



# Soundings

## Newsletter of South Port Sailing Club

### Jan/Feb 2012



#### Message from Commodore, Allen Shearn



To those members Peggy and I did not see on January 1st Happy New Year !! The mortgage burning party was great fun. Thank you to Sue Balfe and her crew for preparing delicious food and providing ample champagne to celebrate this truly significant event.

By the time this issue goes to print, some committee chairs will have already held their meetings to plan for the upcoming season. The Social and Cruising have scheduled a Pot Luck dinner on February 11th at the club. The Race Committee is holding a hot Stove Meeting on February 29th. We hope you come out and share your ideas and suggestions for 2012.

The General Meeting being held on February 9th at 7:00 pm is of special interest as we have been approached by Rogers Telecommunications with a proposal that will bring income to the club. Your input will assist the executive in making this important decision on your behalf. Details are listed below.

The photo above was taken outside of the British Station in Antarctica last month. We continued on a Southern Patagonia cruise from Punta Arenas (Sandy Point) Chile through the Straits of Magellan and the Beagle Channel around Cape Horn to Ushuaia Argentina. After all these years, the joys of retirement are everything we expected.

We hope to see everyone on February 9th at the General meeting, and I look forward to working with the current executive and representing South Port as your Commodore this upcoming year.

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#### Roster 2012

The new Roster will be finalized the end of February. Please submit any changes to your email, telephone, address, boat etc. as soon as possible to Jackie

robtim@cogeco.ca

Thank you



#### 2012 General Membership Meeting

From The Commodore, Allen Shearn

Thursday February 9th 7:00 pm

Our Spring meeting is being held a bit earlier in order to discuss a time sensitive issue. We were approached by Rogers Telecommunications with a proposal to install a 30 meter cell phone tower in what is considered an ideal location, where our flagpole is currently located.

The committee chairs will be discussing their plans for the upcoming season, and the Treasurers audit report will be presented.

We hope to see you there !!

Photo to the left of a tower located behind Riverside Arena.

## From the SPSC Race Committee

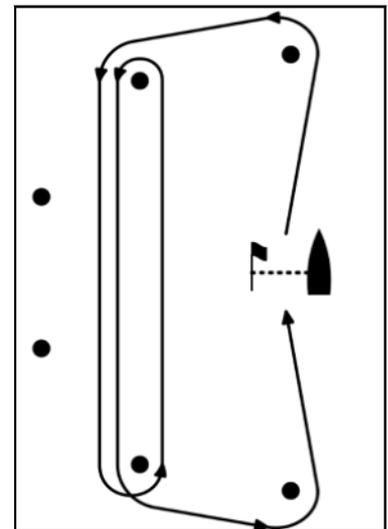
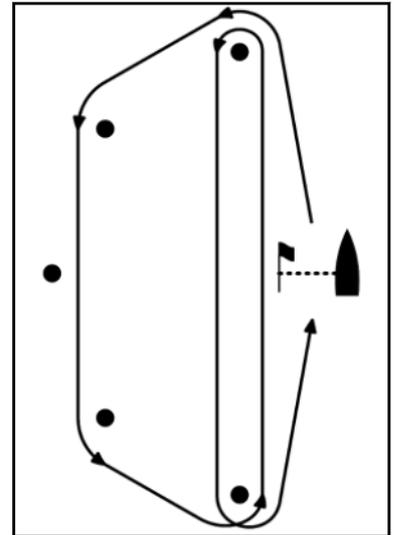
The racing committee is hard at work planning for the 2012 season. Dates for the Invitational, Shark Regatta, Hospice Race and Harvest Moon are already firmly established and on the calendar. The Monday and Wednesday series should start on May 14th and 16th respectively and carry on until the last week in September, an extra two weeks of racing (ending the week before WYC's Chimo race). Current plans are for the summer Open Series to start on July 4th and carry on for 6 weeks until August 8th, ending just before the SPSC Invitational on the August 11th/12th weekend.

We have some ambitious plans for some new courses. The first, a new long-distance course, will be an equilateral triangle 3 miles on a side with one corner at the usual start mark, another near Puce and the last mark out in the lake. The second, a refinement of our modified Olympic course, adds a one mile run between our two reaching legs to create a trapezoidal course. Getting this run in early will allow boats behind to close up on the leaders and tighten up the fleets. The final course is another trapezoid on the same set of marks. The two trapezoids together form a complementary pair of courses that can be oriented to within 10 degrees of the true wind direction. These courses would be ideal for our competitive Open Series. A package of courses printed on waterproof paper will be made available at a nominal cost; everyone will want one of these.

RC duty will again be a responsibility for racers this year. An excess of races over participants means that many will need to perform RC duties twice. We are also considering a separate pin-set duty that would take some of the burden of the RC boat.

We are still looking for additional committee members. Anyone interested should contact Brad.

We are planning on another hot stove meeting, open to all participants, on Wednesday, February 29, 2012 at 7:00 at the club.



## From the Property Chair, Tim Asetline

The Open Forum Property meeting on January 11th drew a small turn out of Members however, there were many items discussed and the committee will go over the wish list and prioritize. Thank you to those who attended.

A work party is being planned for March 24, 2012 and we hope to see as many people as possible to help prepare the grounds and clubhouse for the upcoming season. Start getting your work hours in early in the year !

Clubhouse duties are off to a great start, and we ask everyone to check the calendar in Soundings each month for your week. Remember every hour of clubhouse duties is equal to 1.5 work hours.

If anyone is interested in joining the property committee, please contact me  
zap@cogeco.ca



## South Port Regalia available for purchase

Badges 5.00 ea

Med Size Duffle Bags 25.00 ea

Tote Bags 22.00 ea

Baseball Caps, License plate Holders and Men's and Ladies Tees also available.

Polos, sweat shirts & wind shirts on order



## Mainstays Christmas Dinner December 5, 2011 Lilly Kazilly's



27 ladies attended the annual Mainstays Christmas Dinner at Lilly Kazilly's Crabshack on the 5<sup>th</sup> of December. After an excellent meal, small gifts were exchanged and \$135.00 collected for the Salvation Army, this year's charity. A great time was had by all. Thank you to Margaret Entwistle for organizing the event and to Jan Domney for making the favours.



This is the calendar displayed on our Web site. For details on each entry, please click on the calendar on our site at [www.southportsailingclub.com](http://www.southportsailingclub.com) (the links are not active in Soundings but details are included in the newsletter)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
February Calendar of Events		1	2 <a href="#">Executive Meeting</a>	3	4 <a href="#">Private event 8:00 am-6:30 pm/Cards Nite</a>	5 <a href="#">Rolfe T &amp; Murphy L</a>
6	7	8	9 <a href="#">GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING</a>	10	11 <a href="#">SOCIAL &amp; CRUISING POT LUCK DINNER</a>	12 <a href="#">Staley J &amp; B</a>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 <a href="#">Entwistle J &amp; M</a>
20	21	22	23	24	25 <a href="#">Cards nite</a>	26 <a href="#">Domney L &amp; J</a>
27	28	29 <a href="#">Race Hot Stove Meeting 7:00 pm</a>				

### March 2012 Clubhouse Duties



March 4-10  
MacDonald, F & C

March 11-17  
Bellemore, W & M

March 18-24  
Dolsen, M & M

March 25-31  
Finch, A & J

April 1-7  
Shaw, J & M

Please fill out the sheet, and mark your total actual work hours in the binder on the kitchen counter on the lower right corner. Thank you !

If you are unable to attend please contact Jackie by email or telephone.

#### Roster Changes

**Robert & Betty Layfield**  
Remove: Mirage 27  
email: [blayfield@hotmail.ca](mailto:blayfield@hotmail.ca)

**Adam & Renka Gesing**  
Remove Laser 11  
Add : 2 laser 1s

**Cathy MacDonald**  
email address:  
[macdoncf@gmail.com](mailto:macdoncf@gmail.com)

**Roger Jaarsma**  
email: [cc27433@gmail.com](mailto:cc27433@gmail.com)

#### Card & Games Night

7:30 pm Feb. 4th. & 25th.

**Lorne & Rita Mann**  
948-9904



#### Men's Lunch

2nd Wednesday of the month



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or call 519-971-9699

WYC vs SPSC

Final Score 14 - 12

Maybe next year



## Tiramisu

500g lady fingers  
630g mascarpone cheese  
370 ml strong warm coffee ( I use espresso)  
150g sugar  
5 eggs separated  
Bitter cocoa for dusting

Beat egg yolks and sugar in a large bowl until the mixture appears pale and thick. Add the mascarpone and mix gently until very stiff.  
Beat egg whites and a pinch of salt in a separate bowl until soft peaks form, then gently fold them into the mascarpone mixture.  
Prepare the coffee and pour into a shallow dish and let it cool down.  
Dip the ladyfingers quickly into the coffee one at a time and arrange them side by side in a 9 X 13 serving dish. Cover the biscuits with the mascarpone mixture. Use all the ladyfingers and the cream to form another layer, making sure to finish with the cream.

Dust the top with cocoa and refrigerate for at least 4 hours before serving.

Bill Frank

## Colourful Carrots

1 ½ - 3 bunches fresh carrots or 1 cello 2 lb. package  
1 green pepper  
1 large onion  
1 can tomato soup  
¾ cup white sugar  
1/3 cup salad oil  
¾ cup vinegar  
1 tbsp salt  
1 tbsp coarse black pepper

Peel carrots and slice in rounds or julienne strips.  
Cook in boiling salted water just until tender approx. (10 minutes).  
Drain. Slice pepper and onion in thin slices and place in oblong pyrex dish. Top with carrots. Bring remaining ingredients to a boil. Stir well and while hot, pour over vegetables. When cool, refrigerate. After 24 hours, serve as a salad on crisp lettuce.

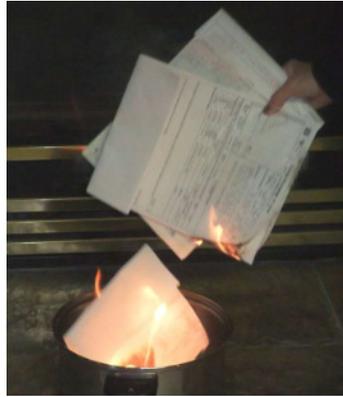
Leftovers may be stored in a glass jar in refrigerator, where they will keep indefinitely.

Serves 16-20

From The Uncommon Cook Book,  
AGW Volunteer Committee, 1980.

### SPSC is Mortgage Free

On January 1, well over 50 members gathered to have lunch and witness the conflagration of the mortgage, presided over by Commodore Allen Shearn and Past Commodore Doris Hellenbart. Thanks to chefs Entwistle, Baker, Bufton and Frank, there was plenty to enjoy. *By popular demand* the recipes for Colourful Carrots and Bill's Tiramisu are available on pg 5 of this issue. Natchitoches Shrimp Pie will be printed in next month's Soundings.



Photos compliments Scott Turner



Photo of Irene East and her sister Ellen with author Cathryn Prince. Both ladies and their spouses were founding members of the club.

Irene and Ellen, young girls at the time along with their mother were aboard this ship and survived the disaster. Irene continues as our Archivist at the club.



**As the World Turns, by Irene East (67 years ago)**

On the bitter cold night of January 30th, 1945, the former KdF Cruise Liner Wilhelm Gustloff, at the time serving as a barracks ship for the Kriegsmarine, left from the Baltic port of Gotenhafen and set sail for the relative safety of the west, away from the advance of Soviet forces that were converging on the region. The Gustloff, designed to carry a maximum of 1,865 people total, was transporting 10,582 refugees, wounded soldiers, and crew - as well as women, children and the elderly. All were fleeing from the advance of Soviet forces.

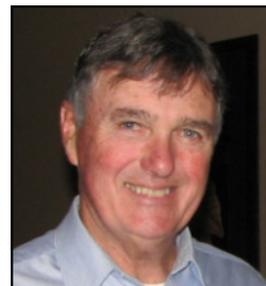
When the gray light of dawn lifted over the freezing cold waves of the Baltic Sea on January 31st, 1945, it would fail to fall upon the decks of the Gustloff. That night it had been sunk by the Soviet sub S-13 and disappeared under the dark sea in less than 50 minutes, taking with it 9,343 lives. Its loss stands as the most tragic naval loss in history. (So wrote Feldgrau).

On December 4 and 5, 2011 my sister and I had a visitor by the name of Cathryn Prince come and interview us about our lives as youngsters, after fleeing our country (Latvia), then during the war living in what is now Poland, fleeing again and being shipwrecked, living in limbo for three years in West Germany after the war, and then going to the best country in the world - Canada.

Cathryn Prince, who lives in Connecticut, writes for the Christian Science Monitor and has written several books: Shot from the Sky (American POWs in Switzerland); Burn the Town & Sack the Banks (Confederates attack Vermont) & A Professor, a President & a Meteor (the Birth of American Science). The new book will be called "Stalin's Last Torpedo" and will follow some of the survivors' lives. I understand there are only about 50 of us left now. The book will be out August 2012.

There is no memorial anywhere to those thousands who washed on shore and were put into mass graves. Maybe her book will honour those "pawns of war".

## 2012 Executive and Committee Chairs



Commodore Allen Shearn Vice Commodore Frank Edgley Rear Commodore, Erica Krygsman Past Commodore Jim Halpin



Treasurer Bill Frank

Secretary Brenda Petro

Race Chair Brad Roy

Property Chair Tim Aseltine



Harbourmaster  
Wesley Arthur

Sailing School Chair  
Bob Fuller

Cruise Chair  
Greg Schlosser

Head Sailing School Instructor  
Darcy Fuller



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## Summary of Annual General Meeting November 29, 2011

29 Members attended the meeting which was called to order at 7:04 pm. The minutes of the 2010 meeting were approved and the executive and committees chairs presented their reports as follows:

### Auditing Committee (Paul Bowsher)

Brenda Petro read the report that his committee comprised of Sue Bufton and Paula Dugas had not concluded the examination of the financial records for SPSC. No report was presented however, it should be in the hands of the executive for presentation at the General Membership meeting in February.

Treasurer (Paula Dugas) No report due to the audit committee not completing the financials.

### Harbour Master (Wesley Arthur)

Pike Creek neighbours came onboard again with 50% of the dredging costs. In 2011 the channel was dredged, C & D docks, some slips and supplemental markers placed in the channel. The small boat hoist will be in for repairs this winter and reinstalled this spring.

Launch was long as they were unable to pick and carry the boats. Now having carried out this new process, hopefully it will be a much shorter during launch and haul out in 2012. Expense of launch and haul out has increased due to fewer boats going in and coming out at the club. For the first time crane fees will have to be altered to cover this expense.

The number of boats in the harbour increased in 2011 however, the boats coming into the club are larger and as we all know the wells were not made to accommodate these sizes. Therefore, well allocations will be shifting in order to place these boats this upcoming season. 'A' dock has not been dredged in a long time, and may have to be addressed for 2013.

### Looking to the future:

Being proactive and exploring options for the process of hauling and launching boats by crane  
Looking for a long-range plan to adjust the well pool configuration

### Property (Tim Aseltine)

Accomplishments in 2011:

New computer in the office

WiFi now available

One new BBQ

Sidewalk completed on E dock

Sailing school dock concrete and steps repaired

2 yard clean ups carried out (great member attendance)

Fence line cleaned up at south side of property

Shed cleaned out

Dock Carts being stored in shed this winter

### Racing (Brad Roy)

Monday and Wednesday Racing in on track and the course layouts will be discussed at the upcoming race meeting. The open Regatta was well received and we are hoping for more participation this season. The numbers were down in the Women's Challenge mainly due to poor weather conditions in the spring. We lost a start mark the end of the season that will be replaced. We hosted a regatta with 505's competing last season and Renka Gesing is working on a laser gold regatta for 2012, that would bring in good publicity. We hope for more participation by members in The Invitational and Harvest Moon this year.

### Junior Sailing (Bob Fuller)

Another successful season at the Sailing School operating with 5 CYA certified instructors and several instructors in training.

The school provided 5 learn to sail adult sessions with 45 sailors participating. With the keelboats the school offers more ranges of sailing. 4 CYA youth sessions saw 98 instructed, up from 77 in 2010. Tuesday night dinghy racing saw another successful season and averaged 8 sailing school dinghies out on the water every week. The Members without Boats programme is still available, but to qualify the person must be a member to avoid providing liability insurance.

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The sailing school purchased another shark and sold the donated HR 25 that required too much in repairs. We now have 4 boats. All but one safety boat has been replaced since being managed by the current Chair of Sailing.

We will be starting a pilot project in 2012. Through the OSA, the Able Sail Ontario Program will be provided at SPSC. This was created by OSA in 2005 and will allow people with disabilities a chance to get out sailing. The sailing school has signed an agreement to lease an Access Dinghy for one year, which is barrier free. If anyone is interested in getting involved as part of this collaboration, please get in touch with Bob Fuller.

#### Social (Sue Balfe)

Sue thanked all members who assisted with the 2011 events. A pot luck dinner is planned for February and we hope everyone will come out with their ideas for the upcoming season. The committee is under budget for the year and we hope 2012 will be as successful.

#### Cruising (Dorothy Verkaik) no report

#### Membership (Frank Edgley)

Modifications were made to payment of the club initiation fees for new members, and for former members rejoining the club, a reduction in initiation was passed. We saw a total of 8 new family Members in 2011, 2 Associates, 1 Junior and 3 family members changed to senior and life. 2 Families and 1 Junior resigned bringing our total membership including Life and Non Resident to 125.

#### Vice Commodore (Allen Shearn)

The absence of a monthly Mortgage payment will allow us to perform long overdue maintenance and make improvements to the club. South Port received approval from the Sports Alliance of Ontario to initiate a development fund. Starting December 1, 2011 anyone will be able to get a tax receipt for money donated to the club, Cheques are made out to South Port Sailing Club and forms are available for completion. Contact Bill Frank or Allen Shearn for details. The funds will be used for development such as race programs, race markers, sailing programs: basically anything to do with the sport of sailing.

#### Nominating (Lynn Baker, chair - committee Kevin Mogyorody & Commodore Jim Halpin)

The new executive Members were proposed and accepted and were published in December Soundings. See photo page 8 of this issue for the 2012 Executive and Committee Chairs.

#### Commodore (Jim Halpin)

Commodore Halpin reviewed the committee accomplishments in 2011 and thanked all chairs. He commented on the fact the club does not run by executive alone and that many members do things that may go unnoticed by the General Membership however, the executive know who you are and they thank you. Best wishes and good luck were passed on to incoming Commodore Allen Shearn, and a final comment that it has been an honour to serve South Port as their Commodore.

Flags were passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

From the Social and Cruising Committee Chairs, Sue Balfe & Greg Schlosser

**Pot Luck Dinner February 11, 2012 6:00 pm**



This dinner is to assist both committees with setting up the Social and Cruising events for 2012. Please come out and give us your suggestions along with a dish to share.

If you can oversee an event, or assist either committee it would be greatly appreciated. If you cannot, come out and listen to the discussion. This is your club and any all ideas are welcomed.