

SUNSET SHORES YACHT CLUB HAILOR

SSYC JUNE 2011 NEWSLETTER

GREETINGS FROM THE COMMODORE Bill Roberts

I would like to welcome all of you to SSYC summer of 2011. This year we have 3 new board members who have already contributed some fresh ideas and have renewed the enthusiasm of the directors to strive to maintain SSYC to the highest possible standards.

Jack's tree service trimmed our trees this spring. Bay Landscaping will be treating them for diseases. This will keep them healthy, *and* they look fantastic.

Projects for 2011 are to install internet access & put more rocks around the rip-rap. The waterway will be dredged soon after Memorial Day.

The Power Squadron will be conducting a Vessel Safety check at SSYC on June 11, 2011, at 10 A.M. This is one good way to keep your boat current & safe for the summer. Also please make sure you run your power cable up out of the water & out of the way.

My boat, NO SNOW, is in slip 105 and ready for summer. Please stop by with comments, suggestions or just to say Hi!

INTERNET ACCESS

An exciting upgrade to the club this year is WIFI access to the Internet! Installation of the first access point should be complete by mid-June. The network ID will be SSYC1. Please contact a member of the Board for the password. Password will change yearly. Since WIFI signals are 'line of sight' and absorbed/reflected by water, metal and trees signal strength around the club will vary. If needed a second assess point will be installed. Enjoy!!

By Bill Schoenherr (Slip 157)

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HIGHLIGHTS OF ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING Vicky Sowden

The SSYC Annual Meeting was held April 28, 2011 in the Community Room at SSYC. Commodore, Bill Roberts, welcomed the Board of Directors (BOD) and all in the audience and said there was a quorum.

Bill listed accomplishments in the club. A lower tax assessment due to the efforts of Director - Robert Huber. The Member Participation Committee, headed by Tom Pomerville made huge strides with projects in the club, like painting the fence, hauling rock to the rip rap and faucet replacement at each dock just to list a few.

New members to the BOD include: Connie Gerard, Deb Salisbury and Mike Stevens. A huge **THANK YOU** to Tom Pomerville, Bill Schoenherr and Ray Weber who have generously served on the BOD.

The Annual Spring Clean-Up followed with Operations, John Cederstrom, listing projects for the day. This work makes SSYC shipshape for the season. Thank you to all for a successful Annual Meeting and Spring Clean Up!

HELP US SAVE

Your board of directors is conservative with your annual dues and makes every effort to keep expenses to a minimum. We realize the importance of keeping the membership informed. The costs of printing and postage for the Hailor could be reduced by delivering it via email. If we have an email address for you we will also send this Hailor electronically. If you would like to help us save a tree and a few bucks, send an email to hailoreditor@sunsetshoresyachtclub.com. This way we will have your accurate address.

OPERATIONS John Cederstrom

We replaced the roofs to all of our buildings last fall. Early this spring a group of volunteers replaced the water faucets. Our trees have been trimmed and treated for disease.

We had a broken water line this spring & contracted the plumbing company to fix it.

The grass has grown over the black top, so we are going to have it edged.

We have had problems the last few years controlling the ant population. Green Valley will be using a different chemical this year to treat for ants.

Causley Contracting will be replacing and repairing dock posts this summer. If you have a post that needs attention, contact John Cederstrom or Dennis Albee.

On May 25th Green Valley applied the Meridian for ants and the first of three applications of weed killer and fertilizer.

Jacks Tree Service pruned the trees the first week of May and Bay Landscaping is treating the ash trees for the emerald ash bore and the maples for an insect infestation that causes them to release a fine mist of sap.

Share your *Hailor* with your renter(s).

GIN POLE

To use the gin pole, contact Dennis Albee, Bill Salisbury, or Deb Salisbury. Dennis can be reached at 989 835-6847. The Salisbury's can be reached at 989-662-2218. Please plan ahead and give them at least 2 days notice.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thanks for responding last year when we asked for volunteers to assist with club projects.

A number of projects were completed last year and this year with your help. We appreciate all those who signed up. If you are not yet on our list of volunteers, please contact any board member.

As the saying goes "Many hands make work more fun".

FLEET CAPTAIN Stan Musial

Welcome to all new and returning boat owners!

I have the job of keeping all the Current Mooring & Insurance information up to date for the Club. Whether you dock your boat in your slip or rent out your slip, please make sure that I get copies of a CURRENT Insurance Policy (with \$300,000 minimum liability) and a completed Mooring Form before you put a boat in your slip.

If you or your renter has an Insurance Policy that expires during the current boating season a copy of the updated Insurance Policy with new expiration must be turned in to me. (A copy can be put in the Fleet Captains box by the Meeting Room/West Side.)

If you want to list your boat for Rent/Sale you can contact me, Stan Musial @ 989-893-8763 or fleetcaptain@sunsetshoresyachtclub.

Sales of slips at SSYC were up last year, so if you are going to sell your slip this year please contact me. And we will get all of the necessary paperwork together for the sale

OIL BOOM

The club has 40' of oil boom (4 boxes) stored in the east grill storage area. These boom sections are to be tied end to end with a small overlap to contain and absorb the spill around a boat or boats or across the waterway as we did with our first spill 2 seasons ago. We also have a box of oil absorbent pads stored in the west maintenance room. Contact any board member for access. These pads are used to float on the surface of the spill to absorb oil.

Please, insure your bilges are clean and that oil and other pollutants are not pumped overboard by the bilge pump. Oil releases, no matter how small, are required by law to be reported.

BOATING GARAGE SALE

Empty your dockbox and basement of those slightly used boating items and bring them to the club for the first boating garage sale.

Set your price, meet the neighbors and have some fun. Everyone is responsible for their own items. The date is June 11th from 10am to 3pm with a rain day of June 18th.

DREDGING Dennis Albee

BCYC has agreed to partner with SSYC on some spots in the channel where we can do some maintenance dredging.

There is a shallow area east of BCYC's break wall toward the Saginaw River and another west of BCYC's north basin entrance.

Dredging is expected to start during the week of June 6th.

Alcona LTD will pump the spoils into BCYC's retention cell and later this fall it will be barged to the Dredging Island.

MEET YOUR BOARD

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NEWS AND REMINDERS

ANTI-SIPHONING DEVICES

Please do not remove the anti-siphoning devices from the hose hook ups. They are required by law to be there.

DOCK BOXES

Please level up your dock boxes. Besides being unsightly, many are collecting rain water and providing breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

DOCK MODIFICATIONS

Modifications to your docks must meet club standards which require you to fill out a form to make those modifications. If your modifications are above or below the club standards then a variance must be applied for via a variance form, (See Tom Duch for forms). Owners please inform your renters of this requirement.

BIKE RACKS

Please use the racks and do not store bikes in the laundry rooms or back rooms of the bath houses.

NO FISH GUTS IN THE DUMPSTERS

Please, the dumpsters are not emptied often enough to make large deposits of fish guts in the dumpster acceptable.

CHILDREN SAFETY

Life jackets are to be worn at all times by all unsupervised children twelve (12) years old or younger when on club property.

PETS ON LEASH

Dogs must be kept on leashes when not on the boats of members, renters or guests. Please pick up after your pet, No pets allowed in the club buildings.

PERSONNAL STORAGE

Please refrain from using the laundry and/or maintenance rooms for storage of personal items.

POWER SQUADRON

The power squadron will be at the club on June 11, 10:00am to complete a boat safety inspection. Sign up at either club house building and be safe out there.

EXTRA KEYS/OLD KEYS

If you need an extra key, contact Debbie Salisbury, Bill Roberts or Ray Weber. Please drop old keys in boxes in bath houses.

SHORE POWER CORDS

For safety reasons, improper power cords should never be used. Power cords to provide shore power to individual boats must be of sufficient size to support the current rating of the breaker at the post and also must be grounded to reduce electrical shock hazards and prevent possible galvanic corrosion. Power cords must also be capable of withstanding the wet environment normally associated with marine use. Therefore, all power cords supplying power to boats in Sunset Shores Yacht Club must be three-conductor #10 marine grade AWG wire with insulation designed for use in wet environments. Where two cables are spliced together an approved marine grade connector must be used.

A cable not meeting this specification should never be used to connect shore power to your boat even for short periods of time and must not lie in the water at any time.

BoatUS

Sunset Shores Yacht Club is a BoatUS cooperating group (Group ID Number: GA82524Y). SSYC currently has 18 members who have enjoyed half-price BoatUS memberships. BoatUS represents recreational boaters by working on Capitol Hill, ensuring safe boating and clean water for generations to come and by resolving Member disputes with boat dealers or manufacturers. BoatUS provides valuable benefits and services to keep you safe both on and off the water. Join BoatUS now.



Thanks to the *Hailor* team: Mike Stevens, Stan Musial and Ryan Ruszala