

# Broad Bay Banter

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## **COMMODORE'S CORNER**

Our annual trip on the Rover this year has come and gone and I hear that it was a great success. A good time was had by everyone on board with the weather and wind cooperating, the food was fantastic and the Rover crew provided us with a beautiful sunset sail on the Elizabeth River. I on the other hand had to miss out on this great event as I was still stuck in Europe due to the winds blowing all of the ash from an Icelandic Volcano, whose name I still cannot pronounce, all over Europe, forcing the closure of that air space for an entire week. As with any trip we plan, wherever we want to go always seems to be into the wind, and now I have learned that flying follows the same rules as well. I cannot thank the Rover Crew enough for all that they have done and continue to do every year. With some luck and no volcanoes I plan on being there next year.

The club sailing calendar is in full swing, with a number of events planned this month. For the Cruisers, we have two cruises planned. The first a Luau cruise to Waterside on the weekend of the 15th. I understand that quite a few boats have already signed up, but if you haven't don't forget to call the marina at Waterside to reserve a spot, and remember your Lei's for the Party on the Dock. The second, of course is our Memorial Day cruise, this year to Mobjack Bay, one night anchored on the Ware River and the second at Roy & Irene's Place on the East River. Both sound exciting and guaranteed to be fun filled.

For the racers, we of course will be hosting our first PHRF race of the year, the Cape Henry Cup. Always an exciting race and to top it all off the entry fee is waived for BBSA members.

The May meeting will be held at the ODU Sailing center on Tuesday, 18 May, and is a combined meeting, both for the presentation of the trophy's for the Cape Henry Cup and one of our annual pot luck suppers. See you on the water.

Sergio Diehl

## **May Meeting - Pot Luck Supper - Cape Henry Cup Awards Presentation Tuesday, May 18th - 6:30 pm**

Our May Pot Luck Supper will be held on Tuesday, May 18th, at the Old Dominion University Sailing Center. Award winners in the Cape Henry Cup Race will be invited to share our feast and receive their well deserved awards. Sea stories at 6:30pm will be followed by dinner and awards. Enjoy an evening watching the sunset 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.

## RACING NEWS

**PHRF Racing News**  
by Scott Almond  
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Racing season is now in full swing. BBSA's first regatta of the year, the Cape Henry Cup, is on May 15th and the \$25 entry fee is **WAIVED** for all BBSA members. Registration is easy on our website: [www.broadbaysailing.org](http://www.broadbaysailing.org). Also posted there are the notice of race and the sailing instructions (link in the lower right corner of the homepage). There will be starts for all PHRF classes as well as a Cruising Class start. Awards will be presented at the BBSA Potluck Dinner at ODU on May 18th. The Cape Henry Cup is the 2nd race of the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series (CBDRS).

Also in the not so distant future is the area's premier racing competition of the year - Southern Bay Race Week. Information can be found at: [www.blacksealcup.com](http://www.blacksealcup.com).

Upcoming dates of which to be aware:

15 May - Cape Henry Cup - CBYRA Event # 405, Race #2 in the CBDRS - [www.broadbaysailing.org](http://www.broadbaysailing.org)

28 May - Down the Bay Race - <http://www.hamptonyc.com/downthebay/>

4-6 June - Southern Bay Race Week - [www.blacksealcup.com](http://www.blacksealcup.com)

### One Design News

Local spring sailing has been awesome the last few weeks thanks to ODU, Robert Suhay, and Leon Garber. A full-on day on the Elizabeth River last weekend saw five-Lasers and a Sunfish duke it out with short skirmishes around a tight windward-leeward course. At stake: Bragging rights among the Hampton Roads Sailing dinghy community.

Weather reports put the wind at about 16 knots with gusts of 20. And there were a few blasts that sent the sands of Craney Island swirling in a fog-like mist toward Naval Station Norfolk and the NIT terminals. Blowing from the Southwest, the water was relatively flat and fast, so the racing was really fun. It was officially hot out and the water has warmed up enough to be fairly pleasant. (and still jellyfish-free)

With a relatively small fleet, starting was done without a committee boat. In all, we completed seven races – short sprints with 3-minute starts. A good warm-up for the upcoming spring and summer series.

For those who couldn't make it out, we sure missed you and look forward to reconnecting. If you are on Facebook, you can go to Hampton Roads Sailing

Everything is a go for the Broad Bay Regatta that will take place June 26 at the ODU sailing center so tell anyone that may be interested to come on out and mix it up

Thank You

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The Lynnhaven Sailing Club continues to race MIT Tech Dinghies, as we have since 1981, on each weekend between Memorial Day and Labor Day in Lynnhaven Bay or the Eastern Branch of the Lynnhaven River. Races are scheduled usually near high tide on either Saturday or Sunday. We rarely use Broad Bay due to time and distance to get there. Please let me know if anyone would like to resume racing Force Fives on Broad Bay as I would like to join them.

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## **CRUISING NEWS**

Bev Borberg

WATERSIDE CRUISE – May 15 – Bev Borberg, 460-1051, [bevborberg@yahoo.com](mailto:bevborberg@yahoo.com)

I think it is going to be a fun kick off for the season. So far we have 34 people signed up.

GOOD WEATHER CRUISE– The party will start on the Waterside dock in front of our boat Dreamtime at 4:30. Luau without a pig, so put on your bright colored shirts and join us for Goombay Smash drinks (rum) or bring something else if you prefer. Come by boat or car. Party on the dock ends around 6:00 and we will walk to Kinkaid's for 7:00 reservation in the name of BBSA. Some of you might want to bring dock chairs, and I am hoping a "few" will bring appetizers. Don't want too much food so some of you might check with friends and decide on who will bring this time.

BAD WEATHER CRUISE – Meet at Kinkaid's for dinner at 7:00

**MEMORIAL DAY CRUISE – Bev Borberg, 460-1051, [bevborberg@yahoo.com](mailto:bevborberg@yahoo.com)**

Saturday, May 29, we will meet at Mobjack Bay, Ware River, for the beginning of our Memorial Day Cruise. We will anchor. Sometimes we raft up for cocktail hour and then disband for dinner on our boats. Other times, we just crowd together on one boat for cocktails before dinner, but we always do get together for conversation and fun. We will probably anchor near marker No. 6; if there is a question, call Dreamtime on the radio.

Sunday, May 30, we will sail to Roy and Irene Weisert's summer home on East River. They have always been very hospitable to us and allow boats to dock on their pier (some will have to anchor and dinghy in), and give us the use of their grill as well as joining in the fun. Some people swim the river, and others just relax, We generally have cocktails on the pier and then take our food up to the house to grill (everyone brings their meat and a dish to share and plates and utensils). We have been to Roy and Irene's several times and this is always one of my favorite cruises.

Please let us know if you will join us, in case we have to notify people if there is a change in plans.

Aloha!

## **BURGEES**

Bev Borberg, 460-1051, [bevborberg@yahoo.com](mailto:bevborberg@yahoo.com)

The sailing season is upon us, so this is the time to check the condition of your BBSA burgees. If it is a little tattered you just may want to purchase a new one, and some of the new members might also be interested in doing this. The Burgees are now \$20. I will have them at the May meeting.

## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

We welcome:

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## 2010 Cruising Schedule

- May 15 Waterside Marina – 625-3625  
Jim and Bev Borberg, 460-1051, [bevborberg@yahoo.com](mailto:bevborberg@yahoo.com),
- May 15 Cape Henry Cup
- May 29, 30, 31 Memorial Day Weekend @ Mobjack Bay – Saturday – anchor in Ware River  
Sunday – dock at Roy and Irene Weisert’s house in East River (link below)  
<http://www.broadbaysailing.org/downloads/files/radA4596.pdf>  
Bev Borberg, 460-1051, [bevborberg@yahoo.com](mailto:bevborberg@yahoo.com)
- June 12 Harbor Fest
- June 18 – July 4 Two week cruise, Sergio Diehl, 635 1846, [sergio.diehl@cox.net](mailto:sergio.diehl@cox.net) – See below
- June 19 – June 27 One week cruise, Don and Jewell Snyder, 464 9330 – See below
- June 26 Broad Bay Regatta – One Design / Dinghy
- July 3, 4, 5 Independence Day Weekend - East River, private home with pool, Phil and Ginger Harrison  
460 5075 - [Harrison@portsmouthva.gov](mailto:Harrison@portsmouthva.gov)
- July 17 Tidewater Yacht Marina, John and Mary Bergman, 363 3775, [j.bergman@cox.net](mailto:j.bergman@cox.net)  
July 17 BBSA/PBC Little Bay Challenge
- July 24 Crown Point Marina, Perrin River – Don and Jewell Snyder, 464 9330
- July 31 Richard B. Johnston Memorial Regatta – One Design / Dinghy
- August 14-15 Cape Charles Cup
- August 21 Warwick Yacht Club – Fritz and Sancy Isham, 595 4860, [george.isham@cox.net](mailto:george.isham@cox.net),  
[Sancy.Isham@cox.net](mailto:Sancy.Isham@cox.net)
- August 28 Pagan River, Jones Creek, Rescue, Virginia, – George and Nina Treiber, 393-2227,  
© 342-9900, [george@treiber.hrcoxmail.com](mailto:george@treiber.hrcoxmail.com)
- Sept. 4, 5, 6 Labor Day Weekend - Warwick Yacht Club – Mike Nestor and Eva Dailey, C (M) 696 0070,  
C (E) 714 3536, [atcon2473@aol.com](mailto:atcon2473@aol.com), [devadailey@aol.com](mailto:devadailey@aol.com)
- September 24 Neptune’s Atlantic Regatta

When we have access to a private home where we can anchor or some can dock, we generally have cookouts. These are usually fun times with swimming in the river or possibly a pool and some dingy races and just a lot of fun relaxing and visiting.

You will notice that there are two week ends at Warwick Yacht Club. The one on August 21, hosted by the Isham’s is the one that we call our family dinner cruise. There is a large pool there and a lot of running around room and so many of the members bring their grandchildren, and it is just a lovely time and fun to watch the children grow!

The Labor Day Cruise hosted by Mike Nestor and Eva Dailey is entirely different. Last year they had a great time with a lot of games and Tom Smith led the group in some “salty” songs. Sounds like a really fun time.

## TWO WEEK CRUISE

| Date              | Day # | Destination                            | Distance(NM) | Anchor/Marina               |
|-------------------|-------|--|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Friday, June 18   | 1     | Jackson Creek                          | 41           | Anchor/Deltaville Marina    |
| Saturday, June 19 | 2     | Onancock                               | 30           | Town Dock                   |
| Sunday, June 20   | 3     | Coan River (Glebe)                     | 41           | Anchor                      |
| Monday, June 21   | 4     | Lower Machodoc Creek                   |              |                             |
|                   |       | Coles Neck                             | 21           | Anchor/Coles Neck Marina    |
| Tuesday, June 22  | 5     | Colonial Beach                         | 18           | Colonial Beach Yacht Center |
| Wed., June 23     | 6     | St Clements Creek,<br>Canoe Neck Creek | 16           | Anchor                      |
| Thursday, June 24 | 7     | St Mary's River                        | 25           | Anchor Horseshoe Bend       |
| Friday, June 25   | 8     | Carthegena Creek                       | 4            | Dennis Point Marina         |
| Saturday, June 26 | 9     | Great Wicomico                         | 26           | Anchor                      |
| Sunday, June 27   | 10    | Indian Creek                           | 13           | Indian Creek Y & C C        |
| Monday, June 28   | 11    | Tides Inn                              | 18           | Marina                      |
| Tuesday, June 29  | 12    | Tides Inn                              | 0            |                             |
| Wed., June 30     | 13    | Corrotoman River                       | 8            | Anchor                      |
| Thursday, July 01 | 14    | Piankatank/Cobbs<br>Creek              | 21           | Anchor                      |
| Friday, July 02   | 15    | Cape Charles                           | 27           | Town Dock/Bay Creek         |
| Saturday, July 03 | 16    | BBSA 4th of July Cruise                |              |                             |
| Sunday, July 04   | 17    | BBSA 4th of July Cruise                |              |                             |
| Monday, July 05   | 18    | Home                                   |              |                             |

## ONE WEEK CRUISE

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|-------------------|---|---|--|----------------------------|
| Saturday, June 19 | 1 | Back Creek  |  | Anchor                     |
| Sunday, June 20   | 2 | Piankatank/Cobbs Creek  |  | Anchor or Ginny Pt. Marina |
| Monday, June 21   | 3 | Broad Creek, Dozier's Yachting Center                                   |  | Marina                     |
| Tuesday, June 22  | 4 | Mill Creek, anchor or sail to<br>Onancock and stay at Town Dock Marina. |  | Anchor or Marina           |
| Wed., June 23     | 5 | Indian Creek Yacht Club (dinner ashore)                                 |  | Marina                     |
| Thursday, June 24 | 6 | Fishing Bay   |  | Anchor or Marina           |
| Friday, June 25   | 7 | Severn River  |  | Anchor                     |
| Saturday, June 26 | 8 | Back River, eat what's left over!                                       |  | Anchor                     |
| Sunday, June 27   | 9 | Home Base   |  |                            |

## **U.S. COAST GUARD SAFETY BULLETIN**

With the proliferation and popularity of DSC radios, we felt you needed to be advised of this important potential safety issue. The following is a Safety Alert issued by the U.S. Coast Guard:

**Dangers Associated with Automatic Channel Switching on Digital Selective Calling (DSC) Equipped VHF Marine Radios**  
It has come to the Coast Guard's attention that an automatic channel switching feature found on certain models of Digital Selective Calling (DSC) equipped VHF marine radios may create an unintended hazard by automatically switching from a working channel that might be in use at the time to Channel 16 when the VHF marine radio receives a DSC distress alert, distress alert acknowledgment or other DSC call where a VHF channel number has been designated.

This could happen without a vessel/radio operator's immediate knowledge and could initiate an unsafe condition by which the vessel/radio operators would believe they were communicating on a working channel such as Channel 13 when, in fact, they were actually on Channel 16. Imagine a towboat operator on the lower Mississippi River making passing agreements on VHF channel 67 and then suddenly, without warning, not being able to quickly reestablish communications with those vessels because his/her radio automatically switched to Channel 16 instead.

Since this unsafe condition can happen at any time, the Coast Guard strongly recommends disabling the automatic channel switching feature when maintaining a listening watch or communicating on the designated bridge-to-bridge radiotelephone, or while monitoring the vessel traffic services (VTS) channel. Radios that lack the disabling feature should not be used for bridge-to-bridge or VTS communications.