



Cruising West May 21-May 30

Planning Meeting:

May 18th, 7:45 pm @ Schooner's

Cruise to Marker 50, Fort McRae, Lulu's, Palafox Marina & others. Join the fleet on the water for all or part of the week. Follow the fleet on Facebook just search for Bluewater Bay Sailing Club.

For additional information: Contact Patty Deming, Newsletter@bbsc.com



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What a spring this has been. Have you noticed all the high winds and exciting moments on the water. Not every day has been this way but there have been enough to make you notice. But then what would sailing be like if you didn't have wind. The days are starting to get a little longer and the temperatures are starting to come up but overall it has been a great month for activities.

Our first April activity was the April Regatta on 16 April. Again the winds were up all day and made for some of the biggest waves I've seen for a long time in the bay. Zack Kastl and Mark Hunter did a great job as race committee and set up a government mark race that allowed for a lot of different points of sail. Six boats competed and as we were setting up for the race in the bayou by the marina we noticed a very different wind at Rocky #1. It was pretty calm by the start line but howling outside of the bayou. Luckily most everyone saw and made the proper adjustments. Both fleets started together and raced into a good beat to Boggy #1. This separated the fleet a little and allowed for some fast reaching to the bridge. Boondoggle and Avocet saw double digit speed and great surfing on some of the waves. Another quick reach to Grass Lake and then a long beat back to Boggy #1. Iwalani was coming on strong and made fast progress through the waves. We had an exciting moment rounding Boggy when our 24 year old main decided to split in half. We were able to get it down and complete the next two legs under small jib alone, only slowing us down from 7 ½ knots to 6 ½ knots. We all finished, had a great party at Schooners, and gave awards to both fleets. Also in April we had our first small boat race the next day and their season is now under way. The small boat racing is great for learning sailing and the group

really has a great time. Finally at the end of April we had the Shrimp Boil and dock party at our house and the weather was great. It is so much better in 80 degree weather instead of the 100+ degree weather we had last year in July. We'll never do that again. Thanks Charlie for doing so much and everyone else that helped. A highlight of the party was singing happy birthday to Marilyn (you cannot believe how much she does for the club). Two boats spent the night at the dock and the weather was cool enough for great sleeping in the boat. Thanks everyone for coming and enjoying the shrimp and drinks.

Coming in May are more activities with the club and a couple are big ones for us. The Sailfest is scheduled the 14th of May and is always one of our biggest and best regattas. Were hoping for a large turnout of boats participating with multiple fleets racing. The parties associated with this race have always been good and the actual racing is very competitive (and fun) on the water. Sunday that same weekend is another small boat race out of the marina and racing multiple courses in the bayou. If you have a small boat please consider taking part in this and the other races this year. Finally at the end of May we have the extended cruise. A number of people are showing interest in this and the plan is to head west from here. That direction always has great anchorages, good marinas and restaurants (and bars), and very interesting landmarks to explore. I'm hoping to see a couple of these for the first time this year. There are plenty of happy hours and the company will keep you laughing. Please join if you can. There should be a planning meeting just before the cruise to help set the itinerary and see who all is going. Be safe and see you on the water.

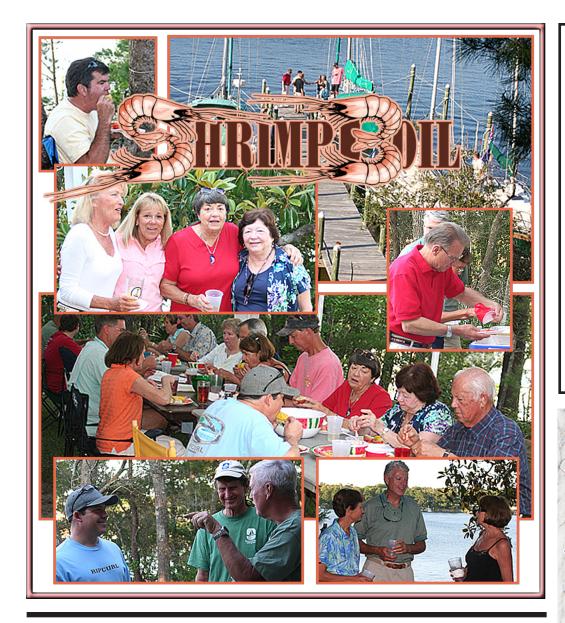
Commodore, Mickey Duvall











April Regatta Results

The wind continues to blow! Some people like it that way, some don't.

The April Regatta was another windy event with 20+ knot winds. Five boats entered this regatta chaired by Zack Kastl. The results were:



Spinnaker:		
1	Avocet	Pat Ballasch
2	Kahlua	Mickey Duvall
3	Boondoggle	Chris Pfledderer
Non-Spinnakers:		
1	Ilawani	Charlie Mauck
2	Altair	Jeff Hazelwood

The big event coming up is Sailfest, May 14th. This year we will have a DJ, BBQ and beer under the trees at Schooners. Even if you can't race come out to join the party!

The next race will be the Double Handed on June 4. This is always a popular race. This will be a non-spinnaker event.

PHRF Fleet Captain, Neville Edenborough

Request for Anchors & Tackle

BBSC needs two small anchors, chain and line for the race marks. If any member has one or more of these items they are willing to donate or sell at a reduced price, please contact either:

Mickey Duvall, commodore@ bbsc.com or Neville Edenborough, phrf-captain@ bbsc.com





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Upcoming Guents

Sat., May 14

Sailfest

Sun., May 15

Small Boat Race #2

May 21 to May 30

Extended Cruise

Sat., June 04

Double Handed #1

Sun., June 12

Small Boat Race #3

Sat., June 18

Round-the-Bay

Sat., July 09

Ladybug Regatta

Sun., July 10

Small Boat Race #4

Sat., July 23

Double Handed #2

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