# N.M.Y.C. NEWS

### **New Seminars Start in November**



Let's try something different! We're going to combine a Racing Rules of Sailing one hour seminar followed by Happy Hour. The venue will be BoKamper's restaurant on VanderBuilt Beach Road starting at 4-5pm for the seminar and 5-6pm for happy hour. The first seminar will be Nov 14 on Racing Rules1 followed by Racing Rules 2 on December 12th. If members support this, we will do a seminar & happy hour each month through March, 2020. These seminars are recommended to all club members, but are a MUST ATTEND if you participate in counted races.

But wait...there's more!

We will continue to have pond seminars for each class we sail. Topics will include boat set-up, battery management, sail trim and other subjects. Fleet captains will be in charge for their fleet. The preliminary schedule will be

DF65	Monday, Dec. 16	0930
SeaWind	Tuesday, Dec. 17	0930

EC12 Thursday, Dec. 19 0930

Soling1M Wednesday, Jan. 8

DF95 Tuesday, Dec. 17

Whether you race or not, you should attend these seminars for each model sailboat you own or sail.

## **Dues Reminder:**



\$30. for an entire season of sailing, seminars and fellowship with other skippers is the bargain of the year!

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Send your check to **Denny Ginsburg** or use PayPal on our web site.

## **Torpedo Grass Update**

Our launch area at North Collier Regional Park is looking better. The park staff has a new cutter that enables them to get closer to the water. They have to cut and bag for take-away. The Collier County Pollution Control Board has outlawed any herbicide spraying.

## Pond #2 Update

This pond located behind Dick's Sporting goods on Naples Blvd. will open for club fun racing on Saturday, January 4th, 2020. The Christmas tree vendor should be out by that time and our portapotty installed. We'll be trying some new, fun races this year like *"race what you brung"*. This pond will be for Saturday fun racing and maybe occasional overflow if we have schedule issues at NCRP.

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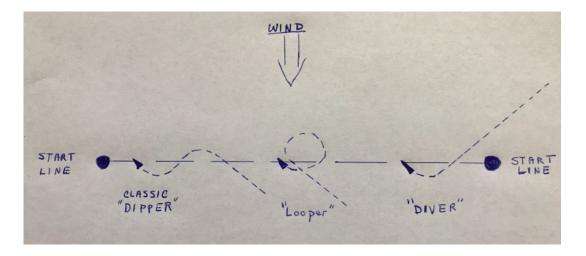
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#### WHAT IS A "DIP START"

For the race start, the NMYC and many other clubs have typically employed the "round the end" rule. This rule requires that a boat that is over the line prior to the start gun must go "round the end" of the start line before starting again.

Some classes are now allowing dip starts. With "dip starts" allowed, a boat that is over the start line has the option to "dip" back behind the line and start without going "round the end". Note: When dip starts are allowed they are not "required". A boat may still go "round the end".

The diagram below shows three different examples of boats doing a "dip start".



#### THE OFFICIAL "RULES"

"Dip starts" is a commonly used term, but the term is not expressly written in the sailing rules. Rule #29 simply states that a boat that is over the start line prior to the start gun must return behind the line and start again. Rule 29 does not say how a boat must return. So, unless otherwise noted, "dip starts" are allowed.

However, under rule #30, the race committee may display the "I" flag, in which case, a boat must go "round the end" before restarting. Then "dip starts" are not allowed.

#### "RIGHT OF WAY"

Prior to the start gun all the normal "rules of the road" are in place. For example, a boat on starboard doing a "dip start" has rights over a port tack boat. But also, a boat on starboard tack trying to do a dip start, must give right of way to all leeward boats.

After the start, things change drastically! Any boat starting early must keep clear of all boats that have started properly while returning to restart. So after the start, a starboard tack boat returning to restart has no rights over the boats that have started properly, even if they are on port tack.

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