



"For many years now I have been carrying on an ardent affair with that irresistible, unpredictable and promiscuous lady, the sea. And it's a kiss-and-tell story: lovers of the sea are never discreet. We not only flaunt our romance, but avidly seek to enlist others to woo our goddess along with us." Hugh Downs, in his book A Shoal of Stars.

Just as with Hugh Downs, this year's Sailing Club trips are designed to flaunt our romance with waters far and near, and to woo our membership and those yet to come along with us. We hope there is something here that appeals to each of you and that you will join us on one or more sailing adventures this season. Remember that your chances of getting on a trip increase with an early signup. However, don't let that discourage you from signing up at any time, as every trip has late cancellations.

The season opens with the traditional Memorial Day weekend trip, this year out of Annapolis. This trip includes a seamanship and navigation element designed for those who wish to guide themselves not by electronics but by dead reckoning and coastal navigation. While the trip will transport us back to a time when no electronics existed, members who wish to take in the Bay and give support to the navigators are encouraged to sail with us as well. The season will conclude in November with the sights and fragrances of Florida aboard Island Packets in a sojourn along the Gulf Coast north to Sarasota and Longboat Key. In between are the June, July and October trips. June is designed to give the new member or sailor a perspective of The Sailing Club and what we do. The July trip is a return to a popular sailing destination several years back - Lake Champlain. The October trip is on the Chesapeake chasing the winds that will lead us to places we cannot know. Unique to our schedule this year is a chance to kick back and relax, aboard the schooner Victory Chimes in September for a pleasant sail in the waters of Maine on a historic vessel that is featured on the Maine quarter.

This membership packet includes the following:

- A schedule of the 2004 trips, with full descriptions and reservation forms
- General information about the Club, its practices and rules for participation
- An explanation of our trip signup procedures

If you have any questions about specific trips, please contact the individual Trip Leaders by either phone or email. They are identified in each trip description. Additional information, useful links, and photographs can be found on our club web site at www.TheSailingClub.org.

Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have about the Club or the many ways in which you may involve yourself.

Hope to see ALL of you on a trip this season!

Fair winds,

Dave Steward

Commodore

The Sailing Club, Inc.

SCHEDULE OF 2004 SAILING TRIPS

DATE	LENGTH	LOCATION	TRIP LEADERS
Training Weekend May 3 and 4	2 days	Rock Hall, MD	Rob Chichester
Memorial Day May 29 – 31	3 days	Annapolis, MD	TL: Dave Steward ATL: Jon Stufflebeem
June Trip June 26 and 27	2 days	Rock Hall, MD. Corsica River	TL: Bob Lipman ATL: Sandy Perrott
July Trip July 26 - 30	5 days	Burlington, VT Lake Champlain	TL: Steve Krakauer ATL: Doal Sanderson
Victory Chimes Sep. 13 to 18	6 days	Maine	TL: Lillian Parsons
Oct. Trip Oct. 22 to 25	4 days	Rock Hall, MD Chesapeake Bay	TL: Rob Chichester ATL: Dave Steward
Nov. Trip Nov. 6 to 13	7 days	Punta Gorda, FL Intracoastal Waterway	TL: Ken Jones ATL: Mia McCrosky



2004 Members' Trip Information Package

MEMBERSHIP

Participation is open to anyone interested in joining. Sailing experience is not necessary, but sailing (cruising) is the main activity of our Club. Annual membership fees are currently \$25 for an individual, \$30 for a household - *all individuals residing at the same address*. This fee helps to defray some of the Club's operating costs and includes our Club newsletter, *The Flotilla Report*. Please forward any changes in address to the Membership Secretary.

NOTE: You must be a Sailing Club member to sail on any Club trip. Membership applications are available from the Membership Secretary or Trip Leaders. They may also be downloaded from the Club website: www.TheSailingClub.org. There is also a form at the back of this package.

TRIP SIGN-UP PROCEDURES

Membership in the Sailing Club does not guarantee you a spot on a trip. Regardless of whether you receive this package at the Annual Meeting or in the mail, Trip Leaders will accept reservation forms at anytime on or after March 26, 2004 but will not process them until **APRIL 9, 2004**. On that date, all reservations received up to that point will be recorded in a random draw. All reservations received after that date will be recorded in the order in which they are received.

No reservation is accepted unless accompanied by a check in an amount equal to the deposit for each person named on the reservation form.

After you decide which trip(s) you want to go on, complete a trip reservation form for each of those trips. Forward the reservation form **with deposit check** payable to *The Sailing Club, Inc.*, to the person indicated on the reservation form.

A confirmation notice will be sent to you indicating your status on the trip. Your status will be one of the following:

Confirmed You are a confirmed participant. When boat and crew assignments have been made, you will be sent a copy of the crew list.

Wait-listed until additional crew and/or skippers sign up: There is still space on the trip, but additional crew and/or skippers are needed before further boat and crew assignments can be made.

Wait-listed on a full trip: As of the day your reservation form was received, the trip was full. The Trip Leader will keep you advised of any changes in this status. Reservation checks will not be deposited until you are confirmed on the trip.

If you know in advance that a trip is full and you want to be placed on the wait-list, you must still send in a reservation form and a deposit check.

No boat will sail with more than one empty space aboard. Vacancies will be filled from the trip wait-list. Deposit checks will be returned, *after* the trip has been completed, to anyone wait-listed who does not get on a trip.

TRIP PRICING

The price of the trip generally includes charter fees for the boats, insurance and occasionally pre-determined miscellaneous trip-related expenses such as slip fees. Food, fuel, traveling expenses, and other incidentals are handled separately by each boat's crew, and therefore, are NOT included in the quoted trip price.

The Club insures each boat for the damages that may occur on the trip. Nonetheless, this does not relieve the skipper AND crew from sharing the responsibility equally for providing for a safe and enjoyable trip for all involved.

The price for children is pro-rated based on sleeping accommodations. If a child shares a bunk with his/her parents or if two children share a single bunk, their cost is half the trip price. A child using one bunk all on his/her own must pay the full trip price.

The Sailing Club, Inc. ("the Club") depends solely on the voluntary efforts of Trip Leaders, Assistant Trip Leaders and Club-qualified skippers to plan, organize and lead the various cruising activities the Club engages in for its members.

In recognition of the large amount of effort and responsibility these individuals undertake, the following trip price discounting applies: Trip Leaders and Skippers shall each receive a 50% discount; Assistant Trip Leaders shall receive a 25% discount, before any non-discounted expenses, such as moorings or transportation.

FINAL PAYMENT

A payment schedule is located at the end of each trip write-up with final payment due dates indicated on both the trip reservation form and the confirmation notice. **Late payments are subject to a \$10 late charge.**

New reservations made after the final payment date must include FULL payment. Late charges do not apply in this situation.

Qualified skippers who want to reserve an entire boat must first contact the Trip Leader to confirm boat availability. A reservation form and a check covering all spaces on the boat must be sent to the Trip Leader.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

For most trips, full refunds will be given for cancellations made **30 days or more** before the trip departure date.

Cancellations made **less than 30 days** before the trip departure date may be subject to a cancellation fee of \$25 regardless of reason or replacement.

In the event anyone cancels less than 30 days before the trip departure date and no replacement is available, he or she will also be required to pay any additional fees and charges that cannot be canceled prior to the trip in addition to forfeiting all trip fees paid to date. For trips that require more advanced planning, stricter refund policies may be implemented. Trip participants are always advised to read all trip documentation carefully.

NOTE: Individuals will not be permitted to select their own replacement unless the wait-list is empty.

Any refunds due will be held until after the trip has been completed unless the Treasurer and the Trip Leader both agree to an alternate arrangement.

BOAT AND CREW ASSIGNMENTS

Several weeks prior to the trip, the Trip Leader meets with the designated skippers to assign boats and crew. Primary importance is given to ensuring that each boat has sufficient experience among the crew. Once experienced crewmembers have been assigned, the rest of the crewmembers are allocated. *Safety is, has been, and always will be our NUMBER ONE consideration.*

If you or anyone in your party has a medical or physical condition (i.e., allergies, restricted mobility, motion discomfort, non-swimmer, etc.) that might affect your safety or anyone else's, you must advise your skipper. This may be done privately and should be done before boarding the boat, if not prior to the pre-trip meeting. He or she can then offer some suggestions to safeguard your comfort and well being.

The boats we charter are all different in regard to model, size, age, overall layout, and interior accommodations. *Furthermore, boats are randomly assigned.* Crew assignments will be made with as much consideration given to personal preferences as possible, including smokers/non-smokers, and sleeping arrangements (i.e., couples/singles, distribution of males/females).

Minor children may be accommodated on any trip. Children will only be assigned to a boat with the **complete agreement of the skipper and the entire crew**. Children's reservations will be taken in order of receipt and will maintain their priority as boats are filled. **Children under the age of 12 are required to wear a life jacket at all times, except when below decks.**

PRE-TRIP MEETING

An informational meeting for all trip participants is held approximately two weeks prior to each trip. The Trip Leader will forward information and location for the meeting. At the pre-trip meeting, the Trip Leader will summarize the proposed trip itinerary and answer any questions you may have concerning the trip. Individual boats have the opportunity to meet their skipper and crewmates in order to plan meals, decide berth assignments, and organize travel arrangements. All crewmembers are expected to attend.

ADDITIONAL TRIP INFORMATION AND DETAILS

On the first night of each trip crews usually arrive at the marina, stow their gear, have dinner at a local restaurant, and sleep aboard the boats. The skipper and charter agent will conclude the boat checkout the following morning if not completed the previous day. Then the crews will be thoroughly briefed on boat operations and safety. Finally, the trip is under way!

The Trip Leaders plan an itinerary for the trip which typically includes anchoring out one night and the opportunity to explore and dine ashore another. Breakfast and lunches are normally eaten aboard. Individual boats may opt to establish their own daytime cruising plans according to the desires of the skipper and crew; however, all boats are expected to meet at the designated evening anchorage. Hourly radio checks confirm each boats location and progress.

Along with brushing up on sailing skills, relaxation, socializing, and sightseeing ashore, additional trip activities may include swimming, windsurfing (bring your own equipment), and spinnaker riding!

In general, all boats are equipped with stoves, ovens, coolers, a limited supply of hot and cold running water, showers and toilets, and basic kitchen utensils. Boats typically feature a galley area (kitchen), salon (living/dining room), heads (small bathrooms!) and forward and aft cabins. In addition to assigned food and beverage responsibilities, crewmembers should bring bedding and towels as well as any other personal gear. Always pack in soft luggage.

No two boats, even of the same model, are identical. However, in general, onboard accommodations are simple and efficient, sometimes described as “camping on the water”. It is also close quarter living at its best!. The fresh breezes, blue waters, the thrill of adventure, and perhaps most importantly, the camaraderie of the group are the true incentives of our trips!

Remember...we sail rain or shine, so be prepared!



SEAMANSHIP & NAVIGATION TRI-EVENT FORUM 2004

SEAMANSHIP AND NAVIGATION CLASS
ON-WATER TRAINING
SEAMANSHIP AND NAVIGATION RALLY

APRIL 17, 2004
MAY 1 – 2, 2004
MAY 29 – 31, 2004

The Sailing Club proudly announces the first *Seamanship & Navigation Tri-Event Forum*. Three individual but linked activities will challenge your seamanship and navigation skills over a combined six days this coming April and May. If you have desired slightly more of the Club than just providing excellent bareboat chartering, this forum will offer you the opportunity to learn seamanship and navigation in a land-based, hands-on environment, and onboard underway. A Club member who is either a US Sailing or ASA certified instructor will conduct each event. As a participant, you may choose any one, two or all three events. For those that sign up in advance for more than one event, a discount will apply. See the end of this write-up for details.

The Tri-Event Forum consists of:

1. Seamanship & Navigation (Land)
2. On-Water Training (Leaving and arriving at the dock, line handling)
3. Seamanship & Navigation Rally (Putting it all together)

1. SEAMANSHIP & NAVIGATION (LAND)

This first event is for those who want to learn more or review some of the basics of sailing techniques and nomenclature. This land-based event will be hosted by the Raritan Yacht Club in Perth Amboy, and will cover basic navigation situations, teach basic knots and securing lines to cleats, rules of the road, aids to navigation, coastal piloting, dead reckoning and more. There will be lots of hands-on participation and opportunities for questions. The fee includes the charts that will be used. Navigation instruments such as the dividers and parallel rules can be kept for a modest fee. This event is scheduled for April 17, 2004 and will run from 0900 until approximately 1500.

2. ON-WATER TRAINING (OWT)

Have you wondered how the skipper or mate was able to maneuver your boat into that narrow slip? Do you know all the things that are taken into account before deciding how, when, and where to anchor? What happens if someone falls overboard? Now you have a chance to practice some or all of that when The Sailing Club presents its annual On-Water Training weekend. We have four boats reserved for May 1-2 at Great Oak Landing on Fairlee Creek. You will get hands-on training in motoring, safety drills and some less frequently used sailing operations like reefing and heaving-to.

Now...at our land school session, you learned proper terminology, how to use a chart, several useful knots, and some basic seamanship skills. You will have opportunities to practice these and other skills for up to 2½ days. If you did not attend land school, you are still welcome to participate. The land school class is not a prerequisite and land school students are not given preferential consideration in signing up.

The training formally begins Saturday morning but since we will have to ferry boats up from Rock Hall to Fairlee Creek on Friday, there will be opportunities for those of you who can travel down early to crew during those deliveries. This means you will get extra time with one of our facilitators who are club-qualified skippers. On the four-hour trip north, you can practice sail trim and basic navigation techniques like pilotage and dead reckoning (do you know why it is called “dead reckoning”?). You will find these skills useful if you compete in the Seamanship and Navigation Rally (S&NR).

There are 20 spaces open for this event. Club skippers and first mates are reminded that beginning in 2004, you are required to participate in OWT at least once every three years to maintain club qualified status. All sign-ups are on a first-come, first served basis. Crews will be grouped according to skill level and will switch boats and instructors on Sunday.

3. SEAMANSHIP & NAVIGATION RALLY

This third event in the Tri-Event Forum puts it all together during the Memorial Day weekend. In the first two events, did you really learn what was necessary to move a vessel under sail from one point to another safely and accurately? This Event will challenge and test the best of our Club members in a sailing forum that is strictly all sail, and with no electronic aids. You'll use what was learned in the first event to plot your course and fix your position. Pay attention to what you gained from Event 2, as those experiences and skills will be needed here. Let's Go Cruising of Annapolis, a co-sponsor of this event, will provide each boat's crew with a memorable time to complement the challenging course we've laid out. There are 18 berths open for this event, including skippers.

Show up on Friday for a sleep aboard with your crewmembers and teammates. Each boat's crew will be determined by the Rally Committee in order to provide a skill balance across all boats. The nearly equally matched 40' sailboats will offer a challenging sailing environment as well. Awaken Saturday morning to a hearty brunch at the Chart House, sponsored in part by Let's Go Cruising. The morning's forum will consist of a three-hour navigational class for those not making the S&N (Land) class in April. The rules for the Rally will also be presented and questions entertained. Saturday afternoon your team gets out on the water to practice and learn the sailing vessel that you have been assigned.

Sunday morning - and reveille commences at 0800 hours. Skippers and interested crew muster and the first set of waypoints are handed out. This is your first of possibly two objectives (weather permitting) for this first day of a two-day rally. It's now up to your crew to determine when you'll leave to attain this first destination. So, you think you just need to get from A to B? Think again me

hearty! After all, it is a seamanship and navigation rally. Sunday evening places the boats on a raft and the traditional progressive dinner commences with Hors D'oeuvres. Take some time to debrief those that did well, to use in your tactics for the next day. It's all about acquiring knowledge!

Monday morning - rise and shine. The second and final day of the rally will put you through even more paces under sail. The Rally's leader will be announced that afternoon. Please note a rally is not a race, but a forum to learn while underway. While the event uses timing for scoring purposes, the boat and crew will begin and finish when they wish – it's the elapsed time that will matter for each crew. Timing, incidentally, is not just a vessel moving through the water from one point to the next. Timing will also matter on the "drills" that you and your crew will be asked to complete.

Boat Assignments

Boat and crew make-up is handled differently for the Rally. The Rally committee will put the boat's crew together based upon the participants' abilities and sailing experiences. Therefore, please understand that you may not necessarily sail with a spouse or significant other during the Rally. Also, participants who sign up for all three events will be given first preference. Those who sign up for OWT & the Seamanship & Navigation Rally will be given second preference. Rally registrants only will be given last preference. The S&N (Land) will not figure separately into this Tri-Event Forum. If you do not wish to participate in the Rally, but wish only to sail over these two and one-half days, we welcome you along as well. Rally participants work best when give moral support by fellow crew.

This promises to be an exciting new offering to the Club's sailing venue. You will not want to miss this first-ever Tri-Event Forum.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- ***If you choose only one of the three events:***
 - For S&N (Land) only - **\$25** due in full at sign-up.
 - For OWT only - **\$275** due in full at sign-up.
 - For the S&N Rally only - **\$175** payment is due at sign-up, and **\$175** is due **April 15**.
- ***If you choose any combination of the three events:***
 - For S&N (Land) & OWT together (**\$290**)
 - 1st payment of **\$100** is due at sign-up, the 2nd payment of **\$190** due **April 15**.
 - For S&N (Land) & S&N Rally together (**\$360**)
 - 1st payment of **\$160** is due at sign-up, the 2nd payment of **\$200** is due **April 15**.
 - For OWT & S&N Rally together (**\$600**)
 - 1st payment of **\$300** is due at sign-up and the 2nd payment of **\$300** is due **April 30**.
- ***For all three events together (\$615)***
 - 1st payment of **\$300** is due at sign-up, the 2nd payment of **\$315** is due **April 15**.

Fair winds from the Seamanship & Navigation Tri-Event Forum 2004 Crew:

Dave Steward, Commodore

Jon Stufflebeem, Vice Commodore

Rob Chichester, Past Commodore and current Training Coordinator



Seamanship & Navigation

Tri-Event Forum

Seamanship & Navigation
 (April 17, 2004)
On-the-Water Training
 (May 1 & 2, 2004)
Seamanship & Navigation Rally
 (May 29-31, 2004)

(please type or print)

NAME

M F

2004 Sailing Club Member Non-Member (Must be a 2004 member)*

MAILING ADDRESS

Address Line 1 _____ Address Line 2 _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ (H) _____ Email: _____
 (W) _____

Smoker Non-Smoker Prefer to sail with non-smokers

Qualified Club Skipper Qualified Club First Mate

Sailing Experience

Little ____

Some ____

A lot ____

CHECK THE SEAMANSHIP & NAVIGATION EVENT(S) IN WHICH YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE:

- 1 ___ Seamanship & Navigation (1/2 day - land class) **\$25.00†**
- 2 ___ On-The-Water Training (2 & 1/2 day class – onboard hands-on practice) **\$275.00†**
- 3 ___ Seamanship & Navigation Rally (3 day, onboard skills integration) **\$350.00†**

†If you chose events 1 & 2 the total cost is **\$290**. Events 1 & 3 the total cost is **\$360**. Events 2 & 3 the total cost is **\$600**. Total cost for all three events is **\$615**. Choose any one event, the cost is shown to the right.

ENCLOSE A CHECK (Payable to: *The Sailing Club, Inc.*) [See Payment Schedule in Trip Writeup]

Mail to: **Dave Steward** **973-347-3918 or**
 19 Budd Lake Heights Road **973-347-1500**
 Budd Lake, NJ 07828 **dbaysailor@aol.com**

_____ All three events × \$615.00	_____ My combination as checked	_____ Just the event I checked
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* Non-members: Everyone must be a Club member to sail on a trip. Please complete a membership application and forward the application, membership dues, and completed trip reservation form to the name above. Membership forms are available in the Member's Trip Information Package, at the Club's website: <http://www.TheSailingClub.org> or from the Trip/Assistant Trip Leader



**ROCK HALL, MD
CORSICA RIVERS**

JUNE 26-27, 2004

If you are considering your first trip with the Sailing Club, this is the trip for you! No need to use a personal day for this Saturday and Sunday trip, which should have you home by ten o'clock Sunday evening. For those of you who have sailed with us before, you probably know that June is prime time on the Chesapeake with good winds and weather to explore the bay, rivers and creeks of the Eastern Shore.

We will board our three boats from Haven Yacht Charters in Rock Hall on Friday evening, June 25th. After stowing our gear and meeting up with fellow crewmembers, many of us will head into town for dinner at one of the local eateries. Haven Charters has restrooms, showers and a swimming pool that you are free to use whenever you arrive.

After a quick breakfast on Saturday morning, following boat checkouts, crew and safety briefings, we motor out, raise our sails and head south down the Bay to the Chester River. The Chester River is just one of many freshwater tributaries to the Chesapeake along with its many creeks. It is not uncommon to see egrets, herons and the swans that migrate yearly from Alaska to these "backwaters". As the Chester winds northward we come the entrance of a smaller river on the east...the Corsica. Prior to turning in we'll pass Pioneer Point at the tip of Corsica Neck. John J. Raskob, builder of the Empire State Building, purchased the property in the 1920's and built the mansion there. In the 1970's the Russian Embassy purchased it as a resort for its employees.

We should arrive at the Corsica River around four o'clock. After we have anchored and tied our boats together in raft formation happy hour may begin! Dinner will be a hors d'oeuvres party at the three-boat open house. In the morning there is time for a relaxing cup of coffee in the cockpit, or maybe a swim, before we head back up the Bay. After returning the boats to the slips, we settle up our shared expenses and clean up the boats to the condition we found them in. We head for home, having refreshed our sailing spirits and having made some new friends!

As in previous years, this trip is designed as a "feeder" trip, intended to attract new members who would like a two-day weekend trip to "try-it-out" before venturing on the 3 day and longer trips. Of course, all members, new and old, even very old, are welcome.

The cost of the trip is **\$250.00** per person (Skippers - \$125.00). This price covers charter fees and insurance. Food, fuel, and other incidental expenses are additional and will be handled by each boat's crew. A **\$100.00** deposit is required to hold your position. Please make your check payable to *The Sailing Club, Inc.* and mail it, along with your completed reservation form to Bob Lipman, at the address below. Reservations will be processed beginning on **April 9, 2004** with a random draw of those received by that date. All reservations received after that are on a first-come, first-served basis. The balance of **\$150.00** will be due on **May 12, 2004**.

We have reserved 3 boats for this two-day sail. Qualified skippers can reserve an entire boat with full payment of deposits, subject to boat availability. A confirmation form or email will be sent following receipt of your reservation.

A pre-trip meeting will be held at a time and place to be announced. All crewmembers should make every effort to attend to meet your crewmates, plan your meals and make travel plans.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either name below.

Trip Leader

Bob Lipman
144 West Mill Rd
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Assistant Trip Leader

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perrosand@aol.com



TRIP RESERVATION FORM

**Rock Hall
Corsica River
June 26 – 27, 2004**

(please type or print)

NAME _____ M F

2004 Sailing Club Member Non-Member (please also complete and submit membership form)*

MAILING ADDRESS

Address Line 1 _____ Address Line 2 _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

PHONE (W) _____ (H) _____ Email: _____

Smoker (S) Non-Smoker (NS) Prefer to sail with non-smokers

Club-qualified and willing to Skipper (Please attach resume).

Club-qualified and willing to be First Mate

My sailing experience to date is: _____

IF POSSIBLE, I (WE) WOULD LIKE TO SAIL WITH THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

ALSO RESERVE _____ SPOT(S) ON THE TRIP FOR**:

NAME _____ Ph. _____ M F S/NS

NAME _____ Ph. _____ M F S/NS

NAME _____ Ph. _____ M F S/NS

NAME _____ Ph. _____ M F S/NS

ENCLOSE A CHECK (Payable to: *The Sailing Club, Inc.*) FOR:

_____ people × \$100.00	_____ people × \$250.00 after May 12, 2004	TOTAL: _____
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Mail to: **Bob Lipman** **908-876-4735**
144 West Mill Rd
Long Valley, N.J. 07853 **boblipman@blast.net**

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** Please use the back of this form to describe the sailing experience of others for whom you are reserving spaces.



**BURLINGTON, VT
LAKE CHAMPLAIN**

JULY 26 - 30, 2004

IN SEARCH OF CHAMPY

Yes, Lake Champlain, also occasionally referred to as the sixth Great Lake, also has its monster myth, or is it a myth? While not believed to be biologically related to the Loch Ness Monster, it nonetheless has a similar entourage of believers and doubters. If you are undecided, or even uninformed about this wondrous creature, perhaps a week-long sail this summer will help you decide one way or the other.

Our departure point will be Burlington, Vermont, on the eastern shore of this natural wonderland. The lake is at its widest here, about 10 miles, but as it is over 110 miles long, with islands, coves and harbors galore, there will be plenty of opportunity to sail and explore.

We will sail to various anchorages and harbors around the lake, rafting here and there, as well as putting in to do some shore-side exploring. One of our stops is likely to be Willsboro Bay on the New York side. It is a dramatically wild, fjord-like body of water unmatched on the lake. It is at its best when the sun burns the morning fog after a clear night.

Malletts Bay, on the Vermont side, about eleven miles north of Burlington, is one of the most popular boating areas on the lake. It combines great scenery with protected waters, and will make an ideal spot to anchor, or to take a slip at one of the marinas there.

Valcour Island, site of one of the major naval battles of the Revolutionary War, will be a high point of the trip. We will overnight in one of its five anchorages so that we can explore some of the seven miles of hiking trails, and over 1000 acres of public forest, where motor vehicles and bikes are prohibited.

Many of our other stops during the week will depend on the wind and waves, which can kick up quite a bit. The fun will end on Friday, July 30; however, you may want to plan some sightseeing on the drive home with an overnight stop along the way.

We have four boats reserved from Winds of Ireland in Burlington. Although we won't be able to board the boats until Noon on Monday, plan on arriving Sunday afternoon or evening, July 25, and take in the sights that the area has to offer, such as The Vermont Folklife Center, Grandview Winery, The Magic Hat Brewery (free tours) or even the Ben and Jerry's factory tour. As it is about a five to six hour drive from the Morristown area, local lodging information will be provided, but is not included in the trip price. Alternatively, you can fly non-stop to Burlington from Newark in about an hour.

The cost of the trip is **\$490.00** per person (Skippers - \$275.00). This price covers charter fees, and insurance. Food, fuel, and other incidental expenses are additional and will be handled by each boat's crew. A **\$100.00** deposit is required to hold your position. Please make your check payable to ***The Sailing Club, Inc.*** and mail it, along with your completed reservation form to Steve Krakauer, at the address below. Reservations will be processed beginning on **April 9, 2004** with a random draw of those received by that date. All reservations received after that date are on a first-come, first-served basis. The balance of **\$390.00** will be due on **June 12, 2004**.

A pre-trip meeting will be held at a time and place to be announced. All crewmembers should make every effort to attend to meet your crewmates, plan your meals and make travel plans.

Trip Leader

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TRIP RESERVATION FORM

**Burlington, VT
Lake Champlain
July 26 – 30, 2004**

(please type or print)

NAME _____ M F

2004 Sailing Club Member Non-Member (please also complete and submit membership form)*

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ALSO RESERVE _____ SPOT(S) ON THE TRIP FOR**:

NAME _____ Ph. _____ M F S/NS

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NAME _____ Ph. _____ M F S/NS

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ENCLOSE A CHECK (Payable to: *The Sailing Club, Inc.*) FOR:

_____ people × \$100.00	_____ people × \$490.00 after June 12, 2004	TOTAL: _____
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Mail to: Steve Krakauer 908-306-0898
11 Clark Court stevek@att.net
Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

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**VICTORY CHIMES
MAINE WINDJAMMER**

SEPTEMBER 13 – 18, 2004

SPLendor IN THE MAINE TRADITION

When the glaciers sculpted Maine's coastal hills her sheltered inlets, her deep, broad bays and firmament of islands, they created one of the loveliest sailing areas in the world. When this coast's first European settlers constructed a simple wooden sailing vessel not too far from present-day Rockland, they began a proud Maine boat-building heritage.

Such is the essence of Maine. It is the home of Victory Chimes, America's Largest Windjammer, a 170-foot wooden sailing vessel, having a 25-foot beam. She's sea-kindly graceful, stable and comfortable. The Sailing Club has been given the opportunity to book passage aboard the Victory Chimes for a weeklong windjammer cruise. Experience all the peace and romance of this authentic, historic schooner while enjoying all her spaciousness and modern comforts. Victory Chimes accommodates just 40 guests.

This means plenty of room for you on deck, in the main saloon, and in your cabin. The Victory Chimes offers hot, freshwater showers a few steps from your cabin, 110-volt electricity for your hair dryer or shaver, and hot-air furnace.

What is it like to go sailing on this beautiful ship? It is the most relaxing, restorative vacation you could imagine. Pack up your day-to-day cares and leave them on the dock while exploring the small islands off the coast of Maine. You will be busy savoring the simple pleasures of shipboard life: the time to read a good book, the tranquility to snooze in the warmth of the afternoon sun, the freedom to go wherever the wind takes us.

You will find special places ashore whether lying off an unspoiled island beach or a salty seafaring port. We may be able to share the thrill of seeing a porpoise play in the sea. For exercise, you can swim, workout in the rowboat, go for a run, or take an energetic walk along the shore. If you have a mind to, you can hone your navigational skills, practice plotting the course with the compass and chart laid out just for passengers, or practice marlinspike seamanship with a crewmember.

Once the anchor is down, we will gather on the main deck to toast the day. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided, and you can break out whatever you brought with you to cheer the end of a day. Thereafter, dinner will be served when the brass bell is rung! You will feast on fresh lobster and other unique and hearty New England fare that the chef prepares daily. He promises blueberry pancakes in the morning and fresh homemade bread and desserts at lunch and dinner. Lunch is served on deck as we sail along.

Boarding will be the evening of Sunday, September 12th after 6 p.m., returning to Rockland Saturday, September 18th before noon.

The cost is **\$775.00** per person. This includes all meals and non-alcoholic beverages. If we have 10 or more people signed up by July 1, the cost will be \$725.00 per person. A **\$350.00** deposit is required to hold your position. Please make your check payable to The Sailing Club, Inc. and mail it along with your completed reservation form to Lillian Parsons at the address below. Final payment of **\$425.00** [or \$350 if 10 or more] is due **July 1, 2004**. The cancellation policy of the Victory Chimes is to refund your deposit less \$50 should you cancel prior to July 1st. Cancellations after that date receive no money back but can be used on another Victory Chimes trip within a year.

An informational Pre-trip meeting for all trip participants will be held September 1, 2004. At the pre-trip meeting, you will be given a proposed trip itinerary and answer any questions you may have concerning the trip. Carpooling will be organized, with maps and directions given at that time.

Trip Leader

Lillian Parsons
76 South Edgewood Road
Bedminster, NJ 07921
908-781-6240
lparsons@umdnj.edu



TRIP RESERVATION FORM

**Maine Windjammer
Victory Chimes
September 13 – 18, 2004**

(please type or print)

NAME _____

M F

MAILING ADDRESS

Address Line 1 _____ Address Line 2 _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

PHONE (W) _____ (H) _____ Email: _____

Smoker (S) Non-Smoker (NS) Prefer to sail with non-smokers

Club-qualified and willing to Skipper (Please attach resume).

Club-qualified and willing to be First Mate

My sailing experience to date is: _____

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ENCLOSE A CHECK (Payable to: *The Sailing Club, Inc.*) FOR:

_____ people × \$350.00	_____ people × \$775.00 [or \$700] after July 1, 2004 –check with Trip Leader	TOTAL: _____
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Mail to:

**Lillian Parsons
76 South Edgewood Road
Bedminster, NJ 07921**

908-781-6240

lparsons@umdnj.edu

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NOTE: This trip has a different refund/cancellation policy than regular trips. Please read the trip description for full details.



CHESAPEAKE BAY

38° 34' N to 39° 01' N

76° 04' W to 76° 33' W

OCTOBER 22-25, 2004

*The wind in my hair
Blows from where I have ne'er been
To where I'll ne'er go.*

What do you look for in a sailing trip? The October Trip has been described as the Queen of our sailing season. Why? What is it about sailing on the Chesapeake in October that stimulates sailors so? Keep reading and learn how you might be able to find out this year.

St. Michaels is a lovely and quaint little town, its harbor snug and friendly. Talbot Street offers a variety of distractions for most sailors. Oxford has been the starting point for several trips for us but it has been nine years since we sailed into Oxford for an overnight stay. It can be an invigorating sail across the deepest part of the Chesapeake to enter into the Choptank River. Deale has a very nice marina with a lively bar and restaurant within walking distance.

Would you rather consider your options for enjoying a quiet anchorage? Have you ever had the pleasure of the wooded shelter of Dividing Creek? Tilghman Creek and Granary Creek have tight entrances and different delights wait inside each one. South River offers several cozy creeks suitable for an overnight stay. The Severn, Chester, and Magothy Rivers have many creeks and coves cut into their shores that beg exploring.

Perhaps the thing is to just shove off and ride the wind all day with no place in particular to go. You might put a lot of miles under the keel but at the end of the day not have strayed very far at all from the beginning. It is well to remember that every so often the journey is the destination! Will anyone else hear the music in the breeze and the whispers on the waves? Will you contribute your own harmonies to the virtual melodies flowing all around us?

Dave and I are taking a different approach to trip planning this year. There won't be any. Our theme for this trip is expressed in the verse that opened this article. The trip participants will democratically decide each day's destination based on prevailing winds and the sage and trusted advice of the skippers serving with us. So where do you want to go? Someplace of which you did not get enough of on the last visit? Or possibly somewhere you have never been? Perhaps a mixture of both will calm your wandering spirit. Then maybe, in the wee small hours after the raft party, your face will still be smiling even in your deep slumber.

We like to think that our love of sailing and our love of the Chesapeake Bay will be infectious, spreading not only among our own crews but to everyone else on the trip as well. The sight of cat's-paws scurrying noiselessly across the surface of that magnificent estuary never fails to start my heart racing. Sitting on the rail, the autumn sun warms my neck and shoulders against the crisp October morning. A word to the mate to set the main and soon it snaps full to a smooth foil. Just as quickly the jib unfurls and our ship puts her shoulder down and gallops down the bay. A soft gurgle and a stream of small bubbles is all we leave in our wake. We take our smiles and exhilaration with us. This is our purpose. We exist as a part of our environment. We find joy in its capabilities. We are awed by its majestic power. And we are humbled by how small we are beside its size and forces. Wherever we set our anchor this night, we will have already reached our objective.

As you can tell from the heading, this is a four-day trip. You will have a say in where we go. Although you should plan on spending at least one of the three nights at anchor and at least one of the other two nights in a marina somewhere, there are no other real rules or guidelines. Much like the sailors of yore, we will go where the wind and current carry us ... but hopefully not onto a shoal or into each other! We will board our boats in Rock Hall. From there we can reach as far south as Oxford or Cambridge. There are lots of interesting and seldom visited towns, creeks, and coves along the way.

Join us so that you too can tell us where to go! Sign up early to guarantee a berth for yourself and maybe also for the one who keeps you warm at night. Reserve now and maybe you won't have to get ALL that email from Rob again...unless of course you enjoy that sort of thing! However, no matter what your reason, just come along and sail with us. For us, sailing is always like the first time. Let us make it so for you too!

The cost of the trip is **\$350.00** per person (Skippers - **\$195.00**). This price covers charter fees, insurance and one nights slip fees. Food, fuel, and other incidental expenses are additional and will be handled by each boat's crew. A **\$100.00** deposit is required to hold your position. Please make your check payable to *The Sailing Club, Inc.* and mail it, along with your completed reservation form, to Rob Chichester, at the address below. Reservations will be processed beginning on **April 9, 2004** with a random draw of those received by that date. All reservations received after that are on a first-come, first-served basis. The balance of **\$250.00** will be due on **September 7, 2004**.

A pre-trip meeting will be held at a time and place to be announced. All crewmembers should make every effort to attend in order to meet your crewmates, plan your meals and make travel plans.

Trip Leader

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Assistant Trip Leader

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TRIP RESERVATION FORM

**Rock Hall, MD
Chesapeake Bay
October 22 - 25, 2004**

(please type or print)

NAME _____ M F

2004 Sailing Club Member Non-Member (please also complete and submit membership form)*

MAILING ADDRESS

Address Line 1 _____ Address Line 2 _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

PHONE (W) _____ (H) _____ Email: _____

Smoker (S) Non-Smoker (NS) Prefer to sail with non-smokers

Club-qualified and willing to Skipper (Please attach resume).

Club-qualified and willing to be First Mate

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908-231-0263
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**PUNTA GORDA, FL
LONGBOAT KEY
INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY**

NOVEMBER 6 – 13, 2004

Okay, so what does November bring to mind? Early frost? Leafless trees? Sweaters and coats? Prelude to snow and ice? Well not if you're sailing in Florida, where the weather is a sunny 75 degrees. In the air and trees are cranes, herons and pelicans, surrounded by colorful hibiscus and bougainvillea. In the water are dolphins and manatees next to white sandy beaches where sunsets can be watched while sitting in shorts and a tee shirt. When we sail northward it will be in the Gulf of Mexico in excellently maintained Island Packet yachts. You can revise what November means to you by being a part of the Sailing Club's weeklong November adventure to Southwest Florida!

Forty minutes north of Ft. Meyers airport is the Burnt Store Marina, the largest marina on Florida's West coast, in the town of Punta Gorda. It is the home of Yachting Vacations, one of the best charter companies in the world, according to Cruising World magazine readers. They will supply us with Island Packet yachts for our sojourn north to Sarasota and Longboat Key. The return south will be via the Intracoastal Waterway back to Charlotte Harbor and the Burnt Store Marina. We will stop at many interesting places along the way, including Pelican Bay off of Cayo Costa Island, Venice, Lemon Bay and Boca Grande. There will be a nice mix of quiet anchorages and marina stays.

The trip runs from November 6th to November 13th and is planned so that there will be plenty of time to explore towns, beaches, peaceful anchorages and still have sailing days with 25 mile passages in the blue waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

Plan to arrive in Ft. Meyers, Florida on Saturday November 6th. If enough people arrive at the same time we can arrange for a charter bus or groups can share a taxi from the airport to the marina. Provisioning must be done in the town of Punta Gorda as there is limited grocery shopping in Burnt Store itself. We will sleep aboard the boats the night of the 6th and depart on the 7th for Pelican Bay, after clearing with the Yachting Vacation people.

The cost of this trip is **\$850** (Skippers - \$465). This includes charter fees, insurance and slip fees. Not included is airfare or other ground transportation. As always, food, fuel and other incidentals are additional, and will be handled individually by each boat's crew. A deposit of **\$150** per person must accompany your completed reservation form. Please make your checks payable to ***The Sailing Club, Inc.*** and forward to Ken Jones at the address on the reservation form. Reservations will be processed beginning on **April 9, 2004** with a random draw of those received by that date. All reservations received after that are on a first-come, first-served basis. Qualified skippers can reserve an entire boat, with full payment of deposits, subject to boat availability. The remaining payment schedule is as follows:

June 30 \$350

September 3 \$350

A pre-trip meeting will be held at a time and place to be announced. All crewmembers should make every effort to attend in order to meet your crewmates, plan your meals and make travel plans.

This trip offers you the opportunity to extend the sailing season, see some beautiful scenery, for some of you to see some old friends in the area, and escape some of New Jersey's November weather. Come join other adventuresome Sailing Club Members for an experience you won't forget! Please call or e-mail us with any questions that you may have.

Trip Leader

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Palm Coast, FL. 32137
386-447-0713 (home)
386-447-1035 (fax)
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Assistant Trip Leader

Mia McCroskey
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miamc@aol.com



TRIP RESERVATION FORM

**Punta Gorda, FL
Longboat Key
November 6 - 13, 2004**

(please type or print)

NAME _____ M F

2004 Sailing Club Member Non-Member (please also complete and submit membership form) *

MAILING ADDRESS

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_____ people × \$150.00	See trip write-up for payment schedule	TOTAL: _____
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Palm Coast, FL. 32137 anchorsdown@att.net

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2004 Annual Membership Form

Annual membership in The Sailing Club, Inc. entitles the member to sail on Club sponsored trips.
 Membership dues are good from April 1 of the current year through March 31 of the following year

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP: (Check only one)

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual Membership at \$25 annually	<input type="checkbox"/> Household Membership at \$30 annually (Household members <i>must</i> reside at the same address)
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(Make check to **The Sailing Club, Inc.** and submit to Tom Davies, 55 Aspen Drive, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920)

MEMBER INFORMATION (Please complete even if you are a returning member)

Primary Member Name Other Household Member Name (s)

Address (1st Line) _____

Address (2nd Line) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please provide one contact number, preferably the home number so that we can get in touch with you:

Home telephone _____ - _____ - _____

Work telephone _____ - _____ - _____ Other Work telephone _____ - _____ - _____

Primary e-mail address _____ Other e-mail address _____

(The Sailing Club frequently uses email to inform members of upcoming Club activities)

Sailing Experience

Beginning **Have you had?**

Some CPR Training
 Expiration Date ____/____/____

Moderate 1st Aid Training
 Expiration Date ____/____/____

Considerable Attended Sailing School
(Please attach resume)

Sailing Experience

Beginning **Has this Person had?**

Some CPR Training
 Expiration Date ____/____/____

Moderate 1st Aid Training
 Expiration Date ____/____/____

Considerable Attended Sailing School
(Please attach resume)

YOUR INTERESTS

(You may check more than one)

Sailing Areas:

- Northeast (Long Island, Newport, Maine) Mid-Atlantic (New Jersey, Chesapeake) Great Lakes
- Southeast (Florida, Caribbean, BVI, USVI) Pacific Northwest (Puget Sound, San Juan Islands, Alaska)
- Northern/Southern California South Pacific (Hawaii, Tahiti, Australia, New Zealand) Europe, Mediterranean

Types of Sailing:

- Cruising (2 to 4 days) Cruising (7 to 10 days) Day sail with one overnight stay Day sail only
- Performance sailing (Seamanship, sail trim, etc.)

Type of Boat:

- Monohull (Sloop, Ketch, Cutter) Multihull (Catamaran)

Education (Ashore):

- Seamanship (Line handling, knots, safety) Navigation (GPS, DR, Navigation aids, etc.)