



Bluewater Bay Sailing Club

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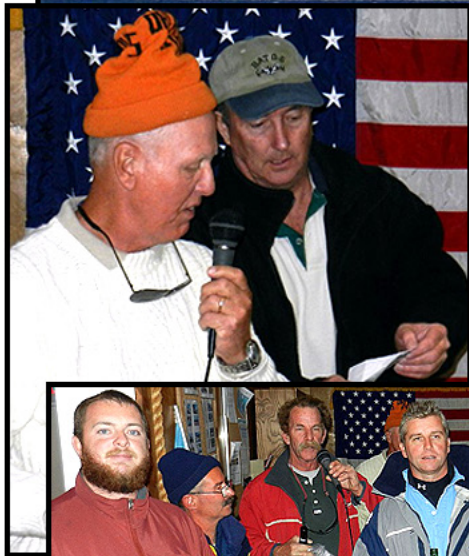
Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

Well, the Kick-Off Regatta is over. I don't think I have been so cold since I left Indiana! Temperatures in the 50's don't sound so bad, but 50 degrees with 25 kt. winds is cold, cold!

What a great event, though. The Eglin Yacht Club was the host and it was great. Bill Deming did his normal great job of running the race. The results were:



Place	Boat Name	Skipper
SPINNAKER FLEET		
1	Two Pot Screamer	D. Vaughan
2	Avocet	P. Ballasch
DNS	Epiphany	M. Hunter
DNS	Ambush	D. Seaton
NON SPINNAKER FLEET		
1	Pelirrojas	J. Black
2	Diamond	B. Hinley
3	Vixen	D. Lauderbaugh
4	BAT 06	D. Brown
5	Compromise	Perren/Adele
6	Irish Lady	N. Edenborough
DNF	Free Bird	D. Phillips



Calling it a Spinnaker Fleet is rather a misnomer, since Avocet didn't put up a spinnaker and Two Pot put it up only once. They were lucky to get it down!

Also happening since the last newsletter was the Chilli Dog Fun Regatta. Thank you Mickey and Pat Duvall! It was reported to be a great even, enjoyed by all. The results were:

1st	Ice Bear	JD Phillips
2nd	Adagio	Karen McCarley
3rd	Nauti Habit	Jerry Van Dyke
4th	Pandemonium	Bill Deming
5th	Vixen	Dave Lauderbaugh
6th	Avocet	Pat Ballasch
7th	2 Pot Screamer	David Vaughn
8th	Epiphany	Mark Hunter
DNF	Rummerful 2	Scott Bedenbaugh

Remember: the Spring Regatta is March 16th. I hope everyone can participate.

PHRF Fleet Captain, Neville Edenborough





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Wednesday Night Races

Hello sailing community,

It is getting near, very near to the most enjoyed and experienced sailing events on the bay!

We had a total of 42 boats last year hit the starting line throughout the season.

Wednesday Night Fun Races will again be sponsored by LJ Schooners Dockside Restaurant and Oyster Bar for 2013.

We will start un-officially heading out on March 13th for practice and of course fun. Officially the season and the scoring will begin on April 3rd.

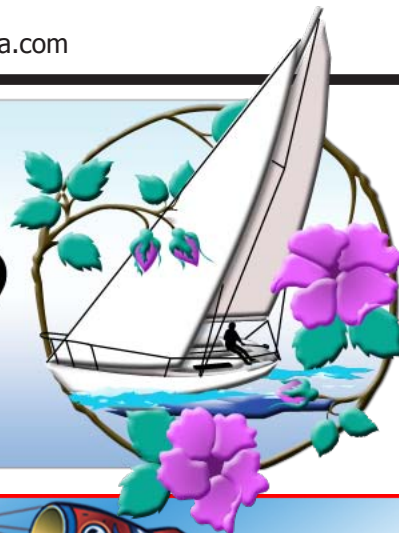
The rules will be the same with start time at 6:00 pm. Turn around time 6:45 pm if no one reaches the turning mark. Awards following the race as soon as practical but a target of 7:45 pm.

An official notice of the rules and regs will follow but the main thrust of this email is to discuss the starting procedures. Last year we started the "running gate" start procedure which was designed to have the committee boat not have to give up sailing for that week. This start has produced some confusion. I am taking a poll upon the participants and will have a decision on the start procedure next week. Please make your comments known via email or phone.

After the decision is made there shall be no quibbling unless the danger of starting the season with negative style points.

Email your thoughts to Brett Hinely, brett@bwb-marina.com

Spring Regatta March 16th



Crusin' Around



A fun time was had by all at the Chili Dog Regatta after race party held at Mickey and Pat Duvall's home on Nelson Point. Weather was perfect – blue skies and warm temps. Turnout was excellent, with arrivals from both land and sea. Rock anthem themed music entertained us, and of course the best part was the Chili! Out of all the entries, Pat Hutchison's secret formula prevailed, and she was gracious in returning her winnings to the club coffers. Thanks to Mickey and Pat for hosting the event.

Upcoming events are:

Friday Night Raft Up 4/19

Shrimp Boil 4/27

Extended Cruise 5/18-27

We'll use the Cruising email list to contact cruisers for last minute updates, so please contact me if you want to be included, and haven't yet done so.

Cheers

Pete Hodges, Rear Commodore

LOCAL TEAM WINS HOBIE 33 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

BBSC Members Deborah and Craig Wilusz dragged their team out of bed and their Hobie 33 "Myasasaur" to New Orleans Yacht Club for the 2013 Hobie 33 North American Championship, February 14-17. Returning to Choctawhatchee Bay with their crew bruised, beaten, and wore out as National Champions.

The local team consisted of Deborah and Craig Wilusz alternating between helm, tactics, and mainsail trim. Mike Worn took duties in the Jib #1 position working closely with Glenn Purcell in the Jib #2 position. Gail Mitchell came on board in Pit position. Scott Mitchell took up the Mast position. Kip Keelin took Bow position.

After only owning the 33 for seven months, Deborah and Craig worked closely with developing a crew, developing practice schedules, and hitting as many local regattas as practice with the squad. The whole crew participated in boat work parties, prepping, maintenance, and providing input on how to make not only the boat, but the whole squad perform better. Hunter Riddle of Schurr Sails worked closely with Deborah and Craig for two months going over the merits of different sail materials, designs, and minor details to come up with a winning sail formula. Donnie Brennan, the US Olympic Sailing Team Boatwright, took some time in three days just before the event to do some keel repair and trailing edge trim work and took time to inspect the main and spare rudder for details.

Racing in New Orleans found the three days of racing mentally and physically exhausting. The final scores after a six race series with a throw out found BBSC's Myasasaur as National Champion with four First Place finishes and a second place finish for a total score of six points after throw out. Class President, Steve and Connie Attard and their Viva Las Vegas came into a tie breaker with Peter



Hoskin Jr.'s No Brakes in a twelve point tie breaker after throw out with the Attard's taking the second spot in the nine boat regatta. Boats representing Florida, Louisiana, Michigan, Oklahoma, and Virginia made the trek to The Big Easy for the National Championship racing competition.

Racing was tight and tough with winds light and nonexistent on Day One. Day Two found winds starting at 18 knots and increasing to over a sustained 20knots plus with puffs recording at 29 knots on one Race Committee boat and 32knot puffs on another Race Committee boat. Waves were large, steep and numerous after a 27 mile fetch down the Lake to the racing circle. The team representing Bluewater Bay Sailing Club and Fort Walton Yacht Club shone brightly winning all three races on this day with the fleet well-paced behind them in rough and windy conditions, hitting 15.6 knots surfing downhill with Deborah pumping the mainsail like mad. Yes, the Wilusz's put up a spinnaker again all day much to the foredeck's distaste. Sunday found our local team taking a second in light and shifty winds in the first race of the day. The final race of the series found the top three boats gybing on and under each other just boat lengths away from the finish. Shortly after the gybing the Race Committee had Myasasaur, Viva Las Vegas, and No Brakes crossing the finish line overlapped with each other, to conclude the series with the Wilusz's and Team taking their fourth First Place of the regatta with Viva Las Vegas and No Brakes finishing within hairs of each other to come into the end of the series with a tie in the nine boat event. The Attard's and their team on Viva won the tie breaker over Hoskins and team on board No Brakes.

Deborah and Craig Wilusz wish to thank their crew, their crew's families, Schurr Sails, James "Peewee" Chason, Hunter Riddle, Larry Franzen, Jared Stevens, West Marine, Annapolis Performance Sailing, Mauri Pro Sailing, and Vela Sailing Supply for their assistance in prepping the team and boat for the win at the 2013 Hobie 33 National Championship.



Results Link: http://noyc.org/rc/2013_MGRW_results.htm
Photos Link: <http://neworleanssailing.com/MAIN.html>

Class Website: <http://hobie33class.com/>
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Upcoming Events

Wed., March 13	Unofficial Wednesday Night Races Start
Sat., March 16	Spring Regatta
Wed., April 3	Wednesday Night Races Start
Sat., April 13	Pick Your Poison
Fri., April 19	Friday Night Raft Up
Sat., April 27	Shrimp Boil
Sun., April 28	Small Boat Race
Sat., May 11	Sailfest

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