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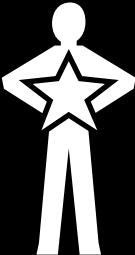
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Dear Sailors,

We are less than a year away from the 2021 J/22 World Championship in Corpus Christi, Texas. The Organizing Authority (OA) is securing sponsors and making plans for plenty of activities around the pool after racing.

The Regatta Network event website is now active, the Notice of Race is posted and ready for registration at <https://tinyurl.com/yysyxke>.

You'll also find a link to the Corpus Christi Yacht Club's web page for the 2021 Worlds at <http://ccyc.com/j22worlds2021/> with additional hotel details and information about sailing on CC Bay and the activities and dining places around Corpus Christi.

The OA team is making plans for the measurement process to go smoothly with a nice staging area to clean your boat up and get her rigged and ready for measurement.

To see how near the racecourse is to the downtown marina, we've put together a video of J/22s racing on CC Bay this June at <https://tinyurl.com/yxuq7se7>. From the docks to the start line is a ½ mile reach and ½ mile one-sided beat to the starting area (about a 15-minute sail).



The city marina has a new pier that is adjacent to our three-ton hoist with parking right by the pier and a 150-yard walk to the yacht club, the pool and the bar. There are 60 slips available on this new floating pier, and we have the entire pier reserved for the J/22 World Championship.

Your PRO, Mark Foster, is a past J/22 World Champion, and a three-time winner of the St. Petersburg Trophy for race management excellence. He has assembled a great team who will score races on the water and upload racing updates during the race.

If you are wondering about wind, here is a wind rose to give you an idea of the wind. See PDF <https://tinyurl.com/y4tehksw>.

If you need a charter, contact Brant Koepke at brantkoepke@hotmail.com. Brant is the past Governor of the Texas Circuit so he knows the boats and can get you in touch with the owners.

Our volunteers are ready to make this a successful and memorable 2021 J/22 World Championship.

See you on the water,

Brad Stokes
2020 Commodore, Corpus Christi Yacht Club
2021 Chairman, J/22 World Championship



Adaptive Sailing on J/22s with Warrior Sailing during COVID 2020

By Ben Poucher, National Director

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The nationwide Warrior Sailing program has grown over the last six years and has impacted the lives of over 450 wounded, ill or injured veterans. Warrior Sailing heals and strengthens the lives of veterans through sailing and continues to adapt to the times and scenarios at hand. This has been more evident with the impact of the worldwide pandemic in 2020.

Warrior Sailing began in 2013, and since its inception has hosted over 35 three-day basic training camps with over 450 veterans attending these camps at partnering locations all over the country. In addition to the basic training camps, Warrior Sailing participates in international regattas, trains veterans in continuing education for seamanship skills and

cruising, as well as actively races sailboats in the Great Lakes and other areas throughout the country. All of this is made possible by the donations and support of private individuals, partnering host locations, and the USMMA Sailing Foundation (a robust boat donation program that helps support the program).

The J/22 has become the keelboat of choice for Warrior Sailing. The club-owned vessels, as well as private individuals with J/22s, have made it possible to get veterans on the water. The J/22 is used at the basic training level as well as Warrior Sailing participating in major J/22 events (including a World Championship and multiple Charleston Race Week appearances).

The 2020 season has been a year of schedule changes and constant “unknowns.” While this has created a lot of disappointing cancellations of events, Warrior Sailing has been determined to continue to provide the support needed for the veteran population. The Great Lakes have become a summer home for Warrior Sailing over the last three years, and this year looked different, but still had a positive impact on the lives of veterans. In addition to Warrior Sailing’s original donation of a J/22 in 2016, a local veteran donated a (new to us) J/22 in the

fall of 2019 for the program to use locally in Charlevoix, Michigan. It was quickly branded and set up by veterans to participate in the Charlevoix Yacht Club’s spring, summer and fall season. With two Warrior J/22s on beautiful Lake Charlevoix, and the donation of moorings by Irish Boat Shop, Warrior Sailing brought eight Warrior Sailing camp graduates to the Great Lakes to train in July. The group took all and every precaution for isolation and safety due to COVID, and trained/raced for the entire month of July onboard the two J/22s.



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Warrior Sailors have overcome many challenges in life, and the adaptation to the summer of 2020 has proven again about their resilience and persistence. The training has created another group of capable and excited sailors to the community. These

individuals look forward to many more sailing adventures, and Warrior Sailing looks forward to a more “normal” life in 2021. We all struggle with isolation in these difficult times, and the population of veterans are no strangers to the danger of isolation and disconnection. Sailing has created a network of friends and family that has been missed since their time in the military. These opportunities are actually saving lives, and continuing to get veterans on the water will save even more lives.

If you are in the market for donating your J/22, or making a donation to support the training of these worthy men and women of Warrior Sailing, please make a donation today! Support the new sailors utilizing the J/22 as a training and racing platform.

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Family Matters

By Christopher Princing



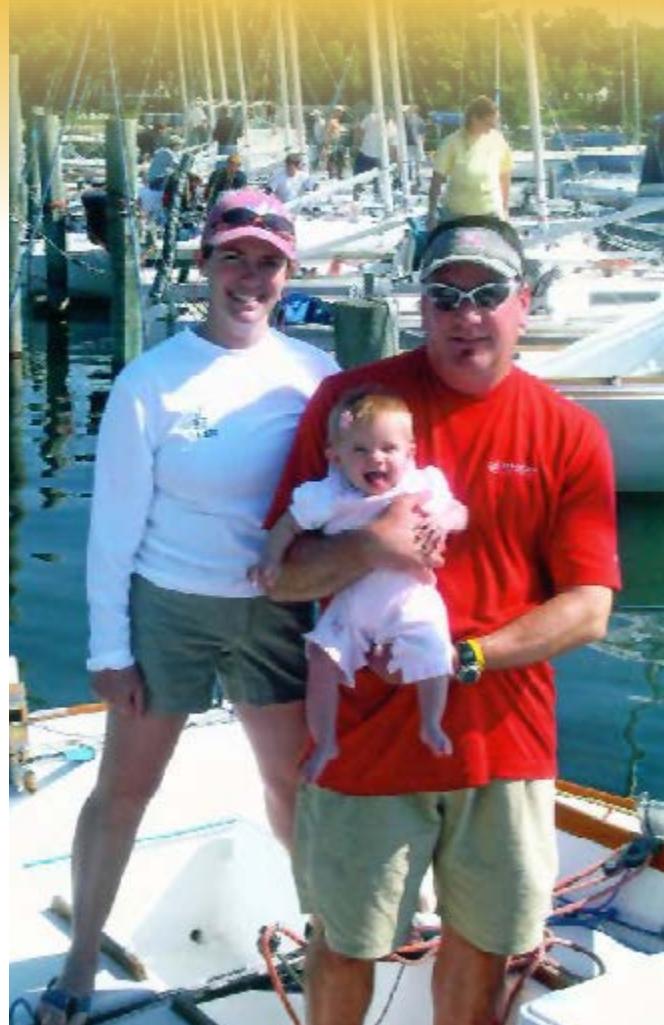
“Mom, I can do this!” came the raised voice of our now 14-year-old daughter, Jenna. She was on the bow of our J/22 *Evil Dr. Pork Chop*. It was windy and rough, she was 12 at the time, but by God she completed the gybe by herself. It made me think back to my youth telling my father, “Dad, we can do this!” as my brother Matt and I were trying to launch Sunfish by ourselves off the beach at Tawas Bay Yacht Club. We were growing and getting more confident in our abilities and wanted to do it ourselves. Did not always work out as planned, as I recall one or two times our dad and friend had to come rescue us out on the bay ha!

How to describe the J/22? It is many things: fast, fun, challenging, affordable... I think it should be described as a family boat! In my family, three of us have owned a J/22 at one time or another. My brother had one, my Dad owns one and we own one.

The J/22 is not a large boat, and the loads are small. Young people can sail on them. Jenna, our daughter, has sailed on ours since she was a baby and as active crew since she was 5 or 6. My Dad is 85 years old, and up until this year and a new knee has sailed on *Hog Tide* each year (and when he bought it, it was from an “old guy” who was 75 years old!). All ages and size of people can sail J/22s. Little people can sail them, Jenna was pulling lines when she was three in light air, and I, well...I am much handsomer than most and find it a delight to sail the J/22.

My wife Jennifer came from a sailing family; her parents owned a Lightning while she and her sister were growing up. Jennifer would travel to regattas with her parents and eventually became part of the crew on the boat as her mother started to move away from the sailing part of it. If her parents were going sailing, so were she and her sister. They grew up in the regatta atmosphere.

I came from a boating family. That is a sailor trying to tell you his parents owned power-boats! I was lucky as I always had a mate with me, my twin brother Matt. Every weekend we would get in the station wagon with my family and head up to the old Chris Craft docked at the club in Tawas. So early in our youth, we would fish from the dock. When my folks bought a 13ft whaler, we got to speed around and fish out in the bay instead of off the dock. It was sailing, though, that kind of got into our minds. Pretty soon we are sailing borrowed Sunfish against each other for hours every weekend, and a couple of younger men at the club started inviting us out on their racing boats teaching us about racing. We had to learn it on our own; there were no youth sailing programs or instructors. It was trial by error, and there were a



lot of those! Our parents were very supportive of our sailing and eventually bought a Sunfish for all of us kids.

Before becoming parents, we traveled quite a bit with our J/22 and met and became friends with lots of other likeminded folks around the Great Lakes, East Coast and even as far away as Oklahoma. Yes, they sail in Oklahoma and burn boats in the harbor ha! When Jennifer and I welcomed Jenna into the world, we never really talked much about it. I think we both just thought we are taking her with

us everywhere, and we did, and that became the start of so many great memories centered around sailing and family.

Jenna came to us in February of 2006, but her first regatta was in the fall of 2005. Jennifer carried her in her belly and dragged a little puppy named Summer along with our friends Ernie and Jacqueline to Whitby,

Ontario where Cameron and Elaine Smith welcomed us into their home with Jennifer pregnant and Summer living in her crate. I am sure it was the Canadian Nationals that weekend. It was a fun weekend with great people welcoming our yet unknown sailor into the J/22 world.



From her very first May in 2006, we took her with us everywhere, and she was on a boat sailing before she was four months old. She did a lot of sailing on our friends, Derek and Monica Carrol's 35ft sailboat. They had a one year old and a pack n play. We would put both kids in the pack and play (on the cabin sole), and we would go sailing. They would roll around and have a blast. As Jenna got older, we just kept bringing her with us. By two years old, she was sailing on the J/22 as crew (well...snacktician!). We would race, and she would go down in the v-berth and play. I recall one windy day (I think Jenna might have been three or four years old), and Jennifer and I were double handing the boat. Because it was windy and wavy, we kept her in the cockpit with us. Whenever she would get a little worried, we would get splashed with a wave and she would just giggle.

We got to the weather mark and just told her to sit on the cockpit floor north of the traveler as Jennifer and I got the spinnaker up and going. Still one of our fondest memories!

J/22 regattas were great as we always got to see our friends, and Jenna would be a little bigger each time. A lot of our friends helped us out with places to stay and babysitters if we needed them. Some of our favorite places we took Jenna were Lake Wayzata as a baby hanging out with MB, and of course Tawas Bay Yacht Club East...or as they like to call it...Chris and Sue Doyle's cottage! The Doyles were nice enough to let us stay there twice, thank you! The first time in 2010, we took Jenna to see Niagara Falls, and Ernie and Jacqueline Dieball had their baby Dean with us, whose first sail was on a J/22. We stayed with so many people as we pulled our J/22 around, and every venue we went to someone helped us out in some manner to make sure she was safe while we got to sail. All these people were just like us, moms and dads.

So... kids grow, and soon we have her trying to pull on lines on the J/22 and she is on the rail with Mom hiking. By six years old, she is trimming the spinnaker on light wind days, by eight she is on the bow on light wind days. Now at 14, it is her bow. She has some friends who she races against each week, Hannah and Izzy Monville. They are one year older and one year younger than Jenna. There is also the Carroll boys, Father Derek, Riley, Jacoby and Tristan, ages 15 – 8ish. All these kids do work on the boat, and generally when we are done racing, they want to throw the Sunfish in and go sailing. I think maybe just to get away from the adults.

From young to old, from small to handsome, the J/22 really is a family boat. I look forward to sailing with Jennifer and Jenna for many years to come.



Family Matters II

By Christopher Princing



East Tawas, for that matter all of Michigan, was locked down in early May as was most of the world. COVID had taken over, and “social isolating” became a thing. Stay at home and away from anyone who does not live in your house. Businesses closed unless they were deemed essential. No one knew what to expect, but the media was doing a good job of scaring everyone. Worse yet, the rules in Michigan seemed to change every other day...a pandemic they called it. I heard someone cry the sky is falling. “But, but what about my boat,” I cried!

A few weeks later in Michigan, outdoor activity was embraced. Get outside and exercise, but stay six feet away from the next guy. Boating? Sure, but no motors over 4hp because anything bigger causes COVID?! Well eventually that silly rule got tossed, and boating was embraced. Almost Memorial Day now and what to do. Think we can race? What are the rules on that? Wait, what is this in the mailbox?! Our race permits from the Michigan DNR? Must be a sign.

J/22 Fleet #44 called a meeting. We had Mr. Spacely’s tech person (Jennifer) set it up on these picture boxes, and we met while in our own kitchens. It was the first time many of us had seen another human in six weeks. There were a lot of beards and grey hair and girls with long curls. We discussed if we could go sailing, and if we could, what safety measures

could we put in place. It was a perfect vote; everyone is responsible for themselves, and if someone wants to wear a mask, then give them space and respect each other. Each boat owner could enact their own rules on their own boats regarding mask or not, and if you do not feel well, DO NOT come out to the boat club.

So, Tawas Bay J/22 Fleet #44 started a race season in early June, and it continues through the middle of September. It really is not that hard, even with the rules regarding COVID...it just comes down to family matters.

What do I mean by “family matters”? Well, one thing is for sure, family is everything. But in Tawas, we are incredibly lucky to have many of our J/22s sailed by crews of family members.

That really is one of our keys against this COVID scare. In fact, the very first J/22 in Tawas *Pig Dirty* was sailed by Don Thwing and his boys Donnie and Robbie.

Last year’s Fleet champion *Hog Tide* is my brother, Matt. This year, he is sailing with his wife on the bow for the first time in a long time. They have only been out a couple of times, but being the oldest boat in our Fleet does not slow them down.

Mark and Jane Olgaard sail their boat *Pygmalion*. Sometimes it is two-handed, but sometimes they bring along a third person.



Mark is a retired doctor and is monitoring our Fleet as the season goes.

Terry Monville and his crew of daughters Hannah (15 years old) and Izzy (11 years old) sail their boat *This Little Piggy*, and they fly the spinnaker all the time, even in breeze. Derek Carroll and his boys Riley, Jacoby and Tristan are another all-family team ranging from 15 years old down to eight; they sail the rental boat called *Mall Cop* (think about it...).

The old hats in this family thing are the Scotts and the Princings. Mike Scott has been sailing his boat *Squealer* with his sons Matt and Tim for a long time. Chris & Jennifer Princing have

sailed *Evil Dr. Pork Chop* with our daughter Jenna (14 years old) for at least 10 years.

Stay safe, see you on the lakes.

It is a pretty neat place to sail with really good people. The family part of it is no different than most J/22 Fleets. I recall all the homes we stayed in over the years at regattas. Heck, Jenna's first regatta, she was still in her Momma's belly. We took her and our new puppy Summer over to Whitby, and Cameron and Elaine Smith welcomed us, baby bump, puppy and all into their home. I remember Jenna's first regatta out of the belly, Wayzata 2006. MB Freienmuth gave us a place to stay with a six-month-old and grandma along for the ride. We took her everywhere.

Next time you're out sailing a J/22, look around and see how many kids, young and old are still sailing with their families. I bet you see a lot! Doyles, Fishers, Huibers, Dieballs, Snyders....





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