



# Bluewater Bay Sailing Club NEWSLETTER

May/June 2008

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

## SAILFEST 2008

This year's Sailfest. Was a great success with 11 boats in the Spinnaker fleet and 8 boats in the Non-Spinnaker fleet. Six of these boats came over from the Fort Walton Yacht Club to participate. The weather cooperated with clear skies and winds in the 12 to 17 knot range. The Race Committee consisting of Tom & Lynne Whittemore, Marilyn Ostrominski, and Doris Deming ran the regatta from Whit's End with separate courses for the two fleets. The Spinnaker Class had two races over a course consisting of two windward and two leeward legs of 1.5 miles each. The Non-Spinnaker Class course was 13.5 miles around government marks.



In the first Spinnaker race, Brian Harrison on My Dixie Wreck finished first, followed by David Eammes on Lightning Rod.

Mickey Duvall on Kahlua 12 seconds behind Lightning Rod and Jeff Brown on Amigo just nine seconds behind Kahlua. In the second race Brian Harrison took first again followed by Jennifer Grant on Breakaway, Jeff Brown on Amigo third and Mickey Duvall fourth. There was a three way tie for second place with the tie breaker determined by the finishing position in the second race. The final results had Brian Harrison in first place with two bullets followed by Breakaway in second, Amigo third, and Kahlua fourth.

The Non-Spinnaker fleet had equally tight race with Don Gresko edging out Ridge Nye by two seconds in corrected time to take first place. Third place went to Dave Lauderbaugh on Vixen.

Following the race everybody was treated to hamburgs grilled by Fred Reichstetter and our Commodore, Charlie Mauck. I want to thank the race committee for doing an outstanding job and a special thanks to Dave Lauderbaugh and his company Corrugated Machine for sponsoring this race.

*PHRF Fleet Captain,  
Bill Deming*



# Crusin' Around



Three BBSC cruisers sailed east on a broad reach in calm seas to the first raftup at the 331 bridge, Donna and Bill Nowak on Priority III, Kathy and Pete Hodges on Island Time, and Doris, Bill and Patty Deming on Pandemonium. Happy hour was held aboard Priority before breaking up to our anchorages for an early start through the ditch to the Shell Island destination. Beach day was picture perfect weather-wise with a cool breeze and a lots of sun. Inviting as the gulf water was, everyone was well aware of a shark cruising back and forth. Shelling was a little sparse, though. In fact Donna found her best shell in the parking lot at Pt. St. Joe. An added bonus this day was a reunion with Tom and Judy Pendegrast on their new catamaran cruiser. They were avid members of BBSC a few years back before they moved to Panama City and we reminisced some past cruises. Then on to our furthest point east. It was a wild 28-mile ride with 2-4 foot quartering seas. Kathy Hodges was the only mal-

de-mer casualty. We all enjoyed two restaurant meals at Pt. St. Joe plus some shopping. There was no wind on the leg back to Bay Point. But there was some grumbling aboard Pandemonium, however. Island Time opted to head west on the ICW while Pandemonium and Priority wallowed in the leftover waves. Bay Point accommodated us in adjoining slips. And after a relaxing afternoon at the pool, we were able to have an awesome dock party by pooling our leftover food for a cookout. The only rain encountered was while we were snugly tied up with the AC running. Pete and Kathy were off for home while it was still drizzling. Later Pandemonium left for St. Andrews Marina for a little shopping and some great dining and a little night music at Uncle Ernie's. The 2008 extended cruise is now a fond memory of week aboard and camaraderie with a fine group of friends.

*Cruiser, Doris Deming*



## Small Boat Fleet Report

Wow! The small boat races on 20 April were more than planned. There were more boats upside down, more withdrawals and more wind than expected. Being the first small boat regatta of the year, perhaps this should have been expected. The forecast called for moderate winds out of the southwest and the course was initially setup such that the windward mark was close to the mouth of Rocky Bayou. However, as the race started the wind continued to build and at one point three boats were upside down at the same time. After only three boats finished, the race course was moved further to the north in order to provide the racers some protection from the building breeze. The next two races also failed to have all participants finish the course. In the end, the only racers to finish all three races were Russell Brown, Mike Stoughton, and Jeff Brown & crew on the Flying Scot. Congratulations to our latest BBSC member Russell Brown on his three bullets. Oddly enough, several of the finishes were very close in corrected time (some with just a few seconds apart). Note that we're using a new racing scoring system which emphasizes better scores for placing well in large fleets.

The next small boat challenge race is on 8 June at BBSC.

*Small Boat Fleet Captain, Mark Hunter*



# COMMODORE'S CORNER

It looks like the BBSC 2008 Sailing Season is off to a great start with a successful Series race followed by a good turnout for Sailfest. A special thanks to FBYC for their support, and a very special THANK YOU to Dave Lauderbaugh and Corrugated Material for sponsoring the event. The small boats are also off to a good start for 2008. The extended cruise saw three boats set sail for Panama City and Port St. Joe.

June will feature the annual Round the Bay race on the 21st. Our next major social event is the Annual Shrimp Boil currently scheduled for July 26th at Mickey and Patty Duvall's home. Please get your reservations in early and plan on coming out to a super party. Remember that Mickey can accommodate anyone who wants to attend via boat.

*Fair Winds,  
Charlie Mauck, Commodore*



## SERIES 1 RACE

The first series race was held on April 19th. Five spinnaker and two non-spinnaker boats registered. The race committee of Tom Ballasch and Jeff Blackurn with the able assistance of Tom's grandson Noah and Jeff's son set up a 9.6 mile course. The race started with very light and shifting winds out of the North. Three boats (Cantankerous, Kahlua and Head High) were able to get around the North turning mark and get out into the bay where they picked up a nice breeze and took off while the remaining boats were pretty much left bobbing in almost no air. The wind finally filled in and a great sail ensued.

The results were:

### Spinnaker

1	Cantankerous	Lenny Thomas
2	Kahlua	Mickey Duvall
3	Pandemonium	Bill Deming
4	Head High	Chad Knapple
5	Zulu Warrior	Chad Jonson

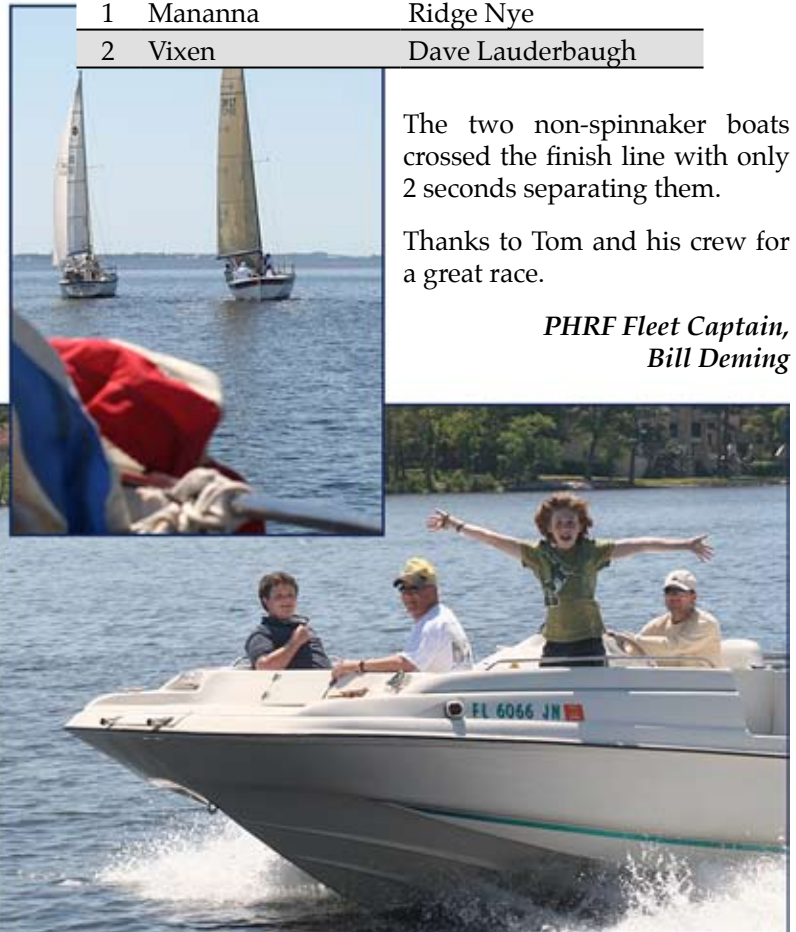
### Non-Spinnaker

1	Mananna	Ridge Nye
2	Vixen	Dave Lauderbaugh

The two non-spinnaker boats crossed the finish line with only 2 seconds separating them.

Thanks to Tom and his crew for a great race.

*PHRF Fleet Captain,  
Bill Deming*



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**Friday, June 20, 2008**  
 18:00-19:00 Registration  
 19:00 Skippers Meeting

**Saturday, June 21, 2008**  
 10:00 First Start

# UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun., June 8**      **Small Boat Series #1  
Make-up**
- Sat., June 21**    **Round The Bay**
- Sun., June 29**    **Small Boat Series #3 &  
Bay Challenge #3@BBSC**
- Fri., July 4**      **Fourth of July Party &  
Fireworks**
- Sat., July 12**     **Double Handed**
- Sat., July 26**     **Shrimp Boil**
- Sun., July 27**    **Bay Challenge #4 @FWYC**

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