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Editor's Comments

Breaking news! After years of negotiations, work and improvements to the SSC Warehouse Building, the final version of the lease has been signed and the California Boating and Waterways unit is scheduled to move in on March 1st. A special thanks needs to be extended to Member Volunteer Jim Cahill and Harbor Master Jim Dale for their efforts extended on behalf of the Club to bring this to completion.



In addition to the additional income, we now have a much improved sprinklered building and grounds. And, yes, we still have a shop for members and a very nice room for our Yoga group and to rent for events.

In other news, the Annual Crab Feed is on. Take out if you want or dine in the retreat, the Sailors Lounge or on the lawn, if the weather permits.

Your editor has taken on some new Volunteer help, Jeannette Notman is assisting with development of SSC Committee news, Bonnie Williams is taking fotos and Kazu is reporting on Junior activities.

Your Boat is the ideal platform for optimum social distancing in this time of COVID-19. Come on out to the Club and get some fresh air and exercise!

Social and Cruise Report

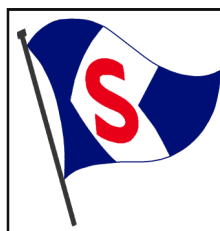
The Installation of Officers and Awards Banquet will be held at Elkhorn Golf course in January, 2022. Date to be determined.

The Crab Feed supporting the Junior Sailors will be a drive through event on Feb. 20. Refer to the poster on page 4 for details.

A drive through Corn Beef and Cabbage dinner will be held for St. Patrick's Day. The event will also honor Pat Felten.

Linda Buck, Vice Commodore was assigned as Social & Cruise Liaison by the SSC Board

The next Social & Cruise meeting will be on Zoom on Feb 4.2021



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2020 Commodore's Awards

The Annual Awards Dinner had to be cancelled due to the California COVID-19 restrictions on public gatherings. However, the 2020 Commodore did make the three awards traditionally made by the Commodore.



The Celtic Childe Award for Distinguished Service

Once again we have two recipients of the Celtic Childe, Mike Little and Tom Lueck for their outstanding volunteer service to the Club in creating the beautiful new Bar in the Dining Room and the new "Sailor's Lounge" downstairs.

The Bonnie May Wilkinson Award

The Bonnie May is awarded to Lori Kruse for her efforts and dedication on behalf of the SSC Junior Program and the SSC Youth Racing Program. A few years ago, the then Commodore asked me if I could try to bring some life back into the SSC Junior Program. Finally I feel this has happened and the credit goes to Lori.



The Commodore's Award for Sportsmanship

Marc Niemeyer is the 2020's recipient of the Sportsmanship Award for his extensive volunteer work on the Club's small boats and his help with the Junior Program. There is still a lot to be completed and I am sure Marc would like your help. Give him a call.



Saturday Feb 20th

Tickets \$49. (No cancellations accepted after Feb 15)

Contact the office for tickets or scan the QR code

Door opens TBD PM / Service Begins TBD PM

Drive through or Eat in (depending on Covid-19 rules)

Dessert Auction by SSC Junior Sailors

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Stockton Sailing Club Junior Sailors New Year Update

By *Kazu Frieber*, reporting

While we are hibernating for the winter, we would like to congratulate a few of our outstanding sailors, who received awards for excellence.

No. 1: Junior of the Year

Awarded to **Teagan Smith**

The "Junior of the Year Award" honors that junior member who has been actively involved in the program, and exemplifies:

- Personal growth as a sailor
- Volunteer work around/for Stockton Sailing Club
- Participation on the water and at Junior events
- Junior Race Team participation
- Enthusiasm for sailing
- Sportsmanship and attitude

No. 2: Rookie of the Year

Awarded to **Max Mora**

The "Rookie of the Year Award" honors a new junior member who shows the same character qualities as the the "Junior of the Year"

No. 3: Sportsman of the Year

Awarded to **Ashley Ragon**

The "Sportsman of the Year Award" is determined by the votes of the junior members only. This award honors the junior that has demonstrated great sportsmanship. Attributes of a deserving junior for this award is someone that is dedicated, helpful, hardworking, encouraging, supportive and respectful of others, accepts advice and constructive feedback, follows the rules of the club and racing, and is someone that you are proud to have on your team!

No. 4: Racer of the Year

Awarded to **Bella Crotty**

This award is presented to the junior sailor who stands out as a racer. The recipient demonstrates not only accomplished racing skills & knowledge of the sport, but also dependable participation, team leadership, positive representation of the club at regattas & intra club events.

Though this past year was impossible to plan for, our junior sailors stepped up, and showed true spirit and sportsmanship. Thank you.

News from the Platform, *Jill Humphreys reporting*.....

Regatta awards are going to be a little bit different than usual as due to COVID-19 we had to make some adjustments to how we conduct our racing. We would like to thank all of the sailors that participated in this year sailing whether it was a fun sail on a Friday night or an actual race that we are able to accomplish in the fall.

All time single handed sailor: Walt Andrews

Old school racing duo: Bill Canepa and Rick Gibson

Salty dog of a sailor: Ray Lopez

Masked sailors: Jim Hachman and Chris Shepherd

Stealth mode sailor: David VanDyke

First to the bar: Mike Little and crew

Last to leave the dock but first to the finish line: Pat Brown, Patrick Brown, and John Notman Jr

Most four-legged crew: Tom Lueck and Cooper

Most non racing crew: Budge Humphreys

Single-handed platform champion: Jillian Humphreys

R00kie of the Year:: Gray Drohan

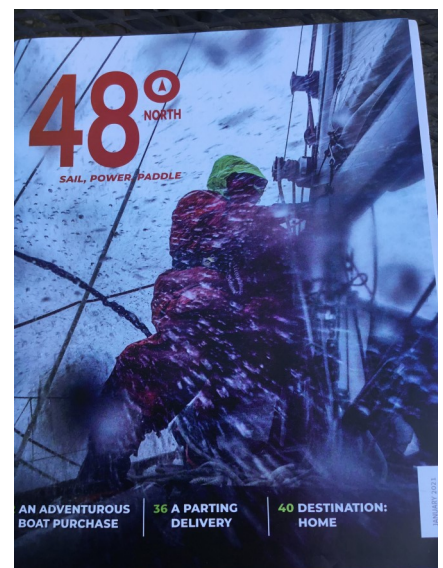
Old junior sailor makes a splash on the cover of 48 North."

Growing up as a junior at the Stockton Sailing Club has its perks, and one of those perks is that you get to follow your fellow sailors throughout life as we are such a small group.

I was part of the Junior Sailing program with Martin Gibson when his family joined the club in the early to mid 90s, and am very proud to see him achieve sailing greatness. From Paccup to the cover of 48 North...what's next AC37, Vendee Globe, or Volvo Ocean, Fastnet... only time will tell.

Martin, thank you for representing the SSC in your continued sailing adventures. Stay safe, but sail fast.

Fun Regatta 2003



1. Why do the racing rules change every four years?

The racing rules are locked in place for a four-year period, and can be changed the year after the Olympics. That keeps the rules from changing

every year, as they do in most sports, but allows World Sailing to improve the rules as the sport evolves.

2. Sometimes the rules revisions are revolutionary and change the way we play the game, and sometimes they're more subtle. Which would you say the 2021-2024 rules changes are?

There are no "revolutionary" changes in the 2021-2024 rules, but there are many small changes that have improved the sport, made it safer, and made it fairer.

3. Which changes do you think may be the most challenging for sailors to get used to?

Likely the most challenging will be that under the 2021-2024 rules, an item that is listed in the Notice of Race no longer needs to be listed in the Sailing Instructions. Therefore, if sailors do not read the Notice of Race, they may not know important information such as whether there will be a throw-out race or even what the courses are.

4. Which changes do you think will lead to the most interesting boat-on-boat encounters on the race course?

The only real change to the boat-on-boat rules is that now a starboard-tack boat (S) can luff towards a port-tack boat (P) that is sailing to pass astern of her on a downwind leg (not on an upwind leg). S still has to give P room to keep clear of her under rule 16.1, Changing Course, but S can make it more difficult for P to pass astern of her.

5. Which changes do you think will most affect the way race committees run races?

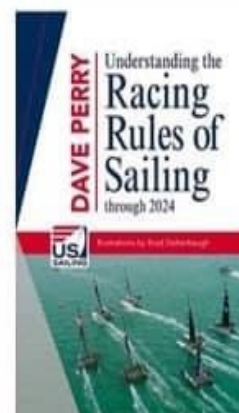
The biggest change for race committees is that now a boat's crew and equipment is no longer a factor for deciding if a boat is over the starting line at the start, or has crossed the finishing line at the finish. It is just the boat's hull that counts. So race committees can ignore the boat's crew, even if they are out on the trapeze at the start, and will no longer have to decide whether a boat's spinnaker was in its "normal position" in close finishes.

6. What advice would you give to new racing sailors who want to get the greatest competitive advantage they can from the rules?

When new to the sport, the first step is to be solid on the right-of-way rules so you can get near other boats without incorrectly interfering with them. The four r-o-w rules are port/starboard (rule 10), windward/leeward (rule 11), clear ahead and clear astern (rule 12) and tacking (rule 13). The port-tack boat, windward boat, boat clear astern and tacking boats must keep-clear. The other boat in the rule is the right-of-way boat. Be sure that if you are the right-of-way boat that you are not "talked out of your position" by a loud keep-clear boat.

7. How have the new rules changed the way that team racing is played?

The change to rule 16.2, Changing Course, means that starboard-tack boats can no longer "hunt" port-tack boats (bear off and make it more difficult for port-tack boats to duck them).





Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner Saturday March 13th

Tickets \$12. (No cancellations accepted after March 8th)

Door opens TBD PM / Service Begins TBD PM

Drive through or Eat in (depending on Covid-19 rules)

Contact the office for tickets

Honoring and in memory of Pat Felten who for years spearheaded this event



Some Recent Activities at the Club



Grant proposed and she said yes.



Gary and Juan repaired a piling.



A visitor came by.



The staff enjoyed a year end lunch.

A Little History

Recently I got my hands on Some newsletters from Dave Van Dyke from the 1970's. Interesting how some things stay applicable to present day. Take a step back in time and enjoy these words.

GOOSEWING JIBES

By James C. VanDyke

RACING AND CRUISING:

Another beautiful sailing season is about to end with only a race or two and the co ed cruise to Grindstone left on the agenda. As we look back over our year's racing opportunities we must conclude that the attendance by boats in most of the classes is anything but inspiring. This absence of enthusiasm is probably caused by lack of individual class organization; and as there is nothing that whets the sailing appetite more than racing, we should it seems put more effort in this aspect of club activities. Old Goosewing suggests that the Race Committee Chairman appoint an energetic subcommittee with the specific responsibility of inciting race enthusiasm in the classes. The effort is well worth it for every boat owner is interested in increasing his sailing expertise and nothing does it more rapidly than racing.

Our club cruises have incidentally been more successful than in the near past, but the range has been disappointing to Old Goose. The greater percentage of boats in the club are well designed and equipped for cruises to the Bay and even into the ocean yet we seem to be content to restrict our cruising to the Delta. The "Whippet" made a July 4th cruise to Drake's Bay after attempting to round up some company without success. Although the weather in the inland bays was rough, the ocean was calm, clear and delightful. We found Drake's Bay to be unique in its unspoiled beauty and were so pleased by the cruise that we returned on Labor Day. Again we had the bay and beaches to ourselves, solitude that is not easy to find. Although the Delta is a wonderland it is enjoyable to change our horizon and venture more. Goose again suggests that the club appoint a cruise committee with instructions to inject each crusing boat owner with a strong shot of fortitude. The rewards are worth 100 times the effort. Further I sayeth not.



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