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## COMMODORE

**H**ello fellow sailors! The official changing of the guard occurs on Saturday, November 6th with the 2005 Planning Meeting. The 2004 and 2005 Board Of Governors (BOG) members have already been collaborating and beginning the transition of their various duties. To those of you joining the BOG, after a hiatus or for the first time, thanks for volunteering. For returning BOG members or those shifting to a new position within the BOG, thanks for your continued enthusiasm for Southern Maryland Sailing Association (SMSA).

The goals that I have for SMSA for 2005 fall in line with the accomplishments and goals of our most recent Commodore, Walt Rupp. Walt, along with the 2003 & 2004 BOGs and their committees, have worked extremely hard over the last two years to provide excellent programs to SMSA's members. Please remember, this club is only as good as its members....we are ALL volunteers. As we continue to plan for next season, I do look forward to hearing your suggestions and ideas. Some suggestions for improvements provided by members are already in the planning stages to be implemented for 2005. We can't always bring every suggestion to fruition, but I promise that I

will listen and consider any ideas which are presented.

For everyone that gives something back to SMSA, thank you. Our club is better because of your involvement, but our continued success can only be guaranteed by your continued participation and dedication. This will help to ensure that SMSA continues to be the premier mid-bay sailing organization.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shawn Stanley  
2005 Commodore  
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## SECRETARY

### Abridged Minutes of Board of Governors Meeting – October 7, 2004

**Officers and Governors Present:** Walt Rupp, Shawn Stanley, Don Behrens, Laura Comeau-Stanley, Jim Keen, JT Baker, Kim Blodnikar, Suzie Williams, Carl Feusahrens

**Other Members Present:** Marc DeLaVergne, David Meiser, Gene Norris, Dave Pedersen, Barbara Roberts, Ron Williams

**Opening Remarks –**

- ? Meeting called to order at 1939 hrs
- ? The Agenda, as written, was unanimously accepted by BOG members
- ? Purpose of this meeting is to finish up old business and begin the transition for the 2005 BOG

**Secretary's Report –**

- Currently preparing a DRAFT of the meeting minutes from the September 2004 Annual Business Meeting; still lacking BOG member reports in order to complete

**Treasurer's Report –**

- Report of account balances and general review of budgeted income and expenses to date
- ? Jim distributed copies of the 2004 Revised Budget and the current Budget Execution Report

**Vice Commodore's Report –**

- Shawn reviewed the schedule/calendar events for October, November & December
- Members of the Patuxent River Sailing Club asked J.T. Baker to announce that they are conducting a Pirate Raid on Halloween weekend and have invited any interested SMSA members to participate
- Shawn then proceeded to his program Governor's reports

**Race Governor's Report – Absent**

**Cruise Governor's Report –**

- Suzie reported that there were four boats on the two-week cruise to Hampton; 41 boats have earned cruising points so far this year with more cruises to come this season

**Junior Governor's Report –**

- ? J.T. reported that there is an opening for a High School Sailing Coach; anyone

interested or who knows someone interested should contact him; J.T. announced that he will begin to advertise for a Camp Counselor for the 2005 Summer sailing camps

**Women's Governor's Report – Absent**

**Rear Commodore's Report –**

- Don immediately proceeded to his program governor's reports

**Social Governor's Report – Absent**

**Facilities Governor's Report –**

- Carl reported that the Clubhouse rules are posted on the clubhouse wall; rules include signing in and out each time you unlock the clubhouse; the clubhouse logbook is located next to the phone in the kitchen

**Public Relations Governor's Report –**

- Kim reported that there are currently 93 members on the Forum and that she has recently archived some items and consolidated some categories on the Forum; a classified section has been added to the Forum

**Membership Governor's Report – absent**

**Old Business –**

- BOG Book: Don presented Walt and all 2005 BOG members with the BOG Book, a brief description and document overview

**New Business –**

- Welcome of newly elected BOG members; pass down recommendations from Walt
- Motion to adjourn made by Suzie, seconded by Shawn – BOG unanimously in favor
- Meeting adjourned at 2026 hrs.

**Official Minutes of this BOG Meeting can be viewed on the Web-based Member Forum**

## UPCOMING BOG AGENDA

**Southern Maryland Sailing Association  
2004/2005 Board of Governors Meeting  
Thursday, November 4, 2004  
1930 hrs at the Clubhouse  
Draft Agenda**

### **Commodore-**

Opening Remarks - Meeting expectations - setting of the agenda

### **Secretary-**

Laura Comeau-

Minutes from October 7, 2004 BOG meeting - comments - status

Minutes from September 12, 2004 Annual meeting - status

### **Treasurer –**

Final Financial Report -

### **Vice Commodore -**schedule up date - comments

On the water -

Race Governor – Race Programs --

Cruise Governor- Cruise Programs - status - Cruise Matrix

Junior Governor –Junior Program Wrap up

Women's Program – Program Plans - report on activities

### **Rear Commodore -** Ashore Programs -

Social – Plans for SMSA calendar, Plans for the Awards Banquet

Facilities- Condition report

Public Relations - Web Based Member

Forum - Status

Membership- Status of SMSA membership renewals/new members

### **Old Business -**

Status of pass down to new BOG

Status of plans for the Annual Planning

Meeting on November 6, 2004

### **New Business -**

Discussion and review of building fund issue

Questions from the new BOG members

### **Commodore -**

Closing Remarks - Pass down to new BOG  
2005 BOG empowered as of November 6,  
2004 - Best wishes

Adjourn

## RACE

On 13 November, the annual meeting of the delegates to PHRF of the Chesapeake will take place at the Annapolis YC. In addition to the usual reports and election of new officers, there are a number of issues on the agenda for discussion and decisions. There is a proposal to revise the PHRF/CBYRA high point requirements to make the qualification requirements (minimum races and regions) more equitable for all racers throughout the Chesapeake Bay. In addition, there will be a proposal to improve the roller furling credit requirements for rule 17 (standard sail and equipment specifications of the 2004 PHRF yearbook, page 39). Other proposals include including the CBYRA entry form on the PHRF rating certificate and PHRF by-laws changes proposed with respect to article III (membership requirements). There is also a proposal to adjust the PHRF rating splits for classes A, B, C/D in regions I through III. The split proposal includes splitting PHRF A into four sub-groups in region IIIAW (Annapolis/West River). Also, due to the increase in use of asymmetric spinnakers flying from spinnaker poles, there will be a proposed change to modify the way PHRF applies penalties to the A-sails. If any of our PHRF racers have comments on, or would like more information about, these proposals, please contact your PHRF delegate, Stewart Buckler, at 410-535-2402, before the 13<sup>th</sup> of November.

## GOOD OLD BOAT REGATTA

SMSA members Fred Siesseger, Joel and Mary Bergsman and crew raced *Kalypso*, a 1967 Morgan 34, in the *Good Old Boat Regatta* sponsored by the Shearwater Sailing Club in Annapolis October 9.

Among over 80 entries with hulls predating 1975, *Kalypso* finished tenth in the full keel class. According to the skipper, *Kalypso* would have finished even higher but for an unplanned detour around the WWII Liberty Ship *John Brown* and an aerial dogfight of vintage fighters and bombers. At the rowdy post-race party, *Kalypso's* skipper protested interference by a B-24 bomber, being chased by a Japanese zero, which roared overhead so low that his sails almost blew out. Other racers took due note and loudly toasted the skipper's survival. The regatta's cosponsor, *The Good Old Boat* magazine, is publishing an unrelated article about *Kalypso* in the May, 2005 edition.

## WOMEN'S

The Women's Fall Series was a great success for the two all women crews who were lucky enough to participate. Although we did not have enough boats for a formal race Sarah and I came up with a format that both skippers and crew found fun and challenging. It felt like racing and we had a great time.

Please see Sarah's letter for details. We had light and variable winds on day one (80 degree shift) over the course. Sarah picked the right side and won easily. Day two I saw up to 20 knot winds. We reefed our main and chose not to set our spinnaker and we barely crossed in front of her. Two to three foot waves made this a totally different challenge. We took the third race into the river (great idea from Krugerrand). There we had almost ideal conditions, 10-13 knots of wind and no waves. My spinnaker made a difference in this race and we won by an easy margin. What a great time.

I was so happy with the performance of the women on my boat. There were few errors and a great attitude throughout three very different races and conditions. Thank you Kate Miller on foredeck, Robin Garrahan and Barbara Miller at mast Saturday and Sunday respectively, Ryan Fitzgerald on spin trim, Carol Smith in pit, Christie Kleinheselin on jib and last Peggy Stanley on main. What a privilege to sail with these women.

It's time to start planning for 2005. I've lined up speakers for three of the six Friday night seminars and have ideas for the rest. Now is the time to make suggestions if you have them for this program. Call or Email me.

I have received suggestions from several members about next years training and racing program. I appreciate them and will meet with the women's committee and see what ideas seem practical and workable. If you would like to be involved with this committee now is your chance. Please call or Email me ASAP. I would like to meet in November before we plan the calendar for 2005.

Thanks you,

Wendy Schneider 410-326-4630  
wendys115@hotmail.com

## SARAH'S LETTER

The Women's Fall Series was to be held on October 9 & 10, however only two boats registered; Wendy Schneider on American Flyer in spinnaker fleet and Sarah Southworth, on Krugerrand, in non-spinnaker fleet. Both crews had spent several previous weekends learning and practicing their skills and wanted to race. Krugerrand could run directly downwind with double headsails and American Flyer would need to reach out and back, while flying spinnaker. If the two boats raced, they figured somehow it should all work out.

Saturday's race had SSW winds about 6 knots. A windward/leeward course was set; start at "D," beat to "C," run to "G," and beat back to "D." It was approximately 6 miles, half beating to windward and half running to leeward. The PHRF ratings were tabulated. Krugerrand would signal and start as she passed "D" and American Flyer would start 8 minutes and 20 seconds later. It would be a race to the finish line. During the race, the wind clocked around to NNW, and Krugerrand finished first, just under 9 minutes ahead of American Flyer.

Sunday, two races were held. The first was in the

bay; a 6 mile course of D-G-C-D, in 12 knot plus winds and moderate wave conditions. American Flyer crossed the finish line first, about 30 seconds ahead of Krugerrand, however, it was exciting to have fought the winds and waves so hard and to finish so closely.

The third race was held in the river, due to tired and wet crew. The winds there were NNW at about 10 knots. The course started at "V", reached to "K", beat to "M" and ran to "K". Rating differences were tabulated and Krugerrand started. American Flyer caught up before reaching the bridge, rounded it, launched their spinnaker and was gone. Krugerrand had a nice rounding at the bridge, launched double headsails and finished second.

While one could debate whether or not spinnaker and non-spinnaker should attempt to race, we all felt very successful. Everyone put forth their best effort and it was very competitive, educational, fun and satisfying. We hope more women crews race in our next women's series.

Sarah Southworth,  
Krugerrand

## MEMBERSHIP

The current SMSA membership includes 210 Adult memberships and 95 Junior memberships. The total number of eligible voters is 362.

The SMSA Board of Governors has approved the following new Individual membership:

**Marc Zupan** is sponsored by Ron Wilson. His sailing interests include racing, social, membership, and junior programs. During 2004 he has been an active crewmember in local races onboard *SIRENNA*. Marc brings a wide range of sailing experience to SMSA that he is eager to share with our membership. He is currently the Faculty Advisor and Offshore Coach for the UMBC Racing Team and Sailing Club. He has also taught fundamentals of sailing and basic racing tactics as an instructor for Getaway Sailing in Baltimore. He holds certifications in Yachtmaster Theory

Designation, Small Craft Sea Survival, and First Aid from the Royal Yachting Association. Marc also has extensive experience in numerous long distance offshore racing events worldwide. Welcome Aboard.

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

## CRUISE

While the 2004 Cruising Season is coming to a close, there are still two more cruises; the Halloween Cruise and the Frostbite Cruise. Both of these are always enjoyable and you are encouraged to join the fun.

I have enjoyed my tenure as Cruise Governor. Forty-two boats have participated in one or more cruises this year. We have had several new members of SMSA join us on one or more of the cruises. Ron and I have thoroughly enjoyed cruising with all of you and we look forward to the 2005 season.

Suzie Williams  
Cruise Governor

## Frostbite Cruise November 6-7, 2004

Walt and Jan will not be able to lead the Frostbite Cruise, November 6-7. We have not found a replacement cruise leader. Anyone who goes on the cruise can elect to be cruise leader. If no one goes on the cruise, the cruise will be considered canceled.

Walt & Jan Rupp,  
Ex-cruise leaders

## DATABASE

Please send any information changes to Stewart Buckler at [sbuckler@olg.com](mailto: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).

## SOLOMONS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS WALK AND LIGHT PARADE

Solomons Island Yacht Club (SIYC) is sponsoring the Christmas Light Parade again this year on the evening of December 11th. In order to entice more boat participation, we have recruited more sponsors providing awards.

**Date:** 11 December  
**Time:** 1700 Captains Meeting at SIYC  
**Depart:** 1800 from SIYC/Molly's Leg  
**Sponsors:** Naughty Gull, Lighthouse Inn, West Marine, SIYC, Port of Call, Holiday Inn Select, Di' Giovanni's Solomons Pier

**Awards:** Best decorated Power & Sail  
Most original Power & Sail  
Best Overall, Best small boat  
Loudest, Wildest crew etc. etc

For more Info. contact L.Langfeldt at:  
(301)-373-9728  
[lrang@gmpexpress.net](mailto:lrang@gmpexpress.net)

## 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:** 2003 Beneteau 423 "Oasis", furling main, two Raymarine chartplotters, GPS, wind speed/angle, 6000 autopilot, air cond./heat, screens, bimini with connector, dodger, cockpit cushions, only 65 engine hours, along with all the standard features of this "Boat of the Year", priced to sell at

\$184,900, contact Bob Lear at 609-698-0275, [blear62120@aol.com](mailto:blear62120@aol.com) for more information.

**FOR SALE:** The *Valkyrie* is for sale. Melges 30 racing boat with trailer. \$50k or best offer. Please contact Art Kuehne for additional information and specifications. He can be reached at work at (301) 342-0037 or [arthur.kuehne@navy.mil](mailto:arthur.kuehne@navy.mil).

**FOR SALE:** The *Skier* is for sale. Being five hours away I cannot get to her as often as I would like. An S2-11A (36 feet – sleeps 7) equipped for cruising. Appraised at \$48k but will make a deal to someone who will care for her. Contact Ed Miller at 814-444-8161, [pwdrpwr@aol.com](mailto:pwdrpwr@aol.com) for more information.

## CALLING VICTORIA CLASS OWNERS!

Ain't done yet? You are not alone! There are several Victoria radio-controlled boats, in various stages of development, owned by members of our club. In an effort to assist in getting these boats finished and out on the water Dan Schneider and Joe Kubinec have volunteered to meet with any and all builders at the clubhouse. If you would like to join them one evening, give a call and help us plan a date. Call (410) 326-4630.

## EDITOR'S NOTE

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

**November 15th**

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Snail Mail: Judy Pedersen  
PO Box 363  
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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.

# RACE RESULTS

## 2004 SMSA FALL SERIES 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	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	SCHNEIDER	2	2	4
3	USA 9	OUTASIGHT	ENGH	5	3	8
4	USA 18	DRAGONFLY	BAKER	5	4	9

### 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>
1	83096	SYNERGY	LAROCHE	1	1	2
2	43171	SCOTT FREE	SCOTT	2	2	4
3	83434	ISLAND TIME	MOORE	3	3	6
4	43162	ELAN	SHAW	4	4	8

### 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>
Not enough starters for class						

### CLASS:PHRF A

EVENT:Fall Series #1

DATE: 3-Oct-04

Length(nmi.):11.25

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	12:15:06	1:35:06	0:09:34	1:25:32
2	39519	AMERICAN FLYER	SCHNEIDER	48	12:16:30	1:36:30	0:09:00	1:27:30
3	USA 9	OUTASIGHT	ENGH	99			0:18:34	DNF
3	USA 18	DRAGONFLY	BAKER	84			0:15:45	DNF

### CLASS:PHRF B/C/D

EVENT:Fall Series #1

DATE: 2-Oct-04

Length(nmi.):5.2

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	83096	SYNERGY	LAROCHE	168	12:22:52	1:42:52	0:14:34	1:28:18
2	43171	SCOTT FREE	SCOTT	132	12:25:52	1:45:52	0:11:26	1:34:26
3	83434	ISLAND TIME	MOORE	192	12:36:31	1:56:31	0:16:38	1:39:53
4	43162	ELAN	SHAW	153	12:41:23	2:01:23	0:13:16	1:48:07

### CLASS: PHRF NS

EVENT:Fall Series #1

DATE: 2-Oct-04

Length(nmi.):5.2

Start time: 10:45:00

<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	12:32:37	1:47:37	0:08:19	1:39:18



(Bergsman )														
Kalypso (Siesseger)	0	0	0	0	25	0	3	0	0	0	0	20		48
Kelly Ann	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0		16
Koel	0	3	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	17	0	0		50
Lickety Split	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0		3
Little Toot	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5		22
Lynn Dee	0	0	9	0	28	0	0	0	0	15	0	0		52
Moondance	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		13
Nimue	0	0	0	0	3	5	5	3	0	0	0	24		40
Njord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0		3
Quintet	0	1	13	0	13	0	0	0	0	3	0	0		30
Reflections	0	3	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0		8
Rigel	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		4
Rule of Thumb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0		3
Runaway	3	3	0	0	5	0	3	0	0	0	3	0		17
Rusty Nayle	0	0	0	5	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		35
Safina	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0		5
Sea Mistress	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		11
Segel	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		3
Sequoia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0		3
Serenity	0	0	17	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	20		42
Spiced Rhumb	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		5
Spray	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		6
Swan	0	3	17	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	9		32
Synergy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0		3
Walkabout	0	3	0	5	0	0	0	0	3	0	11	0		22
Zengarella	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		3

The above cruise points are reported by the cruise leaders . Please contact Suzie Williams, Cruise Governor, with any changes.

## November 2004-SMSA Calendar

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
				BOG Meeting @ Clubhouse 1930		6 Annual Planning Meeting & Brunch @ Clubhouse 0930 Weekend Frostbite Cruise Begins 2005 BOG Takes Office
7 Fall Frostbite Race  Weekend Frostbite Cruise Ends		8	9	10 Veteran's Day	11	12 Store Opti's & FJ's 1200-1800
14 Fall Frostbite Race	15 December "Clew" inputs due	16	17	18	19	20 Store Opti's & FJ's 0930-1200 High School Sailing Awards Luncheon 1300-1500
21 Fall Frostbite Race	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Day	26	27
28 Fall Frostbite Race	29	30				

## December 2004 - SMSA Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
				BOG Meeting @ Clubhouse 1930		4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Christmas Gathering @ Clubhouse 1700
12	13	14	15 January '05 "Clew" inputs due	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day
26	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	