

# Broad Bay Banter

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## **Commodore's Corner**

Hi BBSA Members,

It is that time again for me to make a few comments regarding some of the BBSA news.

Our cruising captain, Jim Borberg, has started the cruisers off with two great cruises so far this year. Please see his report. I was on the Memorial Day Weekend cruise and had a wonderful time at Yorktown on Saturday and in the North River on Sunday. It was fun catching up with what has been going on with some of the BBSA members. Jim has also planned a two week cruise that will be coming up soon, so check out his planned cruise and let him know if you are planning on going for all or part of the cruise.

Racing at Little Creek has started off with several good races and lots of wind. Last Wednesday night was an exciting race for all of us who were there. The race committee said they clocked several gusts of wind at 33 knots. That is more than I want to see for a Wednesday night race.

The June 20<sup>th</sup> meeting should get started with a Bang. We have made arrangements with ODU and the Coast Guard to allow us to shoot off our outdated flares at the waters edge behind the ODU Sailing Center. Bring your outdated flares and flare gun to the June Meeting. Scott Almond and Mike Nestor will be there with a couple of CG officials to help shoot off the flares.

Social Time: 7:30 PM

Meeting: 8:00 PM

Location: ODU Sailing Center

Please bring an appetizer to share. Beer and Wine will be provided. Please make a small donation to the beer and wine fund to help cover the costs of the beverages.

Thanks to all of the members who participate in the BBSA activities. You help make our club successful. And, to those of you who cannot participate in the activities we are thankful for your support in helping us promote sailing in the Southern Bay.

I will be away for the upcoming meeting, but hope all of you will show your support to our Vice Commodore, Scott Almond, by attending the meeting.

Thanks,  
Judy Rose

## **A Note of Appreciation**

The BBSA officers have made a grant of \$500 to the ODU Sailing Team in acknowledgement of the use of the ODU facilities for our small boat regattas and for our covered dish dinners. The board also was moved by the purpose of the Association which is to promote sailing and sail racing on the Southern Bay. The following note has been received from Mitch Brindley, Head Sailing Coach.

"On behalf of the Old Dominion Sailing Team, I want to thank the membership of Broad Bay Sailing Association again for the wonderful donation you made to our program. The gift came at a great time for the sailing program as we have just

completed a busy racing season. We wrapped it up in Charlston at the Intercolleciate Sailing Association Women's Dinghy championships, finishing 14th.

I am sorry I missed your meeting at the sailing center, but your organization is always welcome here."

Sincerely,

Mitch Brindley

## **Cruising News**

By Jim and Bev Borberg

### **York River-Mobjack Bay Memorial Day Cruise Report**

Eleven boats answered the siren call to cruise and showed up somewhere around the appointed hour at the brand new Riverwalk Landing Marina on the York River in Yorktown. This interesting marina consists of large concrete floating docks anchored by heavy concrete moorings and steel cables in the deep water of the York River. The location makes the marina subject to the effects of river tides and winds from the eastern quadrant, but all the intrepid BBSA cruisers arrived and secured their vessels without too much ado.

Immediately at the head of the dock ramps is the brand new Riverwalk Landing Village consisting of shops, restaurants, tavern, etc. Also in the immediate vicinity is the York River Maritime Museum as well as roped off public swimming beaches, and all of the historical sites close at hand.

On Saturday there was live music playing most of the day, and some of the members took in the museum or scoped out the shopping and the antique Studebaker meet that took place in the open lawn area. Dinner for most that evening was a group affair at "Nicks Riverwalk Restaurant, a very nice restaurant in the village which is affiliated with the Rivers Inn restaurant across the river at Sarah's Creek.

In attendance were: Charlie and Kathy Roberts on Wind Walker, Art and Marie Quarnstrom on Q2, Doug and Judy Rose on Mariah, Jim and Bev Borberg on Dream Time, Frits and Sancy Isham on Rhumba, John and Mary Bergman on Bay Dreamer, Don and Jewel Snyder on Marigot, Phil and Ginger Harrison on Foxy Lady, Mike Nestor and Eva Dailey on Tell Tales, Dave and Mickey Miller on their Catalina 25, and Gary and Kathy Stull on Cindy 2.

As a point of interest, the marina also offers eight or nine moorings about 1/8 mile downstream of the marina and just off the Yorktown Memorial tower for \$25.00 a night.

Sunday morning about ten o'clock the exodus began. Foxy Lady, Marigot and Bay Dreamer headed south to Back River while most everyone else left for Blackwater Creek off the North River in Mobjack Bay. The Millers stayed to enjoy the Yorktown area for another day.

An easy twenty miles up thru Swash Channel at high tide for most of the boats, but a little further for deep draft Tell Tales who had to head further out and return via the main channel of Mobjack Bay. A beautiful sunny day, but not enough wind to do any real sailing. By two in the afternoon the first anchors had hit the mud and one by one the rest of the boats arrived to an absolutely calm anchorage. Even Tell Tales found enough water depth to get their big hook set while keeping the keel off the bottom. Bill and Chris Beach arrived on the new Beach Magic and dinghies and kayaks ruled. Happy hour on 'Tales' and everyone got a tour of the Tayana 55.

Calm night, few bugs, good dinner, lots of stars, and only one 5 AM waterman.

Monday morning brought another beautiful day with not enough wind to sail, and a six hour motor back to Little Creek. On the way back down the bay a light sea breeze crept in. It wasn't enough to sail on but enough to put a good chill in the air and remind us that it's just the start of the season and we were fortunate to have gotten in a great Memorial Day cruise.

Doug Rose on Mariah

## 2 Week Cruise - - Treibers Leading

Below is the attendance for the two-week cruise. Looks like we will have a great group. If you are not on the list but are planning on going, it is not too late. Just let the Treibers [george@treiber.hrcoxmail.com](mailto:george@treiber.hrcoxmail.com) and Jim Borberg [gnsain@yahoo.com](mailto:gnsain@yahoo.com) know that you are going. There is a BBQ, crab picking, pot luck and many other fun things planned so don't be left out.

		Treiber		Quarnstrom		Ainslie	Harrison/ Bergman	Borberg
			Roberts		Beach			
Jun 23								Jackson Cr.
Jun 24	Concrete Ships	X			Horn Harbor			Jackson Cr
Jun 25	Piankatank #15	X		X	X			X
Jun 26	Indian Creek	X		X	X			X
Jun 27	Sommers Cove	X	X	X	X			X
Jun 28	Dennis Pt Marina	X		X	LaTrappeCr			X
Jun 29	Spring Cove Marina	X	X	X	Plaindealing Cr.	X		X
Jun 30	Knapps Narrows Marina	X		X	X	X		X
July 1	Shaw Bay	X		X	Magothy Rv	X	Regatta Pt.	X
July 2	White Hall Creek	X		X	X	X	Point Lookout	X
July 3	Dun Cove	X		X	X	X	Zahniseres	X
July 4	Anchor off Tiki Bar	X	Pt Lookout		X	X	Zahniseres	X
July 5	Coan River Marina	X	X	X	X	X	Somers Cove	X
July 6	Reedville Marina	X	X	X	X		Somers Cove	X
July 7	Jackson Creek	X		X	X		Pungoteague Cr.	X
July 8	Back Creek	X			X		Bay Creek Mar	X
July 9	Home	X		X	X		X	X

### Future Cruises

Don't forget that after Cruise Week there is still a lot of cruising coming up so plan your July and August cruises now.

July 22/23	Cronpointe Marina	804-642-6174	Perrin River off York River	BBQ- bring meat, dish to Share	Snyder
August 5	Little Creek Regatta	Benefits St. Jude's		Race Party	
Aug 12/13	Warwick YC		Deep Creek off James River	Warwick YC	Isham
Aug 19/20	Salt Ponds This cruise may be deleted. At the present time there isn't room for us. Stay tuned for an alternate location		Off Lower Bay	Restaurant	Clarke
Aug 26	Cape Charles #1 Bay Creek Marina	A great party and a good way for cruisers to get involved in easy racing	Cape Charles	Race Party	
Aug 27	Cape Charles #2		Home		

Show your colors by flying the  Broad Bay burgee.

Contact Bev Borberg at BBSA meetings or at 460-1051. Buy one now while the price is still \$15.00. When we replenish our inventory the price will surely rise.

## **One Design News**

### **Tuesday Night Small Boat Racing**

As of this time, we have held three Tuesday night races for small boats. The largest turnout has been seven boats and we are gaining momentum. Curious spectators and interested sailors have stopped by and we have a feeling there will be plenty more of that. The sailors that are participating have said that this is just the ticket they have hoped for. We have even picked up a couple new members. Emory Nemeth is our race committee chairman. The Little Bay venue works well so come out and see what this is all about.

### **Broad Bay Regatta**

The 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Broad Bay Regatta was held at the O.D.U. Sailing Center on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. In attendance were four Hamptons and six Shark Catamarans. The Broad Bay Bucket was up for grabs. This goes to the race winner of the largest fleet. Mark Arnold borrowed my cat and won this regatta hands down, "Congratulations Mark!" John and Trey Cobb placed 2<sup>nd</sup> followed by Jerry Pattenau and crew Frank Healey. The winds were 15 knots plus. I know this because the tops were being blown off the white caps, and my butt is still sore. I thank god for the cushy chair I am sitting in now. The Hampton fleet made an attempt to do the series but were only able to get in one race due to the increasing wind. I'm sure we will have more favorable conditions in July.

The One Design fleet would like to especially thank the following folks for their time and expertise:

Bill Mellon - race committee chair

George Treiber - Committee boat & race committee

Nina Treiber - Plenty of food and drinks

Jim Hagwood - Mark boat

The above folks have said again that they will help with our next regatta in July, which anyone who is responsible for putting a race together knows that having this kind of commitment early on is a big relief.

Also, a special thanks to our friends at ODU for the use of their sailing facility.

### **Richard B. Johnston Memorial Regatta**

The next BBSA sponsored small boat regatta, which is the Richard B. Johnston Regatta, is scheduled for July 22<sup>nd</sup> and will be held at the ODU Sailing Center. We will be opening this regatta up to any small boat that is interesting in playing with us. We will have an open class to accommodate fleets smaller than 3 boats and will score these on a Portsmouth handicap rating.

Jerry Pattenau

One Design Fleet Captain

### **Little Creek Cup**

**Di Ricks, BBSA member and founder of the Little Creek Cup, writes:**

"Wanted to share some exciting news for the Little Creek Regatta....All pre-registered boats pictures can be on our web site ([www.Littlecreekregatta.org](http://www.Littlecreekregatta.org)). How - just start raising money (through your crew/sponsors). When you start fundraising, please e-mail me (Di Ricks at [diricks@cox.net](mailto:diricks@cox.net)) a pic of your boat, the boat name, name of Captain and each crew member. Then e-mail me on a weekly basis if you have raised more money that week and if you have a sponsor (how much the sponsor donated and if they have a link to their company). The weekly top fundraising boat will be on our HOME PAGE with their picture and total. The competition begins NOW!"

### ***42nd Annual Virginia Governor's Cup Regatta***

**2006 Virginia Governor's Cup One Design Regatta**

**Saturday & Sunday, August 5-6, 2006**

**Host and Organizing Authority:** Ware River Y.C., Gloucester, Virginia

**Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008

**Fees:** Governor's Cup registration is \$30 for single crew classes and \$40 for all other classes if postmarked by July 21, 2006. The registration fees after July 21, 2006 are an additional \$10.

**Eligibility and Entry:** Anticipated classes of 5 or more are: Albacore, Hampton OD, Mobjack, Laser (Adult), Laser (Jr.), 420 (Jr.) and other classes that may apply to race with a minimum of 5 boats participating. Registration fee includes T-shirt, and trophies. Food, Saturday evening dinner and party are separate.

**Scoring:** RRS Appendix A2 low point system. One race will constitute a regatta. The Governor's Cup trophy is awarded to the winner of the one design class with largest number of qualified starts in the regatta. Qualified boats must register before the Skippers Meeting and sail in at least one of 1st day's races.

**Regatta Chairman:** Clayton James Telephone: (757) 952-1815

Registration/ General Information: Rick Klein --- (804) 693-5 Email: kleinrkr@aol.com

## **BBSA is a BoatU.S. Cooperating Group**

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If you are renewing your BoatU.S. Membership, be sure to mention that you belong to Broad Bay Sailing Association, a Cooperating Group, to get the specially reduced rate.

## **A Night To Remember (No, not the Titanic's)**

### **Preparing for the Cape Charles Cup**

In preparation for the Cape Charles Cup, which is coming up on August 26th and 27th, Marci Brown and I sailed to the Bay Creek Marina for an overnight stay. We called ahead to reserve a slip and the use of showers at their beautiful facility with floating docks. While we could have stayed at a local B&B, we chose to stay on our 38' Catalina, *Checks in the Mail*. The sail from Willoughby Bay to Cape Charles was incredible and only took a little over four hours with wind that ranged from 16 to 26 knots.

And then we got to the Cape Charles Channel. Our boat has a seven foot draft, which is somewhat unusual for the bay, and I kept telling the marina we had this issue to deal with in our approach to their facility. However, their channel markers left something to be desired and their directions were worse. While they had some green marks, the red marks stopped

just after the jetty for Cape Charles Harbor, and since they kept telling us to “keep hugging the red marks,” we had a dilemma. We ran aground just outside the channel in about 5 feet of water. We waited for high tide at 8:00 PM and did everything we could to get off, but to no avail. At that point, we resigned ourselves to spending the night on the boat and having SeaTow get us off during the next high tide. We convinced ourselves we were spending the night on the hook “like we had originally planned,” and broke out the grill to cook a nice dinner. We had a great view of Cape Charles Beach and a pleasant evening with light wind and no bugs.

Everything was going fairly well until 2:00 AM when we were awakened by everything rolling to port, including us. The tide had gone down enough that the boat finally tipped over on her keel and landed at a 25 degree angle. After cleaning up, we tried to sleep while standing with our feet against the cabin wall. In addition, the boat was stuck parallel to the waves and every few minutes we’d get a big “wham” from a wave. This extreme angle persisted until sunrise, at which time the winds had built to 23 knots. We finally gave up trying to sleep and got up at dawn to a glorious sunrise and one of the most beautiful rainbows we’ve ever seen. We cooked a great breakfast, and then at nine-thirty with our second high tide, SeaTow pulled us off the shoal.

Coming out of the Channel was still challenging, and we had to stay in it until we got close to Plantation Light. Then we had a fantastic sail back to Hampton Roads with winds between 16 and 20 knots. The return trip again took a little over four hours, and tacking over the Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel was especially thrilling at 16 knots.

But then we had to deal with the North entrance channel to Willoughby Bay, and got stuck at the first red mark. Thankfully, SeaTow was going by for another job, and they pulled us off a second time for that day. Then we tried the motor and found the batteries were almost dead. The motor wouldn’t start. Either something had come lose while we were getting banged on the bottom at Cape Charles, or we have a bad alternator. The attempts to start the motor had totally killed the batteries, and now our radio wouldn’t work. After accepting our fate, we tried again to sail through the channel but got stuck a third time. At this point we felt we just couldn’t call SeaTow again, and decided we’d just have to get ourselves off and sail in. In about thirty minutes, we sailed off the shoal and headed for the channel on the South side of Willoughby Bay near the Navy Base. We made it through this channel without a problem, and then sailed into the harbor and our slip.

Before the Cape Charles Cup, I’m going to work with the organizing committee to make sure the channel for Bay Creek Marina is far better marked. We’re expecting a very good registration for this year’s cup, which could become the most prestigious regatta in the southern bay.

Keith L. Carson

## Membership News

We welcome these new members:

### **ELIAS, JAMES J. (JJ)**

**Michele**

**Jaden '03, Anna '06**

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## **BOAT NAME CHANGES / CORRECTIONS**

A message from Keith Carson and Marci Brown states:

"Since Wayne Ward is using "Pearl" for his new boat, we need to change the name of the Pearl we bought from him. Marci and I would like to change it to **Mutha-O-Pearl**"

We misread the spelling of the name of Hank Giffin's Crealock 37 on his membership application. Hank sends:

"Our boat is named "**Coeur 'd Alene**" which I hope means "**Heart of a Lion**" in French. It is misspelled in the roster."

That's a powerful name!