



SANDUSKY SAILING CLUB

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The object of the Sandusky Sailing Club shall be the promotion and encouragement of sailing and seamanship, and of a sportsmanlike attitude toward racing and competition. The Club is organized to encourage small boat sailing and racing among those who may not be able to afford large annual dues and assessments.

September 2012 Cross Bearings

09/26	Wed	Champion of Champions	6:30pm
09/29-30		Snow Flurries Regatta at PCYC	
09/30	Sun	Sun morning races	9:30am
10/01	Mon	Sadler Basin Committee meeting	7:00pm
10/03	Wed	Champion of Champions	
10/09	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm
10/18	Thurs	Club rental	10-2
10/20	Sat	SSC Fall Workday	8:30am
10/20	Sat	SSC General meeting/elections	1:00pm
11/03	Sat	SSC Awards/Appreciation Banquet	
11/04	Sun	Daylight Savings Time	
11/05	Mon	Sadler Basin Committee meeting	7:00pm
11/13	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm

Check the web site for more info: www.sanduskysailingclub.org.

Commodore's CommentsJohn Hartung

Awards Banquet - I wish to invite everyone to the 2012 Awards and Appreciation Dinner which will be held at the Sandusky Yacht Club on Saturday, Nov. 3, beginning with cocktails at 5:30pm and awards at 6:00pm. As detailed in the flier that accompanies this month's newsletter, the cost will be \$28 per person, and I ask that you RSVP to me by Saturday, Oct. 21, at 419-433-6151 or jphartung@bex.net, so I can give the folks at SYC an accurate count. Please make checks payable to the Sandusky Sailing Club and either mail them to the club address (PO Box 814, Sandusky, OH 44870) or present them the night of the banquet. Also, please write on the front of the check the word "Banquet" so our treasurers can get your payment to the right account. This is a really great way to end the sailing year, so I hope you'll join us.

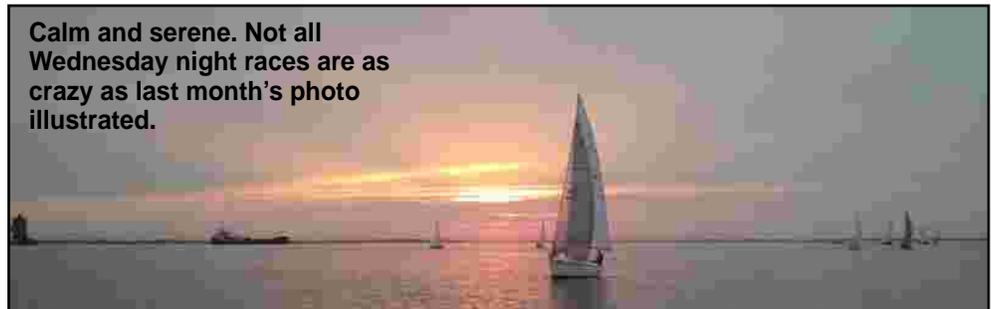
Vickie Swabley - I am sorry to report that Vickie Swabley died on Wednesday evening, Sept. 12, after a long and courageous battle with brain cancer. Vickie and her husband Mark were the leaders of the Cruising Fleet for many years, and as such, were two of the most active cruisers in the club, participating in almost all of the fleet sail-aways. They worked as a team and left an indelible mark on SSC during their stewardship of the fleet. Besides Mark, she is survived by her parents, Alden and Ann Kosel; children Troy and Laura Pittenger of Norwalk, and Jennifer and Jay Wenger of Lima, Ohio; grandchildren, Jack Pittenger of Norwalk, and Taylor Judy, Parker Judy and Lyla Wenger of Lima; sister, Kathi Schlotterer of Norwalk; and several nieces and nephews. On behalf of the members of SSC, I wish to extend our condolences to Mark and his family.

Fall workday and general meeting - Please mark your calendar for our Fall Workday on Oct. 20, beginning at 8:30am. Come help your fellow club members ready the house, grounds and marina for the "hard water" season. I'll go no further than that, because I don't want to steal VC Sjoerd's thunder on this topic. At the General Meeting, we will be voting on nominees for the bridge and trustees. The slate of candidates for 2013 as determined by the Nominating Committee is:

- Commodore - VC Sjoerd-Jan VanderHorst
- Vice Commodore - RC Mike Fishbaugh
- Rear Commodore - To be announced
- Trustee 2nd year - Jay Austin, Jim Brinker and Phil Spicer
- Trustee 1st Year - Sheryl Hoffman, Nancy Mendenhall and Terry Parker

Championship of Champions - Even though the regular Wednesday night race series is over for those of us who are less than racing rock stars, we still have our fleet winners out on the water competing to be the SSC Champion of Champions. So please join in the fun and excitement of this event and get out on the Bay to cheer on your fleet champion. It's planned to have two races on the evenings of Wednesday, Sept. 26 and Oct. 3. According to Jay Austin, we'll have burgers and brats after the races. This is a great way of continuing our Wednesday night gatherings.

Race Committee - And I'd be remiss if I didn't extend a BIG THANKS to our Race Committee for the great job they did on the water this year. To say they've been worked hard this season is an understatement. In addition to the usual racing events that they manage, let's not forget the Thistle Districts, those eight days in July with the OPTI folks and the J/24 Great Lakes Championship. I think sometimes we forget that this group puts themselves out there under all types of weather and wave conditions so we can enjoy well-laid-out race courses and well-managed starting sequences. These dedicated folks bring to us a level of race management that makes other clubs envious. We at SSC are truly blessed to have this fine group of people as part of our organization.



Calm and serene. Not all Wednesday night races are as crazy as last month's photo illustrated.

SSC Secretary - Several days ago, Carol Peter informed me that she is resigning from her position as SSC Secretary. A personal note from Carol regarding her decision appears in this newsletter. On behalf of the flag officers and trustees, I want to thank Carol for her service this past year. She has done an excellent job as Secretary and her presence and counsel will be missed. Of course her departure means we will need to look for a replacement. So at this time, I am asking any member who is interested in the position of Club Secretary to contact me as soon as possible. The duties and responsibilities of the position can be found under Article VIII (Duties of Officers), Section 4, of the SSC Constitution. This is a paid position.

Thanks Leo - As I've progressed through the flags, I've had the pleasure of working with a lot of great people who keep the spirit of "volunteerism" alive and well at SSC. Leo Kaufman is one of those people who quietly go about helping out with one project after another, expecting little praise or reward other than the satisfaction of providing a service to his club. Well Leo, I'm going to give you a little well-earned praise. Thank you for installing gutters on the club's tool shed. Thank you for getting the electric service to the new ice machine. Thank you for helping Tim Kyle deal with the hoist problems that we've encountered this year. Thank you for all of the time and work that you've provided to the Junior Race Team. And although this may not last as long as your other contributions, thank you for sharing that wonderful venison sausage with us over the summer.

The next monthly SSC Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 9. As always, Board meetings are open to all SSC members.

I invite you to contact me by phone at 419-433-6151 or by email at jphartung@bex.net if you identify any club issues that need attention.

Vice vice Baby!!VC Sjoerd-Jan VanderHorst
Fall Workday, Saturday, Oct. 20 at 8:30am - I hope to see all of you at the club for the fall workday and general meeting. As always, we have a lot of little and big jobs that need to be completed before we put the club into winter operation mode. So, bring your rakes, shovels, blowers, hammers and anything else that may come in handy and join us. Lunch will be provided prior to the general meeting. If you have any special facilities and/or grounds projects that you think we need to address, let me know and I'll add them to our workday list. Please email sjvanderhorst@gmail.com.

Recycling Update - Recycling has been discontinued for the season as we move into the fall and winter months. We will revisit the recycling in the spring.

If you have any house or grounds issues, please contact me at 440-617-9995 or sjvanderhorst@gmail.com.

The construction crew is proud of the "rebuilt" Interlake, Norm - named after PC Norm Winkel. Check out the boat and their progress at the Maritime Museum.



No, it wasn't a Fracker...it was a 1968 Thomas...Wiggins, your kite was much older than you!

More Rants from the Rear.....RC Mike Fishbaugh

Wednesday Night Burgers - With the season almost done, let me first thank everyone for their support and help in the galley this season. The entire season went very well and it was great to see so many helping out on the grill and in the galley. Thanks to all the fleet captains who coordinated as well.

Labor Day Weekend - Our fall sailing season started well again this year with Jim and Jayme Ward serving us a great Mexican Feast on Friday before the Robert Henry Memorial Race to Port Clinton. Our members also came out in great fashion for our traditional Labor Day Potluck. There certainly was a wide selection of great food to choose from!

The "new" SSC Champion of Champions Regatta - Come out and join us for the second half 2012 Champion of Champions regatta on Wednesday, Oct. 3. For this year, the C of C's is being raced on two consecutive Wednesdays. We'll be serving our traditional Wednesday brat and burgers - so come out and support your fleet!

Feel free to contact me with any questions or suggestions. mfishbaugh@pathmaker.net.



OperationsTim Kyle

CAUTION, LOW WATER!! The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has issued a report regarding current/forecasted water levels:

"The water level of Lake Superior is near the same level as one year ago, while Lake Michigan-Huron is 10 inches lower than its level of a year ago. Lakes St. Clair, Erie, and Ontario are 11, 12, and 10 inches, respectively, lower than their levels of a year ago. Over the next month, Lake Superior is forecasted to remain near its current level, while Lake Michigan-Huron is expected to fall 1 inch. The water levels of Lakes St. Clair, Erie and Ontario are forecasted to fall 7, 5, and 3 inches, respectively, over the next thirty days."

All berth holders are reminded that, when leaving or entering the sailing basin, they need to stay 300 feet off the wall before turning to avoid the rocks. There have been reports of groundings, one that caused significant damage. Lower water levels will compound this problem.

If you plan to haul out early to avoid low water, please let me know. We have several deep draft boats that may need to be relocated for the rest of the year to avoid getting stuck on the bottom.

For further information, please visit <http://www.lre.usace.army.mil/greatlakes/hh/greatlakeswaterlevels/waterlevelforecasts/weeklygreatlakeswaterlevels/>

Please contact me with questions, comments, or concerns at 419-656-5881 or timmosbcglobal.net.

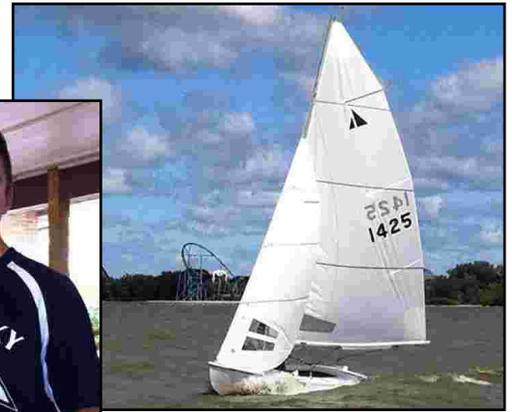
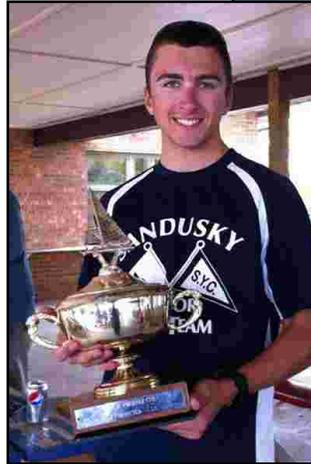
The next meeting of the Sadler Board is Oct. 1 at 7:00pm.

Note from the SecretaryCarol Peter

Dear SSC Members, I would like to personally let you know that I am leaving my position as Secretary of the Sandusky Sailing Club. I have enjoyed working with the Board and I sincerely appreciate having had the chance to meet and work with so many of you over the past year. However, my other commitments have become too great for me to be able to fulfill the requirements of my position on the Board, and I feel it is best for me to make room for someone with the time and energy to devote to the job.

Thank you for the support and encouragement you have provided me during my time as Secretary of the club. If I can be of any assistance during the time it will take to fill the position, please don't hesitate to ask. I can be reached at dcapteo@yahoo.com or 330-701-8545.

Sincerely — Carol Anne Peter



Above: Jim Ward races past Cedar Point in the Hog Wild Regatta. Left: Mic Kaufman brings home the hardware in the Laser fleet.

Sandusky Junior Race TeamDoug Blackburn

Since this is my last Cross Bearings article dealing with the Sandusky Junior Race Team, I want to give everyone a little history about how I got here. Back in 1969, I started sailing as a Junior Sailor at the Port Clinton Yacht Club. Though we did not have Optimists, CFJs, 420s, Lasers or Laser Radials we did have AMF Sunfish, Pintails and a Thistle. The Thistle was the boat that, as a junior sailor, you shot for because we all wanted to go to the only true "event" on Lake Erie, Junior Bay Week which was the Sear Quarter Finals.

After aging out of Junior Bay Week and Junior Sailing, I had quite an experience as I continued to sail on **JEB**, going all over the place, from Detroit to Erie, Florida to Maryland. Along the way I met many of my current friends and also saw all the kids I grew up with at Junior Bay. Sailing is a true sport but I think in sailing you gain more lifelong friends than any other sport out there. Hopefully, just like I did, the Junior Sailors of today will be proactive, outgoing and meet lifelong friends but you can't do it by sitting around after a regatta. You need to get out with the other kids, meet them, hang with them and be spontaneous. The future of sailing will always rely on the kids growing older and moving into bigger boats, getting married someday and having their kids carry on the tradition of this great sport. Believe it or not, most of the people I know in sailing did the same thing as me: We grew up together, raced against each other, got married, had kids and started the next generation of sailors. Almost every parent that I have interacted with throughout my kids' Junior Sailing years were friends of mind back in the '70s.

So, with all that being said, I would personally like to thank the Sandusky Sailing Club and Sandusky Yacht Club for what you do for the sport of sailing. The Junior Race Team would not happen without the support of the clubs and the parents. These kids are the future of the sport and the future of our clubs and we must continue the support that has been occurring for at least 74 years! Thanks for letting my family be a part of it. Sail fast!



Another great Wednesday evening on Sandusky Bay.

For the Good of the Order

Awards for Fall Banquet - SSC's annual recognition banquet is on Nov. 3, so awards need to be ordered in early October. JAM, PHRF, and T-10 captains, please submit results for the Fall and Away Series to me by Oct. 7 so that flags for these two series and for special fleet awards can be ordered on Oct. 8. Race results for the Interlake fleet are being updated regularly, and I will confer with Jim Ward regarding special fleet awards. Committees for special club awards, please let me know the names of recipients so the appropriate trophies can be ordered on Oct. 8. — Don Guy, donguy@aol.com.

Hog Wild 2012 by Judy Kellner - The Hog Wild Regatta was held on Sept. 8 and 9. Thanks once again to Brett and Katie Langolf for organizing this event and keeping it going. I had to step in because of an unplanned family event but Brett had everything well organized and planned out. He lined up the sponsors in Doyle Sails and Great Lakes Rigging who provided the awards and the htc folks for the giveaways. Most importantly he lined up the pig and provided me with his "brain dump," which was invaluable.

The weather forecast kept the big boats (JAM, T10, J24) from participating on Saturday but we had starts for the Interlakes, Lasers, Lightnings, and Force5 and then Sunday arrived with perfect race conditions. We had a successful pig roast serving about 65 dinners. We used up the rest of the pig on Sunday along with some unexpected side dishes provided by Hank Boissoneault and served another 35 lunches for racers, members, and guests.

Thanks to the race committee for their service and especially for braving the winds and waves on Saturday which ended up being a very nice afternoon. Thank you, thank you also to my diligent dinner and lunch crew of Bill Kellner, Steve France and Todd Hurd. The Pfeiffer Trophy, which is awarded to the SSC boat with the lowest average point finish, went to Mic Kaufman from the Laser fleet.

Results

Hog Wild Regatta, SSC

Jim Ward, 1st in Interlake
Philip Montgomery, 2nd in Interlake
Brian Malott, 3rd in Interlake
Mic Kaufman, 1st in Laser
David Mendenhall, Jr., 2nd in Laser
Jack Mueller, 1st in Lightning

Rob Henry Memorial/Funday Race

Adios - Jack Mueller, 2nd in T10
Bear - John and Brian Barker, 3rd in T10
InfraRed - PC Bryan Huntley, 1st in PHRF
VeLoce - Phil Dufresne, 2nd in PHRF
Hey Jude - Bill and Judy Kellner, 3rd in PHRF
Festina Tarde - Steve France, 1st in JAM
Revenir - Tim Ujvari, 2nd in JAM

Green Island 2012

InfraRed - PC Bryan Huntley, 1st PHRF D
and 1st OA winner of the Green Jacket
Adios - Jack Mueller, 1st in T10
Ist&TEN - PC Eric Winkel, 2nd in T10
Festina Tarde - Steve France, 2nd JAM A
Get Munkie - Buzz Wentz, 2nd Beach Cats
MYIRA - Harold Alber, 2nd Multihull

Sailing Stuff for Sale

Tanzer 22, #1014 - Carefully maintained, ready to go, needs nothing but water. Harken roller furling, 130% and 105% jibs and main all good. Original factory steel cradle. 9 hp Evinrude electric start engine - runs well - professionally maintained yearly. Good VC-17 bottom - fresh 2012. Topsides are original - buffed and waxed 2012. Located at Deep Water Marina on cradle. \$3500. Howard Smith Phone- 419-433-5766.

S-2 7.3 - 24 Ft. sailboat with electric start Volvo Penta 9.9 and 6 gal. cockpit gas can, cockpit cushions and covers, life jackets, shore power cord, fenders, tiller Autohelm, stainless steel cabin vent, VC 17 bottom paint system, anchor with chain and rode in anchor locker, 3 hanked headsails - storm jib, 135 (used racing sail from J24), light air 150, partially battened main with sail cover, interior cushions and curtains, full complement of sheets, halyards, and dock lines. Great beginners boat. Can be seen at Sandusky Harbor Marina. \$3500. Call Jim Krysiak at 440-281-6258 or email capt.jim7@oh.rr.com

Outboard motor bracket or engine lift. Page 622 in West Marine catalog. Originally sold for \$349.99. Good for up to 170# or 30 horsepower, all aluminum, WM-Bracket #3. Used one season. Price \$175. Contact Jim Krysiak, dock B-36 or email capt.jim7@oh.rr.com

1993 Laser sailboat - Not used a lot. Trailer included. \$2500
Call Anne at 419-722-0323.

1972 Ericson 27 - 30hp A4, furling, 4 sails, tiller, auto pilot, teak interior w/ 6' headroom, galley w/pressurized c.w., enclosed head, cushions vgc, sleeps 4. barrier coat, new PCA bottom paint, steel cradle, upgrades. Dock B-17. Asking \$7,500. List and photos; bnixon1@columbus.rr.com or 937-271-1859.

1984 Morgan 36 - Great racer/cruiser, 11' 6" beam. Bunch of extras. Docked at SYC. \$30,000. Call PC Ron Abbott at 419-625-0198, Bob Lazarony at 419-625-4803 or email paulalaz@aol.com.

1980 Catalina 30 - Standard rig, shoal draft, Atomic 4, set up for cruising; Sails and canvas in great shape; New custom-built cradle, many improvements in last two years. Asking \$15,900. For more info or to see the boat, call or email Mark Gross 419-357-6747 or mrg@bex.net.

1974 Pearson 10M - \$10,900, Fully equipped, 30HP Atomic 4 inboard engine, jackstands, dodger, bimini with cockpit enclosure, roomy, fast-sailing boat, a good platform for club racing or cruising. Will consider trading for boat on a trailer. Contact John Schwartz at dunbar.schwartz@gmail.com for details.

C&C 29 MKI, 1977, full race equipped, new sails, boat at Harbor North on the hard, Reduced to \$10k. Great single handler/cruiser, Atomic 4, furler, much more..... 614-327-4488 or rwpoorjr@yahoo.com

1980 Chrysler (Morgan) Super 27 is a racer/cruiser. PHRF-LE rating = 159, JAM = 169. Meticulously maintained and upgraded. Completely restored to "better than new" condition with AWLGRIP topsides and deck, mast, boom and spinnaker pole. Lots of sails, lines, instruments and gear included. Asking \$23,500. Located at SSC berth A9. Contact Jim Shufflin at 419-370-9053 or james.shufflin@kbibearing.com

16' Spinnaker pole: 3.5" diam. \$500 OBO. Call Paul at 419-862-3009.

Bristol 33'7" - Formerly "Margo" now "Tudo Bem." Many amenities. \$18,100 or reasonable offer. Contact Tom Quinn at w330-796-1721, h330-239-1859 or Tomquinn20@verizon.net.

Sandusky Learn to Sail has several boats for sale.

Catalina 27 - Asking \$4,500 obo. Boat needs some cleaning but will make a great weekender. Also has a cradle.

Interlakes - We have three Interlakes for sale in various conditions.

Hobie 14 in nice shape for \$500

We also have a small keelboat on a trailer that we are taking open offers on.

Contact VC Sjoerd VanderHorst at 440-617-9995 or sjvanderhorst@gmail.com if interested.

Sandusky Sailing Club's Awards & Appreciation Dinner

for racers and cruisers

Saturday, November 3
at Sandusky Yacht Club



5:30
Cocktails - Cash Bar

6:00
Awards
Special Junior Race Team Awards

7:00
Buffet Dinner

8:00
Special Awards
Change of Watch

For only \$28 per person you get:

Buffet Menu: House Salad
Dinner Rolls
Coffee and Hot or Iced Tea
Carved Roast Beef
Chicken Breast Marsala
Buttered Redskin Potatoes
Mashed Potatoes
Broccoli Spears
Vegetable Blend
Assorted Desserts

RSVP by Saturday, October 21 to:
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