



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.

March 2018 Cross Bearings

- 03/05 Mon NO Sadler Basin Committee meeting this month
- 03/06 Tues Junior Sailors Inc. meeting 7:00pm
- 03/13 Tues SSC Board meeting 7:00pm
- 03/17 Sat St. Patty's Day Party 6:00pm
- 03/23 Fri Friday Forum -
Shipwrecks of the Western Basin 7:00pm
- 04/02 Mon Sadler Basin Committee meeting 7:00pm
- 04/03 Tues Junior Sailors Inc. meeting 7:00pm
- 04/10 Tues SSC Board meeting 7:00pm
- 04/20 Fri Friday Forum - David Smith presents
Sailing Penobscot Bay in Maine..... 7:00pm
- 04/21 Sat Spring Workday/General Meeting 8:30am

For more info go to: www.sanduskysailingclub.com.

Commodore's Comments Comm. Mark Gross

WANTED-Awards Committee chairperson - After many years of outstanding service, Don Guy is stepping down as Awards Committee chair. The club has been extremely fortunate to have Don (and Eilene) at the helm of this committee; we are very grateful for all their hard work. If you are interested in chairing this committee, please let me know. Don will make sure you have all the proper information and will help the new chair get organized and up and running. Maybe this committee should be co-chaired to share the effort. Once again, Don and Eilene, thank you very much for your service and for all that you have done for SSC.

I-LYA Spring Meeting – Mark your calendars for the 2016 I-LYA spring meeting, April 6-7 at the Holiday Inn French Quarter - Perrysburg, Ohio. The meeting will include symposia topics and a great opportunity to chat with fellow sailors. For more information visit www.i-lya.com.

2018 Regattas – This is shaping up to be a busy year for competitive sailing at SSC. We have several regattas lined up for this summer season. Let's work hard to uphold the Sandusky Sailing Club's reputation for hosting the best regattas in the country! More information will be forthcoming.

PC Ron Abbott passed away Friday, Feb. 16. Ron served as Commodore in 1982 and was still active serving on Race Committee. Our condolences go out to Martha and the rest of the Abbott family.

Elizabeth "Betty" Fenn, wife of PC Dave Fenn (1970), died peacefully Tuesday, Feb. 6. Betty and Dave were very active members of SSC in the '70s and '80s as well as local sailmakers. Our condolences go out to PC Dave and the rest of her family.

If you have any concerns or there is anything that you believe will make our club better, please don't hesitate to contact me at mgross@grosslaw.net or 419-357-6747. You may also contact any other member of the Bridge or Board.

Sailing ViceVC John Schwartz

SSC survey - Thank you to the 80+ members who took the time to complete the first round of SSC's survey process. As PC Mike Muhn pointed out, that's approximately a 30% participation rate. The Long Range Planning Committee needs to drill down into these responses. While there weren't too many surprises in terms of what people like and don't like -- the results did illustrate that our club has some distinct camps; that the strong opinions of some people are directly opposite to those of others.

We'll take a break from surveys this month, but I'll need everyone's help with a shorter survey around the end of March. That one will be a list of yes/no questions to gauge what the majority of us think about affordability, updated facilities, expanded bar hours, investment in expanded programming, boat-sharing, etc.

Sandusky's bicentennial - 2018 is Sandusky's bicentennial and SSC is looking forward to be part of the celebration - including the Sandusky Yacht Club's Regatta the weekend after the Tall Ships are in the harbor. I'm excited about how much fun stuff will be going on, in and around SSC this year!

Yearbook - We are collecting sponsors for SSC yearbook advertising right now. Attached is an advertising form for anyone who would like to advertise in the yearbook. The prices have increase a little bit from last year, but we will also be expanding the exposure for these sponsors - including a directory of advertisers in the yearbook and in the member section of the club's website. It is still cheaper than placing an advertisement in a typical school sports tournament brochure - and people look at the yearbook and website all season.

We will also be trying to build a BOGO coupon section of the yearbook. If anyone is interested in placing an ad -- or has questions -- please email me at john@firelandslocal.com.



**Who is this dashing young SSC sailor?
See For the Good of the Order for the answer.**

By the way, that's a new email for me this year. However, if you accidentally send me anything at my old email, those will be forwarded for all of 2018.

Workday/Spring meeting – Finally, this year's workday will be Saturday, April 21. That's a bit later than usual, but I wanted to make sure that we were free and clear of all Easter/Spring Break conflicts. With any luck the later date will mean beautiful weather!

Look forward to seeing you at the club. Keep the ideas coming either by email at john@firelandslocal.com or by voice/text at 419-706-5137.

The View from the RearRC Matt Bedee

The first 2018 Friday Forum was a success and a great time was had by all sharing different pizza combinations. Thank you to all for helping out with setup, prepping pizzas, shared ingredients, and cleanup. The pizza oven worked great and by the end of the evening we had some interesting pizza offerings. The venison sausage that PC Wendy and Leo Kaufman brought was a hit. Looking forward to the next Friday Forum on March 23 to see what additional pizza combinations members come up with. Can we top February's Friday Forum? Really simple: You make your own pizza and it will be ready in 90 seconds.

Thank you to Mic Kaufman and Suzanne Hartley for their SJSI/SJRT presentation to help show the excitement that is present in the Learn to Sail, Race Team, and Adaptive Adventures. Larry Knauer coordinated the sailing simulator that was at the club Friday and Saturday. If you didn't get a chance to try out the sailing simulator, we are looking to have it at the club for weekend of The Big Steak Out/Open House on May 19.

The SSC Wine Tasting was well attended and we definitely enjoy our wine at SSC. Thank you to all that attended and purchased a "few" bottles of wine to take home. Also, thank you to those who supported SJSI/SJRT by bidding on gift baskets donated by Cindy Brink and the sail bags donated to SJSI/SJRT by Sea Bags. I would like to thank VC John Schwartz and my wife, Deanna, for helping get the food ready, Jerry Erwin for once again providing a great wine variety for us to enjoy, along with Tim for manning the bar and selling additional bottles of wine.

St. Patty's Day Party will be March 17 from 6pm to 9pm... or so. Jay Austin will be hosting again this year. Please RSVP to Jay to allow him to get an accurate count for food. See the St. Patty's Day Party Flyer in this *Cross Bearings*.

The March Friday Forum will be on March 23 from 7pm to 9pm. There is a \$5 entry to cover the program. However, dinner is still free. The program is titled "*Shipwrecks of Lake Erie: Fire, Storm, Collision.*" Visit their website at www.eriewrecks.com. As mentioned above, we will be doing pizzas again this month, so bring your favorite ingredients to share.

The April Friday Forum will be on April 20 from 7pm to 9pm, when SSC Member David Smith will present his sailing trip on Penobscot Bay in Maine. This is also the night before Spring Workday and the General Meeting.

Friday Forums will be scheduled through the summer and fall as schedules allow with summer activities. I am going to be asking several of last year's presenters if they will do them again during the summer to allow anyone who missed them last spring.

Jay Austin will do May's Friday Forum and discuss the Race Committee jobs and Racing Rules of the Road. The May Friday Forum coincides with The Big Steak Out/Open House that PC Steve France will be hosting on May 19.

If you have ideas for Friday Forums, please contact me. There may be potlucks also over the course of the year.

Sandusky2018 – 2018 is Sandusky's bicentennial year and there will be events throughout the year. More information can be found at www.sandusky2018.com. The Festival of Sail will be July 12-15 and will include the Tall Ships returning to Sandusky Bay. Adaptive Adventures, part of SJSI, will host a dinner cruise, so watch for more information to come under my report or the Adaptive Adventures report in upcoming *Cross Bearings*.

Sandusky Sailing Club has been around for a significant portion of Sandusky's 200 year history when you think about it: We have been around since 1932.

Contact me – Please feel free to contact me at matt.bedee@theaustin.com or 419-202-0044.

Operations Tim Kyle

New gate cards (BLUE) will be in the mail soon. Please do not throw the old (GREEN) card away until you confirm that the new card readers are installed. They are scheduled to be installed at Spring Workday.

LAST AND FINAL CALL FOR DOCK PAYMENTS!

Dock contracts were mailed on Oct. 1 and were due in full by Dec. 15. There are still an alarming number of berth holders who have not paid their second half payment, and in many cases, no payment at all. If you will not be returning, please let me know. If you are returning, please remit your payment in full ASAP. Unpaid docks will be available for reassignment March 15.

Dock boards and risers are maintained by the club, but horizontal batter boards and other custom improvements are the responsibility of each berth holder. If you plan any improvements or custom "tweaks" to your dock this year, please come down early and inspect your dock for any repairs that need to be made (dock boards or loose risers) and report them to me ASAP. This winter has been hard on the docks and every effort will be made to make necessary repairs in a timely manner.

We have several 26 and 30 foot docks available at this time. It would be a great time to invite a sailing friend to join or to request reassignment if there is something available that would be more desirable to you. Contact me for availability.

The next scheduled Sadler Basin Committee meeting is Monday, April 2 at 7:00pm.

Feel free to contact me with questions or concerns about the marina or clubhouse, at timmo@sbcglobal.net or call 419-656-5881.

St. Patty's Day at the Sailing Club



When: Saturday March 17, 2018 @ 6:00pm. THE ACTUAL HOLIDAY THIS YEAR! UH OH! GREEN BEER?!

Cost: \$15/person

Meal: Traditional Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner, 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 BY MARCH 3rd

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

Learn to Sail.... Mic Kaufman / Suzanne Hartley Thank you to everyone who came to the Friday Forum!

Suzanne and I hope everyone had a good time and learned a few things about the sailing program. Also we hope everyone enjoyed the wonderful pizzas that RC Matt and his galley crew prepared. Thank you to Larry and Brent for bringing the sailing simulator and allowing us to play with this amazing technology. This is an amazing tool. It will be fun as we look into ways this could be used for future events to help expand our wonderful sport during the winter months.

Registration for Jr. Learn to Sail is OPEN! Go to www.sanduskysailingclub.com/its-youth-program to sign up.

Sandusky Junior Sailors is a nonprofit and the program relies on donations to keep sailing affordable to those who want to give it a try.

Race Management..... Jay Austin

SSC is hosting a USSailing One Day Race Management Seminar on Saturday, April 14. Registration is \$50, which will include a light breakfast, Cameo pizza for lunch, course materials, and certification test. Anyone interested in joining the Race Committee or helping out with weekend regattas is more than welcome to attend. All registration must be done online; no walk-ins will be accepted. Follow the link to our registration site.

Note: you must be a current U.S. Sailing member or pay an additional \$10 fee. Contact Jay Austin with any questions or concerns 330-351-0283

<http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13452000>

For the Good of the Order

Stake out the Steak Out - Be sure to Stake Out the clubhouse on Saturday, May 19 for our 2nd annual Steak Out, New Member Celebration and Nautical White ELEPHANT AUCTION. We again go back to Bay Meats and charge them to select the finest steaks from their top shelf. You know they will be done to absolute perfection because you grill them yourself on the club's big outdoor grill. And with this year's libational delight coming from the far side of the world, you can expect some exotic tropical ingredients to make our featured drink a memorable treat. You are encouraged to begin scrounging around in the garage, the attic and the fruit cellar to gather up your cast off and unused nautical items for the auction. Make a note. May 19!

The young SSC sailor is none other than Terry Parker.

Ask him about the image. He might even give you the correct date and his correct age at the time.

Call for carpet - A reminder that old carpet (minimum 12'x6') can be dropped off on the Junior barn porch.

SSC online calendar - The website committee is making a concerted effort to keep the SSC online calendar current, making it a more useful tool when you're trying to find out what's going on at your club.

Go to www.SanduskySailingClub.com, then to "Communities," then to "Events Calendar." Click on the event to get more info, contacts, links, as well as any fliers available.

Thistle #21 Black Jack. We lost a dear family friend last week - Charlie Carroll, whose uncle was Jim Hendricksen. I am trying to locate the boat. If you have any information on the whereabouts of Thistle #21, please contact PC Pete Grant at pgrant@bex.net

Awards not picked up at the banquet may be picked up at SSC. Contact Tim Kyle at the dairy bar. Thanks, Don Guy

I-LYA news - Keep up with the latest news from the Inter-Lake Yachting Association, the governing body of local clubs, by subscribing to the I-LYA newsletter or check out past newsletters at www.i-lya.org.

Sailing Stuff for Sale



Seabiscuit, O'Day 34, \$25,900 - Well maintained boat, consistently improved and loved by current owners. Call or email Jim Priebe @ 440-781-9618 or jpsailinghorse@yahoo.com for a complete list of improvements and upgrades.

1985 C&C 29-2 - \$16,500 - This boat can be seen online at

<http://www.sailboatlistings.com/view/68630>.

Contact Bill Kellner at 440-667-3732 or bkellner48@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 - bottom needs attention; it has been blasted and is ready for sanding and bottom paint. \$3,250.00. Contact PC Park McRitchie at park@quikspray.com

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

Boat well available for a 28-30' boat. Located at the end of the channel in the Cove on Cove Park Blvd. \$300/mo. year round 614-579-2074 cell or txt.

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 \$25,000. Racing sails are available for extra \$\$. Contact Rory Carpenter at 734-660-1517.

1987 Sabre 30 Mark III. Freshwater boat. One of few available on the Great Lakes. Excellent condition. Sails in good shape. New, upgraded diesel in 2006. Numerous recent improvements. Includes cradle. Ready to cruise or race. Asking \$33,900. Contact Comm. Mark Gross at 419-357-6747 or mgross@grosslaw.net

45-watt solar panel, new in box. 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.



Leo Kaufman (left) and Dave Brink take on the sailing simulator. Soon after this pic, Leo dumped and got "wet."



LEARN TO SAIL



Presented by Sandusky Junior Sailors, Inc.

All sessions are for Beginner/Intermediate sailors.

Session 1:

June 18 - June 22

Session 2:

June 25 - June 29

Session 3:

July 9 - July 13

Session 4:

July 23 - July 27

Session 5:

July 30 - August 3

Session Pricing

AM 9:00 - 12:00

\$130/SSC member

\$150/non-member

ALL DAY

\$250/SSC member

\$275/non-member

Please bring a lunch when attending all day sessions.



Visit sanduskysailingclub.com to register or for more information



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