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----- Cruising Corner -----

We have a little more than two months left in the sailing season. If you know, or meet someone who did a coordination this year, give them a hug and thank them! It's been a challenging season for coordinators: often we have had more crew than berths. When the call was sent out for additional skippers, several answered, and we were often able to place most of those who signed up. But the coordinators get through it all with a smile and usually come back the next year.

What can you do to help make the coordinator's job a little easier? Sign up early (especially skippers), indicate any special needs you have or that you want Basic Skills training. Skippers, if you have invited crew, please hold open a spot or two for suggested crew from coordinators. Newer members don't always get placed which (for anyone) is a disappointment and may cause them not to renew. Be open to taking crew you don't know; it's always great to meet a new friend! Make sure your profile on the website is correct.

September sailing can be great with the coming of cooler weather! And there are some lovely destinations, and fun cruises coming up. There are day sails on September 10, 15, 26, and 28. The 4-day cruise Chesapeake City is September 6-9 (with an Oktoberfest HH on the docks!). Appetizers and Desserts Cruise is Sept. 21-22 to "Cove North of Pickering Creek", a truly serene destination where we often see eagles. Early October brings the ever-popular Chili Cook-off Cruise; get your recipes ready!

Laura

ELECTION OF NEW DIRECTORS

On September 15th you will receive an email with a link to the anonymous online ballot to elect the Board of Directors. Online voting closes at midnight on September 30th.

Members who do not have a valid email address will be mailed a paper ballot so you may vote. These ballots must be postmarked October 1st. You may vote for up to FIVE people.

Voting for more than **FIVE** will invalidate your ballot. Read more about the candidates on pages 7-9.

Results will be announced by October 15th in an email from the Commodore.



VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



We had a very nice Seafood Feast with approximately 100 people attending and a Townhall Meeting with over 100 people. Thank you Sandy Rosswork and your crew for a great event.

Carol Jordan, Bev Nash, Kathy Higdon, John Rogers and Linda Casucci did yeoman's service in nominating **Doug Love, Barbara Reese, Sandy Rosswork, Teresa Scofield and Suzanne Vaughn** for the Board. The returning members of the Board are **Dana Stoffregen, Jan Warfield, Coco Lanquetuit, myself, and Jerry Axler. Janet Gonski and Cathy Laws** will go off after serving two terms and giving wonderful service to the Club, Janet as Commodore and Cathy Laws as secretary. Thank you both. **Sandy Rosswork and Teresa Scofield** are running for a second term. Voting starts September 15, 2019.

We have a busy fall with lots of day sails and cruises, a four-day cruise to Chesapeake City with a Happy Hour on the dock. We have the Desserts and Appetizer cruise, the Chili Cook off and the Annapolis Boat Show this fall. **Suzanne Vaughn** has arranged a tour of Poplar Island for SOS. Look in Fleet exercise for these events and how to sign up for them.

Our Sweden bareboat group will be back by the time this Whiskerpole comes out and **Coco Lanquetuit** is planning the

Bahama February bareboat. **Sandy Rosswork** is working on a barge cruise for the future.

The Long Range Planning Committee will continue into next year. I misspoke at the Townhall meeting. Our subcommittee chairs are **John McDonald** for Technology, **Debra Roane** for Finance, **Lorraine Fassett** for Membership, **Sandy Rosswork** for Safety, and **Dana Stoffregen** for documents, policies and procedures. If you have concerns or suggestions for the club please contact these subcommittee chairs.

Thanks to the Board and everyone for all of your kind words and thoughts when Alex was ill. That is what makes this club such a great organization. We are kind, concerned and effective. Thanks to each and every one of you who make these kinds of contributions. If I have not mentioned you by name, it is not because I intentionally did it. You each have mine and the Club's gratitude.

Have a wonderful September and I hope to see you all out of the water soon.

Becky

**Welcome
New Member**

**Trish Mast
Alexandria, VA**

Whisker Pole NEWSLETTER

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Unofficial notes

August 10, 2019 Board Meeting

Official July minutes will be posted on the SOS web site when approved in September by the Board of Directors.

Commodore: Set dues and fees for next year. Set date for planning retreat. Review impact of Life Members.

Vice Commodore: All preparations have been made for the Town Meeting. Ann Bastian will take left over wine back to Annapolis; beer and soda will be given away as it does not store well over the winter.

Treasurer: Cruising revenue is down 38.5% compared to this time last year. Refunds to members is on par with last year. The cost of printing the directory went up \$300. Membership dues are holding steady. The robust program and party fee income offset by their respective expenses, yielded a 50% increase in net income YTD.

Bareboat: The Bahamas trip has 6 reserved boats, 2 for one week and 4 for 2 weeks. Most crew have been assigned with a short waitlist for those who signed up close to deadline.

Brunches: No report.

Cruising: To encourage higher level of participation, a skipper incentive program is being developed and will be announced soon. Boats skippered by someone other than the owner do not run afoul of SOS policy. A Bareboat Survey which was sent to the SOS membership asking for a preference for Canal Trip location. We plan to keep the survey open until September 15th before any decision is made.

Database: A blast was sent to membership with details about the Town Meeting and a link to the membership survey. Will submit names in September of individuals to serve on the election committee. Ballots will be counted on October 2nd.

Education: No Report.

First Mates: We welcome Lora Donia, our newest First Mate and Gabi Van Wie our newest First Mate Candidate.

Membership: No report.

Newsletter: The August 16-page Whisker Pole was mailed to 116 members and 33 Happy Hour coordinators and was printed at a cost of \$446.88 which equates to \$2.99 per copy.

Public Relations: No Report.

Safety: Continue to work with Cruising, First Mates, and Skippers Advisory on miscellaneous safety-related issues including boat activations, member profiles, First Mate check-outs, and skipper mentoring. In addition, Safety submitted an article on the use of life jackets for the August Whisker Pole.

Skippers' Advisory: No report.

Social: Seafood Feast barely broke event due to low attendance. Recommend moving this event to September to avoid the heat of August. If the new restaurant at Haven Harbor South opens next season, we may have to find a new venue for the Seafood Feast. We are planning an October-Fest Happy Hour in Chesapeake City during the four day cruise.



NEXT SOS BOD MEETING

September 5 - 7:00 pm

Meeting is open to all members



SOS MEMBERSHIP

	Aug 2019	Aug 2018	Aug 2017
Members	429	439	477
Skippers	90	87	95
Totals	519	526	572



SOS BANK BALANCE 7/31/19

Checking	\$24,284
Credit Card Balance	(\$17,923)
Savings Account	<u>\$73,411</u>
Total	\$79,772

Bareboat Escrow \$57,591

Fleet Exercises and Shore Leave

Please email 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**. A copy of this form can be found on the SOS website, under Forms and Such – Cruising – Sailing Registration Form.

Plan to mail your check early to the **event coordinator, not the SOS mail box**.
Many events have limited capacity; therefore, an event may be filled even before the deadline date
The postmark is the date used as the mail in cutoff/deadline date.

All checks are to be made payable to SOS, Inc.

Note: Effective January 1, 2018, individual request for refunds will incur a \$3 Administration Fee. Non-members must submit a Sailing Registration Form.



Sep 6 to 9

Friday – Monday

4 Day to Chesapeake City

Destination:

Chesapeake City & points between

Cost:

\$68 - Member or Non-member

Deadline:

Mail: August 22 (postmark)
Online: August 27

Note:

Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator:

Sandy Huberfeld huberfelds@aol.com

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



September 10

Tuesday

Mid Week Day Sail

Destination:

Skipper's Choice

Cost:

\$17- Member or Non-Member

Deadline:

Mail and Online registrations must be received by September 4

Note:

Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator:

Barbara Wingrove bkwingrove@outlook.com

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September 14 Saturday

38th Hospice Cup Regatta

Destination:

Severn River and adjacent Bay waters

Note:

Regatta Registration Information:
<http://www.hospicecup.org/participate/>

After Party:

5:00pm – 9pm Hospice Cup
Shore Party Bert Jabins Yacht Yard

Note:

There is a \$85 charge for the shore party

Coordinator:

Hosted by Chesapeake Sailing Club



September 15 Sunday

Day Sail

Destination:

Skipper's Choice

Cost:

\$17- Member or Non-Member

Deadline:

Mail: September 4 (postmark)
Online: September 8 (9 pm)

Note:

Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator:

Carol Holmes cholmannap@verizon.net

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September 21/22

Saturday – Sunday

Appetizers & Desserts Cruise

Destination:

Pickering Cr/North Cove, Wye East

Cost:

\$34 - Member or Non-member

Deadline:

Mail: September 5 (postmark)
Online: September 10

Note:

Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator:

Barbara Wise bwise8426@gmail.com

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**September 26****Thursday****Mid Week Day Sail**

Destination: Skipper's Choice
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Sep. 18

Cost: \$17- Member or Non-Member
Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Barbara Wingrove bkwingrove@outlook.com
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**September 28 Saturday****Day Sail**

Destination: Skipper's Choice
Deadline: Mail: September 18 (postmark)
 Online: September 22 (9 pm)

Cost: \$17- Member or Non-Member
Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Laura Gwinn laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

**October 3****Thursday****Board Meeting**

Location: Commons Room
 Greenbrier Community Building
 7600 Hanover Parkway
 Greenbelt, MD 20770

Time: 7:00 to 10:00pm
 Doors open 6:45pm
Notes: Open to all Members

**October 5/6****Saturday – Sunday****Chili Cookoff Cruise**

Destination: Eagles Cove/Magothy River
Deadline: Mail: September 19 (postmark)
 Online: September 24

Cost: \$34 - Member or Non-member
Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Nancy Briggs nancybriggs@hotmail.com
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

**October 10-14 Thursday to Monday****Annapolis Sail Boat Show**

Destination: City Dock, Annapolis, Maryland

Note: Tickets can be purchased online
<https://www.annapolisboatshows.com/tickets/>

Note: For Information go to
<https://www.annapolisboatshows.com/> **Note:**

**October 12****Saturday****Day Sail**

Destination: Skipper's Choice
Deadline: Mail: October 2 (postmark)
 Online: October 6 (9 pm)

Cost: \$17- Member or Non-Member
Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Flavia Favali flavia4222@comcast.net
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

**October 17****Thursday****Mid Week Day Sail (Great Schooner Race Start)**

Destination: Skipper's Choice
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct. 9

Cost: \$17- Member or Non-Member
Note: Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.

Coordinator: Anne Bastian Bastian.Anne@gmail.com
 Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

**October 19/20 Saturday – Sunday****Goose Cruise****Destination:** Reed Creek/Chester River**Cost:** \$34 - Member or Non-member**Deadline:** Mail: October 3 (postmark)
Online: October 8**Note:** Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.**Coordinator:** Laura Gwinn laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com **(Coordinator change)**
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org**October 25-27 Friday – Sunday****3 Day Oyster Fest (St Michael's) Cruise****Destination:** St Michael's/Miles River**Cost:** \$51 - Member or Non-member**Deadline:** Mail: October 10 (postmark)
Online: October 15**Note:** Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.**Coordinator:** Linda Casucci casuccilj@gmail.com
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org**October 28 Monday****Poplar Island Tour
(Paul S Sarbanes Ecosystem Restoration Project)****Destination:** Poplar Island, Tilghman, MD**Cost:** NO FEE, Limit of 25 people**Deadline:** October 21**Coordinator:** Suzanne Vaughn suzyvaughn2@gmail.com
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org**October 30****Wednesday****Mid Week Day Sail****Destination:** Skipper's Choice**Cost:** \$17- Member or Non-Member**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct. 23**Note:** Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate registration form with a check to the coordinator.**Coordinator:** Kitty St. Romain k.st.romain@comcast.net
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org**November 2/3 Saturday – Sunday****Blue Lips Cruise****Destination:** Pirate's Cove/West River**Cost:** \$34 - Member or Non-member**Deadline:** Mail: October 17 (postmark)
Online: October 22**Note:** Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.**Coordinator:** Kathy Higdon khigdon610@comcast.net
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org**November 9 Saturday****Cruising Appreciation Meeting****Destination:** Park Place, Annapolis, MD**Cos** Member Meeting/Dinner: **Free**;
Guest: **\$25****Deadline:** Mail: October 30 (postmark)
Online: November 4**Time:** 5-6pm Happy Hour;
6-7pm Dinner
7-9pm Meeting**Coordinator:** Laura Gwinn laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org



November 10 Sunday Brunch

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis, MD

Speaker/Topic: TBD

Deadline: Mail: November 4 (postmark)
Online: November 5

Coordinator: Suzanne Vaughn suzyvaughn2@gmail.com
Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org

Cost: \$ TBD - Brunch
\$ TBD – After deadline and walk-ins.

Time: 11:00 am Social Hour
12:00 noon Brunch
1:00 pm Program

Note: Mainsail East Room



November 10 Sunday Board Meeting

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis, MD

Time: 2:15pm – 4:15pm
After the Brunch

Notes: Open to all Members



Feb/Mar 2020 One Week or Two The Abacos - 2020 Bareboat Cruise Adventure

Destination: Start at Marsh Harbor, Bahamas, Abaco Islands

Deadline: Has past.
Contact coordinator for wait list.

Coordinator: Corinne Lanquetuit clanquetuit@hotmail.com
Go to sosbareboat.simplesite.com for more details

Cost: Approximate. 1 wk \$1500 ++, 2 wks \$2650 ++

Note: To Download Registration Form with Payment Information:
<http://sosbareboat.simplesite.com/361821751>

Suzanne Vaughn



In 2011, I became a member of SOS and was very fortunate to join the cruise to Turkey shortly before it sailed. Since then, I've sailed to Greece, Turkey, Croatia and to the BVIs with the Club. Sweden is our next cruise which will be a very different experience with their high tides and curious docking.

I got the sailing bug when visiting a former neighbor in Antigua in the early 90s for Race Week, twice. She was the cook on a lovely 50-foot custom cruiser. Not a shabby place to spend three weeks! I returned home and took sailing lessons. An Alberg 30 found me and I learned how to sail that summer by racing. I know how to sail more by the tell tails than the numbers! I was a member of the local Tiller Club which had a small fleet of Tanzer 22s, a former club residing at Port Annapolis.

When I discovered SOS in 2011 I got involved immediately and jumped right in with the Social Committee when it was chaired by Robin Stewart. I transitioned from the Social Committee to taking over Brunches from Carol Jordan. That has been a challenge but also a rewarding adventure discovering new topics and speakers that would be interesting to our diverse club members. I have also stepped in for duties with Spring Training, annual Regional Brunches and Education Committees.

I'll continue organizing side trips for the Club as I did with two tours of the USCGC Barque Eagle, a training cutter now used for training in the US Coast Guard. There will be a tour of Poplar Island planned for October.

So, through these eight years, I've had the pleasure of working with a variety of talented people from all walks of life: in international development, as physicians, educators, former Peace Corp members, attorneys, dentists, engineers, art directors and social workers, to name just a few. I have experienced what a curious and committed group of people we are. Most of us are returning to single life eager to make new friends and seek new adventures in actives to perhaps redefine ourselves. We come together with a shared passion for SAILING and traveling the world.

With eight years of varied experience in the Club, my goal as a Board member is for us to continue to develop through outreach with other organizations. More advertising of our events could bring new members. I want to see the club continue to grow and bring the passion of sailing to even more new members as well as enthuse the members we have. I've always believed we get out of life what we put into it. We will get out of SOS what we put into it!

Meet the Candidates

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Doug Love



I've sailed the Bay and elsewhere in the world for about 45 years; skippered for about 41 of those. I've also skippered 26 cruises with SOS (and counting). So, if elected, I'd bring ample sailing experience to the Board. Additionally, I offer quite strong business, organizational, and communication skills to the Board. I earned my MBA from Wake Forest in 1988. Ever since, I've managed cost and schedule parameters, and calibrated performance on government programs worth \$100's of millions. Today, I'm a Sr Program Management Consultant on a large anti-terror program with TSA.

Back in 2014, SOS (and the sailing of course), played a significant role in me pulling out of a "rough patch" in life. After getting back on my feet, I've stayed because of the camaraderie, adventure, and friendships that the club offers. Over the years, I've developed a pretty strong affinity for SOS, developed numerous friendships, and I recognize the value that it offers to the sailing community, beginners to veterans.

Why the Board? Thus far, my interaction with SOS has been primarily through skippering cruises on Validity. Now, I feel that I have been around long enough that I can give back far more. So, to the extent that I can volunteer my time, and leverage my experience, skillset, relationships, and ideas to sustain and grow SOS such that the club can offer all of the great things that it has to me to others, far into the future, I will work tirelessly to do just that.

Thanks for considering me for the SOS Board. That alone is an honor.

Barbara Reese



I have been a member of SOS for over six years. During this period SOS afforded me the opportunity to learn to sail and I have sailing experiences on the Chesapeake and around the world. International bareboat adventures include barging in France, the BVIs and some of the islands of Greece. Wonderful friendships were forged as these SOS experiences unfolded.

Since SOS is a volunteer organization, it relies on active membership to provide the coordination and logistics around educational programs to learn to sail and to provide sailing experiences. So, importantly, we need a broad base of members, young and old, to keep the club alive with the old as well as new ideas and programs. The membership base needs to include long term and new members that consist of young blood as well as old timers.

As an anthropologist, I would focus on identifying ways to maintain and grow membership. In this era of social media, young people organize themselves in different ways. I would investigate what it is that the younger generation expects from a club and work to address those expectations. New and old members must feel a part of the organization. New members need to be encouraged to participate in event planning. In this way, new members might encourage their acquaintances to look into the activities of SOS.

Vote for me and keep SOS alive and vibrant.

Sandy Roswork

I have decided to run for a second term on the SOS Board of Directors for a variety of reasons; SOS has become a big plus in my life, bringing sailing adventure, camaraderie, and many new friends. I appreciate the club's emphasis on good seamanship, safety, and enjoyment of the Chesapeake Bay. I bring to the table my experience as a current board member, skipper and recent chair of the Bareboat Cruising Committee. The current board has begun several worthwhile initiatives such as Long Range Planning and I would like to continue my work on these.



I'm a life-long boater, beginning at the age of 14 when my family moved from Oregon to Maryland and my Dad bought a Boston Whaler. He taught me the basics and the Severn River became my highway and the boat my first driving experience. My husband was a sailor and we quickly bought our first sailboat and worked our way up to an S-2 30 racer cruiser. I organized private sailing flotillas to various parts of the world until joining SOS in 2010 and being asked to chair the SOS Bareboat Committee. Naturally, my first SOS sailing experience was on the Australian Bareboat trip! I have a USCG Captains License and taught sailing in Annapolis for several years with the Womanship program.

My non-boating experience includes teaching; from elementary school to college. I have a Ph.D. in Psychology and have worked as a school psychologist, in private practice, and as program manager for the US Navy's domestic violence, and sexual assault programs, world-wide. In that capacity, I managed a multi-million dollar budget, program staffing, research and clinical oversight. I was selected to represent the Navy as a participant in the government wide Executive Women's Leadership Program.

As an SOS board member, I have tried to emphasize rational decision making which takes into account both budget issues as well as "bang for the buck." I have supported a positive approach to membership issues, rather than being punitive or negative. I support review of our existing policies and paperwork, some of which could clearly be updated or streamlined. In the past two years, I have been instrumental in updating both the Emergency Medical Form, as well as the Pre-Cruise Check Out Form. Finally, I would work to ensure the continued success of our core programs: bay sailing, bareboat cruising, social functions, and instructional endeavors. Our club is going to have to make some changes going forward and I believe that I could make some contributions to that process.

Teresa Scofield

I am honored to be nominated as a candidate for the SOS Board and, if re-elected, to continue to serve the club that has been so good to me. My love of sailing began on Peconic Bay, Long Island and spread to Galesville, MD where my late husband and I kept our Rhodes 22. When I was ready to get back into sailing following his passing, an internet search turned up Singles on Sailboats; I joined immediately. My participation early on was sporadic until a friendly skipper took me under his wing and encouraged me to attend an SOS party. With a renewed enthusiasm, I quickly passed my Basic Skills and looked forward to the cruises. My sailing adventures have expanded to many parts of the Bay and bareboat charters of the Caribbean, Greece and Croatia.



Giving back to the club started with baby steps. First, coordinating day sail and weekend cruises. Then serving on the nominating committee which is one of the best ways to get to know people in the club next to working the registration desk or bar at an SOS function; you talk to everybody! It wasn't until I served as Database chair for three years that I became involved with virtually every committee in the club. My current position on the Board is as Treasurer which has afforded me even more insight into the workings of this club.

In a previous life I was an engineer for a major glass manufacturing company with experience in product/process development, production supervision and cost control. Currently, I am employed as the office manager for a foundation established to honor the legacy of a Northern Virginia real estate developer and horseman. Skills necessary in both positions include but are not limited to critical thinking, problem solving, attention to detail, and effective communication. Skills I will continue to bring to the Board of SOS.

This is my 12th anniversary with SOS and I can honestly say that I have found something positive in every sailing opportunity with the club. Everything from enhancing my skills with the help of a patient skipper or seasoned crew member to learning something about myself. What better way to be pushed and challenged than in a sudden squall on the Bay! It can take only one caring skipper or POC to befriend a new or introvert member in danger of "falling through the cracks" to help them navigate the ins and outs of this well-established sailing club. Attracting new members with an informative and entertaining website, making sailing fun, safe and affordable, and encouraging volunteerism with a supportive membership may help stem the tide of member attrition and make SOS the best sailing club on the Bay.

Meet the Candidates

Seafood Feast and Cruise



FEAST (SAW)



Group Swim (JRP)



FEAST (SAW)



(L to R): Lora Donia, Catherine Fox and Gabi Van Wie (SAW)



(L to R): Teresa Scofield, John McDonald, Jean Parcher, Susan Veccia, and Andrew Katz (SAW)



(L to R): Jill Montgomery, Phil Smith, John Rogers, Kathy Haven and Susan Kopunek (SAW)



Craig Coltharp announcing sunset (JRP)



Carole Jordan, Meeps Yox, and others enjoying the sunset (JRP)



John Wiggins' tradition of announcing sunset (SAW)

Photographers: John Parsons (JFP); Samia AbdelWahed (SAW)

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

Town Hall Meeting



(L to R): Sharon Taylor (New Member), Julia Oravec and Ann Bastian



(L to R): Sandy Roswork, Jan Warfield, Ursula Skagen, Joy Meacham, Bev Nash and Dane Skagen



(L to R): Rick Kissel and Barbara Brooks (New Members)



(L to R): Kris Smith, Philipp Theune (New Skipper)



(L to R): Glenn Marvin and Christina Young



(L to R): Debbie Goldberg, Les Vipond and Leslie Bayliss

Where the Wind Takes Us Cruise



(L to R): Jerry Axler, Suzanne Vaughn, Chuck Fort, Susan Vasco, Sharon Berry



Group Photo over Appetizers



(L to R): Debra Lyle, John Rogers, Bruce Dowley, Charlene Jehle and Juanita Layne

Photographers by Samia AbdelWahed (SAW)

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SCUTTLEBUTT

(A communal water cask around which sailors traded gossip)



Dan Meier has exciting news: his book, *THE DUNG BEETLES OF LIBERIA: A Novel Based on True Events* is being released for sale on September 1ST. It is a fictional account based on the experiences of his friend, and fellow SOSer, **Les Vipond** when he was a bush pilot in Africa in the 1960's. "After over 40 hours of interviews with Les, listening to one amazing tale after another, it became apparent that in order to write a cohesive and thematic account of his adventures, I could not write the non-fiction memoir as I had intended, but had to rearrange his story into a novel based on his experiences." Dan will be signing copies of his book at Barnes and Noble, Harbor Center, Annapolis on September 14th at 1:00 pm.

Dane & Ursula Skagen's cruising buddy, **Viva Bob**, will be visiting the last half of September and the Skagens would like to introduce him to SOS friends. Bob lived for 20 years on his various boats cruising the Caribbean & the Pacific coast from Panama to California. He has transited the Panama Canal 14 times and has many delightful stories to tell. Please welcome him.

John Rogers reports that he had a huge surprise when joining the Kent Island SOS community. He met up with an 18 year sailing friend and SOS new skipper **Rick Kissel** who is now partnered with SOS member and KI happy hour

convener **Barb Brooks**, whom John was close friends with while raising kids in northern Virginia years ago. It's a small world sometimes!

Jeannie Block Bessmer is going on her Viking River Cruise on the Seine in late September. She is brushing up on her French with Babbel! A year ago she went on her first Viking Cruise on the Danube, which she would love to do again.

Chuck and Julie Fort spent their 15th anniversary August 7 with the windmills in Kinderdijk, Netherlands on their way from Amsterdam to Budapest on a two week riverboat cruise followed by a few days in Prague.

Bob Morrow has a new job as captain of a sailing sightseeing boat with Chesapeake Windsail Cruises out of Chesapeake Beach. The 42' Beneteau *Eternal Hope*, was featured on the cover of the Calvert County times.



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Skippers: Why should you join the SOS SkipperNet?

Skippers@yahoogroups.com is the Singles on Sailboats email alias for the SOS Skippers discussion group. It is an official means of communication among SOS Skippers. To participate, you must be a skipper in SOS, on the BOD, or Chair of Cruising, Safety, or First Mates Advisory Committee.

Recently, the invitation system for joining the group has not worked as it has in the past. Here is how to join the SkipperNet at the present time.

- Go to groups.yahoo.com
- Search for Skippers
- Click on our group
- Click on join group
- Enter your yahoo ID
 - If you don't have a yahoo ID, click on Create Account
- Either way, show that you want to use your current email address; make sure it is the one on your profile in the SOS online directory or clearly identifies you
- Enter the email address you want to use

The rest of the steps are self explanatory.

If you have a problem, email smallfavours@hotmail.com for assistance.

TO PLACE A CLASSIFIED AD:

- **Due 10th of month** for publication the following month
- Send email to parandall@comcast.net with "classified ad" in the subject line
- You will receive a confirmation email back
- Ads will appear for three months unless you notify me earlier.
- 75 word limit, effective May 1, 2018

Pat Randall, Classified Page Editor

**BOATS FOR SALE**

31' Allmand '84 For sale by owners 24 HP Diesel, fully battened main, roller furling jib Dingy included, LNG fuel system for stove and grill. Excellent cruising boat for Bay, 4'8" draft Recently refurbished. Docked at Spring Cove, Rock Hall. \$19,000, Buy now and we'll consider paying winter storage. Contact edtminka@aol.com
09-19

1962 Mercer 44: "Spirit", classic Bill Tripp designed CCA fiberglass keel-centerboard sloop, rebuilt in 1998 & well maintained, third owner. Spirit sleeps 2 in the V-berth and up to 5 in the main salon. Since 2004 Spirit has been sailed on the Chesapeake and is now berthed in Irvington, VA on the Rappahannock River. Her details are located on her website: www.Mercer44.net \$50,000. Contact SOS life-member Floyd Hollister at fhh11@columbia.edu
08-19

For sale by owner: Bristol 29.9, 1979. Price Reduced Yanmar diesel engine, 15 hp. New jib; self-furling. Fully battened mainsail. Lazy jacks 2 years old. New halyard. Bottom painted last season. Modified full keel. Shoal draft. Dodger. In slip at Castle Harbor Marina (Chester, MD) paid through December 2019. \$12,000 or Best Reasonable Offer Contact: david.crosland@usdoj.gov
08-19

35' 1973 C&C Mark I. Solid fiberglass hull; no blisters. 30-HP diesel; folding prop; full-battened main with Dutchman System; roller furling; 4 headsails; bimini; Garmin GPS/Chartplotter; depth, speed, and wind speed/direction instruments; compass; VHS radio; battery charger; dripless stuffing box; hot water heater; head shower; convection microwave; 2-burner

propane cooktop; AM/FM/CD; automatic bilge pump; spinnaker and whisker poles; anchor & rode; Control lines lead to cockpit; fast and fun to sail. \$14,500. Contact: johnfilippini@gmail.com.
08-19

"BON CHANCE" 29/25 1974 Paceship, built by Britton Chance (1976 America's Cup); Atomic 4 Engine, 5'2" draft, 8.5 beam, 8000 lbs. Fully restored: water tank, enclosed head, holding tank; new life lines, attached boarding ladder, all safety gear and instruments incl. Sails: Main, Genoa (2); MUST SEE! MUST SAIL! \$8,500. obo. Swan Creek, Rock Hall. mscarolniemand@gmail.com
09-19

BOAT SLIPS

Deepwater Slip available immediately. Join great dockmates on Mill Creek, Annapolis. Contact Suzanne Farr sofarr@aol.com
08-19

ITEMS FOR SALE

3.4 gpm West Marine Water-Pressure Pump Never used. Runs 3-4 outlets. Current similar pump \$169 new. \$75 Contact parandall@comcast.net
08-19

OTHER

FOR RENT: "Marsh Magic" - A serene vacation rental in West Ocean City, MD. www.ocmarshmagic.com. 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath house; 5 decks; 2 kitchens; elevator; near inlet and Route 50 bridge. Sleeps 12. Contact Sharon Taylor at ocmarshmagic@gmail.com. 08-19

Bob Estes 1934-2019

Bob had been a member of SOS for thirty years and was well known for his excellent sailing skills and love of dancing.

As a long time employee of Fawcett Boat Supplies, he was incredibly knowledgeable about all things marine and was the "go to guy" for many skippers who had questions about boat parts, repairs, and new gadgets on the market.

*Fair winds and following seas shipmate,
you stand relieved.....we have the watch.*



Welcome to the SOS
Happy Hour page!
Be sure to check here
for a Happy Hour
event in your area.
Send any changes,
updates or new
information about Happy
Hours to Lora Donia
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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 Tuesday
SE PA: (1ST HH) **Sept. 3rd** **4:00-6:00 PM**
NORTH ITALIA 350 Mall Blvd, Suite 1000C, King of Prussia, PA 19406. Happy Hour specials include \$4 Beer & \$5 Wine. Park in the lots on either side of Macy's. 484-751-9000 www.northitaliarestaurant.com
CONTACT: **PATTI - evansapatti@gmail.com**

1st Wednesday
NVA/DC: **Sept. 4th** **5:00-7:30 PM**
MYLO'S GRILL 6238 Old Dominion Dr, McLean, VA 22101. Located in the Chesterbrook Shopping Center. Meet in the bar area. Free parking and great food! 703-533-5880 www.mylosgrill.com
CONTACT: **TRISH - trishreml@gmail.com 703-919-7729**

1st Thursday
ELLCOTT CITY: **Sept. 5th** **5:30-7:30 PM**
BARE BONES Grill & Brewery 9150-22 Baltimore Natl Pk, (Corner of St. Johns Lane & Rt 40) Ellicott City, MD 21042 410-461-0770 www.barebonesgrill.com
CONTACT: **JILL - jill.montgom@gmail.com**

1st Thursday
NEW JERSEY **Sept. 5th** **5:30-7:30 PM**
RIVERWIND'S RESTAURANT 1075 Riverwinds Drive, West Deptford, NJ 08096. Exit 21 off Route 295. Meet in the bar area. Happy hour pricing on drinks & apps 'til 7 PM. 856-579-7900 www.riverwindsrestaurant.com
CONTACT: **LORA - doniala@aol.com 856-655-5525**

1st Thursday
SOUTH-CENTRAL PA: **Sept. 5th** **6:30-9:00 PM**
O'REILLY'S TAPROOM 800 Eastpark Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17111. Located in the The Central Hotel & Conference Center. 717-561-2800 <http://thecentralhotelharrisburg.com>
CONTACT: **BOB - sosjrmorrow@aol.com**

2nd Thursday
BALTIMORE: **Sept. 12th** **5:00-7:00 PM**
NICK'S FISH HOUSE 2600 Insulator Drive, Baltimore, MD 21230. Happy Hour pricing on select food & drinks 5-7 PM. 410-347-4123 www.nicksfishhouse.com
CONTACT: **KATHY - miskatha@gmail.com**

2nd Thursday
DE BEACHES **Sept. 12th** **5:30-7:30 PM**
BIG CHILL BEACH CLUB 27099 Coastal Highway, Bethany, DE 19930. Located at the Delaware Seashore State Park. Small fee for parking. Ask hostess for the SOS group. www.bigchillbeachclub.com
CONTACT: **BETH - bethsailingsos@gmail.com**

3rd Tuesday
SE PA: (2ND HH) **Sept. 17th** **5:00-7:00 PM**
HARVEST GRILL 555 E. Lancaster Ave, Radnor, PA 19087. Happy Hour Specials 4:30-7 PM. 484-584-4975 www.harvestseasonalgrill.com
CONTACT: **PATTI - evansapatti@gmail.com**

3rd Wednesday
WILMINGTON: **Sept. 18th** **5:30 PM**
TIMOTHY'S Restaurant and Bar, 930 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 Wilmington Riverfront by Blue Rock Stadium, facing the waterfront. Drink specials until 7 PM. 302-429-7427 www.timothysontheriverfront.com
CONTACT: **GERI - geriwalker12@gmail.com**

3rd Thursday
ROCKVILLE: **Sept. 19th** **5:00-7:00 PM**
THE MARRIOTT Hotel 5701 Marinelli Rd, North Bethesda, MD 20852. Located near the White Flint Metro station. Meet in the bar area. Two hours free parking - validate parking ticket at the bar. 301-822-9200 www.marriott.com
CONTACT: **JON - jonbernheimer@verizon.net**

3rd Thursday
KENT ISLAND: **Sept. 19th** **4:30-7:00 PM**
FISHERMAN'S INN 3116 Main Street, Grasonville, MD 21638. Happy Hour food and drink specials from 4-6 PM. 410-827-6666 www.fishermansinn.com
CONTACT: **BARB - bbb Brooksao@aol.com**

4th Thursday
ANNAPOLIS: **Sept. 26th** **5:00-7:00 PM**
THE PIER 48 South River Rd, Edgewater, MD If we are not in the bar area, we'd probably be on the UPPER deck outside. 443-837-6057 (still cocojoes@comcast.net)
CONTACT: **repenca@msn.com 301-717-2770**



Delaware Happy Hour

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Sept 6/9 – 4-Day Cruise to Chesapeake City

Sept 10 – Day Sail

Sept 18 – Day Sail

Sept 26 – Day Sail

Sept 28 – Day Sail

Sept 21/22 – Appetizers & Desserts Cruise