



April 2006.

Dear Member:

The Annual General Meeting of the Club was held on March 30, 2006, and thanks to those members that attended. The major agenda item prior to the election of the Flag Officers and Committee of Management was the proposed changes to the 1986 Rule Book. The Committee is now in the process of a final review of the 2006 Rule Book that incorporates the Committee's accepted proposals and the amendments to those proposals accepted by the members at that meeting. We hope to be able to have a copy to you by the end of July.

The Officers and Committee of Management Members for the 2006-2007 year are as follow:

Flag Officers:

Commodore	Sheila Gringley
Vice Commodore	Andrew Branche
Rear Commodore	Jeffrey Gehl
Immediate Past Commodore	Brian Oatley
Treasurer	John Lorhan
Secretary	John Buckley

Committee Members:

Jimmy Anthony
Vern Bastable
Helen Branche
Brian Estis
Timmy Hayward
Mary Phillipson
George Pope

Andrew Branche
Jimmy Anthony
Jeff Gehl
Timmy Hayward/Brian Oatley
Brian Estis/George Pope

Bar Chairman
Dock Chairman
Entertainment Committee
Sports and Sailing Committee
Grounds and Maintenance Committee

A reminder.....Members who were current in the 2005 -2006 Subscription Year were assessed a one time fee of \$300 for Full and Associate Members at the Special General Meeting held on April 15, 2005.

By order of the Commodore, the fee for Associate Members was reduced to \$100 for Associate Members following the Annual General Meeting held on March 30, 2006.

Rule 20.6 **will** apply to those Full and Associate Members whose Assessment Fee has not been paid by February 28, 2007.

"20.6 If any member shall neglect for thirty (30) days after receiving a written notice from the Secretary to any Dues or Indebtedness due by him or her to the Club, he shall thereupon be automatically suspended as a member of the Club; provided that the Committee of Management

shall have the power to restore the name of any such member on receiving satisfactory explanation of such neglect and payment of all monies due the Club.”

The Assessment was a members decision and one all current members at that time are to pay. It is unfair to those members that have paid for those of you who have not, to remain as members. We are being extremely generous in the time period allowed for this fee to be paid. If the assessment has not been paid by February 28, 2007, the Secretary will forward a letter to your attention and if your assessment remains unpaid following such notification, your name will be removed as a member of the Club.

Our first few weeks as a new committee have been busy. We have had two work parties to clean up the grounds and the downstairs hall, and have started to get the lounge area transformed into a Duty Office ready for the upcoming races. Thanks to those who came out and helped.

The annual golf tournament with Sandys Boat Club was held on April 23rd, and I'm happy to report that St. George's came away with the cup winning by one quarter of a point! Thanks to Brian Oatley for helping with the organization of this event and to Sandys Boat Club for a great afternoon of hospitality.

Superstar Bingo has started in the lower hall. There has been little or no interest from the members in attending the Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening sessions that have been held so far. It is early days, and we have only relied on the advertising by the organizers, so I am hopeful that this will improve. Sessions are held at 7.30 pm and at 9.30 pm. We may well cut back the number of evenings we offer bingo to one and only hold one session that night, but we will keep you informed of that when and if that decision gets made.

The way we will keep you informed will be by our website which is now up and running.

This will provide you with up to date information on what's happening, rather than a news letter that arrives late with news of past events, to say nothing of the significant savings in time and money on getting letters out to the members.

The address is www.stgdsc.bm. It is being updated on a regular basis by Vern Bastable, and our thanks to him and Logic for getting the website operational.

Events currently scheduled are as follows:

6 May 2006

5PM - Dark and Stormy Party for BDA Cruising Rally - Free Dark and Stormies!

6:30PM - BDA Cruising Rally Award Presentations followed by a BBQ Tickets \$20.00 per person. Upstairs Hall.

6 May 2006 - Lower Hall rented for UBP function.

13 May 2006 - Lower Hall rented for St. George's Rotary Fish BBQ - Tickets \$25.00
Please support the Rotary Club.

19 May 2006 - ARC Rally Happy Hour in the Upstairs Bar.

Poker Night - 2 Sessions 6PM and 9PM. Play for prizes. \$10.00 a game.

20 May 2006

6:45PM - ARC Rally Dark and Stormy Party in upstairs Bar.

8:00PM - ARC Rally Awards presentation with BBQ to follow Ticket Price TBD.

21 May 2006 - Lower Hall rented for private function

23 May 2006 - Fish Fry Ticket Price TBD.

24 May 2006 - Fitted Dinghy Racing. Come and support the Victory!

25 May 2006 - ARC Rally Departs.

June 2006:

6 June 2006 - **St.GDSC 60th Anniversary - Event to be Announced soon!**

9 June 2006 - Annapolis Race Departs.

12 June 2006 - First Boats Expected from Annapolis Race.

16 June 2006 - Dark and Stormy Party and Fish Fry Tickets \$20.00 per person.

17 June 2006

Steak BBQ (including 2 drinks) \$35.00 per person. Travellers to play for your entertainment!

24 June 2006 - Bermuda Cruising Rally expected to arrive. BBQ possible...

29 June 2006 - Lower Hall Rented

30 June, 2006 Bda Cruising Rally – possible fish fry. tbd.


As you can see, we have a lot planned. Please come out and support your club and meet the participants of the races we are hosting. Volunteers are always needed. If you can help out with any of these functions please let us know.

The Committee was mandated at the AGM to apply for an exemption to the Tobacco Products Act, which prohibits smoking in bars. Currently, no smoking is permitted inside the building, and we are awaiting a response from the Minister. If we are granted an exemption we will immediately call a Special General Meeting so that the membership can vote on where smoking will be permitted on the Club premises.

Subscriptions for debentures currently total over \$15,000 and the Committee is using some of that funding to purchase a new ice machine for the bar downstairs and a new refrigerator for the kitchen. We also intend to replace the floor tile in the downstairs hall. I'm sure those of you who have seen the downstairs hall recently will agree that Gary Brangman and his helpers have done a fantastic job improving the room.

If anyone has an interest in renting the hall for a private function, the fee is \$150 for members, \$200 for charities and \$400 for non-members. Please contact Jeff Gehl for bookings or give your information to Jane at the bar, and she will let Jeff have the information.

Sincerely,



Sheila Gringley
Commodore