



## SARASOTA BAY SINGLES YACHT CLUB STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The purpose of the SARASOTA BAY SINGLES YACHT CLUB (S.B.S.Y.C.) is to provide a forum for single people interested in sailing as participating crew members, learning or sharing sailing skills and knowledge, meeting other like-minded single people and promoting safe sailing in a fun environment.

### **Dear Prospective New Member:**

Sarasota Bay Singles Yacht Club is a truly unique organization, chartered especially for single people who are interested in sailing as a participating crew member. You may be new to sailing with a desire to learn, or you may be an experienced sailor who wishes to meet other single sailors to share your sailing experience and knowledge.

SBSYC is unique in that, unlike most clubs, we are not in the charter business. We do not try to make money off of our membership. SBSYC owns no boats of our own. Primarily we use boats owned and skippered by our members.

SBSYC is not a "dating Club" (although that never stopped anyone), and SBSYC is not a "boat ride" club. All aboard are working crew. We wish to attract only those people who have a genuine interest in sailing and improving their sailing skills, beginners are welcome.

Our members coordinate raft-up sails, lunch and dinner sails to Longboat Key, Anna Maria Island, Siesta Key, Edwards Island, Egmont Key and other areas. Opportunities for two, three and four-day cruises come up from time to time to Ft. Myers, Naples, Venice, Tampa Bay, Boca Grande, Tarpon Springs and beyond. Some of our members are interested in racing and, if you've never tried it, anyone can tell you it's a lot of fun!

While the development of a safe and experienced crew of sailors is an important goal, we have fun doing other things too. Trips other than sailing are planned by our membership as there is interest. These may include kayaking, camping, dancing, BBQ/pool parties, theater, dinner, happy gatherings, and other events.

"Is SBSYC for me?" "Do I qualify?" Sailing requires physical strength, balance and agility. If you have that ability, are single, would like to learn to sail, or already are a knowledgeable sailor, and you want to get physically involved in sailing a boat, you qualify to become a member. If you want to sail at a very low cost and have fun times with other like-minded single sailors in an active organization, then SBSYC is for you!

"What does it cost?" Basic membership is \$60.00 per year, which entitles you to 6 sailing classes on the water and participation in other SBSYC sponsored activities each month. If you are familiar with the cost of other sailing options, then you know that this is a genuine bargain! "How can we do it?" Because SBSYC is non-commercial and non-profit. We all pitch in and help with the event planning and other organizational tasks. As a member, new or otherwise, you will be asked to do your share as well. As it happens, getting involved is the best way to meet other members and get in more sailing time. Remember, nothing happens unless you make it happen. Make sailing happen for you today ~ join SBSYC.

Thank you for your interest in our organization. If you have any questions, feel free to call 941-755-9388 for more information or to find out the location of our regular monthly meeting which is held on the second Wednesday of each month.

Hope to see you soon,

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