

The New Old Boat Launch Ramp

COM. RON DAWES '93

In the 1940's and 50's the DYC members sailed wooded Cat Boats. They were eventually replaced by the current Flying Scots. The Cat Boats were taken out of the water each year on a rail system with winches at the east end of the Club island. For years the ramp was unused after the Flying Scots were purchased. Then a few members with trailer boats and jet skis started to use the ramp. It wasn't easy but it worked. A core group of members donated hundreds of dollars each year to add crushed stone and keep the ramp in barely usable condition. Finally, this year we had a breakthrough. All the planets were in alignment, Craig Homicz had his equipment at the Club, money was raised by Commodores Dawes and Barlow, volunteers Com. Hommel and Marty Ingle helped and after much planning and work, a new concrete launch ramp was christened. This year has been an outstanding year for volunteerism at DYC. So much has been done for so little. None of the costs of the launch ramp came from Club funds. The work was done by DYC people and the funds came 100% from donations. We have one heck of a Club!!! Thanks to all members who help make us the best. We are still looking for donations for the launch ramp area to install a floating dock.



See Com. Ron Dawes if you would like to donate.



DYC Sea Gulls present
EUCHRE NIGHT
Wednesday, July 21st
7:00 pm

Put your skills to the test and help support the DYC Sea Gulls.
Entry Fee: \$5.00 ~ Cash Prizes Awarded

You may sign-up at the DYC
Reception Counter or
contact Cathy Nierle (313)567-2571 or cnierle@comcast.net

FLYING SCOTS

KELLI MURPHY

Learn to sail right
here at DYC
this summer!



Here's a little test of your sailing knowledge brought to you by the DYC's Flying Scots sailing program. How much do you know?

Question 1: The term "tack" is used to mean:

- A. Steering the bow of the boat through the wind.
- B. The forward corner of a jib or main sail, closest to the deck of the boat
- C. The relative position of the boat to the wind while sailing
- D. All of the above

Question 2: When returning a DYC Flying Scot to its well in the Lagoon, the main sail should be down in which of the following docking situations?

- A. The wind is light
- B. The wind is blowing on to the dock
- C. The wind is blowing away from the dock
- D. Both B and C

Question 3: In a sail boat race under the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the class flag is lowered during a standard 5-minute starting sequence at which point?

- A. At the start of the race
- B. With one minute remaining
- C. At the beginning of the sequence
- D. When the horn sounds twice

Find out how you did at <http://sites.google.com/site/dycflyingscots/>! While you're there, you can sign up on-line for the DYC's adult sailing instruction program. The **second session** of our 2010 basic sailing instruction **starts on Tuesday, July 6**, and runs through Sept. 2. DYC members may take the 9-week class for \$150 (and a few spaces remain for non-members at \$350, so feel free to pass this link along to your friends). Class meets every Tuesday and Thursday beginning approximately 6:00pm at the DYC Sailing Center at the east end of the island. Students will be taught boat handling, points of sail, docking, rights of way, racing/sailing a course skills and DYC Flying Scot boat equipment and safety rules. The summer culminates in several evenings of the DYC Novice Championship races during which new DYC sailors compete for the opportunity to race against new Flying Scot sailors from other area clubs in the River Championships. If you have questions about the class, please contact Instruction Chair Connie Allen at 313-259-4837 or Flying Scots Chair Kelli Murphy at 248-506-8490 or e-mail us at dycflyingscots@gmail.com.



DYC Flying Scots is always looking for sailors of all experience levels to participate in our racing and social events as well as in our instruction program. Even if the class isn't for you, we welcome you to come join the fun. DYC Flying Scots sailing cards are required for use of the club boats but an on-the water Skipper Card skills test can be arranged by contacting dycflyingscots@gmail.com.