

BSC members

Spring has sprung and the racing has been hot, well ahead of the weather which is also turning to summer heat and humidity. Quite a few of our members have been traveling to compete elsewhere, including Thistle, Flying Scot, and MC Scow. Our local fleets have been well represented! And BSC hosted the SouthEast Regional Thistle regatta just recently. Thanks to Loy Vaughan for organizing this event with 16 racers (6 from BSC's fleet 110). When you see Loy, congratulate him on his winning second place in that event!

Lots of activity on Wednesday evenings with the informal and fun events. Check out the pictures of some of these events on our web site. With the sun now setting later, there is more time for sailing and socializing, so please come join us.

This weekend (May 22-23) includes an Adult Learn to Sail class. Thanks to Rebecca Rodamar for organizing this! If you see someone you don't know this weekend at the club, please introduce yourself and encourage the students to consider joining the club.

Looking just a week ahead - Memorial Day weekend will include races on Saturday with a little different format. Races will start in the morning, break for lunch, followed by more races in the afternoon. Returning to our tradition of one-day regatta's, there will be awards. And there will be social activities too! Thanks to Stan Graham for organizing this.

Hey, if you might want to help with organizing (purchased) food, drink, and social activities for the Saturday May 29 event, please connect with Stan.

While some (most?) of us are now fully vaccinated against Covid-19, we know that this virus is still a risk. So, obviously, like seriously ... dah, don't come to the club if you have a fever, feel ill, know you have been exposed to this virus just recently, etc. Take precautions of washing your hands frequently, keeping your distance from others. Particularly if not vaccinated, wearing of face masks is welcomed when in close proximity to others. Being outside and in the fresh air is highly recommended. Sailing is particularly safe way to enjoy healthy activity, so come participate.

Other news: Aluminum can recycling. We now have three locations on our campus where you can find special [blue containers](#) for collecting empty aluminum cans to be recycled. Thanks to Fernando Valentin for organizing and also volunteering to manage this effort.

Regarding dogs on the club campus: Our Club Rules state: *"Pets are not allowed in the immediate vicinity of the Clubhouse or patios. Otherwise, pets brought to the Club must be leashed or kenneled, and observed by the owner to not be a nuisance to other members or guests. Members are responsible for cleaning up after their pets."* Guests to the club from out-of-town get a bit of a pass, but we certainly don't need to encourage the neighborhood dogs to visit, obviously unleashed and unsupervised.

Managing maintenance on the property is on-going. However, in today's business climate, we find it quite challenging and a bit more difficult than previously anticipated to get serious (detailed) bids for certain repairs, but this is underway. This includes replacing picnic tables,

work on docks, both the main club house and the Jr barn (roof repairs, wood repairs, and paint), and to reseal the asphalt driveways. Please be patient - improvements are coming.



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