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**June 26/27  
Anniversary “Get your Gatsby On” Party**

It's time to revisit the great Jazz Age of the 1920's, the period depicted in the Great Gatsby book, the movie, the animated movie, AND the SOS Anniversary Party!!!



Ladies, get out your flapper dress, roll down your stockings and practice the Charleston! Can you gentlemen find your straw bowler?

We will be gathering at the Lankford Bay Marina, off of the Chester River on June 26-27 for the festivities. If you aren't able to sail that weekend, you can always drive in for the party! There are lots of hotels in the nearby Rock Hall area.

Check out the Fleet Exercises and sign up early. **Deadline for Party and Cruise is June 15. We cannot take walk-ins or late sign-ups for this event.**

There will be plenty of food, ample cocktails for all (celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Prohibition) and of course, the Anniversary Cake for the former and current Commodores to cut.

Dancing is encouraged. So register and meet us at the pavilion at Lankford Bay Marina at the mouth of Davis Creek overlooking Cacaway Island.!

**Seafood Cruise & Dance  
August 21-22**

The annual Seafood Fest is coming in August to Haven Harbour Marina (formerly known as The Sailing Emporium) in lovely Rock Hall, MD, 20880 Rock Hall Avenue for those who are driving. Whether you're cruising or driving, our annual feast tradition should not be missed.

Plan to arrive early to enjoy the day exploring downtown Rock Hall or come to swim and enjoy the view at the marina.

Be sure to dress for a "hot" August day. Sunscreen and floppy hats are a must. After an exhilarating sail, come for great food and fun party while spending time with all your SOS friends.

Watch for more details in the July Whisker Pole, but for now **SAVE THE DATE!**

**Nominations for Board of Directors**

It is not too early to think about our September elections for four new board members!!!

Have you thought of being a board member in SOS? If you are ready to bring your energy and talents to support our club by providing positive leadership, ideas, and coordination with other SOS volunteers.... or you want to nominate another whom you think can do the same... please contact a member of the Nominating Committee (John Parsons, Cherie Comly, Bev Nash or chair Anne Bastian) or a board member as soon as possible.



## VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



### MANY HANDS KEEP SOS MOVING

When SOS was first started some 43 years ago, the club was a small and simple organization. With 10 boats and some 30 crew it wasn't too hard to put a week end cruise together. But, as the years passed and the membership swelled, more committees were formed and more policies were written. So, now in 2021, we have a complex but highly functional organization. It all works due to the many talented volunteers who bring their time and expertise to our club. So, what lies behind the scenes of SOS sailing?

**We want safe boats.** There is a list of equipment and descriptive boat information which all skippers must fill out every year. Then, boats which meet club standards are "activated" which means they may participate in the next SOS sailing season. If a boat is found to be in unsafe condition, or to lack key equipment (such as a working head), it will be deactivated until the problem is resolved.

**We want competent skippers.** SOS offers many training events for both crew and skippers. There is also a skippers' chat forum, where all skippers exchange information about sailing topics including maintenance, navigation issues, and best boat service companies to use. Skippers have many opportunities to improve their knowledge and skills through SOS activities.

**SOS First Mates.** Our First Mate program is not found in many other sailing clubs. First Mates are available to help new skippers navigate the club's rafting procedures, and may be requested by any skipper who needs another experienced hand. They may be asked to assist an injured skipper,

return a boat to its marina in case of emergency, or help inexperienced crew learn basic skills. First mates are an important component of our club's safety net.

**We want smooth and safe cruises.** Behind the scenes, a veritable army of coordinators make SOS cruises happen. Every SOS cruise has a coordinator. This person sorts the available crew and suggests to the registered skippers, those who would be a good fit for their boats. Our coordinators receive training and mentoring...it's a complicated job! And, their job is not done until the "gossip" sheet is sent to all skippers along with the location of the raft or marina, the raft captains contact number and a reminder to check in at 1:00. Not much is left to chance here!

**We want fun parties.** Some of our cruises end at a marina with a fun party. These parties also have a coordinator who reserves the venue, arranges for boat slips, plans for food and drink, and gathers a team to run the event. The parties and cruises are advertised via creative email blasts and members sign up on the club web site.

**We want day sails too.** These might sound easy, but the day sail coordinators work hard to get enough boats on which to place eager crew. They deal with last minute changes, weather issues, etc etc. Not a job for the faint of heart!

This article has only addressed part of what makes our sailing programs work. Next up will be rafting and crew skills.

Meanwhile the sailing season has begun, our boats are being launched, and the first marina party is just ahead. Get out there and enjoy!

See you on the water!

**Sandy**

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## Unofficial Notes May 6, 2021 Board Meeting

*Official May minutes will be posted on the SOS web site when approved in June by the Board of Directors.*

**Commodore:** Comments on the Spring reopening events. Everyone who attended was enthusiastic, and thanks to all who helped organize, set up, and presented. Feedback on the April 8 General Membership Meeting was great, a very professional presentation.

**Vice Commodore:** Update regarding the Town Hall event.

**Treasurer:** The financial review for 2019 has been completed and the report sent to the board. Invoice has been paid. The membership renewal income is approaching 2020 levels. Liability insurance policy has been renewed and paid.

**Secretary:** Nothing to add.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Bareboat:** The France trip is scheduled for 9/3-17 with 31 participants on week one 11 participants on week two. Trip gathering to be held in mid-June, date and place to be announced. For Spring 2022 a return to the BVIs in 2022 is proposed to celebrate the "20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our first bareboat cruise. For Fall 2022 the recommendation is a trip to the Aeolian Islands.

**Brunch:** Sixty people enjoyed the April 25 Brunch. Bob Wright and Don Dement presented the 2020 Photography awards. Dr. Colin Rees gave an extensive and in-depth discussion of global climate change and current and potential impacts on Chesapeake Bay.

**Cruising:** The 2021 Cruising season is off and running. Most members the chair has encountered report being fully vaccinated. The first Day Sail on May 5 was well subscribed and fully covered by boats. Coming in May there will be four Day Sails and two weekend sails.

**Database** – All calendars have been updated. All events up to and including the July 18, 2021 Dinghy Dance are open for registration.

**Education:** In April the committee delivered four virtual events, with the last being a happy hour. As of May the committee was BACK to live events. Sixty people attended The May Day Together Training Event. On May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Dockside Training has six participating skippers, three First Mates, and 18 members.

**First Mates:** Meeting and potluck was held at Sandy Point on May 1<sup>st</sup>. FMs agreed to bring Vax cards to all sails. New skippers should contact the skippers advisory chair if they want to request a FM.

**Membership:** As of April 30<sup>th</sup>, 26 Members and four Skipper Members have renewed their membership. Twelve new members have joined since April 4.

**Newsletter:** The 16-page May Whisker Pole was mailed to 38 members; 13 copies were mailed to five Happy Hour coordinators. The newsletter was printed at a cost of \$277.85 which equates \$5.44 per copy. Five Happy Hours have resumed meeting in-person and were published in this newsletter.

**Public Relations:** Dockside training was a great success. Backyard gatherings have been well received and well-attended for the most part.

**Safety:** Boat activations continue. The flare exchange will take place this Saturday, May 8, at the Cruising kick-off. Seventeen people have signed up for the June 12 CPR and First Aid for Mariners class. The Dinghy Dance training is scheduled for Sunday, July 18.

**Skippers Advisory:** Skippers continue with Zoom Happy Hours and the next one will be on Wednesday, May 12 with a couple of items up for discussion. There have been 15 members who signed up to be a skipper's helper. So far there have been 3 helpers assisting 3 different skippers and the others anxious to do so. No one has stepped forward to offer a venue for the mid-summer skippers' party. However, do not fear, there is a default location.

**Social:** The Pirates Party at the DNR has 71 people signed up to attend.

**Unfinished Business:** none

### **New Business:**

- Motion was made and passed that Ann Bastion chair the Nominating Committee.
- A motion was made and passed to grant Dr. Rees an Honorary Membership in SOS.
- A motion was made and passed to approve the Bareboat committee to spend \$8,000 for reserving charter boats for the two 2022 trips.
- The motion to add a separate non-member category to our "inactive member" group was placed on hold until a better definition of non-resident could be made.

Craig Coltharp

Secretary

## 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.**



### June 3 Thursday

### Board Meeting

**Location:** Via ZOOM, Contact Commodore for link to virtual meeting

**Time:** 7:00 to 10:00pm

**Note:** Open to all Members.



### June 5/6 Saturday – Sunday

### The Happy Place Sail

**Destination:** TBD -

**Cost:** \$34 - Member or Non-member

**Deadline:** Mail: May 20 (postmark)  
Online: May 25

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

**Coordinator:** Bev Nash [beverlynash@verizon.net](mailto:beverlynash@verizon.net)

**First Mates to Join Raft after their Saturday Sail**

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)



### June 5/6 Saturday – Sunday

### First Mates' Weekend Sail

**Destination:** TBD -

**Cost:** No cost. Open to First Mates, First Mate Emeritus and First Mate Candidates.

**Deadline:** Mail: May 20 (postmark)  
Online: May 25  
**BY INVITATION ONLY**

**Note:** Spend the day honing FM skills, as well as enjoying the day. **First Mates to Join "The Happy Place" Raft after the Saturday sail.**

**Coordinator:** Bev Nash [BeverlyNash@verizon.net](mailto:BeverlyNash@verizon.net)

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### June 12 Saturday

### Day Sail

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice

**Cost:** \$17- Member or Non-Member

**Deadline:** Mail: June 2 (postmark)  
Online: June 6 (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:** Samia AbdelWahed [samia.wahed@gmail.com](mailto:samia.wahed@gmail.com)

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### June 13 Sunday

### Regional Backyard Gathering

**Location:** Private home, Annapolis, MD  
Directions upon registration

**Cost:** No Cost.

**Host:** Meeps Yox

BYO: Mask, Chair, Drink & Snack  
(Check with Host for Preference)

**Deadline:** Wednesday June 9

**Time:** 3:00pm – 6:00pm

**Limited to 20 persons**

**Note:** Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.

**Coordinator:** Janet Gonski [jgsunset@yahoo.com](mailto:jgsunset@yahoo.com)

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)

**June 13 Sunday**

**Location:** Private home, West Chester, PA  
Directions upon registration

**Host:** Deb Kauffman

**Deadline:** Thursday June 10

**Limited to 10 persons**

**Coordinator:** Janet Gonski [jgsunset@yahoo.com](mailto:jgsunset@yahoo.com)

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)

**Regional Backyard Gathering**

**Cost:** No Cost.  
BYO: Mask, Chair, Drink & Snack  
(Check with Host for Preference)

**Time:** 3:00pm – 6:00pm

**Note:** Non-members must be accompanied by member. No Smoking, no walk-ins.

**June 17 Thursday**

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice

**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by Jun 10

**Coordinator:** Michael Sommer [msommer414@gmail.com](mailto:msommer414@gmail.com)

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)

**Mid-Week Day Sail**

**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.

**June 19 Saturday**

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice

**Deadline:** Mail: June 9 (postmark)  
Online: June 13 (9 pm)

**Coordinator:** Debra Roane [Msdebrar@verizon.net](mailto:Msdebrar@verizon.net)

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)

**Day Sail**

**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.

**June 19 Saturday**

**Destination:** 10:00am Regatta at mouth of Severn River

**Race Notice:** [https://yachtscoring.com/event\\_documents/14469/2021EYCLeukemiaCupNoR\\_R0.pdf](https://yachtscoring.com/event_documents/14469/2021EYCLeukemiaCupNoR_R0.pdf)

4:00pm Shore Party at EYC

**Coordinator:** Hosted by The Annapolis Yacht Club and The Eastport Yacht Club

**Leukemia Cup Regatta**

**Note:** Regatta Registration Information:  
[https://yachtscoring.com/event\\_registration\\_email.cfm](https://yachtscoring.com/event_registration_email.cfm)

See more information in this newsletter

**June 26/27 Saturday – Sunday**

**Destination:** Lankford Bay Marina, Chester River

**Deadline:** Mail: June 11 (postmark)

**Cruise & Party:** Online: June 15

**Party only:** Mail: June 11, Online: June 16

**Event Mgr.** Carole Jordan

**Coordinator:** Molly Harrison and Ned Schwartz [mollyned@verizon.net](mailto:mollyned@verizon.net)

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**43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Weekend Cruise/Party (Get your Gatsby on)**

**Cost:** \$74 - Cruise & Party  
\$40 - Party only

**NO walk-ins**

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

**June 30 Thursday**

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice

**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by June 23

**Coordinator:** Barbara Wingrove [bkwingrove@outlook.com](mailto:bkwingrove@outlook.com),

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**Mid-Week Day Sail**

**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.

**July 1****Thursday****Board Meeting**

**Location:** Via ZOOM, Contact Commodore for link to virtual meeting

**Time:** 7:00 to 10:00pm

**Note:** Open to all Members.

**July 3/4**      **Saturday – Sunday****Find the Fireworks Cruise**

**Destination:** Various Harbors

**Cost:** \$34 - Member or Non-member

**Deadline:** Mail: June 17 (postmark)  
Online: June 22

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

**Coordinator:** Anne Simmons [sosannie2020@aol.com](mailto:sosannie2020@aol.com)

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)

**July 8**      **Thursday****Mid-Week Day Sail**

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice

**Cost:** \$17- Member or Non-Member

**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by June 1

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

**Coordinator:** Kathy Haven [Mskathha@gmail.com](mailto:Mskathha@gmail.com)

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**July 10/11**      **Saturday – Sunday****Wine & Chocolate Cruise**

**Destination:** Eagle Cove/Magothy River

**Cost:** \$34 - Member or Non-member

**Deadline:** Mail: June 24 (postmark)  
Online: June 29

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

**Coordinator:** Sue Donaldson [sbdonaldson713@verizon.net](mailto:sbdonaldson713@verizon.net)

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**July 17**      **Saturday****Day Sail**

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice

**Cost:** \$17- Member or Non-Member

**Deadline:** Mail: June 7 (postmark)  
Online: June 11 (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:** Debbie Lyle [dlyle7311@yahoo.com](mailto:dlyle7311@yahoo.com)

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**July 18**      **Sunday****Dinghy Dance Seminar**

**Destination:** Annapolis, MD – Private Home  
(directions sent upon registration)

**Cost:** \$10 – Members only

**Deadline:** Mail: July 11 (postmark)  
Online: July 15

**Time:** 1:00pm – 3:30pm

**Note:** Bring a towel and wear bathing suit to event as there will be no facilities to change clothes. Beverages and snacks provided.

**Coordinator:** Shirley Brooks [shirleybbrooks@yahoo.com](mailto:shirleybbrooks@yahoo.com)

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)

**July 20**      **Tuesday****Mid-Week Day Sail**

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice

**Cost:** \$17- Member or Non-Member

**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by July 13

**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](mailto:K.St.Romain@comcast.net)

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)

**July 24/25**      **Saturday – Sunday****Wet and Wild Cruise**

**Destination:** Harris Creek/Choptank River

**Cost:** \$34 - Member or Non-member

**Deadline:** Mail: July 10 (postmark)  
Online: July 13

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

**Coordinator:** Jill Montgomery [jill.montgom@gmail.com](mailto:jill.montgom@gmail.com)

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)

**August 3 Thursday**

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by July 27

**Coordinator:** Samia AbdelWahed [samia.wahed@gmail.com](mailto:samia.wahed@gmail.com)

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**Mid-Week Day Sail**

**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.

**August 5 Thursday**

**Location:** Via ZOOM, Contact Commodore for link to virtual meeting

**August 7-8 Saturday – Sunday**

**Destination:** Reed Creek/Chester River  
**Deadline:** Mail: July 22 (postmark)  
 Online: July 27

**Coordinator:** Beth Krushinski [bkrushinski@gmail.com](mailto:bkrushinski@gmail.com)

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**Board Meeting**

**Time:** 7:00 to 10:00pm

**Note:** Open to all Members.

**Appetizers & Desserts Cruise**

**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.

**August 14 Saturday**

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice  
**Deadline:** Mail: August 4 (postmark)  
 Online: August 8 (9 pm)

**Coordinator:** Samia AbdelWahed [samia.wahed@gmail.com](mailto:samia.wahed@gmail.com)

Please **be sure to log-in first**, then sign up online at [www.singlesonsailboats.org](http://www.singlesonsailboats.org)

**Day Sail**

**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.

**August 14****Saturday**

**Destination:** Port Annapolis, Marina Pavilion.

**Deadline:** Mail: August 6 (postmark)  
 Online: August 10

**Note:** There is not a coordinated sail for this event. Skippers who wish to sail, may invite crew and arrange for a slip at any marina in Annapolis.

**NO WALK-INS - If you do not sign up you will not get dinner.**

Time to meet the Board of Director candidates.

**Coordinator:** Robin Meigel [rmeigel@hotmail.com](mailto:rmeigel@hotmail.com)

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**Town Hall Meeting**

**Cost:** Member Meeting/Dinner: **Free**  
 Non-Member: **\$25.00**

**Time:** 5-6pm Happy Hour  
 6-7pm Dinner  
 7-9pm Meeting

**September 2021**

**Destination:** Alsace Lorraine, France and Germany

**Note:** Week 1 – Sept 3 to Sept 10  
 Week 2 – Sept 10 to Sept 17

**Coordinator:** Sandy Rosswork [sgrosswork@aol.com](mailto:sgrosswork@aol.com)

Go to <http://sosbareboat.simplesite.com/> for more details

**Choose One Week****France/Germany – Bareboat Canal Trip**

**Cost:** Members \$1000 = Boat Cost and Admin Fee. - Air Fare and Insurance are separate.

**Note:** To Download Registration Form with Payment Information:

<http://sosbareboat.simplesite.com/361821746>

## Leukemia Cup Sailing Notice to SOS Skippers June 19, 2021



**Skippers:** It's not too late to register to participate in the Leukemia Cup! SOS will not be assigning crew so you can select your own racing team. This link will take you to the Notice of Race details: [https://yachtscoring.com/event\\_documents/14469/2021EYCLEukemiaCupNoR\\_R0.pdf](https://yachtscoring.com/event_documents/14469/2021EYCLEukemiaCupNoR_R0.pdf)  
The registration cost per boat is \$150. Click here to register <https://www.eastportyc.org/leukemia-cup>

## A donor has pledged to match all gifts by SOS members made to the Leukemia Cup SOS Team!

**Donate:** You can support our SOS Team and help fund lifesaving research and provide information and support to patients throughout their cancer journey. You can donate using the DONATE button on the **public side (do not login)** of the SOS web page or visit <https://pages.ils.org/regatta/md/md21/SinglesonSailboats>

## The Dinghy Dance July 18

When you hear about a Dinghy Dance, do you envision dinghies waltzing together on the Chesapeake Bay? Or sailors standing in their dinghies doing the Macarena? Nope! The Dinghy Dance is an opportunity for you to practice in the safety of a swimming pool the skills required to get in and out of a dinghy.

These maneuvers are often tricky, especially for some of us who are less agile than we used to be. So, the Safety Committee is sponsoring a dinghy demonstration and practice exercise on June 18<sup>th</sup> in a private pool in Annapolis. (If registration exceeds limit, we will add a second day.)



The afternoon will begin with viewing videos and discussion on:

- USCG new labels on PFDs
- How to select, inflate and re-arm an inflatable PFD
- How to put on a PFD after you are in the water
- Dinghy safety tips
- How to re-enter a dinghy from the water

The video viewing will be followed by a practice session in the pool. Everyone will have to opportunity to put on a PFD after you are in the water, jump into water with PFD on, and practice a variety of maneuvers to get into a dinghy from the water. The practice will be followed by Q&A and refreshments around the pool while we dry off.

## Sailing Notice to SOS Skippers August 21, 2021



**Skippers:** This year SOS is again encouraging skippers to enter the CRAB (Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating) Regatta with the purpose of contributing to a worthy cause, enhancing our presence as a sailing club on the Chesapeake Bay and enjoying a spirited day of sailing. SOS will not be assigning crew so you can select your own racing team.

The Race Notice can be found at this link: [https://yachtscoring.com/event\\_documents/14419/2021EYCCRABCupNoR\\_R1.pdf](https://yachtscoring.com/event_documents/14419/2021EYCCRABCupNoR_R1.pdf) and boat registration (\$75) at this link: <https://www.eastportyc.org/crab-cup>

Skippers registering prior to July 31st at noon receive one extra Mount Gay hat and official event T-shirt.

In the July Whisker Pole there will be more details about fundraising efforts for this Regatta.



## Cruising Corner: Time to Go Sailing!

SOS has four Day Sails and three Week-end sails planned for the month of June. New and rusty members may like to know a little about what goes on behind the scenes to make these sails successful.

First crew and skippers sign up to indicated they wish to sail. In the comment sections crew and skippers may indicate people they do not wish to sail with, special circumstances (such as a broken finger), and other useful information (such as the fact you are vegetarian).



Then Coordinators offer crew to skippers taking many things into account. They try to balance crew skills, consider how far crew must travel to a boat, honor skipper and crew requests (such as COVID vaccinations), consider carpool arrangements and order of sign-up. A lot of work goes into the preparation for each cruise, mostly by the Coordinator. Please be nice to the Coordinators who work so hard.

Skippers will reach out to crew to extend an invitation to sail, and crew should **respond ASAP** to accept or decline. Then a person designated by the Skipper will contact all crew to arrange for food provisions. If a crew member **must** cancel at last minute, they are still responsible for getting their assigned food to the boat!

Skippers, the only thing that is constant is change. If you believe you are not going to sail either due to the weather, boat issues, distance, or any other reason, the Coordinator needs to know sooner rather than later.

As an example: "Joe Skipper" decides to cancel but did so after being offered crew to invite for the weekend. Among his crew were

one of the first people to sign up for the event, and two others who signed up later. **MAYBE** these three folks will get a berth on another boat, **MAYBE NOT**. A skipper can cancel for any reason but should do so as early as possible so that his or her crew may be offered to another skipper. Just as you can decline crew offered to you, crew can decline your invitation if they don't want to sail with you, or if they believe that you routinely cancel and leave crew ashore.

Skippers should contact crew as early as possible and decide if the crew offered is adequate and skilled for the sailing conditions. If you are going to turn down crew, please do so early. If you consistently turn down crew or cancel, you may eventually find yourself at the bottom of the list when coordinators assemble crew. So go meet new members, try out new crew, but above all go sailing!

### Welcome New Members

Sara Berschet - Laurel, MD  
 Elle Carberry - Bethesda, MD  
 Shelley Castle - Arlington, VA  
 Steven Kurtz - Bethesda, MD  
 Dustin Kuzan - Mt Airy, MD  
 Allison Linnell - Darnestown, MD  
 Carolyn Nachman - Silver Spring, MD  
 Alan Schneiderr - Clarksville, MD  
 Nancy Stambler - Germantown, MD  
 Kathy Williams - Washington, DC

### Welcome Returning Members

Jean Logan - Miamisburg, OH  
 Nancy Pond - Annapolis, MD

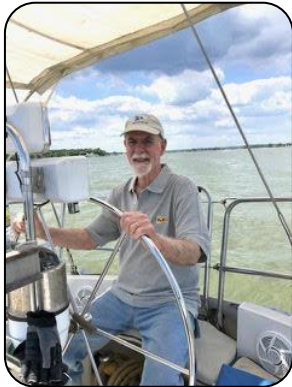
# SOS Sailing AGAIN!

New Skipper,  
Richard Stewart



(L to R): Skipper Laura Gwinn and new members Mary Johnson & Michael Watts sailing during the Dockside Training.

## 05/17/2021 Day Sail



Skipper Bob Morrow

(clockwise from lower left): Pam Ledford, Wendy Adams, Bob Morrow, Karl Scible & Janet Gonski

(L to R): Janet Gonski & Karl Scible



Pam Ledford

(L to R): Karl Scible, Wendy Adams, Bob Morrow and Pam Ledford

(L to R): Karl Scible & Skipper Bob Morrow

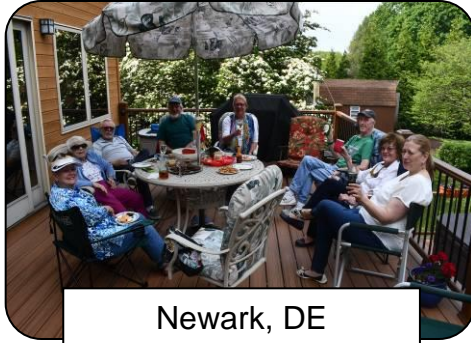
Photographers: Dockside Training by Gabi Von Wie. 5/17 Day Sail submitted by Wendy Adams. New skipper by Lora Donia.

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

# Backyard Gatherings



Western Howard County



Newark, DE



Great Falls, VA



North Bethesda



Annapolis



Edgewater

# May-Day Training



Craig Coltharp & "Not to be Sailed" (NTBS) Demo-Boat



Commodore Sandy Rosswork (center) and New Members



Gabi Van Wie (standing on left) speaking to the group

Photographers: May-Day Training by John Parsons; Backyard Gatherings by various contributors.  
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# SCUTTLEBUTT

**(A communal water cask around which sailors traded gossip)**



Jon Bernheimer achieved a first today during the beginning of his 47th season of sailing. John Filippini co-Skippered with Jon, helping a great crew of Michelle Watters, Karen Parsons, and Doug Cooper complete Basic Skills I and some of Basic Skills II. The completed some while sailing, and some when back in the slip.

As they were sailing back toward the mouth of the Patuxent River, someone noticed that about six of the sail slides sewn onto the luff of the mainsail had broken and that portion of the main was no longer attached to the mast. Of course, the remnants of those slides continued to reside in the sail track, and those above had to be cut away to get the sail off the mast.

Jon will be calling the sail loft to request an emergency repair! In spite of the relatively little damage (including about an 8" tear in the luff—we had in a single reef), they had a great sail.

SOS Finances May 2021	
Club Checking Account	29,068.92
Hi-Yield Savings Account	73,453.17
Club Credit Card	-6,748.87
Bareboat Account	37,548.98

### Highlights

1. The financial review for 2019 has been completed and the report sent to the board. Invoice has been paid.
2. The membership renewal income is approaching 2020 levels.
3. Liability insurance policy has been renewed and paid.
4. Starting to work on club taxes – Form 990ez
5. Annual report has been filed with the State of Maryland.

SOS Membership	May 2021	May 2020	May 2019	May 2018
Members	237	391	407	494
Skippers	64	76	89	87
Lifetime Members	156			
Lifetime Skippers	21			
Inactive Members	18			
Memberships expire On May 31	-111			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>506</b>

## In Memory of Ginger Rupert Eanes



A long-time SOS member, Ginger passed away on May 12 after five days in hospice care, and two days after her 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. She was diagnosed with multiple myeloma in 2009.

An avid sailor, Ginger sailed on the Tyrrhenian Sea off the coast of Italy, the Sea of Bali, the Plata River between Uruguay and Argentina, the Adriatic Sea around Croatia, all over the Caribbean and the Chesapeake Bay.

In 2020 she dedicated “My Grandma is a Sailor” (her book to encourage children to enjoy sailing) to SOS. The dedication reads in part, “Memories of sailing the Chesapeake Bay with SOS on various size boats with assorted captains, linger as incredibly special moments in my life. Eventually, I was captain of my own boat, *Der Gluckspieller II*. Twenty years later, I still have friends I met through the club

who are family to me. This book is dedicated to the unique sailing organization, Singles on Sailboats, for changing my lifestyle, goals, and outlook on life.”

Ginger is survived by Scott Shearer, her daughter, Amy Gerardino Rhoads Bogle and six grandchildren. A Celebration of Life will be held on June 14, 6:15 p.m. at The Civic Club, 612 North Front St, Harrisburg, PA 17101



**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 Jill Montgomery  
[jill.montgom@gmail.com](mailto:jill.montgom@gmail.com)



**Virtual Happy Hours on ZOOM VARIOUS DATES:** Get in touch with your Area Contact, listed in back of your Whisker Pole to be put on their HH notification list. Or check out the SOS Web site for dates and ZOOM links to all the Virtual Happy Hours.

**KEY WEST, FL:** SOS HAPPY HOUR place and time to be Determined. **Contact: TERRI AND KARL, 410-707-4319 or 267-221-6312**

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday**  
**NOVA/DC: June 2nd 5:00-7:00 PM**  
**Salt & Pepper Restaurant** (sheltered 2<sup>nd</sup> floor terrace), 5125 MacArthur Blvd. NW, Washington, DC 20016 **\*NOTE\*:** **RSVP TO COORDINATOR REQUIRED by Sunday May 30 at 4pm, for venue reservation with headcount.** No walk-ins.  
**COORDINATOR: WENDY**  
[wladams11@verizon.net](mailto:wladams11@verizon.net)

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday**  
**ELLCOTT CITY: June 3rd 5:00-7:30 PM**  
**La Palapa Grill** (meet on outdoor patio), 8307 Main Street, Ellicott City MD 21043 410-465-0070 [www.lapalapagrill.com](http://www.lapalapagrill.com)  
**COORDINATOR: JILL - jill.montgom@gmail.com**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday**  
**WILMINGTON: June 16<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.timothysontheriverfront.com)  
**COORDINATOR: GERI - geriwalker12@gmail.com**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday**  
**KENT ISLAND: June 17th 4:00-6:00 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](http://www.fishermansinn.com)  
**COORDINATOR: BARB - bbbrooksao@aol.com**

**4<sup>th</sup> Thursday**  
**ANNAPOLIS: June 24<sup>th</sup> 5:00-7:00 PM**  
**THE PIER** 48 South River Rd, Edgewater, MD. Rt. 2 on south side of South River Bridge. If we not in the bar area, will be on UPPER deck outside. 443-837-6057 [cocojoes@comcast.net](mailto:cocojoes@comcast.net)  
**COORDINATOR: repence@msn.com**



**Ellicott City Happy Hour- April 2021**

Names clockwise: Bill Small, Alan Schneider, Pam Ledford, Linda Perkins, Carolyn Nachman, Michael Sommers, Cindy Turner, Kathy Haven, Debra Roane, Jill Montgomery, Phil Smith, Marcy Kleinman.

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- 75 word limit



**Carole Jordan, Classified Page Editor**

## BOATS FOR SALE

**1964 Pearson Vanguard Sloop 32'** for sale by owner. Docked in Middle River, rebuilt engine, new compost head, AC/DC power systems, refinished original spruce boom, sails, tons and tons of 'stuff', tools, parts, etc. Roller Furling Jib, spinnaker and pole, new spars, Pictures available. Call Paul at (802)-490-3792 7-21

## BOAT SLIPS

**DEEP WATER SLIP:** Join other great dock mates. Available immediately on Mill Creek, Annapolis

Contact Suzanne Farr [sofarr@aol.com](mailto:sofarr@aol.com) 8-21

## ITEMS for SALE

**FOR SALE: Marinco day/night plus solar vent** 4" white plastic. Works on rechargeable battery at night. Ventilation for boat or RV. Advertised at West Marine online for \$224.99. **Asking \$100.** Never used. Mint condition in original box.

Bob Morrow, [cogito28@aol.com](mailto:cogito28@aol.com) 7-21

**FOR SALE:** Brand new never worn **TILLEY HAT** size 7 1/8, 57 cm. List price \$110, for you \$25.00, pick up in Edgewater.

Barbara at 410-956-1445 ..... 7-21

**FOR SALE:** Weems & Plath, **TEAK Log Book** cover with brass sailboat plate retail \$212.99, Logbook insert retail \$31.99. **NEVER USED.** Offering for \$100 obo

Ruth Moore 410-267-0599 6-21

**FOR SALE: Coastal Automatic Inflatable Vest,** West Marine, size: adult universal (fits 30" to 52" chest), lightweight low-profile design, automatically inflates in water, 22.5# of buoyancy; used once, new: \$150, \$80 firm. Text or call Rob at 302-379-3179 or email at [robking3179@gmail.com](mailto:robking3179@gmail.com). 7-21

**FOR SALE:** Fujinon 229.99 VHF handheld transceiver, ICOM with recharger. \$75.00  
Lorraine Fassett, 410-573-1030,  
[lhfassett@verizon.net](mailto:lhfassett@verizon.net) 7-21

## FOR RENT

**FOR RENT:** "Marsh Magic" - A serene vacation rental in West Ocean City, MD. [www.ocmarshmagic.com](http://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](mailto:ocmarshmagic@gmail.com) 5-21

**FOR RENT:** Large waterfront bedroom and bath in Annapolis. Contact Suzanne Farr [sofarr@aol.com](mailto:sofarr@aol.com) 8-21

**FOR RENT:** "SANDS SOUCI" a family beach vacation home on the Outer Banks, Duck, North Carolina. 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, Jacuzzi bath, 5 decks. View sunsets on the Currituck Sound. Beach accessories and Golf Cart included. Contact Judy Barral for availability at [jbarral60@gmail.com](mailto:jbarral60@gmail.com) 8-21

## FREE

**FREE** to a relatively new SOS skipper who would appreciate some helpful **instructional books** to broaden ones knowledge of sailing procedures and skills as well as maintenance and refurbishment of one's sailboat. Contact Pat Randall at: [parandall@comcast.net](mailto:parandall@comcast.net) 8-21

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### ***Day Sails***

June 12, 17, 19 & 30

### ***Weekend Cruises***

June 5/6 – The Happy Place Sail

June 5/6 – First Mates' Sail

June 26/27 – Anniversary Gatsby Party & Cruise