



Breezes AND Blows



Ocean Springs Yacht Club

September 2026

**100 Front Beach Drive
Ocean Springs, MS 39564**

Commodore's Report



September promises to be one of the most exciting and memorable months of the year at the Ocean Springs Yacht Club.

This month, our club has the extraordinary honor of welcoming sailors from around the world for the 2026 Hobie 16 International Championship, September 12–25. This world-class event will bring

international competitors, their families, sailing enthusiasts, and visitors to Ocean Springs and the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

For nearly two weeks, the waters of the Mississippi Sound will come alive with Hobie 16s as some of the finest catamaran sailors compete just off our shores. The Championship begins!

Hosting an international championship of this magnitude is a tremendous honor for the OSYC and the Ocean Springs Sailing Squadron. It is also an opportunity for us to showcase our club, our beautiful community, and the hospitality for which the Mississippi Gulf Coast is known.

I want to personally thank everyone who has worked so hard preparing for this event. An undertaking of this size requires countless hours of planning and the dedication of our volunteers, race committee, sailing community, Board of Governors, Flag Officers, management and staff. Your commitment is what makes an event like this possible.

To all of the sailors and families traveling to Ocean Springs from across the United States and around the world — welcome to the Ocean Springs Yacht Club!

We are honored to have you as our guests and hope you enjoy not only the competition on the Mississippi Sound, but also the friendship, hospitality and unique spirit of our club and community.

I encourage our members to make our visitors feel at home. Introduce yourself, welcome a sailor, lend a helping hand when needed, and take a moment to enjoy what is truly a remarkable occasion for OSYC.

Members should also expect the club to be especially busy during the championship. With so many sailors and visitors joining us, there may be increased activity around the club, beach and waterfront. We appreciate everyone's patience, cooperation and understanding as we host this very special event.

Most importantly, I hope our members will come out and experience the excitement. There is something very special about seeing an international fleet racing on our home waters and knowing that Ocean Springs Yacht Club is helping bring sailors from around the world together on the Mississippi Sound.

September is our opportunity to show everyone who visits what makes OSYC so special — our sailing tradition, our volunteers, our staff, our members and our genuine Gulf Coast hospitality.

I am extremely proud of our Yacht Club and grateful to everyone who continues to give their time, energy and support to make it a place we can all be proud to call our own.

Here's to an exciting September, great sailing, new friendships and an unforgettable 2026 Hobie 16 International Championship!

With Gratitude,

Sandra Carter
2026 Commodore



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From the Vice Commodore,
Vince Smith

Heat, Hobbies, and a Weather Eye on the Horizon



September at Ocean Springs Yacht Club arrives with that familiar Gulf Coast contradiction - the promise of fall while the thermometer insists it's still July. The docks shimmer, the breeze pretends it's cooler than it is, and every sailor

knows we're smack in the middle of peak hurricane season, keeping that steady weather eye on the southern horizon.

But this year, the heat has competition.

The Hobie 16 International Championship is landing right on our beach, bringing sailors from around the world to Coastal Mississippi. Their boats will line the sand in a rainbow of sails, each one ready to leap into the Sound the moment the horn sounds.

It's our chance — not just to race hard — but to show these visitors what Southern sailor hospitality really feels like. A friendly hand on the dock, a cold drink after a hot race, a story or two that proves OSYC is more than a club... it's a community.

So let's welcome them with warmth (the weather's already handling part of that), good humor, and the kind of camaraderie that keeps people coming back long after the trophies are packed away.

Here's to bright sails, steady breezes, and a September full of good racing and good company.

— Vince

Vice Commodore, Ocean Springs Yacht Club



2026 Flag/Corporate Officers

Commodore - Sandra Carter
Vice Commodore - Vince Smith
Rear Commodore - Bruce Small
Fleet Captain - Cynthia Moncreiff
Treasurer - Robert Dalgo
Secretary - Drew Demboski



Board of Governors



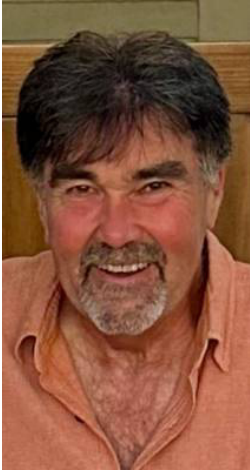
2nd Year Board Member - Jen Kimmerly
2nd Year Board Member - Dawn Smith
1st Year Board Member - Casey Hill
1st Year Board Member - Matthew Hinton
1st Year Board Member - Connie Moran
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**From the Rear Commodore
and the House Committee**



As we prepare for the Hobie 16 event in just a few weeks, House Committee members have been busy completing final preparations and making much-needed improvements around the Club.

We have finished a number of projects, including touch-up painting, new cabinetry and countertops, bathroom upgrades, landscaping improvements, and several

electrical repairs. These projects are helping keep our Club looking its best and ready for the busy events ahead.

A special thank-you goes to Bobby Dalgo and Tim Fortney for all of their hard work and continued help. They have built some really nice Commodore bar shelves and installed a new hose system on the deck that looks great and will be a valuable addition to the Club.

We truly appreciate everyone who has contributed their time, skills, and effort to keeping our yacht club in great shape. It takes a team effort, and we are fortunate to have so many members willing to pitch in and help.

We hope to see everyone at the 2026 Hobie 16 International Championship and look forward to a great event!

Regards,

Bruce Small
Rear Commodore

**From the Club Treasurer,
Bobby Dalgo**



Our club continues to strive forward and do well financially. This month is when our club will host a prestigious international event, the 2026 Hobie 16 International Championship. We are very excited to showcase our club to the

rest of the world and show them our OSYC hospitality! Please come out to support the sailors and show them how OSYC can put on a spectacular event.

Financial highlights through June:

- Net income through June is \$128,076.
- Our cash position has increased \$92,424 from June of last year.

It's been a priority this year to make the improvements needed to the Club, not only for the Hobie 16 International Championship, but for general club maintenance and needed upgrades. Fresh paint, bathroom upgrades, and much more make our club more comfortable and more pleasing to enjoy.

As you may know, unscheduled maintenance will schedule itself!

Bobby Dalgo
Treasurer

The Hobie 16' event web site is available online at
<https://hobieclass.com/2026-hobie-16-international-championship/>





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From the Ocean Springs Sailing Squadron

This is a reminder to all that we have a few special requests from the Ocean Springs Sailing Squadron and the Hobie 16 International Championship Committee. First, we are asking those of you who are not sailing in the championship to volunteer to remove your boat from the beachfront to make spaces available for our visitors to be able to keep their boats on the beach during the competition.

Sailing guests will be coming to our beachfront this month to participate in the 2026 Hobie 16 International Championship. Sailors will be visiting from 20 states and 11 countries. There will be 27 teams on-site from September 11 – 16, followed by 62 teams from September 17 – 24, 2026.

A few of our own OSYC sailors are participating during the two weeks. Please come out to cheer them on!

The OSSS is looking for volunteers who would like to help with any and all aspects of hosting the regatta itself. Please reach out to Sandy Rogers, our General Manager, and to our Fleet Captain if you wish to assist; you may also contact one of the event organizers, Krista Vind, by sending an email to her at kkvind@gmail.com.

This is one of the special ways we are going to make our OSYC hospitality shine and provide an unforgettable experience!

We are looking forward to two exciting series of action-packed buoy races in Mississippi Sound in mid-September. Thank you for your support!

Krista Vind and the OSSS and the 2026 H16 Committee



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SEPTEMBER 12-25, 2026

OCEAN SPRINGS, MISSISSIPPI

★ BREAKFAST AND BEACH BITES FOR EACH DAY OF SAILING FOR REGISTERED SAILORS!		
SAT 9/12	 BOAT WEIGH-IN	—
SUN 9/13	 BOAT WEIGH-IN	 WELCOME PARTY LIGHT HORS D'OEUVRES
MON 9/14	 RACING 11:30 AM	 OSSS FISH FRY 6:00 PM
TUE 9/15	 RACING 11:30 AM	 BURGERS, BONFIRES & S'MORES 6:00 PM 
WED 9/16	 RACING 11:30 AM	 EXPLORE OCEAN SPRINGS
THU 9/17	 RACING 11:30 AM	 AWARDS DINNER AT GULF HILLS HOTEL 6:00 PM 
FRI 9/18	 ISLAND RAID WITH SAILORS PICNIC START TIME TBD (WEATHER DEPENDENT)	—



★ Thank you for being part of the H16 family! ★



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SAT 9/19	 BOAT WEIGH-IN	 JAMBALAYA COOK-OFF 5-7 PM  ROCKIN' DOPSIE CONCERT 7-9:30 PM OPEN TO CLUB MEMBERS
SUN 9/20	 RACING 11:30 AM	 EXPLORE OCEAN SPRINGS
MON 9/21	 RACING 11:30 AM	 CASINO NIGHT?
TUE 9/22	 RACING 11:30 AM	 CUT PARTY MDMR & OSSS SAILOR MEAL LIQUOR SAMPLING 
WED 9/23	 RACING 11:30 AM	 DOWNTOWN PUB CRAWL 6-9 PM HOBIE 16 WITH CUSTOM EVENT SAILS ON DISPLAY
THU 9/24	 RACING 11:30 AM	 RAFFLE (CUSTOM SAILS, SUP. & MORE!)
FRI 9/25	 RACING 11:30 AM	 AWARDS DINNER AT THE MARITIME MUSEUM EVENT FINALE!



★ Thank you for being part of the H16 family! ★



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From the Fleet Captain, Cyndi Moncreiff
FleetCaptain@OSYC.com



The Katrina Memorial Regatta and the 2026 OSYC Club Wave Championship was held August 22 - 23, with 16 boats and sailors competing. Our OSYC member and sailor Terri McKenna will have

her name added to the Club's perpetual Wave Championship trophy that is on display in the trophy case. Congratulations, Terri!

We have a very special event at our Club this month that will bring recognition to OSYC, our city, and our state from the global catamaran sailing community - the 2026 Hobie 16 International Championship. This two-week event begins on September 12 and concludes on September 25. Event details are available online at <https://hobieclass.com/2026-hobie-16-international-championship/> and daily results of racing will be able to be viewed on Regatta Network. Twenty-seven boats and 54 sailors are registered for the first week, and 62 boats (122 sailors) for the second week.

We'll be seeing sailors in town from 20 states - Alabama, Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Illinois, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, New Jersey, New York, New Mexico, Nevada, Ohio, South Dakota, Rhode Island, Texas, and Washington - and from 11 countries. Sailors from Puerto Rico, Mexico, Canada, Cuba, Denmark, Greece, Guatemala, Italy, the Republic of South Africa, and Venezuela will be here and enjoying our hospitality.

Please make some time to stop by the Club to view the activities on the water, and to help celebrate this honor that we have due to the hard work of our Ocean Springs Sailing Squadron and two of our Club members in particular, Michael McNair and Krista Vind. Without their guidance and efforts, we would not be hosting this prestigious event on our beachfront.

In between the two weeks of competitive buoy racing, a "raid" sail to Horn Island is planned for Friday, September 18. Hobie 16 sailors who are Club members are welcome to participate in this special distance event that will give our guests a taste of what two of our local regattas are like.

Daily schedules of activities for registered sailors are included in this newsletter, along with special menu offerings that are available to registered sailors, their guests, and to our Club members. There is a special evening of music featuring "Rockin' Dopsie" that is also open to the OSYC membership that will take place on Saturday, September 19.

2026 remaining regattas & events: September 12 - 25, 2026, Hobie 16 International Championship; October 17 - 18, Shearwater Regatta and OSYC/OSSS Regatta Volunteer Appreciation Party.

In sailing -

Cyndi Moncreiff
OSYC Fleet Captain

2026 Regatta Schedule Remaining Dates & Events

September 12 - 25:
2026 Hobie 16 International
Championship

*Week 1: Masters, Women and
Youth Championship Series*

*Week 2: Open Series Qualifiers
and Final Championship Series*

October 17 - 18:
Shearwater Regatta and the
Annual OSYC/OSSS Regatta
Volunteer Appreciation Party



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From Your Club Manager, Sandy Rogers



Dear OSYC Family,

The wait is almost over! The **Hobie 16 International Championship** is officially just days away, marking one of the most historic milestones in the history of the Ocean Springs Yacht Club. We will likely never host another regatta of this magnitude, and OSYC is set to shine on a truly global stage. Hosting sailors and visitors from across the country and around the globe

gives us an extraordinary opportunity to showcase our club's hospitality, facilities, and coastal spirit.

To ensure we execute this massive event seamlessly, there will be temporary operational changes over the next few weeks before we return to business as usual.

Club Upgrades & Maintenance Assistance

The improvements made to the club over the course of the last eight months have been significant, and we could not be prouder of these achievements! Now that our facility is looking its best, our primary goal is maintaining these standards of excellence.

Help Us Keep OSYC Pristine: Please help us maintain our club. If you see something that is broken, damaged, or requires repair during your visits, kindly let management or staff know right away so we can address it immediately.

Office & Operations Notice

- **Limited Office Availability (September 14th–25th):** Due to the extensive administrative demands, logistics, and on-the-ground management required for the world championship, office availability will be very limited from September 14th through September 25th. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as our team focuses on regatta operations.

Temporary Dining & Menu Changes (Weeks 1 & 2)

Given the duration of the regatta and the high volume of athletes, race officials, and guests on property, our

kitchen cannot execute our standard full menu during the championship.

- **Limited-Edition Event Menus:** Special custom menus have been created for Week 1 and Week 2 featuring unique culinary offerings that vary each week. They are included as a part of this newsletter.
- **Temporary Menu Pauses:** Blue Plate specials, wings, and certain standard menu items will be temporarily paused during these two weeks.
- **Return to Regular Dining:** As soon as we wrap up the final weekend of racing, we will immediately transition back to our complete regular menu.

We appreciate your understanding and hope you enjoy these exclusive menu offerings while we fuel the fleet!

Regatta Schedule & Social Itinerary

The regatta brings a phenomenal host of social activities and opportunities for our membership to connect and engage with sailors visiting from across the nation and around the world.

Social Itinerary: The itinerary for the regatta for all social goings-on is included in this newsletter. Feel free to ask questions as we get closer to kick-off!

Regular Event Schedule Pause: To direct all club staff and resources toward making this world-class regatta a resounding success, OSYC will not host standalone member socials immediately before or after the championship. Our standard event calendar will resume in full force this October.

Thank you all for your support, enthusiasm, and patience as we welcome the world to Ocean Springs Yacht Club. Let's make this an unforgettable championship!

Warm regards,

Sandra "Sandy" Rogers

General Manager



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**Hobie 16 International Championship Regatta Menu
Week One - Masters, Women and Youth Championship Series**

WEEK 1 MENU

Regatta Edition

APPETIZERS

1 LB Cold Boiled Shrimp w/ Lemon, Cocktail Sauce \$15

Tri-Fecta Dip — Salsa, Queso, Guacamole w/ Chips \$13

House Made Pork Skins w/ Queso \$12

ENTREES

Fried or Grilled Grouper Sandwich

on Brioche Bun, dressed with Greenleaf lettuce, Tomato, Purple Onion, & Pickles, your choice of side.

\$21

Smoked BBQ Platter

1 Leg Quarter, 4oz Brisket, 4oz Link Conecuh Sausage, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, 3 Hushpuppies.

\$26

Grilled Chicken Breast Tropical Salad

Heaping pile of Spring Mix, Grilled Pineapple, Strawberries, Mandarin Oranges, Purple Onions & Toasted Almonds & Toasted Coconut, served with a Spicy Honey Lime Dressing.

\$18

Grilled Ribeye Sandwich

on a LeBakery 8" Baguette, Greenleaf Lettuce, Tomato, Purple Onion with a Horseradish Mayo, your choice of side.

\$22

Yellow Curry Chicken Stew

served with Jasmine Rice and garnished with Fried Rice Paper Crackers
(can add protein for extra charge).

\$16



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Hobie 16 International Championship Regatta Menu Week Two - Open Series

WEEK 2 MENU

Regatta Edition

APPETIZERS

1 LB Cold Boiled Shrimp w/ Lemon, Cocktail Sauce \$15

Tri-Fecta Dip — Salsa, Queso, Guacamole w/ Chips \$13

House Made Pork Skins w/ Queso \$12

ENTREES

Grilled Fish Tacos (2)

with Purple & Green Cabbage, Crunchy Fried Garlic, Lime Crema, Lime Wedge, & Coconut Rice.

\$16

Hot Honey Fried Chicken Sandwich

Piled High Coleslaw, & 4 Sweet Potato Waffle Fries, Drizzled with Hot Honey White BBQ Sauce & Stabbed with a Knife to hold it together!

Served with your choice of side.

\$18

Creole Seafood Platter

Fried or Grilled 2pcs Catfish, 6 Blackened Shrimp, 1-4oz House Made Crab Cake, 3 Hushpuppies, & Coleslaw.

\$26

Hamburger PoBoy

LeBakery 8" Baguette, 2 Slices American Cheese, Pickles, Caramelized Onions and served with your choice of side.

\$18

South American Black Beans

with White Rice Lime Crema Drizzle, and 3 Fried Tostones (protein available for extra charge).

\$14