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CRUISING CORNER *Carole Jordan and Dennis Krizek*

We have enjoyed some spectacular fall sailing, and the weather forecast for October promises the same delightful sailing weather.

We are eagerly looking forward to the first opportunity to drop anchor in October:

- the Goose Cruise on the Corsica River (Oct. 5-6),
- followed by the scheduled geese fly over in the direction of the Chili Cook-off at the DNR (Oct. 25-27)
- and the Oyster Feast at Saint Michael's (Oct. 25-27).



The Cruising Calendar also has opportunities to sail on day sails on October 2, 12, 13, 16, and 23.

The Autumnal Equinox charts a waypoint to spectacular fall sailing and a change in the Cruising Committee. The current committee would welcome comments and suggestions from skippers and crew to pass along to the incoming cruising committee. Want to help plan next year's cruises and events? Contact Carole Jordan or Dennis Krizek.

November 17th Brunch **Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis MD**

CLEARING THE BALTIMORE CHANNEL AFTER THE KEY BRIDGE COLLAPSE

Our November brunch speaker, Paul Hankins, was a key player in leading the salvage efforts required to clear the Baltimore Channel and reopen access to the Port of Baltimore after the collapse of the Key Bridge on March 26th. The collapse of the Key Bridge required immediate mobilization of salvage assets as well as coordination of multiple salvage efforts across the breadth of the response.

Paul is a senior executive civilian holding the title of the Director of Salvage Operations within the office of the [U.S. Navy] Supervisor of Diving and Salvage and Director of Ocean Engineering. This team, known as SUPSALV, is part of the Naval Sea Systems Command located in the Washington Navy Yard. SUPSALV supports the Army Corps of Engineers in their mission of maintaining federal waterways.



Paul will describe how the channel was successfully cleared within in 77 days.

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE

Susan Zevin, Commodore



Dear Crew Mates,

As we near the end of our cruising year, we're hoping for a glorious October to cap off the season.

The SOS bareboat trip to Mallorca was a memorable one—marked by a mix of bright, beautiful days, a few thunderstorms, gusty fronts, and some lively chop. On our last morning, we left our mooring in Port Andraitx on the southwest coast, setting course east toward Palma.

The headwinds were steady at 15-18 knots, with benign 6-10 foot swells of deep blue rolling under our bow. We hoisted a bit of main and jib, catching what wind we could, but progress was slow. Eventually, we had to fire up the engine to make the final leg back to port. Even then, the conditions were uncooperative, and at one point, tacking left us barely moving. With the clock ticking, we finally had to "put the hammer down" (as much as you can on a sailboat engine) and push into Palma Bay, where we could safely furl the sails.

Reflecting on that last sail, it struck me how much it parallels the journey of our club. Like our sail into Palma, SOS has weathered the season—safe and sound, but facing headwinds and swells as we look toward the future. We've had a fantastic summer, with well-attended social events and great participation from both boats and crew. For the first time in years, we're on track to finish the fiscal year without dipping into our reserves—a significant achievement.

However, we aren't quite making the headway we need for the long term. As Janet Pennewell mentioned in her February *Whisker Pole* article, the rising costs of overhead—insurance, storage, facility rentals, and essential supplies—are straining our finances. Inflation has taken a toll, and while

we've managed to keep the club thriving, we need to replenish the

reserves we've drawn upon over the past few years. Looking ahead, we may want to invest in upgrading our internet infrastructure, streamlining our cruising coordination software, and perhaps exploring new technologies like generative AI to enhance our operations.

It's important to note that we reduced our membership fees from \$70 to \$60 during the pandemic, and we've maintained that rate since 2021, despite the sharp inflation. As we navigate the next phase, a modest increase of \$5 per year seems both reasonable and necessary to keep us moving forward—revving the engine when the wind isn't enough, staying safe and steady as we face the inevitable headwinds.

Here's to staying the course, making progress, and continuing to thrive together.

Susan, Commodore

Welcome New and Returning Members

Cindy Browne
Easton, MD

Rob Hoskins
Point of Rocks, MD

Selma Manizade
Annapolis, MD

Abigail Rosenfeld
Oxford, MD

Peter Van Houten
Annapolis, MD

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Unofficial Board Notes August 26, 2024 (in place of the September Meeting)

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

Commodore: Susan Zevin

Secretary: Doug Gage — Minutes of August 3 BOD Meeting were approved.

Vice Commodore: Karl Scible. Town Hall went well. Positive responses. Total cost \$2792.91.

Treasurer: Craig Coltharp

Club Checking Account	9,171
Hi-Yield Savings Account	13,593
Club Credit Card 0548	(2,886)
Bareboat Account	69,406
7 Month CD	60,237

The 7-month CD has earned \$237 in its first month, vice \$.17 previously. Committee Chair Budget estimates for 2025 are requested to be furnished by 30 September.

Bareboat: Deb Kauffman: **Fall 2024 Mallorca:** August 31 – September 7. Seven boats. No wait list. **Spring 2025 New Zealand:** Eight boats have been secured – two the week of February 22 and six the week of March 1st. 32 signups. 8 skippers, 29 crew. 8 crew berths available, 5 crew members are unassigned. **Fall 2025 Lake Huron:** Sept 7, 2025 – Sept 13, 2025 Canadian Yacht Charter. 9 skippers have committed – 8 monohulls, 1 catamaran. Total crew berths available - 36. Fall 2025 – Lake Huron. Deposit is \$2,000 CAD for each boat, ~\$1,500 USD for a total of \$13,500 USD. Bareboat account has available cash to make this payment. Discussion regarding required damage deposits and insurance to buy down liability amount. Following discussion of number of boats/skippers/crew, motion passed to approve trip.

Brunch: Suzanne Vaughn: Sunday, November 17, 2024 will be the first Brunch of the new season. Paul Haskins will be speaking about the salvage recovery of the Key Bridge disaster, with photographs. We are expecting a larger crowd than usual. The other Brunch dates are: Sundays, December 8, January 12, 2025 and March 9, 2025 (which will likely change to coincide with the date for Spring Training). Seeking speaker with ties to 2024 America's Cup for December Brunch. The DoubleTree price of the Brunches has not changed but it is

necessary to charge \$40.00 per Brunch to cover the costs within SOS, and \$44.00 for late reservations and walk-ins.

Cruising: Carole Jordan and Dennis Krizek We have been participating in the Ad Hoc committee with others to explore more ways to get boats on the water. Actively recruiting for a Committee chair and members for next season. Dennis suggested that if we were to raise the \$19 per day cruising fee we should draw attention to the much higher costs of competing options such as kayak or SUP rentals or head boat cruises. Lankford Bay Marina has been reserved for 2025 Crab Feast, and Galesville Memorial Hall has been reserved for Cruising Wrapup.

Database: John McDonald

	Sept 2024	Sept 2023	Sept 2022
Members	259	235	252
Skippers	67	69	64
Lifetime Members	79	87	98
Lifetime Skippers	21	20	23
Inactive Members	16	18	21
Totals	442	429	458

Ballots are prepared for the election which will take place from September 15th to the 30th. John announced he is stepping down as Database Chair.

Education: Jean Gough: All of the Education Committee events and subcommittees now have chairs assigned (Fireside Chats, Seminars, Spring Training, Dockside Training). Reduction of "Freebies" for Spring Training volunteers could result in approximately an additional \$900 for the Ed Comm budget. This is being considered for Spring Training 2025. VOLUNTEER LINKS PROJECT update: Volunteer descriptions were received from all of the chairs and "How Do I Get Involved" is now active on the website, with multiple paths to access it. We can add / edit any further committee submissions.

First mates: Lora Donna. A First Mate meeting/potluck is planned for September 20th at 5:30pm. The Committee continues to actively recruit and work with potential First Mate candidates.

Membership: Pat Tracey, Gail Williams: One Skipper report, five new members. Contacting area contacts for their updates on new members. Possible meeting with area contacts in September.

Newsletter: Shirley Brooks-Hollendursky The 20-page September Whisker Pole has been completed, but not mailed as I do not yet have a mailing list from Database. Shirley has identified a likely replacement for Newsletter Editor; awaiting final commitment. Julie Fort has agreed to take over in December as Newsletter Editor.

Public Relations: Karl Scible, Janet Gonski: We have a tentative design for this year's Parade of Lights boat.

Safety: Joan Tannen: No report.

Skippers Advisory: Sandy Rosswork: There was one new skipper joining the club in July. The first meeting of the Ad Hoc Voucher Committee was held; data is being compiled and there should be some results to report back in October.

Social: Janet Pennewell: **Seafood Feast – Lankford Bay Marina, August 17, Event Co-Chairs: Janet Pennewell and Betsy Schreitmueller.** Social's final cruising party went smoothly – until a thunderstorm broke up our fun! Well attended, and the reviews were positive. People seemed to like the "no crab" option – with slightly more than half the attendees choosing this with a savings of \$10 per head.

Budget wise for the year, we did ok. We raised prices slightly for both the DNR and the Anniversary (Anniversary was primarily due to the more expensive venue) and were able to hold the price for the Seafood Feast thanks to our caterer who has held their price for the last couple years. Both the Anniversary Party and the Seafood Feast pretty much broke even (our goal), while DNR made a little money thanks to the number of rentals in the cabins.

Old Business: None

New Business: Extended discussion of prospective increase in dues next year, and how to present this to the membership. Dues decision will be made later in the year.

Lake Huron Bareboat September 2025

In 2009, ten boats full of SOS sailors made the journey to Gore Bay, Ontario to sail for a week on the beautiful waters of the North Channel of Lake Huron. This was a very different bareboat for us....no



Caribbean blue waters, no beachside bars, no museums to visit, no 5-star restaurants. Just cool breezes, clean water, great sailing and amazing scenery. We all came back with an appreciation for the area and the wonderful people we met. The charter company was wonderful.

Well, it's time to go back!! In early September 2025, we will revisit the waters and boats of the Canadian Yacht Charters in Gore Bay! Visit their website to see the video on the main page: www.cycnorth.com. Several skippers have already chosen their boats and will be shortly looking for crew. If you are interested, please complete the application on pages 5-7 and send in your application and deposit today!

What to expect? The destination can be reached by car in approximately 12 hours with an overnight stop. It is also possible to reach by air, although more difficult.

We will embark to Manitoulin Island by ferry from Tobermory, Ontario. From the website: "Imagine pink granite islands, millions of years old, covered with windswept pines and scattered throughout a 120-mile expanse of the bluest freshwater in the world. Dozens of untainted

anchorage, secret gunkholes and quaint harbor towns make up this "Boater's Paradise". This supreme waterway offers breath-taking scenery, and solitude yet is within close reach of services and all amenities."

If you are interested in seeing a map of the area, see the link to Google maps on the bottom of the cyc.north.com homepage.

Unique Backyard Gathering: Duck Pin Bowling

SOS member Mindy Kinsey has a beautiful home in Sherwood Forest (near Annapolis) and thereby access to a unique Community Center with bowling lanes set up for DIY duckpin bowling.

On November 2, we will enjoy bowling and a shared potluck/BYOB evening. There will be no online signup for this event, please RSVP by email directly to Mindy at berryyberry@comcast.net.

Participants will be asked to contribute \$5 to \$10 (TBD) to cover space rental and incidentals. Mindy will provide specifics (driving directions, parking, gate code, and other) a few days before the event.



Please Get Involved!

By Jean Gough

Have you seen this "Please Get Involved" button on the SOS Homepage under the "Quick Links" list? Probably not. It's brand new! Just went live last month! You need to Login to see it.

Quick Links is on the right side of the homepage ... the stack of red buttons... the newest button is: **"Please Get Involved!"**

Many members have asked "How can I get involved to help SOS?" The best way to help out with all of the SOS events and activities is by way of the various committees.

Now, with one "CLICK" on the red button "Please Get Involved!" you'll be taken to each of the SOS committees, their descriptions, and the various opportunities to get involved to support our fabulous club! There is even an email link to the committee chair !!!

Support from you, our club members, is what makes the club work so well! By sharing in the various opportunities on the committees we are able to continue offering fun and frequent events and activities... and no single person is "burnt out".

Please take a "CLICK" on the "Please Get Involved!" button ... then take a look at all of the opportunities to help out on these committees:

Bareboat,	Brunches,
Cruising,	Database/Internet,
Education,	First Mates
Advisory,	Membership,
Newsletter,	Public Relations,
Safety,	Social
Advisory,	
Skippers' Advisory	

Enjoy getting to know how the club operates, 'behind the scenes', be able to offer your unique perspective to helping out, and you'll meet lots of other members to establish new friendships... remember the SOS tag line?

Come for the Sailing, Stay for the Friendships.

SOS BAREBOAT CRUISING APPLICATION & WAIVER- LAKE HURON

Destination: Gore Bay, Manitoulin Island, Ontario Canada		Date: September 6, 2025 – September 13, 2025	
Name:			
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip code:
H. Phone		Cell:	
Email:			
Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Member <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member <input type="checkbox"/> If Non-member, guest of whom:			
Emergency Contact:		Cell Phone:	Relationship:

This bareboat charter is a 7 Day charter starting on September 6, 2025.

Basic Skills I-III completed Yes _____ No _____ Completing Basic Skills is **mandatory**.

I have special physical/medical limitations or needs. Please identify.

Sailing experience: **Special requests:**

Low I need a non-smoking boat
 Moderate
 Experienced I need a smoking boat
 First Mate I am willing to sail as a First Mate on this cruise.
 Skipper I am willing to skipper a boat on this cruise.

1. While Singles on Sailboats (“SOS”) stresses safety in all its activities, sailing is not without risk. In signing below, I affirm that my health is good and that I assume all risks, whether onboard, swimming, or onshore. I will not attempt to hold SOS, its officers, or any member, Skipper, or First Mate liable for any injury, illness or damage incurred. I understand that I am not required to participate in any activity, and that my choice to do so is voluntary.
2. I recognize that it is my right and responsibility to accept or reject a particular boat and skipper (or crew if I am a skipper). If a crewmember, I understand that I **must be invited** by a skipper to sail on an SOS cruise. If I am not invited, I will have all deposited money returned, including the administration fees.
3. I agree to abide by the policies of SOS and the stated procedures of the Bareboat Cruising Committee and the commands issued by the skipper while under sail. I understand that failure to do so may result in my expulsion from the cruise. I will cheerfully share all crew duties.
4. I understand that once accepted for a boat, I am responsible for the full payment of my share of the charter fee and other costs. If I cancel, I will remain responsible for the full payment of the charter fee, whether paid or not, unless a suitable replacement can be secured. Even then, I will be responsible for non-transferable costs including the SOS administrative fee.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

This Application, Waiver and Checklist should be completed, signed and sent to Carole Jordan ♦ 1036 Cedar Ridge Court ♦ Annapolis MD 21403, and a check payable to “Singles on Sailboats” or “SOS” in the amount of \$600 (\$660 for non-members) with the application.

Please acknowledge by initialing the following terms and conditions for sailing on this charter.

Boat

_____ I have been invited to sail with skipper _____.

Wellness Policy

_____ I have read the SOS Wellness Policy applicable for all SOS events. I understand that a skipper has the right to ask about my COVID vaccination status before inviting me onto their boat.

EEO & Non-Harassment Policy

_____ I have read the SOS EEO & Non-Harassment Policy. I understand that failure to comply with this policy may result in a suspension of participation in future bareboat trips.

Fitness Level

_____ I have read the SOS fitness evaluation policy applicable for all bareboat sails. This policy aids skippers in balancing the fitness levels among their crew for a safer sail. I have determined my self-assessed level of fitness to be _____.

Travel

_____ I understand that I am responsible for making my own flight and hotel arrangements prior to and after the sail.
 _____ I understand that no hotel rooms are reserved prior to the start of the cruise or at the end of the cruise.

Accommodations

_____ I want to share a cabin with _____.
 _____ I am willing to share a cabin with a same sex crew member.
 _____ I prefer a single berth, will pay extra if necessary and only if there is room.

Travel Insurance

_____ I understand that travel insurance is a **requirement** for this trip and has **NOT** been included in the total cost paid to SOS. Participants must have adequate medical and repatriation coverage while outside of the USA and are responsible for obtaining their own insurance. Coordinators can provide information for some travel insurance brokers to aid participants. The information provided should not be considered as an endorsement by SOS of any specific company or product.

Trip Price

_____ I understand that the price of the trip may be adjusted up or down under certain circumstances. SOS will make every attempt to notify participants timely manner.

Cancellation Policy

_____ I understand that if I cancel, I will remain responsible for the full payment of my share of the charter fee, whether paid or not, unless a suitable replacement can be secured. Full refund policies can be found in the SOS Bareboat Cruising Committee Procedures Guide.

_____ I also understand that even if a replacement is found that the administration fee is **not refundable** if I have been invited and accepted placement on a boat.

 Signature

 Date

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Do not make travel and hotel reservations until you are confirmed on a boat.

The price of the 7 day trip is estimated to be \$1,500 for members and \$1,560 for non-members (includes a \$60 Admin Fee). The price of the trip may be adjusted up or down in certain circumstances to reflect actual costs.

Payments due as follows:

With application \$600 (member) or \$660 (non-member)

April 15, 2025 \$450 (both members and non-members)

June 15, 2025 \$450 (both members and non-members)

Departure is from Canada Yacht Charters, 30 Water Street, Gore Bay, Manitoulin Island, Ontario

Signature

Date

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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** mailed to the **coordinator**. A copy of this form can be found on the SOS website. All checks are to be made payable to **SOS, Inc.**

The postmark is used as the mail in cutoff/deadline date.

Note: Individual request for refunds will incur a \$3 Administration Fee.

SOS Wellness Protocol Revised (3/7/2024)

All participants attending SOS in-person events should be feeling well. They should not attend an event if they have symptoms of a communicable respiratory or gastrointestinal illness, are “feeling like something is coming on,” have a recent significant exposure to someone with a communicable respiratory or gastrointestinal illness, or have not waited a recommended isolation time after a recent respiratory or gastrointestinal infection. In addition, a skipper/host may have further requirements or request other preventive measures (for example, crew or guests having received the currently recommended COVID-19 vaccine or wearing masks when below deck). All in-person participants should expect to be denied admission without a refund if they fail to comply with this policy.



October 2 Wednesday

Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Sept. 25, (9:00pm).

Cost: \$19 - 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: Kitty St Romain k.st.romain@comcast.net
To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here: [10/2 Day Sail](#)



October 3 Thursday

Board Meeting

Location: Zoom option only. Contact Commodore if interested in attending.
commodore@singlesonsailboats.org

Time: 6:00pm to 7:00pm.
Note: Open to all Members.



October 5-6 Saturday – Sunday

Goose Cruise

Destination: Corsica River, off Chester River.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Sept. 24, (9:00pm).

Cost: \$38 - 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: Josh Graff singlesonsailboats@joshuagraff.com
To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here: [Goose Cruise](#)



October 12 Saturday

Weekend Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct. 6, (9:00pm).

Cost: \$19 - 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: Tina Lavato tinalav1@gmail.com
To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here: [10/12 Day Sail](#)



October 13 Sunday

Weekend Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct.6, (9:00pm).

Cost: \$19 - 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: Tina Lavato tinalav1@gmail.com
To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here: [10/13 Day Sail](#)



October 16 Wednesday

Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct. 9, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Barbara Wingrove bkwingrove@outlook.com

Cost: \$19 - 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.
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: [10/16 Day Sail](#)



Oct. 19-20 Saturday – Sunday

Chili Cook-Off Cruise (Sail/Drive-in)

Destination: DNR, Granary Cr., Wye East River. (DNR 12 noon Sat. to 12 noon Sun.)
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct. 8, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Barbara Wise Bwise8426@gmail.com
 Saturday sleep over by Mary Chevalier mary7570@yahoo.com
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: [Chili Cook-Off Cruise](#)

Cost: Sail-in - \$38 - Member or Non-Member.
 Drive-in - \$20 plus dish to share.
Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.



October 23 Wednesday

Mid-Week Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct. 16, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Debra Roane MsDebraR@verizon.net
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: [11/23 Day Sail](#)

Cost: \$19 - 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.



Oct. 25-27 Friday – Sunday (3 Day)

OysterFest Cruise

Destination: St. Michaels, Miles River.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct. 15, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Linda Casucci casuccilj@gmail.com
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: [OysterFest Cruise](#)

Cost: \$57 - Member or Non-Member.
 There is a separate charge to attend the OysterFest.
Note: Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.



November 2 Saturday

Weekend Day Sail

Destination: Skipper's Choice.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct. 27, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Mindy Kinsey berryberry@comcast.net
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here: [11/2 Day Sail](#)

Cost: \$19 - 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.



November 2 Saturday

Backyard Gathering/Bowling Evening

Location: Private home/Community building Sherwood Forest, Annapolis, MD. Directions prior to event.
Host: Mindy Kinsey
Deadline: There will be no online sign up for this event, please RSVP, by email directly, by Oct. 30, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Mindy Kinsey berryberry@comcast.net

Cost: \$5-10 to cover space & incidentals. Potluck/BYOB. (Check with Host for Preference).
Time: 5:30pm to 9:00pm
 Limit 30 persons.
Note: Non-Members must be accompanied by Member. No Smoking, no walk-ins. See additional details in the Whisker Pole.

**November 3 Sunday**

Destination: Skipper's Choice.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Oct.27, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Mindy Kinsey berryberry@comcast.net

Weekend Day Sail

Cost: \$19 - 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.

To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here: [11/3 Day Sail](#)

**November 7 Thursday**

Location: Zoom option only. Contact Commodore if interested in attending. commodore@singlesonsailboats.org

Board Meeting

Time: 6:00pm to 7:00pm.
Note: Open to all Members.

**November 9 Saturday**

Destination: Galesville Memorial Hall
Deadline: Mail and online registrations must be received by Nov. 4, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Carole Jordan seajay2844@gmail.com

Cruising Appreciation (Wrap-up) Meeting/Party

Cost: Free to invited, Participating Skippers, First Mates and Coordinators only.
 \$20 for Guest of Invitees.

BY INVITATION ONLY

Time: 11:00am to 3:00pm

To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here. [Wrap-up Meeting](#)

**November 17 Sunday**

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis, MD.
Speaker: Paul Hankins, Director of Salvage Operations and Ocean Engineering: Office of Supervisor of Salvage and Diving.
Topic: Clearing the channel to the Key Bridge collapse on March 26.
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Nov. 10, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Carole Jordan seajay2844@gmail.com

Brunch

Cost: \$40 - Brunch.
 \$44 - After deadline and walk-ins.
Walk-ins CANNOT be guaranteed a seat.
Time: 11:00am Social Hour. 11:45am Brunch. 1:00pm Program.

Note: To be held in the 1st Floor Mainsail Room.

To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here: [November Brunch](#)

**November 23 Saturday**

Location: Annapolis, MD. + TBD
Deadline: Registrations must be received by Nov. TBD (9:00pm).
Coordinator: To volunteer to be a host/ess, contact TBD

Regional Pre-Thanksgiving Dinners

Cost: Contribution up to \$15 and dish to share, coordinated with host/ess.

Note:

**December 5 Thursday**

Location: Zoom option only. Contact Commodore if interested in attending. commodore@singlesonsailboats.org

Board Meeting

Time: 6:00pm to 7:00pm.
Note: Open to all Members.

December 14 Saturday

Location: Annapolis Waterfront Hotel, Marriott's Autograph Collection, Annapolis, MD.

Parade of Lights Viewing

Cost: \$TBD per person. Plus, bring an appetizer or dessert.
Time: 5:00pm in room, 6:00pm Parade starts.



Coordinator and Hostess: Sandy Rosswork.
sgrosswork@aol.com

Note: Contact the coordinator directly.
Space limit of 25.



December 15 Sunday

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis, MD.
Speaker: TBD
Topic: TBD
Deadline: Mail and Online registrations must be received by Dec. 2, (9:00pm).
Coordinator: Samia AbdelWahed Samia.wahed@gmail.com
 To register and for more details, **(Log on first)** click here: TBD

Brunch

Cost: \$40 - Brunch.
 \$44 - After deadline and walk-ins.
Walk-ins CANNOT be guaranteed a seat.
Time: 11:00am Social Hour. 11:45am Brunch. 1:00pm Program.
Note: To be held in the TBD.

The Eastport Yacht Club Lights Parade - December 14th

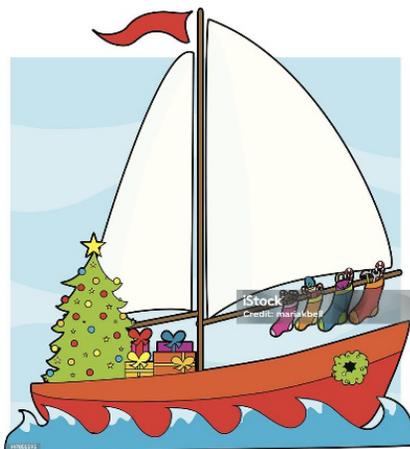
Though it seems a long way away, we will have to plan our design elements and how we might “change it up” from last year for the SOS boat that will participate in the parade.

Some suggestions have been made at skipper meetings, at Town Hall, and other. Perhaps with our Santa Crab from last year as our centerpiece, we can make a statement about “Treasures of the Bay” – that body of water we all love and enjoy boating on.

There are a variety of opportunities to get involved and you can do any part that works for you. We will start in early November with design planning

which will include de-constructing the elements from our 2023 award-winning efforts.

Then, decisions need to be made for this year – what to re-use and how, measurements for any new décor



needs, etc. There will then be a work session or two to assemble the new design, and a “dry run” to hoist it onto Skipper Chuck’s boat. (Thank you Chuck Fort and Julie for offering your boat and time again!)

The weekend of December 14 still involves a team to bring the boat from Kent Island to Annapolis, and then additional team members to meet the boat and hoist the design. On Saturday 12/14 we need a few hardy souls to ride the boat in the parade, and Monday 12/16 the boat returns to Kent Island – again with volunteers’ help.

There are additional, smaller aspects to help with and NO ONE is expected to do or be available for the entire effort. If interested, have questions, or want to be kept updated to see when you can join in, email me, Janet Gonski at JGSunset@yahoo.com.

It is fun and a great way to meet SOS people. Then you can always sign up to join the December 14 Lights Parade viewing party that is hosted by Sandy Rosswork. (See Fleet Exercises for detail and how to register.)

Bareboat - Mallorca

(All names are listed L to R)



Flava Favali by Suzanne Vaughn



Suzanne Vaughn, Mark Gordon, Flava Favali, Barbara Wingrove, Betsy Schreitmueller, Christiane Roehler, and David Bernhardt by Betsy Schreitmueller



Christiane Roehler by Suzanne Vaughn



Carole Jordan, and Susan Zevin by Melinda Zimmerman



Skipper David Bernhardt by Betsy Schreitmueller



Skipper Sandy Rosswork, John McDonald, and Teresa Scofield by Melinda Zimmerman



Heide Harper, Skipper Dana Stoffregen, Jill Montgomery, Phil Smith, and Janet Pennewell by Melinda Zimmerman



Berry Herling by Suzanne Vaughn

Photograph submissions as noted.

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Bareboat - Mallorca

(All names are listed L to R)



Heide Harper, Dana Stoffregen, and Pat Tracy



Christiane Roehler, Suzanne Vaughn, David Bernhardt, Barbara Wingrove, Betsy Schreitmueller, Barry Herling, and Flavia Favali



Michael Sommer and Susan Vasco



Phil Smith



Susan Jenkins



Carrie Will



David Bernhardt and Carole Jordan



Melinda Zimmerman and Betsy Schreitmueller



Flavia Favali and Mark Gordon

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Return to the Scene Cruise

(All names are listed L to R)



Cindy Gross



Gerry Ragland, Rita Svec, Dennis Krizek, Cindy Gross, and Bill Merritt



Rita Svec



Samia AbdelWahed, Connie Wilde and Marian Scheinholtz



Dennis Krizek, Gerry Ragland (Skipper's 1st weekend cruise), and Ray Harris



Lynn Wrinkler



Dennis Krizek



GROUP PHOTO to Right - Front: Samia AbdelWahed, Rita Svec. 2nd Row: Marian Scheinholtz, Connie Wilde, Dennis Krizek, Cindy Gross. Back Row: Ray Harris, Dan Brail, Lynn Winkler, Gabi Van Wie (kneeling), Doug Townsend, Pete Wilde, Gerry Ragland (New Skipper), and Bill Merritt

Photographs submitted by Samia AbdelWahed.

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Seafood Festival

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Janet Pennewell and Betsy Schreitmueller
by Betsy Schreitmueller



Luan Do, Scott Miller, and Anja Freyja



Janet Pennewell and David Bernhardt
by Betsy Schreitmueller



Susan Vasco and Samia AbdelWahed



Samia AbdelWahed after a fall off a bicycle.



Nancy Parsons, Noreen McGuire, and Heide Harper



John McDonald and Teresa Scofield



Angela Weathers and Tim Nelms



Pat Tracy and Bill Knapp

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DaySails

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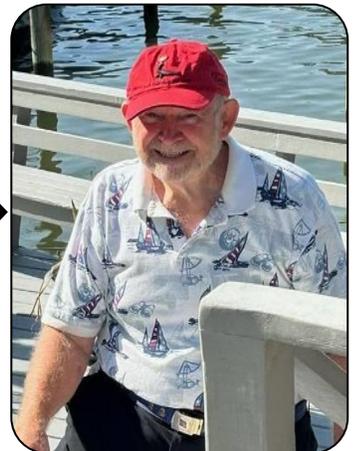
Carole Jordan, Skipper Jere Glover and Samia AbdelWahed

←→
August 14th DaySail with Carole Jordan and Samia AbdelWahed.
Submitted by Samia AbdelWahed.



Skipper Jere Glover

Pictures from Sept 11th DaySail aboard Jere Glover boat with Craig Coltharp, Karl Scible, Jere, Aurora Watson, Tina Lavato.
Submitted by Aurora Watson



Jean-Pierre Plé (NM), Dave Kates, Genienne Navarro and Cindy Gross
Submitted by Jean-Pierre



Craig Coltharp, Jere Glover, and Karl Scible



S/V Gemini at a dock.

Photographs submitted as noted.

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BOATS FOR SALE

BOAT FOR SALE: The time has come, "Drambuie" needs a new owner. One owner, 1985 Bavaria 960 (32') Sloop. Great sailing, well-built boat with nearly new sails. Sailed hard for many years, needs some TLC. Severn House slip on Back Creek available to new owner. Realistically priced. For details, contact John Halstead at jhalstead@mindspring.com or 410-336-3575 11-24

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**CREW NEEDED?**

Seasoned SOS skipper and boat owner available to assist/crew for other SOS skippers in local, regional, or long-distance boat deliveries. Have sailed many SOS bareboat charters, monohulls up to 54' and catamarans up to 52'. Please call Dana Stoffregen at 215-350-7553 for further discussions. 10-24

**In Memory of
Matt Flanagan**

Matthew John Flanagan of Audubon, PA and Westmont, NJ died peacefully July 25th after 94 years of life.

Matt joined SOS in 1991 and was an active First Mate as well as participating in numerous Bareboat Cruises.

Matt was born in Camden, NJ and attended Camden Catholic High School where he was known as a "trig whiz". He studied civil engineering at Drexel University, played football and learned to sail.

In Thailand he met Donna Reilly, and together they raised two children while living and working there. They divorced 23 years of marriage.

In 1985 Matt's life took a fateful turn when a guard at the Sri Lanka presidential palace shot at his car, destroying his right eye and disfiguring his nose. Matt's gunshot scars earned him the nickname "Target" with the Hash House Harriers, and he wore that name with pride, forming some of his closest friendships with fellow hashers.

Matt is survived by his children, David and Laura and his grandchildren Ethan, Julian, Meredith and Arden.

Donations made to an environmental organization of your choice, WHYY public radio or Holisticare Hospice

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information about Happy
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jill.montgom@gmail.com



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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 Wednesday
NOVA/DC: **Oct 2nd 5:00-7:00 PM**
MYLO'S GRILL, in the back dining room, 6238 Old Dominion Dr, McLean, VA. 21218. 703-533-5880
www.mylosgrill.com
COORDINATOR: HOPE – hoped@verizon.net

1st Wednesday **RETURNING TO PRIOR LOCATION******
BALTIMORE: **Oct 2nd 5:30-7:00 PM**
MT WASHINGTON TAVERN, 5700 Newbury St., Baltimore, MD 21209. 410-367-6903 www.mtwashingtontavern.com
Email coordinator to be added to notification email.
www.fadensonnen.com
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2nd Thursday
ELLCOTT CITY: **Oct 10th 5:00-7:30 PM**
La Palapa Grill, 8307 Main Street, Ellicott City MD 21043
410-465-0070 www.lapalapagrill.com
COORDINATORS: KATHY - mstkathha@gmail.com
JANET - jgsunset@yahoo.com

3rd Wednesday
WILMINGTON: **Oct 16th 5:30 PM**
TIMOTHY'S Restaurant and Bar, 930 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 Wilmington Riverfront by Blue Rock Stadium, facing the waterfront. Drink and appetizer specials until 7PM. 302-429-7427 www.timothysontheriverfront.com
COORDINATOR: JULIE - jafort@comcast.net

3rd Thursday
ROCKVILLE: **Oct 17th 5:00-7:00 PM**
Seasons 52, 11414 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852 301-816-0369. Free parking at Whole Foods.
www.m.seasons52.com
COORDINATOR: DEBBIE - hidebbieg@yahoo.com

3rd Thursday
KENT ISLAND: **Oct 17th 5:00-7:00 PM**
THE DOCK HOUSE, 110 Piney Narrows Road, Chester, MD 21619. 443-446-4477 www.dockhouseresturant.com
COORDINATOR: GAIL – gail@islandship.com

4th Thursday
PHILLY AREA: **Oct 24th 4:30 PM**
DiFabios, 1243 Providence Road, Media, PA 19063 (location of the Old Rose Tree Inn) 484-444-0850. Great food, lots of parking. Gather in patio area.
www.difabiosevents.com
COORDINATORS: MARY – mary.payne@comcast.net

4th Thursday
ANNAPOLIS: **Oct 24th 5:00-7:00 PM**
Coconut Joe's Bar & Grill (formerly The Pier), 48 South River Rd, Edgewater, MD. Rt 2 on south side of South River bridge. If we're not in the bar area we'll be in the enclosed, heated UPPER deck. 443-837-6057 www.coconutjoesmd.com
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