

With the boat sitting in it's cradle on the dock

Gather the parts and take them to the boat

- ✓ From the sail shed, get an Aqua Finn *daggerboard, sail and mast*. The sail is attached to two spars and will have the *mast* with it).

Rig the boat

- ✓ Check the lines (mainsheet, halyard and traveler) for wear.
- ✓ Remove the plug from the transom of the boat and drain any water that may be in the hull.
- ✓ Make sure the transom plug and cockpit plug are in place and secure.
- ✓ The sail is carried on two spars. The bottom one is the boom and has two pulleys which the mainsheet is fed through. The halyard is fastened in the middle of the top spar.
- ✓ With the sail and mast laid across the deck, run the halyard through the hole in the top of the mast and put the mast through the gooseneck
- ✓ Secure the mainsheet at the back of the boat with a bowline tied around the traveler.
- ✓ Tie a stopper knot at the end of the mainsheet that comes into the cockpit.
- ✓ The two blocks on the boom that the mainsheet is fed through should hang down from the bottom of the boom. If they are up on the side or top of the boom, the mainsheet may snag and you may not be able to adjust the mainsail as needed. Try flipping the sail/spars over to the other side of the mast to fix.
- ✓ Step the mast into the hole (mast step) on the from of the boat.
- ✓ If possible, try to position the boat to be facing into the wind. This way when you raise the sail it will tend to stay over the middle of the boat instead of blowing out to the side.
- ✓ **IMPORTANT:** When there are other boats and people close by be alert and do not let the sail swing around into anyone.
- ✓ **VERY IMPORTANT:** Always maintain control of the halyard when lowering the mainsail. Never drop it quickly. Ease it down being sure the spar will not hit anyone.
- ✓ Raise the sail. The halyard is run through the fairlead on the deck and secured to the cleat.
- ✓ After you have the mainsail up and mainsheet attached, you should be able to let the sail all the way out from the boat and still have enough mainsheet length to reach easily into the cockpit.

NOTE: Please let the lake wardens know if you discover a problem with any equipment.