Broad Bay Banter

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April Meeting - American Rover Cruise - Tuesday April 21st

BBSA will take its annual sail on the American Rover on Tuesday, April 21, 2008, which is our regular meeting night. We will be boarding the Rover promptly at 6:45pm for a 7:00pm cruise. **Don't be late!**

Please bring a snack or appetizer plate to share, and of course drinks are available for purchase from the bar onboard as in years past. Name tags will be available at the registration table as you board.

Members and their immediate families (spouse and children) have been guests of Captain Brook Smith on the American Rover for over 10 years. Brook, the son of Sonny and brother of Trey, both BBSA members, has been close to BBSA since the late 60's when the boys crewed for Sonny on their Mobjack.

Even though the trip is a free membership benefit, the crew will be working hard to earn your generous tip. We'll be taking a collection at the end of the cruise to show the crew our appreciation.

We look forward to seeing everyone on the ship.

Cruising News

Cinco de Mayo Cruise at Waterside on Saturday, May 9

Get your sombreros out and join us for the first 2009 cruise. We will spend Saturday night at Waterside and Jim, A.K.A. The Margarita Man, will start performing at our boat at 5:00 PM.

At 7:00 PM we have dinner reservations at Kincaid's Restaurant at MacArthur's Mall (just a short jog there). The restaurant has a variety of good food. We will make dinner reservations, and must give a firm count by April 29, so please let us know by then. Email Jim atnsailn@yahoo.com.

If your boat isn't ready, then come by car. Of course, if the weather is bad we will meet at the restaurant at 7:00. We are ready for cruising, so let's get off to a fun start.

We have tentatively reserved 10 slips but you must call with boat info to confirm. This is also the weekend for the Virginia Wine Tasting, so confirm your reservation early. They won't hold our tentative reservations forever. Call Waterside 625-3625

Jim and I will be leaving town April 30 and returning May 4.

Beverly Borberg

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND.....MAY 23, 24, 25.....Mobjack Bay with Doug &Judy Rose....contact Doug and Judy at jrose55@cox.net.

It's never too early to make arrangements for the June one week cruise starting June 2nd. Contact Charlie & Kathy Roberts at Chassail@infionline.net.

Anyone wanting tio set up a weekend cruise please contact Mike or Eva....atcon2473@aol.com

One Design News

The weather is getting right for some one design action! So, dust off that Sunfish, Laser, Snipe, or whatever it is that you have taking up room at your house and come out and mix it up with the Navy crew beginning on May 1. Sunday noon starts, then after Memorial Day it's Wednesday afternoons at 6:00 pm.

Everything is a go for both the Richard B. Johnson (June 27th) and the BBSA Annual Regattas (July 25th). You can't beat these two Regattas; close one design racing, as well as Portsmouth Handicap for the more obscure vessels followed by Scott's mad grilling skills and cold beverages.

See ya on the water! Jimmy Hardesty, BBSA One Design Fleet Captain.

Commodore's Musings

For starters, I would like to thank all who attended the March meeting at O.D.U. Sailing Center. According to my counting their were 58 attendees. With that being said, April 21st is the Rover cruise! Let's beat that number. Bring the whole family!

Norfolk Academy sailing team coaching has been going good. The BullDawgs are currently in fourth place with 11 points. Walsingham is in third with 9 points. Norfolk Collegiate and Christ Church are both at 3 points. Hopefully we can move into the third position. I believe we can!

Boats: their is always something, or a pair of somethings. Only if they could fix themselves. Exhuast system for a v-drive. Just barely in reach. Where the water is introduced into the exhuast I noticed a leak. To find out there was about a 5 inch piece of inch and a quarter hose with a splice to the three quarter hose that is attached to the motor. From what I could gather, the technician could not or did not want to reach that far back, so he cut the old hose, found some plastic insert to reduce it down. That is HOT water that runs through it. With only 8 hours on the engine, the plastic piece started to melt. Now imagine this: ocean marine installed that moyer rebuilt motor. Second issue is the macarator pump. Nothing like a head problem to build character. hahaha. All and all I do enjoy working on the old crealock design columbia.

Get your pirate costume out, and see ya'll on the 21st.

Commodore Drinkwater

PHRF Racing News

by Scott Almond, Racing Fleet Captain racing@broadbaysailing.org

The Notices of Race for all of our PHRF / big-boat races have been posted in the Downloads section of our website. Of special note is a<u>revision</u> to the original Notice of Race for the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series (CBDRS) which corrects the number of races and eligibility requirements for the Cruising Class.

The Cape Henry Cup / May Pot Luck Dinner and Awards Presentation

The Cape Henry Cup Race will be sailed on Saturday, May 16th. This is the first of five CBYRA-sanctioned races sponsored by BBSA this year and Race #2 in the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series (CBDRS). All members are urged to participate in this race which was first sailed in May 1974.

The \$25 entry fee is <u>waived</u> for BBSA members. Registration for members couldn't be easier... go to our website (link below) and use the online registration!

On the following Tuesday, the 19th, one of our famous pot luck dinners will feature the presentation of the Cape Henry Cup and other awards for the race. The meeting will be held at Old Dominion University's Sailing Center. Mark your calendars for both of these events. Details on the dinner will be found in the May Banter. The Notice of Race is already posted on the BBSA website and the Sailing Instructions will soon be posted as well.

Upcoming dates of which to be aware:

17 April - Early Bird Deadline for Southern Bay Race Week - www.blacksealcup.com

26 April - Spring Series #2 - Race #1 in the CBDRS - www.ccvracing.org

1 May - Entries due for 60th Down the Bay Race WITHOUT late fee! -

http://www.hamptonyc.com/downthebay/

16 May - Cape Henry Cup - Race #2 in the CBDRS - www.broadbaysailing.org

The Cape Charles Cup Report

I have been working with the Spinsheet folks on our first half-page advertisement for the 2009 Cape Charles Cup. In addition to the usual, factual information about the regatta, I thought of two messages that I wanted to get across.

The first message is a reminder that we will continue the tradition we started last year of awarding a Cape Charles Cup keeper trophy in both PHRF and Cruising divisions. The 2009 awards are sitting in my den, just waiting for you to take home.

The second item that I wanted to highlight in the ad is the dredging they have done at the Cape Charles end. You shouldn't have to worry about going aground on the way to the starting area THIS year!!! Just keep her in the channel, and don't forget to allow extra time for the flood tide.

In any case, watch for our ad in the May issue of Spinsheet. We'll have a full-page version in the June edition, then another half page in July.

Bill Barnes, who has designed the tee shirts for the previous five Cape Charles Cups, reports that he is well under way in creating his design for this year's shirts. I can't wait to see his result - he always comes up with something very special.

Meanwhile, please think about anyone who might want to join us, but may not know about this wonderful event. Remember, they don't have to belong to anything or have any kind of official rating to race in the Cruising division. Also, if you know of a good location to post a Cape Charles Cup flier, let me know and I'll get one to you or will post it myself.

Jim Williams CCCup@cox.net

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK

May 29, 30, and 31, 2009 Hampton, Virginia www.blacksealcup.com

Classes: PHRF A, B, C, NS-1, and NS-2, and a special Cruising Class and One-Design classes with 5 or more entries. *Y'all come on!*

EARLY BIRD ENTRIES Are due no later than FRIDAY, APRIL 17.

All EARLY BIRDs will receive 6 free regatta drink tickets in their skippers welcome bag at check-in.

In addition, each boat will be entered in a special drawing for a set (8) of SBRW regatta polo shirts.

Only Early Bird Entry skippers will be eligible for the drawing.

CONTACT INFO: For information and/or entry forms please contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or email mcbear@earthlink.net

The official NOR, Sailing Instructions, preliminary scratch sheet, and other details are available at the event website: www.blacksealcup.com

Event Chairman - Jack Pope Event Principal Race Officer and PRO Ocean View Course - John McCarthy Race Officer Buckroe Course - Glenn Giles

Any entries received after May 22 will be required to pay an additional \$50 late fee