

### **Town Hall Meeting - August 14**

Free Food! Great Entertainment!

Meet Board Candidates and participate in the General Membership Meeting.

Are you new to SOS? This is your chance to get to know us in a fun and personal way at no cost! There is a Day Sail scheduled for August 14<sup>th</sup>; this meeting is timed so that you can do both. Some skippers may also choose to sail in to Port Annapolis Marina and pay their own cost for a slip. As we did last year, SOS will once again gather for this event at the Overlook Pavilion at Port Annapolis Marina.

The club will be electing four new members for the Board of Directors for two-year terms this September. Cherie Comly, Bev Nash and John Parsons have volunteered to be our Nominating Committee with Anne Bastian as Chairman. The Town Hall Meeting is your opportunity to meet candidates and hear what they have to say.

If you are ready to bring your energy and talents to support our club by providing leadership. positive ideas. and coordination with other SOS volunteers....or you want to nominate another who you think can do the same... please know that nominations from the Floor are part of the fun. Any eligible member of the club may be nominated and seconded from the floor of the Town Hall Meeting.

All members who accept a nomination will appear on the September election ballot.

The General Membership Meeting schedule is: 5-6 Happy Hour

6-7 Dinner

7-9:00 Business Meeting

9:00 Clean up and close

This event is free for all members. So come out, visit with your SOS friends, meet the nominees and hear what they have to say. The meeting will be at Port Annapolis Overlook Pavilion, 7074 Bembe Beach Rd, Annapolis, MD 21403.

Drinks and dinner for all attendees will be provided with compliments of SOS. Nonmembers may come to the dinner for \$25.00 per person if they attend with a member. Walk-ins will not be admitted for dinner.

Please volunteer to help with set up. Many hands make light work. Contact Robin Meigel at <u>rmeigel@hotmail.com</u>.

### Seafood Feast, Party, Dance & Cruise August 21-22

The Seafood Feast is almost here and if you haven't signed up yet to sail or drive in, get on the stick!

Meeps Yox visited the venue and the "New" Haven Harbour South Marina Resort is beautiful! All of the buildings have been updated and in addition to the wonderful, much-used (by us) swimming pool, there are now inside lounges (think air conditioned) to enjoy, outside decks and beach cabanas as well as many other new amenities.

Haven Harbour South (previously known as The Sailing Emporium) always had free bikes for our use, but now **Kayaks and Stand-Up Paddleboards** are also available.

Come on out and enjoy the fun of seeing SOS friends, enjoying ridiculous amounts of food and drink, and having a spectacular evening by the water!

**5:00** Registration and Happy Hour with Wine and Beer (sorry no signature drinks this time!)

6:00 Appetizers:

- Vegetable
  - TrayShrimp
  - Smoked salmon

Dinner



- #1 CHESTER RIVER CRABSthe star of the show!
- Crab cakes
- Fried chicken
- Potato salad
- Tomato and Cucumber salad
- Broccoli salad
- Corn on the cob
- Desserts
- Lemon cake
- Brownies

**7:00** Music begins with Andre the DJ setting up under the Beach Bar, with tunes (suggested by members and tested out at the Anniversary Party)! Plans are for dancing on the beach so we can enjoy the sunset and not miss out on the music! Make your plans and help SOS celebrate being together once again!

### **VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE**

MANY HANDS MOVED SOS AHEAD

As I write this, SOS is again

offering a full schedule of sailing events, marina parties, happy hours, and even a dinghy dance! We have come a long way from the fears and isolation of summer 2020. Despite a near total shut down, most members hung in and we are even now enrolling new members at a slow but steady pace. Our budget stayed flat last year, we lost very little, and in 2021, our revenue picture looks healthy.

So, how did we get here and back to normal so quickly? Again, it was many hands; some in official club positions and some from behind the scenes.

From his official position as Education Chair, Bill Knapp produced a weekly series of education-al sessions, offered via Zoom, at a time when SOS could offer virtually nothing else. The Spring "May Day Together" Training event was just about the first sailing related official function in a year!

John Rogers, in his official capacity as Cruising Chair, was instrumental in helping to both shut down SOS sailing in 2020, but also to get it safely reopened in 2021. Coordination was back, but with a new set of vaccine related questions designed to offer both safety and comfort for skippers and crew.

Janet Gonski, as chair of the Public Relations Committee, did more than simple marketing. She also coordinated a series of "Backyard Gatherings" which safely brought members together, in small groups outside, to meet, chat, and rekindle social relationships after a year of staying home. Then there were the "unofficial" helpers who made maior contributions behind the scenes. As alarm bells were going off due to lack of an official social chair, Carole Jordon and Meeps Yox, assisted by Barbara Mistrik, raised their hands and said "I'll help". As you might know, having no social planner equals having no parties, (including our popular marina parties!) But these ladies pitched in, and not only planned all three marina parties, but also cooked most of the food! Wow....and what successful parties! Carol and Meeps helped save our cruising parties in 2021.

Also behind the scenes are an army of cruise and partv coordinators. Kudos to Kathy Haven for being the trainer and lead organizer for the cruisina coordinators. (They had the added job of using covid vaccine status to screen participants this year.) Plus, whenever a really cool blast is needed, Kathy is the "go to" person.

And there are more! Chuck Fort is a super supporter of SOS sailing activities. He goes on most of our cruises, takes many crew along, and is raft captain as needed. Michael Sommer offers up his beautiful house and patio for any number of SOS events, including the July Dinghy Dance. Laura Gwinn sails regularly, taking numerous crew and also serves as our "New Skipper Greeter", contacting newly joined skippers to offer information and assistance.

This is just a sample of the many SOS Members who pitched in, whether as part of their official function or not, and who contributed to successfully moving our club through the pandemic and into a summer of normalcy.

Many Thanks!

Sandy

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### Unofficial Notes July 8, 2021 Board Meeting

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

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: Board Meeting minutes of June 3, 2021 were approved.

**<u>Commodore</u>:** Date for Town Hall meeting is approaching. Nominating Committee has a good slate of candidates for the board.

<u>Vice Commodore:</u> Update on the Town Hall Meeting: Help is needed.

#### Treasurers Report:

- 1. Significant increase in total income due to parties and cruising.
- Expenses YTD have increased over last year due to increased club activity – food, facility rentals, etc.
- 3. Net income YTD \$6K higher than last year.
- 4. Member participation in cruising and social appears to be paying off with vaccinations and lifting of Covid restrictions.

<u>Secretaries Report</u>: Minutes were distributed and corrected

#### Committee Reports:

#### Bareboat -

France trip: Week 1 – 31 participants Week 2 –11 participants. Trip briefing took place on June 13. BVI: Proposal was submitted to Board of Directors for trip approval. Motion passed. Signups underway. Aeolian Islands. Rough itinerary in draft form. Identifying a restaurant for group dinner with Moorings contact.

**Brunch** – Complete for the year.

<u>Cruising</u> – The 2021 Cruising is going well. The Anniversary Cruise brought out 15 boats. Day Sails are drawing one to five boats on average. Database -

	July 2021
Members	206
Skippers	55
Lifetime Members	110
Lifetime Skippers	20
Inactive Members	18
Totals	409

**<u>Education</u>** – At this time there are no new education activities planned

**First Mates** – From the As Sailed List, 13 First Mates have sailed as First Mates to date. Kitty St. Romain's status be changed from First Mate to First Mate Emeritus

<u>Membership</u> – Five new Members joined since the June 2021 report. Membership Directory has been printed and will be mailed soon.

**Public Relations** Thanks to the Hollendurskys for matching donations and the more than 30 members who donated to the Leukemia Cup, Team SOS stood for more than a \$3,000 donation to the mission. Additionally, Hollendursky and Lombardo participated in the race taking first and second places respectively.

The Ad Hoc Committee for Recognition; have met through emails and on Zoom to establish some categories/ideas for recognition of volunteerism.

<u>Safety</u> – Preparations are in good shape for the upcoming Dinghy Dance training. More skippers are gradually providing information on their boats allowing more boats to be activated. Skippers Advisory - Monthly ZOOM Skipper Happy Hour meetings continued in June and will continue monthly throughout the sailing season on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Attendance has been good. There have not been any recent requests for boat helpers, yet skippers may still request one or more by contacting Lorraine. A skippers' party for skippers and one guest will be held on Friday, August 13 starting at 4 PM with venue River Oaks Clubhouse in Edgewater. A raft captains' course led by Chuck Fort will be held Sunday, August 15th from 10 AM to 1 PM.

**<u>Social</u>** – All sailing related parties are planned for the summer and fall.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>: Motion on Non-resident members, was placed on hold.

**New Business:** We brainstormed and identified a collection of members who are contributing to the goals and activities of SOS. Heidi Harper recommends that SOS place more emphasis on disposal of trash from our boats.

### **Review of Action items.**

1. Dockside training to be added later in the year

2. Membership committee to report back on cost reduction measures.

Submitted by Craig Coltharp Secretary

### **Fleet Exercises and Shore Leave**

Please <u>email</u> 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 <u>SOS, Inc.</u> The postmark is used as the mail in cutoff/deadline date. **Note: individual request for refunds will incur a \$3 Administration Fee.** 

	August 3	Tuesday	Mid-W	leek Day Sail
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member
	Deadline:	Mail and Online registrations must be received by July 27	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 <u>samia.wahed@gr</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign u	mail.com p online at	<u>www.singlesonsailboats.org</u>
A STATE OF	August 5	Thursday	Board	Meeting
	Location:	Via Hybrid Zoom and/or in person, Contact Commodore for details	Time: Note:	7:00 to 10:00pm Open to all Members.
	August 7-8	Saturday – Sunday	Appet	tizers & Desserts Cruise
90	Destination:	Reed Creek/Chester River	Cost:	\$34 - Member or Non-member
	Deadline:	Mail: July 22 (postmark) Online: July 27	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.
	Coordinator:	Beth Krushinskie <u>bethsailingsos@gm</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign u	ail.com p online at	t <u>www.singlesonsailboats.org</u>
	August 14	Saturday	Day S	ail
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member
	Deadline:	Mail: August 4 (postmark) Online: August 8 (9 pm)	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.
Carris	Coordinator:	Samia AbdelWahed <u>samia.wahed@gr</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign u		
	August 14	Saturday	Town	Hall Meeting
	Destination:	Port Annapolis, Marina Pavilion.	Cost:	Member Meeting/Dinner: <b>Free</b> Non-Member: <b>\$25.00</b>
	Deadline:	Mail: August 6 (postmark) Online: August 10	Time:	5-6pm Happy Hour 6-7pm Dinner 7-9pm Meeting
	Note:	There is not a coordinated sail for this arrange for a slip at any marina in Ann <b>NO WALK-INS - If you do not sig</b> Time to meet the Board	apolis. I <b>n up yc</b>	
a de la de l	Coordinator:	ator: Rohin Meigel meigel@hotmail.com		

Coordinator: Robin Meigel <u>rmeigel@hotmail.com</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u>, then sign up online at <u>www.singlesonsailboats.org</u>

	August 15	Sunday	Raft Ca	aptain Education Seminar		
A Martin Martin Martin Martin	Location: Speaker/Topic	Community Room, South District PD – 35 Stepney's Lane Edgewater, MD Chuck Fort, plus/Rafting with SOS	Cost: Time:	None Limited to 45 participants. Skippers and First Mates given preference. 10:00am – 1:00pm		
Building	Deadline:	Mail: August 6 (postmark) Online: August 11	Note:	Coffee and doughnuts provided		
	Coordinator:	Hope Andruss <u>hopeda@verizon.net</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign up online at <u>www.singlesonsailboats.org</u>				

	Aug. 21-22	Saturday – Sunday	Seafo	od Feast Cruise/Party	
	Destination: Catered by: Music by: Deadline: <u>Cruise &amp; Party:</u> Party only:	Haven Harbor South, Rock Hall Chester River Crabs Andre' the DJ Mail: August 5 (postmark) <u>Online: August 10</u> Mail: August 6, Online: August 11	Cost: Note:	<ul> <li>\$87 - Cruise &amp; Party</li> <li>\$53 - Party only</li> <li><u>NO walk-ins</u></li> <li>Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.</li> </ul>	
<u>J</u>	Event Mgr. Coordinator:	Meeps Yox Kathy Haven <u>Mskathha@gmail.com</u>			
	Please <b>be sure to log-in first</b> , then sign up online at www.singlesonsailboats.org				

August 26	August 26 Thursday I		Mid-Week Day Sail	
Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member	
Deadline:	Mail and Online registrations must be received by August 20	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.	
Coordinator:	r: Kitty St. Romain <u>K.St.Romain@comcast.net</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign up online at <u>www.singlesonsailboats.org</u>			



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August 29 Sunday		Sunday	Day Sail			
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member		
	Deadline:	Mail: August 19 (postmark) Online: August 23 (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 <u>dlyle7311@yahoo.com</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign u	p online at			
	Sept.	Thursday	Board	Meeting		
	Location:	Via Hybrid Zoom and/or in person, Contact Commodore for details	Time: Note:	7:00 to 10:00pm Open to all Members.		
	Sept. 4-6	Saturday – Monday	3 Day	Labor Day Cruise		
	Destination:	Solomons Island, Choptank River, Home Port.	Cost:	\$51 - Member or Non-member		
	Deadline:	Mail: Aug 19 (postmark)	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must		

mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the

coordinator.

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

Online: Aug 24



	Sept. 10-12	Friday – Sunday	3-Day	Eastport Oyster Boys Concert Cruise	
Them Eastport Dyster Boys	Destination:	Skipper choice Friday, Saturday Shaw Bay/Wye River,	Cost:	\$51 - Member or Non-member	
MISS LONESONTE MIF Kullant Eevin Breeks	Deadline:	Rafting in Pods Mail: Aug. 26 (postmark) Online: Aug 31	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.	
	Coordinator:	Lynn Gilley <u>Itgilley@verizon.net</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then s	ign up or		
	Sept. 16	Thursday	Mid-W	leek Day Sail	
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member	
	Deadline:	Mail and Online registrations must be received by September 10	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.	
	Coordinator:	Anne Bastian <u>bastian.anne@gmail.cor</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign up		www.singlesonsailboats.org	
	Sept. 18	Saturday	Day S	ail	
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member	
	Deadline:	Mail: September 8 (postmark) Online: September 12 (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 <u>samia.wahed@gmail.com</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign up online at <u>www.singlesonsailboats.org</u>			
	Sept. 19	Sunday		Day Sail	
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member	
	Deadline:	Mail: September 9 (postmark) Online: September 13 (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 <u>samia.wahed@gmail.com</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign up online at <u>www.singlesonsailboats.org</u>			
	Sept. 23	Thursday	Mid-W	leek Day Sail	
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member	
	Deadline:	Mail and Online registrations must be received by September 16	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.	
	Coordinator:	Barbara Wingrove BKWingrove@outle Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign up			
200	Sep. 25/26	Saturday – Sunday	Octob	perfest Cruise	
	Destination:	Anchorage Marina, Baltimore Harbor	Cost:	\$34 - Member or Non-member	
Ohtobertest	Deadline:	Mail: September 11 (postmark) Online: September 14	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.	
	Coordinator:	Linda Casucci <u>casuccilj@gmail.com</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign u	p online at	t <u>www.singlesonsailboats.org</u>	
	Oct. 2	Saturday	Day S	ail	
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member	
	Deadline:	Mail: September 22 (postmark) Online: September 25 (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:	Teresa Scofield tscofield55@gmail.cor Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign u			

λ.	October 6	Wednesday	Mid-W	leek Day Sail
	Destination:	Skipper's Choice	Cost:	\$17- Member or Non-Member
	Deadline:	Mail and Online registrations must be received by September 30	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.
	Coordinator:	Barbara Wingrove BKWingrove@outle Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign up	ook.com	www.singlesonsailboats.org
	October 7	Thursday	Board	Meeting
	Location:	Via Hybrid Zoom and/or in person, Contact Commodore for details	Time: Note:	7:00 to 10:00pm Open to all Members.
	Oct. 9/10	Saturday – Sunday	Chili (	Cruise
	Destination:	Cove North of Pickering Creek, Wye East River	Cost:	\$34 - Member or Non-member
	Deadline:	Mail: September 25 (postmark) Online: September 28	Note:	Non-member may sail once with a member and must mail a separate Registration form with a check to the coordinator.
	Coordinator:	Cindy Turner <u>Cynthia.turner@verizon</u> Please <u>be sure to log-in first</u> , then sign u		
<b>le boat</b> September 2021		Choose One Week	France	e – Bareboat Canal Trip
	Destination:	Alsace Lorraine, France	Cost:	Members \$1000 = Boat Cost and Admin Fee. - Air Fare and Insurance are separate.
в	Note:	Week 1 – Sept 3 to Sept 10 Week 2 – Sept 10 to Sept 17	Note:	http://sosbareboat.simplesite.com/361821746
	Coordinator:	Sandy Rosswork <u>sgrosswork@aol.com</u> Go to <u>http://sosbareboat.simplesite.com</u>		nore details
	April 5-15 2022	10-day trip	Belate	ed 20th Anniversary – Bareboat Cruise
	Destination:	British Virgin Islands	Cost:	Members \$2000 = Boat Cost and Admin Fee Air Fare and Insurance are separate.
	Note:	Must be fully vaccinated to sign up for this trip per BVI Immigration	Note:	To Download Registration Form with Payment Information: http://sosbareboat.simplesite.com/449637246
	Coordinator:	requirements. Michael Sommer <u>msommer414@gmai</u> Go to <u>http://sosbareboat.simplesite.com/</u>	l.com for more	

### Directions to August 14th Town Hall Meeting: Port Annapolis Maria Pavilion, 7074 Bembe Beach Rd, Annapolis, MD

Take US-50 E/US-301 N toward Bay Bridge. Take Exit 22 onto 665 E for 2 miles. Continue straight onto Forest Drive for 2.8 miles. Turn left onto Edgewood Road/Bembe Beach Road for 1.2 miles. Marina will be on your left.

### Directions to August 21st Seafood Feast: Haven Harbor South Marina (formerly named Sailing Emporium): 21144 Green Ln, Rock Hall, MD www.havenharbour.com

**From the South**<u>-</u> East over the Chesapeake Bay Bridge to Rt. 301. Take Rt. 213 north to Chestertown. Proceed through Chestertown- turn left at Rt. 291 (Morgnec Rd) go to end, turn right onto Rt. 20 to Rock Hall (12 miles). Turn left at the blinking light (Main St.). Go through town of Rock Hall. Turn right onto Green Lane. Continue to the Sailing Emporium entrance on your right.

**From the North** - Interstate 95 to Rt. 896 S to Rt. 896/301 Take 301 (past Middletown, DE) to exit right onto Rt. 290 to Galena. Go through light at Galena. Now on Rt. 213. Continue to Chestertown. Turn right on Rt. 291. Go to the end; turn right on Rt. 20, to Rock Hall. Continue as above.



**AUGUST 21.** The Chesapeake Regional Accessible Boating (CRAB) Cup is right around the corner. Please make sure you mark your calendar to donate to this worthy cause!

### Donation is easy - use the donate button on the SOS website!

Over 30 sponsoring companies have confirmed their support to make the event a success. With the State of Maryland opening up on July 1st, CRAB will host its After Party at the Eastport Yacht Club. SOS will likely not attend as it conflicts with our wonderful Seafood Feast in Rock Hall.

However, there is a Skippers Challenge virtual fundraiser which kicked off on July 12th. You don't have to be sailing in the race to participate. The funds raised from the annual CRAB Cup event are nearly a quarter of the CRAB operating budget and serve to keep our sailing programs free of charge for CRAB guests. **Use the SOS donate button to participate in the virtual fundraiser!** 

# Hospice Cup 40th Regatta - September 18th

Hospice Cup, a unique charity regatta, is America's largest charity regatta in numbers and dollars, Hospice Cup began in forty years ago in 1981 as an informal race among a small group of people interested in sailing and hospice care. Netting almost \$28,000, the first Cup was amazingly successful—and fun! About 35 sailboats raced from Annapolis to St. Michaels on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. A few private power yachts carried sponsors and guests as spectators. All celebrated the occasion at a post-race party at a waterfront home, where trophies were awarded.

To repeat the success and fun, the founders formed Hospice Cup Inc., an allvolunteer organizing group independent of the benefiting hospices or racing groups. They also recruited a local sailing club to dedicate an existing race on the crowded local schedule to the cause. Racing continued from Annapolis to St. Michael's for several years, then shifted to racing around buoys in the Bay, with everyone adjourning to a noteworthy party on the shore.

This year's funds raised at the regatta will help hospices in Maryland, Washington, DC and Northern Virginia with their **Grief and Bereavement Services** which is not often covered by insurance. Your contributions help ensure that these programs are available to all who seek them.

**Sailing:** Skippers click here to register your boat in the regatta: <u>https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14355</u>



Information about volunteer opportunities, shore party tickets and donations for Team SOS is not yet available. Watch for an email blast with more information coming soon.

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

On June 6 **Bob Morrow** crewed on a Jeanneau 35 from Eastport Yacht Club to Block Island, with stops at Chesapeake Inn & Marina on the C & D Canal; Payne's Marina on Block Island; Wickford, RI; Mystic, CT; Westbrook, CT; Faulkner Island, CT; Stamford, CT; Port Washington, LI, NY; through the East River and Hells Gate in NYC; Utsche's Marina in Cape May, NJ and returning to Annapolis on June 23 at 6:40 AM after a non-stop overnight up the Delaware Bay and down the Chesapeake.

Contrary to popular rumors, **Jean Judge** is still alive & happily vaccinated. She is also enjoying her new home. The move was difficult during COVID lock-down, but accomplished thanks to her children.

On August 1st **John Rogers** will celebrate the marriage of eldest son James to his fiancée Elisabeth. Finally, COVID is letting them tie the knot. John couldn't prouder of the pair, and wishes them the happiest life together.

Lorraine Fassett has been having a wonderful, very busy post-Covid month with several different guests for a couple of days each. One guest July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend, was a cousin Sweden who will from be transmitting from here for Swedish Radio. Then off to Ocean City, NJ for a week with her son's family including her 6-year-old greatgranddaughter. There is nothing like friends and family!

John Swahn writes: Four strangers on a boat is how it started. In late March I was asked to help move a Gemini Catamaran from Fort Myers to Houston, across the gulf and through the oil fields. I agreed and flew down to meet the owner and the two other crew members. None of us had sailed together or even met before this day. It started off great, we sailed on the same tack in the same direction for 25 hours and over 135 miles off the coast. We then turned north to avoid the Gulf Stream. We were visited nine times by dolphins, even got to know a few. They ranged from pods of 6-35. Besides one crew member that learned all you need to know from watching YouTube videos, we were moving along nicely.

Then the batteries died, the head (grinder) jammed, the radio failed, sailboat wind indicator no longer worked. Basically, we learned the owner never had a survey done on the boat and at 150 miles off the coast we were learning what was wrong.

The worst part at 3:00 AM was when the batteries failed and we had sailed into an eddy. No worries, the owner asked me to take over. We dropped the sails, turned on the outboard and took a compass bearing and used a red headlight to sail to Niceville FL.

I flew home knowing that in five days I would be back to move the boat. This time with a crew of my choosing. Over the week repairs were made and once we returned, we headed for the oil fields of Alabama and Louisiana. Our target was The Deep Horizon at 135 miles off the coast. Once there we could turn toward Texas and go through the safety corridor. The goal was to bypass 90% of the platforms and underwater pipes.

Running into the wind with 12 to 15foot waves made it slow going. By the time we reached the Deep Horizon Oil Platform we had 20 to 25-foot waves on our beam. This Gemini was rattling and screws were just falling off things.

After 20 hours of this the winds changed and were now coming up from behind. The waves also



changed to behind us. It was nice to roll down the 25 to 30-foot waves instead of fighting them. We had that Gemini running as fast as 11.6 kts and averaging 9. It looked like things were going to improve, but we are sailors so there is always a change.

We ran into some rain and we lost the moon at night but overall things went well. The only other thing that happened overnight was the boom vang just fell off, all the screws stripped out and it was done. We manufactured one using spare parts and continued. Arriving in Texas late morning in a heavy fog, with a grateful owner standing on the dock. where Let's see the next adventure takes me.

Jean Wintermute has been sailing in the BVI's post pandemic. Starting on June 15th, the BVI's opened up to vaccinated travelers who still need a PCR test to enter, but no quarantine necessary. So, she hopped on a plane to USVI, then a next day ferry to Roadtown, Tortola to join her friends on a 46 ft Beneteau monohull for 14 days of sailing.

The weather cooperated with 18 to 24 kts of east wind, some rain, but no tropical storms/hurricanes. Having a full two weeks, they were able to spend multiple days on Anegada, Leverick Bay, and different sheltered bays on Josh Van Dyke, enjoying snorkeling and swimming.

The BVI Islanders are so happy to see sailors and tourists return. Their biggest worries were where to eat dinner and where to get our Covid-19 PCR test to return to the US. Roadtown, Grand Bay, and Spanish Town were the only testing sites with limited morning hours and many travelers waiting in line.

She safely returned via a beautiful morning flight from Beef Island to San Juan PR.

### Who Are Real Boaters?

1. Real boaters can pack 30 cubic feet of groceries into a 20 cubic foot refrigerator.

2. Real boaters go to the boat show despite having used the last of their home equity to purchase a boat last year.

3. Real boaters know that you can get the "boat show discount" at any time.

4. Real boaters secretly cringe every time a guest walks into the head.

5. Real boaters can grill hamburgers PERFECTLY in five minutes - at night, in a hurricane, with a broken leg.

6. Real boaters are perfectly satisfied eating crackers and Cheez Whiz for breakfast.

7. Real boaters can climb a ladder or mast with one arm.

8. Real boaters can slip a boat out of the middle of a sixboat raft-up and re-tie without waking anyone.

9. Real boaters never run out of ice, but have run out of fuel at least once.

10. Real boaters have secretly pondered the consequences of shooting someone with a flare gun.

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### Welcome New Members

Harry Cohen, Pittsburgh PA Beth Crowell, Silver Spring MD Traci Fairbairn, North Potomac MD Jeffrey Harvey, Annapolis MD Mary Beth Jalickee, Olney MD Janet Meddick, Arlington VA Val Murrell, Alexandria VA Anderson Mycroft, Norfolk VA Andrew L Normand, Lorton VA Gabriel Ruiz, Silver Spring MD Bianca Russo, Washington DC

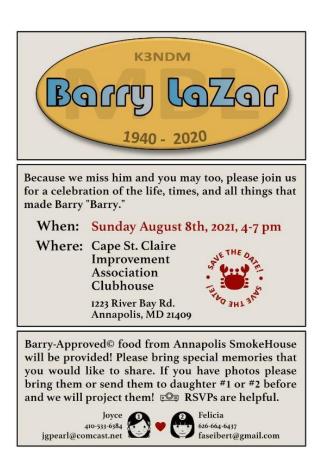
### **SKIPPERS** io GROUP

How can a skipper keep up with what other SOS skippers are thinking and doing? **Join <u>SOSskippers@groups.io</u>!** 

**SOSskippers@groups.io** is an official means of communication among SOS skippers. To participate, you must be a skipper in SOS, on the Board of Directors, or Chair of the Cruising, Safety, or First Mates Advisory Committee.

This is the forum where skippers can share information their boats ready, keep up with the Club's plans, and talk about their own plans for sailing.

To become a member of this group, go to **groups.io** and follow the instructions to join. Either way, be sure to use the email address in your profile in the SOS online directory or one which clearly identifies you. This is needed to allow those handling membership approvals to know that you meet the criteria to join. If you have any questions, contact Bill Small at smallfavors@hotmail.com.

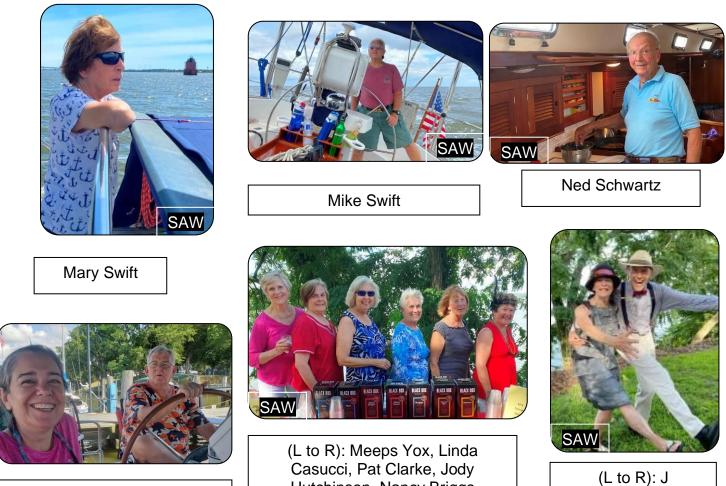


### **Anniversary Cruise and Party**



Past Commodores (present at party)

(L to R) Back Row: Janet Gonski, Emil Becker, John Halstead, Hope Andruss, Mike Swift, Meeps Yox Front Row: Angela Eggleston, Becky Strandberg, Lorraine Fassett, Sandy Rosswork



(L to R): Mary Johnson and **Ron Pence** 

Hutchinson, Nancy Briggs and Carole Jordan

ill Montgomery and Phil Smith

Photographers: Samia AbdelWahed (SAW); John Parsons (JFP) NOTE FROM PHOTO EDITOR: Please include names with your photos so we can learn everyone's names.

# and the Anniversary Party continues .... (as usual)



Costume Judges (L to R): Nancy Parsons, Pat Clarke and John McDonald



Female Costume Winners (L to R): Gabi Van Wie, Heide Harper, Kathyna Williams



(L to R): Phil Smith (Male Costume Winner) and John McDonald







SAW

(L to R): Joan Kreeger and John Dombach



(L to R):Sandy Rosswork, Susan Zevin and Lorraine Fassett





SAW



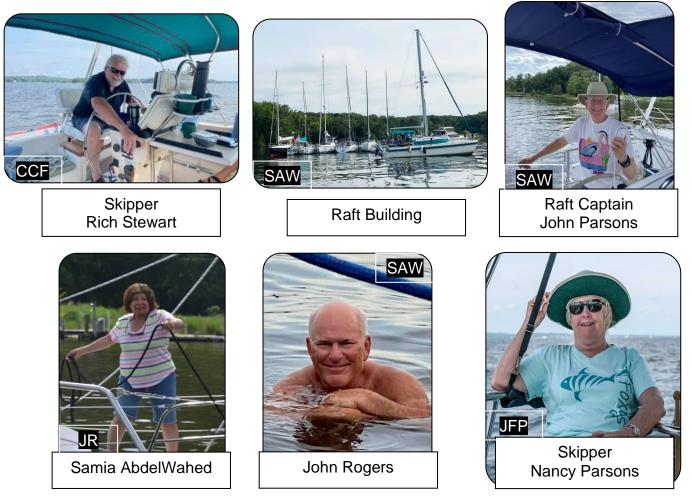
(L to R): Ned Schwartz and

Molly Harrison

NEW MEMBERS (L to R): Stu Danoff (Skipper), Rebecca Flora, Mary Johnson, Kim Kweder, Gwyn Vernon, Michelle Watters, Kathyna Williams

Photographers: Samia AbdelWahed (SAW); John Parsons (JFP); Gabi Von Wie (GVW) NOTE FROM PHOTO EDITOR: Please include names with your photos so we can learn everyone's names.

# Wine & Chocolate Cruise





(L to R): Julie Fort, Gabi Van Wie, Pat Woodie, and Judy Barral (L to R): John Rogers, Heidi Harper, Kathy Haven, Sue Donaldson, Michael Sommer, and Deb Kaufman

(L to R): Chuck Fort, John Parsons, and Laura Gwinn

Photographers: Catherine Fox (CCF); John Parsons (JFP); John Rogers (JR); Samia AbdelWahed (SAW) NOTE FROM PHOTO EDITOR: Please include names with your photos so we can learn everyone's names.

# Wine & Chocolate Cruise (continued...)



Co-Star of the Cruise: Chocolate! Wine elsewhere just CHILLING!



(L to R): Sue Donaldson, Michael Sommer and Samia AbdelWahed.

# **Dinghy Dance**



(L to R): Dana Stoffregen, Jan Warfield and empty wine glasses. Oh no! <u>More WINE!</u>



Everyone learns how difficult it is to put on PFD in water



Four in a Dinghy. (This doesn't look HARD).



Dave Enos almost in. (OK - it is HARD!)



Frank Beck gets in while Dave Enos watches.



Snack Time.



Sara Doolittle using ladder.

Photographers: All Dingy Dance from George Hollendursky: Samia AbdelWahed (SAW) NOTE FROM PHOTO EDITOR: Please include names with your photos so we can learn everyone's names.

# **First Mate Cruise**



(L to R): Hope Andruss, Gabi Van Wie, and Rebecca Flora



(L to R): Rita Svec and Kathy Higdon



(L to R): Rebecca Flora, Emil Becker, and Barbara Shoemaker







(L to R): Chuck Fort and Nancy Parsons

(L to R): Sandy Rosswork and Hope Andruss (L to R): Cherie Comly and Chuck Fort



(L to R): Dave Tuttle and Lorraine Fassett





(L to R): Bev Nash and Angela Eggleston-Howard

Photographer: From only John Parsons (JFP)

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

# Where the FIREWORKS are Cruise



(L to R): Charlie Wright, Samia AbdelWahed, Nancy Wright, Deb Lyle and Judy Barral



Judy Barral



Skipper Charlie Wright



Samia AbdelWahed



The FIREWORKS



Deb Lyle



Skipper Laura Gwinn (Wine & Chocolate)



(L to R): Deb Lyle, Nancy Wright, and Judy Barral



Jean Wintemute sailing in **BVI** Submitted by Jean

Photographers: Firework Cruise by only Samia AbdelWahed NOTE FROM PHOTO EDITOR: Please include names with your photos so we can learn everyone's names.

### Whisker Pole

### TO PLACE A CLASSIFIED AD:

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- You will receive a confirmation email back
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- 75 word limit

Carole Jordan, Classified Page Editor

### **BOAT SLIPS**

FOR ANNUAL LEASE:DRIVE THROUGH boat slip inMartins Cove behind Cantlers Riverside Inn on Mill Creekfor sailboat 32 ft or less.\$2600.00.Call Spud Flowers:703-969-2048.10-21

### **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, <u>cogito28@aol.com</u> 9-21

FOR SALE:Weems & Plath, TEAK Log Book cover with<br/>brass sailboat plate retail \$212.99, Logbook insert retail<br/>\$31.99.NEVER USED. Offering for \$100 obo<br/>Ruth Moore 410-267-05999-21

FOR SALE: Fujinon 229.99 VHF handheld transceiver, ICOM with recharger. Reduced \$50.00

Lorraine Fassett, 410-573-1030, <u>lhfassett@verizon.net</u> 9-21

FOR SALE:A pair of NRS Titanium waterproof coldweather full finger sailing glovesSize M. Never worn.Keep your hands dry and warm!Asking \$25 oboMary Ann410-980-051510-21

#### FOR SALE:

1. Platismo Compress **Compass** 17291/Contest130 Never used. \$225.

2. Jet Technology Double Leaf **Cockpit Pedestal Table** marine grade polyeylene, UV stable P/N 51797008, Measures 23.5 X 13.5; with 2 leaves open 23.5 X 27. New \$500.

3. Lewmar Ocean series Size 10 **Hatch/Window** # 90438 with accompanying ocean air Sky Shade and Screen. New \$300. For all contact <u>gwynsails@gmail.com</u> 10-21

### FOR RENT

FOR RENT:"Marsh Magic" - A serene vacation rental inWestOceanCity,MD.www.ocmarshmagic.com.4bedroom,3.5 bath house;5 decks;2 kitchens; elevator;near inlet and Route50 bridge.Sleeps12.Contact SharonTaylor atocmarshmagic@gmail.com10-21

**FOR RENT**: Large waterfront bedroom and bath in Annapois. Contact Suzzanne Farr <u>sofarr@aol.com</u> 10-21

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 10-21

### **HELP WANTED**

Looking for **office help** involving computer accounting entries and general office responsibilities. Work is in my office in my house. (All here are fully vaccinated.) sofarr@aol.com

SOS Members	July 2021	July 2020	July 2019	July 2018
Members	206	396	428	443
Skippers	55	77	90	87
Lifetime Members	110		E.	
Lifetime Skippers	20			
Inactive Members	18			
Totals	409*	473	518	520

\* Data on 102 members who did not renew for 2021 has been archived and removed from the database.

SOS Finances July 2021				
Club Checking Account	24,034.56			
Hi-Yield Savings Account	73,454.40			
Club Credit Card	- 7,414.86			
Bareboat Account	51,248.98			



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



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> Thursday

**ELLICOTT CITY:** Aug 5th 5:00-7:30 PM La Palapa Grill, 8307 Main Street, Ellicott City MD 21043 410-465-0070 www.lapalapagrill.com **COORDINATOR:** JILL - jill.montgom@gmail.com

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

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

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

PA: Aug 12th 6:00 PM The historic Corinthian Yacht Club of Philadelphia, 300 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Essington, PA 19029. \*NOTE\*: Cash bar with snacks, \$5 Reservations are required. RSVP TO cover charge. COORDINATOR. **COORDINATOR:** MARY - Mary.payne@comcast.net

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday **ROCKVILLE**:

Aug 19th 5:00-7:00 PM

Save the Date! Location to be determined & sent-out via a "blast"

COORDINATOR:

JON- jonbernheimer@verizon.net

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

**KENT ISLAND:** Aug 19th 4:00-6:00 PM FISHERMAN'S INN 3116 Main Street, Grasonville, MD 21638. 410-827-6666 www.fishermansinn.com **COORDINATOR:** BARB – bbbrooksao@aol.com

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

WILMINGTON: Aug 18th 5:30 PM TIMOTHY'S Restaurant and Bar, 930 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 Wilmington Riverfront by Blue Rock Stadium, facing the waterfront. Drink specials until 7 PM. 302www.timothysontheriverfront.com 429-7427 SUE-Sbdonaldson713@verizon.net **COORDINATOR:** 

### 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

5:00-7:00 PM

**ANNAPOLIS:** Aug 26th THE PIER, 48 South River Rd, Edgewater, MD. Rt. 2 on south side of South River Bridge. If we are not in the bar area, we will be on the UPPER deck outside. 443-837-6057 cocojoes@comcast.net

**COORDINATOR:** RON- repence@msn.com



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### Day Sails

August 3, 14, 26, 29

### Weekend Cruises & Party

August 7-8 – Appetizers & Desserts August 21-22 – Seafood Feast & Party

### Town Hall Meeting

August 14