



Sailing Singles of South Florida

MainSheet Newsletter

Up Coming Events

Nov 1st Bob Misfud's
Party
International Day Sail &
Raft Up Nov. 22nd

New 2015 Board
will be elected at
General Meeting
Nov. 6th, 7:30 pm
Universval Palms
Hotel

Buy Tickets Now for
the SSSF Holiday
Party at Galuppi's on
the Green December
6th

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SOS Training Great success!!!

The SOS this year was a huge success due to the wonderful instructors and venue. Many thanks to all who participated. 65+ people attended and from all the feedback, everyone learned a lot! The instructors this year were: Arlene Sprenger, Etiquette, Peter Wilkinson, Safety, Debi Hallmark and James Bradford, Charts and GPS, Ken Bloemker, Boating Systems, and Max Goldstein, Knots and Lines.

Special Thanks to Nikki McSweeney and Ethel Facundo for buying and presenting a beautiful barbeque! As with all SSSF events, none would be possible without the volunteers.

The following day, many who attended the SOS were able to practice their new found skills on the water! Special thanks to Susan Cohoat for coordinating the day sail, not always an easy task!

Happy Sailing to our new educated members!!!

Terry Patterson

[Go to our website to view all the pictures](#)

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EDITOR'S APOLOGIES

Due to being overwhelmed with my book tour I was unable to get the September Issue of our Mainsheet out. I am combining the September and October Issues. Sorry, Karen Foster



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SOS Classes



If you missed out on the free training at our SSSF SOS there is training with John Schafer who will be starting a Seamanship Class the first week in November. John needs to get people signed up ASAP in order to ensure enough time to order materials. This is a fun class and John believes one of the most important classes anyone can take.

At the end of the class you will be able to tie 7 knots, know a bit about weather and how to read the sky, safety, how to use a marine radio, anchoring, how to throw and catch a line, rules of the road and more.

The course runs about 8 weeks (one night wk for about 2 hrs. We move at your pace to ensure everyone has fun and gets it.) He doesn't have a cost as yet, but it is usually around \$75.00 for non-members. It is a great course and John is sure you will enjoy it. Ask around about the last Sail Class.

Email John Schaefer

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SOS Training Experience

By Harley Wood

I had a great time at the SOS for novice sailors. I had at least 6 bikini clad babes as my classmates! First they had me tied in knots, oh, I mean tying knots. Then, I learned about boat systems and that you can't just do your business and flush, like on land. One must check one's power and water systems first, and THEN do your business and flush.

I also learned that there are 2 systems of navigation; one is for basically lazy people who understand newfangled electronic gizmos and it is called GPS. The other is for really smart people who can actually read (without help or a cheat sheet) a special water map that boat insiders call a "CHART". We were informed that the GPS people would probably all die in a lightning strike because the ones that weren't killed by the lightning directly would be lost at sea (because their GPS is "FRIED", i.e. doesn't work anymore). What I learned is that I should make sure there is always at least one CHART person below deck so lightning strikes don't get him. This is good stuff to know!

Our last class was on Boat Etiquette and our instructor was a beautiful, charming, young sailor named Arlene. Her class taught us how to act and what to do if we ever wanted to be asked back for another free boat ride. What I learned was to find out what kind of alcoholic beverages (Booz) the Captain favors and get some for him. He will like you after that! Also, it is very bad manners to forget to bring booz for yourself and the captain and then raid his private stash. This was something us novices needed to be told or we would all probably do it, (or at least us guys would, gals are generally better mannered).

Arlene also covered footwear and told us high heels were strictly forbidden. I didn't worry about this one because I generally only wear heels on special occasions like Halloween, and most of the women who wear heels are too high class for me anyway.

I think Arlene is a star and should write a Boat Etiquette series and go on Oprah. At a minimum, all us guys should take Arlene's course annually.

That concludes my SOS experience. Looking forward to buying some booz and getting out on the water,

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**Holiday Celebration at Galuppi's on the Green
Saturday, Dec. 6th, 2014 at 7 pm.**

Put on your dancing shoes! Come enjoy the music of Tommy Llew Sounds and celebrate the holidays with SSSF Members. Plan early because there will be limited seating. Tickets are now on sale and available at the weekly socials. Members will be charged \$35.00, guests \$45.00. Reserve your spot now!!! Deadline for purchasing tickets is Nov. 20th at the weekly social. (My head count is due by Nov. 21st!!!). Register for our door prizes upon your arrival!!! It promises to be a gala event!!

See you there!

Denise Lush
Social Director

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Halloween Party November 1st This Saturday Wear Your Costumes! 2780 NE 16 St, Pompano Beach

Please RSVP TO Denise Lush so Bob and Loui have an idea of how many to expect. SocialDirectorsssf@sailingsingles.org

As we've always done in the past, this is a BYOB (bring your own beverages) and bring a dish to share. The dish you bring will be assigned alphabetically by last name.

A-E.....Appetizers
F-K.....Desserts
L-O.....Side
P-Z.....Main Dishes

Dress up in your Halloween Costumes, but they are **not required!!!!** Let's just have some fun!!!

Please contact Denise Lush if you are available for set up 6:30 pm or clean up after the party for 30 minutes.



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Schedule of Events

November

November 1st Halloween Party
Bob Misfud's

November 2nd Sunday Jazz Brunch on the Riverwalk 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Downtown Fort Lauderdale. BYOB & Bring a dish to share!

November 6th General Meeting Universal Palms Hotel. 7:30 pm Powerline & Commercial Blvd. **Your New 2015 Board will be elected!**

November 13th Weekly social. at the Chart House 6:30 pm Happy Hour until 8:00 pm 3000 NE 32nd Ave Fort Lauderdale

November 20th Weekly social. at the Chart House 6:30 pm Happy Hour until 8:00 pm 3000 NE 32nd Ave Fort Lauderdale

November 22nd International Day Sail & Raft Up Captains Pick your Country! Crews start thinking about decorations and costumes.

November 27th Weekly social. at the Chart House 6:30 pm Happy Hour until 8:00 pm 3000 NE 32nd Ave Fort Lauderdale

Schedule of Events

December

Holiday Christmas Party Dec. 6th
Get your tickets now before it's too late!

Boat Parade Raft Up December 13th Sign up NOW!

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International Day Sail and Raft Up

Saturday, November 22nd. Each participating boat will choose a country. The crew will decorate the boat to represent that country and will dress accordingly. We had a lot of fun with this last year, not to mention quite a variety of international foods and drinks. Captains, please send [Susan Cohoat](#) your choice for a country as soon as possible. (Greece is already taken.)



YOUR 2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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WOW! What a
WAVE!

During Sunday's Sail on "The Grand" with Captain Kelly & Sheila we encountered a wave of a purple kind. We had just passed Peanut Island and the inlet, heading out into the Atlantic when Kelly shouted, "WOW! Look at that wave of jellyfish!"



A very large group of purple-blue jellies had just crossed the bow of the boat. These beautiful pulsating bellshaped moon jellies had us all in an admiring trance. We had just popped the cork of 'Bubbly' so we toasted this spectacular event.

Google states these phenomenal creatures predate dinosaurs by only some 4 million years. They have no head, heart, bones, or brains, and most only live a few hours to a few months. They have a very mild sting only if you touch a sensitive part; as a few of us can attest to as we accidentally touched a few on Columbus Day. Seeing these jellies added to our blissful, cloudless day of sailing, snorkeling and feasting on an array of splendid lip-smacking chow. Thank you Capt Kelly and Sheila. Ciao for now, Camille and crew Jean Marie, Mila and special guest.

BOAT FOR SALE!

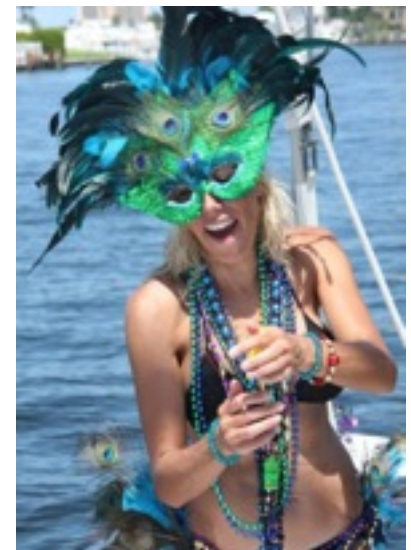
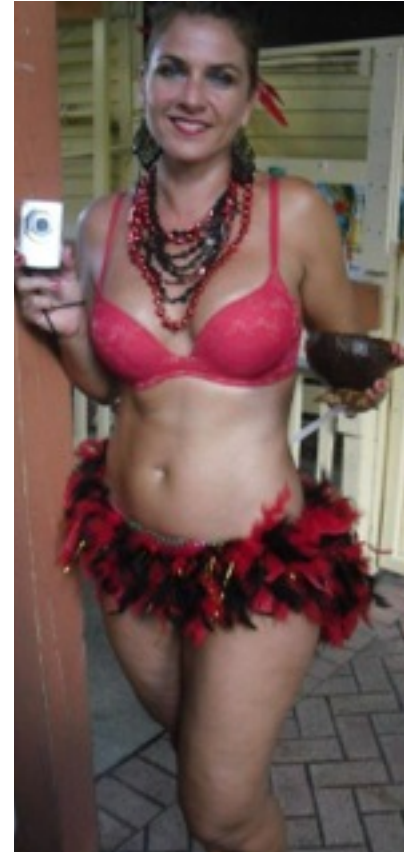
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