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The breeze was pretty nice on Saturday as people set out for Comfield Creek to join the Annual CBC Stinflower Celebration and Fun Fest. If you came from the North it was a rollicking ride and from the South it was a bit of a pull against a foul tide, but our Raft Master Extrordinaire, the one and only Norm Bogarde, had staked out a wonderful spot and had Rusty Rig on the down wind side to tie us all together. It was actually a pretty cool day and the water was a bit chilly for swimming, but as the afternoon wore on there were splashings inthe water, and the usual whoops of delight. When the raft closed at the appointed hour there were 18 boats snugged together with nine anchors set. We were taking no chances on a "Chinese Fire Drill" in the middle of the night. There was a lovely, large craft tucked in ... all shiny and white... and lo, and behold! it was HI BALL all dressed up and rarin' to go. Pat and Cary haven't joined us for a long time and it was great to see them. They are planning to move south and locate themselves just off the waterway.. to enjoy a life of pleasant retirement (where we will all be welcome as we go down the ICW!) The Marvins were there on their TRUMPETER, who was missing her jib. Nancy and George have a lovely convoluted tale of woe about riggers and sailmakers and lack of coordination as they were readying their floating home and themselves for another cruss up to New England. The frustrations of boat-keeping! The Marvins brought along some friends, the Millers, also Navy retired, who brought along their two kids and their two great dogs in their FRIE ADSHIP. Dave Burka brought his TARWATHIE in single handed. Rebecca, who seldom misses a party...., was home sick. feeling really down. Perhaps it was the move that did her in... and the living cu of boxes... til they could get into their new house. Our Commodore appeared in his new and excling big boat! He and Jane had traded in SOUTHERN GIRL ( and a bit of cash ) for a beautiful and scarcely used C&C of substantial dimensions, LYEK. (The puzzling name was only the home town critical owner.) We were all oohing and ahhhing over the new boat in which they plan to do negor cruising. HIGH ADVENTURE arrived sans Marcia but with a couple of guests aboard to keep him company. Tom and Peggy Carey, in WIND DANCER had been out all week and had some pretty terrible weather, so they must have been glad to settle in for a snug night. BROAD ARROW loc led as elegant as ever and Paul and Marge were in fine fettle. Bill and Beryl had brought a gift for our Raftmaster from their White Marsh Stitchery, a spectacular baseball cap with an official Logo and his title... both front and rear! George Thomas came solo in L.B. QUEEQUEG. He has his eye out for another boat which will provide a few more creature comforts for Clary... and I think George has done just about all he can do with his present boat. BONKERS TWO, and CARPE DIEM, were all the way around from the Party Boats... a healthy climb over lifelines and over decks. The Adams and Kennards had to work for their taste of goodies. MARIPOSA, DAPHNE, and MOON DANCER, (with some of our newest members aboard) had their decks spread with every kind of blueberry goodie you can imagine..... and the Boecker Crew were attired in snappy hats with T-shirts boldly stating "Blue Berre" on the front. DAPHNE was decked out with blue balloons... and the whole fleet had decked themselves out in blue, but before the contests began everyone joined in a rousing "Harry Birthday....." for Dick Boecker who was 67 that day! After a scavenger hunt around the raft, two abups of kids "dressed" two brave volunteers in outfits concocted from their findings. The most of tageous outfit, resembling a somewhat tacky Carmen Miranda, appeared on our own Bruce Raymond to Whoops and Catcalls. As the Blueberry Goodies contest was primarily the dessert division, No mileft a little time for dinner ahead of time and then everyone gathered on the party boats to sample a siguidge the fare. They sampled, and sampled, and sampled! In fact ---- pigged out!

There was a Jousting contest with a fat inflatable instead of a fat horse, and there was many a pratfall in the attempt to grab the "brass ring". Peggy Carey takes the prize for the gamest contestant. Cold water or no.. the young people were in the "pool" with gusto. There was a spectacular sunset.. and the night sky was adorned with bright stars and a sliver of moon. A lovely way to end the day. ... but we had one more surprise! after an afternoon of rehearsal, Allison and Pamela had two more girlfriends aboard and the four provided some spectacular entertainment... a dance routine on deck with music and coordinated lights. It was a great floor/deck show! on RUSTY RIG. Early in the Morning the Careys slipped out hoping to get back to their dock early for the long drive home.... but.. alas! they called in on VHF to report that the Bay Bridge was closed from 8:30 til 12:30 for the Bay Swim... and all they could was sail around and wait. Norm announced the winners of the contests the previous evening. There was a tie for 1st place... between the "Blueberry Pizza" from MARIPOSA, and the Blueberry Schnapps from BROAD ARROW. The prizes were visors from White Marsh. Bruce Raymond got a jar of Blueberry Jam for his guts in appearing in the dress up outfit... and the two teams of girls got some great gifts! The younger ones got T shirts and gold medals---- and the older ones, gift certificates from Bill & Beryl. DAPHNE a participation award.... absolutely no contest.... and then Dick turned the tables and presented our raftmaster with a token of our esteem: an illuminated National Beer Sign (wrapped in Christmas paper!) Savoir Fair will be the most unorthodox night time boat on the Bay. Our very newest members, who hadn't received the newsletter, paid a visit in the a.m. .. Steve West, of the good ship HARMONY. Paul Kavanaugh reported that Adam Canalungo was getting along just fine... and we all hope to see him soon. Before the raft broke up, at 11:30 instead of 10:30 as originally planned, due to the bridge closing, there were great cheers when LYEK's engine fired up. The Raymonds only had their boat for a week and it was an ignominious arrival with no motor. Much consulting and hands on work and she finally fired up. The trip home was under a blue sky, glorious and clear, but the breeze left those who left late to a monotonous motor to home port.

## A CARIBBEAN TRIP NEXT FEBRUARY? YOU BETCHA!

Joel Gross has had several inquiries about such an adventure and he is willing to organize one.

If you are interested in joining such a junket please contact him at 301-460-4314

There are many CBC folks who will sing the praises of the sailing and snorkelling in those southern waters... so don't miss a chance to go.

HAK AND ADELE KAUFFMAN HAVE
DECIDED TO BURY THEIR ANCHOR
AND RETIRE FROM SAILING. THEY
HAVE PUT "BRAVO II" UP FOR SALE
AND ARE HOPING FOR A FAST
TURNOVER. BACK IN FLORIDA THEY
WOULD WELCOME A VISIT FROM ANY
OF THEIR MANY CBC FRIENDS.

The Kauffmans live at: 3750 Whispering Sound Drive Palm City FL 34990

This is a letter we are sad to receive... as for many, many years these two were very active with our club.... but Florida and a new house and a new hobby lured them away. We'll miss them. Perhaps they'll visit the Bay now & then.

The weather predictions for June 21certainly was not encouraging. Hot, hot, hot, and the breezes......not. But those who ventured forth found that the weatherman missed the mark and the breezes were bounteous from the South and felt heavenly. When the CBC folks turned into Harness Creek they found the waters full of power boats... which made rafting somewhat difficult... but as the afternoon drew to a close, one by one they pulled out and left the waters to the sailors. Eight Bristol boats enjoyed a beautiful evening and great sleeping. PAVANE, TALISMAN, SARA, BRAVO II, DARK STAR, LYEK (with operating engine at last...). KELLY ANN, came up from Solomons to join the rendezvous, and a new craft, the COEUR D'OR, joined the party. Our commodore had two guests aboard his beautiful new boat, and the Sherrers had guests who would spend another day or two with them... All in all it was a quiet but surprisingly pleasant weekend.... particularly since the weatherman goofed!

THE CRUISERS HAD A
GREAT TIME ON THEIR
WAY NORTH AND
BACK... EVEN GETTING
TO HAVRE DE GRACE
FOR A FUN EVENING.
YOU WILL GET A
COMPLETE REPORT IN
YOUR NEXT ISSUE OF
THIS AUGUST
PUBLICATION.

KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED FOR A RECENT BACK ISSUE OF SPINSHEET.
THE BRISTOL CLUB WAS FEATURED.

ISN'T IT GREAT TO HAVE SUCH WONDERFUL PUBLICITY?

Tom Finnan couldn't join Joel as crew on CHANTEY for the cruise this year as he was off doing delightful things on the high seas. On the 23 he departed as crew on a 38' Island Packett fbelonging to an old friend, Steve Black, for the West Marine sponsored Bermuda trip. The trip was to take a week down... then a weeks layover on that unpleasant (ha!) island and then a week to return. Eat your hearts out!

Tom, we expect a blow by blow report of the great adventure.

And Joel, who had to pull the transmission out of CHANTEY, was busy getting her shipshape for the annual CBC cruise. His crew for the cruise will be a gentleman named John Hardy. It won't be the Bermuda run, but bet they have every bit as great a time!

In case you missed the newspaper article earlier this summer:

Due to a change in 47 US Code Part 80, VHF-FM Channel 9 has been designated a general purpose calling channel for non-commercial vessels and private coast stations. Channel 16 remains as The International Distress Frequency and is monitored 24 hours a day by the Coast Guard.

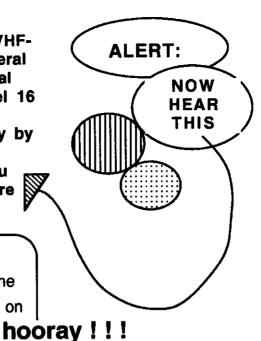
Translation: Stay off channel 16 unless you have trouble. To raise another boat or shore station use channel 9.

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NOEL PATTERSON confirmed that the Chesapeake Bristol Club has the use of the Bay Ridge Clubhouse for our **Crab Feast** on

August 16th.

Mark this special date on your calendars.



DARK STAR & SUMMER SONG took a long trip down south... visited the Hixons in Reedville... and had a marvelous time. They got as far down as Onancock.... where Louise and Carol discovered the virtues of even warm Gatorade. A real life-saver!

## NOTHING EVER STAYS THE SAME ....

There are major changes being made in the buoyage and markers in the mouth of the Severn and the vicinity of the "Spider" at Greenbury Point There are location changes, numbering changes and elimination of some markers. This may cause a wee bit of confusion for anyone using their current charts to approach Annapolis.

These changes won't show up on official charts until NOAA prints the new chart sometine in the <u>next few years.</u>

We can learn more about the changes by listening for an advisory broadcast on Channel 22 or by ordering a printed description of the changes called the Notice to Mariners.

Fortunately the information is available on the Internet at: http://www.navcen.uscg.mil

If one or our members who is a dedicated or experienced browser would log in and get all the pertinent poop, please pass it on to your editor and I will try to send it out to you in the newsletter.

## SPRING COVE SAILING, SWIMMING, SMOOZING AND CHOWING DOWN CELEBRATION.

SATURDAY AUGUST 2, 1997 4:00 P.M. JIM TURNER WILL BE OUR HOST FOR
THIS FUN PARTY AT HIS MARINA, WHICH
HAS A MARVELOUS SWIMMING POOL WITH
GREAT SHOWERS AND A VOLLEY BALL
COURT FOR US TO USE TOO!

JIM WILL HAVE HIS NEAT "FATTY KNEES" RIGGED AND READY FOR FOLKS TO TOOTLE AROUND IN .

THERE WILL BE GRILLES LOADED
WITH CHARCOAL AT THE READY FOR US
TO COOK OUR OWN GRILLABLES, AND
ALL OF THE EATING IMPLEMENTS ETC.

THIS PARTICULAR EVENING IS WHEN ME SHOULD ALL BRING A VERY SPECIAL APPETIZER TO SHARE... AND TO COMPETE FOR THE TASTIEST.... BY VOTE!

SPRING COVE MARINA IS IN SWAN CREEK, AT THE MOUTH OF THE CHESTER RIVER, NORTH OF LOVE POINT. AS YOU ENTER SWAN CREEK FOLLOW THE MARKERS AND YOU WILL SEE AN ARROW ON THE LAST GREEN MARKER POINTED TOWARD SPRING COVE. OSPREY POINT MARINA AND HAVEN HARBOR ARE TO YOUR RIGHT, BUT KEEP GOING AND YOU WILL FIND OUR PARTY ON THE LEFT. THE WATER THERE IS A MAXIMUM DEPTH OF 5'O". IF YOU WOULD LIKE A SLIP AT THE MARINA, AT A COST OF \$35.00 PER NIGHT, PLEASE CALL JIM @ 609-596-8618 AT LEAST TWO DAYS IN ADVANCE.

Date: July 18, 1997

TO: CBC

From: Steve, Sue, Katie & Chris Schwing

RE: Southern Living

We've all arrived in Georgia and are busy settling in, unpacking boxes, and generally finding our way around the area. The kids have made immediate friends and spend hours at the neighborhood pool every day. We haven't wandered up to Lake Lanier yet but we hear that, on a busy weekend, there can be 5,000 boats out there! Hardly the idyllic Chesapeake we're used to. Smaller lakes and rivers are all around us so we'll get a chance to sail Katie's Bauer sometime soon. There is a lot of small boat sailing and racing in the area as well as canoeing and kayaking. The North Georgia mountains are 30 minutes away too so there are lots of recreational opportunities. For CBC'ers heading south, we now have a guest room and visitors are welcome! Our new address is:

1245 Chelsey Lane Alpharetta, GA., 30004

Phone: (770) 754-0497 (home), (770) 442-2041 (work)

Email: hondaman@bellsouth.net (home), sschwing@amerhonda.com (work)

Hope all is well and winds are fair!

Cordially,

The Schwings

THE Kennard's grandson, Cameron, at present taking sailing lessons so he can come and crew with Grandad and Grandma, posed an interesting question this morning on his way to class. He could not understand why certain lines were called sheets... He felt that it was the <u>sails</u> that should be called "sheets".

Can anyone out there offer a good rebuttal for Grandma & Grandad?