

COMMODORE'S comments

Commodore Norm Samra
Speaks



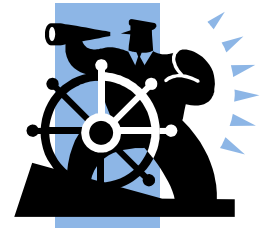
Somewhere between the flurry of summer activities and the flurry of fall leaves, a few final days of sailing must tide us over until next season. We did, fortunately, have four good races during our Fall Series followed by the nip / tacks of our recent Frostbite race. Cool, shifty winds made the race interesting to watch from the spectators' vantage point on the dock. Commodore Schappe's *Specter* ran into a hole but managed to maintain her lead when the wind fortuitously filled in. Tom Fraser's *C.F. Pickle* drifted past the pin in light air, decided to take a DNF, and went straight for the chili dogs. Commodore Morlan's *Avatar* took a second and Richard Rumon's *Scrimshaw* a third in the race with eight starters. Much thanks once again to our Race Chair George Fuller and Assistant Race Chair Dave MacDonald and to Barb and Commodore Ed Olsen for their superb dock management. And let's not forget Commodore Comerford for most expertly setting the marks with George's help.

The chili party following the Frostbite was very well attended. A record number of hotdogs was consumed, and nineteen chili entries tempted the palates of the some 60 GPSC party-goers. Senior Chili Chris Behler placed first, closely followed by the Rumon family's favorite concoction. Rumors abound that some people voted for what they thought was their chili when,

unbeknownst to them, the entry numbers had been changed. All in good taste though. Thanks again to Debbie and Bob Brownell, Nancy MacDonald and Cindy and Pete Warner, top dogs in the entertainment sector for a fun filled fall party. I'd also like to thank my daughter Emily and Robbie Brownell for most capably handling the money for us.

As gratifying as it was to see all the people at the chili party, we still need to recruit new members and to involve more of the members we do have. Let's try our best to promote our great club. Hope to see you at the Lobster Roast October 18!

GPSC Bullets



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Crescent Sail Club
Nov. 22

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Views from the VICE

The Great Race on St. Stupid

Notes, Bells & Prints



Your Survey

It was a great race. The annual Frostbite proved to be a real challenge, although it was not very frosty and the finicky fall winds caused most crews to ridicule our old nemesis, Lake St. Stupid. I saw one boat that made two full circles during the race while another that was sailing in the opposite direction (due to a massive wind shift) on the same leg. I fear some of the crews may have resorted to early refreshments during some of the many lulls between the good breezes. Notwithstanding, the sailors had a terrific time, and all enjoyed the last official club race for the year. Congratulations to skippers Com. Bob Schappe, Andrew Morlan, and Rick Rumon (eventhough Rick was not on board!) for being the top three finishers.

The Chili Party after the Frostbite Race had more pots of chili made by club members than I can ever remember. The turnout was large, the food was superb, and the libations were cold. The hard part of the event was determining the best recipe for the Chili Contest Cook-off. With so many wonderful tasting dishes, many samples were required. In the end, Nancy and Dave MacDonald were awarded the top prize for their tangy brand of liquid heat. Wow! Hats off to Debbie and Bob Brownell for organizing and hosting this very successful party.

You will shortly receive your 2004 GPSC Dues Renewal Statement and Member Interest Survey. Please take time to carefully review and update all your personal information, i.e. address, phone numbers, etc. Most importantly, be sure to include your current email address and any cell phone numbers you care to share. Email has become a very effective method to contact our members quickly and inexpensively. We will be using email with greater emphasis in the upcoming year to keep you informed about club activities.

The Member Interest Survey portion of the dues statement allows each member to define how they

will support our club. I am asking each member to identify three areas in the club that they would like to support and participate in. The lifeblood of any successful organization like ours is the participation of the membership. Please take this step to describe your personal method to help make our club successful. We need your help. After you have completed updating the personal data section of the dues renewal statement and the interest survey, please mail or hand-deliver the statement, along with your check, of course, to Ron Morketter. Your early return will help us complete and distribute the 2004 Roster earlier.

Committee chairs should begin arranging their turnover notes to be provided to the new chairperson next year. Please make the information as detailed as possible and insert your notes into a 3 ring binder. Things to include are bills and receipts, budgets created for events, timetables and schedules, menus, and any other related information. This information will help make the transition go smoothly.

Finally, Lady Fran and I look forward to sharing a wonderful sailing print and a redecorated family room, thanks to yours truly, during the Commodore's Ball afterglow on January 17, 2004. Of course there is a story to go along with this which I will share with you at the afterglow. Please mark your calendar. It will be a great party, see you there.

Jerry Partridge
Vice Commodore

Anchorline Corrections: September Issue

The photo on page three was of Ed Olsen and Lady Barb Samra working the docks and not Glory Schappe as indicated.

The Mackinaw Race results, under Shore Course, CC35, under the skipper of Contender, who took 5th place should have read Gary Graham.

Bringing up the REAR . . .

Rear Commodore Glory Schappe ☆

We bid farewell to long, lazy, warm days and say hello to shorter, busier, cooler ones. All around me I see club activity shifting into high gear with the fall season. Your Commodore continues to oversee all of the various club activities and, in addition, he and Lady Barb are attending the fall circuit of Commodore's Balls. Your Vice Commodore is a very busy man right now for he has been planning his calendar, securing his event dates and selecting his Committee Chairs and Flag Officers for the coming year. These fearless volunteers are the people who will help him ensure a successful upcoming year. He and Lady Fran are also hard at work planning their 2004 Commodore's Ball (mark your calendar for January 17th). As for yours truly, your Rear Commodore has an easier time of it right now than do my fellow officers. But my time will come!



Past Commodore David Wetzel has also had a busy time as he has been chairing the Nominating Committee that is responsible for providing the slate for the elections that will be held at the Annual Membership Meeting on December 5th. Take a look at the slate that is contained in this Anchorline and then plan to come to the Annual Meeting to cast your votes.

ATTENTION all Committee Chairs and Flag Officers. **TURNOVER NOTES** are being emphasized this year. These simple documents are so important in enabling a smooth transition within the club from year to year; the Bridge wants to ensure their availability and use. **PLEASE**, everyone, take a little time to write down how you did your club job this year. What was your job; what did you need to accomplish? What were the specific tasks you did to achieve your goals? Who were your useful sources, both inside the club and outside? What external agencies required contact? What special materials and equipment did you need and where did you secure them? What were your expenses? How did you handle staffing and subcommittees? What were the typical problems and concerns that arose? What locations or venues did you use and how are they contacted? What were your timelines (a suggested progression of tasks and their due dates)? What about clean up and follow up? Do you have suggestions for next time? The club is providing loose-leaf binders for your notes (call your Commodore) and we are asking that you complete the notes in time for a ceremonial handover at the Annual Meeting. Even if you will be repeating your job in the coming year we would like you to create Turnover Notes.

Membership Chair Ron Morketter and Ginger threw a wonderful New Member's Party at the end of September. Their lovely home and back deck are a

perfect venue and they are wonderful hosts. Thanks guys. If you (the reader) sponsor a new club member this year (and we hope lots of you do!), be sure you make plans to accompany them to this event next September. The club would like to see every new member and their sponsor attend.

Our 2003 racing season finished with a Fall Series that was sailed in breezy, unpredictable, shifting, chilly air and with a Frostbite Race that took place on a Sunday afternoon that provided lovely pleasant weather for the dock workers but crazy fluky air for the sailors. The main topic of conversation at the Chili Party following the race was that of sailing into holes and coping with the frequent wind shifts! A good time was had by all, thanks to party planners the Brownells, the MacDonalds and the Warners. Nearly 70 people attended the Chili Party, and 17 of them brought a pot of chili! Good going!

On a personal note, thanks to all of you for the lovely flowers sent by the club and for all the cards and good wishes I received following my recent surgery. By the time you read this I shall be back up to full speed. And I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming Lobster Roast and/or the Awards Party.



DRY DOCK WILL BE HELD

**ON NOVEMBER 22, 2003 AT CRESCENT
SAILCLUB**

AT 7:00 P.M.

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.

George Sirdenis

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The Sailing Rules!

All information taken off of www.sailing.org. Answer to the case appears on the following page.

THE CASE BOOK FOR 2001-2004

CASE 67

Part 2 Preamble

Rule 69 Allegations of Gross Misconduct

When a boat is racing and meets a vessel that is not, both are bound by the government right-of-way rules applicable to the area concerned. When, under these rules, the boat racing is the keep-clear boat and intentionally hits the other, she may be penalized for gross misconduct.

Summary of the Facts

Under the government right-of-way rules applicable, W, a boat that was racing, was required to keep clear of a sailing vessel to leeward, L, that was not racing. W wished to sail a lower course to a mark and hailed L, which refused to respond. W then intentionally hit L by bumping her boom several times, thereby causing damage. L informed the race committee of W's behaviour. A hearing was called, and W was disqualified for breaking rules 11 and 14. W appealed on the grounds that the racing rules did not apply, and consequently the protest committee was not entitled to disqualify her.



Grosse Pointe Sail Club Annual Meeting & Club Elections



Tompkins Center
December 5, 2003
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Website Manager: Harold Stackpoole.

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.

Sailing Rules Cont.



Decision

Appeal dismissed.

The preamble to Part 2 of the racing rules makes it clear that, when W met L, they were bound by the government right-of-way rules. However, W was also subject to the racing rules other than those of Part 2. W did not observe the government rules and, by intentionally hitting and damaging L, committed a gross breach of not only a rule but of good manners as well. The decision of the protest committee is upheld, but W is disqualified under the government rule applicable and not under racing rule 11 or rule 14, a rule of Part 2 which would have applied only if both boats had been intending to race, or were racing or had been racing. W also committed a gross breach of the government rule and a gross breach of good manners, and was therefore subject to further penalization under rule 69.



Mark Your Calendars!

Oct. 18	Lobster Roast
Nov. 7	Awards Party
Nov. 22	Dry Dock Crescent Sail Club
Dec. 5	Annual Meeting



Sailor Speak

There are many nautical terms that are seldom used, and even less that are understood by the novice sailor. I thought it would be fun if we publish five terms each month from now to May and you can then try out your new vocabulary next summer.

Bill Harbert

Monel – A strong rust-resistant metal alloy composed of approximately 67 percent nickel, 28 percent copper and 5 percent iron and manganese; commonly used for fastenings, propellers and parts of metal instruments.

Sister Hooks – A pair of hooks suspended from a common link and flat on their facing sides so that they lie together and form an eye when in use.

Vang – A device, usually with mechanical advantage, used to pull the boom down, flattening the sail.

Nautical Mile – Measure of length at sea (2,025 yards). One mile on land = 1,760 yards.

Fathom - A nautical measure equal to six feet; used for measuring water depths, and also for indicating the lengths of lead lines, cordage and anchor chains.



Frostbite Race & Chili Party

(Go to the Anchorline archives on our website for color photos)



While the temperatures were cool, the sailing was tricky!



The appetites were hearty for the great post race chili party!



New Member Page

Please pull out and attach to current roster

New Members since January 2003

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Bellamy, Fred (Janette) 2003
15444 Windmill Pointe Drive Pogo / C&C 40 (15142)
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230 Windmill Pointe Marina
Home: (313) 499-8666 e-mail: fbellamy@fosterswift.com

Brownell, Jennie 2003
758 Lakepointe
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Home: (313) 822-5206

Kraft, James (Karen) 2003
5940 Creekside Drive Power Tripp / Tripp 40 MK II (28990)
Troy, MI 48083 Detroit Yacht Club
Home: (248) 879-2020 e-mail: jkraft@aol.com
Work: (248) 740-9100 Fax: (248) 740-9131

Mainwaring, Marie J. 2003
11 Fair Lake Lane
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
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Basic Sailing II

November 5, 2003 Edison Boat Club February 25, 2004 Grosse Pointe Yacht Club

Sailing First Aid

November 12, 2003 Grosse Pointe Yacht Club March 3, 2004 Detroit Yacht Club

The World of Sails

November 19, 2003 Bayview Yacht Club March 10, 2004 Edison Boat Club

Sailing Safety

November 26, 2003 Detroit Yacht Club March 17, 2004 Bayview Yacht Club

Navigation

December 3, 2003 North Star Sail Club March 24, 2004 North Star Sail Club

I Want to Race My Boat -- Now What?

January 7, 2004 Edison Boat Club March 31, 2004 Edison Boat Club

Basic Racing Rules

January 14, 2004 Bayview Yacht Club April 7, 2004 Detroit Yacht Club

Sailing the Race

January 21, 2004 Grosse Pointe Yacht Club April 14, 2004 Edison Boat Club

Performance Sailing

January 28, 2004 Detroit Yacht Club April 21, 2004 Bayview Yacht Club

US & Canadian Regulations

February 4, 2004 Edison Boat Club April 28, 2004 Grosse Pointe Yacht Club

On the Water Demonstrations

(Advance reservations are required for this seminar only)

June 20, 2004 Lake St. Clair June 6, 2004 Cass Lake

Grosse Pointe Sail Club

Report from the Nominating Committee:

Candidates for 2004.

The following members have agreed to run for elective office of the Grosse Pointe Sail Club. The election will occur at our Annual Meeting in December of this year. This is a notice of the candidates to the membership; résumés will follow in the November Anchorline.

For Commodore: **Com. Gerald J. Partridge**

For Vice Commodore: **Com. Glory Schappe**

For Rear Commodore: **Tom Fraser**
Ken Suddick

For Directorship (2002-2003): **Chris Behler**
George Fuller
Beth Kurta
Dave MacDonald

We thank the members indicated above for having volunteered their service to our club.

Respectfully submitted,

Commodore David Wetzel
Nominating Committee Chairman

THE ANCHORLINE

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Annual Meeting – Dec. 5

