



# Sailing Singles of South Florida

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### BBQ Was Big Hit!

More than 80 members and guests attended the BBQ at Hugh Taylor Birch State Park See our Facebook Page for all the photos and add yours!





# Sail to Key West, then Cuba?

So like most sailors' plans, they change. No one headed to Cuba yet. Captain Kelly, Captain Debi and Captain Jim McBayer had hopes of going to Cuba, but our government hasn't opened it up enough to satisfy our comfort levels to sail across to Cuba. So Key West for Cptn. Jim, (First stop, No Name Harbor with new member Jodi.) Cptn. Debi and Stan continued around to Naples and back, Cptn Kelly scratched. It was the Conch Republic Festival 2015 with Bed Races and many more activities. Carol Rappaport and Andrea Keyser joined us for lunch at Sunset Harbor before setting sails back to Fort Lauderdale. We will make it to Cuba next year! Right Captain Fred?



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## JUNE DAY SAILS

June is here and so is the heat. It's time to get out on the water and cool off.

This month, some of our SSSF boats will be going out on 4 different days:

- Sunday, June 14 - Flag Day Sail
- Sunday, June 21 - Summer / Father's Day Sail
- Saturday, June 27 - Day Sail
- Sunday, June 28 - Day Sail

I will send out a list of boats with more information. Meanwhile, there will be a sailing board with sign-up sheets at our meetings and socials. If you can't get to the meeting, send me an email. Remember to indicate your order of preference if you sign up for more than one sail.

Susan Cohoat  
Sailing Director

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## Greetings Fellow SSSF Members

I was appointed to the board at the April board meeting. I need to hear from captains who are interested in going on sails. Please email me ASAP.

Here are some of my ideas to revitalized and excite the sailing contingent in the club:

I have suggested to the captains that we could hold one or more "beer can" races starting from channel marker #2 to the sea buoy around an anchored ship and back to the start marker. Gage awards could be passed out at a following raft up, or at the social meeting at Flip Flops.

We have not done a Captains Appreciation Day. I suggest this year, we extend to a month to get more captains and crew involved. It should be covered in the newsletter with many photos.

And a fun idea to get the captains out on the water is

to rent kayaks and canoes at West Lake for the captains and one crew of their choice. Again, we could have a fun race followed by a BBQ hosted by the club. As a combination SOS and captains appreciation is to have captains and crew meet at Playboy Marina boat yard on a Saturday. We could tour the boats on the hard and discuss hull configurations, prop design, and rudder design. Also, speak about maintenance and bottom paint.

Repeat Gary Mayes' idea of having a raft-up and dinghy races.

And as part of Blue Sky ideas, I have suggested a Fly and Charter cruises to Chesapeake Bay after Labor Day and the Virgin Islands in November.

If you have any suggestions, email me or speak to me at one of the social meetings.

Respectfully;

Xcapt. Dick Linehan - Your Boat-less Boat Owners Rep

## JUNE & JULY BIRTHDAYS

Hope you got to join us after the General Meeting at Universal Palms Hotel for birthday cake to celebrate our June & July Birthdays. The following members are celebrating their birthdays in June and July: Lilian Kern, Marie Alcazar, Arlene Sprenger & David Legrow 6/2, Jean Deering & Charles Zimnik 6/5, Ilene Rogers 6/7 Andy Deering 6/12, Jane Anderson & Debi Hallmark 6/14, Debbie Figueira 6/20, David Anderson 6/21, Deborah Magraw 6/24, Anita Papkov-Bloemker 6/29, Diane Rogerson 6/30, Cathy Harper & Gregory Rewa 7/2, Marvin Wolman 7/4, Brian Brown 7/7, Betty Vicente 7/11, Gus Bernauer 7/13, Gail Goddard 7/14, Gillian O'Neill 7/16, Sherry Makis 7/17, Miriam Connell, Charles Biancardi & Ken Moreland 7/18, Jean Marie Gordon 7/24, Mary Ann Hernandez 7/25, Kenneth Bloemker, Cathy Childs & Jay Thomsen 7/27, Rena Mamolou & Susan Cohoat 7/28, Kenneth Tafts 7/31





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## Minutes: Sailing Singles of South Florida, General Meeting May 7, 2015

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Commodore Max Goldstein at 7:41 PM.

**Quorum:** It was determined that a quorum was present so that club business could be voted on. In attendance for this meeting was, Barbara Proctor, a professional, state registered, parliamentarian. **Past commodores:** All past commodores were acknowledged.

**Update on insurance:** Max stated that purchasing liability insurance would cost the club \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 per year. It was agreed that in lieu of purchasing insurance, the clubs' liability waiver would be updated to provide more protection.

### Standing Committee Reports:

**Vice commodore's Report:** Jay reported that last weekends SOS was well attended and well received. Instructors, social committee, hosts and all associated with the SOS were thanked for their time and efforts.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mary reported the current balance in the regular account is \$19,388.83. The account ending in 1579 contains a balance of \$10,000.00. (See attachment for details). A discussion of what to spend some of that money on followed.

**Social Committee Report:** Lynette discussed the Birch State Park barbecue and the SOS. She thanked all volunteers. The next party will be a Senior Senior Prom. This will be held June 20, 2015. Tickets will cost \$20.00 for members and \$30.00 for guests. The prom will include music, oldies and Elvis..... More details will follow.

**Newsletter Report:** Karen has been away so April's newsletter is running late. She requested stories and photos of sailing adventures be sent to her. A discussion followed regarding pictures posted on the SSSF Facebook page. She stated that anyone not wanting their picture posted on Facebook contact her.

**Membership Report:** Ben stated SSSF now has 160+ members.

**Sailing Director's Report:** Susan was absent. Max requested that captains contact her if willing to participate in the May 16<sup>th</sup> sail.

**Boat Owner's Representative Report:** Dick reported there will be at least 3 boats going to Bimini for Memorial Day weekend. He suggested there be a Captain's appreciation month. He discussed a kayaking expedition at West Lake Park. Other possible activities included a tour of the Playboy Boatyard and a flying Cruise to the northeast. (see attachment for details.)

**Media Producer's Report:** This position is currently vacant. Max informed the club that due to ongoing problems with the current software being used, the board has investigated other options and agreed to purchase Wild Apricot Software at a cost of \$50.00 per month.

### Unfinished Business:

**Pink Book:** Max reported that the Club directory (Pink Book) is almost ready for printing. It was agreed at the last Board Meeting that the board may not wait for the new by-laws, procedures and policies to be completed and approved before publishing the directory. Max stated that Pink book would be ready for release at the June General Meeting.

**By-Laws, Policies and Procedures:** Rita, Pam and Mary Ann were recognized for their efforts in revising the by-laws. It was stated by Debi Hallmark that "10 or 20 of the changes to the by-laws" were not in accordance with state law for non profit organizations. She moved that the vote on the by-laws be tabled until all revisions could be checked to determine that they were in compliance with all laws. This was seconded by John. **Vote "to table" failed.**

Max moved that the new bylaws be accepted. Seconded by Ethel

A discussion was held regarding including a severability clause (Severability -to invalidate any provision in rules which conflicts with federal, state or local ordinance.) It was moved by David and seconded by Dick that a severability clause be included in the by-laws stating that should any portion of the by-laws conflict with federal, state or local laws, the law would apply; without nullifying the remaining document.

Vote to include severability clause passed. More discussion ensued. A vote to adapt the by-laws as amended was taken. Vote to adapt the amended by-laws passed unanimously. The by-law committee was thanked for their hard work

The meeting adjourned at 8:51PM .

Respectfully Submitted:  
Jane Haughian, Acting Secretary

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

SSSF IS BROWN BAGGING IT FIRST CLASS!

SSSF Wine Tasting

July 11th, 2015 7:00PM

Renaissance II  
1370 S. Ocean Blvd  
Pompano Beach, FL



Karen Foster will host a Wine Tasting. We will be Brown Bagging it! When members RSVP they have to decide on the type of wine they will bring. Then the people bringing a certain type will decide together what they would like our group to taste. We will need at least 4 bottles of the same wine to coordinate a tasting.

Each member will get the opportunity to rate a wine from selections of cabernet, merlot, pinot grigio, chardonnay, and a rosé. (Yes, you can bring beer and soda for those who don't like wine.) Members can bring fruit, cheese and crackers and other appropriate finger foods for a Wine Tasting.

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## Schedule of Events June

June 7th Riverwalk Sunday Jazz Brunch 11:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Downtown Fort Lauderdale on the Riverwalk. Bring a dish to share!

June 11th, Weekly Social at FlipFlops Home of the \$3 Happy Hour 6:30 pm Join Members for Happy Hour, bring guests. Find out which boats are heading out and what our next events will be.

June 14th Flag Day Sail Check with Susan to find out which Captains are heading out.

June 18th Weekly social. FlipFlops 6:30 pm Come find out who's heading out on June 21st

June 20th - Senior-Senior Prom  
Universal Palms Hotel 7:00 pm  
Cocktails, dinner, dancing and an Elvis Show! Dust off that old prom dress!

June 21st Father's Day Sail/Raft Up Make Sure You Let Captains Know if You are interested in joining us!

June 25th Weekly social. FlipFlops 6:30 pm. Home of the \$3 Happy Hour

June 27th DAY SAIL Contact Susan Cohoat to coordinate which boats need crew.

June 28th DAY SAIL Contact Susan Cohoat to coordinate which boats are heading out and need crew.

## Schedule of Events July

July 11th Wine Tasting 7:00 pm

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## FROM THE HELM

By Commodore Max Goldstein

Hello Sailing Singles,

Here's the update for all who want to know what they're missing. We finished up April with an awesome picnic and barbecue at Birch State Park and we liked the menu so much, we had the same food for our SOS a week later. OK, they were actually leftovers, but we made sure there was enough for everyone as well as more food for lunch and music afterward.

We'll be having another SOS in a half year where we can once again learn about these wonderful watercraft we sail around in (and how to tie bowlines, really people, it's just practice). We promise new food next time, no leftovers.

The new By-laws were voted in at our last meeting and we will be posting them on the new website, which is also in progress. The club directory and pink book are now available! My thanks again to everyone who helped out, these events take time and effort and we're lucky to have members dedicated to this club and to making things run so smoothly.

We have worked with the management of Flip-Flops to have our resident DJ, Rich Hustins play music there. So now we can have melodies with our merlot on Thursdays.

I'm looking forward to our Senior-Senior Prom which is a senior prom for all us "seniors." I did have a polyester suit from my high school days back in the 1970s, but I think it's been spun into insulation by now. Read more about the dress code on Page of this newsletter.

That's all the news for now. See you at the prom!

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To become a Spinnaker Sponsor, donate \$20.00, \$35.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00 to the club which allows the club to provide more activities for its members. **WE NEED MORE SPONSORS. As you can see, a lot of memberships have expired. Please join or rejoin!**



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## SSSF Senior-Senior Prom June 20th, 2015

**Remember Pink Carnations, White Jackets and 50's Prom Dresses!!!**

**Dance to the 50's Oldie Goldie's & More**

**Universal Palms Hotel 4900 Powerline Rd,**

**Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309**

**The Garden Room - DJ Rich Hustins**

**7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Cocktails**

**8:15 - 9:15 pm Dinner & Dancing**

**9:15 - 9:45 pm Elvis Show!!!**

**Dancing continues through the night! Wear your 50's Prom Dress & Guys Crazy Jackets and Pants!!! (Optional, not required)**

**Tickets: \$20 SSSF Members, \$30 for Guests Buy your tickets now!**

**Door Prizes & Prizes for the Best Dressed**

### **Editor's Note:**

I apologize to all SSSF Members and the Board for the lack of consistency in providing Newsletters to our members. It is my responsibility to get a newsletter out each month. There should always be Minutes provided in each newsletter. Most general meetings the members request waiving the reading of the minutes so I erroneously assumed members really weren't that interested. I will make a concerted effort to get the newsletter out regularly and will ensure that Minutes to the Meetings are included. If you want Minutes from past months please don't hesitate to contact me or Max and we will email them out to you. Thanks, Karen Foster [karen.Dynamic@me.com](mailto:karen.Dynamic@me.com)

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## S.O.S Fabulous Success!



Thank you to all who worked so hard to get this year's SOS and Party off the ground! It is no easy feat especially with all the unknowns they have to deal with and the last minute planning. Thank you Terry Patterson, Ethel Facundo, Lynette Beal and Vice Commodore Jay Thomsen. **AWESOME JOB!**

Special thanks to all the instructors: Commodore Max Goldstein, Jerry Wasserman, Peter Wilkinson Arlene Sprenger and Jane Haughian. Huge **THANKS** to Bob and Loui for hosting this event and the party! More than 50 members attended the classes; that included 17 new members.





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Classes included Safety, Man Overboard Drills, Line Handling, Etiquette, Sail Theory and more. There was a great lunch and party afterwards, with dancing. There are plans for another SOS (Sessions on Sailing) for the fall. Make sure you don't miss out on it! More Photos on our [Facebook Page](#)

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SSSF Board Meeting-June 1, 2015

Max called the meeting to order at 7pm. Board members present: Jay Thomsen, Mary Kress, Lynette Beal, Ben Nahabedian, Susan Cohoat, Karen Foster, and Dick Linehan. Excused absence: Gillian O'Neil. A Media Producer has not yet been appointed. Several members of the club also attended. A reading of the minutes was waived. Jay stated that the minutes need to reflect that Captain James Bradford could return and participate in all activities. Karen seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Commodore: Max presented the insurance endorsement he received from Philadelphia Insurance Company. The cost is \$1,160. He suggested that some of the items might be unnecessary, such as kidnap expense and political unrest. He will see if he can lower the cost. A copy of the endorsement is attached.

A 7-point boat owners' waiver and release was also presented and discussed (see attachment). This document is far more comprehensive than the current waiver. It was determined that all members should sign it along with their application and boat owners may also ask members and guests to sign when they participate in any boating activities. Thursday socials would be excluded from this coverage. Motion to use the waiver was seconded by Lynette. Passed unanimously.

Max announced that the 2015 Pink Book will be available on Thursday.

Vice Commodore: Jay stated we need to keep abreast of Roberts Rules, and this could be the subject of a 5-minute "commercial" at a future meeting.

Treasurer: Mary reported that the reserve account has \$10,000.00 and the general treasury, \$18,058.79.

Social Director: Lynette reported on the upcoming Senior-Senior Prom, scheduled to take place at Universal Palms on June 20. Tickets are \$20 and include dinner.

Newsletter: Karen stated the next edition will be out before Thursday. She requests we add Flip Flops to the Meet-Up calendar. She put it on our events on Facebook.

Membership: Ben said there were 2 renewals and 2 new members who signed up this month, bringing the total to approximately 174 members.

Sailing Director: Susan stated that the next club sail will be June 28<sup>th</sup>.

Boat Owners' Rep: Dick said he has scheduled a meeting with the captains for next Tuesday to plan boating activities. So far, 10 have said they will attend, 7 cannot attend and 3 haven't replied.

Media Producer: Max reported that Rita Lehto has resigned her position. They have been in touch with Bryan Brown who said he would help with the website, but has not committed to officially taking on the task for the remaining year. He is currently sailing his boat down from New York and should be here on June 15. Dick offered to assist Bryan. Max suggested that Wild Apricot replace all current systems (MailChimp, Bluehost, etc.) at a cost of \$50 per month, a savings for the club. Dick moved that we change to Wild Apricot and Jay seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget Committee:

Lynette reported that the Budget Committee came up with the following suggestions regarding the surplus treasury funds: \$1,000 additional donation for both the Change of Command and Christmas party, \$3,000 for a cruise on the Carrie B, \$1500 for a party to solicit for new members and \$500 for a sailing charity donation. \$3,000 would remain in reserve.

Jay suggested that the money be spread out over time rather than splurging all at once on big ticket items. Others were concerned that the state could still come back and charge penalties and/or interest for failure to file as a non-profit. Another suggestion was that dues be set at a lower rate if paid by the end of the year. Mary pointed out that the insurance deductible is \$5,000 and all agreed that this would be an important consideration.

Minority Report for the Excess Reserves:

Dick submitted a report (copy attached), which emphasized sailing over social activities and spending on one time expenditures over annual budgetary items. He recommended that a laptop be purchased along with Microsoft software to create power point presentations for business meetings and SOS gatherings and storage for all reports and other documents. Jay made a motion that a PC and software be purchased, not to exceed \$1500. Lynette seconded. The Board approved unanimously. Dick will make the purchase using money from the current budget, not the reserves.

New Business None     CONTINUED next Page

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## Good of the Order

Max stated that the floor was open for members who have communicated with the Commodore a desire to address the Board. Speakers would be limited to 3 minutes and no one would be allowed to speak a second time.

Debi Hallmark asked to see the minutes for any meetings (Board, committee, etc.) that have taken place since February, 2015. She stated that Florida statute requires these documents be made available to any member requesting them and within a reasonable length of time. There was a discussion regarding the legalities of the Jean Deering stated that her grievance had not been addressed. There was a brief discussion and Max advised that the Board should deal only with current issues. Anything that happened during another year needed to have been brought to and addressed by the Board in place at the time of the occurrence.

Anne Ekstrom said that the club seemed to be losing its focus on sailing, which had hardly been mentioned by the Board during the hour and a half long meeting. She felt it was the central mission of SSSF, and one sail planned 4 weeks hence is insufficient. Max suggested we go back to posting sails at our weekly socials.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Ekstrom  
Acting Secretary



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