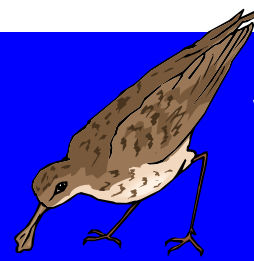


THE SHOREBIRD



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Sailing Days Are Here Again

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It's that time of year to get the Sandpiper ready for the Spring Series. Hope springs eternal and maybe this is the year you'll win the trophies you have been shooting for. The good news is that our fleet is full of skilled sailors who are happy to share their secrets for winning races. All you have to do is ask. This is one of the most important reasons for the success of our fleet—and we should not take it lightly as the growth of our fleet is unusual these days. Bob Post recently loaned me the book *Saving Sailing* by Nicholas D. Hayes that analyzes the steep decline in sailing

participation (down 70% since 1979) and proposes some solutions. This thoughtful book is an excellent read and I highly recommend it to everyone who loves sailing. The crux of the message is that sailing is a complex and time consuming, but immensely fulfilling, activity that requires mentoring to keep newcomers involved. I know each one of us can remember someone in our lives who got us hooked on sailing. We should all go out of our way to return that favor to a new or struggling sailor and help them to experience the joys of sailing. One needn't look any further than Bob Post's inspirational leadership at MYC as a great example. That's the way to save sailing. ♦

SANDPIPER SCHEDULE--2010

May 2	Spring Series #1 & #2 @ MCYC	July 29	Evening Catboats #8 @ MCYC
May 16	Spring Series #3 & #4 @ MCYC	Aug 7	BBYRA #9 & #10 @ OGYC/PBYC
May 23	Spring Series #5 & #6 @ MCYC	Aug 12	Evening Catboats #9 @ MCYC
May 30	Spring Series #7 & #8 @ MCYC	Aug 14	BBYRA #11 & #12 @ NBYC
June 6	Spring Series #9 & #10 @ MCYC	Aug 19	Evening Mini-Series #1 @ MCYC
June 10	Evening Catboats #1 @ MCYC	Aug 26	Evening Mini-Series #2 @ MCYC
June 12	Sandpiper Spring Meeting @ BHYC	Aug 28	BBYRA #13 & #14 @ LYC
June 13	Spring Series #11 & #12 @ MCYC	Sept 2	Evening Mini-Series #3 @ MCYC
June 17	Evening Catboats #2 @ MCYC	Sept 4	BBYRA #15 @ SPYC
June 19	Spring Tune-Up @ BHYC	Sept 12	MCYC Fall Series #1 & #2 @ MCYC
June 24	Evening Catboats #3 @ MCYC	Sept 18	Fall Series #1 @ BHYC (Adams Memorial)
June 26	BBYRA #1 & #2 @ BHYC/MCYC	Sept 25	Fall Series #2 & #3 @ BHYC
July 1	Evening Catboats #4 @ MCYC	Sept 26	MCYC Fall Series #3 & #4 @ MCYC
July 8	Evening Catboats #5 @ MCYC	Oct 2	Fall Series #4 & #5 @ BHYC
July 10	BBYRA #3 & #4 @ MYC/MRYC	Oct 3	MCYC Fall Series #5 & #6 @ MCYC
July 15	Evening Catboats #6 @ MCYC	Oct 9	Fall Series #6 & #7 @ BHYC
July 16	Ver Planck for Women @ BHYC	Oct 10	MCYC Fall Series #7 & #8 @ MCYC
July 17	BBYRA #5 & #6 @ TRYC	Oct 16	Fall Series #8 & #9 @ BHYC
July 22	Evening Catboats #7 @ MCYC	Oct 17	MCYC Fall Series #9 & #10 @ MCYC
July 23	Callahan Classic @ BHYC	Oct 23	Turkey Bowl @ MCYC
July 24	BBYRA #7 & #8 @ SAYC		