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## COMMODORE

Our SMSA winter activities sparkle like sunshine on ice and snow with the organization and presentation of a series of seminars on sailing topics planned by our Women's Program Governor, Wendy Schneider, and talented speakers. Our local West Marine chandlery provides the atmosphere and location in January and February. There is an excellent turnout for all meetings and much to learn by even the most experienced sailors. Our Valentines Party was a delightful affair with romantic clubhouse decorations, tasty treats and funny games.

In February the Board of Governors meeting began the second quarter of our SMSA 2004 operational and business year. The treasurer presented a firm operating budget that reflects prudent allocation of our precious funds. All of the Officers and Governors are to be congratulated on this achievement. The mid-course corrections of the operating budget will occur when all the membership renewals have been received. By our March BOG meeting the funds available for our 2004 operations will be determined with the renewal period ended.

Under Old Business, the BOG discussed the timing of the assessment to begin the building fund. The

assessment will occur after the membership roles have been determined at the end of our renewal period. We also discussed continued additions to the building fund in future years through a dues increase. The primary task of the P&PC will be to provide a plan to safe guard these funds until we are ready to begin purchase of a permanent site for future SMSA activities. For other details of our BOG meeting please refer to the Secretary's minutes in this issue of *The Clew*, or for the official minutes check our SMSA website.

The BOG will be monitoring the progress of the Capital Planning Committee through monthly reports. A list of standing committees is published elsewhere in *The Clew* with members' names and the purpose of each committee. Please use this list of chairmen and members to identify people to whom to make inputs and to whom to offer help and support for your favorite programs. This is a dynamic list with membership set by needs and responsibilities as seen by each chairman. Please note that there are many dedicated members all working to provide great sailing programs for SMSA.

Check the March calendar for various SMSA activities. March 7 begins the first of four of the Frostbite series of races and one month later, April 3, we celebrate Opening Day with ceremonies and the first cruise of the season. In between, we

celebrate thirty-two years of SMSA activities on March 13 with a birthday party and on March 20, we have our final clubhouse paint-up and fix-up day. Please join us in as many of these activities as you can.

Your Board of Governors welcomes all members to their next meeting on March 4. Review the draft agenda elsewhere in this issue of *The Clew* for topics of interest. We hope to see many of you there.

Walt Rupp, Commodore  
jrupp@chesapeake.net, (301) 863-0175

## **DRAFT LIST 2004 BOG COMMITTEES**

### **Southern Maryland Sailing Association 2004 Board of Governors Committees**

The committee list and included members is the current information as of February 15. There may be some changes or additions by the yearbook deadline publication date in several weeks.

**Commodore-** Walt Rupp - Exofficio member of all committees

**Policy and Planning Committee** - Chair - Frank Gerred

Purpose: Support the Commodore, present tasks; provide recommendations for the safe guarding of the building fund for future permanent site, to review and list past Board of Governors policy decisions and to update the BOG Book appendices and other tasks as assigned.

Member - John Weir  
Member - Dave Pedersen  
Member - Nikki Goodman  
Member - Jay Hanks

**Tally Committee** - Chair Jan Buckler

Purpose: Tally membership decisions with respect to motions voted on by the membership.

Member - Rita Gerred  
Member - Ken Mowbray  
Member - Kendra Palmer

**SMSA Site Survey Committee** - Chair - George Stewart Brown

Purpose: To explore and report on the feasibility of possible future sites for a clubhouse and supporting facilities for SMSA programs in the likely event that SMSA will have to vacate the current clubhouse when the Calvert Marina Property is developed.

Member - Laura Comeau  
Member - Paul Eubanks  
Member - Carl Feusahrens

**Capital Planning Committee** - Chair - Carl Feusahrens

Members - Financial Committee – Chair - Jim Keen  
Members - Site Survey Committee – Chair, Stovy Brown

**SMSA Permanent Site Acquisition Committee** - Chair - To Be Determined

Members - To Be Determined

**Secretary – Laura Comeau**

Member -

**Treasurer – Jim Keen**

**Financial Committee** - Chair - Jim Keen

Member - David Arbuthnot  
Member - Max Munger  
Member - L. G. Raley  
Member - Stovy Brown  
Member - John Weir

**Vice Commodore** - Shawn Stanley - On the Water Programs

Member Race Governor - Clarke McKinney  
Member Cruise Governor- Suzie Williams  
Member Junior Governor - J. T. Baker  
Member Women's Program Governor – Wendy Schneider

**Rear Commodore** - Don Behrens - Ashore Programs

Member - Social Program Governor - John Herbig  
Member - Public Relations Governor – Kim Blodniker  
Member - Facilities Governor- Carl Feusahrens  
Member - Membership Governor - Rod Schroeder

**Race Governor's Committee**- Chair - Clarke McKinney

Member - Pete La Roche  
Member - Shawn Stanley

**Screwpile Regatta Chairman** - L. G. Raley

**Cruise Governor's Committee** - Chairs - Suzie and Ron Williams

Member - Marc DeLevergne  
Members - Ken and Ellie Mobray  
Members - Curt and Dottie Hamilton  
Members - Jack and Nikki Goodman  
Members - Ron and Kris Hoile

**Junior Governor's Committee** - Chair – J. T. Baker

Member - Stovy Brown  
Member - Carl Feusahrens  
Member - Jeff Kumke  
Member - Shawn Stanley  
Members - John and Barbara Herbig  
Members - Dave and Becky Pedersen  
Member - Keith Jacobs - Small Boat Program Coordinator

**Women's Program Governor's Committee** – Chair - Wendy Schneider

Member - Barbara Herbig  
Member - Janet Rupp  
Member - Peggy Stanley  
Member - Maggie Weir  
Member - Rita Gerred  
Member - Carol Smith

**Social Program Governor's Committee** - Chair - John Herbig

Member - Kris Dennie-Young

Member - Maggie Weir  
Member - Peggy Stanley  
Member - Ronnie Spicuzza  
Member - Phyllis and Bob Herbig  
Member - Robert Herbig, Jr.  
Member - Rob and Kim Blodniker  
Member - Pat Schroeder  
Member - Barbara Herbig

**Public Relations Governor's Committee** – Chair - Kim Blodniker

Member - Tim Flaherty

**Facilities Governor's Committee** - Chair - Carl Feusahrens

Member - Dennis Donehoo  
Member -

**Membership Governor's Committee** – Chair - Rod Schroeder

Member - Pat Schroeder  
Member - Stew Buckler

## SECRETARY

### Abridged Minutes Board of Governors Meeting February 5, 2004

**Officers and Governors Present:** Walt Rupp, Shawn Stanley, Don Behrens, Laura Comeau, Jim Keen, Suzie Williams, Carl Feusahrens, Rod Schroeder, Kim Blodnikar, Wendy Schneider

**Other Members Present:** Stovy Brown, Jay Hanks, Dave Pedersen, Ron Williams

**Commodore's Opening Remarks** –

- Meeting called to order at 1941 hrs.
- Without objection, the Agenda as written was accepted by BOG members

**Secretary's Report** –

- January BOG Meeting Abridged Minutes published in the February issue of *The Clew*; Minutes of Record have been posted on the forum for member viewing

- Currently working to have the approved minutes from the September 2002 General Membership Meeting and the draft meeting minutes from the September 2003 General Meeting posted to the forum

#### **Treasurer's Report –**

- Report of account balances/budgeted income and expenses to date
- Presentation of the balanced budget for FY04

#### **Vice Commodore's Report -**

- Schedule/Calendar updates

#### **Race Governor's Report - Absent**

#### **Cruise Governor's Report –**

- Suzie reported that 45-50 members attended the Cruise Planning Meeting and all Cruise Leaders have been identified for the season; thanks to all those who volunteered to lead

#### **Junior Governor's Report – Absent**

- In J.T.'s absence, Carl reported that the Junior Program details on the website still reflects last years information; Carl has notified J.T., but now asks that all Governors review their program information and make sure it is updated; Don Behrens requested that Governors contact him about updates and he will make the changes to the website

#### **Women's Governor's Report –**

- Wendy reported that the Friday night seminars at West Marine are going well; Wendy discussed plans to do some advertising in an attempt to increase participation in the Women's Spring Race Series; Women's Cruise is scheduled for October 23

#### **Rear Commodore's Report –**

- BOG book: All information has been received in order to complete this document
- Web Development committee met in January; working on a redesign of the web page

- Nautical Flea Market: Nikki Goodman presented information and details on this event, which is scheduled for Saturday, March 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the clubhouse

#### **Social Governor's Report – Absent**

#### **Facilities Governor's Report -**

- Carl reported that we had an excellent Clubhouse Workday in January; participation was much greater than last year's event and he thanked all those who attended

#### **Public Relations Governor's Report -**

- Kim reports that she still needs committee inputs and program data from Governors and special committee inputs from the Commodore for the Yearbook
- There are currently 58 members registered on the forum

#### **Membership Governor's Report –**

- Membership Renewal report provided: 70% of renewals have been received
- Three new membership applications were presented by Rod for approval: one family membership and two individual memberships; motion made to accept the applications presented, motion seconded, unanimous vote of approval by the BOG

#### **Old Business**

- FY04 Budget: Balanced budget presented this evening by Jim Keen unanimously approved by the BOG
- Review, discussion and vote on by-laws change to extend terms of BOG members: after much discussion, the original motion was withdrawn by Don Behrens
- Dues Assessment discussion and rationale in conjunction with review of the motions passed at the 2002 General Membership Meeting; discussion and plans to generate a motion which would initiate a by-law change and clearly define the use and management of a Building Fund

- Capital Planning Committee status report provided by Carl Feusahrens and Stovy Brown
- Distribution of report provided by Jan Buckler, 2003 Policy & Planning Committee Chair; 2004 Policy & Planning Committee Appointments: Chair – Frank Gerred, Members: Nikki Goodman, Jay Hanks, Dave Pedersen and John Weir

### **New Business**

- Discussion on plans to conduct an informational meeting, which would be dedicated to providing the membership with details on land acquisition, facility and financing options;
- Plans for March BOG meeting: Focus will be operational matters and Opening Day
- Closing remarks from Walt
- Motion to adjourn made by Shawn, seconded by Kim – BOG unanimously in favor
- Meeting adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Office Minutes of this BOG Meeting can be viewed on the web-based Member Forum.

Laura Comeau, Secretary  
bluesky@tqci.net, (301) 737-4201

## **UPCOMING BOG AGENDA**

**Southern Maryland Sailing Association  
2004 Board of Governors Meeting  
Thursday, March 4, 2004 7:30 p.m.  
Draft Agenda**

### **Commodore-**

Opening Remarks - Meeting expectations - setting of the agenda

### **Secretary –**

Minutes from February 5, 2003

### **Treasurer –**

Financial Report - Possible final budget numbers

### **Vice Commodore -**

Schedule update - comments - coordination with LCYC  
Race Governor – Racing program comments, Frostbite Series  
Cruise Governor- Opening Day Cruise Plans  
Junior Governor – Junior program comments  
Women's Program – Seminar comments/spring plans

### **Rear Commodore -**

Comments  
Social –Opening Day Plans and discussion  
Facilities- Condition report – Paint and fix up day plans  
Public Relations - Yearbook status  
Membership- Status of SMSA membership renewals

### **Old Business -**

Dues assessment - Management of funds discussion/ rational and comments  
Capital Planning committee - Meeting results with Calvert Marina owner  
BOG Book - Final review - plans for placement on our website  
Plans for membership informational meeting  
Review and vote on motions to the membership-tie breaking and dues increase

### **New Business -**

Report from P&PC- if available  
Plans for March BOG meeting - Agenda recommendations

### **Commodore -**

Closing Remarks

### **Adjourn**

### **Nautical Flea Market**

SMSA will host a nautical flea market at the clubhouse on Saturday, March 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., rain or shine. The event will be open to the public. Cost to rent a table inside is \$5.00; no cost to set up a blanket outside (weather permitting). All funds raised will go to the SMSA Junior program. Table space is somewhat limited - reservations for a table are strongly recommended.

For table reservations and/or information contact:  
Marc DeLaVergne (410) 586-8763,  
vergne40@yahoo.com or Pat Schroeder  
(301) 863- 0193, patsc@csm.cc.md.us

### **PUBLICITY**

I hope everyone plans to attend Opening Day on April 3! Yearbooks will be available that day, so don't forget to stop by and pick up your copy. Each yearbook distributed by hand will help our club save money on postage.

I would like to give a big thanks to all of our yearbook advertisers, supporters, and those that have shared their pictures and ideas.

Kim Blodnikar, Publicity Governor  
blodnika@cbl.umces.edu, (301) 475-9845

### **SOCIAL**

Well the 'lion' should be just around the corner as March is just a few days away. Hopefully soon we can shake off some of this cold and see the kinder and gentler 'lamb' side of the month. Although it has been cold, it has not stopped the fun.

The Valentines Party seemed to be just the cure for the cold as everyone who attended seemed to have enjoyed themselves. Everyone spent much time mingling with friends with some sharing a nice evening with their special valentine. Everyone brought festive hors d'oeuvres and desserts to share and the clubhouse was nicely decorated for the

occasion. Later in the evening we had a game show version of "Who's the Skipper" which is a Trivial Pursuit type game with decks of nautical know-how. Everyone eagerly answered the questions although it was funny how the ladies in the group answered more questions correctly than the men (there is a message in that). It wouldn't be a game show without prizes so we had a few special surprises to share.

After the game, the party continued with more food, drink, camaraderie and punch. It appeared that no one left with out having had a good time. I must thank Robert Herbig for staying and helping Barbara and me with cleaning up the clubhouse. In no time, we had everything in order with no need to return on Sunday to finish. Lastly, I must thank my Valentine, Barbara, for all that she does for me, and everyone else, giving her time effort insight and caring. For me, every day with Barbara is Valentines Day.

Final plans are coming together for another fun SMSA event just around the corner. Saturday, March 13, we will celebrate SMSA's 32nd Birthday at the Lexington Park Elks Lodge on Chancellors Run road. Your host, Kris Dennie-Young is planning what is sure to be a great evening to include a social hour at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. and the traditional recognition of founding members, charter members, and past commodores. Please note that this is one of the few SMSA events that you are requested to RSVP for. Final details including menu and other pertinent information will be included in an invitation to arrive shortly in your mailbox.

Also in March we begin our annual Frostbite Races held every Sunday afternoon. The race starts just off the CBL bulkhead at 1:00 p.m. You are welcome to come watch the start if you are not sailing (this has become an amazing arm-chair quarterback sport) or join the fun just after the race at Bowens Inn. You can catch up on the stories while awaiting results and enjoying the camaraderie with friends and other sailors.

The next major event on the SMSA social agenda is Opening Day scheduled this year for April 3. Make

plans on being there to kick off the official sailing season. It is sure to be a great time seeing old friends and introducing yourself to new members you may not yet have met. There is sure to be prime opportunity to complain about how cold winter was and share in the excitement that spring is finally here. We can start sharing in the new adventures we have planned for the season including the first cruise of the year traditionally planned for opening day. If you cannot stay for the event, be sure to at least stop by and say hello and pick up the coveted SMSA Yearbook produced by your Public Relations Governor, Kim Blodnikar and crew.

John Herbig, Social Governor  
jherbig@justsailing.org

### UNCLAIMED TROPIES

At the recent clubhouse cleanup, we discovered a box of unclaimed trophies. These are race trophies for past years. They are at the clubhouse on top of the trophy cabinet. The persons listed below were the original recipients and have 60 days to claim their trophies.

Stovy Brown	Michael Ironmonger
Norman Dawley	John R. Edwards III
Jack Evans	Edward Kern
David Troyer	Skip Zahniser

### RACE

I have just come back from the Sailing World NOOD Regatta at St. Petersburg. Before St. Pete there was Key West Race Week. SMSA was well represented in both regattas by the crew of John and Linda Edward's *Rhumb Punch*. "*Punch*" finished second in its class at both events. At St. Pete *Hustler* came on to take the lead from *Punch* during the big breeze of the last day. Similar things happened at Key West when the 34' Beneteau FC10 *Kelly* took the lead from *Punch* in the big breeze at the end of the week. The *Punch* crew is very pleased with their performance against the likes of these two perennial winners. *Kelly* ended up being the PHRF Boat of the Week at Key West.

The success that John and Linda are experiencing comes from their persistence to organize and prepare the boat and crew at a high level. I know that they could be an example for all of us at this time of the year as boats are being prepped for the coming season. While you're checking the sails, hardware, bottom paint, and rigging don't forget to double check the safety gear. Replace the equipment that has expired or looks worn. The season begins at the time of year when the water is extremely cold and there can be big breeze, exactly when you don't want to have issues with the safety gear.

The last thing that I would like to ask for is that you give me a call to volunteer for Race Committee Duty. The response has been light so far. VOUNTEER NOW, before duty has to be assigned. Call me during work hours (410) 326-2600. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the start of the new sailing season.

Clarke McKinney, Race Governor  
cmckinney@quantumsails.com, (410) 326-2600

### CRUISE

The Cruise Planning Meeting took place on January 31 at the clubhouse. We had over 45 persons present for breakfast, the meeting, and lunch. With the COLD weather, the group was, as one, anxious for the cruising season to start. There were many suggestions for cruise destinations, and we found eager volunteers to serve as cruise leaders for each of the 2004 cruises. Both long-time SMSA cruisers and some new members will be serving as the cruise leaders. The 2004 Cruise Schedule includes more cruises than in recent years, including a series of Concert Cruises to take in the River Concerts at St. Mary's City.

The 2004 Cruise Schedule will be published in the yearbook and available at the Opening Day Ceremonies on April 3. In the meantime, I can send an email attachment of the schedule to anyone who asks anytime.

Suzie Williams, easytime@chesapeake.net.

## OPENING DAY CRUISE

The first scheduled cruise of the 2004 season will be on April 3-4, at the traditional location: Rollins Cove on St. Leonard Creek (off the Patuxent River about 10 miles upstream from Drum Point). Get your boats in the water, and in at least a minimal state of preparedness, and start the summer right! No cruising points will be deducted for less-than-Bristol brightwork.

As many know, this is a sheltered spot on "one of the most beautiful creeks on the Chesapeake" (of which there are, at last count, approximately 1,003). The coordinates for the intended raft-up "outside" the real cove are approximately: W 076<sup>0</sup> 29.2 - N 38<sup>0</sup> 24.4

If the weather is bad enough that we would need to go inside the cove itself, we should all probably stay home and watch the Super Bowl commercial reruns. Anyway, look for the raft anchor, a blue Sabre 38, *Kalypso*.

Please email or call the cruise leaders, Joel and Mary Bergsman, at [joel@bergsman.org](mailto:joel@bergsman.org), or (301) 526-2445.

The Bergsmans will issue last minute confirmation or changes around mid-day the day before, Friday April 2, by email (or phone if they know you don't do email). They will also be standing by on the phone listed above. They will call "all SMSA cruisers" on VHF channel 9 (NB NOT 16) at 1400 hrs. (The traditional 1000 call doesn't seem necessary for a cruise that will be as short as this one for all or most of us) and stand by on that channel thereafter. However, the topography of St. Leonard Creek and surroundings may impede VHF communications, so feel free to use the phone on Saturday.

In case of fair, but cold weather, hot mulled cider will be served by the hosts. Otherwise gin and tonics are suggested on the traditional BYOB basis to celebrate the start of the season. Sail on!

Joel and Mary Bergsman, Cruise Leaders

## Cruising Seminar

Mark your calendars for 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 18. We will hold a seminar, at the clubhouse, on "Going South and Extended Cruising." Afterwards, we will have a rendezvous/social hour. More information will follow in the April issue of *The Clew*.



SMSA has renewed its membership in the **BoatU.S. Cooperating Program** for 2004. As an SMSA member that means you can renew your Boat U.S. membership at a **50% discount**, only \$9.50/year! BoatU.S. Membership benefits include:

- An effective lobby that fights unfair taxes, fees and government regulations that single out boat owners.
- Discounts and Member Rewards with purchases
- Discounts on fuel, overnight slips or repairs at more than 700 marinas.
- Low-cost, high-protection boat insurance, included
- On-the-Water Towing, with your choice of service levels - from \$50 per incident (included with Membership) up to Unlimited Service - provided by the nation's largest towing network.
- *BoatU.S. Magazine* - a full year's subscription is included with Membership!

In 2003, SMSA had over 65 registered Boat U.S. memberships. When renewing your membership with Boat U.S. this year, or if you aren't currently a member of Boat U.S. and are considering joining, be sure to mention SMSA's Co-op Group number - **GA82233S** to get your special rate. If you have already renewed your Boat U.S. membership and didn't get the discount rate, you can contact their membership services to credit your account toward next year's dues. Be sure to check out [www.boatus.com](http://www.boatus.com) for more information regarding the benefits of membership, or contact Shawn Stanley.

## **WOMEN'S PROGRAM**

Last year's Women's Governor and members passed on the request that I plan a venue for winter training for the club. I thought it was an excellent idea, and obviously, so do many other members.

I have been amazed by the attendance at these seminars. An average of 40 people have been there every week, even in lousy weather. It has been gratifying for me and more so I'm sure for the speakers. I'm sure we will do it again next year.

Pat Healy was great the first night and much enjoyed by everyone. He has already expressed an interest in talking again next year.

Stovy Brown was kind enough to bail me out at the last minute and present the second week's seminar on navigation. My planned speaker just didn't pan out. Stovy also did our third seminar, wind shifts on the race course. This was a well developed presentation and I think we will want that one presented next year as well. He has lots of knowledge and is so willing to share it. Thanks, Stovy.

Last week's seminar by Will Keyworth on sail trim was excellent. As usual he made it sound easy and it made perfect sense while he was presenting it. Just hope some of it makes it to the boat next month. Will has such a relaxed manner. Maybe it's because he used to teach 6th and 7th graders. I think he was still using the same overhead projector. Thanks, Will.

We still have two presentations to go. Next week Paul Miller from the Naval Academy is going to provide information for safety at sea. He is a naval architect and frequently is a presenter at the Naval Academy's Safety-At-Sea seminar.

Our last seminar is the ever popular "Racing Rules" by Dan Trammell and Stovy Brown. I've already warned Susan that we will need extra chairs for that one. If you have particular questions or situations that you would like them to address please email Stovy at [stovy@chesapeake.net](mailto:stovy@chesapeake.net). That will help

keep things concise and moving along. This seminar always seems to go long because of its popularity and the many questions.

I want to thank Susan and Rick at West Marine for all of their wonderful help these past four weeks. Also, Nettie Harrold for the great coffee.

Hope to see more faces out there. Sailing season is almost here.

Wendy Schneider, Women's Governor  
[wendys115@hotmail.com](mailto:wendys115@hotmail.com), (410)326-4630

## **HIGH SCHOOL SAILING PROGRAM**

The High School spring season is getting into full swing. Practices are being held on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Please join me in welcoming back the teams from Patuxent High School, Saint Mary's Ryken, and Rising Sun Christian School. Check the SMSA website and follow High School links to see the entire practice and regatta schedule.

Discussions with students and faculty members at Leonardtown High School may lead to establishing another team here at SMSA. Two Leonardtown students participated in practice sessions last fall and are hoping to be able to compete in the spring regattas.

J.T. Baker, Junior Governor  
[bakers@ameritel.net](mailto:bakers@ameritel.net)

## **JUNIOR PROGRAM**

### **Summer Day Camps**

Registrations for the camps have started coming in through the mail. Thanks to everyone that chose to pre-register. There was a mistake in the schedules on the registration forms. The corrected Summer Opti and FJ Day Camp schedules, as well as corrected forms, were posted on the SMSA website

in mid-February. Walk-in registration night will be on March 25 at the clubhouse.

Any junior members that are interested in being counselors-in-training for the summer camps please contact me for more information.

J.T. Baker, Junior Governor  
bakers@ameritel.net

## MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to all who renewed their SMSA membership for the 2004 season during our membership drive period that ended on February 15. Of course, we will continue to accept late renewals; however, the cut off to be published in the Yearbook Directory is sometime near the end of February.

**This will be your LAST ISSUE OF *THE CLEW* for those who do not renew their membership prior to press time (March 15) for the next issue of *THE CLEW*.**

The SMSA Board of Governors has approved the following new memberships. Please make them feel welcome as you meet them at some of our SMSA activities.

**Raymond and Michele Inaba** are sponsored by Nancy O'Neal and Gary Breeds. Ray's Navy career allowed him to participate in sailing at Whidbey Island, Washington; Cubi Point, Philippines; and, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii where he owned a 25 foot sailboat and belonged to the Iroquois Lagoon Yacht Club and the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Ray and Michele live in Waldorf and have owned their 33 foot sloop *Kapeka* since 1991 and plan to moor it at Calvert Marina this year. Their sailing interests include sailing fellowship, cruising, and junior programs for their children **Elizabeth (8) and Daniel (5)**. Welcome Aboard.

**Sarah Forbush-Southworth** is sponsored by David Troyer. Sarah grew up on the Potomac River in the powerboat world, but got hooked on sailing during

a Boy Scout adventure in 1998. Since that time she has been an active crewmember, and now part owner, of the Morgan 36 *Krugerrand*, and has participated in numerous SMSA racing and women's events. Sarah is also accomplished as a licensed USCG Master – 50 ton Inland Captain. Her primary interests in sailing include racing and women's programs. Welcome Aboard.

**Barry Winkelman** is sponsored by Ed Kern. Barry owns a Seafarer 26 named *Caribe* and plans to moor it at Calvert Marina this year. Although he uses his own boat for some cruising, he seems to spend much of his time racing on other people's boats, including Ed Kern's Hobie 33 on weekends with SMSA, a Pearson 30 with HNSA on Wednesday nights, and a Pretorian 35 on weekends in Annapolis. He plans to do the Annapolis-Bermuda race this June on a C&C 35. Barry's sailing interests with SMSA include cruising and networking with fellow sailors. Welcome Aboard.

**Reverend Paul S. Tipton** is a returning SMSA member, and he brings a lot of racing experience to the club. Reverend Tipton has been active in sailing all his life including Lightnings, MORC, IOR, and PHRF. He was the founder of PHRF on the Gulf Coast, chaired the offshore sailing for the Gulf Yachting Association, and served on race committee as a member of NASS for many years. He has been a certified Senior Race Officer of US Sailing since 1988. Reverend Tipton has owned and raced 11 different sailing vessels as well as a number of power vessels. He currently owns a custom Chance 39 named *Toro* and moors it at Calvert Marina. Welcome Back to SMSA.

Rod Schroeder, Membership Governor  
rodschroeder@comcast.net, (410) 326-0167

## 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](http://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 SALE:** Full length Body Glove wetsuit, Men's small. Worn one season...Just in time for High School Sailing! \$50.00.  
Contact Michael at (410) 326-0727 (05-04)

**FOR SALE:** 1975 28' Pearson sailboat in good cruising or racing condition. Inboard motor, bimini, clean interior, and good sail inventory including spinnaker, new genoa/roller furler. Very well maintained. 2001 survey available for review. \$10,500.  
Contact Kristin Mason (301) 737-7969 (04-04)

**CREW WANTED:** *Shermax* and *Toby* need some new crew for Wednesday night and especially weekend races. No experience necessary, but must have avid interest in sailing, racing and learning! Must show up regularly to receive full beer and pretzel allocations! We have a good time sailing all year long. Come and join us!  
Contact Max Munger, 1981 C30 #2276,  
(410) 326-9024, [mxmunger@crosslink.net](mailto:mxmunger@crosslink.net) (04-04)

## EDITOR'S NOTE

The deadline for submitting articles for the April 2004 issue of *The Clew* will be:

### PLEASE NOTE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR SUBMISSIONS

**Monday, March 15 at 5:00 p.m.**

E-mail: [feus@verizon.net](mailto:feus@verizon.net)  
Snail Mail: Lisa Feusahrens  
PO Box 591  
Solomons, Maryland 20688

**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.

## March 2004 - SMSA Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
				BOG Meeting @ Clubhouse 1930		H.S. FJ Boat Prep @ Clubhouse 1200-1500
	7	8	9	10	11	12
Spring Frostbite Race						SMSA Birthday Party
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Spring Frostbite Race	<i>The Clew</i> deadline		H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1730	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1730 H.S. Potluck Dinner & parents meeting @ Clubhouse 1800	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1730	Clubhouse Spring Clean-up 0930  Junior Program Summer Camp Mail-In Registration Due
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Spring Frostbite Race			H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1730 H.S. Pizza Supper & Rules Seminar @ Clubhouse - 1800 (req. for varsity)	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1730 Junior Program Summer Camp Walk-in Registration @ Clubhouse 1800	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1730	Flea Market - 1000-1400 @ Clubhouse - POC Nikki Goodman
28	29	30	31			
Spring Frostbite Race			H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1730			

## April 2004 - SMSA Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
				H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1730 BOG Meeting @ Clubhouse 1930	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1730	<b>Opening Day - 0930</b> Brunch RC Boat Seminar Women's Program on-the-water training Opening Day Cruise St. Leonard's Creek
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
End Opening Day Cruise  Daylight Savings Time Begins			H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1800 (PHS optional)	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1300-1800 (PHS optional)		Small Boat Program Kickoff Meeting - 1300
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Easter Sunday			H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1800	<i>The Clew</i> deadline H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1800	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1800	Varsity Regatta - 0900-1800 Cruise Seminar @ clubhouse 1500 - Preliminary
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Cruise Seminar @ clubhouse 1500 - Alternate			Zahniser's Wednesday Night Race H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1800	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1800 H.S. Sailing Potluck Dinner @ Clubhouse 1800-1930	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1800	Sharps Island Race  Weekend Cruise Battle Creek
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Spring Invitational Race  Mini-Rendezvous @ Clubhouse  End Weekend Cruise			Zahniser's Wednesday Night Race H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1300-1800	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1800	H.S. Practice @ Clubhouse 1500-1800	

