



Bluewater Bay Sailing Club **NEWSLETTER**

March 2012

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!



SPRING MEETING *& Membership Drive* **Friday** **March 2, 2012**

6:00 @ Schooner's Ship Store

Beer & Hors d'Oeuvres Provided

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PHRF FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT

The Bluenose Regatta wasn't very "bluenose" this year. In fact, it was a lovely day and a lovely race. The results are shown in another article in this newsletter. We had 11 boats participate, which is wonderful. Hopefully this is the start of a great sailing season.

The actual "do or die" racing season starts March 3rd with the Kick-Off Regatta. This will be a single race around government marks. The trophies for the spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes will be one-of-a-kind, collectable Bluewater Bay Sailing Club Hats with 1st or 2nd place prominently embroidered. How great is that? If you win one of these you can be the envy of your neighborhood!

Another difference this regatta and year will be a Cruisers-only race. This race will be a race for fun with a separate start and shortened course. The winner of the Cruiser class will receive a gift certificate from West Marine.

The Kick-Off Regatta will end with a party under the tent beside the Oyster Bar. The snack this race will be Hot Dogs. These after-race parties are sponsored by four local businesses:

Mayhew Marine
(Dennis Mayhew)

DCV Homeworks
(David Vaughn)

Freedom Boat Club
(Brian Gwinnup)

Marina Cove Realty
(Diane Cocchiarella & Carrie Leugers)

Please be sure to thank these folks when you see them.

Neville Edenborough, PHRF Fleet Captain



Crusin' Around



Don't forget the Spring Meeting on Friday evening March 2nd at the Marina Store. At this meeting we will discuss and plan our club events for 2012 so make sure you attend.

March 31 – April 1 we will have a raft up just outside the Baytowne Marina and plan on an evening ashore. We have done this a couple of times in the past and everyone has had a great time.

If you have any suggestions for events and would like to help put one on, please contact me at: BBSC_RearCommodore@bbsc.com or cjmauck@hotmail.com.

Future Cruising Events:

Friday, March 2nd	Spring Membership Meeting at Marina Ship's Store
Saturday March 31st – Sunday, April 1st	Baytowne Raft-up.
Saturday, April 28th	Shrimp Boil at Duvalls'
19 – 28 May	Extended Cruise
Monday, July 4th	Demings' 4th of July Extravaganza
8-9 September	Raft-up sponsored by Bluewater Bay Marina
Saturday, November 3rd	Fall Meeting and Awards Banquet

Fair Winds, Rear Commodore Charlie Mauck

Bluewater Bay Sailing Club

Spring REGATTA



March 24, 2012

COMMODORE'S

STAFF



Hello everyone. Hope the winter has been easy on you and you've had a chance to go sailing. January was extremely warm and who knows what the rest of the winter will be like. We've already had our first two events of the sailing season. The Bluenose Fun Race was on 21 January and we had eleven boats participate. Good start for the season. Bill Deming and Fred Reichstetter were the race committee and started the race off the beach in Rocky Bayou. 2 Pot Screamer, from FWYC, got off to any early lead and continued to stretch it throughout the race. The winds were great, from 10-20 knots and allowed everyone to sail at top speed for their boat. Even though 2 Pot Screamer was out ahead there was a lot of head to head sailing among the other boats with multiple lead changes. Because we race using the PHRF handicap system it allows smaller, older, slower boats to be competitive and have a chance for the win. In the end 2 Pot Screamer did win, but only by 13 seconds over second. We had a fun party afterwards with some great stories to share. The next event was the Chili-Dog Cookoff and Fun Regatta on 11 February. The entry fee for this race was to bring a trophy for someone to win. A lot of thought and imagination went into some of these and we also saw some repeat trophies. The race was a Bermuda start with the handicap being very negotiable. Credit was given for such things as fixed prop, type of keel, sail age, clean boat bottom, racing experience level, and most importantly attitude (very subjective allowance determined by the race committee – me). Seven boats registered and six made it to the starting



line. In leaving the dock Avocet had some difficulty and ended up with a hole in the middle



of their mainsail. Ask them how it feels to be harpooned. The wind was extremely high, 20-30 knots, and it was pretty cold. They all raced to a number of marks and when the first boat arrived at Boggy #1 they all turned and raced to the finish off of Duvall's dock in Rocky Bayou. Untamed was first to finish followed by Vixen. Vixen was pushing a big enough wake it left boats rocking at the dock. Great picture moment. All boats were done by 3:00 and then everyone participated in the chili cookoff and hot dogs in the backyard of Mickey and Pat. We had about 10 pots of chili and 50 hot dogs and after being on the cold bay all day everyone was ready for warm chili. Everyone voted with their money on the best chili and the Grand Champion and winner of the famous chili-hot dog trophy went to Bill Redinger. In a very generous move he donated his money to the club and the expenses for the race and cookoff. Thanks "Dinger".

Coming in March will be the BBSC Spring Meeting and membership drive. On Friday night, 2 March, will be the get together starting at 6:00pm, in the store at the marina. Drinks and snacks will be provided and your bridge will get to present all the activities planned for the year. We already have 47 members and were hoping for a lot more to make this year better than ever. Please bring a friend and join us. The next day, Saturday, 3 March, will be the Kick-off Regatta. This is the first official race of the season with prizes and a party afterward. Let's work hard to get more participation in our races and emphasize we are really pushing the fun part of racing and the party afterward. Enjoy the season, be safe and see you on the water.

Commodore Mickey Duvall



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Upcoming Events

Fri., March 2	Spring Meeting
Sat., March 3	Kick-Off Regatta
Sat., March 24	Spring Regatta
March 31 - April 1	Baytowne Raft-Up
Wed., April 4	Wednesday Night Races Start
Sat., April 14	Pick Your Poison
Sun., April 22	Small Boat Race
Sat., April 28	Shrimp Boil
Sat., May 12	Sailfest

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