



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 2017 Cross Bearings

02/01	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
02/07	Tues	Junior Sailing Inc meeting	7:00pm
02/08	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
02/11	Sat	Valentine's Day/Wine Tasting party	7:00pm
02/14	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm
02/15	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
02/17	Fri	Friday Forum: Interlake History	7:00pm
02/22	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
03/01	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
03/07	Tues	Junior Sailing Inc meeting	7:00pm
03/08	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
03/10	Fri	Friday Forum: Topic TBD	7:00pm
03/14	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm
03/15	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
03/18	Sat	St. Patrick's Day party	6:00pm
03/22	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
03/29	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm

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

Commodore's Comments.....Comm. Wendy Kaufman

"Sponsor a Window" challenge update - We have 14 more windows to go! Window conversion kits will update our clubhouse windows to operate as "tilt-in's" and upgrade their efficiency. I challenge each of you to "Sponsor a Window." Each window conversion cost is \$350 and the first one is already installed so.... Join up with friends, gather your crew, challenge others to help us get all these windows converted BEFORE spring workday. I have "Sponsor a Window" forms available in the clubhouse and will have them available on our website soon. Please consider this worthwhile "upgrade" contribution today. A huge thank you to Adaptive Adventures for the first conversion purchase!

Boat Show – Thank you to all who got involved in assisting at the Boat Show! PC Steve France and I greatly appreciate all those who were willing to haul, set up, man, tear down, and put information together for use at the show. Leo and I were there on Saturday afternoon to back up those that signed up and I was glad we went! There was a steady stream of people inquiring about everything imaginable...activities, dockage, Learn to Sail and Race Team, and I had a few conversations with fleets that would like us to host regattas in the coming years. I feel good about the contacts we made and look forward to solidifying more plans. A special thank you to Brad Balmer, who secured the space for us, and to PC Steve France who made sure everything and everyone was gathered and scheduled for delivery, manning and pick-up.

Flying Scot Nationals – We will be hosting the Flying Scot Nationals this June 25-29 so mark your calendars and plan appropriately. We will need volunteers and there will be some disruption to the club. Watch for more details.

Search for a club secretary – We are in the market for a new secretary. Wes Blazer has put in his resignation as his business has taken some exciting turns and he no longer feels he can dedicate his extra time to this position. Wes will continue handling dues billing and collection until the majority is complete, approximately two months. We would like to find a replacement for Wes as soon as possible so the new secretary can ease into the position while gaining as much experience at dues "ing" as possible. A small salary goes along with this position, so it is not entirely volunteer. If you hear the call and/or would like to gain more understanding of the duties, please contact me as soon as possible so we can arrange a get-together. Here is the Constitution description of the duties of the Secretary:

I. SSC Constitution, Article VII, Section 2:

The Secretary, although considered an Officer of the Club, shall have no voting power of the Trustees. The Secretary shall be appointed by the Board, shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board, and shall receive such compensation as the Board may prescribe.

II. SSC Constitution, Article VIII, Section 4.

The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all transactions and proceedings of the members and the Board of Trustees, shall give notices required by law and all notices provided by the Code of Regulations or By-Laws of the Club, shall keep a proper Secretary's book, and shall properly record therein all minutes of members' 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 or Trustees, shall keep a true and correct roll of all members of said club, notify Officers of their election, as well as any members upon any appointment to any committee, shall keep a correct and up-to-date list of the names, boat ownership, 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, the Secretary shall deliver all books, records, papers and property of the club to the Commodore or to the succeeding Secretary.



Volunteerism – When I was asked to step up and run through the chairs I prayed for clarity...as to whether I was right for the job, whether I was strong enough, whether I had people to help me, whether I could represent the membership. Over the past two years I have had many great conversations with a FEW of you, but it's difficult to "represent the membership" when only a few share their thoughts in a positive, "I am willing to help find a solution" way.

I am writing this to call on all of you. There are sooooo many ways you could help this club grow and prosper. Without you - the members - we cannot prosper. Maybe, after attending so many funerals this winter, and it's only January, I am wondering if a lot of us are "missing the boat." Your "gifts" can only be enjoyed and appreciated when they are shared! Would you be willing to share your "gifts" to lighten the load of others? Time and time again I hear "many hands make light work." Let's take a serious look at how each of us can take on even a small task to help another member have a more enjoyable experience. We are great at "quick assisting," but we, the Board, need you to commit to some longer term assistance also.

Service opportunity forms are included in the membership renewal packet with your dues statement. If you have not yet done so, look over this form, decide where you can support your club's many projects and events, and mark some of the options....or write a note on the bottom of the form. Then return it to us! We can add your name to the volunteer spreadsheet we intend to post, so event chairs can easily contact those interested in helping.

As you all know, PC Steve France has stepped up to chair the **Membership Committee** and has many good ideas to help build our numbers. He is planning several "drives" and would love to have some help! Jay Austin has volunteered to chair the **Regatta Committee** and would also love assistance. We have been soliciting for an **Awards Committee** chair (or co-chairs) for two years now and Don and Eilene Guy would still be willing to help someone learn the ropes...this is a great opportunity to utilize the Guys' expertise. There are several other chair opportunities that would help lighten the load for those who DO volunteer jobs such as...someone to head up **Yearbook Ad** soliciting and collection would make it easier for advertisers to contact the same person each year and make things easier for PC Eric Winkel in assembling. It was great to have Amy Young volunteer to handle the **Flower Bed** maintenance since our previous gardeners are stepping down to rest their backs. How about someone to relieve Tim on a Winter Wednesday or two? How about shadowing Jim Keene and others on **Race Committee** (at some point, Jim will want to step down and who has or is gaining all THAT knowledge?) Be that "go to" person who manages a volunteer database listing every member's talents and abilities... "gifts."

These are only a few positions that I see could better the club as a whole. Please think about what "gifts" you have to share. Are you willing to share them and help sustain OUR club?

Adaptive Adventures – Our first priority is to be the go-to "home away from home" for our members, their family and friends. When what we do (sailing) and our facility can also support worthwhile community initiatives, we should take a look. Last fall, one of our members, Larry Knauer, approached your board to use our club for several Adaptive Adventures sailing events this summer. Adaptive Adventures is a national organization founded in 1999 to provide life changing opportunities for individuals with physical disabilities, sailing being one of those opportunities. Your board recently approved a schedule of Adaptive Adventures events at our club this year:

Open house from 10am-4pm on May 20.

Introduction to Sailing from 5-8pm on the last two Mondays of May, the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Mondays, June through August.

Finally, they are offering a Learn to Sail program evenings from 5-8pm on the 2nd and 4th Mondays, June through August.

They have their own boats and our only contribution is the use of our facilities. They have paid for club rental for the open house and dockage. The Board approved their schedule for this summer and will again review the program before making any decisions regarding their use of our club in future years. It's a worthwhile program focused primarily on veterans in Sandusky, and is one way we can give back to our community. At the same time, our members come first. So, as the Adaptive Adventures program progresses, be sure to give me, or any board member, your feedback on how you see the program or how it affects you.

As always, please feel free to contact me anytime. As your commodore, I look forward to serving you and hope that you will join our board meetings the second Tuesday of each month. Comm. Wendy Kaufman. Text or call 419-656-9566 (cell) or email me at willowwalkers@aol.com

Vice Vice Baby!!VC Mark Gross
House and Grounds – We will continue to utilize the project board in the clubhouse. If you have any ideas for improvements to the club's house and grounds, or are aware of any issues that need attention, please contact me.

Save the date: Spring Workday will take place April 29. If you are aware of any projects that might need attention during Workday, please let me know.

2017 Yearbook – The process of assembling the 2017 SSC Yearbook is under way. If you have articles or photos documenting our parties, races, sailaways, or other adventures from last season, please send them to me by e-mail. If you are interested in advertising in the yearbook, please contact me. Also, as you complete your annual dues statement, please consider becoming a yearbook patron. Thank you to Commodore Wendy Kaufman for passing along a wealth of information regarding the yearbook and for helping out with the process.

Contact me at mgross@grosslaw.net or 419-357-6747.

The View from the RearRC John Schwartz

Thank you to Lease Schock and Rob Burger for presenting tonight on solo sailboat racing and the Great Lakes Singlehanded Society. The guys did a great job and it was nice to have so much audience participation.

Just a reminder that the next Friday Forum will be held on Friday, Feb. 17, at SSC at 7pm. PC Mike Muhn and PC Pete Grant will be on hand to talk about the Interlake one design sailboat class. For those of you who do not already know, the Interlake was a commissioned design for the Sandusky Sailing Club by the same guy that designed the Olympic Star one-design. If you look for them you can see the similarities. One-design sailboat racing is the purest form of the sport that strives to make sure that each team is competing on an equal platform. This is a big difference from handicap big-boat racing where the handicap rating system does its best to approximate performance standards for dissimilar boats, regardless of conditions or angle.

It won't all be racing related. Mike has time lapse photos from a wood Interlake build that he will compare with a fiberglass build. He also wants to challenge the group to answer the question, "Does your boat like water?" The only hint that I have is that the answer is pretty much the same for wood and glass.

I'd like some feedback on these forums: Like them or hate them? Prefer a different night? Have ideas for a subject that you think 25+ likeminded sailors will show up for? Let's hear it! Thanks.

Mark your calendar for SSC's annual Wine Tasting & Valentine Social on Saturday, Feb. 11. Look for more information to be emailed to you as we get a bit closer to that date. There will be wine, light snacks and live music. Watch your emails!

Annual St. Patrick's Day Party – On Saturday, March 18. Jay and Beth Austin are once again hosting our annual St. Patrick's Day party!

Contact me - Please feel free to contact me at john@christielane.com or 419-602-0383.

OperationsTim Kyle

Winter Wednesdays are back in full swing. Stop by any time after 5:00pm for a cold beer, hot food and the world's best fireplace. It's a great way to break up the long, cold winter routine. If you would like to host a meal, please let me know. Variety is always welcome!

The next 2017 meeting of the Sadler Basin Committee will be Monday, April 3 at 7:00pm. Even though we don't officially meet during the winter, we continue to work on improving our basin. If you have ideas or questions, do not hesitate contact one of the Sadler Sailing Basin committee members.

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

Membership PC Steve France

Member Get-A-Member update – Since we debuted this program in October, your club has welcomed seven new regular members (three under the Member Get-A-Member program) plus one regular member reinstatement. Last year, through the same period, we added just one new member.

After seeing our final profit and loss statement for 2016 and our projected budget for 2017, I was reminded how important this member development program is. SSC lost money last year, and is projected to show only a slight profit in 2017. SSC has never had to go to its members for an assessment as some other boating clubs have due to declining membership. Membership health is an important club responsibility and our Member Get-A-Member program is a great way for you, our members, to share in that effort.

The program is delightfully uncomplicated. If you are principally responsible for bringing in a new regular member and that responsibility is acknowledged by the board, you are eligible for a \$100 award. There is no limit to the number of new members you can recruit. Your award(s) will be presented and you will be recognized at our Awards and Appreciation Banquet in November.

The 2017 Cleveland Boat Show is now history. It's a bit too early to know if it will produce new members or candidates for our adult and youth Learn to Sail programs. We'll keep you posted in future CB issues. In the meantime, I want to thank all those who helped with this effort including: Bernie Ashyk, Jay and Beth Austin, Brad Balmert, Charlie and Carolyn Balogh, Steve Clark, Lloyd Dillon, Lynn Ensinger, VC Mark and Pamela Gross, Peter Huston, Comm. Wendy and Mic Kaufman, Codi and Brendan Keenan, Larry Knauer, Ryan Kyle, PC Mike Muhn, Louie Palmer, Lease Schock, RC John Schwartz, Tim and Sue Ujvari, and Mike Zuilhof.

This is a terrific example of how many members of our club can come together to support our efforts to promote the Sandusky Sailing Club. Thanks you all.



Adaptive Sailing AdventuresLarry Knauer

Adaptive Adventures Sandusky Sailing program held a 2017 sailing season brain storming session with Pat Hansen, Patrick Doyle, Lloyd Dillion and Larry Knauer on Nov. 2, 2016.

Summary of discussion:

- 1) Galveston trip was a big success.
- 2) 2016 sailing season was successful and a great first full year of operation.
- 3) Wednesday night racing on SSC keel boats was a plus.
- 4) Would like to see more Monday night events.
- 5) Wednesday night racing on the W17s not as effective and potentially conflicts with keel boat races.
- 6) Consider adding a Sunday morning series for W17s.
- 7) The open houses were successful and may want to add one more. Liked the multi-sport options (kayaking, paddle boards, and pontoon power boat)
- 8) Get more OVH nursing home side out on Mondays.
- 9) Work with Edgewater Yacht Club to add sailing events.
- 10) Consider adding cruising opportunities.
- 11) Add Adult Learn to Sail and Learn to Race courses.
- 12) Sandusky to host 2018 AA National Sailing event.
- 13) Encourage participation in Winter Wednesdays.

Tentative schedule for 2017

- 1) Winter Wednesdays social events: Now thru March
- 2) Ready boats for the water April 15-30
- 3) Boat naming and advertising fundraiser May 6, 4-8pm
- 4) Training for captains/volunteers May 1, 8, 15; 5-8pm
- 5) Sailing kick off open house and multi water sports and lunch May 20; 10am-4pm
- 6) Monday night introduction to sailing and Learn to Sail
 - a. Intro to Sailing: May 22, 29*; June 5, 19; July 3*, 17, 31; August 14, 28; Time: 5-8pm
 - b. Learn to Sail: June 12, 26; July 10, 24; Aug. 7, 21; Time 5-8pm
- 7) Wednesday night racing on keel boats. May-Sept., 5pm
- 8) Sunday morning racing; Windriders; June-Sept., 9am
- 9) Open house events (multi water sports, lunch served); June 14; July 12; Aug. 2, 23; Time 10am
- 10) Edgewater Yacht Club traveling trips; June 6-10; July 18-22, Aug. 15-19; Time TBD
- 11) Kelleys Island State Park overnight camp trip. Depart SSC 9am on the 16th. Return to SSC 5pm on the 17th
- 12) National Adaptive Adventures Sailing event - TBD
- 13) Open house (multi water sports, lunch served); Sept. 23; Time 10am-4pm
- 14) Adaptive Sailor of the Year and Volunteer of the Year recognitions at the SSC banquet Nov. 4, 5pm-10pm
- 15) Annual fundraiser, Nov. 11, 4-9pm
- 16) Corsair racing events
 - a. Mills Race TBD
 - b. Sandusky Islands Race TBD
 - c. Bay Week TBD
 - d. Green Island Race TBD
 - e. Fall Bay TBD
 - f. Snow Flurries Regatta TBD

For the Good of the Order

The 2017 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 prompt payment.

— Bernie Ashyk and Dave Brink

Flags and awards not picked up at the 2016 Fall Banquet may be picked up at the Dairy Bar. Please contact Tim Kyle when you visit SSC. If you have questions, please contact Don Guy at donguy@aol.com or 419-202-2948.

We need carpet – If anyone is replacing carpeting, Sadler could use the old stuff. Pieces should be at least 6' x 12'. Leave the rolls under the porch roof of the Junior Building.

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

1987 Hunter 31. Excellent condition. Several sets of sails which recently have been 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.

2005 10' Brig R.I.B. with Johnson 6hp motor and trailer, \$2,000. Seat cushions, under-seat storage bags, custom cover, oars, foot pump, gas tank. Lightly used. Less than 50 hours on motor. Contact Terry Parker at 440-320-3100 or terryparker47@gmail.com

1987 Sabre 30 Mark III. One of few available on the Great Lakes. Excellent condition. Sails in great shape. New, upgraded diesel in 2006. Numerous recent improvements. Includes cradle. Ready to cruise or race. Asking \$39,900. Contact RC Mark Gross at 419-357-6747 or mrg@bex.net.

6' scaffolding. Used once. \$150. Call Steve Springer 419-366-0217.

Yamaha 9.9 4-stroke motor model (FT9.9ELK) It should be a 1985 model. Sips fuel, and has been winterized year in and out. Comes with a side mount control box and cables. Very reliable, runs great! I upgraded to a bigger motor. Always stored indoors in the off season. Best offer. Contact Todd Baker at medinatodd@yahoo.com.

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.

T10 (1st&TEN) Newer 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. Contact PC Eric Winkel at 419-621-9823 or eric@artdpartment.com.



St. Patty's Day at the Sailing Club



When: Saturday March 18, 2017 @ 6:00pm

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

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

Saturday, April 8, 2017

Sandusky Yacht Club

Cocktails at 5:00 PM

Dinner at 6:00 PM

After Party & Dessert

Sandusky Sailing Club at 9:30 PM



Fun Events!

Spaghetti Dinner

\$15 adults • \$10 kids under 12

Silent Auction

Lots of Great Items!

Basket Raffles

Beer • Wine • Liquor

Reverse Raffle

\$1,000 Grand Prize + Several Other Prizes

\$50 per ticket (includes dinner)

ONLY 100 Tickets Sold

Chinese Raffle

50-50 Raffles — All Night Long

Contact a Team Member for Ticket(s)

- or call -

Renee Schock at 419-357-4487 • Matt Bedee at 419-202-0044



**Support the Junior Race Team
And have a GREAT TIME doing it!**

Start Sailing!

In 2017 with the Sandusky Sailing Club

2017 Schedule

April 6: The Beauty of Sail.
Wind, Weather and Currents.

April 13: Boat Parts, Rigging,
Sails and Trim.
How to Buy a Sailboat.

April 20: Health and Safe Sailing.
Navigating Local Waters.

April 27: Rights of Way and
Points of Sail.
Cruising Destinations.



After completing class, register for a free sail at SSC

**Class sessions run from 7:00 to 8:30 PM
in the SSC Clubhouse**

Entrance is behind the tennis courts at Battery Park
See SSC website for directions and other details
www.sanduskysailingclub.com

Cost: \$50 (\$35 for Sailing Club or local YMCA members)
(Includes book "Basic Keelboat", a \$20 value)



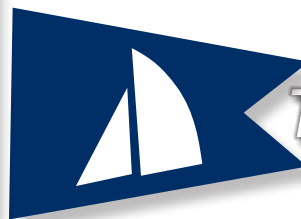
To Register, send check payable to Sandusky Sailing Club by March 31.
Mail to AJ Oliver, 1112 Wayne St., Sandusky, OH 44870
Include contact information: Name, address, phone & email



Questions?

Call AJ Oliver: 419-625-8654

Or email: soliver@heidelberg.edu



**The Sandusky
Sailing Club**

Registrant Contact Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: () - Email: _____

LEARN TO SAIL

Presented by Sandusky Junior Sailors, Inc.



All sessions are for Beginner/Intermediate sailors.

Session 1:

June 12 - 16

Session 2:

June 19- 23

Session 3:

June 26 - 30

Session 4:

July 3, 5 - 7

Session 5: (Advanced)

July 10 - 14

Session 6:

July 24 - 28

Session 7:

July 31 - August 4



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.org for more information
or e-mail info@sanduskysailingclub.org



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"Sponsor a Window" Contribution Form

You have a great opportunity to challenge other SSC members.

Gather crew, dockmates, friends, whoever you can and take up a donation for window conversion kits for the clubhouse. You can check out how nice they are as the 1st one is already installed. Each conversion cost is \$350.00.

Please help us update and upgrade the windows in the clubhouse before we get into our busy sailing and regatta season.

Name(s) of Sponsor or group:

Amount of Sponsorship: (_____) conversions @ \$350.00 each = \$_____

Is this a Memorial or Honorarium (for whom):

You can write a short "challenge statement" to be printed in Cross Bearings below:

****As an extra bonus****

Leo and I are pledging to purchase a full screen for every window conversion you sponsor, so.....Let's get creative and convert these windows!