



Solomons Island Yacht Club Newsletter

"One of the Friendliest Yacht Clubs on the Bay"



June, 2019



## Commodore's Corner

Well, another SIYC Opening Day has come and gone, and as usual the collective efforts of a great many members helped to ensure that the day's events were a huge success. Thanks also to God for giving us outstanding weather!

The weekend began with a number of us sitting at the entrance to the parking lot protecting our scarce and valuable parking spaces from the hordes attending the long-awaited opening of the Tiki Bar. Saturday saw more members serving gate guard duty and we sincerely thank all of you for volunteering. It's a great way to people watch and to get to know more members of the club.

Saturday saw us wishing farewell to our 2018 princess Lilly Coco and offering a hearty welcome to our incoming princess Alena Martin. A great time was had by all, and Marge and Paula served up copious amounts of delicious hors d' oeuvres.

Sunday began with our 82<sup>nd</sup> Watermens Memorial Ceremony featuring Simon Dean, President of the Calvert County Watermen's Association, who gave us an in-depth analysis of the state of fisheries on the Bay. After a brief repast at the club and a ribbon cutting at the newly refurbished Crab Shack, we kicked off the SIYC opening ceremony at which our local Delegate Jerry Clark, a former club member, regaled us with his view of the current legislative situation and how it affects us here in Solomons. The weather was perfect for our annual Blessing of the Fleet, and Father Mike Wilson blessed the 21 or so vessels who lined up (his "cousin" Craig Wilson was forced into action conducting the Invocation at the opening ceremony).

The day culminated with a hamburger and hotdog picnic for roughly 120 people – a successful weekend all the way around. Thanks for coming everyone!



### Vice Commodore's Corner

May turned out to be another great month at SIYC. First I would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time at the Club keeping things running smoothly. The Princess Cocktail Party was well attended with good food and great music as we said goodbye to our out going 2018 Princess Lilly Coco, and what a great job she did. And we welcomed our 2019 Princess Alena Martin. Our opening Day celebration was a huge success. I would like to give a HUGE shout out to Bruce Dickinson and Dennis Lawson for going to extra mile in setting up for the Watermen's Memorial Service, and Mary Gott and Diane





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Ferguson for bringing and setting up the refreshments. A special thank you to P/C Adrienne Donaldson-Dreiser, P/C Norma Powers, P/C Craig Wilson, P/C John Simpson and P/C Mike Buchko for reading the names of those Honored. Thanks also goes out to The Patuxent High School JRROTC Directed by CW04 Stanley Hollins, USN-Ret, the Patuxent High Choir Group Directed by Marisa Jacobson, and our Bugler Doug Fraley. I would also like to thank Nancy McCabe and Judy Okay and the flower team for all their hard work. All the Flowers and Wreaths were Beautiful. Back at the Club we enjoyed a nice lunch; thanks to Marge and her staff. At 12:40 we all gathered at our newly restored, decorated and painted CRAB SHACK for a Ribbon cutting ceremony hosted by Anissa Hutchins-Stanton, Monica Simpson, and Mary Gott. Mary regaled us with her historic rememberings of the Crab Shack. The artists for the Crab Shack are Susan Buckley, Sue Stevenson, Larry Langfeldt, Marilyn Fawley and Joan Kocen (RIP). Thank you to all the individuals who either donated or worked on the restoration. They are as follows, P/C John Simpson, Monica Simpson, Anissa Hutchins-Stanton, Cindy Kobrine, Donna Fabin, R/C Brenda Knight, Commodore Gary Knight, John Ford, Laurie Ford, Mary Gott, Ollie Kangas, Peggy Whilden, Jim Loreto, McKenzie Simpson, Hoot Gibson, Gail Gibson and the Spring Clean up Crew. Thank you to all, and what a great job. At 1pm Commodore Knight kicked off the Ceremony with the flag raising; and our guest Speaker the Honorable Jerry Clark did a fantastic job followed by the Blessing Of The Fleet coronated by F/C Tony Baratta. The weather could not have been better. Thank you to Father Mike for Blessing our Fleet and Larry Reich for the use of the Turtle Island. Back at the Club we enjoyed a great picnic.

A fun day had by all. The month ended with a great Memorial Day Celebration– thanks to R/C Brenda Knight, and was attended by over 125 members. Thank you to everyone who helped put everything together.



#### **Rear Commodore's Corner**

May was another busy month with twelve dinners provided to Club members. Six of the twelve meals were sign up events, beginning with the Ladies Fashion Show luncheon, BOG Dinner, Spring Golf Dinner, Princess Cocktail Party, Opening Day Picnic, Memorial Day Picnic, and a complimentary luncheon on Opening Day. Six additional meals were served, in addition to six days of hall rental events. I'd like to especially thank Paula Russell and Barbara Zeiller for pitching in to prepare the food for two hall rentals during Marge's absence. I also need to thank Charlene Wagner and Anissa Hutchins-Stanton for stepping up to assist Paula, Barbara, and me in preparing the food for the first of two hall rentals. Without all of their help, the hall rental events could have been cancelled.

May is the month that the Club brings out the grills for two special picnics, Opening Day on May 19, and Memorial Day on May 27. Three different yacht clubs visited SIYC near the end of the month between May 24 and May 31. The Chesapeake Grady White Club came back for a repeat visit and spent the day grilling food, enjoying the great bar prices, and the spectacular view.



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Sunday, June 2, Rob Plant is providing an exceptional salmon and chicken dinner for \$23.00. This meal consists of wood-fired grilled salmon (wild caught), grilled BBQ chicken (hormone free), roasted potatoes, local greens salad, and pound cake with chocolate. Sign up is required by COB Thursday, May 30, either at the Club or by using the Club website.

Friday, June 7, is R/C Pizza Night for \$5.00, which includes 2 slices of Pizza and Caesar Salad. Wait list applicants are invited.

Saturday, June 8, is the June BOG Meeting. Marge is preparing Herbed Roasted Pork, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Peas /Onions, Salad, Rolls, Dessert & Coffee for \$15.00. Sign up is required by COB Wednesday, June 5.

Meals will be offered on Wednesday nights throughout June, but there will be no Saturday meal on June 1, since Rob Plant's dinner is on Sunday, June 2. There will also be no meal offered on the following Saturdays: June 15, June 22 and June 29, because the last three Saturdays in June are booked with Hall Rental events. However, plans are under way to provide a late dinner on Saturday, June 15 or breakfast from 8:30 - 10:00 am on Father's Day, Sunday, June 16 for two visiting yacht clubs. Matthews YC will be here June 14. 15 and 16 with 11 boats, and MTOA is scheduled from June 15 and 16 with 10 boats. Some Club members will be away on the Knapps Narrows Cruise this weekend, as well. Once the decision is made, an email message will be sent out to notify Club members of the outcome. For Father's Day breakfast, a sign up sheet will be available in the Captain's Lounge.

During the month of June, the Club is expecting five visits from other yacht clubs. When possible, I'm working with the Fleet Captain to provide food, refreshments, etc., if requested. Please check the Fleet Captain's calendar for the yacht club names and dates of arrival and consider coming to the Club to welcome our transient visitors. SIYC is referred to as "The Friendliest Yacht Club on the Bay", so let's continue to make our transients feel welcome.



The cruising season is in full swing! We had a contingent of ten boats at Wicomico YC for their opening weekend. Our pier is busy as Loopers transit through the Bay on their way north. This Memorial Day weekend we had a contingent from West River Yacht Club come in for 4 days. I hope you had a chance to meet them.

Thanks to the efforts of a lot of members, we had a very successful Blessing of the Fleet with 21 boats participating including the local CG Aux Det. Many of you made it a weekend spending the night at the Club on your boat. It sure looked nice to see the pier nearly full.

Dennis Chandler has done an excellent job arranging for folks to meet our cruisers and keeping after the various contractors who are making pier improvements. I hope you noticed the new pilings on the North Pier. The new pilings should help make it easier to tie up. More improvements are on the way thanks to Al Redfield and Dennis Chandler.



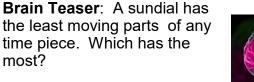


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In June, we have several Clubs coming in as well as our cruise to Knapp's Narrows. Hopefully the weather will cooperate on that cruise. I always seem to have 4-foot waves breaking over the bow as I make my way up the Bay! Later in the month we have our Taylor Island Cruise.

We also have a new feature, a land cruise to the St Mary's BeerFest. The Ninth Annual Historic St. Mary's City BeerFest will be held Saturday June 22rd, 2019 from noon to 6 pm. The day's activities include music by local bands, the Van Sweringen's Ordinary exhibit (one of the first taverns in the colony), and the ever-popular beer and cider making demonstrations. Visitors can sample local cuisine, taste a variety of regional craft brews, and shop amongst local craft vendors. This is a fun, family friendly event and children under 15 are free. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon in this beautiful setting, while supporting further education and research at the HSMC Museum. If we can get a group together I can get discount tickets, but must order them by June 12<sup>th</sup>. If you're interested please see me or email me at ab2@psu.edu. More details are available on

the web. Search St Mary's Beer Festival.



## Answer will be in next months Solomon Sez.

The first person to give Susan Smith

susanmogansmith@yahoo.com the correct

answer gets a bar chip for a drink!

## Last month's WINNER was Diane Townsend AGAIN!!

The question was: What did one eye say to the other?

The Answer is: Something between us smells.



MAY BIRTHDAY

BABIES









The art wall and mantle continue with Susan Buckley showing her paintings on the art wall and the history of SIYC opening days on the mantle.

## **Social Committee**

The May Travel Presentation was by Mike D'Errico on the Camino de Santiago Spain Pilgrimage. Mike did a wonderful job of explaining his very interesting adventure. Thanks for sharing and thank you all for bringing your delicious appetizers to share.

June 3rd Monday Travel Presentation will be by Betsy Cooksey - Outer Mongolia. This should be a very exciting adventure to see. Betsy did it on horseback! Please bring an appetizer to share **TOPSIDE WITH THE TOPSIDE BAR OPEN!!** 

July - There will be no Presentation due to the busy calendar of all our members.

August 5 - Rick Sass - His Antarctic Adventure.

Please continue to contact either me, Susan Smith (<u>susanmogansmith@yahoo.com</u>) or Bobbie Sass (<u>bobbiesass@aol.com</u>) to let us know when you are ready for us to schedule a Presentation for you to share with the club members.

<u>Kentucky Derby Hat Contest</u>. We had many ladies and gentlemen modeling their creative and beautiful HATS. Our winners were: Ladies - Betsy Montanio, Sharon Hayden, Kathy Hoskins, Diane Boyle, and Susan Holt. Gentlemen - Craig Wilson & Stoney Lightstone. Thank you to all who participated. It was a hard choice to make. As far as the race went, boy was that ever a fiasco. Once we had made the call on the winners we had to stick by it since many people had left when we got word that the results had changed. Thanks goes to Mary Gott who organized the race tickets and her helpers. It's never an easy task to do it in the short amount of time we had and even more difficult when the race officials changed their mind after we passed out the prizes.

The Skeet & Trap Shoot that Mark Tonacci graciously arranged was cancelled due to low weekday signups. Mark will try to put something together on a later date for a weekend. Thanks Mark for all your efforts.

Our Spring Golf Tournament & Dinner that Ralph Swartwood and team put together got rained out. So we will reschedule it for the Fall tournament and hope for better weather. The dinner still went on since all the food was purchased and I want to thank Barbara Zeiller and Paula for cooking the meal in Marge's absence! Once again our members step up to the plate when the chips are down.

Need more Ideas AND HELPERS TO MAKE THIS ALL COME TRUE!!!

SUSAN SMITH SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

## Did you know?

Maryland boating regulations require that all paddle craft (canoes, kayaks and paddle boards) have wearable life jackets and a sound producing devise, such as a whistle or horn on board. So play it safe and avoid the fines.





#### SPECIAL THOUGHTS

The Bridge, Board of Governors and General Membership would like to extend our condolences to Doug Moore and his family for their loss of his brother, Ken. We would also like to extend our condolences to Bill Favor and his family for their loss of his brother, Rick.

We also must announce the passing of our good friend and Honorary Member Col Kermit Dyke, WWII veteran, who died May 29th, just a few months shy of his 105th birthday. We will all miss him.

We extend get well wishes and special thoughts to Rex Miller, John Zalusky, Jack Estridge and Frank Gerred.

## **BITS n' BYTES**

As irritating as Robocalls are, there are even worse dangers lurking out there via actual voice calls and emails. These are scams designed to trick you into believing you are due a refund from a computer support company, or you owe something to a credit card company, or you owe back taxes, or someone needs your social security number. The motive is to gain remote access of your computer or have you reveal information in order to steal your personal data, identity, and money.

Here are some things you can do to avoid becoming a victim of these scams:

Hang up on unexpected calls from anyone who claims to be tech support, IRS, Microsoft, Apple, etc.

Do not return voice messages from anyone who claims to be from these agencies or companies.

Never give control of your computer or share passwords or personal information with anyone you do not know. Know that these agencies or companies will not make unsolicited phone calls or send emails to help you with your computer or finances.

P/C Mike Snapp & F/C Tony Baratta

### Visit The Maryland Dove at SIYC

The Maryland Dove will stay overnight at the SIYC dock June 26 and again on July 2nd. SIYC will host the ship on her way to St.



Michaels where they are celebrating the start of the New Dove Construction. The purpose of the ship is to educate visitors about 17th-century Maryland life and transportation --the time when St. Mary's City was the capital of

the new colony. The Maryland Dove is normally exhibited at Historic St. Mary's City, the living history museum of Maryland's first capital, but occasionally travels for educational programs. The ship was built 41 years ago (launched in 1978) outside of Cambridge on Maryland's Eastern Shore. More information can be found athttps:// hsmcdigshistory.org/ and https:// www.facebook.com/Historic-St-Marys-City-148593140443/. SIYC members and their guests are invited to visit the Maryland Dove at SIYC on Wednesday, June 26. From approximately 5 to 7 pm, the ship's crew will host free topside tours while at the Yacht Club dock. The ship will dock again on the July 2 return trip, but there will not be tours of the ship on that day as most crew return home after docking.



## REMEMBER WHEN? Photos Courtesy of P/C Alva Windham



THIRD ANNUAL LADIES FASHION SHOW















AS ALWAYS, THANKS TO CAREN AND CARMEN FOR THEIR GENEROSITY IN OPENING THEIR STORES TO US.





















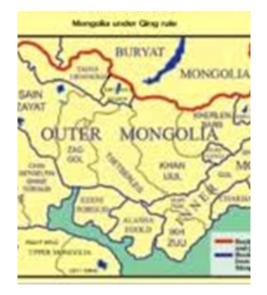


LET'S NOT FORGET OUR BARTENDERS. THANKS GUYS!





# TAVEL PRESENTATION JUNE 3, 6 PM OUTER MONGOLIA PRESENTED BY BETSY COOKSEY



BETSEY'S TRIP LAST JULY 2017 TO HORSE-BACK RIDE 250 MILES ACROSS THE OUTBACK OF OUTER MONGOLIA WAS SO OVER THE TOP THAT SHE HAS RETURNED IN MAY 2019 TO EXPLORE MORE FULLY. HER PHOTOGRAPHS WILL SHOW YOU THE BEAUTY OF OUTER MONGOLIA AND HER ADVENTURES. PLEASE BRING AN APPETIZER TO SHARE IF POSSIBLE. Kentucky Derby Hat Contest















































## **BLESSING OF THE FLEET**





















THERE'S A NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN. CONGRATULATIONS BRUCE AND GINGER—SHE'S A BEAUTY!











































































LOOK AT THIS PHOTO UPSIDE DOWN TO SEE THE REFLECTION OF SOLOMONS ISLAND'S BEAUTIFUL HARBOR.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ANISSA HUTCHINS-STANTON

## DEDICATION OF THE NEW CRAB SHACK



#### **CRAB SHACK DEDICATION**













## JUNE, 2019 MENUS

#### June 2, 6:00 pm, \$23.00

Dinner by Rob Plant Wood Fired Grilled Salmon (Wild Caught) & Grilled BBQ Chicken (Hormone Free) Roasted Potatoes Local Greens Salad Pound Cake with Chocolate

#### June 5, 6:00 pm, \$12.00

Cream of Crab Soup

Salad

Dessert

#### June 7, R/C Pizza Night, 6:00 pm, \$5.00

2 Slices of Pizza

**Caesar Salad** 

#### June 8, BOG, 7:00 pm, \$15.00

Herb Roasted Pork Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Peas w/Onions Salad Rolls Dessert

#### June 12, 6:00 pm, \$15.00

Spiced Steamed Shrimp French Fries Cole Slaw

Dessert

#### June 19, 6:00 pm, \$8.00

Tacos

Ice Cream w/Hot Fudge Sauce

#### June 26, 6:00 pm, \$10.00

Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Salad

Rolls

Dessert





# June, 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday				
						1 Annapolis YC Visiting SIYC				
						Staff Bartender				
<sup>2</sup> Annapolis YC Visiting SIYC	³ Member Bar- tender	<sup>4</sup> Jack & Gail Chenevey	<sup>5</sup> Dee Peters & Dennis Lawson	<sup>6</sup> Member Bar- tender	<sup>7</sup> Staff Bartender R/C Pizza - All	<sup>8</sup> Staff Bartender Bog				
Staff Bartender Rob Plant Grilled Salmon/ Chicken Dinner	Travel Presen- tation On Outer Mongolia		Cream of Crab Soup		on the wait list invited	Herb Roasted Pork. Sign up required here or in the Lounge by 5 Jun.				
9 Staff Bartender	<sup>10</sup> Bob & Carol Lightstone	<sup>11</sup> Bill Brier	<sup>12</sup> Mike & Carol Snapp	<sup>13</sup> Member Bar- tender	<sup>14</sup> Knapps Nar- rows Cruise	<sup>15</sup> Knapps Nar- rows Cruise				
			Spiced Steamed Shrimp		Staff Bartender	Marine Trawler Owners Asso- ciation Visiting SIYC Staff Bartender				
<sup>16</sup> Knapp's Nar- rows Cruise	<sup>17</sup> Member Bar- tender	<sup>18</sup> Bill Brier	<sup>19</sup> Kat Tyrrell & Jerry Budnick	<sup>20</sup> Jack & Gail Chenevey	<sup>21</sup> Staff Bartender	22 Land Cruise To St Mary's City Beerfest				
Marine Trawler Owners Associ- ation Visiting SIYC Staff Bartender			Taco Night			Staff Bartender				
23 Staff Bartender	<sup>24</sup> Hoot & Gail Gibson	<sup>25</sup> Tony & Barbara Baratta	<sup>26</sup> Bruce Mason & Betsy Montanio	<sup>27</sup> Bill Brier & Car- olyn Keefe	<sup>28</sup> Taylor Island Cruise	<sup>29</sup> Taylor Island Cruise				
			Spaghetti with Meat Sauce	June Birthdays	Staff Bartender	Hampton YC Visiting SIYC				
<sup>30</sup> Taylor Island Cruise						Staff Bartender				
Staff Bartender										

## Wooden Ships #9

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#### ACROSS

- 1 "I like the cut of your
- 4 Dorm dwellers
- 9 Hull projection
- 13 Kimono sash
- 14 Up to that time
- 15 Wood used to make guide boat oars
- 16 Part of a min.
- 17 Native pack animal of South America
- 18 Away from the bow
- 19 Peace agreement

- 21 Crazy in Cabo
- 23 "Loose \_\_\_\_\_ sink ships" 24 Once \_\_\_\_\_ a time
- 26 Big beach party
- 30 Sunrise location
- 31 Pirate's practice
- 32 Hank Hill's meas.
- 33 Wipe out
- bend 35 Sailor's knot,
- 37 Harbor fixture
- 39 Ill intentioned invention
- 41 Puget or Long Island
- 42 Wood used to build canoes

## Wooden Ships

- 43 One billion years
- 44 Revises copy
- 46 With 67 ACROSS, Pacific Coast catch
- 50 Like song and dance
- 52 Finishes first in a regatta
- 53 Moolah in Milan
- 54 Peachy's partner
- 56 Wood used to make Stratocasters
- 58 Columbus' ship, Santa \_\_\_\_
- 61 Circumnavigator's conquest
- 64 Portable bed
- 65 At the upper rigging
- 66 Makes well
- 67 See 46 ACROSS
- 68 Underwater rock ridge
- 69 Harnesses for oxen
- 70 Piece of lawn

#### DOWN

- 1 Bump or shove
- 2 Portugal's peninsula
- 3 Arm muscles
- 4 Often brainwashed group
- 5 No other
- 6 Airport abbr.
- 7 Bring down the cabin lights
- 8 Zigzag on water skis
- 9 Barbecue on a stick
- 10 Tree hugger's org?
- 11 Santa's little helper
- 12 Allow
- 15 PC alternative
- 20 Behind a vessel
- 22 Single digit
- 24 Big or Little Dipper star

- 25 Humble dessert?
- 27 First murder victim?
- 28 Stern opposite
- 29 Humble dwelling
- 31 Shape of a boater's buoy
- 34 Free of
- 35 Resort hotel
- 36 1971 film '\_\_\_\_\_ and Maude'
- 37 Use anchors
- 38 Female relative
- 39 Fishing boat features
- 40 Short commercials
- 41 Word with horse or lion
- 42 Home of the Reds and Bengals, for short
- 44 Female sheep
- 45 Often inflatable boat
- 47 Jigsaw puzzle components
- 48 Spanish creek
- 49 Weathered the storm
- 51 Solo craft, often
- 55 Spend time in the crew's mess
- 56 Up to the task
- 57 Not as much
- 58 Sea, in Spain
- 59 Ginger brew
- 60 Lobster eggs
- 62 Feline constellation
- 63 Wood used to make 9 ACROSS

#### SOLUTION TO LAST MONTH'S NAUTICAL CROSSWORD

