



# Bluewater Bay Sailing Club NEWSLETTER

February 2009

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

## Fall Banquet & Awards

November 15, 2008

Tradewinds Restaurant in Niceville

Prior to the meeting, all BBSC members present enjoyed the social hour helped by the good selection of beers and wines, followed by dinner which, as last year, was served as a series of appetizers followed by several well-prepared entrees, and dessert. One criticism: Unlike the previous two years, other customers continued to be served in the front section of the restaurant, which added greatly to the overall noise level thus making it difficult to hold a meeting.

The meeting was officially called to order at 8:43 PM by Commodore Charlie Mauck, who welcomed all club members to the banquet. Charlie began the meeting while the appetizers were still being served, to avoid running unnecessarily late.

Secretary report (handled by Charlie Mauck): As the minutes of the Spring Meeting (3/15/08) had been printed verbatim in the March/April Newsletter, a motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the minutes on that basis.

Treasurer Marilyn Ostrominski reported that we began the year with \$2,500. Tonight we have \$4,121.91 in our bank account, before paying the check for tonight's dinners. Our yearly income/expenses average \$2000, so we will have about \$2000 to start off 2009. Our \$4,000 CD will mature April 12, 2009 at an interest rate of 3.68% for the seven months. Club memberships for 2008 totaled 65 families; for 2009 we have 25 family renewals. We had two sponsors for our races: Dave Lauderbaugh (Corregated Gear and Services) for Sailfest, and Tom Whittemore (DRS) for Round-the-Bay.

Commodore Charlie Mauck opened the floor for any nominations for the 2009 Bridge. All current members are staying on except for Ridge Nye who is resigning as Rear Commodore. The new Rear Commodore will be Chad Knaepple. Charlie reminded everyone that Bridge meetings are open to any club member who wishes to attend.



Charlie next presented the Jane Colee Small Boat awards: 3rd place to Russ Brown, 2nd place to Mike Stoughton, and 1st place to Mark Hunter.

The Series Races award for non-spinnaker 1st place went to Ridge Nye; spinnaker 2nd place went to Pat Ballasch, and spinnaker 1st place to Mickey Duvall.

The Commodore's Cup award which, as Charlie explained, is based upon best performance in Sailfest, Round-the-Bay, and Grand Finale, went to Dave Lauderbaugh for non-spinnaker, and to Mickey Duvall for spinnaker.



### 2009 BBSC Bridge

- Commodore — Charlie Mauck
- Vice Commodore — Tom Whittemore
- Rear Commodore — Chad Knaepple
- Secretary — Scott Pursell
- Treasurer — Marilyn Ostrominski
- PHRF Fleet Captain — Bill Deming
- Small Boat Captain — Mark Hunter



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The Wednesday Night Racing best participation award was won by Chad Knaepple.

The Blooper Award was presented by Fleet Captain Bill Deming in the absence Mark Hunter, last year's recipient. Bill listed four possible candidates: (1) A "foredeck person" who failed to latch the spinnaker to the halyard, (2) two boats that both ran aground while arguing about the rules of the road, (3) –again– a "foredeck person" who left the spinnaker sheet unconnected to the spinnaker, and (4) himself for failing to bring the Blooper Award with him to the meeting. The winner was no. (2) – Pat Ballasch as the inside boat running aground.

Charlie Mauck presented the Emma Goggin Award for publicity and promotion to Esther Pursell, citing her work on the BBSC scrapbooks.

The Sportsmanship Award was won by Chad Knaepple.

The Walt Ruckel Sailor of the Year Award was presented to Mickey Duvall.

The Boat of the Year Award went to Kahlua.

The winner of the 50-50 cash prize drawing, conducted by Lou Kaunzinger, was Joan Edenborough.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:45 PM.

*Scott Pursell, Secretary*



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Royal, Navy, Hunter

**License Plates: \$10**

(without name)

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 **SPRING MEETING**  
*& Membership Drive*

**March 14, 2009**  
**5:30 @ Schooner's Ship Store**  
**Beer & Hors d'Oeuvres Provided**

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## PHRF FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT

It's time to get your boats ready as the racing season is just around the corner. The schedule is the same as last years with 5 series races with one held in conjunction with Sailfest and one held in conjunction with the Grand Finale. Based on last year's participation, we are planning on having two classes this year, spinnaker and non-spinnaker.

The Chili Dog regatta kicks off the season on February 21. As always the entry fee for this race is an old and tacky trophy. Again, the emphasis here is on tacky so use your imagination. In the past we have had old bowling trophies and an old Catalina 22 rudder that was pulled out of the bayou the day of the regatta because the skipper didn't read the rules until that day (It was one of the better trophies I received in this race) This is a fun race and every skipper will receive a trophy (provided he donates one) although they may not want to display it. This year we are planning on adjusting handicaps based on past performance and other variables so everybody has an equal chance of winning.

As always a major part of this regatta we will be the chili cook off, the winner of which will receive a prize that will be substantially better than the one awarded to the race winner. Everyone is encouraged to participate even if you don't race, come and enjoy a bowl of chili and refreshments provided by the club. What better way to say goodbye to the winter doldrums and enjoy the camaraderie of your sailing friends.

*Bill Deming, PHRF Fleet Captain*

# CHILI DOG COOK-OFF & REGATTA

a fun race with some twists thrown into the mix

**FEBRUARY 21, 2009**  
**11:00 AM**

The entry fee for the race is an award (trophy, memento, use your imagination) to be given out after the race.

Chili Cook-Off with winners announced at the awards/race party. Bring your chili to the registration and let it simmer during the race.



For More Information:  
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## COMMODORE'S CORNER

STARBUCKS

I trust that everyone is well refreshed after the holidays and ready for the 2009 BBSC Sailing Season. The Club Officers have put together an exciting calendar for the year. The complete schedule is available on line at [www.bbsc.com](http://www.bbsc.com).

We will kick off the year with the Chili Dog Cook-off and Fun Regatta on the 21st. The next gala event will be our annual Spring Meeting on Saturday, March 14th.

Start getting those boats ready now.

*Fair Winds, Charlie Mauck, Commodore*

## SMALL BOAT FLEET REPORT



It's time to begin another great year of small boat racing on Choctawhatchee Bay. The format for this year will be essentially the same as last year with one notable exception. We'll have six regattas for BBSC Smallboat Championship points. For the Smallboat Bay Challenge Cup in concert with the Fort Walton Yacht Club, we'll have two 2-day regattas. The hope is that we'll have more participation in the Challenge Cup events if they are consolidated. One weekend event will be at FWYC and the other at BBSC.

A notice of race with the scoring process and schedule for each regatta will be announced prior

to the first regatta on 22 March.

I know we have several new small boat sailors coming out this year so I think we should have great regatta turnouts. You should start prepping your boat(s) now since the spring events are just around the corner.

If anyone is interested in running any of the small boat regattas, please let me know.

If you have any suggestions or questions, please let me know.

*Mark Hunter, Small Boat Fleet Captain*

# Upcoming Events

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| Sat., February 21 | Chili Dog Cook-off & Fun Regatta              |
| Sat., March 14    | Spring Meeting                                |
| Sat., March 21    | Start Palooza                                 |
| Sun., March 22    | Small Boat Series #1                          |
| March 28 & 29     | Spring into Liquid @ FWYC (Portsmouth Racing) |
| Wed., April 1     | Wednesday Night Races Begin                   |

## 2009 BLUEWATER BAY SAILING CLUB BRIDGE

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