



Banter

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COMMODORE'S CORNER

Stephanie Sweeney, commodore@broadbaysailing.org

Jim DiSomma, incoming Commodore

Hello, and happy new year everyone!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. I was busy right up to the end of the year. The sail loft couldn't be any busier, which is a wonderful problem. Boat owners are using their boats, maintaining their boats, and loving their boats. I love it and all of us at the sail loft hope this never changes because there is nothing sadder than a marina full of unloved boats. Right before the holiday, I traveled to Annapolis for work. Downtown Annapolis was beautiful like a postcard with the Christmas lights. If you are looking for a little December holiday trip for 2022, go to Annapolis. It will not disappoint. While I was here at home, went to Winterfest at Nauticus. The lights on the Wisconsin were amazing. Everyone should go see this event next year. During Christmas, I escaped Hampton and headed home to Richmond with my crazy family and childhood friends.

2022 started with that one subject I never wanted to discuss in the Banter but has been the biggest topic of the last 2 years – COVID. I have been one of the thousands of people who have tested positive for a covid variant in the last 10 days. I am vaccinated so I have gotten through this fine. With the positive numbers skyrocketing since January 1st, the board did vote to have our Annual Banquet and Change of Command party moved to February 26th at the Town Point Club. This is the right thing to do for our members. Not having a banquet last year did not make me happy. I am excited that we can have a banquet. The Town Point Club is wonderful. I can't wait to have fun with everyone. Please sign up!

As I step back from my role as Commodore, I am happy to say that BBSA is doing well. Our board members are dialed in, working hard and our 2022 will be great! I did not get to meet as many people as I had hoped or accomplish all that I wanted due to the pandemic. I will still be on the board for the next year, will be at membership meetings and our events. Hopefully, I can meet more of you. My sailing calendar is filling up and I am excited for new adventures ahead. On January 1st, I started the year off by racing with Phil Briggs on J36 Feather in the New Year Day Race hosted by HYC and OPCYC. It was a beautiful day, we grounded the boat in the Hampton River, withdrew from the race, sailed for fun, and got back to the dock for early rum drinks. It was a great day and the right people to start the year with! As I move into the year my sailing calendar is filling up, I will be racing on the Tripp 38 "Warrior" in the St Pete NOODS regatta in February, cruising the BVI in March, will continue to manage and race my uncle Leroi's Trip 38 "Voodoo 2" at HYC, preparing for the Annapolis to Bermuda race in June on Tartan 4100 Kyrie with Beth Berry along with other adventures here on the Chesapeake Bay and offshore. Many of you have said you like following my adventures here in the Banter. Please stay in touch - feel free to reach out to me directly or follow me on Facebook and Instagram.

Thank you for a wonderful two years as your Commodore. See you on February 26th at the banquet!

Stephanie Sweeney
BBSA Commodore (outgoing)



So, as I “write” this, today is January 3rd, I’m sitting on my couch while a nice little storm blows rain and a bit of snow flurries around. The forecast is calling for it to turn to all snow later today. It’s Monday, and as per usual Virginia winter standards, my office called for a closing, yesterday, when it was 67 degrees!

I hope my little boat is comfortable at her dock as we did the requisite lashing down yesterday. It's funny how boats need attention, even when we aren't using them, they never seem to leave our thoughts...

As for the BBSA calendar, it looks like 2022 may have a few hiccups and bumps, but hopefully it won't compare to 2021!

Stephanie Sweeney's 2 years as Commodore were absolutely challenge filled. If I've learned anything, it was that we needed to make a plan A, then a B, and probably a C! That has already come to serve well, as the Rules of Racing Trivia night (A) has been changed to a virtual event (B), due to the uptick in new Covid cases. Good call from that committee!

That being said, it’s the intent to hold live face to face events, if it’s safe to do so. We ask that if you are showing symptoms, or any concerns, please stay home. Come out and play when it is safe. We love seeing everyone, but also hate hearing someone is not well. We don’t want to put anyone else at risk.

While I’m a racer at heart, I cannot wait for this year's cruising season! I have several races and cruises that we are planning on attending, perhaps y'all can teach us how to slow down!!!

Also, if anyone would like to come out and volunteer, we are always looking for new smiling faces! Race committees, the banter, cruising functions, all would love a hand! As one of my favorite captains says, “This stuff is supposed to be fun!”

May your new Year be filled with joy, health, and boat toys!

Jim DiSomma

Incoming 2022 BBSA Commodore

PS: When you see your committee members, please thank them for what they do, this ship doesn’t sail well without them!

RACING NEWS

Jay Thompson, racing@broadbaysailing.org

Chris Schott, onedesign@broadbaysailing.org

Coming soon...

Jay Thompson

Racing Fleet Captain

racing@broadbaysailing.org



From the 2022 Southern Bay Race Week event:

SBRW 2022 – Thursday, JUNE 2 thru Sunday, JUNE 5, 2022

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK will be, as always, the weekend *after* Memorial Day.

Y'ALL COME RACING!

For additional info contact:

Lin McCarthy

mcbear@earthlink.net

757-850-4225 or 757-814-8518 (c)

MURPHY RACING RULES CLINIC
January 29, 2022, Saturday (0900 – 1530)

Hampton Yacht Club, Hampton, Virginia
In-Person. . . not virtual.



A complete look at the PART 2 Rules (“When Boats Meet”)
Presented by John McCarthy

- **Right of Way Rules -who has it and what does it mean**
- **Proper Course - how to sail it. . .and how to use it.**
- **Rounding Marks – who gets room, how much, for how long**
- **Obstructions – boats ... plus tugs, spuds, & barges**
- **Special Section on Starts & Finishes – yup, including barging**

Presented in John’s unique “Rules Made Easy” style;
Interactive discussion of situations you encounter every race;
Understand concepts, not memorize rules;
In-person instruction allowing discussion and socializing with friends;
Great for both skippers and crew.

IT’s EASY TO REGISTER -

Call Lin at 757-850-4225 or email mcbear@earthlink.net and provide the following information:

Name: _____ **PHONE #:** _____
Address: _____ **City:** _____ **Email:** _____

MURPHY RACING RULES CLINIC:

One low cost of \$30 includes:

- **Materials (course notebook)**
- **LUNCH (deli fixin’s lunch with chips, cookies, and beverage)**
- **Refreshments (coffee, tea, pastries, munchies at check-in and breaks throughout the day)**
- **Plus, a better understanding of the rules you use all the time!**

More info: contact John or Lin McCarthy - email mcbear@earthlink.net OR phone (757) 850-4225.

Registration:

Please make check payable to: Lin McCarthy, Murphy Clinics

To Register by mail - mail above form and payment to:

- **Murphy Clinics, C/O Lin McCarthy, 4401 Chesapeake Ave, Hampton, VA 23669**

FLEET RACING

Little Creek Sailing Association Wednesday Races:

littlecreek@broadbaysailing.org

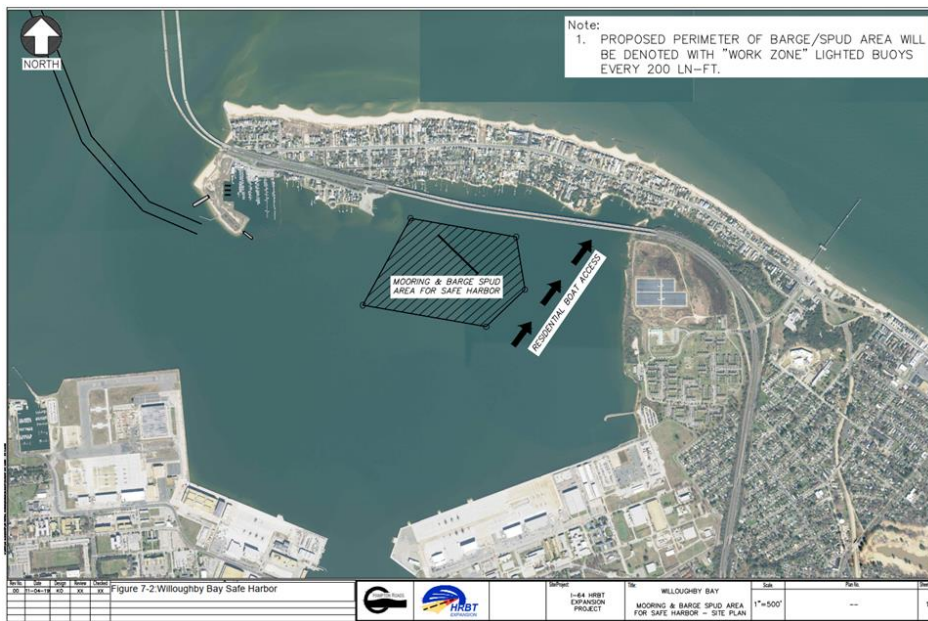
LCSA Face Book Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/250807138384289>

Willoughby Racers Thursday Races:

Check out the Willoughby Racers link from the BBSA website at <https://broadbaysailing.org/WRHome> and our Willoughby Racers Facebook page for updates and more information.

Reminder of Construction Barge Spud Area in Willoughby Bay:

"This area is now in place and will be in operation for 5 years estimated, during Road and Tunnel construction for the new HRBT expansion. The area marked by the line of white buoys that defines the perimeter of the Spud Area for Safe Harbor is an obstruction.



Hobie Fleet 32 News:

Jeff Nelson is this year's Hobie Fleet 32 lead. His contact info is as follows:

757-572-5776

jeffnelsonsails850@gmail.com

TRAINING NEWS

Larry Baun, training@broadbaysailing.org

Winter 2022 training kicked off on 4 January with a virtual training event on “Racing Rules”. Randy Goodman did a great job building a “game show” format, where all 30+ competitors could answer questions remotely. The focus was on “the Start”. Questions were thought provoking & several discussions took place on each, supported by “judges” Jay Thompson & Scott Almond.

We will be building/fine tuning a second “Zoom” session for Tuesday, 8 February - 6:45 pm with the focus being “Rule 18”, Mark Rounding. Nothing can replace the excitement of multiple boats meeting at a mark and figuring out (or not) who has “rights”... but we will see how our racers do answering those questions with a 30 second or so time limit... pressure...

Look for an email/invite.

Hopefully, by later this winter ...we will be able to return to our desired format of having teams/crews compete “live” With beverages and pizza

We are working on a couple other training opportunities for sail trim and cruiser topics. The cruiser topics will use inputs provided on the recent cruising survey.

See all February 8th.

CRUISING NEWS

Eric Brinsfield, cruising@broadbaysailing.org

From the Cruiser Cockpit

2022 Cruising Captain: Eric Brinsfield

Happy New Year

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday with lots of good food, relaxation, family, and friends. I don't need to say it, but COVID is still with us. Let's hope it is gone by cruising season, but if not, never fear, because cruising provides natural social distancing. What better way to get away from the crowds? I hope you will join us on the water.

Cruising Survey Results

At the end of the 2021, we circulated a survey to BBSA members asking about everyone's cruising interests. Thirty-eight members responded to the survey. We received lots of great feedback and ideas. You will find the results at the link below.

<https://broadbaysailing.org/Cruising-Survey>

We will review these results in an open Zoom discussion on [Tuesday, January 11 starting at 6:30 pm](#).

During the meeting, we will briefly review the survey highlights and then dive into the requests and suggestions. We have much to discuss.

Please register for this event. When you do, the Zoom connection information will be automatically sent to you via email. Thanks to everyone who participated.

To register for the Zoom meeting, go to: <https://broadbaysailing.org/event-4628725>

or just go to the BBSA Home page and click on the event in the **Upcoming Events** on the left.

Upcoming Cruise Events

The **Annual Cruise Planning** meeting and social is scheduled at Hampton Yacht Club on **March 5, 2022**. At this joint meeting of HYC and BBSA, we try to schedule our cruises for the year. Based on our preparatory Zoom calls, we should come to that meeting with lots of ideas and cruises to schedule.

Mark your calendar. Registration information will be provided soon. Let's hope COVID settles down by the time we need to meet at HYC. To stay informed, check the event occasionally:

<https://broadbaysailing.org/event-4624213>

Cruise on!

Eric Brinsfield

2021 & 2022 Cruising Captain

Eric@ecbrinsfield.com

BVI WINTER CRUISE

I have arranged for a group of my friends to sail the BVI's in March 2022. Since we have 6 boats going, we have earned 20% off the charter rate. We have reached the highest discount! I want to share this with you. If you would like to join us, mention my name to take advantage of the discount. Since many boats are going, not all will have the same itinerary but we will bump into each other along the way.

Our trip date is March 13th - 22nd. I believe you can come a little earlier or stay a little later, but need to be cruising on some of these dates. Please check when you make reservations.

We are going through BVI Yacht Charter. Abbie has been my point of contact. They respond quickly through email: charters@bviyc.com or 1-284-494-4289.

I hope you can join us.

Happy sailing!

Jean Pattenau

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

membership@broadbaysailing.org

I hope that everyone enjoyed the holidays, and now that all of the chaos is behind us, and we have lots of new boat toys. To date 34% of you have already renewed their membership, please do not get so busy that you put off renewing your BBSA Membership for 2022. Additionally, please do not forget to sign up for one of the Intra-Club Racing groups (Little Creek Sailing Association, Willoughby Racers and the Hobie 32 Fleet).

The Commodore and Officers of the Broad Bay Sailing Association invite you to our Annual Change of Command and Banquet on **26 February** at the Town Point Club in downtown Norfolk (101 W Main St, Norfolk, Virginia 23510 (Third Floor of the World Trade Center Building)). Details are as follows:

- Time: 6:00 – 11:00 pm
- \$50/person, includes valet so you don't have to worry about parking
- Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres and Social Hour from 6-7 in the Harbor Room
- Dinner, awards, change of command, and dancing from 7-11 in the Buoy Room
- The cigar room will be open, and weather permitting the balcony overlooking the Elizabeth River
- Cash bar – wine will be available by the glass or bottle
- DJ – Dave Wilbar

In an effort to make this easier on everyone, I have included a link below to register. Payment may be made via Credit Card. Highlights regarding the 2022 Renewal:

1. Annual Dues this year are \$45.00 which per our by-laws are due on 1 January
2. Intra-Club Sailing Organizations are as follows:
 - a. Little Creek Sailing Association - \$30.00
 - b. Willoughby Racers - \$55.00
 - c. Hobie 32 Fleet - \$35.00
3. Annual BBSA Banquet - \$50.00
4. BBSA Burgee - \$25.00 – You may order a new burgee to replace the old burgee online as well.

To renew: Click on this link for the BBSA website, <https://broadbaysailing.org/>. Once on the web site, log in to your account then click on your name at the top right of the *Home* page scroll down until you see the “Renew Membership” button. Follow the instructions to renew. If you plan to join one of the Intra-Club Sailing groups, please remember to check the appropriate box. If you would like a new burgee, please check the appropriate box and a burgee will be mailed to you.

In regard to our finances, the club is in a strong cash position, even though we ended 2021 in the Red. Our Balance Sheet for the year ending 31 December 2021, which is all made up of cash is:

BBSA - \$62,996.20

LCSA - \$2,746.90

WR - \$806.03

Hobie - \$3,616.75

The P&L Statement is at the end of the membership news.

Thank You,
Sergio Diehl
BBSA Treasurer
1417 Shoveller Ave
Virginia Beach, VA, 23454

Ship's Store News, Bev Borberg, (757)460-1051, bevborberg@yahoo.com:

Fairly soon you will begin to think about sailing this season, although there were many fortunate sailors who did have good trips this winter. Anyway, put checking your Burgee's condition on the to do list.

If you do want a Burgee let Sergio Diehl, sergio.diehl@cox.net know and send a check for \$25, payable to Broad Bay Sailing Association to him.

BBSA Name Tags, Mary Anne Greblunas:

The BBSA name tag has the BBSA Burgee on it along with your name and, if desired or applicable, your boat name. If you are a first-time new member, you get up to 2 free name tags (one per person) if ordered the 1st year of your membership. The name tags were brought back so we can put a name with your face. Please wear yours to meetings and other gatherings.

If you are not a new member, the name tags are \$10/each.

Name Tags can only be ordered through the website. Please click this link <https://broadbaysailing.org/event-4552998> to order your nametags. Please make sure your address is correct. The deadline is May 9, 2022. Please email Mary Anne Greblunas at marygreblunas@yahoo.com with any questions.



We only ship name tags twice a year, May & October. Thank you.

CLASSIFIEDS/WANTED

Jonathan Romeo has a lot of items for sale:



6-inch White light Stainless Steel Cabin Dome Lights, \$45 set or \$15 each.



75 feet coaxial cable RG-59U with PL-259 connector, \$85.



West Marine 6 inch Deck Inspection Plate, \$10.



3 Series Double Deck Organizer. Sheaved for 11mm max line, \$65.



Magna Round Charcoal Grill with Rail Mount, \$25.



Pair of Sony Marine 140W Stereo Speakers, \$60.



Spinlock 3-gang Clutches, 6-8mm line size \$175.00 for 3, or 75.00 each.

Jonathan Romero

nursejromero@gmail.com

(757) 285-6017

Roy Weisert is selling Arete:

For Sale

Arete



1982 Watkins Sailboat

32 feet

4 foot draft (Great for bay)

27 HP 3 CYL Yanmar

Hot water heater

Refrigerator

Optima Batteries

Portable Air Conditioner

Well kept at Norfolk Naval Base

Hull and bottom repainted in Fall 2019

New sails in Fall of 2019

Took boat out twice in 2020

155 Genoa (Somerset Sails)

Main (Somerset Sails)

Great cruiser or racer (Willoughby Thursday Nights/222 rating)

Has been to Bermuda twice

Can find its way to the East River/Put-In Creek

Contact: Roy Weisert

Cell: 757-636-0632

weisert1@verizon.net

\$12,500

My father is selling his steam launch:

FOR SALE

Mase 22' Steam Launch 2005



For Sale: Mase 22' Steam Launch 2005

\$30,000 negotiable

This boat is a fiberglass Steam Launch. The hull particulars are LOA: 22'3", Beam: 7'10 1/2", Draft 2'2".

Located in Yorktown, VA and kept on a lift under the cover of an open boathouse. The price includes sea trial with a lesson on how to run the steam engine. The seller will be accessible for further advice and consultation by e-mail or text, if needed.

The engine is a Strath Steam Works SWAN compound steam engine (in-line) which is 3" and 5" bore with a stroke of 4". The engine drives a 20" x 30" three blade propeller, connected by a 1 1/4" shaft to the engine.

The boiler is a vertical fire tube, Hobby Steam Boilers, Limited Model VFT-40 wood fired. The boiler has a brass covered stainless steel stack on top of a steel hood and base. The boiler is lagged with mahogany and trimmed in brass. A four-chime whistle is mounted above the canopy.

The hydraulic steering system is by wheel with two stations one forward and one starboard.

The deck of the boat is a fiberglass component, that is cored for stiffness. Seating for six to eight persons, with perimeter benches. The captain occupies a portion of the starboard bench. The boat can be run single handed from this location.

The deck hardware is bronze/brass. A flag pole on bow and stern.

A fiberglass canopy on solid brass tubing framework. A scalloped edge of canvas around the entire canopy that is attached by snaps so that it can be removed. There are nine drop down curtains with transparent panels, that can be rolled up to the canopy.

There are solid brass navigation lights.

Price includes trailer a tandem (2) axle trailer, with surge brakes on the front axle.

For more information contact:

Gary Shulenburg Email: shuley812@gmail.com Cell 757-879-8345 or

Kirsten Thomas Email: kirstenthomas@msn.com Cell: 804-694-7392

Your illustrious secretary is selling a couple of items of interest... or not... you decide:

Contact info is karl.shulenburg@gmail.com or (757) 374-6034.



1/2" Dock line never used. 1
50' line left. \$25 OBO



25 pound Danforth anchor.
Came with the boat when
we bought it. Never used as
evidenced by the intact
label plate. New costs
roughly \$140. I'm good at
\$40... OBO

More to come... as soon as I can figure
out where I stored the pictures...

IT'S THE LAW. The U.S. Coast Guard require that all boats 16' and larger carry non-expired (current) day & nighttime approved signals.

CHECK YOUR FLARE DATES EVERY BOATING SEASON.
Flares are the most effective approved distress signals.





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a BoatU.S. Cooperating Group, you are invited to **become a BoatU.S. Member**
at a special rate:

**\$15 BoatU.S. Membership Dues
and 10% off Water Towing Services**

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NEW MEMBERS

Sign up online at **BoatUS.com/Join**
(enter your BoatU.S. Coop Group #
on the first page of the application)

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Membership@BoatUS.com

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- Marine insurance for boaters with 24/7 claims service
- Discounts on fuel, slips, repairs & more at over 1,200 boating businesses nationwide
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Broad Bay Sailing Association

2022 Executive Committee and Volunteers

Elected and Voting Board Members

Commodore	Jim DiSomma
Vice Commodore	Bob Magoon
Treasurer	Sergio Diehl
Secretary	Karl Shulenburg
Cruising Fleet Captain	Eric Brinsfield
Racing Fleet Captain	Jay Thompson
One Design Captain	Chris Schott
Training Captain	Larry Baun
Rear Commodore	Stephanie Sweeney

Volunteer Leaders

Training Committee	Larry Baun, Randy Goodman, Al Brazzi, Andy Spittler, Eric Brinsfield, Curt Hauger, Bill Wheary
Executive Committed Member at Large	-open-
Ship Store	Bev Borberg
Sunshine Committee	Vicki Layne
Membership Committee	Mary Anne Greblunas
Little Creek Sailing Association	Andy Spittler
Willoughby Racers	Curt Hauger and Al Brazzi
Hobie Fleet 32	Dan Berger and Kip Davis
PHRF Delegate	Jay Thompson
CBYRA Delegate	Jay Thompson
Leo Wardrup Memorial Cape Charles Cup	Al Brazzi
Webmaster	Eric Brinsfield

- The Commodore is ex-officio member of all committees.