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Commodore's Corner

By Debra Halter, 2021 Commodore

2020 is over, but Covid-19 is still presenting problems. Recent vaccines offer promise that this scourge will soon relegate itself to the same level of severity as the flu - still potentially deadly, but less prevalent. It still looks like at least June before we can expect any easing of restrictions. I know everyone can't wait to socialize again. And get rid of these darn masks!

Ever hopeful, our members look to the future. Even with 2020's social distancing restrictions, WFSC managed to pull off a full racing season for both fleets, plus adding a summer dinghy fun fleet. We'll be putting together a new racing season soon, with a Fleet Meeting in February.

Prospects for the Clubhouse look bright, too. After a vicious storm wrecked havoc at the club and damaged the roof, insurance allowed us to replace it.

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WFSC Fleet Meeting Set for February 23 At The Forum

If you're itching to get out and meet up with your yacht club buddies, join us February 23 for the annual WFSC Fleet Meeting.

The Club has reserved a room at The Forum, 2120 Speedway Ave. The event will be 6:30 to 8 p.m. We will be using an entrance on the east side of the building.

The venue should give us enough room to have a safe and enjoyable evening as we set the schedules for the coming season and discuss any other issues. Schedules will be developed for the Flying Scot fleet, the handicap "Big Boat" fleet and for a "fun-run" Wednesday evening dinghy fleet. Any other type fleet could be considered (at least three skippers required).

This event will be BYOB. Some snacks will be provided by the Club.

Further details may be forthcoming.

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But more remains to be done to get things up to snuff.

The deck is in horrible shape, after years of weather, neglect and patching. The west side is downright dangerous. The new board has much to keep us busy.

The desire for slips is greater than our current availability. This is a good (and bad) situation, as it shows that our membership is growing. Finding slips for everyone who wants one will be just one the projects the board will tackle this year.

We also need your help to keep moving forward. A house chairperson is still needed, as well as someone with some experience (or willingness to learn) Wordpress to help maintain our club's website. If you would like to volunteer for these thankless (but not unappreciated) positions, please let me know.

As always, everyone is invited to attend the board meetings. They are held on the first Thursday of each month, as 7 p.m. at the Clubhouse. If you have a project that you would like to see done, a complaint or just want to see what goes on behind the scenes, please join us. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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The next WFYC board meeting is scheduled for February 4, 7 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

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✓ New video, "Sailing for Fun - 8 Simple Rules for Casual Racers". <https://flyingscot.com/video/racing-video/>

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