

# Broad Bay Banter

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## Commodore's Corner

Jim Williams

What a great outing we had on the American Rover last month! Perfect weather, good food and wonderful company. We have another special meeting this month; see the meeting notice elsewhere in The Banter. Since so many folks will be cruising next month, we will forgo our June meeting. However there will still be a Banter, so look for details of the July meeting in that issue. Don't forget to give your fine vessel the once-over before you head out for Cruise Week.

Sailors are known to be adventurous types, and most, myself included, probably found it easy to get into trouble as kids, even when we weren't trying to do so. This month, while I was trying to access my engine control panel through my lazerette, I came across my flare kit – still in its original cardboard box. Since I wasn't relishing the prospect of folding up my newly rebuilt knee and getting into the pretzel position required for the task, I procrastinated by carefully studying the kit. Surprise! The kit that I remembered purchasing not so long ago had expired last November! Had I been stopped by the Coast Guard for a routine inspection, I would have earned an expensive ticket.

That started me thinking about the regulatory requirements that can get us in trouble, even those of us who try to be conscientious about making sure that our boat's safety gear is in tip-top condition. Here are a few more of the things I thought of. (My focus was on the 26' to 39' category; your requirements may differ.)

PFDs. I wear SOSpenders whenever it's windy, choppy, or I'm on a boat I'm not familiar with. When I last inspected my "guest" life jackets, I found several that had rotted webbing that gave way under moderate tugging. Besides being unsafe, these were another money drain just waiting for the routine boarding party. Don't forget that the PFDs must be size-appropriate – the XXL jackets that you put on board when you invited me to sail with you will not count toward the PFD requirements for the Boy Scouts you invited on board for that learn-to-sail session.

Fire Extinguishers. Mine are just a year old, and the indicator is in the green part of the dial. The Coast Guard requires that they be inspected monthly and weighed yearly. Note that they must be MOUNTED in the (usually) included bracket to qualify as USCG approved. Storing them in a drawer won't cut it, even if the label says "USCG Approved".

Navigation rules. I think that I have a good handle on the "rules of the road", but I do not have a copy on board. That will change before I go out next time, since a copy of the Inland Navigation Rules is required to be aboard.

Pollution placards. This is the one category to which I really object. I'm the only person changing the oil, and all my guests know that if they throw anything overboard they will quickly join the refuse. However, a couple of \$0.49 stickers are a lot cheaper than the fines, so I made sure that mine are still up-to-snuff.

Placards aside, the stuff required by the USCG is also required by common sense. If we can't afford to replace the flares every three years and the life jackets every ten years or so, maybe we just can't afford the sport. I felt good about getting all the stuff (that I hope I never use) up to top condition. I'll bet you will too.

I'll close now and crawl into my cubby hole. If all goes well I'll have a working fuel gauge and tachometer, and I will have unwound my cramped joints in time for the pot luck at ODU. See you there!

Jim

## Pot Luck Dinner - Cape Henry Cup Awards Presentation

Our May Pot Luck Dinner will be held on Tuesday the 24th at the Old Dominion University Sailing Center. Winners in the Cape Henry Cup Race will be invited to share our feast and receive their well deserved awards. Sea stories at 6:30pm will be followed by dinner and awards.

Come on out to the sailing center, check out the excellent facilities on the Elizabeth River and drool over the numerous dingies mounted on dollies ready to go. Look over the sailing team's trophies and All American awards, and, while you are at it, enjoy the good company while watching the setting sun.

**Please bring a salad, dessert, or covered dish to share. Wine, beer, and soft drinks will be available for a small donation.**

## Cape Henry Cup Race and other Racing News

Nearly one month into the racing season and things are about to get real busy! Late May and early June offer many opportunities to get involved in the local racing scene including BBSA's first regatta of the year and Southern Bay Race Week, one of the highlights of the summer. The Cape Henry Cup is on May 21st and the \$25 entry fee is waived for all BBSA members. There will be starts for all PHRF classes (please make sure your boat's equipment category is 4P as shown on your valid rating certificate) as well as a Cruising Class start. Sailing Instructions as well as the Notice of Race are available in the download section at [www.broadbaysailing.org](http://www.broadbaysailing.org). The Cape Henry Cup is the first race in this year's Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series. Other upcoming dates of which to be aware:

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May 15 - CCV Spring Series #3 & #4 - [www.ccvracing.org](http://www.ccvracing.org)

May 21 - Cape Henry Cup - CBYRA-Sanctioned Race #405

June 3-5 - Southern Bay Race Week - [www.blacksealcup.com](http://www.blacksealcup.com)

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Anyone wishing to volunteer to help with the Race Committee for the Cape Henry Cup, please give me a call at 471-2663. We already have a committee boat, we just need some able-bodied-seaman that morning for the flag-raising. If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please contact me.

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Scott Almond

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Racing Fleet Captain

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## Ship's Store

I will try to have a bag full of BBSA burgees at every meeting. So that way if you would like to look at one or buy, it will be easy. They are \$15.

Bev Borberg, 460 1051

## “Sunshine” Kathie Needs Your Help

As your Sunshine Chairperson, I need your help! If you hear of a member or family needing a bit of cheer in the form of a card, a call, or flowers, please let me know. My phone number is 497-5783 and our e-mail is [chassail@infionline.net](mailto:chassail@infionline.net). Thanks. Kathie Roberts

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## Cruising News

### The Seaford (Memorial Day) Expedition

Sat 5/28/05 - Leisurely sail up the bay to Back Creek, just below the York River. Anchor in Claxton Creek. Socialize, Make preps for explorations, cocktails and munchies Dinner, and party.

Sun 5/29/05 - Explore the Goodwin Islands, the Thoroughfare to the York, and Back Creek. Later more socializing, Cocktails and munchies, dinner, and partying.

Mon 5/30/05 - Brunch and leisurely sail home.

Mills Marina in Back Creek has some transient slips for \$1.50/ft. They have ice and gas, no diesel. They have a Really nice website (<http://www.millsmarina.com>) with good directions and chart for land or sea. The phone number is 757-898-4411.

The Seaford Scallop Company is just before Mills and Byrds by the Sea Marina is just past it. Byrds by the Sea was supposed to be a restaurant. However, the lack of parking has restricted it to some catering. The name has 'marina' in it, but that is very misleading.

Further up stream on the opposite side is the Back Creek Park. It has 6 tennis courts (\$2.00/hr before 5:00pm and \$4.00/hour after 5:00pm) with lights until 11:00pm. It has restrooms, 3 small picnic tables, and 2 charcoal grills. Access is available at a dock that has 2 boat ramps. This park is next door to the Seaford Yacht Club.

### Two Week Cruise (June 3-June 19)

April 23, 2005

**Revision 1: See important notes below.**

DATE	DAY	LOCATION	PLACE/PHONE/RATE	EAT
June 3	Friday	Reedville	Marina (804.453.6789)(\$1/ft)	Crazy Crab
June 4	Saturday	Crisfield	Somers Cove(410.968.0925)(1.75/ft)	SideStreet
June 5	Sunday	Crisfield	Somers Cove(\$1.5/ft)	Waterman's
June 6	Monday	Solomons	Anchor	Eat Aboard
June 7	Tuesday	Oxford	Hinckley(410.226.5113)(\$1.95/ft)	RobertMorris
June 8	Wednesday	Solomons	Spring Cove(410.326.2161)(\$1.85/ft)	Picnic
June 9	Thursday	Solomons	Spring Cove	Cptn Table
Jun 10	Friday	Smith Creek	Point LookOut(301.872.5000)(\$1/ft)	Spinnakers

### One Week Cruise (June 11- June 19)

Jun 11	Saturday	Jackson Crk	Anchor	Eat aboard
Jun 12	Sunday	Reedville	Marina (804.453.6789)(\$1/ft)	Crazy Crab
Jun 13	Monday	Broad Creek	Regatta Point(804.776.6711)(\$1.25)	Picnic
Jun 14	Tuesday	Onancock	Anchor	Eat aboard
Jun 15	Wednesday	Onancock	Dock(757.787.7911)(\$1/ft)	Bizotto's
Jun 16	Thursday	G. Wicomico	Horn Harbor Marina & Seafood Restaurant	
Jun 17	Friday	Indian Creek	Anchor	Eat Aboard
Jun 18	Saturday	Sarah Creek	YRYH(804.642.2156)(\$1.5/ft)	Rivers Inn
Jun 19	Home			

Please make sure that you call each marina listed and make a reservation where you may desire tie-up. Also, I would like to know your intentions of each week or both to assist in the planning of activities.  
[chassail@infionline.net](mailto:chassail@infionline.net)

The Horn Harbor Marina & Restaurant (804.453.3351) was substituted for Windmill Point, still under construction. They do not take reservations but will staff to accommodate us based on a call the Wednesday night before. The

owner says they have 11 feet coming into their docks and the cost is \$15.00, when dining. Generally, she can accommodate about 2 boats and the other boats anchor across the river and come over in one boat, which we will figure out on arrival, or we could dinghy over.

The telephone numbers of the marinas and the cost per foot are listed. Most have a \$3-\$5/night charge for electricity; however, I believe it is inclusive at Windmill Point. Hinckley, Spring Cove, Onancock, and York River Yacht Haven are expected to be crowded, so early reservations are recommended.

I have waypoints setup for the cruise. If anyone desires a copy, I can mail one. When the schedule says "picnic", that means bring your meat to cook and a dish to share.

Charlie and Kathie Roberts

## **BoatU.S. Advice: Things To Know Before You Need A Tow**

Prudent skippers can prepare for breakdowns, groundings or accidentally running out of fuel long before the need for on-water-towing assistance arises. BoatU.S. Towing Services, the nation's largest fleet of towing assistance vessels including the TowBoatU.S. fleet - located in ports in the Atlantic, Gulf, Inland Waterways and Great Lakes - and Vessel Assist on the Pacific Coast, offer these tips:

- Carry the correct size and type of anchor with enough line to keep you safely in one spot while you try to correct the problem or wait until help arrives. The last thing you need is to drift into shallower water or hazardous areas such as shipping lanes.
- A VHF marine radio is the best way to call for help. While a cellular phone is a good back-up - especially if your towing assistance program has a 24-hour dispatch service - other vessels won't hear your call for help and you may be out of range. Hail your towing service over VHF channel 16 or ask the U.S. Coast Guard to help you contact them.
- Give the tower your position by chart or GPS coordinates, nearby navigation aids or local landmarks. Describe your situation clearly, giving the nature of the problem, your boat name, size, distinguishing features, number of people on board and other useful information. If it is an emergency, always contact the Coast Guard immediately
- When the towing vessel gets underway, the captain will contact you. Once you request assistance, you're committed to a verbal contract. If you get going again on your own, advise the tow captain immediately or you may have to pay for the cancelled tow.
- Most towers charge by the hour - \$150 per hour is the national average for those without towing plan coverage - and the meter usually runs from the time the tow boat leaves its dock until it returns.

"Last year, the average towing bill was \$450, and due to increasing fuel costs, it could go higher this season," said Jerry Cardarelli, vice president BoatU.S. Towing Services. "Just like roadside assistance clubs, boaters pay one annual fee for our on-the-water TowBoatU.S. and Vessel Assist towing plans. You don't have to worry about writing a big check," he said.

Most towing services offer several levels of service to fit the type of boating you do and the area where you boat. TowBoatU.S. and Vessel Assist plan starts at around \$30 a year. For more information about BoatU.S. Towing Services, visit <http://www.BoatUS.com/towing> or call 800-888-4869.

## **NYCC's Dink Vail Regatta**

SATURDAY, JULY 2ND PHRF A, B, C, N and CRUISING

PHRF A WARNING WILL BE 1100

SEE THE CCV RACING CIRCULAR FOR EVENT SPECIFICS AND ENTRY FORM

ENTRY FEE OF \$55 (non ussa members \$60) INCLUDES NYCC BUFFET DINNER AT AWARDS CEREMONY FOR CAPTAIN AND MATE (additional dinners \$20 per person)

OVER-NIGHT ACCOMODATIONS AVAILABLE

**KEG TAPPED AT 1700, CASH BAR, AWARDS DINNER AT 1800**

Contact: John David Scott 757.572.6830.

NYCC is putting on the Dink Vail Regatta on Saturday, July 2. We want to make this the premier race on the Southern Bay. It is scheduled on a prime time weekend and promises to be a well attended, excellent race. The post party and awards dinner venue at NYCC is simply fabulous.

We want you to come race and come to dinner and we are pulling out the stops to make it happen! We will make over night slips, rafting and anchoring available to anyone who might be interested in spending the night on Friday or Saturday. If you have never had the opportunity to see the club and its facilities, and to check out our good ol' hospitality, now is the time to come. The entry fee of \$55 (\$60 non-USSA members) includes dinner for the skipper and mate. There will be awards presented for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each racing class. T-shirts are available and look great!

So please, let us be your host for this great race venue. We are all very excited about the opportunity to host you.

## **Sailing Schools**

We have received inquiries about sailing lessons in the Hampton Roads area. Lin McCarthy has kindly forwarded the following information on schools and classes. If anyone knows of other venues please let us know at [broadbaysailing@cox.net](mailto:broadbaysailing@cox.net).

Hampton Yacht Club has a very good junior sailing program. Non-members can enroll . 722-0711).

Premier Sailing School (Phil and Arabella Denvir) may have by now finalized plans, locating at the end of Great Neck Road (Virginia Beach Hotel and Conference Center (?)) for several weeks this summer - their number is (804) 438-9300 or (804) 435-5019. The 804 area code is correct. They are headquartered in Urbanna.

There is an adult program offered by Hampton Roads Community Sailing Center, aka Sail Hampton Roads - call sailing master Red Eilenfield at (757) 651-4273

Carolyn Grant (Hampton University sailing team head coach (excellent teacher) is doing a weekend clinic for women - June 11 and 12 - on the water - for beginners - excellent opportunity for any woman who wants to learn the basics from rigging the boat to sailing around - all Carolyn at 757-377-5504.

ODU has a series of sailing camps for youth and adults. Contact Samantha Ficksman - Assistant Coach. The schedule can be found at [www.odusports.com](http://www.odusports.com). Click on Camps.

## **Crew of Boat "Trisha" Receives US SAILING Rescue Medal**

### **A Successful "QUICK STOP" Rescue**

Earlier this year, the crew of Trisha was awarded US SAILING's Arthur B. Hanson Rescue Medal for recovering their skipper who fell overboard and dislocated his shoulder at a crowded starting line. Initially, the crew had lost sight of their skipper in the final moments of the start. How did they get the skipper with one working arm back on board?

Read on:

[http://www.ussailing.org/safety/Rescues/5\\_15\\_04\\_mdr\\_ca.htm](http://www.ussailing.org/safety/Rescues/5_15_04_mdr_ca.htm).

## **US Sailing Membership - Support The Sport!**

US SAILING Membership information <http://www.ussailing.org/membership>.

## **Membership News**

We welcome:

MIKE AUSTIN a Force 5 sailor,  
PAM BOATWRIGHT and Albin 36 "Right boat",  
REBECCA GAGNON who sails a Tanzer 22,  
KYLE SAEED with Carver 36 "Bubbles",  
BB SCHENK and Morgan OI "Satin Doll", and  
JAY WRIGHT who sails Tartan 34C "Aria".

Their roster listings appear on pages 24 and 25 which follow.

Please print the two pages and insert them into your roster book.

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