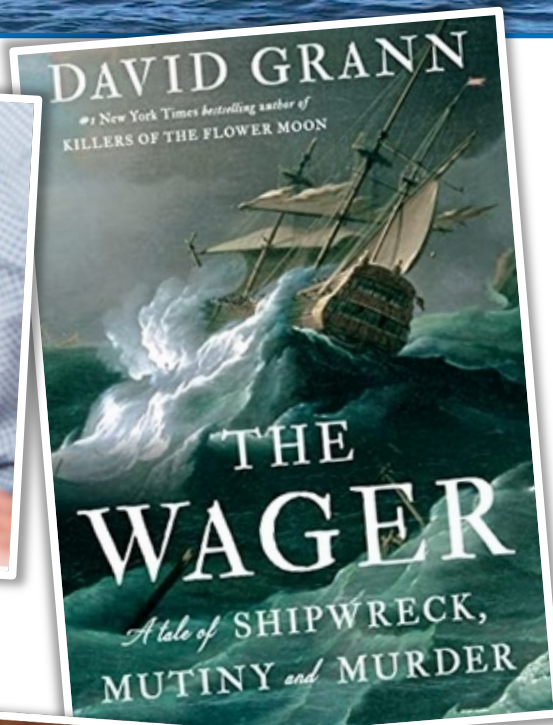


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## Fall End-of-Year Haul-Out Issue



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## November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Awards Banquet!

The famous (infamous?) sea shanty singers from last year are busy preparing for yet another awards banquet at Trenton's Barn-N-Bunk party venue. It is that time of year where HSA club members come together for a great meal, some skits and camaraderie, and to be recognized for not only racing prowess but also volunteer service. **If you have not RSVP'd Vice Commodore Darrilynn Brewster yet, please reach out to her today!** You should have received a dinner invite in the mail as well as a ballot from HSA Secretary Dominiek Everaet to mark for our 2024 officers. Find your Hawaiian party mojo and to quote a famous 1970's TV show: "Be there, Aloha!"



## Oct Update from Hueston Woods Asst Park Manager, Lori Jennings

Kathryn Conner is on maternity leave but she asked Assistant Park Manager, Lori Jennings, to reach out and provide us a park update. Here is the latest news Lori had at publication time...

**Bridges update** – "They put the bridge at the campground entrance out to bid but didn't get any interest in it. Everyone said it was too small of a project. So, they are combining the bridge at the campground and a bridge at Butler Israel Rd and putting it back out to bid. It will be going out to bid soon.

**Road update** – "The county is rerouting Camden College Corner Rd due to some erosion. They are rerouting the road over more towards the sled hill. The project is going on now and they are making good progress."

**Lot zombies** – "The park continues the long process of transferring ownership of the three remaining abandoned sailboats and other watercraft to the state so they can be disposed of properly."

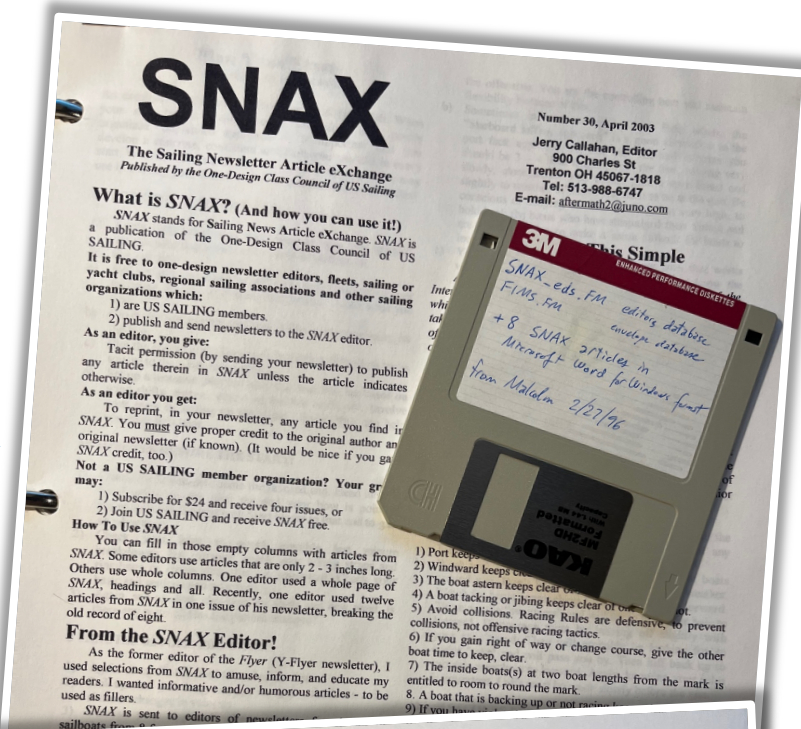
**Docks** – "At the end of October the park staff will be taking the docks out."





# Winter SNAX, The Sailing Newsletter Article eXchange...

Back when home telephones were fixed to the kitchen wall and computer files were moved via floppy disks, Jerry Callahan was editor in chief of SNAX, a compendium of one-design sailing club newsletter articles from across US club saildom. JoAnn came across a two-inch thick 3-ring binder of hardcopy SNAX articles (and a "high capacity" 1.4MB diskette) and saved them all from the dustbin. These timeless articles contain nuggets of sailing wisdom and confirm that even in the days before social media, sailors found ways to share knowledge. For this issue, I've picked a philosophical post-haul-out article on how to "cook with reckless abandon" and "trust in god but lock your car." Timeless indeed... Thanks, JoAnn and Jerry!



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## SNAX: the Sailing News Article eXchange

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### Instructions For Life

as seen in the IOD E-mail Newsletter

*Shadow* Crew Member Maggie Maxson has shared this nice piece of philosophy with us all as we enter the "gloomy season" when the boats are put away.

1. Give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully.
2. Memorize your favorite poem.
3. Don't believe all you hear, spend all you have or sleep all you want.
4. When you say, "I love you", mean it.
5. When you say, "I'm sorry", look the person in the eye.
6. Be engaged at least six months before you get married.
7. Believe in love at first sight.
8. Never laugh at anyone's dreams.
9. Love deeply and passionately. You might get hurt, but it's the only way to live life completely.
10. In disagreements, fight fairly. No name calling.
11. Don't judge people by their relatives.
12. Talk slow, but think quick.
13. When someone asks you a question you don't want to answer, smile and ask, "Why do you want to know?"
14. Remember that great love and great achievements involve great risk.
15. Call your mom.
16. Say "bless you" when you hear someone sneeze.
17. When you lose, don't lose the lesson.
18. Remember the three R's: respect for self; respect for others; responsibility for all your actions.
19. Don't let a little dispute injure a great friendship.
20. When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.
21. Smile when picking up the phone. The caller will hear it in your voice.
22. Marry a man (women) you love to talk to. As you get older, his/her conversational skills will be as important as any other.
23. Spend some time alone.
24. Open your arms to change, but don't let go of your values.
25. Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
26. Read more books and watch less TV.
27. Live a good, honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll get to enjoy it a second time.
28. Trust in God but lock your car.
29. A loving atmosphere in your home is so important. Do all you can to create a tranquil harmonious home.
30. In disagreements with loved ones, deal with the current situation. Don't bring up the past.
31. Read between the lines.
32. Share your knowledge. It's a way to achieve immortality.
33. Be gentle with the earth.
34. Pray. There's immeasurable power in it.
35. Never interrupt when you are being flattered.
36. Mind your own business.
37. Don't trust a man (woman) who doesn't close his eyes when you kiss him (her).
38. Once a year, go someplace you've never been before.
39. If you make a lot of money, put it to use helping others while you are living. That is wealth's greatest satisfaction.
40. Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a stroke of luck.
41. Learn the rules, then break some.
42. Remember that the best relationship is one where your love for each other is greater than your need for each other.
43. Judge your success by what you had to give up in order to get it.
44. Remember that your character is your destiny.
45. Approach love and cooking with reckless abandon.



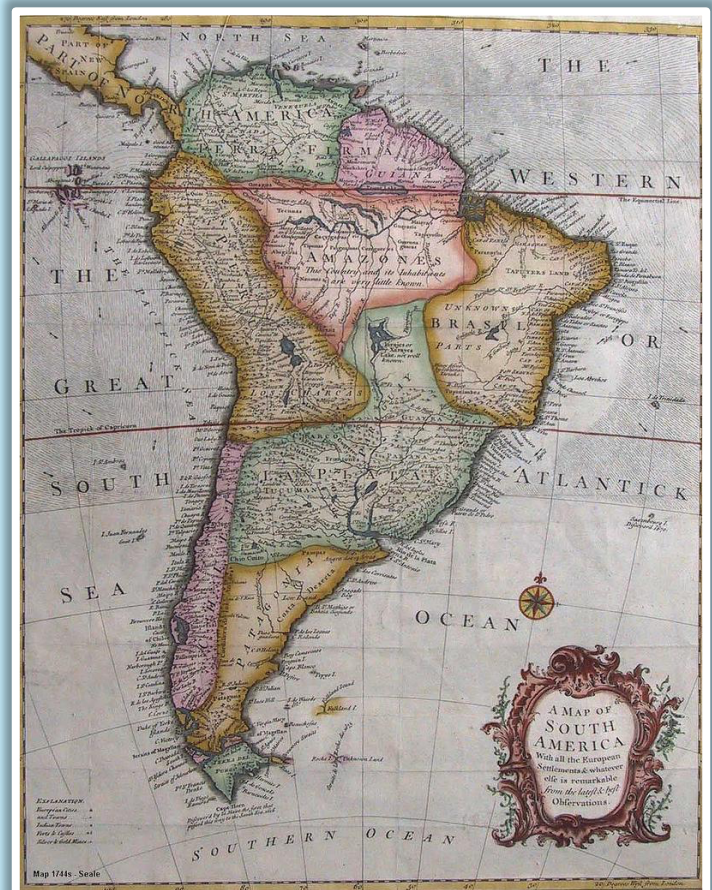
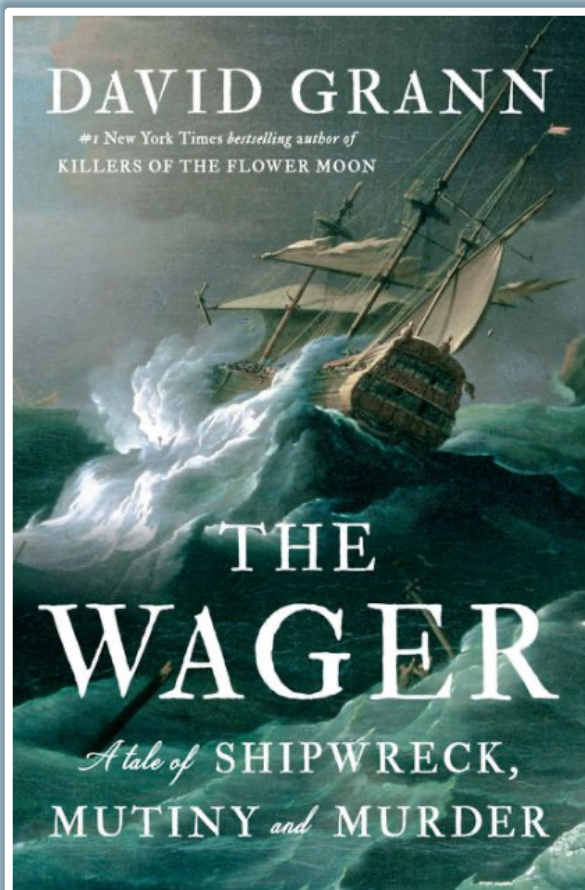
## Winter Reading? Check out *The Wager*, by David Grann

Need a gripping sea yarn to read this winter? Check out *The Wager*, just published in April. It is an awesome non-fiction read. Goodreads has this to say below. Your local library will have a copy for sure!

**“On January 28, 1742, a ramshackle vessel of patched-together wood and cloth washed up on the coast of Brazil. Inside were thirty emaciated men, barely alive, and they had an extraordinary tale to tell. They were survivors of His Majesty's Ship the Wager, a British vessel that had left England in 1740 on a secret mission during an imperial war with Spain. While the Wager had been chasing a Spanish treasure-filled galleon known as "the prize of all the oceans," it had wrecked on a desolate island off the coast of Patagonia. The men, after being marooned for months and facing starvation, built the flimsy craft and sailed for more than a hundred days, traversing nearly 3,000 miles of storm-wracked seas. They were greeted as heroes.**

**But then ... six months later, another, even more decrepit craft landed on the coast of Chile. This boat contained just three castaways, and they told a very different story. The thirty sailors who landed in Brazil were not heroes - they were mutineers. The first group responded with countercharges of their own, of a tyrannical and murderous senior officer and his henchmen. It became clear that while stranded on the island the crew had fallen into anarchy, with warring factions fighting for dominion over the barren wilderness. As accusations of treachery and murder flew, the Admiralty convened a court martial to determine who was telling the truth. The stakes were life-and-death--for whomever the court found guilty could hang.**

*The Wager* is a grand tale of human behavior at the extremes told by one of our greatest nonfiction writers. Grann's recreation of the hidden world on a British warship rivals the work of Patrick O'Brian, his portrayal of the castaways' desperate straits stands up to the classics of survival writing such as *The Endurance*, and his account of the court martial has the savvy of a Scott Turow thriller. As always with Grann's work, the incredible twists of the narrative hold the reader spellbound.”





# HSA Haul Out 2023!



HSA Editor Emeritus and prolific writer of all things nautical, Mike Stratton, conjectured recently on HSA's Facebook page:

*Are Your Bottoms Clean? Those are Mike's and Brett's bottoms after "Zinging" them. Masts are down, boats are home or covered and there is talk of Sunfish sailing ere October is out. October winds are great. July and August, you should both take note.*

*Dry storage sheriff Roger Henthorn marshaled the boats around in that area all weekend as many returned on Sunday to do personal watercraft as cruisers shed their bottoms of scaly, slimy, non vertebrate life forms."*

And, HSA Vice Commodore, Darrilynn Brewster, graciously acknowledged the Haul Out kitchen crew:

*I'd like to send a huge thank you to the wonderful kitchen crew who helped me fix lunch for haul out. Regretfully, I don't have photos of the food. However, we feasted on homemade broccoli cheddar soup, homemade baked bread from Jackie's kitchen, a plethora of baked potatoes with homemade cheese sauce and all the fixings for delicious baked potatoes! I could not have done it without the help of [Jackie Spadafora Guntle](#), [Diane Stoner Pierok](#), Karolyn Hansen, [Amy Marks](#), and [Rose Schultz](#). These guys cooked, set up tables, prepped, stirred, and cleaned up. Thanks for all your help guys! I truly appreciate you!*





## Boats for Sale... (Club Evaluation or Endorsement Not Implied. Caveat Emptor)

HSA, like all boat clubs, has a healthy community of sailors looking to either sell or buy a boat. Some sailors move up to more complex boats while others are simplifying their lives or changing fleets. Our webmaster is always happy to post a note on our "bulletin board" for you at this link: [www.huestonsailing.com/HSA\\_Bulletin.html](http://www.huestonsailing.com/HSA_Bulletin.html) but in this issue we bring the boats to you! Our FaceBook page also mentions boats for sale.



**RHODES BANTAM**  
1976 Dynamic Plastics -  
Manufactured in New Paris,  
OH.

14 foot Sailboat with trailer  
- Asking \$750 OBO.

Everything is there with the  
boat and the sails are in  
great condition.

**Contact: Matthew Baker**  
@ [mb663432@gmail.com](mailto:mb663432@gmail.com)

### **CAPRI 14.2**

1994 (Hull is year 2000  
replacement) Asking \$2000

Clean condition

Beam: 6'2"

Draft: 4" board up; 3'-6" board  
down

Center board, main sail, roller  
furling jib, beaching rubber,  
Shorelander trailer. Does not  
include an outboard

**Contact: Erich at 513.245.1947**



# Catalina

14.2



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