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Eleuthera Sailing Academy

2026 programme progress report

Documented activities January to September 2026



Summer 2026 programme collage from ESA's 10 September newsletter.

Reconstructed draft — prepared November 2026 from archived records

Partial-year progress report covering selected documented activities through September 2026. This is not a completed annual report.

01 / ARCHIVE RECONSTRUCTION

A summer led locally

New sailors and the next generation of coaches

ESA's September newsletter reported more than 30 local children taking part in summer camps. First-time sailors and returning participants shared sailing, watersports and time together at Savannah Sound. This is a summer-camp figure, not an annual total.

From learning to teaching

Dion and Chevy completed ESA's instructor course in May 2026 and went on to lead summer programmes. The newsletter describes the first summer in which programmes continued with both Martin and Carlien away.

That continuity is a concrete step in developing local leadership. It records young coaches taking responsibility for the programme, rather than treating instructor development only as a future ambition.

What the summer shows

The camp story connects access with progression: children can start on the water, return to practise and eventually help others learn. Continued mentoring and opportunities to teach matter as much as completing a course.

The people around the programme

Families, local coaches and visiting helpers made the summer possible. The newsletter also records Pleon coaches returning to Eleuthera at the end of the summer and helping with the final regatta.

02 / ARCHIVE RECONSTRUCTION

The Pleon connection continues

A second summer of exchange with Marblehead

In summer 2026, Yemaya and Makayla Hauber visited Pleon Yacht Club in Marblehead, Massachusetts. ESA's September newsletter identifies this as the second year of the exchange.

The earlier journey, recorded in the 2024–25 book, was made by Deja and Denee in 2025. Different sailors, in consecutive summers, connected through the same growing relationship.

An exchange in both directions

Pleon coaches returned to Eleuthera at the end of the 2026 summer and supported the final regatta. The relationship therefore included visiting, hosting and sharing coaching time, not only a trip abroad.

Why it belongs in this report

The exchange gives local sailors a chance to learn in a different sailing community while bringing new coaching relationships back to Savannah Sound.

03 / ARCHIVE RECONSTRUCTION

Welcoming visiting sailors

The Heights School and cross-club learning



Thumbnail of The Heights School Eleuthera trip film, 2026. Credit: SullydEdits.

The Heights School visited Eleuthera in March 2026. Messages written during the visit and later correspondence confirm the sailing experience, and the students' film provides a visual record of the trip.

Watch the student trip film

In April, a completed clinic brought Nassau sailors to ESA, including a returning Lyford Cay group. The programme account describes the value of stronger shared fleets for local children.

These visits connect local sailing with a wider network of schools, clubs and coaches. Visiting programmes can help support local youth activity.

Sailing with the wider community

Community participation and the work ahead

Learning across programmes

The year's documented stories include local instruction, summer camps, school visitors, shared clinics and an overseas exchange. Together they show different ways for young sailors to participate and for the community to help them continue.

Thank you

Thank you to the local coaches, participating families, school and club partners, visiting coaches and everyone who gave time to the programme. The summer account is especially a record of local responsibility, supported by friendships that reach beyond Eleuthera.

Reflections for the next report

Keep a dated record of school sessions, camps, coaching milestones and regatta participation. Include the names and roles of supporters only where their contribution is confirmed. A fuller report can then show how opportunities connect without confusing one event's attendance with annual reach.