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| Sat | 10 | Opening Day | 9:00 |
| Mon | 12 | BOD Meeting | 7:00 |
| Wed | 14 | First Wednesday Night Race! | 6:30 |
| Thurs | 15 | Commodores Dinner | 6:00 |
| Thurs | 15 | Clew Inputs Due | |
| Wed | 21 | Wed Night Race #2 | 6:30 |
| Fri | 23 | Small Boat Season Kick Off Meet- | 7:00 |
| Sat | 24 | Sharps Island Race | |
| Wed | 28 | Wed Night Race #3 | 6:30 |
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| Sat | 1 | Double Handed Race | |
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The Commodores Corner

It's great to see the boatyards alive with activities while boats are being prepared for the upcoming sailing season. It reminds me of the tasks that I have to complete before The Riddler is ready for sailing beyond the mouth of the harbor. There's some glasswork, sail work, and electronics that need attention. I guess it's no different than the list that each of you have put together.

I hope that everyone can find the time to come by the clubhouse on Saturday, April 10, for Opening Day Ceremonies. 9:00 for Bloodies and Mimosas, brunch that should be served at 9:30 and the official ceremony to begin at 11:00. This will be a morning of great social connections.

The informal racing program continues with the start of the Wednesday Night Races, the formal program begins with the Sharps Island Race, and there will be a cruise early in May to get the cruise program up and running. Let's all jump in and be involved with the programs.

I hope that you get plenty to eat at the brunch on Opening Day, but just in case it doesn't tied you over, make plans to come to the Commodore's Dinner on April 15. The dinner theme is going to be "Asian". Get your woks heated up.

I will see you soon,

Clarke

Buccaneer 18 North American Championships

June 20-25 we will be invaded by Pirates! Not the terrifying, ruthless Somali pirates of lore...but jolly Buccaneer brethren coming to SMSA to sail, eat, drink & be merry!

We will need many volunteers for the week to help with loads of things, Bartenders, Race Committee, Clean Up Crew, Measurers, and folks to help with registration.

If hanging out for a day or more with some really fun visiting Buccaneer brothers and sisters sounds like a good way to spend some of your time please contact Jimmy via phone or Email

Also, if you are interested in sailing in the event let us know. We can likely help you find crew who need skippers, skippers who need crew...possibly a boat who needs skipper and crew.

Registration is now open at www.BuccSOMD.org

Thanks Jimmy Yurko

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Commodore's Dinner

Thursday

April

15

Doors Open at
6:00

Theme:

"Asian"

Opening Day Celebration

Saturday

April 10

9:00 Arrival

9:30 Brunch

11:00 Flag Raising
Ceremony

Thank you to

VOLUNTEERS FOR SPRING CLEANUP DAY:

Many of you came out with your rakes & brooms squeegees & drills, making the spring Clean Up Day a true success. Thank you very much for your dedication, and ingenuity. We look forward to seeing you on Opening Day

In memory of
Charles 'Chuck' Fadeley

20 March 1922 - 12 March 2010

It is with great sadness that we report the death of SMSA Founding & Charter Member, Charles Fadeley, who passed away Friday, March 12th.

While not able to attend many club events in the past several months due to his ailing health, Chuck's involvement with SMSA over the past 38 years has been remarkable. He and his wife Muriel, who preceded him in death in 2003, were adored by many club members for their generosity and warmth. His artwork graced many a Clew cover. In the past few years, his partner Charlotte was by his side at many post-race gatherings, social events and Opening Day activities. We will miss his smile and gentle disposition, as well as his love of sailing and friends.

“Chuck loved sailing. Chuck sailed alone, and with friends. Chuck would have sailed every day if he could. When you looked across the water and saw only one boat, it was Chuck.”

A Memory

When friends or family pass, one of the things I find most helpful is to share good memories about them. With the recent passing of Chuck Fadeley as I write this, I'd like to take a moment to share a fun memory.

Chuck hadn't been sailing in a little while due to his health, but loved to participate in club activities. At a Membership Social one Friday night last spring his friend, Charlotte, was talking to Kate and me. Charlotte mentioned that she hoped to find somebody for Chuck to go sailing with. Kate and I suggested he go with us on that Sunday's frostbite race. He loved the idea.

Sunday found me walking toward the boat at Spring Cove where I met Chuck on the way to the dock. He had a big smile on his face. Chuck sat and talked to Kate, Rob, Jenn and I while we got things ready. We were a little embarrassed that the only life jacket we had to offer him to meet the rule requirement for SMSA frostbite races was a bright orange one from our emergency pack. But Chuck didn't mind, he put it on and asked Kate where she'd like him to sit.

We had a blast. It was blowing 15-20kts that day, so the sailing was great. I've never seen a crew member or guest with a bigger smile. We swapped sailing stories which was great fun since lots of his were from long before any of the rest of us were born. At one point on the way to the finish line from Mark "K", he asked Kate what our boat speed was. When the answer was about 6.5 knots, Chuck's smile got even bigger. All in all, I think Chuck had a fun time that day. I know that Kate, Rob, Jenn, and I all did as well.

I know we all have favorite memories of our friend that we lost, this one is mine.

Chris Miller

Cruising Season Is Upon Us!

SMSA cruisers met on Saturday, 20 February, at the clubhouse to plan the 2010 cruising season. Several cruisers stepped up to volunteer their time to lead cruises, both week-end and longer, north & south on the Chesapeake Bay.

The 2010 cruise schedule has been finalized and is now available on the SMSA website in the Cruising section. Go to the website, click on the schedule and plan on joining a cruise to a great location on or near the Chesapeake Bay. Our happy hours at 1700 hours after a fine day on the water is a great time to visit with other club members and partake of good tasting hors d'oeuvres and your favorite adult beverage. Get out there and enjoy your investment. And, as always, racers are welcome!

rich freeman

Land-locked?

Sailing season is finally upon us! Do you need crew to help race/cruise your boat? Are you looking for a boat to race/cruise with? Sign-up on *SpinSheets* free Crew Listing service!

<http://spinsheet.com/crew.asp>

Bar Tenders Take Note!

There is a new page online where people can check the SMSA bartender volunteer schedule. View the schedule from the main SMSA page by clicking on the link in the Upcoming Events section under Friday Socials. Members can also e-mail the Bar Manager and Webmaster to get their name added to the list, rather than going into the clubhouse to sign-up.

Social Updates

Spring is on the way and the Frostbite races have started. SMSA's Opening Day is fast approaching, April 10, 2010 @ 9:00 am. The Directors and chairs will provide brunch items and all are encouraged to bring a favorite food or dessert dish for enjoyment after the Flag ceremony. Oysters and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided by the club. Bloody Marys and Mimosas will be available for sale. Anyone willing to help out with set-up, decorations and clean-up, please contact me (social@smasa.com) Please make time in your busy schedules for this event, a great event to get re-acquainted with members and sailing friends.

Cheers,

John, Social Chair

Summer Camps Update

We're planning a full season of summer Jr. camps as well as intro programs for children, teens and adults. Please contact Junior@SMSA if you, or someone you know is interested in participate in some sail training this summer.



SMSA COOKBOOK



SMSA has a wealth of expert chefs who, as we all know, contribute delicious food at club events. Over the years from sampling the variety of pot-luck rendezvous meals, cruising happy hour refreshments, spicy Chili Cookoffs, and recent themed Commodore's Dinners many of us have probably replied, "This is really good! Who made it? Tell me how you made it or send me the recipe." Well, SMSA friends – it's time to gather some of these well-loved recipes into a cookbook. Then we each can prepare the delicious recipes. At the March Board of Directors meeting, the request was approved to let us pursue this fundraising project.

I have volunteered to be the "chief cookbook connoisseur" (really just the interested chairperson) to organize this new SMSA Cookbook. I do need a committee to help with the whole process. **If you are interested, please let me know.**

Meanwhile, all SMSA members are invited to start browsing through your favorite recipes and then submit them to me. Include the recipe title, recipe, and name of the contributor (also boat name, if desired). Recipe notes may be added if relevant or of interest to others. Here is a list of probable categories for the cookbook:

- BEVERAGES, APPETIZERS, AND SNACKS
- BREADS AND ROLLS
- SOUPS AND SALADS
- VEGETABLES AND SIDE DISHES
- THREE SQUARES- BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND DINNER
- COOKIES AND CAKES
- OTHER DESSERTS

If there are any questions, feel free to ask me. Many thanks in advance!

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