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Dear John,

Your uncle Richard was a well liked and respected member of the Broad Bay Sailing Association in the 1960s until his death in 1974. As I remember, he was a gentle and friendly person.

I possess a carton of records, newspaper clippings, results of races and regattas, and miscellaneous BBSA papers from the 1960s onward. I will break it out during the next week or so and see what references there are to Richard. As I remember, he was always called Richard, never a nickname.

When he joined BBSA he owned and raced a Mobjack, a 17' sloop which, when he sailed it, had a three person crew. It carried a mainsail, jib, and spinnaker. In the late '70s after a rigging change it became a two person boat for racing.

<http://www.google.com/search?client=safari&rls=en&q=mobjack+sailboat&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8>

In 1969 - 1970 he was seduced by a 21' Shark Catamaran which he sailed until his death.

<http://www.google.com/search?client=safari&rls=en&q=shark+catamaran&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8>

Jerry Pattenaude, who still races a Shark, and is an addressee to Scott's forwarding email, can tell you about the Shark.

In 1972 we created the Broad Bay Invitational Regatta which was initiated for the classes of boats which our members raced, including Mobjacks and Sharks.

Upon Richard's death Shark sailor Herman Smith made a motion to change the name of the regatta to the Richard B. Johnston Memorial Regatta. This change was adopted, unanimously.

The regatta is still one of the two small boat regattas conducted by BBSA. It is sailed in late July from the facilities of the Old Dominion University sailing team on the banks of Hampton Roads in Norfolk.

As I mentioned above, I will dig into the archives and retrieve whatever I find about your uncle.

Best wishes

Jack Huenerberg