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## Two Regional Regattas Scheduled



Two regional regattas have been tentatively scheduled for early 2019 by EC-12 Fleet Captain **Dick Hedderick** and DF95 Fleet Captain **Jack Wubbe**. The first regatta is scheduled for January 12-13, 2019 for EC-12's that race in the Florida circuit. Dick expects approximately 20 guest skippers to participate.

Fleet racing requires a good starting line strategy and thorough knowledge of the Racing Rules of Sailing

The second regatta will feature a DF65/DF95 weekend with the 65's racing on Saturday and the 95's racing on Sunday. Other venues include The Villages MTS in October, Suncoast MYC in December and South Florida MSC in February. Contact Dick or Jack if you would like to volunteer to help.

## An Interview with Carl Olbrich...

My sailing experience began when my grandfather took me sailing in 1940. He was sailing a double ended Vintage Marblehead and I helped him race boats in Staten Island, New York and New Jersey. It took a second skipper on the opposite shore to turn the free sailing boat around. With the love of sailing in my life and as a teenager I sailed penguins, comets, and pennant class boats. This led to a converted 28 man life boat and a 26ft. Seabird yawl which we sailed the East coast from Staten Island to Gloucester, Mass. and all ports in between.

The next years were busy with college (General Motors), a two year Navy enlistment in New York City driving a Rear Admiral, marriage, four children, Ford Motor Co. assembly plants in New Jersey, Ontario, Canada and Wixom, Michigan. I also found time to enjoy bareboat rentals in Tortola, BVI, Saint Vincent and Newport RI.



1938 Photo of Carl's Grandfather free sailing double ended Marblehead. No radio, no servos, no boom vang

When I retired from Ford in 1993, we moved to New Jersey and I joined the Spring Lake Model Yacht Club sailing the Vintage Marblehead with connections to my grandfather of 56 years ago. One of the items on my bucket list was to take a sailboat from the North to Florida. In 1995 I took a 31ft. Allied Seawind ketch from Manasquan, NJ to Marco Island, FL by way of Lake Okeechobee and back.

In 1996 we bought a unit in Citrus Park and I met Jack Ratier, a past NMYC Commodore. He was sailing a Soling one meter at the park pond and I couldn't wait to get my hands on a kit to build. This is what got me to the NMYC. Over the years I have built more than a few Soling 1M and was the author of the tuning guide that came in the Soling kit from Victor Products.

In 2003 we moved our summer address to Cary, NC and I joined the Triangle Model Yacht Club. Their boat of choice was the EC-12. John Unterimer had a local vendor making EC-12 hulls so I assisted him and built a few completed boats for sale. The EC-12 spread from this connection to the NMYC. I sailed the EC-12 circuit until 2015. Our current winter address is San Diego and I am a member of the San Diego Model Yacht club where I sail a Odom and a DF-95.

NMYC has matured very well in the last 20 years. The web site has come to be a leader. Scoring and reporting are well handled and your training program is the standard to be copied. Carl's racing advice: "Just get a good start, note the winner of the last race and see where he/she started".

