

Shelburne Sailing Academy

at SHYC

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Director's Desk - Fired Up

We always enter our summer sailing season fired up, but this year the term took on a new and troubling twist. Wildfires consumed our time, our resources, and very nearly our homes. Thankfully, no deaths or injuries occurred in Shelburne County and no homes were lost among our membership, though sadly that is not the case for some others in our community. Special mention and honour needs to be paid to our SHYC members who are a part of the Shelburne Volunteer Fire Department (SVFD), including **Commodore, Andy Blackmer** and **SHYC member and Town of Shelburne CAO, Sherry Doane**, who were a part of the SVFD team that fought bravely and tirelessly throughout. The pictures below tell just how much skill, effort and especially courage were required.

-Rob Stork



One of SVFD's Tankers, helmed by SHYC Commodore, Andy Blackmer.




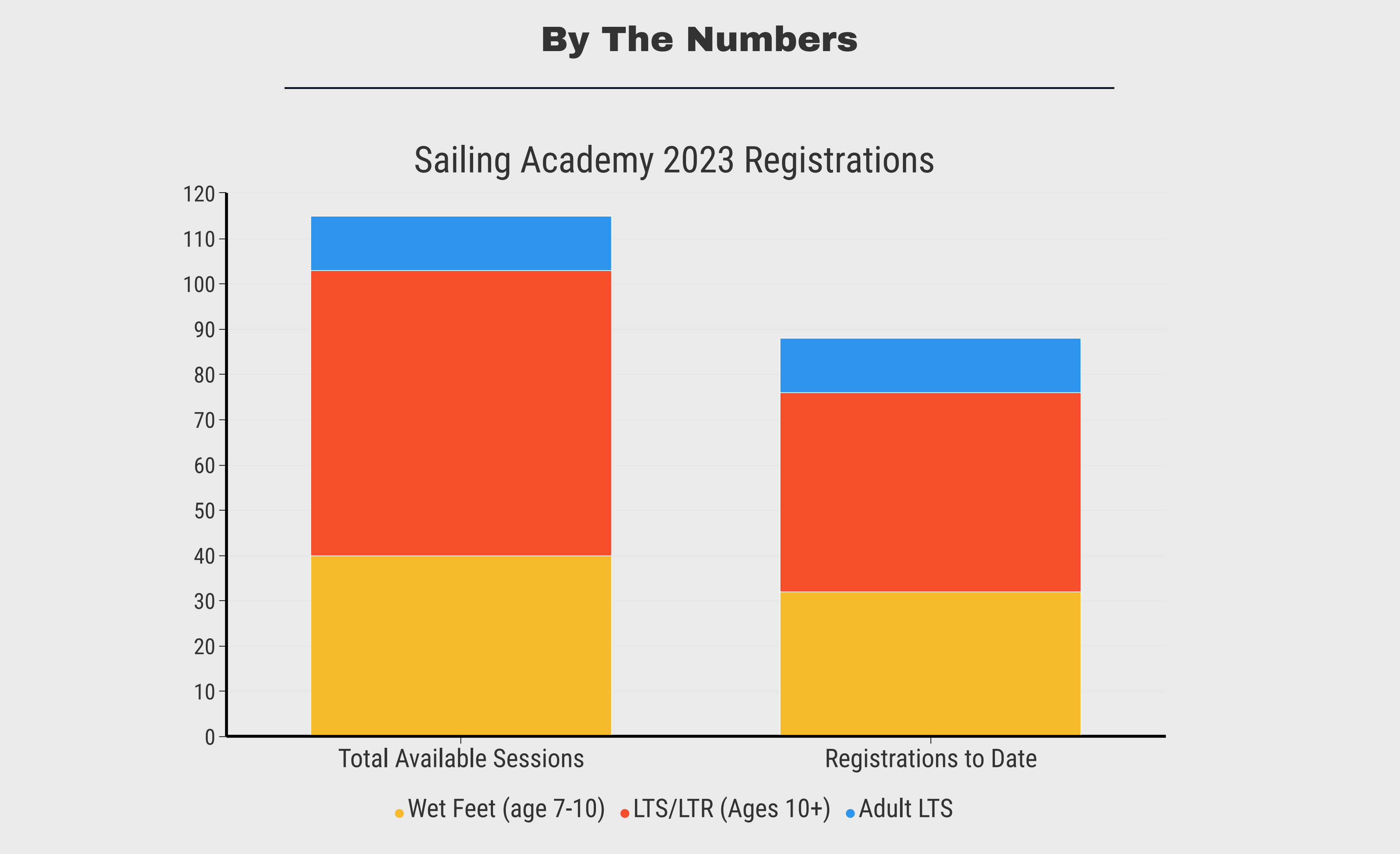
Apocalypse Here - Shelburne County, June 2023

Safe Sport Comes to SHYC, other YC's and PSO's

As a member of Sail Nova Scotia and Sail Canada, SHYC will be instituting SAFE SPORT, a program being developed by Sport Canada to better ensure that Canadian sport organizations are operating in a safe way, especially with regards to young athletes and other potentially vulnerable members of the organization or staff. At the Spring AGM, the club voted to adopt a comprehensive policy package, which includes guidance on how to promote safe sport and how to further educate our members accordingly. As part of this effort, members of the SHYC Executive Committee and certain other committee members and volunteers will be required to undergo an enhanced security check conducted by the RCMP. Notice of how this will take place will be provided to the individuals involved. Look also for posters around the campus offering guidance on other practices and procedures that relate to the Safe Sport policy. Thanks in advance to all members for their attention to this important matter and their cooperation in its implementation.

As the SHYC board member whose remit covers those most clearly part of a vulnerable population, the SHYC Director of Sailing has been designated as Safe Sport Lead in instituting this policy. **Questions can be directed to: saildirector.shyc.ns@gmail.com.**





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The Sailing Academy at SHYC and the good work it does for our community is made possible by the efforts and expertise of many volunteers and financial support from members of the business community as well as all the members of SHYC. We thank you.

-Rob Stork
Director / SHYC Sailing Academy

