



Summer 2024

Donor Impact Report

From the CEO

Dear Friends,

What an incredible impact you've made!

Because of your generosity, 2024 is shaping up to be a record-breaking year in services provided to members of the sailing community.

Through every hour you've volunteered, every dollar you've given, and every way that you've supported US Sailing, you have helped to strengthen the sport you love.

This newsletter shows only a few of the ways you make a difference. I hope you will see your impact in these stories and know that you are truly appreciated.

Thank you for being engaged, involved, and invested. We are honored to count you as part of the US Sailing community.

With gratitude,

Alan Ostfield
Chief Executive Officer

Measuring Up

Thanks to your support, the number of trained boat measurers has nearly doubled this year. New measurer, Spencer Kunath, says thank you!

Spencer Kunath exudes excitement when he talks about his new role as a boat measurer.

"This touches people in all kinds of sailing," he says. "And it's going to do nothing but grow in its importance. As computer modeling develops, it's going to be quicker and easier to get a boat measured. And sailors will figure out ways to make the boats go faster."

A TP52 racer, Spencer has been on the 'customer side' of boat measurement four times in the past: three in ORR and one in ORC. Now, after taking the Measurers Training Seminar in San Diego in February, he is on the other side of the process. And it's going great.

Your support helps to make trainings like this possible and strengthens the sport of sailing. Thank you!



"I think the biggest surprise was the diversity of people that went to the training in San Diego," Spencer said. There were 35-year-olds, there were 75-year-olds. The wealth of knowledge in the room was incredible. The trickle down from people who have been doing this for so many years was huge."

Expanding the number of boat measurers around the country is a current goal of US Sailing. And the training that Spencer took was a big step in that direction.



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Resources For You and Your Club

Thanks to your generosity, US Sailing can offer valuable resources to you and your community, making your season smoother and more enjoyable! Like these:

Education!



First Tack - Online courses available now.

- Teaching & Coaching Fundamentals – the building blocks of good instructional practices to become an effective educator on and off the water!
- Safety at Sea – provides you with essential safety information that you can use immediately on the water as an inland and coastal racer or cruiser!



SafeSport

Protects your athletes, parents, and volunteers. A free resource to any US Sailing member and club organization.



Race Official Training

Safe, Fun, and Fair sailing for all competitors. Sign up for a Basic Race Management Seminar to get up to speed and support your local club racing.



Skill Development!



Skill Up

The App gives you access to instructional videos and resources. Just log in with your US Sailing membership info.

Introduction to Racing!



Youth Junior Olympic Sailing Festivals

JO Regattas and Clinics capture the Olympic spirit and introduce young sailors across the country to their next steps in the sport. They bring together sailors, parents, coaches, and sailing organizations for fun, excitement, and helpful information about lifelong sailing and Youth Performance pathways.



US Sailing is with you in every step along your sailing journey.

Thank you for helping to make these programs – and so many others – available!

If you have any questions about how to access any of these programs, visit www.ussailing.org or call 800-877-2451.

You're creating a record-breaking year!

Thanks to your support, the number of sailors attending courses, earning certifications, and participating in events is on track to be among the highest ever.

Here's what you've already made possible in 2024:

- **1,528** Safety at Sea certificates
- **144** US Sailing courses with 2,733 participants
- **800** offshore ratings certificates
- Annual Stakeholder Summit with over **60** attendees
- Most-attended National Sailing Programs Symposium, with over **400** attendees



Thank you!

Measuring Up *(continued from page 1)*

"We're noticing that a lot of measurers are starting to retire," says Sydney Hough, Junior Ratings Officer in US Sailing's Offshore Office. "For this training, we intentionally picked a mix of younger people who can carry on the legacy of measuring along with those who have been doing it for many years and want to keep up to date with current measurement practices so they can continue for another 5 or 10."

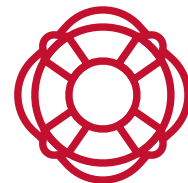
"Our other focus was geographical location. We want to train measurers all over the country, so an owner doesn't have to wait a month for somebody to fly from the East Coast to the West Coast. They can call somebody who's two hours away to come measure their boat."

Spencer admits that doing the first measurement on your own is a little challenging. "But it's a fun challenge," he says. "Sometimes you try to measure a boat and there are some physics that are not always predictable. It's great to be able to call Chris or Sydney or Jim at US Sailing and ask how to make it work."

Spencer has measured four boats so far.

The biggest reward, he says, is the time he spends with sailors during the measurement process. Their conversation covers so many topics, like sails, crewing, and how the measurement process works. That does two things: it helps boat owners understand how transparent the VPP ratings rules are, and it helps them understand their boat better.

"I'd like to say thank you to the donors who support the Offshore Office because it benefits people I interact with in so many different ways. As a venture capitalist in the world of sailing, I don't see any better ROIs. The return on that investment is tremendous."



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STU MCNAY
MIXED 470

DANIELA MOROZ
WOMEN'S KITE

DOMINIQUE STATER
WOMEN'S IQFOIL

STEPHANIE ROBLE
49erFX

ERIKA REINEKE
ILCA 6

HANS HENKEN
49er

DAVID LIEBENBERG
NACRA 17

LARA DALLMAN-WEISS
MIXED 470

MARKUS EDEGRAN
MEN'S KITE

NOAH LYONS
MEN'S IQFOIL

MAGGIE SHEA
49erFX

IAN BARROWS
49er

SARAH NEWBERRY MOORE
NACRA 17

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Nacra 17																	
Women's Kite																	
Men's Kite																	



Regular Race Day



Finnish Day

Competitors work to finish in the top bracket by the end of regular racing to qualify for Finnish Day and a chance at a medal.



Reserve Day

Possible days race committee could use in case of bad weather on any of the scheduled Regular or Finnish racing days.

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