

March 2014

Club Calendar	COMMODORE'S CORNER Vic Simon
<p><b><i>Beach Opening Work Party</i></b> Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> 9am</p> <p><b><i>Fleet meeting</i></b> Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> 2pm Cathouse</p> <p>Kiteboarding Event Saturday Apr 26<sup>th</sup></p> <p><b><u>RACE</u></b></p> <p><b><i>Fleet Race #1 Icebreaker</i></b> <b>Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p>Fleet Race #1 Alternate Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup></p> <p><b>Wine-Up and Fleet Race #2</b> Sunday May 25<sup>th</sup></p>	<p>Hello to all. The season opening is around the corner. That is our April 5<sup>th</sup> beach opening clean-up starting @ around 9am with the fleet mtg occurring following it (around 1-2pm). We did collect quite a bit of debris on the beach despite ice off of our beach most of the winter. We can use the help so please try to get down there. Remember to those who have their boats in winter storage to move it prior to that date to help with the ease of the movement of trailers into their correct spots. We will also be replacing some of the railroad ties that support the tongues of the trailers. We will also be finishing up our new added feature to the club, an electronic gate at the entrance of the trailer and building area. Our first race is April 27<sup>th</sup> (Ice breaker). The giveaways for participating in the race will be these sweet Ronstan bags. The day before we will have a kite-boarding event, which we will be hosting. Come on down and check it out, we do have some members involved in this sport also. Keeping this short and sweet, here's to much wind and great weather.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Vic</i></p>

# **SHBCC to host the Hobie 16 Youth, Wave and 14 North Americans**

*July 10-12, 2014*

Mark your calendars, SHBCC is going to host the Hobie 16 Youth, Hobie Wave and Hobie 14 North American Championships on July 10-12, 2014. Sailors from all across the country will be traveling to our club this summer to participate in this event which occurs once a year at venues all across North America. We are proud to be able to host this event once again that also gives our local club members a chance to participate in a championship level event without leaving home. In the youth event sailed on Hobie 16's, we anticipate to have a strong turnout and performance from our already accomplished youth teams and hopefully this will be an opportunity for new ones to come into the mix. The Hobie Wave event is open to adults and youths and can be an opportunity for some of our younger youth sailors who may not be ready for 16 yet to participate. The Wave class has been growing stronger and stronger both locally and nationally, so we may see quite a few boats in this class. And finally, the vintage Hobie 14 class will be sailed as well. Some of the top sailors jump to the 14 for this event which can make the competition fierce. It's great fun to see the Hobie 14's sailed so competitively, so patch up that old 14 that's been sitting on the beach and come out and race.

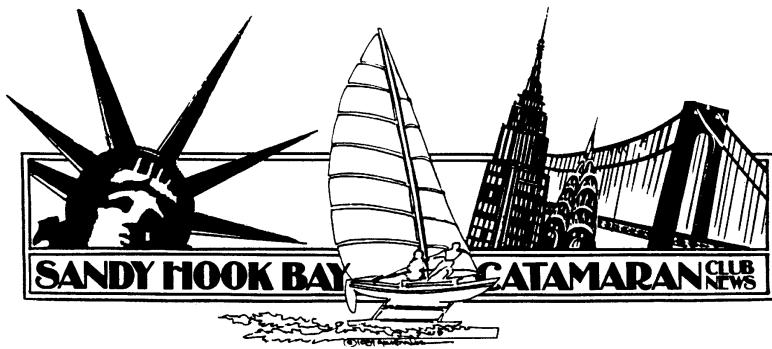
Not interested in racing?? We can always use your help to make this event a great success. We are in the initial planning stages of the regatta so let me know if you would like to get involved. In the early stages, we will be working on fundraising ideas. If you or someone you know would like to become a sponsor, we would love to hear from you. The event will be advertised both locally and nationally and advertising will most likely be in the form of website promotion, posters and t-shirt logos. Mark Modderman and I will co-chair the event, so please get in touch with one of us if you can help out.

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## **THE ICEBREAKER RACE**

The first fleet race, the Icebreaker will take place on Sunday, April 27. Giveaways will be available to all race participants and anyone is welcome to race. We have a full schedule of races this year and it would be great to have new members involved with the race program. Anyone considering racing is welcome to come with questions or contact myself for more information. The fleet is also seeking volunteers for race committee throughout the season; this is a great way to get involved and to learn about racing. Efforts will be made to pair the newer people with the more experienced sailors and race committees so in the future we have more people willing and confident enough to volunteer for race committee. Peter Shearer has agreed to help organize the race committees for this year, so if interested, please contact Peter or myself for information.

*Scott Rathburn*



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