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COMMODORE

Here we are again, almost at the end of another fine sailing season and at the beginning of the planning for the 2004 sailing and social year. Our SMSA special event this month is the **Annual Planning Meeting** to be held on **November 1, 2003** at the clubhouse. Your BOG has met late in October in preparation for this meeting to draft a schedule that will include some interesting additions to, and continuation of, events for our 2004 operational schedule. Come to the planning meeting for a schedule review and to provide input so that your recommendations and our programs are more in keeping with your expectations. We want to assure a cross-pollination of activities between our programs. Come to socialize, enjoy the camaraderie of SMSA members and meet your new BOG who takes office with this all-hands meeting. The Frostbite Race series and a Frostbite Cruise continue our on the water program this month.

The Vice Commodore has the responsibility for the overall program elements and program coordination. Feel empowered to support your Governors by involvement in the various committees established to carry out their tasks. If asked to serve, please give the request serious consideration. For a list of last year committees'

membership and areas of responsibility, see pages 81 and 82 of the 2003 Year Book.

Our October meeting concluded the 2003 BOG's responsibilities for operational overview. During this last meeting, a Screwpile Race committee chairman was appointed for another year. The P&PC chair provided a motion for a tie-breaking procedure that will be voted on at the next meeting. The BOG agreed that we would continue to refine our roles, goals and develop a final mission statement for review by the membership in the near future. The definition of our future goals will shape our requirement for a permanent SMSA site.

SMSA volunteers conducted a High School Varsity regatta with our eleven FJ's last month. Three safety boats were at the ready to watch over the racers. They faced gusty winds of 15 to 20 knots. A few boats capsized, but excellent training provided the competitors with the skills to right their boats and continue to race without any assistance from the watchful safety boats. Although the safety boats were not actually needed, cruisers and racers manned the runabouts and the committee boat to provide a safe and well organized event. This was a great cooperative regatta supported by many interested SMSA sailors. I think that activities like these are what SMSA is all about and will lead to our goal of continuing and expanding the role of SMSA on the Bay. From these competitors can

come the legacy of future SMSA members as racers and cruisers.

I look forward to your comments and discussion of policies and direction for SMSA. Please let the BOG know of your ideas. See you on the water or ashore.

Walt Rupp, Commodore
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REAR COMMODORE

This is a sad time of year for me, where we are looking at the onset of cold weather and the last few races, the Frostbites here at SMSA and my last regatta of the year for the past 7 years, the Borderline Regatta in North Carolina. However, in reflecting back upon the past summer, I am reminded of the many great sails and races I managed to squeeze in between the family and work obligations and the seemingly never ending rain.

However, I have often thought I've needed the winters to make up for my excessive play during the summers – ahhh life in beautiful Southern Maryland!

With that in mind, it is time for us (me especially) to welcome the new BOG members working with me as Rear Commodore; Kim Blodnikar as the Publicity Governor, and John Herbig as the Social Governor. I would also like to thank the two returning BOG members Rod Schroeder and Carl Feusahrens as Membership and Facilities Governors respectively.

So, back to me working harder during the non-sailing, colder months. I have already met with Kim several times to continue the implementation of the SMSA web discussion forum. This is an effort that was started by Tim Flaherty last year, and I am very pleased to report we have finalized the preliminary design and it should be activated by the time you are reading this article. The forum is open to ALL SMSA members; however, you will have to register (create your username and password) the first time you access the forum. You will find a

document on the website that details the guidelines and rules for using the online forum. Check the SMSA web site (<http://www.smsa.com>) for the formal announcement, guidelines documentation and access link when the forum is made available.

Don Behrens, Rear Commodore
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SECRETARY

APPROVED ABRIDGED MINUTES BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING October 2, 2003

Officers and Governors Present: Walt Rupp, Shawn Stanley, Don Behrens, Jim Keen, David Arbutnot, Laura Comeau, Carl Feusahrens, Tim Flaherty, Dave Pedersen, Rod Schroeder

Other Members Present: J.T. Baker, Kim Blodnikar, Stovy Brown, Jan Buckler, Wendy Schneider, Bob Stratton

Commodore's Opening Remarks –

- Meeting called to order at 1943 hrs.
- Warm welcome was extended to guests and newly elected BOG members present
- Agenda as written accepted by BOG
- Review of the 2003 activities and plan for 2004 will be discussed to introduce and orient the incoming BOG members

Secretary Report –

- Secretary absent – Secretary Elect Laura Comeau stood in
- September meeting minutes, October 2 BOG meeting agenda and October 23 special meeting agenda were published in the October issue of *The Clew*

Treasurer Report –

- Account balances as well as budgeted income and expenses to date
- Update on an IRS matter relating to the 2001 Tax Year filing
- Discussion on a possible dues increase as well as establishment of a capital improvement fund. A Motion passed by the membership on

September 15, 2002 was read by the Commodore: *“The membership authorizes the BOG to establish a negotiation team with authority to obligate good faith money up to the amount held in the SMSA building fund. This obligation can only occur with the approval of the BOG and the membership in accordance with the by-laws. The negotiation team must be able to establish that there will be adequate funding to complete any transaction using the building fund.”*

Vice Commodore Report –

- Review of the upcoming calendar with BOG
- Advised he will be preparing and distributing the 2004 Calendar for review and inputs prior to the November 1 Planning Meeting

Race Governor Report –

- The Commodore provided input in the Race Governor’s absence asking the BOG’s approval to appoint LG Raley as the Screwpile Chairman for 2004. This appointment met with unanimous approval

Cruise Governor Report –

- Recent cruises to New England and the Choptank River have seen somewhat poor attendance due to the adverse weather conditions
- Discussion of cruising awards to be presented at the upcoming banquet

Junior Governor Report –

- Junior program went well this year and credit given to Junior Committee for the Program’s success
- The Commodore provided input that he and Stovy Brown met with Shane Johnson of Leonardtown High School to establish a 4th High School Sailing Team as part of the high-school program
- Junior program is winding down its season, however a few more High School regattas still remain

Women’s Governor Report –

- Position currently vacant
- Governor Elect Wendy Schneider provided an informal report regarding details of her upcoming plans as Women’s Governor

Rear Commodore Report –

- The Rear Commodore immediately turned to his affairs ashore Governors for their program reports

Social Governor Report –

- The Fall Invitational Rendezvous - Chili Party and Oyster Scald, is coming up on October 19, kicking off at 1600 with food following at 1700

Facilities Governor Report –

- Clubhouse is being taken care of fairly well
- The LCYC flagpole fell as a result of Hurricane Isabel
- A large tree fell on the grounds and we lost electricity for a number of days

Public Relations Governor Report –

- Web Based Member Forum will be handed over to Don Behrens and Kim Blodnikar, Public Relations Governor Elect
- October edition of “Sailing” magazine featured a small article on Screwpile 2003 along with a photograph taken by Bridget McNamara and byline from Tim Flaherty

Membership Governor Report –

- No new applications for membership to present to the BOG
- Presently working on the preparations for renewal notice mailing to members for 2004

Old Business –

- The Commodore handed out appreciation gifts to Tim and Rod who were not present at the Annual Membership Meeting in September
- Capital Planning Committee Report was provided by Carl Feusahrens
- BOG Book Status Report was provided by Laura Comeau
- Policy and Planning Committee Report provided by Committee Chair Jan Buckler regarding Committee’s recommendations for “Proposed Tie-Breaking Procedure for SMSA Officers and Governors.” Jan recommended that this language be added at the end of the second paragraph of SMSA By-laws: Article III Section 6 Voting, Quorums and Procedures. Proposed Text: *“If the balloting for the annual election of any SMSA Officer or Governor position results in a tie, a follow-on-tie-breaking*

ballot shall be sent out all voting members via 1st class postage no more than three (3) days after the Annual Meeting. The follow-on-tie-breaking ballot will include only those positions whose candidates are tied. No additional candidates may declare for the follow-on-tie-breaking ballot. A special meeting of the membership shall be convened no less than 20 days after the Annual Meeting to count the follow-on-tie-breaking ballots. Should the follow-on-tie-breaking ballot result in another tie for any position, the incoming BOG members will convene at their installation to elect the tied Officer or Governor position by majority vote.

- Motion by David Arbuthnot - Accept recommendations as written
- Second made by Tim Flaherty
- Amendment #1 - Discussion to remove of the word “special” of proposed By-laws change to avoid necessity of “special meeting” when a general meeting of the membership would suffice - Approved by David
- Amendment #2 - Carl Feusahrens proposed to amend the motion to read: *“If the balloting for the annual election of any SMSA Officer or Governor position results in a tie, it will be decided by the flip of a coin.”*
- Second made by Dave Pedersen
- Amendment #3 - Tim Flaherty proposed to amend the motion to read: *“If the balloting for the annual election of any SMSA Officer or Governor position results in a tie, it will be decided by the flip of a coin. The coin toss must be conducted by the immediate past Commodore and if that person is not available, then the next immediate past commodore and they must provide the quarter. The person who calls the toss is the individual whose name appears first alphabetically.”*
- No second to Amendment #3
- More discussion ensued with various BOG members, discussion closed by the Commodore
- Amendment #2: 5 in favor, 5 opposed - Motion failed

- Motion #1: 2 in favor, 8 opposed - Motion failed
- The Membership Governor requested the item be listed as an agenda item for the next BOG meeting so that he can present a motion at that time
- Additional items from the P&PC to be sent to the Commodore via e-mail
- The P&PC chairman took a moment to thank the 2003 BOG on their good performance in dealing with all of the issues placed on its plate, despite some general bad behavior displayed by some club members

New Business –

Transition of 2003 and 2004 BOG

- The Commodore discussed the October 23 Transition and Planning Preparation Meeting and associated material was distributed to incoming and outgoing BOG members to aid in the transition process

January Member Referendum

- The Commodore discussed a Member Referendum for distribution in January. After much discussion, a final decision was made to hold off on that at this point in time

BOG Special Meeting II

- Rear Commodore Don Behrens suggested that given the late hour, the BOG would be better served to conduct a special meeting on the topic of near term/long term goals and visions of the club
- Walt and Don discussed the possibility of adding this item to the end of our special transition and planning meeting on October 23. Don advised that he would prep for that date

Varsity High School Regatta

- Stovy Brown mentioned the Varsity High School Regatta coming up this weekend
- Members are encouraged to come out and lend a hand or simply watch from the Solomons Island boardwalk near Glascock Beach
- Motion to adjourn made by Walt, seconded by Don. BOG unanimously in favor

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.
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UPCOMING BOG AGENDA

**Southern Maryland Sailing Association
2003 Board of Governors Meeting
Thursday, November 6, 2003 7:30 p.m.
Draft Agenda**

Commodore-

Opening Remarks - Meeting expectations -
setting of the agenda
Status of transition meetings and pass down
Governors' committee development

Secretary –

Minutes from October 2, 2003 - status
Minutes from the October 23, 2003 special
meeting

Treasurer –

Financial Report - Plans for December
Budget meeting
Comments on permanent site funding

Vice Commodore -schedule up date - comments - On the water -

Race Governor – Race Programs --
Cruise Governor- Cruise Programs - status -
Cruise Matrix
Junior Governor –
Women's Program – Program Plans - report
on activities

Rear Commodore - Ashore Programs -

Social – Plans for SMSA calendar
December and January
Facilities- Condition report
Public Relations - Web Based Member
Forum - Status
Membership- Status of SMSA membership

Old Business -

Dues increase discussion
Tie breaking motion discussion - Rod
Schroeder
Capital Planning committee - Coordinated
site and financial plan - update
comments if available
BOG Book - Appendix input status - final
review

Roles and mission statement development
from member forum

New Business -

Development of strategic goals for the year
Plans for 2004 BOG financial meeting
December 4, 2003 - Agenda
P&PC Tasks for 2004

Commodore -

Closing Remarks

Adjourn

TREASURER

The Annapolis Sailboat Show is always a bittersweet event for me. It is such a great time, but yet it signifies the end of the sailing season is not far behind. Luckily, we are blessed by a short non-sailing season here on the Chesapeake. We still have a few races and cruises to look forward to before we winterize our boats and get ready for the three months of armchair sailing. (Three months! When I was stationed in Newport, I watched them taking sailboats out of the water on Labor Day, and they didn't go back in until Memorial Day! We ARE blessed!)

As we come to the end of the sailing season, we also come to the end of our fiscal year. I want to commend and thank your Governors for the outstanding job they have done over the past year in holding expenses to within budget, while still providing for the many great events that we have all enjoyed. It's still a bit early to project with certainty, but it looks like we may have a small budget surplus this year that we'll be able to set aside for a rainy day. That, of course, can be attributed to the Governors' good planning during last year's budget formulation, as well as to their pinching pennies in the execution of their respective programs. The modest dues increase we passed last year certainly helped also!

Of course, the rainy day to which I refer, is actually more like a bright ray of sunshine... a future clubhouse facility that is being discussed among club members. As we continue to discuss options,

impacts, benefits, club vision, and possible approval across the membership, we will also begin to formulate a plan for financing this substantial capital investment. I hope each of you make the opportunity to voice your opinions about this watershed club undertaking. If you have ideas about financing, please don't hesitate to pass them on to me or the other members of the Treasury Committee (John Weir, Max Munger, Stovy Brown, LG Raley, and David Arbuthnot).

Sail fast... live slow...

Jim Keen, Treasurer
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CRUISE

Brigadoon will be leading the Fall Frostbite Cruise to Mill Cove on Cuckold Creek this year. The approximate Latitude is 38 degrees, 20.2 minutes north and Longitude 76 degrees, 30.3 minutes west. We can only promise fall weather, whatever that means, for November 8 and 9. Last year we had a mild evening and a shore rendezvous with Mark Apter and friends. We will be listening for you on VHF Channel 16 from 12:00 p.m. on. Please join us for the last cruise of the season to collect those extra cruise points or think of us up the creek. Call or email with your intentions.

Walt and Jan Rupp, Cruise Leaders
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THE 3-WEEK CRUISE TO NEW YORK THAT WASN'T

For several weeks before the cruise even started we had thunderstorms and severe weather rolling in almost every evening. Thunder, lightning, heavy rain, and high winds were getting to be the norm. How to plan an extended cruise with these kinds of conditions were taxing our capabilities. We had a meeting of our fellow cruisers to discuss how to handle the conditions. The decision was made to take them as they came, and not be tied to a schedule that could cause difficulties. We would take each day as it was handed to us.

Then came Friday, August 29, the day for the cruise to head for Whitehall Bay near Annapolis. It was hot without much wind. One third of the cruisers decided it was too hot and would wait for Sunday. Another third could not get off work on Friday so they had to wait until Saturday to start. The last third were the cruise leaders so we had to go anyway, besides there was a party in Annapolis on Saturday we wanted to attend. The day wasn't the worst we have had on the Bay; we got to motor sail all the way to Whitehall Bay. True to form, about time for happy hour along came a couple of thunderstorms. Gresh and Rene from *Koel* (the weekend cruise leaders) were not about to be denied a chance to socialize; thunderstorm or no, they jumped in their dingy and visited each boat with their hors d'oeuvres.

Sunday afternoon the other cruisers joined us in Annapolis so we could officially get the cruise underway. The moorings were full until they came into sight, then two boats left to make room for *Easy Time* and *Nimue*, talk about good timing. Monday morning we introduced them to Chick and Ruth's, an Annapolis icon. With a good breakfast under our belt and a short stroll around town, we decided to head for Worton Creek.

On Monday, September 1, true to form, the wind was on the nose, so it was another day of motor sailing. After Worton Creek we motor sailed to the Sassafras River where we lingered for three nights due to thunderstorms, heavy rain and fog.

Friday, September 5, the weather cleared and we were off to Chesapeake City; where we took in the sights and had a refreshing ice cream and probably the worst pizza I have ever eaten in my life. The weather was still unsettled, and we weren't sure we wanted to tackle the Delaware Bay. As a compromise, we decided to go up the Delaware River to Philadelphia via Delaware City.

We are still motor sailing as we go up the Delaware; riding the current we arrive at Penn's Landing around noon on September 7. We wander around for the afternoon while planning some serious sight seeing for Monday and having another ice cream. Did you know that you couldn't go into Liberty

Hall with a penknife in your pocket? I had to rush back to the boat to deposit my trusty micro-leather man before they would let me in. Despite that, we had a good visit to the historical district. By the way, Bookbinders is not open. It is being completely refurbished. To console ourselves we had another ice cream.

Tuesday, September 9, leaving Philadelphia, still motor sailing, we stopped by Delaware City again. An easy place to get into and the timing was right to wait overnight for favorable current.

Wednesday, September 10, we were able to motor sail to Havre de Grace where we stayed at the Havre de Grace marina at Log Pond, which just happened to be right down the street from the best ice cream store in town. We only visited it three times in two days. This was also a good time and place to restock the galley.

Friday, September 12, leaving Havre de Grace was a bit of a struggle in a strong northeasterly, but as we turned south in the Bay we were actually able to sail for the first time on this cruise. We had an enjoyable reach to Still Pond where we tucked back into the creek to hide from predicted thunderstorms. The thunderstorms did not materialize, but high winds did and we were glad to be tucked in a secure anchorage.

Our next destination was Chestertown, by way of Davis Creek, which is off Langford Creek in the Chester River. The Hoiles had been trying for years to get to Chestertown, but something always stopped them. Well, we made it to Chestertown on Sunday, September 14, but had to cut our stay short because Isabelle was coming for a visit.

As we were coming back from a short stroll in town, we heard some people on the dock talking about a hurricane hitting Chesapeake Bay on Thursday. This got our immediate attention. We headed for the marina office to check the weather channel on TV. No TV; but they were nice enough to call up a weather page on the Internet. Sure enough Isabelle was forecast to come very close to the Bay. Time to head home.

Bright and early Monday morning we started heading south. The plan was to stop in Annapolis for a mooring overnight and then on to Solomon's the next day. It was a bright sunny day without a lot of wind, but the Harbor Master in Annapolis could not rent moorings until after the storm. We spent the night in Selby Bay on the South River.

Tuesday, September 18, we motor sailed to the Solomon's area where *Serenity* and *Easy Time* went to their respective docks, and *Nimue* found secure space at our cruise governor's dock. With everyone safe at home, we met for dinner to discuss getting ready for Isabelle and the cruise to New York that wasn't.

Curt and Dottie Hamilton, *Serenity*

COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND CRUISE

Well the trip to Hudson Creek took a reverse in direction when we stuck our nose out in the Bay Saturday morning to experience 20+ knots of wind directly on the nose with frequent gusts to 30 knots. No one objected to a change of plans and a hasty retreat up the Patuxent to beautiful St. Leonard Creek. We were joined in Rollins Cove by *Serenity* (Curt and Dottie Hamilton), *Moondance* (Ollie and Katie Kangas), *Koel* (Gresh and Rene Sackett), *Ella M* (Jere and Ella Riggs), *Pursuit* (Norm and Rosemary Dawley), and our guests Dave and Liz Cox on *Herondelle*. A jovial Happy Hour followed on *Calypso*; but ended when some light but steady rain dampened the spirit a bit. Sunday arrived bright and clear and we headed for Cambridge. Once again the wind was "on the nose", but had moderated somewhat and we had a great trip. By late afternoon everyone was tied up or anchored in Cambridge, some did the "walking tour" which was followed by an impromptu happy hour on *Herondelle*. Then we were off to "Snappers" for dinner in our own private 2 floor dining room. Monday was another beautiful fall day with a downwind sail back to Solomons. We were further treated to a spectacular sighting of the *Pride of Baltimore* under full sail heading north.

Frank and Rita Gerred, *Calypso*

WOMEN'S PROGRAM

ISLAND-TO-ISLAND CRUISE Solomons to Broomes October 4-5, 2003

Four sailboats and 15 women ranging in ages from 12 to 70 formed the raft-up on the Women's Cruise. Out of the 15 women, there were 6 nurses.

An 18-20 knot wind was from the west. The clouds covered the sun efficiently to cause the temperature to be rather cool on Saturday. Then, all of a sudden, with no warning at all, rain pelted down for a brief period of time. Then as suddenly as it began, the rain stopped and the wind blew hard for the rest of the day.

Brigadoon (Janet Rupp and Rose Marie Tiede) anchored at 12:15 p.m. First to arrive was *Illumination* (Pat Marchant, Marty Miller, Pat Schroeder, and Lois Zonderman) and rafted to *Brigadoon*. Along about 4:00 p.m. came *American Flyer* (Wendy Schneider, Brittany Bender, Robin Garrahan, Carol Smith, Maggie Weir, and Sabrina Townsend) to raft to *Brigadoon*. Next to arrive was *Marguerite* (Kim Blodnikar, Peggy Stanley, and Rebeckah Stanley) to raft to *Illumination*.

Soon munchies and beverages made for a festive party and finally the wind died down entirely. We decided to stay rafted for the night, but towards dark the wind piped up to 18 knots and the boats shifted 180 degrees. The wind shift was an indication of perhaps an uncomfortable night, so rafting for the night was scratched. We broke the raft. After about an hour the wind died down again for the night and all was peaceful and quiet. In hindsight, we could have stayed rafted all night, but we didn't have our crystal ball.

This year we had only one family of three generations, and once again we had an opportunity to sing Happy Birthday to Peggy Stanley. A good time was had by all and we look forward to another Women's Cruise next October.

Cruise Leader, Janet Rupp, *Brigadoon*

JUNIOR PROGRAM

"If A is success in life, then A equals x plus y plus z. Work is x; y is play; and z is keeping your mouth shut."

Albert Einstein

I should really follow the advice the gentleman above offered in a 1950's magazine, however, as my tenure as Junior Governor concludes, there are a couple of things I need to say. First, and foremost, it's been a terrific two years. Secondly, I leave you in good hands.

The past two years have been a rare and unique time in my life. Not only can I look back and proudly say we all made a difference in the lives of our young sailors, but as an individual I too have benefited and experienced important personal growth. It is often said that when one volunteers you get back as much as you give. I must agree, with the caveat that I received much more than I was able to provide.

Here are the high points:

- Dozens of kids went to sailing camp, had fun and learned to sail.
- SMSA was able to gain equipment through the junior program that assists us in our regular racing program.
- We covered all our expenses.
- We promoted sailing as a sport and encouraged the next generation of sailors to learn, sail and compete with confidence.
- The Sailing Team continues to prosper.
- The Foundation has made much of this success possible.
- The Junior Committee has been supportive, innovative and dedicated. They are the band boosters of sailing and they can be proud of their accomplishments.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for those who generously gave whenever I asked. Thank you for the good advice on lots of topics whenever I asked. Thank you for spirited and passionate debate

about BOG meetings. And thank you for the opportunity to serve as Junior Governor. It's been great. See you out there.

Dave Pederson, Past Junior Governor
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COLLEGE SAILING

Dear SMSA Members,

My name is Erik Gyorgy, and many of you already know who I am. I first joined the club five years ago as a junior member as one of the founding members of the Patuxent High School sailing team under the coaching of Stovy Brown. I was the racing team captain for two years and the team commodore my senior year of high school.

Two summers ago, I was employed by SMSA under Dave Pedersen as the head sailing instructor/camp counselor and ran all the week-long camps that summer. Others of you may recognize me from my job this summer as a sales associate at the West Marine in Solomons.

I have been the helmsman on *Wicked Good* along side my dad ever since he bought it three years ago. To many of the Thursday night small boat racers, I have been known as the guy to call when short on crew. I'll take advantage of any chance I get to sail.

Currently, I am in my second year as an ocean engineering (read naval architecture) student at Virginia Tech. Without a doubt, the thing I miss most about southern Maryland is the sailing; it is my passion in life.

Now, for the first time, a group of students including myself have gotten together and formed a sailing club at VT. There is a large interest in the student body for this. We have arranged to join the Mid-Atlantic Intercollegiate Sailing Association pending approval at the November meeting, and we plan to begin competing against other schools such as St. Mary's, Navy, and ODU, in the spring.

We have arranged to keep boats (when we get some) at the Boy Scout camp at nearby Claytor Lake for free in exchange for giving them lessons a couple times a year. In addition to our fundraisers and dues, we are looking for sponsors and donations.

As a brand new club, we do not have the equipment or the necessary funds to allow our members hands on experience. We are in need of boats, safety equipment, and sailing gear. **Every little bit helps!** Sponsors will receive published recognition and advertisement on all equipment and materials. Contributors will receive advertisement on the items donated and their names printed on all club T-shirts, flyers, and various other publications to be distributed on campus and at regattas up and down the East coast.

For those wishing to sponsor our club, please fill out the enclosed sponsorship form located in the back of this issue. We are looking for donations of time, services, equipment, and money. The sponsorship form as well as a list of needed equipment is available on the club website at www.sailing.org.vt.edu.

Thank you for helping me and numerous other Tech students realize our dream of having a sailing team at Virginia Tech.

Erik Gyorgy

MEMBERSHIP

There are no new memberships to introduce this month. Although the 2003 sailing season is getting short, there is still time to set the hook for some new 2004 membership recruits. New applications received from now on to the end of 2003 will receive credit toward their 2004 dues.

As we sail into the fall season of 2003, please take some time to review your membership data in the yearbook and forward any changes you have (i.e. address, phones, boat info, etc.) to Stew Buckler, our database manager, or to me. A more accurate

database will help facilitate the membership renewal process for the 2004 season.

Rod Schroeder, Membership Governor
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DATABASE

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

SMSA LIBRARY

The author and title listings of the SMSA library are now available at the SMSA website at www.smsa.com.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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

FOR RENT: Lovely picturesque private slip on Mill Creek in Calvert County with 6 feet of water accompanied by a waterfront home. The home is very spacious with 2,400 square foot of living space containing a vaulted living room area overlooking the creek, 3/4 bedrooms and two baths and an extensive gardening area sloping to the creek shore. \$1600 per month. Contact Mary Fusaro at 1-(800) 876-2444 or Walt Rupp (301) 863-0175
(This ad was placed by Walt Rupp for Kasia Grisso)
(01-04)

FOR SALE: BYTE Sail # 1794, New sail in June, plus practice sail, Seitech dollie, cover, single hiking strap, rudder/centerboard bag, 2003 Bay Champs/Junior Olympics winner, \$3200.
Carl Feusahrens (410) 394-6643 (01-04)

EDITOR'S NOTE

The deadline for submitting articles for the December 2003 issue of *The Clew* will be:

Saturday, November 15 at 5:00 p.m.

E-mail: feus@comcast.net
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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.

Shawn Stanley will be putting the calendar together for *The Clew* each month. Please be sure to alert him to any events that you wish to have included. And, remember to forward your *Boat Bio's* and your *Did You Know* articles to feus@comcast.net by the 15th of every month.

SMSA ONLINE FORUM

The online forum should be available by the time you are reading this. Check the SMSA website for availability and read the Rear Commodore report for more details.

The Sailing Club at Virginia Tech (SCVT): Sponsorship Form

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Please describe and special requirements or instructions: _____

Please make all checks payable to The Sailing Club at Virginia Tech.

Please attach a business card if you are placing a donation on behalf of a company.

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RACE RESULTS

CLASS:PHRF A

<u>STDG</u>	<u>SAIL #</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>Fall#1</u>	<u>Fall#2</u>	<u>Score</u>
1	23798	PURSUIT	DAWLEY	1	1	2
2	53325	ZINGARELLA	BROWN	3	2	5
3	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	SCHNEIDER	2	5	7
4	USA 105	VALKYRIE	KUEHNE	4	4	8
5	31555	TIGRESS	WALDSCHMITT	6	3	9
6	93266	FOXTROT CORPEN	KEEN	5	6	11

CLASS:PHRF B,C,D

<u>STDG</u>	<u>SAIL #</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>Fall#1</u>	<u>Fall#2</u>	<u>Score</u>
No Starters this class						

CLASS:PHRF NS

<u>STDG</u>	<u>SAIL #</u>	<u>YACHT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>Fall#1</u>	<u>Fall#2</u>	<u>Score</u>
1	83096	SYNERGY	LAROCHE	2	1	3
2	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	SCHNEIDER	1	3	4
3	3066	ARTFUL DODGER	TAYLOR	5	2	7
4	142	TOBY	EGGERT	3	4	7
5	93178	SLOT MACHINE	STRATTON	4	5	9
6	83434	ISLAND TIME	MOORE	6	6	12
7	13395	GOLDFISH	LAWRENCE	7	8	15
8	93121	WICKED GOOD	GYORGY	9	7	16

CLASS:PHRF A

EVENT:Fall Series #1

DATE: 28-Sep-03

Length(nmi.):9.2

Start time: 10:40:00

<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	23798	PURSUIT	DAWLEY	51	12:14:13	1:34:13	0:07:49	1:26:24
2	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	SCHNEIDER	48	12:16:12	1:36:12	0:07:22	1:28:50
3	53325	ZINGARELLA	BROWN	99	12:24:31	1:44:31	0:15:11	1:29:20
4	USA 105	VALKYRIE	KUEHNE	42	12:19:23	1:39:23	0:06:26	1:32:57
5	93266	FOXTROT CORPEN	KEEN	75	12:24:27	1:44:27	0:11:30	1:32:57
6	31555	TIGRESS	WALDSCHMITT	72	12:26:25	1:46:25	0:11:02	1:35:23

CLASS: PHRF NS

EVENT:Fall Series #1

DATE: 27-Sep-03

Length(nmi.):9.07

Start time: 10:40:00

<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	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	SCHNEIDER	48	12:11:16	1:31:16	0:07:15	1:24:01
2	83096	SYNERGY	LAROCHE	168	12:35:11	1:55:11	0:25:24	1:29:47
3	142	TOBY	EGGERT	141	12:42:12	2:02:12	0:21:19	1:40:53
4	93178	SLOT MACHINE	STRATTON	120	12:40:41	2:00:41	0:18:08	1:42:33
5	3066	ARTFUL DODGER	TAYLOR	132	12:43:10	2:03:10	0:19:57	1:43:13
6	83434	ISLAND TIME	MOORE	186	13:04:47	2:24:47	0:28:07	1:56:40
7	13395	GOLDFISH	LAWRENCE	120	13:10:42	2:30:42	0:18:08	2:12:34
8	93121	WICKED GOOD	GYORGY	132			0:19:57	DNS

CLASS:PHRF A

EVENT:Fall Series #2

DATE: 28-Sep-03

Length(nmi.):5.8

Start time: 13:10:00

<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	23798	PURSUIT	DAWLEY	51	14:10:03	1:00:03	0:04:56	0:55:07
2	53325	ZINGARELLA	BROWN	99	14:16:45	1:06:45	0:09:34	0:57:11
3	31555	TIGRESS	WALDSCHMITT	72	14:15:02	1:05:02	0:06:58	0:58:04
4	USA 105	VALKYRIE	KUEHNE	42	14:12:22	1:02:22	0:04:04	0:58:18
5	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	SCHNEIDER	48	14:13:18	1:03:18	0:04:38	0:58:40
6	93266	FOXTROT CORPEN	KEEN	75	14:22:03	1:12:03	0:07:15	1:04:48

CLASS:PHRF NS

EVENT:Fall Series #2

DATE: 27-Sep-03

Length(nmi.):9.07

Start time: 13:25:00

<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	83096	SYNERGY	LAROCHE	168	15:20:04	1:55:04	0:25:24	1:29:40
2	3066	ARTFUL DODGER	TAYLOR	132	15:19:58	1:54:58	0:19:57	1:35:01
3	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	SCHNEIDER	48	15:08:32	1:43:32	0:07:15	1:36:17
4	142	TOBY	EGGERT	141	15:22:43	1:57:43	0:21:19	1:36:24
5	93178	SLOT MACHINE	STRATTON	120	15:22:45	1:57:45	0:18:08	1:39:37
6	83434	ISLAND TIME	MOORE	186	15:41:49	2:16:49	0:28:07	1:48:42
7	93121	WICKED GOOD	GYORGY	132	15:44:08	2:19:08	0:19:57	1:59:11
8	13395	GOLDFISH	LAWRENCE	120	15:44:23	2:19:23	0:18:08	2:01:15

CRUISE MATRIX

Cruise Month	Apr	Apr	May	May	May	Jun	Jun	Jul	Aug	Aug	Aug	Sept	Sept	Sept	Oct	Oct	Oct	Nov	Total
Cruise Date	5	26	17	3wk	Mem	21	2wk	4	2*	23	Lab	3wk	week	27	4	11	25	8	
Boat																			
<i>Serenity</i>							31					38				5			74
<i>Easytime</i>							31					33							64
<i>Little Toot</i>				39			25												64
<i>Swan</i>		3		35			9						15						62
<i>Blue Heron</i>				21			31				7								59
<i>Cat Morgan</i>				45						3	5								53
<i>Koel</i>					7		29				7					5			48
<i>Calypso</i>					9		18			1	7			3		5			43
<i>Nimue</i>							5					36							41
<i>Lynn-Dee</i>							31												31
<i>Deshandera</i>							20			3									23
<i>Quintet</i>		3					7			3				3					16
<i>Ella M</i>								5		3	3					5			16
<i>Kelly Ann</i>				13															13
<i>Walkabout</i>					9					3									12
<i>Lickety Split</i>										3	7								10
<i>Patriot</i>				7						3									10
<i>Runaway</i>					7					3									10
<i>Ruste Nayle</i>					5	5													10
<i>Brigadoon</i>	3									3					3				9
<i>Illumin'n</i>					3					3					3				9
<i>Kalypso</i>													9						9
<i>Njord</i>	3	3								3									9
<i>Rigel</i>								5		3									8
<i>Synergy</i>						5				3									8
<i>Apres ski</i>											7								7
<i>Pursuit</i>																5			5
<i>Moondance</i>																5			5
<i>Baby</i>								5											5
<i>Zingarella</i>						4													4
<i>American Flyer</i>															3				3
<i>Bonaventure</i>										3									3
<i>Marguerite</i>															3				3
<i>Nemesis</i>										3									3
<i>Spray</i>					3														3
<i>Sunray</i>										3									3
<i>Tigress</i>						2													2
<i>Windwalker</i>										1									1

The above points are believed correct, please contact David Arbuthnot, Cruise Governor with any corrections.

November 2003 - SMSA Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 SMSA Annual Planning Meeting & Brunch @ Clubhouse - 0930 2004 BOG Takes Office
2 High School Varsity Fall Championship Regatta @ SMC Fall Frostbite Race	3	4	5	6 High School Sailing Practice @ Clubhouse ~ 1430-dark BOG Meeting @ Clubhouse- 1930	7 High School Sailing Practice @ Clubhouse ~ 1430-dark	8 Weekend Frostbite Cruise Begins - Rupp High School Varsity Regatta @ Clubhouse - 0830
9 Fall Frostbite Race - Dawley Weekend Frostbite Cruise Ends	10	11 Veteran's Day	12	13 High School Sailing Potluck Supper @ Clubhouse High School Sailing Practice @ Clubhouse ~ 1430-dark	14 High School Sailing Practice @ Clubhouse ~ 1430-dark	15 December "Clew" inputs due
16 Fall Frostbite Race - Dawley LCYC Clubhouse use thru 23rd	17	18	19	20 High School Sailing Practice @ Clubhouse ~ 1430-dark	21 High School Sailing Practice @ Clubhouse ~ 1430-dark	22 LCYC BOG meeting @ Clubhouse - 1200
23 Fall Frostbite Race - C. Jeffries	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Day	28	29
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December 2003 - SMSA Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4 BOG Meeting @ Clubhouse - 1930	5 High School Program Fall Awards & Potluck Supper @ Clubhouse - 1800-2000 LCYC Toy Drive Collection
						6 SIYC Boat Parade CBYRA Delegate Meeting LCYC Christmas Party @ Clubhouse
						7 8 9 10 11 12 13 Christmas Gathering @ Clubhouse
	14 January '04 "Clew" inputs due	15	16	17	18	19 20
						21 22 23 24 25 26 27 Christmas Day
						28 29 30 31

			<i>New Year's Eve</i>
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