ALBERTA SAILING ASSOCIATION



Meet our Southern Coach: John Ferguson

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My name is John Ferguson and I am the provincial coach for Southern Alberta this summer. Before joining ASA I was a 49er sailor. I spent 3 years on the Canadian National Sailing Team and sailed full time during that period. We were primarily based out of Halifax, Nova Scotia and competed on the ISAF World Cup circuit. Throughout my years on the team I got to travel and sail in some amazing places. From Lake Garda, Italy to Palma de Majorca, Spain, I was fortunate enough to experience sailing in many countries and cultures. (Cont'd on next page...) WHAT YOU'LL FIND INSIDE

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Oldman Marathon

Being a full time sailor came with a unique set of challenges and experiences. We would be on the road for 9 months of the year spending our winters in Florida, spring in Europe, summer in Ontario and Europe and fall usually back in Halifax. The actual sailing aspect of a full time campaign was only a piece of the puzzle. Countless hours were spent organizing logistics, be it ferries from England to Spain or shipping a 49er across the Atlantic and all the driving in between. Overall I have put many thousands of kilometers on the road from Halifax to Miami and zigzagging across Europe. Between the constant travelling and hundreds or hours spent fundraising a campaign that was largely privately supported I have come to know the demands of full time dingy sailing all to well. Throwing myself into the demands of planning and executing a full time campaign at a young age taught me invaluable lessons and skills that I use everyday. I hope to encourage younger sailors to take up sailing as a serious and worthwhile endeavor. I am excited to work with Alberta Sailing to enhance the youth development in the province as well as develop the coaching required to move our sailors to the next level. I hope to bring a new perspective to the province and show sailors the amazing opportunities sailing can offer. I look forward to seeing you all on the water this summer!

Sailwest (WSC) NOR

The NOR includes a link to registration for both the Training and the Regatta. Please note that entrance fees go up after July 19.

http://jpvm.org/results/2018/SailWest/NoR/Sail West%20NOR%202018.pdf





Volunteer for our Casino Fundraiser Nov 9-10!

Alberta Sailing Association is holding a Casino Fundraiser at The Deerfoot Inn & Casino, Calgary, AB November 9-10, 2018.

The ASA relies on the support of its members for a successful event; please consider joining us!

Sign up on our website or at the link below: https://goo.gl/forms/1U2eT4QI4s7q2gVY2

Contact our Casino Chairperson Michelle at Michelle.rad652@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you in advance for considering volunteering! Volunteer Positions: general manager(s) and alternate banker cashier count room supervisor chip runner count room staff: sorter, counter, recorder, amalgamator

No previous experience required.

Find more information about the positions on our website: http://albertasailing.com/calendar/volu nteer-for-our-casino-fundraiser/

WAVES Regatta at Royal Vancouver Yacht Club

A strong Alberta contingent just finished the annual WAVES regatta in Vancouver, BC. With sailors in the Optimist, Laser Radial and Laser 4.7 there was great representation across the board! A special shout out to our top Optimist sailor, Nicholas Dixon GSC/RVYC, Adam Chan CYC, our top Radial sailor, Cameron Hay of GSC and Ava Fewster of GSC who won the 4.7 division. Congratulations to all the Alberta sailors for sailing hard this weekend!



Link to Results and Scoring provided by the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club http://www.royalvan.com/waves

- Lauri Kalkkinen



Get Your ASA T-Shirt!

Alberta Sailing T-Shirts will be available for sail at upcoming regattas, or by request. Please email our Sailing Director Lauri at info@albertasailing.com to purchase one for \$20.00

Coming Up...

Laser North American Championship

July 12 - 15 Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, Long Beach, CA

Prairie Winds

July 14 - 15 Newell Sailing Club

Sail Week Training

July 17- July 20 Wabamun Sailing Club

Sail Week Regatta

July 21-22 Wabamun Sailing Club

Find more about upcoming events on our website!

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