

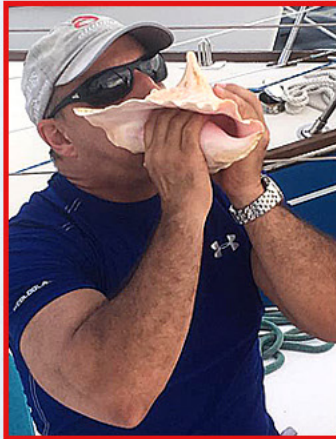


Bluewater Bay Sailing Club NEWSLETTER

August/September 2016

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

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 for the Fourth of July. Weather was nice, the fireworks were great and so was the food and drink. Thanks to Bill and Doris Deming for hosting.

7/15 Friday Raft Up #3

Six boats attended the raft up, with nineteen people aboard. Attendees included: Vixen(Dave & Jill, Drew & Nita and Murphy and Cheryl), Devine Comedy(Al & Dawn and Chuck & Gail), Tom's Last Chance(Pat, Colleen & Melissa), Lovely Crews(Phil & Eveline), Pirates Dream(John & Susan) and Island Time(Pete & Kathy).

After snacks, we had the obligatory conch blowing contest at dusk. Following another tradition, we faced the nautical quiz, which ended in a tie even after using a tie breaker! Winners were John & Susan and Drew & Nita, with a bottle of rum for the prize. Thanks to John & Susan for hosting the happy hour! Pictures have been posted to Facebook.

9/10 Race to Park and Party

Once again we're doing the traditional race to Lincoln Park, with party afterward. Be sure to put this on your calendar. Start time for the party is 3PM, and please bring a dish to share. BBSC will provide BBQ and drinks. No need to enter the race to enjoy the shore side activities. Thanks in advance to the volunteers!

9/16 Friday Raft Up #4

This will be our last Friday raft up for the year, and 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. 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.

Lastly, we have some fun events planned for October. The Bay Cruise, October 8-15 and the Destin Harbor Cruise, October 21-23. More on this next month.



Cheers
Pete Hodges
Rear Commodore

5th
Bluewater Bay
Marina
CIRCLE Raft-Up

September 24-25, 2016

RSVP 9/10/2016
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Wednesday Night Races

Hola Intrepid Sailors,

We had an interesting event last week. It seems there was some prior collaboration to attack a lone innocent vessel on the course. I know that this particular vessel usually dominates the fleet but jealousy is an ugly emotion. Also, teaming up against one vessel violates the Corinthian idea of yachting. Shame upon you villainous pirates.

Race committee was Irish Lady who set a nice line. Was on time but had the red flag raised early. As soon as the horn sounded the fleet was.....right in the same position they were 5 min prior. Vessels converged on Diamond to throw projectiles so Diamond opted to crank up early and leave the fleet behind. Avocet finally made it to Rocky 1 first and at the turn around time hailed a distress call which

Diamond went way out of the way to respond and hooked them up to tow them home. It seems that the fleet doesn't like Avocet either because they kept chasing Diamond to attack Avocet as they were being towed. Diamond valiantly tried to defend Avocet and took some battle damage in the process. One by one the fleet retired from the race except Push It Up. Push It Up stayed out there until the bitter end just so they can try and earn an extra \$10 on a bet this season. I realize that boat is sailed by a bunch of retirees and on a fix budget so I don't fault them on trying to increase their annual income levels.

We had 11 boats for the drift fest. Seasonal standings are below.

REMEMBER "ALL HANDS RACE" AUG 7TH (TWO WEEKS)

Wednesday Night Racing Czar, Brett Hinely

Vessel	Points			360° Required Before:	
	Current	Previous	Total	Turning Mark	Finish
Shenanigan	1	32	33	3	
Epiphany		31	31	4	3
Avocet	1	26	27	2	1
Halycon	1	23	24		1
Push It Up	3	21	24		3
Diamond	1	21	22		1
Stickman		21	21	3	
Amazing Grace		19	19		1
Irish Lady	2	16	18		1
Stella	1	17	18		1
Bay Gypsy	1	12	13		1
Hobie Won Kenobi		13	13	2	2
Kahlua	1	12	13		
Marcy		13	13		1
Maverick	1	12	13	1	
Lavita		12	12		1
Raconteur		12	12		1
Capt America		9	9	2	2
Iwalani		7	7		
Kayla		7	7		
Banzai		5	5		
Victoria		5	5		
Break Away	1	2	3		1
Rock N Roll		3	3		
Buschwacker		2	2		
Vixen		2	2		
Witts End		2	2		
Fuzzy (J33)		-2	-2		





PHRF FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT

skipping their boats on such a beautiful day. Thanks to Craig Deyerle and his crew for running the race. The next event is the Race to the Park on 10 September. This will be another Bermuda start near the Rocky 1 mark and sailing to a finish near Lincoln Park in Boggy Bayou. I still need a Race Committee for this event. After that, we have the rescheduled

Hello Sailors. The Lady Bug Regatta took place on a hot but mildly windy day. This was a single class, non-spinnaker race with a Bermuda Start. All boats started close to their appointed start times. The racing was close with the highest rated boat, Kahlua, getting the early lead and maintaining it throughout. The two lowest rated boats closed the gap battling all the way to the finish but couldn't catch Kahlua. Congrats to Patty Duvall for a great race! Thanks to all the ladies for coming out and racing under a full moon.



Lady Bug Results

1	Kahlua
2	Epiphany
3	Pandemonium
4	Rock n Roll
5	Push It Up
6	Avocet

We have the annual BBSC versus FWYC Challenge Cup coming up on 1 October, hosted by FWYC. We are planning the event now and I need a headcount on all those boats planning on racing. At this point we're thinking there will be a spinnaker and nonspinnaker fleet. Even if not racing, you're welcome to travel over with the fleet to watch and enjoy the after-race celebration.

Lastly, I still need a Race Committee for the Grand Finale on 29 October. Please contact me if you wish to volunteer. I hope to see you out on the water.

PHRF Fleet Captain, Mark Hunter

COMMODORE'S

CORNER

Greetings sailors!

I hope all of you are enjoying your summer and are finding fun ways to play in the heat and humidity! Once again, I am amazed that our season has flown by so quickly! Even still there is still plenty to look forward to in the coming months! We have the Race to the Park Regatta and Picnic, the make-up Night Race, Grande Finale, Challenge Cup, small boat races, and some Friday raft ups along with the fall cruise. I would like to take this time to thank any of you who have volunteered to help the club in putting on the events we have already held and for the events that are upcoming. We can't do this without you! It takes everyone in this club working together for these events to be a success. So if you have already volunteered, we thank you sincerely for your time and talent! If you have not had a chance to volunteer yet, don't worry we still have plenty of opportunities left for you to pitch in. We still need some help for race committee for a few of the races. If you have any interest in helping with race committee, just let Mark Hunter know and he will make sure you get the instruction and help you need to feel confident in running a race. I have found that race committee can be a lot of fun! If your interest is more geared for cruising, just reach out to Pete Hodges and let him know you want to help. Grover Niles has been committee for all of the small boat races - I am sure he would enjoy a day off! If you can help with small boats,

let Zack Kastl know you are willing and able! Some of you may think that all of our events have been fully organized and that we don't need volunteers, I can assure you that we always can use help. Unfortunately, we seem to find that we are always relying on the same small group of people who are doing most of the volunteer work and this is cause for concern that some of these dedicated volunteers may get burned out. At last count, we have 71 members in our club. That means that there should be no shortage of helping hands to pitch in and help with the club events. So please don't be shy, raise your hand, make the phone call, get involved! It will only make your experience in this awesome club more fun and fulfilling! One other area that we will be needing some relief is on the 2017 bridge. We have had the same bridge members for the last three years with only a few exceptions. In fact, there are some on the bridge that have held a position for well over 5 years! It is time for some new ideas and fresh blood to step up in these roles. So if you are good at counting money, good at planning and organizing, good with your note taking skills, have some great ideas for club racing, please consider a position on the bridge next year. Thanks again to everyone for making this Club such a great community of wind lovers! Here's to many more years of fair weather and steady winds!

Patrick Ballasch, BBSC Commodore



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Upcoming Events

Sat., September 10	Race to the Park
Fri., September 16	Friday Raft-Up #4
Sat., September 17	Night Race
Sun., September 18	Small Boat Race #6
Sat., September 24	Circle Raft-Up
Wed., September 28	Last Official Wednesday Night
Sat., October 1	Challenge Cup
October 8 to 15	Bay Cruise
Fri., October 14	Single Handed Registration
Sat., October 15	Single Handed*

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