



## News from around the club:

**Boat Winterizing Tips: Here is what I do.** Remove the sails, sail cover, boat cover, life jackets, bedding, towels, and other cloth products from the boat. These can mold if left on the boat. Life jackets go in the attic of my garage. Sails are very expensive, and one mouse can ruin them, so I am extra careful with them. The sails are either stored on the top metal shelf in the garage or under a bed in the spare bedroom. The bedding and towels get washed and put up on a closet shelf in the house. Boat cover and sail cover go on top metal shelf in garage.

Stand all the cushions up on edge. This allows air to flow around them and minimized the damage if there is a minor water leak somewhere. Remove covers to the under seat and under berth compartments to allow for air circulation. Prop cabinet doors open. Cardboard should never be allowed onboard so if you have brought something aboard during the season, remove it now. Cardboard is a breeding ground for mold and mildew. Store small spare parts and items in Tupperware type containers.  
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## Wind and Waves

### EXTRA!! EXTRA!!

November meeting is our annual election of officers!

Following the November meeting is our annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

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## Up Coming Events for SMBC

- o Nov. 3 (Sunday) SMBC Membership Meeting/ Dinner 4:00 P.M. Thanksgiving Dinner. Meat, Potatoes & Gravy provided. Bring deserts and side dishes to share.
- o Dec 7 (Sat) Annual Holiday Party: 6:00 p.m. The Cloud Nine Café.
- o April 5th, 2020 First Membership Meeting of the new year!

## Winter Storage Tips Continued

Lines, ropes, sheets may be left aboard if hung up, either individually or in bags. Lines should not be left lying in the bottom of compartments that may draw moisture or leak water during the winter. Otherwise bring them into your garage and hang on wall or a high shelf.

**Dock Lines:** Are your dock lines and jib sheets beginning to look dirty or green? Put them in bucket of soapy water with a little bleach. Every day stir the bucket. Change the water after 3 or 4 days and let soak again for a few days. This may take several water changes and lots of stirring. Rinse off with a hose or under running water when finished and if possible, between water changes. Some folks put their lines in a delicate clothes bag and wash in washing machine, but my wife will not let those lines near the washer!

**That nasty scum line on the boot stripe:** Marine supply stores carry a product to remove the scum, but the basic ingredient is the same as toilet bowl cleaner. No matter which product you use, wear rubber gloves and apply with a sponge or rag, let set a couple of minutes and wipe off. Caution, the bowl cleaner will not hurt your gelcoat but it will remove the biocide from your bottom paint and may dissolve ablative bottom paint. So be careful how you apply and rinse off. Always rinse thoroughly.

**Batteries:** It is always best to remove your batteries and store them in your garage. Best to use a small trickle charger to keep the battery topped off during the long winter. Batteries can lose 1% of charge per day when disconnected. Batteries are designed to be kept fully charged and when allowed sit discharged, chemical reactions take place inside the battery which shorten the batteries life.

Ideally you will store your boat in a barn of some kind but if you must leave it outside, cover the boat with a large tarp. A 20x30 is just to perfect size for my 25' boat. Remember you want to cover the mast which is longer than the boat and have enough extra material on the ends to bring the tarps together. I use 1/4" lines to tie the tarp down to the trailer. I have over the years also used old milk jugs partially full of water attached with a short line to the tarp to help keep it taut and keep it from flapping. I put 4 or more on each side. Bungee cords are not a good idea. They deteriorate in the sun and eventually fail. They also are seldom the correct length, so you still need a short piece of line.

**Boats with water tanks, water heaters, marine heads, sinks, etc.:** These devices need winterized like the way RV's are winterized. RV antifreeze, not to be confused with engine antifreeze is used. RV antifreeze is not poisonous and is safe for potable water systems. First drain the water tank, then put a gallon or so of RV antifreeze in the tank, pump water until pure antifreeze comes out of all the sink spigots, both hot and cold if so equipped. Put some antifreeze in the marine head if so equipped and pump the handle a few times.

After I park the trailer in it's winter home, I put jack stands under the rear of the trailer and crank up the tongue jack to remove some of the pressure off the tires. If a tire goes flat during the winter and the full weight is on the wheel, the rubber can crack and ruin the tire.

In the spring I will recommend how to get that funky smell out of your boat after a long winter. John Myers



**Halloween Party**  
Photos from Face  
Book



## Commodore's Notes –

While our season started off this year a bit soggy, we have had an excellent year for programs (like the Boy Scouts), projects (like root digging) and some great social events. Sailing this year was good, although sadly your Commodore did not win a race, and some felt he was over the start line too early on one occasion. With the Christmas party right around the corner, we will take that chance to look backward at the year, look forward to the new year and install our slate of Officers newly elected at the November meeting. I'd like to thank everyone that was involved in our Club this year. It's great to have people relaxing together, hitting the boats, hitting a nail, pruning a bush, fixing a light or smoothing concrete – even going around the Bayfield in a race. The Social committee did a great job in celebrating a variety of themes – the time we spend with friends is one of the best things the Club has to offer. Thanks for all the support I received as Commodore this year. It felt great to look around and have so many people involved. Keep it up and let's continue to thrive & grow St. Marys Boat Club!

Phil

## **BLAST FROM THE PAST**

### **Some interesting *History* items of SMBC recently discovered by the Commodore:**

- January 1951 – Agreed in General meeting that racing was for outboards only
- February 1968 – proposal to put a winch on the Committee Boat to pick up buoys
- July 1996 – purchased Miss Elsie
- April 1963 – Decision to admit a sailboat “provided it is not a hindrance”

## **NEW MEMBERS:**



Please welcome Chuck Reier and his significant other Becky Spring. Chuck learned to sail and scuba dive while in the military stationed in Hawaii. Later he worked in San Francisco and found it cheaper to live on a boat than in an apartment. He first owned an Ericson 23 and later an Ericson 30 on San Francisco Bay for 12 years. Recently he moved back to Ohio and reconnected with Becky Spring whom he had known in High School. He purchased an O'Day 25 which Member Jan Adams once owned and joined SMBC. Sunday September 23<sup>rd</sup> with winds blowing over 20 knots, Chuck took his family including two of Becky's grandchildren for a sail. They were the only boat to leave the SMBC dock that day!

# 2019 SMBC Off-Shore Activities

## Regattas

### **Commodore's Regatta - May 25 - 27, 2019**

Saturday, May 25, 11:00am - 2 Triangle Races  
Sunday, May 26, 11:00am - Rock Pile Race  
Monday, May 27, 11:00am – Sail to Lunch

### **Firecracker Regatta – July 6 - July 8, 2019**

Saturday, July 6, 11:00am - 2 Triangle Races  
Sunday, July 7, 11:00am - Rock Pile Race  
Monday, July 8, 11:00am – Sail to Lunch

### **Labor Day Regatta – August 31 - September 4, 2019 – Final Regatta**

Saturday, August 31, 11:00am - 2 Triangle Races  
Sunday, September 1, 11:00am - Rock Pile Race  
Monday, September 2, 11:00am – Sail to Lunch

*All Regatta Races will include a Captains' Meeting at 10:00am with the race starting to 11:00am.*

## Monthly Rock Pile Series

The following dates are scheduled for the Monthly Rock Pile Series Races that are scheduled

on the Sunday of the SMBC monthly membership meeting.

Sunday, June 2, 11:00am - Monthly Rock Pile Series Race  
Saturday, July , 5:00pm – Raft Out  
Sunday, July 7, 11:00am - Monthly Rock Pile Series Race  
Sunday, August 4, 11:00am - Monthly Rock Pile Series Races  
Sunday, September 8, 11:00am - Monthly Rock Pile Series Race  
Sunday, October 6, 11:00am - Monthly Rock Pile Series Race - **Final Race**

*All Monthly Rock Pile Races will include a Captains' Meeting at 10:00am with the race starting to 11:00am.*

## Saturday Morning Series Races

*The following dates are scheduled for the Saturday Morning Series Races by each month*

*and will include two races*

June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Saturday Series Race  
July 13, 20, 27 - Saturday Series Race  
August 3, 10, 17, 24 - Saturday Series Race  
September 7, 14, 21, 28 - Saturday Series Race  
October 5 - Saturday Series Race – **Final Race**

*All Saturday Races will include a Captains' Meeting at 10:00am with the race starting to 11:00am.*

### Fun Activities for All

*Hula Hoop Race – May 25 – 10:00am*

*White Bread Race – June 23 – 10:00am*

*SMBC Viking Race – 10:00am*

*Full Moon Sail - September 14 - 8:00pm*



## THE ST. MARYS BOAT CLUB 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**If you are planning to attend an event, please contact Donna via email at [db5253@live.com](mailto:db5253@live.com) with Your Name and the Number of Attendees.**

- Aug 4 (Sun) SMBC Membership Meeting/Dinner: 4:00 p.m.** Bring a Polynesian dish, Hawaiian, or Oriental dish to share.
- Aug 17 (Sat) International Night: 6:00 p.m.** Bring wine, beer, coffee, tea, soft drinks and snacks to share from your favorite international country. Dress to match your country, if you like. No Charge.  
**RSVP by Wednesday 8/14/19.**
- August 31 (Sat) Labor Day BBQ** Begin with Hillbilly Golf and Corn Hole Games at 4:00 PM & eat BBQ at 6:00 PM. Appetizers, Haburgers, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, ETC & Sneaky Pete. The cost is \$8.00 per person. **RSVP by Wednesday 8/28/19.**
- Sep 1 (Sun) SMBC Membership Meeting/Dinner: 4:00 p.m. Chili Cookoff.** Bring your Chili to the Kitchen by 3:30 p.m. for Judging.
- Sep 28 (Sat) (1 of 2 Events) Grand Lake Marathon: 6:00 a.m.** Gary Brown will provide details as they become available. Please let Gary know as soon as possible, if you would like to help.
- Sep 28 (Sat) (2of 2 Events) Octoberfest: 5:00 p.m. (Tentative time)** Brats, Kraut, German Potato salad & pretzels. Bring your own Stout. Cost \$8.00 per person.  
**RSVP by Wednesday, 9/25/19.**
- Oct 6 (Sun) SMBC Membership Meeting/Dinner: 4:00 p.m. Bring a German dish to share. Edible pumpkin creation contest. Three categories, 1st Category: Dessert/Baked Goods, 2nd Category: Soup/Stew & 3rd Category: Salad/Savory Dish.** The SMBC Members will be the judges during dinner.
- Oct 26 (Sat) Halloween Party: 6:00 p.m.** Come in costume, bring Spooky Snacks and Bubbly Brews to share. Prizes will be awarded for the following categories:  
**1st Category: Funniest Costume, 2nd Category: Scariest Costume & 3rd Category: Most Original Nautical Related Costume. RSVP by Wednesday 10/23/19.**
- Nov 3 (Sun) SMBC Membership Meeting/Dinner: 4:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner.** Meat, Potatoes & Gravy provided. **Bring deserts & Side Dishes to share.**
- Dec 7 (Sat) Annual Holiday Party: 6:00 p.m. The Cloud Nine Café,** Details will be made available at the September General Membership Meeting.  
**Reservations and pre-dinner payments will be accepted at the September, October, & received by Donna no later than November 15th.**

Please let me know if you have any questions,

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