

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.

**January 2013 Cross Bearings** 

01/08 TuesSSC Board meeting7:00pm01/19 SatSSC Wine Tasting party6:00pm02/12 TuesSSC Board meeting7:00pm03/04 MonSadler Basin Committee meeting7:00pm

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

## Commodore's Comments .....Sjoerd-Jan VanderHorst

*Happy New Year!* - 2013 promises to be another exciting year for Sandusky Sailing Club and our membership. Kathy and I wish you good health and happiness in the coming year. Cheers!

Annual Budget Meeting - The board held its annual budget meeting last month and I am pleased to announce that we have approved a budget for the coming year. Thanks to those who attended the meeting, and special thanks to co-treasurers Dave Brink and Bernie Ashyk for their continued efforts. No fiscal cliffs on their watch!

Holiday Events - The tradition of the Kids' Christmas Party continued this year. Thank you to Kristen and PC Eric Winkel for hosting the event. Thanks also to RC Pete and Paula Grant and PC Mike and Mary Kay Fleming for warming up the club with some holiday cheer at the Holiday Cocktail Party and New Year's Day Potluck. It's wonderful to see so many members coming out to the club in the off season.

Speaking of events at the club, there is much to look forward to in the coming months. RC Pete can provide the details, but in a nutshell, the annual Wine Tasting is coming soon, Junior fundraisers are being planned, our club thespians are being recruited, and we should all get ready to get our Greek on.

Keep an eye on the Cross Bearings, SSC website and your email to plan your social calendar.

Water level concerns - As I'm sure you are aware, the water levels are lower than normal on the Great Lakes, which translates to lower levels in our basin as well. Let's all keep our fingers crossed for precipitation this winter. If we continue to have issues with shallow water in the basin, we will need to consider rearranging dock assignments based on draft and depth within the dock areas and/or dredging within the basin. The Sadler Basin Committee is closely monitoring the situation and is prepared to make decisions if necessary.

Thistle Nationals - The Thistle National Championships will be held at SSC Aug. 3-9. Plans are well under way and I'd like to thank those who have already stepped forward to volunteer time and resources to the event. I am still looking for several volunteers to help with some on- and off-shore responsibilities.

Please contact me if you are able to help in any of the following areas:

Galley help in serving catered meals

Safety boats

Registration

Local housing for out-of-town race committee & judges

Please contact me via email (sjvanderhorst@gmail.com) with any issues that need attention. Hope to see you soon at some of the many upcoming events at SSC!

CORRECTION: Last month we incorrectly listed the Outstanding Service Award winner for 2012 as PC Mike Austin, when in fact the actual winners were PC Mike AND SUE Austin. My sincere apologies to Sue - and congratulations on this well-deserved award. We all know Mike couldn't have done it without you, Sue!

### Vice vice Baby!!.....VC Mike Fishbaugh

**Yearbook** - We're beginning to assemble the 2013 yearbook, so we're looking for pictures of club events and candid photos of our members. If you have any that you would like to see included, please send them to me. Also, as you are completing your 2013 dues statement, please consider being a yearbook patron.

One-Design Sailing Symposium - On Jan. 11-13, US Sailing's One-Design Sailing Symposium is going to be held at the Cleveland Yachting Club. The premier event for one-design class racing, US Sailing's One-Design Symposium brings together racing rock stars and one-design leaders in our sport for a great exchange of ideas and information. Attendees will enjoy more than 20 workshops and general sessions. Anna Tunnicliffe, Dave Perry, Greg Fisher, Skip Dieball and Nick Turney are among the keynote speakers. Industry experts and class champions will share their expertise on how to get more people out sailing. If you have the weekend free, it would be a great event to attend. I hope to see you there.

For any House and Grounds issues that need attention, please contact me at mfishbaugh@pathmaker.net.

Happy New Year!

*Member Focus* - Terry Parker is one of our new trustees. He learned to sail at SSC as a youth, and raced Rhodes Bantams and crewed on Interlakes and Thistles. A retired Lutheran pastor, he resides in Vermilion. Around the club he can be found at the wheel of Escort II on Wednesdays, Sundays and regattas. He and Sandy joined SSC in 2005, and sail their Catalina 30 "FaithHeeler" out of Battery Park Marina.



#### More Rants from the Rear.....RC Pete Grant

**Wine Tasting Party** - We have scheduled the annual Wine Tasting Party for Jan. 19 at 6:00pm. Jim and Donna Brinker have graciously agreed to host the event again along with Jerry Ervin who will be bringing an excellent selection of wines to choose from. Great wine, food and friends. What can be better?

Weather seminar - Mark Thornton will present a Marine Weather Seminar on April 13. He will provide attendees with an understanding of basic meteorological principles and explore the conditions favoring the development of severe weather. Graphics and case studies of actual weather events will be used to focus on the interesting and unique forecasting challenges associated with the Great Lakes. Attendees will also develop a basic daily forecasting resource kit based upon readily available government and university websites. The rate for individuals is \$40, couples \$75 and juniors \$25. It will be from 8:00am to 4:30pm and include a lunch. (See the order form attached.)

**SSC Holiday Cocktail Party** - A special note of appreciation goes out to PC Mike and Mary Kay Fleming for hosting the holiday party potluck. A great time was had by all and it was nice to share some holiday cheer with good friends at the club.

Children's Christmas Party - Thanks very much to Kristen and PC Eric Winkel for hosting the children's Christmas party. We had a very good turn out following the dedication of the Interlake, Norm, by Mike Muhn. Ornaments were made, cookies were decorated and we had a very special visit from Ol' Saint Nick and Mrs. Claus too! Thank you also to Tim for having a beautiful fire going and the dairy bar open. A special thank you goes out to Leo and Wendy Kaufman for making that special connection with Mr. and Mrs. Claus arranging for their visit to SSC even though they had quite a busy day.

**New Year's Day Potluck** - What a fun way to celebrate the new year with your sailing friends! The club was warm, the drinks and food were abundant and the comaraderie was great.

Thanks to everyone who offered assistance. I can be reached at pgrant@bex.net or 330-416-2884.

#### Operations ......Tim Kyle

**Dock contracts** - Thank you to all the berth holders who promptly paid for their docks for next season. Those who made their first half payment are reminded that the second half is due by March 31. No statement will be sent, but I will continue to send reminders via the Cross Bearings. As of this writing, there are still 50 berth holders who have not paid nor indicated that they will not be renewing their dock for the 2013 season.

We have a substantial waiting list, so to avoid losing your dock, PLEASE SEND PAYMENT NOW! DOCK REASSIGNMENTS WILL BEGIN JANUARY 15.

Sadler Committee - The 2013 Sadler Basin Committee is made up of these members: PC Monty Kaufman, President; Frank Hill; Jim Keane; PC Mike Fleming; Brian Malott; Secretary, and VC Mike Fishbaugh, SSC Board Liaison. Feel free to discuss marina questions or concerns with these members as we will continue to communicate throughout the winter.

The next meeting of the Sadler Basin Committee will be heldat 7:00pm on Monday, March 4, 2013 at SSC.

**Contact information -** Any questions, comments or concerns

relative to the clubhouse or basin operations are welcome. You can contact me at timmo@ sbcglobal.net or call 419-656-5881.



#### Sandusky Junior Race Team ......Lori Coulter

The Orange Bowl Regatta - Some members of our Junior Race Team have just come home from the Orange Bowl Regatta in Miami, Fla. Mick Kaufman represented Sandusky in the Laser Class; Montana Coulter, Dylan Winkel, Oliver Burger and Eli Zettler sailed in the 420 class; and Aydan Coulter was our Opti sailor. They had a fabulous time as they mingled with I-LYA teams from Edgewater, Hoover and Put-in-Bay as well as teams from all over the world. Our sailors were fortunate to have world-class coaching for their respective boat classes. The information they gained was invaluable.

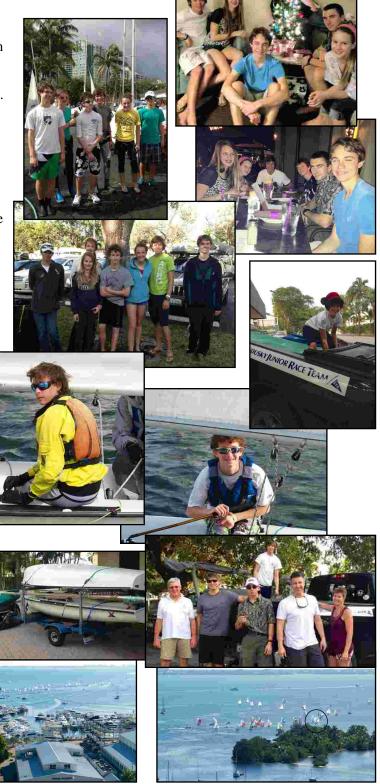
There also saw some familiar faces on the race committee. Wendy and Leo Kaufman, John Wiggins, and Freddie Sambolin volunteered their time to ensure the kids had a safe and competitive race venue. We are fortunate to have so many supportive adults pitching in their time and talents for our juniors. Also, special thanks to Rob and Becky Burger plus Chaz and Lori Coulter for organizing our sailors and getting boats/kids to and from Miami.

**Spaghetti Dinner/Fundraiser** - The team will meet later this month to plan for our annual Spaghetti Dinner/Fundraiser as well as future activities for the team. Please consider donating items for the auction. Don't forget to pick up your reverse raffle ticket. They will be available soon and they go fast!

"Christmas in Miami, you have

everything but snow!"

**Coaching** - The Race Team is looking for volunteers to help with coaching for the month of May. We would like the kids to get on the water on the weekends during this month, but it has always proven to be a challenge as our summer coaching staff is not yet available. Please consider sharing your talents and love of the sport with our next generation. If interested, please contact Becky Burger at 440-522-9044.



#### Race Governing ......Tom Cassidy

*The Race Governing Committee met* on Dec. 9, 2012. A number of race dates were finalized and will be published later when all the dates are locked in place.

Certificates - One topic that was discussed and a consensus was arrived at was the matter of LE-PHRF certificates. Starting this season, if you only race Wednesday nights, LE-PHRF certificates will not be required. LE-PHRF certificates will be required if you race invitationals and/or offshore races and want to qualify for the Querida (PHRF) Trophy or the Lueptow (JAM) Trophy.

SSC racing dues of \$25 are required for Wednesday night racing. If they are not paid, your results will not be recorded or posted. This applies to all participating boats. These dues help maintain the RC boats which enable us to race in the first place. The \$25 is a small amount compared to what other area clubs charge. We appreciate everyone's participation for the good of all.

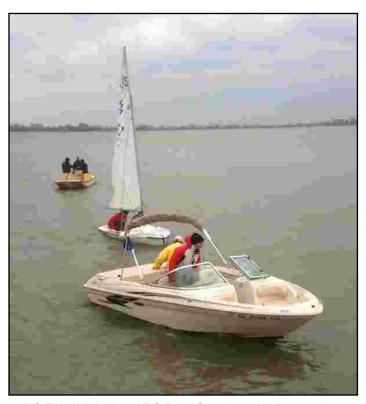
*The spring RG report* will provide more complete details of the racing schedule.

Happy New Year and I'll see you in the spring.

#### For the Good of the Order

Many awards/trophies were not picked up at the Fall Banquet. These awards are now at the Dairy Bar and may be picked up when the Dairy Bar is open.

Thanks, Don Guy.



PC Eric Winkel and RC Pete Grant tow in the semi submerged 420 sailed by Phil Dufresne and Chris Mallot during the Turkey Bowl.

#### Sailing Stuff for Sale

Interlake 1081 for \$3,500. Contact Paul McAllister at pmboarder@aol.com

DN Ice Boat - 1975'ish, \$600. Call Stu Sheard 440-289-2621.

*15 hp Johnson Outboard Motor* - Long shaft, 2 cycle. weight- 84 lbs. Year 2000. Used only about 20 hours (have log of use), 6 gallon tank and fuel line included, Like new. \$800, OBO. Call Howard Smith at 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 \$13,900. For more info or to see the boat, call or email Mark Gross 419-357-6747 or mrg@bex.net.

**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.

3 Interlakes - The Interlakes are in a variety of conditions. Let us know what you are looking for and we can put a package together for you. These boats will be great for competing in the Nationals in 2013.

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

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 Mike Fishbaugh at mfishbaugh@pathfinder.net if interested.

# **Sandusky Sailing Club**

# WEATHER SEMINAR

# PRESENTED BY MARK THORNTON

# **April 13, 2013**

8:00am to 4:30pm at the Sandusky Sailing Club Early Bird Registration (before 3/12/13) (Fee includes light lunch)

Individual-\$40.00
Name:
Couple-\$75.00
Names:
Junior-\$25.00
Name:
*Please complete and mail to:
Sandusky Sailing Club
P.O. Box 814
Sandusky, Ohio 44870

Registration after 3/12/13 Add \$10.00 to above rates.

\*\*\*Payment can also be made at the Dairy Bar until 3/12/13

# **Registration and Additional Information**

Contact: **Pete Grant** (pgrant@bex.net) 330-416-2884 or **Tim Kyle** (timmo@sbcglobal.net) 814-250-0475

Seminar Website: http://www.lakeeriewx.com/Seminars/SSC