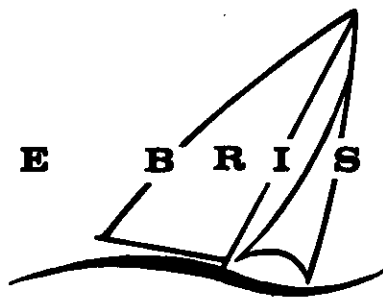




# C H E S A P E A K E   B R I S T O L   C L U B



January 1978

The annual Fall Membership Dinner was held at Bay Ridge Inn on November 19 with about 100 members and guest attending. Members who weren't there missed a very enjoyable evening.

Conversation in the barroom was lively as last summer's events and episodes were relived, races were embellished and rerun (ever notice how the other guys get all the breaks? -lucky start, favorable current, better air, lifts), hardware problems were solved, recipies exchanged, boats compared and analyzed, old friends greeted, and new friendships made. But CBC members have never been accused of dainty appetites, and all got under way for the dinning room as soon as dinner was announced. The buffet was delicious and plentiful - in fact, we are still admiring the skill displayed by some unnamed members who managed to heap a week's rations on one plate. What capacities!

After brief committee reports, Ed Plitt did a great job presenting trophies. During the presentation he gave some pretty convincing reasons why more of us should compete-and why I think we will. Winners were:

## Blue water Trophy:

Sirena, Lynn and Fred Hixon, cruise to Bermuda

## Bristol Cruise Trophy:

Tangerine, Betty and Bill Delanoy, 3,00 mile, 6 month cruise to Florida and Caribbean

## High Point Trophy:

1st  
2nd  
3rd

Dame Mame, Ed and Betsy Plitt  
Pinafore, Jeff and Carolyn Serfass  
Quest, Bob and Nancy McIntosh

## Commodore's Cup:

1st  
2nd  
3rd

Dame Mame, Ed and Betsy Plitt  
Antigone, Jerry Caswell  
Quest, Bob and Nancy McIntosh

## Cove Point Trophy:

1st  
2nd  
3rd

Dame Mame, Ed and Betsy Plitt  
Pinafore, Jeff and Carolyn Serfass  
Antigone, Jerry Caswell

Bristol 32 Series:

1st	<u>Antigone</u> , Jerry Caswell
2nd	<u>Daphne</u> , Dick and Ruth Boeker
3rd	<u>Star Bright</u> , Ken and Lila Ketcham

Sea Nettle Award: Sirena, Fred and Lynn Hixon  
-Informal race 8-21-77  
from Grays Inn Creek  
to Love Point Light.

As stated in the October Newsletter, the Nominating Committee recommended a slate of officers for 1978. There being no nominations from the floor, the slate was elected unanimously. The new officers are:

Commodore:	Bill Kirby
V. Commodore:	Betsy Plitt
R. Commodore:	Fred Hixon
Secretary:	Mike Wilson
Treasurer:	Lee Keenan
Trustees:	Paul Botzler and Lou Cable

Committee Chairmen for 1978 are:

Membership:	Margi Wilson
Cruise/Race:	Ed Plitt
Social:	Pat Rollo
Publication:	Carolyn and Kevin Fidgen

The formal part fo the evening closed with the showing of "Welcome aboard", a film prepared by "The Mooring" of Tortola, B.V.I. The film was jam-packed with exciting sailing and highlighted the various ports of call in that cruising paradise. There was enough interest expressed to make the possibility of a group charter in late January - early Febuary of 79' a reality.

The estimated cost (via Baltimore-San Juan-Tortola) per couple based on 3 couples per boat for the following is \$1,000. This includes round trip airfare, first night in a hotel in Tortola, boat rental for 7 days, and food except for 3 dinners ashore. Liquor, of couse, will be extra. Because air fares are always changing (they go up and not down as planes do), this is only an estimate based on fares at this time. This estimate is based on the Morgan OI 41' ketch. However there are other yachts available to us such as the Gulfstar Custom 37' sloop.

As an extra attraction, our members, Henery and Mary Esther Dasenbrock, have graciously opened their home to us in St. John's for a club shore party during the charter. This should be especially attractive for those who are tired of shore parties on the Magothy River.

This group charter is not limited to Club members so possibly your friends or relatives might be interested in joining us. Think of all the snow and ice during January and February. Doesn't the sailing bug begin to bite at that time? Don't let the winter blues get you down. Fight it! Join us in the land of sun and fun - get away from it all. Escape!

We hear that snorkelling is half the fun of cruising B.V.I. and Betsy tells us that the charter boats have snorkel gear aboard. For the benefit of those who have never snorkelled and want some practice this summer, we suggest you defer buying equipment until more information about the type of gear to buy and how to use it is published in a spring issue of the Newsletter. We can arrange a pool training session with a SCUBA instructor if enough interest is shown.

If you didn't sign up at the Dinner for further information, please return the blank at the bottom as soon as possible because plans have to get under way a year in advance. Betsy Plitt is looking into this cruise for us. If anyone has any suggestions (good or bad) or knows of any other "specials" for this type of cruise, let her know.

Sailing is exciting in the Islands. There is always an easterly breeze unlike the calms of the Chesapeake Bay.

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To: Betsy Plitt (301-255-5827)  
19 Tebbston, Lake Shore Drive  
Pasadena, Maryland 21122

Please send me more information about this cruise.

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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CHESAPEAKE BRISTOL CLUB  
6159 AGAIL PLACE  
COLUMBIA, MARYLAND 21045

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January 16, 1978

Dear Members:

If you have those mid-winter blahs try remembering those balmy summer evenings sitting in the cockpit watching the sunset in a blaze of color - the blue herons stalking their dinner along the shoreline - the friendly ducks always willing to accept a handout - and the sublime rolling and bobbing while your boat gently tugs at her anchor. Well, it won't be much longer until we revisit those scenes described above and hopefully we can enjoy them together as members of the 1978 Chesapeake Bristol Club.

Attached you will find a 1978 Membership Renewal Form. On it we have pre-printed all the information we have on file for you. We ask that you verify this data and fill in any blank lines. If there are any errors or you would like changes made, just circle the changes and print the new data above the old. Hopefully, you will find this new form makes renewal a bit easier.

We are pleased to announce that 1978 dues will remain at \$12.00 despite the ever increasing cost of living. Please return the completed form to me along with your check payable to "Chesapeake Bristol Club" at your earliest convenience. Although dues are not officially payable until March 1st, why not send in your renewal today while it's on your mind and who knows, maybe Spring will also arrive just a bit early.

You probably recall last year's very practical and handsome blue vinyl directory binders with the "CBC" logo silk-screened on it. We still have them available and should you need one they will be for sale at the Spring Dinner for \$1.00 each or by mail for \$1.50 (.50 to cover the cost of mailing).

We look forward to your "Coming Aboard" for the 1978 season which promises to be bigger and better than ever.

Sincerely,

*Margie*

Margie Wilson  
Membership Director

*Hope you enjoyed your trip.*  
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