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## Cruising Corner

*“Spring is the season where the sails unfurl, and the sea beckons us to adventure.”*

Let’s begin the adventure of the 2025 cruising season! April is the time to freshen your skills and prepare the boats for the start of cruising on April 30. Your involvement is important to kick off a successful season!!

### Your April Checklist:

- Read** through the cruising schedule & fleet exercises, plan your calendar, and signup!
- Skippers: **Commission** your boats and dinghies using Skipper Helpers.
- Volunteer** to be a Skipper Helper for spring commissioning by contacting a skipper or sending a note to Sue Vasco at [suvasco@comcast.net](mailto:suvasco@comcast.net) to be matched to a skipper in need. See Pg. 5.
- Attend** Spring Training Day on April 5<sup>th</sup>. See Pg. 10.
- Learn and Practice** at Flare and Safety day on April 19<sup>th</sup>. See Pg. 4, 10.
- Attend, Learn, and Practice** at Dockside Training on April 17, 19 and July 19. See Pg. 5, 10.
- Skippers, First Mates, and Coordinators: **Participate** in the Cruising Kickoff on April 26<sup>th</sup> at Galesville Memorial Hall.

Our season starts with a day sail on April 30<sup>th</sup>, a weekend cruise to SERC on May 2-4<sup>th</sup>, and continues through a Blue Lips Cruise on November 8 and 9<sup>th</sup>.

We hope to see all of you on the Chesapeake this year!!

Fair winds and following seas,

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### CBDB IS BACK FOR 2025

*by Laura Gwinn*

Does lots of sailing without the cost of flights or charters appeal to you? How about exploring new rivers, creeks, ports of call in the comfort of a boat you are familiar with.

The Chesapeake Bay Domestic Bareboat (CBDB) aka the Extended Bay Cruise, is back for 2025. Mark your calendars for 10 days to 2 weeks May 24-June 8.

While details are still being discussed, the general plan will be to go from the Memorial Day cruise on the Choptank /Little Choptank to Yorktown (2 days) and Cape Charles (2 days) then work our way back up the Bay.

Each boat will be responsible for their expenses, although there will be a small cruising fee for crew.



There will be a suggested itinerary, but each boat will determine how closely they want to follow it. Decide for yourself if you want to anchor or use a marina; do you want to go to a different destination?

Skippers will be responsible for inviting their own crew, although I will maintain a list of interested crew to share with Skippers who may need additional members.

Skippers: If you are interested, please contact me now at: [laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com](mailto:laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com)

Crew: I will maintain a list to share with Skippers. DO NOT register until you are invited by a skipper!

See Pg. 12.

**Remember:  
Spring Training – April 5<sup>th</sup>**

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**Print out your  
Digital Presentations  
before you go!**

## VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE

Susan Zevin, Commodore



Ahoy, Mates,

I am writing this in mid-March, but the days are longer, the air a little warmer, and it's time to shake off winter and get back on the water! We'll have "burned our socks" by the time you read this! And we thank Cindy Gross and her Education Committee Fireside Chat team for keeping us engaged, entertained, and informed on cold winter Saturday evenings.

Now, happily, we are on the cusp of a new sailing season, and I am getting so excited. Looking forward to a real view from the bridge, rather than "a view from the fridge." I've been adding miles and hills to walks and hikes. The extra hour of daylight is mentally transformative!

April marks the start of the sailing season as our boats are prepped, scrubbed, polished, varnished, commissioned, and "activated" for SOS cruising by Safety Chair Joan Tannen. Whether you're launching your boat or looking for a spot as crew, now is the time to start making plans. Review the cruising calendar published in the *Whisker Pole* and put the dates on your calendar. Don't forget to let Laura Gwinn know if you are interested in the extended cruise to the southern Bay.

With the start of the season, we treasure all of our member renewals, and welcome new members to our sailing community. (Thanks to Pat Tracey and John MacDonald). If you see a new face at an event or on a boat, take a moment to introduce yourself and share what makes this club special.

The best way to get involved is to jump in—sign up for sails, attend social events, and don't be shy about asking questions. Remember, too, our last Brunch of the season is April 6, with our photo retrospective and

awards, and our semiannual General Membership meeting.

This is also a good time, before we set sail, for a little refresher and training. While our Skippers are busy with spring maintenance, making sure everything is shipshape, it is a good time for all of us crew members to review our sailing knowledge, basic skills, brush up on knots, and check our crew gear to ensure a smooth and safe start to the season. Education Day (Spring Training) is April 5; Flare and Safety Day will be on April 19, along with half day Dockside Training, and more Dockside Training on April 26 and 27.

Then, there's nothing quite like that first sail of the season—feeling the wind in your face, hearing the water rush along the hull, and soaking in the beauty of the Chesapeake. Whether it's a leisurely cruise or a spirited race, that first day on the water reminds us why we love this sport. We'd love to hear your first sail stories—share them with the club! Write 'em up, send 'em to the *Whisker Pole* Editor!

April brings a sense of renewal, not just in nature but within our sailing community. Our first raft-ups, races, and outdoor social events bring us back together after a long winter. Whether you're a seasoned sailor or just starting out, there's something for everyone. Let's make this a season to remember! Looking forward to seeing you on the water!

**Susan, Commodore**

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## Welcome New Members

**Donna Gilroy**

Port Tobacco, MD

**Amanda Klingenberger**

Annapolis, MD

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# Unofficial BOD Notes for March 6, 2025

By Doug Gage, Secretary

“Technical difficulties coupled with New Zealand travel to preclude generation of Board Notes for the 6 March meeting in time for this month’s *Whisker Pole*.”

## Making Connections “Down Under”

Sailing in the beauty of New Zealand and anchoring under the stars of the Southern Cross was something to look forward to. But our intrepid Skipper, Gabi Van Wie, added unique levels of local culture and personalities to her itinerary, starting with an evening with members of one of the oldest yacht clubs in Auckland.

While researching and planning for the NZ trip, Gabi learned about Devonport YC, its rich history, and its stunning views of the islands. After subscribing to their bi-weekly newsletter, she began correspondence with a member and arranged for Friday night for her crew and Jon Bernheimer’s sharing dinner and conversation at the Yacht Club.

The opportunity to meet local sailors before starting their bareboat week allowed for chats about sailing experiences, weather, races, the beauty of the Hauraki Gulf, as well as suggestions and tips for destinations to aim for.

The SOS members were welcomed by the Devonport Commodore with books about the 120-year-old yacht club and a burgee. Gabi was invited to share information and concepts of our SOS club. It was an informative and fun evening.



### Latest News from Devonport Yacht Club Monday 24 February 2025



DEVONPORT YACHT CLUB



Tony Bullard, our Commodore with SOS (singles on sailboats) crew team captain Gabi Van Wie from Annapolis, Maryland, USA, who visited the yacht club this past Friday.



Lin Pardey's Taliesin

Shortly after the Devonport Yacht Club visit, they enjoyed a potluck BBQ at the home of author Lin Pardey and her partner David Haigh. Here, once again Jon and Gabi's crews spent a delightful time enjoying stories of the sailing adventures Lin and her late husband Larry Pardey experienced (and wrote about in their many books) and that Lin continues to enjoy sailing with David. Books were shared with author's signature, stories were told, and connections “Down Under” were made.



Lora Donia, Laura Keough, David Haigh, Lin Pardey, Tim Weber, and Gabi Van Wie



## April 6<sup>th</sup> Brunch

### Photo Contest, Retrospective, and General Meeting

*This is the last brunch of the season.  
Don't miss it!*

Did you submit photos for the Annual Retrospective or the Annual Photo Contest or to Bob Wright for the *Whisker Pole* photo pages? You can see them all at the April Brunch up on the big screen. Every year there are two special events for the club's photographers to show off their talents.

**The Photo Retrospective** is a video-slide show, set to music, of photos taken by club members, new and old, at club activities on land and water. John Parsons labored for many hours over 300+ photos submitted of people, places, and boating events to bring back memories of 2024. Did you send in photos of Fireside Chats, Seminars, Spring Training, Brunches, Day Sails, or Bareboat Cruises - to name just a few of the Club activities? If so, your photos are likely to be in the video-slide show so of course you want to see them.

They will make us laugh, exchange stories, and retell tall tales of our adventures, but most of all, we will remember those wonderful moments we had with sailing mates, at home and abroad. The video-slide show will be shown throughout the brunch until the competition winners are announced.

Also starring YOU, our members, is the second photography event: "You Ought to be in Pictures." This competition is of photos taken by amateur club members of club events and has become rather competitive. Contestants submitted as many as eight unedited photos in 5" x 7" format.

The four winning categories are People, Bay Scenes, Sailboats (under sail or as a scenic photo), and Destination Cruises. The destination cruises were taken traveling before, during, or after a bareboat destination cruise. The photos are from the same area visited, not including layovers in other locations. The Photo Contest

Manager is our own Bob Wright. He received the photos and organized them in a format to be judged.

There are First, Second and Third Place Awards for each of the four categories. There is also a Grand Prize Award (13 awards in total). The Judge may add a fourth-place or fifth-place awards in any category if deemed necessary due to the quantity and quality of the entries. The judging is blind (not knowing the photographers).

This year's Judge is David M. Blecman, of Positive Negatives LLC., he has been judging professionally for over 39 years, sometimes having over 260 images to evaluate, score, and judge in a single competition.

#### Schedule:

11:00	Social Hour
11:45	Brunch
1:00	Program
2:00	General Membership Mtg.

The General Membership Meeting is free to members – no signup needed.

To register see Pg. 9.

## Your Medical Information Form Please Update and Take it Sailing!

The need to have an Emergency Medical Information Form on hand when we sail is not something we all like to think about, but in the event of an emergency it could be critical. SOS developed this form for members to have on hand "just in case." It's posted on the SOS web site under Forms and Such, Cruising.

On this form you put information on your emergency contacts, health conditions, medicines you are taking, health insurance information, and contact information for your doctor....all the information a medical professional might need to care for you in an emergency. To respect your privacy, most club members fill out their form and keep it in a sealed envelope. Have it addressed to you and put a stamp on it in case you forget it when they leave the boat!

When they sail, they leave their sealed envelope on the boat's nav station to be turned over to a medical professional in an emergency. When the member completes their sail, they take the sealed envelope back home with them to use on their next sail.

And yes...there have been times when a skipper and crew have been glad, they had this information readily available for medical specialists! So, if you haven't been carrying this form on sails...please start. And even if you have been...please make sure it's up to date.

Lastly, please make sure your emergency contact is someone we can call on in an emergency and their phone number is valid seven days a week. The Annapolis Fire Department EMTs (emergency medical technicians) think this is a great system that could make a big difference for them in handling an emergency!

## Reminder: Flare and Safety Day

**Saturday April 19, 2025**

#### **Free to all members!**

This outdoor, fun, hands-on experience allows members to go from station to station learning and practicing hands-on safety skills.

#### **Join us to practice:**

- Using hand-held flares
- Shooting off aerial flares
- Putting out fires with fire extinguishers and fire blankets
- Practice the safe use of winches
- Setting anchors
- Simulating the use of passing lines
- Tossing lines, and
- Learning everything there is to know about PFDs!

**Camp Letts**, 4330 Camp Letts Road Edgewater, MD.

**Questions?** Contact Joan Tannen at [safety@singlesonsailboats.org](mailto:safety@singlesonsailboats.org)

To register see Pg. 10.

## Dockside Training

Where Spring Training Meets the Water - Learn about halyards and draft, which way's forward, and how to move aft!

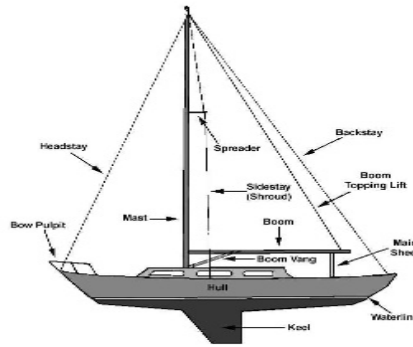
Dockside Training is presented by the Cruising Committee without cost to all SOS members. It is held on various members' boats to give newly joined members and old salts who want a refresher or an introduction to a boat, on sailing with SOS, and a head start on checking off some Basic Skills. It is traditionally held on a boat while tied to the dock, although some Skippers elect to go out for a day sail.

Dockside Training is designed to answer such questions as: What tasks do the crew perform on a boat? How do I tie a clove hitch or stopper knot? What am I expected to do when leaving the dock? And more.

Skippers and First Mates will conduct standard pre-cruise and safety briefings and provide hands-on training. This is an EXCELLENT opportunity to get your Basic Skills Level I and possibly some of your Basic Skills Level II training checked off. Completion of the Basic Skills Level I is a minimum skill requirement for sailing as a crewmember on a weekend cruise.

**Preparing for Dockside Training**  
Please read the Basic Skills Manual Level I and II sections prior to Dockside Training and bring the Basic Skills checkout forms with you. The Manual and checkout forms are found on the SOS website in the Education Section of the Forms and Such tab.

If you are preparing for Basic Skills I you must study the nomenclature, practice the knots, and review the man overboard procedures. If time allows your skipper may start on the Basic Skills II review and/or checkout. If you are preparing for Basic Skills II please study the nomenclature, practice the knots, and review the points of sail. If time allows your skipper may start on the Basic Skills III review and/or checkout.



After you register, you will be **notified by email** regarding your boat/skipper assignment. Just pack your water bottle, picnic lunch, and Basic Skills form(s). Then head to your assigned SOS boat for hours of fun, learning, and camaraderie.

Register for Dockside Training on the SOS event calendar. Sign up for one session or all.

You have a choice of three days: April 19th immediately after Flare and Safety; April 27- all day, and July 19 - all day. To register see Pg. 10.

**Questions/Information:** Dennis Krizek [denniskri@msn.com](mailto:denniskri@msn.com)

## Skipper Dennis Krizek Wins Award!



Dennis Krizek, an SOS Skipper, volunteers lots of time and effort to SOS in a variety of projects. We are not the only group who has enjoyed the generosity of his great talents.

The Annapolis Maritime Museum awarded two of their volunteers, Dennis Krizek and Captain Craig Biggs, the Four Rivers Heritage Area 2019 Heritage Volunteers of the Year Award!

Dennis and Captain Biggs demonstrated their leadership, drive, and passion for preserving the AMM's historic skipjack *Wilma Lee*. Together, Dennis and Craig have contributed more than 1,000 service hours overseeing extensive restoration efforts for this historic Bay. Congratulations Dennis!!

## Be a Skipper Helper! Appreciate Our Great Skippers

The sailing season is only days away! Yay! BUT our Skippers need lots of help in getting their boat SOS ready. Tasks include hanking-on sails, cleaning, polishing, putting gear on board, and moving boats to their summer homes. All lots of fun (and safer) when done with several people!

April is Skipper Appreciation Month. This is the time to assist our Skippers get their boats ready for the sailing season. These are fun tasks when done together and a great chance to learn more about how things on the boat work.

Volunteer to be a SOS Skipper Helper! No experience required but you can have a great experience and chance to learn.

You can volunteer to be a Skipper Helper in a couple of ways. Call a particular Skipper or those Skippers you sailed with in 2024 (or 2023) and whose boats and company you enjoyed and ask to lend a hand! Or send a note to Susan Vasco at [suvasco@comcast.net](mailto:suvasco@comcast.net) to be matched with an SOS Skipper who needs your help!

So please be an SOS Skipper Helper! Help Skippers get their boats ready to go on SOS sails. Won't it be great to be on the Bay again?





## DNR Party on the Wye River May 17-18, 2025

It's off to the races and time to sign up for Social's first Cruise/Shore party of the season at the beautiful DNR Natural Resources Management Area (DNR-NRMA) on the Wye River, May 17-18. The theme for this year's party is "Off to the Races!" to coincide with the 150th running of the Preakness on Saturday, the 17th.

Whether you're on a boat or driving in, get ready for great food, drinks, music, and dancing. This is a wonderful time to reconnect with old friends and meet new ones.

This year's menu includes Pulled Pork, BBQ Chicken, Salads, Drinks, and Desserts. A vegetarian entree is also available. Please indicate your preference upon registering. Music will be provided by *DJ Infinite Sounds*, with a wide selection of songs sure to get everyone on their feet.

Those cruising in will anchor and dinghy ashore.

Anyone arriving early Saturday is welcome to assist us with party setup and prep – extra hands are always a help! You're also free to bike/hike around the beautiful grounds or just relax and watch the SOS fleet arrive. If you're driving in, please bring folding chairs so there is plenty of seating for relaxing by the creek and sitting around the firepit! Speaking of the firepit, we'll also be making S'mores so be sure to save room for a second round of dessert!

### DNR Schedule of Events:

- 4:15 Check-in/Registration open (**please note, all attendees are required to check-in even if you already have a "permanent" SOS name badge.**)
- 4:15 Bar Opens
- 4:30 Appetizers
- 5:30 Dinner
- 6:15 Dessert
- 7:00 Music & Dancing

If you would like to volunteer to help or have any questions, please contact the **Event Manager, Meeps Yox**, at [mpsyx3@gmail.com](mailto:mpsyx3@gmail.com) To Register, see Pg. 12.

## SOS GEAR Available Online

By Janet Gonski  
Public Relations Chair

**Stoutgear:** The summer cruising season is coming and you may want new shirts, hats, fleece, vests or other gear with our club logo – well we have an opportunity for you!

Through our relationship with a small business in Annapolis, Stoutgear will offer their "pop up shop" for online ordering of SOS logo gear from **March 24 to April 15**. Look for the link to the pop-up shop Around March 24.



This spring they are adding a button-down fishing shirt to our repertoire of options. Several members have also ordered permanent name tags (held on with magnet, not pins) and they look great.



Lorie Stout will also be at the Spring Training on April 5th, so come check out the items and fabrics that you can choose from. Shop and enjoy!

## SERC Cruise & Drive-in

May 2-4, 2025

By Barbara Wingrove,  
SERC Director's Circle

SOS will sail to and raft up in the Rhode River on Friday, May 2nd. On Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Skippers and crew will dingy to Smithsonian Environmental Research Center (SERC). Members may also drive in. You can participate in several events listed below.

SERC was created in 1965 and is headquartered on Chesapeake Bay on the Rhode River in Edgewater, Maryland. Here, scientists explore pressing issues affecting the environment, including water quality, fisheries, invasive species, conservation, land use, toxic chemicals, and global change.

Whether you dingy in from the SOS raft or you drive in, you can participate in several events:

- Docent-guided 90-minute tour of SERC research activity. Limited availability (20 per time slot). Sign up for the 10:00 am or 2:00 pm time slot.
- Hike or bicycle on the many trails available.
- Visit the Woodlawn House, a museum containing artifacts of Maryland History found on the property.
- Participate in an archaeological dig.
- Listen to a lecture on the French and Indian War by Jim Gibb (chief archaeologist).
- Join in a SOS pot-luck lunch at the pavilion at the Reed Center. (Bring food to share.)

SERC address: 647 Contees Wharf Road, Edgewater, MD 21037-0028. Phone Number: (443) 482-2200

<https://SERC.SI.edu>

Questions: Contact Coordinator Linda Casucci [casuccilj@gmail.com](mailto:casuccilj@gmail.com)

For the sail/drive to the Rhode River that weekend, see Pg. 11.

## Singles on Sailboats 2025 Cruising Calendar

Date(s)	Cruise/Location
Feb 22- Mar 08	Bareboat: New Zealand Wk. 1
Mar 01- 08 or 11	Bareboat: New Zealand Wk. 2
Mar 8	CPR Training, Annapolis Fire Dept.
Mar 15	Raft Captains Training, Eastport-Annapolis Neck Library, Annapolis
April 5	Spring Training, Anne Arundel Com. College
April 19	AM - Flare and Safety Day, Camp Letts, Edgewater
April 19	PM - Dockside Training
April 26	Cruising Kickoff, Galesville Memorial Hall
April 27	Dockside Training
April 30	Mid-week Day Sail – Wed
May 2-4	SERC Tour 3-Day Cruise, Rhode River, Sail & Dinghy/Drive-in, *Fri leave for raft-up
May 6	Mid-week Day Sail – Tues
May 10	Weekend Day Sail
May 11	Weekend Day Sail
May 17- 18	DNR Cruise, Granary Creek, Wye River, Sail & Dinghy/Drive-in, *Option for Fri leave
May 21	Blue Angels Day Sail – Wed
May 24- 26	Memorial Day 3-Day, Choptank River
May 24- Jun 08	Chesapeake Bay Domestic Bareboat (CBDB), Yorktown, VA
June 3	Mid-week Day Sail – Tues
June 7	Weekend Day Sail
June 8	Weekend Day Sail
June 14- 15	First Mate & General Cruise, Round Bay, Severn River
June 19	Mid-week Day Sail – Thurs
June 21- 22	47th Anniversary Cruise Port Annapolis, Back Creek, Sail/Drive-in
June 28	Weekend Day Sail
June 29	Dinghy Dance
June 29	Weekend Day Sail
July 4-6	Independence Day 3-Day Cruise, St. Michaels, *Fri leave needed if reserving marina (2-night min.)
July 8	Mid-week Day Sail – Tues
July 12- 13	North & South Raft-ups, Loc. based on boat signups
July 17	Mid-week Day Sail – Thurs
July 19	Dockside Training

Date(s)	Cruise/Location
July 20	Weekend Day Sail
July 26-27	Appetizers & Desserts Cruise, Hunting Creek, Miles River
Aug 2	Weekend Day Sail or Power Boat Raft-up
Aug 3	Weekend Day Sail
Aug 9	Town Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall
Aug 10	Weekend Day Sail
Aug 12	Mid-week Day Sail – Tues
Aug 16-17	Seafood Feast Cruise, Lankford Marina, Chester River, Sail/Drive-in
Aug 30- Sept 1	Labor Day 3-Day Cruise, Chestertown, MD, Chester River
Aug 30- Sept 4	Labor Day 6-Day Extended Cruise, Chestertown, Chester River
Sept 6-13	Bareboat Cruise: Lake Huron, Gore Bay, Ontario, Canada
Sept 6	Weekend Day Sail
Sept 7	Weekend Day Sail
Sept 10	Mid-week Day Sail – Wed
Sept 13-14	Return to the Scene (Monster Raft), Drum Pt., Wye River
Sept 20-21	Sail to the Wind, Loc. based on boat signups & wind forecast
Sept 25	Mid-week Day Sail – Thurs
Sept 27-28	Octoberfest Cruise, Castle Marina, Chester River, Sail/Drive-in
Oct 1	Mid-week Day Sail – Wed
Oct 4-5	Goose Cruise, Corsica River
Oct 11	Weekend Day Sail
Oct 12	Weekend Day Sail
Oct 16	Mid-week Day Sail – Thurs
Oct 18-19	Chili Cook-off, DNR, Granary Cr., Wye River, Sail & Dinghy/Drive-in
Oct 23	Mid-week Day Sail – Thurs
Oct 24-26	OysterFest Cruise, CBMM, St. Michaels, Sail/Drive-in *Fri leave needed if reserving marina (2-night min.)
Nov 1	Weekend Day Sail
Nov 2	Weekend Day Sail
Nov 8-9	Blue Lips Cruise, Loc TBD
Nov 15	Cruising Wrap-Up, Galesville Memorial Hall
Dec 13	EYC Light Parade
	<i>As of Feb 28, 2025</i>

## Come Join Us!

### Annapolis Boat Shows – Booth & Discount Tickets

Annapolis Boat Shows hold a smaller show in late April, weekend of April 25-27, and they are again offering a free tent booth for Chesapeake Bay Sailing Clubs.

SOS plans to take advantage of this opportunity and will have a banner with our club logo and name, as well as our “Join Now” informational postcards and other items. If you attend the boat show, plan to stop by and hang out for a while to share your SOS experience with potentially interested others. We are not going to assign hours, but if you wear your SOS logo gear, you may find a photographer wanting to capture your pic.

Because we are participating in the Sailing Clubs tent, we also get a **discount code for ticket purchase**. Our promotional code will give you a \$5 discount off General Admission pricing. The promo code is: **SINGLESAIL** and is NOT case sensitive. Just select the number of general admission tickets you want, enter the promo code into the promo code box and click apply. You may email your tickets, print, text, or download them. Thank you, Annapolis Boat Shows!

### SpinSheet Crew Party

At the conclusion of the Spring Annapolis Boat Show on Sunday, April 27, SpinSheet is holding their annual Annapolis Spin Sheet Crew Party from 4:00-6:00 pm. <https://www.spinsheet.com/crew-parties>

It is a great time to connect with other sailors, whether cruisers or racers. Skippers will post information about their boat, where they are located, and if they are looking for a racing team, or to connect with other cruisers. SOS will have a table at this event and at least two members will be “holding down the fort” – hoping many other members will attend this free event and enjoy ... it is a great party with so much positive energy. Mark your calendar and **come join us!**



Catherine Fox & Melinda Zimmerman at the March Solomon's Island Spin/Sheet Crew Party.

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### *In Memory of Lorraine Panaccio*



Lorraine Panaccio of New Hanover Township, PA, passed away peacefully February 22, 2025, after 73 years of life. She had extensive heart surgery which she withstood very well but later had a cardiac arrest.

Lorraine discovered a love of sailing in her later years and joined SOS in 2008 where she met her fiancé, Peter Breit. They shared more than 10 years on BELVEDERE, their Beneteau Oceanis 461. Their trips to warmer climates aboard the BELVEDERE became a cherished chapter in her life.

In her early life, Lorraine had a deep love for horticulture and conservation and was an active member of Natural Lands and the Four Counties Garden Club. She found great fulfillment in cooking and baking for her loved

ones and had a giant cookbook collection.

An expert seamstress, she owned and operated a custom interiors business but her greatest joy was found in being a stay-at-home mom and creating a warm, loving home for her children and grandchildren.

Lorraine is survived by fiancé Peter Breit, her children Brian, Karen, and Christine, and her adored grandchildren, Oliver and Stella. She is also survived by Peter's sons Matthew and Joshua, and Peter's grandchildren Sebastian, Piper, and Domenic, as well as other family members.

Memorial contributions be made in Lorraine's honor to the American Heart Association.

<https://www.heart.org/en/>



# Fleet Exercises and Shore Leave

Please email your questions and request for directions to the coordinator.

If you are paying by check for any sailing event, a paper Sailing Registration Form must **accompany the check** mailed to the **coordinator**. A copy of this form can be found on the SOS website. All checks are to be made payable to **SOS, Inc.**

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

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

## SOS Wellness Protocol Revised (3/7/2024)

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



**April 3**

**Thursday**

**Board Meeting**

**Location:**

Zoom option only. Contact Commodore if interested in attending. [commodore@singlesonsailboats.org](mailto:commodore@singlesonsailboats.org)

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



**April 5**

**Saturday**

**Spring Training**

**Location:**

Anne Arundel Community College, Arnold, MD 21012.

**Presentations:**

Classroom setting with various levels of experience, covering sailing/boating topics.

**Deadline:**

Online registrations must be received by Mar. 30 (9:00pm).

**Registrar:**

Linda Casucci [st.sos.org@gmail.com](mailto:st.sos.org@gmail.com)

To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [Spring Training](#)

**Cost:** \$85 Member BEFORE the March 22, **Early Bird** deadline.  
\$95 Member AFTER March 22.  
\$100 Member walk-ins and for Non-Members.  
**Time:** 8:00am to 4:00pm.  
**Note:** Registration details in this *Whisker Pole*.



**April 5**

**Saturday**

**After Spring Training - Gathering**

**Location:**

Social Committee has determined there is no formal after-party planned, but there is the O'Loughlin's Restaurant and Pub nearby, which offers a Happy Hour. 1258 Bay Dale Dr, Arnold, Maryland.

**Note:**

Come and share your experiences from the day's Training.

**Cost:** Everyone will be on their own for ordering drinks and any food, with a variety of appetizers and discounted prices on drinks until 7:00pm. See for more information, <https://www.oloughlinpub.com/>  
**Time:** 3:00pm to 7:00pm, after the Spring Training Event.



**April 6**

**Sunday**

**Brunch**

**Location:**

Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis, MD.

**Speaker:**

Bob Wright and David Blecman.

**Topic:**

2024 SOS Retrospective & Photo Contest results.

**General Membership meeting will be after the program. (No charge for Membership Meeting.)**

**Deadline:**

Mail and online registrations must be received by Apr. 2 (9:00pm).

**Coordinator:**

Melinda Zimmerman [melbay22@gmail.com](mailto:melbay22@gmail.com)

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

**Cost:** \$40 - Brunch.  
\$44 - After deadline and walk-ins.  
**Walk-ins CANNOT be guaranteed a seat.**  
**Time:** 11:00am Social Hour. 11:45am Brunch. 1:00pm Program. 2:00pm General Membership Meeting

**Note:** To be held in the Coastal Room.

**April****Weekends & Weekdays****Skipper Helper Days**

**Location:** Pick your Skipper.  
**Description:** Help those Skippers that so graciously provide us with their boats all throughout the sailing season.  
**Point of Contact:** Susan Vasco [suvasco@comcast.net](mailto:suvasco@comcast.net)

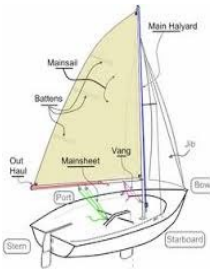
**Cost:** A little bit of your time and energy.  
**Note:** See details in *Whisker Pole*. Possible April 5th, 12th or 19th weekends. Weekdays also an option. Skippers, pick your dates.

**April 19 AM Saturday****Flare and Safety Day**

**Location:** YMCA Camp Letts, Edgewater, Maryland.  
**Deadline:** Mail and online registrations must be received by Apr. 12 (9:00pm).  
**Coordinator:** Joan Tannen [jtkeuka@gmail.com](mailto:jtkeuka@gmail.com)

**Cost:** Free.  
**Time:** 9:00am to 11:00am.  
**Note:** Final details in the *Whisker Pole*.

To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here [Flare & Safety Day](#)

**April 19 PM Saturday****Dockside Training**

**Location:** Various Skippers' Boats.  
**Note:** Skippers may suggest going out for some sailing.  
**Deadline:** Mail and online registrations must be received by Apr. 16 (9:00pm).  
**Coordinator:** Dennis Krizek [denniskri@msn.com](mailto:denniskri@msn.com)

**Cost:** No charge.  
**Time:** Noon to 3:00pm (following Flare & Safety).  
**Note:** Bring your own lunch, beverage and Basic Skills Checkout Forms.

To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here [4/19 Dockside Training](#)

**April 26 Saturday****Cruising Kick-off Meeting**

**Location:** Galesville Memorial Hall, Galesville, MD.  
**Note:** **By Invitation Only.**  
**Coordinator:** Laura Keough [laurasan2@yahoo.com](mailto:laurasan2@yahoo.com)

**Cost:** Free to Skippers, First Mates, and Cruising Committee Members and Coordinators. \$25 for guests.  
**Time:** Coordinator training from 2:00pm, Skippers join at 3:00pm, Happy Hour at 4:00pm, Dinner at 5:00pm.

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

**April 27 Sunday****Dockside Training, Continued**

**Location:** Various Skippers' Boats.  
**Note:** Skippers may suggest going out for some sailing.  
**Deadline:** Mail and online registrations must be received by Apr. 23 (9:00pm).  
**Coordinator:** Dennis Krizek [denniskri@msn.com](mailto:denniskri@msn.com)

**Cost:** No charge.  
**Time:** TBD by the Skipper.  
**Note:** Bring your own lunch, beverage and Basic Skills Checkout Forms.

To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here [4/27 Dockside Training](#)



**April 27 Sunday Cruising Day Sail Coordinator Training**  
**Location:** Annapolis, Maryland. **Cost:** Free to Cruising Committee Members and Day Sail Coordinators.  
**Speakers:** Barbara Wingrove and Michael Sommer. **Host:** Barbara Wingrove.  
**Topic:** Hands-on details for coordinating a SOS Day Sail. **Time:** 1:00pm to 4:00pm.  
**Coordinator:** Barbara Wingrove [bkwingrove@outlook.com](mailto:bkwingrove@outlook.com) **Note:** There is no online registration for this event. **By Invitation Only.**



**April 30 Wednesday Mid-Week Day Sail**  
**Destination:** Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 - Member or Non-Member.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by Apr. 24 (9:00pm). **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@outlook.com](mailto:bkwingrove@outlook.com)  
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [4/30 Day Sail](#)



**May 1 Thursday Board Meeting**  
**Location:** Zoom option only. Contact Commodore if interested in attending. [commodore@singlesonsailboats.org](mailto:commodore@singlesonsailboats.org)  
**Time:** 6:00pm to 7:00pm.  
**Note:** Open to all Members.



Smithsonian

**May 2-4 Friday – Sunday SERC Tour Cruise**  
**Destination:** Rhode Rv. Sail & Dinghy/Drive-in. Smithsonian Environmental Research Center - Edgewater, MD. **Cost:** \$57 - Sailing - Member or Non-Member. \$10 - Drive-in.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by Apr. 22 (9:00pm). **Note:** More details in *Whisker Pole* article.  
**Coordinator:** Linda Casucci [casucciLJ@gmail.com](mailto:casucciLJ@gmail.com) **Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.  
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [SERC Cruise](#)



**May 6 Tuesday Mid-Week Day Sail**  
**Destination:** Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 - Member or Non-Member.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by May 1 (9:00pm). **Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.  
**Coordinator:** Michael Sommer at [msommer414@gmail.com](mailto:msommer414@gmail.com)  
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [5/6 Day Sail](#)



**May 10 Saturday Weekend Day Sail**  
**Destination:** Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 - Member or Non-Member.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by May 5 (9:00pm). **Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.  
**Coordinator:** Mary Chevalier [mary7570@yahoo.com](mailto:mary7570@yahoo.com)  
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [5/10 Day Sail](#)



**May 11 Sunday Weekend Day Sail**  
**Destination:** Skipper's Choice. **Cost:** \$19 - Member or Non-Member.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by May 5 (9:00pm). **Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.  
**Coordinator:** Mary Chevalier [mary7570@yahoo.com](mailto:mary7570@yahoo.com)  
 To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [5/11 Day Sail](#)



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### May 17-18 Saturday – Sunday

**Destination:** Granary Creek, Wye East River.  
Option for Friday leave.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by May 7 (9:00pm).  
Party only by May 12.

**Coordinator:** Cherie Comly [mectwist@aol.com](mailto:mectwist@aol.com)  
To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [DNR Cruise](#)

### DNR Cruise/Party – Off to the Races

**Cost:** \$93 - Member or Non-Member.  
\$55 - Party only.  
**Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.  
Party Manager - Meeps Yox.



### May 21 Wednesday

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by May 15 (9:00pm).

**Coordinator:** Barbara Wingrove [bkwingrove@outlook.com](mailto:bkwingrove@outlook.com)  
To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [Blue Angles Day Sail](#)

### Blue Angels Day Sail

**Cost:** \$19 - Member or Non-Member.  
**Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.



### May 24-26 Saturday – Monday

**Destination:** Choptank River.  
**Deadline:** Mail and online registrations must be received by May 13 (9:00pm).

**Coordinator:** Laura Gwinn [laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com](mailto:laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com)  
To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [Memorial Day Cruise](#)

### Memorial Day Cruise

**Cost:** \$57 - 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.



### May 24 to June 8 10-16 Day – Saturday - Sunday

**Destination:** Memorial Day Cruise – Choptank. Then Yorktown/Cape Charles, Chesapeake Bay.  
**Deadline:** Mail and online registrations must be received by May 13 (9:00pm).

**Coordinator:** Laura Gwinn [laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com](mailto:laura.gwinn1953@gmail.com)  
To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [CBDB Extended Cruise](#)

### Chesapeake Bay Domestic Bareboat Cruise

**Cost:** \$57 + Crew self-supporting during the cruise - Member or Non-member.  
(options for 10 or 16 days)  
**Note:** Before registering, contact Laura Gwinn with your interest in this cruise. Register after receiving an invitation by your Skipper.



### June 3 Tuesday

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by May 29 (9:00pm).

**Coordinator:** Michael Sommer at [msommer414@gmail.com](mailto:msommer414@gmail.com)  
To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [TBD](#)

### Mid-Week Day Sail

**Cost:** \$19 - Member or Non-Member.  
**Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.



### June 5 Thursday

**Location:** Zoom option only. Contact Commodore if interested in attending.  
[commodore@singlesonsailboats.org](mailto:commodore@singlesonsailboats.org)

### Board Meeting

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



### June 7 Saturday

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by June 2 (9:00pm).

**Coordinator:** Carole Jordan [seajay2844@gmail.com](mailto:seajay2844@gmail.com)  
To register and for more details, (Log on first) click here [TBD](#)

### Weekend Day Sail

**Cost:** \$19 - Member or Non-Member.  
**Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.



**June 8 Sunday**

**Weekend Day Sail**

**Destination:** Skipper's Choice.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by June 2 (9:00pm).  
**Coordinator:** Carole Jordan [seajay2844@gmail.com](mailto:seajay2844@gmail.com)  
 To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here [TBD](#)

**Cost:** \$19 - Member or Non-Member.  
**Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.



**June 14-15 Saturday – Sunday**

**General Cruise**

**Destination:** Round Bay, Severn River.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by June 4 (9:00pm).  
**Coordinator:** Bev Nash [beverlynash@verizon.net](mailto:beverlynash@verizon.net)  
 To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here [TBD](#)

**Cost:** \$38 - Member or Non-Member.  
**Note:** Non-Member may sail once with a Member and must mail a separate Registration Form with a check to the coordinator.



**June 14-15 Saturday – Sunday**

**First Mates Sail**

**Destination:** Round Bay, Severn River.  
**Deadline:** Mail and Online registrations must be received by June 4, (9:00pm).  
**BY INVITATION ONLY.**  
**Coordinator:** Bev Nash [beverlynash@verizon.net](mailto:beverlynash@verizon.net)  
 To register and for more details, (**Log on first**) click here [TBD](#)

**Cost:** No cost. Open to First Mates, First Mate Emeritus, and First Mate Candidates.  
**Note:** Spend the day honing FM skills, as well as enjoying the day. First Mates to join General Cruise Raft after the Saturday sail.



**Sept. 6 - 13 8-Day Trip Saturday to Sunday 2025 Fall Bareboat Cruise**

**Destination:** Lake Huron, Gore Bay, Ontario, Canada.  
**Note:** Openings still available.  
**Coordinator:** Carole Jordan [seajay2844@gmail.com](mailto:seajay2844@gmail.com)

**Cost:** Members \$1500 = Boat Cost and Admin Fee. Air Fare and Insurance are separate.  
**Note:** **To Download Registration Form with Payment Information** [2025-Lake-Huron-Charter](#)

**Spring Training – April 5**

**Anne Arundel Community College:** 101 College Parkway Arnold, MD 21012  
**From Washington or Annapolis:** Take Route 50 East to exit 27, Route 2 North (Governor Ritchie Highway) toward Baltimore. Stay on Route 2 for about three miles. Turn right on College Parkway. The first right turn is the campus entrance.

**From Baltimore:** Take Interstate 695 and take exit 2, Route 10 toward Severna Park. Stay on Route 10 until it ends at Route 2 (Governor Ritchie Highway). Follow Route 2 South for about five miles. Turn left on College Parkway. The first right turn is the campus entrance.



**Flare and Safety Day – April 19**

**YMCA Camp Letts, 4003 Camp Letts Road, Edgewater, MD 21037.**

From Annapolis take Route 2 South (Solomons Island Road) towards Edgewater, then take a left onto MD 214 East. Go 3 miles and turn right onto Camp Letts Road (shortly after the BP gas station on the left). Follow for 1.5 miles into camp.

**DNR Cruise and Party – May 17-18**

**DNR Natural Resources Management Area (DNR-NRMA) on the Wye River, From Bay Bridge (East bound):**

Travel 12.5 miles eastbound on Route 50 and turn right onto Carmichael Road. Travel 5.1 miles on Carmichael Road until you cross the Wye Island Bridge. From the Wye Island Bridge, travel south on Wye Island Road for approximately 4.2 miles. Numerous public parking areas are available along Wye Island Road. You are looking for the sign for DNR Conference Lodge.

Check out the map of Wye Island: <http://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/eastern/wyeisland.html>

# DNR - Chili Cook-off (2024)

(All names are listed L to R)



Barbara Wise - "Chili Cook-Off" Coordinator and 1<sup>st</sup> Prize Chili Winner) and Dennis Krizek



Meeps Yox, Samia AbdelWahed, Noreen McGuire, Melinda Zimmerman, and Jill Montgomery



Dennis Krizek awarding SOS Cruise Bugee to Karen Lundgren with Susan Zevin

Photographs submitted by Samia Abdelwahed or as noted, Bob Wright (RAW)

# ARGO Boating App Seminar



Jeff Foulk, ARGO-Presenter

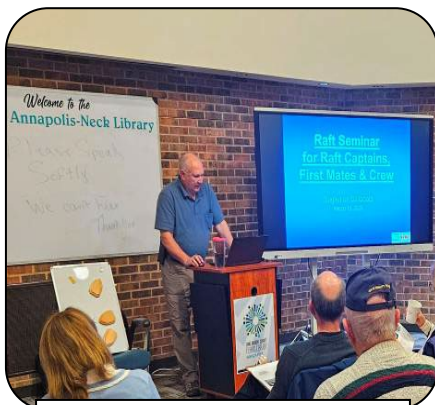


Front Row: Chuck Fort and Nancy Parsons  
Back Row: Anne Bastain, Barbara Wingrove, Dana Stoffregen, and Heide Harper



Heide Harper and Melinda Zimmerman

# Rafting Seminar



Chuck Fort presenting to the group



Seminar Attendees



Chuck Fort demonstrating the use of a Passing Line

(All names are listed L to R)

ARGO Boating App Seminar photographs submitted by John Parsons

Rafting Seminar photographs submitted by George Hollendursky

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

# Fireside Chat

(All names are listed L to R)



Jill Montgomery and Phil Smith (Hosts)



Errol Sinclair, Genienne Navarro, Linda Pierce, Jon Bernheimer, and Victoria Rusakova



Jill Montgomery, Noreen McGuire, and Barbara Wise



Melinda Zimmerman and Margaret Schwartz



Phil Smith, Catherine Fox, and Jill Montgomery



Victoria Rusakova and Catherine Fox



Jon Bernheimer, Melinda Zimmerman, and Errol Sinclair



Kerry Siebein, Karen Lundgren, and Barbara Wise



Melinda Zimmerman and Noreen McGuire

Photographs submitted by Melinda Zimmerman

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# Sock Burning FSC

(All names are listed L to R)

Left Photo:  
"Smile & say Cheese"

Diana Duda and  
Samia AbdelWahed,

Right Photo:  
The Group starting  
the Sock Burning  
Ceremony



George Hollendursky  
herding "The Group"



Carole Jordon



Joan Tanner, and  
Cindy Kalkwarf



Jerry Axler and  
Sandy Huberfield



Geoff Tobias, Bev Nash, and  
Susan Zevin



Susan Zevin, and  
George Hollendursky

Photographs submitted as noted: Samia AbedWahed (SAW) or Bob Wright (RAW)

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



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**BOATS FOR SALE:**



**BOAT FOR SAIL:** 1984 Danish LM-32 Pilothouse Diesel Sloop for Sale \$49,000; Beautifully Maintained; Virtual One Owner; Hauled Most Winters; Lying Naval Station Annapolis, Amazingly Equipped, 5 Berth, Lots of Extras/Features; Add'l Photos Available; Galley Up; Two Steering Stations; Trawler-Like Fast Sailing, Underwater Ladder Platform Aft, Sailed Exclusively on Chesapeake; Beautiful Wood Interior.

Call Bill Studeman at 703-402-9857

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**Needed: Old Fire Extinguishers**

The club is always looking for old fire extinguishers to use at our annual Flare and Safety Day training on April 19<sup>th</sup>. At that training, participants get the valuable experience of practicing the use of fire extinguishers to put out small fires.

If you have any that have expired, and you're willing to donate them to this important cause, please reach out to Karl Scible by text at 407-707-2833.

We appreciate it!





**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](tel:410-707-4319) or [267-221-6312](tel:267-221-6312).

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday**  
**BALTIMORE:** **Apr 2nd** **5:30-7:00 PM**  
**MT WASHINGTON TAVERN**, 5700 Newbury St., Baltimore, MD 21029. 410-367-6903. Email coordinator to be added to notification email. [www.mtwashingtontavern.com](http://www.mtwashingtontavern.com)  
**COORDINATOR:**  
**JOSH** [singlesonsailboats@JoshuaGraff.com](mailto:singlesonsailboats@JoshuaGraff.com)

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday**  
**NOVA/DC:** **Apr 2nd** **5:00-7:00 PM**  
**MYLO'S GRILL**, in the back dining room, 6238 Old Dominion Dr. McLean, VA. 21218. 703-533-5880. [www.mylosgrill.com](http://www.mylosgrill.com)  
**COORDINATOR:** **HOPE** – [hoped@verizon.net](mailto:hoped@verizon.net)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday**  
**ELLCOTT CITY:** **Apr 10th** **5:00-7:30 PM**  
**LA PALAPA GRILL**, 8307 Main Street, Ellicott City MD 21043 410-465-0070. [www.lapalapagrill.com](http://www.lapalapagrill.com)  
**COORDINATORS:** **KATHY** – [mskathha@gmail.com](mailto:mskathha@gmail.com)  
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**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday**  
**WILMINGTON:** **Apr 16th** **5:30 PM**  
**TIMOTHY'S Restaurant and Bar**, 930 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 Wilmington Riverfront by Blue Rock Stadium, facing the waterfront. Drink and appetizer specials until 7PM. 302-429-7427. [www.timothysonthriverfront.com](http://www.timothysonthriverfront.com)  
**COORDINATOR:** **JULIE** – [jafort@comcast.net](mailto:jafort@comcast.net)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday**  
**ROCKVILLE:** **Apr 17th** **5:00-7:00 PM**  
**SEASONS 52**, 11414 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852 301-816-0369. Free parking at Whole Foods. [www.m.seasons52.com](http://www.m.seasons52.com)  
**CORDINATOR:** **DEBBIE** – [hidebbieg@yahoo.com](mailto:hidebbieg@yahoo.com)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday** **\*\*Looking for New Host\*\***  
**KENT ISLAND:** **Apr 17th** **5:00-7:00 PM**  
**THE DOCK HOUSE**, 110 Piney Narrows Road, Chester, MD 21619. 443-446-4477. [www.dockhouseresturant.com](http://www.dockhouseresturant.com)  
**COORDINATOR:** **TBD**

**4<sup>th</sup> Thursday** **\*\*CANCELLED until new Host found\*\***  
**PHILLY AREA:** **4:30 PM**  
**DiFabios**, 1243 Providence Road, Media, PA 19063 (location of the Old Rose Tree Inn) 484-444-0850. Great food, lots of parking. Gather in patio area. [www.difabiosevents.com](http://www.difabiosevents.com)  
**COORDINATOR:** **TBD**

**4<sup>th</sup> Thursday**  
**ANNAPOLIS:** **Apr 4th** **5:00-7:00 PM**  
**COCONUT JOE'S BAR & GRILL** (formerly The Pier), 48 South River Rd, Edgewater, MD. Rt 2 on south side of South River bridge. If we're not in the bar area we'll be in the enclosed, heated UPPER deck. 443-837-6057. [www.coconutjoesmd.com](http://www.coconutjoesmd.com)  
**COORDINATOR:** **JERE** – [jerewglover@msn.com](mailto:jerewglover@msn.com)



## Annapolis Happy Hour

Forefront: Tony Smith (new member)  
Table: Marian Scheinholtz, Martha Baer, Ellen, Melinda Zimmerman, Rhonda Falcon

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## **Upcoming Activities**

**Spring Training: April 5**

**Brunch: April 6**

**Flare and Safety Day: April 19**

**Dockside Training: April 19 and April 27**

**Day Sail: April 30**