



Bluewater Bay Sailing Club NEWSLETTER

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Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

BBSC BLUE BLAZER BASH &



ROUND THE BAY

JUNE 17
2006
IN HONOR OF
JOSEPH
LOW



Round the Bay weekend was hugely successful. The skipper's meeting and festivities began Friday night with a Blue Blazer Bash on Schooner's back porch. Many racers sported proper yachting attire for the event and considering this is June in Florida this was quite a feat. The prize for the spiffiest outfit went to Pete Hodges whose boating blazer included pipe and sailing cap. Bill Redinger was also in the running with blue blazer, bright yellow shorts and Hawaiian shirt. Donna Nowak was the clear winner for the women. Everyone made quite a fashion statement.

The club honored Bob and Vi Smith and wished them a fond farewell, since they are leaving the area to be near their family. A champagne toast, complete with cake and flowers, and an award was presented for Bob's dedicated service to BBSC. They will be sorely missed.

Round the Bay race day began with sunny skies and a northeast breeze which never died off as the sea breeze clocked around to the east, then south and southwest. The race committee of Gary and Kay

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Parsons, assisted by Marilyn Ostrominski and Doris Deming, started the countdown series from Endorphin on time at Rocky 1 marker noting that Shameless had the best start, hitting the line within seconds of their start time. All boats traversed the bay in record time. The weather could not have been more perfect. The only mishap was a shredded 'panda' spinnaker. Meanwhile, the race committee moved to Jim Lindsey's dock off Nelson Point to enjoy a fried chicken picnic and cocktail hour while watching the boats finish. Shameless was the first to finish the 30-some-mile course crossing the line about 4:30. Untamed was second, with Pandemonium in third followed closely by Kahlua. Por Que Sea was the first finisher in the non-spinnaker division. Priority III took second place honors and in third was Island Time. Manana, Esther Ann and Faneromeni rounded out the non-spinnaker fleet.

Awards were presented Sunday at Schooners where the party continued. All people involved in making Round the Bay weekend such a huge success deserve many kudos for the work involved in setting up the affair and this includes the race participants as well.

4th of July

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

Festivities start at 3pm with burgers & hots to go on the grill about 4pm. Beer, wine & soft drinks provided.
Bring a dish to share.

Come by land or sea to watch
Niceville's own fireworks display over Boggy.

COMMODORE'S CORNER

What a great Blue Blazer Bash party! Thank you Charlie Mauck for putting on such a great spread. Somebody said next year it should be the blue bikini contest because of the hot weather, does that mean we should have another Blue Blazer Bash in the fall? Weather has been great for sailing and the fleet had an uneventful and relatively quick trip around the bay, at least those that didn't get Blue Blazer Flu. Incidentally, the race was dedicated to Joseph Low, who now resides on Martha's Vineyard. Jo sailed a Santana 20 here for years and is an inspiration to all sailors. His passion for the sport was infectious and it is great to have sailed in the same water. I hear there are some great bloopers for the month, so let's see who wins or at least who is honest! Wednesday nights have been great this season with strong wind and lots of boats, last week I think we had 12!

See you on the water or the deck! Brad Davis – Commodore



Pandemonium lived up to its name this month. The Demings et al managed to supply three entries for this month's blooper award.

- 1) *Event: Extended Cruise. Person Responsible: Bill Deming.* The first night of the cruise was at the foot of the 331 bridge. The shallow (and mucky) bottom means that anchoring quite a distance from the shore. After Pandemonium's first/second/third anchoring attempt, everyone dinghyed into the Sea Bar for dinner. The dinghy ride back for the Demings was even longer since Pandemonium was now on the opposite of the Intercoastal Waterway. The dingy also ran out of gas as the mother ship was reached. *Lesson: Back down on your anchor.*
- 2) *Event: Round the Bay. Person Responsible: Patty Deming.* Having done numerous uneventful jibes on various occasions, foredeck decided that jibing the spinnaker required a new and improved method for running the genny sheet over the spinnaker pole. This improved jibing procedure took some extra time, since the genny sheet need to be untangled from the spinnaker guy and the spinnaker had to be unwrapped from the forestay. *Lesson: if it ain't broke, don't fix it.*
- 3) *Event: Round the Bay. Person Responsible: Fred Reichstetter.* Despite the fact that all the other spinnaker boats had doused their chutes, Pandemonium pressed on-beating up the bay-spinnaker flying. Fred insisted that if the chute is full, the boat must be going faster. Just as Captain Deming overruled Crew Member Reichstetter, the inevitable happened and the spinnaker parted ways. *Lesson: spinnakers are for leeward legs and jibs are for windward legs.*

Since someone has to be chosen for the Blooper of the Month, and the newsletter editor is obviously exempt, and the editor's father is also exempt (pressure washed said editor's house), the only qualified candidate is Fred Reichstetter.

SMALL BOAT REPORT

Small boat sailing got off to a windy start in May. Charlie Mauck was RC and stated the winds were up around 20 most of the afternoon. & I can attest that it was a little windy. On the 2nd race I'm pretty sure I won the award for most capsizes with 3.

2 other things I learned:

- Its really easy to get a laser stuck in irons in windy conditions - and its really hard to do well when you get stuck in irons 2 boat lengths from the finish line
- When "they" say you shouldn't let the boom go forward of the mast, "they" really mean it - the boat will go over in about 1/2 a second!

As you can see from the results below the name with the bullets is strangely familiar. John Stratton was glad for the extra wind so he could really show off the Y-Flyer's paces and Tripp Humphries made a strong showing on his sunfish!

Also want to welcome Nick Mastronardi - he picked a wild day to come out and try the sunfish again - I think he sailed with us

once last year. If you see him around say high and encourage him to come back out. By the way the last 4 columns in the table show your scores that will be used for the high-point series scores. It will be the average of the best 75% of the races we have.

We had 3 Bluewater sailors and myself go down the FWYC for the 1st Small Boat Challenge Regatta, held on the 28th. Mark again appeared to be holding his own up at the front of fleet - of course it was hard for me to tell being at the back! My own moral victory was that I beat all the sunfish boat for boat the last 2 races, and even beat one laser on the last race! Scott Bedenbaugh also seemed to be doing well the few times I managed to see him. Poor Kevin had his boat holed by a port tackler early on - so give him some love when you see him!

We have 2 regattas in June - Scott is RC for the June 11th regatta & I still need Race committee for the 25th regatta. Come on out, I know there are a lot more than 10 of you out there & I guarantee you plenty of entertainment as I try to understand this thing called a laser!

Skipper	Boat	Rating	Race Summaries				Total	Overall	Series Scores			
			1	2	3	4			1	2	3	4
Pat Ballasch	LAS	91.1	6	5	8	8	27	7	50	56	22	22
Craig Deyerle	HLD14	111	3	DNF	3	9	25	6	80	0	78	11
Tripp Humphries	SUN	99.6	7	2	4	6	19	4	40	89	67	44
Mark Hunter	MBYTE	90.7	1	1	1	1	4	1	100	100	100	100
Zach Kastle	LAS	91.1	4	3	5	4	16	3	70	78	56	67
Mike Stoughton	LAS	91.1	8	8	7	5	28	8	30	22	33	56
John Stratton	YFLYR	86.8	5	4	2	3	14	2	60	67	89	78
Kevin Wildt	FORC5	95.4	2	6	DNF	2	20	5	90	44	0	89
Nick Mastronardi	SUN	99.6	9	9	9	DNS	37	10	20	11	11	0
Greg Anderson	MBYTE	90.7	10	7	6	7	30	9	10	33	44	33

Crusin' Around



June has been a good month for the BBSC. We began with the Extended Cruise which saw three boats (Pandemonium, Priority III and Misty) get underway on the 4th for Panama City. We spent Sunday Evening anchored (at least some of us were able to anchor) just east of the 331 Bridge. We had an enjoyable dinner at the 331 Bar and Restaurant which we all can highly recommend. Upon returning to the boats, it appeared as if one had dragged its anchor most of the way across Choctawhatchee Bay. Monday saw the small flotilla underway for Shell Island via the GICW (aka "the ditch"). On Wednesday, Priority III (Bill and Donna Nowack) headed for Port St. Joe while Pandemonium (Demings) opted for the swimming pool at Bay Pointe Marina. The crew of Misty decided to head for Uncle Ernie's (St. Andrews Marina) for the evening. Misty and Pandemonium returned via the gulf to their homeports on Thursday. Overall, the cruise went well and the weather was very cooperative.

On June 16th, the BBSC hosted its first Blue Blazer Bash on the back porch of Schooners. The event was well attended and all appeared to have a great time. Prizes for the best "Yachting Attire" were awarded to Pete Hodges and Donna Nowack. I will admit that the blue blazers did get a bit uncomfortable after awhile.

Upcoming Events

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: Bill and Doris Deming will 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. See the attached flyer and reservation form. For further information please contact either: Charlie Mauck, Phone: 897-1433 Cell: 499-5734 Email: cjmauck@hotmail.com. Please have your reservations in by July 5th.

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

July 4	4th of July Fireworks Party
July 8	Shrimp Boil
July 15	Double Handed
July 16 (Sun)	BBSC Small Boat Race #5
July 29	Fall Series #1
August 12	Fall Series #2 — Night Race

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