

ChaNNels

The Newsletter of the Sailing Club of Washington

February 2003

Commodore's Log

During the January 16 Louis Vuitton Cup prestart, at Social No-Sail with the SCOW crew well lubricated by a certain barley nectar, an informal poll found that 4 out of 4 skippers picked Alinghi to win in 7 or fewer races. Further, 3 of these 4 skippers picked Alinghi to go the distance in the America's Cup, which they forecast for 8 or 9 races. The lone holdout -- I won't mention his name (Commodore 1991) -- went out on a yardarm and held that the Kiwis would retain the Cup.

So what is your prediction? Come to the February 15 America's Cup Party and congratulate these skippers on their forecast for the LV Cup (as I complete this I just read that Alinghi won it in 6 races) and join with fellow raghaulers to initiate the America's Cup starting race (see the Social Director's column for more details).

How would you like to scale a 100+ foot mast in a fresh breeze while at a 35 degree heel angle? Or how would you like to have the responsibility for maintenance and repair on an \$8+ million sailing vessel? Our SCOW training courses don't cover those skills, nor do our boat maintenance requirements get that sophisticated. Yet we do have the opportunity to continually learn and share our knowledge and experiences, and we do have frequent occasion to make minor, and sometimes major, repairs to keep our fleet safe and seaworthy. Each of us can pitch in at least a little time and energy to learn, to keep our skills current, to paint or polish or scrub, or to otherwise contribute to the greater cause. So consider where your novice or expert skills might best aid the operation of our fleet and its sailors and send an e-mail or pick up the phone when the call for volunteers goes out.

The Psycho winter refit is underway and your help is needed. A task list and schedule has been developed and much work is planned to ready her before a final inspection on our April 5 Spring Maintenance Day. So refer to the schedule (outlined in this issue) and contact Stuart Unger, Monica Maynard and Thom Unger at psychorepair@scow.org to lend your support. And also contact Maintenance Director Tom Hannan at maintenance@scow.org and note where you can best assist throughout the season as a maintenance crew member for any of our vessels. Both beginners and experts are needed, and there is a significant opportunity to learn from others as we aid in the upkeep of our fleet.

If you are an experienced skipper, whether on your own boat or on SCOW's or on others' boats, maybe you can contribute to our tutoring and training efforts this year. Water trainers are needed if we are to continue to respond to the demand for beginning and more advanced skill development. A significant few have been shouldering this training responsibility, and we need

to support them and add to their numbers so they don't burn out from responding to a healthy demand for their teaching abilities. We do have a SCOW policy that provides for Club Skippers (those who successfully meet checkout requirements and skipper only for the benefit of the Club at SCOW events, but do not have to pay skipper fees). So if you can, follow up by offering your support to our Training Director Kris Bieg at training@scow.org. A full spectrum of courses is planned for 2003. Refer to the Training Director's column for more details.

And then there is the opportunity to swap sea tales and sailing tips, dine on elegant fare, and plan new adventures at our Social Sails and other land events. Contact social@Scow.org to volunteer your services for coordinating an event, for preparing your own recipes at a Social Sail evening, or for otherwise pitching in to help make an event successful. Director Rob Langford is expecting your call or an e-mail.

You will see from our annual event calendar, outlined on page 7 of this issue and also regularly updated on our SCOW website, that a lot is planned for 2003, including some favorites that we experience each year and some new ventures that we will try out.

I hope to see you on land and on water in the coming months.

But you definitely will not see me climbing a hundred foot mast while underway.

Commodore George

February Membership Meeting

Monday, February 10

The London Boat Show

Our February speaker will be our own Mike Geissinger regaling us with tales of his adventures at the London Boat Show. Most of you have been to Annapolis for the in-water Boat Show. This is the in-building kind. As you can see from Mike's photo elsewhere in this issue, in London they don't let the fact that it's indoors get in the way of bringing in the b-i-g sailboats.

Plan to join us for a multi-media presentation of "Mike G. Goes to the London Boat Show." This will be a great chance to compare notes with Mike's observations versus your own from Sail Expo or Annapolis. See ya there, matey!

The meeting will be at the usual time and place - the American Legion Hall in Old Town Alexandria, 400 Cameron Street (check out www.scow.org for directions). Socializing starts at 6:30, with the meeting at 7:30 and the presentation at 8:00.

*****REMINDER*****

America's Cup Party

**Saturday, February 15
Crystal City Sports Bar
529 S. 23rd Street
Arlington
6:30 til race end**

Watch your snail mail and e-mail for more information.

Psycho Repairs

Stuart Ullman

In his Commodore's Log, George mentioned all the work we need to do on Psycho before she is launched again in early April, or if the weather doesn't cooperate to get it all done by that date, then as soon as we can after that--but the longer it takes to get it all done the more we will disturb the sailing season. Here is a brief list of the things we have agreed to do, and approximately when we hope to do them. If you have skills that could be useful in any of these areas, please let us know by emailing PsychoRepair@Scow.org .

- Replace the wiring for the motor's electric start system--January or early February
- Replace the switch panel and upgrade the cabin lighting--January or early February
- Install in-line fuses close to the battery--January or early February
- Inventory sails and recommend any repairs/replacements--January or early February
- Restore cabin w/ new side panels, repair all damaged wood, new rail beside the table, new hinges on the locker doors, paint the creepy 1950's style veneer on the bulkheads, and so on--February
- Install fresh water tank and replace sink faucet--February
- Remove, repair install vent fan in v-berth hatch--February
- Replace old tiller--February
- Replace toe rail & sail track--March
- Rebed all deck hardware to eliminate leaks--March
- Paint deck & cockpit with 2 part paint--March
- Fresh coat of bottom paint, preferably with anti-slime ingredient--March
- Inspect and replace as necessary all running rigging--March
- Inspect standing rigging to determine why it is so loose--March
- Inspect motor well for any delamination or rot, repair as necessary--March
- Replace depth sounder--April (after boat is back in the water)

Training

Kris Bieg

It's already time to start thinking about training!

The Board has approved some time slots for classes and the calendar for this year is starting to take shape. The Re-Up Brunch, which is an event to meet new members, see those you already know, pay dues and sign up for classes will be held at the Colonies of McLean, 7700 Provincial Drive, McLean, Virginia from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 22nd. Since sign up for classes is on a "first come, first served" basis, you will want to be there early!

For those of you who have helped us as trainers in past years, thank you very much and we hope that you will be able to participate again this year. The "Train the Trainer Day" is going to be held on Sunday, April 6th, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Washington Sailing Marina (WSM). This is a great opportunity to refresh your own skills and see if there is anything new this year in regards to training.

If you are a "paid up" skipper, who is interested in becoming a "first time" trainer, you are invited to come to the "Train the Trainer Day", too. There will be a check out test on the water to make sure that your skills and techniques meet the requirements for serving as a club trainer. Don't hesitate if you are concerned you might not be good enough yet. Our club members and especially trainers are very friendly and supportive. The worst that could happen is that you will gain more sailing knowledge and come away with improved skills. And, for us, the best that can happen is the club expands its pool of trainers and lessens the burden on our current ones!

Here are some of the tentative training slots to date, with location to be determined:

Intermediate Scots Course: 4/16,4/23 - land classes; 4/20, 4/26, 4/27 - water classes.

Beginning Cruising Course: 4/28 and 5/5 - land classes; 5/3, 5/9 (evening), 5/10, and 5/17 - water classes.

Basic Sailing Course: 4/30, 5/7, 5/14/, 5/21- land classes; 5/3, 5/4, 5/10, 5/11, 5/17, and 5/18 - water classes.

Basic Sailing Course: 6/11, 6/18, 6/25, 7/2 - land classes; 6/14, 6/15, 6/21, 6/22, 6/28 and 6/29 - water classes.

Beginning Cruising Course: 6/2, 6/16 - land classes; 6/14, 6/20 (evening), 6/21 and 6/28 - water classes.

New - Intensive Basic Sailing Course (must have prior sailing experience or have taken a recent SCOW class and just need a refresher prior to testing): 6/11, 6/18, 6/25, and 7/2 - land (1 hour) and water (2 hours)

Capsizing: 7/12 (session 1) and 8/16 (session 2)

We look forward to seeing you at the sign-up table in March!

Maintenance Team Gears Up

Tom Hannan

SCOW wants to have long and trouble-free relationships with its boats. To do so requires that someone pay attention to routine maintenance, be able to spot early warning signs of impending trouble, and have the ability to correct small problems before they become larger ones. These are, in fact, the goals of the SCOW Maintenance Team, which came together during January.

Bosuns (or boatswains, if you like) Bill Bernhards (Rebecca), Dave Scheuermann (Psycho), Declan Conroy (Suzie-Q), Kathy Reilly (Miss Elli), Barry Dunsmoor (Dansweida) and Cathy Zeigler (Logisitics) signed on during the month. These fine folks, and yours truly, comprise the Maintenance Team for this year.

During February, the team will be seeking a cadre of specialists to help put the boats in A-One shape this spring, and keep them that way over the course of the sailing season. If you have a special skill (marine painting, electronics, outboard motors, etc.) and want to help, please let us know, and we'll put it to productive use. Just drop a line to maintenance@scow.org, or call me at 301.424.6296.

Also during February, the team will decide on its operating procedures. One of our first concerns is to develop checklists for use in dry and wet checkouts in preparation for Spring Maintenance Day, April 5. Got any? We will always be looking for your input, so if you have any recommendations or suggestions for making us smarter, faster, or whatever, please drop a line to any team member. Check the membership directory for contact information. Thanks!

From the Skipper Director

Steve Linke

First Flying Scot Skipper Checkout- Saturday, March 15

We will have an early skipper checkout for those who want to be a Flying Scot skipper as of 1 April, the beginning of the new 2003 sailing season. This is early and I know you are a bit rusty so we will try to have some tutoring sessions on the weekend days ahead of this. Target dates are 1 March 12-4 and 8 March 12 -4 but this will depend on the weather and availability of tutors. Contact me at skipper@scow.org or Training Director Kris Bieg at training@scow.org if you need help finding a tutor on these or other days.

Down By The River . . .

Jay Weitzel

I'm looking forward to getting out on the Potomac soon -- as soon as the ice surrounding Needa Breeze melts, that is. At last check, a sheet of ice at least 15 feet wide separated my boat from

the channel in the wet slips at Washington Sailing Marina. Unfortunately, the power on the existing slips can only support two bubblers per dock and none is near my boat. I can't wait for the new docks. When the ice pack melts and the weather permits, I'll be putting out an email for an impromptu late winter sail.

A few weeks ago, I sent out an email asking for new ideas for the 2003 River activities, and I got a lot of good suggestions that the Board has incorporated into SCOW's 2003 schedule. There is still time for you to share your ideas. Just drop a line to river@scow.org or give me a phone call. Whether you are a skipper in our River Fleet or a regular at our River events, let's hear your ideas. If you've never been to an event, let's hear from you too! Let us know what will get YOU out on the river this year. Keep those emails and letters coming!

Our first River event will be an overnighter on Saturday, March 8th to Sunday, March 9th. This is something the club used to do years ago, and we're going to try to bring that tradition back. Skipper Director Steve Linke suggested this because, well, he just wanted to sail downriver overnight while it was still really cold out and thought some folks would want to join him. The engine should be back on Rebecca then and those of you with River Boats might be looking for the chance to sail. Are you game?

And mark your calendars for Sunday, April 13th. On that day, the SCOW River and Bay Season will have its official kick-off as we take to the water. Jeff Teitel will be leading a Bay sail and, for those of you not on the Bay, I will be leading the rest of SCOW on a Potomac River excursion. Details will be in ChaNNels next month.

Bay Activities

Jeff Teitel

We've had our Board planning meeting and the calendar is pretty much set. By the time you read this, hopefully I will have already scheduled a meeting of Bay Skippers to finalize locations and Raft-Masters for our trips. If you have any ideas or questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at [<bay@scow.org>](mailto:bay@scow.org) or 202-271-1238.

April 13 -- Bay Day-Sail

May 17-31 -- Mike Geissinger Weeklong Cruise, Upper-Bay (exact dates TBD)

May 24-26 (Memorial Day Weekend) -- Rhode River Raft-up, RaftMaster Jeff Teitel

May 24- June 7 -- Len Zuza Ocean Cruise to Maine (dates approximate)

June 21 -- Bay Day-sail

July 4-6 -- Independence Day Raft-up, Solomon's Island

Aug 16-17 -- Orioles Game (vs. Yankees), Baltimore Inner Harbor

Sep 14 -- Bay Day-sail

Sep 27-28 -- Fall Raft-up - Location TBD

Oct TBD -- Fowl Weather Raft-up, Wye River - R.M. Allan Lewis?

2003 SCOW Committee and Volunteer Assignments

George Umberger

We are fortunate once again to have many individual SCOW members volunteer to support our club's operational activities for 2003. These volunteers include:

ChaNNels Team - Joan O'Kane, Chris Chubb and Declan Conroy

New Members Coordinators - Melissa Ennis and Jeremy Spilker (assisted by Susan Batchelder, Monika O'Connor and Seth Spergyl)

Historian - Jane Farthing (assisted by Amy Plett and Barbara Ullman)

Database, E-mail and Web Team - Monika O'Connor, Jeff Teitel and Thom Unger

Boatique - Bill Bernhards

Boat Asset Committee - Jay Weitzel (Chair), Barry Dunsmoor, Tom Hannan, Leslie Korn, Jeff Teitel and Stuart Ullman

Training and Skipper Certification Committee - Mike Geissinger (Chair), Mary Bashore, Patrick Derry, Joe DePoorter and Jack Sherman

Safety Committee - Stuart Ullman (Chair) and Joe DePoorter

Audit Committee - Sharon Solsbak DePoorter (Chair), Bob Bruening and Dick Dyer

Bylaws Committee - Jay Weitzel (Chair), Matt Gaston and Len Zuza

There are still several more volunteer opportunities available for events and other ongoing activities, and these will be announced as they are appointed. We thank you all for your participation and support.

SCOW Say Welcome!

to the following new members:

Larry Glenn

Mitch Koppelman

Acquisitive Archivist Appointed

George Umberger

New this year, we have appointed a Historian to develop and maintain an ongoing chronicle of SCOW activities and adventures throughout the year. Photographs, sailing related anecdotes, interviews with some "old salts," recipes for preparing an on-board feast, interesting excavations from past SCOW archives, and safety/maintenance/sailing tips are just a few of the ideas that have been discussed. It is possible that some of these contributions will be published on our Club

website and in ChaNNels as well as in Club scrapbooks. This venture will be a success only if we have input from our members, so start the ball rolling with your own contributions.

Jane Farthing has volunteered to take the helm for this task as our first Historian. She is being assisted by Barbara Ullman and Amy Plett. You may send your ideas and contributions to Jane, Barby and Amy at historian@scow.org.

More info will be coming to you soon as they launch this new project.

Sail Expo another Big Hit in 2003

Susan Batchelder

Atlantic Sail Expo put on another great show this year!

On Friday, January 10th, your Commodore and Vice Commodore braved the cold plains of southern New Jersey to venture up to the Convention Center in Atlantic City for the 2003 edition of Atlantic Sail Expo. (Well, somebody had to do it, right?!)

Sail Expo, for those of you unfamiliar with this is an indoor extravaganza of sail boats, sailing gear, sailing related products and sailing seminars that comes along just about the time the cabin fever is really getting to you and you think you may never get out on a boat again.

This was the 11th year for Atlantic Sail Expo with over 250 sailing businesses from across the globe demonstrating the latest and greatest that the world of sailing has to offer.

The feature exhibit for ASE 11 was the America's Cup and Louis Vuitton Challenger Series with an interactive display including race footage, Cup history, remote control racing and team gear for sale.

One of my favorite parts of Sail Expo - and what I feel make this so special - are the wealth of seminars that run throughout the day - among others: "Everything You Need to Know About Chartering", "Getting Ready for Blue Water Sailing", "Basic Celestial Navigation", "Life Rafts: Deployment Survival and Rescue", "Cruising at Night", "Fairing and Repairing Your Keel", "How to Read the Weather"I could go on and on, but you get the picture. From 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. six different seminars ran during each 75-minute time slot. On the day we attended, for example, there were 28 different seminars throughout the day.

Each day also had one or more special events such as John & Amanda Neal talking about "South Pacific - The Ultimate Cruising Destination", Gary Jobson discussing his thoughts on how the 2003 America's Cup would pan out, Cruising World Editor-at-Large Alvah Simpson with a slide show entitled "A Life Well Wasted: Adventures in the Cruising World" about his 13 years spent exploring all over the world with his brother and then his wife.

My other favorite part of Sail Expo are the equipment and clothing manufacturers that come - from everywhere. A much greater variety than I've ever found at Fawcett's, West Marine or at

the Annapolis Sail Boat Show. You get new ideas, you try products you hadn't even thought of, you spend money on things you didn't even know you needed, and you get pumped up!

And, last but not least, since I learned to sail in a dinghy and will always be a dinghy sailor at heart - there is a heavy emphasis on small boats. Ones that real people like our SCOW members can actually afford and not just dream about.

Sail Expo 2004 is tentatively scheduled for January 9-12. Stay tuned to www.sailexpo.com for more information. Hope to see you there.

When Is It Too Cold To sail?

Melissa Ennis

Stay on shore under the following conditions:

1. As you step outside, your eyelashes freeze together.
2. The Potomac is frozen.

Otherwise, think about the Vikings (use the Scandinavians as models, rather than the Minnesotans) and head out on the water. Why?

1. The winds are splendid.
2. Power boaters stay home.

Dress for it. It's colder on the water than it is on land. Wear layers of sweaters, pants, socks, and gloves. ONE hat is sufficient, if it covers your ears. A PFD is insulation as well as insurance.

Wear long underwear. (Wearing short underwear under long underwear is a personal preference.) SierraTradingPost.com has very good wicking olly-polly stuff, cheap, as well as excellent outerwear and socks.

Then wear a turtleneck. Cashmere is the warmest natural fiber. If you consider that you can wear the same turtleneck to the marina and the Kennedy Center (as I have) it's worth the investment. Lambs wool and silk are next. Regular wool may be too scratchy. Cotton has very little insulation, so wear two. Then lots of sweaters.

Jeans are not your best choice: they don't insulate well and they dry slowly. Got any ski pants? Wool, Thinsulate (blessed be Malden Mills forever) or Gore-Tex are good.

According to a scientific study done by Monica Maynard, sea boots are warmer than boat shoes. I'm partial to thin silk socks under fat wool socks. Bring a spare pair with you-wet socks are a safety hazard. Yes, really.

I've had good results wearing silk-lined kid gloves under my sailing gloves (i.e. grown-up Church Lady downtown leather gloves). Unlike cashmere turtlenecks, these are not dual-purpose

items - once you've worn them sailing, they're too shabby for dress wear any more. They're reasonably warm and the thin leather allows one to tie and untie knots.

Even if you're day sailing, bring along a sleeping bag or blanket kept in a drybag just in case someone goes overboard. (Thom Unger's idea.) Stuff your spare socks in the drybag. And keep a full set of clothes in your car, ready if you come back soggy.

IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR SUNSCREEN YOU WEAR EVERY DAY, slather some Vaseline on your face to protect against windburn. Keep Chapstick with a high SPF in your pocket.

Cold-weather sailing is FUN! And freaky Washington winters give us plenty of days of relatively balmy weather. Don't waste them.

I can't recommend SierraTradingPost.com too highly. If you need further advice, I'd be delighted to crew for you.

2003 Calendar of Events

All dates and times are subject to change

Board Meetings - Open to all. 1st Monday of every month, Potowmack Landing Chart Room, Washington Sailing Marina, 7:00 PM

Monthly Meetings - 2nd Monday of every month (except December), American Legion Hall, 400 Cameron Street, Alexandria, Social Hour 6:30 PM, Program and Meeting 7:30 p.m.

ChaNNels Deadline - 3rd Monday of every month. Submit articles to channels@scow.org.

Monday Night Tutoring - 3rd Monday of the month, May through September, WSM, 6:00 PM

Thursday Night Social No-Sail through April 3rd, Crystal City Sports Pub, 529 S. 23rd Street, Arlington, 703-521-8215, 7:00 PM, resume October 16th (Fall location TBA)

Thursday Night Social Sail - April 10th - October 9th, Washington Sailing Marina (WSM), 6:00 PM

Tuesday Night Flying Scot Races - April 22nd September 9th, Washington Sailing Marina, 6:00 PM

January

Sun 5th Holiday Raft-up, The Colonies of Mclean, 7700 Provincial Drive, McLean, 5:00PM - 9:00PM

February

Sat 15th America's Cup Social, Crystal City Sports Pub, 7:00PM.

March

Sat. 1st Flying Scot Tutoring, WSM, 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Sat. 8th Racing Seminar, Details TBA
Sat. 8th Flying Scot Tutoring, WSM, 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Sat 8th Overnight River Fleet Cruise, Details TBA
Sat 15th Flying Scot Checkout Day, WSM, Time TBA
Sat 22nd Make-up day for Flying Scot Checkout (if necessary)
Sun 23rd Re-Up Brunch, The Colonies of Mclean, 7700 Provincial Drive, McLean, 10:00AM
- 3:00 PM
Sat 29th Racing Seminar, Details TBA

April

Thu 3rd Last Social No Sail, Crystal City Sports Pub, 529 S. 23rd Street, Arlington, 7:00PM
Sat 5th Spring Maintenance Day, WSM, 9:00AM - 3:00PM
Sun 6th Train the Trainers Day, WSM, 10:00AM - 3:00 PM
Thu 10th First Social Sail, WSM, 6:00PM - dusk
Sat 12th On-the-Water Refresher Day, Details TBA
Sun 13th River Fleet Day Sail, Details TBA
Sun 13th Bay Fleet Day Sail, Details TBA
Wed 16th Intermediate Sailing Course -- Land Classes (2), Apr 16th, 23rd, Potowmack
Landing Chart Room, 7:00PM - 10:00PM; Water Sessions (3), Apr 20th, 26th, 27th, WSM
Sat 19th Spring Tune-up Regatta, Details TBA
Sun 20th Intermediate Sailing Water Sessions Begin. See Wed 17th for details.
Tue 22nd DICF and Flying Scot Races Begin, WSM 6:00PM
Mon 28th Cruising Boat Series I, Land Classes (2) Apr 28th, May 5th, Potowmack Landing
Chart Room, 7:00PM - 10:00PM; Water Sessions (4), Sat May 3rd (9:00AM), Fri May 9th
(6:00PM), Sat May 10th (9:00 AM), Sat May 17th (9:00AM), WSM
Wed 30th Basic Sailing Series I, Land Classes (4), Apr 30th, May 7th, 14th, 21st, Potowmack
Landing Chart Room; 7:00PM - 10:00PM; Water Sessions (6), May 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th, 17th,
18th, WSM, Morning sessions 8:30AM; Afternoon sessions 1:00PM

May

Fri 16th River Fleet Evening Sail, Details TBA
Sat 17th Weeklong Cruise with Mike Geissinger (thru Mon 26th). Contact Mike for more
information.
Mon 19th Flying Scot Tutoring, WSM, 6:00 PM - dusk
Sat 24th Memorial Day Weekend Raft-up (thru Mon 26th), Rhode River, Details TBA
Sat 24th Ocean Cruise with Len Zuza (thru Sat Jun 7th). Contact Len for more information.

June

Sun 1st Checkout Day (Flying Scots and Cruising Boats) and Picnic, WSM, Details TBA
 Mon 2nd Cruising Boat Series II, Land Classes (2) Jun 2nd, 16th, Potowmack Landing Chart Room, 7:00PM - 10:00PM; Water Sessions (4), Sat Jun 14th (9:00AM), Fri Jun 20th (6:00PM), Sat Jun 21st (9:00 AM), Sat Jun 28th (9:00AM) WSM
 Fri 6th Alexandria Waterfront Festival, Old Town Alexandria (thru Sun 8th)
 TBA River Cruise/Fireworks Night, Alexandria Waterfront Festival, WSM, 7:00PM - 11:00PM
 Wed 11th British Virgin Island Cruise (thru Tue 17th), Details TBA
 Wed 11th Cruising Boat Series II, Land Class (1), Potowmack Landing Chart Room, 7:00PM - 10:00PM; Water Sessions (3), Sat Jun 14th (9:00AM), Fri Jun 20th (6:00PM), Sat Jun 28th (9:00AM) WSM
 Wed 11th Intensive Basic Sailing, Jun 11th, 18th, 25th, Jul 2nd (all classes 1 hour on land, 2 hours on water), Potowmack Landing Chart Room; 6:00PM - 9:00PM. Contact Kris Bieg for prerequisites.
 Mon 16th Flying Scot Tutoring, WSM, 6:00 PM - dusk
 Thu 19th Social Sail River Fleet Night, WSM, 6:00PM - dusk
 Sat 21st Bay Fleet Day Sail, Details TBA
 Fri 27th River Fleet Evening Cruise, Details TBA

July

Fri Jul 4th Independence Day Weekend Raft-up & Social (thru Sun 6th), Solomon's Island, Details TBA
 Sat 12th Capsize Course, WSM, 9:00AM - 3:00PM
 Sun 13th Checkout Day (Flying Scot and Cruising Boats) with Picnic , WSM, Details TBA
 Thu 17th Social Sail River Fleet Night, WSM, 6:00 PM - dusk
 Sat 19th Summer Maintenance Day, WSM, 9:00AM - 3:00PM
 Sun 20th River Fleet Raft-up, Details TBA
 Mon 21st Flying Scot Tutoring, WSM, 6:00 PM - dusk
 Sat 26th Overnight Canoeing/Kayaking Trip, Details TBA

August

Sat 9th Crab Feast, Details TBA
 Sat 16th Capsize Course, WSM, 9:00AM - 3:00PM
 Mon 18th Flying Scot Tutoring, WSM, 6:00 PM - dusk
 Thu 21st Social Sail River Fleet Night
 Fri 22nd River Fleet Evening Cruise, Details TBA
 Sat 16th Overnight Bay Sail to Baltimore Inner Harbor - Orioles vs. Yankees game, Details TBA

September

No Board Meeting

Fri 5th Volvo Leukemia Cup Party, Details TBA
 Sat 6th Volvo Leukemia Cup Regatta, Details TBA

Sun 7th President's Cup Regatta, Details TBA
Tues 9th Last DDCF and Flying Scot Races, WSM, 6:00 PM
Wed 10th Basic Sailing Series III, Land Classes (4), Sep 10th, 17th, 24th, Oct 1st, Potowmack
Landing Chart Room; 7:00PM - 10:00PM; Water Sessions (6), Sep 13th, 14th, 20th, 21st, 27th,
28th, WSM, Morning sessions 8:30AM; Afternoon sessions 1:00PM
Sun 14th Bay Fleet Day Sail, Details TBA
Mon 15th Flying Scot Tutoring, WSM, 6:00 PM - dusk
Sat 27th Autumn Raft-up, Details TBA

October

TBA Fowl Weather Raft-up
Sun 5th Checkout Day and Picnic (Flying Scots and Cruising Boats, WSM, Details TBA
Thu 9th Last Social Sail, WSM, 6:00PM-dusk
Thu 9th Annapolis Boat Show, City Dock & Harbor, Annapolis MD (thru Mon 13th)
Sat 11th River Fleet Overnight Cruise, Details TBA
Thu 16th Social No Sail Begins, Location TBA
Sat 18th Fall Maintenance Day, WSM, 9:00AM-3:00PM

November

Mon 10th Membership Meeting - Elections, American Legion Hall, Old Town Alexandria
Sat 15th Hail & Farewell, Details TBA

December

No December Membership Meeting
TBA Holiday Raft-Up

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