



Soundings

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South Port Sailing Club

May 2019

From the Commodore – Tim Aseltine

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Sailing season 2019 is officially underway! We had a great day for Launch Day! It started off a bit chilly, and then warmed up nicely. The crane arrived at 7am, and left at 2pm. The docks and curbs were put in place after the crane left. I would like to thank all those who worked hard all day, and stayed till the bitter end. Property had a wish list of chores



which were all accomplished. Dry sailors pitched in folding the cradles. Thanks guys. The Harbour looks great with all the new dock boards.

Upcoming events starting in May include: Happy Hour, Friday May 5-Cinco de Mayo; Sandbar dinner sail, Saturday May 25;

Small boat hoist course - TBA, and all race programs-SPSC & WYC.

We are looking forward to having a wonderful sailing season and here's to hoping the weather will co-operate!

From the Sailing School – John Marentette

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Sailing season is upon us and likewise, we are working hard to get the school ready to start. Our registration is going very well, with some sessions almost full already. This year we hope to have 3 Sharks in the water for Adult sailing, which starts in early June.

We are again looking for members who would like to help us keep the Sharks clean and in good running order over the summer. If this use of club house hours interests you, please get in touch. We are also on the lookout for help with fiberglass repairs and other general sailboat maintenance jobs. Ideally by someone who could teach the



Dinner Cruise

May 25th

RSVP by May 22nd



Cinco De Mayo

May 3rd

\$5 Taco Bar



Instructors how to do it too. These new/ young sailors are the future of our sport; with the help of the club members, we want to make their first experiences as fun, safe and inviting as possible.

We are also planning on selling the small Boston Whaler coach boat. Ideally it would receive a bit of “spiffing up” to enhance its resale value. If anyone is interested in taking this on, please let me know? If you know anyone who would be interested in purchasing this classic small boat, let me know that also? Thanks for your continued support, John.

From the Social Chair – Louise Marentette

social@southportsailingclub.com

May's Happy Hour (Friday May 3rd) will be Cinco de Mayo themed with a taco bar for \$5.

The boats are in and sailing season has officially begun. Come out and celebrate at the club on Friday May 3rd with a Cinco de Mayo inspired Happy Hour. There will be a taco bar and Mexican music and desserts, all for \$5 per person. Why not bring along your favourite margarita too!

This year's Sail A Bration is fast approaching, see the flyer and reservation form in this month's Soundings. Please fill it in and drop it off at the club by Sunday June 2nd. I hope to see you out at the club, Louise

From the Harbour Master – Fred Egan

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Launch on April 28th went smoothly! The last boat was in the water by 2:10pm. Many stayed to complete the launching of the floating docks and set up of the parking lot.

Many thanks to all who participated in Launch Day 2019! A lot of help was given to get the dock boards completed and the boats safely in the water!

There will be a step work party planned soon due to water levels. Water levels have caused a delay in turning on the water and electricity at the docks. Please be careful and patient as these winds keep coming from the North.

From the Property Chair – Erin Bates

property@southportsailingclub.com

Thanks to all for the completion of the kitchen project. A small get together was held last Thursday to express our appreciation to those who participated.

Additionally, due to some great help on launch day, we completed most of the work that is traditionally done in a work party on the following weekend, so we no longer need to schedule that party. That work is completed!

Onward and upward, our next tasks are to paint the floor in sun room, the outside doors on the clubhouse, and deck/outside steps etc. There is also an opportunity for gardening work, with perennials, as well as our current pots/gardens/annuals etc. Please let me know if you are interested in taking on any of these tasks for work hours. Given the feedback received, we'll schedule work parties as needed for these and any other suggested tasks.

Please have your masts off the lawn by May 13th to allow the lawn maintenance to begin. Soon we'll have the work behind us, and we'll be sailing!



Hour Opportunities!

Harbour Master – Fred Eagen – Step building

Property Chair – Erin Bates – painting deck boards, sun room floor, doors. Gardening.



Meet our Members – *New members have joined SPSC!*

PLEASE WELCOME THEM!

Jim & Brenda Pearson are returning to South Port as Full Family members. Back in the 80's they were at the club, but the purchase of a deeper draft boat forced a move at that time. Jim was the owner of Pearson Bus Lines until last year, and is now enjoying retirement. He competes in our Regattas with Slippery, his Ultimate 20 and also owns a VX One. He has sailed most of his adult life, and races year round travelling south in the winter to Florida and to the islands. Jim will be joining our club racing this season. He is an associate member of SYC, and comes to us from Riverside Marina.

Taylor Eagen has been accepted as a Junior Member of South Port and will be racing her Wayfarer 16 in the Tuesday night Dinghy racing. She completed Junior Sailing Classes at the club, and has been crewing and sailing on Eleven and Why Knot. Taylor will be entering Riverside Secondary School as a student in the International Baccalaureate program in the fall.

Nick & Marianna Takacs the owners of a CS 27, Sol-Mate, have joined the club as full Family Members. Nick is an electrician at Atlas Tube Centre. He took two sessions of the Adult Sailing classes at South Port. Nick has been crewing on available boats on race nights the past 2 seasons, and will continue to do so whenever he can. They will be bringing their CS 27 down from Bayfield, and cruising out of SPSC this year.

Passing of Past Commodore Bob Layfield - April 15, 2019

Bob & Betty Layfield joined SPSC as family members in 1979. Bob was an active racer and served as Commodore in 1987. His grandson Brett Palmer raced with him through the years on his Mirage 30 Breezin, and continues to crew at on Shenanigans. Later he sold his Breezin and bought a Mirage 27. When he gave up sailing, Bob & Betty continued on at the club as Senior members until 2018.

He was one of the founding partners of Windsor Pool Service, and retired from the General Motors Trim plant in 1991 with over 25 years of service. They have 4 children, 10 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

The members of South Port will always remember the early members of the club whose dedication over the years has contributed to our success. We send our condolences to Betty, the Layfield family and his many friends.



Summer Reminders



Please **SLOW DOWN** when entering & exiting the main parking lot.

Thank you



During the summer as a courtesy to our neighbours, tighten your halyards when you return to the dock !



If you leave the club for an overnight or extended period..

Please park by the cedar hedges on the west side of the lot. Thank you



General Parking

Please advise your crew & Guests the main lot is open for *Members Parking*.

Additional parking is available along the south side of the driveway.



When the warm weather arrives keep the main front door and sunroom doors closed if possible. The sunporch is fully screened. Leave the windows open unless there is a threat of a rainstorm.

This will stop flies, bees & wasps from entering the clubhouse.

May - June 2019 Calendar

Follow this link to a calendar where individual meeting notices can be copied to your own personal calendar!

<http://www.southportsailingclub.com/calendar.html>

Month	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Apr 2019	28 Cowan, G	29	30	1 May Day	2 7pm-9pm Executive meeting	3 5pm-8pm Happy Hour	4 1pm-4pm CIYC Yard Sail
	5 Cinco de Mayo Robbins, RJ	6	7 7pm - 8pm Book Club	8	9	10	11
May 2019	12 Mother's Day Fuller, D & K	13 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Monday Series	14	15 6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	16 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring	17	18 GLYC Leukemia Cup (Great Lakes Yacht Club) LMYC Shakedown Regatta
	19 Rose, N & J	20 Victoria Day 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Monday Series	21	22 6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	23 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Thursday Series	24	25 Annual Sandbar Dinner Cruise DRYA DYC (Detroit Yacht Club)
	26 Baker, A	27 US Memorial Day 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Monday Series	28	29 6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	30 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Thursday Series	31 Bayview One-design Regatta	1 Bayview One-design Regatta
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	9 SAIL A BRATION 2019 Brown, R & L	10 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Monday Series	11	12 6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	13 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Thursday Series	14 DRYA WYC Overnight Race (Windsor Yacht Club)	15 DRYA CSYC C Course DRYA WYC Overnight Race
16 Father's Day Rindlisbacher	17 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Monday Series	18 International Picnic Day	19 6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	20 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Thursday Series	21 National Aboriginal Day 7pm-8pm Commodore's mtg	22 DBC GPC	

2019 Executive Contact List

Commodore	<u>Tim Aseltine</u>	519-890-1331
Vice Commodore & Communications	<u>Paul Ramey</u>	519-816-8337
Rear Commodore & Membership Chair	<u>Wayne Bellemore</u>	519-969-3987
Race Director	<u>Ken Blyth</u>	519-981-1136
Cruising Chair	<u>Catherine McGhie</u>	519-979-8904
Social Chair	<u>Louise Marentette</u>	519-735-9585
Property Chair	<u>Erin Bates</u>	519-259-3261
Harbour Master	<u>Fred Eagen</u>	226-246-2493
Sailing School Chair	<u>John Marentette</u>	519-735-9585
Secretary	<u>Jeff Kepran</u>	519-956-8681
Treasurer	<u>John Shaw</u>	519-996-0757
Past Commodore	<u>Ryan Masse</u>	226-345-1323

Clubhouse Duties



Please see the binder on the kitchen counter for all the information to complete the duties. If you have any questions or see any repairs/supplies needed, please contact Jackie at: robtim@cogeco.ca

Upcoming Events

Annual Sandbar Dinner Cruise

Saturday, May 25, 2019

Boats leave SPSC at 3pm
Dinner approximately at 4pm



RSVP required by May 22, 2019

Sign up sheet at the club

-or-

email Denise Aseltine at 57gardengirl@gmail.com

or after May 14th, Lee Ann Halpin at jimleeann@gmail.com

Do you enjoy a good book!
Coming in the spring!

SPSC BOOK CLUB



First Get Together
May 7 @ 7pm

There is not a limit to the number of participants. One member will pick the book each month.

If you are interested, drop in on May 7th!

Mariemichelle87@gmail.com

Everyone is WELCOME!

LaSalle Mariners Shakedown Regatta

Detroit River to Put-In Bay

May 18th



Online registration to enter is available at the LaSalle Mariners website:

<http://www.lasallemarinersyachtclub.com/event/shakedown-regatta-3/>

Sail-A-Bration 2019

Come out to South Port Sailing Club

 **“Your Happy Place”** 

On Sunday June 9th



For a fun family day of activities on and off the water



Be aware.....Water fights have been known to break out on the lake.....or better yet.....be prepared! 😊

Sail past (hoist your flags!).....2pm
Games & activities on the lawn.....3pm
Dinner.....5pm

MENU

Chicken & Pasta (no meat)

Please bring a small salad to share

Cookies & cakes

Cost: \$10 per person (children under 10 eat free)

Bring your own refreshments

RSVP by: Sunday June 2nd

To reserve please complete and drop off at the club office or mail to:

Louise Marentette, Social Chair

SPSC 210 Brighton Rd, Tecumseh, Ontario N8N 2L3

Name _____

Telephone _____

Total number of adults attending _____ Children under 10 _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____