

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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September 2022 Cross Bearings

09/03 Sat	Funday Pursuit Race to Port Clinton.....9:00am
09/04 Sun	Green Island Race at PCYC...8:00am
09/06 Tues	SJSI meeting.....7:00pm
09/07 Wed	Wed. night race (early start)..... 6:30pm
09/12 Mon	Sadler Basin Comm. meeting 6:30pm
09/13 Tues	SSC Board meeting 7:00pm
09/14 Wed	Wed. night race (FUN series) 6:00pm
09/17-18	SSC One Design Regatta/ J/24 Great Lakes Championship
09/20 Tues	SSC Regatta Committee meeting ... 7:00pm
09/21 Wed	Wed. night race (FUN series) 6:00pm
09/24-25	Fall Bay at Put-in-Bay
09/28 Wed	Wed. night race (FUN series) 6:00pm
10/01-02	Snow Flurries Regatta at PCYC
10/04 Tues	SJSI meeting 7:00pm
10/08 Sat	SJSI annual 5K Rum11:00am
10/10 Mon	Sadler Basin Comm. meeting 6:30pm
10/11 Tues	SSC Board meeting 7:00pm
10/15 Sat	Fall meeting and workday 9:00am
10/18 Tues	SSC Regatta Committee meeting ... 7:00pm

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

Message from the Commodore...Wes Blazer

Well, it's **September** already and the first pangs of fall are upon us. I would like to start by thanking PC Andy and Cinda Davis and all of their helpers for putting on a great Islands Race this year. It was a GREAT time. Thank you guys so much!

The Funday Race was sailed on Sept. 3. It's always a fun race with the pursuit style start. If you're thinking about racing and never have, it would be a good place to begin if you are worried about maneuvering on the starting line.

Coming up this weekend we will host the Sandusky One-Design Regatta in conjunction with J/24 Great Lakes Championships. There will be a Friday Night Feed to start the regatta off. Then on Saturday we'll have Bronco's Western BBQ Food Truck on site to serve dinner. Please stop down and check out the action at SSC this weekend.

I have begun planning the Awards Banquet. Details will be announced soon.

If you have any questions please feel free the contact me at weatherlyboatworks@gmail.com

House and GroundsVC Hank Boissoneault

Sandusky Islands Race - I want to start out this month's article with a huge shout out to PC Andy and Cinda Davis and their team that put on one of the best Island Race Weekends in recent memory. With perfect weather, excellent food and massive volunteerism, it was a weekend to remember. Participation was high and fun was had by all! Thank you, Bar, Galley and Race committees, for a most memorable weekend. I hope we can continue this long running tradition and make it one of the Club's main events of the season. I am sure it was good for our bottom line, too.

Fall is coming - This past week was the first indication that fall is quickly approaching. As I entered the marina with a 7-foot draft, I found I was not able to get to the wall next to the overhead hoist. While it was due to the wind direction and strength, I think it also indicates the normal water level drop in the fall. It might be my favorite time of the year with football, cooler nights and changing leaves, but this year I wouldn't mind postponing it a few extra months. Here's hoping for a late and mild fall season.

Late summer sailing - That being said, we still have many weeks to enjoy the balance of summer with Wednesday night racing, Friday night laser racing and Sunday morning racing with open bar hours for libations and fellowship. With a few



Can you name these two boats and the SSC Past Commodores associated with each?

events coming up, such as the One Design Regatta on Sept. 17 and 18 and our normal sailing schedule, it's my hope that you'll come down and enjoy the club and its activities.

In terms of grounds, we continue to clean up around the edge of the basin. Continued work is being performed around and on the docks with new decking and batter boards. On the agenda should also be lighting for the docks; as we enter the fall the lights should continue to be replaced. If you have noticed any lights out on your dock, please do not hesitate to let us know. I will be walking the docks this weekend in early evening to take note and replace.

Club cleaning - Linda Goins and her crew continue to do an excellent job keeping our club clean and tidy. Should you see her please give her some praise as she really takes pride in her work. I would be remiss in not mentioning a huge **Thank You** to all the club volunteers changing empty dispensers or full trash cans throughout the summer. I believe I witnessed Steve changing the trash cans around the club every half hour on the hour during the Islands Race Party. It really is the little things like this that often go unnoticed but are so important to the club.

If I had to say what makes our club special, one of the biggest things is the love and care our membership shows for the club. We continue to add new members each month; not only for our offerings but it's our membership that makes them feel welcome. It's really a fun place to be.

Our fall meeting and workday will be Oct. 15. Please come and give us a hand if you are available. As the old saying goes, many hands make for a light load. As always, should you see something that needs attention at the club, please do not hesitate to let me know. Hank Boissoneault 419-357-1044 or email ViceCommodore@SanduskySailingClub.com.

View from the Rear RC Jason Huffman

THANK YOU! I would like to take a moment to thank all members who have volunteered for the numerous projects and events in and around the clubhouse. From scrubbing the galley, ensuring there were drinks and food on Friday nights, to weeding flower beds; your hard work does not go unnoticed. As I have seen first-hand being a trustee and now nearing the end of my time as Rear Commodore, it truly takes

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the entire village to make sure Sandusky Sailing Club is a thriving entity. SSC is a special place for many!

As you know, the Sandusky Sailing Club is entirely a volunteer-led club. From taking deliveries to running the marina operation, groups of volunteers work daily behind the scenes to ensure SSC operates smoothly and seamlessly. To ensure this does not overburden those who volunteer, the Board of Trustees needs your help! SSC has a rich history of volunteerism and we are at a point where helping your club stay beautiful and welcoming is of utmost priority.

The SSC Board of Trustees is currently looking for the following positions and opportunities to get involved:

- Secretary (a position that comes with a stipend)
- Members to be trained in operating the bar
- Members to volunteer for the galley to both prepare/serve food for Friday Night Feeds and to serve food at our events such as the Islands Race.
- Weeding of the playground and flower beds
- Race Committee volunteers
- Committee Boat maintenance committee members who will help our racing operations.

If everyone in our club volunteers once or twice a month and comes to Spring and Fall workdays, the burden shouldered by people would be significantly lighter. As the saying goes, many hands make light work! (I think VC Hank just said that in his article) No one has to do everything, but everyone should do something to make sure our club continues to be one of the most welcoming venues for cruisers and racers on Lake Erie!

The Sandusky Sailing Club Officers, Trustees, and Committee Members are asking for your help. Please reach out to a Flag Officer and let us know what, specifically, you will help with. Thanks for your time, effort, and dedication to OUR wonderful sailing club.

Sadler Basin Committee PC Jim Ziss

We have been busy this month and club is looking better.

Docks upgrade and repair - PC Mike Fishbaugh and company have been busy upgrading and repairing the docks.

Weather station instruction - Russ Krock has issued some instructions on how to use the new weather station.

The asphalt repair project is finished; come take a look. Thank you, Art Averell, for putting the parking blocks back where they were.

West wall repair - PC Peter Grant is refining proposals for the repair of the West wall.

Fender Boards - We are working on improving the installation of fender boards on your dock. On the Sailing Club website there is the Fender Board Order Form to fill out and send in.

Sand Bags - There are plans to remove the sand bags and 2x12 lumber wall. They have served their purpose and with the lower water level, they are not needed.

If you see anything that needs attention at the basin, contact me at jimziss@gmail.com

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Sandusky Junior Sailors, Inc...Suzanne Hartley/ Mic Kaufman / Michelle Gilboy

5K Rum - Don't forget to mark your calendars for the 3rd annual 5K Rum. Please note it does NOT SAY "RUN." No one is running during this event unless they choose to (or are being chased). The 5K Rum is a social event from 11a-4p and for the cost of your entry fee (all proceeds go to SJSI) you get a map of participating local bars and restaurants. When you stop at each location on the map, you will earn a stamp and receive a sample drink. Additional stamps are earned for purchases made at each location (including drinks, food, and merchandise). Prizes are awarded at 4p based on the number earned during your journey through Downtown Sandusky. In the past we have patronized Vita, Sandusky Yacht Club, Daly's, The Noble Establishments, Small City and many others. It's a great time to hang out with your friends and experience all that Sandusky has to offer.



SJSI collaborates with Maritime Museum - On Sept. 8 SJSI and the Maritime Museum collaborated to provide a field trip experience to local school children. The two sailing simulators were operated by Mic Kaufman and Jayson Miller. The Marine Biology class learned basic nautical knots, participated in a scavenger hunt and toured the museum.

Registration for LTS 2023 will be open by Dec. 1, 2022. Morning and all day sessions will be available. Check the SJSI website for more details. Enrollment in a Learn to Sail class makes a wonderful Christmas present for the young person in your life. Don't forget the adults! We have sailing courses and lessons for them, too!

Sail Bags - Speaking of Christmas - we have wristlets, cross over bags, bucket bags and more made from your used sails. Look for them at SSC events or contact Suzanne Hartley at suzanne@sailsandusky.org

Communications Committee.....PC Matt Bedee

Communication w/ Membership - If you want to have an event added to the calendar, information sent to the membership via email, or a message sent via Remind, please send to webmaster@sanduskysailingclub.com. This will get it to the right people to get it done. Sending it to one person will delay getting it posted or risk not getting it posted at all. Make sure to include what you want to be said, any graphics, etc. Those who get the email will copy exactly what your correspondence said to make the posts or Calendar Event, so make sure to spell check.

Remind - If you have not signed up to get messages via Remind, please text @sailsand to 81010 to get Remind Announcements. Remind is used to get last minute announcements out to members and currently we have about 170 users on Remind. You can download Remind for Android and Apple devices, then set up an account if don't have one.

Results

Moseley Challenge leaders

(not all have paid)

PHRF: InfraRed, Wet Wombat

Double-handed: Independence,

Cracker Jack, Gotcha

JAM: Solitude, Wet Wombat

Singlehanded Sailing Events

See article in *For the Good of the Order*

Sandusky Islands Race

InfraRed, PC Bryan Huntley - 3rd in PHRF C

AfterBurn, PC Steve Jackson - 3rd in PHRF B

Magic, PC Bruce Roberts - 1st in PHRF B

Schock & All, Russ Krock - 2nd in PHRF A

Mini Quinn, Patrick Quinn - 2nd in Multihull

La Vita e Bella, Mark Capucini - 3rd in Cruising Fleet

Cracker Jack, David Caracci - 2nd in JAM

Gargle Blaster, Harrison Pratt - 3rd in JAM

For the Good of the Order

Wednesday night racing flags for 2020, 2021, and 2022 seasons will be ready for pick up at this year's SSC Awards Banquet in November. — PC Steve Jackson

SSC Singlehanded Sailors Rock 2022

There are a number of events each year that cater to the singlehanded sailors among us. The Great Lakes Singlehanded Society sponsors long races on each of the five Great Lakes. SSC member Russ Krock is the GLSS's current vice president. Every year, Lakes Michigan, Huron, Ontario and Erie host

2022 SSC Sailing Schedule

Date	Day	Event Description	PHRF	T-10	JAM	Ctrboard	Juniors	Cruising Fleet
March	26 Sat	Race Management Seminar 8-3						
Anril	16 Sat	Spring Work Day & Meeting?						
May	11 Wed	Practice Race	Tune up	Tune up	Tune up	No Practice		
	14 Sat	New Member Party & Open House?						
	15 Sun							
	18 Wed		1.1	1.1	1.1	W1-1		
	21 Sat							
	22 Sun					S1-1		
	25 Wed		1.2	1.2	1.2	W1-2		
	29 Sun					S1-2		
	30 Mon	No races. Enjoy and appreciate Memorial Day activities						
June	1 Wed		1.3	1.3	1.3	W1-3		
	3 Fri							
	4 Sat							
	5 Sun					S1-3		
	8 Wed		1.4	1.4	1.4	W1-4		
	10 Fri	(Mills Race)	A.1	A.1	A.1			
	11 Sat							
	12 Sun					S1/4		
	15 Wed		1.5	1.5	1.5	W1-5		
	17 Friday							Leamington
	18 Sat							Leamington
	19 Sun					S1-5		Leamington
	22 Wed		1.6	1.6	1.6	W1-6		
	25 Sat							
	26 Sun					S1-6		
	29 Wed		2.1	2.1	2.1	W1-7		
July	1 Fri							
	2 Sat	Commodore's Day Brunch, Charlton Cup **						
	3 Sun					S1-7		
	5 Tues	Area E Championships (Smythe Bemis)						
	6 Wed	Area E Championships (Smythe Bemis)	No Race	No Race	No Race	No Race		
	9 Sat							
	10 Sun	Harbor Bav Stein Hosnice Race	A.2	A.2	A.2	S1-8		Hosnice Cruise
	13 Wed		2.2	2.2	2.2	W1-8		
	15 Fri	Summer Slam	A.3	A.3	A.3			
	16 Sat	Summer Slam	A.3	A.3	A.3			
	17 Sun	Summer Slam	A.3	A.3	A.3	No Race		
	15-17 Fri-Sun	SYC Regatta Weekend						
	17-21	(I-LYA Junior Bavweek)						
	17 Sun	(Summer Slam)				No Race		
	20 Wed		2.3	2.3	2.3	W1-9		
	23 Sat	I-LYA Onti Chamnionshin **						
	24 Sun					S1-9		
	27 Wed		2.4	2.4	2.4	W2-1		
	28 Thur							
	28-31 Fri-Sun							
	30 Sat							
Aug	31 Sun					S2-1		
	3 Wed		2.5	2.5	2.5	W2-2		
	4 Thur	Deenwater / SteenleCHASE	A.4	A.4	A.4			
	6 Sat	(I-LYA Bavweek Regatta)	A.5	A.5	A.5			
	7 Sun					S2-2		
	10 Wed		3.1	3.1	3.1	W2-3		
	13 Sat	Moonlight race around Kelley's	A.6	A.6	A.6			Cruise around Kellevs
	14 Sun					S2-3		
	17 Wed		3.2	3.2	3.2	W2-4		
	20 Sat							
	21 Sun					S2-4		
	24 Wed		3.3	3.3	3.3	W2-5		
	27 Sat	Sandusky Islands Race**	A.7	A.7	A.7			Islands Cruise
	28 Sun					S2-5		
	31 Wed		3.4	3.4	3.4	W2-6		
Sept	3 Sat	Funday Pursuit Race to PCYC**	A.8	A.8	A.8			Funday Cruise
	4 Sun	(Green Island Race)	A.9	A.9	A.9	S2-6		
	7 Wed	6:30 Start	3.5	3.5	3.5	W2-7		
	10 Sat							
	11 Sun					S2-7		
	14 Wed	Fun Series 6:00 Start	Fun 1	Fun 1	Fun 1	FUN		
Sept	17 Sat	OD Regatta/124 GLC						
	18 Sun	OD Regatta/124 GLC				No Race		
	21 Wed	Fun Series 6:00 Start	Fun.2	Fun.2	Fun.2	FUN		
	24 Sat	(Fall Bav)	A.10	A.10	A.10			
	25 Sun	(Fall Bav)	A.10	A.10	A.10	S2-8		
	28 Wed	Fun Series 6:00 start	Fun 3	Fun 3	Fun 3	FUN		
Oct	1 Sat	(Snow Flurries)						
	2 Sun	(Snow Flurries)				S2-9		
	15 Sat	Fall Work Day & Meeting?						
	16 Sun							
Nov	12 Sat	Awards Banquet?						

Codes: **Separate registration required. Separate sailing instructions. () = Not a SSC event

Aux. Course 1st Warning

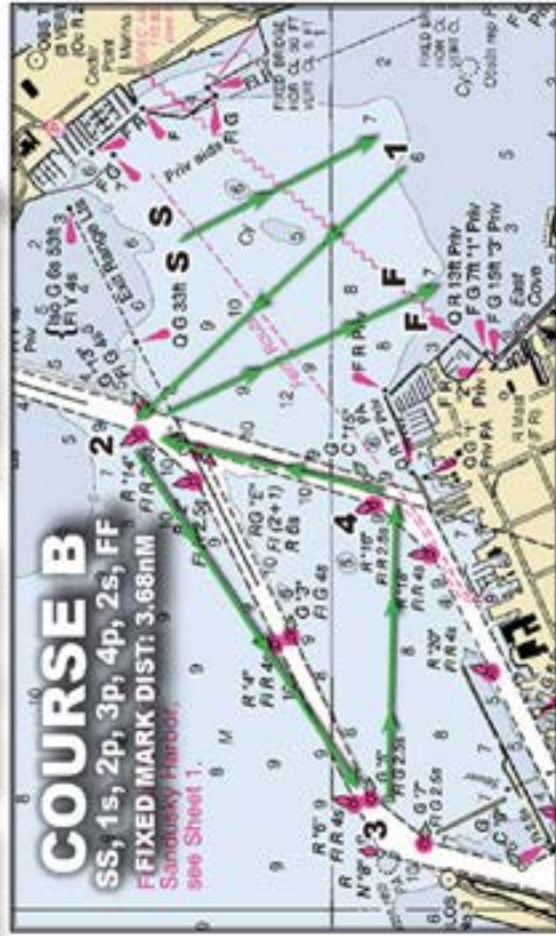
Wednesday Evening
Sunday Morning

Not earlier than
(After Sept. 7) Not earlier than
0900 for PHRF/JAM Sunday Funday

JAM-B	JAM A	Buffer	PHRF	Interlakes
1855	1900		1910	1930
1755	1755		1810	1845
900	900		900	0930

Wednesday Evening Race Courses - Auxiliary

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MARK LIST:

- 1) SSC orange inflatable. Position changes per course
- 2) R "14" channel buoy **I**
- 3) G "5" channel buoy
- 4) R "16" channel buoy

- START (SS)** SSC orange inflatable and Race Committee boat
FINISH (FF) SSC entrance buoy white pin and SSC inflatable.
FIXED MARK DISTANCE is the distance to all the fixed marks on a course. It does not include any distance from the Start to Mark 1 and/or Mark 2. This distance will be added from info generated by the mark boat's GPS.

SSC Auxiliary Fleet Sailing Instructions

2022 Wednesday Night Series

1 RULES

- 1.1 The races/series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024. (RRS)
- 1.2 The PHRF-LE Code of Regulations will apply.
- 1.3 The T-10 Class One Design Rules will apply.
- 1.4 These Sailing Instructions (SI's) will apply.
- 1.5 Race dates, warning times and start order are specified in the 2022 SSC Race Schedule.
- 1.6 The Wednesday Evening Race Courses – Auxiliary will apply
- 1.7 The NOR issued by each fleet will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & CHANGES TO THE SI'S

Notices to competitors and changes to these SI's will be posted on the Race Notice bulletin board located on the east wall of the SSC Clubhouse. Any change to these SI's will be posted no later than 2 hours prior to the first class start.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flag stand on ESCORT 1
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

4 CLASS FLAGS

JAM A / B Purple
PHRF / T-10 Green with yellow diagonal

5 MARKS

The starting mark will be an orange inflatable.
Mark 1 will be an orange inflatable
Mark 2 will be R"14" channel buoy.
Mark 3 will be G"5" channel buoy.
Mark 4 will be R"16" channel buoy

6 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

7 THE START

The starting line will be between a nearby orange inflatable mark the staff on the signal boat holding an orange flag.

8 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between an inflatable mark and the SSC entry buoy.

9 TIME LIMITS

- 9.1 If no boat has passed the first fixed mark within 1 hour of their start, the race will be abandoned for all classes.
- 9.2 If the first boat within each fleet has not finished within two hours of their start, the race will be abandoned for that fleet.

10 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protest forms are available in the Commodore's Room. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the Commodore's Room within 1 hour after the RC boat docks.

11 SCORING

RRS A4 low point scoring system shall apply.

12 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 12.1 When Code Flag "L" is displayed, all boats racing are required to sail past the Transom of the RC signal boat and supply their boat name, sail numbers and class to be raced.
- 12.2 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make wireless transmissions while racing nor receive wireless communications not freely available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 13.2 Except for emergencies, communications with the race committee shall not be initiated during any starting sequence.
- 13.3 SSC RC boats use VHF channels 68 and/or 72 for race communications.
- 13.4 Race committee boats will monitor channel 16, as required by FCC rules, whenever not actively communicating on another channel.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 3 "Decision to Race". The Sandusky Sailing Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the races within this series.

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Jim Keane Co-Chair RC

ADDENDUM:

JAM A and JAM B will start together at 1900 hrs.
PHRF/T-10 will start at 1910 hrs.
After 1 September 2022 the start time will be moved up one half hour to 1830 and 1840 hrs. respectively.
The FUN SERIES at the end of the season shall start at 1800 hrs.



Left: Russ Krock on Schock & All just before the start of the Lake Erie Solo Challenge.



Right: Jim Otton on WAFI in the middle of Lake Huron during the Mackinac Island Solo Challenge.



Right: RC Jason Huffman on Glass Pony at the start of the Lake Erie Solo Challenge

Below: Rob Burger on Storm's Harbor rounding Green Island at Bayweek, just before being passed by Lease Schock on Avatar 2.



Right: Lease Schock on Avatar 2 rounding Green Island at Bayweek.

Challenges that generally run the full length of each lake. Every odd year, Lake Superior hosts a similar Challenge. In 2022, several SSC members successfully participated in singlehanded events, including the Challenges on Lakes Huron and Erie.

100-Mile Solo Shakedown

To kick off the singlehanded season, Russ Krock organized a 100-mile shakedown sail out of SSC. The overnight excursion started off the Sandusky Pierhead Light at noon on Saturday, June 4, heading NE for about 18NM to NOAA 45005, then turning East for another 36NM to the GLERL buoy due north of Cleveland before turning to head 53NM back to Sandusky. This was not an official event, but a casual primer for singlehanders to test gear, watch routines, rest practices and meal preparation. Commodore Wes Blazer, Rear Commodore Jason Huffman, and other SSC members Russ Krock, Rob Burger, Todd Mestrez and Jim Otton all enjoyed a nice night on Lake Erie. Several other sailors from neighboring clubs also joined in.

This was the first time such an event was put together to get ready for the singlehanded season, and nine sailors took advantage of the offering. We owe a big Thanks! to Russ Krock for coming up with the idea and then executing it.

Mackinac Island Solo Challenge

The first official singlehanded event of the year was the 2022 Mackinac Island Solo Challenge, which was scheduled to start at 1000 on Saturday, June 18, with fleets starting in both Chicago and Port Huron and meeting at Mackinac Island. The Chicago start went as planned, but the Port Huron start had to be delayed because strong north winds plus a 4-5 kt current under the Blue Water Bridge prevented some of the smaller boats from being able to get to the start line off Sarnia. Eventually, the wind and current subsided enough for the Port Huron fleet to get out of the St. Clair River and start at 2000; however, the wind was still blowing out of the north in excess of 15 kts and the sea was still running with 3-6 ft waves.

SSC was represented by Russ Krock (*Schock & All*), Rob Burger (*Storm's Harbor*) and Jim Otton (*WAFI*), all of whom finished the Challenge well-placed. Russ brought home 2nd place in the Superior class, while Jim and Rob finished 2nd and 3rd in the Michigan class, respectively. Following the delayed and lumpy start, Lake Huron was generally kind to the sailors except for a few hours of rain and a final day of heavy fog. Russ completed the 230NM course in 2 days 5 hours, while Jim and Rob finished 5 hours later.

Bayweek

For the first time in its 129-year history, the I-LYA included a singlehanded PHRF class in this year's edition of its annual Bayweek Sail Regatta. Fourteen boats participated and were broken down into two divisions, PHRF-A and PHRF-B. Of those 14 entries, five were skippered by SSC members.

There was no racing on Friday due to a lack of wind, but racing commenced in earnest on Saturday and Sunday, which gave the singlehanded fleet one start each day. The Saturday course took the fleet out to West Sister Island and back around Green Island for a course length of about 27NM. The Sunday course took the fleet south around Green Island to the green buoy off of CIC, then NW out around the yellow D buoy

marking the Camp Perry firing range, then back around Green Island to the finish for a total of about 17NM. The biggest challenge on Saturday was light winds on the western half of the race course, while the biggest challenge on Sunday was the hundreds of fishing boats between Green Island and Catawba Island, and then another group near the D buoy. Thankfully, nearly all of the fishing boats were anchored, which made it easier to avoid them.

The SSC boats enjoyed a lot of success. Russ Krock and Lease Schock took 2nd and 3rd, respectively, both Saturday and Sunday in the PHRF-A division, which gave them the same overall results. In the PHRF-B division, Jim Otton finished 1st on Saturday and Rob Burger finished 1st on Sunday, giving Jim 1st overall and Rob 3rd overall. Jason Huffman also participated, but was able to sail on Saturday only.

Lake Erie Solo Challenge

The other official GLSS event in which SSC members participated this year was the Lake Erie Solo Challenge. It started at 1000 off North Cape Yacht Club on Saturday, Aug. 13, with the race course proceeding through Pelee Passage, over to Seneca Shoal (near Buffalo) and then back to Erie, PA for the finish and a total course length of 271NM. There were 24 boats on the start line, of which four were skippered by SSC members: Russ Krock, Lease Schock, RC Jason Huffman and Rob Burger.

The fleet started on a beautiful spinnaker reach through Pelee Passage until the wind shut off mid-afternoon. The fleet struggled to keep the boats moving for a few hours, until light pressure started filling in from the SE and generally held until it eased again mid-afternoon on Sunday. Into Sunday evening, the wind backed and built, forcing the fleet into a 60NM beat toward Buffalo in seas that reached a constant 4-6 ft, with a few 8-footers thrown in for good measure. The leg from Seneca Shoal to the finish at Erie was complicated by diminishing winds, shifty conditions, occasional rain and a few squalls along the American shoreline. The squalls caused a couple of boats to sustain knock-downs and their skippers to endure bruised egos as they fished their spinnakers out of Lake Erie.

Russ Krock sailed ***Schock & All*** to a 2nd place finish in the Superior class, while Rob Burger cruised ***Storm's Harbor*** into 1st place in the Michigan class. RC Jason Huffman brought ***Glass Pony*** into Erie in 4th place in the Superior class. Unfortunately, Lease Schock was unable to finish the race in ***Avatar 2*** because of battery charging issues in his newly fitted-out J105, but he'll be back with a vengeance next year.

It is worth noting that, despite the volatile weather typically encountered on Lake Erie in August, the SSC singlehanded sailors mostly prefer the Lake Erie Solo Challenge over the companion races on the other lakes. The host clubs, North Cape Yacht Club at the start and Erie Yacht Club at the finish, couldn't be more accommodating, helpful and friendly. Much like at SSC, the volunteers who work on the start boat and with the race committee at the finish make all the difference. The Lake Erie Solo Challenge is also unique in that the fleet must pass the finish in Erie, mid-race, and sail another 120NM to Seneca Shoal and back. In adverse

conditions (like the long beat in heavy weather that we had this year), it's tempting to just pull into Erie and start the party early without finishing; so Lake Erie tests the skippers' mental toughness more than any of the other four lakes. Finally, a big shout-out to Lease Schock for all his hard work organizing the event as its Race Chair, which he has now done several years running.

The Rest of the Story

It's one thing to get your boat to the start line of a GLSS challenge, and then another thing to actually complete one. It is yet another thing altogether to get your boat back from the finish, whether it's Mackinac Island or Erie Yacht Club. Sometimes, getting back is half the fun. It's also when most of the really good sea stories take shape.

If you are interested in learning more about singlehanded sailing, whether or not you have any interest in completing one of the big challenges, visit solosailors.org and go to the FAQ page where you will find a ton of information. Or, you can just ask any of the SSC members named in this article, who would be happy to share their experiences and knowledge gained.

Sandusky Islands Race

As you are probably aware, the Sandusky Islands Race was held on Saturday 8/27 and based on all accounts, it was a success. Before I get into the specifics, I want to thank all those who volunteered to help out as it was a herculean effort by all. While I am going to name many volunteers, I'm sure I will miss some, so please do not take offense if I miss your name. I profoundly thank all who helped out.

Friday night began with registration and the standard "Welcome to SSC" evening. We had a DJ who was fantastic and I would highly recommend him for any event moving forward. Thanks Jay Kuester. PC Eric Winkel and PC Mike Fishbaugh for manning the registration table; PC Bryan Huntley was also supportive in all aspects, and the bar was manned by Sarah Cappucini, Maddy Henry and Maddie Grant. The Galley was filled with great volunteers also, including but not limited to Kristen Winkel, PC Pete and Paula Grant, Bernie Ashyk, Carolynne Zettler and Cinda Davis. We served a host of options; burgers, brats, beans, chips, and vegan options including tortellini salad with spinach. Dessert was multiple flavors of Texas Sheet Cake that Cinda made. Behind the scenes we had many moving parts also, and I wanted to put a shout out to Tim Willford who stepped up to manage open docks and dockage needs for the weekend. That took much off our plate. Finally, to all those who stepped up to empty garbage cans (Steve Clark and Linda Clark as one example), and just simply help out where they saw help was needed, THANK YOU. RCR (VC Hank Boissoneault) donated a keg to ensure those arriving had a cold beverage and the bar was rockin'. It's important to note that the Dairy Bar introduced a new drink, the ***SANDUSKY ISLANDER***, concocted by several members of the overarching team. Based on the discussion Saturday morning, that too "made an impact" for the event. LOL

Saturday started early with a great spread of BFast items and coffee served by PC Monte and Suzie Kaufman among others and the boats headed out to the course for the race. Wind was light overall, and the course was shortened due



Maverick, an Andrews 80, sneaks up on Shock & All at the PHRF A start.



Knee Deep, above, and Maverick, below, challenge each other for the most number of crew.



The PHRF B Fleet charges the starting line in the 67th sailing of the Sandusky Islands Race.



to weather conditions. PC Fritz and Jennie Everson were on the course taking pictures, as well as PC Mike Muhn who volunteered to take a photographer out from the Cleveland area. While the race was in process, there was plenty of activity at the club preparing for the return of the participants. Food served that evening included, but was not limited to; BBQ pork, cole slaw, cheesy potatoes, fresh fruit salad, as well as vegan options (special potatoes, tortellini salad, etc) to accommodate everyone's needs. We also cooked a full HOG, and I wanted to thank Dave Bier and Dawson Foster as well as their wives for helping set up and cooking the HOG for the event. It was fabulous. Thanks Folks. To illustrate how many folks ate at the club that night, the food line extended for over two hours, non stop. GREAT JOB GALLEY TEAM for your efforts and I'm estimating we served nearly 300 dinners, if not more. That team consisted of: Frank Hill, Aleis Favro, Beverly Haase, Dick and Phyllis Auge, Sue and Tim Ujvari, Cinda among others. Again, the membership stepped up and brought desserts for Saturday's dinner, and lots of GREAT stuff. Thank you all who helped

out. We had a band on Saturday night, the RAY BANS, who were really fun, and in standard form, there was dancing following the awards. The SANDUSKY ISLANDER made another appearance, and the outcome was as 'impactful' as Friday night. Great concoction team, well done. The Dairy Bar was manned by PC Skip Oliver, Marcia, John and Cameron Giordano as well as support from the Bridge. Special thanks to Bryan and Eric for the donation of a keg for Saturday's festivities, your selection was fantastic. Finally, all members of the Board were instrumental in getting this event to the finish line... thanks to all as everyone was involved.

This event could NOT have been as successful without the primary team of Marcia and John Giordano, PC Bryan Huntley, PC Eric Winkel, Cinda Davis, and of course our fabulous PRO Jim Keane (and RC including Joyce Keane, PC Ruth Anne VanFleet and PC John Hartung)

Final Results are listed in the "Results" section. Congratulations to all participants and those who earned flags.



**Sandusky One-Design Regatta
J24 Great Lakes Championships
&
Lake Erie Thistle Fall Series**

Organizing Authority: Sandusky Sailing Club, J24 USA Class Association, and Thistle Class Association

September 17-18, 2022

Notice of Race

Rules: The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. The Thistle fleet will have no races excluded for scoring purposes.

Eligibility and Entry: 1. The Regatta is open to J24s, Thistles, and any one-design fleet that can get 5 or more boats registered. All registrations will be on Club Spot @ <https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/z7QnY3OxhC/class>.

2. Only J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA may enter. Entrants must meet all ownership requirements, Class membership requirements, and must have completed registration and paid all fees with the regatta chairman before becoming official competitors.

3. For registrations on the day of the event September 17, there will be a \$20 late fee applied.

Schedule: Saturday, September 17

0800 to 1030 Check-in and skipper packets

1030 Competitor's Meeting

1125 Warning signal for Race #1. Multiple races to follow.

1700 SSC Bar Open and Dinner

Sunday, September 18

1025 First Warning signal. Multiple races to follow.

No race will start after 1500

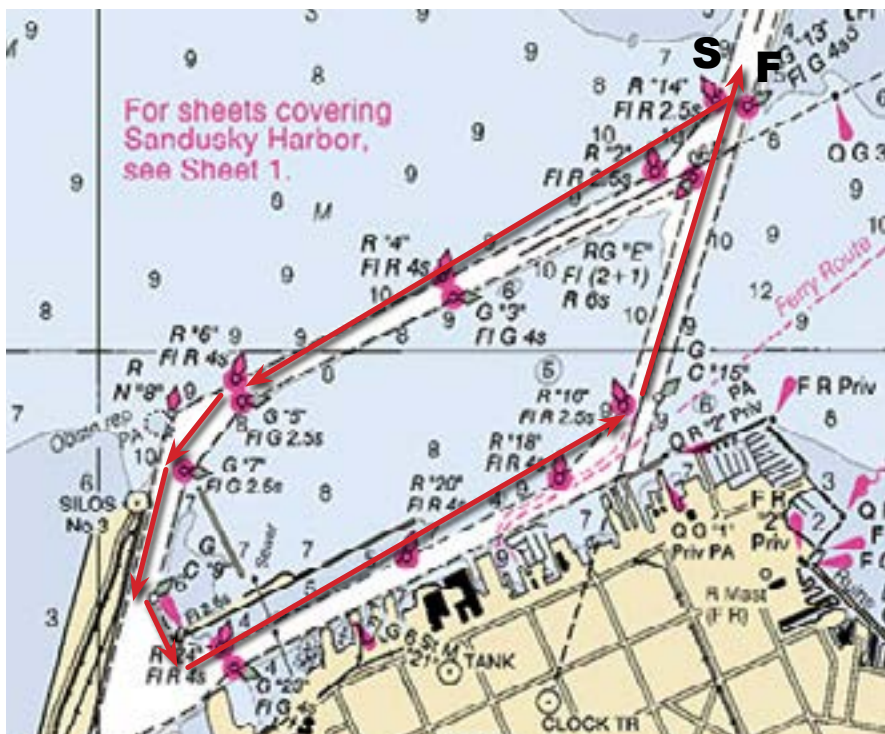
Approx. 1600 Awards, Burgers, and Bar open

Fees: 1. Registration fee \$65/Thistle and \$60 for any other boat.

Moseley Channel Challenge

- Start between buoys R“14” and G“13”. Sail the Moseley Channel trapazoid (once around) either the RED or GREEN course. You must pass thru the sets of buoys as described in the course.
- Sail anytime you choose between June 1st and Sept. 30th. Record your date and elapsed time. Email it to eric@artdpartment.com.
- Cost is \$20 for your first time turned in. Fastest corrected time wins. You can turn in more than one time. Turn them all in, we have more prizes. Open all classes (i.e. PHRF, JAM, Multihull, Interlake, Cruising, etc.)

**CAN BE USED
AS A COUNTER
IN YOUR PHRF or JAM
HOME SERIES**



RED COURSE:

Start between (R“14”/G“13”)
pass between: (R“6”/G“5”)
pass GC“7” to port
pass GC“9” to port
pass between: (R“24”/G“23”)
pass between: (R“16”/GC“15”)

Finish between (R“14”/G“13”)

Course distance: 3.69nM

NOTE: Freighters and ferries have right-of-way in the channel. Please respect their restricted movement. If you get the five quick blasts denoting collision course, you must retire from that race and start over.



GREEN COURSE:

Start between (R“14”/G“13”)
pass between: (G“15”/R“16”)
pass between: (G“23”/R“24”)
pass GC“9” to starboard
pass GC“7” to starboard
pass between: (G“5”/R“6”)

Finish between (G“13”/R“14”)

Course distance: 3.69nM

NOTE: Freighters and ferries have right-of-way in the channel. Please respect their restricted movement. If you get the five quick blasts denoting collision course, you must retire from that race and start over.



EXCITING NEW SSC MERCHANDISE IS NOW AVAILABLE!!

All new hoodies! Visors! Tank tops! Cool weather watch caps! Lunch bags! Backpacks! Bright new colors and bright logo! Too many items to list. ALL of your favorite classic merchandise that you've grown to love is also still available! Check them out at SSC.spiritsale.com or email Carolynne at SSCgear@sanduskysailingclub.com

Also new this year, FREE DELIVERY TO SANDUSKY, HURON, AND PERKINS AREA!

Sailing stuff for sale

1997 Com-Pac 27-2 sailboat with cradle for sale. Asking \$24,500. Please call and leave a message at 330-612-7194 or portandstarboard@ohio.net. (Dock B-45).

Sailboat TV System - Glomex 10" Marine Analog and Digital TV Antenna with mount and coax cable, Glomex TV Antenna Gain Control, Sharp 15" TV, Omni Mount Folding TV Mount, Magnavox SDTV Tuner, Remote Controls, Wires and Connectors. Pictures available. Asking \$200.00. Call Mark Gross at 419.357.6747 or e-mail mrg@bex.net.

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.

26 foot Grampian sailboat: Good starter boat! 3 sails, roller furling, spinaker, 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.

30' S2 Center Cockpit: Diesel runs well. Roller furling recently replaced. \$8,000 negotiable. Dock B63 at Safe Harbor Marina paid for 2022. Reason for selling - advanced age of owner. Contact: Roz Stevenson 740-352-0620.

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. Has 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. Has older genoa 155 on Harken roller furling. Anderson 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@ymail.com

Tartan 10 #329 (Patrimpas) for sale. Equipment includes several class measured and registered racing sails, VHF radio, AM/FM/Bluetooth stereo with external marine speakers, aluminum winter frame and canvas winter cover, lots of spare parts. Upgraded running rigging and several racing modifications. Asking \$10,000. <https://sailboatlistings.com/view/83454> Contact Aud Jucaitis at 216-970-3263 or aud.jucaitis@outlook.com

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

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

J/24 for sale - 1979. Set up for single-handed, MORC or one-design. Good sails and rigging. Fair trailer. Boat is in good condition - The bottom has had substantial attention by Jeff Witter; it has been blasted, sanded, faired and ready. \$4,400. Contact PC Park McRitchie at park@quikspray.com

1987 Hunter 31 - Excellent condition. Several sets of sails recently inspected and repaired. Yanmar 2GM20F 2 cyl. diesel. Sale includes steel cradle and many extras. Ready to cruise or race. Asking \$13,500. Racing sails are available for extra \$\$\$. Contact Rory Carpenter at 734-660-1517.



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