



# Fleet 5 Newsletter

## April 2009

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### Fleet Registration and Social Event, Friday May 1st Fleet 5 and the Kentucky Derby

In the last newsletter we announced a fleet registration night for May 2. There has been feedback that Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup> is the date of the Kentucky Derby and that conflicts with Derby parties would impact attendance. Rhodes 19s versus the Derby, who knew! So we are taking another tack. Sorry for any inconvenience but the combined fleet registration night and spring meeting a.k.a. the Pre Derby Event will be Friday May 1.

**Save the date Friday May 1 6:00** at Tom and Judy Despres' house, 48 Evans Road, Marblehead. RSVP to Fleet Social Chair Jim Raisides, 781-634-1602, [jraisides@tarealty.com](mailto:jraisides@tarealty.com)

Cocktails start at 6:00, fleet meeting and registration at 7:00 and potluck dinner at 8:00.

### MRA Registration

Included with this mailing are your registration materials. If you were registered with MRA last year you will find a pre-filled MRA registration form along with the Fleet 5 form. Please verify the information, complete the form, and either send your forms with payment to Doug Trees, 557 Bay Road, PO Box 489, Hamilton, MA 01936 or bring them to the fleet meeting on May 1st

### MRA Rules Seminar, April 29

For all of us who weren't that sure of the old rules this is a must show. The MRA is hosting a rules seminar on April 29 with Ken Legler, John Dieselman and Pete DeWolfe as speakers at the Gerry 5 at 7 PM.

In case you missed it there have been changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing starting this year with the biggest change being the expansion of the two-boat length zone to three boat lengths. Avoid embarrassment and confusion and mark this on your calendar.

### Racer's Resource Board "Phil's Foils".

We've built a couple of dozen Rhodes 19 rudders over the past few years under our "Phil's Foils" brand name and feel we build a very high quality product.

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Etchells sailor **Pat Stadel** operates Marblehead Rigging in San Diego 619-224-0323.

Doyle Sails at 978-740-5950 for fast Rhodes 19 sails

[www.sailortailors.com](http://www.sailortailors.com) for boat covers, rudder bags and any other marine stitching need.

Butch Roth in Gloucester providing boat repairs and tuning. Also trailers. If interested contact Butch at 978-283-4451  
[applewood@gis.net](mailto:applewood@gis.net)

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### **Fleet Meeting Agenda**

Here are items for consideration at the fleet meeting and recommendations from the officers based on past practice.

#### **Scoring:**

The fleet will allow one floating bye to be taken in Series 1 or 3 as outlined in the MRA's 2009 Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

18.7 Unless otherwise agreed between a fleet and MRA,

(1) A boat may take a bye for one day of racing in the 1st or 3rd Series.

(2) This optional bye day cannot be used in the same series with any other bye day that might be agreed upon.

(3) Notice of a bye must be given to the MRA scorer via E-mail or phone (live or voice mail) at least 24 hours in advance.

(4) A boat taking a bye for a race will be awarded points equal to her average points for the series of which that race is a part, disregarding throw-out races and byes.

(5) Such a boat will be scored as DNC instead, if it would be more favorable (changes RRS A2).

#### **Series 2 and the Rhodes 19 East Coasts:**

Series 2, June 27 and 28, coincides with the Rhodes 19 East Coasts in Hull. To encourage participation in the East Coasts, those who travel to the regatta will be granted a bye for Series 2 in the total season score. A boats taking the byes will be awarded points equal to her average points for the entire MRA season, disregarding throw-out races and byes. Those who compete in Series 2 will be scored as they finished the series.

#### **Marblehead Raceweek:**

A determination needs to be made how to score results for Marblehead Raceweek. Should scoring for the MRA exclude the scores of non MRA boats at the event?

#### **Social Calendar:**

In process. Stay tuned.

#### **2010 Rhodes Nationals:**

Fleet 5 and Corinthian Yacht Club propose hosting the Rhodes 19 National Championship August 18 through 20, 2010.

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### **Sears Cup** *From Christina Pandapas*

Local Rhodes 19s will be on the national stage this summer when the 2009 Chubb U.S. Junior Championships come to Marblehead August 9-13. Rhodes will be sailed for the Sears Cup Triplehanded division in which some of the country's top young sailors compete for the national title. It is a homecoming for the historic event which was originated 88 years ago by Eastern Yacht Club Commodore Herbert M. Sears, and won that first year by Richard Thayer representing Pleon. It is also an opportunity to expose more young sailors to Rhodes 19 racing and gain some good overall PR for the class. The singlehanded Smythe Cup division will be sailed in Lasers and the doublehanded Bemis Cup will be held in 420s.

The Championships are sailed in a round-robin format with 11 teams scheduled to compete. Each team qualifies for the Championships through ladder event eliminations held among more than 1000 yacht clubs and 150 community sailing programs across the U.S. Some previous Sears Cup winners are well known in Marblehead racing circles, including Bill Lynn, Robbie Doyle, and Joan Thayer. They share the distinction with other internationally renowned sailors such as John Kostecki and John Kolius.

The significance of the U.S. Jr. Championships is such that Pleon Yacht Club has engaged the Boston, Corinthian, and Eastern Yacht Clubs to co-host the event and run separate lines for each division. As we all know, the success of a major regatta like this is only possible through volunteer efforts, so many thanks go out to the following Fleet 5ers who have already volunteered their boats:

- 1) Charlie Pendleton/Jim Raisides
- 2) Kim Pandapas
- 3) Steve Uhl
- 4) Mike Lane
- 5) Dave Reynolds
- 6) Andrew Savage/Paul Zymba
- 7) Jenny Aspinall
- 8) Tom Despres
- 9) Rick Berliner

Thanks also to Norm Cressy and Jerry Blouin who have volunteered to be the Rhodes 19 bosuns for the event.

We need a total of 13 boats for the regatta for 11 teams and 2 in reserve, so if you would be willing to lend your boat, please contact Charlie Pendleton ([cpendleton@copyright.com](mailto:cpendleton@copyright.com)) or Christina Pandapas ([cpandapas@comcast.net](mailto:cpandapas@comcast.net)).

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### **Boats for Sale:**

#### **O'day Rhodes 19 Keel Version #1554**

Updated in 2008 with glass ribs by Chris Small. Lindsay rudder, tapered Zephyr mast (no jumpers/t-swedge terminals), Zephyr boom, barney post, adjustable bridle traveler, Layline tapered aluminum pole, bottom and keel faired by Waterline, 2008 Doyle Sails, Essex welding ready trailer. Asking: \$8,800. Contact Jud Smith at [c-jsmith@comcast.net](mailto:c-jsmith@comcast.net). or phone 781-639-0022. (02/09)

#### **Rhodes 19 – Sail Number 1945**

Refit completed in 2008 including fiberglass ribs, topsides and deck paint, new floorboards & coamings, new Phils Foil rudder & tiller, updated deck hardware and rigging. Sails with 4 days on them, and a new professionally built trailer. This boat is ready to race - \$9500 / obo. Ready for racing on Memorial Day. Just add water. Contact Shan McAdoo [r19slr@gmail.com](mailto:r19slr@gmail.com) or 978-302-1176. (02/09)

#### **1977 Full Keel Model**

Overall in good condition. Small fiberglass repair at rub rail. Will need ribs at some point. Main and jib in good condition. All standard equipment. Owned by a maritime academy from 1977 until 2008. Marblehead area. \$1,200 includes stands and free storage until May. Eddie von Papen 617-233-0123 or [vonpapen@gmail.com](mailto:vonpapen@gmail.com).

#### **O'Day Rhodes 19 Keel Version #1683 SOLD!**

Updated R19 with faired keel and rudder; former "FAT LADY" Norm Cressy's boat; loaded with all the goodies such as 3 full sets of Doyle sails (One hardly used), windward sheeting traveler car, tapered lightweight aluminum spinnaker pole, trailer. Contact Steve Braese @ 781-718-2991 or [sbraese@Braese.com](mailto:sbraese@Braese.com). Boat is ready to race; Asking \$8,400.

#### **Keel Boat**

We have a Rhodes 19 that we got a couple years ago in the hopes of fixing it up and setting sail. Well, that never happened. We are located in Old Saybrook CT and the boat can not travel far on an old home made trailer but we would love to give it to someone for free. Please e-mail with any questions you may have. Lynn Lombard, [LLombard@essex.k12.ct.us](mailto:LLombard@essex.k12.ct.us).