

## North Lake Sailing School (NLSS) - 2011

March 4, 2011

We hope you are enjoying the longer days and looking forward to warmer temps. Summer is not far away! Enclosed you will find the registration forms for this year's summer sailing classes. This letter summarizes the 3 programs offered by NLSS including (1) Optimist (2) X Boat and (3) Camp Sailaway.

Sailing classes will begin on Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> and end on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> for X Boats and on Wednesday, August 10 for Optis. All classes will again be held at the North Lake Yacht Club on Northwoods Dr. *There will be no regular Opti or X-Boat Classes the week of July 4, as we will be running Opti and X Boat camps from July 5 - July 8.*

### OPTIMIST

Our list of **Opti classes and class times** are below (sailors should have boats in the water and ready to sail by class time).

OPTIMIST CLASS	CLASS DAYS & TIME
Beginner Opti	Mon & Wed 10 am - 12:30 pm
Intermediate/Advanced Opti	Tues & Thurs 1 pm - 4 pm
*NEW! Opti Racing Class	Mondays 1 pm - 4 pm
Kinderprams (5 & 6 year olds - guardian required to sail with child)	Fridays 10 am - noon, 6/24, 7/1, 7/15, 7/22 & 8/5

**NEW!** this year, is the addition of a once a week **Opti Racing Class**. This class is designed specifically for *the serious Opti racer*. Children will need to have sailed alone for at least 2 years. Class will focus on dry land instruction, racing and racing tactics, such as roll tacking, buoy rounding and downwind maneuvers. If you are uncertain as to whether your sailor qualifies for this class, please email or call me.

As in the past, opti students (including campers!) are offered the opportunity to race in the following on-lake races called **Series Races** on select Saturdays. These Series Races are optional for a fee of \$10 per Saturday. The dates are as follows:

June Series (6/25)

July Series (7/16)

Aug Series (8/20) (followed by putting boats away)

Other optional sailing school supported opti regattas are:

- GLSS on Lake Geneva (July 13)
- BOP'N on North Lake (July 21)
- NO TEARS on Beaver Lake (July 25)
- OPTI CHAMPS on White Bear (August 1 - 2)
- North Lake's PRAM POWER (August 11)

If your child chooses to race in any of these, an NLSS instructor is sent to be on the water with them and coach in between races.

### X-BOATS

NLSS summer **X Boat** schedule is listed below. The starting times are times the boat and sailors should be at the club ready to sail. This year, we will be sharing instructor time with Okauchee Lake. This is a great opportunity for our X Boat sailors to learn from a trained Level II instructor. In addition, this allows for the X Boats to have additional support and training at off lake regattas.

X BOAT CLASS DAYS	CLASS TIMES
Mondays	10 am - 12:30 pm
Wednesdays	10:30 am- 3:30 pm (bring a lunch)
*Thursday, June 23	10 am - 12:30 pm
* Friday, August 5	10 am - 12:30 pm

\* Please note these additional X Boat dates.

NLYC offers a unique opportunity for X Boat skippers. X Boat sailing school students are able to sign up for the **NLYC Junior membership**. This annual membership costs \$100 and will allow the Junior Member to register and skipper an X-boat in the NLYC sailing races held on the weekends from Memorial Day to Labor Day if so desired. This form can be found on our website.

Other **optional off-lake X Boat regattas** include:

- QUINT - Pewaukee Lake June 11 & June 12
- TRAP SR/JR - Pine Lake June 28 - June 30
- GLSS - Lake Geneva - July 11- 12
- BOP'N - North Lake - July 20
- WYA - Nagawicka - July 23 - 24
- X-INLAND - Clear Lake - July 27 - July 30

### CAMP SAILAWAY

NLSS will be offering our **3<sup>rd</sup> annual Opti camp**. All camps will be run from Tuesday, July 5 through Friday, July 8.

CAMP SAILAWAY	TIME
Beginner Optimist	9 am – 12:30 pm
Advanced Optimist	1:00 pm – 4:30 pm
NEW! Beginner X Boat	9 am – 12:30 pm

**NEW! this year is the 1<sup>st</sup> annual X Boat camp.** This is for someone who is at least 9 yrs old and/or has sailed an Opti for at least 2 years. There will be current skippers available for those who want to learn how to crew; as well as an opportunity for sailors who are at least 11 to learn how to skipper. This is a great opportunity for someone wanting to be a backup crew or to get a feel if this is the next step in his/her sailing endeavors. Please refer to the registration form for pricing.

### REGISTRATION/FORMS

In order to plan for instructors' schedules, class sizes and boat use, all completed forms and fees must be in by April 15. You may pay 3 installments, the 1<sup>st</sup> due April 15, the 2<sup>nd</sup> due May 1 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> due June 1. Any fees after that date will be considered late and subject to a \$50 late fee unless arrangements are made ahead of time.

Another incentive to pay on time.... *Each student receives a \$5 discount on any spirit wear order if all forms (Class Registration, Medical History, Medical Emergency & Hold Harmless) are turned in by April 15!* Spirit wear order information will be sent out shortly.

All registrations can be found at the North Lake Sailing School website at [www.nlss.us](http://www.nlss.us) under the **Forms/Links** tab. If you like, the forms can be filled out on the computer. **We ask that the form be printed and mailed with April's payment to Christine Janssen, 2817 Jacquelyn Dr, Waukesha, WI 53188 or Cheri Theisen, W315N7293 Hwy 83, Hartland, WI 53029.**

### PARENT MEETING

The parent meeting is mandatory and is set for **Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 9am**. After the meeting, we will work together to get the optis and other equipment set up and in the water. More details will come closer to that date.

Please forward our website [www.nlss.us](http://www.nlss.us) to interested friends and family and feel free to forward a copy of this packet to anyone you think might be interested in our program.

I look forward to this summer and my 27<sup>th</sup> year with these young sailors. Have a great spring. If you have any questions, please call me at 262-367-3877 or email me at [pvt@webpockets.com](mailto:pvt@webpockets.com) Please put NLSS in the subject line.

Pat Van Till, Sailing Director