



JUMP-N-JIBE JOURNAL

Commodore Comments



Welcome to September! The weather has been quite wet as of late. However, according to a long-range forecast by NOAA, we will move into a dry season. Therefore, windsurfing at Shell Point will be quite pleasant through December. Can you say La Niña?

Please Join us this Tuesday, 9/13, at District 850 for our Annual elections. It is always fun as club members accuse each other of cheating, lying, and skullduggery in order to get one of the coveted Board Members at large positions. I believe there are only two spots left. Please consider. It's a great way to meet the 90 or so other club members. It's also fun.

Coming up in October the Endless Summer; our main club event involves racing, beverages, camaraderie, and some nifty door prizes! We are looking for folks who can help with the event if you're not racing or helping us uncover potential sponsors and items to donate to our event. We are a diverse group of sailors who bike, play music, pickleball, kayak, fish, and boat. Many businesses would be grateful to get their name associated with our club.

Your Commodore,
Jack May

35th Annual Endless Summer Sailboard Classic

Our Endless Summer Sailboard Classic is scheduled for October 7th-9th, 2022. In order to help make this year's event a success we are currently looking for sponsors, donations of cash, in kind services or goods for the swag bag or raffles.



We are asking all of our Shell Point Sailboard Club members to please consider helping make our club's event a huge success by contacting your favorite businesses in town that you patronize on a regular basis for donations (see attached sponsorship opportunities available).

We are a not-for-profit recreational organization that is completely run by volunteers which is pretty impressive when you see that this event is now in its 35th year!

For those that have previously donated we thank you and humbly ask if you would please consider becoming a sponsor once again.

We appreciate your support in helping our club continue to carry on this wonderful event.

[Notice of Race and Registration Online is Now Open](#)

Club Minutes, Tuesday, 8/9/2022

Place: District 850
12 people in attendance

Meeting called to order at 7:31 and minutes approved at 7:32 only to be followed by testimony after testimony on how the minutes written by the scribe changed their lives for the better. Amen to that!

Commodore: Thanked Rose for the great job she did on the Rum and Root Beer event. He then started waxing poetic on how awesome he was in conquering every challenge that came his way. We were all awestruck.

Vice Commodore: Indicated it was nice to be back even though Italy was great. He returns to Italy October 12th for the Windsurfer/LT Italian Nationals and then on to the Worlds. We got into conversation about different languages and Jack told a story about Andy Priest and a middle eastern girl.

Scribe: Thanked Kristin for Smith article and asked Rose to do one on the Rum and Root Beer.

Purser: Money in the bank even after \$2,419 was paid for insurance, a cost that will be shared with the Smith Regatta Foundation. Expenses for Rum and Root Beer event were \$327.88 to Homestead and 113.03 for other expenses. Need to rebuild base of tree planter which will cost some moola. Memberships stand at 97 with the purser now wanting to get to 100. A new training board is an upcoming expense. Lots of fun talk about beach erosion and the Andy Waters hot tub, with some folks wanting to run jets down to it.

Rum and Root Beer: Bob G. commented on the number of new faces we had at this year's event which is one of the reasons Rose loves doing it because it puts everyone at the same level, not knowing anything about the games. Sandy mentioned it was a great team building exercise. The record for staying on the bronco, which many felt was impossible, was 3.5 seconds by Nancy. The Board announced their recommendations for officers to be voted on at the Annual Business Meeting in September. They are Commodore: Mark Powell, Vice Commodore: Kristin Korinko, Scribe: Bob Graves, Purser: Wright Finney.

Upcoming Events:

October: **Endless Summer (7-9), Atlanta Fall Classic (14-16)**
November: **Presnell (6-13)**
December: **Christmas Party (10), Fesitvus (18)**

For a complete listing with training and practice day schedule, go to:
<https://www.spsc20knotsnob.com/events>

Club Meetings: Joe had a suggestion from a constituent to meet at 6:30 instead of 7:30. Wright mentioned, as older gentlemen often do, that "back in the day" people used to compete for spots to be on the board. Rose asked why people aren't like that now. Someone mentioned something about age, and it went downhill from there. Thankfully, the staff could see the brawl through the window of the meeting room and broke us up.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 and boy did we have a great time!



SPSC Events are family affairs! ~ SPSC Scribe

After speaking with folks at our recent Rum 'n' Root Beer, I came to realize how our club and the events we put on stand out. Several of the newer members had no idea what to expect and came away from the games saying "you guys are great and have way too much fun!".

I have been to several regattas hosted by different organizations and have come to realize that, though the other regattas have a higher level of "professionalism" and some truly incredible sailors, none of them are near the fun ours are, nor, for the money, have the benefits we have. When we go to other events, there is rarely anybody other than the racers themselves because there is nothing for anyone else to do. Many times, the races can't be viewed from the beach because they are way off somewhere. When the SPSC puts on an event or co-hosts one like the Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta, we make sure to include everyone, with food and entertainment on Friday night, breakfast, dinner and swag give ways before musical



entertainment on Saturday night, and a fun trophies presentation on Sunday after our long-distance race. We WANT you to bring your family so that they can enjoy the festivities and time on the beach.

The one big exception on viewing races and fun atmosphere is the Atlanta Fall Classic where viewing from the back of the sailing center is better than any other venue. I know Chris has tried to get more family participation, and I don't understand why more families don't accompany the racers because there is much to do. The camping at the sailing club is wonderful and at that time of year, the leaves are starting to change color. You can Kayak or just hike if you don't sail, biking trails close by, great foosball table that has seen many a heated match during rainouts, and great crossword puzzle assembling tables. We always have a great time, and it is an event I always look forward to.

Sometimes it takes fresh eyes to observe just how lucky we have been to be in a club that has made changes to be more inclusive of all members.

Rum 'n' Root Beer ~ Bob G.

Once again Rose, with the help this time of Laura, hit it out of the park when it came to creating fun games! From the beginning when she broke us up into teams and we had to go around making animals sounds of cows, crows, snakes, etc, to find our teammates, she got people laughing, and relaxing, ready to have a good goofy time.

From there on out it was one game after another, with no waiting to play any of them as they were all going on at the same time, with winners gathering up as many horses (tennis balls) as possible, which they had to hold the entire time.



Words cannot describe the fun that was had by everyone, hearing so much laughter, some good-natured trash talking, and the feeling of victories, no matter how small or large. At the R'n'Rs everyone is put at the same level, playing games they had no ability to practice in advance, so winning was always a possibility, unlike when I race in regattas.

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Dues are Due!

Your dues are for membership from September 1st of one year to August 31st of the next year. Please take this opportunity to reup! This is the link to go to our shopping area and put one of those memberships in your basket. YOU DO NOT NEED A PAYPAL ACCOUNT TO DO THIS, but can use a credit card via the PayPal portal at <https://www.spsc20knotsnob.com/>. For the luddites in the club who don't trust these newfangled ways, you can mail your check to SPSC, PO Box 91, Tallahassee, Florida, 32302.

If you are a new member who signed up during lessons in 2022, you DO NOT owe any dues until August 31, 2023

For those that forget, yearly dues are \$30 for single and \$45 for household. Dues for the SPSC have not changed since 1994! Your dues make a difference for the training program, keeping our web presence, maintaining our structures at the beach, etc.

If you aren't sure if you owe dues, just send an email to Bob Graves at djbobbyg@gmail.com, your humble scribe, and ask him as he is all knowing.

Training Program ~ By Lessons Coordinator

As the training year ends, I need to mention a few things.

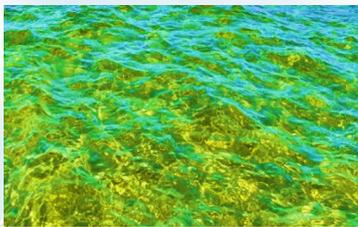
Perry has joined the training crew and has been a great addition to the stalwarts of Joe, Tina, Chris, Bob A, Bob G, and guest appearances by Linda, Mack, and Bill. People might think that training is a chore, but when you get someone who has never done the sport before, not even sailed, to go out and come back with a smile on their face, it feels good. Some students learn more quickly than others, but the more challenging ones just make us dig a little deeper to find out how we could teach a little differently.

This year, we have kept the classes to 6 or 7 people so that everyone has a board, and we try to have an instructor for each of them. We started smaller classes in 2020 when our first four classes were cancelled due to Covid, and when we started back up, we kept the classes small for safety reasons. We took lots of precautions and the year turned out to be very successful, having taught Ava, Donna, Connie, and Nancy with her three sons, Shaddy, Messy, and Liam, all who are currently club members. Prior to 2020, we were

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Yes, Bob, There is an Ochlocknee Shoals!

I finally made it to the Emerald City!! Yes, we followed the yellow GPS line to the coordinates, but it wasn't without perils!



Very much like Dorothy's trip down the yellow brick road, she started out carefree, skipping along and singing a song, much like our boat flying to our destination, then we were slowed down, no doubt due to sea (thankfully not flying) monkeys messing with the intake of the motor. However, due to the quick thinking of the crew AND the concern from another boat, which we believe was guided by the hand of Glenda, the good witch of the north, Sandy and I transferred to another craft and continued down the yellow brick road.



No other perils befell us, though we did encounter three men that were very similar to the ones from the Oz movie, and, like the movie, one was courageous, one had heart, and the jury's still out on whether the other has a brain.

Our first entry into this magic realm was first hampered by the high water. However, the tide was rapidly receding and in no time at all, we were on solid footing. The water was

as clear as anything I had seen in Bonaire. The best part were the munchkins, lollipop guild, and other assorted friendly people visiting this oasis aka the Emerald City aka Ochlocknee Shoals located so far out in Apalachee Bay that you could barely see the alligator point coastline.



In my last article I chided those that told me of this place, not believing them, and thinking they were delusional. I am happy to say that my apologies to them were accepted and I got to visit this incredible site. Next up, the search for Santa Claus!

50th Annual Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta Needs You!



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Your
CALENDAR
April 28 - 30, 2023
Shell Point Beach, FL

Need More Information?
Visit www.SmithRegatta.com

Windsurfers • PHRF Sailboats • P&OD • Catamarans & MORE
Check the website for the weekend schedule.

Online registration will be available at www.SmithRegatta.com
Please consider donating something for our Sunday auction, especially
if you have a car, boat, bike, or trailer you wish to go to a good home.
Please check our website under Auction for more information on donating.

All proceeds donated to the American Cancer Society

We are very excited that plans are already underway for the 50th Annual Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta. Save the date and mark your calendars for the weekend of April 28-30, 2023. If you haven't been to a regatta in a while, make plans to join us in celebrating this milestone event while we raise money in support of the American Cancer Society (ACS).

We have set a very big goal to raise \$50,000 for ACS for the 50th and with your help, we know we will hit the mark! How can you help? If you are an annual sponsor or donor, would you consider doubling your contribution just for this year? Does your employer provide a company match for charitable contributions? Do you know any new sponsors or potential donors who would contribute?

Also, we are gathering photos from past Smith Regattas as the booklet for the 50th will be commemorative program that will surely become a collector's item. If you have photos to share, you may send them to me at info@angelganey.com or coordinate with any Smith Regatta volunteer to submit them.

We look forward to making the 50th Annual Smith Memorial Regatta another successful event for the American Cancer Society and we will have a little fun while doing it! Thank you for your continued support and stay tuned for more information leading up to the event.

If you are on social media, be sure to follow Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta on Facebook. You Gotta Regatta!!!!

Angel Ganey
2023 SCSMR Even Chairperson

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booking 10 or more students per class, with the mindset that two students could share a board. However, after not sharing in 2020, and the instructors AND students having much more fun with this model, we have stayed with it. An added bonus is that all the students are really tired by the time 3pm rolls around!

None of this would have been possible without the great support from the club in our acquiring gear either through purchase or donation, so if you have any small sails, booms, or masts that are in good condition and no longer used, please consider donating. Also, if you have a longboard or other gear that is in good condition you wish to sell, please contact me at djbobbyg@gmail.com as we have lots of new sailors looking to purchase.

What has been very successful this year are the practice days on Sunday. Not only has this allowed newer members to get better before deciding to buy their own gear, but a lot of the older members have come down just to hang out, with one mentioning that the get togethers were like old times. A newer member said in an email “can’t resist the chance to tell you how much this wonderful club & all its members mean thank you for sticking it out & always making us feel welcome.”

All of our practice days are on the events calendar, so please come on down and relax at the beach and sail!

How to Create a Rum 'n' Root Beer Event

Step 1. Pick a Theme, which can be anything, movie, song, activity, ANYTHING. Here are some of the Theme’s over the past decade: Prepare to get Wet, the Big Derzypolski, Blazing Saddle, Birds of a feather flock together, Camullet, One Million Years BC, Shellympics, Splish Splash Rubber Ducky, Viva Shell Point, Ain’t my First Rodeo, The Great Covid Caper.

Step 2. Come up with games loosely based on the Theme.

Step 3. Ask the Board/Club for a Budget (we normally try to come as close to breaking even as we can)

The Games.

Split people into teams. This should always be random so that people get a chance to meet new people in the club. You won’t know how many to put on a team until you see how many people sign up to play. There can be any number of teams from a couple big teams to many smaller teams mostly based on the game(s) you come up with to play.

The great thing about this event is it can be anything you want, and the games are your creation. This is about having fun and giving people a chance to get to know each another. There is no set number of games. They can be on land or in the water or both. The place is normally on the beach at Shellpoint, but it can encompass all of Shellpoint. During Covid we had to hold our R’n’R remotely via an App called Goosechase in which people could participate wherever they were in the world. That event actually turned out to be one of the most hilarious and we still have all the video’s and pictures which make for a fun slide show to watch later on and reminisce. Picture and/or video’s of an R’n’R are always fun to watch later on so if you can tag someone to be the historian and capture the event that would be a plus.

When planning the games, think Dollar Store, free things, reusable, recyclable and environmentally friendly. We do have to set up the games and clean up afterwards. Recruit volunteers to help do this as well as getting help in running the game(s).

Lastly, are prize(s). Again, we are keeping the budget to a minimum. They can be homemade items, gift cards or even donated item- just keep the cost low.

So. . . . if you think you can create a fun R’n’R . . .hint, hint, hint. . . .start thinking it up now as we are always looking for fresh ideas. You would be the game master and run the event so let us know if you are interested so that we can support you in your efforts!

Well, that Sucked ~ Rose Lane

So I'm out on the water having a great day not thinking too much about the dark clouds in the distance after checking to see if there was any lighting in the area which was a negative. When suddenly a dark shadow seemed to come out of nowhere rather abruptly. Hmm... those clouds got here superfast. I thought to myself and figured it would be wise and good time to head back to shore. I was not that far from the shoreline - just past the first mark and well on my way back, but the wind had a different plan for me. The wind kicked up instantaneously to the point it felt like the wind was at a standstill just trying to decide which way to Blow. My sail was held hostage by gusts coming at it from every directions and I unable to hold on was forced to lay it down, not that I had much choice. In my mind I was thinking this thing wasn't going to last that long and I would soon enough be able to uphaul and finish my way in.

That plan didn't last, because one second later the heavens opened up with a torrential downpour to coincide with gale-force winds. I laid down on my board thinking of a plan B, paddle my way in. At this point mere minutes later, I had already been blown back out and was now halfway to Oak Island or as least it felt like hell at the time Hell. And, yes I was praying. Lord, I know you can calm the seas if you choose too, please calm these seas now, despise not my petitions because of my inequity and let this blow over fast.

As you can guess the paddling was going nowhere, I did try to uphaul a few times which was futile against the 40 mph wind. My only saving grace was I had a hat on that protected my face and eyes getting blasted with rain drops and I was wearing my highlighter yellow life vest so I would be easier to find. I already knew no one was dumb enough to windsurf out to me even if they were good enough to get to me. Although I would have loved the company at the time, I wouldn't want anyone else stuck out there in the middle of the maelstrom. More thoughts flowing through my head at time were, really is this how it ends? No, I think not, I just have to wait out the sucky-ness and it will get better, maybe the coast guard will come and get me with a helicopter, that would be cool, but unlikely. Who has a boat? Come on someone has to have a boat? Paddle, Paddle, Paddle. This sucks, This really sucks. I could see the shoreline and could tell people were keeping an eye on me. ... Again boat people? Wind die down please... paddle, paddle, paddle....

Then coming at me through the rain was a boat!!! Hooray !!! Happy day!!!! Will Glen happened to be home and saw the folks on the beach looking out into the storm and asked what's up? Long story short Will wasted no time with his expertise at boating coming to my rescue and even was kind to help get my rig and board safely back to shore along with my now soggy self. My Hero!!! Everyone was happy to see me get back safely. I was told I did exactly what you are supposed to do in that situation and stay with your board and they were all very happy. I chose a brightly colored life jacket which made it easier to keep an eye on me. Now, safely back on land with a whole group of people ready to practice the seas were super calm like all the wind had been blown away.

If there is a moral to this story, my guess it would be to stay bright, hang on tight to something that will keep you up and just hold on until the sucky-ness goes away and it will.



Venturing Crew 44 Windsurfing Lessons

This was the tenth anniversary of VenturingCrew 44 coming down to take sailboard lessons. We did have to cancel the 2020 lesson due to Covid restriction. Crew 44 have always been a lot of fun to reach, with different kids most of the time and some returning students. This year we only had four venturers taking lessons, but we also had two parent who wanted to try it as well, with one of the adults doing really well. The Venturing Crew (<https://www.scouting.org/programs/venturing/>) has helped with the Smith Regatta in running the Regatta grill and has volunteered to do the same for the Endless Summer this year! This year's tip jar, however, will help them raise funds for future adventures. LaSandra, the Crew advisor, was kind enough to include Tina, Joe, and I, the three trainers who were there, in their lunch plans, so we all ate well. Here are some pictures from 2012 lessons and from 2022.



