



# Soundings

Newsletter of the *South Port Sailing Club*

Nov. 2006

## Bill & Rod's Excellent Adventure, by Alan Henderson

Veteran South Port sailors Bill Noakes and Rod Zatyko are having the adventure of a lifetime.

The two are aboard the three-masted bark Europa sailing from Tenerife in the Canary Islands to Salvador, Brazil, where they landed Oct. 24, and then on to Ushuaia, Argentina where they expect to dock on Nov. 23.

The Europa was pictured in *The Windsor Star* a few Saturdays ago on the front page of the travel section. The ship's owners also maintain an informative Web site <http://www.barkeuropa.com/>, which includes a chart showing the actual position of the ship at any time on the Atlantic.

After tours of the Antarctica, the Europa is bound for Cape Town, South Africa.

But Bill and Rod will be coming

home after they arrive in Ushuaia to regale us with stories about their most exciting voyage.

The Europa was built in 1911 but was fully restored in 1994 and now sails the world in the best seafaring tradition. The Europa has a professional crew of up to 14 sailors and up to 48 paying sailors, like Bill and Rod, of all nationalities.

Quoting from the Europa's Web page: "The traditional mahogany deckhouse, teakwood decks and floors as well as the beautiful interior with authentic early 20th century details provide a perfect ambiance for a fantastic voyage.

The classic romantic bunks are very comfortable. All cabins are provided with ensuite shower and toilet. There are 11 cabins, of which two are 2-person cabins, five are 4-person cabins and four

are 6-person cabins. Furthermore the accommodation comprises: a hospital, deck lounge with bar, mess room and a library.

"Towering above the decks are the 3 lofty masts, of which 2 masts each carrying 6 yards. In a light breeze, a spectator may see the Europa with 30 sails billowing gently, being blown towards the horizon; an image reminiscent of the era of swift clipper ships which carried guests and goods from the Orient round the world."

You can read more - and how you can join the crew - on the company's Web site.

Can't wait to hear the tales when they come back, particularly about being hundreds of feet above deck furling sails in howling winds.

Sailing to Put-in Bay just won't seem the same any more.



**The adventure of a lifetime  
Bill Noakes and Rod Zatyko are sailing on the Europa**

## Annual General Meeting

SOUTH PORT SAILING CLUB  
Tuesday November 28, 2006  
7:00 p.m.

Nominations from membership  
to be in the hands of Secretary  
by  
Thursday November 23, 2006

*Brenda Petro*  
Secretary 2006

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# Remembrance Day, 11 November

by Jackie Timothy



In Flanders Field the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

*John McRae*



## Why Should We Remember?

If we do not, the sacrifices of those one hundred thousand Canadian lives will be meaningless. They died for us, for their homes and families and friends, for a collection of traditions they cherished and a future they believed in; they died for Canada. The meaning of their sacrifice rests with our collective national consciousness; our future is their monument.

## What Should we Remember?

First World War  
1914 – 1918  
Second World War  
1939 – 1945  
Korean War  
1950 – 1953



## How Do We Remember?

On November 11, especially, but also throughout the year, we have the opportunity to remember the special efforts of those special Canadians.

Remember those lost and those still with us. Wear a poppy and observe two minutes of silence in honour of those who volunteered for the cause of freedom and peace.

*researched on line  
Veterans Affairs Canada*

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## Thanks from Kent and Carol

Hi to all South Port members and a big 'THANK YOU' for the great welcome to us during the summer and also allowing us a dock while we visited all my pals from the past. We enjoyed the time spent at South Port as I knew we would. You have a great club and I really miss it.

We sailed down from Lake Superior, and one occasion to remember was pulling into Harrisville Harbour in Mich. As we slipped into a well, I noticed the next boat was from Florida with 'SPSC' on the transom. Two gentlemen (a term used loosely in this case) helped take our lines. We talked while tying the boat and I asked if there was a Southport in Florida. One

guy looked at me from about a foot away and, trying to recognize me (a gray-haired, weathered sailor in a Mich. boat), at least 200 miles from any SPSC said: "Kent?" I stared for a long second and studied this unfamiliar bearded face and said: "Dave?" (You just can't get far enough away from these SPSC characters.) Well did we break out the Scotch or what. Enjoyed a nice visit with Bob Shore and Dave Webb. From that second on I couldn't wait to get to SPSC! I was saddened by a few people that aren't there any longer but overall it was nice to see those that I did and to meet a few new members.

If any of you come out our way (B.C.), Carol and I extend a warm welcome and a place to stay. You can meet our club members and sail in the Shuswap with us too! Wishing you all a cosy winter.

*Kent and Carol Walker  
Shuswap Sail Club B.C.*

P.S. Visit by email if you wish to at [spinaker@jetstream.net](mailto:spinaker@jetstream.net)  
We would love to keep in touch.

**Welcome new members  
Loretta Flynn and  
Luc Beaucage**

## Mainstays Christmas dinner theatre

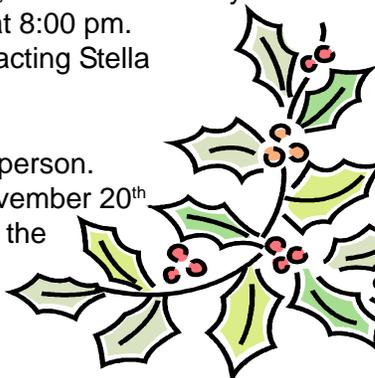
Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Our Christmas gathering will be at Mackenzie Hall, 3277 Sandwich Street, Windsor. There will be a Buffet Dinner at 6:15 pm followed by *Twelve Angry Santas!*, a hilarious holiday mystery trial audience participation show at 8:00 pm.

Seating is limited, so sign up early by contacting Stella Oldridge at 519.254.8785 or Sue Bufton.

Dinner and show group rate is \$37.00 per person.

Tickets must be paid for in advance by November 20<sup>th</sup>

For more details, see the notice posted on the clubhouse notice board.



## Men's Spaghetti Bash

Friday December 1  
7:00 pm.

Sign up sheet at the club  
Come and enjoy  
a good meal  
and fellowship  
Contact: Lorne Mann



## Thanks from the Harbour Master, Jamie Halpin

Thank you to everyone who came out for cradle moving and especially to Wayne Hind and Doug Watson for driving the forklift and Bill Frank for directing the operation. Thanks also to Anne Marie Norton, Chris Eagan and the rest of the crew that moved three masts down to Pud's Place for me.

Thank you to everyone for your patience when Haul Out Day turned into Haul Out Weekend. It took the break down of the small crane to make us appreciate how great it is to have two cranes. Thanks to everyone who came out for both days.

Thank you to:

- Andy Hellenbart for lining up the boats when it was their turn to come out
- Doug Watson and Duncan Hind for directing the crane
- Bill Frank, Dave Howarth, and Jim Halpin for recording
- Dave Robichaud and Steve Zsargo for slinging slings and guiding boats
- The Junior Sailing instructors for taking on the not entirely pleasant job of cleaning bottoms
- Lynn Baker and her crew for running the kitchen
- Anyone I missed, I really do appreciate all of your help

Our planned project for the winter is replacing the wood on A/B dock. Keep an eye on Soundings and your e-mail for details.

Thanks again!

## Final Call for Final Furl

Please send in  
reservations by  
November 10th.  
Vegetarian dinner  
available. Info in  
clubhouse or contact  
Derek White at  
[dawhitey1@cogeco.ca](mailto:dawhitey1@cogeco.ca)

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# Haul out 2006



Thanks to everyone who worked on Haul Out Day on 21 October, especially when it turned into Haul Out Weekend. Now the cradles are in line for their long winter storage. Photos by Jackie Timothy.



"It took the break down of the small crane to make us appreciate how great it is to have two cranes."



## Introducing current members, by Jackie Timothy

### George and Brenda Petro

and their son Neil have been SPSC members since 1981. Prior to joining South Port, they took adult sailing lessons and brought two Lasers with them. Since that time they owned a Gowman 20, Kirby 25 and Niagara 26. The Petros participated in racing over the years with their boat and as crew. George's marathon racing and moto cross racing takes time away from sailing. Brenda, who was junior sailing chair in 1986, has been recording secretary since 1999.



## Marian Nijhuis 80th celebration

I received a telephone call from her brother to inform me that Marian had a wonderful 80th birthday party, in October, celebrated with family. Within a few days her brother and niece also had birthdays so it was a joint celebration. Physically she is keeping extremely well, but her memory has deteriorated rapidly. She still has her gracious personality and enjoys life in Ottawa. Marian is a lady we all remember with pleasure, especially her travel adventures.

*Margaret Entwistle*

## Wednesday night final standings for 2006, by Chris Eagen, R.C. chair

### Shark

- 1<sup>st</sup> Spongeworthy; Mo Regnier
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Loanshark; Luke Brockman
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Cheers; Darcy Fuller

### JOG

- 1<sup>st</sup> Kiwitea; Lyn Domney
- 2<sup>nd</sup> East of Midnight; Peter Soles
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Chinook; John Murphy

### PHRF C

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bull Dog; Frank Edgley
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Schwanky; Derek White
- 3<sup>rd</sup> No Resistance; Dave Robichaud

### PHRF B

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sniper; Kevin Mogyorody
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Dynamo Humm; Joe Davidson
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Addendum; Bob Fuller

### PHRF A

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ruffian; Bill Noakes

## Thanks to Matt Baker



Matt Baker quietly left SPSC this summer, and we would like to thank him for all he has done for the club, particularly for having started up and run the Web site for at least the last six years. At the same time, let's reminisce about his involvement with SPSC. Matt has been sailing since the Baker family bought their boat in 1980.

Said Lynn Baker: "Matt was about 10 months old when we brought the boat from the Windsor Yacht Club to South Port. He started taking sailing lessons at age 9 - began teaching at 16... and was head instructor for three years before retiring."

Matt also raced Lasers with a team of instructors, participated in CORK, and travelled throughout Ontario Michigan and Ohio with the team. He also raced Sharks with Craig Noakes and Jeremy Major. Lynn tells us that Matt now enjoys cruising, especially aboard Good News, and teaching friends to enjoy sailing.

"Matt is currently working as a GIS specialist with Earth Science Research Institute in Redlands California. However he does have a friend with a CS 38 at San Diego Yacht Club... and is looking forward to sailing new waters."

Best of luck to you, Matt!

# November 2006 SPSC Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	
(Oct. 29-Nov. 4) <b>Murphy, J &amp; Priskorn, K</b>	<b>December Clubhouse Duties</b> (Dec 3-9) <b>Rindlisbacher, T&amp;L</b>  (Dec 10-16) <b>Salter, M&amp;B</b>  (Dec 17-23) <b>Schlosser, G&amp;F</b>  (Dec 24-30) <b>Smith, R&amp;P</b>					3	4
5  (Nov. 5-11) <b>O'Brien, M&amp;S</b>	(Dec 17-23) <b>Schlosser, G&amp;F</b>  (Dec 24-30) <b>Smith, R&amp;P</b>				10  Reservations for <b>Final Furl</b> must be received by today. Contact Derek White.	11  7:30 pm <b>Games night at the club</b>	
12  (Nov. 12-18) <b>Regnier, M</b>	13  7:15 pm Executive Meeting	14  Men's Lunch					<b>Final Furl</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Saturday 18</b></span>  The Other Place Catering & Reception Center  Cocktails 6:00 p.m. 1395 Walker Rd. Windsor
19  (Nov. 19-25) <b>Reid, B&amp;O</b>	<b>Monday 20</b> 10.30 am - Mainstays meeting to prepare the wreath that adorns the entrance to the clubhouse at Christmas time. Come and help, have a cup of coffee and bring your lunch to enjoy after the work.						<span style="float: right;"><b>Saturday 25</b></span> <b>Games night &amp; Christmas tree decorating</b> 5:00 pm - Happy hour 6:00 pm - Pizza 7:30 pm - Cards Everyone is welcome!
26  (Nov. 26-Dec. 2) <b>Richardson, G Graybiel, J</b>	27  <b>Friends of Pike Creek</b>	28  <b>AGM</b> 7:00 pm	<b>Congratulations to 2006 St. Clair Solo winners</b>				
			<b>PHRF D</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Luke Brockman      Loan Shark 2 <sup>nd</sup> Chris Eagen        Tia Lisa	<b>PHRF B</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ken Blyth              On a Tack			