USE OUR WEBSITE EVENTS LINK ("Get Involved" button) TO SIGN UP FOR SAILS OR CONTACT THE SAIL ORGANIZER.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF EVENTS ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE UPDATED DAILY.

ALL VOLUNTEER ALL THE TIME...THIRTY YEARS OF PEOPLE GIVING THEIR TIME FOR AT RISK AND UNDERSERVED YOUTH...AND LOOKING FOR MORE VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN US IN THIS GREAT TRADITION.

SCHEDULE OF SAILS: Go to our website and click on the “Get Involved” link and following the links to see our coming sails and events and you can join the sail by following the links and signing up as a volunteer or guest. We have several sails each week now and are looking for those to work the boats both weekends and weekdays. www.bluewaterfoundation.org.

1. The SF District sails stalled a bit since the schools were not ready but begin in earnest each Thursday mid October….check the schedule on line. Every middle school and high school over the school year. Captain Les needs more volunteers to man these Thursday sails so please do sign up. On Golden Bear, our boat at SF Marina. Police are present on most of the sails as part of their community outreach.
2. We had over a dozen community sails scheduled over the summer both on Aleta and Bear and still have a few more to finish up our summer season. City of Dreams on November 2. More are likely to be scheduled but Captain Les is making sure our community groups get a chance on the water.

3. El Dorado Probation has begun again with Captain Eric in charge. These are on Aleta in Emeryville. Next El Dorado in a few weeks. Check the schedule.

4. SF Probation have their second class already scheduled which begins now. Mentor Mentee method. Was a family orientation and then our sails began. Looking for more volunteers. These are non incarcerated students on probation and are learning the ropes fast.

5. Contra Costa is having monthly sails, with Steve taking the lead as first captain. These are on Benjamin Walters leaving from Berkeley.

6. Alameda County have sails set for their classes, including a night sail, which have already begun. On Benjamin Walters in Berkeley.

7. CERTIFICATION SAILS for each of the boats are now scheduled: SIGN UP TO GET CERTIFIED IN A SINGLE FUN DAY! Go to get involved link on our website and you can sign up right now.

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**MAKE AND MEND DAY**

On OCTOBER 27 we will have our annual Make and Mend day and picnic in which all three boats meet and all of us volunteers clean, check gear, make minor repairs, drink beer, eat food and lie to each other about sailing experiences. Great fun and a good chance to meet the hundred people or so who now make up the Blue Water community. And this year we will have probation students from Camp Sweeney to come out and help us as well. SET ASIDE THE DATE AND FIGURE WE MEET AROUND NINE AND FINISH AROUND THREE...AND NEED TO BRING ALL THE BOATS TO BERKELEY FOR OUR EVENT! Meet at Berkeley at ten...which means need to meet at Bear and Aleta at nine to bring over. POTLUCK, CLEANING SUPPLIES AND MUSCLE NEEDED....

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**TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION:**

ALL THREE BOATS STILL HAVE MORE CERTIFICATION SAILS SET UP FOR THE COMING YEAR. THESE SAILS HAVE NO KIDS ON BOARD, SIMPLY A FULL DAY OF TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION, INCLUDING LIVE MOB DRILLS ON MANY OF THE SAILS. A GOOD WAY TO BUILD UP TO NEW CERTIFICATION IN A SINGLE DAY OF HARD AND FUN SAILING. AND LIVE MOB. CHECK THE "GET INVOLVED" LINK ON THE WEB PAGE AND SIGN UP!!!!

[www.bluewaterfoundation.org](http://www.bluewaterfoundation.org)

October 19 MOB and training on GOLDEN BEAR. Sign up!

The CPR and FIRST AID COURSE- Captain Les, will again teach on October 12 in the City. Sign up.

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**SCHOLARSHIPS AND INTERNSHIPS:**

Recall we have scholarships for selected students from the Sategna Foundation and our scholarship committee continues to monitor past recipients and plan for the next round of grants. We now have apparently an excellent student who will use up our remaining funds and shall be seeking another grant from Sategna. Stay tuned!
Recall we are also beginning a program of internships, including possible ones at Joanne’s and Eric’s shop. So far, we have half a dozen companies interested in sponsoring internships…**know any?** Get in touch with Lee at lstimmel@stimmel-law.com. These give our students that most valuable of all commodities…experience in the workplace to put on the resume.’

**CAPTAIN DAVID OUT OF ACTION: WITH A BROKEN LEG.** David broke his leg on his motorcycle and is sitting at home wishing he was sailing. All of wish him a speedy recovery…and remind him that the Safety Officer should ponder the safety of motorcycles! He should be back on board in a month or two.

**MONEY? NEED MORE!!** Down to about 7000 after the massive repairs to Bear and Aleta of two months ago…but we do have commitments from some more from some friends and the Meyer Foundation. That said, we do need to replenish our coffers and that will be a primary goal of the organization over the coming months. Marty has been fighting with the State tax people who finally admit that they should not have taxed us…after years of our complaining…and we will likely get back another $2000 there. We also have lead on a major donation which Lee will be following up.

We have no payroll, but we do have to pay insurance for the boats and repair and upkeep. *If you can spare it, we are tax deductible and every dime goes to serve the kids. Help us help them…*

President Shannon is thinking of a President’s Dinner, opposite to the date of the Party, to raise money…a fancier affair with more money per plate knowing the proceeds help the kids. Stay tuned for details.

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**BOSUN’S REPORT-both BEAR AND ALETA REPAIRED AND BACK IN THEIR BERTHS!!**

**BEAR:** Repaired and in operation, flag flying again. Next on the list is checking out her stanchions and cleaning her up at our MAKE AND MEND day.

**ALETA:** The new V drive is working well, she is now dependable and we are certifying new captains and crew as fast as we can.

**BENJAMIN WALTERS:** Usual maintenance items, tach being repaired, bright work, new fenders…All at owner’s expenses.

**EMERYVILLE MARINA ISSUES:** We have a new berth in Emeryville while we continue to negotiate to move Aleta to Berkeley. Shannon continues to work on getting a free berth in Berkeley.

**BLUE WATER TRAINING GROWING:**

Our dedicated certification sails are regular events now and allow us to certify crew and captains on the fast track. This month we had a double live MOB drill with the swimmer jumping from Benjamin to Aleta and back again ten times to train two crews at once. Check the schedule on our website (the Get Involved link) to sign up for these great training sails.
Keep in mind that many nonsailing activities are available for new volunteers...from scholarship/internships and fund-raising efforts, to outreach and training. Sailing is our tool...helping children the actual task at hand.

**Video Conferences**: David has purchased, after budget approval, Zoom for Video Conferencing for our committees. If your committee needs it and David has not already briefed you, get in touch with him.

**ATT PARK** Several volunteers of Blue Water spent a breathless seven hours on September 14 serving refreshments at ATT Park and earned around $500.00 for Blue Water...as the Giants lost. Exhausting work and who should drop by but Brian, El Dorado Probation Juvenile Probation Chief who was a bit surprised to see our President working the booth.

**NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 8, 2019** 6pm to 8 pm...and ALWAYS OVER BY EIGHT, FOOD AND DRINK SERVED, 2TH FLOOR, 48 GOLD STREET, SF, FIVE BLOCKS FROM BART, IN JACKSON SQUARE, all welcome or call in on our toll-free conference line, 605 475 4120, ACCESS CODE 1142034#.

You can make a difference if you want to. Up to you. **Join us.**

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