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 2024 Cross Bearings

02/06 Tues	SJSI meeting7:00pm
02/12 Mon	Sadler Basin Comm. mtg6:30pm
02/13 Tues	SJSI meeting7:00pm Sadler Basin Comm. mtg6:30pm SSC Board meeting7:00pm
02/20 Tues	s SSC Regatta Committee mtg7:00pm
02/27 Tues	Islands Race Committee meeting
03/01 Fri	Dock payments 2 of 2 due
03/01 Fri	Membership payments due
03/05 Tues	SJSI meeting7:00pm
03/11 Mon	Sadler Basin Committee meeting 6:30pm
03/12 Tues	SSC Board meeting7:00pm
03/19 Tues	SSC Regatta Committee meeting7:00pm
03/26 Tues	Islands Race Committee meeting7:00pm

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

From the HelmComm. Jason Huffman

Now that we're in February, and despite the recent temperatures and lack of water in the bay for part of January, we are just a few short months from getting back on the water. With the season drawing near, planning is in full swing for summer events, Friday Night Feeds, and Opti Nationals.

Dock contracts and dues - To help with this planning we need to take care of some items. Dock contracts have been sent out. If you have not made your dock payments, please do so as soon as possible. We have a waiting list for most dock sizes.

Dues statements have also been sent. Please ensure dues are paid on time to ensure we can get membership cards and gate cards out in a timely manner.

Volunteers - As we get ready to start the season, it's a good time to think about how you would like to volunteer at SSC this year. We currently are looking for chairs for both the Regatta Committee, and Race Governance Committee. Both of these committees are vital to our summer racing and regattas. If you are interested please contact me at huffman.jason@gmail.com.

In addition to these positions, we are looking for volunteers for the Galley Committee so we can ensure that Fireside Fridays, Friday Night Feeds, and other events are a sustainable practice for the club. Over the last several years the Friday night get togethers have been key to the success of the Dairy Bar and funding club activities. PO BOX 814 SANDUSKY, OHIO 44871-0814 <u>www.sanduskysailingclub.com</u> Battery Park, Sandusky, Ohio 44871

House and GroundsVC John Giordano

February is here and we are one month closer to boats being in the water. While it is still winter, there is quite a bit of activity at the club and behind the scenes planning for the new year.

Fireside Fridays, while slightly delayed due to the weather, resumed with the Interlake fleet's Blue Velvet awards. 45+ were in attendance and a wonderful time was had by all. We will be running these on Fridays going forward, so come by the club, warm up by the fire and share your sailing stories.

Alongside Fireside Fridays, the Dairy Bar is back in full swing. With the summer approaching and the major events scheduled, we are looking for volunteers to take a shift or two. It is a fun time and a great way to meet fellow members. We are planning an orientation on the first Saturday in April, so mark that on your calendars.

The Sadler Basin Committee is actively planning preparations to get the club ready for spring. Some of the items in the works are completing repairs on "the wall" and lengthening a few docks. Details can be found in their report.

Planning for Opti Nationals continues and is going well. This is a big regatta and we will need quite a bit of assistance, so if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Jason, Tim, or me.

Your web profile - Finally, the information we use to contact you comes from your profile on the club's website. So that we can communicate effectively with you and so you can keep up to date on the club's activities, we ask that you take a few minutes and sign on to the club's website and update your information. Last-minute changes will be communicated via the **Remind** texting service. If you have not done so already, please sign up for **Remind** by texting @sailsand to the number 81010. If you have done both and are still not getting notices from the club, please let me know.

As always, if you have ideas or suggestions, send me a note. VC John Giordano, 205-903-9257, Boiler.John85@gmail.com

> Winter winds can give us low water. Note the angle of A dock's ramp!





View from the RearRC Tim Willford Welcome to 2024! I'm looking forward to lots of new and exciting things this coming year and keeping the good things we already have.

Volunteers - As we get 2024 started we need folks to volunteer to help in the Galley for Fireside Fridays.

Please feel free to reach out to me, <u>tim@tendesign.us</u>. I would love your help!



Craig Douglas' ice boat, *Wind Whipped*, sits ready to go just off Springer's Wharf.



Sadler Basin CommitteePC Dean Riedy The members of the Sadler Basin Committee for 2024 are Doug Klein, PC Pete Grant, PC Bryan Huntley, PC Bruce Roberts and PC Dean Riedy.

Please reach out to any of us if you have concerns or questions about your marina. We are all here to make SSC a great place to dock or drysail your boat.

Some of the projects we have underway currently are: Completing the last 200 feet of sheet piling on the south wall.

Lengthening half the docks on Springer's Wharf to accommodate boats up to 45'.

Obtaining a grant for a head pump-out station in the marina.

Working with the Long Range Planning Committee to develop a plan to increase the availability of docks for larger boats in the marina. Down the road, not this season, this could involve assigning boats to different docks than current berths.

Dock payments - As a reminder, please submit your dock payments in a timely manner. The Sadler Basin Committee members are all volunteers and do not want to spend time chasing after late payments.

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

Spring is coming! Punxsutawney Phil even confirmed it. We'll be back at the Sailing Club with kids sailing before we know it. Registration is open and some classes are filling up. Please make sure to register your young sailors now to ensure you have a choice of dates.



2024 SSC BRIDGE OFFICERS

Commodore: Jason Huffman Vice Commodore: John Giordano Rear Commodore: Tim Willford Immediate Past Commodore: Hank Boissoneault **2024 SSC BOARD OF TRUSTEES** Mark Capucini, Maddie Grant, Laura Hayes, Dave Kocias, Paul McAllister, John Stauffer

SADLER BASIN COMMITTEE

PC Dean Riedy, PC Pete Grant, PC Bryan Huntley, Doug Klein, PC Bruce Roberts SSC Board Liason: VC John Giordano Dockage: RC Tim Willford



I you need help ordering, contact Carolynne at 216-854-0459 or <u>Czettler@ameritech.net</u>

We are still looking for instructors (certified or uncertified with experience) to add to our staff this season. If you know of anyone, please reach out to Michelle or Suzanne.

Old sails to Sea Bags - As you get your boat ready for 2024, don't forget to bring your old sails to us for our spring Sea Bags collection. Through your donations, we were able to provide Sea Bags as awards to every sailor who placed in the Jr Regatta last year at no cost to us. We are fortunate to have supportive members to make the Sea Bags program a success.

For the good of the order

Battery Park Marina is looking for seasonal help from area youngsters. Contact; Battery Park Marina, 701 E Water Street, Sandusky, OH 44870 419-366-2913

Sailing stuff for sale

1987 Hunter 31 - Great family or starter sailboat is looking for a NEW home. Excellent condition. Several sets of sails. Yanmar 2GM20F 2 cyl. diesel. Sale includes steel cradle and many extras. Asking \$12,000 or best offer. Contact Rory Carpenter at 734-660-1517.

1988 Hunter 35 For Sale - \$25,000 - 35 engine mounts (2019), water pump, hoses (2019), new dodger w/isinglass (2020) (has older Bimini), new main, jib & stack pack (2020), new battery transfer switch (2022), new batteries – 3 deep cycle (2022, new exhaust hose (2023), Ray Marine EV100 auto pilot with remote, stern rail seats, bosons chair, microwave, propane cook-top, portable A/C, fridge, power cord, cockpit cushions, life sling, inverter – will power everything except A/C. Additional sails include main and three jibs. Contact Todd Mestrez at todd6878@buckeyeexpress.com

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

Garmin GNX Wind system. Masthead unit and display. Wireless to 50'. Needs 12 volt power cord. \$425. Call Ken Austin 330-608-8653

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

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.

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 unbrella. 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@gmail.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. <u>https://sailboatlistings.com/view/83454</u> Contact Aud Jucaitis at 216-970-3263 or <u>aud.jucaitis@outlook.com</u>

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 bradb1384@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

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.