



The Commodore's Corner

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On November 7th, the first Saturday of the month, be sure to attend the Annual Membership meeting. Potluck Brunch will start at 9:30am, and the meeting will begin at 10am. Any write-in candidates in our annual election will be brought forth at this time.

We still have a great need for volunteers for the upcoming 2016 season. Are you a social person? The social committee needs you. The race chairs can always use a hand. Are you handy? How about joining the Facility Committee? There are many opportunities to help your club. Contact me at commodore@smsa.com, and I will point the way.

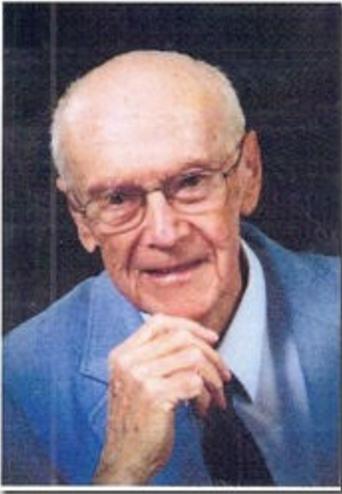
Many thanks to everyone who came out last month for the Chili Cook-Off and Oyster Scald. We went through a bushel-and-a-half of oysters and nine pots of chili! Bill and Nancy Riddell won the big prize of a dinner for two at Isaac's with their chili entry. Many, many thanks go to our volunteers who made the day a success. Jerry Taylor, Roman Pausch and Carl Kemp cooked the oysters; Jim Owens, Lois Zonderman and Dave Zonderman tended bar; Martha Kemp, Betsy Dodge, Polly Traynham and Lisa Flaherty helped work the food area and cleaned up afterward.

It's not too early to look forward to the Holiday Season. The Solomons Christmas Walk will be here before you know it! On Friday, December 4th, SMSA will host our annual Christmas Walk Open House. We will again have toy boats to build and a pool in which to sail them. Free holiday refreshments and snacks will be available to all that evening as we welcome guests. Santa Claus often visits, and you should too.

That Saturday, December 5th, we will have our annual Member's Christmas Party. Put it on your calendar now!

Frostbite Racing starts this month and runs Sundays through November 22nd. This is generally the final chance to get on the water for the season. If you are interested in crewing, check the SMSA Yahoo crewfinder group accessed on the front page of smsa.com. Don't forget, the bar is always open for a rendezvous and results after each day's race!

Tim!



Former SMSA member **Tim Keen** died in his Lusby home on Saturday, October 24th.

According to his obituary, Tim was an energetic, competent and determined man. He assisted a SIYC member Ken Lawyer in organizing and successfully developing the waterfront community at historic Spout Farm, despite being told "it will never get approved". (It was -- in 1981.)

Tim was a charitable and devout man who was a charter member of the Knights of Columbus organization founded at Our Lady Star of the Sea in 1986. Tim generously volunteered at the church and served to the benefit of many in our community

Tim and his wife June were married for over 66 years.

Services for Tim were held at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church on Saturday, 31 October, 2015. Tim's personal request was "No flowers. No donations solicited, but (if) anyone insists, give some money to the Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School."

June also notes that Calvert Hospice was supremely helpful in the care for Tim during his decline. Information for Calvert Hospice is available on-line at: <http://www.calverthospice.org/how-can-i-help/donate/>

Tim is survived by June, their 4 sons, 9 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and several of his siblings.

WELCOME TO THE YOUNGEST SMSA MEMBER!



CORA BROOKE YURKO

Jimmy and Kristi (and Annabelle) Yurko welcome new baby girl to the family, Oct 19.



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SMSA
ANNUAL
MEMBERSHIP
MEETING
SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 7TH,
2015

0930
POTLUCK BRUNCH

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MEETING

**BLOODY
MARYS
AND
MIMOSAs
AT THE BAR!**



US Sailing and SMSA Partnership



SMSA and US Sailing have entered into a partnership with the Member Value Partner (MVP) program. By joining US Sailing through this program, **you receive a discounted US Sailing membership!**

\$20 for youths (20% discount)
\$50 for individuals (17% discount)
\$75 for families (17% discount)

SMSA in turn receives credits for each member who participates (either by joining or renewing) that we can apply to bring more training programs, seminars and activities to the club; as well as purchase supplies and educational materials that our sailing program will use throughout the season.

Already a US Sailing member? Please let us know if we can include you within the SMSA MVP program and receive credit for your participation.

The more club members that participate, the more high quality programs can be offered at the club.

Included in your US Sailing membership, you will receive a copy of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and, enjoy a discounted or complimentary subscription to *Sailing World & Cruising World* (depending on membership level)

Thank you for your participation. Membership Matters!

Please join us in supporting training at SMSA and supporting the sport through US Sailing.

Contact Jimmy Yurko, at rearcommadore@smsa.com or go to the SMSA MVP page at ussailingmvp.com/SMSA to sign-up today!



**The SMSA membership continued to grow this summer.
Please welcome our newest members:**

Charles and Kim Stickney
Ryan and Sarah Aaron
Susan St. George
Troy and Marci Kornacki
Jim Barko
Silke and Dirk Burgbacker
Daniel Weida
Van Plummer
Erik and Kristen Gyorgy
James and Jill Wetzel
Joel and Elizabeth Campbell

Mackenzie Karn
Mariana Rutherford
Adam Copeland
Deniz and Gail Akkor
Kim and Chris Franks
Elizabeth and Paul Meyer
Roman Pausch
Dan and Shannon Williams
John Auman
Barbara (Basia) Hutniczak
Dennis and Dorothy Radar

Join the Ocean Research Project team as a FISH FINDER and do your part to better our understanding of marine biodiversity across the Eastern Seaboard and beyond!

Anybody going down the inter-coastal waterway this Fall or taking jumps to Florida and the Caribbean? Check out this program you can sign up for and sail for science as a citizen scientist cruiser.

Ocean Research Project is a non-profit 501(c)3 based out of Annapolis, Maryland that sails extensively worldwide for science, education and exploration in order to encourage the sustainability of the oceans. Currently, they are recruiting citizen scientist cruisers over the next several months to help map out the migration of marine species. No one scientist can collect all the data necessary to gauge marine biodiversity loss and the changes in species behavior relative to emerging oceanic threats such as climate change, ocean acidification, and marine debris pollution. This crowd-sourced data could really help advise natural resource fishery managers on sustainable management practices.

They are working with Smithsonian to share significant knowledge of marine species whereabouts internationally through the Ocean Tracking Network. Sail your boat on your own adventure. Just take a few notes while you are on anchor after lowering our fish detection equipment over the side. Fill out their online application now click by going to

<http://oceanresearchproject.org/citizen-science/>

Can you imagine if every snowbird participated in the Fish Finder Program, how many fish finder detections could be made in one season? If you have any questions, please contact Nicole Trenholm at trenholm.orp@gmail.com.

Cruising Corner

Rod Schroeder,
SMSA Cruise Chair
cruise@smsa.com



7 November 2015— Cruise Planning Meeting:

Accolades to Jerry Taylor (Piper) who has volunteered to take on the duties as Cruise Chairman for the 2016 season. While this year's cruising experiences are still fresh in our memory, now is a good time to discuss destinations for next year and to establish a draft schedule to integrate with the rest of the plans for SMSA in 2016. We will meet at the clubhouse on 7 November at about 1100 after conclusion of the Annual Meeting and elections. Even if you are not a dedicated cruiser, your input is valuable to the planning process. If you are unable to attend the Planning Meeting, please provide your ideas to Cruise Chairman Jerry Taylor at jerry@jerrytaylorhomes.com or (cell) 410-474-6834 for consideration.

A successful SMSA cruising season comes to an end with the Halloween Raft-Up in Mill Creek on 24 October. As our snowbirds head south for the winter, the rest of us hope to still cross paths with members who are enjoying some nice fall sailing in the local area while thinking about our winter projects.

Enjoy the rest of the season.

Burgee Exchanges

Our Commodore helped grow our burgee collection last month, while guest sailors were visiting for BNAC.

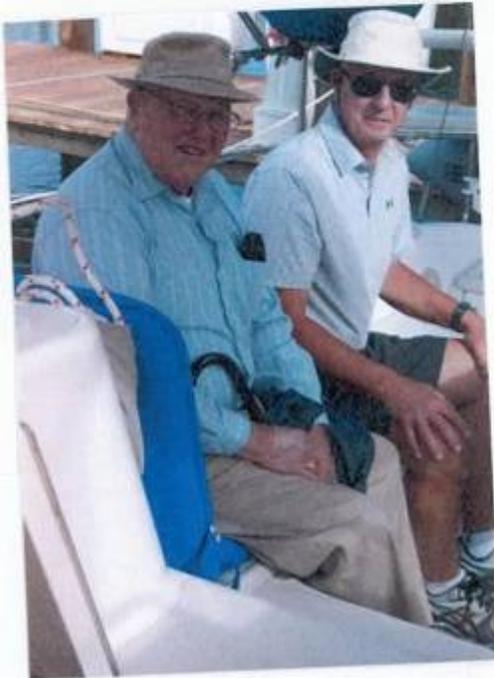




The following is a thank you letter we received from the Wellness Director at Asbury Solomons, Dennis Poremski:

I am writing to say Thank you! Thank you so much for your extraordinary efforts that allowed Mr. Woodall, resident of Asbury Solomons, to enjoy an incredibly beautiful sail with Rod and Pat Schroeder. Mr. Woodall mentions his trip and time at the helm just about every day. You made a huge difference in this man's life!

All the best,



Mr Woodall's chaperone, Mr Woodall, Rod Schroeder, Pat Schroeder, all on board Ruste Nayle



REMINDER:
Please Return Your Perpetual
Trophies to the Club!

ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF and OYSTER SCALD



Another success
thanks to dedicated
member volunteers!

SMSA Social Corner

While the racing and cruising are coming to a close for the year, the social scene is heating up. September and October saw great club turnout for the Crab Feast and Chili Cookoff & Oyster Scald.

FROSTBITE RACE and SOCIAL:

November will bring Frostbite Socials after the Sunday afternoon Frostbite Races. Looking for a warm meal on a Sunday evening? Come and join us! Food usually starts at about 3:30pm and runs about \$5 per person.



DECORATE SMSA FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Monday, November 30th, 5:30pm

We will be **decorating the SMSA clubhouse for Christmas** on *Monday evening, November 30th* at 5:30pm. We are in need of volunteers to help hang lights, put up the Christmas tree, garland, etc and get the clubhouse ready for the season. Please contact social@smsa.com to help with decorating.



Annual Christmas Walk Open House

Friday, December 4th starting at 5pm.

Join us for cookies, hot chocolate and cider as well as boat building and racing for the kids. Christmas Tree lighting will occur at the Solomons Boardwalk Gazebo. Santa will arrive on a fire truck and will visit SMSA!



SMSA Member's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 5th at 6pm

Bring the family and join us for a potluck Christmas party. The SMSA clubhouse is a prime spot for watching the Solomons Boat Parade of Lights as they pass by in the river. Enjoy the fireplace and the company of your fellow club members. Those wishing to enter their boats

SMSA Ski Trip
Sunday River, Maine
Jan. 17 – Jan. 22, 2016
Non-Flyer \$630.00 per person
Flyer \$870.00* per person
Senior/Junior Discount \$20.00

*estimate based on airline cost, final cost may be adjusted at the time of airline reservation.

Single occupancy is an additional \$244.00

Additional pricing is available for more than 2 people per room, contact trip leader for cost.

Includes

Flight from BWI to Manchester, NH via Southwest Airlines (TBD)

RT Ground transportation between Sunday River and Manchester Airport (gratuity included)

Five nights at The Grand Summit Hotel

Amenities: Pool, health club, Spa, Massage, camp

5 day lift ticket plus Sunday night arrival (4-8 pm) ticket (pending night ops schedule)

5 Group Lessons

Discount Learn to Ski rates

Daily full breakfast buffet (gratuity included)

Group Dinner (gratuity included) (details to follow)

Pizza party on Thursday

Payment	Due	Flyer	Non-Flyer
Deposit	09/25/2015	\$200.00	\$150.00
1 st Payment	10/14/2015	\$220.00	\$160.00
2 nd Payment	11/11/2015	\$225.00	\$160.00
3 rd Payment	12/09/2015	\$225.00	\$160.00
TOTAL:		\$870.00	\$630.00

All payments are fully refundable before 11/22/2015, 50% refundable before 1/07/2016, no refunds after 1/07/2016. If flying no refunds for airline tickets.

A **SECURITY DEPOSIT or credit card for each unit** is required on arrival. Charges will be incurred for unit damage, excessive cleaning, and/or unreturned keys. NOTE: Pets are not allowed on Sunday River properties.

Make checks payable to St Mary's Ski and Sport Club and provide to the Trip Leader.

Trip Leader:

Lester Griffith

43231 Cedarwood Ct.

Leonardtwn MD 20650

phone 240-434-6823

e-mail: lcgriffith@hotmail.com

SMSA SKI TRIP (CONT.)

We will be combining our trip with St. Mary's Ski and Sport Club in order to obtain a group discount. Sunday River has 8 peaks joining to make a varied ski experience for all levels of skiers. There are 135 trails and 5 terrain parks giving plenty of opportunity for skiers and boarders alike. Lift lines are almost non-existent once you venture away from the main lodge allowing you to maximize your time actually skiing/boarding.

For those who have never skied before, there are discounts available for Learn to Ski/Board lessons. For those who already know how to ski but could use a few pointers and updated techniques, there are free daily group lessons included with the trip. On the first day a free mountain tour with a resort guide will be available for anyone who wants to see what the mountain has to offer with groups divided by ability.

There will be several après ski events planned such as a group dinner and a pizza party giving everyone an opportunity to get together and share their ski adventures with others. Accommodations will be at the Grand Summit Lodge with ski in/out access to the mountain and free ski check at the hotel. There are many Restaurants at the resort and nearby, all accessible by free shuttle buses.

SMSA 2015 CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

Sun, Nov 01		Fall Frostbite series #1
Fri, Nov 06	5:30 PM	Happy Hour
Sat, Nov 07	9:30 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM	Annual Member Potluck Brunch Annual Member Meeting Cruise Planning Meeting
Sun, Nov 08		Fall Frostbite series #2
Fri, Nov 13	5:30 PM	Happy Hour
Sun, Nov 15		Fall Frostbite series #3
Mon, Nov 16	7:00 PM	SMSA BOD Meeting
Fri, Nov 20	5:30 PM 7:00 PM	Happy Hour CLEW Inputs due Commodore's Dinner
Sun, Nov 22		Fall Frostbite series #4
Fri, Nov 27	5:30 PM	Happy Hour
Mon, Nov 30	5:30 PM	Clubhouse Holiday Decorating

DECEMBER

Fri, Dec 04	5:00 PM	Christmas Walk Open House Happy Hour
Sat, Dec 05	6:30 PM	SMSA Members Christmas Party
Fri, Dec 11	5:30 PM	Happy Hour
Sat, Dec 12		Freeze your BUCC Off!
Fri, Dec 18	5:30 PM	Happy Hour
Sun, Dec 20		CLEW INPUTS DUE
Fri, Dec 25		MERRY CHRISTMAS
Thu, Dec 31		New Years Eve Party

FOR SALE
'PIPER'
2008 Catalina 320 MKII, Sail #1128

Piper is a great bay boat for a cruising couple and a competitive racer as well with a PHRF rating around 181. We are reluctantly selling her as we plan to spend 6-8 months a year cruising and need a bigger boat to carry more STUFF! Piper spent her first three years on a fresh water lake. She is one of the last 320's built.

LOA 34'3", LOH 32'6", LWL 28'0", BEAM 11'9", DRAFT 4'4" wing keel. Yanmar 3cylinder, 29 HP, 1000 hrs. diesel is over powered and really pushes her. Fuel capacity 19 gallons, fresh water capacity 51 gallons, hot water heater 5 gallons, holding tank 20 gallons. Charles 30 amp battery charger and portable 850 watt inverter. Maxwell anchor windlass, 35# CQR with 75' chain, 150' rode and 22# Bruce claw anchor.

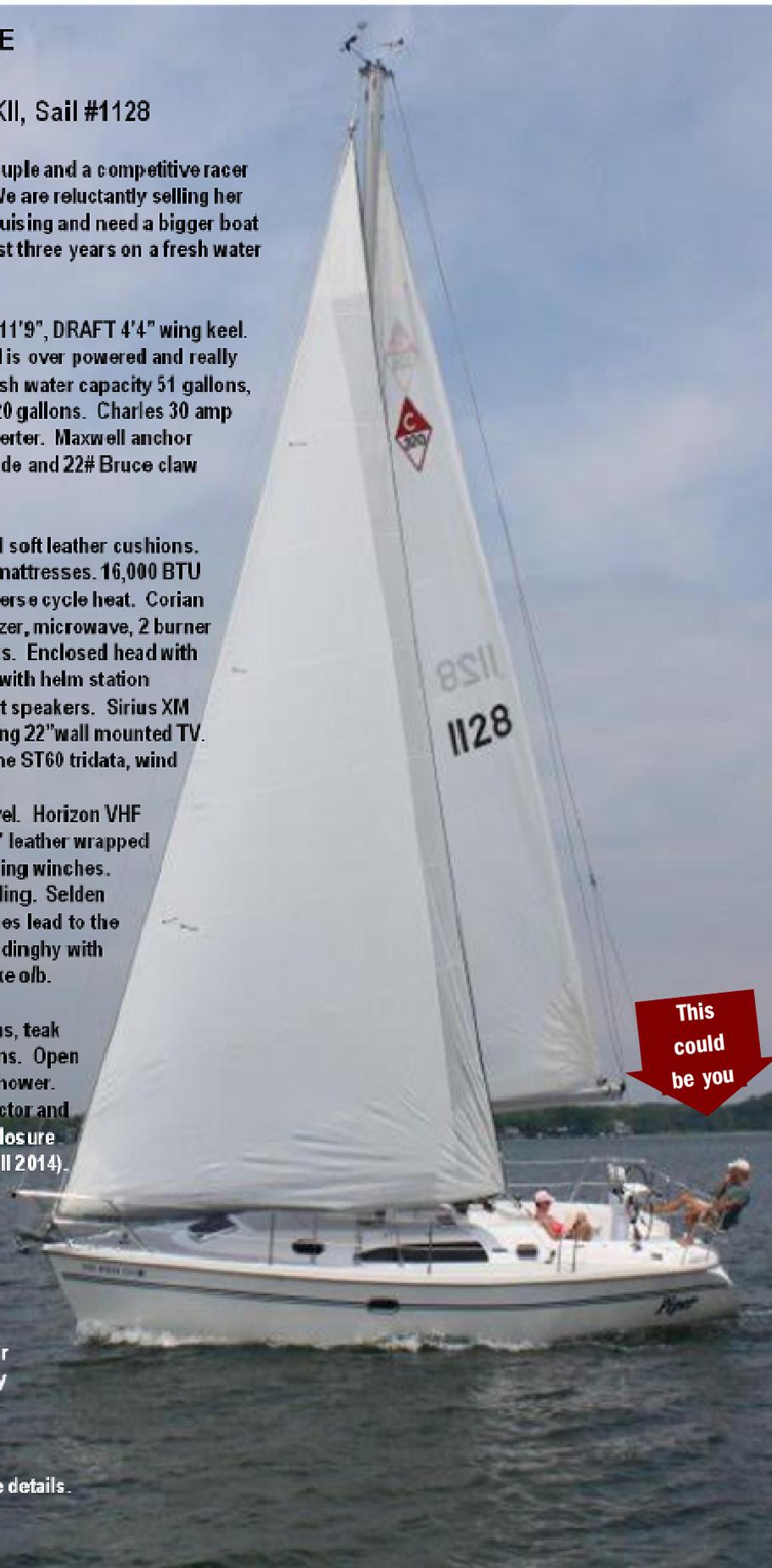
Light colored teak interior, cream colored soft leather cushions. The 'V' berth and aft cabin have 6" thick mattresses. 16,000 BTU factory installed air conditioning with reverse cycle heat. Corian counters, stainless steel refrigerator/freezer, microwave, 2 burner propane stove with oven and double sinks. Enclosed head with shower. Jensen Marine am/fm/cd stereo with helm station remote, Bose cabin and cockpit wing seat speakers. Sirius XM subscription with spare receiver. Samsung 22" wall mounted TV. Stern mounted cable TV outlet. Raymarine ST60 tridata, wind instrument and auto pilot.

Garmin 541 chart plotter with Edson swivel. Horizon VHF with ram-mic at helm station. Lewmar 40" leather wrapped folding wheel. Lewmar 30 and 46 self tailing winches. 150% genoa with Schaefer 2100 roller furling. Selden mast with in mast, main sail furler. All lines lead to the cockpit to control the sails. West Marine dinghy with lifting harness and 3.5 hp Mercury 4 stroke o/b.

Zarcor companionway doors with screens, teak cockpit table, gray piping cockpit cushions. Open transom with swim ladder and hot/cold shower. Light gray colored dodger, bimini, connector and cover for dodger (2014). Full cockpit enclosure panels (2014). Two, 4D AGM batteries (fall 2014). 100 watt Sunforce solar panel with MPPT controller to boost output up to 30% on a sunny day. All USCG safety equipment included along with Life Sling 2 and tube style radar reflector.

Included is a free slip at Solomons Harbor Marina until May, 2016. This boat is ready for great fall cruising or to leave for the Bahamas tomorrow!

Call Jerry Taylor at 410.474.6834 for more details.
Can be seen at the Holiday Inn slip C-5.
\$99,500 (firm)



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be you**



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