



# Soundings

Newsletter of the South Port Sailing Club

July 2007

## Sail-a-bration 2007 by Commodore Lyn Domney

A perfect day of sun, light breeze and flat water. Great company, and outstanding food and wine was enjoyed by 200 members and guests. Lou Lou the clown entertained the children, and DJ/singer Dennis Moore entertained into the evening. All this thanks to the work and arrangements (even the weather) of Social Chair, Derek White and his assistants, Jackie Timothy and Derek's mother, Patricia White. Also thanks are due to Father Bill Bradley for blessing our fleet and harbour, and then joining in the fun. Abars did a fine job catering the meal again this year. Jackie sold \$700.00 of Club regalia.



On the water, the wine was passed with only a few near misses. Some sailed by, but most motored by. Everyone behaved themselves missing their chance to 'soak the Commodore'!! My thanks for assistance from wife Jan, daughter Glynis, and special on-board guests Gil and Mary Ann Fleming.

See inside for more photos taken by Mary Ann and Jackie.

## Shark Provincial Championships

- Crane is available at all times
- Competitors' trailers may be stored at the southwest portion of the parking lot.
- Moorings for visiting boats are located within the SPSC basin. First come first served.

### Schedule:

Fri., July 6: Registration

Sat., July 7: Registration

Skippers meeting

First Race

Sat. night: Dinner

Sun, July 8: Racing continues

Sun. aft.: Snacks/Beer/

Awards

A maximum of 6 races will be sailed over the 2 days.

## Alternate Saturday BBQs

Come out for a barbecue at the Club on alternate Saturdays throughout the summer. July's dates are 14 & 28

Happy Hour - 5 pm

Barbecue - 6 pm

Cards - 7 pm

Come for all or part of the activities.

Bring your own food and drink and refreshments  
*Lorne and Rita Mann*

## Membership Obligations, from the Commodore

Your Club Executive has asked me to compose an article for Soundings directed to the club members who are not meeting their club obligations. On occasion it seems that a reminder needs to be expressed that contribution of effort by all members is what keeps the Club existing at a less costly basis than a business marina. Following are a number of issues that are frustrating various members of your Club's executive, and are resulting in lengthy discussion at our meetings.

First let me remind members that when we all joined the Club, we all signed the agreement that "I agree that as a condition of membership, I shall complete a minimum of ten (10) hours of annual unpaid service related to general clubhouse and grounds maintenance, the social program, race or cruise activities."

At our latest Club Executive meeting (June 11) there was discussion about how the Clubhouse cleaning duties are being done by some members and ignored by other members. There have been complaints when the members who arrive for their assigned work week find that work that was supposed to be done the week before was not.

The date of your assigned week is published in the monthly calendar in Soundings, and now is also available on the Club Web site calendar at <http://southportsailingclub.com> That you may do other things does not cancel this obligation. There is a log book with the duties to be checked off in the kitchen,

which is used to log that portion of your work hours. Also, don't forget to submit your time chit for any other work carried out. Your time chits are used to generate the monthly record on the bulletin board detailing every member's time of service (and non-service). This is just one of the records used to generate the Club Receivable accounts which currently has over \$12,000.00 in members in arrears. How can we pay the expenses to operate your Club when a number of members also neglect their financial obligation?

Also frustrating your executive (besides contacting the delinquent members) are unsuccessful attempts to contact members who ignore the Grounds Rules regarding removal from Club property of the one non-sailed boat, and several non-folding cradles. At our last meeting, there were a number of ideas expressed, but nothing yet decided. We are looking for a way to solve the Clubhouse cleaning problem without penalizing members who do their part. The idea to hire an outside cleaning company would result in the need to increase dues and other charges - unfair to members who fulfil their duties. Another idea expressed would be to increase the hourly \$ value for work not done to a level where it might entice more to fulfil their obligations while not affecting those good members already willing to do their part.

Please consider what I've just written and provide your ideas to anyone on the Club Executive.

## Mainstays



A lovely summer evening was enjoyed by the ladies who attended the Mainstays BBQ June 21st at club.

The next ladies get together is August 16th which is a Pool Party at Charmaine Soutar's. Start arriving at 6.00 pm with dessert or beverage. Bring some loonies to purchase your share of the Pizza. Will take place rain or shine, unless you are otherwise notified on the day.



## Canadian Club Regatta

Local Sailor Len Strahl and his crew Miroslav Tot, Kevin Spearin and Brad Roy (SPSC) took home the Trophy ! For the first time in the 35 year history of the Canadian Club Regatta, a Canadian skipper has won the prestigious trophy. His 34 foot (S2-10.3) "Lionheart 11" crossed the finish line well ahead of the field. Congratulations from all your friends at South Port!

## Cruising notes, from John Bufton

On June 2<sup>nd</sup> we had our second annual evening cruise to the Sandbar Restaurant at Puce River. Four boats participated and there were some visitors by road. We had 21 members and friends sitting down to dinner. We left SPSC at 4:30 pm with favourable breezes, but Mother Nature decided to send a thunder squall our way after 45 minutes or so, and sails were lowered as we powered into Puce River ahead of the threatening weather. The squall passed while we ate dinner. On our return the wind direction had swung round to south-east, and the light air enabled Gord Richardson (Aurora) to show off his new asymmetrical spinnaker as we headed home. Others were less ambitious and motored or white sailed, but it was a beautiful evening to be on the water among friends.

We have a similar evening cruise scheduled for July 7<sup>th</sup>, when we will visit Windsor Yacht Club, departing SPSC at 4:00 pm, with dinner at 5:30 pm. Plan to join us, by boat or by road! Windsor YC have requested we make reservations for boats and diners. See the sign up sheet in SPSC clubhouse or call Sue/John Bufton at 979-1718.

On July 13<sup>th</sup>, we have a cruise scheduled to La Salle Mariners' Club. We plan to leave SPSC around 2:00 pm, and will then have a social evening at LSMC, stopping overnight at their club. Next morning (July 14<sup>th</sup>) we will participate in the 13<sup>th</sup> annual LSMC race to Pelee Island (Scudder's Marina) with South Port's own Duncan Hind finishing the racers as they pass the Scudder's entry! A reception and dinner on the theme of Jimmy Buffet's "Cheeseburgers in Paradise" follows. Join us for this light-hearted weekend, sponsored by Pelee Island Winery and Pusser's Rum. Reservations are needed, see entry forms on the Club notice board. Cost is \$25.00 per boat.

Following on from the trip to Pelee Island, a cruise to Put In Bay and the Ohio Islands is planned. Call Sue/John Bufton (979-1718) if you are interested or need information on any of these events.



## South Port Regalia

T-shirts, polos, windshirts, burgees, crests, caps, etc. are available by emailing [robtim@cogeco.ca](mailto:robtim@cogeco.ca). Items, including pricing, are in the display case in the SPSC foyer. Jackie Timothy will be happy to drop your order off at your home, or meet you at the Club.



**SPSC men's and ladies tees \$10.00 each**

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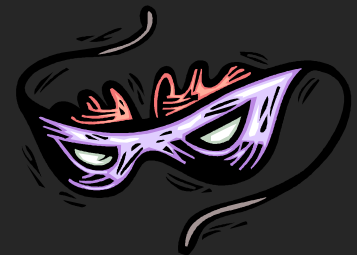
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# Sail-a-Bration 2007 - Fun on the water

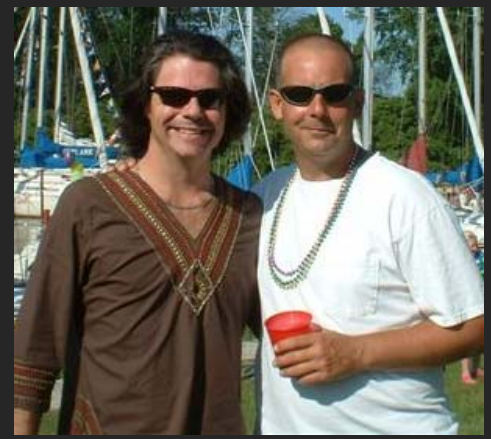


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# Sail-a-Bration 2007 - Fun on land





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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>This new format for the calendar page is an effort to coordinate with the calendar displayed on the Web site. For details on each entry, please click on <i>calendar</i> from <a href="http://www.southportsailingclub.com">http://www.southportsailingclub.com</a> (the links are NOT active in the PDF version). We will also include details in <i>Soundings</i>.</p>						<p>1 July Clubhouse cleaning <u>Grayson- M Laforet</u></p>
<p>2 <u>Celebrate Canada Day</u></p>	<p>3 <u>Dinghy racing</u></p>	<p>4 <u>Race</u></p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 <u>Shark Provincials/WYC Cruise</u></p>	<p>8 <u>Shark Prov.- Grosshans-R Laforet</u></p>
<p>9 <u>Exec. Meeting 7:15 p.m.</u></p>	<p>10 <u>1st. day Sailing Womens Challenge/Dinghy racing</u></p>	<p>11 <u>Keelboat Races- MEN'S LUNCH</u></p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 <u>LMYC BBQ- overnite</u></p>	<p>14 <u>Pelee Cruise/ BBQ Games nite</u></p>	<p>15 <u>R &amp; S Labonte - Lair</u></p>
<p>16 <u>Lake Erie Cruise</u></p>	<p>17 <u>Dinghy Racing</u></p>	<p>18 <u>Keelboat Races</u></p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 <u>BAYVIEW MACKINAC RACE /CIYC Maple Leaf Race</u></p>	<p>22 <u>Howarth - Lehman</u></p>
<p>23</p>	<p>24 <u>Practice Race Women's Chall/Series 2 Dinghy racing</u></p>	<p>25 <u>Keelboat Races</u></p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 <u>BRYC Cruise / Practice race / BBQ/ Games nite</u></p>	<p>29 <u>WOMEN'S CHALLENGE- Lanlois- Lemay</u></p>
<p>30</p>	<p>31 <u>Dinghy Racing</u></p>					

## August & Sept 2007 Clubhouse cleaning

(Aug 5-11) <b>Lehman,F&amp;H Lukaniuk,M</b>	(Aug 12-18) <b>MacDonald,F&amp;K Massender,M</b>	(Aug 19-25) <b>Malone,R&amp;T Noakes,C</b>
(Aug 26-Sept 1) <b>Martin,J&amp;S Noakes,B</b>	(Sept 2-8) <b>Mann,L&amp;R Shaw,J&amp;M</b>	(Sept 9-15) <b>McClinton,B Macdonald,B Shore,R</b>
(Sept 16-22) <b>Halpin,J&amp;L</b>	(Sept 23-29) <b>McLean,F&amp;L</b>	

## I-LYA news

GMC has come on board as the I-LYA Title Sponsor.

The upcoming event dates are:

July 15 to 20: Junior Bay

July 25 to 29: Powerboat Regatta

July 27 to August 1: Senior Sail Regatta (Dates include Deepwater Races)

November 30 to December 2: I-LYA Fall Meeting at the Holiday Inn French Quarter in Perrysburg, Ohio.

Much information on each of these events is available on the I-LYA Web site: <http://www.i-lya.com>