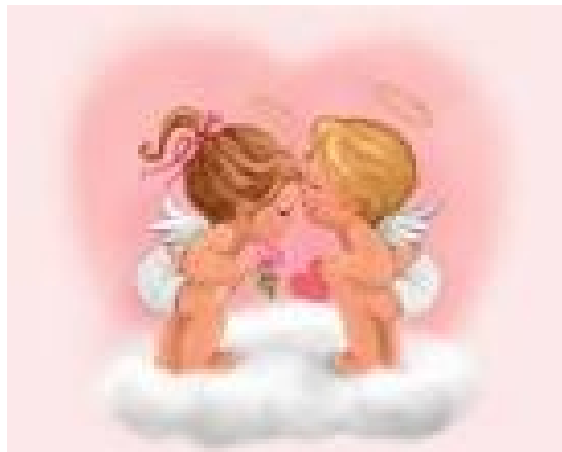


Sailing Singles

of Southwest Florida

2030 SE 14th Ter
Cape Coral, FL 33990

Happy Valentine's Day



February 2010

Fellow Sailors;

After taking care of the main web site for over four years, being editor of the newsletter for nearly three and setting up our meetup.com group I have decided to pass the reins to someone else. Therefore if any of you are interested in volunteering for any or all of these club positions please contact Jan or myself ASAP so that you can be brought up to speed in these areas. The last month that I will handle these positions is May of this year. I will continue with Heads Up.

Fair Winds To Ye All
Ken Schneider, Editor.

Who's Who

Commodore:	Jan Hladik
Vice Commodore:	Darlene Kittinger
Secretary:	Barbara Rumpolt
Treasurer:	Joan Kachel
Directors:	Chuck Gallagher George Cuic
Membership:	Diane Eisenhower
Cruise Committee Spokesman:	Deena Kirkey
Telephone:	Paul Moran
Newsletter Editor:	Ken Schneider
Website Editor:	Ken Schneider
Heads Up:	Ken Schneider

Upcoming Events

Sailing Events:

- 02/13/2010 or 02/14/2010 Day sail Captains choice
02/27-02/28/2010 Overnight sail, weather permitting.

NON-Sailing Events:

- 02/05/2010 Happy Hour @ 5 PM Harbourside at **Marinatown, Nt. Ft. Myers**
Hancock Bridge Parkway west of 41.

02/11/2010 **NO** Board of Directors meeting in February, instead there will be a
training session on how to use our meetup.com group site. This will be
held at Bonita Bill's starting at 7:00pm

02/18/2010 Business meeting at Bonita Bill's starting at 7:00pm

Commodore's Corner

Will return next month.

Jan Hladik, Commodore

Happy Birthday!

Gayle Nathan	02/01	Mary Burch	02/05	Barbara Rumpolt	02/05
Clarence Yahn	02/08	Darlene Kittinger	02/18	Evelyn Hoop	02/27

New Members,

Remember give a warm welcome to our new members.

Marty McKaig

Interesting reading,

This month's internet news you can use:

[Photos and Video of the 49er Worlds](#)

[More articles can be found on our website http://www.sailing-singles.net](http://www.sailing-singles.net)

Crews Corner:

SAILING SCHEDULE FOR 2009/2010:

There will be a number of impromptu day sails during each month announced through "Heads Up" messages as their time nears. Room will naturally be limited for the overnight trips so be sure to contact Deena Kirkey in order to have your name placed on the list for consideration.

CALL: Deena Kirkey AT 267-4982

ENJOY OUR SAILING EXCURSIONS!!!!

Lost & Found:

If you have lost anything at one of gatherings or found something let me know and I will add it here.

Classifieds:

If you are a member of the club and have a nautical item to sell please contact our commodore to get approval to place your ad in our newsletter classifieds.

For Sale:

Member Notes,

Frostbiter Four by Bill Bradford

"Wx"...what is it? a State of Mind? A Physical Malfunction? A Runny Nose???

For the 4 "Frostbiters" it was a chance to prove that "Wx" doesn't matter. A Two course day of sailing almost ended in "Blue Extremities" and a trip to the pump out station! Our entire wardrobes were put to good use and still might not have been enough! Maybe we should have had some of the engine antifreeze!!! The north wind (from our homelands) was biting and driving....driving us to six and seven knots. Our Tacking skills were sharpened beyond belief The "Grinders" virtually sang!!! Suddenly bearing down upon from the south, we were surrounded by eight "STINKPOTERS" .who swarmed and buzzed upon us in a quest to send us rocking and rolling as they passed.. We courageously kept to our course and headed homeward. Upon landfall and after completing our boat chores, we hastened to the hearth inside for well deserved "Toddies for the body". All in all a great beginning for our 2010 sailing season!!!

"The Frostbiter Four" (Bill Bradford & crew ...AL - JK - MB) Jan. 3, 2010

Terminology from A-Z, This month we take a look at the letters “**Q-R**”

Q

- **Queen's (King's) Regulations** – The standing orders governing the British [Royal Navy](#) issued in the name of the current [Monarch](#).
- **Quarterdeck** – The aftermost deck of a warship. In the age of sail, the quarterdeck was the preserve of the ship's officers.
- **Quayside** – Refers to the dock or platform used to fasten a vessel to.

R

- **Radar** – Acronym for RAdio Detection And Ranging. An electronic system designed to transmit radio signals and receive reflected images of those signals from a "target" in order to determine the bearing and distance to the "target".
- **Radar reflector** – A special fixture fitted to a vessel or incorporated into the design of certain aids to navigation to enhance their ability to reflect radar energy. In general, these fixtures will materially improve the visibility for use by vessels with radar.
- **Range lights** – Two lights associated to form a range (a line formed by the extension of a line connecting two charted points) which often, but not necessarily, indicates the channel centerline. The front range light is the lower of the two, and nearer to the mariner using the range. The rear light is higher and further from the mariner.
- **Ratlines** – Rope ladders permanently rigged from [bulwarks](#) and [tops](#) to the mast to enable access to top masts and yards.
- **Reaching** – Sailing across the wind: from about 60° to about 160° off the wind. Reaching consists of "close reaching" (about 60° to 80°), "beam reaching" (about 90°) and "broad reaching" (about 120° to 160°). See also *beating* and *running*.
- **Ready about** – A call to indicate imminent tacking (see *going about*).
- **Receiver of Wreck** – A government official whose duty is to give owners of shipwrecks the opportunity to retrieve their property and ensure that law-abiding finders of wreck receive an appropriate reward.
- **Red Duster** – Traditional nickname for the [Red Ensign](#), the [civil ensign](#) (flag) carried by [United Kingdom](#) civilian vessels.
- **Reduced cat** – A light version on the cat o'nine tails for use on boys; also called "boys' pussy".
- **Reef**
 1. **Reef**: To temporarily reduce the area of a sail exposed to the wind, usually to guard against adverse effects of strong wind or to slow the vessel.
 2. **Reef**: Rock or coral, possibly only revealed at low tide, shallow enough that the vessel will at least touch if not go aground.
- **Reef points** – Small lengths of cord attached to a sail, used to secure the excess fabric after reefing.

- **Reef-bands** – Long pieces of rough canvas sewed across the sails to give them additional strength.
- **Reef-tackles** – Ropes employed in the operation of reefing.
- **Relative bearing** – A bearing relative to the direction of the ship: the clockwise angle between the ship's direction and an object. See also *absolute bearing* and *bearing*.
- **Rigging** – The system of masts and lines on ships and other sailing vessels.
- **Righting couple** – The force which tends to restore a ship to equilibrium once a heel has altered the relationship between her centre of buoyancy and her centre of gravity.
- **Rigol** – The rim or 'eyebrow' above a port-hole or scuttle.
- **Rode** – The anchor line, rope or cable connecting the anchor chain to the vessel. Also Anchor Rode.
- **Roll** – A vessel's motion rotating from side to side, about the fore-aft/longitudinal axis. List (*qv*) is a lasting tilt in the roll direction.
- **Rolling-tackle** – A number of pulleys, engaged to confine the yard to the weather side of the mast; this tackle is much used in a rough sea.
- **The ropes** – the lines in the rigging.
- **Rope's end** – A summary punishment device.
- **Rowlock** (pronounced *'rɒlək/*) – A bracket providing the fulcrum for an [oar](#). Also see *thole*.
- **Rubbing strake** – An extra plank fitted to the outside of the hull, usually at deck level, to protect the topsides.
- **Rummage sale** – A sale of damaged cargo (from French *arrimage*).
- **Running rigging** – [Rigging](#) used to manipulate sails, spars, etc. in order to control the movement of the ship. Cf. standing rigging.
- **Running before the wind** or **running** – Sailing more than about 160° away from the wind. If directly away from the wind, it's a *dead run*.

Photo of the month:

**Aren't
you glad
we sail
instead?**



If anyone has any pictures from any club outings and would like to have them added to our website send them (preferably on CD) to Ken Schneider and include which outing they are from.

Anyone that wishes to submit an article for a newsletter, please call Ken or send him an email at newsletter@sailing-singles.net . Any member can submit an article so if you have had an enjoyable experience feel free to share it with the rest of the members. And articles are not limited to sailing outings but can be from any outing with other club members.

Sailing Singles Club of Southwest Florida
© February 2010
Ken Schneider, Editor
2030 SE 14th Ter
Cape Coral, FL 33990