

Soundings

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South Port Sailing Club

June 2019

From the Commodore - Tim Aseltine

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Greetings from Alaska and the Yukon.

Sailing season is upon us and many things are underway!

The first cruise to the Sandbar...hope everyone had a good time. 'Thank you' LeeAnn Halpin for handling the reservations while we were away!



Racing season is well underway...thank you, Ken!

We had a well-attended work party to build steps for our docks. Thanks to everyone who participated and thanks to Fred for all his hard work organizing all harbour work.

Sail-A-Bration is June 9th! Hopefully the weather will be great and I will see you all on the sail by!

Due to a wet and rainy May, the water is too high for the electricity to be on at the dock. It will be turned on as soon as the water recedes.

We have many inquiries for new memberships as local Marinas are struggling to remain open. It appears our harbour will be full this year!

From the Social Chair - Louise Marentette social@southportsailingclub.com

It is Sail A Bration time again! Sunday June 9th will see South Port welcome summer with a sail past out on the water and games to play on land. A chicken and pasta dinner will be served alongside member salads. A selection of cookies and squares will be available for dessert. Cost is just \$10 per person, children under 10 are free. Please bring your own refreshments and a lawn chair might be a good idea too. Please let me know by June 2 if you are going to be there. I am looking for 4 or 5 people to make/ bring desserts instead of a salad, let me know if you are interested.

There will **not** be a happy hour on June 7th since it is the same weekend as the Sail A Bration, but we will have one again on Friday July 5th.

There are no formal plans for the Canada Day weekend at the club; but that doesn't mean you can't take advantage of the grounds for a fun sail with some friends or family followed by a BBQ and maybe even a bonfire. It's your club, enjoy it! Hope to see you out at the club, Louise

Let's Go Sailing! RSVP by June 2nd! SPSC BOOK CLUB June 25th @ 7pm **Book this month: Becoming** 47th! CANADIAN CLUB INVITATIONAL RACE July 14th - see pg 4

From the Property Chair - Erin Bates

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Thanks to all who have cleared our picnic area by getting their masts up. If any are remaining, please move them to the back lawn area.

Thanks go out to our gardeners and those who donated perennials to the effort. The gardens look great and should fill in nicely over the next few seasons. Ongoing weeding and tending will provide volunteer hours for those interested. Step up and dig in. Literally. Ha.

Thanks to Stu and Jim for installing double back flow prevention valves to protect our water system, allowing us to turn the water on the docks again, even in this high water time.

For those looking for hours, in addition to gardening, we would like paint the steel entrance doors on the club house. There is a quart of paint labelled with my name and "doors", in the storage room. Gracharge! See you soon, and happy sailing until then.

Meet our Members - Our Executive Committee

Meet our Vice Commodore!



<u>Paul and Ann Ramey</u> became members of South Port in 1990. Has served as property chair, Commodore in 1997 and on their 3rd boat all named Shamar. Last year I completed my 25th Port Huron to Mackinac race and became a member of the Bayview Yacht Club old Goat Society. Have served as a director of the Past Commodores Club and enjoy racing on Firewater as well as cruising on Shamar.

Passing of Past Commodore Nick Sitar – May 8, 2019

Life Members Nick & Vera Sitar joined South Port in 1970. In his home country of Czechoslovakia, Nick was a Professional Engineer in charge of the Danube River waterway for many decades. The family arrived in Canada in 1969. He took a position with Dominion Soil Investigations Ltd. opening a branch in Windsor in 1971, retiring in 1989 as Vice President. Always active, Nick continued as a consultant for C.T. Soil for approximately 25 years.

The family successfully raced their shark Vera II for many years. He was involved in the building of the original harbour docks at the club, as well as with the group instrumental in building our current clubhouse. Nick served as Commodore in 1983. At our 51st Sail A Bration festivities in 2014, Nick & Vera cut the red ribbon to celebrate our new harbour. They enjoyed many years of travelling and vacationing at their condo in St. Martens. The membership sends condolences to Vera, Nick Jr (Robin), Tom (Susan), his 4 grandsons and many friends.



Notes from the Editor

- Thank you to Denise Aseltine, Ann Ramey, and Louise Marentette for planting the flower gardens around the club! They look awesome! Gardeners are needed to help maintain the gardens!
- Sailing school starts soon...please slowdown in the driveway for the safety of everyone!
- As the sailing season gets underway, there are fewer opportunities to get work hours! Please contact the committee chairs if you need hours and are available before it is difficult to complete the 15 hours needed to forego paying for hours
- Please keep doors closed to help keep bees and wasps in their natural environment and not inside the clubhouse. Changes have been made to reduce exposure of open empty cans and bottles.
- Protect OUR WATERS: an organization of Sailors of the Sea offers 10 easy ways to protect our waters www.sailorsforthesea.org. This is a great way to contribute to the betterment of our water ways.

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
	26	27	28	29	30	31	1
May 2019	Baker, A	US Memorial Day 6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Monday Series	-	6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Thursday Series	Bayview One-design Regatta	Bayview One- design Regatta
Jun 2019	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Bayview One-design Regatta	6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Monday Series	7:30pm-9:30pm Executive meeting	6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Thursday Series		
	Van Beek, W						
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	SAIL A BRATION 2019 Brown, R & L	6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Monday Series		6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Thursday Series	DRYA WYC Overnight Race	DRYA CSYC C Course
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	16 Father's Day	17	18 International	19	20	21 National	22
		6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC		6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring Thursday Series	Aboriginal Day	DBC GPC
		Spring Monday Series				7pm-8pm Commodore's mtg	
	23	24 Discovery Day	25	26	27	28	29
	<u>Ormshaw</u>	(Newfoundland and Labrador)	7pm-9pm SPSC book club (TBD)	6:30pm-9:30pm WYC Spring Series	6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Spring		Grosse Pointe Yacht Club
							Summer Regatta
	30	1 Canada Day	2	3	4	5	6
	Cooke-Morley	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes
		6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Monday Series			Independence Day		
Jul 2019	7	8	9 Nunavut Day	10	11	12	13
	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes	2019 Sailing School classes	Chicago Mackinac
	Arthur, W	6:45pm-9:45pm SPSC Monday Series					

2019 Executive Contact List

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



Notice of Race

Sailing Instructions

Registration Information

Available on the WYC website

CANADIAN CLUB RACE

Canadian Club isn't just a great whisky, it's a renowned international sailing race hosted by the Windsor Yacht Club.

The Canadian Club Invitational Yacht race, now in it's 47th year, is an annual tradition deeply rooted in the community and among sailors. With more than 70+ vessels participating annually, spectators and passersby will be treated to an awe-inspiring sight as participants set sail on Lake St. Clair in a 34.2-nautical-mile overnight race.

The 47th Canadian Club Invitational Yacht Race will be held on Friday June 14, 2019.

Do you enjoy a good book! JOIN

SPSC BOOK CLUB



June 25th @ 7pm

Book this month:

Becoming

We will meet to discuss this book available in print, audio and digital

If you have questions contact me

Mariemichelle87@gmail.com

Everyone is WELCOME!

Sail-A-Bration 2019

Come out to South Port Sailing Club



On Sunday June 9th

For a fun family day of activities on and off the water Be awareWater fights have been known to break out on the lakeor better yetbe prepared!								
Sail past (hoist your flags!)								
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 \$								