

Broad Bay Banter

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FALL POT LUCK DINNER AND OCTOBER MEETING

Our October Pot Luck Dinner will be held on Tuesday, October 20th, at the Old Dominion University Sailing Center. Sea stories at 6:30pm will be followed by dinner. Enjoy watching the sunset (6:21PM) over the Elizabeth River at ODU's first class facility.

Please bring a covered dish, salad, or dessert to share. Drinks will be available for a small donation.

COMMODORE'S CORNER

September did bring many good days of sailing to many BBSA members, and the way that October has started, I think we have a few more days of prime sailing left to members. And everybody knows what happens after that! Either go south, or start to get ready to winterize your yacht. Before we all know it, the change of command is going to be here. Time for the big decision, seafood or steak? Or maybe it'll be lamb or chicken cord on blu.?

The high school team has been less than stellar. Coaching is not easy. Most of the team members' hearts are not into sailing. I think maybe I practiced too hard and too long with them before the start of the season. They seem to be burned out on sailing and we have three regatta's left. I'm hoping for a strong finish to the season, but i did have higher expectations for the team.

I am looking forward to seeing everybody at the ODU sailing center on the 20th of this month, and I want to hear your stories about sailing and your boats. Hope that everybody and their families are doing well!

Brendan Drinkwater

RACING NEWS

The Cape Charles Cup Report

The winners of the Cape Charles Cup will be presented with their keeper trophies at this month's meeting on the 20th. Come celebrate with the hearty crews of Black Widow and Whisper as they receive their beautiful Weems and Plath yacht lamps as winners of the 2009 PHRF and Cruising divisions respectively. These boats names will also be engraved on the keeper trophy, which is proudly displayed at PDX Grille in Bay Point Marina.

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PHRF Racing News

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BBSA wrapped up our 2009 racing season with the 6th Annual Neptune's Atlantic Regatta held on September 26 in conjunction with the Virginia Beach Neptune Festival. Nineteen racers (14 from BBSA) braved 20-25 knot winds and 4' waves (at least) to race around Cape Henry towards the finish line off 24th Street. The first boat to finish (BLACK WIDOW) finished at 1:00pm and the last boat finished around 2:20pm. Four other boats started, but for a variety of reasons (including major gear breakage) had to turn around. The post-race party was held, once again, at the Old Coast Guard Station in view of the 24th Street Stage (and the great '80's band 10,000 MANIACS!!) in the middle of the Neptune Festival's Boardwalk Weekend festivities. Big thanks to SailTime for providing the Race Committee boat and Jim Lant (Coastal Yacht Sales) for helping out. Everyone on that committee boat deserves some credit as we had a few folks who 'lost' their breakfast shortly after venturing out of Little Creek with over an hour of hanging out on the hook in the 4 footers still to come. Also would like to thank The Raven for continuing their large financial support of this race as well as providing the complimentary beverages at the skippers' meeting and social. Many thanks to BBSA member and local artist Barbara Williams for once again providing an oil painting that was used as the background for the trophies. The contributions of these people and the hard work by the organizational committee are very much appreciated!

Results have been posted on our website: www.broadbaysailing.org/racing/phrf.asp . The top BBSA finishers in each fleet:

PHRF A

1st Place - MIRAGE - Christian Schaumlöffel

2nd Place – TREATY OF GHENT - Jim Williams and Will Roberts

PHRF B

1st Place – MARGARITA - Harry Tenney

PHRF N

1st Place – BLACK WIDOW - Leo Wardrup

3rd Place - T.L. SEA - Tony Thorton

Cruising

1st Place - GLORY DAYS - Jay Wright

2nd Place – CYMRU - Bob Howell

4th Place - TANQUERAY - Dave France and Brian Haines

Hope to see all at the October membership meeting at ODU where we will be presenting the Cape Charles Cups as well as giving out the engraved 1st Place trophy plates. Megan and I will also be 'cleaning house', our house that is; we'll be bringing some left over race t-shirts and bags from previous races to offer for the 'right price' (first come first served!).

If you're not quite ready to stop racing, join the Willoughby Racers on November 7th for the Hot-Buttered Rum Race. Hot-Buttered Rum served and war stories exchanged at Rebel Marina following the race.

Upcoming dates of which to be aware:

October 24 - 'Round the Lights Race - CBYRA Race #431 (Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series #9) –

<http://www.opcyc.org/>

November 7 - Hot-Buttered Rum Race - www.broadbaysailing.org

For information, notices of race, and/or questions regarding any of the above, please check our website (www.broadbaysailing.org) or contact me directly.

The following is quoted from today's (October 12) SBNYCU (Southern Bay News You Can Use)

“IMPORTANT TO PHRF RACERS: Who is the best informed to decide PHRF splits for our region? It's that time of year again - the Annual Meeting of the PHRF Board of Delegates is scheduled for November 14 in Annapolis. **One thing that is being unofficially tossed around the dock rumor mill is the possibility of uniform Bay-wide rating bands.** For as long as anyone can remember, Region 4 (the southern Bay region) has determined its own splits each year. The basis for that method of operation is that the local region reps are better informed on the impact the splits have on the local region fleets in particular and racing in general. If you have thoughts about this or other PHRF matters, voice them now to your PHRF Delegate and/or Handicapper. **Let your**

club's PHRF delegate or the southern region VP for PHRF know your concerns PRIOR TO THE ANNUAL MEETING . If you like having a say about your fleet splits, now is the time to speak up. NOTE: The PHRF website is www.phrfchesbay.com and delegates and handicappers are listed there. **The PHRF VP for Region 4 is Mike Dale - cell (804) 347-7409.** Mike welcomes your input.”

The BBSA delegate to PHRF is Randy Pugh - 301-2859. 477-4672 (cell), randypugh@cox.net. Randy is a member of the PHRF Executive Committee as Past President of PHRF. He will represent BBSA racers at the annual PHRF meeting.

Randy is also Vice President for Region IV (the Southern Bay) of Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association and the BBSA delegate to that organization. He will represent BBSA at the CBYRA annual meeting in December. Randy will continue on in 2010 as Region IV VP, and BBSA delegate to both CBYRA and PHRF..

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Burgees – Bev Borberg, 460-1051; bevborberg@yahoo.com

I generally always have Burgees at our meetings, and the cost there is \$18; however, if I mail one to you the cost is \$19. We have new members, and I would be very happy to supply you with a Burgee! I am hoping that soon we will have a large majority of boats with burgees.

Slate of Officers

Elections for BBSA officers for the 2010 season will be held at the November meeting.

The following slate of candidates has been proposed.

Commodore	Sergio Diehl
Vice Commodore:	David Hughes
Secretary/Treasurer:	Jack Huenerberg
Fleet Captains:	
Racing:	Scott Almond
Cruising:	Bev Borberg
One Design:	Jimmy Hardesty

Current Commodore, Brendan Drinkwater, becomes Rear Commodore

Alternate nominations will be taken from the floor at the November meeting.