



Bluewater Bay Sailing Club NEWSLETTER

June 2006

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!



Another Month has past and we have had some great sailing. Once again the winds have been blowing very strong and consistently. We just completed the third race of the spring series and here are the results.

Spinnaker Fleet:

1. Shameless
2. Kahlua
3. Untamed
4. Black Widow
5. Pandemonium

Non-Spin Fleet

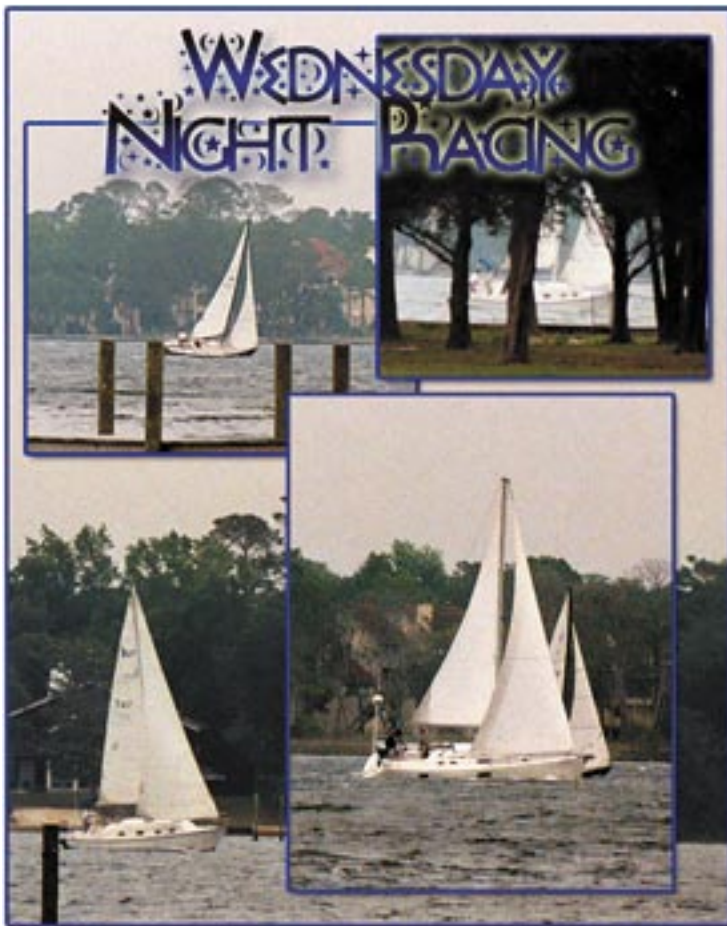
- Whit's End
- Avocet
- Kayla
- Manana
- Canella

This was a fun race course designed by John Hiemstra who ran a heck of a race. There were two races – the first was a windward/leeward course with two legs set a mile per leg. The second was a longer triangle style course using government marks. The conditions for each race were choppy and windy with 20 knots. Some highlights I can personally attest to were a near collision between Avocet and Kahlua at the start of the second race no exaggeration, there were inches between Avocets stern and Kahlua's bow (yes, Avocet was on starboard). The other highlight that most missed was Jeff Blackburn going completely overboard during a less than well announced emergency tack at the windward mark at Boggy #1 (yes, Avocet was not on starboard this time). I don't know how he managed to hold on, but the look on his face is one I won't soon forget. I also wanted to recognize Mr. Canella for coming out to race for the first time and braving the challenging conditions single-handed, we enjoyed having you here and hope to see you at the next race. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who came out to race. See you at Race #4 on June 3rd!

Pat Ballasch, PHRF Fleet Captain

P.S. Series overall trophies will be presented at the final race on June 4th.





**Picnic & fireworks at the Deming's
1403 Bayshore Drive, Niceville**

Festivities start at 3 with burgers & lots to go on the grill about 4. Beer, wine & soft drinks provided. Bring a dish to share. Come by land or sea to watch Niceville's own fireworks display over Boqqy.

Curves
Hey Ladies,
Curves has a special just for you!
Call Lori Gattis
at 279-6104 for details.

COMMODORE'S CORNER

What an excellent season we are having! Great wind and awesome race committees setting up some challenging courses, thank you to Charlie Mauck for two races, Sailfest and a small boat race, right in a row and John Hiemstra for the 3rd spring series race. Many seasoned members sailing and brave new members as well, it is great to see. After-race parties are becoming standard fare with cold beer and light snacks. Which reminds me, every time we see Brett Hinely we all need to say thanks; he offers us free of charge the use of his facilities, docking, rest rooms and meeting place. That is an amazing donation when you think about it, imagine

letting us all use your house for a race...

Upcoming events are getting better and better. The next regatta is the around the bay race, which will be kicked off with the Blue Blazer Bash party, where we all get to dress like we are members of an uppity sailing club, and have some good clean fun before the mother of all races. Invitations/reminders will follow shortly. As mentioned last time Bill Redinger's Coyote Chew will be hosting the club for a regatta with his awesome bar-b-q in the next month or so.

See you on the water! Brad Davis – Commodore

BLOOPER OF THE MONTH

There are so many bloopers this month, it's almost impossible to pick just one. Here's a list of the competition:

Pat Ballasch — Sailed just a little too close to shore during a Wednesday night race. Witnesses say he pegged it hard aground and not on Catalina point but just off the beach.

Zach "What-Channel-Marker" Kastl — Rammed his boat into one of the marina channel markers clearly identifying it for everyone. Hope the sail was easy to repair!

Pat Ballasch — Flipped a crew member, Jeff Blackburn, overboard during Series #3. Pat crash tacked to avoid a starboard tack boat. Quick reflexes on Jeff's part got him back on board after a brief dunking. Pat believes he just want someone

to look for gum stuck on the bottom of his shoes, since that was all Pat saw as Jeff disappear overboard.

Pat Ballasch (again) — For sending the same crew member, Jeff, to tie on the sheets during a head sail change. Jeff promptly evened the score by "failing" to tie a proper bowline. This left Avocet with a sail flapping in the wind for a good portion of the last leg. Jeff is now taking Remedial Knot Tying 101 (see photo).

Roy Harden — Gas prices have just gotten too high. Roy has decided not to fill his tank. He just ran it dry after the Series #3 race. It is a sailboat, isn't it?

This month award goes to Zach Kastl, because, well, just because.



Our Wet Wednesday Series seems to be going pretty well with five to seven boats participating. Thus far, the weather has been cooperative.

Extended Cruise: The Cruise is set and hopefully we will have several boats participating. If you are planning to cruise with us, please give me a call or drop me an email. We're just looking for an approximate head count.

Itinerary:

Sunday, June 4 – Get underway and anchor just east of the 331 Bridge.

Monday, June 5 - Get underway via the GICW for St. Andrews Bay. We will anchor off Shell Island. Current plans are to cruise or relax in the St. Andrews Bay region until Thursday.

Thursday, June 8 – Get underway for Destin Harbor and anchor for two nights and take in some Destin night life.

Saturday, June 10 – Return home.

Blue Blazer Bash: On Friday, June 16th (the evening prior to the start of the Round the Bay Race), the BBSC will sponsor a Blue Blazer Bash. Attendees are encouraged to dress in appropriate and proper "Yachting Attire". Prizes will be given for the man and woman most appropriately dressed. This event will be similar to our Spring Meeting with the club providing heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine. Cost for this gala extravaganza is: Free for Round the Bay Skippers, \$5 for BBSC Members and Family and Round the Bay Crew Members, \$10 for Guests.

Crusin' Around



July 4th Party: Don't forget the annual July 4th Party at Bill and Doris Deming's. It's a great evening and a chance to watch the Valparaiso Fireworks from Bill's dock.

Shrimp Boil: This year, Bill and Doris Deming have agreed to host the Shrimp Boil on Saturday, July 8. This should prove to be a great location as it is accessible by both land and sea. The club will furnish the shrimp, potatoes, corn and green salads (plus hot dogs and trimmings for those who don't/can't eat the shellfish) and a keg of beer. All of this for a shrimpy \$10 for adults and children over 10 (to help offset the club costs). Get your reservations in as soon as possible. Send in the reservation form below. For further information please contact either: Charlie Mauck, Phone: 897-1433; Cell: 499-5734; Email: cjmauck@hotmail.com

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

*Fair Winds and Seas,
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BBSC SHRIMP BOIL

July 8th, 2006

@ Bill & Doris Deming's • 1403 Bayshore Drive

†10 per Person (over 10) (No Charge for Children under 10)

includes: Boiled Shrimp, Potatoes, Corn, Green Salad and/or Hot Dogs

Dinner will be served around 6pm.



BBSC SHRIMP BOIL REGISTRATION

Please Respond by July 5, 2006

Name: _____ # of Adults (10+): _____

Boat Name: _____ Contact Phone: _____

Return form and with checks payable to:
Bluewater Bay Sailing Club
P.O. Box 1251 • Niceville, FL 32588



UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 28 (Sun)** **Small Boat Bay Series #2 at FWYC**
- June 3** **Spring Series #4**
- June 4–10** **Extended Cruise**
- June 11 (Sun)** **BBSC Small Boat Race #2**
- June 16** **Blue Blazer Bash**
- June 17** **Round the Bay**
- June 25 (Sun)** **BBSC Small Boat Race #3**
- July 4** **4th of July Fireworks Party**
- July 8** **Shrimp Boil**

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