

# 2017 MSC Sailors' Gatherings

You, your family and guests are invited to a breakfast buffet from 9:00am – 9:50am which will be followed by our guest speaker(s) from 10:00am – 12:00noon.

- January 14**      **Ask Thomas Fogh**  
Q&A with Thomas so bring any questions you want to ask (preferably sailing related!)  
Presenter: Thomas Fogh, Pan-Am Games Coach
- January 28**      **Bird Studies Canada**  
Bird Studies Canada is our country's leading science-based bird conservation organization.  
The organization is supported by community efforts and donations.  
Presenter: Emily Rondel  
[www.birdscanada.org](http://www.birdscanada.org)
- February 11**      **Boat Repairs**  
Chainplates, floor/hull leaks, gelcoat care.  
Presenter: Luis Perez of Patagonia Boatworks Toronto  
<https://www.facebook.com/Patagonia-Boat-Works-346688791342/>
- February 25**      **Tuning Your Boat While Sailing**  
Generating speed and efficiency while underway.  
Presenter: Thomas Fogh, Pan-Am Games Coach
- March 11**      **Weather**  
Weather, clouds and the best weather apps available, free and otherwise.  
Be sure to have your smart phone with you to try out the apps.  
Presenter: Ron Bianchi, Senior Associate, Director of Strategic Development - Climate and Terrestrial Weather – Met-Ocean Services, Amec Foster Wheeler
- March 25**      **Learning the Ropes**  
Knots, splicing, whipping, line selection and more.  
Presenter: Morton Fogh of Fogh Marine and Fogh Boat Supplies  
[www.foghmarine.com](http://www.foghmarine.com)      [www.foghboatsupplies.com](http://www.foghboatsupplies.com)
- April 8**      **Sailing Rules**  
Rule updates for 2017-2020 and a refresher on right-of-way rules.  
Presenter: Lynn Beal, International Sailing Judge  
<http://www.zoominfo.com/p/Lynne-Beal/342368030>
- April 22**      **The Dark Side of Sailing**  
The unexplained things that happen when sailing: knocks and lifts, unexplained wind shifts, why it's so easy to capsize on a jibe, why are they called accidental jibes, the most common things to avoid to prevent a capsize, the do's and don'ts of assisting an overturned boat.  
Presenter: Dave Daniel, Mississauga Sailing Club
- May 6**      **Race Tactics and Starts**  
The plan, the strategy and the execution of a successful race.  
Presenter: Thomas Fogh, Pan-Am Games Coach

**Bring your questions, ideas and thoughts. The speakers want to hear from you.**