



# SANDUSKY SAILING CLUB

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*The object of the Sandusky Sailing Club shall be the promotion and encouragement of sailing and seamanship, and of a sportsmanlike attitude toward racing and competition. The Club is organized to encourage small boat sailing and racing among those who may not be able to afford large annual dues and assessments.*

## January 2018 Cross Bearings

01/09	Tues	SSC Board meeting .....	7:00pm
01/14	Sun	SSC Race Committee meeting .....	9:00am
01/14	Sun	SSC Race Governing meeting .....	10:30am
01/18-21		Cleveland Mid-America Boat Show at IX Center	
01/27	Sat	Beer Tasting Party .....	6:00pm
02/05	Mon	NO Sadler Basin Committee meeting this month	
02/06	Tues	Junior Sailors Inc. meeting .....	7:00pm
02/13	Tues	SSC Board meeting .....	7:00pm
02/16	Fri	Friday Forum - Sandusky Junior Sailors, Learn to Sail and Adaptive Adventures .....	7:00pm
02/24	Sat	Wine Tasting Party .....	6:00pm

For more info go to: [www.sanduskysailingclub.com](http://www.sanduskysailingclub.com).

### Commodore's Comments..... Comm. Mark Gross

**Happy New Year!** – I know some of you are not too happy with the weather as 2017 came to an end and 2018 began. I love it! The cold and snow are what make winter in the north enjoyable to me (I hope to do a little skiing!), certainly better than bone-chilling rain this time of year. Another bunch who is happy about it is the ice boaters, a hardy group of sailors who keep the passion going year-round. As I write this, the ice conditions are fantastic on Sandusky Bay and many ice boaters are taking advantage of it. For those of you who don't like this weather, it won't be long before it warms up and we can get back to sailing on liquid water. Think warm thoughts!

**Annual budget meeting** – SSC held our annual budget meeting on Dec. 16 and approved the budget for 2018. The Board recommended a modest increase in expenditures and the membership approved. The SSC budget, combining normal club operations and the operation of the sailing basin (which is a part of the club), projects a positive net income for the club. Thanks to Dave Brink and Bernie Ashyk for their work in preparing the budget. As always, your leadership will work hard to be good stewards of the club's assets.

**Committee volunteer requests** – The SSC Board has approved committee assignments for 2018. (Please see the attached Committee List.) Please note that the SJSI Board and SJRT Committee are separate from SSC and listed for your information. If you don't see your name and you have interest in a particular committee, please let me know and I will be pleased add you. If SJSI or SJRT are your interest, please contact the SJSI leadership and I am sure they would love your help. I also encourage you to complete and return the volunteer form that will accompany your membership renewal and dues statement.

**Thoughts on our club** – The Sandusky Sailing Club has a long history as a volunteer-driven organization and, indeed, our members have put in countless thousands of hours to make our club what it is. We all owe them a debt of gratitude.

While SSC continues to rely very heavily on our members to donate their time, skills, and energy to the club, it is also important to recognize that we have had a part-time, professional manager at SSC for a number of years now. While most of us never want to see SSC become a fully-managed and staffed club like some others, we have come to rely on our manager to take care of many tasks that used to be handled by volunteers, particularly as it relates to maintenance of the clubhouse and marina. Sometimes it seems we are in a sort of middle ground between what we used to be and what we don't want to become. We must recognize what our employees should do for us and what our members must do for us. We have a shared responsibility to our club. As you use your club, please treat it like you would your home. If you see a piece of trash on the ground, please pick it up and throw it away. If you see something that needs attention, please try to help or notify Tim, so that it can be resolved.

Finally, please continue to volunteer and give back to the club in any way you can. If we all resolve to do this, SSC will continue to be the club we all love and will just get better. If you have any thoughts on this, please feel free to share them with me.

**If you have any concerns** or there is anything that you believe will make our club better, please don't hesitate to contact me at [mgross@grosslaw.net](mailto:mgross@grosslaw.net) or 419-357-6747. You may also contact any other member of the Bridge or Board.

### Vice Vice Baby!!.....VC John Schwartz

This is a funny time of year for me, midpoint in my non-sailing season. In March, I will bring the Interlake out of the barn and fix all the damage I caused last summer learning the boat. Top on the list is adding more flotation. My boat is hull #473, so even with styrofoam fore and aft, I've sailed more conservatively than I might have because I didn't want to win the 2017 Blue Velvet by making the front page of the Register sailing a submarined Interlake full of water and mast up. Or having to get towed back by a cigarette boat on its way back from the Casino. Anyway, like many of you I'm sure, I spend a fair amount of time thinking about sailing these days and about SSC.



As Vice, it is customary that I take on a physical project around the clubhouse. I have some small projects on the radar, like taking credit cards at the dairy bar and/or better organizing the storage rooms and/or figuring out how to better show off the new SSC gear that Carolyn Zettler has brought to the club. However, I think that the most helpful task that I can take on this winter is to at least start a discussion about where we all agree the club needs to grow. So, over February and March I'm going to work with RC Bedee to coordinate social events and forums to solicit lots of feedback.

In the meantime, I hope that your holidays were great. Graeme and Lily have January birthdays, so Court and I will be focused on them for the next few weeks.

**Happy 2018! I look forward to seeing you at the club.**

**Keep the ideas coming** either by email at [john@christielane.com](mailto:john@christielane.com) or by voice/text at 419-706-5137.

### **The View from the Rear ..... RC Matt Bedee**

Well, we are officially into 2018. WOW!!! We have events planned for January, February, March, and April. If you have any ideas for events, please contact me. Thank you to all that have offered up ideas and volunteered to host an event already later in the year.

**Friday Forums will continue in 2018**, with a twist, starting in February. For the food, I want to attempt to make it interactive and try an idea from a bakery client of mine. We will be making gourmet pizzas to share with others or just for you. If you have a unique, favorite pizza (keyword is unique), you can bring the toppings you need to make the best pizza of the night. It will be a learning experience I'm sure and typical toppings will be provided. Let me know in advance if you need Gluten-Free Crust.

January will not have a Friday Forum due to the Cleveland Boat Show at the IX Center, so stop and see the Sandusky Sailing Club booth that has been organized by PC Steve France. This is part of Steve's effort to expand membership and expand the awareness of Sandusky Sailing Club.

**Beer Tasting Party** will be Jan. 27 from 6-9pm. We are finalizing the beers to be served and will be providing heavy hors d'oeuvres to officially kick off 2018 at SSC.

**Friday Forum** – On Feb. 16 from 7-9pm will be light in nature with the experiment that is gourmet pizzas and will feature a presentation by Sandusky Junior Sailors regarding the Learn To Sail Program and Adaptive Adventures.

**Wine Tasting Party** will be Feb. 24 from 6-9pm. As in years past, we will include many varieties of wine and heavy hors d'oeuvres, including my smoked pulled pork.

**St. Patty's Day Party** will be March 17 from 6-10pm and will once again be hosted by Jay Austin.

**Friday Forum** – On March 23 from 7-9pm and will be a presentation on shipwrecks of Lake Erie – fire, storm, collision. More information to come.

**Friday Forum** – On April 20 from 7-9pm will be a presentation by David Smith on sailing Penobscot Bay in Maine.

**For info/updates on all events**, watch your email or check the SSC Calendar and Facebook.

**Please feel free to email me** with questions, comments, or suggestions at [matt.bedee@theaustin.com](mailto:matt.bedee@theaustin.com) or call/text at 419-202-0044.

**Operations ..... Tim Kyle**  
**There is no scheduled Sadler Committee meeting in January.**

**Dock contracts** – Thank you to all the berth holders who promptly paid for their 2018 dock. Those who made their first half payment are reminded that the second half is due now. As of this writing, there are still many berth holders who have not paid nor indicated if they will be renewing their dock for the 2018 season. To avoid losing your dock, PLEASE SEND PAYMENT NOW!

Dock assignments will begin Jan. 15.

**Feel free to contact me** with questions or concerns about the marina or clubhouse, at [timmo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:timmo@sbcglobal.net) or call 419-656-5881.

**A note from the Treasury ..... Bernie Ashyk /Dave Brink**

**The 2018 dues statements** have now been mailed. Please be sure to let one of the flag officers know if you have not received yours yet. We are in the process of logging your recent dues payments and information into the system. Thanks to all of you who have, and will be contributing to the various funds noted on your statement. These extra contributions are appreciated and help keep our club the first class organization that it is. All the best in 2018.

**Learn to Sail .... Mic Kaufman / Suzanne Hartley**

We are super excited to say that the dates for the 2018 junior Learn to Sail schedule are on the website and registration is open! There will be more information coming about the adult classes soon. If you are interested please check the website for the latest information.

We anticipate great success at the Cleveland Boat Show this year; everything has been coming together in preparation for it.

We hope everyone had a great holiday, and we can't wait to see everyone in the spring!

Happy New Year!





# SSC Committees – 2018

\*Committee names in bold are Constitutional committees.

## **Audit Committee**

VC John Schwartz - Chair  
Hal Henry, Trustee  
Three General Members:  
Jim Brinker  
Jeff Smith  
Louie Palmer  
Ex-Officio - Dave Brink - Treasurer

## **Awards Committee**

Don Guy  
Eilene Guy

## **Communications**

PC Eric Winkel - Chair  
PC Steve France - Marketing and Public Relations Co-Chair  
Brett Langolf - Marketing and Public Relations /  
Co-Chair Race Communications Chair  
VC John Schwartz - Yearbook Chair  
PC Mike Fishbaugh - Website Co-Chair  
RC Matt Bedee - Website Co-Chair  
Tim Kyle, Club Manager - Events Calendar  
Eilene Guy  
PC Wendy Kaufman  
Mark Swabley

## **Endowment Fund**

PC Wendy Kaufman  
PC Steve France  
PC Pete Grant  
PC Mike Fishbaugh  
PC Sjoerd-Jan Vanderhorst

## **Fleet Captains**

Cruising - Mark Swabley  
Thistle – Roger Fair  
Tartan Ten - PC Mike Fishbaugh  
PHRF - PC Bryan Huntley  
JAM – Harrison Pratt  
Interlake - Bernie Ashyk  
J/24 - PC Dean Riedy

## **Historical Committee**

PC Mike Muhn - Chair  
Dennis Butts  
Don Guy  
Comm. Mark Gross

## **Long Range Planning Committee**

PC Mike Muhn – Chair – Expiring 2019  
PC Mike Fleming – Expiring 2018  
PC Pete Grant – Expiring 2020  
PC Bill Semans – Expiring 2021  
PC Eric Winkel – Expiring 2022

## **Lyman Trophy and Junior Sailor of the Year**

Michael “Louie” Palmer - Chair  
Wes Blazer  
Brett Langolf  
PC Bill Semans  
Jim Ward

## **Membership Committee**

PC Steve France - Chair  
PC Wendy Kaufman - Membership Records and Billing Chair  
Andy Davis

## **Nominating Committee**

PC Wendy Kaufman - Chair  
All Past Commodores  
Current Bridge

## **Outstanding Service Award**

PC Monty and Suzie Kaufman - Co-Chairs  
Phil Spicer  
PC Mike Austin  
Doug and Carol Leavens  
PC Bob and Martha Speers

## **Race Governing Committee**

Terry Parker - Chair  
Captains of All Active Racing Fleets  
PC Ruth Anne Van Fleet - Race Mgt. Co-Chair  
Jim and Joyce Keane - Race Mgt. Co-Chair  
Hank Boissoneault, Trustee – Race Governance  
Brett Langolf  
Ex-Officio - Comm. Mark Gross

## **Race Management Committee**

PC Ruth Anne Van Fleet - Co-Chair  
Jim Keane - Co-Chair  
Joyce Kean - Co-Chair  
Ryan Kyle, Trustee - RC Boat Maintenance Chair  
PC Bob and Martha Speers  
PC Monty and Suzie Kaufman  
John and Linda Eschels  
David and Jane Miller  
PC John and Roberta Hartung  
Gladys Janssen  
PC Ron and Marty Abbott  
PC Jack Doller  
Terry and Sandy Parker  
Judi Wright  
Tim Parker

## **Regatta Committee**

Jay Austin - Chair  
Brett Langolf - Race Communications Chair  
Ryan Kyle  
Wes Blazer  
PC Bill Semans  
Jim Keane

## Sadler Basin Committee

Jim Brinker – Chair – Expiring 2018  
PC Mike Muhn – Secretary – Expiring 2019  
PC Mike Austin – Expiring 2020  
PC Steve Jackson – Expiring 2021  
Art Averell – Expiring 2022  
Tim Kyle - Club Manager  
VC John Schwartz – Committee Liaison

## Safety Committee

All Fleet Captains

## Sandusky Junior Race Team

Lease Schock - Co-Chair  
VC John Schwartz – Co-Chair  
PC Pete Grant – Co-Chair

## Sandusky Junior Sailors, Inc.

PC Mike Fishbaugh - President  
Dave Brink - Treasurer  
Lease Schock - Secretary  
PC Pete Grant  
Matt Bedee – Board Liaison T.J. Wright  
Mike Zuilhof  
PC Steve France  
Larry Knauer

## RC Boat Committee

Terry Parker - Chair  
Ryan Kyle – Board Liaison  
Phil Spicer  
Jim Keane  
Brad Lynch  
Andy Davis



## **For the Good of the Order**

**Call for carpet** - A reminder that old carpet (minimum 12'x6') can be dropped off on the porch of the Learn to Sail barn.

**SSC online calendar** - In line with the website committee's efforts, there is going to be a concerted effort to keep the SSC online calendar current, making it a more useful tool when you're trying to find out what is going on at your club. Go to [SanduskySailingClub.com](http://SanduskySailingClub.com), then to "Communities," then to "Events Calendar." Click on the event and you will receive more info, contacts, links, as well as any fliers available.

**Awards not picked up at the banquet** may be picked up at SSC. Contact Tim Kyle at the dairy bar. Thanks, Don Guy

**I-LYA news** – Keep up with the latest news from the Inter-Lake Yachting Association, the governing body of local clubs, by subscribing to the I-LYA newsletter or check out past newsletters at [www.i-lya.org](http://www.i-lya.org).

## **Sailing Stuff for Sale**

**1985 C&C 29-2** - \$16,500 - This boat can be seen online at <http://www.sailboatlistings.com/view/68630>. Contact Bill Kellner at 440-667-3732 or [bkellner48@gmail.com](mailto:bkellner48@gmail.com).

**J-24 for sale** - 1979. Set up for single handed, MORC or one-design. Good sails and rigging. Fair trailer. Boat is in good condition - bottom needs attention. The bottom has been blasted and ready for sanding and bottom paint. \$3,250.00. Contact PC Park McRitchie at [park@quikspray.com](mailto:park@quikspray.com)

**Interlake with trailer**. Two sets of sails. For information contact Richard Byrd at 216-533-6209 or [alphabyrd@gmail.com](mailto:alphabyrd@gmail.com)

**Boat well available** for a 28-30' boat. Located at the end of the channel in the Cove on Cove Park Blvd. \$300/mo. year round 614-579-2074 cell or txt.

**1987 Hunter 31**. Excellent condition. Several sets of sails recently inspected and repaired. Yanmar 2GM20F 2 cyl. Diesel. Sale includes steel cradle and many extras. Ready to cruise or race. Asking \$25,000. Racing sails are available for extra \$\$\$. Contact Rory Carpenter at 734-660-1517.

**1987 Sabre 30 Mark III**. Freshwater boat. One of few available on the Great Lakes. Excellent condition. Sails in good shape. New, upgraded diesel in 2006. Numerous recent improvements. Includes cradle. Ready to cruise or race. Asking \$33,900. Contact Comm. Mark Gross at 419-357-6747 or [mgross@grosslaw.net](mailto:mgross@grosslaw.net)

**Yamaha 9.9 4-stroke motor model (FT9.9ELK)** It should be a 1985 model. Sips fuel, and has been winterized year in and out. Comes with a side mount control box and cables. Very reliable, runs great! I upgraded to a bigger motor. Always stored indoors in the off season. Best offer. Contact Todd Baker at [medinatodd@yahoo.com](mailto:medinatodd@yahoo.com).

**45-watt solar panel, new in box**. Harbor Freight advertised for around \$140; Sell for \$100. Everything you need except mounting. Contact Jack Kamer at 614-314-7445 or [jkamer@columbus.rr.com](mailto:jkamer@columbus.rr.com).



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