



Bluewater Bay Sailing Club

NEWSLETTER

October 2005

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!



Hope everyone is ready to finish out the summer and the BBSC sailing season. We've had a lot of changes this last month because of events like hurricanes that pass a little too close to our area. Even as Hurricane Katrina was due south heading toward the New Orleans area we still were able to have the Double Handed Race on 27 August. We had a pretty good turnout with eleven boats starting the race and ten finishing. There were two fleets in the race, same gender and different gender (figure that one out), and any sail combination was allowed to be used. A lot of spinnakers were flown and the racing was very competitive. Other than very light wind at the beginning coming out of the bayou the day was perfect with mild temperatures and moderate winds. The mixed gender race was won by Mark and Toni Hunter on Untamed and the same gender was won by Mickey Duvall and Grover Niles on Kahlua. Untamed passed Kahlua in the last mile to win line honors also. Thanks to Doris and Patty Deming for doing a great job as race committee and spending time on the island. The Challenge Cup was scheduled for 24 September, but because of another hurricane, Rita, the FWYC decided to postpone the race to another day. We are still in negotiations to determine another date and there is a good chance that it will be in November. We had a very competitive

fleet assembled to go over to FWYC with some new member to our club and some of our out of town members who are also great racers. Hopefully we can get the same boats to join us in November to get the cup back. Our next race was scheduled for 1 October and is usually our biggest race of the season. Bluewater Bay Marina and Budweiser sponsor the Single Handed Race but due to schedule problems the race was moved to October 15th. This event is always a lot of fun and promises to be another great event. Any sail combination is allowed and there is only one fleet with lots of awards, and the war stories afterwards are always great. Registration is Friday night from 6:00-7:00pm with the skippers meeting at 7:00pm. Race course and starting times (this is a Bermuda start race) will be given out at the skipper's meeting. The race will start approximately at 12:00pm on Saturday and awards and a party will follow after the race at approximately 4:00-5:00pm. This is one race where there is no excuse to not have enough crew. Also in October is the Grande Finale race on 29 October. This is a very competitive race and is the last race to count toward the Commodore's Cup. Let's make this a big event with as many boats as possible. Hope to see you on the water and keep racing.

PHRF Fleet Captain, Mickey Duvall

Small Boat Fleet Captain's Report

Our Small Boat luck finally turned around in September and we managed to get of both scheduled races this month. The Labor Day weekend regatta was sailed in very light winds and Zach was the master of staying in the puffs and staying out of the holes! Mark Hunter again had a strong showing, coming in 2nd and Scott Bedenbaugh was 3rd.

On September 18th we sailed the 2nd Bay Series Regatta with FWYC. Four boats from FWYC made the trek and we had a great day of sailing with a total of 15 boats. The winds were a steady 5-10 kts for the 1st race and they built steadily all afternoon until the laser sailors (at least this laser sailor) were hiking hard and getting some surfing action on the reaching leg.

Mark Hunter turned in another stellar performance with 4 bullets, with Kevin Wilt narrowly winning the battle for 2nd over Zech Castle. Amanda Bedenbaugh continues to do very well in the junior fleet, leading both the BBSC and the Bay Small Boat Series.

The results below summarize the BBSC Series through the 1st 5 races. We have now qualified for the throwout, although the totals presented don't include it. The competition remains pretty tight, especially when you take the throwout into consideration.

There are still 2 more scheduled races in October - on the 16th and the 23rd & I still am looking for a Race Committee volunteer for the 23. We have one more regatta to makeup and are looking at Nov 6th for that race. Come on out and join the fun - we really do have a good time out there and the winds and weather are both getting better every week as we move into fall.

Small Boat Fleet Captain, Mike Stoughton

Skipper	4/10	5/22	7/24	9/03	9/18	Total
Mark Hunter	1	1	1.25	2	1	6.25
Zach Kastle	3	2.25	2	1	3	11.25
Scott Bedenbaugh	6	6	3	3	4.5	22.5
Kevin Wildt	10	5	1	5	2	23
Mickey Duvall	7	7	4	9	4	31
Chris Pfladderer	2	2	7	6.25	14	31.25
Brett Hinely	5	4	7	6	14	36
Mike Stoughton	8	14	6	4	8	40
Tripp Humphries	12	8.25	7	9	5	41.25
John Stratton	9	3	7	9	14	42
Pat Ballasch	12	10	5	8	9	44
Craig Deyerle	12	11	7	9	6	45
Bill Deming	8	8	7	9	14	46
Bob Hutchinson	11	9	7	9	14	50
Ryan Hinley	12	12	7	7	14	52

COMMODORE'S CORNER

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It seems like every month I start out my article talking about how the weather had an impact on our schedule and this month is no exception. The Challenge Cup scheduled for the 24th of September was canceled as a precaution when as Rita approached it flooded the docks at the yacht club along with a forecast for 20 knot plus winds. A makeup date has not been established but it appears that the only open dates are in November.

There are a couple of changes to the October schedule The Single Handed Regatta has been moved from the 1st to the 15th and a Small Boat race that is part of the series with the FWYC which had been canceled, due to you know what, is now scheduled for the 23rd. Other events in October are a cruise to Marker 50 from the 7th to the 11th, another small boat race on the 16th and the Grand Finale on the 29th. With the exception of the Challenge Cup makeup this will be your last chance to participate in the one of club's sailing events so make it a priority to come on out. The weather in October is usually fantastic, if we don't get any hurricanes

You will find a reservation form in this newsletter for the fall awards banquet scheduled for November 19th. We will be having it at the Bluewater Bay Clubhouse again and the cost will be \$20 per person. This is always a fun event so be sure to mark your calendar.

It is also time to get your nominations in for the Sportsmanship Award, the Emma Goggin Award, and the Blooper Award. Anybody can nominate a candidate for these awards and I urge each of you to take a moment and consider which of our club members you think would be deserving of these awards and submit a name and a brief write-up stating why he or she should be selected. You can email your submission to me or give it to any of the Bridge members.

Bill Deming, Commodore

Now taking nominations for:

Sportsmanship Award

The person who best represents the club spirit and overall sportsman-like behavior

Emma Goggin

The person who provided "positive" club publicity and community presence.


Blooper Award

The person who exhibited the least common sense at any time during the past year.

email to bdeming1@cox.net or submit to any bridge member



Crusin' Around



Computer problems compounded with being out of town caused me to miss last months newsletter deadline. Unfortunately, there were no takers for our proposed overnight cruise to Sandestin (Baytowne Wharf).

FALL CRUISE. Despite hurricane season raging along, our next (and last) cruising event for this year will take place on Columbus Day Weekend (October 8 - 10). The plan is to get underway on Saturday (Oct. 10) and cruise to Marker 50 and return on Monday (Oct. 10). Early birds may want to head for Marker 50 on Friday, and of course there will also be those who will need to head home on Sunday. Please plan on joining us for this cruise (weather permitting as usual). Bring firewood for a Saturday night bonfire.

WET WEDNESDAYS (aka Wednesday Nite Races). Although our initial schedule called for the races to end on August 31st, there are still a few die-hards remaining who want to go out. I have talked to our volunteer race committee and they are willing to keep starting the races as long as there is interest. Since it is getting darker earlier, I am proposing moving the starting time from 6 pm to 5:30 pm beginning on October 5th.

If you have any questions or comments regarding our cruising schedule, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Fair Winds and Seas, Charlie Mauck - Rear Commodore, 897-1433



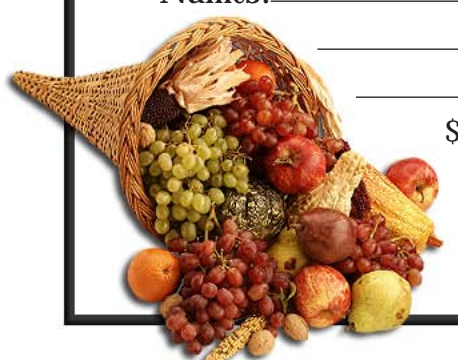
2005 Fall Awards Banquet at the Clubhouse Restaurant at Bluewater Bay Saturday, November 19, 5:00 PM

Cocktails (Cash Bar) 5-7 pm Dinner 7-8 pm Awards 8-9 pm

Please list the members of your party which you are paying for, so the Banquet Committee can maintain an accurate roster of attendees.

Number of people: _____

Names: _____



\$20 per person-Make check payable to: Payment due by:
Bluewater Bay Sailing Club November 15, 2003
P.O. Box 1251
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UPCOMING EVENTS

October 7-10	Fall Cruise
October 15	Single Handed Race
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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