

# S.E.A.S. Morris Sailing Club



## New Member Guide



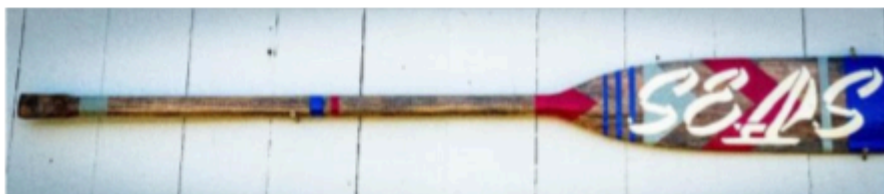
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How to Become a  
Better Sailor



# SEAS Morris Mission and Leadership



**Alecia Meila**  
**Commodore**

Welcome to **SEAS Morris Sailing Club and School!** We are the Morris County Chapter of the Society for the Education of American Sailors. We're an all-volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to the sport of sailing and the teaching of safe sailing skills on Budd Lake, NJ and Long Island Sound, NY. Our mission is to promote and encourage small craft recreational and sport activity by providing low cost, learn-to-sail programs. We encourage relationships among all persons interested in sailing craft and water safety.



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## **SEAS Morris Chapter**

### **New Member Guide—2024**

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## Benefits of Membership

- BASIC and INTERMEDIATE sailing classes include annual membership
- Organized “Open Sails” —Take part as a skipper, crew member or passenger on the Club’s multi-person Budd Lake sailboats
- Access to low-cost membership in the Club’s 30-foot cruising boat - SEAScape - located in nearby coastal waters
- Ongoing Sailing Skills and Knowledge Development— through monthly learning sessions, Open Sails and skipper qualification
- Charter Cruising Trips in the US and Internationally
- Member-sponsored activities—such as: hiking, biking, kayaking, rock climbing, white water rafting
- Opportunities to learn and contribute to the Club—taking part in: boat maintenance, sailboat rigging, teaching sailing skills, knot tying, joining social activities, trip planning, etc.
- Social events and fellowship—such as SEAS Holiday Party



## Sailing Classes Offered

### Basic Sailing Course

**\$280**

4 hours of virtual instruction over 2 sessions and 16 hours of supervised sailing on Budd Lake over a weekend.

Fun, affordable and local introduction to sailing! Learn to sail on a **boat with a single sail** with certified instructors from the Society for Education of American Sailors (SEAS). Successful students receive a SEAS Basic Sailing Certificate and current year membership in the club.

[2024 Schedule – first 2 dates are 2-hour virtual sessions; last 2 are weekend sailing](#)

June 4, 6 (via Zoom, 7-9 PM) ..... June 8, 9 (at Budd Lake, 9 AM–5 PM)

July 9, 11 (via Zoom, 7-9 PM) ..... July 13, 14 (at Budd Lake, 9 AM–5 PM)

August 27, 29 (via Zoom, 7-9 PM) ..Aug 31, Sept 1 (at Budd Lake, 9 AM–5 PM)

**PREREQUISITES:** No prior sailing experience necessary. Students under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Students must weigh at least 85 lbs. and be able to tread water or float for 5 minutes without a PFD (lifejacket). Each student must bring their own PFD for water sessions.

### Intermediate Sailing Course

**\$280**

5 hours of virtual instruction over 2 sessions and 16 hours of supervised sailing on Budd Lake over a weekend.

Enhance your sailing skills on a **boat with two sails** assisted by certified instructors from SEAS These sessions teach winds and the effect of 2 sails, knots, optimal sail positions of each sail, components of the boat, rigging the full sailboat, water safety procedures, rights on waterways and reading the weather. Successful students will receive a SEAS Intermediate Sailing Certificate and current year membership in SEAS Morris.

[2024 Schedule – first 2 dates are 2.5-hour virtual sessions; last 2 are weekend sailing](#)

May 14, 16 (via Zoom, 6:30-9 PM) ..... May 18, 19 (at Budd Lake, 9 AM–5 PM)

Sept. 17, 19 (via Zoom, 6:30-9 PM) .... Sept. 21, 22 (at Budd Lake, 9 AM–5 PM)

**PREREQUISITES:** Prior sailing experience is required. Minimum 18 years old. Students must weigh at least 85 lbs. and be able to tread water or float for 5 minutes without a PFD (lifejacket). Each student must bring their own PFD for water sessions.

*Membership in either course allows you to return during “Open Sail” days, for the remainder of the current year, to enjoy sailing and practice while instructors are on-hand to facilitate skill improvement. SEAS Morris is a **not-for-profit 501c (3)** educational organization which is dedicated to teaching sailing at all levels with an emphasis on safety.*

## Our Certified Sailing Instructors



Keith Bertenshaw



Peter Decker



Paul Duerk



Klavdiya Hammond



Alecia Meila



Tom Preston



Will Schmitt



Al Shamael



Mark Yacoub



Chris Zarpentine

# ANNUAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP

## 2024 Sailing Season

Membership – Single .....	
\$60	
Family Membership .....	\$90
Skipper Fee .....	\$50
Basic Sailing* .....	\$280
Intermediate Sailing* .....	\$280
Junior Sailing ( <i>half-day experience</i> ) .....	\$30

*\*Registration in BASIC or INTERMEDIATE classes includes current year annual membership dues.*

## How to Find Us

**MONTHLY MEETING LOCATION**—Subject to change; Refer to SEAS Monthly Email Newsletter, or email: [seasmorris@gmail.com](mailto:seasmorris@gmail.com)

### PHYSICAL LOCATION OF SAILING

SEAS Morris Sailing Club & School  
BUDD LAKE  
Mt. Olive Municipal Beach  
336 Rt. 46 West  
Budd Lake, NJ 07828



### MAILING ADDRESS

SEAS Morris, PO Box 292, Budd Lake, NJ 07828

**what3words location:** [shippers.debut.boats](https://www.what3words.com/shippers.debut.boats)



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## Our Fleet of Sailboats, Freshwater



### **AquaFinn Day Sailer**

**Length:** 13' 9" **Beam:** 4' 2"

**Draft:** 1' min., 3' 4" max.

**Crew Capacity:** 2 adults

**Rudder:** Transom-mounted,  
folding

**Hull:** Fiberglass, dinghy.



### **American 14.6**

*"Newport"*

**Length:** 14' 6" **Beam:** 6' 2"

**Draft:** 3' 6"

**Crew Capacity:** 5-6 adults

**Rudder:** Transom-mounted,  
folding

**Centerboard,** weighted

**Hull:** Fiberglass, dinghy.



### **O'Day Day Sailer II**

*"Tahiti"*

**Length:** 16' 9" **Beam:** 6' 3"

**Draft:** 3' 9"

**Crew Capacity:** 5-6 adults

**Rudder:** Transom-mounted

**Centerboard**

**Hull:** Fiberglass, dinghy



## Our Fleet of Sailboats, Freshwater

### MacGregor 22

*"Grandpa's boat"*

**Length:** 22'    **Beam:** 7' 4"

**Draft:** 1' min., 5' 6" max.

**Crew Capacity:** 5-6 adults

**Rudder:** Transom-mounted,  
folding

**Hull type:** Fiberglass with wood trim



### Catamaran Hobie 16

**Length:** 16' 7"    **Beam:** 7' 11"

**Draft:** 10" (rudders up)

**Crew Capacity:** 1-4 adults, or 800 lbs.

**Rudder:** Dual transom hung, kick up

**Hull type:** Fiberglass, foam sandwich,  
catamaran style

Able to be beach-launched



**Additional Fees Apply**

## **Pearson 303**

**"SEAScape"**

**Length: 30' 3" Beam: 10' 9"**

**Draft: 4' 3"**

**Crew Capacity: 5-6 adults**

**Cabin Headroom: 6" 3"**

**Rudder: Transom-skeg mounted**

**Wheel**

**Keel: Lead**

**Hull type: Fiberglass**

**Mast height from DWL: 44' 3"**



**Engine: Yanmar 2 GMF 13hp diesel**

**Fuel Capacity: 22 gallons**

**Water Capacity: 40 gallons**



## What's Next after BASIC and INTERMEDIATE?

### BUDD LAKE OPEN SAILS

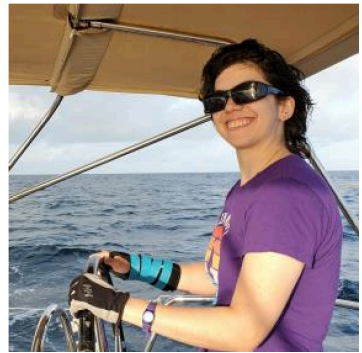


Throughout the sailing season, numerous opportunities are offered to club members to sign-up to go out on Budd Lake on the club's larger (14'-22') sailboats. As different skippers are available to take out a boat and crew, the club notifies the membership via email of the boat, date and time. Members then use SignUp GENIUS to join the trip as working crew.

This is a great opportunity to improve sailing skills on different boats under the supervision of certified skippers.

### CRUISING FIRST MATE COURSE

Learn the necessary skills to manage and bring a larger boat back to port safely should something happen to the skipper. Join a SEAS trip as a first mate and learn from experienced SEAS skippers. Students must submit a sailing resume. Complete details available on the SEAS Morris website under *Learn to Sail*.



### CRUISING SKIPPER COURSE

The skipper course provides you with the experience needed to plan and manage a bareboat charter with an able crew. Skipper candidates are expected to plan an itinerary, select anchorages, manage crew, and insurance management. Passing skippers will receive one (1) week of credit as skippering on their resume and a recommendation toward their skills. Complete details are available on the SEAS Morris website under *Learn to Sail*.

## Member Sponsored Activities

Beyond official club-sponsored activities, members often arrange and invite other club members to join them in private adventures, such as:

### Biking



Peter

Cookie

Paul

Will

Al

Klavdiya



White Water Rafting



Jenny Jump State Forest

Hiking



Al Wil Klavdiya Tom Cookie Henry Paul Steve

## Charter Sailing Trips-US/International

Members of SEAS Morris can participate, at extra cost, in charter vacation cruises, skippered by our experienced members, at premier sailing locations both within the US and abroad. Both weekend and week-long cruises are available.



### Recent Cruises Include:

- Chesapeake Bay, MD
- Newport, RI
- Martha's Vineyard, MA
- Amalfi Coast, Italy
- Cuba
- Bahamas

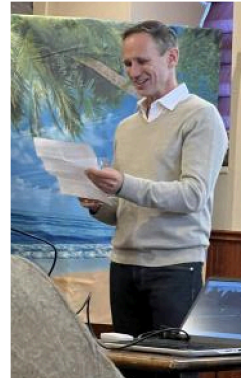


The SEAS Morris chapter has qualified skippers and a program to train and qualify members as first mates and skippers to participate in our charter sailing trips.



## Charter Sailing Trips—US/International

- Trips are entirely optional and a great way to see the world by sailing!
- Charter destinations are proposed and approved by club members
- Members work together with a reliable, friendly charter company to assure the trip is planned correctly and to simplify the process of booking sailboats
- Members may plan additional land excursions before or after the cruise
- Members sleep on the sailboats for much of each trip



Amalfi, Italy trip, Ischia Island, medieval Aragonese Castle in the background



## Charter Sailing Trips-US/International

