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COMMODORE SIGNAL

Your Vote Can Make A Difference! New ballots were mailed to everyone on 19 August so that a new Facilities Governor candidate could be added to the ballot. Please take time to review the By-Laws changes that were included in the ballot package and vote on each individual change. Everyone needs to use the **yellow** ballot included in the new mailing so that your vote counts. Only yellow ballots will be counted! If you have any questions about the ballots or the voting process, please give me a call.

The SMSA Annual Business Meeting Wants You! Our Annual Business Meeting gives us the chance to get together and take care of our corporate business. And yes, this meeting can be fun! We vote for our Board of Governors and on any by-laws changes, look at the accomplishments of the past year, check our corporate financial condition, and most important, provide a forum where your voice can be heard! We'll discuss the course that you'd like to see the SMSA chart for the future. Please join us at 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, 10

September at the SMSA clubhouse for our Annual Business Meeting and let us hear your thoughts! After the business meeting, there will be another great rendezvous so come on over and join the fun!

Nominating Committee Thanks! I'd like to thank this year's Nominating Committee for the time they spent finding candidates for the BOG 2001. Special thanks to John Weir (Chairperson) and to committee members Rita Gerred and L.G. Raley for all their hard work. This isn't an easy task and I really appreciate the thought that they put into finding the right candidates for the BOG!

Ballot Preparation Thanks! I'd also like to thank everyone who helped with the ballots. This is a huge job and it wouldn't be possible to get it all done on time without some help. Special thanks to Dede and Frank King (Tally Committee Co-Chairpersons), Tally Committee members Donna Maneely and Ronnie Spicuzza, and to helpers Ron Spicuzza, Mary and Jay Hanks and grandson, and Stew Buckler. Thanks again everyone!

September Is The Premier Cruisin' Month! The cruising program kicks into high gear this month just as the cooler fall weather starts to move in. There's a cruise this month for everyone. You can

choose cruising to Crisfield with the Palmers for the long Labor Day weekend or take a shorter cruise to Port Kinsdale with the Grissos. Both trips sound like they'll have lots of great things to see and do as you celebrate Labor Day! There's more cruising at the end of the month when the 1-Week Fall Cruise sets sail. If you can't make the whole week, join one or both of the weekend cruises that are part of the 1-Week Cruise. Just make sure you take advantage of the great September weather and keep on cruising!

See Small Boat Racing At It's Best!

Our 4th Annual Small Boat Invitational Regatta will be held over the weekend of 23-24 September and will feature small boat racing at its best. I've heard many good things about this regatta from those outside of our organization and this year is sure to be another huge success! If you'd like to volunteer your time to help with this regatta, please contact Don Behrens or Joe Kubinec. They still need volunteers for on-the-water and shore activities and would welcome your help. Come on out and support this great regatta!

Big Boat Racing Still Going Strong!

There's still plenty of big boat racing going on this fall. Just this month, there's the Smith Point Race, the Women's Fall Series, and the Fall Series. Get your crew together and sail on out to the starting line for some great fall fun!

Upcoming Fall Adventures

September is jam-packed with SMSA happenings for everyone! Make your plans now to leap into the SMSA fall fun and remember ...check the *clew* calendar often! You don't want to miss any of these fun events!

- ☆ 1-4 September – Annual Labor Day Cruise to Crisfield with Bill & Kendra Palmer
- ☆ 2-4 September – Labor Day Cruise to Port Kinsdale with Paul & Anna Grisso

- ☆ 4 September – Labor Day
- ☆ 7 September – **Season Finale** for Bowen's Inn Thursday Night Small Boat Races
- ☆ 9 September – Smith Point Race
- ☆ 10 September – SMSA Annual Business Meeting and Rendezvous
- ☆ 13 September – **Season Finale** for Zahniser's Wednesday Night Races
- ☆ 16-17 September – Women's Fall Race Series
- ☆ 17 September – Junior Sunday Sailing continues
- ☆ 23-24 September - 4th Annual Small Boat Invitational Regatta
- ☆ 23 September – 1 October – 1 Week Cruise
- ☆ 30 September-1 October - Fall Series Races

Racing, cruising, and partying continue in September and on into October, so join us for some good times!

Smooth Sailing!

Submitted by: Jan Buckler, Commodore

SECRETARY

DRAFT MINUTES BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING AUGUST 8, 2000

OFFICERS AND GOVERNORS PRESENT-Jan Buckler, Bill Moessner, Char Frost, Paul Eubank, Barbara Miller, Tracy Kubinec, and Jim Young.

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM.

Secretary- The vote on the minutes for the July meeting will take place at the next meeting.

Membership- Char Frost presented the following applications for new members:

Mark and Diane Gyorgy, family membership, have a Tartan 27 called "Wicked Good", sponsored by Larry Higgins.

Keith Jacobs, who crews on Jammin', sponsored by David Butler.

Both membership applications were approved by the BOG. Welcome aboard !

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.

The next meeting of the BOG is on September 12, 2000 at 7:30 PM at the SMSA clubhouse. All members are invited to attend.

**DRAFT MINUTES
SMSA SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2000**

OFFICER AND GOVERNORS PRESENT: Jan Buckler, Bill Moessner, Paul Eubank , Jim Young, Char Frost, Barbara Miller, Tracy Kubinec, John and Barbara Herbig.

Members Present- A list was started and passed around to note the names of all those present. I do not have the list now. There were perhaps 50 to 60 members present at this meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM.

Jay Hanks of the Policy and Planning Committee presented a list of concerns he has regarding the Southern Maryland Sailing Foundation, the high school sailing program, the SMSA junior program, SMSA training programs, and the use of the SMSA clubhouse.

Mr. Hanks raised questions about the increased liability and usage of SMSA assets to support these programs related to the benefits they will provide to the general membership.

"None of this relates to the basic objectives of the SMSA, which are big and small boat racing, cruising and socializing, or to the secondary objectives which always have included junior programs, small boat racing and free educational seminars. It swings the SMSA resources to a third level objective, which is to promote (not provide) sailing to the public. The one commonality is the junior program, which is up and well with our

SMSA Optimists, etc., with no help needed from outside."

" I see very heavy, undefined and unlimited commitments of our clubhouse and waterfront, our dollars and our people to activities that we do not control and with liabilities not only in dollars but in the good name of the SMSA when something goes bad or simply dies as the instigators move on."

Jim Young and John Herbig explained that the junior program uses the clubhouse for two summer sailing camps and the Sunday junior program. The majority of the children in these programs are members' children, with a minority coming from the community. Many families often become members after their kids get involved in the junior programs. The number of students is limited by the number of boats available, as well as the type of boats SMSA has to offer. The junior program would like to have the use of 420's so that older, bigger kids could participate in boats appropriate to their size and skills.

Stovy Brown spoke on behalf of the SMSF. He was approached by people who wanted to donate boats or money to support high school sailing, the junior program, and the Coast Guard Auxiliary. There is a need for boats for older juniors. Sailing clubs routinely let high school teams use their junior program boats and facilities. The Coast Guard Auxiliary teaches basic sailing but offers no on the water training. There were enough people asking for training to support a training program. The training fees paid help support SMSA. Trained people become dues paying members. These programs provide many benefits to SMSA.

SMSA will have no liability for SMSF assets. SMSA will have no responsibility for storage, maintenance or insurance. SMSA has complete control over its relationship with SMSF through grant requests. SMSA will only ask for what it wants and will get no more than what it asks for. The SMSF can impose nothing on SMSA.

John Herbig addressed Jay Hanks' concerns about the "Herbig Sailing School" by saying that no such enterprise exists. There are no training classes held at the SMSA clubhouse. In answer to questions about costs, insurance and certification of instructors, John replied that he makes no money from the classes, that fees pay for materials used, that SMSA has insurance for training purposes and that there is no requirement for instructors to be certified. A "sailing resume" is used instead. Individual boat owners' insurance covers instructors and trainees when their boats are used for the on-the-water portion of the training.

Jim Young discussed the use of the SMSA facilities by the junior and small boat programs. Children in the junior program are supervised by the instructor, an assistant and many parents. No problems have been reported regarding the library, kitchen or grounds caused by junior program participants. The waterfront and boat hoist are not SMSA assets; they belong to Calvert Marina and are used with permission.

Jim Young listed the current assets of the junior program, which includes the Opti's, the safety boat and various boats occasionally volunteered by other members, such as 420's and lasers. It was suggested that St. Mary's College boats and facilities could be used for the summer camp. SMSF boats could be made available for the junior program as well. The current challenges facing the junior program are

1. A place to store the safety boat is needed.
2. There is no water down at the beach area
3. The Opti's are too small for 13 to 18 year old juniors.
4. Mid size boats are needed for older juniors, such as Bytes, Lasers, FJ's or 420's.

It was suggested that parents of junior members can buy these boats for their own children after they outgrow Opti's.

Jay Hanks presented a draft SMSA/SMSF Agreement to define the relationship between the two entities.

Jay Hanks led a discussion addressing the proposed changes to the by-laws.

1. The purpose of combining the Junior and Women's Governor positions is to have one person responsible for directing all training activities and insuring continuity by keeping those interested in providing the training involved over the long term.
2. The purpose of adding the past Commodore position to the BOG is to assist new BOG members, insure a smooth transition and provide continuity to the BOG.
3. The purpose of this proposed change is to avoid conflicts of interest between those who serve on other sailing related entities and SMSA's board in matters such as use of SMSA facilities, scheduling of events, and allocation of resources.
4. The purpose of a finance committee is to assist the treasurer in putting together the annual budget and in long range planning.
5. No discussion.
6. The purpose of this proposed change is to define long term indebtedness and to keep members informed of any plans for taking on financial obligations existing over more than a limited time.
7. No discussion.

Commodore Jan Buckler stated her goals as reducing SMSA's liabilities, protecting our assets and increasing the usefulness of what we have for all members. Jan suggests that those interested may approach the three Southern Maryland county commissioners about starting and supporting community sailing programs. This would free up SMSA to take care of its own needs. In answer to questions from members, Jan said that liability and

P and I insurance for the SMSA clubhouse, land and waterfront is about \$4,500 annually. It costs about \$2,500 to insure 10 Opti's. In answer to a question about the costs of the training and high school sailing programs, the response is that these programs raised more money than was spent to support them. SMSA is allowed by the IRS to raise funds to support club activities. At a member's suggestion, the treasurer's report will be published once a year in the Clew.

Jan Buckler asks members to think about the direction they want the SMSA to be headed, what assets we want, and what we want to support. Send any questions, comments or issues to Jan that you would like discussed at the annual meeting. Jan would like to see us bridge the traditions of the past with the needs of the future.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Submitted by: Barbara Miller, Secretary.

CRUISE

FALL CRUISE

It is early August and I am trying to get some of the details finalized for the fall cruise the last week in September. I have made one change in the itinerary in that I plan to go from Baltimore to the West River before going to St. Michaels. I plan to anchor out on the 23rd in Dunn Cove, the 24th in Whitehall Bay, the 28th in West River near Galesville, and the 30th at Oxford. I have some reservations for slips at the Inner Harbor Marina in Baltimore and am making reservations for Rock Hall and St. Michaels. I will need to know soon how many will want slips so will appreciate your response. For information, the Orioles are in Baltimore when we are there so for those who are interested it might be possible to go. I am open to any ideas you have that would add to the enjoyment of the cruise. Give me a call if you need any information or have some input. See you soon.

Gerald and Marilyn Eastwood, phone 410-326-3109.

Submitted by: Gerald and Marilyn Eastwood

COLUMBUS DAY CRUISE

Njord will be leading a Columbus Day cruise to St. George and Smith Creeks. Both streams are located off the Potomac River. St. George Creek is located at the confluence of the Potomac and St. Marys Rivers and is separated from the Potomac River by St. George Island. Smith Creek is up river about 7 miles from Point Lookout and is also on the Maryland side of the Potomac River. Both locations are approximately 39 and 35 miles respectively from Solomons Island.

We will raft-up on Saturday evening in Price Cove. We will continue to Smith Creek on Sunday and raft-up north of 38° 7.5" latitude. If you would like to dine at Spinnakers please call and let me know before September 7th so I can make reservations. The two anchorages are only a few miles apart so there should be plenty of time on Sunday to explore the area. We will return to our homeports on Monday.

Hope to see you at the raft up.

Submitted by Jay and Elaine Green, s/v Njord

MIXED COUPLES RACE/CRUISE TO BATTLE CREEK

The weather for the Mixed Couples Race/Cruise was decidedly unAugust like. Pleasant temperatures and good wind didn't match my usual expectation for an August weekend. We had six boats start the race to Battle Creek. Starters were JADE with Bob and Iris Willey, STAR GAZER II with Joe and Char Frost, ELAN with Gary and Virginia Shaw, FUBAR with John and Maggie Weir, TOBY with Chris and Karen Eggert, and CHOUETTE with Dennis and Virginia Chandler.

With the wind blowing in the teens out of the north, all finished the race in good time except for FUBAR who turned back around Point Patience. First place honors went to STAR GAZER II. Unfortunately Joe had to work Sunday so after completing the race they returned home. Second place went to JADE, third to TOBY, forth to ELAN and fifth to CHOUETTE.

When we sailed into Battle Creek we found ALOHA with Bill and Kendra Palmer already parked in a prime spot so a raft was immediately constructed. In addition to TOBY, CHOUETTE, JADE and ELAN we were joined by WINDWALKER with Bob and Phyllis Herbig, MORNING STAR with Rick and Terry Farman, LOGICAL CHOICE with Ian and Ann Sommerville and SWAN with Ken and Ellen Mowbray. The rest of Saturday was beautiful with a nice breeze, no jellyfish so a number of folks found the water inviting and we had a delightful cocktail hour before breaking up for the night. Sunday found the wind still out of the north so we had a nice reach back down the river.

RACE GOVERNOR

SMSA racers placed well in this year's Governor's Cup. Nemesis took a 5th place trophy in her division, Rhumb Punch (last year's Waldschmitt Trophy winner) was 3rd in their division and Chardonnay took a 1st place. Clarke McKinney and the alumni crew on Sundog crossed the finish line second overall and placed second in their fleet.

September's racing schedule includes the last two Zahniser's Wednesday night races on the 6th and 13th. Participation has been very good this year, with new boats still joining the fleet. A total of 45 big boats are now officially registered to race. Our sponsor, Zahniser's, has been great keeping the pool bar open for us, and providing maintenance support to keep the RC boat running. Twice, on short notice, Zahniser's mechanics have quickly

repaired major breakdowns so the "Rock Catcher" could make it to the start line on time.

September 9th is the annual Smith Point race and the next weekend we hold the Women's Fall Series. The 24th and 25th are the dates for the Small Boat Invitational.

The big boat Fall Series will be the weekend of September 30 and October 1. Come out for two days of great fall racing on the bay. We usually see bay racing participation pick up in the fall when we typically have cooler temperatures and steady breezes.

The season is beginning to wind down so come out and finish the season with some very competitive racing.

Submitted by: Joe Frost, Race Governor
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WOMEN'S PROGRAM

I want to apologize for being "out of CLEW lately". I was on travel for work in June and was going to send my article from St. Louis, but I couldn't get into my email for some reason, so when I got back, the deadline had passed and I had to wait until July. July, now there was a good month....I sent an email to Kathy Pappas letting her know that I needed another day before I had all of my information together for the Women's Fall Race Series, and I don't remember what little "family disaster" happened, but before I knew what had happened, a week had passed and Screwpile was over! So, I am writing this 7 DAYS before it's due (sorry folks, it's going to blizzard in August now...) because we'll be on a VERY NEEDED vacation all next week and I don't want to miss another deadline!!!

Given that introduction, let me reach back in time to June Marcy Series. Everyone had a great time, everyone except me, that is, because I didn't have enough energy to race and was on committee boat trying to beat a budding case of bronchitis; I lost that battle a couple of days later. We had a boat come down from Herrington Harbor, Zalek, to join the fun. There was also FUBAR, Joint Adventure, and Shermax. Unfortunately, Chareta and her crew had a series of events that made it impossible for them to join us; we really missed them! Jane & Rita, we expect to see you at Women's Fall Series!! I want to thank everyone that came out to race and everyone else that watched, advised, or supported this in any other way. Thanks to Barbara Herbig for all of her help, and for not being too upset when I bailed out of the race with her because I felt so lousy. Thank you to my race committee, Jim Young and John Weir. A special thanks to Ashley Mahoney for jumping on my boat to watch baby Rylee on Sunday when I was feeling really bad (I couldn't have done it without her)!

Speaking of **Women's Fall Series**, get your crews & boats ready to join us on **September 16 & 17**. If you would like to crew or if you have a boat you would like me to get crew for, please let me know. I would love to see more boats out there! There will be a **mandatory skipper & crew breakfast meeting at the clubhouse on Saturday morning at 7:30 a.m.** Jae Nee Ausley has graciously volunteered to host as well as prepare the meal. I am looking for any male volunteers or female "advisor or assistant" volunteers to help Jae Nee out. Donations of food and/or time are appreciated. Please contact Jae Nee at 410-326-5098 or me at 301-994-0547. Don't forget the mini-rendezvous on Sunday after the race at the clubhouse; bring your own beverages & snacks!

Thanks for your patience with me, time just seems to pass way too quickly these days, summer is almost over, school will have started by the time you get this, and life just goes on.

Submitted by: Kris Dennie-Young, Women's Governor

MEMBERSHIP

At the monthly BOG meeting held on August 8, the following membership applications were approved:

Keith Jacobs, sponsored by David E. Butler. Keith has crewed on local big boats since 1991 and is also active in the Thursday night small boat program. You might remember Keith as the designer and builder of the "Small Boat Hero Award".

Mark and Diane Gyorgy, sponsored by Larry Higgins. Mark and Diane's son, Erik, joined SMSA as a Junior member last April. The Gyorgys have a Tartan 27 named "Wicked Good" and have already made it to the Wednesday night start line. Keith, Mark and Diane, welcome to SMSA.

Submitted by: Char Frost, Membership Governor

SMSA LIBRARY

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

www.smsa.com

Submitted by: Rob and Sue Sloan

SOCIAL

Junior Awards and Oyster Scald
October 15, 2000

It will be a busy day with a Fall Invitational Race, Junior Awards and a rendezvous. We are asking for willing helpers for set-up, clean-up and

especially for experienced oyster scalders and shuckers. We will greatly appreciate your response to assist with the rendezvous. We are looking forward to the event. Our phone number is 410-326-3109. Gerald and Marilyn Eastwood.

Up Coming Social Events

I am sorry that I was unable to attend the Geezer Squeezer Rendezvous, but I hope you all had a great time. I want to thank Melissa Behrens for hosting the rendezvous and also the Watters and the Bermans for helping her.

September 10th is the annual business meeting, followed by a rendezvous. Please bring meat to grill and a side dish/dessert to share. This time those with last names A-L can bring the desserts and M-Z can bring the side dishes.

October 15th will be the Junior Awards and Oyster Roast. I would like the Juniors to bring appetizers and think about what kinds of food you would like the rest of us to bring.

Enjoy the rest of the summer: it's going by fast! As always, if anyone would like to help out at future rendezvous, please contact me. Thanks for all your help.

Submitted by: Sandy Leitner, Social Governor

INFORMATION NOTES

Many of you have heard rumbles about an ongoing flap. The August Clew contained an insert ["From the Cockpit"] by Barbara Herbig [our Publicity Governor], but not an article submitted by me [Chairman of the Policy and Planning Committee] to the Editor, to the email address given in the Yearbook. It was received, but apparently never read.

However, some people are still trying to get along, on both sides. It is possible to compromise and

continue. Please read both SMSA ALERT and the AGREEMENT; the two documents describe the situation and provide a solution. Come to the Annual Meeting with your **YELLOW** ballot. Please feel free to call or email me after September 3rd.

Mary and I will be away until September 3rd. In the interim, questions may be asked of Ron Spicuzza and/or L.G. Raley.

Jay Hanks 301-373-5474

SMSA ALERT

Over the past two years, several new programs and a new organization have been created that have not been approved by the SMSA voters. These include a High School Racing Team Program, a Coast Guard Auxiliary Sailing Program and Basic Sailing Instruction, all using the SMSA Clubhouse and all with on-the-water sessions from the SMSA waterfront, with the Southern Maryland Sailing Foundation [SMSF], a new, non-profit organization, to provide its donated boats, chartered by the SMSA, to support these new activities. Plans include building to 32 boats maintained and operated by the SMSA, as described in SMSF documents. This would require a major shift of SMSA goals and resources, and a very heavy commitment of SMSA volunteers for restoration, storage, maintenance, operation, instruction and supervision. The operations already expose the Clubhouse, library, kitchen, etc., to non-SMSA traffic.

A financial problem is insurance, of boats and people. According to the Charter submitted by the SMSF, for SMSA Commodore's signature, the SMSA will provide full insurance coverage, not only for our uses and people but also for non-SMSA people, and for Foundation uses anywhere, anytime, of the chartered boats.

Note that the only connection between these new activities and the Junior Program, which has functioned well for many years and will continue,

is the proposed chartering of SMSF boats to augment the existing fleet of 10 SMSA, Optimist dinghies. We bought the Optimists. If justified, we could buy larger boats. The Junior Program is doing fine.

Our current Board of Governors [BOG] includes a majority that favors these new actions, with one member also a trustee of the Foundation. Last year there were two -- a conflict of interest, and a potential IRS problem.

The BOG has placed pressure on our Commodore to sign extremely biased Grant and Charter documents that would place the SMSA in a subservient role while authorizing these activities to continue and grow without SMSA member approval.

However, two possible remedies are in progress -- Changes to our Articles and By-Laws, to meet the new situation; and an Agreement, to be approved by member vote, that would define the relationship between the SMSA and the SMSF and lead to new Grant and Charter documents. The ballot situation is described below; the Agreement is attached.

A BALLOT HAS BEEN SENT OUT, FOR TALLY AT THE ANNUAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 10TH. YOU CAN VOTE AND MAIL, VOTE AT THE MEETING, OR PICK UP YOUR MAILED BALLOT AT THE MEETING AND REVOTE.

The Proposed Changes were developed and recommended by the Policy and Planning Committee [P&PC], and were first approved but then rescinded, by the BOG, for ballot to all voting SMSA members. At this point, some members of the P&PC, with other SMSA members, went the Petition Route to obtain a 60 day procedure, referendum [see Article III, Section 5 of the By-Laws]. Note that the P&PC does recommend passage.

The By-Laws ballot is not a go/stop referendum on these new activities. It is a step toward containing them and keeping the SMSA on its path of 28 years

-- Racing, Cruising, Junior Program, Educational Seminars and Partying, with emphasis on SMSA members but open to guests and joiners.

TO ALLOW THESE NEW PROGRAMS TO CONTINUE AT MODEST LEVELS, WHILE RETAINING THE SMSA THAT WE HAVE KNOWN, AND THAT HAS GROWN TO MORE THAN 350 MEMBERS WHILE DOING OUR THING:

PLEASE VOTE YES FOR ALL OF THE ARTICLES AND BY-LAWS

AND VOTE FOR Jan Buckler, Bill Palmer, Sandy Leitner, Bill Moessner, David Butler, Karen C.R. Moore, Paul Eubank, Walt Rupp, Mary Szczyglowski, and Jay Hanks.

In an attempt to reach a compromise, an AGREEMENT has been crafted, which is attached. During the Annual Meeting, on September 10, 2000, it is expected that a motion will be made to approve this AGREEMENT. This AGREEMENT corrects the subservient problems, places constraints on the new programs, places the SMSA in charge and documents member approval for these new activities to continue. It is believed to be an acceptable compromise.

PLEASE ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING
PLEASE BRING THE ATTACHED AGREEMENT
PLEASE BRING YOUR BALLOT,
OR RECOVER YOUR BALLOT AT THE MEETING
TO REVOTE AS NECESSARY
WE NEED THE NAMED SLATE ELECTED
WE NEED THE BY-LAW CHANGES PASSED
WE NEED A MAJORITY AT THE ANNUAL MEETING
WE NEED TO PASS THE ATTACHED AGREEMENT, OR MOVE TO DISAPPROVE THE NEW ACTIONS

Norris Jay Hanks

Founder, Charter Member and SMSA Historian
Past Facilities Governor, Cruise Governor
and Race Governor Current Chairman,
Policy and Planning Committee

SMSA and the Southern Maryland Sailing Foundation

A great deal of misunderstanding had resulted from wrong interpretations of the charter and business plan of the new Southern Maryland Sailing Foundation, so at the August 8 Membership Meeting, I was asked to explain the relationship between SMSA and Foundation.

This summary may be of interest to those who could not make it on August 8.

The Foundation was established during 1999 with much consultation with the SMSA Board of Governors and other club leaders to provide a way of bringing in tax-deductible capital funds to sailing programs of the club. The immediate need was double-handed dinghies for a new high school racing program, for older juniors in the club's summer camps and junior competitive events, and for on the water basic sailing training.

The BOG decided that SMSA should maintain its leadership in sailboat racing in the Solomons area by taking on the high school program and offering more advanced racing training for our own juniors. The Foundation concept allowed for these programs to be added to the existing ones with limited capital outlays by the club members (dues or fees). Similar junior programs are offered by other leading clubs, such as Annapolis Yacht Club and Severn Sailing Association.

The Foundation was carefully set up to be non-competitive and fully complementary with SMSA. The Foundation has no programs of its own, but does accept a proposal from SMSA each year for the use of Foundation assets in SMSA-approved programs. The Foundation would then accept this proposal and contract the use of appropriate assets to SMSA. Note that SMSA is fully in charge of this arrangement through its proposal and the contracting process with the Foundation.

The Foundation was set up with a charter broader than SMSA so it could support other youth sailing programs in other organizations in Southern Maryland, should they come forth. This protects the tax-deductible status for gifts to the Foundation in the future. The misunderstandings resulted from a false believe that all the Foundation's support would have to be to SMSA programs. No such intention was ever envisioned.

The high school sailing program has been a great success so far. The Patuxent High School Sailing Club has had about 8 sailors active on 420s at our club on most Thursday and Friday afternoons during the fall and spring semesters during good weather. Last spring, Patuxent High School awarded seven varsity letters to those who practiced regularly and who represented the school at four regattas where they sailed against other high schools in the middle Atlantic area.

The basic sailing instruction now includes classroom instruction by the local Coast Guard Auxiliary and on the water sessions at SMSA. Last spring, 9 students completed the course and received their Maryland Safe Boating Certificates, required for operating a boat in Maryland if you were born after 1972.

New members to SMSA and numerous crews for weekend and evening racing events have come from both of these programs.

Leaders of the Foundation and SMSA have reached an agreement on the size of the high school program and basic sailing program and some other operational details. These will be explained at the Annual Membership Meeting on September 10. Please come to lend your support for this important agreement.

The diagram accompanying this document is a simplification of the one supporting the agreement itself, (JOINT1C.DOC for those who receive the CLEW by e-mail). Submitted by: Stovy Brown

The following paragraphs and diagram [placed after Race Results in *the Clew*] are hereby agreed to by

the Commodore of SMSA and the President of SMSF in defining the relationship between the two entities:

PROPOSED AGREEMENT

The activities described (Junior Program, Basic Sailing Courses, and High School Racing) are programs of SMSA and are executed, limited, and controlled by SMSA.

The High School Racing program will be set to a maximum of 15 individuals at this time. Those individuals who have been in this program before will be offered participation for the following season. Additional participants up to the maximum may be accepted. A waiting list of high school students from Calvert and St. Mary's counties will be established. Preference will be given to those on the waiting list when openings occur either in the current or subsequent season. No access to the SMSA clubhouse will be permitted without an adult SMSA member continuously present.

Basic sailing courses offered in conjunction with the Coast Guard Auxiliary will be two a year, once in the spring and once in the fall. Non-SMSA members may participate in these courses. Any additional courses require the proper approvals within SMSA. SMSA in cooperation with the Coast Guard Auxiliary may limit the number of students in the basic courses. The current practical limit is 12 students per class. No access to the SMSA clubhouse will be permitted without an adult SMSA member continuously present.

SMSA will continue to run its summer Junior Program. Non-SMSA members can participate.

SMSA will present the SMSF with a grant proposal that is in line with SMSA's programs and reflective of the above paragraphs. The SMSF will be receptive to such a proposal.

A bareboat charter agreement to be negotiated between SMSA and SMSF will be the instrument under which the SMSF grants usage of boats to SMSA. This agreement will specify that delivery of boats to SMSA and return of boats from SMSA will happen at SMSA. The agreement will specify

that for the duration of the charter, SMSA will have exclusive use of the boats, but may grant usage to other worthwhile organizations at its own choosing and with agreement from SMSF. After a joint survey prior to transfer to SMSA, any major capital repair or replacement items, such as sails, rudders, spars, and hull structure and finish will be accomplished by SMSF prior to acceptance by SMSA.

SMSF is a 501(c)(3) organization that may own boats and property other than those used regularly by SMSA and these will not be SMSA's responsibility in any way. SMSF may grant the usage of these other properties to other organizations in Southern Maryland.

SMSF understands that its charter includes supporting some types of sailing programs that SMSA does not wish to undertake.

These other SMSF boats and properties will not be located at the SMSA waterfront or any other SMSA facility without new negotiations and agreement, and lacking such agreement will not assume any relationship with or require any responsibility on the part of SMSA.

Understood and agreed to on this ____ day of August in the year 2000 by:

Jan Buckler
Commodore, SMSA

Stovy Brown
President, SMSF

EDITOR'S NOTE

Maggie Weir is working with Kathy Pappas to put the Clew together. Thanks to all the Governors for being so timely with their reports this month.

Please send all articles for the October Clew to Maggie by Wednesday, September 13.

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Jan Buckler has volunteered to put the calendar together for *The Clew* each month. Please be sure to alert her of any events, with times please, that you wish to have included. THANKS JAN!!!
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SAILOR TID-BITS

Mishap Report submitted by Jennifer Normyle and the cast of characters from Jammin', David Butler, David Vigeant, Jack Moore, Joy Dorethy, and Keith Jacobs.

It was a beautiful day for a sail yesterday - in fact it was a beautiful day for a race. So the Jammin' crew set out for a Wednesday night race. We should have known that something was up when Keith showed up in his Screwpile '96 shorts - freshly patched and freshly re-ripped. The fact that Jack had only flip-flops should have been another warning. I, with no shoes, should have been a clear red flag. But no, we raced.

It was a beautiful downwind start. We came in under jib, with the chute at the ready. Butler nailed the start, we launched the chute, but it wouldn't go all the way up. Alas, it was hooked up sideways. Quick thinking and quicker crew work had the jib back up, the spinnaker down, attached correctly, and then re-launched - but not before all the other boats passed us. Keith hung his head.

We shook it off - sailed hard and began to catch up. The mark rounding was uneventful and the upwind leg was full of razzing of Keith. The upwind mark rounding required some tricky maneuvering by our fearless skipper to avoid the yawl, Synergy, the ball, and a host of other boats poised to interfere with us. We stayed on the yawl's tail and quickly cut inside just as we were turning. Beautifully executed. Keith had checked numerous times to make sure the chute was hooked up correctly so we had a flawless launch. Flawless until Jack stepped back a bit too far, slipped a little on the deck, started to sit or something like that, and plop! Into the river. Jack, the ever-mindful sail-racer that he is, did not neglect the spinnaker. He held fast to the sheet as he went for a swim and, whether he meant to or not, was trimming the chute from the water. He also managed to keep his flip-flops on his feet and his sunglasses on his head.

Once we recovered our wits, Keith took the sheet from Jack and he got himself back on board. Needless to say, the sideways chute was quickly forgotten and Jack became the object of our ridicule. Our temporary sea anchor had hurt us a bit, but we were still holding our own. Jack had just gotten himself settled and the salt water out of his mouth when we heard a loud BANG and the chute is streaming out behind the boat. The shackle on the guy had exploded. Keith quickly hoisted the jib, Jack and Dave Vigeant gathered the chute and Joy went below to find another shackle. We tied it on the guy, re-ran all the lines and put the chute back up. At this point Keith is threatening mutiny if he has to hoist another sail. We decide to stick

out the race even though we are way in the back and feeling like the 6 stooges.

At the second downwind mark rounding the decision is made to just put the chute below. We are now on our last leg, an upwind leg, and will not need it for the rest of the race. Foolish mortals. The wind died. The wind picked back up again, and Rhumb Punch, whom we had managed to pass, is quickly overtaking us under spinnaker. So we got to do something else we've never done before... In addition to a sideways spinnaker, a man overboard, we got to launch the chute from the cabin. I won't say it went flawlessly, but it went up nicely once we got the jib out of the way. I ended up trimming the chute this time instead of Jack. I had to go up out of the cockpit to see the chute since we were reaching. Ever mindful of Jack's swim and my bear feet, I gingerly crept up to the mast. Between trying to stay on the boat, trying not to kill my toes, and trying to keep the sail full and fast, I had no extra attention to spare. At some point near the end of the race I heard talk of the gun. I casually asked, "Is it the Raleys or Gorilla?" and answer came, "you've got to be s----ing me." when told we were going to get the gun! First boat across the line despite all our mishaps.

All in all, it was a very entertaining and educational evening. We ended up 3rd - right in the middle of the fleet - which is pretty respectable considering our challenges. All that said, who wants to race in the Solomon's Pier races this weekend?

RACE RESULTS

MIXED COUPLES RACE TO BATTLE CREEK

MIXED COUPLES RACE SCORE SHEET

DATE: 12-Aug-00

Length: 10.4

CLASS: Non-Spinnaker		Course: Patuxent River # 6A to #18				
STDG	SAIL #	YACHT	RTG.	ELAPSED	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	42516	STARGAZER II	168	2:14:59	0:29:07	1:45:52
2	2441	JADE	174	2:24:59	0:30:10	1:54:49
3	142	TOBY	147	2:41:50	0:25:29	2:16:21
4	43162	ELAN	159	2:57:45	0:27:34	2:30:11
5	P34	CHOUETTE	153	3:02:00	0:26:31	2:35:29
6	2516	FUBAR	174		0:30:10	

ZAHNISER'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACE RESULTS

DATE: 19-Jul-00

Length: 7.1

CLASS: PHRF NS

Start: 18:45:00

Course: KVKAYZ

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPSED	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	173	12 PACK	111	19:59:37	1:14:37	0:13:08	1:01:29
2	53448	JOINT ADVENTURE	111	20:04:20	1:19:20	0:13:08	1:06:12
3	3066	ARTFUL DODGER	132	20:08:05	1:23:05	0:15:37	1:07:28
4	53477	KRUGERRAND	132	20:09:29	1:24:29	0:15:37	1:08:52
5	73283	CIRCLE	192	20:18:23	1:33:23	0:22:43	1:10:40
6	43162	ELAN	159	20:18:09	1:33:09	0:18:49	1:14:20
7	83113	VIGILANT	150	20:18:09	1:33:09	0:17:45	1:15:24
8	441	BLITZEN	132	20:18:45	1:33:45	0:15:37	1:18:08
9	275	RIGEL	144	20:22:22	1:37:22	0:17:02	1:20:20
10	278	BEAUJOLAIS	186	20:29:24	1:44:24	0:22:01	1:22:23
11	156	SEAQUEST	162			0:19:10	DNF
12	4183	BADGER	186			0:22:01	DNF

CLASS: PHRF Blue

Start: 18:50:00

Course: KVKAYZ

Length: 7.1

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPSED	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	93084	BOB	162	20:06:21	1:16:21	0:19:10	0:57:11
2	2516	FUBAR	174	20:15:12	1:25:12	0:20:35	1:04:37
3	2276	SHERMAX	177	20:18:17	1:28:17	0:20:57	1:07:20
4	43067	LICKETY SPLIT	168	20:17:47	1:27:47	0:19:53	1:07:54

CLASS: PHRF White

Start: 18:55:00

Course: KVKAYZ

Length: 7.1

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPSED	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	63045	RHUMB PUNCH	111	20:07:28	1:12:28	0:13:08	0:59:20
2	73051	STILL A GORILLA	135	20:13:15	1:18:15	0:15:59	1:02:17
3	63206	POGO	129	20:15:04	1:20:04	0:15:16	1:04:48
4	50134	SMOKIN	51			0:06:02	DNS

ZAHNISER'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACE RESULTS

DATE: 9-Aug-00

CLASS: PHRF NS

Start: 18:30:00

Course: KBZ

Length: 6.95

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPS'D	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	53477	KRUGERRAND	132	19:51:13	1:21:13	0:15:17	1:05:56
2	142	TOBY	141	20:01:59	1:31:59	0:16:20	1:15:39
3	83113	VIGILANT	150	20:08:53	1:38:53	0:17:22	1:21:30
4	278	BEAUJOLAIS	186	20:17:20	1:47:20	0:21:33	1:25:47
5	73472	ORBITER	120			0:13:54	DNF

CLASS: PHRF Blue

Start: 18:35:00

Course: KBZ

Length: 6.95

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPS'D	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	42516	STARGAZER II	168	19:55:03	1:20:03	0:19:28	1:00:35
2	83096	SYNERGY	168	19:59:02	1:24:02	0:19:28	1:04:34
3	73283	CIRCLE	192	20:05:14	1:30:14	0:22:14	1:08:00
4	2516	FUBAR	174			0:20:09	DNF
4	67996	NEMESIS	174			0:20:09	DNF

CLASS: PHRF White

Start: 18:40:00

Course: KBZ

Length: 6.95

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPS'D	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	63045	RHUMB PUNCH	111	19:54:07	1:14:07	0:12:51	1:01:16
2	63076	NO BREAKS	108	19:53:49	1:13:49	0:12:31	1:01:18
3	53325	ZINGARELLA	99	19:53:14	1:13:14	0:11:28	1:01:46
4	53448	JOINT ADVENTURE	111	19:56:11	1:16:11	0:12:51	1:03:20

ZAHNISER'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACE RESULTS

DATE: 16-Aug-00

CLASS: PHRF NS

Start: 18:30:00

Course: AXAX

Length: 4.4

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPS'D	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	73283	CIRCLE	192	19:49:16	1:19:16	0:14:05	1:05:11
2	83113	VIGILANT	150	19:49:31	1:19:31	0:11:00	1:08:31
3	312	WICKED GOOD	132	19:48:16	1:18:16	0:09:41	1:08:35
4	53477	KRUGERRAND	132	19:49:06	1:19:06	0:09:41	1:09:25
5	40107	EN GARDE	138	19:53:42	1:23:42	0:10:07	1:13:35

CLASS: PHRF Blue

Start: 18:35:00

Course: AXAX

Length: 4.4

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPS'D	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	42516	STARGAZER II	168	19:46:27	1:11:27	0:12:19	0:59:08
2	2276	SHERMAX	177	19:47:44	1:12:44	0:12:59	0:59:45
2	2441	JADE	174	19:47:31	1:12:31	0:12:46	0:59:45
4	83096	SYNERGY	168	19:47:16	1:12:16	0:12:19	0:59:57
5	67996	NEMESIS	174	19:47:58	1:12:58	0:12:46	1:00:12
6	2516	FUBAR	174	19:48:22	1:13:22	0:12:46	1:00:36

CLASS: PHRF White

Start: 18:40:00

Course: AXAX

Length: 4.4

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPS'D	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	73051	STILL A GORILLA	135	19:47:00	1:07:00	0:09:54	0:57:06
2	US 173	12 PACK	111	19:46:17	1:06:17	0:08:08	0:58:09
3	32204	JAMMIN	99	19:45:40	1:05:40	0:07:16	0:58:24
4	63045	RHUMB PUNCH	111	19:46:53	1:06:53	0:08:08	0:58:45
5	50134	SMOKIN	51	19:46:51	1:06:51	0:03:44	1:03:07

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FUN RACE RESULTS

DATE: 26-Jul-00

CLASS: PHRF

Start: 18:30:00

Course: VXXV

Length: 3.2

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPSD	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	53325	ZINGARELLA	99	19:07:32	0:37:32	0:05:17	0:32:15
2	312	WICKED GOOD	120	19:09:02	0:39:02	0:06:24	0:32:38
3	83113	VIGILANT	150	19:12:18	0:42:18	0:08:00	0:34:18

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FUN RACE RESULTS

DATE: 2-Aug-00

CLASS: PHRF

Start: 18:30:00

Course: KXXK

Length: 4.8

STDG	SAIL No.	YACHT	RTG.	FINISH	ELAPSD	ALLOW.	CORR'TD
1	MD 27	BOB	162	19:54:11	1:24:11	0:12:58	1:11:13
2	53184	BREAKAWAY	111	19:53:46	1:23:46	0:08:53	1:14:53
3	41316	DIABLO	114	19:55:49	1:25:49	0:09:07	1:16:42
4	173	12 PACK	111	19:57:58	1:27:58	0:08:53	1:19:05
5	63076	NO BREAKS	108	19:59:51	1:29:51	0:08:38	1:21:13
6	53325	ZINGARELLA	99	20:01:45	1:31:45	0:07:55	1:23:50
7	53448	JOINT ADVENTURE	111	20:03:26	1:33:26	0:08:53	1:24:33
8	312	WICKED GOOD	120	20:04:33	1:34:33	0:09:36	1:24:57
9	63045	RHUMB PUNCH	111	20:04:12	1:34:12	0:08:53	1:25:19
10	50134	SMOKIN	51	20:01:05	1:31:05	0:04:05	1:27:00
11	42516	STARGAZER II	168	20:11:27	1:41:27	0:13:26	1:28:01
12	63369	MIDNIGHT EXPRESS	144	20:14:24	1:44:24	0:11:31	1:32:53
13	2276	SHERMAX	177	20:19:25	1:49:25	0:14:10	1:35:15
14	275	RIGEL	144	20:42:02	2:12:02	0:11:31	2:00:31
15	73472	ORBITER	120	20:44:28	2:14:28	0:09:36	2:04:52
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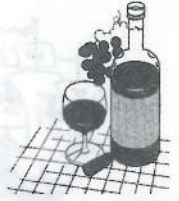
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Fall Series Races 3 & 4 Post-race mini- rendezvous @ Clubhouse Weekend Cruise Trawler Fest @ C... 1 Week Cruise	2	3	4	5  BOG Meeting 7:30 PM @ Clubhouse (Includes New BOG Members)	6	7  Junior Fall Regatta 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Columbus Day Cruise Annapolis Boat Show
8 Junior Sunday Afternoon Program 1:30 - 4:00 PM (Final Sunday of 2000 Season) Columbus Day Cruise Annapolis Boat Show	9  Columbus Day (Celebrat- ed)	10	11	12	13	14  Hooper Island/Point No Point Race
15  Fall Invita- tional Race Oyster Scald Rendez- vous 4:00 PM @ Clubhouse Junior Program Awards @ Rendezvous	16  CLEW Articles Due	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28  One Design Fall Regatta  Set Your Clocks Back at Midnight Halloween Cruise
29  One Design Fall Regatta Daylight Savings Time Ends Halloween Cruise	30	31  Halloween				



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					Weekend Cruise to ... Labor Day Cruise to Crisfield	
3	4  Labor Day	5	6 Zahniser's Wed Night Race #9	7 Bowen's Inn Thursday Night Small Boat Races	8	9  Smith Point Race (Day Race)
Labor Day Cruise to Crisfield Weekend Cruise to Port Kinsdale						
10  SMSA Annual Business Meeting 3:00 PM @ Clubhouse Rendezvous Following the Meeting	11	12  BOG Meeting 7:30 PM @ Clubhouse (Includes New BOG Members)	13 Zahniser's Wed Night Race #10 (End of Season)	14	15  CLEW Articles Due	16 Women's Fall Series Skipper's Breakfast Meeting 7:30 AM  Women's Fall Series Races 1 & 2
17  Women's Fall Series Races 3 & 4 Post-race mini- rendezvous @ Clubhouse Junior Sunday Afternoon Program 1:30-4:00 PM	18	19	20	21	22	23  4th Annual Small Boat Invitational Regatta Weekend Cruise 1 Week Cruise
24  4th Annual Small Boat Invitational Regatta Weekend Cruise	25	26	27	28	29	30  Fall Series Races 1&2 Weekend Cruise
1 Week Cruise			Trawler Fest @ Clubhouse			