

# NOVA SCOTIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION 2010 ANNUAL REPORT



**NOVA SCOTIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION**

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# **MEMBER YACHT CLUBS, SAILING SCHOOLS & CLASS ASSOCIATIONS - 2010**

## **Yacht Clubs**

Armdale Yacht Club  
Aylesford Lake Yacht Club  
Barrachois Harbour Yacht Club  
Bedford Basin Yacht Club  
Bras d'Or Yacht Club  
Chester Bay Yachting Association  
Chester Yacht Club  
Dartmouth Yacht Club  
Dobson Yacht Club  
Grand Lake Yacht Club  
Hubbards Yacht Club  
Isle Madame Boat Club  
LaHave River Yacht Club  
Lunenburg Yacht Club  
Northern Yacht Club  
Petpeswick Yacht Club  
Pictou Yacht Club  
Queen's Recreational Boating Association  
Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron  
Royal Western Nova Scotia Yacht Club  
Sail Able Association of Nova Scotia  
Shearwater Yacht Club  
Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club  
St. Margaret Sailing Club  
Waegwoltic Club  
Wallace MacAskill Yacht Club

## **Sailing Schools**

Canadian Coast Guard College  
Discovery Sailing  
Mira Boat Club  
Municipality of the District of Yarmouth  
Pictou County Sailing School  
Regional Cadet Sailing School - Atlantic  
Sail Mahone Bay  
Shining Waters Marine  
Sou'Wester Adventures  
St. Mary's Boat Club

## **Class Associations**

Boddington's Deep Draught Yacht Club  
Chester Classic Fleet  
COAST Opti Society  
J24 Class Association  
Nova Scotia Ice Yacht Club  
Premier Class Association  
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# 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS & STAFF

## Executive

<b>President</b>	Paul Rafuse
<b>1st Vice President</b>	Vacant
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jane Filbee
<b>Secretary</b>	Brian Todd
<b>Past President</b>	Mike Archibald

## Directors at Large

Peter Astephen  
Chris Connor  
Dave DeWolfe  
Lynn Davis  
Richard Dube  
Karen Fowler  
Mark Gwynn  
Mike Hoyt  
Arthur McNeil  
Dwayne Primeau  
Matthew Stokes  
Paul Tingley

## Staff

<b>Executive Director</b>	Frank Denis
<b>NS Sailing Team Coach</b>	Rosie Chapman
<b>Mobile Sailing Instructors</b>	Peter Nyhuus & Sam Benson

# SERVICES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION

The Nova Scotia Yachting Association (NSYA) is the provincial governing body for the sport and recreation of sailing. NSYA is a member of Sport Nova Scotia, which is supported by Nova Scotia Health Promotion and Protection. The NSYA actively:

1. Represents the interests of yachtsmen provincially (and nationally through the Canadian Yachting Association), and coordinates the activities of yacht clubs and sailing schools throughout the province.
2. Emphasizes safety, co-operating with the Canadian Coast Guard and other agencies in programmes of education and incident reporting and maintaining accessibility to all Nova Scotian waters by the yachting community.
3. Assists yacht clubs and sailing schools to teach the CYA Learn-To-Sail, Learn-To-Windsurf and Learn-To-Cruise (sail and power) and Pleasure Craft Operator Card programs, by training instructors and coaches to national CYA standards.
4. Provides a Provincial Coach to identify and prepare promising youth sailors for major events, at regional, national and international events.
5. Develops a team for the Canada Games, and assists Nova Scotia members of the National team prepare for the Olympic Games or other international events.
6. Encourages women sailors by holding on and off the water seminars and an annual keelboat championship for women.
7. Coordinates an annual provincial race schedule for all open events.
8. Encourages Yacht Clubs to host regional, national or international events, by providing advice, qualified Race Officers and Judges. Helps to coordinate events sponsored by more than one yacht club.
9. Trains Race Officers and Judges to national CYA standards.
10. Operates a racing-rules Appeals Committee at the provincial level, and provides advice to Club Protest Committees.
11. Maintains PHRF-NS Performance Handicap Racing Fleet system of keel boat performance handicapping, as a Fleet within PHRF system.
12. Recommends experts on a wide variety of subjects to yacht clubs or sailing schools seeking speakers for seminars and special courses.
13. Continuously monitors developments in the yachting scene to ensure that Nova Scotia yacht clubs and sailing schools are in a position to maintain their enviable position in the forefront of the sport.

# **AGENDA**

## **2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

12 noon  
Saturday, November 20, 2010  
Saraguay House, Halifax

### **AGENDA**

- I APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- II APPROVAL OF THE 2009 ANNUAL  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
- III BUSINESS ARISING
- IV FINANCIAL REPORT
- V PRESIDENT'S REPORT
- VI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
- VII COMMITTEE REPORTS
- VIII NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
- IX NEW BUSINESS
- X ADJOURNMENT

# Nova Scotia Yachting Association 2009 Annual General Meeting Meeting Minutes

November 28, 2009 ~ Saraguay House

**Members Present:** Barrachois Harbour YC (Mike Hoyt), Bedford Basin YC (Dan Sargeant), Bras d'Or YC (Tim Woodford), Chester YC (Don McAlpine), Dartmouth YC (Nathan Reece), Hubbards YC (Norman Burke), Northern YC (Phil Smith), RNSYS (Mat Murphy), Shelburne Harbour YC (Alan Pulfrey), Discovery Sailing (Dave DeWolfe) Cadets (Marie Bourinot).

**NSYA Board Members:** Mike Archibald (Meeting Chair), Gerry Giffin, Paul Rafuse, Mike Evans, Jane Filbee, Mike Hoyt, Matthew Stokes, Dave DeWolfe, Karen Fowler, Peter Astephen.

**Observers:** Frank Denis (Recording Secretary), Barbara Pike, Randy Stevens, Jacqueline Gahagan, Brenda Merritt, Dan Gallina, Brian Picton, Greg Blunden, Gordon Hart, Mark Joseph, Donna Gouthro, Rod Stright, Paddy Boyd, Matthew King, Carlisle Norwood, Erin Norwood, Linda Whitehouse, Mike Whitehouse.

Gerry Giffin, CYA President, and Paddy Boyd, CYA Executive Director were recognized at the meeting.

## 1 – Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve the Agenda as circulated.  
Moved: Gerry Giffin, Seconded: Don McAlpine. Carried.

## 2 – Approval of the 2008 AGM Minutes

Motion: To approve the 2008 AGM Minutes as circulated.  
Moved: Matthew Murphy, Seconded: Paul Rafuse. Carried.

## 3 – Business Arising

There was no business arising.

## 4 – Financial Report

Jane Filbee, NSYA Treasurer presented the 2009 Financial Report. A deficit of \$4567.00 in 2009 due in large part to purchase of Mobile Sailing Equipment.

Motion: To accept the 2009 Financial Report as presented.

Moved: Mike Evans, Seconded: Mike Hoyt. Carried.

## 5 – NSYA By-Laws Revisions

President Mike Archibald stated that all of the by-laws amendments were administrative changes as per NS Registry of Joint Stock requirements.

Motion: To approve the amended NSYA By-laws as presented and circulated in the 2009 AGM Booklet.  
Moved: Nathan Reece, Seconded: Mathew Murphy. Carried.

## 6 – Proposed 2010 Membership Dues

Motion: To accept the 2010 CYA/NSYA Membership dues as circulated in the 2009 Annual Report.  
Moved: Dan Sargeant, Seconded: Alan Pulfrey. Carried.

## 7 – President's Report

Mike Archibald referenced his report on page 31 of the Report booklet.

Motion: To approve the President's Report.  
Moved: Jane Filbee, Seconded: Paul Rafuse. Carried.

## 8 – Executive Director's Report

Frank referenced his report on page 32 of the booklet.

Motion: To accept the Executive Director's Report.  
Moved: Gerry Giffin, Seconded: Mathew Murphy. Carried.

## **9 – Committee Reports**

Motion: To accept all Committee Reports as presented.  
Moved: Dave DeWolfe, Seconded: Mike Evans. Carried.

## **10 – Nominating Committee Report**

Motion: To elect Paul Rafuse as President of NSYA from November 2009 - October 2010.  
Moved: Gerry Giffin, Seconded: Dan Sargeant. Carried.

Motion: To elect the following to the NSYA Board of Directors; Matthew Stokes, Mike Evans, Peter Astephen, Dave DeWolfe, Mark Gwynn, Jane Filbee, Lynn Davis, Chris Connor, Jane Filbee, Karen Fowler, Mike Hoyt, Arthur McNeil, Dwayne Primeau, Paul Tingley, Brian Todd, Mike Archibald (Past President).  
Moved: Randy Stevens, Seconded: Tim Woodford. Carried.

Mike Archibald thanked the Board members who were leaving NSYA for their dedication and support, Gerry Giffin and Sheila Brown.  
Paul Rafuse then took over as Chair of the meeting. He thanked Mike Archibald for all his dedication to NSYA over the years.

## **11 – New Business**

There was no new business.

## **12 – Adjournment**

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.  
Moved: Gerry Giffin, Seconded: Don McAlpine. Carried.



**NOVA SCOTIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**October 31, 2010**

# NOVA SCOTIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION

## Notes to Financial Statements

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For the year ended October 31, 2010

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1) DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS

The Nova Scotia Yachting Association (NSYA) is a non-profit organization established to encourage Nova Scotians to become more proficient in managing, handling, cruising and racing sailing or power boats through training in safety, sailing, navigation and seamanship.

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2) SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted for non-profit organizations and include the following policies:

*Inventory*

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost or net realizable value.

*Deferred Revenue*

Amounts received which relate to future periods are presented as deferred revenue on the balance sheet.

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3) SPORT NOVA SCOTIA TRUST ACCOUNT

Sport Nova Scotia maintains a bank account into which funds for salaries are deposited and through which salaries are paid.

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4) LEGACY FUND

The NSYA maintains a restricted investment account with National Bank Financial whose interest is used to fund eligible athletes.

# NOVA SCOTIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION

## Notes to Financial Statements

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For the year ended October 31, 2010

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5) EQUIPMENT

The NSYA owns various equipment used to promote sailing in the province. This equipment includes the following:

**Items subject to depreciation**

	<b>Cost</b>
Coach Boat	\$23,000
NSST Race Marks	\$539
Office Computer	\$1346
Mobile Trailer	\$9725
Coach Laptop	\$1344
2 Optis for Mobile	<u>\$6525</u>
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$42,479</b>

In 1998, the Association adopted the accounting recommendations of the CICA Handbook for Non-Profit organizations.

In prior years, the Association expensed its assets in the year of purchase. The Association changed its policy in 1998 to record assets acquired in 1998 and subsequent years at cost, and amortised these new capital assets over their useful lives.

6) FUND

The fund balance represents amounts set aside to enable the NSYA to maintain and replace its equipment as required and to cover other unforeseen requirements.

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**NOVA SCOTIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**October 31, 2010**

Nova Scotia Yachting Association  
Balance Sheet  
As at October 31

**ASSETS**

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
	\$	\$
Current		
Cash and short term investments	143,535.00	136,580.00
Receivables	26,040.00	18,131.00
Inventory	2,505.00	2,587.00
Prepaid expenses	4,525.00	3,609.00
	176,605.00	160,907.00
Capital assets	16,758.00	17,181.00
	193,363.00	178,088.00

**LIABILITIES**

Current		
Payables and accruals, trade	1,750.00	14,690.00
Deferred revenue	35,450.00	26,437.00
	37,200.00	41,127.00

**FUND BALANCES**

Unrestricted General Fund	116,716.00	105,854.00
Restricted Funds		
Legacy	25,939.00	23,926.00
WOW	6,141.00	3,651.00
Speed Center	7,367.00	3,730.00
	156,163.00	136,961.00
	193,363.00	178,088.00

**Nova Scotia Yachting Association**  
**Statement of General Fund Revenue, Expenditures and Fund Balance**  
**Year ended October 31**

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
	\$	\$
<b>Revenues</b>		
Membership dues	34,546.00	25,807.00
Merchandise	15,945.00	13,394.00
Programs	33,072.00	30,269.00
Provincial funding	72,177.00	72,493.00
Directed funding	49,373.00	121,336.00
Advertising and fundraising	10,830.00	7,659.00
Other	849.00	5,472.00
	<u>216,792.00</u>	<u>276,430.00</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Salaries - staff	93,002.00	120,349.00
Salaries - contract staff	21,614.00	15,081.00
Programs	37,334.00	93,469.00
Operating	38,903.00	34,095.00
Amortization	8,108.00	6,400.00
Merchandise	10,499.00	9,305.00
Other	-	2,298.00
	<u>209,460.00</u>	<u>280,997.00</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	7,332.00	(4,567.00)
Funds transferred to internally restricted Speed Center Fund	3,730.00	(3,730.00)
Unrestricted fund balance, beginning of year	105,654.00	113,951.00
Unrestricted fund balance, end of year	<u>116,716.00</u>	<u>105,654.00</u>



# NOVA SCOTIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION

## Vision, Mission, & Pursuits

Approved by the NSYA Board of Directors, January 10, 2006

### NSYA Vision

To make high performance sailing and recreational boating lifelong activities for Nova Scotians through excellence in competition and training.

### NSYA Mission

To provide leadership, governance and standards to meet the needs of all our members by:

- Promote high performance sailing success at regional, national, and international levels.
- Being the authority and voice of Nova Scotian competitive sailing and recreational boating.
- Providing guidance, leadership, support and services to our membership.
- Supporting national standards and policies for excellence in training, competition, and safety for sailing and recreational boating in Nova Scotia.
- Expanding participation in sailing and recreational boating in Nova Scotia.

### Pursuits

*Note: In determining NSYA Pursuits it is important to keep in mind the four goals of the Canadian Sport Policy (CSP).*

### CSP Goal: Enhanced Participation

**NSYA Pursuit:** To have a significant portion of Nova Scotians enjoy and support competitive sailing and recreational boating activities by;

- Developing participation activities in collaboration with our stakeholders and other organizations.
- Maintaining and strengthening NSYA's delivery of education programs.
- Communicating the values of healthy active living through accessible boating for all Nova Scotians.
- Supporting our member clubs in their pursuit of enhance participation and growth.
- Tracking participation and the demographics

### CSP Goal: Enhanced Excellence

**NSYA Pursuit:** To support athletic achievement leading towards world class results in competitive sailing by:

- Strengthening team and administrative support to athlete development.
- Promoting top quality coaching, equipment and resources at both the provincial and club level.
- Supporting and implementing the CYA long term athlete development program.
- Identifying high performance athletes as they develop from the local level up to the national and international level of competition.

### CSP Goal: Enhanced Capacity

**NSYA Pursuit:** To have a capable and efficient organization developing and supporting quality competitive sailing and recreational boating related activities by:

- Developing, implementing, and supporting programs to ensure that coaches, officials, instructors, and administrators are capable of delivering a quality sport experience to all participants.
- Assisting all areas of the province develop competitive sailing and recreational boating programs.
- Working with members and partners to develop a provincial infrastructure of facilities and programs that make the best use of all resources.

### CSP Goal: Enhanced Interaction

**NSYA Pursuit:** To have strong and active collaboration and communication among partners by:

- Developing a clear understanding and ownership in roles and responsibilities for each part of the organization.
- Actively collaborating and communicating with stakeholders and partners to increase excellence, participation and capacity.
- Actively seek new partnerships to promote our sport.

# MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF THE NOVA SCOTIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION

1. The name of the Society is the Nova Scotia Yachting Association. of the Society shall be used solely for the purposes of the Society and the promotion of its objects.
2. The objectives of the Society are:
  - (a) To encourage Nova Scotians to become more proficient in managing, handling, cruising and racing any type of sailing or power yacht, through training in safety, sailing, navigation and seamanship. Provided, further, that if for any reasons the operations of the Society are terminated and there remains, at that time, after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall be paid to some other charitable organization in Canada, having objects similar to those of the Society.
  - (b) To serve as the Provincial authority for advancing the interests common to all Nova Scotia yachting organizations, and to act in their mutual behalf as occasion may require. 3. The activities of the Society are to be carried on in the Province of Nova Scotia, Canada, and adjacent waters.
  - (c) To coordinate Provincial competition, and to select representative teams for national and international yachting events. 4. The registered office of the Society is at 5516 Spring Garden Road, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3J 1G6.
  - (d) To coordinate annual programs of regattas and training in areas of Nova Scotia where several yachting organizations may be involved. Registration Number - 1284312
  - (e) To acquire, borrow, lend and sell real and personal property as may be desirable to further the objects of the Society. Provided that nothing herein shall permit the Society to carry on any trade, industry, or business and the Society shall be carried on without purpose of gain to any of the members and that any surplus or any accretions

# BY LAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION

## DEFINITIONS

1. In these by-laws:

- (a) "Association" means the Nova Scotia Yachting Association.
- (b) "Registrar" means the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies appointed under the Nova Scotia Companies Act.
- (c) "Special Resolution" means a resolution passed by not less than three-fourths of such members entitled to vote as are present at a general meeting of which notice specifying intention to propose the resolution has been duly given.
- (d) "Yacht" means a pleasure craft driven by wind or power.
- (e) "Member" means a recognized Nova Scotia Club, Sailing School, or Class association.

## PRECEDENCE

2. If a conflict arises between these by-laws and the current rules of the International Sailing Federation, as adopted and modified by the Canadian Yachting Association, the latter rules shall prevail as long as they are not in conflict with the Societies Act. If there is a conflict between the two, the Societies Act shall prevail.

## MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 The number of members of the Association is unlimited.
- 3.2 Every member of the Association shall be entitled to send a representative to any meeting of the Association and, if a voting member, to vote at any meeting of the Association and to hold any office, but there shall be no proxy voting.
- 3.3 Membership in the Association shall not be transferable.

3.4 The following shall be admitted to membership in the Association:

- (a) Any Yacht Club or Class Association which has the promotion of yachting as a primary object, and which has a membership of at least ten persons.
- (b) Any Sailing School or business providing boating training with one or more employed or contracted instructors currently certified by the Canadian Yachting Association.

3.5 Membership in the Association shall cease if the member ceases to qualify for membership in accordance with these by-laws.

## FISCAL YEAR, FEES AND DUES

- 4.1 The fiscal year of the Association shall be the period from November 1st in any year to October 31st in the year following.
- 4.2 Changes in annual dues and fees shall be recommended by the Board of Directors, and voted on by the membership at the Annual General Meeting.

4.3 Yacht Clubs, Class Associations and Sailing Schools shall pay not less than one-half of the previous year's dues by June 1st to be in good standing for the current year, and shall pay the balance by September 1st, based on the current number of their members.

## GENERAL MEETINGS

- 5.1 The annual general meeting of the Association shall be held within one month after the end of each fiscal year of the Association.
- 5.2 A special general meeting of the Association may be called by the Board of Directors or by the President at any time, and shall be called if at least one-fourth of the voting members so request in writing.
- 5.3 Ten days notice of a meeting, specifying the date, time and place of the meeting, and in the case of special business, the nature of such business, shall be given to members in writing, via either e-mail or regular mail to their last known addresses. Notice shall be deemed to be given at the time when the e-mail has not been returned or normal mail delivery would be expected. Non-receipt of a notice by any members shall not invalidate the proceedings at any meeting.

5.4 At the annual general meeting of the Association, the following items of business shall be dealt with as ordinary business:

- (a) Minutes of the preceding general meeting.
- (b) Consideration of annual reports of Officers and Directors.
- (c) Consideration of financial statements,
- (d) Election of President & Directors at Large for the new year.
- (e) Any other business not requiring a Special Resolution.

5.5 No business shall be transacted at any general meeting of the Association unless a quorum of at least five members is present.

5.6 If a quorum is not present one-half hour after the time specified for the meeting, a meeting convened at the request of members shall be dissolved. Any other general meeting shall stand adjourned to such date, time and place as a majority of the members then present shall direct it and, if a quorum is not present at such adjourned meeting, it shall be adjourned indefinitely.

5.7 The President of the Association shall take the Chair at every general meeting of the Association. If the President is absent, the First Vice President present shall take the Chair and, in his/her absence, the Second Vice President. If both Vice Presidents are absent, the members present shall choose a member to take the Chair.

5.8 The Chair shall have no vote except in the case of equality of votes when (s)he shall have a casting vote.

5.9 The Chair may, with consent of the meeting, adjourn any meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at the adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished, unless notice of such new business is given to the members.

5.10 At any general meeting, unless a poll is demanded by at least three members, a declaration from the Chair that a resolution has been carried or defeated and an entry to that effect in the minutes shall suffice, without proof of the numbers of votes for or against the resolution. If a poll is required, it shall be taken in such manner as the Chair may prescribe and the results shall be recorded in the minutes.

## **VOTES OF MEMBERS**

6. Every Yacht Club, Class Association and Sailing School which is a member of the Association in good standing shall have one vote for each one-hundred of its paid membership, but with a minimum of one vote. Paid membership means that for which dues have been paid to the Association. In addition, the Officers of the Association shall each have one vote.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

7.1 The management of the activities of the Association shall be vested in a Board of Directors which shall exercise all control not required by these by-laws or by statute to be exercised at a general meeting. In particular, the Board of Directors shall have power to engage an Executive Director and other staff and to determine their duties and remuneration.

7.2 The Board of Directors shall not exceed seventeen (17) people and consist of the following:

- (a) The Officers of the Association.
- (b) Directors at Large,
- (c) The Executive Director, ex officio

7.3 The Board of Directors may delegate certain duties that it specifies to an Executive Committee, which shall consist of:

- (a) The Officers of the Association,
- (b) The Executive Director, ex officio,
- (c) Any other Director(s) temporarily assigned for specific tasks.

7.4.1 Any member of a member Yacht Club, Class Association or Sailing School in good standing shall be eligible to be elected to the Board of Directors.

7.5 The Executive Committee will assign programme portfolios to Directors at Large

## **OFFICERS**

8.1 The Officers of the Association shall be the President, the First Vice President, the Second Vice President, the Treasurer, the Secretary and, if willing and able, the immediate Past President.

8.2 The President shall have general supervision of the activities of the Association and shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors from time to time.

The President shall be the Chair of the Executive Committee and shall be an ex officio member of all committees.

8.3 The Vice Presidents shall assume the duties of the President, in the absence of the President, or during such periods as the President may request, and shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee from time to time.

8.4 The Treasurer shall oversee all financial affairs of the Association, including preparation of the annual budget, monthly financial reports, and the annual balance sheet and statement of revenue and expenditures. The Treasurer shall keep all books and shall ensure that expenditures are within the budget approved by the Board of Directors.

8.5 The Secretary shall keep all records, other books and records of the Society and shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee from time to time. The Secretary shall record the minutes of general meetings of the Association, and of meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.

## **NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

9.1 At least two months before the Annual General Meeting of the Association, the President with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors, shall appoint members of the Nominating Committee to nominate the candidates for the Board of Directors in the following year. No member of the nominating committee can be part of the slate of nominees.

9.2 All nominations for President and Directors at Large shall be received at least one month before the Annual General Meeting of the Association. The Nominating Committee shall ascertain that the nominees are eligible and prepared to stand as candidates. The list of candidates submitted by the Nominating Committee shall be distributed with the notice calling the Annual General Meeting.

9.3 Nominations may be made at any time up to, or from the floor, at the Annual General Meeting.

9.4 A candidate for President shall have served on the Board of Directors for at least one year or otherwise be approved as a candidate by a 2/3 (two thirds) majority vote of the current Board of Directors at any Board meeting having a quorum.

## **BOARD MEETINGS**

10.1 Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held as often as the business of the Association may require and shall be called by the Secretary. Notice, specifying the date, time and place, shall be given either orally or in writing including e-mail, to Directors within a reasonable time, but non-receipt of a notice by any Director shall not invalidate the proceedings at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

10.2 No business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Board of Directors unless at least five of the Directors are present at the commencement of such business.

10.3 Any Board Member who is absent from three consecutive meetings without just cause may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Any person so removed may appeal the decision at a general meeting of the Association.

10.4 The President shall take the Chair at every meeting of the Board of Directors. If the President is absent, the First Vice President present shall take the Chair and in his/her absence, the Second Vice President. If both Vice Presidents are absent, the Directors present shall choose a Director to take the Chair.

10.5 At meetings of the Board of Directors, the Chair shall be entitled to vote as a Director and, in the case of a tie, (s)he shall have an additional casting vote.

## **ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE**

11.1 The open positions on the Board of Directors shall be elected by a majority vote of association members in attendance at the Annual General Meeting. Board members may serve for up to two (2) consecutive years without standing for election. Board members are encouraged to serve for two-year terms in order to provide some overlap with other Directors from year-to-year.

11.2 The election at the Annual General Meeting shall take place in two parts. The first part shall elect the President for the Association from the qualified candidates who have been nominated. The second part shall elect the Directors to the open positions on the Board of Directors from the qualified candidates including any candidates, if they desire, who were not elected in the first part. The Board will select the Executive Committee and Programme Chairs from the newly elected Board members.

11.3 Officers and Directors shall be eligible to serve only two (2) consecutive, two-year terms unless recommended by a 2/3 majority vote of the current Board of Directors at any Board meeting having a quorum.

11.4 Any member of the Board may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Board of Directors at any Board meeting having a quorum. A notice of intent to introduce a motion of removal shall be sent to all Directors at least fourteen (14) calendar days in advance of the Board meeting.

11.5 Directors can be removed via special resolution of the members before the expiration of their term

11.6 A vacant position on the Board occurring during the year may be filled by a qualified Association member appointed by the President or his/her designate, subject to approval of the Board.

### **PROGRAMMES**

12.1 The Board of Directors shall establish programmes, which may or may not be supported by a committee. The number and structure of committees may vary from time to time, but the organization shall cater to the following programmes and activities, as a minimum.

(1) Learn to Sail (2) Learn to Cruise & Learn to Power  
(3) Women's Sailing (4) Race Officials  
(5) Racing Rules & Appeals (6) Safety  
(7) Handicap Assignment (8) Public Relations/  
Fundraising (9) Disabled Sailing  
(10) Racing & Teams (11) Athletes Representative  
(12) Speed Centre

12.2 Each Committee Chair shall be a director of the Association or report to the Board and shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors from time to time and shall report regularly to the Board of Directors.

### **ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

13. The Board of Directors shall audit and present to the annual general meeting a balance sheet and statement of revenue and expenditures for the preceding year. The Directors shall state whether, in their opinion, these record a true and correct view of the Association's affairs. A copy of these financial statements shall be filed with the Registrar within sixty days after the annual general meeting.

### **AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS**

14. The Association has the power to repeal or amend any of these by-laws by Special Resolution.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

15.1 The Association shall file with its annual statement a list of its directors, with their addresses, occupations and dates of appointment or election, and shall within fourteen days of a change of directors notify the Registrar of the change.

15.2 The Association shall file with the Registrar a copy of every Special Resolution, within fourteen days after the resolution is passed.

15.3 The Association does not have an official seal.

15.4 The books and records of the Association may be inspected by any member at any reasonable time at the registered office of the Association.

15.5 Contracts, bills and exchange and other documents shall be executed on behalf of the Association as prescribed by the Board of Directors.

15.6 The borrowing powers of the Association may be exercised by Special Resolution of the members.

Certified to be a true copy of the complete by-laws of the Nova Scotia Yachting Association as approved by NSYA Membership and as amended November 28, 2009.





## 2010 CLUB MEMBERSHIP REPORT Number of declared members as of Oct. 31/10

<b>Club Name</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Armdale Yacht Club	220	250
Aylesford Lake Yacht Club	36	30
Barrachois Harbour Yacht Club	20	21
Bedford Basin Yacht Club	200	193
Bras d'Or Yacht Club	35	35
Chester Bay Yachting Association	10	25
Chester Yacht Club	213	243
Dartmouth Yacht Club	308	320
Dobson Yacht Club	53	4
Grand Lake Yacht Club	10	10
Hubbards Yacht Club	22	10
Isle Madame Boat Club	10	5
LaHave River Yacht Club	127	120
Lunenburg Yacht Club	105	109
Mira Boat Club	NA	5
Northern Yacht Club	28	28
Petpeswick Yacht Club	25	30
Pictou Yacht Club	20	20
Queens Recreational Boating Association	12	12
Royal Cape Breton Yacht Club	0	0
Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron	599	592
Royal Western Nova Scotia Yacht Club	22	17
Sail Able Association of Nova Scotia	5	5
Shearwater Yacht Club	130	145
Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club	60	60
St. Margaret Sailing Club	124	134
Waegwoltic Club	60	60
Wallace MacAskill Yacht Club	12	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>2466</b>	<b>2500</b>

**Note: Fee per declared member = \$24.00. Breakdown: \$13.39 to NSYA, \$10.61 to CYA**



# REPORTS



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It's been a great year for sailing in Nova Scotia highlighted by Paul Tingley winning the 2.4mR Open World Championships in September. Paul continues to be a tremendous ambassador for the sport in Nova Scotia as well as encouraging new participants to join Able Sail programs and assisting Clubs develop new Able Sail programs. Paul was also instrumental in helping the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron (RNSYS) landing the 2014 IFDS Worlds.

Another 2010 NSYA highlight was the launch of our new Mobile Sailing School which was on the road throughout Nova Scotia for 7 weeks this summer. It introduced 6 communities and more than 100 youth to our sport. The positive feedback was over-whelming.

## Provincial Championships

The NSYA awarded provincial championships in the following classes; Optimist, 420, Laser Radial, Laser, and Women's Keelboat. All events were a great success and attracted more than 100 sailors. Age group championships were crowned in 16 & Under, and 18 & Under categories.

In 2011 the NSYA will likely make a Provincial Championship series with winner declared at the final event in October.

## Learn to Sail Participation

There was an increase in Learn to Sail participation in 2010.

NSYA Clubs and Sailing Schools still see great value in awarding CYA certificates and Seals to sailors who have met the standards.

## Member Clubs, Schools and Class Associations

In 2010 the NSYA had the following membership;  
26 Member Clubs  
10 Sailing Schools  
7 NSYA Class Associations

## Initiatives and special events for 2010

The biggest NSYA initiative was the launch of our new

Mobile Sailing School mentioned above. Other initiatives and highlights of the year included;

- 1 – With CYA support, holding an Able Sail Awareness Clinic
- 2 – A new Professional Development weekend for all new and returning CYA instructors
- 3 – Hiring a new full time NSST Coach Rosie Chapman
- 4 – Northern Yacht Club (NYC) hosting a very successful Sail East in July 2010
- 5 – Hosting 3 CST camps in the following classes; 2.4mR, 470, and Laser Radial
- 6 – The RNSYS hosted for the first time in Canada an RYA Yachtmaster Instructor course where 5 instructors were certified with the standard
- 7 – The RNSYS has also contracted a Cruising Instructor to run programs at the Club and to date it has been very successful
- 8 – First year PHRF handicapping used throughout the season with good acceptance in Nova Scotia and adoption by clubs and sailing associations in other Atlantic provinces
- 9 – Successful (37 entries) and very fast Route Halifax Saint Pierre Race
- 10 – A wet but spirited showing at the NSYA Appleton Estate Race with 43 entries starting from BBYC and RNSYS
- 11 – New race programmes started at BBYC and NYC

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Rafuse  
NSYA President

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In recent Sport Nova Scotia literature they state;

“Organized sport has a profound, positive effect on an individual's mental and physical health, a community's vitality and social capital, and even the national economy.”

Indeed Sport Makes a Difference!

Because of the profound difference sport can make, a number of government funding partners have made funding amateur sport a priority.

In the past three years amateur sport funding in Nova Scotia has increased from \$1 million annually to more than \$3 million thanks in large part to the Support 4 Sport lottery funds.

Many sailing clubs have taken advantage of the increased funding to purchase new equipment, train new Race Officials, host events, and launch new programs that increase capacity.

Knowing the impact sport plays in communities and with increased funding available, the NSYA began a plan to re-launch its mobile sailing program, which had been dormant for 10 years.

After more than 2 years of funding forms, securing equipment, hiring instructors, and making communities aware, the program was launched in July 2010.

And what a program it was. In fact it exceeded the NSYA expectations.

People had this to say about the program;

*I just wanted to pass along a huge thanks for bringing the Mobile Sailing School to Antigonish last week. My son, participated in the camp and had an absolute thrill of a time. It's rare to see my nine year old son cry with emotion, but he had tears on the last day, as he was not looking forward to the camp coming to an end!*

*We have 14 registered for the Mobile Sailing School in Digby! We even had to decline a couple. It is amazing. So far it is being received very well.*

*It was a great experience for the students and parents*

In many communities across the province sport opportunities are limited.

The goal of the Mobile Sailing School is not just to introduce youth to the sport, but to encourage communities to develop their own Learn to Sail programs. If we don't do that, the program will have failed.

Recently the Halifax 2011 Canada Games announced a further 1.4 million over the next 14 years to assist community sport organizations purchase and upgrade equipment.

The time is right to grow sailing programs, to partner with other community groups and to extend the sailing season from just the summer months. By doing so more Nova Scotians will realize and enjoy the benefits that sport makes.

I encourage everyone to consider new ways to grow the sport and access some of the funding, as we all know and believe that Sport Makes a Difference.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Denis  
Executive Director

## ABLE SAIL REPORT

Sail Able Nova Scotia had a Successful 2010 Season.

We are pleased to announce that the Sail Able Association of Nova Scotia has had another successful year. This is part due to the fact that we were able to hire an excellent learn-to sail instructor, Emilie Bishop, back for a second season.

Ms. Bishop worked from June-August, and with the help of some volunteers, she facilitated sailing lessons with many sailors, some familiar to Sail Able, and some new. We are always aiming to expose more persons with disabilities to the sport of sailing, and having them return is a true mark of success.

Over the winter months, Sail Able will be preparing for the 2011 sailing season by raising funds to hire two sailing instructors. This will allow the program to accommodate more people during the summer, and offer more dynamic learning opportunities through group lessons.

Looking ahead to 2012, Sail Able is eagerly placing a bid to host the Mobility Cup, which would draw in competitors from across the country. We would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped us to run a successful program this year. We are always looking for new volunteers, and would welcome your participation.

You can contact us by e-mail at [nssailable@gmail.com](mailto:nssailable@gmail.com), or visit our website at [www.sailable.com](http://www.sailable.com). We would also like to thank the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron for the support that we have received from staff and fellow members.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Tingley  
Sail Able Chair

# LEARN TO SAIL REPORT

2010 was a busy year for sail training in Nova Scotia. Our 25 member sailing schools certified an impressive 1,425 sailors of all ages in beginner through advanced cruising and racing levels.

One of our mandates is to develop and train high quality sailing instructors to assist our member clubs in offering excellent CYA training programs. In 2010 the NSYA certified 30 instructors at two clinics; one held in May at the RNSYS and one held at Shelburne Yacht Club in June. Thank-you to both the RNSYS and Shelburne Yacht Club for hosting these learning events.

We are very proud of the resounding success of our Mobile Sailing School introduced in 2010. Our two instructors travelled to six communities that do not have sail training programs in place and provided one to two week programs in each community. The programs were full and the feedback was exceptional. Our goal is to introduce children to the sport and generate interest and momentum in these communities to build permanent sail training programs.

On both counts we feel we have succeeded and we're already planning for 2011. If your community is interested in hosting our Mobile Sailing Program please contact Frank at the NSYA office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwayne Primeau  
LTS Program Chair

# CRUISING & POWER REPORT

The Learn To Cruise program in 2010 was conducted by 8 active instructors: Ed Bottrell, Eric Grant, Mike Ernst, Max Shaw, Henry Raffel, Mike Whitehouse, Grant Gordon and Dave DeWolfe.

Here is a breakdown of the number of students by course.

Course	# Students 2010	#Sudents 2009	% diff
Competent Crew	4	-	
Basic	46	35	31
Intermediate	46	20	130
Advanced	4	15	-73
PCOC	33	46	-28
Coastal Nav	26	19	37
Instructors - Basic & Inter	9	-	
Other - CYA related	84	54	55
RYA Leadership	8		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>37</b>

All told, there were 100 students enrolled in the on-the-water cruising courses (Basic, Intermediate and Advanced), a 43% increase over last year. The total number of students in all programs was 260, a 37% increase in total student-courses over last year. The increase is in part due to the fact that we has 2 more activeinstructors than last year.

This year saw the introduction of the 7 day RYA Leadership program on both coasts of Canada. The RYA, in conjunction with the CYA, conducted two RYA Yachtmaster Instructor courses in Canada; one on the west coast and one on the east coast. The purpose of these courses was to create a pool of CYA instructors who had the qualifications to teach RYA shorebased and practical courses at all levels except Yachtmaster Ocean. There were 13 candidates chosen from 58 applicants – 5 on the west coast, and 8 on the east coast.

The outcome for Nova Scotia based Cruising instructors was that 4 were awarded the RYA Yachtmaster Offshore Certificate of Competence with the Yachtmaster Instructor endorsement. Conversations have started to see how it may be integrated into the CYA Cruising program.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave DeWolfe  
Cruising/Power Chair

# YOUTH COACH REPORT

2010 has been a great season for Nova Scotia Sailors.

At the top end Paul Tingley recently won gold at the 2.4mR Open World Championships, Lisa Ross finished 17th at the Radial Worlds and Adam Taylor and Daniel Baker represented Canada at the ISAF Youth Sailing Worlds in Turkey.

It's great to see talent coming through from the 2009 Canada Games team, silver medalist Erin Rafuse making it on to the CST. Dana Archibald and Karen Filbee-Dexter, 29er Silver Medalists had a great first season in the 470 class, learning lots from their European experience.

We have seen talent and 2013 Canada Games hopefuls coming both from the double and single handed classes. The Youth Nationals held in Ottawa were a great success for NS sailing.

In the 420 Julien Fougere and Henry Machum took home Gold, the pair will go on to compete in the International 420 worlds in Argentina over the winter, gaining them experience in the 420 used at the ISAF Youth Sailing Worlds to be held in Croatia next year. They will be competing at the 420 Midwinters in February to secure their spot. Fraser Wells took home the Silver in the Laser Class, as did Minette Murphy and Andrew Burns in the 420 class.

Nova Scotia Optis showed Canada who was boss at the Nationals with Allison Surette taking home the silver medal with Max Flinn and Jeremy Fraser close behind.

It was great to see all the LTS programs were maxed out this summer. I am looking forward to returning to the clubs next spring to up the capacity for sailors in their programs.

Throughout the year I got to work with a lot of the coaches in NS, a big goal for next year is to increase the amount of site visits and interacting with the coaches. To do this we are going to visit clubs earlier in the hope to also increase their seasons.

Great news that the Northern Yacht Club in Cape Breton and Bedford Basin Yacht Club have come on board with the RNSYS and now have a fall series to increase the length of the sailing season. We are hoping that this spreads throughout the Province!

This winter the RNSYS is sending a trailer down to Florida, where myself and Agustin Ferrario will run Laser/ Radial camps and 420/470 camps. We are going to be at Mid Winters East as the big 420 event and still waiting to hear how many Laser/ Radials are going down.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosie Chapman  
NSST Coach

# SAFETY REPORT

It is my pleasure to submit the annual report pertaining to safety initiatives and activities conducted on behalf of the NSYA below.

## Complaints to NSYA - Halifax Harbour

Halifax is Nova Scotia's largest and busiest year-round commercial port. During the sailing season, many NSYA members and non-members alike utilize the port for recreational sailing and power boating. It is inevitable that occasionally the common use of this resource will result in misunderstandings and conflict between users. There were no complaints communicated to NSYA pertaining to the operation of recreational boats in Halifax Harbour this season. This is down from a total of four reports the previous year. The author made this observation to various industry representatives at a recent Halifax Marine Advisory Committee meeting and asked the participants if there were incidents of which NSYA may be unaware. None of the participants could recall any issues or incidents worth commenting on. Anecdotally, it was observed that the procedures and guidelines established in 2009 for setting up regattas seem to have had a positive effect on reducing conflict between commercial and recreational users.

## NSYA Representation on Various Committees

### HMAC

The Halifax Marine Advisory Committee (HMAC) is comprised of government, industry and recreational stakeholders of the Port of Halifax including the Atlantic Pilotage Authority, police forces, rescue services, the coast guard and others which meet bi-monthly. NSYA continues to be represented and is a member of this committee.

Although meeting topics are Halifax centric, membership in this committee is valuable because it gives the NSYA access to various government, emergency response organizations and contacts within the marine sector; the topics discussed often affect member's province wide.

### Stakeholder meeting

At the beginning of the 2010 sailing season NSYA coordinated a meeting between all of the yacht clubs in Halifax Harbour and other members of the HMAC. Future meetings will endeavour to include clubs from areas outside metro.

### Regional Boating Advisory Council

NSYA is represented on this board and will continue to champion issues that are pertinent to the members of NSYA. Topics discussed at the most recent meeting

included everything from vessel stability to towing in ice. The most relevant topic for NSYA members was where to dispose of expired distress flares and pyrotechnics. This long term problem is still being studied by TC and others to determine an effective and safe solution.

## Changes to Boating Laws

There have been numerous changes to boating laws in Canada during the last season that affects members of NSYA. Most notably, since 15 September 2009 everyone who operates a motorized pleasure craft must carry proof of competency to operate the vessel on board at all times on motorized pleasure craft.

## Boating law enforcement

There are several organizations that have the authority to enforce federal regulations that apply to pleasure craft in Nova Scotia including; the RCMP, Department of Natural Resources, Cape Breton Regional and Halifax Regional Police Services.

It is difficult to determine what the level of on-the-water enforcement is in Nova Scotia since the statistics are not readily available to the general public and patrols are often done at the local detachment level. The level of activity of each organization varies depending on their overall priorities, as well as resource availability. Attempts to obtain this data were unsuccessful.

There was one highly publicised incident on Halifax Harbour that resulted in two individuals being charged by a police officer on a bike patrol in the city centre with operating a motor vessel while impaired.

It appears that on-the-water enforcement activity pertaining to recreational boating occurs on an ad-hoc basis. Certainly it is safe to say that there were patrols of enforcement officers from various organizations on the water, however, it would be difficult to determine how the levels of enforcement compared to other years.

## Safety Audits of Sail Training Centres

A proposal to conduct safety audits of LTS sailing schools in the province was received favourably by the NSYA Board and a pilot project is being planned for 2010 to determine long term feasibility. The project will be discussed at the LTS Directors meeting on November 20 from 9 - 10:30am at the Saraguay House. Tentatively it is planned to audit ten LTS operations for a small fee to offset costs. Audit criteria will include compliance with small vessel regulations, CYA/NSYA safety policies, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Connor, Safety Chair

# WOMEN'S REPORT

This season was an active one for women's programs and events.

Chester Yacht Club and Bedford Basin Yacht Club kicked off their seasons offering week long Ladies Learn to Sail Programs. These courses give women an overview of the sport and many times are the hook needed to get them involved with sailing on a regular basis. Each of the seminars was considered a success and will be offered again in the coming season.

St. Margaret Sailing Club also had success with their women only 420 sailing courses offered in July. All spaces were filled and the gals had a great time. Participants were then invited to compete in the SMSC Friday night 420 racing. Getting women into dinghies is a great way to increase their sailing skills and offers many the opportunity to get some time on the helm. I hope this program will be offered again next season and that other Clubs might consider offering something similar at a different time.

The NSYA Appleton Estate Cup is the only race to recognize boats with an all female crew. The first all female boat to cross the line receives a prize that was awarded to a BBYC crew this year. We would like to see an increase in all female crews for this race and intend to heighten our communications for 2011. A Women's Start Clinic was held at BBYC in early June. Thanks again to Brian Todd for coaching this event. 6 boats participated including two crews from RNSYS. Feedback was very positive and participants would like to see growth in this type of clinic.

The Nova Scotia Women's Keelboat Championships was hosted by BBYC over the July 23rd weekend. This regatta was a huge success with over 11 boats and 50 participants in 2 classes. The spinnaker class totaled an impressive 6 boats. 4 Clubs were represented but we will be exploring ways to increase this in 2011.

Although this Regatta has been on the go for well over 15 years it has never had a designated trophy for presentation to the overall top performer. This year BBYC refurbished an unused cup donated by past Commodore John Dobbs for this purpose. It has now been adopted as the official trophy for the NS Women's Keelboat Championships. BBYC will host this event again in 2011 over the July 22th weekend.

The final Women's event of the season was the BBYC One-Day Regatta. This took place September 11th but only 5 boats were able to compete compared to last year's 9. This date conflicted with the Prince of Wales race, meaning several RNSYS and AYC boats were unfortunately not able to attend. This date will be re-evaluated for 2011 and we intend to find a conflict-free weekend to increase the number of participants.

We would like to see an increase in weekly/biweekly women's racing at individual clubs. BBYC has a very active weekly women's series with a minimum of 5 boats on the start line each Thursday evening. We are looking at ways to increase women's racing at the club level. We will also look at running the occasional Saturday race from downtown...a central meeting place for all Metro area clubs. We intend to hold a few seminars/get-togethers over the winter and early spring to continue the momentum.

Thanks to all who participated this past season.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Fowler  
Women's Chair

# HANDICAPPING REPORT

Nova Scotia currently administers handicaps for 777 active yachts of which handicaps were set or adjusted for 107 new yachts in 2010. The committee consists of representatives from NSYA member clubs or associations with active representations from 14 clubs in 2010. The committee consists of just over 20 individuals and meets monthly or more frequently to address handicapping issues and to set, review or adjust handicaps.

## 2010 milestones:

- Premier Class Association now using PHRFNS handicapping. Members of NSYA Handicap Committee worked with PCA to review processes and handicaps of all PCA member vessels for the 2010 sailing season.

- Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club now using PHRFNS handicaps. Handicaps were established for all RNYC vessels.

- Route St Pierre race used PHRFNS handicapping for its PHRF divisions in 2010. Handicaps were established for a diverse group of vessels for this prestigious event.

- Preliminary discussions are in progress with the Northumberland Strait Yachting Association which is considering adopting PHRFNS as its handicapping authority. NStYA currently maintains handicaps for approximately 90 vessels in PEI, NS and Shediac, NB.

- Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club worked with NSYA to update the handicaps for its handicap racing fleet. Many SHYC yachts were not formerly listed or were out of date within NSYA system.

- 2010 was the final year of the implementation of PHRFNS replacement of the ASPN system within NSYA. Clubs in Cape Breton particularly used PHRFNS for the first time in 2010. There were some issues.

- A written procedure for establishing new handicaps was adopted and is now incorporated in the Handicap Manual (available online on NSYA website).

- Current list of adjustments was reviewed. LLP limit for #1 genoa increased to 155% from 153%.

## Ongoing Tasks:

- Processing of new handicap requests
- Processing of handicap changes
- Review of all major open regatta results
- Review of Provisional Handicaps

## Initiatives for 2011 season:

- Review current B factor rating of 525
- Further review of adjustments used within NSYA.
- Non Spinnaker adjustments
- Fixture removal from boats
- Written procedure for review of existing handicap - ongoing

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Hoyt  
Chair, NSYA Handicap Committee

# **SPEED CENTRE REPORT**

The Sailing Speed Training Centre is a registered Society created in 2005 with three equal partners; NSYA, Canadian Yachting Association, and the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic.

The purpose of the Centre is to provide training support and services to Canadian Sailing Team members when they wish to train in Halifax.

In 2010 the Speed Centre hosted three very successful Canadian Sailing Team camps in the area in the following classes; Laser Radial, 470 and 2.4mR.

In 2010 the Speed Centre purchased a 2.4mR boat with a contribution from NSYA. This boat will help introduce Able Sail participants to the boat and also provide a boat for training purposes as CST athletes prepare for the 2014 IFDS World Championships which will be held at the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Denis  
NSYA Executive Director

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee recommends the following slate of candidates for election to the Board at the AGM. The Board comprises no more than 17 members including the Executive Director, ex officio.

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term</b>
1	Dwayne Primeau	President	2010-2012
2	Paul Rafuse	Past-President	2010-2012
3	Matthew Stokes	Director-at-Large	2010-2012 (R)
4	Karen Fowler	Director-at-Large	2009-2011
5	Grant Machum	Director-at-Large	2010-2012
6	Andrew Childs	Director-at-Large	2010-2012
7	Chris Connor	Director-at-Large	2009-2011
8	Mike Hoyt	Director-at-Large	2010-2012(R)
9	Peter Astephen	Director-at-Large	2010-2012 (R)
10	Arthur McNeil	Director-at-Large	2009-2011
11	Dave DeWolfe	Director-at-Large	2010-2012 (R)
12	Sean Kelly	Director-at-Large	2010-2012
13	Jane Filbee	Director-at-Large	2010-2012 (R)
14	Lynn Davis	Director-at-Large	2009-2011
15	Andrew Murphy	Director-at-Large	2010-2012
16	Richard Dube	Director-at-Large	2010-2012
17	Frank Denis	Ex officio	

(R) indicates Renewal Appointments.

The Board, once elected, will name the other officers - First and Second Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and Secretary in accordance with the By-Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Archibald  
Chair - Nominating Committee

# NOTES

# THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS

