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#### **COMMODORE'S CORNER**

Commodores Corner:

My thanks to Phil Harrison, Dave Hughes and the ODU sailing center for putting together a great meeting last month. I am sorry that I missed it and the opportunity for my crew to actually shoot off the various flares we have onboard vice just reading the directions on how. Hopefully those of you that attended found it enlightening and I hope that we can do it again next year. It was unfortunate, but I had an opportunity for a two week sail with my Dad in the BVI, how could I pass that up. The Virgin Islands are truly a sailor's paradise, perfect temperatures, great winds (for two weeks it blew a constant 15-18kts, with a few gusts) and idyllic anchorages. We chartered a Jeanneau 52, a wonderful boat to sail and although I am not sure what its PHRF is, we did manage when sailing to keep it above 7kts, and as high as 9.6kts over ground when we beat our way to Anegada. If the number of pictures you take (blame the digital age) is a reflection of how great a time you are having, then our trip must have been over the top as we now have over 700 pictures, although by the time we are done I am sure that maybe a 100 will survive. I am ready to go back, and maybe one of these years we can organize a BBSA flotilla to cruise the islands.

August is here already and the BBSA calendar has various events planned for both cruisers and racers, which I hope are on your calendars as well. These include the Cape Charles Race next weekend and our cruises planned for the Pagan River at the end of the month and the Labor Day weekend cruise to the Warwick Yacht Club.

This month's meeting will be at 7:00PM on 17 August at the Laffin Gull Grill, located at Bay Pointe Marina. We have reserved the deck, and the restaurant has a whole new menu which they have just debuted. I hope to see everyone there where I look forward to catching up with everyone and hear all about the cruises I missed while I was gone

As mentioned previously, please don't forget to send me (<a href="mailto:sergio.diehl@cox.net">sergio.diehl@cox.net</a>) those great pictures you take while on the water, and I will paste them on our facebook page and include them in our end of year montage for all of our members to see. See you on the water,

#### CRUISING

## **Bev Borberg's Cruising Report**

is in a seperate document. See the covering email.

### FROM VICE COMMODORE BRENDAN DRINKWATER

The future of the past comm.

It has been one busy summer of sailing and racing! Southren bay race week in june, Screwpile in July, and sonar one design racing up in fishing bay, Last but not least Buzzurds Bay Regatta on a J-41 in 18-20 knots (old race boat, still had wire to rope halyards).

Also I worked at J-world in annapolis for a few course's. A large part of the course is learning man over

board drills, quick stop and the figure 8.
Good thing for every yachts person to know.
Sail on!
Don't forget to check your bilges, and the pins on the rigging Brendan Drinkwater

### **RACING**

# **Cape Charles Cup Report**

By Jim Williams

The skippers' bags are packed, the food is on order and the committee boat is gassed up and ready! Eightynine boats entered the seventh annual Cape Charles Cup Regatta, continuing our pattern of growing every single year since it started. Also following our tradition, the tee shirts are even nicer than last year. Thanks to everyone who make this event possible. The organizing committee consists of Sergio Diehl, Scott and Megan Almond, Bill Barnes and Vicki Zimmerman, John and Lin McCarthy, Jerry and Jean Pattenaude and Barbara Williams, all of whom rescue me throughout the process. Vicki Wilson assists with all things clerical and lots of manual labor, while Finance Chairman Leo Wardrup ensures that the life blood of the event -money- is in adequate supply. But the most important element of the event are the racers! Thank you for your continuing support.

### **PHRF Racing News**

by Scott Almond racing@broadbaysailing.org

37 boats turned out for this year's PBC/BBSA Little Bay Challenge on July 17th to witness Hampton Yacht Club spank the competition in the team event. Participation by BBSA members was weak and for the first time since I can remember, Team Willoughby Racers finished last among the 4 eligible teams. Once again, PBC put on an outstanding post-race party complete with plenty of food and a live band. Big thanks to Rebel Marine for allowing us the use of their marina for the party. Also, special thanks to Martin Casey and Famous Uncle Al's on Holland Road for providing the Race Committee boat.

## Top BBSA Finishers:

RED FLEET - 1st Place - MIRAGE, Christian Schaumloffel WHITE FLEET - 2nd Place - MARGARITA, Harry Tenney WHITE FLEET - 3rd Place - STINGRAY, Don DeLoatch BLUE FLEET - 3rd Place - LONA, Carey Hardesty

Complete results can be found on our website at: http://www.broadbaysailing.org/racing/phrf.asp

Coming up this weekend is the Cape Charles Cup ( www.CCCup.net ) with 89 boats entered... looking forward to seeing you out there!

Some upcoming dates of which to be aware:

Plantation Light – August 20 – Race #6 in the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series (CBDRS) - www.hamponyc.com Neptune?s Atlantic Regatta – September 25th – Race #7 in the CBDRS – www.broadbaysailing.org CCV Fall Series #3 - October 3 - Race #8 in the CBDRS - www.ccvracing.org

### **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

We are pleased to welcome these new members:

# Tom and Annette Connors David and Bekah Turnnicliffe

Page 27 of the 2010 Roster of Members is now filled up with additions.

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We have a lot of cruising information starting with the June write-ups until our most recent Warwick cruise last week end. A lot of reading, but it shows the fun that we have been having all summer long.

## ONE WEEK CRUISE – DON AND JEWELL SNYDER

The one-week cruise can be summed up in three words. HOT AND SWIMMING POOL.

We started Saturday, June 19 with a great sail to Back Creek and anchoring just inside in Claxton Creek. The weather was pleasant, and we had a good first night.

The next day we started out sailing for Cobb Creek on the Piankatank River, and got to Wolftrap when the wind died, and I had bad thoughts of the lovely shelter on Cobbs Creek with no breeze. I was right as we got to the center of the creek, it was beyond hot. The good news was that Jack Ainslie had gotten there ahead of us and set up our use off the pool and air conditioned condo of his good friends, Bob and Carol Hunt. We swam and cooked out of their house which saved our lives as the heat was really cranking up.

The next day we went to Dozier Regatta Point and stayed in the pool and cooked out with the use of their air conditioned club house. We were going to go to Mill Creek on Tuesday, but knowing there would be only super heat and no breeze in Mill Creek, I made the decision to stay another night at Dozier's in the pool!

On Wednesday, we ventured to Indian Creek to the Yacht Club and their pool and great dining room. A couple of our group crossed over to Onancock to see the town as they had not been there before. The temperature that day in Malfa was a wonderful 116 degree heat index. We left Indian Creek the next morning and headed for Fishing Bay; the plan to anchor out was cancelled in favor of Fish Bay Harbor Marina and a large swimming pool. We cooked out and ate next to the pool and had the use of the air conditioned clubhouse.

On Friday we were to go to Severn River, but the heat index was climbing, so we went to Back River where we spent an okay night with a sea breeze kicking in at about 10 - 12 knots.

Saturday morning, all headed home. Jewell and I arrived at Hampton Yacht Club and had loaded everything up on our way back to the dock. We got to HYC at noon and bailed out as quickly as possible as the temperature was at 99 degrees.

The week went well, and we all adapted to the conditions as best as possible.

To all who went, I hope you had a good time. I want to especially thank Bob and Carol Hunt on Cobbs Creek and a big thank you to Jack for setting us up.

I also want to thank the Swimming Pool Manufacturers of America as they were our close sailing buddies on this trip.

Those who made this fun trip were Don and Jewell Snyder (Marigot), Phil and Ginger Harrison (Foxy Lady), Chip and Lemoine Jones (Virginia Breeze), Jack Ainslie (Ouzo), George and Nina Treiber (Cheshire Cat), Jerry and Jean Pattenaude (Shangrila), John and Mary Bergman (Bay Dreamer II) and Jack and Rita Mitchell (Jack's or Better)

I have only one correction on Sergio's write-up. Jim Currie was the champion croquet player. He bumped Jim Borberg out of that position!

# 2010 Two Week Summer Cruise

Plan's for this year's summer cruise actually started while a number of BBSA members were rocking on the deck of the Dozier's Marina on the last night of the 2009 Cruise. Our thoughts at that time were, "wouldn't it be interesting to explore some of the Potomac River and its tributaries, maybe even sail as far north as Washington." In the end we decided to not go so far but we did manage to explore the lower half of the river. The cruise departed from the various Marinas in Hampton Roads on 18 June with a flotilla of ten boats; L'Attitude, Dreamtime, Windwalker, Sea Doc, Mariah, Rhumba, Ouzo, Beach Magic, Restless VIII and Modus Vivendi.



**Jackson Creek:** Day one had us all anchoring in Jackson Creek just in time for a beautiful sunset, it would seem that this creek is has become the starting point for a number of our cruises. A wonderful day on the water although we did not have enough wind for the entire passage, we did manage to spend a good part of the day under sail. Once anchored, cocktails onboard Modus Vivendi at 1700, a

tradition we maintained throughout the cruise onboard a host boat, or even sometimes on the dock.

Onancock: Our original plan for this cruise was to zig zag back and forth across the bay as we worked our way northward into the Potomac River in order to sail as much as possible. Amazingly enough our plan worked, and the winds were out of the southeast at 12kts making for a beam reach across the bay. A day of sailing, with all of us arriving at the town dock before 1500, enough time to wander over and sit on the Liar's bench too trade sea stories and then to wander around town. Onancock is a delightful little town with some fun shops to poke around in. Unfortunately as I write this, the hardware store on Main Street which carried such a wide assortment of items, I can almost guarantee that you would find what you needed, has closed. The owner has decided to retire and sell off everything. Once back to at the marina, we all gathered onboard Windwalker for our nightly cocktail and nibbles before heading off to

the Charlotte Hotel for a spectacular

dinner.

The Glebe, Coan River: A beautiful morning for another sail across the bay and our entrance into the Potomac. The Onancock Creek for those that have not navigated here previously, is a beautiful river, which meanders back and forth for 8NM between its entrance on the Bay and the Town Dock. The channel is fairly wide with good water, but one must



remain focused as it is quite easy to steer a course to the subsequent mark and not the next one. Once out in the bay the flotilla hoisted sail to navigate a rhumb line south of Tangier Island directly to Smith Point. The day started well, once again a Beam Reach, but as happens to often in the summer the wind died, leaving us to motor sail the remainder of the way across the bay and the six or so nautical miles up the Potomac River. Of course the wind came up just as we were to enter the Coan, the Gods do have a sense of humor. Our arrival in the Glebe was made even easier as Chris onboard Beach Magic provided each of us directions around a sand bar protecting the entrance to our anchorage saving me and others from spending the night anchored by the keel. Once we were all anchored, cocktails and hors d'oeurvre onboard Beach Magic before we were all serenaded by Jim Currie onboard Sea Doc with his Bag Pipes, which was to become a nightly event.

**Lower Machodoc – Coles Neck:** A short sail today, less than 20NM, from the Coan River to our next anchorage on the Virginia side of the Potomac. Temperatures had started to climb, although with the slight breeze in the evening it was quite comfortable sleeping down below. The day started well with a 5kt breeze albeit in the direction we wanted to go, but still a very pleasant sail. One item of interest, while navigating up the river I passed very close to a buoy marking the position of an old German U-boat, apparently sunk there by the U.S. Navy once all of the information regarding her acoustic coatings

had been gleaned from her. Today she is a protected land mark and provides good diving for those willing to descend to 85 feet in the Potomac River. Of course our wind died shortly after, and about 1400 I gave in and started the iron genny for the rest of the trip. A peaceful night, with cocktails onboard Sea Doc and of course Jim's Bag Pipes. The cruising guide lists Branson Marina, a full service marina including Fuel, water and ice, located in Branson Cove inside the Lower Machdoc, but our exploration revealed that this marina is no longer operating and the docks appear to be slowly sinking back into the river.

Colonial Beach: Continuing up the Potomac we have now reached the approximate half way point to Washington D.C. Departing the Lower Machodoc at a reasonable hour, we motored the short distance to this old gambling town, (the casino on the pier out on the river is actually situated in Maryland but no longer provides for gambling other than off-track betting). What wind we had was on the stern at less than 5kts, and with the temperatures rising we were all looking forward to getting the a/c plugged in.. This Marina has been rebuilt twice in the last few years, first because of Isabella and then a fire which I understand destroyed the majority of the docks. A wonderful place to stop and I must say the staff was fantastic. As it happens we discovered that the Marina is closed on Tuesdays, but the staff agreed to come in on their day off to help us all dock and get situated. Once fueled it was time to explore, even though the temperatures had already reached into the upper 90's we set off. The short walk into town was a little longer than expected and in a very short time I was completely soaked. Finding a new coffee house open, built from the remnants of an old Esso Station, I quickly made my way in to enjoy the a/c and some water. This is a very friendly town and within a few minutes of entering, I had struck up a conversation with a few of the locals who provided me a complete town history as well as a who's who of Colonial Beach. It was quite enjoyable, especially for me who has never lived anywhere where everyone knew everyone. Once back at the Marina, and with the temperatures cooling a little we had our cocktails on the dock and then found a taxi to take us back into town to the Happy Clam, one of two restaurants in town that was open. The other being an Indo Asian Thai Fusion restaurant, which may have been the better choice. The Happy Clam was good, providing us with all of the southern comfort food we could eat in a family style dining room. If you like fried food, especially sea food, this is a great place.

**St. Clements Creek – Canoe Neck Creek:** The weather forecast for today and for the next few days was for record high temperatures. As our route today was short, we decided to spend the morning in

Colonial Beach allowing us a few more hours of air-conditioned comfort, and enough time to watch the U.S. play their last qualifying game, which they won winning the group and advancing into the knock out round of the World Cup. Once underway, the afternoon breeze had filled making for a nice sail down the river to our next anchorage on the Maryland side of the river. A great sail, taking us by Calverts Point, too bad we did not have the time to stop and visit the museum which is the first landing by the English in



Maryland. The landing today is marked by a white cross located next to the museum and is on my list for places to visit. The Creek is a marvelous anchorage, with plenty of water as long as you stay away from any of the points and is the site of the Morris Point Restaurant. Normally this restaurant is only open on the weekends, but we had made prior arrangements and they opened the restaurant for a private dinner for our group. We can all thank Chris Beach for setting this up, as this restaurant is well worth the trip. Due to the extreme heat of the afternoon, good for swimming but not for sitting onboard a boat enjoying our nightly cocktail, we decided to forgo the normal cocktail hour onboard and instead opted to go directly to the restaurant for cocktails. The restaurant far exceeded all of our expectations, and no matter which of the seafood dishes ordered, all will rave about the meal. My personal favorite was the stuffed Rock Fish, which is their signature dish. The weather although very warm during the day did cool off that night, and it was not to uncomfortable, but in the morning the group decided that we needed to revise our plans and instead of anchoring the next night in the St. Mary's River, we chose to bypass the anchorage and head straight to St. Mary's Yachting Center (formerly Dennis Point).



st. Mary's Yachting Center: As we were experiencing some of the hottest weather we had seen in years, we decided to spend the next two nights at the Marina, enjoying our A/C and the Marina's pool, which by now was slowly becoming a hot tub. The marina staff was quite friendly, although they were a little understaffed, it is a superb place to relax and enjoy all of the amenities including a good restaurant and bar overlooking the pool and marina. St. Mary's was our first layover that provided us a locale for a barbeque and

get together under the trees. The only drawback was that there were no grills available so after enjoying our nightly cocktails in the picnic area we headed back to our boats to prepare dinner, meeting back at the picnic area to share our meal. Following dinner, we all sat back to await the forecasted thunderstorm, one of the few times I was hoping for a good soak and blow. Of course since that is what we wanted, all we could do was watch the show in the distance, no rain or wind at the Marina. Thank goodness for A/C.

**Great Wicomico:** Our second morning at the Marina had all of the makings of a beautiful morning, no haze and the heat wave had finally broken. Our plans had us leaving the Potomac today, starting our trek southwards. As I mentioned in last month's Commodores Corner, this was a frustrating morning as I managed to run aground a total of three times trying to avoid the sand bar which extends off the point. Eventually I found my way around the bend and hoisted all sails for what looked to be a good sail south. Winds today were forecast out of the SE at 12kts, but what we found upon entering the Potomac were

winds on the nose and seas which made for a bumpy ride on the river and a washing machine at Smith Point. Once around the point the seas settled down a little and we managed a fast sail with winds across the deck just a little above 20 kts. So much for those 12kt winds. I should not complain, this was the worst weather that we experienced during the entire 18 day trip, and it was now considerably cooler, almost cold. We all anchored in the Cove across from Horn Harbor, our dinner destination following cocktails onboard Beach Magic. The restaurant is an easy dinghy ride across the Wicomico, and is well worth the trip as dinner was very good, and I must say that this is becoming one of my favorite seafood establishments on the Bay. The only concern is when you are done with dinner and of course those one or two drinks, you have to get back into the dinghy for the ride back in the dark. I managed to stay dry this year, but in previous years both feet did not exactly make it into the boat.

Indian Creek: We awoke to a beautiful morning in the cove, after having to break out a blanket to sleep the night before. Today we were off to Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club, which has always been a great place to stop. The facilities are great, with a large pool to lounge beside and a wonderful restaurant. Following yesterdays washing machine ride, the weather forecast today was for 10kt winds out of the North and we were all looking forward to a relaxing run down the Bay. Once again, the winds failed to materialize and we were all left to motor the short 18NM to the club. Arriving at Indian Creek we were all a little leery regarding the docking arrangements. This is a very tight marina, with shoal water a mere 50 or so feet from the west side of the docks, which of course is where the majority of us were destined to moor. Not much room to maneuver, although it was not as difficult to enter as we had originally thought. It was the leaving which was to be more interesting, but more on that later. The club was great and as always demonstrated their southern hospitality and charm. As in prior visits to the club, we decided to forego our normal cocktails on the dock, opted to visit the club bar instead.

The Tides Inn, Carter's Creek: The morning winds were blowing out of the Southwest, making it rather

more difficult to maneuver out of our assigned slips. The challenge of course was to back out of the slip, remember there is not much more than one boat length for maneuvering room before we go aground, and bring the bow through the wind without being blown back down onto the





other boats on the dock. The good news I suppose, was that the wind was going to blow me back on the dock and not into shoal water. With enough lines and the help of the rest of the flotilla we all managed to get underway without scratching ourselves or worse someone else and we headed down river. The wind today had picked up quite a bit from the previous days leg, which had the majority of the flotilla sailing south with a single reef in the main as we headed towards Wind Mill Point for our run up the Rappahannock River. Today we were headed for the Tides Inn, for two days of pampering, relaxation around the pool and the world famous BBSA Croquet tournament. We all arrived at the Tides shortly after lunch following a great sail and spent the majority of the afternoon enjoying the pool, prior to cocktails in the club. If you are unsure of what to order, I should recommend the clubs famous lemonade (not for people under 21). One is good but too many more and you will be guaranteed a good night's sleep. Dinner was in the Chesapeake room, where dinner was good, but not as good as in years gone past. It is sad to say that without some changes, the Inn will probably not last, at least as we know it, for too many more years. Most of the facilities were not operating, such as the restaurant by the pool due to the low occupancy and had it not been for a corporate conference we might have been the only guests. All that being said, we still all had a very good time and did manage to hold both a golf tournament on the executive course and a croquet tournament on the lawn. The golf tournament was won by Jim Currie, although being Scottish and the fact that he brought his own clubs should have been a warning to us all. The croquet tournament, I believe for the second time was won by Jim Borberg, but then again we did make up the rules as went along. As far as my golf was concerned, thank goodness I can navigate a channel better than I can get a ball down the fairway, for if my boat followed the course of my ball I would surely be aground before I even left my own marina. The Currie's hosted the cocktail party on the dock, serving Pimms, which was a drink new too many but from what I saw was eagerly snapped up by all. Jim once again, serenaded all of us with his pipes, which everyone loved and I can see that he will have to schedule his time to ensure that he participates in all of our cruises.

**Corrotoman:** Having been pampered sufficiently, we all headed back out into the Rappahannock for our short cruise to the Eastern Branch of the Corrotoman. This is one of my favorite anchorages along the bay, and provides such a wonderful setting for any evening. With all of the hot weather we now found ourselves in the middle of a school (if that is the right term) of Sea Nettles. No longer could we swim off the boat, as we had during all of the previous week. No matter where you looked all you could see were these alien creatures. Wall to Wall stingers.

Piankatank, Cobbs Creek: The forecast for the morning called for 15-20 knot winds which should be perfect for the sail down the Rappahannock, around Stingray Point and then back up the Piankatank. The sail was a little bumpy as you approached the point, but still did not reach the washing machine agitation of the Potomac. Once around the point and into the Piankatank, both the seas and wind calmed and we had a wonderful beam reach all the way to Cobbs Creek. The entrance to Cobbs Creek is interesting, and requires that you stay within the channel as the creek is well protected by the lee shore on one side and a sand bank on the other. Our charted depths showed only 5 feet of water as you moved south in the creek where we planned to anchor in the vicinity of the home of Bob and Carolyn Hunt, but we were assured by the locals that in fact that there was considerably more, and each of us anchored in water depths between 8-10 feet. A stunning creek which should be explored by all as it winds back quite a ways and is straddled by high banks, woods and old boat houses. Bob and Carolyn

hosted us to a wonderful evening on their deck, where we enjoyed both the Cocktail hour followed by a BBQ.

**Deltaville Marina:** The last night of the two week cruise. We had a short sail to Jackson Creek along the Piankatank where we tied up at the Marina just after lunch. This was my first time at this Marina and was quite surprised at their full service and amenities. Once docked, we headed to the pool for a relaxing afternoon, although some of the group availed themselves of the marina bicycles to wander into town and explore. The Marina also has a covered screened in deck, which we took full advantage off, squeezing all of us in for the evening cocktail hour and BBQ.

**Mobjack Bay:** As we start our last leg south, the wind is once again forecast to be out of the North, although at only 3Kts, so once again we were motoring south. The ride was fairly uneventful, my crew were mostly still sleeping down below as we headed south past Gwynn's Island and Wolf Trap Light. We did find one interesting side light that even brought my crew up out of the cabin, we spotted a sunken power boat, down by the stern in approximately 18 feet of water. The Coast Guard of course was broadcasting on the ½ hour a notice to mariners and from what we were able to learn the power boat had gone down the preceding day, although no one was sure why but it was becoming quite the attraction just east of New Point Comfort. A strange site, and to this day I have not heard as to what caused the boat to go down, although we have come up with many different scenarios. Following our sightseeing trip we turned westward toward

What a great cruise. We all very much enjoyed all of the places we visited, the company of the other BBSA boats and crew, and of course Jim's nightly serenade on the Bag Pipes. I am sure there are many more stories that all of us could tell, each I am sure made more humorous with the passing of time. I wonder what the plans are for next year.

## July 3, 4 and 5 4th of July Cruise

The cruise was amended to be two days in the East River. The interim layover in the Severn River was dropped due to a general lack of interest. Everyone was excited about spending as much time as possible in the beautiful East River.

The group anchored off of Pete and Sue Jennette's home, across the river from Put In Creek. Attending were Buck Harrison and Leslie on L'attitude, Doug and Judy Rose on Mariah, Jim and Bev Borberg on Dreamtime, Sergio Diehl and Misty on Modus Vivendi, John and Mary Bergman on Bay Dreamer II, Jack Ainslie and his brother Jim, who was visiting from Florida, on Ouzo, George and Nina Treiber on Cheshire Cat, Bill and Chris Beach on Beach Magic, and Phil and Ginger Harrison on Foxy Lady.

Steamed crabs were enjoyed in the shade of large trees in the Jenette's yard. There was a friendly game of volleyball in the pool. Enjoying a home court advantage, Pete's team won. These activities were followed by much socializing and a cookout. The evening was capped with a sky brightening fireworks display, compliments of Jack Ainslie. The Jenette's were fabulous hosts.

During the day, there was plenty of dinghy exploring, including visits to Jack Ainslie's new homesite on Miles Creek. It holds a lot of promise for being a great future cruising destination. Stay tuned for further details

July 17-18, Tidewater Yacht Agency Cruise

A fairly large number of BBSA members went by both water and land yachts to Tidewater Yacht Agency in Portsmouth. Attending were the Ainslie's, Bergman's, Borberg's, Currie's, Ginger Harrison, Jones's, Morgan's, Pattenaude's, Roberts's, Rose's, Shulenberg's, Sonny Smith and Donna. Many who came enjoyed the "in the water" pool at TYA before everyone gathered on the docks for social hour and appetizers. The group then adjourned to The Deck restaurant where all enjoyed a wonderful meal and the gorgeous view from the second floor.

August 7-8 – Warwick Yacht Club Family Cruise was delightful with perfect weather. More will follow on this fun trip.

August 14-15 Cape Charles Race

August 28-29 - Jones Creek, at Rescue, Virginia Cruise, Geroge and Nina Treiber, 393-2227, cell 342-9900, george@treiber.hrcoxmail.com

Chuck- a- Mucks is a small quaint place with limited seating but excellent Seafood and warm hospitality. Chuck and his Wife are reserving the captains table for us that seats 12 at 5:00 o clock Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> so we can get in and out before the regular rush. This will allow them to provide us with personal service. Chuck is going to reserve 4 slips. I will get there early and Bill & Chris, (Beach Magic) will raft up to me . Jack Ainslie (Ouzo) will come by boat & Art Quarnstrom (RIE)has also confitmed. The depth of the water as you turn left into Jones creek is 4 feet at low tide. The Menu & Directions can be found on his web site ( captainchuck@mucks.com ) Tel # is 356-1005. Hope to see you all there by boat or land schooner. Smooth Sailing George & Nina. I think this might be George's birthday so this will contribute to the party atmosphere. Please let George and Nina know if you can attend. There will be room for anchoring and more for dinner.

WARWICK YACHT CLUB, September 4, 5 and 6, Mike Nestor and Eva Dailey, Mike 696 0070, Eva 714 3536, atcon2473@aol.com, devadailey@aol.com

HOPE TO HAVE MANY JOIN US... PLEASE E-MAIL US WITH YOUR BOAT INFORMATION.....NAME/LENGTH/WIDTH/DEPTH......SLIPS WILL BE

ASSIGNED... SO LET US KNOW EARLY. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING MANY THERE

Eva & Mike......Tell Tales

## September 8, 9, 10 and 11 SEPTEMBER DINING CRUISE

The cruise will start Wednesday, September 8 with a visit to York River Yacht Haven (804.642.2156) on Sarah Creek, where we will have dinner at River's Inn on the premises at 6:30. A cocktail party will be on Wind Walker at 5:30 (BYOB). Dress for dinner is smart casual. The next morning we will proceed to Dozier's Regatta Point (804.776.8400), Broad Creek, Rappahannock River for a picnic at the marina. The picnic will begin at 6:30 with a cocktail hour at 5:30 (BYOB) at the picnic site. Each boat will bring their meat and a dish to share; need someone to bring munchies for the cocktail hour. On Friday, September 10, we will visit Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club on Indian Creek for dining at 6:30. The dress code is for a collared shirt, long trousers, shoes and socks with comparable dress for women. No head gear, flip-flops or denim clothing will be worn in the club. We will arrange a cocktail hour at 5:30 on the site. The final destination will be Cape Charles Town Docks (331.2375) where we will dine at Kelley's Pub at 6:30. This is a short walk from the marina. We'll have a cocktail party arranged on arrival.

# Coordinating Instructions:

- 1. Kathie and Charlie Roberts are the sponsors of the cruise @497-5783 or <a href="mailto:chassail@infionline.net">chassail@infionline.net</a>. Please contact us for all your requirements at Indian Creek and the number for meals at the other two restaurants and the picnic.
- 2. You are responsible for your reservations at the three marinas; see telephone numbers, above. I have a blanket BBSA request and Wind Walker is on the list.
- 3. If you are not in reciprocal status with ICY&CC, you will need to pay, by check \$1.50/foot and \$5/\$10 for power at Proshop on arrival and a check for meal or pay a HYC member to put it on his bill.

**SEPTEMBER 25 – NEPTUNE RACE**