



# Bluewater Bay Sailing Club

## NEWSLETTER

August 2015

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

# Wednesday Night Races

Hola Intrepid Sailors,

We had a great sail this past Wednesday. At 5 pm there was zero wind in the bayou but it was still blowing in the bay and it filled it for the start and continued to build to 20+ kts.

Kudos to Irish Lady for stepping up to the plate and running the race in place of Avocet who was out of town. Irish lady laid a nice long line and was a little off on their timing but all but one adapted to the timing. Irish Lady gave themselves -1 style points for bad timing and -1 was also given to Diamond for over early. Diamond recognized the delayed start but after last weeks editorial comments they opted to not clog the line and not get close to other competitors.

The race out to the mark was a good duel with at least five boats rather close to the turning mark by the time Stickman did their two required performance turns and round ahead of all others. They now have 3 first place turning mark victories and are required to do one "Mark Hunter" rule for the start.

The leg home was a nice romp with a quartering wind to a beam reach. Push It Up slid to a first place finish after they did their 1 required performance turn.

Two Notes:

- As mentioned after the race we have 4 junior sailors chosen to go to Massachusetts to compete at the National Level. Emerald Coast Sailing Association is a 501c3 corporation that sponsors youth sailing camps over the summer as well as High School Sailing. If any interested parties would like to donate towards the Juniors going to Massachusetts these donations will be tax deductible and ECSA will match any and all donated funds for this event. Please contact Mark Hunter for more info.
- Single Handed Race this year is scheduled for Oct. 17. We have tried to de-conflict schedules for maximum participation and this is the best we have come up with.

Results	
10.	Shenanigan
9.	Banzai
8.	Kahlua
7.	Irish Lady
6.	Tartanic
5.	Maverick
4.	Stickman
3.	Diamond
2.	Epiphany
1.	Push It Up

Wednesday Night Racing Czar, Brett Hinely

### Current Standings

Vessel	Points			360 Turns Required Before:	
	Current	Previous	Total	Turning Mark	Finish
Epiphany	1	37	38	6	2
Shenanigan	1	23	24	2	
Avocet		20	20		2
Push It Up	3	16	19		2
Stickman	4	14	18	3	
Hobie Won Kanobie		15	15	2	4
Irish Lady	1	14	15		1
Lavita		14	14		3
South Wind		14	14		
Cambria		13	13		
Kahlua	1	12	13		
Amazing Grace		12	12		
Maverick	1	10	11		
Diamond	0	10	10		
Banzai	1	8	9		1
Just Us		8	8		
Marcy		8	8		

Vessel	Points			360 Turns Required Before:	
	Current	Previous	Total	Turning Mark	Finish
Stella		8	8		
Raconteur		6	6		
Victoria		6	6	1	
Chili Pepper		5	5		
Black Cat		4	4		1
Halycon		4	4		
Shark Tooth		4	4	1	
Iwalani		3	3		
Rock N Roll		3	3		
Tartanic	1	2	3		
Tranquil		3	3		
Vixen		2	2		
Another Dawn		1	1		
Beer Can		1	1		
Endeavour Cat		1	1		
Lucky Duck		1	1		

# Crusin' Around



Hello all cruisers. Here's a recap of recent activities and announcement of upcoming plans.

## 7/4 Fourth of July Party

A fine time was had at Bill and Doris Deming's home on Boggy Bayou. Despite a little rain, the fireworks were great, and so was the food and drink. Thanks to Bill and Doris Deming for hosting.

## 7/17 Friday Raft Up #3

The raft up was postponed till the next day due to weather issues. Despite somewhat threatening weather again on Saturday evening we had a decent turnout, with four boats attending: Southwind (Brian and Ann Gwinnup and crew, and Pat Ballasch and guests), Victoria (Denis and Melissa Duhaime), Lovely Crews (Phil and Eveline Rosegrant) and Island Time (Pete and Kathy Hodges). With the warm temperature, some folks enjoyed a cool swim. After snacks, we had the obligatory conch blowing contest at dusk. Following tradition, we had another nautical quiz which was won by Phil and Eveline, with a bottle of rum for the prize. As a previous raft up quiz winner, Pat was awarded his rum as well. Pictures have been posted to Facebook.



## 9/26 Race to Park/BBSC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

This year we're doing the traditional race to Lincoln Park, and celebrating the club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Be sure to put this on your calendar. No need to enter the race to enjoy the shore side activities. More details will be provided next month.

## 10/9 Friday Raft Up #4

Date has been changed from 10/2 to 10/9 to eliminate a conflict. Hopefully temperatures will have abated somewhat by this time. Location will be decided the week of the event and will be announced via email. Stay tuned. Probable locations: either Rocky Bayou or Boggy Bayou.

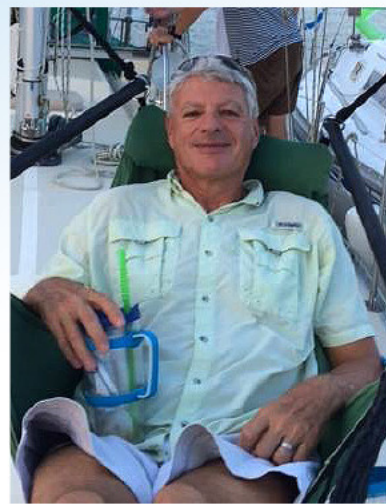
## Other Cruiser Activities

Craig and Lynn Deyerle took Amazing Grace to the Pensacola Air Show, held on July 11<sup>th</sup>, and had a great time. The ride over on Friday was quite amazing, with port tack sailing all the way, dropping the hook at Quiet Water Beach at 1800 hours. Per Craig, the number of boats made "Crab Island look like a ghost town." They enjoyed a great air show on Saturday and departed with a 16 knot west wind. After overnighting east of Navarre Bridge, they made it back to the BWB dock at 1230 pm next day.

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



## Choctawhatchee Bay Rendezvous 2015 Fort Walton Yacht Club — August 7 – 9

### Friday, August 7:

**1700 - 1900:** Rendezvous Registration on the back patio  
First Friday in the Lounge with live music by Robert DuPlessis Price: Free (you're on your own for drinks)

### Saturday, August 8:

**0800 - 0900:** Panhandle SUP Race #4, Registration at the Brinckmann Pavilion  
**0900 - 0930:** Kids/Special Olympic Race off the Point  
**0930 - 1130:** 12, 6, 3, 1 mile races off the point  
**1200 - 1330:** Silent Auction under the pine trees between club and boat ramp  
**1330 - 1500:** Auction Winners/Award Winners/Sponsor Recognition back porch  
**1500 - 1700:** Cleanup, relax and get ready to party  
**1800 - 2000:** **Southern Nights Party:** Southern Buffet in the Castaway/Dining Rooms – Price: \$18, tax and gratuity included (you're on your own for drinks)  
**1800 - 2200:** Live Music by the Rowdies (Southern Rock) in the Dining Room

### Sunday, August 9:

**0900 - 1400:** Sunday Brunch in the Dining Room  
**1400 - 1600:** Day Sailing on the Bay

## Southern Nights Party

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8  
6 TO 10 P.M.

Live Southern Rock by The Rowdies

Southern Buffet

FRIED CHICKEN, SMOTHERED STEAK,  
RICE, FIELD PEAS WITH SNAPS, LIMA BEANS,  
SALAD, PEACH COBLER

\$18 inclusive

RSVP 243-7102 by Aug 1



# PHRF FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT

Hello Sailors. The annual Round-the-Bay East was completed on 27 June. The race committee (Pat Ballasch) got the race off without a hitch. This was easily the breeziest Round the Bay ever (as I recall anyway). It was six to seven hours of 20 - 25 kts with a 10-15 minute break in the middle due to a passing thunderstorm. Several boats elected to call it a day early but the die-hards stuck it out and sailed the 30+ nautical mile race to completion.

The first phase of the race was the close reach to the mid-bay bridge. The second phase was the long broad reach to Freeport. Several boats were hitting all-time fastest speeds on the sleigh ride east. Phase three was the beat back to the west which wasn't much fun for any boat. The smaller boats pounded through the chop setup by the mostly steady wind. In the end, Shenanigan (spin), Kahlua (non-spin) and Marcy (cruiser) took first for each class.

As is usual for our Bermuda starts, we also publish the start statistics for all the boats. Below we've noted the difference between the stated start time for each boat and their actual start times. In general, all the boats did a great job crossing the line soon after their start.



	Boat	Start Time	Crossed Line	Difference
1.	Rock N Roll	10:14:32	10:14:32	3 secs.
	Epiphany	10:59:18	10:59:21	3 secs.
2.	Shenanigan	10:16:24	10:16:30	6 secs.
	Pandemonium	10:34:57	10:35:03	6 secs.
3.	Just Us	10:03:12	10:03:20	8 secs.
	Kahlua	10:03:33	10:03:41	8 secs.
4.	Amazing Grace	10:06:41	10:06:54	13 secs.
5.	Maverick	10:41:09	10:41:26	17 secs.
6.	Marcy	10:01:59	10:02:32	33 secs.
7.	Tranquil	10:00:25	10:04:00	3 min 45 secs.

The annual BBSC Double-handed regatta for 2015 has come and gone. What initially appeared to be a drifting non-starter became a steady fresh breeze that treated all the competitors equally. Buzz Clarke and crew made a great command decision to pull back the initial starting boats as the wind died away to a dead calm for several minutes as the weak northerly gave way to the building sea breeze. All 14 boats got off to good starts during round two of the sequence. Two boats, who shall remain nameless, wandered over the line a little early but were not called out by the very forgiving race committee. The top boats of both fleets (same and mixed) took off in a big hurry and didn't look back. Congratulations to both Shenanigan and Stickman for winning their respective fleets. The next BBSC big boat event is the night race on August 1. This is within a day of the full moon, so it should be a beautiful event.

BBSC is a volunteer organization and we need your support. Specifically, I need help to run our regattas. I don't have a committee for the Ladybug Regatta on 29 August or the Grand Finale on 7 November. Please find an event and volunteer to be the committee. This is not as daunting as it may seem at first and I will walk you through all the duties until you are comfortable with the process.

*I hope to see everyone out on the water.  
PHRF Fleet Captain, Mark Hunter*



## Round the Bay East Results

Spinnaker	
Boat	Place
Shenanigan	1
Epiphany	2
Maverick	DNF
Just Us	DNF

Non-Spinnaker	
Boat	Place
Kahlua	1
Rock N Roll	2
Pandemonium	DNF

Non-Spinnaker	
Boat	Place
Marcy	1
Amazing Grace	2
Tranquil	DNF

## Double Handed Results

Mixed Class	
Name	Finish Time
Stickman	2:34:55
Kahlua	2:36:50
Diamond	2:41:33
Rock-n-Roll	2:42:40
Marcy	2:43:56
Maverick	2:45:24
Raconteur	2:47:29
Whits End	2:48:31

Same Class	
Name	Finish Time
Shenanigan	2:33:39
Epiphany	2:34:26
Pandemonium	2:34:35
Avocet	2:37:43
Stella De La Mar	2:47:43
Just'Us	2:58:03



The club is taking orders for the Wednesday Night Race Series Shirts and 50th Anniversary gear.

Contact Brenda Crabbe at [quarter-master@bbsc.com](mailto:quarter-master@bbsc.com)



Article	Price	Sizes Available	Order by Date
Wednesday Night Shirt:	\$15.00	S - XXXL	August 5th
50th Anniversary Polo:	\$25	Mens & Ladies S-XXXL	—
50th Anniversary Hat:	\$20	—	—

# Upcoming Events

Sat., August 1	Night Race
Sun., August 9	Small Boat Regatta #5
Sat., August 29	Ladybug Regatta
Sat., September 12	Challenge Cup
Sun., September 13	Small Boat Regatta #6
Fri., September 18	Friday Night Raft Up #4
Sat., September 26	Race to the Park – 50th Anniversary of Sailing Club
Wed., September 30	Last Official Wednesday Night

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