

**SAILING ASSOCIATION
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FALL NEWSLETTER --1988

HELLO AND WELCOME -- to the 1988-89 sailing season. Although our first day at Lake Monticello was somewhat drizzly, the determined and dauntless who have continued to journey to Palmyra have seen better days since then. Turnout has been very high for the Tuesday/Friday trips to the lake, as a matter of fact...not surprising, considering that membership has increased to over seventy this year. Unfortunately, as a result, we have experienced some organizational difficulties, so we will be requesting office space from Student Council this spring. In the meanwhile, please bear with us, and help out by returning sails to an officer the night of, or the morning after, use. If you have a hard time reaching a particular officer, try someone else...and be persistent, because we're all pretty busy. If you are interested in individual instruction, talk to John Peden.

IMPORTANT BUSINESS --

PARTY

When: Friday, October 28, 1988 at 5:30 (write it down)
Where: 1513 Virginia Ave., #2 (that's Alison & Julie's)
What: The Usual Beverage, munchies, and sailor types
Who: You and a friend

* T-shirts will be available for \$8.50; they're also available through an officer

BOATS AND THINGS -- There are currently three Coronados, two Lasers, and one windsurfer in operating condition. We are currently on the lookout for another windsurfer and another dinghy -- suggestions or bargains are welcome! Note, however, that the Lasers on the trailer that say NROTC on the stern belong to Uncle Sam, and not to us. He gets peeved when we steal his stern plugs or take out the boats without authorization. If something breaks or is missing that you can't fix (there are tools in the box: combination 24-14-24 or check the back), please report it to Peter Hare, our local expert. The boats belong to all of us and need to be treated carefully.

LAKE DAYS -- Since the surveys seem to indicate that Tues/Fri are the best days for the majority of the club, we will be leaving it at that. Meet at the steps of Mem gym at 2:00, with your car if you can (we reimburse for gas if you keep track and ask for it). Due to scheduling conflicts, the officers cannot always be at the lake on Tuesdays and Fridays. However, there will always be some responsible, knowledgeable individual to help you out. Remember to have life jackets and a paddle in the boats, and use good judgement. And no drinking. You've heard it a

hundred times, but safety is important. For those of you who haven't done anything with the Sailing Association yet, now is the time to start. So bag those books (the sooner you fall behind, the longer you have to catch up), grab a set of sails from an officer, and escape with a pal to some fun time and frolic on the lake. Just remember to call the gate before you leave and let them know that you're coming...and remember the 25 MPH speed limit. It's painful sometimes, but it is their lake. Being neat and considerate will insure our continued good relations with the Lake Moticello residents.

RACING -- The UVA Intercollegiate Racing Team began its season with success on the weekend of September 10th. Seven freshmen, accompanied by coach Magill Morgan (a grad student at the U from King's Point, NY), competed in the Freshman Seminar and Regatta at Annapolis. Stuart Martin placed 6th although he had never raced windsurfers before and was defeated only by USNA sailors. Nicole Childs and Eric Schuppenhauer placed 15th and 16th in the highly competitive Laser regatta, while the 420 team also achieved outstanding results: skippering A-Division, Leigh Morgan with crew, Nica Chapman placed 7th overall out of 19. In the B-Division, skipper Jill Whitehead and crew Whitridge Williams placed 8th overall. Their combined scores made the UVA team 7th overall, beating thirteen schools (including Penn State). Congratulations to the racers!

UVA also made an excellent showing at the Windsurfing Invite in Annapolis on September 17-18, with 18 racers from 7 schools participating. Felicitations to Jeremy Waters, our veteran racer of last year, who came in 5th behind those Naval Academy boys. John Peden was close behind, placing 8th, followed by Stuart Martin in 13th. Steffan Cushman, in his first regatta ever, placed 15th.

There are seven more regattas this semester open to any racers who have taken the swim test. The next racing weekend is October 1-2 at Annapolis, with the Womens' Intersectional (6 women) and the Area C Mono (5 men or women), which is an eliminator for the MAISA Championship on October 15-16. Please contact Julie Cane if you are interested in these events or in the updated schedule. The meetings which all racers are strongly encouraged to attend are on Thursday nights at 8PM in Maury Hall, room 110. These are to discuss past and future regattas, coordinate racing practices at the lake, and to absorb the wisdom of those great sailors who excel at rules and tactics.

BAHAMAS BOUND -- Believe it or not, it's not too early to start thinking about it -- 15 boats (35'-45') have been chartered for the week of Spring Break. David Lennarz will hold an informative meeting and slide show on Tuesday, November 15th in the Informal Lounge at 7:00. But you'll hear more as the time draws near.

THANKS -- Everyone should thank Kieth Mastrion for that great wooden box at the lake, built with Stewart Bauhan...THANKS!