



Soundings

Newsletter of South Port Sailing Club

May 2009

Sail A Bration 2009 Sunday June 7th 'Sailor's of Pike Creek'



Attached to this month's newsletter on pg 11 is the reservation form for this year's Sail A Bration.

Launch Saturday, May 2nd

Launch will begin at 7:30 a.m. as usual. Please do not park in the laneway until both cranes have arrived. After this time, parking will be permitted on the north side of the laneway only. It is requested that any trailered boats that are not being launched are removed from the property prior to launch day. This will clear up some much needed space for what is always a congested (if not chaotic) day.

Also, when launching your boat, please remember that 'time is money'. Be ready when it is your turn: have your guide ropes hanging from your bow and stern, your can of anti fouling paint open, paint roller in hand if your are hoping to paint the bow and stern pads areas.

It may even be possible to enlist the help of a fellow member.

As always, stay clear of the cranes and pinch points, and do not walk beneath overhead lifts.

Safety is of the utmost priority. Should any questions arise during the launch, please feel free to ask the person in the orange vest directing the crane.

Finally, as cradles will be folded and stored as we launch, please bring any tools that are necessary to collapse your cradle. If you have a non-folding cradle, please ensure that it is stored in such a way that it can be removed from the property.

I look forward to seeing you at launch! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Wesley Arthur, Harbour Master



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Help needed on the Social Committee

Please contact Derek White, Social Chair and 'lend a hand' with Sail A Bration and other upcoming events at the club including Final Furl in November.



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Viewpointe Estate Winery Land Cruise



Sunday April 5th. 38 members and guests boarded the trolley at SPSC for Harrow. Following a pleasant ride, we were greeted by the staff and escorted to the reception area for our first tasting of their wine. From there we moved into the food preparation and luncheon room, where we were provided with recipes and information on the New Orleans classic lunch we were about to enjoy. Our chef prepared lunch in the open

kitchen starting with a Muffuletta, followed by an orange, radish, avocado, endive & bibb Salad. The main course was Jambalaya, and for dessert, a French toast topped with warm Caramel sauce and fruit. We enjoyed a tour of the property, and those so inclined, purchased this local wine. Thanks to Dave & Nora Walton, our cruise chair who planned the first 'land cruise' of the season. Check the website calendar for the many dinner and weekend cruises planned for the upcoming spring, summer and fall !



The Trolley



Welcome aboard



Leaving SPSC All Aboard !!



Our Guide & Conductor



Ride aboard the Trolley to Harrow



Arrival



Reception Center



Food Prep, Wine Tasting & Luncheon





Return to SPSC

Thank you Viewpointe for an enjoyable afternoon !

Harbour and Dock Rules

With launch right around the corner, please take time to review South Port Sailing Club dock rules as printed in the By Laws. These rules are in place so all members can enjoy the facilities in the safest and best way possible.

1. All members shall moor their boats in a manner so instructed by the Harbour Master.
2. Sound and adequate mooring lines, properly attached to eyes and posts are mandatory.
3. Boats must be positioned in such a manner that no part of the vessel obstructs the dock or walkway.
4. All OWRC regulations and restriction regarding dumping of refuse and waste must be adhered to.
5. There shall be no running or horseplay on the docks at any time.
6. Children should be accompanied by adults at all times. Young children must wear lifejackets while on the docks, boats, or near the water's edge.
7. No BBQ's or fires are allowed on the docks or boats at any time.
8. Unattended boats shall not be connected to shore services (electricity and water) overnight except under special circumstances as approved by the Harbour Master.
9. Nothing may be fastened or attached to the wood deck of any docks. This includes storage boxes or bins, carpet or matting.
10. Transom hung motors shall be left in the down position at all times, and shall not project into the channel.
11. Boats shall not enter or depart the harbour complex or Pike reek under sail.
12. Boat operators must exercise, at all times, the necessary caution to have their boats under full control in the confined space of the harbor, and observe the rules of courtesy for smooth and unobstructed operation of the facilities.
13. The dinghy ramp shall be used by day sail boats only. Cars may not be used to launch or pull out boats. A winch is provided for this service.
14. Members are requested to notify the Harbour Master when leaving on an extended cruise, or of their well is to be vacant for an extended period.
15. Wells temporarily vacated are to be used by the Harbour Master at his/her discretion.
16. Guest yachts will be docked by the Harbour Master in available space under the terms of the first night free to affiliated yacht club members. Additional nights may be charged at the discretion of the Harbour Master. The overnight charge shall be determined and reviewed by the Board of Directors.
17. Members must take the wells "as is"
18. Members will not be permitted to dredge individual wells or install posts themselves. If a problem exists, members should notify the Harbour Master.
19. Masts stored over winter on club property MUST have spreaders removed. These masts MUST be removed from the clubhouse area within thirty (30) days of launch day in the spring. Fines will be levied for failure to comply.

Where is JOHN GREEN ?

Our 1968 Past Commodore, one of our Clubs founding members, is currently residing at Sunrise Senior Living located at 5065 Riverside Dr. E. Windsor, N8Y 5B3

Anyone who like to visit John, can find him on the 3rd Floor, Room # 315. Please call the desk in advance, to be certain he is available at the time you may choose to drop in 519-974-5305

Thank you



From the Race Chair, Brad Roy

We are getting increasing numbers of people from the other programs who would like to crew on Wednesdays, but do not know any skippers. In an effort to facilitate crew placement, we are implementing the 'Red Table' program. Any crew looking for a boat will be instructed to hang out at the red picnic table, so skippers will know who is looking. Skippers, please make every effort to pick up available crew...it's where we all started !!



Women's Challenge 2009

Tuesday May 19th thru Saturday June 20th

Organizers : Jeanne Marchand
Erica Krygsman
Joanne Tiborcz

jmarchand@windsormoldgroup.com
erica@kirwinpartners.com
jtiborcz@butcherent.com

Boat assignments and final registration will be on the evening of the Meet & Greet. To ensure a place on a boat participants must be present and fully registered.

2009 Itinerary	
Tuesday, May 19th	Meet and Greet at South Port
6:00pm to 7:30pm	Registration and snacks.
7:30 pm to 9:00pm	Welcome from event organizers Jeanne Marchand and Chris Eagen. Boat assignments and introduction to skipper and boat.
9:00 pm	Meet back at the club to for a quick Q & A.
Thursday, May 21	Classroom at South Port Sailing Club
7:00pm	Lesson plan to be announced.
Tuesday, June 2	First day of sailing
6:30pm	
Thursday, June 4	Classroom at South Port Sailing Club
7:00pm	Lesson Plan to be announced.
Tuesday, June 9	Second Day of sailing.
6:30pm	
Tuesday, June 16	Third practice day of sailing
6:30pm	.
Saturday, June 20	Regatta Day - followed by dinner and awards and entertainment.
1:00pm	Regatta starts at 1:00pm, all participants must be at the club and ready to leave the dock no later than noon on the day of the regatta.

Cost : \$75.00 for all competitors

Fee includes complimentary gift, meal ticket for competitor and one guest dinner ticket at 1/2 price. Extra dinner tickets may be purchased for guests. Registration forms available on the South Port Website www.southportsailingclub.com under Women's Challenge

Message from the Commodore, Rene Brown



The boat covers are slowly disappearing, the water is up and the cranes are scheduled. The month of May is bringing a huge wave of activity including launch, Mainstay's yard sale, Shakedown to Put-n-Bay, Women's Challenge, Wednesday night racing, a work party and the Sand Bar cruise.

We are looking forward to the completion of the Brighton Road construction, when our sign and mailbox can be reinstalled.

I would like to thank the organizers of the many events at SPSC. Planning and execution of events such as the upcoming Women's Challenge and the Sail-A-Bratton takes a great deal of time and effort. The success of these events contributes to the success of our club. If you have some time, please pick your favorite event and contact one of the committee chairs or event organizers who can always use your help.

The first Land Cruise to Viewpointe Winery in April, was very well attended. Thank you to our Cruise Chair, Nora Walton for a great Sunday afternoon.

There are still openings for participants in the SPSC's 2009 Women's Challenge. Boats from multiple clubs will start training May 19th to compete in the June 20th Regatta. This will be my third year volunteering as a skipper in an activity that is rewarding for all parties. This event provides great exposure for the club and an introduction for many to the great sport of sailing.

And finally, don't forget to send in payment of your Membership invoice. See you all on launch day !

First Dinner Cruise of the Season to The Sandbar

Land cruisers always welcome !

Saturday May 23rd



Boats will leave the dock at 4:00 pm Dinner 5:30

Please call or email Dave & Jackie to reserve a seat and confirm arrival by water or land !
Phone 519-971-9699 or email robtim@cogeco.ca

A Sign up sheet will also be available in the clubhouse foyer following Launch..



Windsong's current position

from The Property Chair

Work party

May 23rd 9:00 a.m. till 12:00 noon



Time to clean up the property after Launch prior to Sail A Bratton !

The key goal is to clean out the shed and surrounding area. If you have something of yours stored in the shed or on the grounds in that area, please remove it before the 23rd or let me know, so I can set it aside. Unidentified material of no obvious value will be discarded. There are several masts, metal stands and a lot of lumber near the shed. This will also be recycled or discarded if not claimed. Thank you for your co-operation.

Allen Shearn home phone 519-962-6529 email bio_cals@jhu.edu

May 2009 Calendar

This is the calendar displayed on our Web site. For details on each entry, please click on calendar on the Web site at www.southportsailingclub.com (the links are not active in Soundings but details are included in the newsletter)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				1	2	3
					LAUNCH DAY/Games & Cards nite	Brixa, K Brockman, L
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
					Mainstays YARD SALE	Colbourne, D & C Mother's Day
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Executive Meeting		1st Race Series 1			SHAKEDOWN Put N Bay Ohio/Games & cards nite	Cowan, G
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Victoria Day	Meet n Greet Womens Challenge	Race 2- Mainstays flower planting	Womens Challenge Classroom		Work Party at the club CRUISE to The Sandbar	Dolsen & McGeorge
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Womens Challenge practice	Race 3	Womens Challenge classroom/Mainstay Wine & Cheese		Games & Cards nite	Domney P, Draisey M

June 2009



Clubhouse Duties

May 31-June 6
Domney, Draisey

June 7-13
Edgley, F & C

June 14-20
Entwistle, J & M

June 21-27
Finch, A & J

June 28-July 4
Gesing, A & R

If you are unable to carry out your week, contact Allen Shearn to arrange for a volunteer to replace you! Please fill out the work sheets in the Kitchen Binder and make note of your total hours. Thank you

\$\$ Membership Dues for 2009 \$\$

Membership Invoices were mailed and are due upon receipt.

If you have not sent payment, please forward immediately to the attention of Jan Graybiel, Treasurer



Another new Junior Sailor

Member Jay Laird (*Free Ride*)
Rachelle and big sister Jayda are happy to announce the arrival of their new crew member Jay Jr. born March 29th at Metropolitan hospital weighing in at 9 lbs. 1 oz.

Windsong Update

Email of April 19th
"We are in Jamaica Mon"

Jamie & Spot arrived in Jamaica April 13th (see map pg 6)
His February write up is now available for viewing on his website. There are photos and 2 embedded videos.

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Please send your contributions for the June issue by May 25th to Jackie 519-971-9699 or robtim@cogeco.ca

MAINSTAYS YARD SALE

May 9th 2009



At South Port Sailing Club

9.00 am until 2.00 pm Rain or Shine.

Members and friends please start leaving your donations in the porch NO sooner than May 3rd. You are encouraged to price the items yourself. No donation too large or small. Clothing will not be sold.

All members please make sure you have no personal items in the porch after this date, or you may find them on sale on the following Saturday.

Pricing will take place officially on Wednesday May 6th but items will be accepted right up to the date. Masking tape marked with black marker is a good way, then the price ticket can be removed easily.

If you have a very large item or items you would like to sell privately, you have to man your own private sale area. A donation of 20% of the amount received would be appreciated by the sailing club.

We do need lots of picnic tables, so if masts could be removed from the tables as soon as possible it would enable the Mainstays to display their goods properly.

We need the support of all our members and friends.

Any questions please direct them to
Margaret Entwistle 739-2061
or Anna Mae Parent 966-1075

Men's Lunch

2nd Wednesday
of every month



John Novak for details
735-3737

Card & Games Nights

May 2-16-30

7:30 p.m.



Everyone Welcome... Contact
Lorne & Rita Mann 948-9004
or Wayne & Nancy Hind 974-3905

Has anyone seen the kitchen tea towels ? If you were kind enough to take them home to launder, could you return them at your earliest. We will need them for the upcoming summer events !



Thank you

'Cruising 2009'

		organizers
Sandbar Dinner Cruise	May 23	Dave Robichaud & Jackie Timothy
Thames River Weekend Cruise	June 13 - 14	Tim & Denise Aseltine
North Star weekend Cruise	June 27-28	Allen & Peggy Shearn
LaSalle Mariners Pelee cruise/race ..continues beyond July 12 to Lake Erie North Shore	July 10-12	Dave & Nora Walton
Peche Island weekend Cruise	July 25 - 26	Greg & Fran Schlosser
Great Lakes Yacht Club weekend	Aug 1 - 3	John & Sue Bufton
SPSC Invitational race/cruise	Aug 8 - 9	Committee TBD
Belle River dinner Cruise	Aug 15	Dave & Nora Walton
Thames River weekend Cruise	Sept 5 - 7	Jack & Marg Entwistle
End of Season Cruise		To be determined
Windsor Yacht Club dinner Cruise		To be determined

Details of each cruise will be highlighted as the season progresses in Soundings and on the website calendar www.southportsailingclub.com

A long distance cruise to The North Channel July 4 is being organized by Ken Blyth, with members of the Windsor Yacht Club. Please contact Ken directly if you have an interest or for additional details.
kblyth@cogeco.ca

June Race Schedule & Regattas

June 3	4th race Series 1 SPSC
June 10	5th race Series 1 SPSC
June 12	WYC Canadian Club Regatta
June 13	'C' Course Regatta DRYA
June 17	6th race Series 1 SPSC
June 20	Women's Challenge SPSC
June 24	1st. Race Series 2 SPSC

Check the Soundings calendar in this issue for May racing & the website calendar for all Race & Regatta Dates for this Season !!

Cruise with the Mackinac Fleet

Start July 25, 2009

BYC Cocktail Cruising Race (Division) with the 2009 Mackinac Fleet

	Port Huron	Harbor Beach	Harrisville	Presque Isle	Rogers City
Port Huron		45.2			
Harbor Beach			54.9		
Harrisville				44.9	
Presque Isle					15.3
	Sat. Start AM	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tues

1. Participating yachts must be at least 27 feet and have an inboard engine, a head, a galley and sleeping quarters.
2. **Motoring is allowed** during the race.
However, motoring is in **one hour segments**. For each hour or less you are to add an additional hour to your arrival time.
 Example 1 = If you motor for 3 hours 20 minutes, you add 4 hours to your arrival time.
 Example 2 = If you motor for 20 minutes then later for 40 minutes, you add 2 hours to your arrival time.
3. Keep a detailed log (engine on/off times).
4. Log-in every night with the Race Chairman prior to 9:00 pm (2100 hours). Channel 71. Providing the following:
 - a. Sail number, boat name, cell phone number.
 - b. Arrival time at specified Lat/Lon. (Using Official US Time from the GPS).
 - c. Time motoring which will be added to the arrival time. Report each motoring segment. **See Table B in the SI's**
5. Daily results MAY be posted on the Internet or announced the next morning at 0700 hour check-in time.
 - a. Each day will be scored separately.
 - b. The final results will be scored as a series with 4 races using a low point scoring system.
6. DRYA ratings will be used. If you do not have a rating, we will get you a PJAM rating for this race.
 Spinnakers, stay sails etc. are optional. Use whatever you sail with when cruising.
7. If towing a dingy, you will get a + 3 second credit for a hard bottom dingy
 or a + 9 seconds if it is a soft bottom (no floorboard) dingy.
8. BYC Mackinac equipment requirements do not apply. You must be US Coast Guard Approved.
9. All boats are to monitor Channel 71 as the communication channel.
10. Entry fee \$100 (approximately 50% tax deductible). Used for battle flags, and other awards.
11. Email Bob Cowles for registration form. Bob@Cowles.info.
12. Final Sailing Instructions (still in draft form) will be available upon receipt of the registration forms & fee.
 There should be enough information on this sheet. **Please contact me if you need further information.**

Saturday	First start	Start at approximately 1000 hours at BYC Mackinac Port Huron starting line.
Saturday	Finish	RACING -- Take your arrival time at specified Lat/Lon. See Sailing Instructions.
Saturday	Harbor Beach	Prior to 9:00 pm Skippers check in on Channel 71 (Log times with Race Chairman)
Sunday	Harbor Beach	7:00 am Skippers check in on Channel 71 (Lay day???)
Sunday	Second start	8:30 am race begins just south of a specified Lat/Lon. See Sailing Instructions. Start signal (horn) from Race Chairman's boat (My Fair Lady).
Sunday	Finish	RACING -- Take your arrival time at specified Lat/Lon. See Sailing Instructions.
Sunday	Harrisville	Prior to 9:00 pm Skippers check in on Channel 71 (Log times with Race Chairman)
Sunday	Harrisville	7:00 am Skippers check in on Channel 71 (Lay day???)
Monday	Third start	8:30 am race begins just south of a specified Lat/Lon. See Sailing Instructions. Start signal (horn) from Race Chairman's boat (My Fair Lady).
Monday	Finish	RACING -- Take your arrival time at specified Lat/Lon. See Sailing Instructions.
Monday	Presque Isle	Prior to 9:00 pm Skippers check in on Channel 71 (Log times with Race Committee)
Monday	Presque Isle	7:00 am Skippers check in on Channel 71 (Lay day???)
Tuesday	Forth-Final start	8:30 am race begins just south of a specified Lat/Lon. See Sailing Instructions. Start signal (horn) from Race Chairman's boat (My Fair Lady).
Tuesday	Finish	RACING -- Take your arrival time at specified Lat/Lon. See Sailing Instructions.
Tuesday	Rogers City	1:00 pm Skippers check in on Channel 71 (Log times with Race Committee)
Tuesday	Rogers City	1:30 pm - 4:00 pm BYO Picnic Lunch & Cocktails in Covered Picnic Area.
Tuesday	Rogers City	3:00 pm Results & awards announced. Official awards at BYC awards party in the fall.

Notice to Members regarding Use of Clubhouse

Members can apply to the Board of Directors to use the Clubhouse for family Birthdays parties, Showers and events of this nature. The Application outlines the requirements and details as to what is expected of the Member and their guests. Applications forms can be obtained by contacting the Social Chair, Derek White, after you have confirmed with the secretary the date you are requesting does not conflict with any club activities. Your application will then be presented to the Board, and you will be contacted with the decision.

For additional information contact the Social Chair or a Member of the Executive.



Mainstays Potluck Dinner April 7, 2009

From, Sue Bufton

The Mainstays summer events have been planned for this season.. Check the website calendar for details



Wednesday May 20th at 10:00 a.m. The flower planting will take place. Once again the Mainstays will be planting summer flowers in the beds and barrels around the clubhouse. Come out and help us brighten up the grounds for summer. Bring your lunch to enjoy afterwards.

Thursday May 28th at 6:00 p.m. The annual early season cruise will take place. Boats will leave the dock at 6:30 p.m. sharp. Bring some snacks and your favorite beverage to share, as well as your lifejacket. If the weather is unsuitable for sailing, we will meet in the clubhouse.

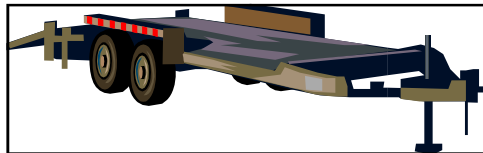
Fireplace Art

The new piece of artwork above the fireplace was found by our Race Chair, Brad Roy at Steel Wonders in Belle River, owned and operated by Greg Iler and Sue Watson. You can visit their website at

<http://www.gardenroutes.com/members/steelwonders.html>

Reminder MAST removal

If any member is unable to raise their mast before the end of May, could you please arrange to move it to the far south side of the property to allow for grass cutting and cleanup of the area prior to Sail A Bration. Thank you for your co-operation



The executive has amended the sailboat trailer storage to a flat fee of \$75.00, only for those members that have their sailboat moored in the harbour.

This replaces the current fee of L x W x 1.08

Contact the Harbour Master if you plan to store your trailer, and please make certain it has an identification plate, by way of the owners name.

South Port Executive

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South Port



Sailing Club

Sail A Bration 2009

Sunday June 7th

Theme: Sailor's of Pike Creek

Time: 1:00 p.m. Festivities commence

**Sail by: 2:30 p.m. Sail past on the water
Receive your bottle of wine from the Commodore**

**Dinner Menu & Entertainment details will soon be posted
on the Website and appear in June Soundings**

Cost: \$12. 00 per person

Kids 10 and under eat free

Reservation deadline June 1st

We invite each family to bring a dessert

Come out and enjoy the day !

Family & Friends Welcome

Please detach this section and return with payment as soon as possible :

Derek White, Social Chair

South Port Sailing Club

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'Sail a Bration 2009'

Name _____

No of guests (adult) _____

No of children under 10 _____

Amt. enclosed \$ _____