



RISK ADVISORY

To All Sailing Club, Inc. Members:

The Sailing Club, Inc. was formed, and still aspires, to serve as a means through which its members can participate in the sport of sailing, develop sailing skills and learn about safe sailing. However, as we all know, boating, in any form, involves inherent risk. While the Club enjoys an excellent safety record, we do not take it for granted. Of primary concern on every sailing trip that the Club runs is the safety of crew and boat. Over the many years of the Club's existence, we have developed a number of procedures to ensure this safety, as much as is possible. Among them are a rigorous skipper qualification program, a thorough boat check out procedure and a yearly on-water training session. In addition, pre-trip meetings with all trip participants, crew safety orientation prior to embarkation, and other informal training sessions are held regularly.

Aware of our excellent record but mindful of the legal climate in which we live, in 1994 the Club made the decision to incorporate and purchase a liability insurance policy which protects against the risks and costs of a suit, should one be brought against the Club. We intend to continue our vigilance in the area of safety to ensure that we will never have to call on the protection that this policy offers. However, our coverage does have its financial and coverage limits and cannot cover every contingency. While we consider it a very remote possibility, it is conceivable that a club member, whether a participant in a Club activity or not, could be named in a suit as an individual, not just as a member of the group.

As such, we suggest that all Club members speak with their insurance agents about this and to make their own decisions regarding insurance that would provide additional indemnification in such an eventuality and that they feel best protect them in their individual situations.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact any Board member.

The Board of Trustees
The Sailing Club, Inc.

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