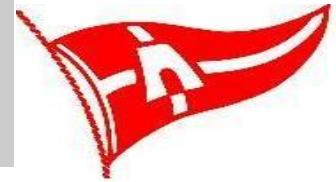


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Last Monday evening, I sat on the front porch and admired the beauty that is our Club. Looking out on the water, I witnessed an incredible sight. The amazing Caribbean blue waters and our white sandy beach, spotted with the hulls of the Teague Bay fleet. As I scanned the beachfront, a number of vignettes came into focus. Kiomie had a group of beginner optimist sailors over by the sail locker, busy with a land based lesson, while Caitlyn was returning to shore with another group of slightly more advance optimist sailors, who brought awe into the eyes of the beginners, who yearn to be sailing as fast as the more advanced sailors. The high school age kids were de-rigging their lasers and were very excited about their practice session and were laughing and chatting as they cleaned and put away their boats. Further down the beach, toddlers and mommies played peacefully at the waters edge with toys from the Club toy box. Other parents joined their kids in de-rigging and listening to their tall tales of excitement. As I witnessed all of these happy activities, I just could not get over the fact that it was a Monday afternoon. Congratulations to all of you who make this Club such an amazing place to be any day of the week. *Carol Stewart*

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## CONGRATULATIONS MEMBERS!

Thanks for making us the **BEST** Club in the VI!



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## FROM THE VICE COMMODORE:

“The Club is formed for the express purpose of promoting interest and activity in the ownership, racing and cruising of yachts and small boats...and of extending to visiting yachtsmen the hospitality of St. Croix.”

(1952 St. Croix Yacht Club Articles of Incorporation)

Ten years later, I am once again, Vice Commodore. My involvement with the St. Croix Yacht Club seems as if it has gone on forever – because it has! Way back, before the move to the East End, I learned to sail in the Yacht Club summer program in a Beetlecat in Christiansted Harbor. As adults, my husband Joe and I joined the Club in 1987; our 36' trimaran, *Three Little Pigs* needed a better home than Christiansted Harbor. Both Joe and I served our time in various Board positions and as Past Commodores.

Since I never throw anything out and rely extensively on notes and schedules (having no memory), I have all my documents and notes from the turn of the century! Some areas are running well and some not so well. After carefully considering the areas where our systems have run off the track, I keep coming back to the same issue – communication! The Internet has in many ways made paper communication obsolete, but as a new media, delivering information through the Internet can be gruesomely time consuming. This gives the new board an exciting mission – get the communication to the members under control!

During the next several months, Rear Commodore, Bruce Milliken and I will be contacting all the members directly, for two purposes:

- Verify current contact information (addresses, phone numbers, email)
- Trolling for volunteers!

Our ongoing project is to upgrade the Club website! The Yearbook was last published in 2009. All the information now included in the Yearbook will be available on the Website, including membership lists and contact information (password protected).

The Vice Commodore is responsible for the performance of several key committees. It is my pleasure to have the following competent Club members agree to serve as Chairs of the following committees (in alphabetical order):

- Building – Tully Keith, Chair
- Entertainment – Karen Stanton, Chair
- Food & Beverage – Carol Stewart, Chair
- Ships Store – Millie Johnson, Chair

*Julie San Martin,*  
Vice Commodore




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## FROM THE REAR COMMODORE:

It was a gorgeous Sunday morning on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April. At 1125 hrs a toast was offered to the following new members. To those who were not able to attend, we are sorry but grateful for the extra amount of Sticky Buns made by Ms. Anna. I can't begin to describe the buffet brunch that POSH catering served up. Just let it be said that I was hell bent on getting home for some much needed sleep but after some food, libations and great camaraderie, my nap, I did not take. History was passed along and stories were told. Some true; some made up; but the overall theme was, the Club is a wonderful place to learn, grow, socialize, relax, swim and use it for whatever is best for oneself. During the week, weekend, daytime night time, fall, winter, spring, summer (can be a little warm I admit). What a place to lime.

If you get a chance say hello to someone new, you might find out who has lived in Ohio, has a boat project going on, works for the Daily News, has grandchildren, related to a family that once owned the land that the Club resides on, loves to sail and wants to learn more, or even might be engaged. You just don't know. Oh, by the way, if you happen to know somebody that might enjoy some of this craziness, invite them along and show them around. I know a few people who would love to meet them, myself included.

On another note, with the amazing help of Gene Capauno some poor forgotten plants around the Club have been saved. Marvelous work, I must say. Well, I'm not much with words on paper, but after a few, at a wonderful bar by the beach, NO PROBLEM. If you want more info from the Rear Commodore, I think I've said enough.

*Bruce Milliken,*  
Rear Commodore



### F/R

Harry & Carol Salo  
Matthew & Lisa Goulet  
James & Mary Lee  
**Corinthian**  
Daniel Shea  
Racheal Newman

### Junior

Anjel Piher  
Jensen Estephan  
Devin Hughes  
Jens Gifford  
John Russell  
Zac Drummond

## From the Fleet Captain :

Congratulations to our sailors who represented the Club at the recent regattas! Morgan Dale and his Melges 24 *Boogaloo* showed our burgee at the St. Thomas Rolex Regatta and placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the Spinnaker 1 class. Four boats represented us at the BVI Spring Regatta. Stan Joines did us proud taking first place in the Classic Class in his Alberg 35, *Windflower*.

Morgan and *Boogaloo* took 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Racing B class and were the fastest of the three Melges 24's racing. *Piglet* and Joe SanMartin also took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the multihull class. With a new boom and jib, Taylor Babb sailed *Barbaric Yawp* to 11<sup>th</sup> place in a large jib & main class.

Congratulations to our Funny Bunny Race Series participants! Fourteen Optimist, green fleet sailors, sailed in a three day fun race series, starting April 1st (April Fools Day - FUNNY) ending April 14th (Easter - BUNNY). The fastest bunny around the course was Atlee Kohl, with the rest of the group not far behind. Thanks to Coach Caitlyn and mentors, Challis Diaz and David Kleeger, who sailed opti's while assisting our greenies around the course!



Our committees are getting organized. Peter Stanton has agreed to Chair the Racing Committee. Chris Schreiber will continue as chair of the Dock and Mooring committee. The calendar for the year has been set. The Buck Island Race and Picnic was big success including two new first time racers (*El Shaddai & Alexandra*). Our next big event will be Memorial Day with keelboat races on Monday and the last of the Spring One-Design Series on Sunday. The Cruzan Open One Design Regatta (CROOD) will be July 22, with Chris Schreiber as Regatta Chair.

We are shopping for a newer tender / coach boat and would like to find something like a small center cockpit whaler. We're also shopping for a new engine and steering system for the Aquasport., if you can help us out or have any leads, please let us know.

### Changes in Rules and Fees

In December, the Board of Directors approved **three** important changes to the rules for dry storage of boats and trailers on the Club's property.

- **Effective June 1, 2011**, the monthly dry storage fee for multi-hulled boats will be increased to \$5.25 per foot per month. This increase reflects industry standard on billing of vessels that require a larger real-estate foot print for storage.
- Three premium parking spaces will be marked and assigned along the east fence line. This turns half of the area currently marked as a transient storage area into an assigned storage area. These three spots will be reserved for vessels 30 feet or above and will be billed at \$5.25 per foot, per month.
- Reminder: The remaining spaces along the east fence line are temporary/transient storage areas ONLY -- no more than two consecutive weekends are allowed before vessel will be billed accordingly. Repairs and maintenance should be done in designated work areas. Boats and trailers improperly parked along the fence may be moved at the discretion of the Club Manager & Waterfront Coordinator.
- There is a growing concern that the sandy launch area is being destroyed by inappropriate use. Additionally, the growth of our youth program increases our concern for the safety of our young sailors, when launching is in progress. A locked chain will be placed across the entrance to the launch area. Permission to launch must be obtained from Manager on site, during Club hours of operation.
- If you do not have a sticker on the tongue of your trailer or property stored at SCYC, please visit with Caitlyn to get your account squared away. Any unidentified (meaning you are not receiving a bill to store your stuff) property, dinghies, kayaks, trailers, etc, will be put in Trailer Jail on June 1st.

A **US Sailing Level 1 Instructor Course** is scheduled to be held at the St. Croix Yacht Club on **June 6th - June 9th**. This course is an all day commitment. If you are interested in receiving your level one certification, you can find the registration and additional information at the [USSAILING.ORG](http://USSAILING.ORG) website: From the main page you will need mouse over "Training" on the left hand side, and choose the "Course Calendars" Option. Select the first link on that page "Small Boat Instructor, and Coach Course, Levels 1 & 2". Scroll down to find the SCYC listing for June 6th, Instructor Paul Stoeken. From there follow the instructions to sign up. Any interested party enrolling **before May 9th**, will receive a \$20.00 discount on the course. Please enroll sooner rather than later as the course materials need time to arrive in the mail **BEFORE** the course begins. Any questions regarding this course are answered in the Q & A section on the US Sailing website. Parties interested in being an "Instructor" at the St.Croix Yacht Club must take and pass this course before they can be considered for an instructor position. Anyone over the age of 16 is eligible to enroll in the course but cannot be considered for Instructor status until 18 years of age.

*Jim Kloss*, Fleet Captain

## FROM THE CLUB MANAGER

As we move in to summer, please be reminded that your DPNR registration renewals must be completed by **June 30th**.

The Club launch is primarily for *club business use*. Scheduled classes, waterfront maintenance, safety and emergency response, are the primary reasons why the Club launch exists. Once the above needs have been fulfilled, the launch is made available to members as a tender service. The use of the launch as a tender, driven only by persons authorized by the Manager on duty, is a convenience we are happy to provide to our membership. This convenience is offered during Club business hours, Wednesday through Sunday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Use of the launch at any other times, other than regular business hours, requires *prior arrangement* and approval with the Manager or Waterfront Coordinator.

A few etiquette reminders:

- **Dock Carts** – Use and then return the cart to its designated parking area, so that the next person does not have to walk the entire dock to retrieve a cart. I have also had to retrieve carts left in the parking lot. If your trash makes the cart gross, wash it out with the hose and prop it up so it drains.
- **Beach Toys** – Parents and grandparents, we are happy to provide the toy box and the beach toys for your kids to play with. Please make sure ALL toys are picked up, rinsed off and stored back in the toy box, before you leave the beach.
- **Dumpster on Property** - The dumpster on the property is for boating and galley trash only. Please refrain from filling the dumpster with other waste. Please take residential waste to the Cotton Valley bin site.
- **Batteries and Oil Disposal** - Please dispose of your own batteries and used oil. Leaving these items sitting next to our dumpster or in the work area is not acceptable.
- **No Wake Zone**. As soon as you enter the mooring field traveling in the channel, no matter how small or big your boat is, you should slow your speed till you have **NO WAKE**. This is both a safety issue and **mandatory** courtesy that we will be enforcing. With summer coming, there are going to be a lot more children in boats out in the bay and bigger boats need to stay in the channel and cruise at an appropriate and safe speed.

*Kiomie Pedrini, Club Manager*



## THE RELOCATION OF ROSIE

Everybody has heard of a “chicken club,” as in the sandwich, but few have experienced the likeness of a “club chicken.” That is, unless you frequented the Yacht Club this spring where we had the honor of the presence of “Rosie” It’s hard to fathom the development of a personal relationship with a chicken, but Rosie was special. She was very personable, not shy in any way and generally quite agreeable, albeit a bit messy at times. She had no problem approaching you while you were eating – especially if you were having something with chicken.

So it was around noon in the middle of March when Seymour, his wife and 4 guests were having lunch, just two tables away from Jeanette and myself. Rosie was perusing the area, making her rounds when out of the blue – with no warning whatsoever - Rosie jumps right on top of Seymour’s table. And not only that, but right smack dab into the middle of one of his guest’s chicken salad. (my guess is that Rosie, anticipating the worst, felt that this was to be one of her last great acts of defiance)

Well, this was not to the liking of Seymour, Kate or to Seymour’s guest who wound up with the extra chicken in her salad...

So Kate brought in a kennel, hoping to get Rosie to enter at which time the kennel door would be closed and Rosie could be relocated. We all had fun with that, but of course Rosie wouldn’t stay in the kennel long enough for any of us to close the door. And she voiced her displeasure with our attempts. Well, with the weekend rapidly approaching, Kate was not looking forward to another chicken salad incident. Sensing her apprehension, coupled with her promise of 2 free beverages of choice, I brought in a device specifically designed for the purpose of capturing and containing Rosie. And Rosie was relocated to the “chicken ranch” in Gallows Bay.

You can see the videos of the capture and the release of Rosie on “Youtube.” Go to:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Cqxy4xvkjw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Cqxy4xvkjw) for the capture in the dining room and then:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=74QBFpk9NM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=74QBFpk9NM) for the release in Gallows Bay.

Special thanks to our newer member Fred Kleber and his guests for the video!

As reported by member contributor, John Ellis



## From the Entertainment Committee

Entertainment at the Club has taken a literal "Jump Start" or should I say "Jig Hop". The new entertainment committee started out with an Irish Jig Contest on Friday, March 18th. Jig Master Rachel kept the place hopping with different types of Jigs. Overall winner for the Jig Contest, was Yacht Club Member Peggy Noel. Peggy took home the coveted Hand Blown Pig Shot Glass. The kitchen was busy serving up corned beef and cabbage dinners and serving Kate's special Irish Drink - The Emerald Isle.



In April, we had the Buck Island Picnic. We had 77 people attend, and Buck Island was taken over by the Yacht Club. The weather was perfect and the grill cook was pumping out the food till it was gone. Kiomie, Caitlyn, Kate, Posh Catering and crew, did a great job in coordinating the boats and getting the food out there. I did receive RAVE reviews about Kiomie's husband, Aldo. It seems he helped a certain 3 1/2 year old (Katie Flynn) find more potato chips because hers were all gone. Our Yacht Club staff did a fantastic job and it was one of the best picnics ever.



Easter Brunch and the traditional Yacht Club Easter Egg Hunt, happened on Sunday, April 24th and a hopping good time was had by all, ages 0- 90. The egg hunt was divided into three areas for the different ages, the 4 and under group was on the west lawn, the 5 and 6 year olds were on the east lawn and the 7 and up were on the south lawn under the kapok tree. All the children found lots of eggs filled with surprises. A special thanks to Clayton Kohl and his helpers, and Peter and Carol Stewart for stuffing and hiding the Easter eggs.

Cinco De Mayo is scheduled for Friday, May 6th, featuring a huge fiesta, a limbo contest and two piñatas - One for the adults and one for the kids. Memorial Day Weekend - 29th and 30th - Lots of sailing, Music and BBQ's are planned for this weekend.

*Karen Stanton* , Entertainment Chairman



## SCYC Summer Sailing Kick - Off!

As many of you know, the summer is fast approaching and Summer Sailing will soon be upon us. You will notice on the following pages that there has been a few changes made to the program. The biggest change is the length of the sessions. SCYC will now be running 11 weeks of Summer Sailing. The program will start and end with one week sessions for our Little Mariners, and in between we will be running three sessions, each of three weeks in length. This added time on the water will allow our sailors that little bit of extra time to refine their skills and increase their confidence. We have also added a "Sail Adventure" option during session 2 and 3. "Sail Adventure" will share similar characteristics to the one week program run in the past summers, but in addition, sailors will have the opportunity to explore new and exciting water sports and participate in fun activities and games. Designed to keep our sailors coming back, this program is the perfect option for sailors looking for something new and different!

Sail Adventure hopes to teach our sailors many different water sports and new ways of seeing mother ocean. If you come across any of the following items, we would love to take them off your hands!

Snorkeling Masks  
Fishing Rods  
Coffee Cans  
Paddles  
Old Sails

Fishing Sinkers  
Netting  
Broomsticks  
Stockings

Hard plastic containers  
Marbles  
Clay  
Fish Tanks

Other items that would be fantastic donations or even given on loan for a one week span include:

Surf Boards  
Kayaks  
Wind Surfers

Want to be involved in the program? We are looking for members to donate half of their day to take our junior sailors out on their larger sailboats! Please contact Caitlyn at 773-9531 or scycsailing@gmail.com.

## SCYC 2011 SUMMER SAILING PROGRAM



### SCHEDULE

#### LITTLE MARINERS: June 6 - 10, 2011

Ages 5-7

\*No exceptions to age requirements

9:00am-12:00pm

#### SESSION 1: June 13 – July 1, 2011

Sea Squirts	Introductory: Ages 5-7	9:00am-12:00pm
Optimist 1	Introductory	9:00am-3:00pm
Optimist 3	Intermediate/Advanced	9:00am-3:00pm
Sunfish	Introductory	9:00am-3:00pm
Club 420	Introductory	9:00am-3:00pm

#### SESSION 2: July 5 – July 22, 2011

Optimist 2	Optimist 1 Continuation	9:00am-3:00pm
Optimist Race	Intermediate/Advanced	9:00am-3:00pm
Sail Adventure	Intermediate	9:00am-3:00pm
Club 420	Race/Advanced	9:00am-3:00pm

#### SESSION 3: July 25 – August 12, 2011

Sea Squirts	Introductory: Ages 5-7	9:00am-3:00pm
Optimist 1	Introductory	9:00am-3:00pm
Optimist 3	Intermediate/Advanced	9:00am-3:00pm
Sunfish	Introductory	9:00am-3:00pm
Sail Adventure	Intermediate	9:00am-3:00pm

#### LITTLE MARINERS: August 15- 19, 2011

Ages 5-7

\*No exceptions to age requirements

9:00am-12:00pm

#### HIGH SCHOOL PRE-SEASON TRAINING: August 22-26, 2011

1:00pm-4:00pm Required for all in-coming team members of the fall 2011 High School Season. Sailors must be entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade or higher.

**Registration Materials will be distributed via email and can be found on the Yacht Club website under Junior Sailing @ [www.stcroixyc.com](http://www.stcroixyc.com).**

## SCYC 2011 SUMMER SAILING PROGRAM



### CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

**Little Mariners**    **Class meets: 9am-12pm**    **Course fee: \$100.00**  
**Ages 5-7**    **Boat: Rhodes 19 & Optimist Pram**    **Prerequisite: Pass the swim test**

Entry-level students 5 and older will begin sailing in the Rhodes 19 and Optimist Pram. This class is one week, designed for kids who have little to no sailing or boating experience. We will teach them the fundamentals of living and playing safely near the water. Boat handling, rowing, and swim strengthening skills will be taught. The foundation of each lesson will be water & boat safety along with an overall understanding of the powerful mother ocean. This class covers safety, rigging, basic boat handling, and knots. Sailors can advance to the Sea Squirts program or Optimist 1 at age 8.

**Sea Squirts**    **Class meets: 9am-12pm**    **Course fee: \$300.00**  
**Ages 5-7**    **Boat: Rhodes 19 & Optimist Pram**    **Prerequisite: Pass the swim test**

An extension of the little Mariners Program, entry-level students 5 and older will have the opportunity to expand on their knowledge of the Rhodes 19 and Optimist Pram through a 3 week program. In this part of the course they will learn how the wind affects the boat as well as how to steer. A basic understanding of points of sail and weather will also be covered. Objectives of this class include; knot tying, nautical terminology, sail trim, and of course FUN! Sailors can advance to the Optimist 1 program at age 8.

**Optimist 1**    **Class meets: 9am-3pm**    **Course fee: \$525.00**  
**Ages 8-13**    **Boat: Optimist Pram**    **Prerequisite: Pass the swim test**

The 8 foot optimist is the international standard in youth sail training. The "Opti" is specifically designed for junior sailors under 120lbs in weight. This class is designed to take the beginner sailor or experienced Little Mariner, and make them confident and comfortable sailing the optimist pram on their own. This three week session will cover rigging, knot tying, steering, basic boat handling, and nautical terminology. Sailors can advance to the Optimist 2 course or Sail Adventure.

**Optimist 2**    **Class meets: 9am-3pm**    **Course fee: \$525.00**  
**Ages 8-13**    **Boat: Optimist Pram**    **Prerequisite: Completion of Optimist 1 or equivalent level course.**

A continuation of the Optimist 1 course or other SCYC Optimist Pram Introductory course. This course fine-tunes the basic boat-handling skills gained in Optimist 1. An emphasis on points of sail, proper sail trim, and seamanship will fast track these sailors for long term success in the Optimist Pram. Sailors will be introduced to the basics of racing and navigation, catering to each individuals' goals within the sport of sailing. Sailors can advance to the Optimist 3 course or Sail Adventure.

**Optimist 3**    **Class meets: 9am-3pm**    **Course fee: \$525.00**  
**Ages: 9-15**    **Boat: Optimist Pram**    **Prerequisite: Completion of Optimist 2 or equivalent level course.**

Building on experience, skill, and course material from the SCYC Optimist Pram Introductory course, the Optimist 3 course is designed to take our sailors to the next level of sailing. An emphasis on boat-handling, sail controls, and beginner racing strategy will prepare these optimist sailors for the fun world of racing. Not interested in racing? This course will also focus on bettering the sailors' ability to sail in heavy winds and varying conditions. Completion of this course leaves sailors eager and ready for our Fall One Design Series and other locally held Optimist regatta's. Sailors can advance to the Optimist Race Team, Sunfish Introductory course, or Sail Adventure.

**\*\*Exceptions to Age, Weight, Height, and Experience for any course will be made on a sailor to sailor basis by the Program Director\*\***

## SCYC 2011 SUMMER SAILING PROGRAM



### CLASS DESCRIPTIONS CONT...

**Sail Adventure** Class meets: 9am-3pm  
Ages: 8-18 Boat: Anything that floats!

Course fee: \$525.00  
Prerequisite: Completion of Optimist 1 or equivalent level course.

Open to all sailors who are ready to use their sailing knowledge to do something new and exciting! In **Sail Adventure** sailors will get experience on a number of different types of vessels bettering their understanding of the sport as a whole. The course is structured to include sailing during one half of the day, and fun water activities during the other half. Sailors will be exposed to boats large and small and learn how to work as a team to accomplish day to day goals. Activities will include "How to make a water scope", fishing, snorkeling, paddling, guest speakers and much, much more! If your sailor is ready for a new and exciting experience, then Sail Adventure is the course for them! Material in this course will vary based on overall class sailing experience and age. This course is designed as an addition to our program but not as a direct part of the class progression. Sailors are encouraged to follow the course guideline when choosing a class to follow Sail Adventure.

**Sunfish** Class meets: 9am-3pm  
Ages: 10-18 Boat: Sunfish

Course fee: \$525.00  
Prerequisite: Completion of Optimist 2 or equivalent level course.

Attractive to novice and experienced sailors alike, this self bailing boat natural progression from the Optimist Pram. In the **Sunfish Introduction** course, sailors will learn the in's and out's of how to rig the Sunfish. A review of points of sail and steering will expand our young sailors' knowledge beyond the Optimist and into the world of bigger boats. With a larger sail area, and a boat conducive to 2, participants will be exposed to the positions of Captain and Crew. In the **Sunfish Intermediate** course, sailors will build on their racing knowledge and continue to work on executing, starts and understanding the race course strategy. After completing this course, SCYC has seen its sailors go as far as youth Olympics! From **Sunfish Introduction**, sailors advance to Sunfish Intermediate, Club 420 Introduction, or Sail Adventure. From **Sunfish Intermediate** sailors may move into the 420 beginner and race course.

**Optimist Race** Class meets: 9am-3pm  
Ages: 9-15 Boat: Optimist Pram

Course fee: \$525.00  
Prerequisite: Completion of Optimist 3/ Sunfish or equivalent level course.

The Optimist Race course is for students who have successfully completed Optimist 3 or class equivalent. Students will continue to improve their sailing skills while they learn racing through drills and practice races. Racing rules, strategy, boating safety, and correct sail trim are stressed. Sailors will also learn the science behind how wind and water affects their boat. Keeping the fun in sailing will be emphasized. The curriculum is geared towards new and experienced racers with an emphasis on peer mentoring between the Green and Championship fleet sailors. Regatta attendance in the Fall and Spring seasons will be encouraged when appropriate.

**Club 420** Class meets: 9am-3pm  
Ages: 12-18 Boat: Club 420

Course fee: \$525.00  
Prerequisite: Completion of Sunfish Intro or equivalent level course. Weight: 90lbs+ Height: 4'+

The standard in High School and Collegiate Racing, this 2-person boat is used as a high level racing boat with trapeze and spinnaker. The SCYC **Club 420 Introduction** course will focus on transitioning sailors into a faster, more technical sailing vessel. Focus on rigging, and boat-handling will dominate most of the 3 week introduction course. Sailors will have the opportunity to try out the position of "Skipper" and "Crew" and develop a comfort for both. Spinnaker will be introduced based on class skill level, and weather conditions. Completion of this course allows for sailors to join the High School Sailing Team upon entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The **Club 420 Racing** session will focus on the finer points of boat-handling, race strategy, starts, and the use of the trapeze and spinnaker. This racing session is perfect for the new high school sailor who wants to further develop their 420 skills, or experienced racers just looking for more water time. Summer offers the opportunity for High School sailors to gain more experience in "Trap & Chute" and possibly travel to state-side junior sailing events. During our 3 weeks, we will continue to develop racing experience, and team building. An emphasis on competitive development will be the base for each lesson. Regatta attendance in the Fall and Spring will be encouraged.

**\*\*Exceptions to Age, Weight, Height, and Experience for any course will be made on a sailor to sailor basis by the Program Director\*\***

## SCYC Sailors Receive Top Honors at 2011 BVI Youth Championships

On April 30 and May 1, 2011, twenty-four Optimist sailors and fifteen Laser sailors from St. Thomas, St. Croix and the BVI raced at Nanny Cay and in Sea Cowes Bay. The 2011 BVI Youth Championships, organized by the Royal BVI Yacht Club. This two day youth sailing event started with a very breezy first day and additional high surf. The Championship Optimist sailors began sailing on the same course as the Laser fleet. The Optimist fleet was then moved into Sea Cowes Bay because of the blustery conditions, for the remainder of the first day. Green fleet Optimist sailors experienced shifty winds and unpredictable puffs but braved the conditions, finishing over 15 races over the two days. The Royal BVI Race Committee succeeded in keeping it very interesting for the Laser fleet, changing the course almost every race. Of note: SCYC Sailors took places 1-6 in the first race of the Laser fleet, showing consistency and strength in the variable conditions. "Our St. Croix Team, spent lots of time on the water in preparation for this event" stated Team Coach, Caitlyn Connolly. "They worked hard and should be proud of the results they achieved."

Participating in any off island sporting event does not happen without the dedication and efforts of many volunteers and mentors. SCYC Past Commodore and Executive Director of Frederiksted Community Boating, Nick Castruccio and SCYC Past Board Member, Felice Quigley and Peter Stanton, were instrumental in getting our sailors over to the BVI's to compete. We thank them profusely for their dedication to the youth of St. Croix. The Royal BVI Race Committee recognized the effort made by these individuals at the final award ceremony.

Representing Frederiksted Community Boating on the St. Croix Team and receiving an award for participation in the Optimist Green Fleet, Israel Duffy, finished with more than 5 top 5 finishes, in a competitive 18 boat fleet. St. Croix Yacht Club sailor, Challis Diaz was recognized as the *Standout Performer* on the Laser course, for the entire weekend event. The rest of the weekend results are as follows: Congratulations!

### Optimist Class

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place- Sam Morrell, BVI
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place- Ryan Wooldridge, BVI
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place- Ryan Hunter, SCYC

### Laser 4.7 Rig

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place- Challis Diaz, SCYC
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place- Curtis Walker, SCYC
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place- Jason Putley, BVI

### Laser Radial Rig

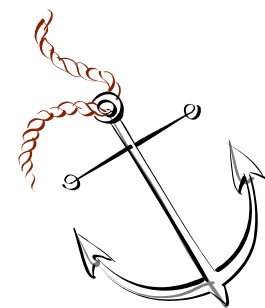
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place- Mack Bryan, SCYC
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place- Becky Rowlette, BVI
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place- Jonathan Woods, BVI

### Laser Full Rig



- 1<sup>st</sup> Place- Peter Stanton, SCYC
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place- Sam Watterson, SCYC
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place- David Lorshbaugh, SCYC



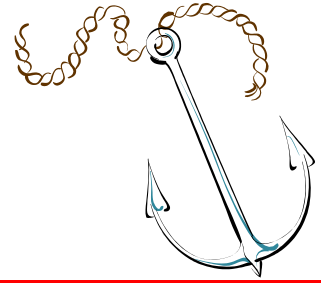
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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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1 <i>BVI Youth Dinghy Champs</i> 	2	3	4 <i>Wednesday Night Dinner</i>	5	6  <i>Cinco de Mayo Party Happy Hour</i>	7 <i>Adult Sailing Lessons 9-12</i>
8 <i>Mother's Day Brunch</i>  <i>Spring One Design #1</i>	9  <i>Opti Monday</i>	10	11 <i>Wednesday Night Dinner</i>	12	13 <i>Birthday Happy Hour</i> 	14 <i>Adult Sailing Lessons 9-12</i>
15 <i>Spring One Design #2</i>	16  <i>Opti Monday</i>	17	18 <i>Wednesday Night Dinner</i>	19 <i>Board Meeting</i>	20 <i>Happy Hour</i>	21
22 <i>Spring One Design #3</i>	23  <i>Opti Monday</i>	24	25 <i>Wednesday Night Dinner</i>	26	27 <i>Happy Hour</i>	28 <i>Summer Staff Training</i>
29 <i>Spring One Design #4 Awards</i> <i>Summer Staff Training</i>	30 <i>CLUB OPEN</i> <i>Memorial Day Race &amp; BBQ</i> 	31				

# June 2011



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Wednesday Night Dinner	2	3 Happy Hour Grill Night	4 Summer Staff Work Day
5	6	7	8 Wednesday Night Dinner	9	10 Birthday Happy Hour	11 Caribbean Laser Champs, St. Martin
	US Sailing Level I Training				Summer Staff Work Day	
	Little Mariners 9-12					
12	13	14	15 Wednesday Night Dinner	16 Board Meeting	17 Happy Hour	18
Caribbean Laser Champs, St. Martin	Summer Sailing - Session #1					
19 Father's Day	20 Scuttlebutt art. due	21	22 Wednesday Night Dinner	23 Adult Sailing Lessons 4-6	24 Happy Hour	25 Race to Town Scotia Bank STYC
Load VISA Trailer	Summer Sailing - Session #1					Scotia Bank STYC
26	27	28	29	30 Adult Sailing Lessons 4-6 DPNR Boat Registrations Due		
Scotia Bank STYC	Summer Sailing - Session #1					

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Cinco de Mayo**  
**Friday, May 6, 2011**  
**Fiesta begins at 6:00**

**\$4.00 Mexican Tacos & Enchiladas**

**w/ toppings bar**

**Refried Beans and Mexican Rice**

**Limbo Contest, Child Piñata, Adult Piñata**

**Fun Prizes for all!**

**Margarita Madness!**

**Entertainment to be announced**

**Please RSVP to 773-9631 or**

**[scyccatering@gmail.com](mailto:scyccatering@gmail.com)**

**so we know how much food to prepare**

**SCYC Mother's Day Lunch**

**Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**Serving an a la Carte Brunch  
 between 11:30 to 2:00**

**Regular Menu With Special Items Such As:**

*Sumptuous Crab Cakes*

*Lobster Specials*

*Specialty Omelets*

*And of Course,*

*Grand Manier French Toast*

**Two seatings available at 11:30 am or 1:00 pm for  
 parties of six or more...**

**Please reserve your table by**

**Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 p.m. to 773-9631 Or**

**Click on the following link**

**[scyccatering@gmail.com](mailto:scyccatering@gmail.com)**

**2011 Spring One Design Race Series**

Open to all MEMBERS

Open to all graduates of SCYC Summer Sailing Camp

Optimist, Sunfish and 420's, Lasers, Rhodes - 19's

Registration fee for series:

\$40.00 members \$60.00 Non-members

Series Dates include:

**Sunday, May 8**

**Sunday, May 15**

**Sunday, May 22**

**Sunday, May 29 (Awards Celebration)**

with a **Registration Start time of 11:30 am:**

You only need to sail three of the four weekends to qualify, so come on out. All competitors must have a life jacket to sail. One parent or guardian should be present while their child is racing. One parent or guardian should look forward to volunteering their time for ONE of the Days of the series. In the event of overbooking, St. Croix Yacht Club members will be given priority.

For more information, to volunteer to your services,  
 and/or to register your child, please call the  
 St. Croix Yacht Club at 773-9531

**Adult Learn to Sail**

Introductory classes to be held at the St. Croix Yacht Club for adults 18 and older. Classes will be scheduled by the instructor to fulfill 12 hours of training. All Classes will be taught by U.S. Sailing Certified Instructors. No more than 4 sailors will be registered per class, no less than 3. Classes will be taught in Club owned Rhodes 19's.

Student requirements are:

Able to swim 50 yards and pass a swim test.

Provide a U.S. Coast Guard approved Type III Personal Flotation Device (PFD) with a plastic whistle attached.

Course fee \$150.00 per person

Refundable Damage Deposit of \$50.00  
 (please submit as a separate check)

**SCHEDULE**

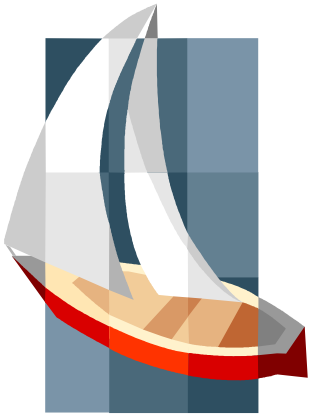
Rhodes 19 Introductory – Learn to Sail

The class will be held on the following mornings...

**JUNE 23, 30 JULY 7, 21, 28 AUGUST 4**  
 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

\*In times of incimate weather, classes may need to be re-scheduled. Some Flexibility in scheduling is also available if more than one student cannot attend a class.

Please contact Caitlyn Connolly at [scycsailing@gmail.com](mailto:scycsailing@gmail.com) or 773-9531 if you have any questions.



## NOTICE OF RACE

# 2011 Memorial Day Race

Monday, May 31, 2011

St. Croix Yacht Club, Teague Bay

### 1 Rules

The race will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing, and the rules of the St. Croix Yacht Club. The management of the race shall be by the designated race committee of St Croix Yacht Club which shall have the authority to decide all matters relating to this race. One or two classes are expected based upon registrations.

### 2 Registration, Fees and Schedule of Events:

Registration at or before the Skipper's meeting at **St. Croix Yacht Club 9:00 am, Monday, May 31, 2011**. Boats are encouraged to pre-register by notifying the Club office of intent. There will be an informational pre-registration meeting at the Yacht Club at 1700 on Sunday, May 29.

Entry Fee: SCYC Members \$30.00 Non-members \$50.00. All registration fees must be paid in full.

**On Monday, May 31, the first warning will be at 1025, with a start at 1030.**

One or two races are anticipated with racing completed by 1300.

**3 Racing Area and Course:** Races will be held in the channel between Buck Island and St. Croix. Windward – Leeward and reaching courses are planned and will be described in the Sailing Instructions available at the Skippers' Meeting.

**4 Scoring:** Time on time ratings will be assigned by the Race Committee, and are subject to the Race Committee's adjustment. All vessels should submit current CSA certificates to the Yacht Club Office. Racers are not required to be members of the SCYC.

**5 Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class; prizes will be awarded at the Club House 60 minutes after the final boat finishes.

**6 Further Information:** please contact Kiomie at the St. Croix Yacht Club or Jim Kloss at [jdkboats45@yahoo.com](mailto:jdkboats45@yahoo.com)

## REMINDER

All boat  
registration  
renewals are due to  
DPNR by  
**June 30, 2011**

We have tested positive for Coliform in the cistern water that serves the men's room. Until further notice, do not drink the water without boiling it first. Water from hoses, dock water, and showers may have a strong smell of chlorine as we are hyper chlorinating to attack the problem. We thank you for your patience.  
*SCYC Management*

Interested in being a BONGO sponsor? The SCYC would like to bring back the Bongo, with your help. Interested? Contact the SCYC office to help.



Are you a Seamstress?  
Need someone with a sewing machine and a the ability to sew, to sew our new curtain panels together. Interested?  
Contact Kiomie at 773-9531 for more information.