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Sailing Singles of South Florida

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Up Coming Events	General Meeting NONE!	SSSF Board Meeting 25 July	August General Meeting 4 August
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Mainsheet Deadlines

Like in all aspects of life, we are faced with deadlines. Whatever we are producing will be passed onto another agent or customer. This agent needs time to perform his/hers operations to help produce a finished product.

The same is true with the Mainsheet. I have to create a shell for the next month's newsletter with the new date, publication number and upcoming events. When I get submissions from the board members or members, I must edit the copy, looking for typos, spelling errors, and less than clear writing! I also have to edit the copy to fit in a designated space on a page. Along with the copy, I need to resize photos from Megabyte to 200 kilobyte range and crop the photo to fit on the page.

Once I have assembled the Mainsheet pages in the Microsoft Publisher format, I must convert it into a PDF file and print it. Then, I must proof read it for errors that I have made. Next, I go back to the MS Publisher and make the changes and produce a new PDF file.

This file is sent to Max Goldstein for his review and inspection. If he is satisfied, then he emails it to the club. This process takes days so I need lead time to do my part and time for Max to do his. That is why the Mainsheet deadline is usually on a Saturday before the end of the month.

This issue does not have many articles because of board members not making submissions in time.

The Editor

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Memorial Weekend by Camille Galindo

Capt Tom Mestrirts And Birthday gal Camille picked up Ron Perea and Dot Castell Friday at the Miami Yacht Club on their way from Stuart to Pumpkin Key where they met up with Capt Patrick O'Brian, Janet P Capt Debi Halmark, Stan, Gabriella and Mark . A scenic boat ride on Skeeter Cat to Ocean Reef was topped off with gracious happy hour on Irish Rover. Sunday Breakfast With a treat of Mimosas on Irish Rover set the pace of the day! Skeeter Cat broke raft up by heading out 11 miles SE to the Mandalay wreck snorkel dive site. Mooring barks newly placed for convenience of perfect clear visibility snorkel adventure of the 1969 wreck due to navigation error. Capt Patrick stayed waiting for Capt Tom Crawford to arrive Capt Debi headed out to Mandalay but had some engine problem and headed home. Skeeter checked in Nixon's at Key Biscayne then headed to Miami Yacht Club pool, shower and happy hour. Monday Crew disembarked And Skeeter Cat headed back to Stuart via a stop at Peanut Island where they met up with Capt Kelly and Sheila doing the hook dive off shore then more Happy hour And overnight at Peanut Island ending a most wonderful weekend though Tom never caught a FISH!!!



Letter to the Editor

In the last issue of the Mainsheet, I described my motion to require liability insurance for all SSSF captains taking out members on club sanctioned sails. Although I had emailed the entire board with my motion two months in advanced, no board member had the courtesy to second my motion and allow debate. The motion died for lack of a second.

However, Doug Nobel did reply to my article. Here are his thoughts:

I do not support the motion that SSSF Fleet Boats be required to carry personal liability insurance.

1. Just as my doctor has a notice that he does not carry malpractice insurance, and I make the choice of whether I want him to take care of me, I think it should be the choice of the captain. And anyone that wants to crew aboard his or her boat can inquire if they are concerned about it. I DO care about the competency of the captain and the condition of his/her boat both of which contribute to avoiding accidents. And I take personal responsibility for my own actions. While I have no idea if it is legally enforceable I think the waiver member's sign covers the spirit of taking responsibility for one's own actions.

2. I think Capt Kelly's efforts to ensure captains have the correct safety equipment on board is a much smarter move. I would rather step aboard a well equipped yacht than a yacht that has insurance!

3. At this time we don't seem to have an abundance of boats in the club where the captains are willing to take people out for free so putting barriers in their way seems very short sighted.

4. Insurance and registration do not stop accidents. People stop accidents.

My two cents - Doug Nobel

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From the Helm by Lynette Beal, Commodore

Happy Fourth of July to SSSF members. I hope you have a great Holiday. We are beginning the second half of 2016. Let's make the remainder of the year a big success! In August a Nautical Olympics is planned by Debi Hallmark our Social Director and Stan Dekiel our Sailing Director. This will be a fun social/water event. You will hear more about this in the upcoming weeks. Captain Kelly Dobbs our Fleet Captain will be planning an event at Peanut Island over Labor Day. This will be the second year and last year everyone had a great time.



A Halloween Party is planned in October, and our Holiday Party will be the first week in December! A second SOS planned by our Vice- Commodore Anne Ekstrom will be held in the Fall too. Let's all get behind these and more activities to make the rest of the year memorable.

We are having a great summer. The Beer Can Race held in June was fun for all that participated. Ryan's Place won the race. Congratulations to Captain Debi Hallmark & Crew. SSSF members have been attending the Starlight Musicals every Friday night at Holiday Park and enjoying the music and friendship. Several SSSF boats are going to the Abacos in July



First Place Winner

Debi Hallmark



Ryan's Place

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July Birthdays

Gus Bernauer	7/13
Ken Bloemker	7/27
Brian Brown	7/7
Cathy Childs	7/27
Susan Cohoat	7/28
Gale Goddard	7/14
Max Goldstein	7/31
Jean Marie Gordon	7/24
Rena Mamolou	7/18
Ken Moreland	7/18
Gillian O'Neill	7/16
Greg Rewa	7/2
Susan Tracey	7/14
Jay Thomsen	7/27
Betty Vicente	7/11
Cathy Wilkinson	7/2



Pink Book Updates

Please make the following changes in your Pink Book:

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