

# SMBC Newsletter

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*Air, water, food,  
boating*

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*Boating is the key to life and happiness!*

## Welcome

Welcome to the new SMBC Newsletter! As a member of the SMBC community, you'll receive the latest news, updates, and insights from the club in a fun and engaging format.



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*Camaraderie on the  
river*

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*Vintage boat owners testing their speed and having fun on the water!*

## 2025 SMBC Events

### Event Dates

SMBC is thrilled to host our two traditional events this summer at Piney Point and Leonardtown.

#### Save the Dates!

June 6, 7, & 8      Piney Point Rumble on the River      Piney Point Boat Launch

July 24, 25, & 26      Leonardtown Bash on the Bay      Leonardtown Wharf

\*Each event will remain ramp launch only with no restrained cockpits as SMBC continues to attempt to secure a rescue dive team. \*

### Registration Information

- Registration fees have not change from 2024!
- Per event registration fee is \$120
- Per event registration forms are attached
- Per event forms are located on the Southern Maryland Boat Club website / Forms tab

### Driver Reception Dinner

- When: Saturday evening of each event, 5:30pm
- Where:
  - Piney Point Event: Wayne and Lisa Goddard's home
  - Leonardtown Event: At the Wharf under the tent
- Who: Drivers and invited guests only
- Cost: \$35 per person
- What: Catered dinner provided, bring your own drinks

### Hotel Rooms

For the June event in Piney Point, we have secured a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn for \$135/night. Please reference Southern Maryland Boat Club when booking.

Book no later than May 5<sup>th</sup>.

*\*We do **NOT** recommend the Island Inn & Suites, a hotel closest to the event. If you choose to stay there, do so at your own risk. \**

For the July event in Leonardtown, we have secured a block of rooms at the Leonardtown Inn for \$150 (double) or \$160 (king)/night. Please reference Southern Maryland Boat Club Bash on the Bay when booking.

Book no later than July 4<sup>th</sup>.

*Hotel prices noted above do not include taxes and fees.*

### Honoree

As an active racing member of SMBC as #19 and an avid supporter of vintage for many years, this year's SMBC honoree is Charlie Christman. Please join us in honoring Charlie.

## Physicals

### 2025 Physical Requirements

Long story short, V&H physicals will remain in place as previous years, anyone 60 years of age or older is required to get a physical every 2 years.

- Approved physical paperwork must be presented at each event if the rule applies to you
- For more information, the rule may be found in the Vintage & Historic Bylaws on the APBA website under the Resources tab
- A copy of the APBA physical form is attached and can be located on the Southern Maryland Boat Club website / Forms tab

## Rule Changes

### Boat Numbers

Trailers are required to have boat numbers on both sides. Please watch for the release of the 2025 V&H Bylaws for details of the rule requirement.

### Eye Protection

Eye protection will be enforced at all 2025 events. Drivers must wear a face shield or goggles vs. just sunglasses. OSHA approved sunglasses with the back strap may be worn; regular sunglasses may only be worn under the face shield.

### Boat Slings

Sling certification will be enforced this year for crane launch events.

- Slings must be recertified every 5 years
- Participants must have the receipt or certification sewn into the sling

## Area New Events and Updates

### Portsmouth – SAVE THE DATE!

Portsmouth Powerboats in the Park Vintage Regatta August 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, & 10<sup>th</sup>

- SMBC member Smokey Glover and Jeff Fremeau are spearheading this new venture in partnership with SMBC
- The Portsmouth Power Boat Association club has been resurrected and is hosting the event at the historical APBA racing venue: Portsmouth City Park boat ramp
- Stay tuned for more details on this exciting new event taking shape in Portsmouth, VA

### Wheeling & New Martinsville Merger

With the Josephs retiring the organization and hosting duties of the “Granddaddy of Vintage Events” in Wheeling, WV every Labor Day weekend, this and the New Martinsville Vintage Regatta have been merged and will take place in New Martinsville, WV Labor Day Weekend, August 29, 30, & 31

## APBA News

### Fees

APBA V&H promotion funding fee increased from \$10 to \$15. SMBC absorbs this increased fee in the \$120 registration fee

### Trackside

The Trackside implementation continues to be a work-in-progress. A combination of forms and the app may be used for event registration and waivers. You should have already renewed your APBA membership via Trackside or by calling APBA.

### Facebook

APBA Vintage and Historic is the official APBA Facebook page where all of the Chairman's updates will be posted. A.P.B.A. Vintage and Historic page is someone else's page and is not the official APBA V&H page.

## 2025 APBA Vintage & Historic Schedule

We're looking forward to seeing you at these events supporting the region!

For event details and forms, please visit the SMBC website [www.southernmarylandboatclub.com](http://www.southernmarylandboatclub.com)

### Vintage & Historic East Coast Schedule

Date	Region	Location	Event Name	
2/22/2025	5	Bradenton, Fl	Bradenton Area River Regatta	Combined
06/07/25-06/08/25	4	Piney Point, Md	Piney Point Rumble on the River	Standalone
06/21/25-06/22/25	3	Syracuse, Ny	Syracuse Vintage Raceboat Regatta	Standalone
07/26/25-07/27/25	4	Leonardtown, Md	Leonardtown Bash on the Bay	Standalone
08/02/25-08/03/25	3	Plattsburgh, Ny	Plattsburgh	Standalone
08/09/25-08/10/25	4	Portsmouth, Va	Powerboats at the Park Vintage Regatta	Standalone
08/30/25-08/31/25	4	New Martinsville, WV	New Martinsville Vintage Regatta	Standalone
09/12/25-09/13/25	1	Wolfboro, NH	Wolfboro Vintage Race Boat Regatta	Standalone
09/20/25-09/21/25	6	Madison, In	Madison	Standalone

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Date	Region	Location	Event Name	
2/22/2025	5	Bradenton, Fl	Bradenton Area River Regatta	Combined
04/26/25-04/27/25	10	Yelm, Wa	Lake Lawrence	Combined
05/03/25-05/04/25	10	Chelan, Wa	Chelan Apple Cup	Combined
05/16/25-05/18/25	9	Clear Lake, Ca	Buckingham Test & Tune 2025	Standalone
06/07/25-06/08/25	4	Piney Point, Md	Piney Point Rumble on the Rover	Standalone
06/07/25-06/08/25	7	Decatur, Il	Decatur	Combined
06/14/25-06/15/25	10	Richland, Wa	Richland Regatta	Combined
06/21/25-06/22/25	3	Syracuse, Ny	Syracuse Vintage Raceboat Regatta	Standalone
06/21/25-06/22/25	6	Celina, Oh	Celina	Combined
06/21/25-06/22/25	10	Entiat, Wa	Entiat Vintage Regatta	Standalone
07/11/25-07/13/25	Canand	Valleyfield, Cn	85th Valleyfield Regatta	Combined HR
07/12/25-07/13/25	10	Olympia, Wa	Black Lake	Combined
07/25/25-07/27/25	10	Kennewick, Wa	Tri City Water Follies	Combined Unl
07/26/25-07/27/25	4	Leonardtown, Md	Leonardtown Bash on the Bay	Standalone
07/26/25-07/27/25	6	Rocky Fork, Oh	Rocky Fork	Combined
08/02/25-08/03/25	3	Plattsburgh, Ny	Plattsburgh	Standalone
08/02/25-08/03/25	10	Seattle, Wa	SeaFair	Combined Unl
08/09/25-08/10/25	4	Portsmouth, Va	Powerboats at the Park Vintage Regatta	Standalone
08/09/25-08/10/25	6	Mott Lake, Mi	Mott Lake	Combined
08/16/25-08/17/25	10	Oak Harbor, Wa	Hydros for Heros	Combined
08/23/25-08/24/25	10	Pateros, Wa	Terry Troxel Memorial Regatta	Combined
08/30/25-08/31/25	4	New Martinsville, WV	New Martinsville Vintage Regatta	Standalone
09/06/25-09/07/25	9	Salt Spring, Ca	Salt Spring	Combined
09/06/25-09/07/25	10	Brewster, Wa	Tony Newtwn Memorial Regatta	Combined
09/12/25-09/13/25	1	Wolfboro, NH	Wolfboro Vintage Race Boat Regatta	Standalone
09/20/25-09/21/25	6	Madison, In	Madison	Standalone
09/20/25-09/21/25	10	Moses Lake, Wa	Moses Lake Vintage Regatta	Standalone
09/27/25-09/28/25	9	Lathrop, Ca	Mossdale	Combined
09/27/25-09/28/25	10	Manson, Wa	Mason	Combined
10/04/25-10/05/25	6	Ceasars Creek, Oh	Ceasars Creek	Combined
10/04/25-10/05/25	10	Chelan, Wa	Mahogany & Merlot	Standalone