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WELCOME TO SPRING; SUMMER IS COMING; SAILING-RACING; EVENTS; FUN!!!!!!

BOOTHBAY HARBOR ONE DESIGN ASSOCIATION

Your BHODA Board has been busy all fall, winter and spring. Along with the yacht club we've lined up a full summer of events, sailing and racing. I've attached the summer schedule, beginning with a POT LUCK DINNER on Friday, June 16th at the Cagle's, and the first FUN SAIL to kick off Windjammer Days on Sunday, June 25th. We will have a luncheon at the Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club after the FUN SAIL around 1:30 pm. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO BOTH THE FUN SAIL (any sailboat) AND THE LUNCHEON and, of course, the POT LUCK.

PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING THE POT LUCK and FUN SAIL and LUNCHEON.

If you are not a yacht club member you can pay for the lunch just like a regular restaurant. We have several summer events that will end up at the yacht club, some in the restaurant and some in the One Design Room for a pizza party. We tried to do other restaurants in the area like last year but many of our members didn't want to sail in Linekin Bay or other places like the Spruce Point Inn didn't have moorings for our boats. We're working on those issues.

Loey Hill and Debbie Snyder share the ownership of the One Design FRAULEIN and have decided to lend her to the Jr. Program fleet once a week this summer to learn the fun of the One Design fleet and in order to create competition between the Juniors who might like to compete against the Jr. Program's One Design, ANNA GRACE.

The Board voted to become a major sponsor of the Shipyard Regatta this year. We hope members will participate in the regatta and help us raise the money for sponsorship. The Shipyard Regatta is the major sailing/racing event of the summer in Boothbay Harbor and it is important that BHODA be a part of that event. Last year there were 65 boats in the Regatta. Five of them were Boothbay Harbor One Designs and we hope more One Designs will race with them this summer.

Jack Herger is working with the BHODA board to create a brochure for the organization to use to advertise the organization and get community recognition. We are the premier sailing and racing organization in Boothbay Harbor. The prototype of the BHOD was built in 1937 and restored by its owners Pam and Alan Burke. Since then, 58 One Designs have been built, the first in wood and later in fiberglass. We're planning to get BHODA's name out in the community through multiple venues.

Bill Hunt has been working on designing an asymmetrical spinnaker for our BHOD's. He has worked with Quantum Sails to create the new spinnaker. ANNA GRACE is being fitted with the new spinnaker that is much easier to raise and lower, and can be handled with just two crew members. We're expecting that the Jr Program sailors will love the new sail. Not only will the asymmetrical spinnakers make the boats faster but it will be both easier to put the sail up and bring the One Designs into a more contemporary place. We will probably need to penalize the boats with some seconds to make the new sail fair to race.

Asymmetrical spinnakers are the future of racing; most youth sailing vessels use them. The cost of the rigging and the sail is about \$2,500 although it could be cheaper if more of us order the spinnakers. BHODA is paying for the setup on ANNA GRACE.

We continue to look for a second BHOD for purchase or gift to be used by the Jr. Program. Liz Rettenmaier is the point person for the Jr Program this summer and they have great plans for the youth. Anything BHODA can do to develop "lifelong sailors" is part of our mission.

We encourage all our members to be active with YOUR organization. We always need crew and we want our members and prospective members to join our activities. If you would like to experience racing, we also do short races every Wednesday evening in the harbor and we always welcome crew. No experience required. With all of these events, if you have questions, please feel free to contact me. Scott Blake and Nate Cagle will be coordinating our Wednesday night racing series. If you don't want to race and would like to sail contact Nate and we'll arrange a sail.

Cathy Latta will be hosting our Annual Meeting in late August. We really appreciate Cathy offering her home for our gathering. As you may know, Cathy organized the Boothbay Harbor One Design Association and was the first president. Her vision created the organization and has led us to where we are today.

If you have not, please re-join your BHODA. It takes members to make this organization work. We need you!!! You don't have to own a one design to support the organization. Please send your \$35 annual membership and the membership form (attached) to the address on the membership form. We really appreciate your membership.

Please plan on attending our events this summer. We want to have lots of BHODA member attending our events and sailing with us. If you don't race just come out and sail with us or come to our luncheons, pot lucks, pizza parties and annual meeting.

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