flying Scot)
- March 16 Checkout Sail on Cat 22 (for ASA 101 graduates)

For additional information, reservations, course materials and costs, please stop by or call the Mulberry Cove Marina at (904) 542-3260.



# Fair Winds



#### NASJAX SAILING CLUB Newsletter for January - February 2024



Our old club name has served us well over the years since the club's formation in 2019. However, during the Club Executive Planning Meeting held in August 2023, it became apparent that several versions of the name were in use and it needed to be standardized and more in line with how club names were formed. Therefore, it was decided that the old name should be replaced with the new name NAS JAX Sailing Club, or NJSC as the commonly used acronvm.





### MESSAGE FROM SKIPPER ERIC

Welcome to the new year! The NAS JAX Sailing Club is fully involved in the expanding sailing program at Mulberry Cove Marina. Numerous ASA sailing certification classes are scheduled. The marina hosts two major events, Riverfest (May 4th) and National Marina Day (June 15th). Additional sailing excursions and events (both locally and in the Florida Keys and Chesapeake Bay) are in final stages for scheduling and arrangements. "Fixing the Fleet" are events to maintain and upgrade MWR sailboats. All of these are tremendous sailing opportunities. What's needed - our next Sailing Club Commodore.

My two years of service ended December 2023. In order to sustain our momentum, please consider offering to serve two years as our next Sailing Club leader. For details and a summary of the network of volunteers and resources, please email me directly (pastorericwester@gmail.com). I am honored to have succeeded Skipper Mark Widener who moved from Jacksonville to North Carolina. Now, with my term ended, I look forward to welcoming our next Commodore. Your leadership will make the difference!

See you on the water, Skipper Eric Wester <u>pastorericwester@gmail.com</u>

#### without a tiller – likewise, NASJAX Sail Club cannot support you without your Club Dues! Renewals and new memberships can be paid in person at the counter of the Mulberry Cove Marina office or by phoning the Mulberry Cove Marina (904-542-3260) using a credit/debit card. The \$12 annual dues goes towards your membership,

you receive a membership card and a year's worth of

discounts on rental of sailboats!

Club Dues and Membership - Membership Dues are the lifeblood of our organization. You cannot sail

Please stay current on your dues. Thank you!

## **Supervised Sailing**

A "next step" for an ASA 101 skipper is **SUPERVISED SAILING**. Join a small group of skippers and an ASA Instructor on site.

#### Sailing proposed for 2024:

Apr 6 / May 4 / June 1 / June 23 July 6 / July 20 / Aug 17 / Oct 5/ Oct 26 / Nov 16 / Nov 23 / Dec 7