



## SSA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 11, 2010

All Present: Jen Cook, John Gebhardt, Mike Higgins, Todd Johnson, David Koepper, Eric Reinke, Peter Rich, Luke Shingledecker, Sean Smith, Nan Walker, Hal Whitacre

The revised December minutes and November 15 special meeting minutes were approved.

#### OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT

- Fri., 2/5, 10 a.m.-4 p.m Meeting
- Sat., 2/20, 6-11 p.m. Chowder Cook-Off & Fundraiser
- Sat., 2/27, 5-10 p.m. Dinner
- Sat., 3/13, 6-10 p.m. Private Party Going Away & Birthday
- Thu., 3/18, 4-9 p.m. Meeting
- Mon., 4/26, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. and Tue. 4/27, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.Meeting
- 2010 Dues: 11 members and 2 Winter members are in arrears. Last year at this time 23 members were in arrears.
- Boat Storage: Sent out balance invoices 1/7. (Balance: \$90,809/Dry & \$22,877/Wetslip)
- Members Only website –Mike Waters is working on restoring application in-place. It will stay on the same server with all functions working and updated for 2010. The goal is to have updated and operational for Feb 1 duty sign up to begin. For the long-term, Mike recommends that we may want to consider having Carlos Linares rewrite the application using Open Source software and hosting it on a member's server.
- RC No Show Report: 20 total no show 'days'/15 members. Mostly all in late Fall and from members who were lotteried.
- The office computer shut down on Friday 1/8 and would not restart. After multiple attempts on Monday 1/11 it restarted. The Board authorized to replace the computer. John Gebhardt will look into this. Nan will also look into an external back-up service, such as Carbonite.com.
- Nan will be on a family vacation January 17-25<sup>th</sup>. She will still send out the 'Breeze' and check email.

#### GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- Frostbite sailing continues to run well and all RC equipment is in good operating condition.
- The 12/19 snowstorm caused little inconvenience at SSA. One weekend of Frostbiting was canceled. Stewart Landscaping plowed and salted the lot
- The new RC boat was delivered to Tri-State Marine last weekend. It should be commissioned and ready for use for the IC Mid-winters at the end of the month.
- Mike will be away the weekend of 1/30-31 and will communicate with the IC fleet about maintaining the clubhouse during the Mid-winter regatta.

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- Firewood is on order.

#### FINANCE REPORT

- Operating revenue and expenses show nothing unusual compared with last year at this time.
- From the PNC checking account, we will move about \$50K to a CD and use about \$50K for the new boat.

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

- New associate members, membership status changes, and resignations were approved.

#### FACILITIES REPORT

- The Buildings subcommittee met on 12/16 and named Alex Stout as the Chair and Cheryl Taylor as the Secretary. The subcommittee reviewed the minutes from Leo Wilson's meeting with the City department of planning and zoning. Leo is preparing a written copy that will include sketches of existing facilities. The subcommittee also finished compiling the list of building conditions and needs and started discussions of several design concepts. The subcommittee will continue to work towards the development of a comprehensive set of findings at its next meeting on January 12. The "big" questions regarding building renovation options include the number of buildings, cooperative uses of facilities by the Sr. and Jr. clubs, cost constraints, and phasing.
- A Grounds subcommittee meeting is tentatively scheduled for the first week in February with Joe McCorkell as Chair.

#### SAILING COMMITTEE REPORT

- The final 2010 schedule has been published. The Laser Sunshine Open, 4/24-25, still needs to be listed online.
- Frostbite racing is gaining participation among Jet 14s and Lasers, in addition to ICs. The Jet14 fleet has expressed interest in expanding its Frostbite activity. We may need to re-examine the Frostbite racing fleet approach to either confirm that the approach used is sound, or adjust.
- Trophy planning for 2010 has begun.
- The Board confirmed that the J22 NOOD regatta is part of the fleet's spring series.

#### STANDING RACE COMMITTEE REPORT

- A SRC recommendation regarding the time of day before which a race day cannot be canceled is forthcoming.

#### JR. COMMITTEE REPORT

- Several sailors from the high school program attended the Orange Bowl regatta last month.
- Joel attended a meeting for the MASSA Board on January 9<sup>th</sup>.
- The high school participation levels still remain good, and while we will host events in the spring, they are being coordinated with the Sr. club racing calendar.

- SSA sent one Opti sailor to the Orange Bowl regatta last month. Orange Bowl is a regatta that takes considerable dedication, especially on the part of the parents.
- Summer program registration is now open to SSA members. The new web site is up and running, with people already registering. Budget numbers show that the program is tracking with the model.

### NEW BUSINESS

- John Gebhardt demonstrated features of the Board of Governors web site.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Next meeting will be Monday, February 8 @ 6:30 p.m.

### MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

#### NEW MEMBERS

Frank Di'Traglia (Associate)  
Fleet: Jet 14

#### CHANGES

Martin Fetsch (Associate)  
Fleet: Snipe

#### RESIGNATIONS

William Hughes (Supporting)  
Paul Hull (Winter/IC)  
Peter Lauria (Supporting)  
Minh-Quan Pham (Associate/Jet 14)  
Bryan Russell (Winter/IC)

### High School Sailing Begins

High school sailing starts this month. There is an informational meeting for all HS sailors and families Monday March 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:30PM in the main clubhouse. We will review new policies, the practice and regatta schedule, the new website, and have a Q&A session. Tryouts start March 8<sup>th</sup>, and run the entire week. All schools attend Monday Mar. 8<sup>th</sup>. Broadneck attends Tuesday and Wednesday Mar. 9, 10. Spalding and Key attend Thursday and Friday Mar. 11, 12. Rosters will be posted online and normal practice starts March 15<sup>th</sup>. Practice days are posted online. SSA will host our season's first fleet race regatta Friday and Saturday, April 2-3.

### Duty Days Sign-Up Reminder

The Period for Members to sign-up for their 2010 Race Committee and/or work party duty days is now open and will continue until **March 21**. The 2010 racing and work party schedule is available on SSA's website, [www.severnsailing.org](http://www.severnsailing.org). Voting and Associate Members have a 3 day obligation again this year; Supporting Members have a 2 day obligation; Junior Associate and Winter Members 1 day.

Members can sign-up for their duty days via the internet on the Members Only portion of Members' website – <http://savvyoutlook.foxweb.com/ssaDatabase/index.fwx> or by e-mail or regular mail to the club office. **Members who have not signed-up for their duty days by March 21 will be randomly assigned to open slots on the schedule.** Sign-up now, and get your full choice of dates!

The full 2010 racing schedule needs our approved Race Committee Chairs (PROS) and Vice Chairs to serve in those capacities if at all possible – pick your dates and contact Peter Hale at [peterandsusanhale@atlanticbb.net](mailto:peterandsusanhale@atlanticbb.net) to record your choices.

A buy-out option is available for those members who for various reasons cannot serve this year, at \$75 per day – contact the club office in writing, and include a check for \$75 for each day you wish to buy-out. However, keep in mind that SSA is a volunteer organization, and your participation on Race Committees and/or work parties is expected and needed. We have a very full schedule this year, and Members are encouraged to avoid buy-outs of their duty day obligations if at all possible to avoid problems staffing our regattas.

### FLEET NEWS

#### Lightning Fleet 329

The party scheduled for January 30 was cancelled due to a snowstorm. It has been rescheduled Sunday February 28, once again at Todd Johnson's home. This will be the last event before some of the Fleet members head south for the Southern Circuit. The rest of us are anxiously awaiting the start of the season at SSA with the Spring Series on April 17-18. There are three boats trapped by snow at the Brickell's boatyard. They are waiting for the 52" of snow dropped there earlier this month. It should melt it time. Cheers to all and let's have a great 2010 season.

#### Jet 14 Fleet

Jetfrost continues despite the weather! We had a fine Jetfrost on Feb 20 that featured 7 races in 12-17 knots and temps in the 40's. Many thanks to IC fleet captain, Chris Brady for providing RC. We had to do a little shoveling to get the boats to the hoist, but not bad and the basins and the river were clear.

*Spring is Coming!!!!*

*Opening Day & Brunch*

*March 28<sup>th</sup>*



**BRUNCH 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM**  
**with Dark N'Stormy's**





Sunday, March 28th

# OPENING DAY 2010

Join us for the opening of the 2010 racing season.



## BRUNCH 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

*with Dark N'Stormy's Includes:*

*Omelet Station, Herb encrusted Roast Pork loin,  
Pasta Primavera, Breakfast Potatoes, Fruit Salad,  
Assorted Pastries, Muffins & Bagels, Coffee, Tea and Juice  
Complimentary Champagne Mimosas*

**Reservations are Required due to the popularity of this event  
Deadline March 26<sup>th</sup>**

## OPEN RACING FIRST GUN 1:00 PM

*Short course, multiple races in the harbor,  
weather permitting - wet or dry suit may be required*

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### BRUNCH RESERVATION

**(RSVP DEADLINE - Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>)**

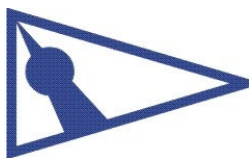
**(All reservation payments DUE with Reservation)**

\$12.00 Per Person/ \$6.00 children under 12

MEMBERS NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ # Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Visa/MC/Disc # \_\_\_\_\_ CVV# \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_



# SSA MEMBER SERVICE DAYS 2010 Sign Up

**March 21<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for regular duty signups ~ NO EXCEPTIONS**

Number of days required:  
Associate, Voting: 3 days  
Student over 21, Supporting: 2 days  
Junior Associate, Winter/InterClub: 1 day

- You may choose race committee and/or work parties dates (spaces are limited)  
The 2010 Race Schedule is also available on the website [www.severnsailing.org](http://www.severnsailing.org)
- Work Party Days are on weekends - March 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28\*. \*Opening Day  
If you would like to request a special work party project/skill, please include or inform Mike Higgins
- You may also opt to "Buyout" for \$75.00 per day.  
Must receive Buy Out payment along with written request.
- If excuse requested, please submit in writing on form or email to [office@severnsailing.org](mailto:office@severnsailing.org)
- RC CHAIR/VICE CHAIR Positions – If you wish to sign up for a particular regatta, please contact Peter Hale or SSA office as you will not be able to do through the online sign-up.  
The TOBACCO AUCTION is scheduled for March 27<sup>th</sup> to make Final Chair & Vice Chair assignment.

**After March 21<sup>st</sup>, members who have not committed to their service days will be randomly assigned to remaining open race days**

*Members will be held responsible for any unfulfilled days and scheduled to Fall Work Parties and/or billed at end of Membership year.*

**\*\*\*\*\* The fine for not fulfilling your assigned dates 'No Show' is \$150 per day \*\*\*\*\***

Race Committee/Work Party Signup

**Deadline March 21<sup>st</sup> -- NO EXCEPTIONS**

Mail to: SSA, 311 First St. Annapolis, MD 21403  
E-mail: [office@severnsailing.org](mailto:office@severnsailing.org) ,  
Drop off in Correspondence Box, or  
Fax: 410-269-6832

**ONLINE SIGN\_UP on Members' website: [www.savvyoutlook.net/ssaDatabase/member](http://www.savvyoutlook.net/ssaDatabase/member)  
'Duty Day' link is at the bottom of page AND PLEASE check your member page to confirm your dates selected**

Day 1: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Day 2: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Day 3: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Day: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Buyout:  
Number of Days @ \$75 per day: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Must send payment along with your written request**

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