

R H E S A P E A K E

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The entire Bristol Membership must have been "thinking wind", as the morning of May 15th dawned spectacularly and a steady strong breeze was blowing from the southeast. Everyone from southern ports flew up the bay to Bodkin Creek, and by 3:30 in the afternoon RUSTY RIG, who lives just up the creek, anchored in Jubb Cove. CHANTEY soon tied alongside, and BRAVO latched onto the other. The raft soon filled up with enthusiastic arrivals, even beating our host boat SEA SAW to the party...(and to think she only had to back out of her slip!), L.B. QUEQUEEG, BONKERS TWO, SAVOIR FAIRE, WHIM, SWEPT AWAY, and FLYING NUN formed the port side of the raft next to the spacious catamaran, while SANS SOUCI, SEA SAW, LIVELY LADY*, SPRAY (with new members Randol and Missy Carroll aboard,) and the Lewises' SOLSTICE formed the starboard. Frank and Nancy McCabe drove up from Solomans and joined the Benreys on SEA SAW, and buddies of Ann and Bill Sieling ,(fellow Eastport Yacht Clubbers,) joined the party on their Whitby 42, RUNAWAY. Mal and Louise Mellington (and Lizzie and Honeybee) arrived rather late, just in time for some rather wild shenanigans! The arrow point of the raft which had been the bow of RUSTY RIG slowly became the stern..... and the entire raft slid gently toward the shallows! A shout of "we're dragging!" brought rapid action and folks scrambled across the raft to their boats, engines were started, and lines cast off. The big raft became several smaller ones, and after Dick Boecker discovered that his anchor had been fouled, he reset it ... and then it was time for the party!

A large table appeared on the "back porch" of BRAVO, and flotilla of dinghies shuttled back and forth bringing people.. and their bottles of "Cheap Wine" ... to the party boats. Ron and Janet supervised the wine tasting...(and occasional gagging...) and were careful that the balloting was strictly above board.. or perhaps on board... Herewith are the official comments of the judges:

- + Glen Ellen Chardonnay, winner of the WORST WORST WINE PRIZE, was brought by Hak and Adele. It was a really sour little number that was hard to swallow! Well done, Kauffmans!
- + Renee Barbier Mediterranean White, winner of the BEST WORST WINE PRIZE, brought by Andy Tallarico, was definitely drinkable and definitely cheap! Congratulations!
- + Duna Chardonnay brought by the Heidels: a forgettable little number. Yuck!
- + Pinot Noir brought by the Benreys: not too bad, actually.
- + Manischievitz Cream Concord brought by the Kennards. VERY sweet. Might be good for poaching peaches? (Sandra Bogarde, what were you planning for the rest of the bottle?)
- + Paul Masson Rose from LIVELY LADY's stock: pretty drinkable.

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- + A Chardonnet brought by the Carrolls: sour... but to the point!
- + "Cheap White Wine" brought by Kathy and Andy Lewis . It was cheap and it was white.
- + Lemon/Lime flavored "Mad Dog" brought by Norm and Sandra Bogarde: a green concoction that looked like antifreeze... and tasted?
- + Thunderbird brought by Bill and Anne Sieling. Come on folks! We need our livers!
- + St. Francis Cabernet brought by George and Clary Thomas: a bitter little selection with absolutely no bouquet.

The prizes were entirely appropriate for the winning entries, and awarded with as much fanfare as the wine tashters could mushter! The sunset was lovely and as the shades of evening closed around us, DAPHNE came steaming up the creek! It was a wonderful night for sleeping.. cool, bugless, and clear... and the wind on Sunday was still out of the Southeast, but steady, so our homeward trips were a real romp! There had been no drownings, no burials at sea, and I do believe, no hangovers!

* Adam and Elizabeth Canalungo came to the raft looking for sailors... as all of their friends seemed to own power boats, as they once had. This was their first raftup.....their first dragging raft... and their first encounter with the CBC. We were presented with a check for dues on the spot... only I'm not sure if it was before or after the Chinese Fire Drill! Welcome to the Bristol Club, LIVELY LADY!



Pretty Halcyon Days

How pleasant to gaze at the sailors,
As their sailboats they manfully sail
With the vigor of Vikings and whalers
In the days of the Viking and whale.
They sport on the brink
Of the shad and the shark;
If it's windy they sink:
If it isn't they park.
It is pleasant to gaze at the sailors,
To gaze without having to sail.

excerpt from Ogden Nash, Selected Verse.

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE BANANA SUNFLOWER?

A BANANA SUNFLOWER IS A BIG BUNCH OF BANANA BOATS TIED UP IN A CIRCLE.../...CAREFULLY!

A BANANA SUNFLOWER WILL BE FOUND IN BROAD CREEK, OFF THE MAGOTHY RIVER.....ON THE 12TH OF JUNE, 1993.



PIE?

LIQUEUR?

CAKE ?

BEVERAGE 7

Cookies ?

MUNCHIE?

SPLIT?

PUT YOUR THINKING CAP

THERE WILL BE PRIZES &

AND NOW FOR SOMETHING NEW!
THERE WILL BE AN ON-BOARD
SCAUENGER HUNT!

There will be activities for the kids too!

WHO KNOWS WHAT LURKS IN THE BILGES OF BRISTOL BOATS!

FOLLOW THE SUNFLOWER INSTRUCTIONS IN YOUR BLUE DIRECTORY, AND THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE RAFT-MASTER, NORM BOGARDE. THE SUNFLOWER WILL CLOSE AT 1730, AND IF YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BE LATE CALL SAVOIR FAIRE ON 09 UHF TO HOLD A PLACE FOR YOU. THE RAFT WILL BREAK AT 1000 ON SUNDAY, THE 13TH. THE WITHDRAWAL WILL BE ORDERLY AND AS DIRECTED BY THE RAFT-MASTER. SMALL RAFTS WLL BE WELCOME TO STAY.



MEMORIAL DAY WAS MARVELOUS
WHEN BRISTOLS GATHERED EN MASSE.
THE PARTIES WERE A TREAT FOR US
THOUGH WE FOUND OURSELVES ON GRASS!

KUDOS TO JOEL'S SON, THE GUITAR, BRIAN, WHO SANG TO US ALL. THE OFF-KEY CHORUS WAS RATHER BIZARRE, BUT EVERYONE HAD A BALL!

AND TO THE LADIES, FAYLA AND MARGE WHO ARE IN CHARGE OF CELEBRATIONS, AND TO PAVANE, THAT ELEGANT BARGE, LADEN WITH CHARCOAL AND LIBATIONS.

PIRATICAL DOINGS CAST A SPELL ON SUNDAY 'TIL DAY WAS DONE, SO CHEERS AND HURRAH TO HAK AND ADELE WHOSE PLANNING BROUGHT US SUCH FUN.

A COMPLETE REPORT WILL FOLLOW NEXT TIME, WITH EACH AND EVERY DETAIL.

'TIL THEN YOU MUST SETTLE FOR THIS RHYME.

I MUST. MUST. GET THIS IN THE MAIL!

We are sorry to have to report a very sad post script to our marvelous weekend. As you all know the winds were very strong on Monday as we all left for home, and SOLSTICE set out down Eastern Bay followed a short time later by their friends Dave and Wendy, who had joined them the night before in Granary Creek. Andy and Kathy had kept an eye on them and noticed that Dave had gone to the bow to retrieve his anchor which had broken loose. As everything had appeared okay, they continued on down the bay, just casually aware of the report of a medical emergency broadcast on 16. When they heard the boat's name, SHEARWATER, their hearts sank, and they turned around and raced back to aid their friends. Dave had collapsed on the foredeck with a cerebral hemorrhage, and was taken off by MedEvac helicopter to the hospital. Andy and Kathy took Wendy aboard and motored as fast as they could back to Annapolis while the DNR folks took the abandoned boat into a slip in the old Claiborne ferry landing and tied it up well. Dave's odds were not great, but we are relieved to report that he is now responding to the doctors and doing much better. The Lewises ask your prayers for their good friend.

Kathy is looking for some sailors to help Andy bring the Hamnetts' boat, a Cal 27, back to Annapolis on the 26th or 27th of June. Kathy will transport the sailors to the Eastern Shore, to the Claiborne Dock, where the boat is tied up. As the channel is quite shallow, departure must be at high tide, so the timing will be important.

If you can offer help that weekend, please call and leave a message on Andy's machine at "Bay Marketing". The phone number is 301/350-7259.