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COMMODORE'S SIGNAL

Cruisers Are Ready to Go! By all accounts, the annual cruise planning meeting was another big success! If this meeting is any indicator, we're going to have a great cruise program this year! Our Cruise Governor, Walt Rupp, hosted an overflowing crowd and delivered a tasty breakfast and lunch with a fun meeting sandwiched in between! The cruise leaders' card was almost filled at the meeting, but Walt still has a few openings! Please give Walt a call if you're interested in leading a cruise, especially the two-week cruise. Thanks to Walt and Janet for hosting a great party! Spring is on its way so let's get ready to go cruising!

Rear Commodore Election Results and Mid-Winter Special Meeting News! Congratulations to Paul Eubank on his election as our new Rear Commodore! We're all looking forward to working with Paul and hearing about his ideas for SMSA. Special thanks to our Tally Committee members, Merrie Ruth Raley, Sammy Evans, and Karen and Fred Dellinger, for handling the ballot duty for this election.

Our mid-winter special meeting was a big success! About 50 members gathered in the Holly II building to hear about the upcoming sailing season's programs and to attend the open forum. The lively discussion during the forum included investments, finances, growth, facilities, fees, and possibilities for the future. Many of the ideas from this meeting have been referred to the Policy and Planning Committee for further investigation.

Happy Birthday to You, Happy Birthday to You, Happy Birthday Dear SMSA, Happy 29th Birthday to You! SMSA is now 29 years young and it's time to celebrate once again! The elegant atmosphere and excellent food at the Tavern in the Village will provide the perfect setting for our celebration on March 10. Come be a part of this wonderful evening where we honor our founders and toast the birth of SMSA. Our Social Governor, Sandy Leitner, has planned an elegant evening for everyone, so join us as we raise our glasses to SMSA!

It's Frostbite Time Again! Find your cold weather gear and get your boat ready for *The Wharf Spring Frostbite Series!* The starting line is waiting for you as the racing season officially gets underway! If you can't make it out on the water,

come on by The Wharf and enjoy the atmosphere indoors. Think spring and warm breezes. It's time to go racing!

The SMSA Needs Your Help!

- *Race Committee Duty Volunteers* – Whether it's for Wednesday or Thursday night racing in the river or a weekend race on the Bay, SMSA needs you for race committee duty! Race committee is a great way to have fun on the water and learn more about racing at the same time. If you're interested in signing up, please contact Race Governor, Shawn Stanley, Wednesday Night Coordinator, Jeff Kumke, or Thursday Night Small Boat Coordinator, Don Behrens.
- *Rendezvous Host and Co-Hosts* – Would you like to host or co-host a rendezvous this season? This is a great way to meet new people and add your own special touches to our rendezvous parties! There are still openings for hosts and co-hosts, so contact our Social Governor, Sandy Leitner, if you'd like to volunteer.

SMSA Happenings in March and April

- ★ 3 March – Sailing Seminar @ the Clubhouse 9:30 AM
- ★ 4, 11, 18, 25 March – The Wharf Spring Frostbite Series Racing
- ★ 10 March - SMSA Happy 29TH Birthday Party @ The Tavern in the Village 6:30 PM
- ★ 24 March – SMSA Clubhouse Spring Cleanup 9:00 AM
- ★ 30 March – Racing Rules Seminar @ the Clubhouse 7:00 PM
- ★ 31 March – Nautical Flea Market Fundraiser @ the Solomons Firehouse 10:00 AM
- ★ 7 April – Opening Day Festivities @ the Clubhouse 9:30 AM

Happy Birthday SMSA! Happy St. Patrick's Day!
Jan Buckler, Commodore

SECRETARY

DRAFT MINUTES BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING FEBRUARY 1, 2001

OFFICERS AND GOVERNORS PRESENT-Jan Buckler, David Arbuthnot, Dan Schneider, Sandy Leitner, Karen Moore, Char Frost, Gail Goode, Walt Rupp, Shawn Stanley, John Herbig and Barbara Miller.

MEMBERS PRESENT- Jay Hanks, Paul Grisso, Dave Pedersen, Laura Knapp, Maggie Weir, Jeff Kumpke and Barbara Herbig.

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 PM.

Secretary- The minutes from the January meeting were approved.

Treasurer- David presented the latest update on the 2000 budget. The largest variance from budget were additional administrative expenses due to professional services. A copy of the budget report will be included in the original of the minutes. In order to balance the 2001 budget, \$6000 of Screwpile money will be used for RC boat repairs and on a hoist for race marks. We need to consider a dues increase for next year. Governors, please give David your month to month spread of the 2001 budget requests.

Facilities- Dan met with Matt Gambrill. Matt is not going to change the size of the septic drain field. Porta-potties will be provided for large events held at the clubhouse. The toilet on the first floor has been repaired. The showers will be capped to prevent their use to lessen the risk of flooding the drain field.

An agreement has been negotiated for the use of the hoist for launching and retrieving small boats. The hoist will also be used to haul and launch our race marks.

One of Matt's associates reported that he found doors left unlocked at the clubhouse. The fuel oil tank was overfilled during the last delivery. This was cleaned up by the oil company. The white shed is going to be cleaned out so that the Junior Program may use it.

Social- The General Meeting is scheduled for February 10th at the Holly II Building in Hollywood.

The SMSA Birthday Party is on March 10th at Tavern in the Village.

Opening Day is April 7th. BOG members are reminded that they supply the food for this event.

Publicity- Karen says send your articles to *The Clew* by February 13th.

Membership- Char reports the following application for membership:

Joel and Mary Bergsman of St. Leonard have a Morgan 34 called Calypso. They are sponsored by Jay Green. John Herbig made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Sandy and David. The motion was approved by voice vote. Welcome to SMSA!

A list of volunteers has been provided to the governors from information on membership renewals.

Race- Shawn got a list of volunteers for RC duty from Char. CBYRA has not sent back the proofs for the Green Book yet. Stewart Buckler will contact CBYRA to hurry them along.

Rendezvous will be at 3 (the tripod) instead of at D. There may also be a time change. A Race Committee Seminar will be held at the clubhouse on February 17th. A postcard will be sent with the pertinent information.

Cruise- Walt is hosting a cruise-planning meeting on February 3rd. Amy Moore from *SpinSheet* Magazine will be there. Cruising awards will be presented. Walt encourages all cruisers to attend the RC seminar. At the planning meeting cruise leaders will be chosen.

Women's -Gail reported that Walt Rupp would lead the seminar on GPS, navigation and boat electronics. Seminar dates are March 3rd and April 21st. The seminars are open to all members. Gail is working on the preparation for the Marcy Series in June, lining up a RC committee and chefs for the crew breakfast.

Junior- John and helpers moved all the Opti's to their shed and has scheduled repairs.

Commodore- Jan reports that Karen needs all event schedules by February 17th to meet the deadline on the 23rd.

Unfinished Business-The Bareboat Charter Committee met last Thursday, January 25th. The agreement was reviewed and discussed. A grant letter must still be written to ask SMSF for the use of their assets. A revised and updated version of the charter agreement will be sent out to members of the committee. (The changes are to grammar and spelling.) A lawyer for SMSA will review the agreement after the BOG accepts it. Dan Schneider will send the agreement to a lawyer for the SMSF. The grant proposal has been started covering the use of boats, by Jan Buckler with comments from BOG members. Gail Goode would like to thank the members of the committee for their diligence and good work.

Dan made a motion to send the agreement to the respective lawyers, seconded by John, which passed unanimously. Version MOD8 is what goes to the lawyers.

New Business- A discussion was held regarding the Junior Program. The junior program includes Opti's, SMSF 420's, the summer camp, high school sailing, training, and the Sunday program. The safety boat's engine is being looked at and may need service. There is one kayak, as one was stolen last year. A second kayak would be useful when teaching children, for approaching their boats to assist them. A large fleet of El Toro sailors on the Eastern Shore will be contacted for advice on fixing the mast steps. Dan knows a man who could make new mast steps for the El Toros. An instructor must be found for the summer camp. A US Sailing certified instructor would be preferred. The format may be changed from two weeks to one. Is the instructor a SMSA employee or an independent contractor? The IRS can be asked to decide. Any time anyone does work for SMSA an invoice should be obtained for services rendered. Sunday Program parents must stay if their children are under a certain age.

Jan would like to see programs offered to SMSA members first before others with a specific deadline.

Announcements for the camps run in a community service ad at no cost to SMSA. No ad ran last year. Part of the bareboat charter agreement grant proposal covers the use of boats/maintenance/responsibility for high school sail training, Sunday training, Thursday Night Racing, Junior Camp and adult sail training .

Adopt-A-Boat Program- members will be responsible for caring for the boats. They will work with the children using the boats. In camp, children are assigned boats.

*Insurance-*Jan will review and investigate insurance rates, coverage and companies for better terms.

One last note- Please consider carefully what you submit to The Clew as it can be accessed through the SMSA website and seen by non-members.

What sort of impression are your remarks going to make?

The next meeting of the BOG is Thursday, March 1st at 7:30 at the clubhouse. All SMSA members are welcome to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM.

Barbara Miller, Secretary

CRUISE

The cruise planning meeting held at the SMSA clubhouse on February 3 was the major cruising event for the month. Postcards designed by Janet were sent out to all sailors on the mailing list announcing the meeting. About 60 SMSA sailors were in attendance to enjoy breakfast and lunch as they provided inputs to the SMSA cruise schedule. The highlights of the meeting were a visit by Amy Moore, the Editor for the cruising section of the Chesapeake Bay publication, *SpinSheet*. Amy gave a short talk about the purpose of her editorship and left survey forms to collect information on our cruising activities. She asked for articles to be submitted to her for the cruise section of *SpinSheet*.

She suggested that the articles include cruise experiences and pictures of SMSA cruising activities.

First, second and third place cruising high point awards were presented to Dottie and Curt Hamilton, Kendra and Bill Palmer and Kris and Ron Hoile for their extensive 2000 cruising activities.

We had an active discussion of the cruising dates and destinations that will make up the 2001 cruise schedule. A draft of the 2001 schedule with cruise leaders, dates and destinations is included at the end of this issue of *The Clew*.

Several planned cruises include a voyage up the Potomac River to Washington, DC, a one week circumnavigation of the Delmarva Peninsula, and an on-the-water "Christmas in July" raft-up. We also have plans to coordinate some of our cruises with the Chesapeake Bay Pearson Sailing Association and include sailors from the Navy Patuxent Sailing Club.

My thanks go to all the volunteers who assisted Janet and me with the planning, preparation and serving of the breakfast and lunch on the 2nd and 3rd of February. Thanks to Sammy Evans, Gail Goode, Maggie Weir and Donna Miller for special goodies and to Paul Eubank, Gerry and Marilyn Eastwood, Rita and Frank Gerred, Dottie and Curt Hamilton, Charlotte Mahood and Rod Schroeder for setup and cleanup. My deep appreciation goes to Janet with out whom I would still be working to bring this cruising planning meeting to completion.

Janet and I will lead the first cruise up the Patuxent River to St. Leonard Creek to kick off the sailing season, weather permitting. Mark the opening day cruise date on your calendar following our Opening Day Ceremonies on April 7. As always, please contact me with any ideas, comments or suggestions to set a better course for your cruising program.

Two-Week Cruise Update

It seemed un-American not to have a two week cruise this summer so the Hamiltons, the Hoiles and the Eastwoods have agreed to work together to plan one. The departure date will be June 23. The plan is to go as far as Cape May, New Jersey going through the C and D Canal. We plan to spend at least two days at Cape May and then come back through the Canal and spend the 4th of July in Havre de Grace. The details for stops other than these will be provided in later editions but the reason for this note is to generate interest and to be able to plan for slips. If you think you might be interested and would want a slip then let one of us know right away as we will be calling soon for reservations. We also will gladly accept any ideas for stops along the way, especially if you know of some special events that might be taking place in some of the villages along the way. We are looking forward to a wonderful cruise.

Walt Rupp, Cruise Governor
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RACE GOVERNOR

Hello fellow sailors!

Please forgive my absence from *The Clew* during recent months as I have tried to come up to speed on my duties as Race Governor, and I apologize in advance for the length of this article. I trust everyone has been working hard on his boat to get ready for the 2001 sailing season. As of February 12, we have approximately 30 members that have paid their seasonal race fees for 2001. Keep those checks coming in, and keep heading to the boat store to buy your paint, sandpaper, elbow grease, etc. The sailing season is only a few weeks away, with the Frostbites starting in mere days from when you read this.

A few items of note for 2001:

New 2001-2004 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)

The new racing rules will be effective on **April 1, 2001**. Please remember to sail under the old rules for The Wharf Spring Frostbite Series in March. Please refer to your 2000 Race Circular for the sailing instructions and additional details. US Sailing plans to publish the RRS for 2001-2004 sometime this spring. The ISAF version is available at <http://www.sailing.org/rrs2001/default.html>

“New” rules from ISAF which are part of the current 1997–2000 RRS

As of this writing, US Sailing is working with the ISAF on a solution to ISAF’s new “eligibility code” section of the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), which went into effect on **January 1, 2001**. For more information on this new code, which does affect many sailors related to the SMSA racing program use this link:

<http://ussailing.org/pressreleases/2001/EligibilityCode.htm>. An excerpt from the press release follows:

The new ISAF Eligibility Code creates a problem for some US sailors. The code is generally the same wording as the appendix (K) it is replacing with one major difference. Effective immediately, in order to compete in almost any race, a sailor must be a member of his or her national governing body (US SAILING) or an affiliated club or other organization. This rule effectively prohibits a boat from taking on a crew member that is not a card-carrying member of a club or US SAILING.

This basically means that a boat carrying a crew-member without US Sailing or affiliated organization membership can be protested if they choose to sail. For now, do not make too many changes to your existing 2001 racing plan regarding this issue. It would be great to have all crew from all SMSA racing boats as members of SMSA, but I understand that isn’t a rational alternative for everyone. These and other details were discussed at the race program seminar on February 17. I hope you attended this important seminar. More information regarding this and other issues will appear in future issues of *The Clew*, and on the SMSA website. Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this item.

SMSA RC Boat at Opening Day

Please be sure to come to Opening Day Ceremonies. The Race Committee Boat will be on display at the clubhouse, and we will have an informal seminar on basic how-tos of the RC boat, and some of its features.

Have you signed up for Race Committee?

Please remember that SMSA is a volunteer organization and we cannot survive without dedicated members and volunteers. Please take a few minutes to pick out a race for which you could be race committee and sign up, so that we can all enjoy a full season of sailing. If you have never done RC before, please contact me. I will be happy to assist you in preparing for this fun and easy way to help out **YOUR** club. We have many experienced members who have volunteered to assist in handling the RC boat, a common concern among new RC volunteers. Contacts for the various programs are:

Formal Race Program: Shawn Stanley (301) 863-1955, sstanley@paxr.veridian.com

Informal Race (Wed nights/river races): **Jeff Kumke** (301) 872-5421, kumkeja@navair.navy.mil

Small Boats (Thurs nights/weekends): **Don Behrens** (301) 862-2281, dbehrens@heronsystems.com

SMSA Race and Cruise Programs to have joint events in 2001

Your Cruise Governor (Walt Rupp) and I have been working hard to try to continue some joint events for 2001 to unite both racers and cruisers and continue to foster positive experiences in our close and friendly SMSA organization. An event, which is gaining popularity, is the **Vice Commodore's Cup** to St. Mary's City in June. Another great joint event is the **Double-Handed Race** in May. A great way for racers to get involved in cruising is to pick a weekend cruise to attend. There are many short distance overnight cruises that are great starters for racers wanting to try their hand at cruising. One of note is the **Mixed-Couples Race** to Battle Creek in August. Please check upcoming issues of *The Clew* and the SMSA website for more information

regarding these and other possible joint events planned for 2001.

Hurry up, warm weather!

Shawn Stanley, Race Governor
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SOCIAL

I want to thank LG and Merrie Ruth Raley for providing the space for our February planning meeting and for helping me set up. Thanks also to Maggie Weir for the delicious pound cake!

Upcoming Events:

April 7, 2001: 10:00 AM Opening Day at the clubhouse. This is a great time to mingle with old friends and meet new members. The BOG members will provide the breakfast foods and there will be \$1.00 Mimosas and Bloody Marys available. There will also be oysters, live music, beer and the Kangas' famous breakfast burritos!

We need volunteers to help cook and shuck the oysters, so contact me if you are interested in helping out.

May 5, 2001: There will be a 4:00 PM **Rendezvous** after the Double-Handed Race. I need volunteers to host, set-up, and clean-up. There will be more information about this event in next month's issue of *The Clew*.

As always, any suggestions are welcome. You may contact me at (410) 326-1326 or SL_leitner@excite.com

MEMBERSHIP

At the February BOG meeting the membership application from Joel and Mary Bergsman was

approved by a unanimous vote. Jay Green sponsored the Bergsmans. Joel and Mary have a Morgan 34 named "Kalypso" and sail out of St. Leonard Creek. Some of us had the opportunity to get to know Joel and Mary at the cruising meeting in February. SMSA extends a warm welcome to our new members.

Please check your mailing label in *The Clew* and make sure the year 2001 is printed in the right-hand corner. If 2001 is not printed, you haven't paid your dues. Please submit ASAP so you will be listed in the yearbook and not miss any of the great activities planned for this coming year.

Char Frost, Membership Governor

WOMEN'S PROGRAM

With a New Year come many changes, from New Year's resolutions to new paint jobs on boats. The Women's Program is offering a number of new opportunities for all club members who wish to participate. I have received several inquiries about who may participate in the upcoming seminars. Please let me reiterate that the Women's Program sponsors these events for all club members and guests. The more the merrier! Our kick-off event will be on March 3 at the SMSA clubhouse.

I am currently working with the American Red Cross to offer **CPR training** in the morning and a **basic first aid afloat** clinic will follow in the afternoon. If you are interested in attending and receiving CPR certification I need to know ASAP. Anyone who wishes to attend and simply learn the techniques without becoming certified is also welcome. Remember that with certification comes an obligation to perform. The day will start with coffee and various goodies at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided for participants. We should finish about mid-afternoon.

March 17 has been set for our **basic navigation workshop**. The workshop will follow the same format as above with food/beverages provided. Jay Hanks and Walt Rupp will combine a wealth of experience with down-to-earth information on navigation in the morning session. The afternoon session will be a "GPS for Dummies" workshop. All participants are requested to bring their hand-held models to share with the rest of us. Speaking from experience, there is nothing like being handed a "foreign" GPS in the middle of the night and spending valuable minutes trying to find the power button and proper displays in the dark. We can't expect to become experts on each other's equipment in an afternoon, but some basic familiarity with various models and a chance to do hands-on comparisons of the different models should be enlightening.

If anyone attended the mini-*rendezvous* after the fall women's series race, you may remember that there was more than one contest going on that weekend. The second contest evolved as a result of the absence of Maggie Weir (who was on a well-deserved vacation). Without Maggie, there was no "Brownie Queen." The guest skipper of *FUBAR*, (who will remain nameless) threw out the comment that she thought her brownies were as good as, if not maybe better than, her mom's (oops). The rest of the crew took up the challenge and each made our own version of our "secret brownie recipe." After a great day of racing, the crew shared brownies with the rest of the participants being the generous souls that we are. What resulted could be described as a chocolate fest. I would like to extend that challenge to the crews of any boats planning to participate in the spring women's series. What I propose is a Battle of the Brownies. Each entrant is required to bake a pan of brownies to share after the race. Voting by secret ballot will take place after we have gorged ourselves, and a prize will be presented to the winner. All brownies will be served on "neutral" platters so that the baker will remain anonymous. Catchy names are encouraged! If you don't have a "secret recipe" this gives you plenty of time to start developing

one. I am sure that families/crews will be more than willing to help as taste-testers. All club members are invited to come out and join in the fun. We need your vote to help determine the winner!

Gail Goode, Women's Governor
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INFORMATION NOTES

SMSA NAUTICAL FLEA MARKET **Solomons Firehouse** **Saturday, March 31** **10:00 AM 'til 2:00 PM**

I hope everyone is busy cleaning out garages, basements, storage units, boat lockers and boats to get ready for the SMSA Nautical Flea Market on March 31 at the Solomons Fire House. Proceeds from the sale of tables and from the sale of items donated to the SMSA table will be used to benefit SMSA sailing education programs. A silent auction will be held for a previously owned seven-foot Avon inflatable. A flyer and registration form is included with *The Clew*. You can participate in several ways:

- ◆ Buy a table and sell your nautical items
- ◆ Donate nautical items for sale at the SMSA table
- ◆ Volunteer your time to help with publicity, set-up, clean-up, manning the SMSA table
- ◆ Tell your friends
- ◆ Attend the flea market and buy, buy, buy!
- ◆ Make a cash donation to help defray event costs

If you want to donate items to the SMSA table let us know by March 24. Please tag donated items with your name and suggested price, and bring them to the firehouse by 9:00 a.m. on March 31. Also, let us know if your item has a minimum acceptable sale price, and disposal instructions for

unsold items. If you are unable to bring donated items that morning, please call us to make other arrangements for pick-up.

Contact Gerry & Marilyn Eastwood (410-326-3109) or Pat & Rod Schroeder (301-863-0193) to purchase a table, donate items for sale, volunteer to help, or for more information.

THE RACERS EDGE

It's a mild Saturday afternoon in February and you, the famous skipper of the racing yacht, PEDAL TO THE METAL, are enjoying your Rum Stinger Cocktail (Rum with white creme de menthe) at the bar in Solomon's Pier Restaurant. The sunny clear day has drawn your mind back to last summer's Wednesday evening races which in turn has reminded you of that scoundrel Poulet Poop who skippers WEE WILLIE. Your thoughts are of all the times she protested you for "minor" infractions of the rules and had you disqualified from the race.

Just as you sigh deeply and take another slug of your Rum Stinger, a friend of yours who is also an SMSA member who races in the Wednesday evening series comes in and stops by to chat. After brief pleasantries and a round of Rum Stingers, you begin to sadly recount your incidents with WEE WILLIE, and then you discuss with your friend one in particular that really irritated you.

Both you and WEE WILLIE were approaching your class' starting line after the gun, on starboard tack in light winds; and both of you were pinching just a little to clear the pin end of the starting line. You were barely clear ahead and to leeward of WEE WILLIE and could not pinch up without fear of changing course too closely and thus not giving WEE WILLIE room to stay clear. So you maintained your course and hoped that you would not hit the pin. You did! Your quick mind immediately told you to tack around the pin, gybe,

and then start on a port tack having paid your penalty for hitting the starting mark by rounding the pin. You efficiently completed your maneuvers, and sailed onward on port tack only to hear Poulet Poop shout, "Protest". Confident that you were in no foul trouble, you completed the race, went to the Protest Hearing ... and were disqualified! Why?

Rule 31.2 requires you to "get well clear of the other boats as soon as possible, and take a penalty by promptly making one complete 360 degree turn including one tack and one gybe". Unfortunately for you, your rounding of the leeward pin did NOT include a tack as you sailed off after rounding on a port tack (thus your turn was only 270 degrees). Thus your disqualification ... and one more lesson from the school of hard knocks thanks to Poulet Poop. Another round of Rum Stingers eases the gloom. Fred Dellinger

EDITOR'S NOTE

No articles were received this month from the Vice Commodore, the Rear Commodore, or the governors for Facilities, Juniors and Publicity.

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

Thursday, March 15 at 5:00 p.m.

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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. sbuckler@olg.com

DATABASE

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

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Southern Maryland Sailing Association (SMSA) 2001 Cruising Schedule (Draft)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fleet</u>	<u>Cruise name</u>	<u>(Cruise Leader)</u>	<u>Destination</u>
<u>April</u>				
7-8	S	Opening Day Cruise	(Rupp)	Rollins Cove, St. Leonard Cr.
28-29	S	Weekend Cruise	(Miller)	Battle Creek
<u>May</u>				
19-20	S	Weekend Cruise	(Sloan)	
19-28	S,P	One Week Cruise	(Sloan)	Washington D.C.
26-28	S,P	Memorial Day Cruise	(McCabe)	Oxford
<u>June</u>				
9-10	S,P	Weekend Cruise	(Eastwood)	Hudson Creek, Little Choptank
6/24-7/8	S,P	Two Week Cruise	(Eastwood, Hamilton, Hoile)	Cape May, Delaware Bay
23-24	S,P	Vice Commodore's Race/Cruise	(Eubank)	St Mary's City
<u>July</u>				
6/30-7/1	S,P	Christmas in July	(Mcimory)	
7/30-7/8	S,P	Second Week of two week Cruise	(Eastwood, Hamilton, Hoile)	
<u>Aug</u>				
4-5	P	Race/Cruise to St. Mary's City	(King)	
25-26	S	Mixed Couples Race/Cruise	(Goodman)	Battle Creek
<u>Sept</u>				
7/31-9/3	S,P	Labor Day Cruise	(Arbuthnot)	Annapolis
22-23	S	Weekend Cruise	(Gerred)	Dunn Cove Harris Creek
22-30	S,P	One Week Cruise	(Hoile)	TBD
29-30	S	Weekend Cruise	(Marshell)	TBD
<u>Oct</u>				
5-8	S,P	Columbus Day Cruise	(Green)	TBD
13-14	P	Women's Cruise	(Goode)	TBD
27-28	S	Halloween Cruise	(Hanks)	Rollins Cove (By boat only)
27-28	P	Halloween Cruise	(Hamilton)	St. Mary's River
<u>Nov</u>				
13-14	P	Frost Bite Cruise	(Hoile)	TBD
13-14	S	Frost Bite Cruise	(Rupp)	TBD

Key: FLEET S = Solomons, P = Potomac

Saturday Night Rafts 2001 Schedule

For members who cannot accompany cruises in progress or if no formal cruise is planned, there are designated anchorage locations for Saturday Night Rafts in the Solomons and Potomac areas. These are potential gathering places for members who plan to spend weekends afloat near their homes. Saturday Night Rafts are not recognized as parts of the regular cruising program (no cruise leaders, no points, etc.), but they enable SMSA members an opportunity to meet each other for social evenings. The Saturday Night raft locations are:

Solomons Fleet

1st Saturday St. Leonard Creek/Rodney Pt
 2nd Saturday Cuckhold Creek/Mill Cove
 3rd Saturday Mill Creek, Solomons House Cove
 4th Saturday Back Creek (near Zahnisers)
 5th Saturday Helen Creek

Potomac Fleet

St. Mary's River, Horse Shoe Bend
 St. Inigoes Creek (near entrance)
 Yeocomico River
 St. Jerome Creek (near entrance)
 Smith Creek (near entrance)

If a SMSA boat is anchored at one of the above locations on a Saturday evening and would like to be joined by other SMSA boats, the SMSA burgee should be flown and fenders put over the sides. Guests would be welcome upon invitation.



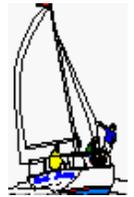
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1  BOG Meeting 7:30 PM @ Clubhouse	2	3  Sailing Seminar 9:30 AM @ Clubhouse (Sponsored by the Women's Program)
4  The Wharf Spring Frostbite Series Race #1	5	6	7	8	9	10  SMSA Happy 29th Birthday Party 6:30 PM @ The Tavern in the Village
11  The Wharf Spring Frostbite Series Race #2	12	13	14	15  Clew Inputs Due	16	17  St. Patrick's Day
18  The Wharf Spring Frostbite Series Race #3	19	20	21  Junior Program Summer Sailing Camp Registration 6:30 PM	22	23	24  SMSA Clubhouse Spring Cleanup 9:00 AM
25  The Wharf Spring Frostbite Series Race #4	26	27	28	29	30  Racing Rules Seminar 7:00-9:30 PM @ Clubhouse	31  Nautical Flea Market Fundraiser @ Solomons Firehouse 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM



April 2001



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>1</i></p>  <p>Daylight Savings Time Begins - Set Your Clocks Forward</p>	<p><i>2</i></p>	<p><i>3</i></p>	<p><i>4</i></p>	<p><i>5</i></p>	<p><i>6</i></p>	<p><i>7</i></p>  <p>Opening Day Ceremony and Brunch 9:30 AM @ Clubhouse RC Boat Familiarization follows Brunch</p> <p>Opening Day Cruise</p>
<p><i>8</i></p> <p>Opening Day Cruise</p>	<p><i>9</i></p>	<p><i>10</i></p>	<p><i>11</i></p>	<p><i>12</i></p>	<p><i>13</i></p>  <p>Tiki Bar Opening</p>	<p><i>14</i></p>  <p>Small Boat Kickoff Meeting 1:00 PM @ Bowen's Inn</p>
<p><i>15</i></p>  <p>Easter</p>  <p>Clew Inputs Due</p>	<p><i>16</i></p>	<p><i>17</i></p>	<p><i>18</i></p> <p>Zahniser's Wed Night Race #1 (Begin 1st Half)</p>	<p><i>19</i></p>	<p><i>20</i></p>	<p><i>21</i></p>  <p>Sailing Seminar 9:30 AM @ Clubhouse (Sponsored by the Women's Program)</p> <p>Junior Spring Warm-up Regatta</p>
<p><i>22</i></p>	<p><i>23</i></p>	<p><i>24</i></p>	<p><i>25</i></p> <p>Zahniser's Wed Night Race #2</p>	<p><i>26</i></p>	<p><i>27</i></p>	<p><i>28</i></p>  <p>Sharps Island Race</p> <p>Weekend Cruise</p>
<p><i>29</i></p>  <p>Spring Invitational Race</p> <p>Post-race mini- rendezvous @ Clubhouse</p> <p>Weekend Cruise</p>	<p><i>30</i></p>					