



# The Mainsheet



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## Upcoming Events

Winter Social  
March 2, 2019

Ice Breaker / Sock  
Burning  
April 13, 2019

Spring Tune Up  
Regatta  
May 25, 2019-May 27,  
2019

Clean Bottom Regatta  
June 1, 2019-June 2,  
2019

Parrot Head Regatta  
June 8, 2019-June 9,  
2019

Fathers Day Regatta  
June 15, 2019-June 16,  
2019

Summer Sailstice and  
Wine Party  
June 22, 2019

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Time To Shake These  
Winter Time Blues!

## BLSA BOARD MEMBERS

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Vice Commodore/Membership  
Open Position

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*Commodore Holtkamp*

## From The Helm - Commodore Nicole Holtkamp

Miles Away — O'Day 272 LE — Hanna Creek, Slip #47

I have started and stopped writing this article so many times over the past couple of weeks. Who knew a blank page could be so intimidating? Or is it not the blank page, but knowing the footsteps I must follow. Bill and Scott are Brookville sailing royalty, and it has been 30 years since a woman has lead the sailing association. I guess I will start with a Hello, BLSA!

Winter has us fully in her grasp, and feels like there no end is in sight. Until she decides to leave, we must only dream of the enjoyment of the upcoming sailing season. Andy and I are starting to hit that point of the off season where we really start to miss the lake, sitting on the boat enjoying a sundowner, and the camaraderie with our fellow sailors. As I write this article, we are 75 days away from the opening of the season.

We have a great team of sailors that will make up your 2019 BLSA Board. Returning for another year is Nelson Mead (Treasurer), David Forrester (Harbormaster), and Skyp Harmon (Race Director). New to the BLSA Board this year are Billy Wisby (Secretary), Bill Ralston (Social Director), Charlie Dehne (Communications) and Ron Stevens (Board Member). The 2019 board has started the planning for the 2019 season. They all work hard in their respective positions and their time commitment is very much appreciated. Be sure to give a big "Thank you" to them the next time you get a chance.

This is a busy time for your Board. We want to take advantage of the winter months, getting as much accomplished as we can in preparation for the upcoming season at Hanna Creek. Here are just a few items we will be focusing on going into the beginning of the season.

- 2019 BLSA Membership Renewal
- Finalizing the Racing and Social Schedule and budgets
- New shade structure on the social dock
- Winter Social and Sock Burning Social Events

I would also like to extend a mammoth sized "Thank you" to Scott Webb. There are no words that can to describe the appreciation you deserve for your years as our Commodore. You did amazing things for this club. The guidance you have given me over the past few years will make my new chapter with the BLSA much easier, but I am sure I will still bombard you with questions.

I look forward to great 2019 season. This is a fantastic club, and I am very proud to be a small part of its history.



### Message from the BLSA Board

We want to express our thanks to all the past and current board members and volunteers for their time spent helping make the club what is today. We cannot do it without our members and the donations of their time to make this all happen. So a big THANK YOU and we cannot wait to See You on the Lake!

## Social News - Social Director Bill Ralston

Escape — Catalina 250 — Hanna Creek, Slip #68



### **BLSA Winter Social March 2nd, 6pm**

Beat the winter time blues with the BLSA Winter Social. It's a perfect time to reconnect with friends and have a little fun.

Come join us at the Dingle House 9102 West Chester Towne Centre Drive, West Chester Township

## —2019 Social Calendar—

Winter Social	Dingle House Irish Pub Hosted by: Bill Ralston	March 2nd
Ice Breaker / Sock Burning	Kent's Fire Pit Hosted by: Randy & Janice Jones	April 13th
Home Coming	Hanna Creek Hosted by: Andy & Nichole	TBA
Summer Sailstice / Wine Party	Hanna Creek Dock Hosted by: Bill & Patty	June 22nd
Cheeseburger in Paradise	Hanna Creek Hosted by Rick & Cathy	TBA
Shrimp Boil / Seafood Fest	Hanna Creek Hosted by: Scott & Lana Elliot	TBA
Pig Roast BBQ	Hanna Creek Hosted by: Club and Cater	TBA
Oktober Fest	Hanna Creek Hosted by: Paul & Heidi	TBA
Chili Cook Off	Kent's Party Room Hosted by: Billy	TBA
Awards Dinner & Annual Meeting	Hueston Woods Lodge Hosted by: The BLSA Board	TBA

## Racing News - Racing Director Skyp Harmon

Boat Name — Model — Hanna Creek, Slip #

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### **BLSA 2019 RACE CALANDER**

**All regattas are scheduled for the weekend. A final call for which day will be made by Thursday evening based on the wind and weather forecast by the race Director.**

**Regattas will start at 1:00pm with skippers meeting at 12:00pm. Regattas will consist of 1 to 4 races depending on course and conditions.**

### **SPRING SERIES**

1. SPRING TUNEUP REGATTA -MAY 25TH 26TH or 27th
2. CLEAN BOTTON REGATTA -JUNE 1ST or 2ND
3. PAROTT HEAD REGATTA -JUNE 8TH or 9TH
4. FATHERS DAY REGATTA -JUNE 15TH or 16TH
5. BRIDGE TO BRIDGE REGATTA and RAFTUP -JUNE 29TH or 30TH skipper and crews and other club members are encouraged to meet after the race in the no wake zone and raft up for rest of the afternoon for some comradery swimming and fun!

### **FALL SERIES**

1. WILLY T REGATTA -JULY 27TH or 28TH
2. BRIDGE TO BRIDGE and RAFTUP -AUG. 3RD or 4TH (SEE NOTE ON BRIGE TO BRIDGE REGATTA)
3. BACK TO SCHOOL REGATTA -AUG. 10TH or 11THST
4. DIRTY BOTTOM REGATTA -AUG. 17TH or 18TH
5. LABOR DAY REGATTA -AUG. 31ST SEPT.1ST or 2ND
6. **PIG REGATTA - SEPTEMBER 14TH AND 15TH**

Regattas will be awarded at social events throughout the summer, pig regatta awards will be given on the dock at the conclusion of regatta. Spring Fall and overall champion will be awarded at the Fall banquet. Overall championship will be based scoring from the Spring and Fall series and the Pig Regatta. The Pig Regatta is an open Regatta open to all types of boats and open to non-club sailors.



## We have 4 new board members for 2019.

Billy Wisby — Secretary

Down Payment — Hunter 23 — Hanna Creek, Slip #66

Ron Stevens—Member at Large,

Windy Skipper — Catalina 25 — Hanna Creek, Slip #50

I have been sailing poorly since childhood, hoping to get better soon. I teach photography at Miami University and run a summer art workshop program for adults.

Charlie Dehne-Communications

Lilac Rian — Model — Catalina 25 Creek, Slip #48

I started sailing with my parents in 1984. I have loved it ever since and I am now sharing it with my family. You will find Catherine, our 5 daughters, and myself on the lake most weekends.

Bill Ralston retuning to the board as Social Director

Escape — Catalina 250 — Hanna Creek, Slip #68



**Congratulations to:**

Brian (Bo) Tacy & his new bride Ashley.

## Call for Articles

The BLSA Mainsheet gladly welcomes articles, blog posts, tips, tricks and photos from our members for publication. We (aim to) publish monthly and there is always room in the newsletter and on our website for your content.

Please submit articles, photos and ideas to Charlie Dehne, at [charlie.dehne@gmail.com](mailto:charlie.dehne@gmail.com). Include "MAINSHEET SUBMISSION" in the email header.

Articles should be 200-400 words in length for shorter items, and no more than 600 words for features. Please submit articles as Word compatible documents (.doc, .docx). Photos should be submitted as .jpeg or .png format.

Thanks; we look forward to your contributions!

# BLSA Classifieds

Please contact Charlie Dehne to submit boats, parts, or services for sale. (charlie.dehne@gmail.com)



## Catalina 250 Water Ballast - 1996

Original owner, always stored inside, trailer, electric start outboard, enclosed head, pop-top canvas enclosure with windows and screen, galley sink, single butane burner, 10 gallon water tank, large cooler, navigation and cabin lights, completely equipped in sail away condition, \$13,800. Contact Max Keck (513) 236-7648.



## Freedom 29 - 1985

1985 Freedom 29' (no trailer). \$22,000. Sailed in fresh water only. Head and shower, kitchen, sleeps 6, sails in good condition (spinnaker included), boat refurbished 3 years ago. Will deliver."

Call Paul @ 937-437-7261



## J-24 Gizmo

Gizmo is for sale. This is hull no. 4018, and comes with a Mercury 3.5 hp outboard, which has less than 5 hours of run time. The boat has a faired keel, and comes with Quantum racing sails including spinnaker. Used to sail at Brookville, is currently stored on trailer in Lexington, KY. If interested, contact Collin Boyd at 859.552.2525



## 1978 J/24 Limonada

Past commodore Dave David Masters is selling his 1978 J/24 with extensive work done on the topsides. It has a fresh bottom with VC 17 paint. It comes with a EZ Loader tandem axle trailer, 6hp. Mariner outboard, like new sail inventory and too many other extras to list. The boat has proven to be very competitive (ask Bill Beglin ) and is in great shape. Contact David at dwmasters@zoomtown.com with questions or to make an offer: \$5,000.00.

# BLSA Classifieds



## J/24 Jet

Restored J/24 that used to sail with BLSA. Contact Tom Lee through his post on the BLSA Facebook page.

## 7.5 HP Honda outboard

2-cylinder, 4-cycle long-shaft outboard for sale. Serial Number indicates it is a 1977 model. It includes an owner's manual, service manual and transom mounting bracket that fits an S2 7.9M Grand Slam. Contact Dan Whelan at 937-293-1438 and make an offer.

## Soda blasting service

Fred and Mike have decided to offer bottom hull blasting with baking soda at a discount for BLSA members. Fred has owned a media blasting company and still has the equipment. Anyone interested give them a call or message for info. It's fast and clean.

Contact Mike - (812) 599-2776 or Fred - 812-599-5356.



# WE WANT YOU!

**BLSA is looking for a few good volunteers**

There are a number of exciting projects in the works for the 2019 sailing season, and many of them are looking for volunteers from the membership who can put their skills, talents and interests to work for the good of the club. Reach out to any board member if you are interested in helping out.