# The MainSHEET V36#

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This is the "PANDEMIC" issue of the MainSHEET.

**Special thanks to** Commodore Valerie Askren, and other members, who suggested and/or wrote many of the articles in this issue.

# Sea Questered!

Kudos to Dave Harris for having the foresight to name his vessel Sea Questered. Little did he, nor anyone else, know how much we would rely on our sailing community during this time of social distancing. Our Facebook page has been filled with photos and videos of our club members finding solace and renewed energy while sailing Cave Run Lake. Others have posted nautical cartoons. Items for sale. Questions seeking advice and words of encouragement that "this too will pass". As you know, many CRSA activities have been delayed. But club officers and members continue to work behind the scenes, waiting to hoist the main on a new sailing season. Here's a quick run-down below.

### Beginning and ASA-certified classes

are on hold. But Bill Lubawy and Jim Dinger (MainSHEET@caverunsailing.org and ASAsailing@caverunsailing.org are continuing to take names and contact info for those wanting to participate as soon as things open up.

### Tahiti Cruise

has been rescheduled for June 2021. Please reach out to Merritt Wade at Cruise@caverunsailing.org if you are interested in participating—this promises to be a fabulous trip!

### Youth sailing

plans are still in the works as Chuck Emrich (YouthSailing@caverunsailing.org) is readying our fleet for late summer classes and Lou Trost (ViceCommodore@caverunlailing.org) continues to work with Scouting to organize coursework and sailing labs.

### Racing

has been put on hold until the US Forest Service opens up lake organized activities and is willing to issue permits for our series to begin. Talk to Mark Breeden (RearCommodore@caverunsailing) for the latest updates.

### **Harbor Master**

Brad (HarborMaster@Caverunsailing.org) Leslie, along with his enthusiastic sidekick Steve Morris, have been de-winterizing boats, upgrading outboards, and launching boats.

## And Molly Sutherland, Social Chair (Social@caverunsailing.org)

has a cabin-full of social closing activities as soon as Andy gives us the go-ahead! Molly could use some help with more suggestions. Let her know.

Thanks to all of the club members who have already renewed their 2020 dues. The majority of CRSA's budget is 'fixed' costs, including slip and mooring fees; boat maintenance; Mrs. Hooks; website hosting... and our biggest expenditure insurance. If you have any questions about joining CRSA or updating your membership, please reach out to Graeme Wilson at membership@caverunsailing.org

Hope to see you out on the lake,

Valerie

# **CRSA Members Have Access to Two Lovely Cruisers**

Don't have your own boat? Or looking to try something new? Check out the club boats available for member use. CRSA has the following boats available:

Rhodes 22 - The Rhodes is a boat donated to CRSA and it has a swing keel, full set of sails, and a new outboard motor for docking maneuvers. Currently, she is docked in a slip at the marina. She is equipped for day sailing use only and can accommodate up to six people.

**Ms. Kelly** is a **Hunter 23** and currently is out in the mooring field on Ball #56. She also comes with a full set of sails and brand new outboard engine for maneuvers. She is equipped for day sailing use only and also can accommodate up to six people.

More information and reservation forms for both boats can be reserved on the CRSA web page.

The suggested usage donation is \$100/day. Requirements for use of either boat are:

- Must be a CRSA Member
- Must have completed sailing courses equivalent to ASA 101 (Basic Keel Boat Sailing) or
- Must have a sailing resume which might include the following
  - Experience as a captain sailing inland lakes
  - Captain of a sailboat used primarily for racing
  - O You have owned and sailed a sailboat.
- Complete and submit the "Sailboat Usage Agreement" from the CRSA Website
- Download/print/follow the "Operational Checklist" from the CRSA Website.

For more information email the Certified Sailing Coordinator Jim Dinger at asasailing@caverunsailing.org



Ben Askren uses her new motor to put the freshly cleaned Rhodes 22 into her slip at the marina.

# Members Rig, Clean, Repair and Launch Two CRSA Cruisers

A huge shout out to **Brad Leslie**, **Steve Morris**, **Luke Adams**, **Ben Askren**, and many others who will remain unnamed for their dedication to all things sailing. Many CRSA members rigged and installed a new mooring pendant on the Ms Kelly, outfitted new outboards on her and the Rhodes 22, power washed both boats, and put them in the water. A full day! Both boats are ready for the season to begin.

AND thanks also to Graeme Wilson. The Rhodes 22 trailer is now safely tucked away at his boat storage facility.



Luke Adams and Ben Askren raise the mast on the Ms Kelly. They also launched the Rhodes 22.

Ben Askren finishes mounting the new motor on the Rhodes 22.



# Virtual Sailing Courses Available Online

Can't get out on the water as much as you might like? This is an excellent time to brush up on your sailing skills whether you are an experienced sailor or are new to sailing. There's a free video course from the American Sailing Association. It's for new sailors, those who simply want to be helpful, while on a sailboat, or individuals who plan on taking a sailing course and want a little primer first.

See https://tinyurl.com/ASA-New

Two free online courses are available as well in a collaborative effort between Sunsail and NauticEd. It's easy to sign up and no further commitment is required. "How the Sails Work" and "How the Rules On-the water Work."

### https://www.nauticed.org/two-free-sailing-courses

Boat U.S. Foundation has three free online courses: Boating Safety; Clean Boating; and Spill Prevention. Go to their web site and select 'Free" under pricing options. See <a href="https://www.boatus.org/courses/">https://www.boatus.org/courses/</a>.

Psycho Snail has a primer for Basic Keelboat 101 on their web page. Go to:

### http://www.psychosnail.com/sailing/howtosail

Another idea is to go to YouTube and search for sailing videos. You'll find everything from how to deal with a "man overboard" situation; tacking versus gybing; sailing monohulls versus catamarans; and many, many more.



# Distinguished CRSA Group Takes Advantage of "Zoom" Technology To Hold Luncheon Meetings

The "Dinghies", a group of senior CRSA members, has been meeting for lunch on Friday's at noon for years - no decades. Despite being distinguished the group has a rather colorful past having been asked "not to come back" at eating establishments off of Southland Drive and in Lexington Green.

Dinghies now meet at the Signature Club of Lansdowne every Friday, except for the current hiatus due to coronavirus. And believe it or not they are welcome. Not to be outdone by the disease, Dinghies member **Jerry Smith** has been arranging zoom conference calls for the group. Online attendance has varied from 7 to 10. Everyone misses the Lobster Bisque and Fish Tacos served at the Signature Club but it is really nice to see friendly sailors while in person meetings are out.

Participating members have included Jerry Smith, Al Lawton, Bill Lubawy, David Owens, Alan Owens, Bob Woods, Cliff Hynimman, Bill Strunk, Friedbert Becker and Bill Jones.



Dinghies Zoom meetings help keep members in touch during the virus shutdowns.

# Tahiti Cruise is ON, But in 2021

The CRSA Cruise to Tahiti has been rescheduled because of the coronavirus. The new date for departure is June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021. We have an opening for one or two persons to join the trip. Two of the boats have been upgraded to 454 premium catamarans. This should be a great trip. If you have questions or are interested please contact the CRSA cruise director, Merritt Wade at

CruiseDirector@caverunsailing.org

# **ASA Courses Completed Before the Virus Shut Down**

On March 7, 8, & 9 ASA Instructors Cliff Hynniman, Jim Bugay, and Jim Dinger taught a class of 7 students ASA 105. Thanks to Mark Arnold for the use of his offices to host the class. Absent from two of the pictures is Cliff Hynniman who served as the

photographer.



Group Pic: 1-r front Jim Bugay, Jim Dinger, Tom Janoski, Luke Adams. Back: David Leddy, Dave Harris, John Shropshire, Val Luckyart, and Merritt Wade. Not pictured is the photographer Cliff Hynniman.





**ASA 105 Students** working hard on their course.

Luke Adams shows off his ASA Log Book. **Instructor Cliff** Hynniman gave each student their passing certification which is kept in the "official" Log Book.

# From the Membership Chair Graeme Wilson

WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS. WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER.

Your membership in the Cave Run Sailing Association is ready for renewal. We would like you to renew today to keep your membership current and you connected. If you have not renewed already, you may renew by going to the web site,

(www.caverunsailing.org) under the link "join us" at the top far right of page. If you were a member last year, go in under "existing" members. If new or expired go in under "new members." Complete the document and you can pay using your credit card. Or you may mail a check to our address, PO Box 256, Lexington, KY 40588 for \$95 and we will enter you in our system.

Our goal this year is to have 100 paid memberships and your renewal will help your club toward our goal. Whether your interests lie in socializing, sailing instruction, cruising, youth sailing, racing or just relaxing in a boat on the water, we have it all. And we will have it back hopefully soon. We ask you to volunteer and get involved wherever your interest may lie. On the back page of this newsletter is a list of our board and committee members who can assist in that. Please fill free to contact any of them with your enthusiasm and willingness to become a part of what we do. To stay connected please check us out at (www.caverunsailing.org) and on Facebook, (there is a link on the web site). Again thank you for your interest and yes,

WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS. WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER. Graeme Wilson Membership Chair, CRSA Membership@caverunsailing.org



The picture above is from a late 90's Grand Annual Regatta and taken with an early digital camera.

# Note From Mark Breeden About Facilities at Cave Run for Now

Last week I visited the campground and spoke with the campground personnel and the Forestry Service. ALL events and gatherings at the lake are cancelled and no permits will be given until the state of emergency is changed at the federal level and the state level. All parking areas except for the ramps and the marina are supposed to be closed and barricaded. We are required to have a permit for events including races and those are not being granted right now.

The campground personnel have been told that the group areas and the beaches may not be opened this year.

I also received an email from the forestry service today that <u>ALL Races are Suspended until</u> further notice.

Note: With the ramps open and the Marina Parking Lot open it is possible to launch your boat, or use your boat if it is at the Marina. Follow the required distancing and masking recommendation when you are around others at the lake.

### Tohatsu, like new! 3.5 hp

four stroke, short shaft. Less than 10 hours on this baby! \$500 firm. Proceeds go to our non-profit youth sailing program. Contact Brad Leslie, CRSA Harbor Master at Harbormaster@caverunsailing.org



### For SAIL / Want to SAIL

The MainSHEET will list sailboats and sailing equipment that members want to buy/sell. Send information to the MainSHEET@caverunsailing.org.

### Yamaha 9.9 HP Motor - Electric Start

CRSA has another great deal for you! 2008 Yamaha, Model T9.9GEXH, 9.9 HP, Long Shaft, Electric Start, 4-stroke, Tiller Steered, outboard engine. Like new condition. Very low hours. Well maintained. Weighs 106 lbs. Comes with 3 gallon Atwood fuel tank with new fuel hose. Very clean. Priced at \$2,000 (new, these go for about \$3,800.) Proceeds go to our non-profit youth sailing program. Contact Brad Leslie, CRSA Harbor Master at

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### Honda 7.5 hp, long shaft outboard motor.

Late 70s / early 80's model.. Gas tank, but no hose. Runs fine, but needs a new impeller (approx cost \$50). As is, \$400. If we repair, \$550. Proceeds go to our non-profit youth sailing program. Contact Brad Leslie, CRSA Harbor Master at

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