

Broad Bay Banter

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COMMODORE'S CORNER

BBSA Members,

This has been a great year so far! I have heard nothing but good things about our club. The cruise to Warwick was the first cruise I have participated in with BBSA. Jean and I thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, which means we plan to do this a lot more. Unfortunately, we had bought tickets for the Rendevous Zero Mile Marker party at Tidewater Yacht Agency, where we keep our boat, so we were unable to attend the Labor Day cruise to The East River off Mobjack Bay, at Roy and Irene Wiesert's abode. I heard it was a real party with crabs and everything.

Speaking of parties, BBSA'S reputation as a group of winners was further expanded to include rowing at the Mile Marker Zero Rendevous Party which is a fund raiser for the Elizabeth River Project.

My sidekick, Joe Lieberman of Warwick Yacht Club, and I entered a blind man dinghy rowing race in which they blindfold the person rowing and the captain directs the crew where to go. The course is from "C" dock across to "D" dock, around a buoy and back to C dock. It is quite humerus to watch, let alone participate in. Although it is supposed to be all in fun, I found out later that power squadrons really want their club name on the perpetual trophy. Oh Well! We completed the course in just over 53 seconds. Even though we had a slight collision with another dinghy coming at us on our side of the course. I instructed Joe to bring the oars in, just before we collided and hold them as we bypassed the other dinghy, then stroke like crazy once we passed. Joe is a rowing machine. BBSA now has our name on the trophy which is on display in the Deck Restaurant.

Speaking of racing congratulations, the cruising winner for the Cape Charles Cup was Michael Turner's "Cat's Paws". The PHRF winner was Christian Schaumlöffel's "Mirage". Many thanks to the team of Williams, Almond, McCarthy, Art Quarnstrom, Ken Stepka, the Borbergs and our host boats for another successful race/cruise.

Special Thanks to Bill Drinkwater for corralling the band. These two guys were the hit of the post party.

The Willoughby Thursday night series ended on the 4th with a grilling at Oceanview Fishing Pier. At the party I heard that at the last race the crew of Bow Movement had welcomed their wayward crew Scott Almond back into the fold with every crew member wearing a cervical collar and talking in a horse voice. Scott, It's great have you back on the water! By the way, Scott is no longer required to wear the brace unless he is driving or sailing, which still makes him a dangerous driver or skipper since he can't turn his head.

Our next meeting will be at the ODU Sailing Center on Tuesday, September 16th commencing at 7:00 pm. Featured will be the presentation of the Cape Charles Cup - Cruising, and the Cape Charles Cup- PHRF awards .

Invite your crew - they are our next leaders.

Fair Winds,

Jerry Pattenau

Cape Charles Cup Report

By Jim Williams

The fifth edition of the Cape Charles Cup was another great event! Although Barbara and I chaired the event, the real organizing work was done by the following: Megan and Scott Almond, Jean and Jerry Pattenau, Lin and John McCarthy, Bev and Jim Borberg, Bill Barnes and Vice Commodore Brendan Drinkwater. Vicki Wilson was also instrumental again this year, not only in helping Finance Chair Leo Wardrup get the word out to potential sponsors old and new, but also by doing most of the million things that had to get done on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

One of the innovations introduced in this edition of the Cape Charles Cup was offering separate championships to both PHRF and Cruising Divisions. In the PHRF Division, Christian Schaumlöffel and crew on Mirage joined Leo Wardrup and his Black Widow team as the only repeat winners of the Cape Charles Cup. Michael Turner and crew aboard Cats' Paws won the inaugural Cape Charles Cup in the Cruising Division. Well done guys! The presentation of the winner's keeper and perpetual trophies will be made at the September BBSA meeting, detailed elsewhere in this issue of the Banter.

I could gush on and on about what a great event the fifth edition truly was, but I could never describe it as well as Lin McCarthy's report in her weekly email newsletter "Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use". She has graciously allowed me to include it below:

Cape Charles Cup organizers decided last winter to give a CC Cup to two boats in their unique southern Bay regatta - one to the PHRF classes winner and one to the Cruising classes winner. They figured double the fun in presenting double the number of beautiful Weems and Plath@ lantern trophies. And, from the sailors reactions, it's a good idea! These trophies go to the boats with the lowest total corrected time over the two days of racing - day one from Little Creek (Norfolk) to Cape Charles, and on day 2, from Cape Charles to Buckroe (Hampton). This year Christian Schaumlöffel's Hobie 33, Mirage romped and stomped her way across the Bay, in both directions, winning PHRF A going and coming. Mirage made the most of steady 10-12 conditions on Saturday. On Sunday, she hung in there in the light stuff at the start, and simply took off when breezes built, eventually, to whitecaps, thanks to a lovely sea breeze. Mike and Eileen Turner's Cats' Paws won the Cruising B fleet on day 1, registering a particularly fast trip across in the 20 mile Little Creek to Cape Charles race on Saturday and preserved their total corrected time by their second place finish on the 15 miles from Cape Charles to Buckroe on Sunday.

CAPE CHARLES CUP REGATTA - Eighty (80) entries - 40 PHRF racers and 40 Cruisers - in what is fast becoming a southern Bay classic event. This year there were 5 PHRF fleets and 3 Cruising Fleets. Here are each day's winners in each fleet. PHRF A (6 boats): Mirage, Christian Schaumlöffel (won both days and won the PHRF Division Cape Charles Cup) PHRF B (12 boats): Graceful, Bob Beck / Charis, Ryan McCrillis PHRF C (6 boats): April Tied, Tim Ketten (won both days) PHRF Non-Spin (Double Headsail) (7 boats): Black Widow, Leo Wardrup / Puff Card, Walter Boatwright PHRF Non-Spin (Single Headsail): Restless VIII, Sonny Smith (won both days) Cruising A (11 boats): Quantum Leap, Jay Rickles / Outpost, Gary Prizzia Cruising B (16 boats): Cats' Paws (won Cruising Division CC Cup), Michael Turner / Anjalei, Jim Forrester Cruising C (13 boats): Liquid Courage 2, Jamie Collins / Outward Bound II, Dave Wilbar. Event Chair - Jim Williams PRO - John McCarthy Official Scorer - Scott Almond RC Signal Boat - Art Quanstrom RC Comm/Safety Boat - Ken Stepka

What happens in Cape Charles, stays in Cape Charles, except ...

Dave Wilbar single handed his Catalina 22, Outward Bound II, both days of the Cape Charles Cup in the Cruising C fleet, taking a 4th on Saturday and a first on Sunday.

While he ain't no Michael Phelps, Jeff Rogers made good use of the Bay Creek Marina Resort lagoon after Saturday's race - Jeff got in a swim, before the rum got seriously flowing! Jeff was crewing on Jim Forrester's Anjalei.

Jim and Bev Borberg not only coordinated feeding the Cape Charles Cup sailors over the three days, they also took a 2nd and a 3rd in PHRF Non-Spin (1HS) in Dreamtime - if you need a deal on "days-old" sandwich buns or to view some nice trophies, see Bev and Jim.

The big cat, George and Nina Treiber's Cheshire, was among those who served as Host Boats for the racers at Bay Creek on Saturday afternoon - AAHHHYAH, AAHHHYAH!!!

Bill Barnes started the "Invasion of Cape Charles" 4 years ago when he organized the very first 13 boat CCCup - a man with vision who dared to take the risk! And, in the background, providing mega support, then and now, Leo Wardrup (Black Widow).

Broad Bay Sailing Association Vice-Commodore, Brendan Drinkwater, practiced up for his role next year when

he will assume the CCCup responsibilities of current Commodore Jerry Pattenaude - Brendan wore his blue blazer (with flip-flops, T-shirt and shorts) throughout the weekend!

And, of course, there were the all racers, who went to Cape Charles, and danced "like nobody was watching" - they shook the pier to the beat of the band!

Thanks Lin – Another terrific write-up. If you don't receive SBRNYCU, drop Lin an email at mcbeare@earthlink.net, put SBRNYCU on the subject line, give your name, and say, "Sign me up!" SBRNYCU is free.

Mark your calendars now! BBSA's sixth annual Cape Charles Cup will begin on Saturday, August 22, 2009.

One final thought – if you even think that you MIGHT enter next year's regatta and you haven't sent us a picture of your boat, please do so now. We'll put you in the draft copy of next year's Yearbook, and if anything happens that keeps you from joining us we can just save your shot for the seventh edition.

From the Vice

Brendan Drinkwater

Firstly, I was very pleased with the behavior of all of the BBSA members during the previous Cape Charles Cup. There were no reports of naked men in the ladies' room, but I did hear about a female being pushed off 'B' dock in a dock cart into the water only wearing underwear! Please keep in mind that families attend BBSA events, and we encourage it.

As for your Vice Commorador, I've been busy lately. With the start of classes @ T.C.C. Visual Arts Center, a lot of time was spent getting the Glassblowing studio back up and running for the semester. Also, I have picked up another job in the last month. I am now the varsity sailing coach for Norfolk Academy. The kids call me "Coach Thirsty". We have on-the-water practice Mon-Wed. and regattas on Saturdays. Somehow, I've still found time to do Annapolis Race Week, Cape Charles Cup, and Thursday nights.

I am looking forward to the next meeting, and the Neptune's Atlantic Regatta. Hope that everybody and their family are doing well. See you soon and thanks for reading!!!

PHRF Racing News

by Scott Almond

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First, I'd like to offer congratulations to Jim Williams for his outstanding work as Event Chair of this year's Cape Charles Cup. I've heard good things from many of the racers who attended and while it's easy to say that weather played a big part in the fun, the reality is that his hard work played a bigger part! Thanks again, Jim.

Of the 80 boats entered in the race, 44 belonged to BBSA members and 3 other BBSA boats made the trip as well. While this is a very good showing, there's certainly room for improvement as there are probably twice as many BBSA boats out there that didn't participate; you all are missing out on one of the best racing/cruising events on the Southern Bay! Special thanks to Art Quarnstrom and Ken Stepka for the use of their boats for race committee duty!

Our last big-boat race of the year is the Neptune's Atlantic Regatta on September 27th. Information and pre-registration are located on our website. This is the 8th race in the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series. The post-race party will once again be at the Old Coast Guard Station located in the midst of the Neptune Festival's Boardwalk Weekend activities. As usual, the residents in the Croatan neighborhood have offered up complimentary dockage for that Saturday night. Another tradition continues as BBSA member and local artist Barbara Williams will once again provide the background for this year's trophies. Hope to see a good BBSA turnout for our final race!

Some upcoming dates of which to be aware:

CCV Fall Series #3 – September 21st – Race #7 in the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series (CBDRS) - www.ccvracing.org

Neptune's Atlantic Regatta – September 27th – Race #8 in the CBDRS – www.broadbaysailing.org

'Round the Lights Race - October 25 - Race #9 in the CBDRS - www.opcyc.org

Cruising News

Labor Day Cruise

The weather could not have cooperated better for this year's Labor Day Cruise, although the forecast did not bode well and from reports I heard from home. It was not necessarily the best back here at the Beach.

This year's cruise had us visiting Mobjack Bay's East River, specifically the home of Roy and Irene Weisert just North of Williams Wharf. This fleet was one of the largest I can remember for any single cruise leaving from the various homeports in the Hampton Roads area. A few even started on the Friday anchoring either in the East River or in the case of Windwalker, Dreamtime and Modus Vivendi a stopover at York River Yacht Haven. The fleet included: Windwalker (Charlie & Cathy), Dreamtime (Jim & Bev), Beach Magic (Bill & Chris), Marigot (Don & Jewel), Rie (Art), Foxy Lady (Phil & Ginger), Restless VIII (Sonny & Donna), Bay Dreamer II (John & Mary), Nuance (Gary & Karen), A Bientot (Joel & Donna), Molly Malone (Tom & Elly) and Modus Vivendi (Sergio). The fleet started arriving shortly after lunch and the decision was to tie up everyone to the Weisert's dock, which required only a little juggling to ensure sufficient water for all boats. Ten boats eventually tied up or rafted to someone on the dock, which I am told is a new record for the Weisert's, but could only be possible with the assistance of both Roy and Irene and their runabout which was drafted into service as a tug boat.



The remainder of the Saturday afternoon was spent by all socializing, swimming and just relaxing on the dock. As with any cruise, the evening started with a cocktail party on the dock, and included enough food to make the ensuing dinner unnecessary. Dinner was a BBQ hosted by the Weisert's on their deck with a spectacular view of the river from their back deck.

Sunday morning found everyone waking to a little more wind than experienced earlier, with a Northerly 15-20 knot breeze forecast, but not enough to dampen the spirits of the early morning socializing. The fleet split at this point, with half of boats opting to spend another night on the East River, and the others either continuing on to Yorktown's River Walk or to other individual destinations. River Walk Landing as a destination provided a beautiful sail with winds primarily off the quarter and not a cloud in the sky. We all arrived in Yorktown within a few minutes of each other and, although the current is swift at the marina, it was an easy mooring made easier of course by the very helpful marina staff. Arriving shortly after lunch provided all of us ample time for to walk amongst the tourists visiting the riverside shops, but most importantly the Ben & Jerry's to partake in some afternoon delight. This was then once again followed by cocktails aboard Windwalker with a beautiful sunset as our backdrop. The flotilla then retired to the River Walk Landing Restaurant for more great food, wine and camaraderie.

All were underway early on Monday morning for the long trip back with only light winds off the stern and requiring that we motor sail for the majority of the trip.

All had a great weekend I believe and I cannot thank the Weisert's enough for their s hospitality, generosity and fun.

Sergio Diehl

Cruising Postscript:

As the formal cruising season winds down we want to thank all the BBSA members who helped make this cruising season a very successful one. We appreciate all your efforts in arranging and reporting on the cruises for which you were responsible.

Thank you,

Dave & Mickey Miller
Cruise Captains

Membership News

We welcome:

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A REQUEST

We have received this request from BBSA member and Past Commodore Debbie Koelikker Bruesewitz, now living and sailing in Cudahy, Wisconsin, with husband Scott:

Hi Jack, Please pass this on if possible, we are waaaay behind!

Hi All,

Here we are, less than a month from Louie's 10th Last Regatta. We have been raising money for Children's Hospital of Wisconsin through Louie's Last Regatta. In the eight years of the regatta various teams have raised over \$500,000! With the help of you, our families, our crew, our competitors and our friends, over \$40,000 was raised on behalf of our boat, **REDRUM** (our Mount Gay 30 Scott & crew built last year!) This year is no exception.

The regatta was born over nine years ago as a result of a bar challenge between two Milwaukee sailors. They envisioned an end-of-season regatta that celebrated the joy of sailing while promoting a great cause. From its humble beginnings of raising \$926 the first year, to raising \$131,000 last year, the regatta has been near and dear to our hearts. An important part of the regatta is winning the Maggie Bersch Memorial Trophy, named for a sailor's niece, Maggie. Maggie spent much of her eight short years at Children's Hospital battling leukemia, while still making people smile. It is because of her spirit that we are inspired to participate in this rewarding effort. Our Team has won the Maggie Trophy by raising the most money. This year the stakes are even greater! In order to attain our goal of **\$25,000**, we are asking everyone for help!

Since we are having **boats**, not babies, we decided to adopt this charity as our own! We ask you to consider a contribution to Children's Hospital and the Maggie Bersch Memorial Fund. It's easy to do, a safe site and there's no greater feeling than helping kids in need. And, it's tax deductible. So please consider donating now!

You can donate safely and securely at: <http://www.firstgiving.com/REDRUM> If you prefer to pay by check, please send a check payable to **Children's Hospital of Wisconsin** to us at: 3911 E Morris Avenue, Cudahy, WI 53110

If you have friends, co-workers, or relatives who might be inspired by the regatta, please feel free to forward this link on to them. Every little bit helps and it's for a great cause! Thank you and see you on September 26 and 27th, 2008,
Scott & Debbie
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