



Newsletter
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The weather outside is clear and crisp, but with Michele running about in her Birkenstocks, who needs a groundhog to tell us that spring is on its way!

As always, we are excited to be exhibiting at the Halifax Boat Show and having the chance to talk with you in person.

Our booth will feature not only our Nova Scotia made, hand crafted sails and accessories but also ProFurl units. Our national representative will be here from Montreal and happy to answer any of your questions. As you know, this is the best time of the year to order new sails to ensure a spring delivery; it's also time to haul your sails out and send them down to the Loft for a thorough inspection of all the stitching, batten pockets and hardware. With our sailing season so short, you won't want to miss a day.... If a new dodger, bimini or awning is on

your wish list, contact us as soon as possible for information and a quote. Choose 'your' shade of Sunbrella from the large selection available.

Should your sails or other accessories be in need of repair, drop them off at our Booth #309. We will take them 'home', and contact you when they are ready to go. Likewise, if your sails, etc, are already at the Loft we will deliver your items to the Show for pick up. Please contact us on or before February 12th if you would like to take advantage of this offer.

This year, at the Boat Show, Michele will be presenting 4 'Cooking on Board' Sessions. She will be explaining the fine art of making meals in a space the size of a small closet using an oven the size of a bread box. Rumors abound that some samples may be available for the audience. We feel sure that the sessions will be both informative and highly entertaining.

Michele will be cooking 'on Board' as follows:

Thursday Feb. 15 @ 7:00 pm

Friday Feb. 16 @ 1:30 pm

Saturday Feb. 17 @ 2:20 pm

Sunday Feb. 18 @ 11:30 am

Recipes will be provided at each session!

The pessimist complains about the wind.

The optimist expects it to change.

The realist adjusts his sails.

William Arthur Ward

Here's your chance to prove your galley skills! If you have a favorite recipe or tip please send them to us for publication in our spring newsletter.

PROFURL- THE SYSTEM FOR YOU!

Whether you are planning an extended sailing trip or just looking forward to sailing in your home waters, Profurl systems will fill your cruising days with more fun and less worry.

“My sail making mate and I successfully sailed our CS 36 Sloop, ‘Easy Listening’ from Nova Scotia to Dominica (via Bermuda) departing Halifax in September 05. In terms of equipment we valued most, the ProFurl In-Boom System was right up there with the auto pilot! ‘When in doubt – shorten sail’ was our motto”.

Al Mosher

Drop by our Booth at the Halifax Boat Show for more information on how ProFurl can work for you.

During the coming year we will be publishing a quarterly newsletter which will include a Feature Boat section. If you are flying sails made by Michele Stevens Sailloft Ltd and would like to appear in our Newsletter please forward a photo and information to us about your boat. Should you have any questions about your sails or boat accessories contact us and watch for our response in the ‘Ask the Pro’ section of the newsletter. Responses will also be posted on our website www.tallships.ca/sailloft

In 2005 and 2006 the Crew at Michele Stevens Sailloft proudly constructed the mainsail and foresail for Bluenose II.

This spring will see us construct the main gaff topsail for an April delivery. Michele's Grandfather, Harold Stevens, along with her Dad, Robert, constructed the same sail at this Loft in the 1970's. The crew will be utilizing drawings made at that time which Robert recently rediscovered in the Sailloft archives.



The Crew preparing to measure Bluenose II main gaff topsail, November 2006. Notice the green grass!

Recently we left 'dial up' behind and are moving into the realms of modern technology with the purchase of satellite internet. This means we will be able to receive all correspondence and photos in a more timely fashion!

February 2007

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<p><i>For a spring delivery order new sails now! See us at the Halifax Boat Show for details.</i></p>	<p>Drop by Booth #309 to see our Show Specials.</p>	<p>Fill out a ballot to win great prizes!</p>		<p>1 Strictly Sail in Chicago February 1-4th Montreal Salon du Bateau 1-5</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 Los Angeles Boat Show 3-11</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 St.Louis Boat Show 6-11</p>	<p>7 Vancouver Boat Show 7-11</p>	<p>8 Detroit Boat Show 10-18</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11 </p>	<p>12 DEADLINE for Delivery arrangements for the Halifax Boat show!</p>	<p>13 HALIFAX BOAT SHOW 15-18 Exhibition Park</p>	<p>14 Valentines' Day </p>	<p>15 Visit our Booth #309 at the Boat Show! Michele 'Cooking on Board' 7:30 pm</p>	<p>16 Good time to order a new sail! Michele 'Cooking on Board' 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>17 Let's talk about Dodgers! Michele cooking at 2:30 pm</p>
<p>18 Speak with Catherine about new cockpit or interior cushions! Michele is cooking at 11:30 am</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 Victoria Boat Show 23-25 Eastern Canada Fisheries Expo, Yarmouth 23-25</p>	<p>24</p>
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March 2007

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				1 Mid Canada Boat Show March 1-4	2	3
4 Int'l Boating & Water Safety Summit. 4-7	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Daylight Savings Time Spring Ahead! 	12	13	14	15	16 Maine Boat builders Show 16-18	17 St.Patrick's Day! 
18	19	20	21 Spring begins today! 	22	23 Moncton Boat Show begins next week. March 30-April 1	24
25	26 Deadline for delivery arrangements for Moncton Boat Show. Call us today.	27	28	29	30 Visit our Booth at the Moncton Boat Show. Speak with Michele about new sails and dodgers.	31 Ready for a new sail cover-see Michele!

During the past few months we have been further updating our website and it now includes a page for new products. These include covers for air conditioners and hot tubs as well as our duffle, tote and sheet bags. If you need something constructed from fabric, chances are we have the specialist who can do it for you!

April 2007

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<p>1 Moncton Boat Show April Fools Day!</p>	<p>2 Boats are starting to go in the water!</p>	<p>3 Are your sails ready to go?</p>	<p>4 If not, call us at 902-634-9338</p>	<p>5 Make arrangements for a General Check over and repairs.</p>	<p>6 Good Friday</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8 Easter Sunday </p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 Deadline for recipe submissions for our next Newsletter.</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15 PROLONG THE LIFE OF YOUR SAILS....</p>	<p>16 Make sure your sail cover is ready to face another Maritime summer.</p>	<p>17 Send your sail cover down to the Loft for a check over and repairs.</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22 Can you see out of your Dodger windows?</p>	<p>23 If not, call us-we can help you see more clearly!</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29 The Boss' Birthday!</p>	<p>30</p>					

