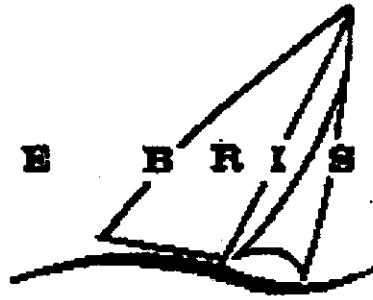




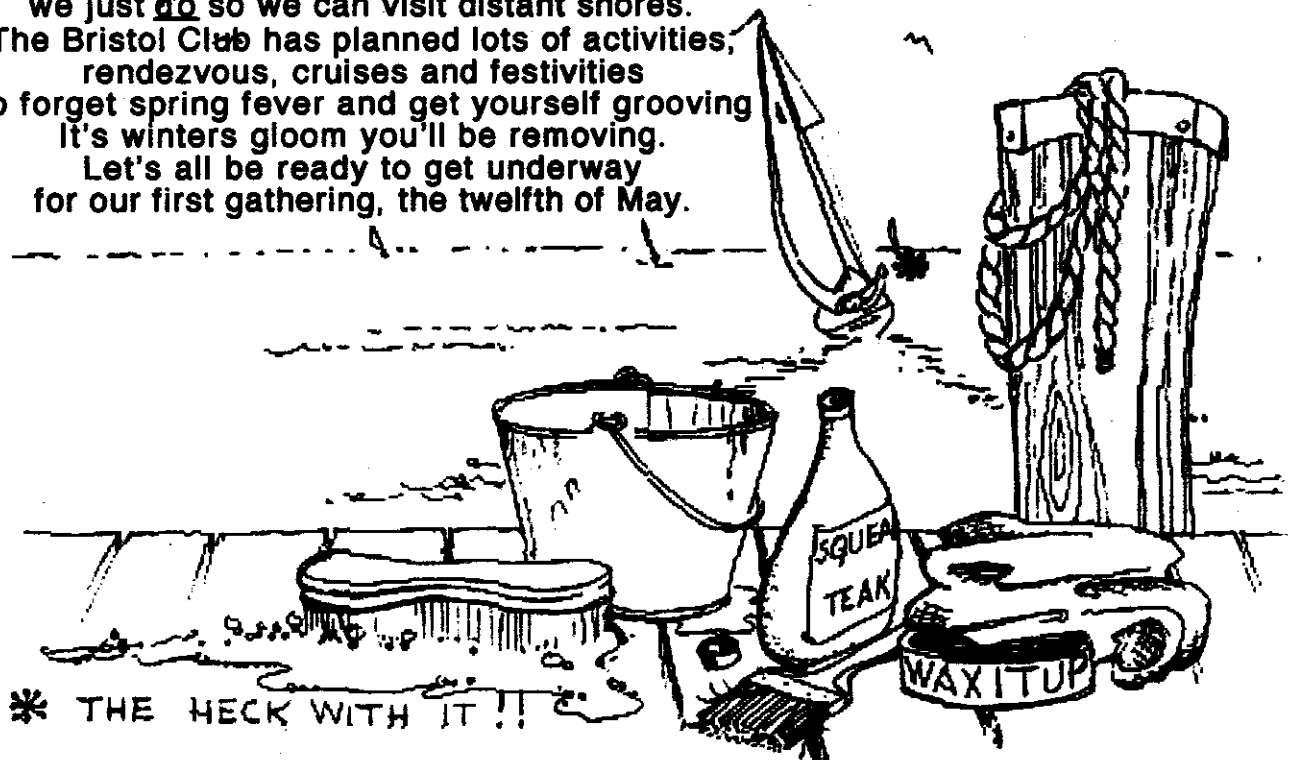
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My goodness! The skies are turning blue
and some tiny weeds are blooming too
My raincoat doesn't need to be zipped
And the birds seem to have really flipped!
Could it be spring that warms my heart
and Old Man Winter has decided to depart?
Our boats will soon be off their chocks
and swinging on moorings or alongside docks
as we go aboard to survey the state
of everything.... and contemplate
the projects that must be undertaken
so our craft will look less forsaken.
We'll go below and look..... eek!
There's a lot of mildew on our teak!
There's no sign of a shine on our deck
and the zincs below need a careful check.
There are lots of lines to replace or rerun
before we can go cruise in the sun.
The sails need a stitch or two and inspection
before they can have their resurrection.
So let's get busy with our brushes and pails
and scrub from bowsprits to lovely fantails.
It will be a while before we are done
But somehow it even seems like fun.
These are the usual sailors' chores
we just do so we can visit distant shores.
The Bristol Club has planned lots of activities,
rendezvous, cruises and festivities
so forget spring fever and get yourself grooving
It's winters gloom you'll be removing.
Let's all be ready to get underway
for our first gathering, the twelfth of May.



Now this is the way to Plan a Sailing Season!

The weather predicted for Sunday, March 4, with wild-eyed hype by local weathermen called for 1 or 2 feet of snow! Stores were at once depleted of food. Generators and other emergency supplies were hauled out, double lines were struggled on board to secure boats in their slips. Videos were rented and most folk settled in for "the snow storm of the century." Not the 29 hearty sailors of the CBC who showed up at the Planning Meeting in foul weather gear bearing delicious appetizers, side dishes and desserts to go with the main dish: hot, yummy chicken. Norm Bogarde reported that he had done a little slipping and sliding in the early snow that had fallen in their area, but for the rest it was simply a very rainy, windy winter day. Hundreds of robins huddled on the soggy lawn beside the Bay Ridge Clubhouse. It was a perfect day to meet in a cozy room and discuss sunny plans for the coming summer. Bill and Beryl Flynn and Peggy and Tom Carey had everything set up and waiting for the captains and crews. The fare, as always, was varied and delicious and devoured with gusto!

Everyone was delighted to see that Fayla Sherrer had tossed away her crutches and was well on the mend after her knee surgery. She and Ned and Cleo (pooch) were ready to start the season. Another nice surprise was seeing Charlie and Linda Dingman who have been members for ages... but haven't been around for a long time. Several guys were "Batching" it... Norm Bogarde, Paul Kavanaugh, Joel Gross, Tom Finnin, and Dave Burka. Newest members Tom and Elinor Adensam and Pat and Tom Bernhart got a chance to see what our club is all about! John and Pat Hills, Al and Helen Powell (she's retiring soon!), Mary Ann and John McLaughlin, Carol and Noel Patterson, Dave and Wendy Hamnett, and Mike and Marcia (M²) Nathans raised absolutely no objections, questions, or changes to the proposed schedule presented by Commodore Tom, and within two minutes it was approved. Even raising the dues to \$45 this year was not a bone of contention.

Norm Bogarde, in charge of membership, announced that our membership rolls had dropped to 65 to 70 boatswhen there had been as many as 120 in past years. We plan to do a bit of marketing and swell the ranks. We keep losing folks to the lure of the full time boating life... or retirement in southern climes...so we shall look to the next generation.

Joel Gross introduced Don Frye to tell us about the "Good Old Boat" regatta which will be held on October 6th and 13th for boats of "some maturity", ie. with hulls laid before 1973. This event will be a low-key, fun entertainment, sponsored by "Good Old Boat" magazine, not "mortal combat on the water." The three hour race will be followed by a party, where the winner will be presented a large perpetual trophy. The CBC has a conflict on the 6th, but we will have a chance to enter the race on the 13th. They require 3 boats from each club as the minimum for entry. To assuage any concerns he said just clean the bottom and come have fun. He had copies of a "Spinsheet" article, "Good Old Boat" magazines, and entry forms.

Amy Moore from "Spinsheet" was the next speaker. The magazine has been a loyal booster of the cruising clubs and when it started there were only 6 or 7 on the Bay. Now there are 72! She is delighted to help us in promoting our club and activities and would love notification of events or other newsworthy things as early as possible and also will welcome photos. She brought along a questionnaire which everyone filled out to give her magazine a better handle on its readers.

Shelley Madden from Bristol Yacht Sales was introduced as well as Rick Casale, a yacht broker, who will be our designated volunteer Bristol Club Member from Bristol Yacht Sales. Shelley is going to introduce buyers to our club, will add a Chesapeake Bristol Club page to their web site, and will hand out a three page brochure on CBC activities with photos and pertinent information. Sometimes wonderful things just come out of the blue! Mike Nathans suggested that a Bristol rendezvous should be arranged by Rick Casale. Rick said that Bristol was planning to build a 56.6 at \$750,000.00. They need at least three orders to proceed. Anyone ready to move up to a bigger boat? :-)

We were delighted to welcome Shelley, her husband Don, Rick Casale and his guest, Anne Hawthorne, Don Frye, and Amy Moore. How wonderful that the CBC has such good friends.

The meeting was adjourned after Tom announced that we would have a very interesting program at our Spring Dinner... and then the cleanup crew of Bill Flynn, Noel Patterson and Tom Finnin had the clubhouse ship shape and Bristol fashion in no time at all... *and all it did was rain!*

This report was contributed by Carol Patterson. Isn't it great?

See you at the Spring Dinner !

**COME CELEBRATE SPRING ON THE SOUTH RIVER AT
THE CHESAPEAKE BRISTOL CLUB
● SPRING DINNER
FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2001**

CASH BAR

6:30 p.m.

DINNER

7:15 p.m.

\$ 32.00

PER PERSON

BUFFET MENU, PAUL'S ON THE SOUTH RIVER

Pork Tenderloin, stuffed with fresh apples and raisins, laced with a ruby red port wine Cumberland sauce.

Fresh Fruit Array of seasonal fresh fruits with a chocolate dipping sauce

Cocktail Crab Claws * served with cocktail sauce (* no shell, just the meat of the crab)

An Array of Cheeses with assorted crackers

Mini Kebabs, Breast of Chicken marinated in Tequila & Triple Sec with Caribbean spices.

Fresh Garden Vegetables with two dipping sauces

Shrimp Mousseline of shrimp, tomatoes, onion & celery, chilled and served on toast points.

Stuffed Mushrooms filled with spinach, sun dried tomatoes, topped with Swiss cheese and baked

Paul's Special Bread Pudding



Our Commodore has arranged a fascinating program for us this year.

After we have eaten our fill, Marshall and Fran Damerell, from Calvert County, will show some wonderful slides and tell us all about their 1983 circumnavigation aboard their Shannon 38 Ketch.

To reserve your place for this terrific event, call Wendy Hamnett at 703-560-1760 or e-mail her : hamnetts@erols.com before April 2.

Please note that if you reserve a dinner and do not attend or cancel in time, you are responsible for the costs.

To Reach Paul's : Go South from Parole on Riva Road. The restaurant is just at the South end of the South River bridge. Make a sharp left into the parking lot. We have two adjoining rooms for our festivities.

THE SUMMER, 2001, SCHEDULE THAT WAS APPROVED
UNANIMOUSLY AT THE PLANNING MEETING.
AND OFF WE GO !

MAR. 4	PLANNING MEETING, <i>Pattersons & Mellingtons</i>	Bay Ridge Clubhouse
APR. 6	SPRING DINNER, <i>Dave & Wendy Hamnett</i>	Paul's on the South River(Annapolis)
MAY 12-13	SHAKEDOWN CRUISE, <i>Gross/Finnin</i>	To be Announced
MAY 26-28	WYE RIVER CARNIVAL , <i>John Hills, Coordinator</i>	Granary Creek, with the Eastport Y.C .
JUNE 9-10	SUNFLOWER RAFTUP, <i>Norm & Sandra Bogarde</i>	Jubb Cove, Bodkin Creek
JUNE 16-17	SHORE PARTY, <i>Ted & Carol Reinhold</i>	Reinhold residence, Magothy River
JUNE 17-23	SUMMER CRUISE, <u><i>Volunteers needed</i></u>	Central Bay
JULY 14-15	MILBUR SHORE PARTY, <i>Steve & Anna Grant</i>	Cornfield Creek, Magothy River
JULY 28-29	WINE TASTING CONTEST <i>Tom & Peggy Carey</i>	Bear Neck Creek, Rhode River
AUG. 11-12	CRAB FEAST, <i>Pattersons. Flynns, Mellingtons</i>	Bay Ridge Clubhouse, Lake Ogleton
SEPT. 1-3	LANGFORD SHORE PARTY, <i>Jim & Jane Turner</i>	Langford Creek, Chester River
SEP. 14-30	FALL CRUISE, South <u><i>Volunteers needed</i></u>	
OCT. 6-7	OCTOBERFEST, <i>Gross/Finnin</i>	To be announced
OCT. 20-21	BALTIMORE HARBOR <i>Marge & Paul Kavanaugh</i>	a Baltimore Marina, TBD
NOV. 3-4	LOBSTER FEAST, FLEA MARKET <i>Pattersons. Flynns, Mellingtons</i>	Bay Ridge Clubhouse,
NOV. 17	ANNUAL FALL DINNER, <i>John Hills</i>	Fergies Restaurant

IF YOU HAVEN'T YET SENT IN YOUR DUES ,THIS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
 SHOULD BE A GREAT ENTICEMENT TO JOIN US THIS YEAR..
 IF YOU GET YOUR DUES IN TO NORM BOGARDE BEFORE APRIL 1, YOU WILL
 BE IMMORTALIZED IN OUR DIRECTORY !