



# 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.*

## February 2015 Cross Bearings

02/04	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
02/07	Sat	I-LYA Junior Committee Meeting	10:00am
02/07	Sat	Cruising Fleet Potluck	6:00pm
02/10	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm
02/11	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
02/18	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
02/21	Sat	Wine Tasting Party	5:00pm
02/21	Sat	RSVP for Safety at Sea Seminar	
02/25	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
02/28	Sat	Safety at Sea Seminar, Port Clinton YC	8:00am
03/02	Mon	Sadler Committee meeting	7:00pm
03/04	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
03/10	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm
03/11	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
03/14	Sat	St. Patrick's Day Party at SSC	6:00pm
03/18	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
03/25	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm

Check the web site for more info: [www.sanduskysailingclub.org](http://www.sanduskysailingclub.org).

## Commodore's Comments .....Comm. Pete Grant

**2015 USODA Great Lakes-** The planning is going well for this event. We have several judges committed and in the usual SSC fashion, SSC members are stepping up to the plate. One of the most immediate needs is housing for some of the judges. We are trying to get as many local people to host as possible to keep costs down, so having spots lined up for housing would be very much appreciated. We also need people to fill various committee spots including Parking and Safety, Chase Boats, Launch and Recovery, etc. I can be reached at: [pgrant@bex.net](mailto:pgrant@bex.net)

## Rocking Chair for PC Paul McAllister-

Recently Gloria Winkel is heading up an effort to raise funds for a rocking chair in PC Paul McAllister's name. What a truly wonderful idea to pay tribute to someone who meant so much to all of us. Please get in touch with Gloria if you would like to make a donation to this worthy cause!!

**Name the playground ship-** We need a name for the new ship in the kids' play area. I invite kids 12 and under to write a short essay on what we should name the ship and why. The winner will receive a \$25 Toft's gift certificate! Send entries by March 1 to [pgrant@bex.net](mailto:pgrant@bex.net). Winner to be announced at Spring Workday.

**RC Wendy Kaufman** has many great ideas for future events at SSC so please keep an eye out for your Cross Bearings and also on our website as we make our way through the winter months. Also don't forget about the Winter Wednesdays with Tim every Wednesday evening.

**Christopher Jay Zuck-** Sadly, we regret to inform you of the passing of SSC member Christopher Jay Zuck. Chris, 58, of Sandusky, known as "Voo" to his family and friends, passed away Tuesday evening, January 20. Voo sailed on many SSC yachts including *Shadow Fax*, *Buffalo* and more recently, *Big Electric Cat*. We will certainly miss his wit and good humor at SSC. Our sympathies go out to his family.

**The SSC oven-** I would like to thank PC Bryan Huntley for once again stepping up and repairing the oven in the Galley. He and I spent the better part of last Saturday replacing a regulating valve on the right side oven and then testing both ovens temperature. I am happy to report everything looks ship shape for the coming year. Bryan always answers the call when needed and it is much appreciated!

**If you have any issues** that need attention, please contact me or any board member. Comm. Pete Grant at [pgrant@bex.net](mailto:pgrant@bex.net).

**Skating on the sludge basin, circa 1958.  
Photo supplied by Andy Sausser.**



## Vice Vice Baby!!.....VC Steve France

**Yearbook-** Work continues on this year's yearbook. Past and prospective advertisers have been contacted and the work to confirm our advertising in the new yearbook has begun. We continue to seek photos of club events, members and adventures from our 2014 season, so I encourage you to send them to me at [stevefrance@ameritech.net](mailto:stevefrance@ameritech.net). Also, if you have not yet sent in your 2015 dues, please consider being a yearbook patron. Once again, I want to thank PC John Hartung for assembling all the information for our direct mail program to past advertisers. His work made the program completely seamless.

**For any house and grounds issues** that need attention, contact me at 330-524-6516 or [stevefrance@ameritech.net](mailto:stevefrance@ameritech.net).

## Rants from the Rear .....RC Wendy Kaufman

**I-LYA Jr. Committee Meeting** on Feb. 7, 10am at SSC. A light lunch will be served.

**The Cruisers' Party** will take place that same day starting at 6pm. All are welcome to join in the planning and fun.

**Sandusky Arctic Ice Festival** on Feb. 8 starting at 10am. This event is staged in the Maritime Museum area and includes kids' activities, speakers, ice boat races (weather permitting), ice rescue demos and an amateur ice carving competition. This is always fun and interesting. Admission to the Maritime Museum is only \$1.

**Take Note...the 10th annual Wine Tasting Party has moved to Feb. 21 at 5pm.** The party will be hosted by Kathy VanderHorst and the Sandusky Junior Race Team parents. Jerry Ervin from Heidelberg Distributing is again bringing a fine selection of wines for our tasting (and purchasing) pleasures! Plan to attend and be educated by Jerry regarding each selection, and hopefully we will all find another favorite beverage.



**St. Patrick's Day Party-** We should all have plenty of time to recover from the wine tasting just in time to celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the club. Jay and Beth Austin will be hosting this annual party on March 14 at 6pm. It is always a great time. See you there too!

**\*\*\*Please take notice\*\*\* There WILL BE a Junior Sailors Reverse Raffle/ Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser...** there are some changes in the works and we have not quite nailed down all the details. So, we will send an email blast (or several) with the details as soon as they become available.

**Please watch your inbox and/or SSC website** for upcoming details and events. If you have any social or educational ideas or suggestions, please contact me at 419-656-9566 or [willowwalkers@aol.com](mailto:willowwalkers@aol.com). I would love to get your input!

## Operations .....Tim Kyle

**Remember the date!** - Final dock payments are due March 31. If you have not made the first payment, please do so now!

**Awards-** I have a long list of qualifiers, flags, and volunteer awards that weren't picked up at the banquet. Please check with me at the Dairy Bar to see if you are on that list.

## **This mild winter has sure put a damper on iceboating!**

IF Mother Nature should bless us with good ice this winter, please be sure to lift the ramp off the ice at the end of each day. This unstable weather is a sure way to get it stuck or damaged.

**Winter Wednesdays** continue to be a hit. Come on down and enjoy a warm fire and a cold beverage. You never know who might be here. This is also a great way for new members to get acquainted with the club.

**Sadler Committee-** The 2015 Sadler Basin Committee is made up of these members: PC Monty Kaufman, Jim Keane, PC Mike Muhn, Jim Brinker, and VC Steve France, 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 begin at 7:00pm on Monday, March 2 at SSC.

If you have questions, comments or concerns about the marina or clubhouse, please contact me at [timmo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:timmo@sbcglobal.net) or call 419-656-5881.

## From the Treasurers .....Bernie and Dave

**The 2015 dues statements** have been sent. Please respond as soon as you can and you'll be able to check that item off your "To Do" list. Thanks in advance for your payment.

— Bernie Ashyk and Dave Brink

## For the Good of the Order

**SSC Library-** All of the members who have donated books and other items to our library are due for a big "Thanks!" We now have a good collection of sailing related knowledge and entertainment on hand - one of the best in the region, in fact. You may not know it, but PC Jim Ziss was the one who built the book cases. Thanks to him too.

But the library does need some reorganization, and is running out of space. PC Skip Oliver has volunteered for the job, and has determined that we just don't have room for all the VHS tapes, or cruising guides that are more than 20 years old.

So if you want to rescue any VHS tapes or guides, please pick them up by Feb. 20. Most of them will be gone after that.

**YMCA sailing lessons-** This year the Sandusky Area YMCA will be offering sailing lessons in partnership with the Sandusky Sailing Club (SSC) for both youth and adults. Members of the Y will receive a discounted rate, and a limited number of scholarships are available to low income families through SSC.

These lessons put a heavy emphasis on water safety. PFD's are always worn, and every student learns what to do in the event of a boat capsizing, person overboard, and the basics of safe navigation in our waters.

Since 1950, SSC has taught sailing to 5,000 youth and adults, and has a well-deserved reputation for excellence in the sport. We look forward to working with the Sandusky Area YMCA.

**Safety at Sea Seminar Feb. 28** at the Port Clinton Yacht Club at 8:00am. Sponsored by US Sailing.

Why take a US Sailing Safety at Sea Seminar?

- Ever wonder what you would do if someone fell overboard from your boat?
- Do you have a plan to deal with heavy weather if you can't reach a safe harbor?
- Interested in selecting the right emergency communications equipment or storm sails, but you're not sure what to buy?

If so, a US Sailing Certified Safety at Sea (SAS) Seminar is for you.

Safety at Sea Seminar:

- Moderated and taught by experienced, lifelong sailors, including some of the top names in sailing and safety.
- Designed for sailors of all types and levels of cruisers and racers, novices and experts.
- Appropriate for a wide range of boats - small, big, monohulls, multihulls (and powerboats, too) - that are sailed anywhere near shore or offshore.
- Curriculum is certified by US Sailing, with special attention to conditions and challenges of the host organization's sailing area.
- More than 1,000 sailors attend safety seminars around North America every year and many bring their families and crews.
- The certifications are good for five years.
- Brian Adams, moderator - A highly experienced sailor, sailing on the Great Lakes for 30 years. Sailing has been a large part of Brian's life and has been a great influence. Sailing has taught him how to safely deal with a constantly changing environment and how to achieve the best from the experiences and individuals involved. Sailing experience includes 18 Queens Cup races, nine Chicago-Mac races, and hundreds of races around the Great Lakes in summer and Florida in the winter. He has 20,000+ delivery and cruising miles on the Great Lakes, East Coast, Florida and Caribbean. US Coast Guard Captains Masters License - Certified instructor and was the communicator on board **Sociable** during the 2011 **Wingnuts** rescue.

Guest speakers:

- Al DeClerk - Heavy Air and Emergency Sailing
- Dr. Jen Casey - Medical Emergencies at Sea

Cost \$135 per person (includes lunch) To register for the SAS Seminar contact Cliff Ruckstuhl: [cliffruckstuhl@att.net](mailto:cliffruckstuhl@att.net) RSVP by Feb. 21. Proceeds go to support the Port Clinton Yacht Club Junior Sailors.

**Lost** - In June we lost an electrical tester in a plastic bag, black wire 10' long light cord with 2 small alligator clips (1 red - 1 black) at each end. Also, Sept. 14-18, an American flag on a 2' wooden flag pole with rubber end tip went missing from the stern of **Whisper**. Contact Dave Taylor at [daonesail@msn.com](mailto:daonesail@msn.com).

**Found** - Medium spinnaker sheet. Found by the ramp. Contact Eric Winkel at [eric@artdpartment.com](mailto:eric@artdpartment.com)

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*“Land was created to provide a place  
for boats to visit.”*

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— Brooks Atkinson

## Sailing Stuff for Sale

In an effort to keep this list current, we run items for three months. After that, the owner can contact us to re-run an item. If we don't hear from the owner, we'll assume the item is sold and will remove it from the list.

**T10 (1st&TEN)** New sails, excellent condition. Quality trailer. Recored and ready to go. Not a fixer-upper. Stored inside during winter. Great racing record. PHRF or the super fun, one design T10 fleet. \$20,000. Buy now and get FREE indoor heated storage this winter. Contact Eric Winkel at 419-621-9823 or [eric@artdpartment.com](mailto:eric@artdpartment.com).



**1985 Westerly Konsort** for sale \$15,000 - 29 ft., fin keel cruiser - **ANTICIPATION** is a one-owner boat. Popular model worldwide. Great long range cruiser or live-aboard boat for two people with occasional guests. ANTICIPATION has cruised the Great Lakes and the Atlantic coast while based at SSC. Call or email Scot Duncan for details. Leave message at 419-627-2945 or e-mail [scotduncan@alum.mit.edu](mailto:scotduncan@alum.mit.edu).

**Playground slide for sale.** Good condition. Contact Comm. Pete Grant at [pgrant@bex.net](mailto:pgrant@bex.net)



**9' x 4.5' Inflatable dinghy.** Brand new, still in original container. Bought several years ago and never used. \$500, OBO. Contact Jack Kamer at 614-314-7445 or [jkamer@columbus.rr.com](mailto:jkamer@columbus.rr.com).

**45-watt solar panel,** new in box. Never used. Harbor Freight advertised for around \$140; Sell for \$100. Everything you need except mounting. Contact Jack Kamer at 614-314-7445 or [jkamer@columbus.rr.com](mailto:jkamer@columbus.rr.com).

**1981 McVay - 23ft.6 in. sailboat** with 1998 Johnson J6REC 6 HP long shaft outboard (with separate 3 gallon fuel tank and hose). All in very good/excellent condition. Stored indoors. AWLGRIP finish. \$3,000/OBO. For more info and/or to see it, call Doug 908-619-9900 or 419-626-2755.



**1979 Catalina Capri 22 - 8' beam, 4' draft,** newer sails, outboard, storage trailer, for \$6,400. Contact Bob Rody at 419-357-7968 or [bobrody5@gmail.com](mailto:bobrody5@gmail.com).

**El Toro sailing dinghy.** Plywood with West System and epoxy 545 coating. Varnished rudder, centerboard and seats. Aluminum mast and boom. Sails in very good condition. \$750. Contact P/C Bryan Huntley at 419-621-6328.

**Sunfish sailboat** - Yellow and orange with wooden board and rudder. Great shape. Will make a great beach boat or weekend dinghy. \$1,000 OBO. Contact Sjoerd VanderHorst at 440-241-6895 or [sjvanderhorst@gmail.com](mailto:sjvanderhorst@gmail.com).

**Thistle #3835** - Great Midwest, white hull, silver mast and boom. Ready to race, newer rudder and centerboard, aluminum tiller, large mesh bow bag, two mesh turtles configuration, standard Harken hardware, newer Spectra halyards. Good sail inventory. Good trailer, travel top, parking lot top with side flaps, bottom, rudder and centerboard covers. \$12,500. Email [Jeremy.kaufman@tetrattech.com](mailto:Jeremy.kaufman@tetrattech.com), 913-638-3678. or PC Monty Kaufman at 419-502-7535.

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

**1980 Hunter sailboat** for \$10,000. It has new sails and is a diesel. In good working order. Contact Ina Brolis at 419-541-7645 or [travelina@me.com](mailto:travelina@me.com)

**993 Laser sailboat** - Not used a lot. Trailer included. \$2,500. Call Anne at 419-722-0323.

# St. Patty's Day at the Sailing Club



When: Saturday March 14, 2015 @ 6:00pm

Cost for dinner will be \$15/person

“Make-your-own Reuben” Bar, Irish Potato Soup, St. Patty’s Day Appetizers and Dessert

The Dairy Bar will be serving all of your favorite Irish concoctions including Guinness, Bass Ale, GL Conway’s, Killian’s, and an assortment of Irish whiskeys.

RSVP: Jay Austin at [jaustin6@kent.edu](mailto:jaustin6@kent.edu)

“Work is the curse of the drinking class” – Oscar Wilde