



Bluewater Bay Sailing Club NEWSLETTER

September 2013

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!



PHRF FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT

This was a somewhat slow month as there was only one race, the Hot August Night. The weather was actually not all that hot as the recent rains had cooled the area. As usual though there was little to no wind. The race started at 7:00 and Mark Hunter, the race committee chairman, warned he was stopping the race at 11:30.

Good choice! The last participating boat finished at 11:20 p.m. of course, there were three other boats that had dropped out by that time, thinking that there was no way they could make that closing time. Or, perhaps, they were simply tired to sitting in little wind at less than 2 kt. speed

The results were:

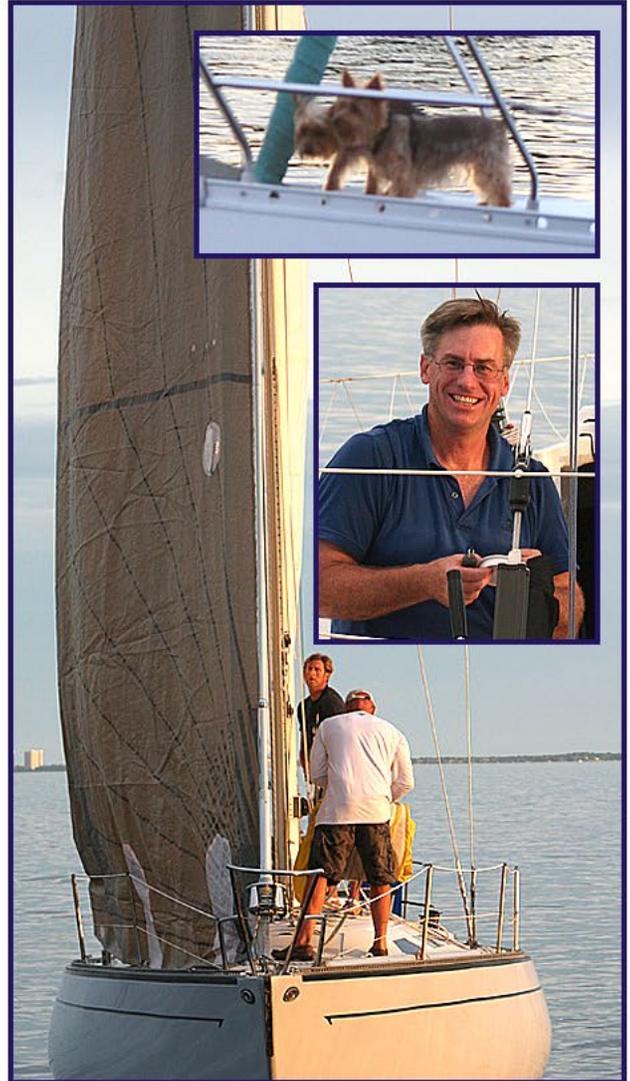
Place	Boat	Skipper	Corrected Time
Spinnakers			
1	Avocet	Ballasch	22:55:17
2	Shenanigan	Stacey	23:08:23
	Pandemonium	Deming	DNF
Non-Spinnakers			
1	Vixen	Olds	22:37:03
2	Cambria	Hinley	22:50:56
3	Kahlua	Deming	23:02:01
	Iwalani	Mauck	Dnf
	Irish Lady	Edenborough	Dnf

It is hard to believe, but we are nearing the end of the racing season. There are only four more races, the Race to the Park on Sept. 14th, the Challenge Cup on Sept. 21st, the Single Handed on Oct. 12th and the Grande Finale on Oct. 26th.

The Race to the Park is a new concept in which racers will arrive at Lincoln Park via the race course, while non-racers will arrive for a picnic by land. We haven't had a club picnic in a long time, so that should be a lot of fun. Lincoln Park is the original location of the club, so this has a little historical meaning, also.

The Challenge Cup is another part of our history. Every year we go against Fort Walton Yacht Club to determine the Choctawhatchee champion club. Unfortunately, they have been winning that competition for the last couple of years. We need to take back to cup! Therefore all you good racers make sure it is on your calendar.

PHRF Fleet Captain Neville Edenborough



Crusin' Around



August 9th Raft Up

We had a nice turnout for the August Friday raft up. Six boats and 16 people attended. Weather was perfect. Jerry and Florence Monda won a bottle of rum in the first rum raffle. Thanks to John and Susan Hiemstra for hosting happy hour. See pictures posted on Facebook. The next day some intrepid sailors on Rummerful, Bushwacker, Estrellita and Island Time headed to the harbor for more fun and braved a water spout on the way.

Race to the Park September 14th

This is a new event with activities for both racers and non-racers. The racers start near the marina at 12:00 and race to Lincoln Park. The racers should arrive between 3:00 and 4:00 so that a pitch-in picnic (joined by non-racers) can start at 4:00. The club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and accoutrements, along with soft drinks and water for \$5 per person. We are also asking everyone to bring a side dish. Please contact Marilyn Ostrominski at 850-678-3150 or Treasurer@bbosc.com to confirm your attendance. Look for a flyer and/or email on this.



Fall Cruise

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the upcoming Fall Cruise slated for October 19-26. We're planning to head west this time. Additional details to be provided later.

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, Rear Commodore Pete Hodges



All prices include the cost of adding your boat name.

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COMMODORE'S

STAFF



Greetings once again sailors! I hope all of you have enjoyed your summer so far and have taken advantage of an unusually cool August. I also hope you have been able to keep up with the Louis Vuitton Cup where team New Zealand was able to defeat Luna Rosa and earn the right to challenge the American team of Oracle Racing in this years Americas Cup. The AC72 boats have been amazing to watch as they are pushing new limits in sail and hull design. These boats are able to hydrofoil and reach speeds above 40 knots in only 18 knots of wind! They are actually beginning to foil upwind and maintain their foil through their gibes. I know there are a lot of purists out there that miss the beauty of the earlier monohull boats and I certainly became a fan of the Americas cup watching Dennis Connors on Stars and Stripes and the epic races down in Sydney, but there is also a real beauty in these new catamarans as well. I for one am cheering for Oracle USA to keep the cup here in the United States. Turning to local waters, we have not had near the wind we have seen in the Louis Vuitton Cup, we have had

some of the lightest winds I can remember! Despite the becalmed wind and water, we continue to have a lot of fun even when we are just drifting around! As I have stated in past newsletters, the season has really moved fast and I can't believe that we are already moving into our September events. Please make plans to attend the Race to the Park on the 14th which is a race combined with a picnic. This will be a great time for racers, cruisers, and landlubbers alike. Make plans for your family and friends to be at the finish line at Lincoln Park to watch the racers arrive. It should be a memorable sight. Also make sure you contact the Marina to secure your spot in this year's circle raft up on September 9th. We also need all of you racers to get in tune for the annual challenge cup where we hope to get the cup back to our side of the bay where it belongs!! And finally we need all small boaters to get out on September 29 for our next small boat race.

*Here's hoping you have fair winds,
Patrick Ballasch, BBSC Commodore*

Wednesday Night Races

We finally had a somewhat decent race on August 21st. We were actually moving with the knot meter registering the entire race. The winds were light but steady. Spinnakers flew from the start and we almost had someone to the windward turning mark. There were 12 boats who participated and 1 sight seeing boat.

The finishes were:

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| 12. Diamond - DNF | 6. Khaos |
| 11. Shenanigan | 5. Push It Up |
| 10. Just Us | 4. Head High |
| 9. Maverick | 3. Avocet |
| 8. Epiphany | 2. Chili Pepper |
| 7. Vixen | 1. Cambria |

The week before, we had the annual "all hands" race and 21 BOATS participated. A BRAND NEW RECORD !!!! The weather was non-existent. Of the 21 boats, 20 actually finished even though only 5 made it past Rocky before the turn around time.

The first legit boat back was Shenanigan but they had -2 style points given out by the race committee for not taking finishes or picking up marks. Mucho beer was given out to many "winners" for various actions. All in all it was a good night despite no wind.

We have had 38 boats so far this year out for Wednesday Night Fun Races.

Wednesday Night Racing Czar, Brett E. Hinely

Current Wednesday Night Standing

Vessel	Points			360 Turns Required Before:	
	Current	Previous	Total	Turning Mark	Finish
Epiphany	1	41	42	7	1
Avocet	2	23	25	1	2
Shenanigan	1	24	25	2	2
Diamond	1	20	21		1
Lavita		18	18		3
Push It Up	1	16	17		1
Nauti Habit		16	16		
Maverick	1	12	13	1	
Wooly Bully		13	13		3
Victoria		12	12	1	
Flama Blanca		11	11		1
Khaos	1	10	11		
Chili Pepper	1	9	10		1
Irish Lady		10	10		1
Kahlua		10	10		
Cambria	3	5	8	1	
Iwalani		8	8		
Feel This Ray		6	6		
Island Girl		6	6		1
Head High	1	4	5		
Rummerful		4	4		
Stickman		4	4	1	
Whit's End		4	4		
Tranquilo		3	3		
Vixen	1	2	3		
Another Dawn		2	2		
Gretel		2	2		
Just Us	1	1	2		
Misdeeds		2	2		
No Fences		2	2		1
Rocinante		2	2		
Tranquila		2	2		
Bat06		1	1		
Christine		1	1		
Free Bird		1	1		
Glory		1	1		
Sante		1	1		
Sofia		1	1		



3rd Annual
Bluewater Bay Marina
Circle Raft-Up
September 7-8, 2013
Start Arriving Saturday AM @ 10:00am
Circle Break up Sunday AM @ 9:00am

SECURE YOUR SPOT TODAY
897-2821

Register your boat and get raft up instructions. Looking for a great turn out! Come join the fun! For more information frontdesk@bwb-marina.com



small boat fleet report

Last small boat race we had 4 boats turn out. Weather looked grim as the storms were coming in. We managed to sail 2 races in the rain before being forced to cancel with lightning in the area. The next race is on Sunday September 8th and is the second to last race this year. All are encouraged to participate.

Small Boat Fleet Captain Kevin Prichard

Upcoming Events

September 7 - 8	Bluewater Bay Marina's Circle Raft-Up
Sat., September 14	Race to the Park
Sat., September 21	Challenge Cup
Sun., September 29	Small Boat Race
Fri., October 18	Single Handed Registration
Sat., October 19	Single Handed
October 19 to 26	Fall Cruise
Sat., October 26	Grande Finale

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