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COMMODORE

My monthly notice will be included with the mailing of the new ballot.

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REAR COMMODORE

As many of you know by now, I am running for Vice Commodore of the club for next year. When Jan first asked me to run for office I told her no, that I would rather wait a year and run for Vice Commodore. When I found out that Barbara was NOT running for Vice Commodore but for Commodore, I e-mailed Jim and asked that my name be placed on the new ballot for Vice Commodore. My qualifications for this office are as follows:

Cruise Governor twice and Rear Commodore twice. In addition I have tried to promote activities that involve the entire membership. This principally takes the form of hosting the

rendezvous at St. Mary's College for the Vice Commodore Cup and club cruise. I buy the drinks and ice and work closely with the Social Governor to see that we have a successful rendezvous. I have also been active with Stovy and Laura in looking for a new club facility after being asked by Jim to do so, and this small committee is well along on this task. Because of recent events, I have also taken an active interest in the P&PC meetings and have attended frequently. I have a strong desire to see that SMSA continues to grow and flourish as a sailing association. To this end I add the following.

At recent BOG meetings David Arbutnot, as Treasurer, has pointed out that the club is running in the red and we need to increase dues, raise fees and impose special assessments. There has been much contention as to how much to raise these dues, fees, and assessments. I will address raising dues and fees in a later article after I do further research. But I will address assessments now. In order to make up for overspending by past BOG's, and because over the years there have been unexpected expenses not budgeted for, we as members need to assess ourselves and collect money so that the club will be running in the black with a balanced budget as required by the By-Laws. The amount of this assessment is still being

debated, and so far no assessment has been sent out. I suggest that instead of assessing the members we make up any shortages by drawing on the funds in the money market account. There is sufficient money there to cover the shortages and this is what the fund was created for in the first place. There have been those who have suggested that doing so will put in jeopardy our Not For Profit status with the IRS. I do not believe this to be the case after reviewing the IRS publications at

<http://www.irs.gov/exempt/social/display/0,,i1=3&i2=28&genericId=6895,00.html>

It looks to me as if we can use this money for just about anything we want to. The IRS says, "In general, a club should be supported solely by membership fees, dues, and assessments." It does not say entirely, and in general the shortage could be blamed on unforeseen expenses or shortages due to higher than expected loss of members. If we don't use the money market funds for this sort of thing, then what will we use it for, to buy a clubhouse?

Paul Eubank, Rear Commodore
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Now that the Annual Meeting has been postponed one week, I will be unable to attend. Much has happened during my tenure as Treasurer that I need to report on and explain:

1. The BOG prepares a balanced budget each year with every intention that it is realistic. To make it easier to identify trends in a timely manner, I have required each board member to prepare their budget on a monthly basis. However, no contingency or extraordinary items are usually included. Each BOG leaves office before the full accounting for their commitments. For various reasons, more

related to lower income than higher expenses, we have habitually run a small deficit at year-end. This deficit is paid by using the following year's income (dues) to pay the last commitments from the previous year. I have recommended to the BOG that we have a one time assessment of 45% to bring us up to date; that is, start 2003 with the previous year's commitments fully paid and with \$2,000 in the bank. This action has been postponed until after the Annual Meeting.

2. Currently, our expenditures for this year are in line with the amounts budgeted but we will probably again have a deficit because income (primarily dues) is less than budgeted. Note that this comes from non-renewals; new memberships are ahead of budget. Also, please note the exceptional performance by our Junior Governor. His programs are expected to break even for the first time in several years, despite fully funding the new safety boat from his budget.
3. Since our income from all sources (except Screwpile – more on that later) is insufficient to cover our programs, I have recommended a dues increase, for the first time in over 10 years, starting in 2003. This dues increase would permit us to continue our current programs at the same level plus provide for limited capital expenditures, which often are not identified at the time the BOG takes over. Provided the family membership is increased to 150% of the individual membership at the Annual Meeting, I recommended an increase of 20% to \$120 for the individual membership. This would provide \$5,000 each year for capital expenditures and \$2,000 cumulatively each year for inflation. None of this dues increase is earmarked for a new clubhouse-building fund. The BOG felt that 10% was sufficient, and that is the number on your ballot. Provided fees and special event contributions are increased significantly, that may be enough.
4. SMSA is incorporated as a 501(c)(7) tax-exempt corporation. This is not to be confused

with any kind of charitable (non profit) tax status, rather the reason social clubs can receive this status is the assumption that they are indirectly through their own dues and fees paying for their benefits. In 1976, the code governing this type of tax exempt corporation was amended to permit up to 35% income from non-members, provided this income did not in any way benefit to the personal advantage of the members, such as reducing dues or fees. For this reason, and in order to protect our tax-exempt status, I have insisted that the money market fund (which currently exists solely because of net profits from the Screwpile Regatta so ably managed by LG Raley) not be used for any operating needs. The balance in the Screwpile money market account (after paying 1999 and 2000 income taxes but before interest and possible late filing penalties) is about \$63,000.

5. If you add up all our non-member income (Screwpile, yearbook advertising, summer camp fees, non-member racing fees, etc.) we come very close to the 35% limitation on non-member income to preserve our tax-exempt status. There are several solutions to this: reduce non-member activities, make those wishing to participate in SMSA programs first become members, increase contributions from members (increase dues and fees). These are issues that need to be addressed by the next Treasurer and BOG. Another possible solution is to give up our tax-exempt status and become a for-profit corporation and then seek to maximize non-member income and pay tax on it. The full ramifications of this have not been explored, but it is clear that the book keeping would then be far more complex and probably require a paid bookkeeper to keep us out of trouble!

David Arbuthnot, Treasurer

UPCOMING BOG AGENDA

Southern Maryland Sailing Association Board of Governors Meeting Tuesday, September 3, 2002 Draft Agenda

Commodore-

Opening Remarks – S. Brown proposal for BOG meeting policy

Secretary –

Status on E-vote of BOG minutes

Treasurer – Financial Report

Vice Commodore - On the water

Race Governor –

Cruise Governor-

Junior Governor –

Women's Program Governor –

Rear Commodore - On the shore

Membership -

Social –

Publicity –

Facilities- Clubhouse close-up procedure

Old Business

Business Meeting Planning

New Business -

P&PC New Chair

Commodore

Closing Remarks

Adjourn

CRUISE

Dottie and Curt Hamilton led our cruising program in early August with the Governor's Cup Rendezvous at St. Mary's City, and Shawn Stanley and Laura Comeau led the Mixed Couples Race and cruise on August 24 and 25. Our Labor Day Cruise to Annapolis will be led by David and Sally Arbuthnot and bridges the long holiday weekend ending August and beginning September.

Personally, Janet and I have enjoyed the five weeks of cruising captained by Dottie, Curt and Buddy

the cat for three weeks, and the two-week cruise captained by Ron and Suzie Williams. The camaraderie and care with which these cruises were led places them high on the list of memorable events for the 2002 cruising season. We experienced everything from bumps by dead heads in the Dismal Swamp to crossing the Albemarle Sound to the enchanted beach at Kiptopeke to anchoring in Sillary Bay to 35 minutes of fireworks at Rock Hall and bus rides to keep cool. We all enhanced our cruising skills. More details of these cruises will be found elsewhere in *The Clew*.

On the subject of cruise points earned this season, I have filled in, to the best of my knowledge, the cruise point matrix as of July 15. This matrix is in the formative stages and I would ask that all cruise leaders and cruisers who have sailed in the 2002 cruising program check for their boat's participation to be sure that the points awarded are indeed correct.

On a special note, the Junior Day Camp Program, captained by Dave Pederson and a number of volunteers, is in session during August. Dave is always looking for extra hands to support this worthwhile program. Contact him if you can spend a day helping.

As always, please contact me if you have any comments, suggestions or questions for the BOG or on our SMSA Cruising Program.

Walt Rupp, Cruise Governor
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Fall One-Week Cruise September 21 – 29

The fall is a wonderful time to enjoy the Chesapeake: few boats, cooler temperatures, nice breezes, and warm water. Please let us know if you plan to join us so we can arrange marina accommodations. Please note that this schedule is different from that published in the yearbook – and

it will probably change again during the course of the cruise.

Saturday-	Dunn Cove, Harris Creek
Sunday-	Magothy River
Monday-	Worton Creek (North of Rock Hall)
Tuesday-	Baltimore Inner Harbor or Fells Point
Wednesday-	Lay Day
Thursday-	Whitehall Bay, Annapolis
Friday-	St. Michaels
Saturday-	Oxford
Sunday-	return

Charlotte Mahood, Charly2616@aol.com and
Marc DeLaVergne, vergne40@yahoo.com
Cruise Leaders

Dunn Cove Raft-up

Dennis and Virginia Chandler will host the raft-up in Dunn Cove on Saturday, September 21, the first night of the week-long cruise. They will be anchored in Dunn Cove off of Harris Creek and the Choptank River beginning no later than 4 p.m. on Saturday. Their boat is a Pearson-34, is named *Chouette*, and will be flying the SMSA burgee. They will also monitor Channels 9 and 16. Please join them for cocktails; they look forward to seeing you.

Dennis and Virginia Chandler

Columbus Day Weekend Cruise October 12 - 14

If you don't plan on going to the Annapolis Boat Show, plan on joining us for a 3-day cruise to Reedville. Saturday, we'll be departing our home ports, sailing to the Great Wicomico, and anchoring for happy hour. On Sunday morning we'll go over to Reedville for church services, visit the Fisherman's Museum, walk the town and see the sights. The Museum is open from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and charges \$3.00 per person for adults. There are several good restaurants if you wish to eat out. Monday we will sail back home.

Ron and Kris Hoile, *Nimue*, Cruise Leaders

**WOMEN'S CRUISE
October 5 and 6**

WOMEN CREW NEEDED FOR THE
Fall Women's Cruise
Call Charlotte Mahood at (703) 620-2752
or
Janet Rupp at (301) 863-0175

**HALLOWEEN CRUISE
October 26 and 27**

Young and old start planning your costumes now.
Come by boat **ONLY!**
Charlotte Mahood, and Jay and Mary Hanks

UPCOMING ELECTION

CANDIDATE FOR FACILITIES GOVERNOR

I am a Founding and Charter Member, a past Facilities Governor, Cruise Governor, Race Governor and Commodore, and have cruised, raced and partied with the SMSA for its entire 30 years.

I am the continuing SMSA Historian and the occasional parliamentarian. I have supported every Junior Program and Small Boat Program, down through the years, built the racks storing our 10 Optis and currently provide tow and chase support to both programs with my runabout. I have served on many Policy and Planning Committees and have chaired that Committee for the last several years. Through all of this, I have attended and participated in BOG meetings, business meetings and innumerable rendezvous, party and email discussions. Mary and I know the corporate history – what has been tried and what has worked for this club. But we listen to new ideas.

I have worked with past Facilities Governors, including the initial renovation of our building, have painted, cleaned and pruned, when necessary, have built and installed items (overhead fans, picture rails, marker board supports, library

shelves, etc.), when needed, and have been the continuing liaison with our landlord. I have pushed for a small, annual building fund assessment for many years, but concur with the membership decision, last year, to forget clubhouse funding for now. Explore options, yes, within programmed budget limits. Assess and commit, no for now

If elected, I will accept responsibility for the care of current facilities and will participate in BOG decisions using inputs and recommendations from the Policy and Planning Committee and all members of the SMSA. Norris Jay Hanks

Candidates for Vice Commodore and Commodore



Shawn & Walt

Candidate for Vice Commodore

Hello everyone. It is September, and the time of year when we must vote for our 2003 Board of Governors. I wanted to remind the membership of my intention to run for the position of Vice Commodore for 2003. Part of the Vice Commodore's responsibilities includes assisting the various BOG members with 'on-the-water' activities. I feel this is a natural progression given my recent responsibilities as Race Governor. I have been a very active SMSA member for many years by attending numerous social functions, participating in most races. More recently I

returned to my cruising roots from childhood and started cruising again, even leading a cruise or two.

Other contributions to this organization include:

- Policy and Planning Committee member
- Junior Program Committee member
- Support joint race/cruise activities with Walt as Race Governor
- Previous BOG positions:
 - Social Governor
 - Publicity Governor
 - Race Governor

If elected, I plan to follow direction of the membership and help other BOG members lead SMSA in a positive direction and support many of the future plans for growth that is 'in-the-works' for our club, while also keeping an eye on the price tag. I support Walt's objectives and plans for Commodore and have enjoyed working with him in support of SMSA's programs.

Shawn Stanley, Candidate for Vice Commodore

Candidate for Commodore

SMSA is at a crossroads and has become a respected and well known sailing association on the Bay. I am running for Commodore to provide the necessary leadership and guidance required for SMSA in the coming critical year. For some of you SMSA members who do not know me very well, I offer some information on my membership and contributions to SMSA for your consideration:

- Involvement in SMSA for 15 years
- Awarded member of the Year, 1988
- Co-Publicity Governor, six years
- BOG Secretary, 1992
- Awarded 1000 mile Cruising Plaque, 1991, 1993, 1998, 1999, 2001
- Cruiser of the Year, 2001
- Cruise Governor 2001, 2002
- Supported joint race/cruise activities with Shawn 2001,2002 as Cruise Governor

I believe that SMSA has an exciting future ahead. My direction for SMSA will be the following:

- Expand and support all SMSA programs as directed by the membership
- Establish a dues structure to provide for year to year solvency
- Continue the P&PC as a standing committee for advice to the BOG
- Assure establishment of a capital fund for a permanent facility
- Continue refinement of a suitable building site list
- Effect changes in the SMSA by-laws to provide for efficient management

Shawn and I ask that you give careful consideration to all potential BOG candidates and ask questions of us or any other candidates. Attend the Annual meeting and let us hear from you! We need your support and input for your SMSA!
Walt Rupp, Candidate for Commodore

WOMEN'S PROGRAM

The Fall Women's Series is almost upon us. I have spoken to some one already who are looking for crew, which is a good sign. Please feel free to use me as a "matchmaker" for boats and crew. As discussed earlier, there will be one **major rule change** this fall. Male boat owners will be allowed on their own vessels in the role of advisor. The boat will take a 6 second per mile penalty if carrying the male owner on board. The skipper and crew must be all female. The male owner will be held to the same restrictions as any other advisor.

There will be a pre-race Skipper's Meeting at the SMSA clubhouse on Saturday morning. Breakfast will be provided and will be served by the gentlemen. Please refer the your Race Circular for times. Crews are invited to attend, but be sure to RSVP to Gail Goode at goodesails@aol.com or (301) 737-0682 by Wednesday, September 11. I need to be sure we have enough goodies. All donations of breakfast food items are gratefully accepted.

A suggestion has been made that we should try to get 3 races in on Saturday and 1 race on Sunday. This would allow captains and crews to return to port in time for the Annual Business Meeting, which is now taking place on Sunday. I will discuss this with the Race Committee and final word will be given at the Skipper's Meeting.

As a final note, if I do not have at least 3 club boats entered into the race by 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11, I plan to cancel the race. I will contact all skippers concerned on Thursday if the race is to be cancelled. If you do not hear from me, please consider the race on! Hopefully, I will be able to announce for certain after the Wednesday night race on September 11 that the race is on. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Gail Goode, Women's Governor
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PUBLICITY

I'm happy to report that Lisa Feusahrens will be taking over as editor of *The Clew* this fall. She'll be relieving Maggie Weir, who has done an excellent job for us for the past two years. Maggie will stay on for a short time to help Lisa get started, before she begins her "retirement." Thanks to both Maggie and Lisa.

I have been asked many times if there are any extra 30th Anniversary Collectors' Edition SMSA T-shirts to be had. The answer is YES. There are a number that have been ordered, but not claimed, and they are up for grabs. These are the shirts with the Chuck Fadeley spinnaker design on the back. Prices are \$12 for short sleeve, \$17 for long-sleeve. Contact me to get one, while they last.

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POLICY AND PLANNING

The primary subjects for the P&PC this month were the Articles and By-Laws ballot and the dates of the fiscal year. The following comments have been kept short. Please contact me, or any other P&PC Member, for more details.

Motions 1 and 2. The opinions were unanimous that motions 1 and 2 contain conflicting actions, pre-empt the 60-day process, remove flexibility from the Commodore and BOG, unnecessarily replace the small, adequate sub-committee of this BOG, and are premature.

Unanimous Recommendation – vote NO on both.

Motions 6 and 7. The opinions were unanimous that the presentations are confusing and incomplete and a strong consensus was that the dues amounts

are too little to meet our needs and preclude a growing deficit. Our recommendation was a reluctant YES, because the ballot words cannot be changed and some increase is offered. However, in the BOG minutes for August 6, you will read of a later BOG decision to recommend voting NO, assuming that the problems of deficit, assessment and dues will be re-addressed correctly.

Current Recommendation of the BOG and P&PC Chairman -- vote NO on both.

Motions 3, 4, 5 and 8 – vote YES.

Regarding a change of the fiscal year, initial discussion prompted a flurry of emails among BOG and P&PC members, with new thoughts gradually changing opinions. Unfortunately, some BOG members did not participate (too busy or email system down) and the BOG decision, on August 6, did not reflect current thought. I sent an email in advance, and presented a one-page summary of the latest thoughts at the BOG meeting. It was not used. Hopefully, this subject will be discussed at the Annual Meeting.

A strong recommendation from the P&PC is that a review of all programs, regarding costs, incomes, dues, fees and assessments, must be done, leading to decisions regarding the financing of each program, including how much of each program should be supported by normal dues. This should be done by the next P&PC.

Under late breaking news, I was fired by the Commodore, because I would not accept a task for which the P&PC is not qualified and for which the SMSA already has paid \$1,000 for a professional opinion, and have the same opinion, gratis, from my personal CPA. Screwpile money cannot be spent on anything that reduces the current or future dues of individual members. Deficit reduction – No. Clubhouse, boats, equipment – Perhaps. The P&PC could advise regarding a specific proposal, but it would not be a professional opinion. Some of our activities show a profit. Why not file our tax

returns, estimating amounts owed, and then ask the IRS for a reading regarding Screwpile and other money?

Norris Jay Hanks, Chairman P&PC
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MEMBERSHIP

We have four new applications for membership, one reinstatement, and one request for Emeritus membership status.

Our first application is from Robert Beckman, from Falls Church, Virginia. He is sponsored by Glenn Scott, and is interested in racing and cruising. He has an Ericson sloop, called *Helios*.

Next, we have Don and Char Moody, from Tall Timbers, Maryland. They are sponsored by Shawn Stanley, and own a J-24. It's no surprise that they are interested in racing!

Robert and Carolyn Smith, from Lexington Park, are frequent participants in the Thursday Night Races. They own a FrontRunner and are sponsored by Keith Jacobs.

Last but not least, we have Frank and Marily Foley, from Annandale, Virginia. They are sponsored by Tom and Shelia Maroldy, and own a Catalina 30, called *Harmony*. They are interested in cruising.

Our re-instatement is Gary Kenneth Gray, from Solomons. Gary has three sons, ages 23, 22, and 20, and has just purchased a Tartan 34 called *Zip*. Gary was a former BOG member, and is now interested in being involved in cruising, racing and teaching.

This looks like an active group of new members, with great sponsors. We look forward to their participation in all of our events.

Our request for Emeritus status is from Ken and Ellie Mowbray. They joined SMSA in 1987, and have been very active in the club since. Ken has served as Cruise Governor and Informal Race Governor. They have hosted many club cruises, helped host rendezvous, helped with Spring Clean-Up, and performed Race Committee on several occasions (something I still haven't figured out, for those of you out there on August 9), and helped out at the SMSA Birthday Parties. The Board of Governors voted unanimously to grant their request.

During the month of June, I sent out a survey to the memberships that had not renewed. The results of my survey were circulated at the August BOG meeting. Over 50% of the surveys were completed and of those returned only two were negative. The vast majority of non-renewals were very complimentary of their years in SMSA. The results of this survey will be made available at the Annual Meeting.

Bridget McNamara, Membership Governor
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SOCIAL

Hello SMSA Sailors! As we bid farewell to summer and await the arrival of fall, I encourage you to come out and enjoy the food, spirits and company of your fellow sailors during our upcoming social events.

All arrangements have been made for the Crab Feast/Geezer Squeezer Rendezvous on August 17 and by the time you receive this edition of *The Clew*, the event will have passed. In keeping with last year, the supply of Crabs comes from "Crabknockers" of Leonardtown. Let's hope the satisfaction streak keeps running! I thank Karen and Dennis Donehoo for hosting this rendezvous. Thanks also to those members who helped with all the little details of the day. The contribution of your time and energy are very much appreciated!

Upcoming Events

September 15 - Annual Business Meeting

Rendezvous begins immediately after the business meeting is adjourned. The Rendezvous will take place at the clubhouse. Please bring your main entrée and take advantage of our outdoor grills for your cooking pleasure. Members with last names A-K are asked to bring a side dish to share and L-Z are asked to bring a dessert. As always, anyone interested in helping with this event, should call or e-mail me.

October 20 - Chili Party and Oyster Scald. This rendezvous, following the Fall Invitational Race, begins at 4:00 p.m. at the clubhouse. Follow your best chili recipe and bring the finished product with you to this event. We'll have a supply of oysters on hand and look forward to seeing you all there! Look for more details in the October issue of *The Clew*.

Laura Comeau, Social Governor
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EDITOR'S NOTE

Please note *The Clew* has a NEW editor.

The deadline for submitting articles for the October 2002 issue of *The Clew* will be

Sunday, September 15 at 5:00 p.m.

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If you submit an article for *The Clew*, you should receive an email acknowledging receipt. If you do not receive an acknowledgement, please contact *The Clew* editor.

Barbara Herbig puts the calendar together for *The Clew* each month. Please be sure to alert her to any events that you wish to have included.

THE RACER'S EDGE

A good breeze and light chop characterize the Patuxent as you, skipper of the infamous PEDAL TO THE METAL, are running downwind on a starboard tack and are overlapped and to leeward of your arch rival WEE WILLIE as you approach "V" mark which you both MUST jibe around to pass to port. Prior to passing the mark and barely outside the two-length zone you cleverly decide to luff WEE WILLIE and take her well beyond and above the mark in the hopes of gaining a significant tactical advantage. You drop your spinnaker, and luff WEE WILLIE but immediately get a "Protest!" hail from Poulet Poop, WEE WILLIE's skipper. You go to the protest hearing a little uncertain of your fate, but confident you had some luffing rights. You lose and are disqualified! Why?

Rules 18.2 (a) and 18.4 require you, the inside overlapped boat at a jybing mark, to "sail no farther from the mark than needed to sail the course". This requires you to maintain your course and jibe immediately to pass the mark. Your luff of WEE WILLIE changed your course and delayed your jibe ... thus you are in violation of rule 18.4 and are disqualified.

While the old rules would have allowed a luff beyond the mark (by both boats), the current rules have outlawed this practice in the interest of safety, keeping all the boats racing on course, and just general good sense.

See you on the Racer's Edge... Fred Dellinger

The Judges Respond

This month's Racer's Edge begs an often asked question, just when does an obligation under Rule 18 begin when it is in conflict with another rule?

In this case, before the two boats reach the two-boat length zone, the leeward boat has the right to luff as long as she did not establish her overlap on the windward boat from clear astern. Within the zone, she is considered to be in the process of rounding, and this must comply with RRS 18.4, that is, "sail no further from the mark than needed to sail that course."

When do the leeward boat's rights under RRS 11 (Windward-Leeward) yield to RRS 18.4?

RRS 18.1 states, "Rule 18 applies when boats are about to round or pass a mark..." The term "about to pass" is not defined by the rules, but we can borrow from the definition of "room" for guidance. "Room" is "the space a boat needs in the existing conditions while maneuvering promptly in a seamanlike way." So Rule 18 can be construed to come in effect when, under existing conditions, the boats need to maneuver promptly in a seamanlike way. Certainly at a leeward mark in a good breeze when taking down spinnakers is part of the maneuver, Rule 18 would commence at the two-boat length zone. If the boats are large and traveling very fast, the rule could come in effect at three or more lengths from the mark. In light conditions with a foul tide, Rule 18 may not commence until one length from the mark. But convention is to start Rule 18 at the two-length zone and to place that invocation differently puts a burden on the boat that is claiming the difference to make a good case. Stovy Brown

DATABASE

Please send any information changes to Stewart Buckler at sbuckler@olg.com.

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DON'T FORGET: You are entitled to three months of **free** advertising in our newsletter. Take advantage of this great opportunity!

FOR SALE: Dyer dinghy with sail rig and oars for \$850. Contact Carl Feusahrens at (410) 394-6643 or feus@erols.com (11-02)

FOR SALE: Intracoastal Waterway Chartbook, 2002 Edition, by John and Leslie Kettlewell (full scale charts, Norfolk to Miami). Retail \$59.95; now \$25.

C-MAP NT+ Intracoastal Waterway navigation software #NA-C307-03, Norfolk to Key West, published Spring 2002. Retail \$189; now \$90.

David Marchant, Cor93vette@aol.com (11-02)

FOR SALE: 8-foot pram, weighs only 55 pounds. May be used as a tender. Accommodates 2 hp out-board. Sailing rig, while not included, is available. Lapstrake design; made of 6 mm mahogany marine plywood, with multiple layers of fiberglass on bottom, three coats of epoxy, and three coats of varnish or paint. Comes with canvas cover and oars. \$575. Contact Ron or Suzie Williams at (410) 326 3423 or email easytime@chesapeake.net. (11-02)

WANTED: Sailrite sewing machine. Contact Denise Yale at jamesdeniseyale@msn.com or (301) 638-1766. (9-02)

FOR SALE: J-29 *Joint adVenture*, extremely well equipped and ready for the racecourse. Contact Dan Schneider at (410) 326-4630. (9-02)

FOR SALE: *Blue Charm*, '86 HOOD 38 sloop/centerboard. New hard top Dodger, 5 sails, full electronics and many extras. Very good condition. Contact Larry & Robin Langfeldt: (301) 373-9728 or lrlang@earthlink.net (9-02)

FOR SALE: 1989 Catalina 22. Boat, motor and trailer. Calvert Marina, GG3, in front of Clubhouse. Features Yamaha 4 stroke, 9.9 w/electric start, wing keel, depth finder, knotmeter, roller furling 150 Genoa, asymmetrical spinnaker, pop-top w/cover, stove and sink, portapotty, auto helm, covers, VHF, trailer w/new tires and more. Contact Joe Berman at (301) 843-5075 or email joe@hudvahomes.com. (9-02)

FOR SALE: *Seaquest*, '74 Ranger 33. Fast, comfortable cruiser. Very clean and in extremely good condition. Exterior and interior pictures available. Bought another boat. Contact Ollie/Katie Kangas for details. (301) 862-3348 or okangas@erols.com. (9-02)

WANTED: Dependable crew for Wednesday night racing and especially weekend racing aboard *Shermax*. Come and join the "fun" crew of last year's "Spirit Award" winner. Prefer some keelboat experience, but we are willing to teach if you are serious about learning. We sail both spinnaker and NS, rain or shine. Max Munger, C30 TRBS #2276 Solomons Island (410) 326-9024 (10-02)

FOR SALE: Walker Bay 8', with sail kit;very little use. Contact Gresh Sackett at (410) 394-6972 or yachtkoel@cs.com (10-02)

RACE RESULTS

Stars & Stripes Race

CLASS:PHRF A,B,C,D				EVENT:Stars & Stripes Race			DATE: 06-Jul-02	
Length(nmi.):13.5				Start time: 12:20:00				
<u>STDG.</u>	<u>SAIL #</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>RTG.</u>	<u>FINISH</u>	<u>ELAPSED</u>	<u>ALLOW.</u>	<u>CORR'TD</u>
1	83096	SYNERGY	LAROCHE	168	14:44:00	2:24:00	0:37:48	1:46:12
2	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	SCHNEIDER	48	14:25:38	2:05:38	0:10:48	1:54:50
3	3066	ARTFUL DODGER	TAYLOR	132	14:46:22	2:26:22	0:29:42	1:56:40
4	3333	SPROUT	KERN	96	14:48:49	2:28:49	0:21:36	2:07:13
5	63269	PRIORITY ONE	SPICUZZA	108			0:24:18	DNF

CLASS:PHRF NS				EVENT:Stars & Stripes Race			DATE: 06-Jul-02	
Length(nmi.):13.5				Start time: 12:25:00				
<u>STDG.</u>	<u>SAIL #</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>RTG.</u>	<u>FINISH</u>	<u>ELAPSED</u>	<u>ALLOW.</u>	<u>CORR'TD</u>
1	2511	IRETSU	WANNER	96	14:49:48	2:24:48	0:21:36	2:03:12
2	42516	STARGAZER II	FROST	168	15:06:05	2:41:05	0:37:48	2:03:17
3	142	TOBY	EGGERT	141	15:07:09	2:42:09	0:31:43	2:10:26
4	13395	GOLDFISH	LAWRENCE	120	15:13:51	2:48:51	0:27:00	2:21:51
5	2276	SHERMAX	MUNGER	177	15:29:24	3:04:24	0:39:49	2:24:35
6	83415	WILLIWAW	KEEN	120			0:27:00	DNF

ZAHNISER'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACE RESULTS

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7-31-02

CLASS: **PHRF NS**

Start: 18:30:00

Course: AXAX

Length: 4.20

<u>STDG</u>	<u>SAIL No.</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>RTG.</u>	<u>FINISH</u>	<u>ELAPS'D</u>	<u>ALLOW.</u>	<u>CORR'TD</u>
1	2276	SHERMAX	183	20:13:51	1:43:51	0:12:49	1:31:02
2	53477	KRUGERRAND	132	20:12:34	1:42:34	0:09:14	1:33:20
3	73472	ORBITER	120	20:12:19	1:42:19	0:08:24	1:33:55
4	2511	IRETSU	96	20:13:50	1:43:50	0:06:43	1:37:07
5	63076	SUBJECT TO CHANGE	108	20:16:42	1:46:42	0:07:34	1:39:08
6	4183	BADGER	186	20:28:25	1:58:25	0:13:01	1:45:24
7	83415	WILLIWAW	120	20:24:35	1:54:35	0:08:24	1:46:11
8	83113	VIGILANT	150	20:36:15	2:06:15	0:10:30	1:55:45
9	242	SLIP AWAY	246	20:45:00	2:15:00	0:17:13	1:57:47
10	83152	ALERT	150			0:10:30	DNF

CLASS: **PHRF Blue**

Start: 18:35:00

Course: AXAX

Length: 4.20

<u>STDG</u>	<u>SAIL No.</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>RTG.</u>	<u>FINISH</u>	<u>ELAPS'D</u>	<u>ALLOW.</u>	<u>CORR'TD</u>
1	93084	BOB	162	19:54:22	1:19:22	0:11:20	1:08:02
2	83096	SYNERGY	168	19:56:19	1:21:19	0:11:46	1:09:33
3	42516	STARGAZER II	168	20:00:56	1:25:56	0:11:46	1:14:10
4	43067	LICKETY SPLIT	168	20:02:10	1:27:10	0:11:46	1:15:24
5	67996	NEMESIS	174	20:03:47	1:28:47	0:12:11	1:16:36
6	1003	CHIQUITA	174	20:04:27	1:29:27	0:12:11	1:17:16
7	131	PRONTO	162	20:04:55	1:29:55	0:11:20	1:18:35

CLASS: **PHRF White**

Start: 18:40:00

Course: AXAX

Length: 4.20

<u>STDG</u>	<u>SAIL No.</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>RTG.</u>	<u>FINISH</u>	<u>ELAPS'D</u>	<u>ALLOW.</u>	<u>CORR'TD</u>
1	US 105	VALKYRIE	42	19:38:16	0:58:16	0:02:56	0:55:20
2	40692	SMC	108	19:54:44	1:14:44	0:07:34	1:07:10
3	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	48	19:53:35	1:13:35	0:03:22	1:10:13
4	312	WICKED GOOD	138	20:02:01	1:22:01	0:09:40	1:12:21
5	63199	THE DOGHOUSE	111	20:01:41	1:21:41	0:07:46	1:13:55
6	50134	SMOKIN	51	20:05:30	1:25:30	0:03:34	1:21:56

ZAHNISER'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACE RESULTS

8-7-02

CLASS: **PHRF NS**

Start: 18:36:00

Course: KXKX

Length: 4.20

<u>STDG</u>	<u>SAIL No.</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>RTG.</u>	<u>FINISH</u>	<u>ELAPS'D</u>	<u>ALLOW.</u>	<u>CORR'TD</u>
1	2511	IRETSU	96	19:36:07	1:00:07	0:06:43	0:53:24
2	53477	KRUGERRAND	132	19:38:40	1:02:40	0:09:14	0:53:26
3	73051	STILL A GORILLA	135	19:40:01	1:04:01	0:09:27	0:54:34
4	131	PRONTO	162	19:43:26	1:07:26	0:11:20	0:56:06
5	2276	SHERMAX	183	19:45:16	1:09:16	0:12:49	0:56:27
6	83415	WILLIWAW	120	19:45:52	1:09:52	0:08:24	1:01:28
7	4183	BADGER	186	19:55:52	1:19:52	0:13:01	1:06:51
8	83152	ALERT	150	19:55:42	1:19:42	0:10:30	1:09:12
9	83113	VIGILANT	150	19:56:12	1:20:12	0:10:30	1:09:42
10	242	SLIP AWAY	246	20:25:42	1:49:42	0:17:13	1:32:29

CLASS: **PHRF Blue**

Start: 18:40:00

Course: KXKX

Length: 4.20

<u>STDG</u>	<u>SAIL No.</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>RTG.</u>	<u>FINISH</u>	<u>ELAPS'D</u>	<u>ALLOW.</u>	<u>CORR'TD</u>
1	93084	BOB	162	19:37:23	0:57:23	0:11:20	0:46:03
2	83096	SYNERGY	168	19:39:34	0:59:34	0:11:46	0:47:48
3	67996	NEMESIS	174	19:51:40	1:11:40	0:12:11	0:59:29
4	1003	CHIQUITA	174	19:52:17	1:12:17	0:12:11	1:00:06
5	43162	ELAN	159	19:53:42	1:13:42	0:11:08	1:02:34

September 2002 - SMSA Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Labor Day End Labor Day Cruise	3 BOG Meeting, 1930 @ Clubhouse	4 Zahniser's Wednesday Night Race #9	5 Thursday Night Small Boat Races (End of 2002 Season)	6	7 Smith Point Race (Day Race)
8 See Note Below	9	10 Basic HS Fall Classroom Starts @ Patuxent High School	11 Zahniser's Wednesday Night Race #10 Basic HS Fall Practice Starts	12	13	14 Women's Fall Series Skipper/Crew Breakfast, 0730 @ Clubhouse
15 Annual Business Meeting <i>The Clew</i> deadline Women's Fall Series Rendezvous Junior Program 1 pm (Session Two #3)	16	17	18 Zahniser's Wednesday Night Fun Race	19	20	21 6th Annual Small Boat Invitational Regatta Begin One Week Fall Cruise End Weekend Cruise
22 6th Annual Small Boat Invitational Regatta Trawler Fest End Weekend Cruise	23	24	25 Trawler Fest @ Calvert Marina/clubhouse begins	26	27	28 Trawler Fest @ Calvert Marina/Clubhouse ends
29 Fall Series 3 & 4 Mini-rendezvous End 1- Week Fall Cruise End Weekend Cruise	30 Basic HS Fall Practice Ends	NOTE: Rescheduled SMSA Annual Business Meeting From September 8 to September 15 @1500				

October 2002 - SMSA Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3 BOG Meeting, 1930 @ Clubhouse	4	5 Begin Women's Cruise J/29 Fall One-Design Regatta (tentative date)
6 Junior Sunday Program 1300 (Session Two #4) End Women's Cruise Small Boat Fun Race J/29 Fall One-Design Regatta (tentative date)	7	8	9 Annapolis Sailboat Show begins (Estimated date)	10	11	12 Begin Columbus Day Cruise
13 Small Boat Program Fun Race Small Boat Program Mini-Rendezvous @ Clubhouse	14 End Columbus Day Cruise Annapolis Sailboat Show	15 <i>The Clew</i> deadline	16	17	18	19 Hooper Island/Point No Point Race
20 Fall Invitational Race Chili Party & Oyster Scald Rendezvous, 1600 @ Junior Sunday Program 1300 (Session Two #5)	21	22	23	24	25	26 Begin Halloween Weekend Cruise
27 Daylight Savings Ends End Halloween Weekend Cruise	28	29	30	31 Halloween		

RACE ENTRY FORM

Competitor's Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (home) _____ (work) _____

email Address: _____

Your email address will be used only to notify you of SMSA Small Boat Program events. It will not be sold, traded, rented, or given to any non-SMSA personnel or other organizations.

Boat Class/Type: _____ Color: _____

Name of Boat: _____ Sail #: _____

Portsmouth Ratings (if known): _____

I agree to abide by the regulations and sailing instructions for this series of events. In consideration of being permitted to enter this event, being knowledgeable of the risks of competitive sailing and knowing that it is my sole responsibility to decide whether to enter or continue any race, I voluntarily assume the risk of participation in this event and release the Host Club SMSA and the people conducting the event from all liability in connection with any injury or damage that may occur.

Signature of Competitor _____

Date _____

F E E S		
	Received <i>BEFORE</i> 14 September	Received <i>AFTER</i> 14 September
Registration Fee	\$30.00	\$40.00
Box Lunches*	\$5.00 per lunch per day	\$6.00 per lunch per day
Saturday Night Dinner	Skipper Free, \$10.00 each additional meal	Skipper Free, \$10.00 each additional meal

Registration Fee: \$ _____

Box Lunch(es) – Sat.: Qty= _____ \$ _____

Box Lunch(es) – Sun.: Qty= _____ \$ _____

Dinner – Skipper: \$ FREE

Dinner – Crew (\$10): Qty= _____ \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to:
 SMSA
 22328 Armstrong Drive
 Leonardtown, MD 20650

* Box Lunches Include:

- Ham & Cheese Sandwich
- Bag of Chips
- Dessert
- Piece of Fruit
- Water

All lunches will be individually prepared and will be delivered to competitors while on the water.

All proceeds from Box Lunch sales will benefit the Patuxent High School Sailing Team.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, September 21, 2002

- 0800** Registration Opens at Clubhouse
(\$30 Early/\$40 Late Race
Fee/Dinner Fee)
Receive Sailing Instructions
Receive 1 Free Dinner Ticket
Continental Breakfast Provided
Purchase Additional Discount Dinner
Tickets for \$10 (if required)
Boat Lift Opens - Put in early!
- 1000** Skippers Meeting
- 1100** First Warning Signal
Followed by Subsequent Races
Followed by On-Shore Refreshments
- 1830** Dinner at Bowen's Inn
Awards for First Day Leaders
- 2100** Dancing to a Live Band!

Sunday, September 22, 2002

- 0800** Continental Breakfast Provided
Boat Lift Opens - Put in early!
- 1030** First Warning Signal
Followed by Subsequent Races
Followed by On-Shore Refreshments
and Awards at SMSA Clubhouse

SMSA volunteers will be available to show you where to park/rig and to help you launch and recover your boat. The marina has one lift and a small, no-vehicles beach. Please get your boat in the water as soon as possible to avoid delays at the lift. There is plenty of pier space for temporary tie-up.

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Southern Maryland Sailing Association
Small Boat Program
25793 Whiskey Creek Road
Hollywood, Maryland 20636

Sponsored by Bowen's Inn

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The Southern Maryland
Sailing Association

cordially invites you to participate in the

6th Annual SMSA Small Boat Invitational

**Saturday and Sunday,
21 - 22 September 2002**

A two-day, five race series for Force 5's,
International Canoes, Lightnings, Lasers, Mobjacks,
Interlakes, Front Runners, Multihulls, and any small
boat with a Portsmouth rating. Individual starts will
be given to any class with 7 or more boats.

Plus...Dinner and a Band on Saturday
Evening!

Be sure to bring the wife and kids or a friend. There will
be plenty to do this weekend on or very close to the
Solomons: A juried art show, museums, a real county
fair, nature tours, shopping, swimming, fishing, and
cruise boats. Details inside!

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attractions

Solomons Arts Festival at Annamarie Gardens blends sculpture and the environment along nature trails and flower gardens while showcasing 100+ juried artists from around the country. This is a must see for art fans and shoppers.

Calvert Marine Museum features local maritime history, fish, fossils, a tour boat and a live otter exhibit.

The **St. Mary's County Fair** features lots of farm animals, horse pulls, crafts, carnival rides, and exhibits.

Flag Ponds State Park features nature trails and a beautiful sandy beach on the Chesapeake for swimming, fishing*, and shark tooth hunting.

Solomons Island Shopping and Restaurants

Patuxent River Naval Aviation Museum features an outdoor display of many types of jet fighters and helicopters. Indoor museum also.

Point Lookout State Park features playgrounds, boat rentals, fishing pier*, swimming on the Patuxent River, and Civil War Museum.

Sotterly Manor features farm animals, exhibits and reconstructions of 18th and 19th century plantation life.

Historic St. Mary's City features exhibits and reenactments of 17th century colonial life.

--- PLUS ---

Charter Fishing from the Solomons

Solomons Boat Rental

Solomons Island Boardwalk and Playground

Solomons Fishing Pier *

Solomons Island night life will cater to any taste from family oriented casual to sports bar to night club dancing. **We recommend Bowen's!**

* Maryland Fishing License Required - available for a small fee at any Maryland bait and tackle shop.

accommodations

Hotels / Motels

Holiday Inn Select Solomons	410-326-6311 (\$110 + Tax Dbl Occupancy)
Comfort Inn Beacon Marina Solomons	410-326-6303 (\$110 + Tax Dbl Occupancy)
Days Inn (12 mile drive) Lexington Park	301-863-6666 (\$75 Single / \$88 Dbl + Tax)
Best Western (10 mile drive) Lexington Park	301-862-4100 (\$75 Single / \$75 Dbl + Tax)
Super 8 Motel (8 mile drive) California	301-862-9822 (\$75 Single / \$75 Double + Tax)
Sleep Inn (8 mile drive) California	301-737-0000 (\$105 + Tax Dbl Occupancy) (Hotel features an indoor pool and fitness center)

Host Families

Sailors preferring to stay with a host family should contact local members of their class association.

Bed and Breakfasts

Back Creek Inn Solomons Island	410-326-2022
Davis House Solomons Island	410-326-4811

box lunches

Support the Patuxent High School Sailing Team by ordering box lunches for on-water delivery to your boat. See the registration form for details. Order early to receive a special discount.

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directions

From Washington D.C. and Northern Virginia:

Take I-95/495 to Route 4 (Pennsylvania Ave) south approximately 45 miles. Once you pass the turn to Lusby Town Center begin to look for Dowell Road on your left. Turn left onto Dowell Road and continue to Calvert Marina. See below for directions in marina.

From Annapolis:

Take Route 2 (Solomons Island Road) south out of Annapolis. Route 2 will merge with Route 4. Once you pass the turn to Lusby Town Center (about 30 miles) begin to look for Dowell Road on your left. Turn left onto Dowell Road and continue to Calvert Marina. See below for directions in marina.

From Points South (Norfolk/Hampton/Fishing Bay):

Take I-67 to I-95 north or Route 17 North. Exit at Route 301 north and cross the Harry W. Nice Bridge into Maryland. Turn right off of 301 onto Route 234. Follow 19 miles to Route 5 in Leonardtown, MD. Follow Route 5 south to Route 4. Make a left onto Route 4 and cross over the Patuxent River Bridge to the Solomons. One mile past the bridge turn right onto Dowell Road and continue to Calvert Marina.

Once in the Calvert Marina:

Proceed straight onto gravel road to SMSA Clubhouse. Follow bend to right and take first left down hill to the "New" docks "AA-HH". Rig boat at bottom of hill. Boat lift will be to your right. Put your boat in the water as soon as possible to avoid a wait. SMSA volunteers will assist you. Smaller boats can launch via dolly on beach (no vehicles allowed on beach). Registration will be on the patio of the SMSA Clubhouse. Official notice board is located between docks "FF" and "GG".

further information

Visit the SMSA web site at: <http://www.smsa.com> and select the *Small Boat Program* link.

Or contact Joe Kubinec at:

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