# Broad Bay Banter

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#### **JULY 2007**

#### Commodore's Corner

It is hard to believe that it's already July, which means our vacation to Greece is over and ALINGHI has successfully defended the America's Cup. I hope all enjoyed the cruising that June had to offer, because we're about to get down to some serious racing of our own!

First up is the Portsmouth Boat Club / BBSA Little Bay Challenge on July 21<sup>st</sup>. Last year, nine boats from the Evil Galactic Empire (HYC) came over to Little Bay and stole the perpetual trophy that was held by BBSA's Willoughby Racers. I urge all of you (WR and LCSA) to come out and bring it back! New to this year's race is a re-vamped and upgraded post-race party, which will be held at Rebel Marine at 7:00pm. The party, put on by the PBC, will feature plenty of good food, cold beverages, and a live band as well as the awards presentation. You won't want to miss this. Registration is easy at our website: <a href="https://www.broadbaysailing.org">www.broadbaysailing.org</a>

Next in line is the Little Creek Cup / Hampton Roads Regatta on August 4<sup>th</sup>, which benefits the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The notice of race / entry form has been posted on our website as well. Print out the form and send it to the address shown on the NOR. This year's event will be headquartered at the Ocean View Beach Park with racing right off Ocean View. This race was started by BBSA members and BBSA members need to support it now more than ever! Racing will be for CBYRA-sanctioned PHRF fleets (A,B,C,N) as well as non-sanctioned cruising fleets. If you're going to participate in one charity race this year, make it this one! Please join us for a good time and a RACE for the children!

Also this month is our second major One-Design / Dinghy regatta of the summer: the Richard B. Johnston Memorial Regatta on July 28. Racing will be in the Lafayette River behind the ODU sailing center. Grab your Laser, Sunfish, Shark, or Force 5 and come on out! More information is posted on our website.

Lastly, I'd like to remind everyone that the meeting this month is on July 24<sup>th</sup> (NOT the 17<sup>th</sup>) at the ODU sailing center at 7:00pm.

Hope to see everyone there!

Scott Almond commodore@broadbaysailing.org

# BBSA Meeting - Tuesday, July $24^{th} - 7:00 pm$

Mike Nestor has once again arranged with the Coast Guard permission for us to fire off our outdated flares. Come on out for a fun evening on the Lafayette River. Please bring a snack to share. Beverages will be provided by the club for a small donation.

#### **PHRF Racing News**

by Scott Almond

Ten BBSA members (Jim Williams, Graham Field, Mike Veraldi, Martin Casey, Mike Nestor, Leo Wardrup, Walter Boatwright, Bill Barnes, Larry Bryant, and Keith Carson) entered their boats in the very competitive Southern Bay Race Week held during the first weekend in June. Congratulations go out to **Mike Veraldi - QUICKY** for finishing 1st Overall (11 competitors) in PHRF C. Mike always brings his 'A' game to Southern Bay Race Week. Also deserving recognition are **Leo Wardrup - BLACK WIDOW and Walter Boatwright - PUFF CARD** for finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, respectively, in the Non-Spin A fleet (15 competitors). Nice job, guys!

Some upcoming dates of which to be aware:

July 21<sup>St</sup> – PBC / BBSA Little Bay Challenge

July 29<sup>th</sup> – NOT Smith Point Race (Race #2 in the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series) – <a href="https://www.ccvracing.org">www.ccvracing.org</a> August 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> – Little Creek Cup - CBYRA-Sanctioned Race #417

August 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> – Cape Charles Cup – CBYRA-Sanctioned Races #420-421 (Races #3 and #4 in the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series)

If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please check our website (<u>www.broadbaysailing.org</u>) or contact me directly.

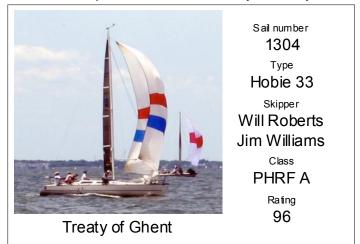
#### Cape Charles Cup

Jim Williams

Have you sent in your Cape Charles Cup entry yet? Here are three great reasons to enter now:

- 1. You pay the \$50 early entry fee instead of \$75
- 2. You can order your choice of tee shirt sizes and sleeve length
- 3. You can't get your picture in the Yearbook if you enter after July 31

Here's a sneak peak at the Yearbook entry for Treaty of Ghent:



I forgot to include the request on the entry blank, but please send your pictures to me for inclusion in the Yearbook. If you have a digital photo, use <a href="mailto:CCup@cox.net">CCCup@cox.net</a>. You can also send a print to me at the address listed in the BBSA roster. Please don't send anything that is irreplaceable. The Post Office has been mangling increasingly more items lately, and things have disappeared into the stacks of stuff on my desk that were last seen during the Carter administration.

An update on the social activities for Saturday evening is in order. What used to be the Cabana Bar above the restaurant is now the Cabana Room. It is no longer open on an everyday basis and the huge bar has been removed. Bay Creek now uses the Room for special events, and they have booked a great band for dancing. That event is open to the public, so expect to mingle with locals and those unfortunate, land-bound tourists. We'll have music on the pier again this year, but the REAL rabble will be raised in the Cabana Room.

If you haven't decided whether to participate, please decide to JOIN US! This event is growing like crazy, but we must have solid support by BBSA members if we are to become a great event for the entire Southland.

#### **Cruising News**

#### Two Week Cruise

Our annual two week cruise began, Saturday, June 16. We all started the trip with warm clothing on down to swim suits, prepared for everything. We sailed for about 8 miles and then motor sailed to Jackson Creek Anchored with Wind Walker (Charlie and Kathie Roberts), Restless VII (Sonny Smith and Donna Chapman) Dreamtime (Jim and Bev Borberg) and a welcome surprise when Beach Magic (Bill and Chris Beach) arrived. Most of us had not seen them much since their return from Fla. They came for the night before joining the one week cruise. Cocktails on Wind Walker started our cruise off in good spirits.

- 6-17, Underway for Somers Cove Marina in Chrisfield. The winds were not in our favor so we motored a bit. After drinks on Dreamtime, we all (Wind Walker, Dreamtime, and Restless VII) had dinner at the very excellent Waterman's restaurant. This is a small intimate restaurant with delicious food, probably the best of the entire trip.
- 6-18, On our way to Solomons and Zahniser's. The light wind didn't help much coming out of the South and we are going North. Rhumba (Fritz and Sancy Isham) joined us here. We had time for the pool, relaxing and, of course, cocktails and then a nice stroll into town for dinner at DiGiovanni's, a good Italian restaurant.
- 6-19, No sailing today, a day of complete relaxation. Some were at the pool, others shopping, and some spending a lot of time in their air conditioned boat. Very hot, but we strolled again downtown for dinner at Stoney's Kingfischers.
- 6-20, Restless VII started home today. We were headed towards Knapps Narrow and this was a tough day on the boat. Winds were NW 10-15 with gusts to 20 or more. Big waves and lots of spray. Dreamtime had trouble getting into the marina, so were directed to the float. Still too shallow, but were able to tie up about 18" out until the tide came up. Fortunately they were able to get off in time to meet in the Tiki Bar before dinner.
- 6-21, Had the continental breakfast at Knapps Narrow and then on our way at almost high tide. Had a great sail up to Miles River and St. Michaels. When we arrived some took advantage of the shopping downtown St. Michaels and some and rested before drinks at Foxy's conveniently located right in front of our boats. Off to dinner at the Crab Claw. Food was all right, but the restaurant is too busy and everyone is rushed.
- 6-22, We didn't have to leave until noon so we waited for Mariah (Doug and Judy Rose) to arrive. They sailed overnight and arrived in good shape. After all of this sailing, and lack of sleep Doug even was hauled up Fritz's mast to retrieve a spinnaker halyard, and Sancy was relieved Doug arrived when he did so she didn't have to go up the mast! Doug and Judy stayed at the marina and we all headed for the Wye River and anchored. Was cool and windy and after drinks on Rhumba everyone cooked their first onboard dinner, which was really enjoyable.
- 6-23, Wind Walker left early this morning and Rhumba and Dreamtime motored around to the North side of Wye Island and anchored. The Roses joined us here. Some read or did Sudoko puzzles and all took dinghy rides. Drinks on Dreamtime and another onboard dinner.
- 6-24, We all decided to go to Dun Cove for our next anchorage. Motored through Poplar Island Narrows and saw a few 7'. A beautiful setting for anchorage. About a dozen boats came in after us. Cocktails on Mariah, and that night was rainy and windy.
- 6-25, It was a grey day on our way to Spring Cove Marina where Charlie and Kathie were waiting for us. We had a cookout and we all agreed that this food was better than many restaurants we normally eat at.
- 6-26, An early 6:30 a.m. start because wind again from S at 15 kn. A variety of winds for the day with a nice 10kn NW that gradually went W and died and then after Smith Point more S 10kn wind and we had a really nice sail to Mill Creek with only one short tack. Wind Walker departed for Reedville for dinner at the Crazy Crab, but Dreamtime, Rhumba and Mariah anchored for the usual cocktails and dinner onboard.
- 6-27, We started sailing as soon as the anchor was up, and took two tacks and sailed to our anchorage across from the Indian River Yacht Club. Wind Walker and Rhumba went into slips at the Club and Mariah and Dreamtime anchored. This was one of the hottest days, in the 90's with a heat index of over 100. Mariah didn't like the anchorage so they picked up anchor and went to Dozier's Marina at Broad Creek. Dreamtime stayed on and went by dinghy across the creek to the Yacht Club for drinks on Wind Walker and a very good dinner at the Yacht Club.

Made it back across the creek and it was a bit cooler. A very nice evening.

6-28, We were meeting Mariah at Doziers in Broad Creek so we didn't hurry getting underway. The Isham's left to visit friends on the Corrottoman River. We sailed to Windmill Point and then powered to the entrance to Broad Creek. A little concerned about the depth, but there was 7.3 feet. Mariah, Wind Walker and Dreamtime were all tied up together on the float. Another hot day so most went to the pool or did a bit of rocking on their porch. We all gathered at the picnic area at the usual cocktail time of 5:30. A couple the Rose's had met at the pool joined us for drinks. They were originally from Ca. and knew some of Judy's friends. About 6:30 the bar b q started. Another delicious meal and after that we sat on the rocking chairs on the porch or in the air conditioned room at the marina trying to figure out the TV! We went back to our boats in the rain. Very windy and stormy that night.

6-29, A front was coming through so we all decided to stay another day. We were having a good time so didn't mind at all. Not so hot this day, but lots of sun. More time at the pool and going downtown and, of course, some rocking on that wonderful porch. Cocktails by the pool and then another cook out. Two other couples used the table next to us. They both had huge 60 to 70 foot powerboats and really laughed when we were complaining filling up with 11 gallons of diesel in our dinghy engine. This was the last night of our cruise and what a wonderful time we all had.

6-30, Time to go home. Cloudy and nice but little NE-NW wind. We waited until around 8:00 and then headed South. There were some showers behind our boats but we didn't get any rain.

It was a wonderful cruise with a little bit of "everything" from a lot of wind to no wind and some sailing that Fritz called sweet sailing. Good company, good food and drink, a variety of anchorages and marinas and now we all look forward to next year doing just about the same thing. Those of us who started at the beginning and continued on to the end sailed around 407 miles, averaging 30 miles per day.

#### **History of the Concrete Ships**

Bob Hackett has supplied the following

"I ran across this web site while browsing. <a href="http://www.concreteships.org">http://www.concreteships.org</a>. I have been to the concrete ships of Kiptopeke many times and heard info concerning them was difficult to come by. Some of the BBSA members may find this interesting as it does take it out of the hearsay realm. Greetings and the best to all my former sailing buddies -" Bob Hackett

#### A Note From Barbara Williams

To all our BBSA friends, please accept my sincere appreciation and thanks for the lovely cards and beautiful flowers. Jim and I have received so many wishes for my speedy recovery and we are truly grateful to have so much encouragement from all our friends.

The good news is that the doctor thinks that I can start bearing weight on my right leg in early August!

Thanks again,

Barbara Williams

### Congratulations To Charlie and Kathy

Charlie and Kathie Roberts will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary around August 10.

## **Membership News**

We have renewed our Cooperating Group Agreement with BoatUS for 2007-2008. BBSA members may join BoatUS for \$12.50, half of the regular annual \$25.00 dues rate.

#### We welcome Little Creek Sailors:

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