



# Bluewater Bay Sailing Club NEWSLETTER

October/November 2016

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

## 2016 : YEAR-IN-REVIEW

January 16: Blue Nose & JAM #1

January 30: JAM #2

February 13: Chili Dog & JAM #3



February 26: Spring Meeting

March 5: JAM #4

March 16: Unofficial Wednesday  
Night Races Start



March 26: JAM #5

Wed., April 6: Wednesday Night  
Races Start

April 9: Spring Regatta

April 17: Small Boat Race #1

April 23: Pick Your Poison



April 29: Friday Raft-Up #1

May 7: Shrimp Boil

May 14: Sailfest

May 21 to 30: Spring Cruise



May 22: Small Boat Race #2

June 4: Round the Bay West

June 10: Friday Raft-Up #2

June 12: Small Boat Race #3

June 25: Round the Bay East

July 10: Small Boat Race #4

July 15: Friday Raft-Up #3



July 23: Double Handed  
Regatta

August 6: Night Race

August 14: Small Boat Race #5

August 20: Ladybug Regatta



September 10: Race to the Park

September 16: Friday Raft-Up #4



September 18: Small Boat Race #6

September 24: Circle Raft-Up

September 28: Last Official  
Wednesday Night

October 1: Challenge Cup

October 8 to 15: Bay Cruise



October 15: Single Handed

October 16: Small Boat Race #7

Oct. 21 to 23: Destin Harbor Cruise

October 29: Grande Finale



### UPCOMING:

November 18: Beach Party

December 3: JAM #6

January 28: Awards Banquet &  
Elections





## PHRF FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT

Hello Sailors. The Grand Finale Regatta took place on 29 October under good conditions, though it was a little on the light side. Grand Finale is primarily a windward-leeward race with the exception of the Cruiser Class that sailed a government mark course. Thanks again to the sponsor, DAG Architects for helping us execute another great regatta. I also want to thank the Race Committee crew for running a well-executed event: Tom Kennedy, Craig Deyerle and Phil Rosegrant. The RC was able to complete two windward-leeward races.

The first was a single lap around the 1.5 NM legs (for a total of 3 NM) and the second was a W2 (two laps around) for 6 NM. The racing was very close in the spinnaker fleet and there was a very tight competition for second place in the non-spinnaker. Due to the dying breeze, the RC made an audible (VHF) course change for the cruisers that brought them in just in time for dinner, door prizes and awards at Helen Back's. Congratulations to all.

The next event (the last for 2016) is the JAM #6 on 3 Dec.

*Mark Hunter, PHRF Fleet Captain*

Boat Name	Skipper	Race 1	Race 2	Total	Place
Epiphany	Mark Hunter	2	1	3	1
Avocet	Pat Ballasch	1	3	4	2
Shenanigan	Grover Niles	3	2	5	3
Pandemonium	Bill Deming	1	1	2	1
Push It Up	JD Phillips & Tuna Hardy	3	2	5*	2
Kahlua	Mickey Duvall	2	3	5	3
Roll-n-Roll	Obie Olds	4	4	8	4
Halcyon	Brian Gwinnup	5	5	10	5
Vixen	David Lauderbaugh	1		1	1
Raconteur	Joe Conrad 2	2		2	2
Kayla	Michael Phillips 3	3		3	3



## Crusin' Around



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

### 10/8-15 Bay Cruise

What a fun time we had on the Bay Cruise. While we did have some pesky east winds that precluded certain anchorages, the weather was outstanding overall – some of the best ever for a cruise. Seven boats in total participated including: Bay Gypsy(Alan and Cathy Gardner), Carolina Breeze(Larry and Cathy Casey), Estrellita(Chic and Patti Fries), Island Time(Pete and Kathy Hodges), Iwalani(Charlie and Kathy Mauck), Pirates Dream(John and Susan Hiemstra) and Raconteur(Joe and Jan Conrad.) We were also joined on our shore excursions by Dave and Jill Lauderbaugh, and Phil and Eveline Rosegrant. Our itinerary included Boggy Bayou(Boathouse Landing), Hogtown Bayou, Baytown Marina, Cinco Bayou(AJ's and FWYC) and Boggy Bayou(Fuel.) Iwalani also made a side trip to Destin Harbor. Patti Fries celebrated a birthday while we all enjoyed a great dinner at Marlin Grill. Thanks to all the participants for making this cruise such a great one!

### 10/22-23 Destin Harbor Cruise

Estrellita(Chic and Patty Fries) and Island Time(Pete and Kathy Hodges) had a quick sail over to Destin under blustery conditions with 20-25 knot north winds. The anchorage in the

harbor was well protected, and we enjoyed drinks and dinner at The Other End with Tom and Becky Kennedy from Perdiem who joined by land. Next day we headed back under fair skies.

### 11/4 Friday Raft Up #4

Our raft up of the season came off without a hitch(maybe a bowline or two), and we all enjoyed the cooler breezes and fun company. Boats present were Lovely Crews(Phil and Eveline Rosegrant), Perdiem(Tom and Becky Kennedy), Raconteur(Joe and Jan Conrad) and Island Time(Pete and Kathy Hodges). With a backdrop of small boats racing on the bayou we enjoyed some wonderful snacks and drinks. The nautical quiz was closely contested with Lovely Crews finishing just ahead to win the rum. Phil and Eveline were gracious hosts and shared their bounty with everyone.

Lastly, we have one more event scheduled – the Beach Party on November 18th. More on this next month.



*Cheers  
Pete Hodges  
Rear Commodore*

# COMMODORE'S



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## Greetings intrepid Sailors and Sailing fans!

I hope this letter finds you well and enjoying the cooler and less humid weather the fall has presented us. Well, it is hard to believe that we have almost completed all of our sailing events for 2016! My how time sails by so quickly! It seems only yesterday we were planning the year's activities and here we have only two more events on our calendar. The Beach Bonfire Bash and the Jam series race in December. It has been a great year and I personally have enjoyed the camaraderie of this club. We are so lucky to be blessed with such awesome people who posses such a zest for life. The club is doing well by all accounts, we have been growing in members, our finances are sound, and we have had something for everyone throughout the year. Pretty soon we will be planning for next year's events, so if you have any ideas on things the club could be doing to increase our fun factor, or things we should be doing that we are not doing now, get involved and share your ideas. In fact, this is a perfect time to let everyone know that the Bridge is ready for some new blood. We will have several of the bridge members stepping down after serving for more than three years! WE desperately need you to consider your strengths and what you can bring to the bridge as a new bridge member. Most of the positions will be open so if you want to

help with setting up the PHRF races let Mark Hunter know you are willing to step in for him. If your thing is small boats, let Zack Kastl know you can help with the small boat fleet. If you are good with money and finances, let Marilyn know that you can help with the treasurer's position. If you feel compelled to organize our cruising events, Pete Hodges is looking for relief as rear commodore, trophy shoppers should contact Jeff Blackburn to let him know you would make a great Vice Commodore. Finally, I need someone to step in as Commodore next year. It has been my privilege, honor, and pleasure to serve this club for the past three years but it is time for me to step down and give the reigns to someone else. This club will not exist without new volunteers so please consider a position on next year's bridge. If you are afraid of the unknown, don't fear, we will make sure that the transition is as smooth as possible!

Thanks again for all of you for making this club the best on the bay!!!

*May the Fall winds be cool and Brisk!*

Patrick Ballasch, BBSC Commodore 2106



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Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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email: \_\_\_\_\_

email categories: ☐ Cruises ☐ Small Boat

Boat Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Names on Cards: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Other (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ PHRF Racing ☐ General Activities

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Membership Renewal \$50

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# Upcoming Events

**Fri., November 18  
Beach Party**

**Sat., December 3  
JAM #6**

**Sat., January 28  
Awards Banquet &  
Elections**

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