

Our Mainsheet

The Mainsheet is the chapters newsletter that goes to each paid member. In each issue we recap the business of the chapter, inform every one of upcoming events and throw in a feature story or two of general interest to the membership. We offer free classified ads to buy, sell, swap or giveaway boat stuff.



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in the fun?**

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TSCA.net/delriver**

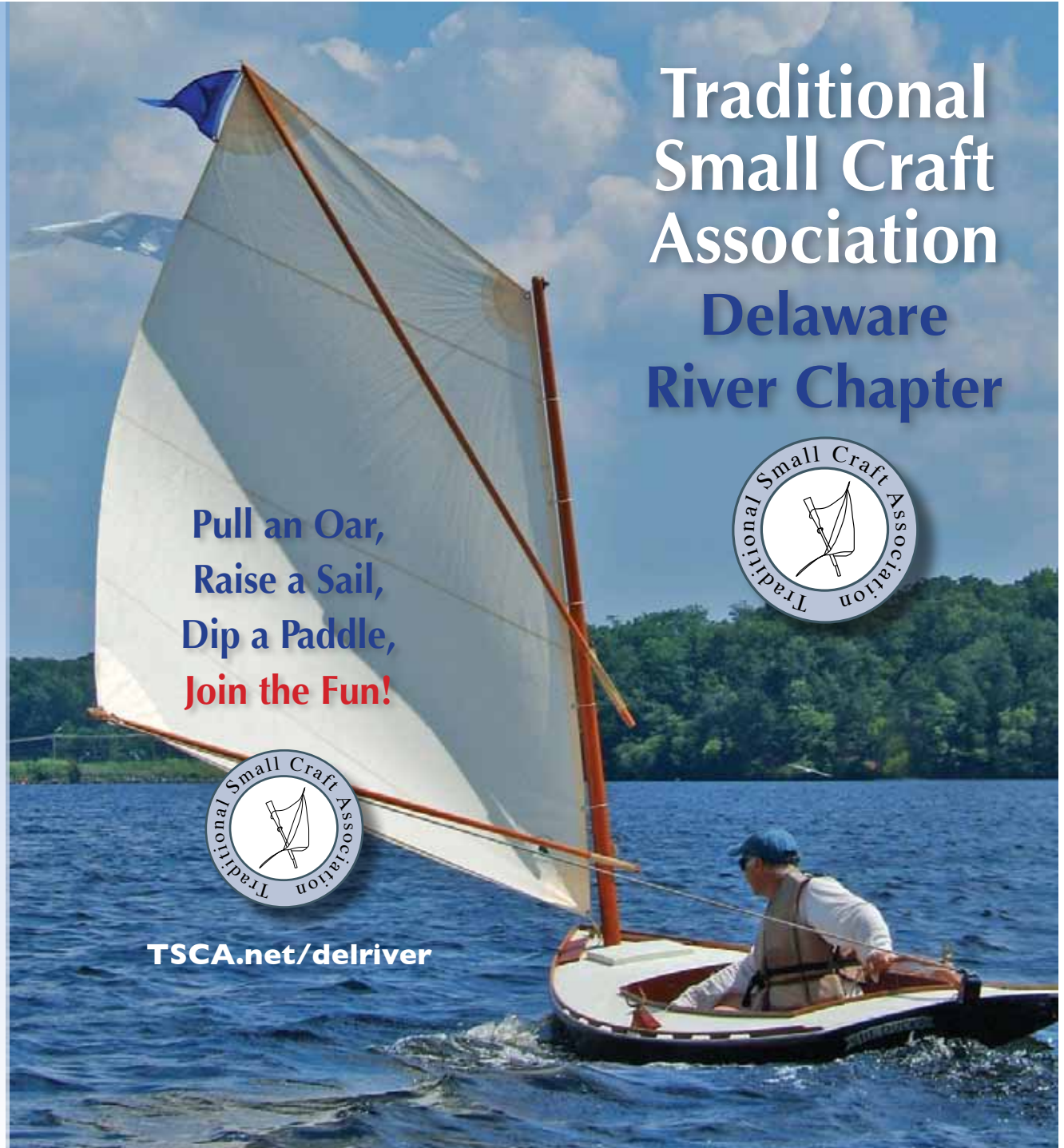
Traditional Small Craft Association Delaware River Chapter



**Pull an Oar,
Raise a Sail,
Dip a Paddle,
Join the Fun!**



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Real Boats for Real People Meetings All Year Round



Who we are, what we do, and how we do it.

The Delaware River Chapter of the Traditional Small Craft Association works to preserve and continue the living traditions, skills, lore and legends surrounding working and pleasure craft whose origins predate the maritime gasoline engine. It encourages the design construction and use of these boats. Whether you have an interest in traditional boat building, messing about in small boats or helping preserve our maritime heritage come join us and share the camaraderie of kindred spirits.

Building Restoring and Repairing

Members offer advice on each others building projects, restoring and repairing "Traditional Small Craft" and related accessories. Over the years we've built railbird skiffs, a variety of dory's, rowing and sailing skiff, several Whip designs, a Wine Glass Dory, and two replica Delaware Duckers, one contemporary and one traditional.

Working either alone or as a part of a team, the membership builds, sails and maintains their boats as a link to an earlier and easier time.

Coincident with the ad hoc building program, the chapter invites and encourages beginner and novice "want to be" boat builders to learn the crafts and skills of small boat construction in both the modern and old fashioned methods.

Members offer advice on each others home building projects. The range of experience possessed by the membership means that the best answer could always be had... no matter what the complexity, material or process.



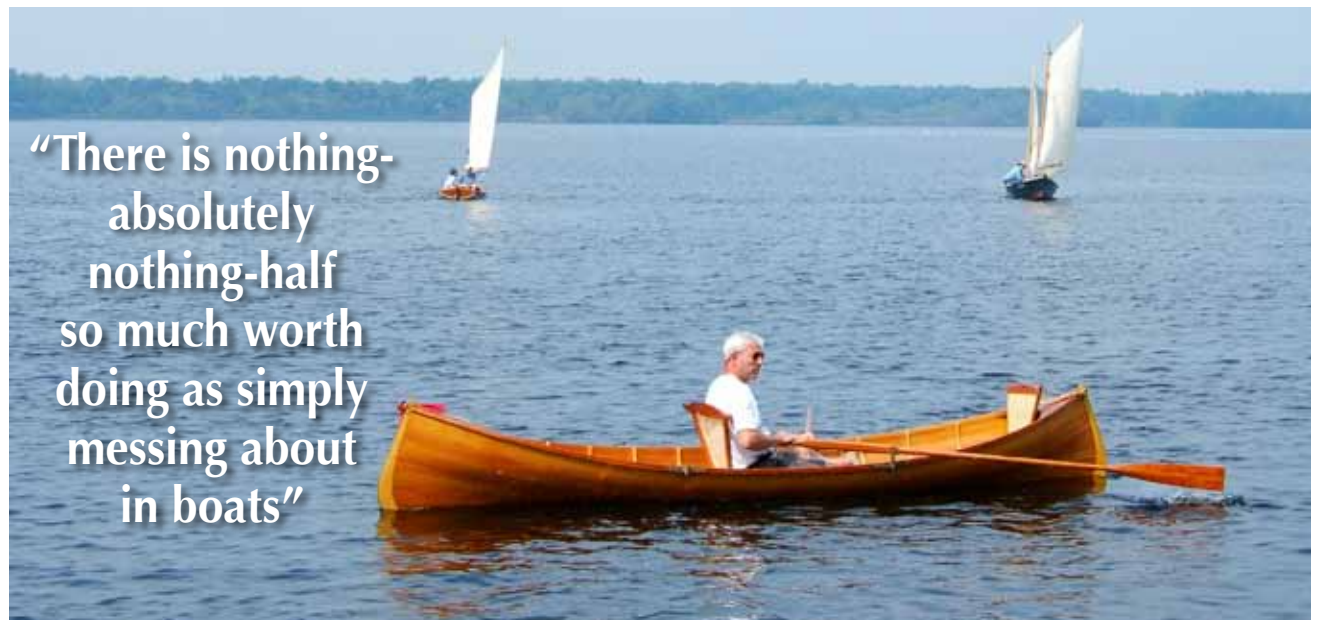
Year Round Meetings and Programs

The Delaware River TSCA holds general membership monthly meetings. The programs are planned to both educate and entertain members and their guests. Programs range from presentations by product manufacturers, to multimedia presentations on the histories of indigenous small craft in the region.

Members frequently provide presentations on their own building projects, sail camping trips, and the personal creations of gadgets and rowing activities. Meetings are lively, interactive and educational.

A Full Schedule Of Events

There are several rowing, paddling and sailing events, meets and races, both formal and informal, scheduled throughout the season. Notable among these are the annual Chapter Messabout and the Mid-Atlantic Messabout weekend held on the Chesapeake Bay. Members also travel together to regional and national small craft events like the Wooden Boat Show.



"There is nothing-
absolutely
nothing-half
so much worth
doing as simply
messing about
in boats"