



# GBSA Bow Line

*Newsletter of the Greenwich Bay Sailing Association*

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*Happy  
Holidays  
from  
GBSA!*

## **Thanks for a Great Year!**

Thanks to all of the young sailors, parents, instructors, volunteers, board members, friends, and families of GBSA for your participation, your hard work, time, and support that made 2006 a terrific year.

At Awards Night each year, we all celebrate a season well done, but the work doesn't end there. Many volunteers work tirelessly throughout the year to make sure that the boats go in and out of the water, the facilities are in good shape, and that GBSA is ready to go when the sailors show up in June.

GBSA is a nonprofit organization, and we try to keep tuitions reasonable to make it possible for everyone who wants to learn how to sail to have the opportunity. There is a need to supplement registration fees with your donations, corporate sponsorships, gifts in kind, and volunteer support.

On behalf of the Board and everyone at GBSA, I'd like to sincerely thank you for your generous donations and support in 2006. With your contributions, we have raised more than \$5,000 to date.

It takes the dedication of everyone involved to make this program happen, and we can't do it without you. We thank you for all you do, and look forward to seeing you and working with you again in 2007.

Sincerely,  
Tom D'Albora  
President, GBSA



## GBSA Sailors Shine at NBYA “Splash Bash” Awards Dinner



*GBSA sailors showed a lot of team spirit at the NBYA “Splash Bash.” Front row from left to right: Haley Mullins, Erin Mullins, Katia DaSilva, Grace Adam, Bradley Adam, Paige McClatchy. Back row from left to right: Tricia Sellon, Mia Cooper, Melanie Boyajian, Connor D’Albora, Victoria DaSilva, Brad Read, Ryan Mullins.*

**GBSA sailors** came out in force for the NBYA “Splash Bash” Awards party on November 25 at Chelo’s in Warwick.

Sail Newport Executive Director Brad Read was the guest of honor for this auspicious occasion. In his comments, he reminded the the junior sailors, about the importance of getting out and sailing as much as possible.

“Whether its just going out for a sail in your Laser or 420, practicing with your sailing program, or hanging out on the dock and asking to crew on a big boat, just get out there,” Read said.

Brad and his brother, America’s Cup Skipper Ken Read, sailed in the very first NBYA Junior Race week in 1975 at Barrington Yacht Club, and both have gone on to achieve great things in the world of sailing.

In addition to being named Sailor of the Year in college, Brad Read has also won numerous major regattas including the J-24 World Championship in 2001. “NBYA provides a lot of opportunities for junior sailors, and we are all lucky that it’s there for us,” added Read.

After the speeches, it was time for the awards. Chants of “JIB-SA, JIB-SA!” rang out from supportive team members as the winners were called up to claim their prizes.

A great time was had by all who attended. Check out [www.nbya.org](http://www.nbya.org) for more information about NBYA events, regattas, and general news from around the bay.

### GBSA Winners at NBYA Splash Bash

#### Optimist Blue

1st Erin Mullins  
2nd Katia DaSilva

#### Optimist Green

1st Michael Corbishley  
2nd Matthew Corbishley  
3rd Haley Mullins

#### Laser 4.7

2nd Paige McClatchy  
3rd Becky Swaszek

#### Laser Radial

2nd Wendel Swaszek  
3rd Nathan Mongeon

#### Laser Full Rig

2nd Myles Stevens

#### 420 Division I

1st Ryan Mullins and Victoria DaSilva  
3rd Michael Darlington and Eileen Goretoy

#### NBYA Women’s Championship (Mary Rose Marshall Annual Regatta)

Overall Winner: Tricia Sellon

#### Laser Radial

1st Tricia Sellon  
2nd Danielle Fleet

#### Laser 4.7

Paige McClatchy

#### Optimist

1st Katia DaSilva  
2nd Erin Mullins

#### 420

2nd Heather Nisbet and Olga Goretoy

## Coming Soon to a Computer Near You...

# www.GBSA.info

The GBSA Board is pleased and excited to announce a brand new web site for the 2007 season. The Web site will feature two primary components:

### **News and Information**

The new site will feature news and information for all who are involved with GBSA. This includes calendars of upcoming events and regattas, notices about GBSA programming, and race results.

### **Registration and information management**

This coming season you will be able to register your children on-line through the Web site.

We will be mailing further information regarding the upcoming season including complete instructions on how to use the new site to help you organize your GBSA experience.

Stay tuned...

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## **Buy/Sell Column**



### **WANTED TO BUY**

#### **New or used Laser –**

Looking to buy or charter a new or used laser.

Contact Fred Darlington at

[Fred\\_Darlington@raytheon.com](mailto:Fred_Darlington@raytheon.com)

### **FOR SALE**

#### **Used GBSA Opti Hulls**

**Hulls only** are available. Contact Tom D'Albora for more information. [Tom@teamcoconut.us](mailto:Tom@teamcoconut.us).

### **List your ad in the Bow Line.**

E-mail your listing to [cccooper18@aol.com](mailto:cccooper18@aol.com).

## Contact GBSA

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## What's Your Story?

Share your news, stories, and announcements with the GBSA community.

- . Got an idea for a story?
- . How about regatta news?
- . Photos?
- . Buying or selling a boat?

The Bow Line is a newsletter by the GBSA community for the GBSA community.

Send your story for the February/March issue by January 31

## Notes and News

### GBSA Mid-Winter Event

A Mid-Winter "fun"-raising event is in the making for 2007. Stay tuned for details.

Contact Tom D'Albora with ideas or if you'd like to volunteer to help. [Tom@teamcoconut.us](mailto:Tom@teamcoconut.us).

### There's still time!

There's still time to get your annual GBSA donation in before the end of the year. Mail your tax-deductible 501c3 contribution of any size to:

GBSA  
P.O. Box 267  
East Greenwich, RI 02818

Every donation - large and small - makes a difference. We appreciate your support.



*Tricia Sellon (center) celebrates with proud parents Paul and Joyce Sellon after receiving the 2006 Mary Rose Marshall Trophy at the NBYA "Splash Bash" on November 25.*