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SALTSPRING ISLAND SAILING CLUB
SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, 31st May, 2005

AGENDA

- Call to order at **1930 hours**
- Minutes of previous General Meeting
- Business arising from minutes
- Commodore's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Officers' Reports
- Old business
- New business
 - Motions to change membership fees, annual dues and moorage rates
 - Motion to approve capital project(s) and any necessary financing
- Adjournment

—Greg Harmeson
Secretary

Commodore's message

April was a busy time for all club members and myself. Early in the month, participants in the now defunct 'Charlie's Angels' and Homewaters, currently Crafty Cruisers, and members and guests from the First June Weekend cruises fêted me royally. What a special treat! Thanks are not enough, but thank you again! Mid-month saw an excellent turn-out for our Annual Spring Clean-up with the clubhouse, grounds and docks all the better for it.

The Silent Auction that many of you took advantage of netted \$1,774 for the Junior Sailing Program. This, along with the proceeds from TABASCO assures us of a new safety boat in time for this year's instruction. Dr. Jim would be pleased that youth education is the end-beneficiary.

Sailpast was a magnificent day both weather-wise and for me personally. Easily more than half of the club boats turned out, including a potential future (?) Commodore in young Junessa Sladen-Dew at the helm of *JEEKERS II*, and a sea dog in charge of colours on the rowing skiff *HELEN*. Everyone and their boats looked grand!

It is safe to say that the honeymoon phase of my office is past. Last month I indicated that the Board would be recommending changes to our fees and rates structure. They are as follows: Regular and Associate Member initiation fees be doubled; Regular and Associate dues rise to \$200 phased in over three years, and moorage rates be increased by 25¢ per foot per month. In



KEVIN VINE PHOTO

What a grand day for a Sailpast!
Here, Commodore April Steel aboard *WIND WENCH* acknowledges a salute (above), and April and Gary Railer are piped to the clubhouse by Doug Fraser (left)



the first year, the average billing (30') will increase by \$117 per annum plus a further \$35 and \$30 in the two subsequent years.

These changes will effectively double our operating surplus enabling the club to pay down past and future debt while at the same time continuing to build on the capital projects outlined in previous Long Range Plans.

While our review and update of the LRP did not significantly change the projects or priorities identified during the last round, what has changed dramatically since completion of our recent marina upgrade, is the cost of construction. Financial restructuring, along with serious consideration to setting up a reserve fund, will be a must in order to move forward with any projects.

We will have to make some hard choices on May 31st.

—April Steel, Commodore

Let's all get out on the water this summer!

Cruises are on page 5
Racing is on pages 7-8

Join the Round Saltspring Race festivities!

All SISC members are invited and encouraged to join in the fun of the Round Saltspring Race. Friday's chili dinner and music by Swing Shift is a great kick-off. Saturday, come down and see the start of around 120 boats. If you are lucky we'll have a NW wind so the spinnakers will be out. Sunday's famous lamb barbecue is delicious, and the award ceremonies are always exciting. We invite all club members to join the festivities!

Check out the barbecue and T-shirt order form on page 9!



Deadline for the next Tell Tales is 10th June

On the docks

Spring Clean-up and Work Party was a success on the docks. My thanks to all who came out and completed the work list in near record time. It is a good indication of our club spirit when you find members busily doing jobs not on the list but identified by them as desirable for the safety and/or upkeep of our docks. Again my thanks to all.

Some of you may have experienced poor water pressure in the past weeks which turned out to be due to an underwater leak between our old ferry dock and the new breakwater. It has now been found and fixed and pressure restored thanks to detective work by Dave Arnott and a speedy repair job by Rod MacDonald.

We are planning to begin the upgrade of the DE-docks' electrical system shortly after the Round SSI race weekend. I am asking for volunteers for a work party starting at 0800 hours on May 24 to remove decking, allowing access for the electricians, and to erect posts to receive junction boxes, lights and outlets. A second work party may be required to restore the decking etc. when the electrical work is completed. Power will be interrupted for a period of approximately one week and I will be notifying those individuals who are drawing summer power. Some temporary power will be available. During the work there may be decking in place allowing access but which is not permanently secured and everyone should use extra caution when on DE-docks during this period.

—Norm Dinsmore
Rear Commodore

Wharfingering

Spring is here and it is time for changes. We bid farewell and safe passage to *LITTLE DRAGON* owned by Ping Drage, Brian Swinburne's *DAUDIN*, Kathleen McCurdy's *LO FAAN*, and *LUCILLE* owned by Rick and Sharon MacKinnon. We have found new moorage for *BALLY* owned by Jim and Sandi Ballantyne and *MABUHAY* owned by Marc and Ann Lalonde. We will be seeing some additional changes over the next couple of months.

Winter power season has now gone past. If you haven't done so, you will find that your boat has been disconnected from power unless you have made arrangements for the summer period.

The sign-up board for summer Daily Wharfingering duty is filling up nicely, but there are still a number of vacant days. If you can find the time to support this service, it would be greatly appreciated. For anyone uncertain as to what is involved as Daily Wharfingering, please give me a call at 537-4021 and I will be happy to discuss the finer points of the job.

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House and grounds

Despite the damp weather the Spring Work Party in April was once again a great success. All the tasks on my list were completed, with the exception of some minor painting, which will be done in the near future. Thank you to everyone who turned up and worked so hard. Particular thanks to Rick Bissett who not only installed the new barrier to the lower parking area but donated the poles as well. I'm sure you will agree that the clubhouse and grounds look a lot better.

As all of my committee are either taking part in the Round Saltspring Race, or are away that weekend, I am looking for anyone who can spare an hour or two over the weekend to help keep the clubhouse and grounds clean and tidy. Please give me a call if you can help.

Finally, as we will be building the barbecue and putting up the tents for Round Saltspring during the week before the race, please do not park in the middle level car park after Sunday, 11th May.

—Nick Hodson, *Vice Commodore*

Secretary's notes

We've started the year off with a flurry of activity in the membership roster.

Leaving us are Donn and Nancy Compton (2001) as they've tendered their resignation.

Members Robert & Jean Sissons (1991) and Brian Swinburne (1998) are relocating off-island; however, they have chosen to stay on as Associate members. We look forward to seeing them at the various club activities throughout the year.

Please join us in welcoming new members Trevor Haddow & Shirley McLaughlin, David & Joanne Southwell, Helen Johnston—who will be joined later by her husband Doug, Roland Boudreau & Ruth Riddell and, just approved at last week's Executive meeting, Joseph Adams & Catherine Phillips.

We also have applications in for an additional five members and will of course advise once these have been approved.

—Greg Harmeson, *Secretary*

And, once again I would ask anyone who is planning on being away during the Round Saltspring Race weekend please let me know if we can use your slip for race participants.

—Bob Scott, *Wharfingering*

Dinghy sailing

SUMMER and JUNIOR PROGRAMS

Registration for members and families

OPTI • WHITE SAIL • BRONZE and SILVER programs

Opti: ages 8–11 years
White Sail, Bronze, Silver: 11–18 years

Dates of courses
July and August

Instructors

Andrea Bartle, Jessica Letour, Heather Meek, Stuart Dahlgren and Jesse Johnston-Hill

Registration

Saturday, May 14, 2005, 9:00 a.m. at the clubhouse

Fees

Opti program:
1 week duration, \$160 plus tax
White Sail, Bronze and Silver programs:
2 week duration, \$295 plus tax

ADULT SAILING PROGRAM

Lasers (equivalent to White Sail 1, 2, 3)
Open to all adults, no experience necessary, one-week duration

Date of course

June 27 to July 1, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Fees

\$160 plus tax

Instructors

Andrea Bartle and Heather Meek

Registration

Saturday, May 14, 9:00 a.m. at the clubhouse

A minimum of 12 adults are necessary for the program to run

This adult course is open to both club and non-club members

On behalf of the instructors and students, I would like to thank the Saltspring Island Sailing Club membership for the contribution of the sale of the late Dr. Buchan's boat, *TABASCO* to the Junior and Summer Programs. The funds have been allocated to a new safety boat, *TABASCO II*.

—John Wellingham (537-4123)
Fleet Captain, Dinghy

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May 1st Sailpast, 2005—what a wonderful turnout on a glorious day...

to salute our Commodore and greet the start of the boating season. I estimate that there were at least 125 people in attendance. We served a lunch of sandwiches, quiche, and veggies to a lively group, but the hit was the 250 'squares', which were made for us by the High School Kitchen.

Again, thanks to all who helped with this event. What a team!

Coming activities

We look forward to seeing everyone at our Special General Meeting on May 31st at 1930.

Saturday, June 18th – Family Day and Barbecue

Plans are underway for a fun and interesting day at the clubhouse. We are planning a number of activities during the day and will finish off with a family barbecue.

Boat safety checks – The Coast Guard Auxiliary have offered to provide safety checks for our club members' boats.

Garage sale – Here is your chance to sell those 'no longer needed items'.

Open boats – Have you always wondered what your neighbour's boat looked like from the inside, or the helm? We are looking for members who will open their boats for viewing.

More things to come – We will provide more details in the next TellTales.

Sign-up sheets - I will put sign-up sheets in the clubhouse. Please let us know if you want to take part in the Safety checks, Garage sale, Open Boat tours, and the Barbecue.

For more information please email me at oceancottage@saltspring.com or phone 537-5050.

—Arlene Dashwood
Staff Captain

With FANDANGO at the dock suffering from engine trouble, Philip Grange had no other choice than to join the Sailpast in HELEN, his restored lapstrake dinghy from Osborne Hbr., N.S.



Racers will always be racers—even at Sailpast. Here, TIGGER J and FINAL DASH meet head on

Long-time members Chris and Dick Pattinson with Betty and Jack Sharp in GWAIHIR (below)



The Ballantyne's brand new motor boat, BALLY, joins the Sailpast with skipper Jim and mate Sandi, together with son Richard and guest Cecil Oliver



The lineup for the salute stretched as far as the eye could see—well, almost



HAROLD BROCHMANN and COLLEEN SHANTZ PHOTOS

Spring Clean-up and Work Party 2005



Our Work Party on April 16th at the club was a good success. There was a turnout of about 75 people, according to how many coffee and donuts we served at the first break. Our kitchen crew did a wonderful job of serving food for the day, but beyond that we cleaned and organised all of the kitchen cupboards, the windows and the trophy cases!

Lasagne for lunch was declared delicious. We were able to have this catered by the teaching kitchen at the High School. True to form, we provided beer and snacks for the hardy bunch who stayed to the end of the day.

Thanks to everyone on the Staff Captain's crew of the day for a marvellous job.

—Arlene Dashwood
Staff Captain



Kevin Vine busily fixing plumbing on the docks (left) while Rick Mackinnon, Norm Elliot and Gene Drzymala load leaves and cuttings onto Norm's truck (above)

Don Dashwood, Nick Smythe and Leon Aptekman work with Rick Bissett (who is operating the crane) on the parking lot barriers



Leon Aptekman cutting up driftwood debris on the new breakwater

It wasn't all work, though. Bob Reynolds, Derek Emmerson, Manfred Melzer, Greg Harmeson, Tom Locke and Rob Denny examine an object of unknown utility (below)



Nick Hodson, April Steel and Louis Renaud (above) and Tony Burrige and Arlene Dashwood (right) having a grand time at the TABASCO auction

Bevan Wrate painting bull rails while Tony Burrige 'supervises' (below); Hugh Preddy really getting into it sorting through pipe-covered electrical cables (below right)



Cruise in May before the crowds arrive...

and enjoy the quiet anchorages—before the generator boats arrive!

May 18th - To Clam Bay. Anchor. No organised event today. Eat on your boat or take your dinghy through the cut to the pub.

May 19th - To Nanaimo. Through Dodd Narrows at 1320. Anchor at Newcastle Island or dock at the club. Happy hour at 1630 at the Dinghy Dock pub on Protection Island, followed by dinner at the pub.

May 20th - Hike the trails on Newcastle Island, shop in Nanaimo, or just relax.

May 21st - To Schooner Cove Marina (and club; first night reciprocal). Happy hour at 1630 on dock. Dinner at marina restaurant or on your boat.

May 22nd - Luxuriate in the hot-tub, swim in the pool, exercise in the exercise room or by cycling or walking, or play golf on the Fairwinds course (free shuttle). 1630 walk or take the free shuttle to the golf club for happy hour, followed by dinner at the golf club.

May 23rd - Breakfast in the marina restaurant. Organised cruise ends here. Happy sailing north, west, east, or return home as you choose.

If you plan to join this cruise, please phone Terry or Sheryl at 537-1988, and let us know (more information will be provided to those who are coming).

Please be sure to sign out when you leave on the cruise. In particular, this will help the Round Saltspring Race. If the sign-out board is full, leave a note in the Wharfinger's box to let him know your period of planned absence.

—Terry Ison
MERLOT

June cruise - party time!

Like the 'sail of the Pheonix', the cruise on the Salish Sea will be led by *VALKYRIE* once again—a cruise in our local waters, before the big boaters arrive on the scene. By the way, as in the past, we have guaranteed good weather.

Here is the plan:

Monday 13th - SISC to Montague - Happy hour on *VALKYRIE* at 1630.

Tuesday 14th - Montague to Telegraph Harbour. Pick your marina, but Telegraph Harbour Marina is closer for the Wednesday outing, or anchor off—but the fun is at the pub at 1700.

Wednesday 15th - At 1000 we walk for 10 minutes from Telegraph Harbour Marina to the Thetis Island Vineyard. There we will have a tour and lunch on the patio at \$10.00 each, a casual walk and exploring and back in time for happy hour on *VALKYRIE* at 1630.

Thursday 16th - Sail to Ladysmith where we can stop at the Ladysmith Yacht Club (reciprocal) or moor at the Page Point Inn and Marina on the other side of the harbour, or anchor out. Explore the history and quaintness of Ladysmith but be back in time for happy hour on the deck of the yacht club and then a 'pub dinner' by shuttle bus to the Page Point Fireside Inn.

Friday 17th - Sail back to SISC or join *VALKYRIE* for an additional evening at Wallace Island (high tide at 1600).

Remember the good times of past cruises? Then let's do it all again and have a wonderful time in our local waters and enjoy our local treats.

—Jim Ganderton
VALKYRIE



The July cruise

We depart earlyish in the morning of July 4th for Vancouver. The route taken—and whether or not we stop over—is dependent on the weather and will be decided at the time. If all goes smoothly we will anchor in False Creek that night.

False Creek is a fun place to be. Chinatown is just a few blocks away and your dinghy will take you to Granville Island and it's market. We'll spend two nights there.

Our next stop is Deep Cove Yacht Club, followed by a day cruise to the head of Indian Arm.

I suggest that on day 5, or 6, depending, we take a look around Vancouver Harbour and spend the night at one of the reciprocals we have there.

From Vancouver Harbour it is feasible to return directly to Salt Spring in one step. Those who wish to spend more time also have the option of exploring Howe Sound. There are several good anchorages on Gambier Island.

Personally, I intend to return via Silva Bay and Gabriola Passage, and anticipate that I'll be back on Salt Spring at the end of the 8th, or possibly the 9th day.

There will be a pre-cruise information update session at the club Thursday, June 30th to discuss navigation, supplies, and so on. If you phone me as soon as you have decided to join us (537-5073) I'll remind you, and reveal what time the meeting is, earlier that week.

—Harold Brochmann
GYPSY



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

A Salt Spring Island Tall Ships presentation

On June 21st, 2005, Mr. Thad Koza, the official photographer and renowned historian of The Tall Ships, will give a talk and show on the many great ships which will be visiting Victoria Harbour between June 23 and 26.

This presentation, which is being co-sponsored by our Saltspring Island Sailing Club, will be given at the Community Gospel Chapel, 147 Vesuvius Bay Road, at 7 p.m. and it should prove invaluable to those interested in learning more of the history and workings of the great sailing ships before visiting Victoria.

Tickets are \$10 each, and they can be purchased at Mouat's office (2nd floor) or by calling Phil Hume at 537-5772.

Ladies' cruise 2005

June 2, 3 and 4 - This year, our 12th, we'll cruise to Clam Bay and Newcastle Island. The eager boats will leave SISC on Thursday June 2 and drop anchor in Clam Bay. Early Friday morning we'll transit Dodd Narrows and either anchor or tie up at Newcastle. The second contingent will leave Friday and join the early birds on Saturday at Newcastle. Hiking and beachcombing are favourite activities for most of the group and we'll have dinner at the Dinghy Dock Pub Saturday night. Early Sunday morning we leave for home. If you would like to join the group (first timers are welcome) please contact Irene or Jill for details.

Jill - treetops@saltspring.com 537-1007
Irene - igibbs@saltspring.com 537-5184

Our trip to Princess Louisa Inlet

Colleen and I have been life members of the Princess Louisa International Society for fifteen years or so because we feel strongly that this beautiful area must be preserved forever the way it is now. Although we have made many trips to the Inlet we have never seen it in the early spring. We mentioned this to our friends Russell and Carol Logan and they agreed to join us with their Nordic Tug *RUBY DRUE*. Our departure date was set for April 2nd and we hoped to return around April 14th.

Saturday, April 2nd dawned overcast and blustery but we decided to go around 1000 hours. There was no rush as the slack at Dodd Narrows was not until later in the afternoon. Upon leaving the dock, *RUBY DRUE* discovered a steering problem which meant going back to the dock and making repairs. This meant we were too late for Dodd so we decided to go to Wallace Island. We tied to the dock and had a leisurely time exploring. Sadly the repair to the old Conover house roof has not been done yet but it has been tarped and hopefully will be done soon. The weather the following day around Nanaimo was not good so we stayed another day. We met a couple from Scotland who were kayaking to Alaska and they joined us for dinner on *RUBY DRUE*.

The next day was sunny and we made our way to Nanaimo and tied up at the city docks. Some shopping was in order and also a trip or two to the chandlery to see if there was anything we could not live without. We stayed an extra day, again because of weather, and proceeded to Schooner Cove on Wednesday. We used our reciprocal privileges there and had a very enjoyable dinner in the pub. This is a very nice facility.

Early the next morning we crossed over to Pender Harbour in overcast, light foggy conditions. We arrived around noon so we decided to get fuel at John Henry's and continue to Egmont. We arrived around 1430 and tied to the government dock beside Bathgate's store.

The next morning was sunny and beautiful but the slack at Malibu was late in the day so there was time for showers for all. We left about 1100 and had a beautiful trip up Jervis Inlet, the scenery was spectacular with many, many snow-capped mountains around every corner. Before we left we calculated the slack for Malibu but because we lost track of the days (this happens when you go cruising) we calculated the wrong day so we arrived about two hours early. There is a little niche across from the rapids which we call Mason Bay—named by us in honour of Philip and June Mason from our club on a previous trip—where we dropped anchor and rafted together for hot chocolate. We pulled anchor around 1800 and travelled the 3.8 NM to Malibu Rapids. We arrived at the dock at Chatterbox Falls



COLLEEN SHANTZ PHOTO

about 1930 and tied to the dock. There was one other small boat there with a tent set up on the dock.

The next day, Saturday, was another beautiful day. The small boat left so we had the whole place to ourselves. We spent some time exploring the area and going to the falls, then we had a wiener roast with a fire in the open pit in the centre of the lodge. In the afternoon Carol practised docking, then Colleen went out in the dinghy and we took the boats for a photo op in front of the falls. Later we took our dinghies down toward MacDonald Island to harvest a few oysters for supper. We enjoyed wonderful meals on this trip.

Sunday morning was another nice day so we took the tug down to the Malibu Club to see if we could look around. In the summer time there are about 500 kids and adults here but right now there were just caretakers and a carpentry crew. We were given permission to look around and we were very impressed with the place. Water sports, a golf course, a huge gym. A very nice dining room and a new ice cream shop under construction. We then went back to the dock and around 1600 it started to rain. It rained all night and it's great to go to bed in a nice warm boat and listen to the rain. The following morning we arose early to get the slack. The rain during the night was snow down to the 800 foot level and the sight was wonderful—it's so great to see the Princess in her different modes. Somebody once said "I have not seen all the beautiful places in the world, I don't have to, I have seen Princess Louisa".

Our trip down was very nice but uneventful, arriving at Pender Harbour around 1500 and tied to the small dock beside John Henry's. Fish and chips at LaVernes was in order, and also breakfast the next morning. She also had internet access so Carol spent some time catching up with work. The weather in Pender looked good around 1330 so we decided to cross. Whiskey Gulf was active so it meant going the long way. After about

five miles or so conditions deteriorated with three to four foot seas so we turned tail and went to Smuggler's Cove. The next day did not look good in the morning but it seemed to be getting better so we left at 1430 and had a good sail to Nanaimo until we tore our jib. Whiskey Gulf was not active so it was a straight run after we rounded Thormanby Island. Arrived at Nanaimo at 1930.

The next morning we fuelled up and caught the slack at Dodd Narrows around noon and continued home.

In all, we travelled about 240 NM and we were gone 12 days. Things I learned on this trip: April is a great time to cruise, don't have any deadlines, and a good heater is very important. Never leave your hot dog bun unattended, travel with great friends and most of all go again—soon.

—Lorne Shantz, *SHAUNSEA*

A letter of thank you and goodbye

Many of you know that I will be moving to Courtenay at the end of May. I want to thank all the club friends for the love and support you gave me in the past four years. I couldn't have made it without your friendship, encouragement and help, and I want to thank all those who helped me. You came to my rescue when I was distraught and at a loss. I have loved the years living here being a neighbour and a member to the club, going out on my boat at the drop of my hat, sailing or racing with a good wind at my back, never felt lonely—always having a friend to talk to. I shall miss you all and miss living here on this wonderful island Peter called "paradise on earth". I shall treasure the memories in years to come.

Hopefully I will be able to return for visits from time to time, and I hope some of you will come and visit me in Courtenay. My new address is 1344 Krebs Crescent, Courtenay, BC, V9N 9E9, but I have no phone yet.

—Ping Drage

RACING NEWS

Round Saltspring 2005

The biggest event of the club year takes place on May 21 and 22. This of course is the Round Saltspring race, the occasion when the whole club, and not just the racing group, shows sailors from all around the Georgia Basin just what it is that makes Salt Spring such a special place. Although it is true that over the years this event has generated quite a bit of revenue for the club, it is the spirit of generosity from all who help out, the friendliness of our members, and the very uncommercial atmosphere we create, which keep people coming back year after year. The money we make may be seen as a just reward for all the effort we put in: but it is not the reason we do it. We do it because we want to promote sailing in and around the Gulf Islands, and because we want to make our club and our island look good. What makes it work is the enthusiasm of all the members who volunteer to help out, from key organisers like Wendy and Kevin Vine and Phyllis Waltho, through cooks, parking organisers, wharfingers, bartenders and many other vital jobs, all the way to those generous souls who come and clean up the garbage on Sunday afternoon when everyone has gone home.

To anyone who has not already been recruited to do a particular job, I urge you not to miss out on the opportunity to help out at this extraordinary event. Participation is definitely the way to get the best out of it. Even if you have already decided to sail on your own or someone else's boat, there will certainly be other jobs which you can do, either before or after, to help out. Contact any of the organisers, or one of the Executive (listed in the front of our very colourful yearbook) to volunteer your services. One area where I know we still need help is with the finish line, recording the times of the boats as they cross the line. Please contact David Wood (653-2304 or wood@saltspring.com) if you can help out with this.

The Race itself

The race starts at 1000 hours on Saturday May 21, just off the club breakwater. Racers will have been divided at the Skippers Meeting at 0830 into two groups, based on handicap, with the faster boats starting first and the second group going off at 1010. The tides dictate that we go the 'right' way round, which is clockwise, leaving Salt Spring to starboard. The only other things which you must leave to starboard are Grappler Rock and Atkins Reef, as well as the Sisters and the Chain Islands on your return (they must be left to port as you leave the harbour). The start coincides with low tide (2.7 ft at Fulford), which is good news for anyone going aground in Boulder Bay as they will get lifted off without too much delay. (The bad news is that you get stuck



BOB JONES PHOTO

in the first place.) The flood continues, at moderate strength, until 1753 hours (9.3 ft), but the slack water at Sansum Narrows is a bit earlier, at 1600, by which time we hope and pray that all the boats will have safely passed through; we do not want a repeat of last year, when almost half the fleet was caught on the wrong side of the Narrows when the current changed to ebb.

However, this year the ebb is short and small, with the low of 8.0 ft at 2155 hours, and then another modest flood to a high of 10.2 ft at 0315 on Sunday. All in all, not a bad night to spend out on the water, although there will be very little moon to help you find your way, if you should still be out there.

Those left out in Trincomali in the dark hours just before dawn will get the benefit of a large ebb to sweep them down the channel and through Captain Passage. At 1041 hours on Sunday, just before the 1100 finish cut off, the tide reaches its low at 1.6 ft but by this time everyone should be sitting on the grass, well into their second beer and waiting for the much-anticipated lamb barbecue to start.

Duncan Gladman seminar tickets available

The first single-handed seminar was attended by 25 people who had all signed up for the series, and it went off in a very collaborative atmosphere. If anyone arrived with the thought that they knew it all already and would learn nothing new, that belief was quickly eroded by the generous sharing of experience, skills and knowledge of all the participants, and particularly by Tony Meek and Bob Jones who had offered to put themselves on the line and make presentations on safety, docking, anchoring, furling systems, and reefing. The idea

Norah McCloy and Tim Larsen driving ALACRITY downwind in the Round Prevost

Racing schedule

See pages 47–48 in the Yearbook or check the club website for the latest racing schedules

All of Bob Jones' race logs and individual race results can be found at saltspringsailing.ca

was that everyone knew some of the information, but that few if any knew it all, and by pooling our resources we could make it available to the whole group. Feedback has been generally very positive.

The second seminar, originally set for mid-April, had to be postponed, and it seems likely that what was due to be the third seminar, with Duncan Gladman of Canada Challenge fame, will in fact become the second, and that the third and fourth will take place in June.

The date of the next single-handed seminar will be Tuesday, May 24 at 1900 h at the clubhouse. Duncan will be talking about his long-distance single-handed sailing experiences. We have agreed to pay Duncan an honorarium for his time, which he has asked us to send to Global Hunger as part of his sponsorship agreement. Everyone who has signed up for the full single-handed seminar series is automatically entitled to come; if other club members would like to attend, they may reserve a ticket by emailing wood@saltspring.com. Tickets are \$10 each, on a first come first served basis.

—David Wood
Fleet Captain, Racing

An invitation to club members...

—to join the race!

Round Saltspring is a challenging and exciting sailing event for anyone who enjoys sailing a boat. It is an event for both the keen club racers and the infrequent 'casual' cruisers. It is an opportunity for power boaters to motor around Saltspring, or to be part of the race committee on the starting line, or finish line. It is an excuse to get out in your boat!

Sailing your boat all the way around Saltspring Island is an accomplishment, whether done in record time or on Saltspring time. The important thing is to have an enjoyable time.

—to join the festivities!

All SISC members are invited and encouraged to join in the fun of the Round Saltspring Race. Friday's chili dinner and music by Swing Shift is a great kick-off. Saturday, come down and see the start of around 120 boats. If you are lucky we'll have a NW wind so the spinnakers are out. Sunday's famous lamb barbecue is delicious, and the award ceremonies are always exciting. And don't forget that all kinds of boaters need food and drink. We invite all club members to join!

—to support the event!

Race sponsorship

The local business community has come forward in a big way to ensure our success with their financial support of Round Saltspring. Special thanks to our sponsors, so please support them all throughout the year.

Prizes

Each year club members and the community donate prizes and the race committee purchases locally made items. In past years, we have had everything from original paintings, smoked salmon, gift certificates, vouchers, T-shirts, jackets, duffle bags, books, boating equipment and paraphernalia, and more. If you'd like to make a donation, call Kevin Vine (537 9265 or kvine@telus.net).

Our supporters

The success of Round Saltspring is a direct result of the participation and active support of SISC members. If you have more time than money, then call to volunteer and, again, your man is Kevin Vine. We need people for everything! Selling T-shirts and tickets, food preparation, finish line, photography, wharfingering, you name it!

(It's a great way to top up your 30 hours!)



ROUND SALTSRING ATTENTION NON-RACERS!

If you are not part of a registered boat and would like to order either lamb barbecue tickets or Round Saltspring shirts, please fill in the form below, put it into an envelope along with the money owing, and place it in the Round Saltspring 2005 slot just inside the inner door of the clubhouse. You will be able to pick up your tickets and/or shirts on either the Friday night or the Sunday on the weekend of the race. *Please note:* All shirts are blue and have an embroidered RSI 2005 logo. Monogrammed shirts also have your boat name embroidered on. **The deadline for all pre-ordered shirts is May 1st.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Wendy Vine at wvine@telus.net or 537-9265.

SHIRT ORDER

Name _____ Email address _____ Phone number _____

Boat name (please print clearly, for monogrammed shirts only) _____

T-Shirts

Not monogrammed (\$20 each) Med _____ Lge _____ XLge _____ Total cost \$ _____

Monogrammed (\$25 each) Med _____ Lge _____ XLge _____ Total cost \$ _____

Golf Shirts

Not monogrammed (\$30 each) Med _____ Lge _____ XLge _____ Total cost \$ _____

Monogrammed (\$35 each) Med _____ Lge _____ XLge _____ Total cost \$ _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

LAMB BARBECUE TICKET ORDER

Name _____ Email address _____ Phone number _____

Number of tickets _____ @ \$12 each = \$ _____ **(Amount enclosed)**

Please make cheques payable to *Saltspring Island Sailing Club*.

Please support our generous local sponsors

- Jill Louise Campbell Gallery • Hastings House Country House Hotel • Mouat's Home Hardware • Island Marine Construction
- Windsor Plywood • Moby's Marine Pub • Harbours End Marine & Equipment • Gulf Islands Driftwood • Royal LePage Salt Spring Realty
- Orca Electronics Inc. Radio Shack • Island Savings • Salt Spring Island Cheese



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REGISTRATION FORM

SKIPPER		CLUB
ADDRESS		CITY PHONE
PROVINCE	POSTAL CODE	E-MAIL

Boat Information

BOAT NAME	FLYING SAILS? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	SAIL NUMBER
BOAT TYPE/LOA (e.g. SAN JUAN 28)	HULL COLOUR	PRIMARY SPINNAKER COLOURS
RATING <input type="checkbox"/> current PHRF-NW certificate <input type="checkbox"/> non PHRF-NW	<i>Non PHRF-NW boats are encouraged to join PHRF-NW. They will be charged a handicapping fee of \$10.</i>	

Crew Names

CREW 1	CREW 4
CREW 2	CREW 5
CREW 3	CREW 6

The Fine Print...

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS: P.I.Y.A. Category III; running lights must be in working order and must be used from dusk to dawn.
 RULES: The race will be run under the CYA Racing Rules of Sailing.
 RELEASE: I understand that the ultimate responsibility for the safety of a vessel and her crew lies with the captain of that vessel. I have read the rules and regulations issued for this event and agree to be bound by them. In consideration of acceptance of this entry or my being permitted to take part in this event, I agree to save harmless and keep indemnified Saltspring Island Sailing Club, its organizers and their respective agents, officials, servants with respect to death, injury, loss or damage to myself, my yacht or any member of my crew, and representatives from and against all claims, actions, cost, expenses and demands in however caused, arising out of or in connection with my taking part in this event notwithstanding that the same may have been contributed to or caused or occasioned by the negligence of the same bodies, or any of them, or their agents, officials, servants or representatives. I further understand and agree that this Release is binding upon myself, my heirs, executors and assigns.

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- Windsor Plywood

Register

SKIPPER _____ DATE _____

Registration is \$50 + GST until May 1; \$60 + GST afterwards. BBQ tickets are available at \$12 on a first come, first served basis. Sorry, no refunds after May 1. Boats without a valid PHRF-NW certificate are encouraged to get one, but without it, will be charged \$10 for handicapping services.

BALANCE SHEET		GST included
Registration		
before May 1	\$53.50 _____
after May 1	\$64.20 _____
No PHRF-NW certificate	\$10.00 _____
Lamb BBQ tickets	_____	@ \$12.00 ea _____
Shirts	M L XL	
T-shirt	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$20.00 ea _____
T-shirt monogram	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25.00 ea _____
Golf-shirt	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$30.00 ea _____
Golf-shirt monogram	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$35.00 ea _____
<i>Deadline for pre-ordered shirts is May 1, 2005</i>		Total enclosed _____

Please make cheques payable to Saltspring Island Sailing Club. Mail to SALTSPRING ISLAND SAILING CLUB and mark envelope ROUND SALTSPRING 2005.

Please enclose photocopies of:
 • liability insurance
 • PHRF-NW certificate

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