



The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

Liz's Spring Prequel

Hello Sailors!

Whooh! It's almost time to put boats in the water! Below is a survey to figure out a date for the Cruising Fleet meeting. The weekend of the 21st is kinda late but I put it on there just in case. I'm happy to host the meeting at my place, but you all might not enjoy the lack of parking so someone can either volunteer to host (on survey) or we can just have it at the Pines. Please fill out the form by Monday and I'll respond with the date of the meeting and draft of the agenda.

I hope you all had a great winter and maybe even got some sailing in. Please pass along sailing stories in the survey or email me at lizclark00@gmail.com and I'll share them as well :)

See you soon!

Liz

Survey:

<https://tinyurl.com/trzjhjd>

Winter Pennant Filler

Hello Sailors! It's time to start thinking about thinking about sailing again! There are all kinds of things to think about thinking about... Like, well, uh. Sailing, I guess! I suppose I can help you do some of that by telling you about some things that have been going on around town.

For example, as I have already mentioned, John and Leslie Ford and Tim Bonniwell have purchased entirely new suites of sails! The new Ford sails will come with a PHRF of around 90 (depends on options!) while the Bonniwell sails will come with a PHRF of ~54 (final numbers up to the rating committee, of course!). And those will be on super shiny hulls, of course. Ah. And may well be needing some crew for the racing season...

Let's see what else... Well, I'm sure that Romain has been taking more offshore sailing courses in exotic locations. I believe that Keith is cruising the BVI this week. And Richard and I just spent eight days traveling to, preparing for, competing in and traveling from the Sarasota Sailing Squadron's annual Multihull Regatta.

I have a few comments on that last one... To start with, multihull sailors are wrong. (So there!) They all say that once you've sailed a multihull you'll never go back to a monohull. Now, I was foredeck and I have to say that I will go back to monohulls – as soon as I can! However, “as soon as I can” is probably just because I'd like to get back out sailing again soon and we happen to have a monohull. Still, as foredeck I did spend quite a lot of our time sailing wet (including the bit where I was being dragged along under the tramp). Sure, it was fine with air temperatures in the low 80s and water temperatures in the 70s but I can see how with colder air or water it might not be all that.

Anyway, we came home with a first in our fleet and a third overall and a strong desire to sail more! And, yes, it was fun and, yes, I would do it again. I mean, sailing is sailing. And winning is good, too, and there's a lot of that going on when you're on *Trevelyan*.

Winter Pennant End Bit

Fill out Liz's survey on when/where to hold the Spring meeting. Do it now! Here's the link again: <https://tinyurl.com/trzjhjd>

And here's a bit of blank page where you can draw a sailboat:

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