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VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



SOS TAKES A STEP FORWARD.

Thanks to all of you who took the time to vote for the recent proposal to change the club dues structure. Over 200 members voted! That's a great turn out and indicates a high level of interest in assuring the future of our club. And so, how did members vote?

By over a 4 to 1 margin, members approved the proposal to give Lifetime Members some annual dues which would be less than regular dues. The board is still deciding upon the exact dollar amount for 2021 dues.....coming soon!

The other proposal, to initiate a new membership category for Inactive Members, also passed by close to a 4 to 1 margin. This new category will allow those members who can no longer sail or participate in social functions, to continue as SOS members, but pay only a nominal fee.

The membership renewal period starts in November. SOS usually offers many benefits from sailing to parties, to educational events, to fireside chats. Plus, our Bareboat program is hard to duplicate anywhere else! Plan

to re-up in November! We have tried to offer a variety of online programs during the pandemic. We have tried to get at least some boats out there and we have started up some in person social events. Hopefully, we will be back close to normal in 2021!

Finally, I realize that for most of our members, there has been little to no sailing this year. I certainly regret that. But.....last weekend at Shaw Bay, I counted nine SOS boats!

That's a record for this year, I think. Many were sailing only with family, close friends, etc. But nine is still a big step forward and we will plan to build on that for next season.

A major objective for the future is to get more boats and more crew out on the bay. As the pandemic abates, I think we will be successful. It's been a tough year, but progress is on the horizon!

Hang in there!

Sandy

Brunch November 15th

Our first Brunch of the season features an exciting feature speaker: **Paul Bollinger**, the Executive Director of the Chesapeake Regional Accessible Boating for all Abilities.

Because of COVID restrictions there will be no open buffet, instead you will be asked to select one of the following options when you sign up for the brunch:

Option One: Garden Salad, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Breakfast Potatoes, and Pancakes. Chef's Choice of Dessert.

Option Two: Garden Salad, Grilled BBQ Breast with a Pineapple Salsa, Chef's Choice of Dessert.

11:15-12:00 Social, cash bar
12:00-1:00 Plated lunch
1:00 Program

**60 guests limit
\$30**

Unofficial notes September 3, 2020 Board Meeting

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

SOS Board of Directors met on September 3, 2020 via Zoom. No major motions were passed, but the following reports were given.

We had a successful Town Hall General Membership meeting with the limit of 50 people in attendance and 27 additional members on Zoom. The nominees for the five Board positions are Wendy Adams, Robin Meigel, Pat Woodie, Craig Colthorp, and Heidi Harper. Ballots will go out mid-September and voting will be for two weeks.

Cruising has been difficult this year because of COVID and the restrictions as to social events. There has been some informal cruising offered but as of this time, it is unclear how cruising will be done next year and will depend upon the pandemic and any vaccine.

Education has been doing Educational Seminars that begin with a happy hour on Zoom with approximately 30 people in attendance at each function. Education will incorporate Fireside Chats next year as part of their Zoom presentations. Spring Training will be a SASSY event like last year with potentially zoom sessions.

Susan Zevin and Debbie Lyle are the new Brunch chairs and are working on speakers and the format with the COVID restrictions.

Social has had several COVID-restricted events. Since there is a limit to the number of individuals, if you sign up and cannot go PLEASE notify the Social chairs. The recent August Beach party had a waiting list and approximately 20 people were no shows and did not call to cancel which meant that those on the waiting list could not attend. Social will send out reminders before the event to cancel so someone else can take your place.

Rita Svec has agreed to let the club continue to use her Silver Spring, Maryland address as the Corporate office for legal purposes.

We have a new skipper with a fractional boat ownership who always uses the same boat so that boat can be certified

by Safety to be used in the future for SOS cruises, a new type of skipper/boat.

Dana Stoffregen, Andy Katz and Sharon Taylor have spent copious hours reviewing the bylaws and polices to be sure they are consistent, up to date and typo free. Something that had not been done in several years. In October any of these items that need member approval, i.e. bylaws will be presented for an electronic vote. Thank you to them.

We are exploring how to have the Photo Contest and the Retrospective in COVID times with perhaps a broader scope for the pictures that may be submitted.

Please look for three ballots on the website or when you get an email notification. These ballots are to vote on the dues changes to the bylaws, election of the board of directors, and the other bylaw revisions or updates.

Stay safe,
Rebecca Strandberg
Secretary

THE MEMBERS HAVE SPOKEN

After multiple blasts, several newsletter articles, one ZOOM General Meeting and a Town Hall Meeting, we sent out the proposed changes to member dues and **219** people voted; what a great turn out!

Question 1: Life Members and Honorary Members shall pay dues which are less than Non-Life Members. Passed with 178 Yes votes to 41 No votes.

Question 2: Add an additional membership category for Inactive Members. Passed with 173 Yes votes to 46 No votes.

The Board of Directors is currently deciding on the exact amount of 2021 dues. This information plus a detail definition of Inactive Members will be sent to all members very soon.

Welcome Returning Member:

Ginger Eanes, Harrisburg, PA

SOS MEMBERSHIP

	Sept 2020	Sept 2019
Members	402	431
Skippers	83	90
Totals	485	521

SOS Finances September 2020

Club Checking Account	\$ 15,435
Hi-Yield Savings Account	\$ 73,448
Club Credit Card	\$ -1,297
Bareboat Account	\$ 33,778

Fireside Chats

For all those who love to coordinate, host and attend Fireside Chats, eating, drinking and socializing during the long chilly months of winter, SOS will not be doing so this season.

Debra Roane and Lorraine Fassett had planned to work together to organize Fireside Chats in the various areas where our membership live. With many COVID restrictions still in place, we considered doing ZOOM meetings instead. However, we decided that the Education and Brunch committees are also looking for speakers we will just hold off organizing Fireside Chats until late Fall, 2021. A disappointment for many of us.

What a surreal, difficult and sometimes tragic time this has been. May you and your families fare well until we can meet again in our usual invigorating SOS manner.

Fleet Exercises and Shore Leave

*No typical cruising coordination will take place until we are in Gov. Hogan's Phase III. If you are willing to sail this summer, for Day Sails, please sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org. **Be sure to log-in first**, or contact Facilitator via email, who will place your name on a list of available crew. Skippers may invite crew from this list for a private sail.*



October 1

Thursday

Board Meeting

Location:

Via TBD

Time: 7:30 to 10:00pm

Notes: Open to all Members



October 8

Thursday

Mid-Week Sail

Destination:

Skipper's Choice

Cost: No Coordination cost

Deadline:

Note:

Facilitator:

Barbara Wingrove BKWingrove@outlook.com



October 11 & 12

Saturday or Sunday

Day Sails

Destination:

Skipper's Choice

Cost: No Coordination cost

Deadline:

Note:

Facilitator:

Linda Casucci casuccilj@gmail.com



October 17/18

Saturday – Sunday

Chili Cruise

Destination:

Cove past Pickering/Wye East River

Cost:

Deadline:

Note:

Coordinator:

No coordination for this event at this time due to COVID-19 restrictions



October 24

Saturday

Day Sail

Destination:

Skipper's Choice

Cost: No Coordination cost

Deadline:

Note:

Facilitator:

Lynn Gilley ltgilley@verizon.net



October 29

Thursday

Mid-Week Sail

Destination:

Skipper's Choice

Cost: No Coordination cost

Deadline:

Note:

Facilitator:

Kathy Haven muskathha@gmail.com



Oct 31-Nov 1

Saturday Sunday

Halloween Cruise

Destination:

Pirates Cove/West River

Cost:

Deadline:

Note:

Coordinator:

No coordination for this event at this time due to COVID-19 restrictions

No Social planned for this event

**November 5****Thursday****Board Meeting****Location:**

Via TBD

Time: 7:30 to 10:00pm**Notes:** Open to all Members**November 15****Sunday****Brunch****Location:**Double Tree Hotel ballroom,
Annapolis, MD**Cost:** \$30 - Brunch

Reservations only; No walk ins.

Speaker/Topic:Paul Bollinger, Exec. Director
C.R.A.B. – Boating for All Abilities**Time:**

11:15 am-12:00 N Social Hour; cash bar

12:00 N 1:00 pm plated Lunch

1:00 pm Program

Deadline:

Mail: November 6 (postmark)

Online: November 10

Note:

Brunch choice must be reserved no later than

Tuesday November 10;

See option details in Whisker Pole.

Coordinator:Bev Nash beverlynash@verizon.netPlease **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org**December 3****Thursday****Board Meeting****Location:**

Via TBD

Time: 7:30 to 10:00pm**Notes:** Open to all Members**December 13****Sunday****Brunch****Location:**

Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis, MD

Cost: \$?? - Brunch

\$?? – After deadline and

Speaker/Topic:

TBD

Time:

11:00 am Social Hour

12:00 noon Brunch

1:00 pm Program

Deadline:

Mail: December 4 (postmark)

Online: December 8

Note:**Coordinator:**

TBD

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

STAND BY
Brunch Committee
is working on this

**September 2021****Choose One Week****France/Germany – Bareboat Canal Trip****Destination:**Alsace Lorraine, France and
Germany**Cost:**Members \$1000 = Boat cost and Insurance
incl. - Air fare separate.**Note:**

Week 1 – Sept 3 to Sept 10

Week 2 – Sept 10 to Sept 17

Note:**To Download Registration Form with
Payment Information:**<http://sosbareboat.simplesite.com/361821746>**Coordinator:**Sandy Roswork sgrosswork@aol.comGo to <http://sosbareboat.simplesite.com/> for more details

Only the guy who isn't rowing
 Has time to rock the boat.

...Jean-Paul Sartre

SOS Beach Party



Beach Party Site
(SAW)



The Gathering-1
(GVW)



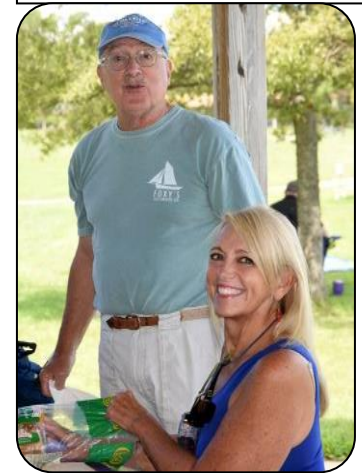
The Gathering-2
(GVW)



Suzanne Vaughn
(SAW)



Gabi Van Wie (SAW)



(L to R): Jon Bernheimer and
Kathleen Haley-New Member
(SAW)



(L to R): Debra Roane,
Cecelia Jauvier, and Doug
Gage (SAW)



The Gathering-3
(SAW)



(L to R): Jill Montgomery and
Heidi Harper (SAW)

Photographers: Samia AbdelWahed (SAW); Gabi Van Wie (GVW)

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

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

**BOATS FOR SALE**

1982 Canadian Sailcraft CS-36T "Triton" This shoal draft (4'11" perfect for the Chesapeake Bay) classic, designed by Raymond Wall, has been well maintained with new upholstery 2012, CruiseAire heating/ac 2014, new bimini/dodger 2015, VHF w/AIS and Garmin chart plotter 2016, rebuilt transmission 2017, solar panels 2018, new house batteries 2019, new autohelm 2019, and all routine maintenance. See the March 2017 Spin Sheet for "The CS 36 Used Boat Review" <https://www.spinsheet.com/boat-reviews/cs-36-used-boat-review>. **Lower Price:** \$45,000 Contact Richard Green ragreen01@gmail.com 703-328-1399 07-20

FOR SALE by owner: Bristol 29.9, 1979 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 2020. \$13,000 Contact: david.crosland@usdoj.gov 443.994.1121 07-20

BOAT SLIPS

DEEP WATER SLIP: Join other great dock mates. Available immediately on Mill Creek, Annapolis Contact Suzanne Farr sofarr@aol.com 703.405.3277 07-20

ITEMS FOR SALE

ZODIAC Inflatable Dingy For Sale – (8'6") and 4 HP JOHNSON outboard motor. Excellent condition. Includes: seat, boat carry bag, tow line, fuel tank, motor storage stand, anchor with rode, and manuals. Asking \$800, original price was \$1600+ Contact jkirk436@comcast.net 717.201.7830 7-20

FOR SALE: GIL OS5 Jacket
Medium Red, Like new, Hardly worn \$75 Contact: Lynn Winkler 302.540.6293 beachlynn@comcast.net 07-20

OTHER

VARNISH, BRIGHTWORK, WAX, and PAINT. Flabo Brightworks, LLC. Call Julian Sargeant 985.227.5389 or email julianflabo@outlook (Recommend by Dan and Teeja Meier.)

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 703.901.8255 ocmarshmagic@gmail.com 07-20

FOR RENT: Large waterfront bedroom and bath in Annapolis. Contact Suzanne Farr 703.405.3277 sofarr@aol.com 07-20

Kitchen and Bathroom Renovations : Home or Vessel . Contact Mark Rybas at The Craftsman Connection or mark.rybas@rocketmail.com 07-20

SCUTTLEBUTT

(A communal water cask around which sailors traded gossip)

Sharing positive outcomes during this incredible pandemic

Ed Petersohn was hoping to see many SOS friends at the DE Happy Hour which took place at an outside patio. As it turned out, he and Sue Donaldson were the only ones attending. It was nice weather and they had a great talk about everything. Maybe next time a few more brave souls will attend – wearing a mask of course. He just hopes everyone is OK – it's scary when only two people show up for a scheduled event. Meanwhile, he reminds all to take care of themselves.

Kitty St. Romain is having her bathroom redone...there is only one toilet, so she is living three flights downstairs mostly due to her gracious neighbor, GOD BLESS HER, for three weeks while it gets done from the walls out. Lessons learned: Tile Company had three bad batches sent, causing delays and dust everywhere even though stuff covered. Contractor and designer doing good work. Big lesson, whatever one needs is in the other location and one has to keep both sets of keys on a lanyard so they are available at all times!

In early August **Dane Skagen** finally made it home from the Pacific. After seven months aboard, 10,000 miles sailed, a long 31-day passage from Galapagos to Tahiti and a couple week-long storms, the opportunity arose in Noumea, New Caledonia to head home. The boat, *Cloud Shadow*, made it to Australia about three weeks later. An eye-opening trip with dolphins, orca, sharks, turtles, more sharks, rays and fresh caught tuna highlighting the wildlife. Panama amazing, Galapagos breathtaking, Tahiti exotic, Samoa quite unfriendly, Fiji very friendly and New Caledonia a bit standoffish. Crew, friends and other boats exceptional all around and some friends for life. Can't wait to share the pictures.

Rita Svec has spent the summer in San Diego, where she can do lots of outdoor activities without the heat and humidity. Continuing her bicoastal lifestyle, she is returning to Maryland in mid-September and hopes to see her SOS friends or at least be in their time zone. Lots of weeding and raking of leaves in her future.

Kate Collins' daughter, Molly McGeady, married Mike Anderson at Wye Island Natural Resources Management Area on August 29th. They were stumped, early on, as to where to have it. The first issue was where to hold a large wedding, but when that was taken off the table because of COVID, the next issue was where to hold it safely and also reflect the bride and groom's love of nature. Kate remembered visiting the Wye Island facility for an SOS event, and suggested that venue. It worked out great!

Ruth Moore writes that she removed 307 photos from frames, scanned them into a document and now has to put some photos back into frames, but she is sure there will be MANY frames not used. This is a huge job!!!

Y'all stay safe!

Jody

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6:30 – 7:00 Happy Hour and chat time

7:00 – 8:00 Education session

Watch for email from Education Committee each week
with topic, speaker, and ZOOM link.