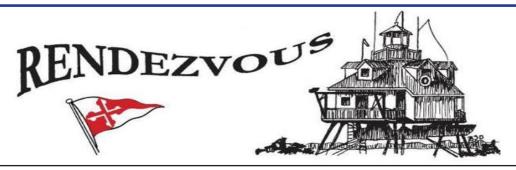
# The Sailing Club of the Chesapeake



Volume No. 76 No. 11 NOVEMBER 2020 Steve B. Sharkey, Commodore

# From the Commodore......

As October comes to a close and November is upon us, the Club's on-water events wrap up for the year and thoughts turn to winterizing the boat or, as in the case of your Commodore, heading south. Audrey and I plan on leaving mid-November to take *Cygnus* down the ICW to Charleston, SC for the winter. This will be a first time for us to not winterize a boat and instead use it as a Southern home base for work and play. We're looking forward to spending some more time aboard and time in Charleston!

As we leave October, however, I want to look back on the excellent Oyster Roast event hosted by P/C Donna and Alex Schlegel at their beautiful home on the West River. P/C Schlegel did double duty as host of the event and co-chair along with Jon Opert. Donna and Jon did an outstanding job planning this event in these difficult times, but with the help of a small army of SCC volunteers pitching in to help, the event exceeded expectations on quality as well as safety! Perhaps one of the biggest challenges was that our usual oyster supplier has been unable to get his regular crew of shuckers to work during the pandemic. But it was the company owner himself, with his 12- and 13-year-old sons who showed up with a load of fresh local oysters from the South and West Rivers and the boys did an outstanding job of shucking and keeping pace with demand. Rob and Linda Leigh cooked up a batch of their fantastic oyster stew with Laury and Debbie Deschamps. And some of our newer members, Joanne and Walter Mitchell, and Karla and Steve Smith, did yeoman's duty on the grill, while a host of others helped out with serving side dishes, pouring drinks, setting up, cleaning up, and generally helping out. There was plenty of room to spread out on the spacious lawn and members observed proper mask protocol to make this a safe and relaxing event for all. Thank you to everyone who made this such a success!

We are coming up quickly to our November 4 Annual Meeting and I encourage all members to participate. This is a very important event for the Club. It provides an opportunity for members to get an update on Club activities and plans as well as the budget and operations of the Club. It is a great opportunity for members to voice

their views and to vote on items that impact the operation of the Club. Members will vote on the slate of officers for 2021 as well as the proposed budget and dues increase. Information on these items has been published in the *Rendezvous* over the last few months and I strongly support both proposals. The slate of officers is strong and I have no doubt will serve the Club well. The dues increase, while never welcome, is necessary. Although we have taken numerous steps to reduce the costs of running the Club over the years, management costs and costlier events have resulted in deficits for several years and an increase is needed for the Club to continue in a way that members want and expect. To facilitate as broad attendance as possible at the meeting, and to avoid a large indoor event, it will be a virtual event this year. Please register on the SCC website and I look forward to seeing you there.

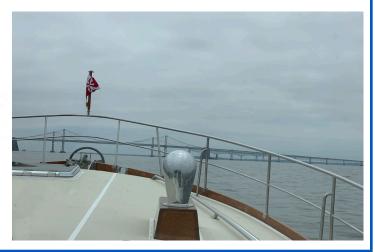
Finally, I regret to say that due to the continuing Pandemic, we have cancelled the Trophy Dinner Dance. This is truly one of the strongest traditions of the Club and I had hoped that we would be in a position to move forward with it. But considering the safety of the members for a winter indoor event, as well as the difficult economics of holding our most costly event with limited attendance, it is just not realistic for the event to move forward. Elaine Lodge was leading the effort for what would have been an extraordinary event at Kent Manor Inn, but those plans will have to be delayed a year. I am pleased that the venue has been very cooperative in allowing us to postpone the event for a year and fully applying our deposit so that there is no monetary loss to the Club in the long run.

With the cancellation of the Trophy Dinner Dance, we are planning a limited attendance event in early January to take care of the important work that needs to get done to close out the year — namely, the formal passing of the flags to the new officers and the award of trophies. More on this later, but it looks like it will be a lunch event at Annapolis Yacht Club on January 9. Attendance will be strictly limited for the in-person event to avoid a large gathering, but we will arrange for others to attend virtually. While this is not the ideal way for moving to the new year, it is the time we live in.

I look forward to seeing you at the virtual Annual Meeting!

Sincerely,

Commodore



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# **SAILING CLUB OF THE CHESAPEAKE - 2020 OFFICERS**

Commodore – Steve B. Sharkey
Vice Commodore – Robert V. Young
Rear Commodore – Antonio C. Torres
Fleet Captain – Charles Lawrence
Secretary – Frank Martien
Treasurer – Jonas Lodge

#### **2020 MEMBERS AT LARGE**

Arthur A. Libby, IV Andrew Mutch, III James Taneyhill

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT



#### Sailing Club of the Chesapeake

From: John Doxey
To: Frank Martien

cc: Ed Paglee, Dick Breen, Rob Floyd, Mary Wilmer, Steve Sharkey

Date: July 10, 2020

Subject: SCC Officer and MAL Nominations for 2021

#### Mr. Secretary -

In accordance with Article I, Section 5 of the By-Laws of the Sailing Club of the Chesapeake, Inc., the Nominating Committee respectfully submits the following list of members nominated for each of the several offices to serve during calendar year 2021.

#### **2021 OFFICERS:**

Commodore - Robert V. Young Vice Commodore - Antonio C. Torres Rear Commodore - Charles Lawrence Fleet Captain - Frank Martien Secretary - Jonas Lodge Treasurer - Arthur A. Libby

#### **2021 MEMBERS AT LARGE:**

Sue Mikulski Andrew Mutch III Stephen Horvath

John W. Doxey Chair, Nominating Committee

# **Proposed Dues Increase for 2021 and Beyond**

After reviewing the books at the conclusion of the 2019 year, the SCC Audit Committee expressed concern for the fiscal balance of the Club's combined checking and savings accounts noting, "they were at the lowest level they have been in many years." They went on to recommend that "the Executive Committee address the need for remediation for this long-run fiscal imbalance." This imbalance has developed despite the fact that the Club has reduced its annual printing and mailing expenses by close to \$4,000 since 2016. Even though some expenses have been reduced this year due to COVID restrictions on our activities, our most likely financial outlook has us dipping into savings yet again this year.

The last increase in dues occurred in 2013. For these reasons, and to maintain the high level of quality in Club events indicated by the Rudy Study that our members desire and expect, the Executive Committee voted unanimously to propose **raising the club dues from \$150 to \$200 for Full and Associate Members**. This increase requires a majority vote by the membership at the next annual meeting.

# **SCC ANNUAL MEETING - SAVE THE DATE!**



Sailing Club of the Chesapeake

Wednesday, November 4, 2020 Virtual Social Hour 6:30 PM Meeting 7:00 PM

All Members Cordially Invited

Due to COVID-19 concerns, the meeting will be held virtually. Details for the Zoom connection are on the SCC ClubExpress home page.

Cick here for info

# SCC 2020 Oyster Roast October 10, 2020



The amazing grill team!!!











Commodore Sharkey presents the SCC burgee to Walter and Joanne Mitchell (L) and Cindy and Ed Hartman (R)  $\,$ 

# **Cruising During a Pandemic!**

#### CRUISE/COMMUNICATIONS/OUTREACH

We're more than seven months into a pandemic, and while some cruised, others lived vicariously through those that did. Small group cruising was the theme of the summer with sailors sharing their photos and stories with me. I shared these experiences on ClubExpress under the "Living in Quarantine Forum," or in our new PRIVATE Facebook group SAILING CLUB OF THE CHESAPEAKE FORUM.

Please ask to join if you are on FB and would like to be part of that. It's a very easy platform for viewing photos from Club members. You can be on FB and just browse these posts without having to do anything else on that site. The FB Forum has also been a good vehicle for memberships. One couple who has known two SCC members inquired about joining through that FB Forum, and they've been to every event since then. I qualify whether or not to add someone from outside the Club by reaching out to mutual friends, and ask if they would like more information, and go from there.

The SCC Facebook PAGE is general information about a group out sailing, or something related to sailing. Anyone in either group can post on either FB page.

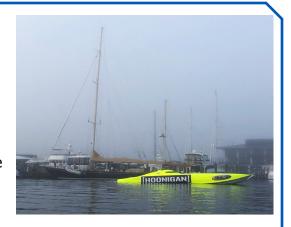


There was a pop-up cruise to the Sassafras last week with 4 boats. STARLIGHT EXPRESS, GALLIVANT, SNOW DANCE & DAYENU. ETHERIA joined them for one night, and DOC HOLIDAY, MYLA & FULL CIRCLE had to cancel plans. A wild downwind sail going over 9 knots were reported by GALLIVANT & DAYENU headed to Eagle Cove. Remember that rainy really windy Friday, two weeks ago? Two boats stayed at Eagle Cove, one stayed home, and the diehards motor

sailed to the Sassafras. Can you guess who? ETHERIA joined the cruise Thursday but went home Friday due to alternator issues.

The group had some fantastic wine tasting at Sailing Associates in Georgetown and rum tasting on the hook at Fairlee Creek, all socially distanced and organized by Steve Horvath, of course! While our peers were rum tasting, the Bernards and Mikulskis did a land cruise on the Bernard's deck overlooking Lake Ogleton, and later attended a solemn flag-burning ceremony given by the Scouts, on the beach with the Bay Bridge in the background. Save those battered flags, now I know who to give them to!

John Murray and Jill Hansen and P/C Joe and Diane Jackins stayed out all week. I found GAL-LIVANT on a mooring in Spa Creek. They, along with a large group of spectators, were able to catch Travis Pastrana jump Ego Alley in his car as they were filming for a movie. Jill captured this photo of the 1949 Sparkman and Stephens BOLE-RO with HOONIGAN, the boat that raced under the car as it was jumping! There is something surreal about Jill's photo.



The Jackins explored the Choptank, and on the



Rhode River were joined by the Bernards on ETHERIA who were so happy to get out as were we. FULL CIRCLE spontaneously met up with GALLIVANT on Harness Creek. I was in my kayak and Jill Hansen was on her SUP, and we explored the beauty of Quiet Waters by water out to the South River. On the way back in, we came upon a powerboat with Laury and Debbie Deschamps and P/C Glenn & Jane Amsbaugh enjoying the colorful foliage, drinks and some cheese and crack-

ers. What fun to run into this "bubble" on Harness.

V/C Bob Young and P/C Jackins both report the old Brewers Oxford Marina, now Safe Harbor is beautiful with a floating fuel dock, and a pump out area which boats can use without blocking other boats. The food at Robert Morris didn't

disappoint, as always. LIBERTY also made stops at Island Creek and Cambridge. On Sunday, Bob reported they woke up to "smoke on the water this morning, time to buy the pink stuff." After a nasty day at Smith Point with 15 knots of east winds and hitting 1.5 kts of outgoing tide, it was a tough day before getting to their home on the Great Wicomico. The Youngs did manage one more fall sail before winterizing LIBERTY.





There may be a night or two still to be had on the hook but who knows, at least there will be day sails for FULL CIRCLE and hopefully many others. As we cruised home we were happy to see 9-10 feet of depth in the channel to Lake Ogelton as it is still being dredged! Our overnight ended with a spectacular sunset. The Jackins enjoyed a delightful sail up the Magothy and that same sunset, now putting their boat away for the winter.

SNOW DANCE is on the hard now, and Jim Taneyhill is seen here enjoying his last gin and tonic for the summer of 2020.

And that my folks, the sailing season for 2020 is almost over, but feel free to share more, we can never get enough. If you have any ideas for a virtual land cruise this winter, feel free to reach out to discuss ideas. We all still need to stay connected as we are a close-knit sailing club.

Lastly I am happy to report that P/C Ed Paglee was seen getting a haircut and though recovery will be slow, he is doing well. Lois Zeyher fell eight weeks after an ankle fracture, cracked her patella and broke her femur; she had a hip replacement and has a long road

ahead to recover. Please keep Lois, Dave, and Ed in your prayers.

As I was thinking of Lois' surgery, I was doing Race Committee for the Halloween Howl regatta and I saw Aquavit entering Back Creek. P/C Donna Schlegel and I were on the signal boat all weekend. And I'll leave you with this to make you smile!

Thank you to all who took the time to send me photos to share with others. And, if you can get out on the water one last warm day, let's do it!

Sue Mikulski Cruise/Communication



# **From Our Historian**

Your Club Historian is grateful for the submission of a number of Rosters to fill holes in our collection. However, we are still missing a single copy of each of the following years:

- 1970
- 1972
- 2007
- 2008
- 2019

These five represent all the missing Rosters needed to complete the Club's collection.

Mark W. Kellogg, Historian Sailing Club of the Chesapeake



# **SAILING CLUB GUEST NEWS**

Your Membership Committee is pleased to note the attendance of the following guests:

# **Labor Day Cruise / Party**

- Guests of the Jackins: Kent & Nancy Shaffer
- Guests of the Lodges: Marty and Ann Loftus
- Guests of John Murray and Jill Hansen: George and Shirley Hollendursky
- Guests of Mikulskis: John and Mary Driver
- Guests of the Mikulskis: Dave and Marsha Malkin

# **September Cruise**

- Guests of John Murray and Jill Hansen: George and Shirley Hollendursky

# **Oyster/Seafood Party**

- Guests of the Torgersons: Al and Dibby Gundry
- Guests of John Murray and Jill Hansen: George and Shirley Hollendursky

In addition, the following applications for membership have been issued:

- AJ Libby, Intermediate (3<sup>rd</sup> Gen!)
- The Hollendurskys, Full Membership
- The Gundrys, Full Membership

# **2021 Potomac Cruise**

The Club is considering a Potomac River cruise for the last two weeks of September 2021. Possible destinations include Colonial Beach, National Harbor and DC. As you can imagine, such a cruise involves extensive planning and we would like to know that we have sufficient interest before proceeding with the plans. Please <u>contact Susan Steele</u> if you are interested in this cruise.





# Annapolis Yacht Club 2020 Double-Handed Distance Race



A big congratulations to our SCC members that participated in Annapolis Yacht Club's annual Double-Handed Distance Race on October 3-4. By all accounts, this was a challenging 24-hour race covering areas above and below the Bay Bridge, with a widely varying range of winds and some anxious moments in strong currents and shifting winds passing under the Bay Bridge. The event was run in three classes with the Sailing Club of the Chesapeake

being well represented by our members in each class; Fredrik Salvesen and Molly Wilmer on Mirage were awarded second place in the J-105 class; Richard Born on Windborn took second place in the ORC 1 Division, Arthur Libby and his son, AJ, on Dog House captured third place in





the ORC 2 Division and John King, who joined SCC this year, participated as crew on the J-124 Lucky Eights.

Congratulations and thank you to all members who participated in this event. Well done!

Sincerely,

Steve Sharkey Commodore Sailing Club of the Chesapeake



# To ALL SCC MEMBERS WHO HAVE MEDICARE INSURANCE and PART D (Prescription Drug) PLANS:

The annual period for enrolling in or changing Medicare Part D Plans is here. Plans change every year with potentially great fluctuations in cost. Choosing the right plan for the upcoming year can be daunting. Part D plans should be reviewed every year.

Bob Neaderthal, s/v Doc Holiday, is a retired internist and is volunteering to guide you through this Medicare Part D Plan change period. THIS SERVICE IS FREE.

Bob is volunteering to help by confidentially entering the names of all your prescription medications into Medicare's website program and then generate a list of Part D plans available based on those medications and your preferred drug stores. The process takes only a few minutes and can be performed over the telephone.

You are allowed to change plans each year between October 15-December 7 for the coming year. The procedure to change is quite simple and in most cases can be done online.

Bob's cell phone is 615-584-8422.

## POSSIBLE SAILING FRIENDS FOR SCC MEMBERSHIP

If you have a qualified and passionate sailing friend who you think might be a good fit for the SCC, please contact one of the Membership Committee Members and get our help in making this as easy as possible.

The "Process" is intended to give the Club exposure to your "guest" and for the guest to spend some time getting to know what we do, how we do it, and what we value. We haven't really solicited applicants historically. We depend on our membership to identify through their network those who invest in sailing and the sailing community. To that end, the Committee should be viewed less as gatekeepers and more as facilitators so that when a guest does make the transition to membership, they have already developed a nice little informal network.

So if you are thinking of introducing someone to SCC, talk to us or shoot your membership co-chairmen a note at <a href="mailto:aschreit@aol.com">aschreit@aol.com</a> and/or at <a href="mailto:jjack65010@aol.com">jjack65010@aol.com</a> and we'll get to work!

Thanks!

P/Cs Joe Jackins and Al Schreitmueller

# Le Boat Cruise on the Rideau Canal Update

Three SCC boats have rescheduled their Rideau Canal charter reservations to August 11-18, 2021. By that date a vaccine should be available making the travel safe for everyone. Laurie Hudson-Craig, our reservation rep with Le Boat, advises that bookings are doing well for 2021, and anyone who desires to join the cruise on those dates should not delay too long. **The cruise will be a SCC event in 2021**. Susan Steele has agreed to be the SCC Trip Leader (thanks, Susan!!). Laurie at Le Boat has indicated that group discounts are available. They have ordered four new boats expanding the smaller sizes of their fleet, with the list of available boats for 2021 appended below. Hope for a vaccine by year's end!

## P/C Ed Paglee

Le Boat has the following boats available for August 11 – 18, 2021 Smiths Falls to Seeley's Bay One way: 1 x Horizon 1, 1 x Horizon 2, 1 x Horizon 4 Contact Laurie Hudson-Craig at 800.734.5491, <a href="mailto:laurie.hudson-craig@leboat.com">laurie.hudson-craig@leboat.com</a> for details.

Horizon 1 – Additional group Discount \$112.73

Cost Breakdown	Number Booked	Unit Price	Price in U.S. Dollars
Cruiser Cost	1	4509.00	4509.00
Early Booking Discount	1	-460.00	-460.00
Boat Cleaning Charge	1	155.00	155.00
Moorings Charge	1	110.00	110.00
Damage Waiver	7	60.00	420.00
One Way Fee	1	150.00	150.00
BEING A TOTAL PRICE OF			4584.00

Horizon 2 – Additional Group Discount \$122.48

Cost Breakdown	Number Booked	Unit Price	Price in U.S. Dollars
Cruiser Cost	1	4899.00	4899.00
Early Booking Discount	1	-490.00	-490.00
Boat Cleaning Charge	1	155.00	155.00
Moorings Charge	1	110.00	110.00
Damage Waiver	7	60.00	420.00
One Way Fee	1	150.00	150.00
BEING A TOTAL PRICE OF			5244.00

Horizon 4 – Additional Group Discount \$168.48

Cost Breakdown	Number Booked	Unit Price	Price in U.S. Dollars
Cruiser Cost	1	7489.00	7489.00
Early Booking Discount	1	-750.00	-750.00
Boat Cleaning Charge	1	205.00	205.00
Moorings Charge	1	110.00	110.00
Damage Waiver	7	60.00	420.00
One Way Fee	1	150.00	150.00
BEING A TOTAL PRICE OF			7624.00



Here is our Rideau Canal Mini-Guide:

https://s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/leboat/ebrochures/Rideau-Guide/Rideau-Guide-US-Eng/index.html

Also, here is a video that Power Boat Television did on one of our boats on the Rideau Canal. They did a really nice job.

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#### **Upcoming Events - Please Register and Attend!**

Details on the SCC website and in this Newsletter (click on an event to go to the SCC website calendar, login may be required)

- November 4 SCC Annual Meeting
- December 1 Executive Committee Meeting
- January 5 Executive Committee Meeting

The **RENDEZVOUS** is the voice of the Sailing Club of the Chesapeake. The **RENDEZVOUS** has been written and distributed regularly since March 1945, and is distributed every month free of charge to SCC members.

The **RENDEZVOUS** welcomes articles, news, photographs and suggestions!! **Please** send all contributions in Microsoft Word format by the 25th of each month.

Please forward your contributions to John Murray, <u>johnedward.murray@mac.com</u> or give me a call at 703-946-3626.

#### **Message from the Editor:**

Thanks for the photos and articles that everyone has provided. I welcome thoughts and suggestions from all members at the email or phone contact information above. Thanks and stay safe!!

John

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