

Banter

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COMMODORE'S CORNER

Jim DiSomma, commodore@broadbaysailing.org

Hello BBSAers!

It's September?? I only know because huge yellow tank like objects full of kids litter my commute!!

I miss August. Well, the end of August!

We had another successful installment of the Cape Charles Cup! A good party Friday, was followed by great racing on Saturday! Sunday gave RC heartburn, but its officially in the books.

I'd like to thank our sponsors and give kudos to all the people involved! Its takes almost a year of planning to pull that monster off! Don't forget, we have the awards party and a BBSA meeting at AJ Gators on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 6:00 PM, 9575 Shore Drive, Norfolk, VA.

Barely having time to recover, do laundry, etc., I found myself in Kilmarnock on Pirate Beach, hanging out with more cruisers, (you people are a bad influence)! Such a beautiful setting, it feels Key-ish, but on the bay!

We had Bonfires, a DJ, Paddleboard races, an unofficial dink parade, and an overall great time! Jerry and Kim counted 35 mast lights on Sunday! So, it sounds like most of you guys know 'the place'...we would love to see a few more join next year!!!!

Please read the rest of the banter, as we have several dates pertinent to more fall events!

I'm cutting this commodore letter a bit short, as a boat without AC, this is MY time to sail! LOL... Its 78, sunny, and 10 knots, headed across the bay at 6.6, and I REALLY have to tack!

Be Safe, Sail Fast!!

Jim DiSomma

BBSA Commodore 2022

RACING NEWS

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Well the BBSA signature event for 2022 is in the books. The Leo Waldrup Memorial Cape Charles Cup was held August 19th-21st. Saturday brought a nice breeze from the east and a drag race to the finish. Most of the skippers I talked to never had to tack to make the finish. What a fun day with all but one boat finishing.

For a change on Saturday evening, we had nice weather for the dinner and awards. BBSA Members took home plenty of hardware.

Multi Hull 1st Place – Popoki Kai – Ken Vinson

PHRF A 1st Place – Grey Area – Bob Radam

2nd Place – Myrage – Christian Schaumloffel

PHRF B/C 3rd Place – Elixir – Chris French

PHRF N (1HS) 1st Place – Arberia – Selo Qejvani

2nd Place – Calculations – AK Schultz

3rd Place – Brittany – Rudy Eash

PHRF N (2HS) 1st Place – Obsession – Bill Ripley

2nd Place – Black Widow – Copeland/Gade/Girardin

Cruising A 1st Place – Trouble – Atkinson/Moore

2nd Place – Livin the Dream – Jonathan Muhlendorf

Crusing B 2nd Place – Aspire – Rick Ellis

Cruising C 1st Place – Freedom Won – Jimmy Schools

ORC NS 1st Place – Argo – Ben & Christina Ritger

3rd Place – Serendipty Too – David Midkiff

ORC Spin 1st Place – Red Frog – Randy Goodman

2nd Place – Skymark – Tim Dull

3rd Place – Coeur d'Alene – Hank Giffin

Sunday brought no wind to begin with. But a diligent race committee just moved the starting area about a mile and a half southwest thanks to some advanced scouting/reporting from our former commodore (Stephanie) on the Schooner Virginia. We found enough wind to get the fleets started for a short (for some) run to the shortened course at the turning mark.

Thanks to all the race committee members and the three committee boats. Brian and Kim Deibler aboard Barefoot'n on the East course. Claude and Sandy Speed aboard Heidi Marie on the West course, and Bill and Judy Pardee aboard Holokai II mark boat. A special thanks to the Restless crew for assisting with RC duties, Mickey, Rena, and Lauren. Also many thanks to our

photographers Eric Brinsfield, Donna DeSteph, and Stephanie DeMarco. Our Commodore Jim DiSomma and wife Kim were also aboard the East Committee boat helping with RC duties.

The Sunday results and overall awards can be found on our web site and will be presented Tuesday September 20th during the BBSA membership meeting. The place will be AJ Gators, 9575 Shore Drive, Norfolk

Next up for BBSA is a fun event, the Neptune Atlantic race. Held in conjunction with the Virginia Beach Neptune festival. If you haven't registered, get on it. It's coming up October 1st, 2022.

Some upcoming dates of which to be aware:

October 1st – Neptune's Atlantic Regatta www.broadbaysailing.org October 15th – The Bold Mariner Cup

For questions about these or any other racing events, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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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.

Hobie Fleet 32 News:

Jeff Nelson is this year's Hobie Fleet 32 lead. His contact info is as follows: 757-572-5776

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TRAINING NEWS

Larry Baun, training@broadbaysailing.org

Training info coming soon!

Contact Larry Baun at training@broadbaysailing.org for more info.

Larry Baun Training Captain

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CRUISING NEWS

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From the Cruiser Cockpit

2022 Cruising Captain: Eric Brinsfield

Recent Cruise Reports



Cruise To Back Creek for the Perseid Meteor Shower

We had a mix of sailboats and motorboats that anchored at Back Creek. The weather was beautiful, but we could have used



stronger wind or favorable wind direction that was not always on the nose. The Perseids Meteor Shower

was limited. Most sightings were seen around sunset until the clouds moved in around 9:30pm. People saw Earth grazers, which are known for their long colorful tails. In total the cruisers saw about twelve shooting stars, which were then followed by a few single shooting stars.

We had a Dingy Raft-Up Happy Hour, but shortly everyone climbed on Modus Vivendi. Trying to pass around the Spritz Cocktail by Misty & Mt Gay Rum punch by Mary Anne. Christina



Mary Anne Greblunas Misty Smith



on Kalypso surprised all by sharing a delicious, infused vodka. We all enjoyed meeting new friends as well as seeing old friends. The next morning the sunrise was beautiful. THIS is what I call cruising in the bay.

Boats that joined us at anchor were Modus Vivendi (our host boat), Kalypso, Inspiration, Navy Lady, Pearl and Shangri-La.

Leo Wardrup Memorial Cape Charles Cup

Being the "Race for Cruisers and the Cruise for Racers", we must mention the Leo Wardrup Memorial Cape Charles Cup. The weather and wind were fantastic for the Saturday crossing to Cape Charles. Everyone seemed to have fun during all the activities. Out of 77 registered boats, 37 raced in the cruising fleet, which accounts for almost half of the participants.



Cruising heading off to Cape Charles on Saturday.

Whether you take racing seriously or not, cruisers should plan on participating next year. It is will be the 20th Anniversary of the Leo Wardrup Memorial Cape Charles Cup regatta.

Labor Day Weekend Cruise to "Pirates Beach"

Labor Day has come and gone, but the memories still linger. Jean and Jerry Pattenaude, Chris and Kim Schott, and John Scott organized another fun-filled weekend at Pirates Beach. See the attached document to the email for "more to the story."

Upcoming Cruises

Norfolk Grand Illumination Cruise, 18-20 November

A great way to mix and mingle with like-minded friends is to attend this year's Grand Illumination Cruise, held on the weekend of November 18th-20th, in conjunction with Norfolk's Grand Illumination weekend. Each year during the third weekend in November, the City of Norfolk holds its Grand Illumination weekend, which kicks off the official holiday season in the city. The culminating event of the festive weekend is the illumination of the Norfolk & Portsmouth downtown skyline. Prior to the lighting of the downtown skyline, the Grand Illumination weekend consists of a festive, holiday themed parade, the largest in the region. The parade features spectacular floats, marching bands, giant balloons, dancers, and Santa himself.

The BBSA and HYC cruisers plan to have a flotilla of boats sail down to Waterside Marina for this last cruise of the season. The Grand Illumination Cruise, now in its 11th year, always enjoys a robust fleet of sailboats and powerboaters as well. If last year's event is any indication, this

year's Grand Illumination cruise will be a fantastic way to end the sailing season. As in years past, we will have the Grand Illumination Crock Pot Challenge, which always brings out interesting and innovative stews, brews, led by many crockpot muses. Our reigning champion, Christina Ritger promises to create a delicious and delightful crockpot creation. For those that need a bit more to ward off the late fall weather, no worries as I have heard that there will also be warm libations, such as Hot Toddies, Hot Buttered Rum, and other libations readily available to warm bellies. As has been the tradition over the last few cruises, Jean & Jerry Pattenaude will host a Sunday morning dish-to-pass breakfast on their catamaran, *Shangri-La*. This is the only



way to end an enjoyable end-of-year cruise before departing for points home. Make your plans now to attend this year's Grand Illumination cruise and please let me know that you will be attending.

Jonathan Romero S/V Tempo romeroarms@cox.net (757) 285-6017

Cruise Leaders Needed

We have a big gap in planned cruises from now until the Grand Illumination. If you are in the mood for a cruise in the lower bay and you want company, please let us know. You can volunteer to lead or maybe share the idea so someone else will be inspired to lead. Although the days are shorter, the temperature is right for all kinds of cruises.

Thanks
Eric Brinsfield, 2022 BBSA Cruising Captain
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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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

Sadly, the sailing season is almost ended, so when you decide to put your boat away check the condition of your Burgee. If you need a new one, tell Sergio Diehl, sergio.diehl@cox.net, pay him \$25 and he will notify me and I will mail one to you.

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-4888703 to order your nametags. Please make sure your address is correct. Please email Mary Anne



Greblunas at marygreblunas@yahoo.com with any questions.

We only ship name tags twice a year, May & October. So orders go out next month! Thank you.

Treasurers Report

Attached separately.

CLASSIFIEDS/WANTED

Jonathan Romero has a few items for sale:



6-inch White light Stainless Steel Cabin Dome Lights, \$35 set or \$5 each.



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







3 Series Double Deck Organizer. Sheaved for 11mm max line, \$35.





Spinlock 3-gang Clutches, 6-8mm line size\$135.00 for 3, or 55.00

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Jack Clayton has an anchor for sale jgc@melantho.com



30 lb CQR galvanized anchor- \$50.00

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

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

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