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Cruising Corner

Chuck Fort, Cruising Chair

As the cruising season continues, some reminders are in order to keep our rafting safe and free of unnecessary delays.

- Make sure you call in to "Whisker Pole" on the working channel (usually 78) at 1315 hours when it is requested on the Cruise List to let the Raft Captain know your location and expected time of arrival (ETA)
- Contact the raft captain on LOW power on the working channel 78 to announce your arrival at the raft site
- Stand-by on the working channel for your instructions
- Until you are entering the raft, all maneuvers in the vicinity of the raft should be at slow speed and at least 150 feet from the bows of boats in the raft
- If you arrive to the raft site early and anchor, lift your anchor and be ready to joint the raft once the raft construction begins
- Have at least two fenders, two spring lines, and a bow and stern line ready (out of the lockers, uncoiled, and ready to deploy)
- Crew should have a clear understanding of their roles for rafting
- Stay close to the raft site so you can come in quickly when called
- Set your fenders in the proper

- position as soon as you are called
- SOS custom is to pass the loop end of the line (or a bowline) to the boat you are tying up to. They may use the loop on the cleat, or they may use a cleat hitch at the direction of the skipper
- When you enter the raft, promptly secure all lines and be ready to receive the next boat
- Time is of the essence if every boat takes 10 minutes to be ready from the time they are called until they are ready for the next boat, a 25-boat raft built from both sides takes a little over two hours – if every boat takes 15 minutes, it takes over three hours
- Monitor the working channel until the raft is closed in case lines or anchor rodes need to be adjusted
- When the raft is closed, check your lines (no slack in any lines in a circle and no space between boats and fenders - no slack in anchor or spring lines in a linear and no space between boats and fenders.



Please join Dane Skagen in saying a final goodbye to Ursula Skagen during the raft up for the SOS Goose Cruise, October 21 and 22, 2023. Raft up will be on the Corsica River near 39 04.75N 76 07.175W.

There will be a simple sailors ceremony sending her to her final resting place; some words, some music and an offering to the sea on her behalf. Depending on weather, the ceremony will either be in the evening once the raft is closed or in the morning before the raft breaks up.

Ursula battled gallbladder cancer for 2 1/2 years and still lived life to the fullest during that time including many SOS events. Being involved with SOS was an important part of her life and her wishes were for an at sea ceremony with sailors, boats and friends. SOS friends supported her during her battle and especially near the end when she needed it most. She often mentioned how grateful she was to have such thoughtful and caring friends.

"Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well-preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming "Wow! What a Ride!"

— Hunter S. Thompson

Ursula truly lived.

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE

Bareboat Fun



This month, I would like to celebrate the awesome Bareboat program that we have in Singles on

Sailboats. Later in August, many of our members are leaving to charter eight boats in the San Juan Islands off the coast of Washington state! This is so exciting and such a huge benefit to our membership. Not many sailing clubs offer an opportunity to travel with like-minded friends and SAIL.

In past years, I have been fortunate enough to sail in Australia, Lake Huron, Lake Champaign, Vancouver, Maine, Mexico, Italy and of course the Caribbean with our Bareboat program! Others have been to Greece, Sweden and Croatia.

Exotic, yes! Fun, of course! But also, an opportunity that doesn't always present itself to singles. Each and every trip has made an impression on me, has broadened my horizons and made me a better sailor.

Our Bareboat Chair, Deb Kaufman and other chairs before her have worked diligently to create wonderful adventures for our members to experience. Recently, she sent out a survey to you to see "where would you like to go next?" Did you complete the survey? Thank you for doing so. Deb and her committee plan two trips per year (one in winter and one in late summer/early fall) to entice you to sail outside of our wonderful Chesapeake Bay.

I urge you to consider joining one of the upcoming trips! Both skippers and crew are needed to make this happen. Get out of your comfort zone and have some fun.

To the adventurers who are heading to the San Juans, **bon voyage** and have some local salmon for me! Have a safe and wonderful trip. Take lots of pictures for the Whisker Pole. Thanks also to Heide Harper and Doug Gage who coordinated the trip and handled the finances for it.

Meanwhile, I hope to see you all on the water soon!

Carole,

Commodore

Welcome New and Returning Members

Carol Brooks Annapolis, MD

Maisha M. Reisterstown, MD

Inna Martin Alexandria, VA

Suzy Valle Annapolis, MD

Aurora Watson Annapolis, MD

Don Yerger Philadelphia, PA

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Unofficial Board Notes July 6, 2023

Official July minutes will be posted on the SOS website when approved in August by the Board of Directors.

Commodore: Carole Jordan – No Report

Vice Commodore: Bob Wright - Town Hall is set for 4:00. The Board Meeting is set for 3:30.

Secretary: June Meeting Minutes

accepted

Treasurer's Report: Craig Coltharp

Club	Checking	\$21,011.28
Account		
Hi-Yield	Savings	\$73,531.24
Account		
Club Cred	dit Card	(\$8,642.59)
Bareboat	Account	\$89,523.09

Bareboat: Deb Kaufman:

San Juan Islands: Aug 25 - Sep 2, secured another skipper and had one crew drop out. Spring 2024 / Fall 2024 - Dates and coordinator to be determined. Ninety-seven members responded to the Bareboat 2024 Destination Survey. For Spring 2024, BVIs was the top destination with Grenada and Grenadines were evenly split after the BVIs. Fall 2024, the top destinations were Mallorca, Spain, and Newport Bay. Spring 2025 results: New Zealand Trip will be expensive. Newport three-week trip has been suggested with the use of SOS Boats. The "hired skipper" job description is under review.

Brunch: Suzanne Vaughn – No Report

Cruising: Chuck Fort

Many skippers are sailing both the weekend cruises, and weekend and weekday daysails. There continues to be weather, skipper, and boat related cancellations, but many crew are getting out to sail. There have been several skippers that have earned Skipper Rewards that can be used for shore-based events during the sailing season and off season.

Discussion has begun about exploring venues for shore based, sail to events, considering cost, location, and facilities.

Database: John McDonald

Membership:

	July 2023	July 2022	July 2021	July 2020
Members	229	239	206	396
Skippers	65	60	55	77
Lifetime Members	87	98	110	
Lifetime Skippers	20	23	20	
Inactive Members	18	21	18	·
Totals	404	423	409	473

Education: Bill Knapp - Will start to contact new members about assisting with the education committee. No Events in July.

First Mates: Nancy Parsons. The First Mates Cruise was a remarkable success five skippers brought a total of six First Mates and two First Mates Emeriti

Membership: Pat Tracey, Gail Williams; Eight new members attend our first new member happy hour at the Broken Oar, located at Nabbs Creek Road Marina, Glen Burnie 21060. This was a highly successful event. New 2023 directories completed (300), and mailed out to 231 members, leaving 69 directories for new members. The on-line Directory is the source to go to with all corrections to date.

Public Relations: Janet Gonski, Karl Scible. Stout Gear store is open for orders — including the San Juan Bareboat tee shirts. We have reached out to Hospice organizers to obtain info on volunteering at the After Party on 9/16. We will participate in the October Boat Show. We have a tentative boat for the Parade of Lights.

Safety: Joan Tannen; Flare and Safety Day has been rescheduled for September 17 at Camp Letts.

Skippers Advisory: Laura Gwinn
I have been in contact with three

new skippers to welcome/mentor/advise of upcoming events. I will NOT return as SA chair next year.

Social: Noreen McGuire

Seafood Feast - August 19: Haven Harbor South will charge \$2000 facility rental in the future. They're giving it to us for \$500 this year. A five-member task force will meet to discuss a new. less expensive location for the future. Need clarification on who should be compensated for working events. Managers Event and coordinators doing the heavy lifting should not have to pay. It is permissible to allow an event heavy lifter to attend the party free.

Old Business:

Need to review SOS COVID policy, particularly skippers right to require COVID vaccination.

A Board of Elections is needed to assist John McDonald with and to verify election results on Oct 1st. Deb Kaufman and Paul will assist.

New Business:

NONE

The Skyrocketing Cost of Crabs (among other things!) impact SOS Seafood Fest

We all look forward to our Singles on Sailboats sailing parties every year — the DNR, Anniversary, and Seafood Feast. It's a place where we can see old friends, meet new ones, have a drink or three, and eat a hearty meal. The reality of the situation is that the cost to hold these events has, and continues to, rise considerably. Inflation doesn't exclude not-for-profit organizations, so we, the members, have to absorb the rapidly increasing prices for food, venues, and slip fees. That being said . . .

The Seafood Feast has traditionally included serving crabs -- soft, delicate, slightly sweet tasting meat that you have to work for to eat. Pound, crack, twist and pick, and finally you are rewarded with accessing the delicious delicacy of crab meat. The Social Committee will be providing crabs again for the 2023 Seafood Feast taking place on August 19 at Haven Harbour Marina in Rock Hall, Maryland. We are not going to disappoint you, but please understand that price of attending this party, at \$70, doesn't come near to covering the cost of the venue and crabs. Last year, the price of the party was \$65 and it resulted in a \$1600 deficit.

A recent article in the Annapolis Capital Gazette outlines the current price of crabs and suggests the cost might be a "breaking point for everyone". You can access the article here: https://www.capitalgazette.com/lifestyles/food-drink/bs-fe-crab-feasts-20230705-6sjyzbpizrh3fbq6ib24pns2ey-story.html

Communicating With or Among SOS Skippers

by Skippers Advisory Committee

There are different ways to communicate with SOS skippers depending upon the purpose.

1.) WHEN THE CLUB WANTS TO SEND A MESSAGE TO ALL SOS BOATOWNERS and skippers emeritus, a message is sent to all of them using the communication facility that is part of the SOS website.

Even though the addressee of these messages might make a skipper think they were the only one receiving the message, it will have been sent to all boatowners and skippers emeritus. It will be from SOS SKIPPERS and will explain in a footnote that THE MESSAGE IS SENT USING MEMBERCLICKS.

Using Reply or Rely All when these messages are received will send your response to all SOS boatowners and skippers emeritus whether or not they would have any interest in your response. IF YOU WANT TO RESPOND TO THE PERSON WHO GENERATED THE ORIGINAL SOSSKIPPERS MESSAGE, YOU SHOULD RESPOND NOT BY USING REPLY OR REPLY ALL but by using that person's email address listed in the Directory or on the website under "Find A Member" when you have signed in to www.singlesonsailboats.org..

2.) When an event coordinator or committee official wants to communicate to a subgroup of SOS boatowners such as those who have signed up for a particular sail or other event, they will generally use a list of those participant's email addresses to communicate only with interested individuals.

Using Reply for a response to these limited messages will only send your response to the person who generated the email. Using Reply All will send your response to that person plus all other addressees.

3.) WHEN A MESSAGE IS SENT TO <u>SOSskippers@groups.io</u> for members of this, the Singles On Sailboats official means of communication between SOS skippers, the message will be sent only to SOS skipper members, skippers emeritus, and others with a need to know and chose to participate in the exchange of information of interest to skippers. THIS IS THE WAY TO COMMUNICATE WITH THESE MEMBERS ABOUT GENERAL INFORMATION OF INTEREST TO SKIPPERS ABOUT SAILING, NAVIGATION, OR OTHER SUBJECTS OF INTEREST TO THIS GROUP.

Those who choose to join <u>SOSskippers@groups.io</u> can choose whether and how they receive posts to this group: individual message, digests, daily summaries, or no email (to just view messages on the group's website).

To become a member, go to <u>SOSskippers@groups.io</u> and click on "Apply for membership in this group" or contact <u>smallfavors@hotmail.com</u> and ask to be invited to join.

It is important to choose the appropriate method to contact SOS skippers to make sure your message is received by those with a need to know or who are interested in the message.



Fleet Exercises and Shore Leave

Please <u>email</u> your questions and request for directions to the coordinator.

If you are paying by check for any sailing event, a paper Sailing Registration Form must **accompany the check** mailed to the **coordinator**. A copy of this form can be found on the SOS website. All checks are to be made payable to <u>SOS, Inc.</u> The postmark is used as the mail in cutoff/deadline date.

Note: Individual request for refunds will incur a \$3 Administration Fee.

SOS COVID Safety Protocol

"All participants attending SOS indoor events must provide evidence of Vaccination and Boosting upon request as well as comply with the requirements of a specific venue then in effect".

"In addition, crew and First Mates must provide evidence of Vaccination and Boosting if requested by a skipper before sailing on their boat.

Members should expect to be denied admission without refund if they fail to comply with this policy".



August 1 Tuesday Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

be received by July 26 (9:00pm).

Coordinator: Michael Sommer Msommer414@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail August 1



August 5 Saturday Board Meeting – Open to all Members

Location: Galesville Memorial Hall. **Time:** 3:30pm (before Town Hall Meeting).



August 5 Saturday Town Hall Meeting

Destination: Galesville Memorial Hall. **Cost:** Member Meeting/Dinner: **Free.**

Non-Member: \$30.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must **Time:** 5:00-6:00pm Happy Hour, 6:00-7:00pm Dinner,

be received by August 1 (9:00pm). 7:00-9:00pm Meeting. Limit 100 persons.

Note: There is not a coordinated sail for this event. Skippers who wish to sail, may invite crew

and arrange for their own dockage or anchor out.

NO WALK-INS - If you do not sign up you will not get dinner.

Time to meet the Board of Directors candidates.

Coordinator: Bob Wright Robert.Wright.Bowie@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Town Hall Meeting



August 6 Sunday Regional Backyard Gathering

Location: Private home, Annapolis. Cost: No cost.

Directions upon registration.

BYO: Chair, Drink & Snack.
(Check with Host for Preference).

Host: Irene Aronian. Time: 2:00pm to 5:00pm.

Limit 15-20 people.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Members must be accompanied by

be received by August 1 (9:00pm). Member. No smoking, no walk-ins.

Coordinator: Janet Gonski <u>JGSunset@yahoo.com</u>

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Backyard Gathering Aug. 6



August 9 Wednesday Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must be received by August 2 (9:00pm).

Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

coordinator.

Coordinator: Samia AbdelWahed samia.wahed@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail August 9



August 12 Saturday Weekend Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

be received by August 6 (9:00pm).

Coordinator: Jeff Strauss <u>JeffS47@aol.com</u>

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail August 12



August 13 Sunday Weekend Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must

be received by August 6 (9:00pm). mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

Coordinator: Julie Fort jafort@comcast.net

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail August 13

August 13 Sunday Regional Backyard Gathering

Location: Private home, Montgomery Co, **Cost:** No cost.

Laytonsville, MD. BYO: Chair, Drink & Snack.

Directions upon registration. (Check with Host for Preference).

Host: Gerard de Valroger. Time: 2:00pm to 5:00pm.

Limit 25 people.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must **Note:** Non-Members must be accompanied by

be received by August 9 (9:00pm). Member. No smoking, no walk-ins.

Coordinator: Debbie Goldberg hidebbieg@yahoo.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Back Yard Gathering August 13



August 17 Thursday Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must

be received by August 9 (9:00pm). mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

coordinator.

Coordinator: Suzanne Ziska seziska@aol.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail August 17



Aug. 19/20 Saturday – Sunday Seafood Feast Cruise/Party

Destination: Haven Harbor South Marina, **Cost:** \$108 – Member or Non-Member.

Rock Hall. Party only: \$70.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Member may sail once with a member and must

be received by August 8 (9:00pm). mail a separate Registration form with a check to the

Party only: August 12, (limit 100).

Party only: August 12, (Ilmit 100). Party Manager: Noreen McGuire

Coordinator: Kathy Haven mskathha@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Seafood Feast Cruise/Party



August 22 **Tuesday** Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must Mail and online registrations must Note: mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

be received by August 16 (9:00pm).

Coordinator: Shirley Brooks shirleybbrooks@yahoo.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail August 22



Aug. 25 -7-Day Trip Friday to Friday 2023 Summer Bareboat Cruise Sept. 1

Destination: Members \$2,000 = Boat Cost and Admin Fee. San Juan Islands, Cost:

> Bellingham, Washington, USA. Air Fare and Insurance are separate.

Must be fully COVID vaccinated & Note: To Download Registration Form with Payment Note:

boosted to sign up for this trip Information:

San Juan Trip Registration per SOS requirements.

Coordinator: Heide Harper heide.patternpro@gmail.com

Go to San Juan Island Extended Cruise for more details.



August 26 Saturday **Weekend Day Sail**

Destination: Skipper's Choice. Cost: \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Mail and online registrations must Deadline: Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the be received by August 20 (9:00pm).

coordinator.

Coordinator: Cindy Turner Cynthia.turner@verizon.net

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail August 26



August 27 Sunday **Weekend Day Sail**

Destination: Skipper's Choice. Cost: \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must Mail and online registrations must Note:

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the be received by August 20 (9:00pm). coordinator.

Kathy Haven mskathha@gmail.com Coordinator:

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail August 27



Coordinator:

Mid-Week Day Sail August 30 Wednesday

Destination: Skipper's Choice. Cost: \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must Mail and online registrations must Note:

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the be received by August 23 (9:00pm).

coordinator

Barbara Wingrove BKWingrove@outlook.com To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail August 30

Sept. 1-4 Friday - Monday Labor Day, 4-Day Cruise



Destination: Sept. 1, Baby or Boby Owl Cove, **Cost:** \$76 – Member or Non-member.

Broad Cr, Choptank River. Sept. 2, Zahnisers, Solomons Isl. Sept. 3, Dun Cove, Harris Cr.,

Choptank River.

Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note:

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the be received by Aug 22 (9:00pm).

coordinator

Coordinator: Samia AbdelWahed samia.wahed@gmail.com To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Labor Day 4 Day Cruise

Sept. 6 Wednesday Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. Cost: \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

be received by August 30 (9:00pm). coordinator

Coordinator: Shirley Brooks shirleybbrooks@yahoo.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail September 6



Sept. 7 **Thursday**

_ocation:

Zoom option only. Contact

Board Meeting Time: 7:00pm to 10:00pm.

Commodore if interested in attending.

commodore@singlesonsailboats.org

Note: Open to all Members.

Sept. 8-10 Friday - Sunday

Eastport Oyster Boys Concert Cruise Cost: \$57 – Member or Non-member.

Note:

Destination: Shaw Bay, Wye River.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must be received by August 29 (9:00pm). Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

coordinator.

Coordinator: Shelley Castle heavyweatherfan@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here Eastport Oyster Boys Concert Cruise



Sept. 12 Tuesday

Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. \$19 – Member or Non-Member. Deadline:

Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must Mail and online registrations must Note: mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the be received by Sept.6 (9:00pm).

coordinator.

Coordinator: Suzanne Ziska seziska@aol.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail September 12



Sept. 16 Saturday **Weekend Day Sail (Hospice Cup)**

Destination: Skipper's Choice. \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must Mail and online registrations must Note: be received by Sept. 10 (9:00pm).

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

coordinator.

Weekend Day Sail

Coordinator: Chilo Obolensky theobolenskys@aol.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Hospice Cup Day Sail



Sept. 17 Sunday

Destination: Skipper's Choice. \$19 – Member or Non-Member. Cost:

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must

Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the be received by Sept. 9 (9:00pm).

coordinator.

Coordinator: Linda Casucci casuccili@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail September 17



Sept. 17 Saturday Flare and Safety Day

Location: Camp Letts. (New location).

Edgewater, Maryland.

Cost: Free - For all Members.

Time: 9:00am - 11:00am

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must

Note: Final details in this Whisker Pole.

be received by Sept. 15 (9:00pm).

Coordinator: Joan Tannen itkeuka@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Flare & Safety Day September 17



Sept. 21 **Thursday**

Coordinator:

Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. Cost: \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note:

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the be received by Sept.13 (9:00pm). coordinator.

Oktoberfest Cruise

Samia AbdelWahed samia.wahed@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail September 21



Sept. 23/24 Saturday - Sunday

Destination: Castle Marina, Kent Island, Cost: \$38 - Member or Non-Member.

Chester River.

(Walk-ins allowed).

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must

be received by Sept. 12 (9:00pm)

Note:

\$15 at the dockside for the German food & drink - Happy Hour, 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

coordinator.

Coordinator: Julie Fort jafort@comcast.net

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Oktoberfest Cruise



Sept. 27 Wednesday Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must

be received by Sept.20 (9:00pm). mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

Coordinator: Julie Fort jafort@comcast.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail September 27



Sept. 30 Saturday Weekend Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must

be received by Sept. 24 (9:00pm). mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

coordinator: Linda Casucci casuccili@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail September 30



October 1 Sunday Weekend Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

be received by Sept. 24 (9:00pm).

Coordinator: Teresa Scofield tscofield55@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail October 1



October 3 Tuesday Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 – Member or Non-Member.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must

be received by Sept.27 (9:00pm).

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Nancy Bromberg nbromberg78@verizon.net

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Day Sail October 3



October 5 Thursday Board Meeting

Location: Zoom option only. Contact Time: 7:00pm to 10:00pm. Commodore if interested in attending. Note: Open to all Members.

commodore@singlesonsailboats.org



October 7-8 Saturday – Sunday Chili Cruise

Destination: Hollendursky Cove past Pickering **Cost:** \$38 - Member or Non-Member.

Creek, Wye East.

Deadline: Mail and online registrations must **Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must

be received by Sept. 26 (9:00pm)

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator

Coordinator: Heide Harper heide.patternpro@gmail.com

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: Chili Cruise

In Memory of Arlette Braman



Former SOS member Arlette Naspinski Braman, 71, of Annapolis, Maryland, passed away on June 29, 2023, after a long battle with cancer. She is survived by her children, Callan Braman and Abigail Braman, life partner Jim Strocchia, and sisters Avis Neary and Michelle Ubben.

A genetic defect, Li-Fraumeni Syndrome (LFS), that affects one of the two P53 tumor suppressor genes, left her predisposed from birth to multiple types of cancer. It also affected her mother, Avis Burby, who died from breast cancer in her 30s. Arlette was a fierce cancer warrior, waging war against breast cancer three times, beginning at age 29.

Arlette was part of an LFS study group at NIH and donated her body for scientific research.

As she said, "I still believe in traditional medicine as it saved my life and gave me more years than I should have had with LFS."

In Memory of James Harrison



Former SOS skipper James Richard Harrison, II passed away on June 30 from a heart condition at age 75. He is survived by his beloved companion of Mary Vass, two children and two grandchildren.

Jim joined SOS in 2000 and skippered two boats in the club, *Painkiller*, a Catalina 320, and *Painkiller II*, a Hunter 45.

Jim especially enjoyed the marina and shore parties and always welcomed crew and friends onboard, usually serving his concoction of the famous Soggy Dollar Bar Pain Killer drink. He enjoyed bareboating in the BVI's and boating the Chesapeake on both weekend and long cruises from the Susquehanna to Cape Charles.

Jim grew up in Baltimore, graduated from Calvert Hall High School in Towson and Loyola University. Jim had worked as a contractor for many years as a Network Engineer for several government agencies.

Jim's funeral services and burial were held on July 7th in Essex, Maryland.

BIG Thank You to Richard and Peggy Green

The photo on the left of Jim Harrison receiving his burgee in 2001 was taken by Richard Green.

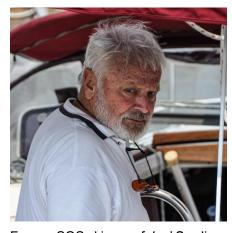
The Newsletter Editor asked Richard if he could find this photo to use in the newsletter.

Richard went into his attic and quickly found the slide because Peggy had organized and labeled all the slides by year and month – amazing!

Then Richard went one step further and converted the slide to a digital file to use in the newsletter.

Thanks to the Greens for once again making a huge effort to support SOS!

In Memory of Jim Kirk



Former SOS skipper of *Jus' So*, Jim Kirk, passed away after a long battle with lung cancer that metastasized to his brain.

A memorial service will be held on August 21 at 10:00 a.m. at Millersville Community Church St., 163 W. Frederick St, Millersville PA 17551. A light luncheon will be served afterwards.



Eric Swift

VA Backyard Gathering



VA backyard gathering at Chilo Obolensky



Hope Anduss



(L to R):

Karen Parsons
and Patty Toler

Cecelia Javier,
Linda Casucci
and Doug Gage



June 5th DaySail



Ray Harris



(L to R): Genienne Navarro, Marie Corbin, Cheri Comly and Skipper Ray Harris



Marie Corbin

Photographs submitted by: VA Backyard Gathering – Samia AbdelWahed June 5th DaySail – Pam Ledford

Memorial Day Cruise



New Skipper Steve Fisher



See below 'Top-Center Names'



(L to R): Chuck and Julie Fort



New Skipper Steve Fisher s/v Cloud 9



(L to R): Rita Svec, Marge Stembel, Jeanne Maroney, and Rich Stewart



(L to R): Ray Harris, Marie Corbin, Denise Friedman, and John Rogers



(L to R): Kathy Haven, Melinda Zimmerman, Suzanne Ziska, and Linda Casucci



(L to R): John Rogers, Marie Corbin, Suzanne Ziska, and Samia AbdelWahed



(L to R): Suzanne Väugnn, Ray Harris, Denise Freeman, and Melinda Zimmerman

<u>Top-Center Names</u> (L to R): Cherie Comly, Suzanne Ziska, John Rogers, Samia AbdelWahed, (Unknown person behind wheel), Rich Stewart, Jeanne Maroney, Marie Corbin, and Julie Fort

Anniversary Cruise and Party





Left Photo: Past Commodores - Right Photo: 30 years or more membership **NAMES LISTED BELOW**



(L to R): Linda Casucci and Judy Barral



Marge Stembel and the 45th Anniversary Cake



(L to R): Janet Gonski and Catherine Fox



(L to R): Heide Harper and Nancy Parsons



(L to R): James Cross and Gabi Van Wie



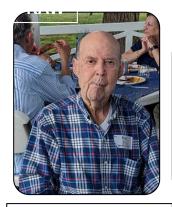
(L to R): Marge Stembel with Bob Wright presenting her 2022 Photo Award

<u>Past Commodores</u>: Janet Gonski, Sandy Huberleid, Meeps Yox, Emil Becker, John Halstead, Sandy Rosswork, Mike Swift, George Hollendursky, Carole Jordan and Debra Roane.

<u>30+ Memberships:</u> Ned Schwartz, Molly Harrison, George Hollendursky, Carol Niemand, Pat Clarke, Lynn Gilley, Walt Flowers, Jim Huber, Bev Nash, Doug Lansinger, Nancy Parsons, Marge Stembel, Mary Swift, Mike Swift, Beth Dumesco, and Debra Roane

Anniversary Party

(continued)



Walt "Spud" Flowers



(L to R): Heide Harper, Tim Delozier, Lora Donia, and Inna Martin (guest)



Shelley Castle



(L to R): Noreen McGuire and Samia AbdelWahed



Melinda Zimmerman



(L to R): Jerry Axler and Sandy Huberfeld



(L to R): Meeps Yox and Andy Katz



(L to R): John Rogers, Jill Montgomery and Phil Smith



(L to R): Mary Chevalier and Carole Jordan

Photographs submitted AS NOTED Samia AbdelWahed (SAW); Bob Wright (RAW)

NOTE FROM PHOTO EDITOR: Please include names with your photos so we can learn everyone's names.

Anniversary Party





(L to R): Maureen Wright, Linda Perkins and Fran Wright - Decorating



(L to R): Cathy Childs (NM) and Gail Williams



SOS members are cooling off in the pool.



(L to R): Doug Townsend and Marian Scheinholtz



The Food Line



(L to R): Laura Gwinn and Jim Cross



(L to R): Meeps Yox, Walt Flowers and Carol Niemand



Richard Jolkik



(L to R): John Halstead and Pat Clarke

Photographs submitted by Samia AbdelWahed (SAW); Bob Wright (RAW)

NOTE FROM PHOTO EDITOR: Please include names with your photos so we can learn everyone's names.

June 10th DaySail



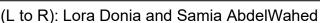
Well, not currently sailing (L to R): Jim Cross (NS), Chuck Fort, Tim Delozier, Samia AbdelWahed (front in black), Lora Donia, and John Rogers

June 11th DaySail



(L to R): Lora Donia and Tim Delozier







(L to R): Richard Joklik and Esther Massey

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Nancy Briggs, Classified Page Editor

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FOR RENT: Slips for rent for 30' long, 10' beam maximum-sized boats. Available immediately in Mill Creek (behind Cantler's Riverside Inn). Safe harbor for bad weather. Call Spud Flowers at 703-969-2048.

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8-23

We also have a limited number of 45th Anniversary wine glasses.



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SOS Celebrates Oktoberfest

Saturday, September 23, 2023 5 pm – 7 pm

Castle Marina Pavilion Kent Island



Sail in or walk in for Dockside Happy Hour with German Oktoberfest beer German Wines Bavarian Brotzeit Schmankerl

Cost: \$15.00

Cash at dockside; HH expense not included in cruising fee



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Hours to Jill Montgomery
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KEY WEST, FL: SOS HAPPY HOUR place and time to be Determined. Contact: TERRI AND KARL, 410-707-4319 or 267-221-6312

1st Wednesday

NOVA/DC: Aug 2nd 5:00-7:00 PM

MYLO'S GRILL, in the back dining room, 6238 Old Dominion Dr, McLean, VA. 22101. (in the Chesterbrook Shopping Cntr) 703-533-5880 www.mylosgrill.com

COORDINATOR: HOPE - hopeda@verizon.net

1st Wednesday

BALTIMORE: Aug 2nd 5:00-7:00 PM
MT WASHINGTON TAVERN, 5700 Newbury St., Baltimore,
MD 21209. 410-367-6903 www.mtwashingtontavern.com
COORDINATOR: PAT – ppttracey63@gmail.com

2nd Thursday

ELLICOTT CITY: Aug 10th 5:00-7:30 PM

La Palapa Grill, 8307 Main Street, Ellicott City MD 21043

410-465-0070 www.lapalapagrill.com

COORDINATORs: KATHY - <u>mskathha@gmail.com</u>

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3rd Wednesday

WILMINGTON: Aug 16th 5:30 PM

TIMOTHY'S Restaurant and Bar, 930 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 Wilmington Riverfront by Blue Rock Stadium, facing the waterfront. Drink and appetizer specials until 7PM. 302-429-7427 www.timothysontheriverfront.com

COORDINATOR: JULIE-<u>jafort@comcast.net</u>

3rd Thursday

ROCKVILLE: Aug 17th 5:00–7:00 PM

Seasons 52, 11414 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852 301-816-0369. Free parking at Whole Foods.

www.m.seasons52.com

CORDINATOR: DEBBIE - hidebbieg@yahoo.com

3rd Thursday

KENT ISLAND: Aug 17th 5:00–7:00 PM
THE DOCK HOUSE (in the outdoor bar area) 110 Piney
Narrows Road, Chester, MD 21619. 443-446-4477

www.dockhouseresturant.com

COORDINATOR: BARB - bbbrooksao@aol.com

4th Thursday

PHILLY AREA: Aug 24th 4:30 PM

DiFabios, 1243 Providence Road, Media, PA 19063 (location of the Old Rose Tree Inn) 484-444-0850. Great food, lots of parking. Gather in patio area.

www.difabiosevents.com

COORDINATORS: PATTI - evansapatti@gmail.com

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4th Thursday

ANNAPOLIS: Aug 24th 5:00-7:00 PM

THE PIER WATERFRONT BAR & GRILL, 48 South River Rd, Edgewater. MD.

Rt 2 on the south river bridge. If we are not in the bar area, we will be in the enclosed, heated upper deck.

443-837-6057 OR for their most up to date info, refer to their facebook page: The Pier Waterfront Bar & Grill

COORDINATOR: JEAN- jgough4you@gmail.com



Wilmington: Happy Hour

Left to right: Tim Delozier, Lora Donia, Chuck Fort, Lynn Winkler, Mostafa Nikkhody, Julie Fort, Rich Stewart, Gabi Van Wie, Banner Seagraves.

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Sailing & Gatherings!

Aug 1, 9, 12, 13, 17, 22, 26, 27, 30 - Day Sails

Aug 19/20 - Seafood Feast Cruise/Party

Aug 6, 13 - Regional Backyard Gatherings

Aug 5 - Town Hall Meeting