



## **Sail Nova Scotia Annual Report to Sail Canada**

It's been a wonderful year in Nova Scotia when it comes to sailing and boating in 2025.

We were excited to once again be awarded the rights to host the Canada SailGP event in June 2026 and look forward to engaging and working with Sail Canada and yacht clubs across the country to once again make it a great success. Planning is well underway.

2025 highlights on the water included:

1 – Introducing Black Nova Scotians to sailing and foiling as we visited the community of Africville for one week in August. We teamed up with WeCANFoil to deliver a fantastic experience to the 14 athletes who took part

2 – Our Canada Games Sailing Team captured 3 Golds and a Silver in the 4 sailing events. Congratulations to the Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club for hosting a fantastic event.

3 – Nova Scotia Yacht Club hosted a number of international, national and regional events this summer highlighted by the Marblehead Race, Chester Race Week, Sail East, Opti Nationals, and more.

4 – Northern Yacht Club in North Sydney celebrated their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary this summer and through a fantastic party which included a visit from the Bluenose. Racing in Cape Breton was thrilled to welcome back Race the Cape after a multi-year hiatus.

5 – We all cheered on Georgia & Antonia Lewin-LaFrance from Chester as they posted some fantastic results in the 49erFX class this spring in Europe.

6 – Our Clubs reported good numbers when it comes to youth Learn to Sail Programs. Some rural clubs reported challenges finding qualified instructors and coaches. We hope to run more instructor development programs outside of Halifax in 2026.

We're looking forward to another exciting year in 2026, highlighted of course by the return of SailGP to Halifax.

Respectfully submitted,

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