

SEASWORTHY

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*A Newsletter for the Bergen Chapter of
The Society for the Education of American Sailors*

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Membership Application is also available at:
http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/PDF_Docs/seas%20member%20form1.pdf

Calendar of Events:

General Meeting: next meeting will be held on April 23, at 7:30, Red Cross Building, Ridgewood.

In lieu of the minutes, here are some informative notes:

From Samalot Marine:

Peter,

I, as the HRYRA president, would like to extend to all SEAS members an invitation to a Seminar by Dave Perry.

Would you please extend this invitation to all amongst your Bergen County SEAS group. Could I impose on you to extend this invitation to the Westchester group also?

Thank you in advance

Hi Racers, **VERY EXCITING NEWS!** HRYRA has scheduled **DAVE PERRY**, world renowned sailor and tactician, to do a "Racing Rules and Tactical Applications" seminar on **Tuesday, MAY 27th at 7:30 p.m.** at the Stony Point Conference Center. See the attached flyer and biography. **Please spread the word and make your reservations early.** This will fill up! Coffee and cookies will be provided during the break.

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Date for the 2008 Spring Fling has been set for June 1st

Small Boat Maintenance Day, Saturday, May 10

We need help with the Small Boat Maintenance Day. This is extremely important, as the Basic Sailing Instructor Course will need the boats the following Saturday! Please let Sher or Dave know what you can do to help out!

Assistance with Basic Sailing Classes-2008

We have an ambitious basic sailing program planned for the 2008 sailing season. It is expected that we will have at least four (4) classes of twelve (12) students each. This means eight (8) water sessions, and does not even include the instructors' course.

Clearly, to ensure that eight (8) water sessions run smoothly, we need the assistance of **ALL members**. We will need instructors, towers and numerous water assistants. Water assistants serve in various capacities and most need no special knowledge or qualifications. If you can breathe and walk-you're qualified.

Helping out at the water sessions can be fun. If you have the necessary boat license and boater safety course, you may drive the safety boat. If not, you can still help students rig/ de-rig boats, handle lines or simply keep an eye on personal property so it does not walk away. At lunchtime, when the students are ashore, you may take a boat out to sail.

If you have a tow hitch on your car, sailor, we want to talk to you! In fact, towers can receive up to \$150 for a full-day towing.

We are asking that all members who will not be instructing a class to sign up for at least 3-half-day periods.

Water sessions are planned for the following dates (from 8:45 AM until approximately 5 PM)

Primary date	Rain date
June 7, 8, 14, & 22	June 21 & July 6
July 12, & 19	July 13 & 20
August 9, & 16	August 10, & 17

In the next few weeks you will receive a sign-up sheet via e-mail. The sign up sheet will indicate AM and PM periods. When you receive it, please sign up for the required number of periods as soon as possible so we can start filling the required water assistant and tower spots.

Saturday, May 17th, Water Assistants Needed

We need water assistants from 8:30am to approximately 1pm to tow boats, assist with rigging and de-rigging, as well as safety boat operations. Please let Sher or Dave know what your availability is to help out!

70 Rules for being a Pirate-(here are the first 10)

1. *A pirate does not ask for directions. He relies only on his gut feeling, a compass, or a treasure map.*
2. *Parrots are the preferred pirate companion. Monkeys are an acceptable substitute, unless they fling their feces at people. Then they are an awesome substitute.*
3. *When fishing, a pirate uses either a sword, a knife, or his bare hands. Use of a hook is only acceptable in the event the pirate is missing a hand.*
4. *Pirates shall always wear boots, except in the case of a peg leg. Then one boot is acceptable. Flip-flops are right out.*
5. *Pirates do not cry, except in the case of the loss of a shipload of rum.*
6. *When describing the size of a treasure, a pirate is required to exaggerate by at least 130%. Flowers are not treasure under any circumstances, unless said flowers are made out of gold.*
7. *A pirate shall never wear lipstick, nail polish, or Capri pants. Actually, that kinda goes without saying.*
8. *No pirate shall discuss his feelings, unless his feelings include gutting a man from stem to stern and spilling his entrails.*
9. *A pirate should always remove his hat in the presence of a bartender.*
10. *During a swordfight, sword fighting insults are required. In the event both participants are still alive at the end of the fight, the participant with the superior insults shall be declared the victor.*

Please submit articles, jokes, stories (we'll take just about anything) for the next issue to obiesail@optonline.net by May 9, 2008. Thanks.

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