

New Castle Sailing Club

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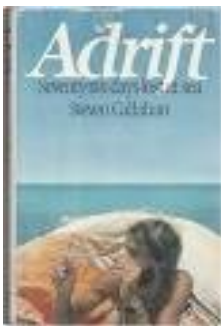
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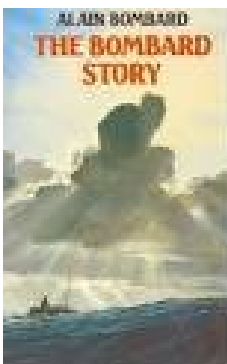
Commodore's Corner

These books in the club library are available for your reading enjoyment:



Adrift - Compelling survival-at-sea story of a shipwrecked solo sailor's 76-day journey across the Atlantic in a small inflatable raft. An inspiring story.

The Bombard Story - Appalled by the loss of 200,000 lives at sea each year, Alain Bombard, a young, idealistic and courageous French doctor, voluntarily crossed the Atlantic in 1952 in a small open boat with minimal equipment. He proved his theory that people can survive in lifeboats in the open ocean for much longer than previously believed without stores of food or fresh water. He survived the 65-day journey by catching fish and rainwater. Remarkably, he was picked up by a ship near the end of his journey after much peril and suffering but he immediately returned to his lifeboat to show that he could reach the Caribbean islands without assistance. Excellent reading.



Bligh - Several interconnected amazing stories in one book, including the infamous mutiny on the Bounty. This meticulously-researched book sheds light on the late-18th early-19th century series of events by providing a rich background of the British navy's official rules and unofficial practices, and by utilizing the vantage point of multiple participants in the 35-year saga. Read the chapter about the mutineer's tragic demise on Pitcairn Island twice. Simply incredible.

Regards,

Michael Evans
Commodore
New Castle Sailing Club



Instruction

**2018 Classroom
Instruction
has begun...
Can sailing season
be far behind?**



Commodore Mike Evans teaches a group of attentive new members.

Intermediate Sailing Class March 31, 2018 1200 – 1330 hrs

We will hold an intermediate sailing skills class on Saturday, March 31st from noon to 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

This class is designed for all existing and new members with a season or more of sailing experience who would like to add to their sailing knowledge and skills. We will get beyond the basics, while keeping the discussion at a level useful for members with just a season or two of sailing experience.

The class will be led by Scott Buehler, NCSC member, Thistle owner, and 2nd Vice President of the Thistle Class Association.

Put it on your calendar!

Michael Hyzny
Safety and Instruction Director



Racing

NCSC Award Qualifications - 2018

The updated [2018 Racing Awards Qualifications](#) are posted on the [Racing Page](#) of the NCSC website. The Qualifications are designed to encourage participation, promote fairness and minimize the potential for a skipper to receive an award based on a single day's performance with potentially biased conditions (crew, competition, equipment, weather).

Understanding that the number of race days in a race series and in the overall season may be limited due to weather, the multiple day requirements are reduced when actual race days are significantly reduced.

The Qualifications also recognize that we would not have a racing season without volunteers willing to run each week's races.

Tom Gorman
Racing Director



After the first Saturday instruction and work sessions, we enjoyed a delicious lunch...



Join us for our annual St. Patrick's Day Lunch

Saturday, March 17th

Lunch will be served about noon,
following instruction and work assignments.



Please let me know if you can bring a menu item to share:

- ♣ corned beef
- ♣ cabbage
- ♣ potatoes
- ♣ salad
- ♣ Irish soda bread
- ♣ desserts

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Erin Go Bragh!



Interested in cruising on the Chesapeake Bay and other local venues or Travel Cruising?



Join us for the "CRUISERS" meeting at the NSCS clubhouse
on **Saturday, March 10 at 1 p.m.**
(after the morning work session and classroom instruction)

MEETING AGENDA

- 🚤 How to navigate the NCSC web site for "Cruising Information"
- 🚤 Chesapeake Bay cruising for 2018, spring and fall
- 🚤 CRUISE IN BELIZE - NOVEMBER 2018
 - Charter set up: Sat., Nov 3 – Sat., Nov 10
 - Info and PP presentation to be given at the March 10th meeting
 - NOTE: Please contact Craig prior to meeting, if definite interest
- 🚤 Ideas for future Travel Cruise destinations - in spring or fall, 2019

There are 70+ people on the NCSC website Cruising Interest List.
Let Craig know if you are not on the list and want to be.

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