



# SANDUSKY SAILING CLUB

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## January 2014 Cross Bearings

01/01	Wed	SSC New Year's Day Potluck	noon
01/06	Mon	Sadler Basin Committee meeting	7:00pm
01/14	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm
01/16-20		Cleveland Indoor Boat Show at the IX Center	
01/25	Sat	Wine Tasting Party at SSC	6:00pm
02/02	Sun	Come on groundhog!	
02/11	Tues	SSC "SPECIAL" membership meeting	7:00pm
		We will vote on the changes to the Constitution	
02/14	Fri	Valentine's Day - What says "I love you"	
		more than the gift of new sails?	
03/03	Mon	Sadler Basin Committee meeting	7:00pm
03/11	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm

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

## Commodore's Comments .....Mike Fishbaugh

**Happy New Year!** - Happy New Year to all Sandusky Sailing Club members and friends. May I wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous 2014!

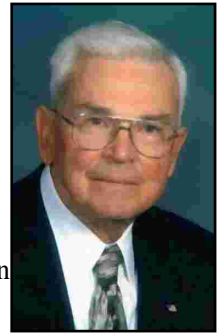
**Annual Budget Meeting** - On Saturday, Dec. 14, 2013 the annual budget meeting was held at the SSC Clubhouse. There was a nice turnout of the membership at this meeting to review our financial standings and approve the budget for 2014. Thank you to our treasurers Dave Brink and Bernie Ashyk for the time they put in to develop this budget for us to review each year. The budget, which includes a \$20 increase in dues, was approved by the members in attendance.

**SSC Constitution review** - On Saturday, Dec. 14, 2013, after the annual budget meeting, the second reading of the proposed changes to the SSC Constitution took place. We had a thorough discussion during which a number of semantic issues were corrected and approved by the members present. [Attached to this Cross Bearings](#) you will find a complete version of Constitution with the proposed changes marked. This is the second posting of the proposed changes in accordance with our Constitution. We will vote to enact these changes at our next membership meeting as noted below.

**Special Meeting** - On Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2014, a Special Meeting of the Membership will be held at Sandusky Sailing Club at 7:00pm. At this meeting, we will be voting on the proposed changes to the SSC Constitution.

**SSC fun** - Please mark your calendars for all the great activities coming up at SSC during the "off season." RC Steve France is diligently planning some great events for this year, so check out the schedule and plan on joining us!

**Howard Smith Jr., M.D.** died early Friday morning, Dec. 6, 2013, in Stein Hospice Care Center, Sandusky, following a two-year illness.



Howard learned to sail from his father at the age of 8, and it remained one of his favorite pasttimes throughout his life. Among his adventures, sailed Lake Erie, the Atlantic, from Bermuda to New London and the Gulf of Alaska, from Ketchikan to Sitka.

He joined SSC in 1959 and helped guide our club through participation on numerous boards and committees.

We will miss Howard's steady influence and great wisdom at the club. Our condolences go out the his wife, Janet, and the rest of his family.

**If you have any SSC issues** that you would like to discuss or address, please contact me at [mfishbaugh@pathmaker.net](mailto:mfishbaugh@pathmaker.net).

## Vice Vice Baby!.....VC Pete Grant

As I mentioned in last month's Cross Bearings, I would like to highlight some of our club volunteers. To kick things off I asked PC Bryan Huntley to let us know how the SSC grill came to be. In addition, I wanted to thank Bryan for his tireless support of the club's activities in that every fall he picks up the grill for annual maintenance and every spring he drops it back off for our use at the club. It's volunteers like Bryan that make our club GREAT!

## History of the SSC burger grill

Most of you who frequent SSC are probably not aware of the history of the commercial grill used for most of the Wednesday night and weekend cookouts.

Back in 1980 when the clubhouse committee was busy building the new clubhouse, they asked my father, Jim Huntley, who was a trustee at the time, to procure a new grill for the club's use. Since the family business is the manufacture of commercial restaurant equipment, Jim decided to take on this task and build the club a grill.

He went on a six month mission to design and build an all stainless steel, 5 foot, natural gas grill. He wanted it on casters so it could be used in the two locations specified for burgers, in front of the clubhouse and on the NE side by the galley. We found a local builder to cut and fabricate a cutting board for the front on the grill. We also provided a flex hose and quick disconnects for easy use and portability.

The grill was delivered to SSC for the grand opening of the new SSC clubhouse in the spring of 1981 and donated to SSC by Jim and Barb Huntley, and the Peerless Stove and Mfg.Co. Most felt it was better than expected and built to last, which it has.

Every year since it was donated, I have come to SSC and retrieved the grill, taken it back to Peerless where it receives any necessary repairs, and returned in the spring. This usually happens during work day. I also store the SSC stainless steel table for the winter with the grill at the Peerless plant here in Sandusky.

If you do the math, 2013 marked the 32nd year this grill has been used at SSC. As a char-broiler, it takes a lot of abuse. With a BTU rating of over 300,000, it gets quite hot, as intended, but it puts a lot of stress on the grill. It has really stood the test of time, but has also required the replacement over time of the burners, grates, supports etc. In the early days when our family could not do some of this gratis, we did charge a nominal fee for this work. For the last 10 or 12 years, this yearly maintenance has been a gift to SSC from my family and my company, Peerless Manufacturing.

The grill will definitely make it another year, or two, or three. But one of these days..., well, you know.

**Yearbook** - I've started work on the 2014 Yearbook and I'm looking for pictures of club events, candid shots of members and just about anything pertaining to SSC. If you have something that fits the bill, please send it to me in a TIF, JPG or GIF format. Please understand, I can't promise that I'll be able to use everything I receive. My email address is [pgrant@bex.net](mailto:pgrant@bex.net). Also, as you are completing your 2014 dues statement, please consider becoming a yearbook patron.

**Winter activities** - It doesn't look like the iceboating season is starting anytime soon, but don't let that stop you from coming down to the club on Wednesday nights for the off-season social scene. Tim will keep it going as long as people continue to show! Hopefully we'll have hard water this season and some weekend fires roaring in the clubhouse. Keeping our fingers crossed.

**For any House and Grounds issues** that need attention, please contact me at [pgrant@bex.net](mailto:pgrant@bex.net) or 330-416-2884.

### **Rants from the Rear .....RC Steve France**

**Wine Tasting Party** - One of your club's most anticipated winter events is just around the corner. Again this year, Donna and Jim Brinker will host the Wine Tasting Party, beginning at 6:00pm, Saturday, Jan. 25. While the weather outside may be frightful, the fire will be so delightful...as will the assortment of hors d'oeuvres Donna and Jim have planned for us. Jerry Ervin will feature an assortment of wines selected specifically to compliment the Brinkers' menu. So, be sure to work up an appetite, along with a little thirst, and join us for a memorable evening of wine, food and fellowship at your Club.

**Advanced Wind Forecasting Workshop** - Mark Thornton will be back at SSC for a return engagement on April 5, this time presenting his "Advanced Wind Forecasting" workshop for sailors. Those of you who attended his "Great Lakes Basic Marine Weather Seminar" last April know how informative and useful his seminars are. No aspect of weather is more important to sailors than the wind. Whether on the race course or cruising to Put-in-Bay, sailors of all experience levels will come away from this workshop with new skills and wind forecasting knowledge that will enhance their time on the water.

The workshop begins at 8:00am, with lunch at noon and finishes at 4:30pm. The workshop fee is \$40 for individuals, \$75 for couples and \$25 for juniors. (See the attached registration form) Visit [www.lakeeriewx.com](http://www.lakeeriewx.com) for more information.

**Children's Christmas Party** - What fun the troopers had this year! Your club was decked out in its holiday best and more than 20 kids lined up for a visit with Santa. It was a great afternoon with games, cookies and gifts for all. Many thanks to PC Eric and Kristen Winkel for serving as hosts again this year and to PC Bill Semans for donning the big red suit and making it a great experience for the kids. Word has it that his Ho Ho Ho was pretty convincing.

**SSC Holiday Cocktail Party** - That Saturday between Christmas and New Year's was the perfect time to kick back, relax, put your feet up close to the fire and just enjoy being with your friends at the club. PC Mike and Mary Kay Fleming were our hosts for this year end holiday party potluck. Thanks Mike and Mary Kay for making it such a great way to end the year.

**For any social or educational issues or ideas**, please get in touch with me at [stevefrance@ameritech.net](mailto:stevefrance@ameritech.net) or 330-524-6516.

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

**Dock contracts** - Thank you to all the berth holders who promptly paid for their docks for next season. Those who made their first half payment are reminded that the second half is due by March 31. No statement will be sent, but I will continue to send reminders via the Cross Bearings. As of this writing, there are still many berth holders who have not paid nor indicated that they will not be renewing their dock for the 2014 season.

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

**Sadler Committee** - The 2014 Sadler Basin Committee is made up of these members: PC Monty Kaufman-President; Brian Malott-Secretary; Jim Keane; PC Mike Fleming; Jim Brinker; and VC Pete Grant, SSC Board Liaison.

Feel free to discuss marina questions or concerns with these members as we will continue to communicate throughout the winter.

The next meeting of the Sadler Basin Committee will be held at 7:00pm on Monday, Jan. 6 at SSC.

**Please contact me** with any questions or concerns about the clubhouse or basin at [timmo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:timmo@sbcglobal.net).



Oh, the irony in a name. High winds in late October knocked Windfall off her trailer.

## For the Good of the Order

**After Racing Season Trip** - After a wonderfully engaging summer of race committee duty, Martha and I journeyed to the southern coast of New England for the first time, to visit the home of tall ships in America, the home of many early settlers of this area, the home of Oliver H. Perry and top-level sailboat racing today - Mystic, CT and Newport, RI. On the advice of PC Fred Walcott, who grew up in that area, we toured Mystic Seaport, the living museum of tall ships and early colonial seacoast life. Great place.

The evening of the last race of the America's Cup, we headed from Mystic River to the seacoast and found a hangout of racing sailors - Dog Watch Cafe and Marina. It was a great crowd that fully appreciated the nuances of sailboat racing at the top level, and a beer or two, like SSC. (The food was great also.) Yes, they have a website, so if you get close be sure to visit and enjoy. If you go early on a Wednesday, you might even get to crew in a race.

On the beach of the marina were about twenty J-22s that they use for their learn-to-sail programs and fleet races. Fun group.

Newport was next on our itinerary. What a difference. It's rather like a very big and upscale Put-in-Bay or Mackinac Island. Fred's daughter was our local guide. She is the special events coordinator for the art museum, so she knows everything about everybody, and knows all the local sailboat racing folks. Again, we had a great time with the sailboat racers and excellent food. There is a great bar-restaurant with a porch overlooking the harbor, with a great lobster salad at a reasonable price. Put it on your bucket list! They also have a fleet of J-22s for a learn-to-sail program and casual sailing.

Next fall, perhaps on to the rest of the seacoast of New England. Tour anyone?

— PC Bob Speers

**Awards and trophies** not picked up at the fall banquet may be picked up at the dairy bar. If you have any questions, please contact Don Guy at [donguy@aol.com](mailto:donguy@aol.com) or 419-626-6335.

**Thistle Fleet** - PC Roger Fair is retiring as Fleet Secretary of Sandusky Thistle Fleet #3. Anyone interested in the position can feel free to contact Roger.

Thistle sailors, please pay your membership dues to:

Thistle Class Association  
Attention: Patty Lawrence  
6758 Little River Road  
Loveland, Ohio 45140

Or you can pay on line at:  
[www.thistleclass.com](http://www.thistleclass.com)

**SSC goes Dockside** - This photo is of Eric Stone (from the Eric Stone Band of Lats & Atts and Cruising Outpost fame) holding a SSC burgee. How did he happen to obtain one? It's a bit of a story, so here goes. Andrea and Mike Ogline from SSC attended the Seven Seas Cruising Association (SSCA) Gam in Annapolis this fall. There they won a gift certificate to Dockside Cafe



in Marathon, Fla. Since they wouldn't be in Marathon this winter, they gave it to us, Burt and Prue Preston, former SSC members who now live permanently on our sailboat.

We arrived in Marathon and decided it was appropriate to cash in on the gift certificate with some other SSCA friends — ought to share the wealth. Dockside used to be a bit rundown, and it actually was closed by order of the building inspector last winter. Eric and his wife bought the business, did extensive renovations, and just reopened in early December. It's a much nicer place with some excellent music that will rival what is available in Key West. They had just begun obtaining burgees to decorate the deck, and we felt one of our old ones would find a nice home here. Thus, if you happen to be traveling to the Keys this winter, stop by Dockside and admire your club burgee on display. — Prue Preston

## Meet Your Sandusky Junior Race Team:

**Christopher McCollum** is an Opti sailor, sail number 18543.

While sailing for the Sandusky Junior Race Team, Christopher competed in the USODA regionals 2013 at Edgewater Yacht Club. As a 13-year-old 7th grader at CVCA in Stow, Ohio, Christopher is an active young man. In addition to sailing on the race team for 2 1/2 years, he also enjoys skiing, tennis, cross-country, water skiing, lacrosse, and hockey.



Christopher's favorite regatta to date is the Edgewater Regatta because he received a 3rd place in the Opti gold fleet. His favorite sailing memory is receiving 6th place overall in the I-LYA travelers series for Optis in 2013.

Christopher has aspirations of being a Naval or Air Force pilot when he grows up.

**Graeme Schwartz** is another Opti sailor. At age 12, he is a 7th grader at McCormick Middle School in Huron. After participating in the Learn-To-Sail program for four years and sailing on his family boat since the age of 5, he joined the race team this past summer. Graeme's favorite regatta is the Sandusky venue because it was his first. His best sailing memory was sailing north of Pelee Island on the way to Cedar Island Yacht Club on a family vacation because he really liked that the boat was completely out of sight of land.

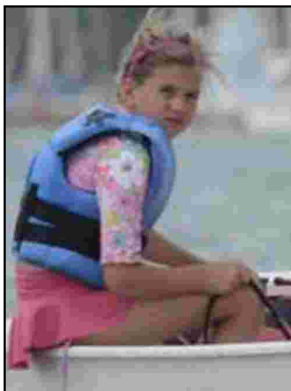


Outside of sailing, you will find him snowboarding, biking, reading, swimming, refereeing a soccer game, reading a book, or going to the theater.

Graeme plans to become a teacher after studying at the University of Michigan.



**Lily Schwartz**, the feisty little sister of Graeme, is our 3rd Opti sailor. She is a 10-year-old 5th grader at Edison Middle School in Berlin Heights where she is an honor student in advanced classes. Lily has been sailing on her family boat since the age of three and she participated in Learn-To-Sail for three years before she joined the race team in 2013. Her favorite regatta was the Sandusky regatta because it was her home club. Lily's favorite memory of sailing was when she started crying at her first LTS class.



When she is not sailing, Lily will be swimming, snowboarding, playing soccer, running, reading, camping, skateboarding and listening to music.

Lily would like to study at the University of Michigan with her brother so that she may be a veterinarian and professional swimmer.

## Sailing Stuff for Sale

In an effort to keep this list current, we are going to clean this column by running items for three months. After three months, 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.

**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 419-621-6328

**1987 Hunter 28.5 - ORION.** In great condition with many updates. Harken roller furling, newer sails. Easy to cruise and fun to race. \$14,900 [ziegler@bex.net](mailto:ziegler@bex.net) or 419-626-7029.

**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).

**T-10 Steele Cradle** - Good condition that will serve you for many years. Adjustable pads. In Columbus, OH. Buyer must arrange to move with trailer. \$700 OBO. Contact Sjoerd VanderHorst at 440-241-6895 or [sjvanderhorst@gmail.com](mailto:sjvanderhorst@gmail.com).

**Interlake 1081** for \$3,500. Contact Paul McAllister at [pmboarder@aol.com](mailto:pmboarder@aol.com)

## Members at large...

**Mark Swabley** recently left Oregon after a couple of months with his sister for Arizona to visit with SSC members who were smart enough to move south to the desert southwest. Nice weather with temps in the 70s. Good times hiking in the mountains and touring on his Harley.

If you have a photo of your winter activities or travels send it to [eric@artdpartment.com](mailto:eric@artdpartment.com). The membership would love to know what you're up to this "season of waiting till spring."



**Pair of Lewmar #16 two-speed chrome primary winches** (not self-tailing) Original equipment on the Pearson 30' "TONIC." Have not been used since 1967. \$225. Janet Smith at 419-433-5766.

**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 440-289-2621.

**11980 Hunter sailboat** for \$10,000. It has new sails and is a diesel. In good working order. Contact Ina Brolis 419-541-7645 or [travelina@me.com](mailto:travelina@me.com)

**Outboard motor bracket or engine lift.** Page 622 in West Marine catalog. Originally sold for \$349.99. Good for up to 170# or 30 horsepower, all aluminum, WM-Bracket #3. Used one season. Price \$175. Contact Jim Krysiak, dock B-36 or email [capt.jim7@oh.rr.com](mailto:capt.jim7@oh.rr.com)

**993 Laser sailboat** - Not used a lot. Trailer included. \$2500 Call Anne at 419-722-0323.

**1984 Morgan 36** - Great racer/cruiser, 11' 6" beam. Bunch of extras. Docked at SYC. \$30,000. Call PC Ron Abbott at 419-625-0198, Bob Lazarony at 419-625-4803 or email [paulalaz@aol.com](mailto:paulalaz@aol.com).

**C&C 29 MKI**, 1977, full race equipped, new sails, boat at Harbor North on the hard, Reduced to \$10k. Great single handler/cruiser, Atomic 4, furler, much more... 614-327-4488 or [rwpoorjr@yahoo.com](mailto:rwpoorjr@yahoo.com)

**1980 Chrysler (Morgan) Super 27** is a racer/cruiser. PHRF-LE rating = 159, JAM = 169. Meticulously maintained and upgraded. Completely restored to "better than new" condition with AWLGRIP topsides and deck, mast, boom and spinnaker pole. Lots of sails, lines, instruments and gear included. Asking \$23,500. Located at SSC berth A9. Contact Jim Shufflin at 419-370-9053 or [james.shufflin@kbibearing.com](mailto:james.shufflin@kbibearing.com)



View inside the lighthouse.



# SSC Advanced Wind Forecasting: A Workshop For Sailors

Presented by Mark Thornton

Saturday, April 5, 2014 – 8:00am–4:30pm (includes lunch)

\_\_\_ Individual - \$40.00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Couple - \$75.00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Junior - \$25.00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete and mail to: Sandusky Sailing Club, P.O. Box 814, Sandusky, Ohio 44870

**Registration after March 15, 2014, add \$10.00 to above rates**

\*\*\*Payment can also be made at the Dairy Bar until March 15, 2014

**Registration and Additional Information** Contact: Steve France ([stevefrance@ameritech.net](mailto:stevefrance@ameritech.net)) 330-524-6516  
or Tim Kyle ([timmo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:timmo@sbcglobal.net)) 814-250-0475

Seminar website: [www.lakeeriewx.com/Seminars/SSC](http://www.lakeeriewx.com/Seminars/SSC)

# SANDUSKY SAILING CLUB CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE I...Name

**SECTION 1.** The name of this organization shall be The Sandusky Sailing Club, Incorporated or, where its corporate nature is not important, it may be called simply, The Sandusky Sailing Club, ~~(the Club)~~.

## ARTICLE II...Objectives

**SECTION 1.** The objectives of The Sandusky Sailing Club shall be the promotion and encouragement of sailing and seamanship, and of a sportsmanlike attitude toward racing and competition.

**SECTION 2.** ~~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.

**SECTION 3.** The Club must never undertake any step that will in any measure prevent its offering all ~~Active Regular~~ members the benefits, the privileges, and the duties of full membership. All ~~Active Regular~~ members must have voting power.

## ARTICLE III...Membership

**SECTION 1.** There shall be five classes of membership: ~~Active Regular~~, ~~Teen Junior~~, Life, Honorary, and ~~Associate Crew Association~~.

**SECTION 2.** Persons sympathetic with the objectives of this Club shall be eligible for membership and, as members, shall be entitled to the privileges of the Club.

**SECTION 3.** ~~Active Regular~~ membership includes:

A.) Adults 21 years of age and over.

B.) Members of a family including children under 21 years (one composite vote per family). Children of the family may have the initiation fee waived if they make application to the Club for ~~Active Regular~~ membership prior to 21st birthday.

**SECTION 4.** Any person ~~more than 12 and less than 24~~ 25 years of age may apply for ~~Teen Junior~~ membership. A ~~Teen Junior~~ member ~~may~~:

A.) ~~Use the Club facilities.~~

B.) ~~Skipper or regularly race a yacht.~~

C.) ~~Be eligible for awards.~~

A.) ~~May a~~Apply for ~~Active Regular~~ membership before age 24 25 without payment of initiation fees.

B.) ~~A Teen member~~ May not vote or hold office in the Club.

**SECTION 5.** Life membership may be conferred upon any person for conspicuous service rendered to ~~the~~ Club or to yachting in general, or for any cause deemed sufficient. Life membership is conferred by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees. ~~subject to the approval of the Club~~. Life members shall have all the privileges of ~~Active Regular~~ members, but shall be exempt from the payment of ~~an~~ initiation fee and annual dues.

**SECTION 6.** Honorary membership may be conferred by the Board of Trustees upon any person who is deserving of it. Honorary membership must be approved by a simple majority vote of the members present at any Regular, ~~General~~ or Special meeting and shall be for one calendar year duration. There shall be no dues or initiation fees for Honorary members. They shall have all Club privileges except that they shall not be eligible to vote nor may they hold any office.

**SECTION 11 7.** ~~An Associate~~ A Crew Association member shall pay regular dues as established by the Board of Trustees ~~amount~~ and have use of Club facilities.

~~An Associate~~ A Crew Association member shall not:

A.) Own or have any interest or ownership in a sailing yacht.

B.) Be eligible for awards.

C.) Hold office.

D.) Have voting rights.

**SECTION 7 8.** Election to membership. All persons proposed for membership shall be recommended in writing by at least

two (2) members in good standing of the Club. All applications for membership must be accompanied by the current initiation fee. ~~Applications received prior to and including the August Board meeting shall be accompanied by one full year's dues. Applications received for consideration at the September through December Board meetings shall be accompanied by one half year's dues.~~ Application for membership shall be voted on by the Board of Trustees. The vote shall be followed by a two month trial membership period where the names of the applicants shall be listed in the Cross Bearings. During this two month period, an ~~active~~ **a Regular** member can respond in writing to the Club to voice any objection to the member's acceptance. After an investigation, ~~a vote may be conducted at the next General meeting~~ **and if the objection is validated, the Board of Trustees may rescind the applicants' membership.**

**SECTION 8 9.** Discipline. If the conduct of any member shall be in violation of the ~~Code of Regulations~~ **Constitution**, By-Laws, or Rules of the Club, or is such that it may throw discredit upon the Club, or be prejudicial to the Club's interest, such member may, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Trustees, be suspended or expelled. Before taking such action, a written copy of the charges must be served upon the member and an opportunity given the member to be heard before the Board of Trustees in defense. After such a hearing and in the event **that** the Board of Trustees votes to suspend or expel such member, such member may request and have the suspension or expulsion reviewed by the members of the Club at a Regular or Special meeting. A motion to reconsider the suspension or expulsion of a member may be made at the next Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, but not thereafter. Any member so suspended or expelled shall be refused admittance to the Club and its privileges.

**SECTION 9 10.** Division of Membership. The ~~Active Club~~ **voting** membership shall always be kept in such a proportion that the boat owning members shall never be less than one-third (1/3) the total **Active Regular** membership.

**SECTION 10 11.** Member in Good Standing. The term "member in good standing" shall mean a member of the Club who has paid dues for the current year as provided for in the ~~Code of Regulations~~ **Constitution** and who has not been suspended or expelled from the Club.

#### ARTICLE IV...Meetings

**SECTION 1.** There will be three ~~regular~~ **General Membership** meetings per year. One meeting will ~~be held on the fourth Saturday in April coincide with the Spring workday.~~ The second ~~will to be held the third Saturday in October coincide with the Fall workday , which will coincide with elections and pre-budget at which time elections will be held.~~ The third ~~to be will be held no later than on the third Saturday in December which will coincide with budget at which time the Annual Budget will be presented.~~

**SECTION 2.** Special Meetings. Special meetings of the members may be held at any time upon the call of the Commodore or a majority of the Board of Trustees.

**SECTION 3.** Notice of Meetings. Notice of all **Board of Trustee and General** meetings shall **appear in the monthly Cross Bearings. Notice of Special meetings and their purpose will be communicated electronically.** ~~be mailed to each member in good standing, appearing as such on the books of the Club, by the Secretary at least three (3) days prior to the date of such meeting. and in all cases of Special meetings, the notice therefore shall briefly state the object therefore.~~

**SECTION 4. Majority.** **Any business brought forward at a General Membership or Special meeting that requires approval must be affirmed by over fifty (50%) percent of the Regular members present.** ~~Quorum. Twenty five (25) members in good standing shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any Regular or Special meeting of the Club members.~~

**SECTION 5. Order of Business. Meeting Protocol.** The following order of business shall be observed at Regular meetings.

~~A.) Roll Call.~~

~~B.) Reading of the minutes of the previous Regular meeting and all Special meetings of the Members, and all Board meetings since the previous Regular meeting of the Members.~~

~~C.) Financial Report.~~

~~D.) Report of committees.~~

~~E.) Communications.~~

~~F.) Unfinished business.~~

~~G.) Election of Officers (Annual Meeting).~~

~~H.) New business.~~

Roberts Rules of Order shall be the final authority in all matters of parliamentary procedure for all Club meetings.

**SECTION 6.** Regular members in good standing are invited to all Board of Trustees meetings. Regular members shall contact the Commodore one week prior to the Board of Trustees meeting in order to have an item placed on the agenda for that meeting.

## ARTICLE V...Dues

**SECTION 1.** The fiscal year of the Club shall be the calendar year. The amount of dues and the budget for the coming year shall be ~~fixed~~ **approved by the Board of Trustees** ~~by a majority vote of the members present at the December meeting.~~ Dues shall be in force for one year only, starting January 1 and ending December 31.

**SECTION 2.** The Secretary shall notify each member of the amount of dues payable ~~as of~~ **by** January first.

**SECTION 3.** Any member failing to pay dues by March 1 will be notified by the Secretary. Any members failing to pay dues by April 1 ~~shall~~ **may** have their names posted on the Club bulletin board, and ~~shall~~ **may** be dropped from membership and so notified by the Secretary. ~~The Trustees may at their discretion permit members to remain in good standing although their dues remain in whole or part unpaid.~~

**SECTION 4.** A member who has been dropped from membership because of non-payment of dues may apply to the Board of Trustees, and with the payment of the current year's dues and with the approval of the Board of Trustees, be reinstated.

**SECTION 5.** ~~After ten years of continuous membership~~ **As defined in the Club By-Laws**, any Active **Regular** member who is or will become 65 years of age during the calendar year **may apply for Senior dues status** ~~need only pay one-half of the annual dues.~~

## ARTICLE VI...Trustees

**SECTION 1.** The number of Trustees shall be ten, consisting of six members elected from the membership, and the three officers, the Commodore, the Vice Commodore, the Rear Commodore, and the Immediate Past Commodore. ~~At least six of ten of the Trustees must reside within a 26-mile radius of the club.~~ The Commodore will act as presiding officer at all meetings of the Board of Trustees.

**SECTION 2.** Election of Trustees from the Membership. Three of the six Trustees shall be elected each year at the ~~regular~~ **Fall General** Meeting to serve a term of two years.

**SECTION 3.** Powers of Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall be the governing body of ~~the~~ Club, and it shall be their duty to consider all applications for membership, to set up such ~~standing~~ committees as may be necessary and to approve the members thereon. The Board of Trustees shall have the control and management of the business, funds, and property of the Club. ~~However, it is hereby made mandatory that said Board of Trustees shall disclose all matters of large or special interest and importance to the Club in the monthly newsletter.~~ The Board of Trustees ~~may~~ **shall** adopt **and maintain** By-Laws ~~not inconsistent with these regulations~~ the Constitution, promulgate and enforce rules governing the use of the property and privileges of the Club by its members, their children, and guests, and fill vacancies in its own membership. The Board of Trustees shall approve the payment by the Treasurer of any and all expenditures prior to payment of such expenditures, at any monthly Board of Trustees meeting, **General** or Special Meeting. ~~of the Board at which a quorum is present. The Board of Trustees shall have the power to disapprove any actions of the Club membership inconsistent with the welfare of the Club.~~

**SECTION 4.** Trustees' Meetings. The Board of Trustees shall hold ~~regular~~ **monthly** meetings. ~~at least once each month at such hour and place as the Commodore may determine.~~ Special meetings of the Board of Trustees may be called by the Commodore and must be called by the Commodore upon written request of any three (3) Trustees. Six (6) Trustees shall constitute a quorum. ~~Roberts Rules of Order shall be followed at all meetings of the Trustees.~~

**SECTION 5.** ~~Advisory Board. The Past Commodores of the Club shall constitute an Advisory Board to confer with and advise the Board of Trustees. They are eligible to attend all meetings of the Board in advisory capacity, and although they may take part in all discussions they shall not vote on any matter at such meetings.~~

## ARTICLE VII...Officers

**SECTION 1.** The Officers of the Club shall be ~~three~~ **four** in number: (1) Commodore, (2) Vice Commodore, ~~and~~ (3) Rear Commodore **and** (4) **Immediate Past Commodore**. They shall also serve as members of the Board of Trustees, **and with the exception of the Immediate Past Commodore**, shall be elected for (1) year and serve until their successors are elected and take office.

**SECTION 2.** The Secretary, although considered an Office of the Club, ~~shall have no voting power of the Trustees~~ **is not a voting member of the Board of Trustees**. The Secretary shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall hold office at



the pleasure of the Board of Trustees, and shall receive such compensation as the Board of Trustees may prescribe.

**SECTION 3.** The Treasurer, although considered an Office of the Club, ~~shall have no voting power of the Board of Trustees~~ **is not a voting member of the Board of Trustees**. The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees, and shall receive such compensation as the Board of Trustees may prescribe. The Treasurer shall be bonded for any amount prescribed by the Board of Trustees, and the Club shall pay the cost of the bonding.

**SECTION 4.** In the case of a vacancy occurring in the Office of Commodore, either by death, incapacity, or resignation, the Vice Commodore shall succeed to the Office of Commodore. In the case of a vacancy in the Office of Vice Commodore, the Rear Commodore shall succeed to the Office of the Vice Commodore, and the Office of Rear Commodore shall be left vacant until the next regular election.

#### ARTICLE VIII...Duties of Offices

**SECTION 1.** The Commodore shall preside at all meetings of the Club, and at all meetings of the Board of Trustees. The Commodore shall sign all certificates of membership, shall perform all duties incident to the office, and such other duties as may from time to time be required by the Board of Trustees. The Commodore shall, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, appoint and be an ex-officio member of all committees.

**SECTION 2.** The Vice Commodore shall act as Commodore when the Commodore is absent and shall assist the Commodore in the duties of the office. The Vice Commodore shall be directly responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the Clubhouse, ~~and~~ grounds, and beverage operations, and ~~to~~ **shall** supervise the duties of the Treasurer.

**SECTION 3.** The Rear Commodore shall take the place of the Commodore or Vice Commodore when they are absent and shall assist them in their duties. The Rear Commodore shall be directly responsible for the entertainment and educational programs of the Club, and food operations. ~~and shall serve as ex-officio member of all such committees.~~

**SECTION 4.** The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all transactions and proceedings of ~~the members and the Board of Trustees~~, shall give all notices required by law and all notices provided by the ~~Code of Regulations~~ **Constitution** or By-Laws of the Club, shall keep a proper Secretary's book, and shall properly record therein all minutes of ~~members' and General, Special and Trustees'~~ meetings and other matters as shall be proper and necessary. The Secretary shall issue and attest to all certificates of membership and generally perform such duties as may be required by the ~~members of Trustees~~ **Board of Trustees**, shall keep a true and correct roll of all members of ~~said the Club~~, ~~notify Officers of their election, as well as any member upon appointment to any committee,~~ shall keep a correct and up-to-date list of the name, ownership, dimensions, and rig of each yacht or boat enrolled in this Club, ~~and prepare and keep a perpetual inventory showing all of the Club's property,~~ and do and perform such other duties as may be necessary or incident to the Secretary's office. At the expiration of the Secretary's term of office, the Secretary shall deliver all books, records, papers and property of the Club to the Commodore. ~~or to the succeeding Secretary.~~

**SECTION 5.** The Treasurer shall receive and safely keep all monies, rights, and choices in action belonging to the Club and the same shall be disbursed under the direction of ~~and to the satisfaction of~~ the Board of Trustees. Proper vouchers shall be taken for all such disbursements. It shall be the Treasurer's duty to keep an accurate account of the finances of the Club on the books of the Club, prepared and furnished for that purpose, and all books shall be open for inspection and examination by the Board of Trustees. ~~or any committee appointed for that purpose.~~ **The Treasurer shall prepare and keep a perpetual inventory showing all of the Club's property.** The Treasurer shall render an account of the standing of the Club at its Regular meetings and at such other times as the Board of Trustees may require. At the expiration of the Treasurer's term of office, the Treasurer shall deliver all books, records, papers, and property of the Club to the Commodore. ~~or to the succeeding Treasurer.~~

#### ARTICLE IX...Nominations and Elections

**SECTION 1.** The Nominating Committee shall consist of all Past Commodores and the current **Bridge (Commodore, Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore)**. The ~~Immediate Active~~ Past Commodore shall act as Chairman.

**SECTION 2.** The Nominating Committee shall select a slate consisting of ~~six~~ **a minimum of three** candidates for Trustee (three to be elected), ~~two~~ **a minimum of one** candidates for the office of Rear Commodore (one to be elected), one candidate, namely the currently serving Vice ~~Rear~~ Commodore, for the office of Commodore, and one candidate, namely the currently serving Rear Commodore, for the office of Vice Commodore provided further, however, that if a vacancy occurs in the office of Vice Commodore or Rear Commodore or either refuse to have their names submitted for the election of the office of Commodore or Vice Commodore, the Nominating Committee must secure the permission of all candidates before submitting their names to the Club.

**SECTION 3.** The slate, which must be chosen by the Nominating Committee prior to the second Monday in August, shall be announced to the Club in the ~~August and~~ September and October Cross Bearings. The election of Officers shall be held at the ~~Regular October~~ **Fall General** meeting.

**SECTION 4.** If the membership of the Club desires to propose additional candidates for the offices of Rear Commodore and Trustee, they may nominate from the floor at the ~~Regular October~~ **Fall General** meeting. A petition signed by twenty-five **Regular** members ~~in good standing can~~ **may** submit a candidate and/or candidates for the office of Commodore or Vice Commodore. This petition must be submitted by ~~the second Monday in~~ **August 31st** to the Board of Trustees and is to be posted in the ~~September~~ **October** Cross Bearings.

**SECTION 5.** The Office of Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Rear Commodore shall be elected by a majority vote. If a majority vote is not reached on the first ballot, the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes will be dropped and re-balloting continued until two are elected by a majority.

**SECTION 6.** The term of office of each elected Officer and Trustee shall begin with the start of new business at the ~~Regular October~~ **Fall General** meeting and continue until his successor takes office.

### ARTICLE X...Committees

**SECTION 1.** As soon as practicable after taking office, the Commodore, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, shall appoint the members of such committees as desired from the voting membership. The term of office for all Committee Chairmen and members shall be the calendar year. The following committees shall be regularly appointed:

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| <del>The Race Governing Committee</del> | <del>The Trophy Committee</del>               |
| <del>The Race Committee</del>           | <del>The Sadler Sailing Basin Committee</del> |
| <del>The House Committee</del>          | <del>The Protest Committee</del>              |
| <del>The Towboat Committee</del>        | <del>The Junior Sailing Team Selection</del>  |
| <del>The Safety Committee</del>         | <del>The Long Range Planning Committee</del>  |
| <del>The Nominating Committee</del>     | <del>The Endowment Fund Committee</del>       |
| <del>Training Committee</del>           | <del>The Audit Committee</del>                |

**Race Management Committee** – The committee is responsible for coordinating and managing all on-water race events. Its chair is appointed by the Commodore and is responsible for assembling and training a team to help with race activities. The chair also works with a Club Trustee (designated as RC Boat Maintenance liaison by the Commodore) to ensure that all boats are properly maintained and kept in working order.

**Race Governing Committee** – Composed of a Chair, the Fleet Captains of all active fleets, the Chair of the Race Management Committee, the Trustee charged with race governance responsibilities and the Commodore of the Club as an ex-officio member. This committee develops the annual race and regatta schedule, related sailing instructions for Club events and provides a forum for communication between racers, the Race Management Committee, and the officers of the Club. The Protest Committee serves as a sub-group of the Race Governing Committee and adjudicates all race-related protests under the guidelines established by the US Sailing Association.

**Nominating Committee** – As defined in Article IX, Section 1.

**Awards Committee** – This committee is responsible for acquiring and preparing all awards (plaques, trophies, etc.) that are presented for race and regatta related events and for the annual Awards and Recognition Banquet. The committee also maintains the club house display cabinets and perpetual trophies.

**Sadler Basin Committee** – Consisting of five Sandusky Sailing Club berth holders (each serving five year terms<sup>1</sup>), this committee is responsible for the development, maintenance and operation of the club marina and surrounding grounds. It submits an annual budget to the Board of Trustees for review and approval. Nominees to this committee must be Sadler Marina berth holders for a minimum of ten (10) consecutive years and at least one member of the Committee must be an owner of a one-design sail boat of 20 feet in length or smaller.

Long Range Planning Committee – This committee is responsible for creating a planning model that is to be used by the Board of Trustees to ensure that club policies, properties and facilities are developed and maintained in a manner consistent with the mission of the Club. The committee is composed of five Past Commodores (each serving five year terms<sup>1</sup>).

Audit Committee – Chaired by the Vice Commodore and consisting of one Trustee and three general members and working in unison with the club Treasurer, this committee conducts an annual internal audit of club financial records. When necessary, this committee may also recommend that an external independent audit be conducted.

<sup>1</sup> The committee is organized as such that of the five members, one has five years of membership remaining; one has four years; one has three years; one has two years; and one, has one year. At the end of the year, the member who has completed his five-year term is replaced by a newly appointed member.

And other committees deemed necessary by the Board of Trustees.

~~SECTION 2. Sadler Sailing Basin Committee. The Commodore shall appoint a Sadler Sailing Basin Committee consisting of five members. Each member of the committee shall serve for a term of five years with the exception of the originally appointed committee, one member of which shall serve for five years, one for four years, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year. In accordance with published ground rules it shall be the duty and purpose of this committee to control Sadler Sailing Basin to assign dock space to members, non-members, or to fleets, to set the annual docking fee to be charged, to promulgate rules of conduct for dock occupants, and to plan and manage future dock expansion. This committee shall have full and complete control of the dock facilities, collection of fees and payment for improvements and repairs, and shall have the power to renew or not renew any assignment of dock space to any occupant. Assignment of dock space shall be done as the committee sees fit, but always for the best interest of Sadler Sailing Basin as said committee determines it. To be eligible for appointment and membership to this committee, a member shall presently be and shall have been an Active member of The Sandusky Sailing Club for 10 years.~~

~~SECTION 3 2. (A) The incorporation of a committee or the dissolution of a corporation so formed can only be authorized by a constitutional amendment. (B) The Sadler Sailing Basin Committee is authorized to incorporate as Sadler Sailing Basin, Inc.~~

#### ARTICLE XI...Racing Fleets

SECTION 1. Any fleet wishing sanction by the Club must make application to the Board of Trustees and receive their approval prior to acquiring such status.

SECTION 2. Each racing fleet sanctioned by the Board of Trustees must elect a Fleet Captain who will serve as a member of the Race Governing Committee.

#### ARTICLE XII...Compliance with the House Rules

SECTION 1. The affairs of the Club shall at all times be conducted and operated in strict conformity with all the laws of the United States, of the State of Ohio, and with the ordinances of the City of Sandusky.

~~SECTION 2. No member may bring spirituous or vinous beverages on the Club premises at any time except on the occasion of regattas, or on New Year's, or at other special times specifically designated by the Board of Trustees.~~

~~SECTION 3. Except on special occasions such as regattas and New Year's, all activities on the Club premises will cease at 12:00 midnight, and the Clubhouse will not be used after that hour by any member or members except in an emergency.~~

SECTION 4 2. The Club shall not be responsible for the loss of, or damage to, property left or kept at the Club quarters, or on the Club docks.

SECTION 5 3. The Board of Trustees, or a majority of members present at any Regular or Special meeting, may establish such other House Rules as may be considered expedient as long as they are not in conflict with the spirit Objectives of the Club.

SECTION 6 4. These rules shall be posted in the Club quarters readily accessible to Club members. Any violation of these rules, or any conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the Club, will subject a member to suspension or expulsion as provided in Article III, Section 8 9.

#### ARTICLE XIII...Flags and Insignia

**SECTION 1.** The Club burgee shall be triangular, with a swallowtail. The hoist shall be two-thirds that of the fly. It shall be blue with a white jib and mainsail printed or sewn upon it. The line of the foot of the jib and mainsail shall be parallel with the lower edge of the burgee.

**SECTION 2.** All members are entitled to wear an enameled button depicting the Club burgee. This shall be worn within the crossed fouled anchors regularly recognized as the insignia of a yachting organization.

**SECTION 3.** The Officers of the Club shall be entitled to wear cap devices, uniforms and other insignia of their rank, of the style and type prescribed by the Inter-Lake Yachting Association for the use of member clubs. Where there is no specific rule laid down, the custom and usage among the majority of Lake Erie yachting clubs shall prevail.

#### **ARTICLE XIV...Special Elections**

**SECTION 1.** The members of the Club may, with a petition signed by at least one-half of the members in good standing, as a recall measure, call a Special Election at any time.

#### **ARTICLE XV...Amendments**

**SECTION 1.** The Code of Regulations ~~Constitution~~ may be amended by the following procedure:

~~Step 1. After approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Trustees, a presentation to the membership in the "Cross Bearings" or at a Special meeting of a proposed amendment in writing by an Active member in good standing.~~

**Step 1. Any Regular member may submit a proposed amendment to the Board of Trustees. All proposed amendments must be made in writing.**

~~Step 2. Notification of the proposed amendment to all members by publication of same in the next issue of "Cross Bearings," followed by the second reading of the proposal and further discussion at the next General meeting of the Club. If any changes in the proposed amendment are approved by a simple majority vote of the Active members present at this meeting, the new wording of the proposed amendment shall be published in the following issue of "Cross Bearings."~~

**Step 2. After approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Trustees, all Club members are to be notified of the proposed amendment(s) in the next issue of Cross Bearings and by electronic notice. This constitutes the first reading. This is to be followed by a second reading of the proposed amendment(s) and further discussion at the next General or Special meeting of the Club. If any changes to the proposed amendment(s) are approved by a simple majority vote of the Regular members present at this meeting, the new wording of the proposed amendment(s) shall be published in the following issue of Cross Bearings and by electronic notice.**

~~Step 3. At the following General or Special meeting, immediately following the second appearance of the proposed amendment in unchanged form in the "Cross Bearings," the proposal ed amendment(s) shall be read in its final form and discussed. If no further changes are approved by a simple majority vote of the Active Regular members present, the adoption of the amendment(s) shall be decided by a vote voted on. An affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Active Regular members present shall be required for its adoption. If further changes are approved, the proposal reverts back to Steps 2 and 3 of this Article. the sequence of publication, reading, discussion, and possible changing until it has again appeared in unchanged form for two issues of "Cross Bearings," after which its adoption is again eligible to be voted on.~~

#### **ARTICLE XVI...Club Bulletin**

**SECTION 1.** The Board of Trustees is responsible for the issuance of publishing a monthly club bulletin. The purposes of the bulletin is that of are to keeping members informed of Club activities and of to notifying the members of the meetings, dates and times of Regular, General and Special, which are called meetings .

**SECTION 2.** The name of this bulletin shall be "Cross Bearings." The cost of publishing this bulletin shall be a regular part of the annual budget.

#### **ARTICLE XVII...Club Operations Manual**

**SECTION 1.** The Club Board of Trustees shall establish and maintain an Operations Manual to ensure uniformity and continuity of operations year to year. It shall be the duty of all flag Officers and Committee Chairmen to document their activities and transmit a report to the Secretary at the close of the fiscal year.