



The Zephyr- Sailor's Gathering this Wednesday!

MONTHLY SAILOR GATHERING

We have a Monthly Sailor Gathering planned for **Wednesday, February 11th starting at 6:00 PM** at the Fan Club Bar and Grill in the Neenah Holiday Inn. **We will be running some SailX races so bring a laptop if you have one.** There is no software to install, SailX is all online. You can "spectate" the racing from a projector screen as well. See the article below for more details.

The Holiday Inn will be offering **\$6 domestic pitchers and margaritas and \$12 margarita pitchers** as well as the following rotating specials for our gatherings

Hot beef sandwiches or pulled pork sandwiches with chips \$5

Brat or hamburger with chips \$5

Loaded nachos with tortilla chips, nacho cheese, jalapeno and seasoned beef \$4

We had about 20 people out for our January Sailor's Gathering and had a great time. Be sure not to miss February's!

CURLING AND DINNER AT THE APPLETON YACHT CLUB

Have you ever seen Olympic curling on TV and thought, hey, I'd like to try that!" Here is your chance to sail your stone down the ice when NNYC goes curling! Some call it "Shuffleboard on Ice," others "Chess on Ice," either way, come out and give it a try! **On Saturday, February 21st** the NNYC will hold its first "Winter Fling on Ice" at the **Appleton Curling Club** from **4:00 PM to 6:00 PM** with dinner at the **Appleton Yacht Club** to follow. **Those who only want to spectate and eat at the Yacht Club are welcome.**

To curl you need rubber soled shoes (athletic shoes), gloves, fleece/jacket, and maybe a hat. You will get some safety tips and instruction on how to curl. Then it's time to practice and have a game to test out your new curling skills.

Costs for curling will be \$15 to \$20 depending on the total number playing and the dinner bill at the Appleton Yacht Club will be for the individual or couple.

If you are interested in the opportunity, please RVSP to commodore@nnyc.org as soon as possible.



Calendar of Events

February Monthly Sailor Gathering-
Wednesday, February 11th
6PM at Neenah Holiday Inn

Curling and Dinner at Appleton Yacht Club-
Saturday, February 21st

March Monthly Sailor Gathering-
Wednesday, March 11th
6PM at Neenah Holiday Inn

Spring Fling-
Saturday, March 28th

April Monthly Sailor Gathering-
Wednesday, April 8th
6PM at Neenah Holiday Inn

Harbor Work Day-
Saturday, April 25th

Harbor Opening Day-
Saturday, May 2nd

Submit your sailing photos to **communications@nnyc.org** or upload them to our Facebook page and they might end up in a Zephyr!

Check out the NNYC Classifieds!

SAIL X

Want to keep your tactics and racing rules knowledge honed and have some fun competing again other NNYC sailors or sailors from around the world? Give SailX a try! It is an online program that is easy to learn and free to use and only requires you to register with a valid email. Races are short (less than 10 min), use a rules engine to apply penalties, offer all sorts of chances for tactical decision making, and are a lot of fun (and slightly addicting)! NNYC has our own private sailing area available where you can practice or we can hold our own races without having to worry about the general public.

Here are the instructions for joining the SailX group and entering the NNYC playing field:

1. Go to www.sailx.com and register a boat.
2. To access the NNYC sailing field, you need to first join the NNYC SailX group by going to [THIS LINK](#). Please email Derek Walker once you have requested so he can approve it. Derek's email address is jderekwalker@gmail.com.
3. Once your membership is approved, you can enter the NNYC private sailing field through the menu-sailing fields, then click on the private fields tab and select the NNYC field. This link will get you there:

www.sailx.com/sailing-fields

(Note: It is recommended that you complete the quick training exercises before entering a race. The training is in the old 2D platform, actual racing will be in 3D. Then you can join the public races that are constantly going on or the NNYC private "sailing field" where you can practice solo, or participate in match or fleet races.)

Stay tuned for more info on exciting online NNYC fleet racing!



NNYC sailors racing catamarans on SailX (above)

CLUB CRUISING TRIP THIS FALL!

The NNYC would like to organize a group chartering trip to the Apostle Islands through Superior Yacht Charters (www.superiorcharters.com) for 2015. The Apostle Islands offer an amazing sailing adventure but are close to home and provides a less expensive option to a Caribbean or European charter. We are looking at going in mid to late September to avoid the busy summer schedule the club has planned for the club here on Lake Winnebago. The current thought would be to make it a long weekend, chartering a boat on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday and possibly Monday. If you are interested, please contact Kacee at SailPromotion@nnyc.org by February 28.



A Superior Charters sailboat in the Apostle Islands (above)



Scooter and Red Sky heading upwind (above)



A nice evening on the Nodaway (above)