

Broad Bay Banter

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Commodore's Corner

July is Sea Story Month. The Cruisers have been making their way south from their cruise and there has been a lot of wind for the racers. The next meeting we will all have the opportunity to tell our stories. I'll supply the food and drink - you bring your stories.

BBSA has just received a DVD featuring this year's Key West and Miami race weeks. It is narrated by Gary Jobson and contains lots of footage of lots of boats in close quarters with lots of wind. We plan to show it at the meeting.

Doug and I did a 10 day cruise up to the Potomac River. We explored the Coan River as far as we could go on Mariah, anchored and then went to the beginning of the river by our atomic dinghy. We can tell you more about our cruise at the meeting.

Plans are well underway for the Cape Charles Cup, scheduled for August 26th and 27th. This is a two day event to Bay Creek on the eastern shore. The folks at Bay Creek and the planning committee have put together a big party at Bay Creek with live music, good food and good drinks. Sign up early so you can get a slip. If you don't want to race, but want to join in the fun, sign up early also. I promise this will be a great party and a lot of fun.

In this newsletter I am including an email from Paul Cayard for those of you who have enjoyed following the Volvo 70 Ocean Race. The next Volvo 70 Ocean Race will be in three years and will be making some interesting stops around the world.

See you all at the meeting on July 18th.

Judy Rose

July Meeting - Tuesday the 18th

Sea Stories and lots of "Banter"

The River Club at River Walk, Chesapeake (See below for directions to the club) Social Time: 7:30 PM Meeting Time: 8:00 PM

Ship's Store

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.

Cruising News

Cruise Week(s)

WEEK 1 (Wet and Windy)

The beginning of the first week found most of our fleet hunkered down in the Piankatank River. Jim and Bev "Dreamtime" and Don and Jewel "Marigot" were in Jackson Creek for a Beneteau Rendezvous and met up with Fritz and Sancy "Rumba" and Doug and Judy "Mariah".

Sunday, June 25: Nina and George "Cheshire Cat" found Art and Marie "QII", Bill and Chris "Beach Magic", Jim and Bev "Dreamtime" in Cobbs Creek at Marker #15 in the Piankatank River as planned. All six of us waited out the violent rain squalls for 24 hours as Doug and Judy "Mariah" headed south into the eye of the storms.

Tuesday, June 27: "Dreamtime", "QII", and "Cheshire Cat" headed for Mill Creek off the Great Wicomico River and enjoyed Happy Hour aboard "Dreamtime" as "Beach Magic" hooked up with "Marigot" and "Rumba" in Jackson Creek.

Wednesday, June 28: The southwest gales stopped. "Rumba" and "Marigot" headed south, while "Dreamtime", "QII", "Beach Magic", and "Cheshire Cat" headed north for Dennis Point Marina in Carthagen Creek off the St. Mary's River on the north side of the Potomac River. After a swim in the pool, a fabulous cookout and evening hospitality aboard "Beach Magic", we all got a good night's sleep and headed for Sommers Cove Marina in the Solomons on the north side of the Patuxent River. This is one of Charlie and Kathie Roberts' "Wind Walker" favorite destinations. They were waiting for us with dinner reservations for 10 at the Captain's Galley.

Friday, June 30: We set a course for Knapps Narrows Marina north of Tilghman Island on the Eastern Shore. This beautiful, relaxing destination (with pool, restaurant, tiki bar, complimentary breakfast, B & B, and a draw bridge that has more boats go under it than cars over it) is the gateway to the Choptank River and Oxford. This is where Jack Ainslie is commissioning his new boat, "Ouzo".

Saturday, July 1: We headed for the beautiful waterfront home of Dave and Ann Junkins, a very active member of the Great Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race. Dave and Ann keep their schooner "Ann Elizabeth" behind their home on Whitehall Bay, just north of Annapolis. We were joined by Paul Schwab and Darlene Alexander aboard "Mary Lou". They were the only survivors of a fleet of boats headed south from Fells Point in Baltimore to rendezvous with us.

WEEK II (Warm with rain squalls at night)

Monday, July 3: We set sail south for Solomons to visit Aram Nersesian, owner of "Heron", a beautiful 50 foot schooner. His modern waterfront home is on Mill Creek, and his warm hospitality and breakfast overwhelmed "Beach Magic", "Dreamtime", "QII", and "Cheshire Cat". We heard Phil and Ginger "Foxy Lady", and Randy and Cindy "Destiny" on the VHF radio headed for Zahniser's pool and air conditioning. (95 degrees plus. I can't blame them!)

Tuesday, July 4: Smith Creek was our next destination. It is located on the north shore of the Potomac River. There, we joined "Wind Walker" for a Fourth of July celebration of lightening, thunder, rain and wind. WOW! What a light show!

Wednesday, July 5: We crossed the Potomac, headed for the Coan River Marina and a steamed crab and beer feast to die for. Eight people consumed a whole bushel of Jimmy's. There were like the ones we used to get, but never see any more.

Thursday, July 6: Our next stop was the Crazy Crab Restaurant in Reedville, off the Great Wicomico and joined "Wind Walker" and "Destiny". The table was set for 13 including Randy and Cindy's daughter, Colby.

Friday, July 7: "Wind Walker" and "Destiny" started their journey home. The dedicated four – "Beach Magic", "QII", "Dreamtime", and "Cheshire Cat", enjoyed their last rendezvous at Jackson Creek. The weather was 72 degrees, wind out of the north at 15 knots, and sunny skies – the most enjoyable of the entire two weeks. This was just what the doctor ordered for our cruise home on Saturday.

Smooth sailing,

George and Nina

Upcoming Cruises

The next cruise is up to the Perrin River off the mouth of the York River. They have a nice picnic/BBQ area and two pools. This should be a great cruise to a location where most of us haven't been for several years.

Don't forget to let Don Snyder donsgermanwerks@netzero.net and Jim Borberg gnsailn@yahoo.com know if you are going. We and the marina need the information so that we can do a better job of planning.

					<u>Cruise Leader</u>
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- The marina is full.		Anyone have an idea for a cruise?		
Aug 26	Cape Charles #1 Bay Creek Marina	A great party and a good way for cruisers to get involved in easy	Cape Charles	Race Party	
AUG 27	Cape Charles #2	racing	Home		
Labor Day					
Sep 2	East River		MobJack Bay	Eat Aboard	Almond
Sep 3	To be determined		MobJack Bay	Eat Aboard	
Sep 4	Home				
Sep 23/24	Back River Raft		Back River	Eat Aboard	Open
Sep 30/Oct 1`	Neptune Regatta		Rudy Inlet	Race Party	
Oct 11/15	Schooner Race				
October 21/22	Hampton	Details Pending			Rose

Racing News

The Cape Charles Cup

It's time to register for the **Cape Charles Cup**, which is coming up soon on **August 26th and 27th**. This annual Broad Bay Sailing Association (BBSA) regatta promises to be one of the most popular and memorable of the sailing season, and we expect a significant increase in the number of boats that will register. On Saturday, we'll race from Little Creek to a location off Cape Charles, and then sail into Bay Creek Marina. The Bay Creek organization has become a major sponsor for this year's regatta, and they are going "all out" to make sure the Saturday night party is one we won't forget. Following the wonderful food and beverages, as well as music from a great local band, we'll spend the night on our boats or at local B&Bs. There are also some very nice Bay Creek housing accommodations available, so please call Kim Boytos at 757-331-2200 to make your reservation.

Then on Sunday, we'll race back to an area near Thimble Shoals Light and Fort Monroe. This second race will be followed by another great party at Bay Point Marina, where trophies will be awarded for spinnaker, non-spinnaker, and cruising classes; and the overall winner will be honored with the prestigious Cape Charles Cup. Each of these CBYRA sanctioned races is over 20 miles long and qualifies for the Chesapeake Bay Distance Series.

The \$50 registration fee includes both races, two great parties, and a t-shirt. You can't beat this regatta for its value and overall enjoyment, so please register now and reserve your slip at Bay Creek Marina. For more

information, please visit the BBSA website at <http://www.broadbaysailing.org>, or contact BBSA at either racing@broadbaysailing.org or 757-471-2663.

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One Design news

The Richard B. Johnston Memorial Regatta

will be held on Saturday, July 22nd at the Old Dominion University 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. The skippers' meeting is scheduled for 0930, with the first warning at 1100.

Please bring whatever boat you have and come join in on the fun. There will be plenty of food and drinks afterward inside the ODU Sailing Center.

See you there,

Jerry Pattenaude
Need info? Call me at 543-3029

Ware River Yacht Club One Design Regatta

The VA governor's Cup regatta will be held on August 5-6, 2006 at the Ware River Yacht Club, Gloucester, VA. It is a CBYRA sanctioned event. **All classes of 5 or more boats are welcome.**

We have a new official website: <http://www.wareriveryachtclub.com/> This is the only official website for the 42nd Governor's Cup.

All of the information about the regatta is on the website along with the registration form.

Get your registrations in by July 21st and save the \$10 late registration fee.

We look forward to a great regatta.

Rick Klein, Race Comm. Chair. 804-693-5629

Turkey Shoot Hospice Regatta

The 11th annual "Turkey Shoot" Regatta, which provides support to Hospice agencies in the Northern neck area, will be held October 6-8, 2006 from Yankee Point Marina, Lancaster. The "Turkey Shoot" Regatta is a major attraction on the lower bay drawing 100 vintage and classic boats of all designs. To be eligible, a boat must be 25 years old or built to a design 25 years old. Minimum length is 16 feet.

There will be a full Friday to Sunday schedule of events. For information and registration check the website www.hospiceturkeyshootregatta.com.

Email received by Judy Rose from Paul Cayard of Pirates of the Caribbean

From your buddy Paul.

Subject: Pirate Update - June 19, 2006

An act of Piracy was committed on the waters off Gothenburg, Sweden, around mid day on June 17th. As good Pirates would, and should, we stole first place on Leg 9 from ABN Amro Two, just 20 miles from the finish line.

And what a treasure to steal! It was the biggest leg finish of the whole race, in every sense. There were 7000 boats on the sea, the first of which joined us half way between Denmark and Sweden. The shore was lined with a further 200,000 spectators. As we gybed our way down the ever narrowing channel into Gothenburg, the spectator craft became wall to wall. You could have walked the last ten miles of the leg... hopping from one boat to the next. Military boats tried to keep the main channel clear for us but they had little success. I was initially concerned that the disturbance to the water and wind could cost us first place. In the end, I was enjoying the chaotic atmosphere and celebration that Sweden put on for all of the Volvo fleet.

To win the last leg or the last race of any event is a great way to go out. You leave on such a high - no regrets. Let's be honest - we were lucky. The kids on ABN Amro Two had a 15 miles lead in the race with 15 miles to go. They parked there in the early morning and we came with the new wind. We sailed right up to them and when they finally got going, we were even. It was a dog fight for about 8 miles to the last turning mark of the course; gybing in 3 knots of wind with one knot of current against us. In the end, we turned the mark 1 boat length ahead, and that was all she wrote. We stretched from there because our boat is a better light air machine.

The end of this great adventure has come. In looking back over the 13 months, I would say that this campaign has been every bit as satisfying as when we won 8 years ago. Satisfaction is derived from exceeding expectations. In 1998, we put a lot of time in preparations, over a year, and we expected to do well. This time, we sailed the boat just 18 days before the first leg started. Third overall would have been a good result. Then we did not even sail Leg 1. In Cape Town we were in LAST! Then the come back started in Melbourne. The shore team got the boat fixed and the crew gained confidence in the Pearl and we finally began to race.

The Pirates became a model of consistency; 11 podium finishes out of 16 races. Gaining second place overall in New York City was a dream for the American boat. Timing is everything. The Big Chief, Bob Iger, came and sailed the Pearl in New York harbor. Bob has become one of our biggest fans and as he did, so did many others at Disney and Buena Vista. It was very satisfying to see this global company, who had little knowledge of our sport, get hooked.

13 months ago, when I met with Donald Evan and Grant Palin in Burbank, I could envision the boat and team as it looked at the finish in Gothenborg. I fell in love with that vision. Against all my experience and judgment, that told me we were far too late to start this campaign, I went for it. It could have been a big flop for Disney and for Paul Cayard. But it wasn't, and I am thanking my lucky stars for that. You have to acknowledge when luck comes your way and I am more than happy to do so in this case.

I did try to give us the best chance of success because I knew the mountain we had to climb was high. I surrounded myself with excellent people all the way around. They solved the technical issues, they cooked the best meals, they operated in the most efficient way, they sailed the boat to the highest professional level, in short, they exceeded what I could have asked of them. My hat is off to each and every Pirate. You guys are the best!

So it is with satisfaction, pride and a touch of sadness, that we close this great adventure. Appropriately, it was the best ride of my life.

I am taking a break for a few weeks here in Sweden with my family. This summer I will sail two Transpac 52 regattas on George Andreadis' boat Atalanti with Russell Coutts and the team. I will sail with my kids in California and Oregon, in their boats this summer. I will sail in Sardinia with Leonardo Ferragamo on his Swan in September. I will sail my Star in the World Championship in San Francisco at the end of September. I will keep CayardSailing.com updated with reports from these races.

Thanks for following us and being a part of this great adventure. Remember, the richest people on the planet are the ones with the best experiences!

Captain Paul Cayard
Pirates of the Caribbean

Membership News

Here are several changes to members' profiles

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Directions to River Walk from downtown Norfolk

Take 464 south out of Norfolk. Just after passing over I64 the road will fork. Stay to the right for Rt 17S / Elizabeth City. (The left is the Chesapeake By-Pass to the Outer Banks)

Go about 1/2 mile to the stop light which is Great Bridge Blvd. Turn left onto Great Bridge Blvd.

Go to the third stop light, which is River Walk Parkway and turn right.

Go to the sixth possible right turn, which is the driveway and parking for the club house at 701 River Walk Parkway. (It is a circular driveway). The clubhouse sits far back from the parkway, but there is plenty of lighting.

Directions to River Walk from Va. Bch. / Rt 64

Take Rt. 64 East toward Chesapeake. Get off of 64 on exit 291B which is labeled to Rt. 17 South.

Immediately after getting off the exit ramp, the road will fork. Stay to the right for Rt 17S / Elizabeth City. (The left is the Chesapeake By-Pass to the Outer Banks)

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Directions to the River Walk Club House from Rt. 664

Follow Rt. 664 toward Chesapeake until 664 ends, then continue on Rt. 64 toward Chesapeake.
Take the FIRST exit #292 after crossing the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River on the High Bridge.
At the end of the exit ramp (stoplight), go right onto Great Bridge Blvd.
Go to the fourth stop light on Great Bridge Blvd. and turn right on River Walk Parkway.

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