

COMMODORE'S comments

Commodore Bob Schappe III

How can it be fall already? The pool has been drained, the kids are back in school and many of the leaves are on the lawn. It feels like it was about three weeks ago that we were worrying about getting the boat ready to launch.

I'll haul out in about a week. It used to be more of a chore than it is now but in recent years I always store with the mast up. I also leave the cushions on board and just set them on edge for ventilation. If the weather cooperates I may get some paint and varnish work done before haul out. I find that when I do haul out I tell myself that I will do certain things before the snow flies. However, once the boat is out of the water, my mind refuses even to think about boats until about January.

The Frostbite was a fun race as usual and it was fast. Congratulations to Tresor, C. F. Pickle and Quest. Thanks to Jerry Partridge and Norm Samra and their volunteers on the dock and many thanks as well to Cynthia and Pete Warner and Les and Barbara Roddis and the other folks who volunteered to help with the Chili Party afterward.

Not only is the sailing season drawing to a close, but the "Sail Club Year" is too. And it is at such a time that I wish to thank several people who have given so generously of their time and energy. Thank you to the members of the Board of Directors: Vice Commodore Dave Wetzal, Rear Commodore Gordon Morlan, Past Commodore Frank Ferry, Alice Baetz, Ron Morketter, Jerry Partridge and Norm Samra. And Thank You to the other Flag Officers for your dedication and service: Vicky Colwell, our hard-working Secretary, Treasure John Raguse who manages our money, Peter D'Angelo, our Fleet Captain, Dr. Marilyn Cuenca, our Fleet Surgeon, Linda Rumon, our Fleet Chaplain and Bill Kuester, our Fleet Measurer.

Thanks to Beth Kurta for putting together all the material and bringing out the Anchorline. Another big job is Entertainment and while I have mentioned their names already, I will say them again-Thanks to Cynthia and Pete Warner and Les and Barbara Roddis. Thank you, Bill Harbert for stepping in as the regular substitute for Dave MacDonald on the video taping of Tuesday night races and thank you Vicky Colwell for acting as a last minute Videotaper on at least one occasion.

Thank you to Stu Kevelighan and Harold Stackpoole for representing the Club to the DRYA and to Chris Behler for representing us to the ILYA. Thanks also to Andrew Morlan for Publicity, Sue Steiger for Junior Race, Commodore Mike Krag for Planning and Commodore Dennis Cotter for Risk.

I know that the Rear and Vice Commodores will be thanking the people who served as Chairs of their areas of responsibility so I will not go through the specific names here but I want you to know that I very much appreciate your work. One person who has no title and no official role is the wife of the Commodore. She did at least as much as yours truly for the success and fun that all of us have had in the Sail Club this year. Thank you, Glory.

Between now and the Annual Meeting on December 1st, we have two fun events. The first of these is the Award Party on Friday, November 10 and the other is the Drydock on Saturday, November 18th. See you there!

Mark your calendars...

GPSC X-COUNTRY SKI WEEKEND IS COMING SOON!

Probably the most eagerly anticipated event of the entire year, the Grosse Pointe Sail Club's ever-popular Cross Country Ski Weekend is scheduled to take place **Saturday, February 3, and Sunday, February 4, at the fabulous Breakers on the Bay*** (formerly known as The Castaways Hotel) just west of Port Austin, Michigan.

Featuring:

- Cross country skiing on groomed trails
- Unforgettable photo opportunities for non-skiers
- Cozy fireside storytelling sessions
- Beverages that will warm the cockles of your heart
- Food so good it will leave you begging for more
- Maybe even a romantic midnight dip in the hot tub
- The unmatched camaraderie of our members and their guests

Watch for details forthcoming in the next Anchorline, but mark your calendar NOW. Anyone who wants to help make this year's weekend the best ever, please contact Com. Larry Haggart or Lady Lynne at 313-882-6028. See you on February 3 & 4!

*Or other similarly spectacular facility near Port Austin.

Views from the VICE

Vice Commodore Dave Wetzel II

This column is being written for the November issue of the Anchorline. I don't know about everyone else but I am about ready for July. Time passes much too quickly.

Speak of time passing quickly, mark your calendar so you don't miss the first Sail Club events of Two Thousand and One! (Who remembers a classic movie, 2001, where 2001 represented the *future*)

- January 13, 2001 The Commodore's Ball (your will receive your personal invitation in early December)
- February 3, 2001 Winter Weekend (information on this event is in this Anchorline)
- February 24, 2001 Dry Dock (information on this event will be in the January Anchorline)

But let's not overlook the remainder of this year.

- November 10, 2000 GPSC Awards Party
- November 18, 2000 Dry Dock (see the Ad in this issue, sounds great, I'm going)
- December 1, 2000 Annual Meeting – see you there!
- December 3, 2000 Children's Christmas Party.

Since the Annual Meeting marks the end of a year for the Sail Club, I want to thank my committee chairs for a job well done. **John Hughes** – Awards, **Glory Schappe** – Charter & By-Laws, **Jim Krieger** – Powerboat, **Jerry Partridge** – Race, **Norm Samra** – Assistant Race, **Com. Ed Olsen** – Senior Race Officer, **Barbara Olsen** – Race Records, **Frank Michell** – Race Support, and **John Sampson** – Protest.

Prior to the Annual Meeting and the start of the new year, we collect dues by sending out the Annual Dues Notice which you should have recently received. This year additional member information is being requested and information on children in the family is being requested. The children information will not be published, it will only be used for planning Club activities.

Please carefully check all your information in the Dues Notice and clearly indicate any changes, provide the new information, and return it with your dues. **Double check your information carefully**, most of it will be in the 2001 Roster.

Processing the returned Dues Statements and updating the Club's database is time consuming – please return your Dues Notice as quickly as possible.

This year the membership cards will be mailed as soon as your dues are received by Membership. I believe that this will be a big improvement over trying to distribute them at the Annual Meeting or with the Rosters.

Speaking of Roster, **Bob Brownell** is doing a great job of collecting the Roster advertising and is on track to have this wrapped up by the Annual Meeting. This means that the Rosters should be distributed in early January.

Normally I take *Tranquilizer* out of the water the first weekend after the Frostbite. However earlier this year Mary and I had scheduled a trip to Stratford, Ontario (where we saw 4 plays) and the next weekend a camping trip to the Pinery on Lake Huron. It has turned out to be good planning so far because we had absolutely perfect weather for both of these trips. This coming weekend is when I plan to take *Tranquilizer* out, perhaps it will be payback time.

Grosse Pointe Sail Club 2000 Activity Calendar

DATE ACTIVITY

NOVEMBER

6 BOARD MEETING

10 GPSC AWARDS PARTY

18 DRY DOCK

DECEMBER

1 ANNUAL MEETING

3 CHILDRENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

Membership Dues Notice

Watch the mail! Your 2001 Membership Dues Notice were mailed on the 25th of October, and you have until the Annual Meeting on December 1st to pay without penalty. **Only members who have paid their 2001 dues will be given a ballot at the annual meeting.** Arrangements have been made by the Membership Chairman to collect dues at the Tompkins Center on the 1st, prior to the start of the meeting.

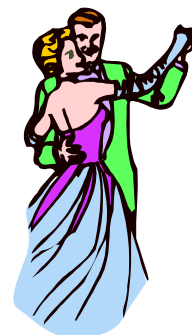
Two things result from not paying your dues by December 1st and they are both bad. First, there is a \$15 late fee for all payments made after the 1st, and second, the 2001 Membership Roster closes on December 10th. If your dues are not paid by then you will not be listed as a member for 2001.

The Commodore's Ball

January 13,
2001

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial

Mark Your Calendar!!!!



Brought up by the REAR . . .

Rear Commodore Gordon Morlan I

“Talk to Me / Thanks!”

It only takes a few minutes on board for the non sailor to discover that we have our own language, and that terms used by the common folk do not mean the same when spoken by the uncommon folk who sail.

Not only such fundamental terms as Port (which turns out to be more than just a place, or strong drink) and Starboard (the other side – but which side?), but entire phrases take on new meanings. Think like a land bound person for a minute. What would you think it means when you hear the skipper say “I’m going to fall off just a bit”?

Or “skirt your jib”, or “ ready about, hard alee”. These phrases quickly go from the misleading to the nonsensical for the non sailor. And yet no where this side of the operating room is clear and constant communication more important to success.

Communication is also essential for success within the GPSC. In the last twelve months we have had at least three important (or so the bridge believed) events scheduled, then canceled. These include a rendezvous, the family brunch, and the most recent pig roast.

There could be at least three reasons for an event not drawing enough members to warrant continuing. The timing may be poor; we are all very busy with many events both within the club and in our other lives too. Perhaps the calendar is just too crowded. Or the nature of the event is just not to your liking. Would the pig roast have been more popular if left in the almost traditional format of a lobster roast? Perhaps any one of these events would be to your liking, but they came too close upon other GPSC parties to suit you.

Canceled events cost us too much in planning time and inconvenience to continue. We can avoid them.

As members we need to give our calendar some better and more careful thought. Then we need to better communicate our needs and desires to the bridge. Even now, soon to be Commodore David Wetzels is developing the 2001 calendar for the club events. Let Dave, or other members of the bridge or board of directors know what you would like to see changed.

Perhaps it is time. “Ready? Jibe now.”

#####

This is the time of year that the real stories of leadership can be told -- no, not on the national election scene where there already seems to be enough confusion -- but in your sail club. It is the chairs of each of the many committees that really make things happen. Even before my watch as Rear Commodore began, Tom Fraser and Roster Assistant Jerry Meach had developed most of the club roster, checked the many helpful details that go into the book, and arranged for the printing. Jerry’s work as chair of the Electronic Data Processing Committee helped make this job easier for all. Ron Morketter has labored long and carefully not only to keep up with the membership records but to steer the process of bringing in new members and helping with those records. John

Jamieson has served well as Club Historian. George Sirdenis is to be thanked for bring us ideas as Assets manager; no ‘fuzzy math’ here!

Our website is held in high regard by all DRYA clubs due to the work of webmaster Greg Wheeler; race results, local weather, Americans Club information, and links to other clubs are all appreciated. Our annual regatta in July was successful because of the coordination and attention to detail of Andrew Morlan aided by Nancy and David MacDonald; their efforts under the fire of changing conditions is noted with joy and appreciation. And each of these chairs had numerous committee members working with them to bring you good sailing, worthwhile social events, and behind the scenes club organization which allows the GPSC to function so well. My thanks to all Rear Commodore’s Committees!

Dock and Supply

We have an excellent selection of nautical wearing apparel available in our Dock and Supply inventory. Each of the items listed below sport our GPSC Burgee logo.

Framed Burgees \$
65.00

Lined Lightweight Jackets.....\$
55.00

(navy)
Sweaters.....\$
42.00

(navy and cream)
Polo (Golf) Shirts.....\$
28.50

(navy and white)
Baseball
Caps.....\$
10.00

Sweatshirts.....\$
25.00

Coffee Mugs.....\$
3.00

License
Plates.....\$ 5.00

We will have a display of apparel as well as other items available for sale at many of the social functions. In addition, for quick home purchases, call Kelee or John Teodecki at (313) 331-6512 if you need something between club social events.

www.gpsc.org

Just a reminder, our website features a bulletin board, also known as a discussion group. This area can be used to post or respond to messages on topics related to sailing or club business. For instance, if you have a question on a racing rule and want to get others’ opinions, you can post your question on this page. Or, if

you want to post a dry dock reminder to club members, this is the forum in which to do it. The page is password-protected and is for GPSC members only. To reach it, click on Club Information on the left-hand side of the page. A window will pop up asking you for a name and password. The name is "port" and the password is "tack," both in lowercase letters. Once logged in, you will be in the members-only section of the website where you can click on Discussion Group.

2000 ROSTER UPDATE

NEW MEMBERS:

Thomas Caulfield
756 Pemberton, GPP
P: 313.801.1850
Email: Tom.Caulfield@ourclub.com
W: 313.259.4700X231
Fax: 313.259.3599

Mike Daly (Peggy)
1382 Harvard
P: 313.884.9398
Email: MikeDaly@home.com
W: 313.510.3464
Boat: Shenanigans, Catalina 27
Moored: Windmill Pointe Park Marina

Kenneth LaCrosse
29065 Lund #2
Warren, MI 48093
P: 810.514.0246
Email: lackd@aol.com
W: 248.828.4564
Fax: 248.828.0813

Andrew Richner
718 Berkshire Rd.
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Phone: 313-822-5577

Ed Sullivan
830 Harcourt
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Phone: 313-821-1320
e-mail: maredsul@webtv.net

Kenneth M. Thelen (Amy)
734 Pemberton, GPP
P: 313.822.3029
Email: Kmithelen@aol.com
W: 313.821.0500
Fax: 313.821.0500
Boat: Vahevala, Catalina 25
Moored: Windmill Pointe Park Marina

If you move, change your telephone or fax number or e-mail address, please let us know so we can reach you!

Membership Information

Your dues notice also includes a data sheet listing the information that is in the records concerning your membership. Please review it for accuracy and make any necessary changes or additions. This is the data that is used to create the Membership Roster and the mailing list for all club information. Its accuracy depends on you.

Attention All Committee Chairs

In order to prepare the 2001 Budget I need a listing of your requirements by sub committee. Please specifically identify those few items requiring updating, replacement or repair from the various subcommittees. The budget will compiled based on 1998 – 2000 run rates adjusted for special purchases and projected revenues. Final Budgets will be communicated at the Annual Meeting. Call John Raguse after 6pm with any questions at 313 647 9467.

2001 Roster Reminder

Fellow members: take note of your very own listing in the current Roster. A few of you have recently moved and submitted appropriate changes -- you are excused. The balance of you, pay attention! You will soon be receiving a form to fill in with your annual dues submission. This is your chance to correct data that has changed since you last took a look at your profile. Commonly forgotten items are area codes, email addresses, boat names, and work numbers. We are often rushed to send in our dues and forget to update these items. Be ready when the mailing comes so the rest of us can find your correct information in the 2001 Roster!

Remember NO DUES = NO VOTE DECEMBER 1 ANNUAL MEETING

ANCHORLINE is the official publication of the Grosse Pointe Sail Club, Windmill Poine Marina, P. O. Box 36462, Grosse Pointe, Michigan, 48236.

EDITOR - Beth Kurta - (313) 822-3780 EKurta@aol.com
CONTRIBUTING COLUMNISTS

Commodore Robert H. Schappe
Vice-Commodore David C. Wetzel
Rear Commodore Gordon E. Morlan
Treasurer – John Raguse
Secretary – Vicki Colwell
Editorial Consultant – Bill Harbert
Webmaster – Greg Wheeler
Entertainment Co-Chair – Cynthia Warner

Dry Dock – Darius Hummel
Membership Chair – Ron Morketter

Mark your Calendars for GPSC 2001 Events!

JANUARY

8 BOARD MEETING
13 COMMODORE'S BALL

FEBRUARY

3-4 WINTER WEEKEND
5 BOARD MEETING
24 DRY DOCK

MARCH

5 BOARD MEETING
16 ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

APRIL

2 BOARD MEETING
7 COMMODORE'S STEAK ROAST
29 FAMILY BRUNCH

MAY

7 BOARD MEETING
12 NSSC TUNE-UP REGATTA
19 GLYC REGATTA
20 DETROIT RIVER CHALLENGE RACE
26 DYC REGATTA
29 SPRING SERIES BEGINS
POST RACE PARTY
FLEET BLESSING

JUNE

1-3 BYC NOOD REGATTA
5, 12, 19, 26 SPRING SERIES RACES
8 MILLS RACE
15 WYC OVERNIGHT REGATTA
23-24 SUMMER RENDEZVOUS
30 DBC REGATTA

JULY

7 REGATTA AND AWARDS PARTY
10 LAST SPRING SERIES RACE
17, 31 SUMMER SERIES RACES
21 PORT HURON TO MACKINAC RACE

AUGUST

4 GLYC DOWNRIVER RACE
5 GLYC DEEP WATER RACE
6-8 ILYA BAY WEEK
7, 14, 21, 28 SUMMER SERIES RACES
11-12 GPYC REGATTA
17 LADIES RACE AND PARTY
18 EBC REGATTA
25 CSYC REGATTA
28 POST TUESDAY NIGHT RACE PARTY

SEPTEMBER

1-3 FALL RENDEZVOUS
8 DYC SWEEPSTAKES REGATTA
10 BOARD MEETING
15 BYC/GPYC LONG DISTANCE REGATTA
16 FALL SERIES RACES #1 & #2
22 GPYC BLUENOSE REGATTA

SEPTEMBER CONT'D

23 FALL SERIES RACES #3 & #4
28 NEW MEMBERS' PARTY
29 BYC NORTH CHANNEL RACE

OCTOBER

1 BOARD MEETING
5 BYC MACKINAC AWARDS
7 FROSTBITE RACE AND CHILI PARTY
13 LOBSTER ROAST

NOVEMBER

1 DRYA ANNUAL MEETING – BYC
2 DRYA AWARDS DINNER – GPYC
5 BOARD MEETING
9 GPSC AWARDS PARTY
17 DRY DOCK

DECEMBER

7 ANNUAL MEETING
9 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

GPSC 2000 TROPHIES

Grosse Pointe Sail Club Trophies will be announced at the Awards Party and will be presented at the Annual Meeting on December 1. Following are trophy winners and race results:

Perpetual: TBA

Pureblood: TBA

Fall Series: TBA

Frostbite: Com. Howard Riley aboard Tresor

Ladies Challenge: Torrey Stackpoole aboard Suicide Blonde

GPSC 2000 Fall Series

JAM A

1. Spectre – Com. Robert Schappe
2. Avatar – Com. Gordon Morlan
3. Rapture – Com. Larry Haggart

JAM B

1. 5 Guys Named Moe – Rob Boggs
2. Alcoholics All – Giles
3. Growl Tiger - Thoma

GPSC 2000 Frostbite Race

1. Tresor – Com. Howard Riley
2. C.F.Pickle – Tom Fraser
3. Quest - Bill Kuester

GPSC 2000 Ladies Challenge

1. Suicide Blonde – Torrey Stackpoole
2. Avatar – Judy Morlan & Carrie Kelly

Sundown Series Final Results

GPSC members are in Bold Type

SERIES #1

PHRF A-

- 1st - Epic—Adams
- 2nd - Hot Ticket—R. Kirkman
- 3rd - Burden IV—H. B. Jones

PHRF B

- 1st - **Stealth--S. Kevelighan**
- 2nd - Great Whisper - Jones
- 3rd - Wild Thang - Podgorski

PHRF C

- 1ST - Air Force - Fortune
- 2nd - Critical Mass - Kerr
- 3rd - Das Boot - Kolter

PHRF D

- 1st -Alcoholics All - Giles
- 2nd - Devil's Cabana Boy - Cost
- 3rd - (no name) - Chirolla

ETCHELLS

- 1st - Fire! - W. Zemmin
- 2nd -Dexter Lake Club - Dawson
- 3rd - Life Is Good - Clark

LEVEL 126

- 1st - **Solutions - M. Craig**
- 2nd - Hydromotion - Corrion
- 3rd - **Avatar - Morlan**

LEVEL 174

- 1st - AKA Bob - Turner
- 2nd - Defiant - Lech
- 3rd - Windshadow - Murphy

JAM A

- 1st - **Freeway—D. Carlson**
- 2nd - **Spectre - B. Schappe**
- 3rd -**Crackerjack - Auk**

JAM B

- 1ST -Kaizen - Belda
- 2nd -5 Guys Names Moe -R.Boggs
- 3rd -Annie Mayme - Schreiber

CRESCENT

- 1st - Utopia - Dales
- 2nd -Goldfinger - Cohan
- 3rd - Zoomer - Janeski

CRUISE

- 1st - Yankee - Krietsch
- 2nd - Slainte - Kar
- 3rd - Valkyrie - Behler

SERIES #2

- Hot Ticket—R. Kirkman
- Burden IV—H. B. Jones
- Epic--Adams

- Great Whisper - Jones
- Wind Toy IV - B. Bunn**
- Stealth--S. Kevelighan**

- Das Boot - Kolter
- Critical Mass - Kerr
- Air Force - Fortune

- Draco—Shenstone
- Seawise - Weiss
- Black Dog - Beck/Matthews

- Fire!—W. Zemmin
- Dexter Lake Club - Dawson
- Life Is Good - Clark

- Hydromotion - Corrion
- Gandalf - D. Ragan**
- No Rebase - Richards

- AKA Bob - Turner
- Defiant - Lech
- Suicide Blonde—H. Stackpoole**

- Spectre - B. Schappe**
- Freeway—D. Carlson**
- Praeceptor - Parker

- 5 Guys Names Moe -R.Boggs
- Windswept -Johnson**
- Coyote - Cotter**

- Utopia - Dales
- Manon - S. Hume
- Moon - Rasmussen

- Yankee - Krietsch
- Slainte - Kar
- Deep Powder - Raguse**

Notice of the December 1st Annual Meeting at the Tompkins Center is included in this issue, along with the slate of officer candidates for the year 2001.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

Ho! Ho! Ho! Have you all been good little children this year? And how about you big kids in the back row? Would you like Santa to bring you a new boat this year?

Did you ever stop and think that the little children who believe in Santa Claus all receive toys and presents from him this time of year. Those that don't believe get ties, socks, a bottle of cologne, and if you're real lucky - maybe a new bilge pump. Better to believe!

Sunday, December 3rd, is the GPSC Annual Christmas Brunch for all youngsters who are related to club members. Party starts at 11:00 AM in the Tompkins Center. Full details and a reservation form are included in this issue of ANCHORLINE.



Awards Party

The GPSC Annual Awards Banquet for this year will be held at the Tompkins Center on Friday night, November 10th. Unfortunately, this is the one club sponsored event where attendance is by invitation only. Guests for the evening are the skippers of the winning boats for the two Sundown Series, the Ladies Race, the Fall Series, and the Frostbite Race. Each invited skipper is also provided with two tickets for crewmembers. Also receiving invitations to this very special party are all of the club members who were involved in conducting the races.

Evening activities start at 1900 hours with a hors d'oeuvres and beverages, followed by the awarding of flags. This night provides us with a tremendous opportunity to show visitors what a great organization Grosse Pointe Sail Club is, and perhaps encourage some guests to join. If you have an interest in attending next year's party, remember to sign up next spring to work at least one race.

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

THANK YOU!!!

A very special thanks to Bill Harbert for pitching in and videotaping the Tuesday night races. It was great to watch that night's race at

Marge's while enjoying camaraderie and libations.

GOOD JOB, BILL!!