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COMMODORE'S CORNER

Thank you Paul and Jenna Sells for hosting the March meeting! I understand that it was very enjoyable and you were very gracious hosts! I'm sorry that I had to miss it.

The cruising schedule has been put together and it looks like a lot of fun! There are a few more opportunities for anyone who would like to volunteer to lead the fleet to a new or fun location.

Have you checked out the website? We are missing lots of photo ops. The best way to promote any activity is to publish the pics of everyone having a good time. The problem is, some times we are having such a good time that posting them may not be such a good idea. I am sure our Vice Commodore would be willing to edit them.

The American Rover has graciously offered her accommodations to BBSA again. Please join us aboard this tall ship and enjoy the Norfolk Harbor sunset with the club. Where else can you go on a romantic get away with 100 of your friends. Thanks Captain Brook Smith!

Big boat racing season is officially underway. Check out Willoughby and Little Creek schedules if you have that competitive spirit. We have some of the premier competitors on the bay right here on our home waters.

Scott and Megan Almond held the race committee workshop at Rebel Marine. Awesome Class! After listening to the presentation, I have to believe not a single mishap will occur if Scott runs all the regattas.

The Azalea Festival Regatta has been revised. That's right, Norfolk Naval Sailing Association and Norfolk Naval Sailing Center have extended invitations for small boats of all designs, and keel boats. Racing date is April 19th.
<http://www.norfolknavalsailing.org/>

New members keep coming! I want to thank Jack for the warm welcome he extends on behalf of all of us.

Jerry Pattenau

The Sailing Season Begins

April Meeting – American Rover Cruise - Tuesday April 15th

BBSA will take its annual sail on the American Rover on Tuesday, April 15, 2008, which is our regular meeting night. We will be boarding the Rover promptly at 6:45pm for a 7:00pm cruise; don't be late! If you would like to bring a snack to share (this would be greatly appreciated), contact Jean Pattenau at 543-3029, 545-0290, or jpattenau@cox.net. Name tags will be available at the registration table as you board.

Members and their immediate families (spouse and children) have been guests of Captain Brook Smith on the American Rover for over 10 years. Brook, the son of Sonny and brother of Trey, both BBSA members, has been close to BBSA since the late 60's when the boys crewed for Sonny on their Mobjack.

Even though the trip is a free membership benefit, the crew will be working hard to earn your generous tip. We'll be taking a collection at the end of the cruise to show the crew our appreciation.

We look forward to seeing everyone on the ship!!

BBSA Happenings

Wednesday, April 9th - Little Creek Sailing Association racing begins
Thursday, April 10th - Willoughby Racers racing begins
Tuesday, April 15th - American Rover Cruise, Waterside
Saturday, Sunday, May 3-4, Kentucky Derby Cruise, Waterside
Saturday, May 17th - 34th annual Cape Henry Cup Race
Tuesday, May 20th - Covered Dish supper - Cape Henry Cup awards presentation - ODU Sailing Center
Saturday -, Monday, May 24 - 26, Memorial Day Cruise
Wednesday, May 28 - Little Bay Small Boats racing begins

Cruising News

Days are getting longer. The weather is getting warmer. Really it is. The boatyards are getting busier. It must be the time to get ready to sail and look forward to some good cruises.

So far we have several cruises planned. The first is set for May 3 - May 4 to Waterside. Details below. Through the efforts of Charlie & Kathie Roberts, Frits & Sancy Isham, Jim & Bev Borberg and Doug & Judy Rose we have a two week cruise set up. Details follow.

There are still eight weekends available for cruises. May 31 - June 1, June 14 - 15, June 28 - 29, July 12 - 13, July 26-27, August 9 -10, September 6 - 7, September 20 -21. We need a few devoted people to step up and plan some cruises. It would be a shame to let these weekends past with out a planned cruise. Refer to the March "Banter" for the schedule of cruises so far.

<http://www.broadbaysailing.org/news/download/march2008banter.pdf>

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact us at 481-7249 or e-mail us at dmiller183@cox.net. Hope to see you on the water. Be safe out there.
Dave & Mickey Miller

Two Week Cruise

This is a slightly revised two weeks cruise:

BBSA 2008 TWO WEEK CRUISE Revised March 23, 2008

DAY	DATE	LOCATION	TELEPHONE	COMMENT
Friday	June 20	Jackson Creek/Deltaville Marina	804.776.9812	Cook Out/Anchor
Saturday	June 21	Dozier's Regatta Point	804.776.8400	Cook Out
Sunday	June 22	Corrottoman River	Anchor	Isham Pick Place
Monday	June 23	Corrottoman River	Anchor	Snyder Cruise**
Tuesday	June 24	Urbanna Yachting Center or Anchor	804.758.2342	Snyder Cruise**
Wednesday	June 25	Tides /Carter Creek	804.438.4418	Dining Room*
Thursday	June 26	Tides /Carter Creek	804.438.6400	Commodore's Lounge
Friday	June 27	Indian Creek Y&CC	497-5783	Charlie arrangements*
Saturday	June 28	Crisfield/Somers Cove	800.967.3474	Waterman's*
Sunday	June 29	Crisfield/Somers Cove	410.968.0925	Captain's Galley
Monday	June 30	Dozier's Regatta Point	804.776.8400	Cook Out
Tuesday	July 1	Dozier's Regatta Point	804.776.8400	Cook Out
Wednesday	July 2	Cape Charles/ Bay Creek	331.8101	Aqua's/Contact Charlie*
Thursday	July 3	York River Yacht Haven	804.642.2156	River's Inn/ Charlie
Friday	July 4	East River/Put- In Creek	Anchor	Williams/451-1765***
Saturday	July 5	Perrin River/Crown Point	804.642.6177	Williams Cruise***
Sunday	July 6	Home		

Note: Prepared w/Isham, Borberg, Rose and Roberts; Charlie and Kathie are the points of contact, 497-5783.

- *Resort Casual, collared shirt, shoes; long pants preferred at ICY&CC and Tides Dining Room.
- ** Two nights with Snyder's One Week Cruise.
- *** Last two nights with Williams' Fourth Cruise

Kentucky Derby Cruise, May 3-4

Ladies it is time to get your pretty hats out for our annual Kentucky Derby Cruise at Waterside.

We will sail to Waterside and have our party on the docks with TV of the race, a few wagers, hat contest (most beautiful, most unique or something like that!) and, of course, we will make our famous Mint Juleps. After the festivities are over, we will adjourn to the Blackfin restaurant (we were there last year) at Waterside. We have a private room and can order dinner off the menu, and continue our fun.

If the weather is bad (like last year) we will have the entire party at the restaurant. You will have to buy your drinks there. We would like to know how many people will be coming so we can have the restaurant set up the tables. More details will follow such as time of race, etc.

IMPORTANT We have made 10 tentative slip reservations at Waterside but you need to call and make your own reservation prior to April 21 - - 625-3625. Don't forget to let us know if you are coming so we can finalize arrangements with the restaurant 460-1051 or gnsailn@yahoo.com. - - Jim and Bev Borberg

Flash

Memorial Day Weekend Cruise detail (POCs: Bergmans and Harrisons):

Sat 5/24 - Anchor out; Back Creek (off Poquoson River)

Sun 5/25 - York River Yacht Haven (804-642-2156); they have 10 slips reserved for BBSA, first come first served basis; dinner at the on-site Rivers Inn restaurant

Mon 5/26 - Home

Reflections on Small Boat Cruising

Doug Rose

This afternoon a post card showed up in the mail box, and it carried me back about 30 years to a small boat cruise across the Pacific Ocean. Today's card had a smudged ink stamp on the back that stated "Cabo de Hornos", Chile- 25 Feb. 2008. The card was written on March 12th and arrived today, March 31st. Stamped on Cape Horn, and posted in Ushuaia, Argentina by the sailing vessel Moon Dog.

Just shy of thirty years ago two friends set off from California to cruise the Hawaiian Islands on a 30 foot sloop. The navigation and communications equipment on board consisted of a six channel Pierce Simpson tube type VHF radio, a homemade radio direction finder, and a ham radio which went on the fritz shortly after the coastal mountains dropped below the horizon. They had a sextant, a digital wrist watch, and a chart which covered about 2000 miles. No refrigeration, no pressure water, alcohol lamps, red cabbage wrapped in paper, plenty of canned brown bread, and Ditty Moore Stew.

Fast forward to the Cape Horn boat, a state of the art cruising machine with all the bells and whistles known to man. And why not? Our ability to equip our cruising vessels with equipment that wasn't even dreamed about 30 years ago baffles the mind. A couple of months ago I received a phone call about 10 o'clock in the evening. The call was from the Moon Dog, motoring offshore down the southern coast of Chile. Simple question about fuel systems, but the call was so clear that it might have originated across the street, not across the globe.

Satellite phones, GPS, chart plotters, freezers and fridges, radar and water makers, most of it didn't exist 30 years ago, and if it did exist, few were equipped with it. That didn't seem to matter too much to the ones that wanted to go cruising, they went anyway. And they are still going.

Two weekends ago a few couples met at one of the local sailor hangouts and ginned up a series of harbor stops and dubbed it a two week cruise. Check it out. Exercise that boat. No chart plotters or sat phones required. Join up for a day or two, even a week or two. Shake the dust off....its still out there waiting for you.

Mariah

Adventures of Moon Doog

In early March we forwarded four installments of "Moon Dog in Patagonia". For easy reading, look for them on the BBSA home page and also under the heading "Adventures of Moon Dog" in the downloads section of the web site.

<http://www.broadbaysailing.org/downloads/category.asp?categoryid={6AE75D5D-3FB3-42AD-DD59-746E7C19564D}>

During the past year John and Ruth Martin have sent four other emails concerning these segments of their cruise: The Bahamas and approach to the Canal, The transit, Costa Rica, and Peru. For some reason the Transit email was not forwarded.

Ruth is presently, while underway up to Buenos Aires, rewriting those four emails into "Word" format so that they can be easily posted to "Adventures.." under "Downloads". We'll alert you when they are posted.

Racing News

PHRF Racing

by Scott Almond, Racing Fleet Captain

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Willoughby Racers

The Willoughby Racers will start their Thursday Night Series on April 10 with racing for 1 spinnaker and 2 nonspinnaker classes. The Thursday Night Series is broken into 7 races in each Spring, Summer, and Fall series.

Please see our website www.broadbaysailing.org for more information or contact me directly. The notice of race and registration form are posted on our website: <http://www.broadbaysailing.org/downloads/files/wr-2008norandrf.pdf>. The sailing instructions are also posted in the Willoughby Thursday Night Races section of the Downloads area of the website.

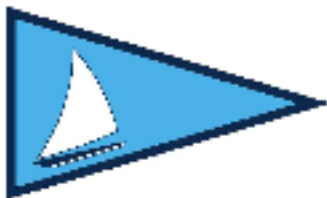
The Cape Henry Cup / May Pot Luck Dinner and Awards Presentation

The Cape Henry Cup Race will be sailed on Saturday, May 17th. This is the first of five CBYRA-sanctioned races sponsored by BBSA this year. All members are urged to participate in this race which was first sailed in May 1974. The \$25 entry fee is waived for BBSA members. On the following Tuesday, the 20th, one of our famous pot luck dinners will feature the presentation of the Cape Henry Cup and other awards for the race. The meeting will be held at Old Dominion University's Sailing Center. Mark your calendars for both these events. Details on the dinner will be found in the May Banter. The Notice of Race is already posted on the BBSA website and the Sailing Instructions will soon be posted to the site. <http://www.broadbaysailing.org/downloads/files/2008-1capehenrycupnotice.pdf>

Little Creek Sailing Association

Little Creek Sailing Assn. will start the 2008 season on Wednesday 4/9/08 at 6:30 PM off the East Oceanview Beach and will continue through September. Five races conducted constitute a series with the best three finishes for each participant counted toward award determination. For details contact Jhn Bergman j.bergman@cox.net

Fly Your Burgee



Burgees are always for sale at the ships store. If you need a new one because you are a new member or to replace the one used in the past years, contact Bev Borberg at 460-1051 or bevborberg@yahoo.com. Burgees are always available at the BBSA meetings. The cost is \$18.00.

For Sale: Cal 39, "GLORY DAYS" fully equipped for racing and cruising. \$45k Call Mike Nestor at (757) 696-0070.