

GUIDELINES FOR PROPOSING A SSCA CLEAN WAKE PROJECT

*To leave a clean wake is to show respect for others and for our environment so that those who follow in our wake will be warmly welcomed. It is SSCA's most cherished tradition. **Clean Wake Projects extend the tradition by presenting SSCA members with opportunities to lend assistance to worthy environmental and humanitarian causes as they cruise. Do you want SSCA endorsement and support for your favorite cause; and are you or another SSCA member willing to serve as Project Coordinator? Here's how it works:***

The nature of a Clean Wake project may involve research, observation, collection and/or inquiry for environmental purposes; or may involve participation in school or clinic programs or delivery by boat of needed supplies for humanitarian purposes. It is not limited to a certain number of participants, length of time or geographical location. ***Clean Wake projects can be anywhere in the world where cruisers, go but to be endorsed by SSCA they must meet the following criteria set by SSCA.***

To be endorsed by SSCA, all Clean Wake projects must:

1. Advance the Clean Wake motto/policy of SSCA.
2. Follow all maritime rules and laws.
3. Be respectful of the laws, customs and beliefs of any country or culture involved.
4. Inform any country involved of the ongoing activities and the participants involved.
5. Leave the environment clear of any contamination or wastes that may have been involved in the projects.
6. Keep SSCA informed of the progress on a timely basis to be determined by the Clean Wake Coordinator/Committee and the specific Clean Wake Project Coordinator.
7. Display support of SSCA on their promotional materials.

If the SSCA Board of Directors approves a project, SSCA will:

1. Show support of the project through publication on the SSCA website, in the *Commodores' Bulletin* and on the SSCA Facebook page.
2. Provide opportunities for the Project Coordinators to present their project at one or more SSCA gams.
3. If appropriate, offer the Project Coordinator the opportunity to present a (free) webinar on the project.
4. Distribute literature provided by the Project Coordinator on the project at SSCA booths and events.
5. Expect at least one SSCA member to be involved in the project.

SSCA's *Clean Wake Coordinator* is the volunteer responsible for (1) recommending Clean Wake Projects for endorsement and (2) overseeing those projects approved for endorsement by the SSCA Board of Directors. The Clean Wake Coordinator's responsibilities include:

1. Establishing contact with the Project Proposer (aka Project Coordinator) to obtain project details and serve as the liaison between the SSCA Board of Directors and the Clean Wake Project Proposer/Coordinator.
2. Evaluating any proposed SSCA Clean Wake project(s) and making recommendations to the SSCA Board of Directors on endorsing the project.
3. Writing a description of new projects for the *Commodores' Bulletin*, the SSCA website and SSCA Facebook page and updating same as appropriate.
4. Obtaining periodic updates from Project Coordinators on the progress of their respective projects.
5. Making periodic reports to the SSCA Board of Directors and advising the Board of any issues pertaining to a project that could impact SSCA support as soon as such information is obtained.