



Bluewater Bay Sailing Club

NEWSLETTER

April 2014

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

Wednesday Night Races

Well the season has started with a bang! 19 boats joined in the fun for the opening of the season.

Rummerful ended up being the race committee and did a good job (slightly late to their own start and dropped the flag but they gave themselves 1 style points for this infraction)

The entire fleet seemed to be a tad early and with the race committee being a tad late the grouped ended up bunched at the East end and some boats couldn't even make the starting line. We also saw some good port starboard challenges but overall the entire fleet of 19 looked pretty good tacking out of the bayou into the bay, with the following exceptions.....

2 style points given to Cambria for running aground

+2 style points for marking the channel and getting off without engine assistance (mainly because their engine doesn't work)

2 style points for Push It Up for pushing it up on the boat in a grand way

Once Rocky mark was cleared it was a straight line shot to Boggy. The faster boats were leading the pack with STICKMAN taking the honors at the turning mark and claimed the pitcher of beer.

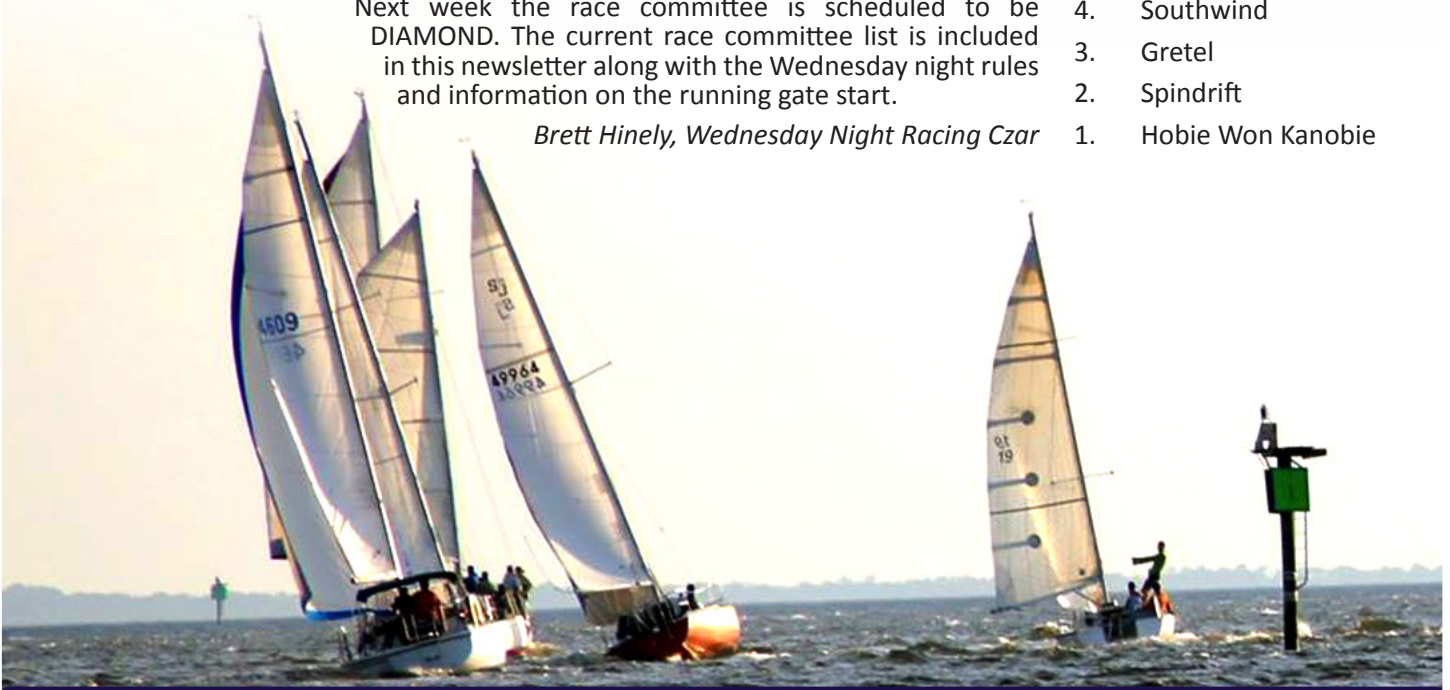
The return home leg was awesome. It was a great view with all the spinnakers flying (on a very tight reaching leg).

Next week the race committee is scheduled to be DIAMOND. The current race committee list is included in this newsletter along with the Wednesday night rules and information on the running gate start.

Brett Hinely, Wednesday Night Racing Czar

The finishing places are:

- DNF Push It Up
- DNF Irish Lady
17. Avocet
16. Shenanigan
15. Vixen
14. Stickman
13. Victoria
12. Island Girl
11. Whits End
10. Epiphany
9. Cambria
8. Diamond
7. Just Us
6. Head High
5. Rummerful
4. Southwind
3. Gretel
2. Spindrifft
1. Hobie Won Kanobie



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Wednesday Night Fun Races

Sponsored By L.J. Schooners Oyster Bar

Schedule

- April through September
- Course, participation and sailing instructions posted in Oyster Bar no later than 5:00 p.m. every Wednesday
- 1st Flag 5:55 p.m. (approximate)
- Start 6:00 p.m. (approximate)
- Turnaround 6:45 p.m. if no vessel has rounded designated turning mark
- Awards 7:45 p.m. at Oyster Bar
- Seasonal award presented at Fall Banquet

Rules

- No protest committee
- Race Committee decisions final
- Turning mark to be rounded to Port unless sailing instructions dictate otherwise
- Official time will be GPS time
- BBSC "Performance 360" rule in effect

Performance 360 Rule

Weekly posted participation and sailing instructions will be posted showing how many 360 each vessel be required to perform before rounding the turn mark or before finishing.

Awards

7:45 p.m. at Oyster Bar. Awards will be given to first to mark and first to finish and maybe something else as well.

Points

- Participation – 1 point
- Race Committee – 1 points
- 1st to Finish – 2 points
- 1st to turning mark – 3 points
- Style points (up to 3 points positive or negative): Up to race committee discretion

Communication

We will attempt to send out email recap / standings / and reminder every week. No guarantees.

Running Gate Start

1. Committee sets two buoys at least 300 feet apart; buoys are set to create a start line East to West across Rocky Bayou.
2. At approximately 5:54 p.m. committee sounds multiple horns to alert the fleet that in approximately one minute the five minute start sequence will begin.
3. At the beginning of the sequence (five minutes to start) the committee sounds one horn sets red flag.
4. At four minutes left the committee sounds one horn and sets the prep flag.
5. At one minute left the committee sounds one horn and lowers the prep flag.
6. At the start the committee sounds one horn begins to run the start line at minimum of 4kts, from the East buoy directly to the West buoy. (Race Committee needs to have engine on and moving down the line)
7. All racing boats may now start by passing between the stern of the committee boat and the East buoy.
8. The committee boat has to sail the entire line and round the West buoy where they can lower the red flag and sail the course.
9. First boat to finish stays by the line to record finish order and retrieve the marks.



Wednesday Night Race Committee

Date	Boat Name
2 April	Diamond
9 April	Rummerful
16 April	Southwind
23 April	Shenanigan
30 April	Stickman
7 May	Diamond
14 May	Push It Up
21 May	
28 May	Southwind
4 June	Diamond
11 June	Shenanigan
18 June	Kahlua
25 June	Push It Up
9 July	Diamond
16 July	Shenanigan
23 July	
30 July	
6 August	Diamond
13 August	Kahlua
20 August	Push It Up
27 August	Southwind
3 September	Diamond
10 September	Shenanigan
17 September	
24 September	



PHRF FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT

Spring Regatta results! The spring regatta was a great event with fair winds in the 10 knot range. Charlie Mauck ran a great committee that set up an excellent race for the non spin and spin boats.

The spin boats: The race for the spin boats was set up basically as a windward leeward race using Grass Lake as the windward mark. The steady winds allowed for two races to be held and when the dust settled the results for the spin boats was as follows: 1st place – 2 Pot Screamer captained by David Vaughn, 2nd was Shenanigan captained by Grover Niles, 3rd was Push it Up captained by JD Phillips, 4th was Stickman Captained by Zack Van Voast. Note that Stickman unfortunately rounded the windward mark in the wrong direction and graciously forfeited the first of the two races.

Non Spin: The non spin race was a government mark course that included Grass Lake, mid bay 58, Boggy 1 and the committee boat. There were three boats in this race which finished as follows: 1st was Southwind captained by Pat Ballasch, 2nd was Vixen captained by Dave Lauderbaugh, 3rd went to Irish Lady captained by Neville Edenborough.

The next race will be the Pick your Poison Regatta on April 12! Be there!



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SMALL BOAT RACING

The first small boat regatta of the year is just around the corner, 13 April. Out steadfast race chairman for the event is Zack Kastl. The racing starts at 1:00 PM. I hope all of you dust off your small boat and head out to Rocky Bayou for the races. If we have any luck the water will be warming up and the sky will be blue. See you out on the water!

Small Boat Fleet Captain
Mark Hunter



COMMODORE'S

CORNER

Greetings Club members! I hope this newsletter finds everyone well and surviving the crazy weather we have had over the past few months. It's hard to believe that its spring and we are still wearing sweaters! I for one am ready for the warmer weather! We have already had several regattas and events behind us and Wednesday night racing has begun! The Spring Regatta was also a fun event with fair winds along with some green beer in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Some more things to look forward to; we will be starting our cruising events soon as well as the small boat races so keep an eye on our FaceBook Page, your emails, as well as reports from our small boat fleet captain and our rear commodore and mark your calendars. Come out for some fun Wednesday night sailing and mark your calendars for the other cruising, small boat, and PHRF events coming up soon. We have planned something for everyone so get ready for a very active Spring!

*May the Spring Winds be fare to all of you,
Patrick Ballasch, BBSC Commodore*

Upcoming Events

Sat., April 12	Pick Your Poison
Sun., April 13	Small Boat Race
Fri., April 25	Friday Night Raft Up
Sat., May 3	Shrimp Boil
Sun., May 4	Small Boat Race
Sat., May 10	Sailfest
May 17 to 26	Extended Cruise
Fri., May 30	Double Handed Registration
Sat., May 31	Double Handed

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