

Broad Bay Banter

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Commodore's Corner

Judy Rose

All it takes are a few good days and boatyards are suddenly buzzing with activity as local sailors, BBSA members included, are hard at work getting ready for the start of the new season. Member boats have been spotted at all the yards in Little Creek.

BBSA cruisers recently met at the home of Jim and Bev Borberg and laid the foundations for another great cruising season. Later that weekend Jim and George Treiber plotted the course for a one week and two week summer cruise. More cruising information follows later in this issue.

On the racing front, both the Little Creek Sailing Association and the Willoughby Racers have started their racing seasons. Ten LCSA sailors raced on Wednesday evening. Thursday night 34 boats sailed in three classes.

Assorted BBSA members were spotted at the annual CCV rules clinic held at the Mariners Museum the evening of April 4th. John McCarthy presented an excellent interpretation of the CCV sailing instructions. As John notes, these are the instructions under which most of the Southern Bay races are run, and it certainly pays for racers to have more than a passing familiarity with them.

With the help of Bill Barnes, cruisers and racers alike boarded a bus on the evening of March 25th for the annual Cape Charles Race warm-up bus trip to Cape Charles. A good dinner, a few prizes, a loud band....what more could you ask for?

Thanks to Marie Quarnstrum and Bev Borberg for the snacks at the March meeting. Don't forget, this month's meeting will be on the American Rover on Tuesday the 25th. Boarding at 6:45PM, sailing at 7:00PM.

See you there!
Judy

April Meeting – American Rover Moonlight Sail

Enjoy a cruise on the Elizabeth River with our host, Captain Brook Smith, and his crew of the American Rover. Brook has been doing this for BBSA members for the last ten years or so in appreciation of the good times he had in his youth when sailing in BBSA events with his father Sonny and brother Trey.

We will board Rover at 1845 on Tuesday, April 25th, at Waterside. The ship's cash bar will be open and club volunteers will provide delicious hors d'oeuvres.

There is no charge for this cruise, however the crew will be working hard to earn your generous tip.

The Cape Henry Cup / The May Pot Luck Dinner and Awards Presentation

BBSA's Cape Henry Cup Race will be sailed on Saturday, May 20th. This is the first of four CBYRA sanctioned races sponsored by BBSA. The race is novel in that the larger boats race out through the Maryland Channel opening of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel and return through the Thimble Shoal Channel opening. BBSA sailors are urged to participate in this race which was first sailed in May 1974. The \$25 entry fee is waived for BBSA members.

On the following Tuesday, the 23rd, one of our famous pot luck dinners will feature the presentation of the Cape Henry Cup and other awards for the race.

The meeting will be held at Old Dominion University's Sailing Center. Mark your calendars for both these events. Details on the dinner will be found in the May Banter. The Notice of Race is on the BBSA website and the Sailing Instructions will soon be posted to the site.

Little Creek Regatta Kickoff Party - May 16th

Most BBSA folks know all about the Little Creek Regatta. This event was started by BBSAer Di Ricks as a charity sailboat race in memory of her father. The event has grown over the years to include a poker run, a fishing tournament and, new for this year, off-the-beach catamaran races. The event raises substantial funding in support of the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Although the Regatta isn't until August 5th, St. Jude's is hosting a kickoff party on Tuesday, May 16th from 6:00 until 9:00 at the East Beach Bay Front Club which is at the end of 25th Bay Street at 4550 East Beach Drive. (formerly East Ocean View Ave.)

If you are interested in racing or performing volunteer work for this wonderful cause, please join us. RSVPs are requested by May 1, and can be sent to BBSA@cox.net.

For more information (including driving instructions), visit WWW.LittleCreekRegatta.org and click on the "kick-off party" link at the bottom of the page.

Cruising News

By Jim and Bev Borberg

Waterside Cruise If you haven't made your reservations, do so now (new number is 625-3625) and tell them you are with BBSA. I made tentative reservations but they will only hold them until April 17. All Marinas are reluctant to hold tentative reservations, so don't delay or you may be left out. We plan to eat at the Outback Steakhouse and they would like to have a count on how many there will be. When you make your reservations let me know how many will be eating at the Restaurant. gnsailn@yahoo.com 460-1051

Memorial Day Cruise This is another reservation you need to make now because it is a popular place and a popular date. The dock master said he would block out 12 spaces until the end of the month but if he starts filling up, he could only give us the first right of refusal on firm reservations. This is not much of a commitment, but it is the best I could get. He also needs a credit card to guarantee a reservation. When you make your reservation tell them you are with BBSA.

2006 Cruising Schedule The complete schedule is contained in a separate PDF along with this Banter. If you have any questions on the cruises contact the leader or me at gnsailn@yahoo.com. We have a great schedule and at the cruise planning meeting there seemed to be lots of interest. As always, if you have any comments on improvements let us know.

One Design News

Little Bay Small Boats - Small Sailboat Racing On Willoughby Bay For The Novice Or The Serious Racer

Some of you are aware of a small boat series that we have been planning and you have expressed an interest in playing with us on Willoughby Bay. For those of you who have not heard, and for those interested sailors, the series is going to be held on Tuesday or Wednesday nights. Launching will be from the newly renovated public ramp at 13th View Street in Willoughby. We want to make this a fun, sailor friendly, event so your input would be greatly appreciated. We are looking to get some of those sailboats that are under tarps, buried in the garage or wherever they are and get them wet again. The following has yet to be determined: start time, size limit of boats and whether or not it will be on Tuesday or Wednesday night. It seems that Norfolk Naval Sailing Association is starting a Wednesday night series and they would be interested in us joining them.

Please contact us if small boat racing is what you have been looking for.

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Our BBSA one design races will be held at ODU on June 10th and July 22nd.

Jerry Pattenaude

Merrimac Memorial Regatta

Saturday May 27th (Memorial Day Weekend) - Hosted by the Portsmouth Boat Club

The annual Merrimac Memorial Regatta will again be held in the waters of the Elizabeth River off of Portsmouth City Park in Portsmouth, VA. The regatta is open to all sailboats 22' and under. Any 4 boats of the same class will receive their own start. The open fleet will be scored under the Portsmouth Handicap system. Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in all fleets. The skipper's meeting is at 09:00. The first gun is at 10:00. A Memorial Day cookout will be held at lunch. Racing will resume after lunch. Awards will be given out later in the afternoon.

WE ARE ASKING EVERYONE TO PRE REGISTER THIS YEAR!!!

Online registration is available at www.merrimacregatta.org/

You may pay the fee on the day of the regatta, but having our competitors register ahead of time will really help our Race Committee get organized ahead of time. It will also help sailors who do not know their Handicap find out ahead of time. Additionally, pre-registration will help us know how many one design classes there will be; this way we can get the correct number of trophies.

Camping and/or boat storage is available to out of town competitors at the Portsmouth Yacht Club.

Please see our web site for more information including the NOR, pictures and results from previous years: <http://www.merrimacregatta.org/>

Please feel free to contact Jack Herbert (Jack.Herbert@gmail.com) or Claude Nix (Claude@seadated.com) with questions.

Willoughby Racers

started their Thursday Night Series this week with 27 boats racing in 1 spinnaker and 2 non-spinnaker classes. A reporter from the Virginian-Pilot was on Scott and Karen Wolff's Tartan 33 "WOLFF TRAP"... be on the lookout for the upcoming story. The Thursday Night Series is broken into 7 races in each Spring, Summer, and Fall series. Please see our website www.broadbaysailing.org for more information or contact me directly at AnejoShot@aol.com. Registration forms, notice of race, and sailing instructions are available in the Willoughby Thursday Night Races section of the Downloads area.

Scott Almond

Willoughby Racers Coordinator

Membership News

The **2006 Roster of Members** will be mailed within the next few days.

WE WELCOME the following Willoughby Racers who now have full BBSA membership. Their profiles appear in the 2006 Roster of Members.

BALLINGER	WILLIAM R.	CAL 29 - 413 - "INSANITY"
COLLINS	JAMES	CATALINA - "LIQUID COURAGE"
DELOATCH	DON	CAL 30 - 630 - "MIDNIGHT SURRENDER"
HAINES	BRIAN	COLUMBIA - "TANQUERAY"
HARDY	MARTIN	CATALINA - "SIESTA"
HAUGER	CURT	S2 8.2 - 93320 - "ARBITRAGE"
LANT	JIM	COLUMBIA 40 - "NEPENTHE"
MOORE	JOHN B.	CS 36 - "LAMOUR"
MOORE	RAY	CATALINA 30 - "LONNIE J."
OKEEFE	PAUL V.	
RITGER	JOHN M.	J30 - 235 - "BLEW J"
SADOWSKI	TERRY	2000 LUGER - "FAIRWINDS"
SMITH	MIKE	HUNTER - "KARMA"
STORM	BILL	ALLIED SEAWIND II - "ALIBI II"
WEISERT	ROY E.	WATKINS - 93131 - "ARETE"

BBSA DECALS

It's been quite a while since we've had BBSA decals available. We are including three decals with your Roster of Members. These will include one each of the circular "face up" decal for outside use, one circular "face down" decal for inside window use, and one triangular "face up" burgee decal for outside use.

If you desire additional decals please:

send an email to broadbaysailing@cox.net, or

send a note to Jack Huenerberg
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