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cranking the raft closed



Norm, Jane, Bruce & Mickey

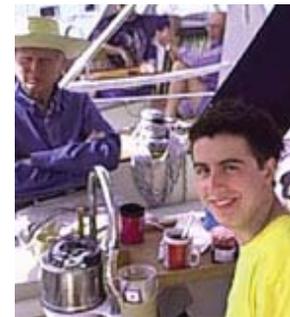


Margaret & Peter near the OK



let the games begin!

IT WAS ONE BEAUTIFUL DAY when our Raftmaster dropped SAVOIR FAIRE's anchor in Mill Creek awaiting the arrival of a festive bunch of boats primed to participate in our annual Sunflower Raftup. This time they were all bedecked in western gear and the captains and crew were attired in exceedingly un-nautical garb. Raftmaster Norm picked two substantial boats to be the anchor boats for the gathering: BROAD ARROW and SCUDDER. WHIPPERSNAPPER and HIGH ADVENTURE pulled along each side of Mickey. Boats continued to arrive and were carefully anchored and pulled into place by our skilled crews and when fifteen boats had arrived the raft was closed shortly before the appointed hour of 5:00 p.m. DAPHNE, SEASCAPE, MERIDIAN, CHANTEY, LOLIGO, BONKERS TWO, RHYTHM, CERULEAN, WILD ROVER and CAPE DOCTOR were all snuggled together with a bit of tugging and tweaking, but soon all was calm and secure. Ned and Fayla Sherrer (and Lucy) were guests of Bruce and Jane Raymond, Shirley and Hunter Kennard had their grandson, Cameron, aboard and new boat dog Lily. Of course Sam was aboard with "parents" Margaret and Peter Madden. Just as the raft was closed a lovely large Bristol cruised by... (another DAPHNE !) belonging to new members Michael and Linda Hughes. We hailed them and said that they could join us by dinghy, but they declined the offer. They sailed away and missed a great party!



Hunter & Cameron



BIG CHIEF NORM

Our "Leader" stepped forth into his "war canoe" and moved to the center of the raft to great hoots, hollers and laughter from all. Norm had indeed outdone himself in Indian (?) garb in the spirit of the occasion.

RHYTHM was the party boat. "THE LAST SAIL SALOON" soon filled with eager folk enjoying their beverages and western eats. The "bar" was all set up with appropriate sayings and labels, and the swinging louvered doors were



Dick and Ruth at the Saloon

indeed authentic. Right out of "Gunsmoke" Tom Trump's new CAPE DOCTOR sported a magnificent set of longhorns (the real thing!) on the bow pulpit and Tom was sporting a great pair of boots! Doc and Carol had dressed their craft with corral fencing and all kinds of stable tack. This was indeed an O.K. Corral. Tom and Joel were sporting great western hats, and the Boeckers had matching straw hats with rakish rolled up sides.



Cowhand Mash



Ken & Deb got bounced?

The real prizewinners, however, were Paul and Marge Kavanaugh who not only had the proper attire but were sporting their sidearms. They were the perfect Roy and Dale. We always knew we had to have someone fast on the draw to keep order in our territory.



"Roy and Dale"

Norm passed out copies of a quite difficult quiz..... all about the famous cowboys, side-kicks, horses and the like that many of us sort of grew up knowing about. It took a lot of head scratching to come up with the answers. Tom Finnin was the winner of this vent... he was just a fount of western cowboy Trivia!



Obstacle course with horses (Hobby) on SEASCAPE

Doc Johnson received the most chuck wagon votes for his delicious spicy concoction, Chipotle Soup, although there was a real buffet of wonderful foods to chow down upon. No-one went to bed hungry that night, even the 18 year old with the hollow leg!

Sunday after a leisurely breakfast on a beautiful morning the raft came apart much more quickly than it went together, although we are a pretty proficient crew at putting a sunflower together. Our Raftmaster has coached us well.

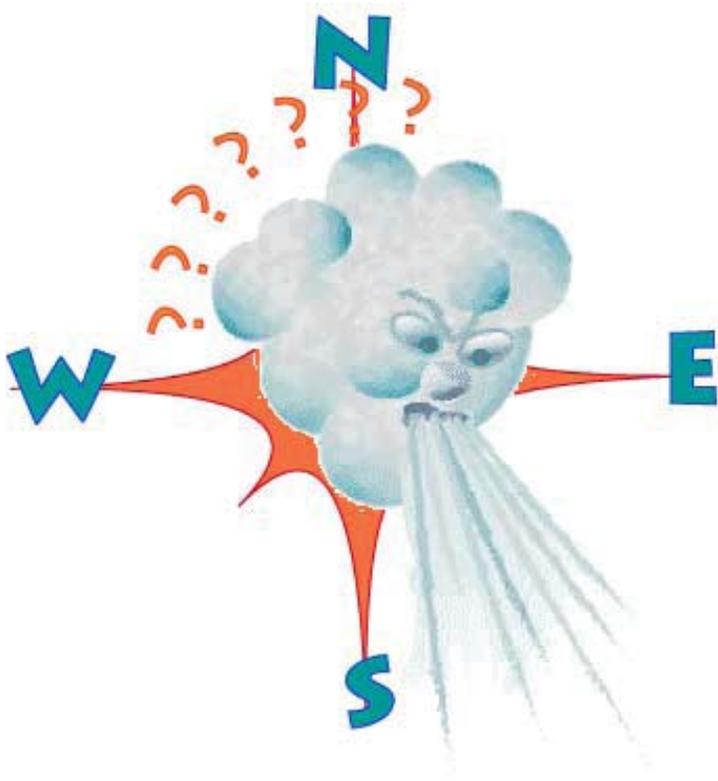
Norm received a big round of cheers for hosting such a terrific party. He and his spouse, Sandra, not only have incredible imaginations, but the know-how and energy to put everything together.



Ruth, Carol R. & Tom T.

YOU FOLKS WHO STAYED HOME MISSED ONE TERRIFIC WEEKEND. MAKE A NOTE AND MAKE SURE YOU DON'T MISS THE SUNFLOWER NEXT YEAR !

WE'RE GOING TO GO WHERE THE WIND BLOWS ON OUR LABOR DAY CRUISE



The cruise director, Tom Trump, will announce the first night's location no less than 24 hours in advance, by e-mail and on the web site.

Cocktails will probably begin at 5:00 aboard CAPE DOCTOR

Tom will have a list of contingency plans depending on the weather forecast. Two likely sites

for our first night, Saturday, August 30, are Rhode River and Shaw Bay. If anyone has other suggestions, please contact him with your thoughts.

His e-mail is: thomasntrump@yahoo.com

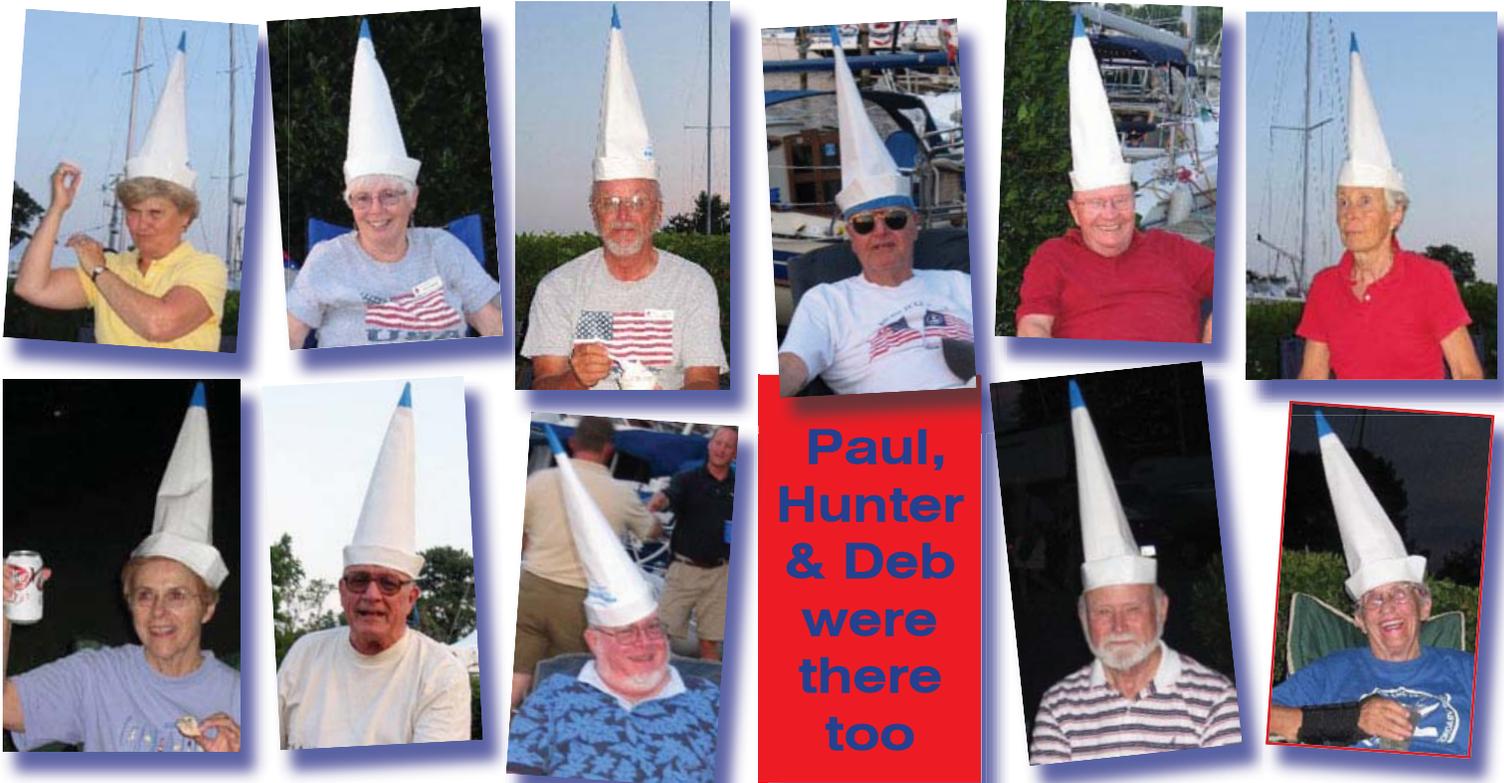
Because of the likelihood of crowded anchorages on Labor Day weekend, we will decide on Saturday night if we will move to another anchorage Sunday, and if so, where.

Tom would like to have RSVPs from those who intend to come. Tom's home phone is (540) 951-0614 and the cell is (703) 395-7519. (He may not have access to email the night before the cruise.)

A JULY TWO, THREE, FOUR & FIVE TO REMEMBER!

BROAD ARROW and WHIPPERSNAPPER got an early start for the Independence Day weekend and had a beautiful sail up the Chester to a lovely cove on East Langford creek on Wednesday, July 2nd . On Thursday they moved down to Davis Creek . Doc and Carol dropped an anchor fairly close to the dinghy dock, and the Kavanaughs picked up a mooring. In the afternoon LOLIGO, CHANTEY, and BONKERS TWO pulled in after a terrific sail as well. Paul, who was putting about in his dinghy, came over and assisted the Kennards with getting BONKERS TWO secured to a mooring.

After quickly having an early supper aboard everyone went ashore to meet the trolley (this year it was a small bus) for the trip to the Sailing Emporium where Rich and Anne Segermark met us with a beautiful illuminated flag, chairs and tables on the lawn, and a hearty welcome. Will and Logan Hottle had driven in and were visiting with Logan's sister and brother at the concert. Our bus arrived in time for us to hear most of the concert by the Navy Jazz band, soloists and a great singer. What a treat. Rich had some fun things for our entertainment and here are the portraits of our festive crew.



When the sun dropped from sight and the skies grew dark, the fireworks began! We had a magnificent location to see and cheer from . The fireworks were even more spectacular than last year, which is hard to believe.

The trolley ride was long, as traffic out of the town was gridlocked, but we arrived home safely, groped our way to our dinghies, and then cruised around in the dark trying to locate our boats. Note to remember: Leave a small light on below when you will be returning late at night. It was a good sleeping night even with a little rain about 6:30 a.m. Everyone slept in and had a rather late breakfast, pulled out and motored over to the Corsica where we had our Friday, July 4, cocktail party on LAST RESORT, who had come around from Rock Hall to join us. Deb and Ken Coon's Red, White, and Blue Shrimp took first prize for party food, and Doc's tri-colored "shooters" were sensational. Marge Kavanaugh brought a "Paul Revere (Boston) Bean" dip with blue chips, and Joel



and Tom had a fabulous American flag cake to top things off. Denny and Dianne Thrasher joined us by dinghy. For some reason we all motored right by their anchorage at the entrance to the Corsica and we never saw each other..



We awoke to grey skies, and sprinkles of rain. CHANTEY and LAST RESORT headed out for

home. BROAD ARROW and WHIPPERSNAPPER decided to try the race. Marge Kavanaugh jumped ship and joined the Kennards for a lazy morning while the racers had a real drifting match. LOLIGO started out to join the racers, but hearing predictions of storms and seeing grey clouds in the West, the Coons returned . The two racers came back 4 1/2 hours later to retrieve their dinghies and Marge. TROUVAILLE pulled up a jillion feet of chain and came over to join us too. WILD ROVER came in about 4:00...just in time for happy hour on BONKERS TWO. New Members, Michael and Linda Hughes and their 2 dogs came by in a dinghy... and found we couldn't squeeze any more folks aboard... but stayed to chat for a while and said they would come for breakfast on Sunday with us. Dianne went below and set up a tray full of Denny's smoked duck and slices of venison sausage and we did indeed "pig-out" on the goodies ... with a dab of mustard.



The entertainment of the afternoon and evening was furnished by two large dogs who romped, swam, jumped in the water, chased each other and just broadcast their joy of living to everyone. All of this was close to a platform with 4 young Osprey.

The grand finale to Happy Hour was a surprise birthday cake from Deb to Ken..(only one candle!)

About 1:00 a.m. there was a lot of lightening and rain, but little wind.

Sunday morning Doc & Carol moved over and tied alongside the Kennards to make more space for a terrific breakfast: Mimosas from the Johnsons, fruit and cakes from others and Frittata/Omelets from the galley of LOLIGO. Marty Keegan, Peter Bittner, Shirley & Hunter Kennard, Michael Hughes, Denny and Dianne Thrasher, Paul and Marge Kavanaugh, Doc and Carol Johnson were on hand when Doc handed out prizes for the Racers, Officiating, Tending Dinghies, and general good sports. Neat hats and shirts!



Everyone was off and away a 10:00 for a motor back home in very little wind. At least it was cool, and a pleasant trip.

The trip had a little of everything including afternoon naps.... and we all had a real good time!

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS AND NOTES

YOUR EDITOR BEGS YOUR INDULGENCE FOR THE LATENESS OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

MR HUNNY HAS HAD THREE BOUTS WITH INFECTIONS THAT HAVE PUT HIM INTO THE HOSPITAL THREE TIMES IN THE LAST SEVERAL WEEKS. HE IS HOME NOW AND ON THE MEND, BUT THIS WILL BE A RATHER SLOW PROCESS. HE HAS HOPES OF BEING ABOARD **BONKERS TWO** OVER THE **LABOR DAY WEEK-**

THE CBC IS JUST DELIGHTED WITH THIS NEWS!

FROM: DOC AND CAROL JOHNSON

SUBJECT: WE ARE GREAT GRANDPARENTS.



JORDAN WADE JOHNSON WAS BORN AUGUST 5TH AT 3:54 PM. HE SHARES HIS BIRTHDAY WITH HIS AUNT KYLA, WHO IS THRILLED TO HAVE HIM AS A 'BIRTHDAY BUDDY' AS WELL AS A NEPHEW. HE WEIGHED IN AT 8 POUNDS AND 4 OZ AND HE'S 20 INCHES LONG.

BOTH JORDAN AND MOMMY NIKKI ARE DOING WELL.

JORDAN HAS QUITE A SET OF LUNGS AND LET EVERYONE KNOW HE'D ARRIVED.

**HOPE WE WILL
SEE EVERYONE ON
SUNDAY!**

A
Message from Tom
Trump

If anyone in the club is planning the Caribbean 1500 this fall, he would be willing to crew.