

DRYA SEMINARS 2018

Selected Wednesdays (and Thur 1/11/18)

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

As of 1/17/18

January 10 at GPYC
(Restaurant available)

Transatlantic Voyage
Presented by Colt Weatherston and John Walton

Lake Invaders
Bill Rapal

January 11 at BYC
(Restaurant available)

BYC Mac Safety - What to expect during an inspection
Presented by Rick Titsworth

January 17 at BYC
(Restaurant available)

First Aid at Sea – Common sense solutions to injuries and illness at sea
Presented by Rob Amsler

January 31 at NSSC
(Bar available)

USCG Rescue
Presented by Chris Stevens

February 7 at GLYC
(Refreshments provided)

Freshwater Rigging: Care & Maintenance
Presented by Brad Terpstra

February 21 at GPSC
(Refreshments available)

Race Organization and Management – From Beer Cans to the Olympics
Presented by Matt Bounds

February 28 at BYC

How to Maximize your Experience racing in DRYA
Presented by Wally Cross

March 7 at DYC

Radio Controlled Sailing
Presented by Wick Smith

March 21 at NCYC
(Bar & Buffet Dinner available)

The Protest Process – From Incident to Decision and How to Survive “The Room”
Presented by Matt Bounds

March 28 at PHYC
(Bar available)

Annapolis Safety at Sea Video
Presented by Chris Behler

Go to DRYA.org for full Seminar Descriptions
For up-to-date information regarding changes in schedule visit the DRYA Facebook page.

DRYA 2018 Seminar Series

Jan 10 at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club 788 Lake Shore Rd. Grosse Pointe 48236

Transatlantic Voyage

Colt Weatherston and John Walton



Colt partnered with the late Wade Edwards, a fellow Snipe sailor, for many years on an Express 27 and an Etchells. Among the many highlights of this partnership was a tie for first place in Express 27 Nationals, winning the Verve Cup, and the East Coast Etchells Championship. Now he and his crew are sailing his Beneteau 36.7, Weather Edge 3. They have won the BYC Mack race three times and have finished 2nd three times. Colt credits his success in this class to a fellow Snipe sailor, John Walton. John Walton is an avid racer and cruiser with over 30,000 miles on four of the five Great Lakes as well as the Atlantic, Pacific and Southern oceans. His racing record includes multiple Mackinaw race wins, a national championship and collegiate All American. John is currently a board member and Junior Sailing director at CSYC. He is on the board of the Crescent Sailing Association and DART (Detroit area racing team).

Lake Invaders



Bill Rapai

Author William Rapai is a former newspaper reporter and amateur naturalist. His first book, on the efforts to save the Kirtland's Warbler from extinction, was named a 2013 Michigan Notable Book by the Library of Michigan. He recently published his second, *Lake Invaders: Invasive Species and the Battle for the Future of the Great Lakes*, which looks at the ecological upheaval caused by non-native plants and animals in the Great Lakes and the political challenges in addressing those threats.

★ **Jan 11 at Bayview Yacht Club** 100 Clairpointe St. Detroit 48215

BYC macinac Safety - what to expect in an inspection

Rick Titsworth



Part of the BYC Seminar series . Rick will present on the inspection items, criteria and process that occurs for some of the finishers in the annual BYC Port Huron to Macinac race.

★ **Jan 17 at Bayview Yacht Club** 100 Clairpointe St. Detroit 48215

First Aid at Sea - Common sense solutions to injuries and illness at sea

Rob Amsler



Dr. Amsler is a recently retired family practitioner well known in our sailing community for his straightforward approach to medical issues afloat as outlined in his popular manual (available in the March 18th, 2015 archive of the DRYA seminar series). In addition to his medical contributions he has managed to actively participate in the sailing community as the owner of several competitive sailboats and is a past commodore of the Bayview Yacht Club.

★ **Jan 31 at North Star Sail Club** 32041S. River Rd. Harrison Charter Twp. 48045

USCG Rescue

Chris Stevens



Chris currently serves on the USCG Auxiliary District Staff as District Captain Central. His Area of Responsibility runs from Detroit to Tawas Michigan and includes parts of Indiana. He also serves as a Coxswain, Instructor, Vessel examiner, Helo Operations Instructor along holding with several Marine Safety Qualifications. Over the last 40 years he has raced and delivered both sail and power boats . Chris currently owns a company named Pathway Maintenance LLC and keeps active in the marine industry working part time with West Marine and as a Marine Surveyor- for 5 Lakes Delivery and Survey.

★ **Feb 7 at Great Lakes Yacht Club** 23900 Jefferson Ave. St. Clair Shores 48080

Freshwater Rigging: Care & Maintenance

Brad Terpstra



Offshore Spars has been building complete spar packages for customers worldwide since 1976. They partnered with the America's Cup team to build their rig for the '92 victory over the Italian Challenger. This project launched the company into composite spar building, which now constitutes the bulk of production. They use seamless, male-molded, autoclave cure techniques to ensure the highest quality product available. Offshore Spars is located just outside of Detroit in Chesterfield, MI. Steve King is the President and has been with the company for 13 years. Brad Terpstra is the Director of Operations and has been with the company for 2 years.

Feb 21 at Grosse Pointe Sail Club Tompkins Center/Windmill Pte Park, 14920 Windmill Pointe GPP 48230
Race Organization and Management – From Beer Cans to the Olympics **Matt Bounds**



Matt started sailing at the age of four on his family's Sailfish and by the time he was a teenager, he was racing his Sunfish, Lasers and the family's Hobie 16. He's raced on a wide variety of boats, but his greatest success has been in the Hobie 14 and Hobie 17 classes where he is a 5-time North American champion. His race management and judging experience ranges from Australia, to Mexico, Canada and all over the United States.

Matt is a US Sailing National Judge, Club Judge Instructor, US Sailing National Race Officer and Race Management Instructor. He's a member of US Sailing's National Faculty. He is the Detroit Regional Yacht-Racing Association (DRYA) Chief Judge and member of the DRYA and I-LYA Appeals Committee.

Feb 28 at Bayview Yacht Club 100 Clairpointe St. Detroit 48215
How to Maximize your Experience racing in DRYA

Wally Cross



Wally Cross is an exceptional sailmaker and pro-sailor with over 40 years of sail making experience and titles in multiple National and North American Championships over a variety of classes. His articles, seminars, and onboard clinics, detailing how to optimize a boat, its sails, and crew, to achieve maximum performance are highly regarded throughout the sailing industry. Wally is the president of Ullman Sails Detroit.

Mar 7 at Detroit Yacht Club 1 Riverbank Dr, Detroit, MI 48207
Radio Controlled Sailing

Wick Smith



Are you a Radio Controlled ("RC") model yacht sailor enthusiast? Not one yet but interested? Or are you one of many who have a half built RC boat in your basement? Join us at the Detroit Yacht Club, Wednesday March 7, 2018 at 7PM for a look into this active sailing segment.

Model sailboat racing shares the same wind and many of the same challenges as the bigger boats, but the hassles are a lot less, but excitement is still there! We may even find that some of the faces of the competition are the same as we see on the big lakes. Join us as Wick Smith, himself a big boat sailor and Port Huron-Mac winner, lets us in on this smaller world of RC Sailing.

This seminar will include: what is RC Sailing; overview of popular RC fleets; American Model Yachting Assoc (AMYA); what other clubs offer for RC enthusiasts (winter & summer); finishing your RC yacht/mentoring; RC Club activities in SE Michigan; relaxed dock sailing vs/& racing; etc. This seminar will start off with a room lecture, take a 15 minute break, and then reconvene along the edge of the DYC indoor pool where a RC sailing demo will be presented.

Mar 21 at North Cape Yacht Club 11850 Toledo Beach Rd. LaSalle 48145
The Protest Process – From Incident to Decision and How to Survive "The Room" **Matt Bounds**



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★ **Mar 28 at Port Huron Yacht Club** 212 Quay St. Port Huron 48060
Annapolis Safety at Sea Video

Annapolis Sailing



Featuring world renowned sailing expert John Rousmaniere. This fast-paced informative DVD covers the proven techniques and equipment for avoiding and handling nautical emergencies. Featuring host-demonstrator John Rousmaniere, this program is for everyone who realizes that enjoyment on the water depends on safety at sea. Subjects covered include, boat and crew preparation, staying on board, going aloft in a boatswains chair, realistic man-overboard equipment demonstrations, heaving to, use of flares, government regulations, inflation of a life raft and much more. 94 minutes

★ **BYC MAC safety seminar**