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COMMODORE'S COLUMN

It's an old cliche, but I'll say it anyway: A lot of water has passed under our respective keels since I last wrote a Commodore's Column.

Unfortunately, I was not able, personally, to attend the last two club events; the Hawaiian Shore Party at Milbur and the C.B.C. Birthday and Watermelon Party in Reed Creek. I know from those that attended that Betsy Plitt and Norm Bogarde respectively did a terrific job of providing all the right ingredients for two great parties.

All of this success makes me wonder where we would be without the really dedicated club members who, year after year, keep doing the work the results of which we all enjoy so much.

Now on to the future and our annual C.B.C.Crab Feast at Bay Ridge which will feature number ONE crabs, and the eagerly awaited Labor Day Cruise to the Gipes on Maxmore Creek. This year after enjoying the Gipe's hospitality on Saturday evening and following a possible fun race on Sunday, there will be a second shore event at the home of our good friends, the Silvers, in Island Creek. This will be a pool party, so bring your water toys.

Speaking for myself, I can't wait for the next two club events to happen.

Plan to attend both and especially try to bring guests to the Crab Feast as it is a great way to introduce prospective members to the club. See you there!!

Bill

Look for your next newsletter to have all the information and directions for the Labor Day events... and another <u>very</u> special one we haven't even told you about. Stay tuned!

THE GREAT NORTHERN CRUISE

SATURDAY, 6/27

A lively bunch gathered at Jubb Cove on Bodkin Creek for a Caribbean party as the send-off for the CBC Cruise to the North. The group included Don Taylor, Paul Kavanaugh with his daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Greg Susanke, Andy and Kathy Lewis and "Dusty", Rebecca and Dave Burka, Joel Gross and Mark Kaufman (crew and chef), Dick and Ruth Boecker and Dick, Jr., Fayla dn Ned Sherrer, Andy Talarico, Adele and Hak Kauffman, Beryl and Bill Flynn, Ann and Bill Sieling, Dorothy and Jim Nissely and Alma and Gene Ehrlich. Everyone gathered on ECHO where we enjoyed various munchies and libations with much good cheer and happy talk. John Banbury made many trips to the raft by dinghy. Hak distributed a revised cruise schedule to the cruisers, with opportunities for fireworks displays included.

SUNDAY, 6/28

The serious cruisers began the first leg of their journey, to Fairlee Creek, with nary a breeze stirring. A few folks, ever hopeful, tried to sail, but eventually everyone motored in CHANTEY, HI BALL II (overheating), RUSTY RIG (with Ruth and Dick Jr. aboard), BRAVO II, PATRIARK, WHIM, SOLSTICE, ECHO, BLUE MIST with Helen and Al Powell, Louise and Mal Mellington in DARK STAR, dropped an anchor or formed a small raft around ECHO. It was a quiet evening so the raft did not break up after socializing ceased.

During the night the wind came up and strange noises began to be heard... loud cracks... deep rumbles... and rubbing sounds that were not the sounds of fenders. The whole raft was rotating. Heads popped out of cabins.. whispered conferences were held, slack lines tightened, and sleeping was a bit fitful til morning came. Everyone exchanged experiences, ate breakfast, and readied for the trip to the Sassafras River. After acting as pivot for the whirling raft all night long, ECHO's anchor refused to budge from the bottom! Intrepid divers from CHANTEY freed the chain, which had wrapped three times around an old mooring eye! Ned! Where were you when you were really needed?

MONDAY, 6/29

The wind was from the South, so it was a good sail up to the Sassafras, and a beautiful beam reach for ten miles up the river to Georgetown. Some picked up moorings, some anchored, and some took slips... and some took showers! That hot water was soooooo good! Everyone enjoyed an excellent meal at the Granary. Nancy and Frank McCabe joined the cruise in KELLY ANN, and were joined by their friends Janet and Ron Benray in their SEA SAW.

TUESDAY, 6/30

On to the Bohemia! PAVANE entered the Bohemia and explored fearlessly, dredging six foot deep navigation channels, and calling the area Cabin John Creek. They eventually decided to join a raft a bit further north, calling that the Bohemia River. All agreed. There was much visiting back and forth. The evening brought a quick storm with some wind and rain, which cooled things down for a good night's peaceful sleep.

HIBALL was overheating. WEDNESDAY, 7/1

In the morning some boats decided to go on to Havre de Grace and some

decided to stay and join the cruise again in Still Pond or Swan Creek. Nine boats went up and were joined there by Nancy and Eric Weber in BLUE HERON. Going into the Tidewater Marina was "by the book" (the Singles on Sailboats Sunflower Rafting Book.) RUSTY RIG's Captain asked the dock girl to take their bow line and she did. She held the line in one hand, bitter end up, clutching a soaking wet clip board in the other hand, and just stood there until a fuming and frantic Dick Boecker, Jr. hopped ashore and said "May I have the line now?"



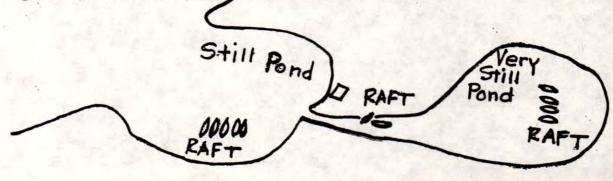
HIBALL was still overheating. Is this 1991? Cary received much profound advice, but not much help.

It began to rain, but everyone was tucked in so they hardly noticed the weather.

There was a great dinner ashore at "The Crazy Swede" and Hak and Adele led a short sightseeing tour after dinner before they all turned in for the night.

THURSDAY 7/2

Everyone had decided to delay departure until the ebb tide, about noon, so in the morning everyone went exploring this very appealing town. Alma and Gene went to the lighthouse where San O'Neill had tried to singlehandedly hold off the British. He did not succeed and the British initiated and urban renewal project. Eventually O'Neill became the first keeper of the lighthouse. It was a long motor down the channel toward Still Pond. Bob and Jean Eaton joined the cruise in WINDSONG, and CILLE III captained by Dave Hultsch and with grandson Nathan Smith as crew. Some boats (wisely!) decided to wait outside, but KELLY ANN went into Still Pond Creek. CHANTEY bravely (foolishly?) went down the channel into the creek and went hard aground... helpfully marking the way not to go. PAVANE followed and found her thin spot. This selfless action by CHANTEY and PAVANE (true account!) allowed BLUE HERON, PATRIARK, WIND SONG and WHIM to join KELLY ANN on the inside. Five hours later (at high tide, we note) the dedicated "channel markers" decided that all other boats were safe and gave up their duty and went outside for dinner.



HIGHBALL was still overheating and received a lot more profound advice.

There was a studied decision made to depart at high tide in the morning. FRIDAY, 7/3

The weather was gray and nasty with a lot of chop, and rather light winds. To make the sail more interesting five or six hundred power boats at full speed..(Joel was unable to keep an accurate count..) roared by, making the kind of waves that are always to welcome in light air. Tolchester channel turned into a madhouse, further compounded by wind against tide as the fleet approached Swan Point Bar. One and all were glad to reach the shelter of Swan Creek where two rafts formed. HIBALL, still overheating, found favorable wind for the trip home and decided to head for some professional help. WHIM put out a call to join them for "Shark Bite" time. One thing led to another and before you knew what happened, the group was bitten beyond recognition. A fantastic feast of Anne Sieling's crab cakes, steaks, wine and sole slaw was served aboard RUSTY RIG as the 4th of July came in like thunder.

During dinner the wind came up, reshuffling some of the rafts in the creek, and PATRIARK found the dinghy of another raft almost in her cockpit. The offending raft broke up and the night was peaceful and cool.

SATURDAY, 7/4

An invitation from DARK STAR Of-The-Dueling-Corgies, for Belgian Waffles for breakfast was enthusiastically accepted and was served to the "shark-bitten" crew of the night before... Mel and Louise served Waffles, Raspberry topping, Coffee, Ham, Fruit, and great company.

With northerly winds and the prospect of a shift to the south on Sunday, some boats decided to head for their home ports in the South, while the remaining ones headed for Rock Creek on the Patapsco, and a view of Baltimore's fireworks. Grandma Ruth was reunited with Grandpa Dick and Natalie with her Dick, Jr. and the cruise came to a close as everyone stored up the memories they will savor till next year. One sad note was the radio communique early in the cruise from OSPREY and SEA HAWK with Larry reporting rudder trouble, and his retreat to home port. See you next year, Larry!

THIS ACCOUNT WAS COMPILED FROM THE WONDERFUL ACCOUNTS FROM PATRIARK AND CHANTEY WITH ILLUSTRATIONS BY JOEL. THANKS, REPORTERS!

BETSY PLITT WOULD LIKE TO GATHER A GROUP FOR ANOTHER GREAT VIRGIN ISLANDS CHARTER IN JANUARY 1993 - IF YOU'D LIKE TO GO - CALL HER AT 301 / 255 5827 · THESE TRIPS ARE DEALLY WONDERFUL!!

Come to the Bay Ridge Clubhouse for

The Great C.B.C. Callinectes Sapidus Feast (All you can eat!) Saturday, Aug. 29 th. 4:00 P.M.

To accompany these luscious critters, all spicy and steamy, there will be cold beer and sodas and ice, and plates, cups and eating tools.

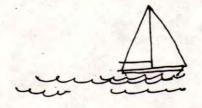
Bring along a favorite dish; appetizer, salad, veggie or dessert, to share with everyone, and your very own crab-cracking-and-picking tools..... and also bring along your favorite guests to meet the CBC and join the feast!

\$15.00 FOR ALL YOU CAN EAT!

JUST \$3.00 IF YOU DON'T LIKE CRAB!

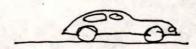
Send your check, made out to Chesapeake Bristol Club, to Marcia Outerbridge, 107 Bay Drive, Annapolis MD 21403, by Monday, August 24th.

If you're too late, please give Marcia a call at 410/267-6853 and leave a message on her machine so she can make sure there will be enough crabs for you.

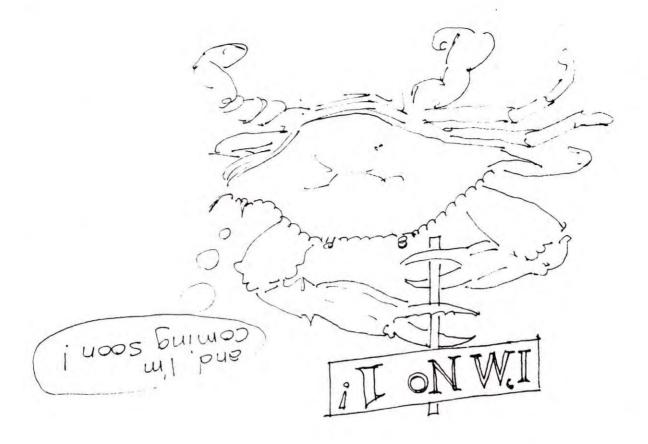


The Lake Ogleton entrance is N.W. of Tolly Pt. Be sure that #1 and #5 flashers stay lined up with your fore and aft stays. Don't let the tide carry you out of the channel. EASTING DOWN carries 5' in and out with no trouble.

To reach the Bay Ridge Civic Association Clubhouse by land, head East on Forest Drive (Rt. 665) from Rt. 2 in Parole or directly from Patuxent Blvd exit on Rt. 50 or from Rt. 97 from Baltimore. Forest Drive becomes Bay Ridge Road. Pass Gates and turn left onto East Lake Drive. Bear right and go .4 mile to the sign on the left. Plenty of parking.



器Blue Crab (All Number ONE!)



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