

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.



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April 2025 Cross Bearings

04/01	Tues	SJSI meeting.....	7:00pm
04/02	Wed	SJRT meeting.....	8:00am
04/04	Fri	Fireside Friday.....	6:00pm
04/08	Tues	SSC Board meeting.....	7:00pm
04/11	Fri	Fireside Friday.....	6:00pm
04/12	Sat	Open House at ACY Yachts...	11:00-2:00pm
04/14	Mon	Sadler Basin Committee meeting ...	7:00pm
04/18	Fri	Fireside Friday.....	6:00pm
04/25	Fri	Fireside Friday.....	6:00pm
04/26	Sat	Spring General Meeting	9:30am
04/26	Sat	Spring Workday	after meeting
05/01-04		DF95 Region 4 Qualifier at SSC	
05/02	Fri	Friday Night Feed.....	6:00pm
05/06	Tues	SJSI meeting	7:00pm
05/07	Wed	SJRT meeting	8:00am
05/09	Fri	Friday Night Feed.....	6:00pm
05/12	Mon	Sadler Basin Committee meeting ...	7:00pm
05/13	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm
05/14	Wed	Wed Night Racing	7:00pm
05/16	Fri	Friday Night Feed.....	6:00pm
05/18	Sun	Sunday Dairy Bar	11:00-1:00pm
05/18	Sun	Sheryl Hoffman's Retirement..	noon-4:00pm
05/21	Wed	Wed Night Racing	7:00pm
05/23	Fri	Friday Night Feed.....	6:00pm
05/25	Sun	Sunday Dairy Bar	11:00-1:00pm
05/26	Mon	Memorial Day Ceremony/potluck	noon
05/27	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm
05/27	Tues	Wed Night Racing	7:00pm
05/30	Fri	Live Music with No Wake	7:00pm

For more info, go to www.sanduskysailingclub.com.
Go to "community" then drop down to "event calendar."

From the Helm Comm. John Giordano

I want to thank everyone who came out to the "Come N See" re-opening of the clubhouse. We put the new space to the test and the turnout was phenomenal. Comments from members and non-members were overwhelmingly complementary on how the space looks. I want to again thank the many volunteers who put in time over the winter to bring this transformation about.

Fireside Fridays/Friday Feeds - With the re-opening of the club, activities are back into full swing and Fireside Fridays/Friday Feeds are off to a great start and have been well attended. To keep this rolling, we're always looking for volunteers. We'd love to spread this out to make light work for everyone. So if you're willing to serve or prepare food, or even take a shift at the bar, please reach out to a member of the Bridge and we'll get you on the schedule.

Galley food notice - Also, with the re-opening and the approaching season, its time for a few reminders. Please remember that the refrigerator and freezer in the galley are for club food service only. Members are not to use this for storage

of personal items and, if found, those will be disposed of without notice.

Dairy Bar - Additionally, we'd ask that you respect our volunteers who staff the bar by not entering the Dairy Bar while it is open. It's a small space and having those not working enter the space for a conversation or other reason prevents us from efficiently serving the members. This can also be a potential hazard for the bar staff and you.

The Spring General Meeting and workday is April 26, beginning at 9:30. Please mark this on your calendars and help us get the club ready for the season by making the outside look as fresh as the inside.

New security system - Our new security system has been installed and a new gate that should be in shortly. Proximity cards have arrived, and we'll begin sending these out shortly. With this upgrade, we won't need to change cards every year, so please ensure you keep the one(s) we send you. If you lose track of yours and need a replacement, the fee will be \$25.



NEW LOOK:
They came...
They saw...
They loved it!!!

If this occurs, please contact a member of the Bridge or Jackie Riedy to make arrangements to get a new one.

Thistle Nationals and Interlake Nationals continue to progress in planning.

For Thistle Nationals we have two immediate needs.

First, we need one or two individuals to coordinate on-shore volunteer activities. This would involve communicating with volunteers to let them know their duties and time schedule.

Second, we are looking for an organizer for a “Kids Camp.” This would allow participating parents to have their children in a safe, supervised environment while they are on the water. This would involve lining up individuals to oversee the camp. Parents are paying for this service, so those watching the kids would be paid a small amount. If you are interested in either of these positions, please let me know and I’ll get you in touch with the committee.

For Interlake Nationals, we are looking for members who have a spare room to house out-of-town members of the Race Committee. If you have space and are willing to host, please contact me and I will pass your name along to the organizing committee.

Finally, membership renewals are now past due! As noted above, we have a new security system and only members in good standing will be provided proximity cards. If you have not already done so, please get your payments in so you can maintain the access you enjoy. Renewal notices went out in early February. If you have not received yours, please get with Jackie Riedy or me immediately and we can resend it to you. Of course, if you would prefer to pay your membership dues online, you can do so by going to www.sanduskysailingclub.com scrolling down to section, “Renew My Membership,” click and follow the instructions. You will also see your membership information and can make any necessary corrections and/or additions.

If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please reach out to me. — Commodore John Giordano, 205-903-9257, Boiler.John85@gmail.com

House and GroundsVC Tim Willford
Ahoy, SSC crew!

Believe it or not, winter is finally in our wake. After what felt like an eternity of snow, wind, and questionable life choices (like considering ice fishing as a hobby), we can officially say that sailing season is on the horizon!

This winter? Oh, it was busy. The clubhouse got a massive glow-up thanks to an army of volunteers who proved that SSC runs on grit, generosity, and probably way too much coffee. From renovation projects to planning for an action-packed season, SSC has been anything but quiet.

Spring Workday - Now, it’s time to shake off the winter rust, dig out your sailing gloves, and mark your calendars for Spring Workday on April 26! This is your annual chance to come down, lend a hand, reconnect with your dock mates, and pretend you haven’t been counting down the days to launch since November.

The 2025 season - With Thistle Nationals, Interlake Nationals, and a full season of racing, cruising, and good times ahead, 2025 is shaping up to be one for the books. So, let’s get this place shipshape and ready for another incredible year on the water.

See you all soon—fair winds and fewer splinters on workday!

View from the RearRC Tim Ujvari

Don’t be fooled - April is upon us. April is a busy time of year at SSC. As you make some final, near final or just getting started with your preparations for the 2025 sailing season, try to take some time for a visit to an event at the clubhouse. Take a look at the calendar of events for the month of April on the SSC website.

The Friday nights at the SSC returned beginning mid March with a wonderful Reopening of the Clubhouse event. If you haven’t seen the Clubhouse recently, you will be amazed with the spectacular transformation.

Spring workday - Also note that Saturday, April 26 is Spring workday. So mark your personal calendar.

Friday night hosts - If you are interested in hosting a Friday night event, let me know.

Sadler Sailing BasinPC Bryan Huntley

Launch dates are right around the corner. Berth holders, please make sure your docks and dry berths are paid for before workday. Contact Doug Klein if you have any questions. New gate keys will not be issued to anyone with a balance due.

Our current inventory of docks available at SSC are: 1-35’, 4-30’ and multiple 26 footers. If you know of anyone looking for a dock for the season, let us know.

Future plans - At workday, we will have available a quick look at our 5-year plan to continue developing the sailing basin for SSC.

Sandusky Junior Sailors, Inc.....
Suzanne Hartley and Michelle Gilboy

Classes for Learn to Sail are filling up! Register now to get the session of your choice. Go to sailsandusky.org for more information or to register.

Earth Day - Learn to Sail will have a booth at Osborn Park on Earth Day, April 26, 11:00-3:00. Stop by and say “Hi!”

For the Good of the Order

2025 Interlake Nationals - SSC is proud to be hosting the Interlake Sailing Class Association’s National Championship Regatta from July 22-26. As always, SSC is the premier venue to provide sailors from the region a place to showcase their skills and also have a great time enjoying our facilities and hospitality. If you would like to help with this event, please contact Bernie Ashyk, ISCA Fleet No. 1 Captain at BernsterA@aol.com, 216-244-3299 or Jim Ward, ISCA 2025 ISCA President, at jimward7@hotmail.com 440-396-3499. Please save the dates to volunteer your time and talent to contribute to the success of this event.



The 2025 Thistle National Championship will be held August 2nd - 8th, 2025 at Sandusky Sailing Club in Sandusky, OH and we can't wait to see you all! Thistle Nationals 2025 is going to be hosted at the Sandusky Sailing Club. SSC has a history of hosting successful national level events. In the last few years they have successfully hosted Opti Nationals, J24 North Americans, and several other large regional events. They successfully hosted Thistle Nationals most recently in 2013!

Sailing Area: Racing will be held in the protected waters of Sandusky Bay. We anticipate a short sail out to the racecourse each day.



There are tons of activities for sailors and family members in Sandusky and the surrounding area including:

- ✦ Vibrant and revitalized downtown Sandusky, just a 10-min walk from SSC (Voted Best Coastal Small Town in the Country in 2019!)
- ✦ Cedar Point Amusement Park (20 min away)
- ✦ Put In Bay (45 min ferry ride)
- ✦ Kalahari Water Park (15 min away)

Registration: Event registration is open on Clubspot. Early registration ends May 1; after that the price goes up to \$500. Late registration starts July 2 and is an additional \$100. Registration closes July 20. The registration will be on Clubspot and all regatta purchases (food, camping, etc.) will be managed through Clubspot.

Meals/Camping: Meals and camping (as well as keg sponsorship) can be purchased through Clubspot. The link is on the regatta landing page, listed under “Shop.” Anyone can make purchases for the regatta and a Clubspot account is not needed. (link can be found on the Thistle Class Website Page: <https://thistleclass.com/thistle-nationals-2025/>)

Childcare: The details of childcare are still being worked out but there will be childcare for the week.

Housing: There are many options for housing very close to the Sailing Club. These include:

RV Camping: RV Spots will be available in the parking lot right next to the club for a fee (TBD) for the week. There will be no power or water for RVs but bathroom facilities will be available.

Tent Camping: Tent camping will be available on the Sailing Club grounds for \$150 per tent for the week. Extra showers and facilities will be rented for the week for those camping in tents or RVs.

Hotels: There are many local hotels ranging in price from \$100 per night and up.

Airbnbs: There are many local Airbnbs, but these can book up fast for the summer months so book them soon!

Sailors for the Sea: This event will be a Clean Regatta. Reusable cups will be provided with registration and all plates and cutlery will be compostable. Compost bins and recycling will be available throughout the event on-site.

Keg Sponsorship: Kegs for the event will be covered by sponsorship, which will be available to purchase through Clubspot when registering for the event.

Apparel: The Coral Reef Storefront is live and shirts and other apparel can be purchased with free shipping to the regatta until July 17.



Schedule:

Friday August 1, 12:00 pm-
Club available for access

Saturday, August 2
Check in and Measurement

Sunday August 3
Check in and Measurement
Women's and Juniors' Nationals
Welcome Party, Dinner, and Entertainment
(Steel Drums by Rolando)

Monday August 4
Thistle National Championship Racing Starts
Dinner at Sandusky Sailing Club

Tuesday August 5
Thistle National Championship Racing

Wednesday August 6
Thistle National Championship Racing
Dinner at Sandusky Sailing Club

Thursday August 7
Thistle National Championship Racing

Friday, August 8
Thistle National Championship Racing
Awards Banquet at Sandusky Yacht Club

**SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025
NOON-4PM
at SANDUSKY SAILING CLUB**



WE'RE CELEBRATING!

Sail, rally or hike on over to celebrate as Sheryl Hoffmansets a New Course. Please join us on Sunday, May 18 from noon - 4pm at Sandusky Sailing Club for light appetizers, pizza, salad and desserts. The club's Dairy Bar will be open for beer, wine and cocktail purchases.

No gifts, please. Sheryl has asked instead that you consider a donation to the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park. www.conservancyforcvnp.org/donate/.

Please RSVP by May 1 to John Wiggins movin_uout@hotmail.com or text 330-592-4402.

Fair winds,
John Wiggins



Leamington Sail Away 2025 - Ahoy SSC Sailors and Friends, it's time to start making plans for summer cruising! We hope you will join us!

When: We have 15 slips reserved for the SSC 2025 Leamington Sail Away Friday, June 20 – Sunday, June 22. Slips are \$2.35 CA/ft. plus tax. Departure from Leamington back to US is on Sunday morning, June 22 on your own or as a group. For more information on Leamington Municipal Marina and other useful information on Leamington and border crossings, see Marina - Municipality of Leamington.

Social activities: There will be a BYOB and shared appetizers dock party upon arrival of the fleet on Friday. Plan for a Saturday Morning Social of Bloody Marys and Mimosas hosted by Sheryl, John, Mike and Vicki. You're welcome to bring a shareable, handheld breakfast item.

The remainder of the day is free to explore by foot, taxi, kayak or bicycle. Joyce has arranged for us to enjoy dinner at Thirteen at the Inn www.13attheinn.com. This is the former Seacliff for those who recall sitting on the patio or enjoying a cocktail in the basement. They will provide individual cheques and it's within walking distance from the Marina, so no taxi service is required.

Information for Entry into Canada:

1. See: Border Crossing - Municipality of Leamington or Reporting requirements for private boat operators. This site is also helpful **Entering Canada by Boat | Pat's Boating in Canada**.

2. You will need valid passports for all crew and your OH Registration Number when you arrive in Leamington. Only one person is permitted to go ashore to contact Canadian Customs at the phones provided at the Marina or Telephone Reporting Centre (TRC): 1-888-226-7277 from your boat.

3. If you're bringing a pet to Canada, see requirements at <https://inspection.canada.ca/importing-food-plants-or-animals/pets/eng/1326600389775/1326600500578>

Information for Re-entry to US:

1. Register in advance for CBP ROAM™ free mobile application: <https://www.cbp.gov/travel/pleasure-boats/pleasure-boat-overview/roam>



2025 SSC BRIDGE

Commodore: John Giordano
Vice Commodore: Tim Willford
Rear Commodore: Tim Ujvari
Immediate Past Commodore:
Jason Huffman

**2025 SSC
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Mark Capucini, Maddie Grant,
Laura Hayes, Dave Kocias,
Kathy Knox, Robbie Stone

SADLER BASIN COMMITTEE

PC Bryan Huntley - President,
PC Dean Riedy, PC Bruce Roberts,
Doug Klein, Dave Caracci
VC Tim Willford - SSC rep.
Dockage: VC Tim Willford

2. Private Vessel Decal: If your boat is 30' or more, you will be required to have a Private Vessel Decal to enter the States. <https://dtops.cbp.dhs.gov/main/#%20>

The deadline for reservations is June 1, 2025. If you would like to reserve a dock at Leamington Municipal Marina, email Sheryl Hoffman at slhoffman33@gmail.com.

Include the following information:

1. First and Last Name / Name(s) of Crew
2. Boat Name
3. LOA
4. Beam
5. Street Address, City, State, Zip
6. Contact Information: Phone and Email
7. Number of people for dinner on Saturday

ACY Yachts Sandusky Open House April 12, 11:00-2:00pm
ACY is thrilled to announce the grand opening of our new sales location in Sandusky. At this occasion, we are welcoming clients and prospects for our very first Sandusky Open House. Come learn about the latest from the Fountaine, Pajot and Dufour shipyards. Discover the Business Yacht Ownership approach. RSVP now so we are better prepared to welcome you! The event is hosted at our office located at ACY Yachts Great Lakes, 225 W. Water St., Sandusky. This is also your chance to spend quality time with our Yacht Consultants and discuss your cruising plans with our team.

Lakeside Chautauqua in Marblehead is looking for a few individuals to fill positions at their waterfront.

They are looking for the following positions:

Waterfront Supervisor - https://workforcenow.adp.com/mascsr/default/mdf/recruitment/recruitment.html?cid=615effaa-30c0-41cd-a01b-01346515f2ae&ccId=19000101_000001&lang=en_US&jobId=452497

Waterfront Attendants - https://workforcenow.adp.com/mascsr/default/mdf/recruitment/recruitment.html?cid=615effaa-30c0-41cd-a01b-01346515f2ae&ccId=19000101_000001&lang=en_US&jobId=452496

They are also looking for Sailing Instructors. They do not have the job posted for this yet, but if interested, please send an email to drobinson@lakesideohio.com

Here is a link to all the positions they are looking to fill at Lakeside. https://workforcenow.adp.com/mascsr/default/mdf/recruitment/recruitment.html?cid=615effaa-30c0-41cd-a01b-01346515f2ae&ccId=19000101_000001&lang=en_US

Sailing stuff for sale

Revenir is for sale. This Tartan 33 is a fractional rig and a SSC sailboat since 2000. Contact Tim Ujvari at (330) 696-3161 for details and photos.

26 foot Grampian sailboat: Good starter boat! 3 sails, roller furling, spinnaker, 9.8 Evinrude outboard motor, radio, Porta Potty, fully equipped, cradle. Good shape. Asking \$4,000/negotiable. Contact: Douglas F. Foss 440-292-5070 text: Grampian sailboat.

1989 Capital Yachts "Neptune 24" Sloop Rig Cruiser with Trailer. Well maintained, with high quality rigging, and reconditioned sails. Shallow draft (2ft.) ballasted shoal keel with retractable wing keel (3.5 ft. down). Three Sails - Mainsail, 130% Jibsail, and Roller Furling 185% Genoa sail. Digital Depth Finder, Digital Knot Meter, VHF Radio, and Garmin GPS. 8 HP, Johnson Sail Master. Outboard Motor - 6 gallon fuel tank. Asking \$7,900, currently located on Catawba Island. CONTACT: Geoff Mendenhall at 419-341-5699, Email: geoff@nikegeoff.com

Ariel - 1972 CAL 2-29 Sailboat for sale. Great day sailor. Has been out in 35-40mph blows. Solid boat. 2-29 was an upgrade for the cruiser racer set. Wheel steering. New rudder. Converted to all electric motor. It's great for instant reverse and instant power forward. Proven over the last 8 years. Batteries replaced last year. Four-year-old Bimini, replaced the plastic material with umbrella. 3-4 yr/old Main. Older genoa 155 on Harken roller furling. Self Tailing winches. All lines run to the cockpit. Good for single handed sailing. Asking \$10,500. Call Randy Ramhoff @ 419-656-1908, R.Ramjet@gmail.com

Paddle boards and inflatable docks for sale. Contact Larry Knauer at ldknauer@gmail.com for more info.

Harken MK IV unit 1 furler for sale. Brand new. Priced to sell! Brad Balmert at bradbl384@yahoo.com or 440-670-5065

Interlake with trailer - Two sets of sails. For info contact Richard Byrd at 216-533-6209 or alphabyrd@gmail.com

7/16 sta-set halyards. Uncut 600ft of para sail line used for two seasons in good condition. \$200. Call Eric Arndt at 440-381-5661.

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2025 Interlake Nationals
Sandusky Sailing Club
Sandusky OH
July 23-26, 2025



Sandusky Sailing Club (SSC) and Interlake Fleet #1 welcome you to the 2025 Interlake National Championship! The fleet has been hard at work preparing a great event, both on and off the water. Below are some details to help you start planning your trip!

This year, festivities begin early! As a Nationals tune up event, the Sandusky One Design Regatta is being held the weekend prior to Nationals, on July 19-20. This gives racers a chance to practice at the venue prior to the big show. We will be offering pre-Nationals measurement through the weekend, so you can get that completed. You can also leave your boat at SSC for nationals to help make travel just a bit easier. Come early, get measured and some practice laps in, and enjoy a few more days of sailing on the Sandusky Bay!

We will start the Nationals with the Women's and Juniors events on Wednesday afternoon. That evening, Don Huntley and crew will throw a shrimp boil for the opening dinner and the competitor's meeting will follow. Matt Bounds will once again join us as PRO, and will be sure to run a great event for us.

Challenger and Championship racing will be Thursday through Saturday, with onshore activities planned each day. Food trucks will be on site Thursday evening for those who are hungry, and will accompany an R/C boat challenge in the basin. The class banquet and annual meeting will be held at the club Friday night, and a grilled lunch will wrap up the event after Saturday racing.

You may not recognize the club, as a team of members have worked hard through the winter to renovate the facility - it looks great! SSC offers a large paved drysail area, along with three hoists and a ramp for those who prefer.

With Sandusky being a popular summer travel destination (Cedar Point!), we recommend to plan early for accommodations. There are many hotels and Airbnbs in the area, as well as tent camping available at the club for \$20 per night.

We look forward to seeing you in July! If you have any questions, please contact Regatta Chairman Phil Montgomery at (419) 503-5555 or Pmonty@yahoo.