

Broad Bay Banter

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COMMODORE'S CORNER

The days are getting shorter, the temperature is getting cooler and I am still trying to figure out where this summer has gone. I was hoping to fit more cruising in this year between races, but only managed to do a couple overnights on the boat. Well, I guess there is always next year. One thing is for sure October is still a busy month for sailing.

The first weekend of October was the Atlantic Neptune regatta which was a big boat race from Little Creek to the finish at 24th street on the ocean front. This year an added dingy race took place off of the ocean front at around 10th street. These races were in conjunction with the Neptune festival. With strong winds on Saturday the race was over in record time which gave us some wind down time before the post party (unless you sailed back!). I would like to thank all of our sponsors and especially the Raven which has been a contributor since 2004. I would like to also give a big hand to Jerry and Jean Pattenau for coordinating this event and Greg Lanese for running the small boat regatta.

This month there is the Annapolis Boat show where all the new boats and gadgets will be displayed. I will be there checking out the new gadgets. Also this month, The Great Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race will have scheduled events going on from Oct. 11th to the 16th. On Saturday Oct. 15th you will be able to view the Schooners dockside in Portsmouth. The Willoughby memorial regatta is also on Oct. 15th.

The cruising season is not over yet! We have an Octoberfest cruise to Back River on Oct. 15th-16th. Contact Ronda Borberg-Shulenburg at bellavela@cox.net.

It is that time of year again when we need to be thinking about who our officers are going to be for the 2012 season. Our November 15th meeting, we will be presenting the new slate of officers and will also take nomination from the floor.

Mark your calendars for the annual BBSA change of command dinner which will take place at the Norfolk Yacht and Country Club on January 28th, 2012. More information on this event will be in the next Banter.

October Pot Luck Dinner and Meeting

Location: ODU Sailing Center, Norfolk

Date: October 18th, 2011

Time: 6:30pm

This meeting is our October POT LUCK at the ODU Sailing Center. Please remember to bring a dish or dessert to share with everyone. The Club will have wine and beer for a small donation. Sodas and bottled water will also be provided.

PHRF Racing News

by Scott Almond

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BBSA wrapped up our 2011 racing season with the 8th Annual Neptune's Atlantic Regatta held on October 1st in conjunction with the Virginia Beach Neptune Festival. Nineteen racers (12 from BBSA) made the trip around Cape Henry in 15-20 knot winds from the northwest towards the finish line off 24th Street. The first boat to finish (TURBO'S TUB) crossed the line at 12:10pm and the last boat finished the 15 mile course at 12:58pm; and I thought last year's finish time of 1:02 pm for the last boat was impressive... this was the best sailing condition in the race's 8 year history!!

The post-race party was held, once again, at the Old Coast Guard Station in view of the 24th Street Stage (with Molly Hatchet!) in the middle of the Neptune Festival's Boardwalk Weekend festivities. Thanks to Sergio for the use of MODUS VIVENDI as the committee boat at the starting line (with Chip Jones, Buck Harrison, Christine Tayamen, and Homer Babbitt) and Jeremy Hollands and Homer for their help at the finish line, and a big thanks to Jerry Pattenaude, who did a great job as this year's Event Chairman.

The full results are posted on our website: <http://www.broadbaysailing.org/racing/phrf.asp> . The top BBSA finishers in each fleet:

PHRF Spinnaker

2nd Place - SCHOCK FULL O' NUTS - Larry Boone

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1st Place - TURBO'S TUB - M.D. Riley

2nd Place - BLACK WIDOW - Leo Wardrup

Cruising

1st Place - DREAMTIME - Jim and Bev Borberg

2nd Place - COEUR d'ALENE - Hank Giffin

3rd Place - TANQUERAY - Brian Haines and Dave France

Some upcoming dates of which to be aware:

October 22 - 'Round the Lights Race - CBYRA Event #429 - last race (#9) in the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series – <http://www.opcyc.org/>

8th Annual Neptune Atlantic Regatta

The 8th Annual Neptune Atlantic Regatta was a success. No one drowned on the race course, however, I'm not sure about the post race party. It is surprising just how many people can fit under the porch roof of the Old Coast Guard station. This adds another meaning to the phrase, "We are a close knit group". It was probably a good thing Brendan Drinkwater was getting married at the same time, can you imagine if he and the rest of the wedding party had joined in? Congratulations Brendan on your wedding nuptials!

This event is a lot of fun and I enjoy being a part of it but none of it would happen without the outstanding work by the finest group of sailors and friends that serve with quiet dignity and ask nothing in return except that everyone has a good time. My team, Jean Pattenaude without whom none of this would happen, Scott Almond, Greg Lanese, Mike Nester, Eva Dailey, Dave Hughes and Brendan Drinkwater. Special thanks to the Raven Restaurant and all the sponsors.

One of the highlights of the skippers meeting was the silent auction. A print from Leland Simmons, donated by Noel Simmons, went for the bargain price of \$ 275.00. We are truly grateful for her generosity.

The raffle was a lot of fun! Thanks to Mike Nestor and Eva Dailey for their contribution to the raffle- a one day cruise in the Virgin Islands aboard their yacht, Tell Tales, and all the food and drinks for 6 persons. Congratulations to the winner John Atkinson.

Numerous other items were donated for the raffle from Annapolis Performance Sailing and West Marine. I am sure the coupons from APS were put to good use at the boat show in Annapolis this past weekend. Christine Tayamen provided some awesome pictures from a committee boat perspective.

Does anyone else have any pics to share? Please forward them to me to be shared on the big screen at the Change of Command dinner in January.

Congratulations to all the winners!

Jerry Pattenaude
Neptunes Atlantic Regatta Chairman

CRUISING

Hi Cruisers,

We're still enjoying some super sailing weather as was confirmed with quite a few BBSA members on the water last weekend. We have one more cruising weekend coming up so look at you calendars and call Ronda if you are available.

Cruise to Back River - October 15-16th

Join us for a fun time to celebrate Oktoberfest in an overnight cruise to Back River.

Karl says he has found some great Oktoberfest beers and I'm off to find some Oom-pah music. Bring an appetizer and hope for great weather. We'll rendezvous in the afternoon.

Raft or anchor (your choice).

Questions? Contact Ronda Borberg-Shulenburg 340-8316 or bellavela@cox.net

Get your thinking caps on for ideas of places to cruise to next year!!

Safe sailing,

Jim and Susan

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Burgees will be available at the next meeting. The price is \$20.