

Detroit Regional Yacht-racing Association

DRYA 2025 Winter Seminar Series

"Legends in Sailing" Series

A series of seminars that explores the experiences and passion for sailing of top sailors in the Great Lakes. From competing for national championships, one-design competitions, or organizing national events, the panels share their experiences and lessons learned. The objective is to have highly successful leaders in sailing inspire others to achieve extraordinary success in racing or race officiating. Speakers will discuss what drives them to success, why they pursue it, and how sailing has enriched their lives. Each seminar will feature two or three speakers who have excelled in their chosen pathway in sailing in a panel discussion. The area's most successful and interesting individuals will present their stories.

Join DRYA for this motivating and inspiring series for insights on how to succeed and get the most out of our sport. Discover your "passion for sailing" through the stories of Legends in our sport.

Discover Your Passion for Sailing!

DRYA 2025 Winter Seminar Schedule

January 8: Legends in Sailing: Secrets of Champions

Bora Gulari Dawn Riley Ryan Seago

Moderated by Paul Hulsey
Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

January 15: Mackinac Boat Prep and ORC Strategies

Todd Jones and Tim McGuireBayview Yacht Club - 7PM

January 22: Racing the Trans Superior -

Bruce Aikens and Tim Prophit

Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

January 29: Legends in Sailing: One Design Super Stars

Mike Welch Mark Allen Doug Scheibner

Moderated by: Mike Welch Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

February 5: Legends in Sailing: The Sail Makers in Detroit

Wally Cross and Al DeClerq Moderated by: Mike Welch Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

February 12: Using America's Cup Techniques to Win

Chris Bedford - Sailing Weather Service, LLC

Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

February 19: Legends in Sailing: Race Officials who Rule!

Ted Everingham and Matt Bounds

Moderated by: Tom Fraser Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

February 26: High Latitude Sailing in the Atlantic:

Iceland, Faroe Islands, Ireland and Scotland coasts

Karl Aavik and Doug and Angelique Neal

Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

March 5: Legends in Sailing: Youth Sailing Leaders!

Eric Ellison Lynn Frikker Harry Jones

Moderated by: Barb Seski Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

March 19: Legends in Sailing: Racing Women who Win

Laurie Bunn Trish Kirkman Erin Colpaert

Moderated by Sandi Svoboda Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

March 26: 2025 New RRS and its Tactical Considerations

Dave Perry - US Sailing Champion and Author

Bayview Yacht Club - 7PM

April 2: Greg Normand's World Sailing Update

Greg Normand - BroadcasterNorth Cape Yacht Club - 7PM