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Commodore's Remarks

We're looking to a great sailing season in 2003 -- more water in our lakes and wind enough to be fun but so much as to break gear or crew.

SAIL will be doing its part to encourage sailing and promote excellence of racing in the Rocky Mountain region. We start off with our presence at the Denver Boat Show, coordinating a judging workshop, continue with the racing seminars on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, and will be putting on race management and rules seminars. All before the first warning flag goes up.

We're working on updating and improving our website, www.rmsail.org. Keep dropping in from time to time to check our progress. The new calendar should be up soon.

Junior sailing, especially racing, is building momentum, thanks to many volunteers and talented juniors.

..... -ralph

New Officers

Elections for 2003 officers were held at the general meeting on November 2:

- Commodore – Ralph Taylor
- Vice-Commodore – Steve Davis
- Secretary – Joe Beierl
- Treasurer – Todd Brophy
- Area F Representative - Paul Kresge
- Rear Commodore - Tom Downing

We're soliciting volunteers for the appointed positions of Newsletter and Yearbook editors.

SAIL's Website

We're updating and improving SAIL's website, www.rmsail.org. Many of the improvements are up now and more will come. Drop in from time to time to look at it and give us your opinion.

Area F Meeting

The Area F Council of Sailing Associations will hold its annual business meeting in downtown Denver. Area F of US SAILING consists of Central States Sailing Association (Kansas, Oklahoma, & Nebraska) and Texas Sailing Association, along with SAIL. Dave Rosecrans, President of US SAILING, has been invited to update us on what happening in the sport across the US and internationally and he'll probably want our opinions on how US SAILING can help the game.

We'll meet in the offices of RNL Design, 16th & Arapahoe from 8:30 to 12:00.

All are welcome, but let us know you're coming. There will be a \$10 charge for the catered lunch. RSVP to rtaylor@informationtools.com.

Judging Workshop

Don't lose that protest because you didn't know the rules! A distinguished faculty of Area F's experts in race management and judging will conduct a judges' workshop January 18 & 19, 2003 in downtown Denver (RNL Design, 16th & Arapahoe, Denver.)

The workshop meets the requirements for being certified or recertified as a US SAILING Judge. Those interested in certification can also take the judges' test to be given the following day, January 19, 2003. There is a \$10 fee for the test and we ask you to pony up another \$10 for the catered lunch.

To attend, you must RSVP. Contact Ralph Taylor, ralph@rmsail.org (phone 303-771-3271).

Junior Sailing

SAIL welcomes the Colorado Junior Sailing Council, formed to enhance communication between junior sailing programs and to promote racing for junior sailors. The Council had its inaugural meeting on November 2 and is planning a circuit of four regattas during the 2003 season.

For more information, contact Steve Frank, thesc@mindspring.com, or Ivan Andrade, ivemoe@aol.com.

2003 SAIL Preliminary Calendar

Clubs & Fleets: Please review the tentative dates for your events and contact a SAIL officer to confirm or give other dates.

January 2003

7th SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
9-12 Boat Show, Convention Center
15th SAIL Racing Seminar, Brooklyn's, Denver
18-19 Area F Meeting & Judge Workshop

February 2003

4th SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
19th SAIL Racing Seminar, Brooklyn's, Denver
 22-24 President's Birthday Weekend
22-23 Icebreaker Regatta? Cherry Creek Res.

March 2003

4th SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
19th SAIL Racing Seminar, Brooklyn's, Denver

April 2003

1st SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
 12th Race Management Seminar, Location TBD
16th SAIL Racing Seminar, Brooklyn's, Denver
26-27 USC Collegiate Regatta, USC SC, Pueblo Res.

May 2003

3-4 Rocky Mountain Shootout, Ch. Crk. Res, K
6th SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
10th Team Races, Comm Sailing, Ch. Crk., Boats Provided
17-18? Hornblower, DSA, Ch. Crk., D M
 (Possibly combined w/ Shootout 5/3-4.)
17-18 Prairie Winds, Boyd Lake, CO, M
24-25 Mem'l Day Reg., New Mexico SC, Heron Lake, K,M
5/31-6/1 Carter Open, Carter Lake SC, Carter Lk, KD

June 2003

1st Carter Open, above
3rd SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
14-15 WY Gov. Cup, Casper Boat Club, Alcova Res., KD
28-29 Hawaiian Dreams, Lake McConaughy, NE, M

July 2003

1st SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
5th Firecracker, DSA, Union Res., D
4-6 Neb. Gov. Cup, Ogallala YC, Lake McCon'hy, KD
4-5 4th of July Regatta & Long Race, New Mexico SC,
 Heron Lake
5-6 4th of July Open, Dillon YC, Lake Dillon
12-13 Aspen Open, Aspen YC, Ruedi Res., KD

July 2003 (continued)

12-13 TransMac, Ogallala YC, Lake McConaughy,
19-20 That Particular Regatta, Glendo Res. WY, M
26-27 Leukemia Cup, CSYC, Chatfield Res.

August 2003

2-3 Dillon Open, Dillon YC, Lake Dillon, KD
2-3 Hobie Division 5 Championship, Angostura, SD, M
5th SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
16-17 Wild Bill Thrill, Flaming Gorge, WY, M
30-31 Mac Attack, Ogallala YC, Lake McConaughy, KDM
30-31 Dillon Labor Day, Dillon YC, Lake Dillon
30-31 Labor Day Regatta, & Buccaneer Rodeo New
 Mexico SC, Heron Lake

September 2003

2nd SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
20-21 Colorado Gov. Cup & Frostbite, DSA, Ch. Crk.
 Res., K D
27-28? Sunrise Regatta, Rio Grande SC, Truth or
 Consequences, NM

October 2003

4-5 Team Races, Comm'y. Sailing, Ch. Crk., Boats
 Provided
 7th SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver
11-12 Columbus Day Regatta, CSYC, Chatfield., K
19? Pumpkin Bash Inv., Cor. 15 Flt., Union Res., D

November 2003

1st SAIL Annual Meeting, Place TBD

December 2003

2nd SAIL Meeting, 1100 No. Dahlia, Denver

To Be Determined

?? Race Management Seminar(s)

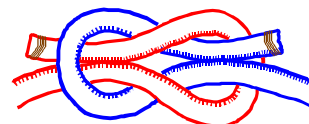
Legend:

Regattas in **boldface/red** are open to other than members of host organization and counted in the SAIL Championship tours. A question mark by the date means it may be subject to change.

K = Keelboats

D = Dinghies

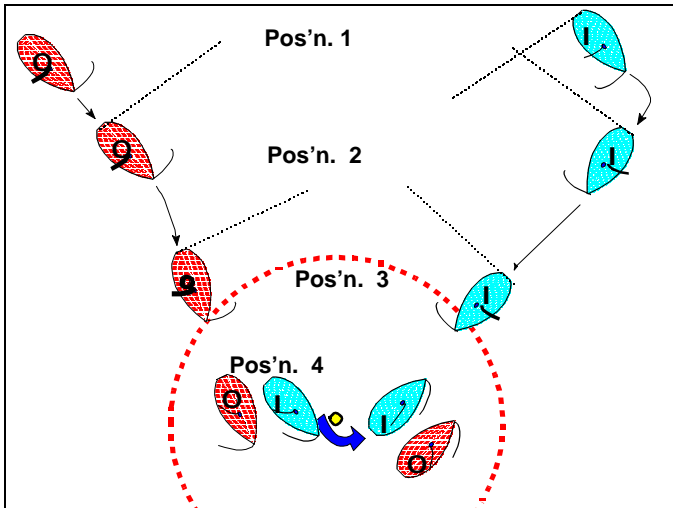
M = Multi-Hulls



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Rules Basics



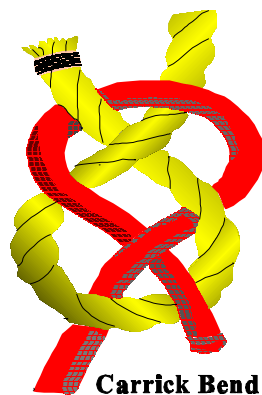
This is a simple one, but you'd be surprised how many times it's fouled people up: "He couldn't have had an overlap. He was a mile away."

In the diagram, there isn't an overlap in Position 1, because both boats are on the same jibe and "I" is clear ahead. But as soon as "I" completes her jibe in Position 2, the boats are overlapped for Rule 18 purposes and stay that way.

They are overlapped because neither is clear astern of a line projected from the other's transom. Their lateral distance doesn't matter.

"O" has to give room not only for "I" to round the mark, but also to jibe, and, in Position 3 is starting to sail lower to do so. "I" is on starboard and can continue until she has room to complete her jibe, then round the mark.

The Carrick Bend is a handy knot for joining together two lines of different sizes.



Carrick Bend

US Sailing Championships

US Sailing conducts ladder championships for many different kinds of racing: single-handed to multi-crewed, juniors, youth, women, men, disabled sailors, and team and match racing.

They're called "ladder events" because qualification starts at the regional (SAIL) level, continues through the area semi-finals, and culminates in the national finals. In many cases, SAIL has qualified its representatives by resume, because we have only one entry. "Resume" means that you should have racing experience.

Due to few entries in the past, Area F is working on a plan to combine the regional and area events into one larger event. This could be a "win-win-win". Sailors win because more of them get to participate in US SAILING's most prestigious events, with fewer complications. Clubs hosting area semi-finals win because they get more competitors in their events. And, the three regions win by not having to arrange regattas that few attend.

We hope to do have more of our sailors participate in 2003. If you're even just a little bit interested in entering one of these prestigious events, let us know as soon as possible, so we can keep you up to date on what's happening.

HAPPY 2003

Good Sailing

Sailing Association of Intermountain Lakes 2003 Officers & Committee Chairs

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