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#### **COMMODORE'S NOTES**

I would like to thank all those who attended the Annual Dinner and Change of Command. The Norfolk Yacht & Country Club is such a wonderful place to have this affair. The food was excellent and the company terrific.

During my acceptance remarks, I spoke about how my father introduced me to sailing. From Cock Island Cruising Division 8 in a rental boat, to the Chrysler Man-o-War 15 in Broad Bay trying not to get run over by power boats, then PHRF racing. Anyway, my point is the youth, introducing them into the lifestyle of sailing. It's been GREAT for me! I turned out all right; no complaints here. So when you go out sailing, invite the cousins, nieces, neighbors, dental hygienists, secretaries, nurses, etc.

Don't forget to go check on your baby. I know it's cold, and you don't want to walk down the dock to check on her, but It's been windy lately. Dock lines might be rubbing. The bilge pump might not be working. Check on your baby!

The week after the dinner, I got to crew on a 30 foot sport boat for Key West Race Week! We took second place in our fleet. Oh boy was it windy. 15-24 knots for all five days, wet and living in the foulies the whole week. But don't worry, the parties helped ease the pain of the boat butt!

I'm looking forward to seeing ya'll at the February meeting. Brendan Drinkwater

## **FEBRUARY MEETING**

The February membership meeting will be held at The Raven Restaurant, 1200 Atlantic Avenue, Virginia Beach, on **Tuesday**, **February 17 at 7pM**.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

for the **MARCH MEETING** at the ODU Sailing Center on Tuesday, March 17. **JOHN MARTIN** will present a slide show on **MOON DOG'S** travels from Savannah in December 2006, through the canal, down the west coast of South America, at Cape Horn in February 2008, and ending on the hard at Piriapolis, Uruguay, in May, 2008.

The complete file of emails from Moon Dog covering the cruise are now on the BBSA web site <a href="http://www.broadbaysailing.org/downloads/category.asp?categoryid={6AE75D5D-3FB3-42AD-DD59-746E7C19564D}">http://www.broadbaysailing.org/downloads/category.asp?categoryid={6AE75D5D-3FB3-42AD-DD59-746E7C19564D}</a>

#### ANNUAL DINNER AND CHANGE OF COMMAND

On a relatively balmy (for January) Saturday evening, the ballroom of Norfolk Yacht and Country Club was bright and cheery with the sights and sounds of ninety eight BBSA sailors and friends enjoying the association's 50th Annual Dinner and Change of Command. Spirits were high, and flowing, the food delicious, and the talk was of the sailing season which will soon be upon and part of us.

After dinner Commodore Jerry Pattenaude spoke of the past season and the numerous racing events sponsored by Broad Bay Sailing Association. He thanked committee members for their considerable work in making 2008 a success.

Awards were then presented to:

Harry Tenney as Racing Skipper Of The Year

Sergio Diehl as Cruising Skipper Of The Year

Art Quarnstrom, Katie Madary, and Jenna and Paur Sells in appreciation of their service on race committees throughout the year.

A special award, painted by Barbara Williams, was presented to Megan Almond by Jean and Jerry Pattenaude for their appreciation of Megan's behind the scenes, and many times out in front, work during Scott's six year tenure as Racing Fleet Captain, with stints as Vice Commodore, Commodore, and Rear Commodore.

Sonny Smith, 1972 BBSA Commodore, then presented the BBSA officers for 2009. Commodore Brendan Drinkwater, in his remarks, talked of his introduction to sailing and of the hopes of a great 2009 sailing season.

After Brendan closed the meeting spirts were still high - and flowing.

## A SPECIAL AWARD

Randy Pugh has been BBSA's representative to the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association and to PHRF of the Chesapeake for the past twenty years and he has just finished four years as president of PHRF of the Chesapeake. In appreciation of this service Randy was presented an award reading:

#### **RANDY PUGH**

IN APPRECIATION
OF YOUR DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE RACING COMMUNITIES OF THE
CHESAPEAKE BAY AS PRESIDENT OF PHRF OF THE CHESAPEAKE, 2005-2008,
AND OF TWO DECADES OF SERVICE TO BROAD BAY SAILING ASSOCIATION
AS OUR REPRESENTATIVE TO CBYRA AND PHRF.
JANUARY 2009

#### A THANK YOU FROM RANDY

Thank you for honoring me at the last change of command dinner. I am sorry that I could not be with you to recieve it. It has been my pleasure to serve you at both PHRF & CBYRA. Both of these organizations serve the racing sailors of the bay and this is what I have attempted to do over the past years. I thank you for allowing me to serve and hope that I have done a good job for the club. Randy

US SAILING RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR scheduled for February 14-15, 2009, (0900-1330) at Hampton Yacht Club in Hampton, VA. This seminar is designed for people who have some race committee experience, but newcomers certainly are also welcome. Topics include: race committee objectives, responsibilities, jobs, equipment, starting system, setting the course, mark boat operations, before the start, during the race, finishing and scoring. There is a wealth of information that will be extremely helpful to anyone serving on a race committee. The seminar fee is \$50 for US SAILING members and \$60 for nonmembers. Lunch, both days, and materials are included in the fee. If you wish additional details concerning the seminar, you may go to the Hampton Yacht Club web site at <a href="http://hamptonyc.com">http://hamptonyc.com</a> and click on the seminar icon, or contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or email at <a href="mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net">mcbear@earthlink.net</a>

# **RACING NEWS**

The 2009 Southern Bay racing calendar has been ironed out and posted on the lower right hand corner of our homepage (or use the link below):

http://www.broadbaysailing.org/downloads/files/2009racingschedule.pdf

I would also like to take a moment to introduce the the new Willoughby Racers Coordinator, Dave Wilbar. Dave is the base manager for SailTime Virginia Beach and has an office on the second floor of Willoughby Harbor Marina. He can be reached at <a href="mailto:willoughbyracers@broadbaysailing.org">willoughbyracers@broadbaysailing.org</a>. Dave will be assisted by David Hughes. Your chance to meet them will come at the Willoughby Racers Registration Night on March 26 at Rebel Marine.

Start sanding the bottom, the first flag will be here before you know it! Scott Almond

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