



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.

January 2016 Cross Bearings

12/31	Thur	SSC New Year's Eve Party	7:30pm
01/06	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
01/12	Tues	SSC Board meeting	7:00pm
01/13	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
01/20	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
01/27	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm
02/03	Wed	Winter Wednesday	5:00pm

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

Commodore's Comments Steve France

Happy New Year! June and I wish the entire Sandusky Sailing Club membership and families a happy and healthy 2016.

Annual budget meeting – Our annual budget meeting was held on Saturday, Dec. 12 at the SSC Clubhouse. The Board agreed on a modest increase in dues of 3% for 2016 and the budget was voted upon and approved. The budget projects a net income (before Sadler) of less than \$180, so containing expenses will be a high priority for the coming year. As always, thanks to Dave Brink and Bernie Ashyk for all their hard work preparing the budget for 2016.

City of Sandusky's Comprehensive Redevelopment Plan – The city recently unveiled a comprehensive plan that includes changes/development for what the plan calls the Battery Park District. It includes a hotel and retail locations in the area just west of Sadler. RC Mark Gross is heading up an ad-hoc committee to meet with city officials to see how this plan could affect SSC. We'll keep you posted as we learn more.

Club racing program and expense – Several non-racing members have asked me about the resources we devote to our racing program and how many members are involved in racing, so I thought it would be useful to provide some additional information. In 2015, 34 keelboats competed in our Wednesday night racing program, with an average of about four crew per boat. Most crew are family members and cruisers who also enjoy racing. An additional seven keelboats participated in weekend offshore events, including the Islands Race. Eighteen Interlakes raced last summer with an average crew of 2-3. So roughly 200 members, friends and family participated in your club's racing program. The 2016 racing budget is \$13,206, not counting our \$7,000 contribution to the Junior Sailing Program. This is less than 8% of the club's total budget. Other race related events, including junior regattas, plus associated beverage center and galley sales bring in thousands of dollars in additional revenue that go to support club activities. While we work hard to provide great social events, sail-aways and educational programs for all members to enjoy, our racing and learn-to-sail programs involve and engage more club members than any other single thing we do. In many ways, the racing program is what makes this sailing club a sailing club.

Nancy Ward passed away recently. She and her family have been long-time members and supporters of SSC. Her beautiful smile and high energy spirit will be missed. Our condolences go out to her family.

The next board meeting of the Sandusky Sailing Club will be Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 7:00pm. Meetings are open to all members in good standing.

If you have any SSC issues that need attention, please contact me at stevefrance@ameritech.net.

Vice Vice Baby!! VC Wendy Kaufman

I hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas and have the chance to come enjoy the New Years Party. I have to thank Tim for hosting the "Winter Wednesdays" again this year and tell you that I have really enjoyed getting to socialize with so many of you. Someday soon (hopefully) winter will arrive and we will have to dig out those warm coats and ice boats!

House and Grounds – The "Volunteer Coordination Board" will soon appear, if you have not seen it to date. Please send me any project requests and/or project ideas so they can be added to the board. Thanks you all in advance for working with me to keep our club beautiful and in good repair.

Yearbook – Preparation for the 2016 yearbook has begun. If you have any photos of club events, member or anything else pertaining to SSC, please send them along to me at willowwalkers@aol.com. Also, if you would like to help develop our new yearbook, or want advertising in it, please contact me. I'd appreciate the help.

Please contact me with any brilliant ideas that you may have and I will try to incorporate them. VC Wendy Kaufman 419-656-9566(c), 419-433-3868(h), willowwalkers@aol.com.



Here they come...There they go!
Montana Coulter and Dylan Winkel zip by on the 420, Danny T, during a race at Erie Yacht Club.

Rants from the Rear RC Mark Gross

Children's Christmas Party – Thanks to PC Eric and Kristen Winkel for hosting the annual Children's Christmas Party this year! All in attendance had a wonderful time, enjoying fun foods, crafts and a visit from Santa. What a great Christmas tradition at SSC!

New Year's Eve Party – Come celebrate the New Year with your friends at SSC! Festivities will begin at 7:30pm. Members and guests are welcome; bring your friends! Please bring an appetizer or a dessert to share. There will be a cash bar. There is no charge for this fun event!

Wine Tasting Party – We are pleased to announce that the annual Wine Tasting Party will take place on Feb. 20, beginning at 6:00pm. PC Sjoerd and Kathy VanderHorst have graciously agreed to host the event. Parents of the Sandusky Junior Race Team will join them in serving appetizers and Jerry Ervin will once again provide an excellent selection of wines for your enjoyment. A warm fire, and great wine, food and friends will make for a delightful evening at your sailing club. The cost is \$30 for food and wine, \$20 for food only.

Winter Wednesdays at SSC – Please remember to stop by your club and join us for Winter Wednesdays, beginning at 5:00pm every Wednesday through the rest of the offseason. Come enjoy the crackle of the fire, a selection of beverages at the Dairy Bar, and some great food prepared by Tim.

Upcoming events – We continue to work on social and educational events for the coming months. Details will be forthcoming. Please feel free to contact us with any suggestions or ideas that you have. You can contact me at mrg@bex.net or 419-357-6747.

Operations Tim Kyle

Dock contracts – Thank you to all the berth holders who promptly paid for their 2016 dock. Those who made their first half payment are reminded that the second half was due by Dec. 1. As of this writing, there are still many berth holders who have not paid nor indicated if they will be renewing their dock for the 2016 season. We have a waiting list, so to avoid losing your dock, PLEASE SEND PAYMENT NOW! Dock assignments will begin Jan. 15.

The 2016 Sadler Committee consists of:

PC Mike Fleming- President
Jim Keane - Secretary
PC Mike Austin; Jim Brinker; PC Mike Muhn and
VC Wendy Kaufman - Board Liaison.

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

The next meeting of the Sadler Basin Committee will begin at 7:00pm on Monday, March 7 at SSC.

Contact me with any questions or concerns about the clubhouse or basin at timmo@sbcglobal.net or call 419-656-5881.

For the Good of the Order

On Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 7:00pm at The Market Garden Brewery, 1947 W 25th St., Cleveland, Dr. AJ "Skip" Oliver will present **The Amazing Story of the First Peace Ship: The Golden Rule** during the Peace at the Pub event.

Dr. Oliver will recount the story of how Veterans For Peace found and re-built the sunken wreck of the feisty little 30 foot sailing ketch that in 1958 ignited the movement to stop atmospheric nuclear testing.

In a lively quiz format, Golden Rule bling (lapel pins, bumper stickers, etc.) will be awarded to those who know the most about the history of the Golden Rule and the peace movement.

Dr. Oliver was First Mate for the newly rebuilt boat's 2015 voyage off the California coast. He is a long time member of Veterans For Peace and Peace Action, an avid sailor, and past commodore of the Sandusky Sailing Club.



Sailing Stuff for Sale

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

Schock Wavelength 24. Draft 4.5', 6.0' beam. Comes with trailer and multiple sets of sails. For more info contact Suzanne Hartley at 419-433-3605 or shartley@bex.net.

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.



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

Holiday Gift Ideas! SSC T-shirts and hats



Hats unisex one size fits all – Khaki, blue, or white T- shirt
Unisex 100% cotton or UVA 50+ nylon/poly
\$20.00 each Order at the Dairy Bar
All proceeds support your SSC
Show your SSC pride and support the club at the same time.

We are starting a new program at the club to supply top quality clothing and gear with SSC identification. We are able to keep costs low while providing great products and all the funds go to support the club. By next year, we'll be offering sweatshirts, jackets and lots of other items that make great gifts.

As a start-up, there are hats and both cotton and UVA protective t-shirts. Order forms are available at the Dairy Bar.

Flag Pole Plaza Commemorative Brick

Contact PC John Hartung at 419-433-6151 or email jphartung@bex.net



*Makes
a great
New Year
gift!*

New Years Eve 2016 at SSC

12/31/15. 7:30-?

Members and guests welcome

Bring an appetizer or dessert to share

Cash Bar



Happy New Year

We strongly encourage you not to drink and drive. Please arrange for a ride to and from the party.