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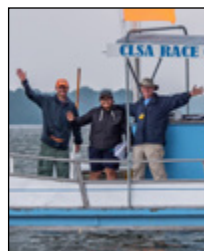
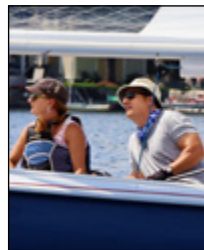
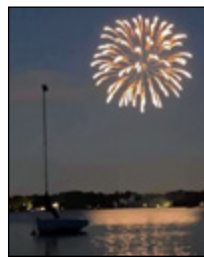
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We Want You!

Nancy Claypool, FS#5945, FSSA President



One of the best ways to have fun with sailing Flying Scots is to get to know some of the people in the class. You can meet these people by joining a fleet, volunteering to help with class activities and/or traveling to regattas. It has been my experience, time after time, that volunteering to help out, serving on a committee, or taking a leadership role does more than connect you with some terrific people; in the case of the Scot class, these connections can turn into amazing experiences and life-long friendships.

At FSSA, we would love to include more of our members when it comes to expanding our depth in supporting Flying Scot sailing and racing. We are looking for people with different interests, skill sets, and experiences from across all our districts who can help improve our class both on and off the water. And here's a big secret - you don't have to be the skipper/owner of a Flying Scot to be involved!

I know many of you are already volunteering for a number of other activities in your life. That's usually because you have the talents and willingness to help others. One of the things I've heard people say over and over when recruiting for volunteers is, "This organization could really use your skills." Isn't that flattering to hear?! In my case, I have served on boards where I was helpful, provided a

service, was in a leadership position, and received recognition, all of which was satisfying. But, in all honesty, although all of these boards/organizations did "good work" or were a "worthy" cause, they all weren't my passion. At a certain point, I finally came to the realization that I only wanted to devote time to organizations/endeavors about which I am passionate. That really changed my decision-making. It was much easier to say yes or no when I had to answer the question honestly, "Is this truly something I am passionate about, or is someone twisting my arm and I'm really just adding another commitment to my plate?"

Volunteering has lots of benefits, such as: it is a way to learn new skills and have fun; it provides social support; it creates a sense of purpose; makes you happy, teaches caring, promotes travel and promotes greater longevity. I am passionate about sailing, especially Flying Scot sailing, and volunteering on the local and national level with FSSA has opened so many doors for me. I have met great and interesting people and have experienced amazing sailing and racing opportunities.

If you could use any of these benefits in your life, FSSA would love to get you involved. We welcome sailors and non-sailors, spouses, significant others, family members, friends, and people who just enjoy hanging out with our class.

We have some immediate needs. We are looking for assistance with the following:

- web editing and other computer and digital skills (please see the chart posted online: <https://fssa.com/sites/default/files/2021-11-12%20Web%20Editor%20Role%20Descriptions.pdf>)
- writing, editing, proofreading
- comparing data in two membership databases in order to correct discrepancies and consolidate into one
- organizers and planners for our new Cruising Committee
- proficiency in regatta registration set-up to advise host clubs with programming requirements for our national events

Right now, almost all of our website updating, maintenance and upgrading is done on a volunteer basis, and it would be very expensive to have to pay for this. We continue to move more into the digital world, and the needs in this area will increase. The many volunteer hours that are put in on the website and other projects help keep our dues at a manageable level.

I am a firm believer in the old adage, "Many hands make light work!" There are all "sizes" of opportunities, and sailing/racing experience is not required for several of them. If you or someone you know would be willing to help in a small or big way, for a short or a long time, on any of the projects mentioned or on other projects, please contact me (nclaypool@stonepigman.com). I would love to talk to you and help you "come aboard." 🚢



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My Opening Farewell

By Ned Johnston, FS#5197, Scots n' Water Editor

This is my last issue as editor of this publication and before I hand over my big red pencil to Tim Mallette I'd like to thank everyone in the Flying Scot family who has made this job a labor-of-love. It's always a thrill to open my email inbox and find another story submission waiting for me - usually from someone I've never met - full of surprises, wise advice, engaging stories, and always brimming with enthusiasm and affection for the boat and the class to which we are all so attached. I do not have space to thank you all by name - but I trust you know who you are!

I do want to mention just a few names. First, a name most of you will not recognize: Raymond Keyes is the very gifted graphic designer who takes the hash of words and pictures I send him and somehow transforms it into a beautiful magazine. Thanks to Raymond, the Flying Scot class has the most stylish and professional publication of any one-design class. Look around, you'll see I'm not exaggerating.

Diane Kampf, FSSA web editor extraordinaire, has been an invaluable contributor and colleague. Anytime I fear we might be short of stories, Diane invariably sends me another of her delightful regatta reports that make you feel as if

you're with her on the water, as well as at the buffet table afterwards.

Deb Aronson, my predecessor as Sn'W Editor, set a wonderful example that I've tried to follow, and she continues to contribute delightful stories ("Our Flying Scot Odyssey" in this issue) that make the magazine better.

Amy Smith Linton, champion sailor (with husband, Jeff) and world-class wordsmith, who created the whimsical "What's in a Name?" column, which has regularly graced the magazine with a few of her very well-chosen words.

I've thoroughly enjoyed playing my small part in making the Flying Scot class what it is. Over to you, Tim. 🚩

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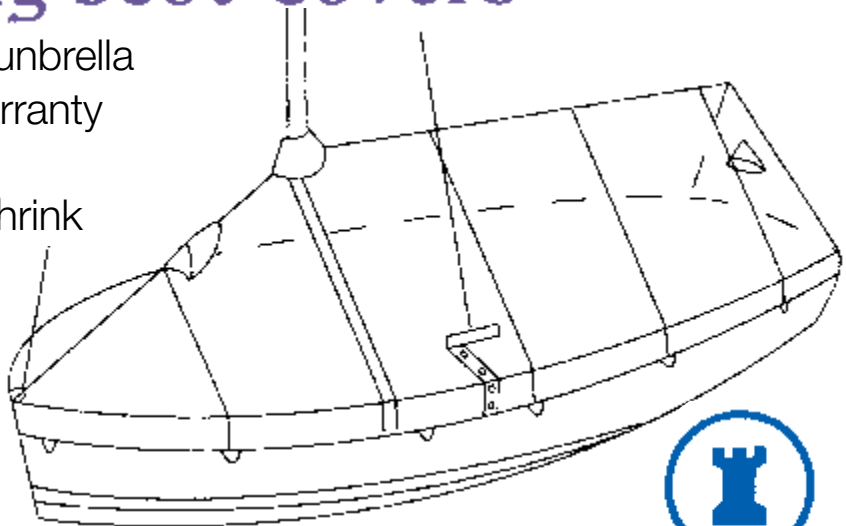
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2021 Capital District Championship

By Mills Jones, FS#5846, Capital District • Photos by John Kren



Greater Richmond Sailing Association (GRSA) Fleet 155 hosted the Capital District Championship Regatta October 2-3. Eight Scots registered for 2 days of racing on Swift Creek Reservoir. Friday evening, Regatta PRO, Jerry Thompson, facilitated a racing rules seminar for race participants and GRSA members with emphasis on

Right of Way, Keeping Clear, and Proper Course.

Saturday morning brought cool, Fall temps and light southerly winds with the forecasted high temperature in the 80s. Despite the bumper crop of hydrilla, the fleet managed to weave their way to the race area. The race committee set a 4-leg windward-leeward course, balancing the need for lengthy race legs

and avoiding hydrilla patches. Racing was tight with numerous port/starboard crosses. Despite the shifty conditions, the fleet completed 3 races. John and Sharon Wake (FS#5341) and Chris and Lexi Cookson (FS#3875) battled all afternoon and were first and second after Day 1.

That evening, GRSA led by Mardi Cookson and several volunteers, treated

racers to appetizers, dinner, and cheesecake for dessert.

Sunday morning the race committee set a 6-leg windward-leeward course for the remaining two races. Race 4 challenged skippers to keep the boat moving in light air and adjust to changing velocities. The next race was abandoned after a significant wind shift. Once the course was shifted, the wind clocked back to its original direction (welcome to small lake sailing). After resetting the course again, the final race was completed, and sailors headed to the dock for awards.

First Place: John and Sharon Wake, Fishing Bay YC

Second Place: Chris and Lexi Cookson, GRSA

Third Place: Mills and Karen Jones, GRSA

Full results at: <https://fssa.com/content/2021-capital-district-championship-greater-richmond-sailing-association-midlothian-va>. 🚩



The winners, John and Sharon Wake.



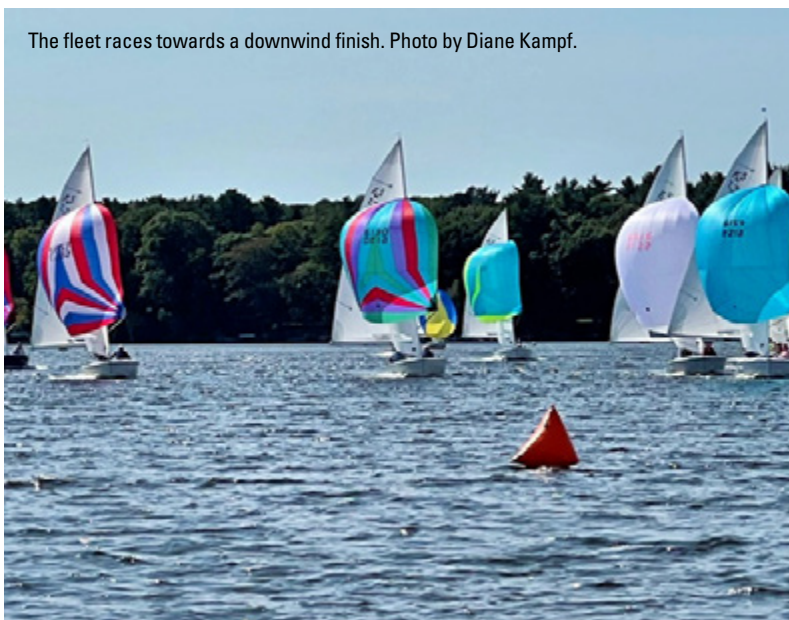
Runners up, Chris and Lexi Cookson.



Karen and Mills Jones finished third.

The NERD is Back – and it was FUN!

By Diane Kampf, FS#6130, FSSA Web Editor



The fleet races towards a downwind finish. Photo by Diane Kampf.

Once the Northeast Regional District (NERD) Championship was once again sanctioned by the FSSA Board of Governors, Massapoag Yacht Club in Sharon, MA, wanted to be the first to hold the event since 2007. We originally planned to hold it in October 2020, but COVID-19 had other ideas, so we postponed until October 2-3, 2021. We were quite pleased that the New England Governor, Tim Mallette, and the Greater New York Governor, Mark Riefenhauser, participated. And it was fun to see an old friend, Jim Cavanagh, crewing for Mark! It turned out that there were 7 or 8 other Flying Scot regattas the same weekend, so we just had 10 boats this year - a small start, but it's a start!

We started with a welcome party on Friday night, complete with a cookout and

plenty of snacks and beverages. It was fun to talk to everyone about this year's Flying Scot regattas and regattas of the past, and get ready for one last blast for the Northeast before we all close up for the season. We all settled down early, some of us camped and some of us went to our homes.

The sunrise on Saturday morning did not disappoint, so getting up early to put the coffee on was well worth it! But, did it come with any wind - heck yeah! At the skipper's meeting, PRO Bob Gaffney announced one change to the sailing instructions – we agreed to Windward-Leeward 6-leg races so they would be longer. The race committee boat could stay put, and with only 10 boats, downwind finishes were easy enough to score.

We were able to get in 3 great challeng-



Every Scot regatta should have fireworks. Photo by Diane Kampf.

ing races before heading in for lunch, with wind 10-12 MPH, gusts to 15 and shifts galore! We tried to keep lunch short so we could get back out for more racing, given that the prediction for Sunday was little to no wind. We then got in 2 more great races with the wind picking up just a little, and it was just fun!

After a nice cocktail party, we were ready for dinner that was scheduled for 6:30. The town of Sharon was celebrating "Sharon Day" and there would be fireworks that we could see from our beach! We moved up the lobster dinner to 6:00, followed by our famous ice cream sundae

Mark Riefenhauser and Jim Cavanagh came from New York.



Photo: Diane Kampf



It's New England - "lobsta" for dinner. Photo by Diane Kamp.

Photo: Diane Kampf

bar, and we were able to get down to the beach in time to enjoy the show. I was lucky because I had invited several family members for dinner, there were 11 of us altogether, so the fireworks were a nice

addition. What a treat – I think we should have that for every regatta.

Sunday morning brought another lovely sunrise. However, this time it did not come with much wind, just 1 MPH gusting to 2!

Up went the cat-in-the-hat (postpone) flag, and we took our time with breakfast. We agreed to make a call early based on the progress of the wind – except there was no

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Photo: Greg Kampf



Regatta organizers, Jeff Sprung and Diane Kampf award top prizes to Connie and John Eckart.

progress, so we called off racing at 11:00. After a great lunch, we moved on to awards and called it a regatta. Trophies went to the top 5 teams. First Place went to awesome sailors, John and Connie Eckart, also winners of the NERD perpetual trophy donated by Margaret and David Jacobsen, the Fleet 76 regatta trophy, and gold medals, provided by the Flying Scot Foundation. Second place went to Roger and Kate Sharp, who were presented with silver medals. Third place went Dave Rousseau and Jay McNeff, who were awarded bronze medals. Fourth place went to Greg and Diane Kampf and fifth place went to Mark Riefenhauser and Jim Cavanagh. Full results are on fssa.com and photos by Mike Goldstein, Bob Gaffney, Emily Szczypek and Diane Kampf are on Flickr: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/41106915@N04/albums/72157719980501017>.

We appreciated all the volunteers who put on a fun event and we look forward to hosting again in the future. The NERD will move to the New York Lakes District in 2022, to Greater New York in 2023, then back to New England in 2024. We were excited to bring back this event and hopefully it will grow in the same way the Women's NAC has grown, and give our region a boost! 🚤



Sunday morning sunrise. Photo by Diane Kampf.

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Tropical Storm Henri, (aka Hurricane Henri), Decided to Visit the 2021 Wife-Husband Regatta

by Diane Kampf, FS#6130, FSSA Web Editor

Massapoag Yacht Club in Sharon, MA, is no stranger to storms threatening our events, so preparing

for Tropical Storm Henri was no different than the past. We kept an eye on it's progress and would make a decision the Thursday before the event on whether to proceed. That Thursday came and it

looked like we would get at least 1 good day and maybe even 2 for the event.

Lots of out-of-town teams were making the rounds of a few regattas up north while they were traveling in the area, so

Photo: Greg Kampf

2021 Wife-Husband Winners, Amy and Jeff Linton, with MYC commodore, Jeff Sprung and Diane Kampf.



some of our campers came early from the previous weekend's regatta at Saratoga. Some campers were in tents and some in vans, hoping the weather would be merciful and there would be opportunities to sightsee in the Boston area. Luckily there was some time for checking out area cities and towns before the regatta, although some days were REALLY wet! We did have some folks who were staying with our members – others at hotels in the area. One team had to cancel because their daughter's child care was closed

due to COVID-19, so they flew back to look after their grandchildren. Another team had to cancel because their club on the coast was in full hurricane mode and ALL boats were coming out of the water. And a third team came all the way to Massachusetts, only to have to go home due to a family emergency. So we missed those folks but had loads of fun with those who were able to participate.

The Wife-Husband Championship may be very competitive on the water, but off the water it's friends sharing stories and

life's news. Friday night's welcome party was fun with most of the teams already there and enjoying our cookout, camaraderie, conversation, and camping. It was so fun to catch up with so many we have not seen since 2019, due to COVID-19 postponing so many of our events. And speaking of COVID-19, it was so nice to spend the weekend not thinking about that, or politics, or any other stressful things we didn't want to talk about.

So, with Hurricane Henri tracking towards us, it was either feast or famine -

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2021 Wife-Husband Challenger WInners,
David and Marilyn Archibald.

Photo: Greg Kampf

very little wind on Saturday and too much wind forecast for Sunday. On Saturday morning, after a wonderful breakfast,

the Cat-in-the-Hat flag was flying and we waited... And then lunchtime came, and we had a wonderful lunch, and the wind

began to pick up. PRO, Gary Werden, said it was enough for us to go out and

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Photo: Mark Stoughton



"Best Finish by a First Time Wife-Husband Team" winners, Donna and Dave Rousseau.

Photo: Diane Kampf



Fourth place finishers, Kate and Roger Sharp.

race, so we did! Yippee! The wind was 5-8, occasionally even 10 MPH, and that was enough for us to get in 4 races before heading in for dinner.

Well, the cocktail party itself was a meal, and everyone was enjoying that while we tried to decide whether to call it a regatta, or try to get another day out of Mother Nature. It just wasn't looking too good, so we decided to have dinner, give out awards, and go home. Truthfully, many of the visiting teams were packing up to make sure they got "outta Dodge" before the worst of the storm hit – a very wise decision as it turned out. Now, can you say Lobsta? Everyone seems to enjoy that as a New England treat and this time was no exception, with over half the participants choosing that for their dinner. Of course there were options for our meat lovers and vegetarians, so no one went hungry!

After dinner we had a special tribute to some long-standing members of our

club, Randy and Jan Rubinstein. They have been members of the club for over 40 years, and Randy served on the Board for 30! Jan had been directing the regatta meals and the banquet for many of those years as well. We presented them with a plaque for their many years of membership and service to the club.

Greg and I stayed and camped so we could clean up in the morning. It began raining cats and dogs and the wind was about 50+. There is no way we could have held any races, and those brave souls who might have stayed would be packing up in a major storm. We are so glad our FSSA members know enough not to mess with hurricanes!

So who won? Amy and Jeff Linton were first in the Championship Division and were awarded the Ted and Florence Glass Trophy. The Lintons also won the Eric & Mary Amman Trophy for the best finish by a team whose combined ages are

over 100. Marilyn and David Archibald were first in the Challenger Division and were awarded the Cal and Anita Hudson Trophy. Donna And Dave Rousseau won the trophy for the best finish by a first time Wife-Husband team. Full results are on the FSSA website at:

<https://fssa.com/content/2021-wife-husband-massapoag-yacht-club-sharon-ma-0>

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The Glow 2021

By Eric Bussell, FS#6135, Midwest District • Photos by Paul Stegmaier



The author and crew, Richard Alonso, round the windward mark

The 14th annual Glow in the Dark II Regatta is in the books! “The Glow” is hosted by the Clinton Lake Sailing Association and Fleet 135, and takes place on the first weekend of

October. This year we enjoyed record-breaking turnout with 34 Flying Scots competing. Thank you to all the racers and volunteers who made the event such a great success.

The event was originally named the Glow

in the Dark Regatta because Clinton Lake is a cooling lake for the nuclear plant. The first version of the event was held between 1985-1999. Those who were around during the 80s and 90s tell us the party was legendary. Deb Aronson and Ben Williams

PRO, Geoff Endris, and crew of volunteers from CLSA.



reintroduced the Glow II Regatta in 2007 and it has grown into one of the largest and most popular events on the FSSA regatta calendar. Those who travel to Clinton Lake are treated like family and can look forward to exceptional racing, food, and fun.

Racers arrive on Friday and are greeted by Jim and Jennifer Colegrove with an ice-cold Spotted Cow beer, imported specially from Wisconsin for this event. Most people raise a tent and hunker down for the entire weekend, as we provide all the food, soda and beer (and Tito's Vodka) you'll need. Frank Gerry always brings premium Wisconsin brats for the Friday potluck cookout, as friends new and old enjoy the company of sailboat racers. It's a fun scene on Saturday morning watching 30+ Flying Scots leave the dock to the sound of bagpipes sending us off to battle. Saturday racing is followed by cooked-to-order steak dinners and hanging out around the fire pit. Sunday racing is followed by burgers on the grill and finally, trophies.

Congratulations to regatta winners Mark and Michele Tayler. You couldn't miss them up front with their new orange

M&M spinnaker. The weather reports on Friday looked ominous for the weekend but on Saturday we stayed dry and the wind was steady as we sailed all three scheduled races. Not so much on Sunday as races were abandoned due to heavy rain and zero wind. Results are posted on [FSSA.com](https://www.fssa.com).

Our event is known for importing professional PROs and this year Geoff Endris from Indiana did an amazing job managing our volunteer race team. He must have done a great job because, after the event, racers went out of their way to advise me that we need to have him back next year. If you are looking for a great PRO for your regatta, I highly recommend my friend Geoff.

This year's event was special because Glow II Regatta founders, Deb and Ben, are moving to North Carolina and this was their last year racing in the event as locals. We rewarded Deb by firing her as Regatta Chair so she could do nothing but relax. Before dinner on Saturday, CLSA surprised her by unveiling the Deb Aronson Library in honor of her contributions to the sport of sailing, the Flying Scot class, and to

the local sailing community. Deb is a published author, so the honor was fitting, and those who know Deb appreciate how much she deserves this honor. It was a very special and emotional surprise for Deb, and for her many friends who were there to share the moment with her.

A regatta is so much more than a series of boat races. It's the 1000 little things we look forward to when we put on the travel covers and set out for places like Ephraim, Lake Norman, Sarasota, White Rock Lake, and so many of the other great stops on the Flying Scot travel circuit. I have tried for 10 years to explain to prospective regatta travelers what makes regattas so special and I can never do it justice. It's something you just have to experience to understand. If you haven't traveled to a regatta, I recommend you give it a try. On the weekend of the Glow, there were well over 100 Flying Scots sailing in upwards of 10 regattas spread out all over the country. You can find a list of Flying Scot events on FSSA.com which already includes the 2022 Glow in the Dark II Regatta on October 1 & 2. 🏆

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Ben Williams and Deb Aronson (FS#6144) leading the fleet.



Close racing at the leeward mark.



Bill Vogler and Jodi Heckel (FS#6140) are fast, and possibly radioactive.



James Moyle and Alan Shaklee in the unmistakable *Merry Way*.



Paul Bliss and Trent Johnson (FS#3464) trying to hold off John Hearn and Mohammed El-Kebir (FS#4378)

Brian and Suzy Hawkins at the weather mark.



Richard Wojnar and Suzie McIntyre to windward of Chris Brookes and JP Bordes.



Rachel and Bronson Bowling in *Wreckless*.



Marianne and Frank Gerry (FS#6131) pipped at the finish by Peter Sobel and Mike Ekberg (FS#2950).



All smiles aboard *Blue Eyes*, Rebecca Hodel and Mert Hidayetoglu.



Chris Tesdal and Rod Bussell looking for wind





Rain and no wind on Sunday.



Tiller Time (Greg & Colin Florian) leads *Ideal Number of Daves* (Mark Johnson & Benjamin Brzozowski).



Too Many Daves (Niemann & Gorwitz)



Lynn and Bruce Kitchen sailing it flat.



James Moyle and Alan Shaklee ready to set.



A close race between *Sadie* (Angie & Bryan Hunt) and *Blue Eyes*.

35 boats on the starting line!



Matt Guinta and Kerry Pebbles aboard *Some Floozy*.



And they're off!



Saluki, sailed by Bill Vogler and Jodi Heckel, at the weather mark.



Merry Way rounds ahead of *That Green Boat* (Tom Clark & Ryan Elverd).



Our Flying Scot Odyssey

By Deb Aronson, FS#6144, Midwest District

According to Wikipedia, the Odyssey has themes of among other things, wandering, guest-friendship, testing and omens. We had some wandering, definitely experienced a lot of guest-friendship and a serious amount of testing ... not sure about the omens.

This past summer Ben and I moved from our home of 25 years to our new place in coastal NC (near Blackbeard Yacht Club outside New

Bern, NC). We undertook this with mixed emotions; we loved living in Urbana, we loved our sailing community there (big shout out to Clinton Lake Sailing Association, Fleet 135, and Eric and Rod Bussell in particular) and we loved our wider midwest sailing community as well, including Carlyle Lake, Eagle Creek and many clubs in Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin.

We hired an amazing couple who handled the entire contents of our house, sorting, pricing, staging and otherwise selling or disposing of every object in the house. But, in order to do that, they needed us gone. They asked for two weeks. If we went away they promised that by the time we got back, the house would be entirely empty. We were skeptical — so many things! — but willing to do as they asked.

In order to kill that time, we decided to go on a mini sailing Odyssey that would enable us to sail, not just at Ephraim, a favorite regatta of ours, but also at Saratoga and Massapoag, both places I'd longed to go.

So we 1) put the few possessions we were keeping under a tarp in the garage, leaving everything else to the estate sale people 2) hired a cat sitter to keep an eye on our cats, and 3) took off with *Catitude* and our tent for a string of three regattas, making a 3,000-mile loop and landing back in Urbana after the estate sale to pick up our cats, our last possessions and hand the house off to the realtor.

In retrospect, we were insane, but I can't regret what we did, despite my lingering back pain!

First, Ephraim, where we caught up with old friends, including Ryan



Thursday night at Massapoag.



From left, Ryan, Stacey, Annie, Ben, Gary, Jeff and Amy.



Gary, Annie, Stacey, Ryan, Deb.

Malmgren and Stacey Rieu, enjoyed the sailing and ate a lot of ice cream. The next two venues, however, were new to us.

Next, Saratoga Lake, which is in upstate New York. It's 1,200 miles (two-day drive) from Ephraim, but it was

worth the drive. The lake is gorgeous and the club is a re-purposed, lovely old home. We camped under a bald eagle nest! Well, not right under, but nearby. The eagles had a large juvenile they were trying desperately to get out of the nest...I can relate! The weather was terribly hot

and I think I got heat stroke Saturday, so we came in after four races. They ultimately ran five (a surprise to us; we typically expect three on Saturday). But the PRO was fantastic and the racing was outstanding, even if we couldn't exactly

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figure out the wind. Sunday we sailed much better, but we had only one race before the PRO sent us in.

Meanwhile, we were not the only Flying Scot sailors to have this idea of an Odyssey:

Lynn and Bill Bruss (Privateer Yacht Club, Chattanooga) and Cindy and Charlie Clifton (Sarasota Sailing Squadron) had both rigged out their vans and headed north to participate in both the Saratoga and the Wife-Husband regatta, which was

the following weekend at Massapoag Lake in Sharon, MA. The Brusses camped and hiked in the Shenandoah on their way from Georgia to Saratoga. And Charlie Clifton sailed two other regattas (with his

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Ben and our tent at Saratoga.



Ben doing his Vanna White impression, pointing out the Diane Kampf Galley at Massapoag.



Our possessions.

son and his daughter) on their way north ... there are some logistics there I'm not altogether clear on!

But what to do during the week between Saratoga and the Wife-Husband?

Ben and I went to Barnard, VT, about two hours north and east of Saratoga, where I have a family house — and where Ben and I got married.... 30+ years ago. There are miles of hiking trails, as well as a small lake to swim in. We haven't made it there in several years so that was an extra enticement to go east for this odyssey.

Meanwhile, the Cliftons and the Brusses toured downtown Boston, ate at Cheers, and went to Mystic Seaport together.

And then, last but not least, Lake Massapoag, home club of Greg and Diane Kampf. Massapoag is tucked into some woods in a residential area. It is so bucolic, you would have no idea you were just minutes from the bustle of metropolitan Boston. Once again, we caught up with our fellow travelers, set

up our tent and enjoyed our new surroundings. Another Florida couple, Mark and Michelle Taylor, also drove up for the Wife-Husband. They made the road trip for just this one event, but were also going to pick up two puppies from an Ohio breeder after the event.

The Wife-Husband had a unique set of challenges this year since Hurricane Henri was barreling toward the Boston area. Sailing Saturday was more or less uneventful, at least hurricane wise, but the radar indicated that Sunday would be a mess, so the PRO called the event Saturday evening, awards were handed out, tents and boats were packed and many sailors, Floridians (experienced in the way of hurricanes) among them, left that night...granted the Taylors also were in a rush to get their puppies.

Meanwhile the Brusses and the Cliftons headed to far upstate New York where Jeff and Amy Linton were encamped at their compound. (The Lintons also came to Saratoga and Massapoag, but from their New York base, so not exactly

Odyssey-style!) The highlight of that visit was a boat tour of the 1000 lakes that all three couples did.

We, on the other hand, opted to hang out with Ryan Malmgren and Stacey Rieu (see Ephraim) at Stacey's uncle's and aunt's (Gary Werden and Annie Pennington) home on the lake. Our plan was to spend Saturday night with them and then take off for Urbana the next morning. By Sunday morning, however, Henri had arrived and so we stayed, cozy and warm enjoying Annie and Gary's hospitality.

We finally tore ourselves from that lovely visit on Monday morning and drove home to Urbana, braced to deal with whatever remained in our house. But when we got there, the only things there were our cats, just as the estate sale duo promised. It was pretty amazing, but there was nothing left to do but load our last belongings in a U-Haul, cage the cats and hit the road, which we did.

Next year I hope we sail as much but put fewer miles on our tow vehicle! 🚤

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Back to Saratoga!

By Diane Kampf, FS#6130, FSSA Web Editor

We didn't get to Saratoga in 2019, and 2020 was COVID-19 restricted, so we were thrilled to be going to Saratoga again this year for the 34th annual Flying Scot Fleet 161 Invitational Regatta. There were people from New York, Florida, Georgia, Connecticut and Massachusetts, including some pretty great sailors, in the 14 boat fleet. We knew it was going to be a blast, and regatta chair, Paul Waterfield, made sure of that!

Several people were able to get to the Saratoga race track before the regatta. Greg and I were not able to go this time, but it is so pretty there and the horses are just so beautiful. I heard that a few people won some money – that's always a plus. We did get there early enough to set up the boat and the camper for the weekend before the rain started!

About that rain - just before the welcome party, as teams finished setting up their boats, we noticed that the sky to the right of us was sunny and blue, but to the left it was pretty black, and we saw lightning in the distance. By the time we got back to the clubhouse, we had a thunderstorm, followed by a pretty rainbow. It just would not be Saratoga without the storm – and we were glad it was not Saturday or Sunday! We spotted Ann Seidman making meatballs and preparing rolls for the meatball subs that would be our dinner, while others put together the rest of the meal. It was all really yummy and hit the spot after traveling and setting up the boat.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we could not have the usual breakfasts in



Lynn and Bill Bruss (FS#6158) win the pin.

the clubhouse, so it was set up on the porch and we ate outside overlooking the lake. Shirley Waterfield and team put on a wonderful spread with boiled eggs, muffins, donuts, cereal, juice and the fresh coffee many people look forward to in the morning. And they packed our custom-ordered lunches individually for us to take on the boats – what a great crew!

Saturday the wind was forecast to be 6 MPH from the west, clocking right during the afternoon. Well it did clock right, but it was more like 8-12, just beautiful conditions, albeit shifting all the time. PRO, Dave Hudson, and his race committee took advantage and ran 5 (count 'em 5!) races - 4 windward-leeward 4-leg races and 1 windward-leeward 3-leg race.

Connie and John Eckart took second place.



Bernie Zabeck and Andrew Murnan (FS#2919) leading Misha & Olga Gutin (FS#2952).



Places were changing all the time except first place seemed to belong to the Lintons – until the 4th race that Greg and I won! We went a different way from most boats and led from the first windward mark to the end of the race and were pretty happy with that result. Five races was a lot for one day and we were all pretty tired and glad there were not more!

Saturday dinner was an Italian feast with Chicken Parmesan and other pastas, with fried ice cream for dessert. It was all pretty yummy, and dinner under the screened-in tent right on the lake was so fun. Lots of talking about this regatta and past regattas, our kids, our grandkids, retirement and everything else you can imagine – it had been a few years since some of us have seen each other due to COVID-19!

On Sunday, the wind was from a different direction and only 2-3 knots, so we started with a postpone flag. But at 10:00 the wind picked up to 5-6, so we went out for just 1 windward-leeward 4-leg race before the wind began to die and it was time to call it a regatta. Everyone on the water seemed to have a great time, and we were glad they did not try to run a race in the diminishing wind. We came in, packed up, and got ready for lunch and awards.

And now for the winners: the top 5 teams were wife-husband teams from a few different states. In first were Jeff and Amy Linton from Davis Island Yacht Club, FL. Second went to John and Connie Eckart from Massapoag Yacht Club, MA. Third place were Charlie and Cindy Clifton from Sarasota Sailing Squadron, FL. Taking fourth were Greg and Diane Kampf from Massapoag. Fifth place went to Lynn and Bill Bruss from Privateer YC, TN. Winner of the New York Lakes District Championship, presented by District Governor Ann Seidman, was Bernie Zabeck and Andrew Murnan from Saratoga Lake Sailing Club, NY.

We're certainly looking forward to next year at Saratoga; maybe we'll even get to the track. Thanks again for a wonderful, fun regatta.

(Most photos are courtesy of Charlotte Osborne and the Winners photo is by Paul Waterfield.) 🚩 *Photos Continue On 28-29*



The winners! (left to right) Zabeck & Murnan, the Lintons, the Cliftons, the Brusses, the Kampfs and the Eckarts

A picture perfect day on Saratoga Lake.



Queen Anne's Revenge leads A Little Nudge.



The Lintons out ahead.



The author and husband, Greg, in *Thanks Gram*.



James Symon and Tom Dunne in *Moby Scot*.



Looking for Wind

By Chuck Nicolosi, FS#5122, New England District • Photos by Chuck Nicolosi

Rob Steff, Tim Mallette, Cindy Ward and Jan Reimers atop Mt. Mansfield.



Lake Champlain is an awesome sailing venue and it provided an excellent playground for our Flying Scot cruise. Jan Reimers (FS#4134) and Tim Mallette (FS#1777) were on the planning committee that organized this cruise, as well as another in Michigan.

There were four boats in our flotilla. We met at the launching ramp in Colchester, VT, rigged our boats and sailed around a small peninsula to our home dock. The dock was a challenge - well worn and the water surrounding was just a few inches deep. Our Scots demonstrated their ver-

satility as we lifted our center boards and rudders to avoid grounding. When we were all securely docked, we climbed an impressive set of stairs to the Airbnb which would be our home for the week.

The first day of sailing on and around Malletts Bay was terrific. Wind was a steady 10-15 and our cruising guests had a wonderful time. Jan with his regular crew, Brett Simpson, and Leah Esser, a visiting high school student from Montana, and Tim explored the entire bay and several islands. Jan's team and Tim, sailing solo, were on the water for over seven hours. My wife and I were a little more conserva-

tive and stayed primarily in the inner bay enjoying the Vermont scenery. Rob Steff and Cindy Ward (FS#1040) also agreed that it was a great day on the lake.

On Tuesday, the forecast was discouraging, with little wind forecast. Jan and his crew rented bicycles and pedaled from Burlington to the Colchester breakwater and back. Kathy Nicolosi, Tim, and I headed over to Shelburne apple orchards and enjoyed a great fall morning picking apples. Tim found the courage to sample the Dead Bird Apple Brandy produced at orchards' apple distillery. We all sampled his purchase (80 proof) that

Left to right - Brett, Leah, Kathy, Jan, Tim and Cindy.



evening. After apple picking, we headed over to the Shelburne Vineyard for lunch and a wine tasting. We wanted to take in all the beauty of Vermont in the Fall. Rob and Cindy spent the day visiting the Shelburne Museum, a collection of art, design, and Americana.

Wednesday was another no-wind day with storms in the forecast. Jan and his fearless crew went for a short sail; the rest of us explored the area. Thursday was another no-wind day. We headed down the road to Stowe and took the gondola to the top of Mt Mansfield, the

highest mountain in VT. After disembarking from the gondola and taking in the views, we went on to climb to the summit. The trail was challenging but most of the group made it to the ridge. The views were nothing short of spectacular. Mt. Washington in New Hampshire, all of Lake Champlain, and the Adirondacks in New York, were all in view. The difficult climb and windless days made the title of this article a good choice, as we looked for wind over all the vistas.

Friday, we were rewarded with an excellent sailing day. It started with

light winds, but gradually increased to the 10-15 knot range with gusts up to 20. The fleet had a great time managing the challenging wind conditions and enjoying the sights and sounds of the day. Kathy and I agreed to pull our boat (FS#5122) at the end of the day to prepare for our journey home.

We all thought the Flying Scot cruise was a lot of fun. The cruise gave us the opportunity to explore a different venue, develop new friendships, and expand our love of sailing the Scot. ▲

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The dock at our "home base".



Cindy and Rob (FS#1040) and Brett and Jan (FS#4134) enjoying the scenery.

It was apple picking season.



Tim Mallette and Chuck Nicolosi.



Midwest District Has a New Governor

By Jim Colegrove, FS#5670, Midwest District Governor

My name is Jim Colegrove; some of you know me, others not, so I will give a brief rundown. My wife, Jennifer, and I have been racing Flying Scots since 2016, when we purchased our first boat, *Popeye*, (FS#4615) from Larry Klick. We are now keeping *Popeye* on Rock Lake here in Wisconsin where we live. We have been traveling with our second boat, *Capricious*, (FS#5670) to many regattas, from Ephraim WI to Sarasota FL, along with others from the Midwest. We are currently members of fleet 135 in Clinton IL and travel to race with them somewhat regularly. I am a long time sailor/racer and have been in many boats, from Sunfish to 40' cruiser/racers. I raced an International 505 for many years back in the 80's. All this doesn't mean I am particularly fast; I like to tease that we tend to be in the ½ of the fleet that makes the top ½ possible. Jennifer is newer to racing and is catching on quickly. Bottom line, we are having a lot of fun and making many new friends. I have been VP of the Utah Sailing Association, hosting regattas for multiple fleets, both one design and using the Portsmouth Handicap system. I am a US Sailing certified Instructor and helped host Zoom learn-to-sail classes with Eric Bussell last winter.

I believe I will be an effective governor for our district as I am already friends with, and connected to, many Flying Scot sailors, and several fleet captains in the Midwest District. After discussion with sailors (along with past and current FS board members Kitchen, Vogler, Taylor,



Our new Midwest District Governor.

and Bussell) at the Glow regatta I would like to focus on the following:

- Building our class
- Promoting events and regattas at the different fleet locations.
- Get more people onto/into Flying Scots
- First sail events

- Learn to sail classes
- Racing clinics
- Social events
- Promoting FSSA membership and sanctioned regattas
- Encouraging people to travel to other FS events and regattas

- The Flying Scot has fantastic comradery and is a “just right” boat for people of all skill levels. I believe we can make that work to grow and improve our class

With our recent move into retirement, Jennifer and I plan to travel to more regattas, and we hope to meet many of you in the near future. 🚤



Jim and Jennifer.



A Tribute to Robert McNeill

By Bruce Nicholson, FS#3713, Greater New York District

At our club rigging day in May I was talking with Bob McNeill (FS#2990), one of our longtime sailors. Rigging day is when the sailors get together to help each other in setting up their boats and tuning them and generally getting ready for the season. Also, after a year of Covid restrictions this year, it was a good day to see old friends. Bob made the comment that he recalled the first time he sailed in a race at the Yacht Club of Stone Harbor. He said he sailed a Moth.

A Moth class sailboat in 1950 was not the Moth we know today, but it was still not a beginner's boat. From that first race in a Moth he progressed into the Comet Class, in which he was fleet champion several time and the backbone of the fleet. But by the early 2000s the Comet and the Cheetah Cat—Stone Harbor's two traditional fleets—were dying out, and a decision was made by the remaining sailors to look for a new class boat. We settled on the Flying Scot.

Bob stepped right up and bought a factory-refurbished Scot and has been sailing it ever since. And since none of our prior one design boats had spinnakers, most of our skippers... and crews (Bob's crew, Ann Binet, has been sailing with him now for 23 years) had new skills to master. Bob and Ann proved that you can indeed teach old dogs new tricks.

So now he starts his 71st season sailing at YCSH, competing against sailors of all ages from their teens to their 80s. Thank you Gordon Douglass for giving us such a good boat. And kudos to you Bob. 🚤



Can You Believe It? 24 Boats at the 2021 Women's NAC!

By Diane Kampf, FS#6130, FSSA Web Editor

What an amazing turnout for the 2021 Flying Scot Women's NAC – 24 teams competed! There were 14 in the Championship Division and 10 in the Challenger Division. When we started the plans to organize this as a standalone event, we were getting 3 to 6 teams per year registering to compete. We had an inkling, but we really had no idea how much it would mean to the class. After 3 great years at Corinthian Sailing Club in Texas, Privateer Yacht Club in Tennessee, and Massapoag Yacht Club in Massachusetts, and now at Deep Creek Yacht Club in Maryland, we think this event may just be here to stay.

When Deep Creek first started putting together the 2021 event, Geri Meehan was instrumental in getting the bid into FSSA and planning for the regatta. Geri had some health issues that would not allow her to continue doing this work, so her daughter Jen stepped right in and took the reins. Thank so much to Jen! What an awesome job she and her crew did, even after having to postpone for a year due to COVID-19 restrictions. We owe a lot to the Meehan family for ensuring that this event would continue through all this and be so successful. And Deep Creek Yacht Club at Turkey Neck and Deer Haven both worked hard to host all of us.

Friday night's welcome party brought together loads of old friends and also some new friends for us to meet. There were lots of hugs and catching up after not seeing each other in two years, due to COVID-19 postponing most of our national events. But it really felt like it

was just yesterday, as it often does with good friends. Did I mention there were 24 teams? 24! The atmosphere was electric and the camaraderie could not be beat. Our team, Emma Davidson, Leila McNeff and I, from Massapoag Yacht Club, were just so happy to be there and able to compete in this super event.

And let's not forget our shore crews! Boats were unloaded from trailers, rigged and ready to go when each team hit the water. I want to personally thank our shore crew, Greg Kampf and Harvey and Margy Davidson, for their hard work making sure we were ready to go race. We really appreciated it as I am sure all the other teams with shore crews did as well. And Flying Scot, Inc., helped organize charter boats so many teams were able to drive or fly in without having to worry about trailering a boat. This was appreciated by the many teams who otherwise would not have been able to participate.

I need to mention that sponsors are SO important to this event, and there were several named on the banner that the club had custom-made to say thank you to them. I need to name them all, because it is just so important that they supported our sport - Mad Sails, Flying Scot, Inc., Rudy's Clothing Specialists, Schoolhouse Earth, Ace Hardware, Snowbirds Creation Glass Studios, Ace's Run, The Vagabond Taproom, Sipside Lounge, Simon Pearce, UMPC Health Plan, Beem Studios, and CRS Apparel.

PRO Harry Carpenter, Tyler Andrews and crew worked hard to get us 5 good races over the 2 days of the regatta. The windward-leeward courses were perfectly set with 5 legs each for most

races. And we were so happy to see good friends Bill Ross and Larry Taggart as judges, although I don't think we gave them much business.

On Saturday it was 80 degrees and sunny, and the winds were light to moderate from the south-southwest, so it was tough to find wind steady enough to set a course. But they did it and we raced two 5-leg windward-leeward courses before the wind died down and shifted. We moved down the lake to find some more wind, but it also died and we went in. After Day 1, Greta Mittman and Heidi Gough led the Championship Division, and Tracy Crothers and Jennifer Judkins led the Challengers.

Bob Vance organized the Saturday dinner at Deer Haven, which included a pig roast right near the water so you could watch it roast if you wanted to. There was also turkey and salad and other vegan options so everyone could find something great to eat. And the beautiful custom cake and cookies were both fun and yummy! But mostly it was fun telling stories of the day, meeting up with some great friends, and just relaxing for the evening and watching the sun set.

Sunday racing featured better wind from the southwest for a few hours, shifting for the last race, so we moved down the lake a bit to follow the wind. Again, the courses were spot on and the wind stayed with us long enough to allow 3 races. The lead changed again and again and we really were not sure what the outcome would be. In the final result—and it came down to the final race - Greta and Heidi won the Championship Division, a repeat for Greta

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since she won in 2019 and in previous years as well. Tracy and Jennifer won the Challenger Division with 3 bullets in the first 3 races. Let’s give a heartfelt congratulations to all the teams and let’s all plan to

do it again! Full results are on [FSSA.COM](https://www.fssa.com) under Events/Regatta Results

Thanks so much again to the Deep Creek Yacht Clubs for hosting this regatta. We know what it takes to put on such

an event and it is appreciated! So now that we know a separate Women’s event can work, why not try to do this for the Juniors? I think I might just take up the cause! ▲

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Challenger Division winners.



Photo: Diane Kampf

Championship Division winners.



Photo: Diane Kampf

Touring the Flying Scot Inc. factory.
Photo by Diane Kampf.



Ellen Tran and Sarah Buffington lead a group at the weather mark.

Photo: Charles Buffington

Stephanie Bahr and Martha Sweterlitsch.



Photo: Charles Buffington

Nina Cummings, Melissa Miller and Sherrie Gallaway (FS#5454) footing to leeward.
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24 boats on the line!



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Championship Division winners, Heidi Gough and Greta Mittman.



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Regatta: 2021 Gator Bowl & Florida District 3 -

Rudder Club, Jacksonville, FL
Date: 12/04/2021 to 12/05/2021
District: Florida

Regatta: 2022 Davis Island Florida District 4 -

Tampa, FL
Date: 01/15/2022 to 01/16/2022
District: Florida

Regatta: 2022 George Washington Birthday &

Florida District 5 - Lake Eustis, FL
Date: 02/19/2022 to 02/20/2022
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Regatta: 2022 Lake Monroe & Florida

District 6 - Sanford, FL
Date: 03/05/2022 to 03/06/2022
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Regatta: 2022 Midwinters at
Fort Walton Yacht Club, FL
Date: 03/19/2022 to 03/24/2022
District: Florida

Regatta: 2022 Space Coast & Florida District 7 - Indian River YC, Cocoa, FL

Date: 04/09/2022 to 04/10/2022
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Regatta: 2022 CHOO CHOO Regatta - Privateer

Yacht Club, Chattanooga, TN
Date: 04/22/2022 to 04/24/2022
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Regatta: 2022 Women's NAC at Corinthian Sailing Club, Dallas, TX

Date: 04/29/2022 to 05/01/2022

Regatta: 2022 Upper Keys Sailing Club Florida

District 8 - Key Largo, FL
Date: 05/14/2022 to 05/15/2022
District: Florida

Regatta: 2022 Grits 'n Haggis Regatta

Date: 05/21/2022 to 05/22/2022
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Regatta: 2022 NAC at North Cape Yacht Club, La Salle, MI

Date: 07/09/2022 to 07/14/2022
District: Michigan - Ontario

Regatta: Glow in the Dark II Regatta

Date: 10/01/2022 to 10/02/2022
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Regatta: 2022 Wife-Husband Championship at

Rush Creek Yacht Club, Rockwall, TX
Date: 10/22/2022 to 10/23/2022
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Regatta: 2023 NAC at Jackson Yacht Club, Ridgeland, MS

Date: 06/02/2023 to 06/08/2023

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