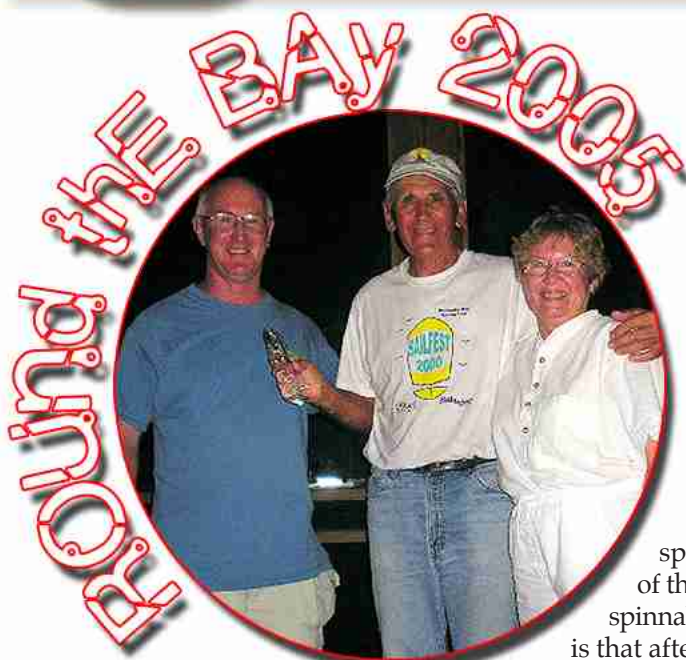




Bluewater Bay Sailing Club NEWSLETTER

September 2005

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!



Second time is a charm for the Round the Bay race. After trying to have the Round the Bay on the scheduled weekend and canceling due to weather we finally had a great race on the following weekend, 13 August. We had a good turnout for the race and a number of non-BBSC boats joined us. Because of the bad weather on the first weekend the race committee had to make some last minute decisions to cancel the race and let everyone know it would be on the following Saturday. A few boats could not make it back the following week but even more new boats showed up. Racing in August can always be tricky with the weather but that is part of the challenge of the Round the Bay race. Thanks to Marilyn Ostriminski, Pat Hutchison, and Windel Williamson for a great job as race committee and the long hours involved in this race. They made some great decisions that made the race a success.

The Round the Bay race is a Bermuda start with the two fleets, spinnaker and non-spinnaker, sailing two different lengths to the end of the bay and back. Spinnaker sailed approximately 32 miles and non-spinnaker sailed approximately 30 miles. The only difference in the course is that after the start spinnaker sailed to Boggy #1 first and then to the mid-bay bridge while non-spinnaker sailed directly to the bridge. Both fleets had

eight boats start the race and the winds were fairly light at the beginning, even after a one hour delay. Because of the staggered start boats were spread out at the beginning by almost two hours. The very light weight racing boats had a big advantage at the beginning and made up most of their stagger by the bridge. After crossing under the bridge the wind finally filled in and everyone had a wonderful reach down the bay. Then it became a speed test for everyone. John Harrison and "John O" took the early lead and kept it constant all the way down with Mark Hunter's "Untamed" working hard to stay even. In the non-spinnaker fleet Beattie Pursell on "Tango" took a large lead going down the bay.

the "331" bridge everyone came back on a single beat. Those boats that could point a little higher had a little advantage but the wind was perfect with fairly flat waves. There was not a lead change coming back in the spinnaker fleet, where everyone pretty much sailed to their handicap. In the non-spinnaker fleet the large lead of "Tango" was being whittled down by Bill Kaunzinger on "Gemeaux". With good tactics and sail handling by the crew they were finally able to overtake "Tango" and go on for the win. The first boat to finish was "John O" who finished off of the last dock in Rocky Bayou before the turn to Rocky Bayou bridge and they finished by 5:15pm. Spinnaker boats lead the way and the last one was finished by 6:30pm. "Gemeaux" was the first non-spinnaker boat to finish at 6:40pm and they were spread out all the way to approximately 10:00pm. Good job to the boats that stuck it out even after the winds got light.

committee for doing an outstanding job in difficult conditions and to everyone who participated in the race.



BBSC 2005 Round the Bay

	Spinnaker	Non-Spinnaker
1 st	John Harrison – "John O"	Bill Kaunzinger – "Gemeaux"
2 nd	Mark Hunter – "Untamed"	Beattie Purcell – "Tango"
3 rd	Mike Guthrie – "War Admiral"	David Lauderbaugh – "Vixen"
4 th	Jerry DeRay – "Boondoggle"	Michael Phillips – "Kayla"
5 th	Ray Harden – "Shameless"	Mike Gilbreath – "Big Kahuna"
6 th	Mickey Duvall – "Kahlua"	Ridge Nye – "Manana"
7 th	David Eanes – "Lightning Rod"	Brett Verzwylt – "Faneromeni"
8 th	Brett Hinely – "Diamond"	Mickey LaGarde – "Amlene"

ELECTRIC WINCH HANDLE

For those of you who maybe interested Dave Lauderbaugh has designed and built a stainless steel adapter that converts a 1/2 inch electric drill into an electric winch handle. The drill is a Milwaukee Model # 3109-24 right angle battery powered drill that develops 600 in. lbs. of torque. He has told me that it works great for trimming sails and has also used it to crank people up the mast. However if you are going to use it to crank someone up the mast you will probably need to use at least a size 43 winch. When he tried to lift my fat butt up the mast using a size 30 winch it wasn't up to the job. The cost of the drill is not cheap at about \$350 but the rig is by far a lot cheaper than any electric winch handle that I've seen advertised. Dave has offered to make adapters at \$25 each for anyone that would like one. He only plans on making one run sometime in October. If you're interested give me a call at 678-7223. I'm going to be out of town through 19 September but leave a message on my answering machine.

Bill Deming



Welcome to our Newest Members:

Brett and Stella Verzwylt

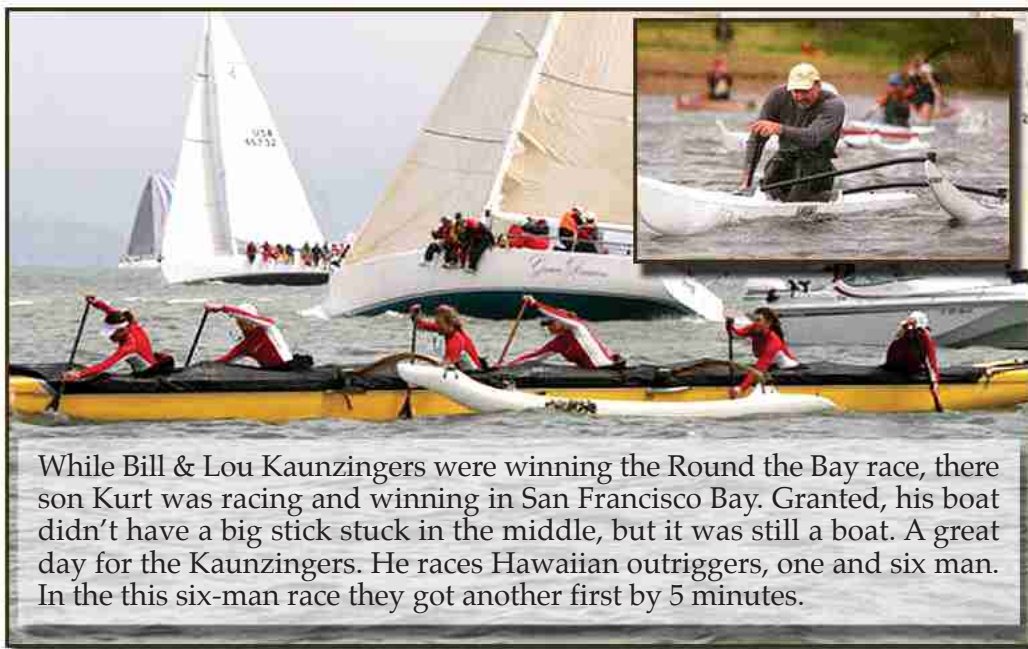
Lee and Martha Norris

Larry Busch

Kevin Cornwell

Brian Harrison

Robert and Ginger Harrison



While Bill & Lou Kaunzingers were winning the Round the Bay race, there son Kurt was racing and winning in San Francisco Bay. Granted, his boat didn't have a big stick stuck in the middle, but it was still a boat. A great day for the Kaunzingers. He races Hawaiian outriggers, one and six man. In the this six-man race they got another first by 5 minutes.



FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Welcome everyone to the heart of the racing season. This month was a little more active with the Round the Bay race and the Double Handed Race. We

had a really good turn out for the Round the Bay race and we are hoping for an even better turn out for the Double Handed Race. Something about

Bermuda starts and a unique race set up that attracts a lot of boats. Because of weather we had to make a lot of adjustments to the Round the Bay race but the weather finally cooperated and made for a great run down the bay and a nice sail back. I also want to thank Marilyn Ostriminski, Pat Hutchinson and Wendall Williamson for an excellent job as race committee. The bridge is already starting to make arrangements for the next big race in September. This will be the Challenge Cup where our club will compete against the Fort Walton Yacht Club (FWYC) for bragging rights and the right to host

the race next year. Last years race was decided by one point and any position change during the race could have made a difference in the outcome. Unfortunately the FWYC was the winner. The fleet was also smaller last year because of Hurricane Ivan but the racing was very competitive. This year we are encouraging as many boats as possible make the race on Saturday, September 24th at FWYC. There will be a skipper's meeting before the race and probably a party after the race, and details will be provided in a Notice of Race on the BBSC web site. There will be two fleets racing, both spinnaker and non-spinnaker. To make sure we are covered in both fleets please let Mickey Duvall, your friendly fleet captain, know ahead of time. Even if you don't plan to race your own boat volunteer to be on someone else's boat so that everyone has a full crew. Good luck and help us bring back the cup. In the future start thinking about the Single Handed race in early October. Start rounding up your crew now for this big event. Hope to see you on the water and keep sailing.

PHRF Fleet Captain, Mickey Duvall

5 CORNER

The weather is still putting a damper on our racing schedule. We had to postpone the Round the Bay race for one week and the cancel the small boat race on the 21st. But as usual we bounced back and despite the postponement we had a good turnout for the Round the Bay Race Thanks to Marilyn Ostriminski, Pat Hutchison, and Windell Williamson for stepping forward to handle the race committee duties. I understand that it was a great race with near perfect sailing conditions. I just wish I could have been there. Congratulations to the winners.

The Double Handed race was held with Katrina bearing down on the coast but the weather couldn't have been better with clear skies and mostly 10 knot winds. Katrina did have some impact as a few boats had already been anchored out in preparation for the storm and did not race. Thanks to my wife and daughter for sitting out in the blazing heat to run the race.

The racing season rapidly is coming to an end with only three more big boat races and three more small boat races (if we can't make up the canceled race). The next major event is the Challenge cup with the Fort Walton Yacht club on 24 September. I hope we can get a good showing for this event and even more I hope we can win the cup back. I want to encourage everybody to come out for this Regatta. The more boats the better. If for some reason you can't race your own boat plan to volunteer to crew for someone else. Contact Mickey Duval and let him know what your intentions are.

There are less than three months left until the Fall Awards Banquet and the elections for next years Bridge. It's time to start thinking about nominations for next year's Bridge. If you're interested or know of someone who you think would make a good candidate let me know.

Bill Deming, Commodore

Three Months and Counting

With ~~three more months of hurricane season~~ still to go, it's time to review your hurricane boat plan. Here are several sites with articles about hurricane anchoring or you can just google "boat hurricane anchoring". Hopefully, we won't need this information for a long time to come.

BoatSafe.com

<http://www.boatsafe.com/nauticalknowhow/61798tip2.htm>

Rhode Island Sea Grant

<http://seagrant.gso.uri.edu/factsheets/hurricane.html>

Monroe County Extension

<http://monroe.ifas.ufl.edu/may05%20boating%20tips%20hurricane%20preparation.htm>

Seatow

<http://www.seatow.com/lifelines/Aug2005/hurricane.htm>

Pinellas County

http://www.co.pinellas.fl.us/bcc/Boating_safety/default.htm

Sailnet

<http://www.sailnet.com/collections/articles/index.cfm?articleid=ouread0038>

Small Boat Fleet Report

Well I think we would all just like to get a race off ! Our August 21st regatta was cancelled by storms and lightning and our August 28th Small Boat Bay Series regatta at FWYC was cancelled because of Katrina.

However we have LOTS of racing coming up over the next 2 months and there are a couple of schedule updates for everyone:

September 4th is our next BBSC Small Boat Regatta, registration at 12:30, Start at 1:00

September 18th is a combined BBSC Small Boat Regatta and Small Boat Bay Series regatta, and will take

place here at BBSC. This will be a Noon START with 11:00 registration!

October 16th is our next BBSC Small Boat Regatta, registration at 12:30, and Start at 1:00.

We moved the previously cancelled July 10th Small Boat regatta to October 23rd, and this will also be a Small Boat Bay Series regatta here at BBSC.

"The good Lord willin' and the creek don't rise" we'll see you on the race course! There are lots of small boat races left.

Small Boat Fleet Captain, Mike Stoughton

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 4 (Sun)	BBSC Small Boat Race #6
September 10-11	Baytowne/Sandestin Cruise
September 18 (Sun)	BBSC Small Boat Race #7 & Small Boat Bay Series #4 at BBSC
September 24	Challenge Cup
October 1	Single Handed Race
October 7-10	Fall Cruise
October 16 (Sun)	BBSC Small Boat Race #8
October 29	Grande Finale Race
November 19	Fall Meeting/ Awards Banquet



Complete 2005 schedule at: www.bbsc.com

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