



MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND



was blessed with marvelous weather, in spite of the dire predictions of the Weather Gurus. Eight CBC boats came to the Wye and dropped anchor in Granary Creek. SAVOIR FAIRE was dressed to the hilt with flags and a marvelous Volcano with "flying guy" above to represent the Jimmy Buffet song. It was great, but alas, went right over the heads of the decorations judges. The other fantastically decorated craft was TARWATHIE, which also had some fantastically dressed "Parrotheads" aka. Monique Pasquale and hubby Bob Gajewski, and Rebecca and Dave Burka. This merited the first prize! The other CBC boats were MERIDIAN, SEA SCAPE, WHIPPERSNAPPER, CHANTEY, WILD ROVER,



and our very new member boat, CORDIAL. A bit later than scheduled the "green" dinghy races were held with two divisions: hard dinghies and inflatables. There were some watery incidents, and much laughing and gentle acts of treachery, and the Hansels, rowing cordial's hard dinghy, were the winners! The Jimmy Buffet scavenger hunt winners left our CBC boats way behind!

In the late morning quite a few cars began to arrive, in plenty of time to set up the O-Limp-Ic games. Bruce and Janet George, Mickey and Scott Doran. Carol and Ted Reinhold and their tall, handsome grandson Ted, Frank and Nancy McCabe, Will and Logan Hottle and Hunter and Shirley Kennard. It was pretty hot out on the green and there was a big quantity of icy bottled water consumed. A real life saver! There were two sets of games this year: the usual tests of balance, "athletic" skills etc. and a series that tested nautical skills. I think lots of folks could stand improvement in both... but perhaps laughter made the results more iffy. Each of the 17 teams received a pair of trivia quizzes.



One was a Jimmy Buffet quiz and another was called "Where on the Bay?" Bob Arias and his wife had dreamed the questions up and they were a real challenge! (Particularly challenging was concentrating on the games or the questions after one or two of the fantastic EYC rum punches!)



All afternoon George had been at work in the cooking pavilion producing his fantastic chicken barbecue, bratwurst, and baked beans, and when he placed them on the very long buffet table the balance was filled with an incredible array of salads, snacks and desserts, and the line very quickly formed to dig into the terrific chow. The big pavilion is a great spot for a party but with 130 people at dinner it was a really

noisy spot. There were cheers and hoorahs as medals were awarded to all the winners of the day's activities, and a real ovation as George received a medal for his marvelous meals for so many years. May he do another year! There was some slightly off key singing as we all wished Joel Gross a happy birthday (39?) and Tom Finnin joined Joel in giving us "Happy Birthday, UGH!" Dave and Teri Hansel received their CBC burgee from Commodore Peter, and now their Bristol 32 will fly the official flag!



To put a marvelous topper on the festivities, the "New and Used Bluegrass" group brought their toe-tapping music and song. Whatta great finale! and NO RAIN!

AND THEN THE CRUISE!

Val and Jane Taliaferro set up an ambitious but leisurely schedule for the spring cruise. Little did they know that it would also be the shakedown/breakdown cruise as well! Cruise director, Val along with Jane Taliaferro, offer the following addendum to Commodore Madden's fine "End of Spring Cruise" interview with Ted Reinhold which took place at the Reinhold's party on the Magothy to welcome back the cruisers. Unfortunately, FREEFLIGHT was subject to an additional equipment 'breakdown' and Val and Jane repaired to Broad Creek across the Magothy in case the predicted thunderstorm (which fortunately did not materialize) showed up. More on that later. At the outset I want to report that despite a number of events which could have dampened the spirits of the most undaunted among us, the cruise was quite enjoyable and by my estimation a good time was had by all who made various parts of it.

As reported by Peter, the first day appeared auspicious as strong southerly winds limited getting to Lead- enham Creek at the appointed time. SEA SCAPE and FREEFLIGHT remained in Granary Creek where the Taliaferro's had migrated after spending Sunday and part of Monday in Dividing Creek due to a delayed departure which obviated our attending the Wye Olympics. Meanwhile, CHANTEY, WHIPPERSNAPPER and MERIDIAN headed on Monday morning toward the Choptank but after a challenging day in the south- erlies all opted to tie-up in Knapps Narrows and reportedly had fine meals and relaxing time. Fortunately for FREEFLIGHT, Peter troubleshoot a poor connection on the alternator which was preventing charging of the batteries, (the first of several problems (challenges?) occurred on what was FREEFLIGHT'S shakedown cruise for the season.)

On Tuesday SEA SCAPE determined to head home to get Sam attended to by his veterinarian while FREEFLIGHT, still subjected to strong winds from the South, spent the night in Tilghman Creek on the Miles. Mickey Doran offered a home port to Peter and drove the Maddens to get a car and get Sam to the vet. Margaret opted to stay home and tend to Sam and Mickey and Peter set off together in SEA SCAPE.

Wednesday, FREEFLIGHT joined MERIDIAN and WHIPPERSNAPPER in San Domingo Creek and were later joined by LOLIGO, SEA SCAPE (Mickey Doran aboard) and INTERLUDE. Earlier we had had a call from BRISTOL CREAM II (the only boat to actually go to Leadenham Creek) on Tuesday and the George's wondered why no other CBC boats were there. Sadly, Janet wasn't feeling well and they decided to head for home rather than join the group on San Domingo Creek. Imagine our surprise to return from lunch in St. Michaels and find two LOLIGOS in the anchorage. The other LOLIGO had a hailport of Boulder, Colorado if memory serves me right and was skippered by a marine biologist.

Thursday, FREEFLIGHT, INTERLUDE, MERIDIAN, SEA SCAPE and WHIPPERSNAPPER raced to La Trappe Creek where dying wind within sight of the finish caused Doc to withdraw so he could take Carol home for a scheduled appointment. SEA SCAPE was first over the line but congratulations go to INTERLUDE for the win on corrected time. A thunderstorm that evening with a 40+ gust caused several boats to drag anchor and create a few fire drills. Fortunately, no harm was done. (We understand that the boats with all chain dragged a bit and the one's with nylon rodes held their ground! Surprise!)

Friday saw everyone in Plain Dealing Creek and Saturday, being a lay day, it was tentatively planned that we would take one big boat to Town Creek. However, since Tom and Elinor on MERIDIAN had been invited to meet friends in Oxford they decided to take a slip at Mears Marina which left only INTERLUDE and FREEFLIGHT. SEA SCAPE headed for home once again because Mickey was not feeling well. (He was in fine fettle at the shore party....) Both remaining boats had full larders so it was decided to skip going into Oxford. The weather forecast for Sunday calling for strong northwesterly winds caused Chris White (IN- TERLUDE) to suggest going to Leadenham Creek rather than Trippe Creek. This turned out to be a good choice as we enjoyed a nice sail to Baby Owl Cove and had good protection in the brief T-storm we had that afternoon.

Monday the three boats set sail for Hudson Creek on the Little Choptank in westerly winds of 10 - 15. Tuesday, June 8 was scheduled to be race #2 for the West/Rhode Rivers. The wind was steady from the northwest in the high teens gusting to 25 as the racers beat toward the start line at #1 for the Lit- tle Choptank. Suddenly FREEFLIGHT'S mainsail dropped. An incredulous crew looked with amazement at the parted halyard and quickly grabbed sail ties to lash the main. MERIDIAN radioed to ask what had happened and it was decided (unanimously) to retire from the race and all three boats headed south for Solomons (where the Taliaferro's hoped they could have a new halyard installed and Tom had his sights on a savory crab cake.) Tom got his wish but no yard in Solomons was prepared with a cherry picker nec- essary to route a new halyard to the top of FREEFLIGHT'S mast.

On Wednesday, with predictions of wind from the south in the teens to twenties, MERIDIAN and FREEFLIGHT got an early start for Harness Creek while INTERLUDE opted to remain in Solomons. The boats made the South River by about noon with following seas and winds as predicted. Tom Adensam

reported that they made it in at 11:00 and with only the jib had surfed up the Bay and read 8k +!
On Thursday Tom and Elinor rode their bicycles in Quiet Waters Park while FREEFLIGHT made preparations to visit Port Annapolis on Friday for an appointment with riggers.

Thursday afternoon both boats sailed (FREEFLIGHT motor sailed under jib) to Ridout Creek on Whitehall Creek where they met BROAD ARROW anchored and were later joined by CAPE DOCTOR and even later by INTERLUDE who had enjoyed a nice sail up from Solomons with westerly winds in the tens to mid-teens. (Your editor looked out the kitchen window that evening and said "That's a Bristol burgee!" She went down to the dock and hailed MERIDIAN and had a quick visit with Tom who reported in on the cruise. It was a surprise to find four CBC craft at anchor just behind the Kennard house. Here are a couple of pictures of the fleet.



Friday morning FREEFLIGHT headed to Back Creek while INTERLUDE and MERIDIAN headed for home while BROAD ARROW and CAPE DOCTOR made for Liberty Cove on the Magothy. FREEFLIGHT had an eventful day with a cherry picker at the mast head before 10 am and new halyards (main & jib as well as jib topping lift made up and installed by 5 p.m.) Southbound Rigging does good/prompt work. In the process, we ordered replacements for all our running rigging including the addition of



a second jib/spinnaker halyard and reworking of our lazy jack and reefing systems. New halyards installed, we headed out with brief stop at Annapolis Landing Marina for fuel/water/pumpout en route to Liberty Cove? (cove off Magothy Narrows) where we joined BROAD ARROW, CAPE DOCTOR, TALISMAN and WHIPPERSNAPPER.

Saturday saw a nice southwesterly breeze and Val & Jane decided a sail before the Reinhold's party was just what FREEFLIGHT needed to try out her new equipment. Leaving the anchorage Val determined he should let out a little on the anchor windlass as the chain was too tight to reach the D clip which secures it to the bow pulpit. Stepping on the foot switch brought no response in the down position. After confirming that the circuit breaker was not tripped we decided to break out the backup anchor (Danforth S22) from the locker and re-anchor in the cove to sort out the problem. However, we noted that in the years since we had last used this anchor that rust/corrosion had built up on its shackle and we wondered about its efficacy in a blow. Accordingly, before lowering it we secured a float so that if the shackle parted we could retrieve the anchor. After anchoring, Val determined that the gear housing to the windlass had separated causing the motor to rotate and pull the down switch wires from their connections. However, since the housing was essentially nonexistent there was no way to effect a repair. Accordingly, we headed out once again for the Reinhold's which we had earlier learned from Paul Kavanaugh was not on Broad Creek but across the Magothy from Broad Creek. Approaching their dock we saw ACOMES, CERULEAN and WHIPPER SNAPPER at anchor and heard the radio announcing chance of T-storms with winds in the 30's possible as far north as Baltimore Light. Not fully trusting our shackle and knowing how hard it was to hoist the 22S without an anchor roller in calm conditions in Liberty Cove earlier, we decided our best course of action was to play it safe and seek shelter on Broad Creek. We deeply regret not making it to the party and especially thank Ted and Carol for hosting it. All in all it was a nice two weeks of sailing with a little of everything June sailing can bring on the bay, including incredible heat and unsettled weather

patterns. **AND NOW ON TO THE PARTY.....**

IT WAS A WARM BUT BEAUTIFUL AFTERNOON AT SAILOR'S REST

and four CBC boats dropped anchors in the Magothy near RYTHM'S dock: Bruce and Jane Raymond's CERULEAN, Will and Logan Hottle's ACOMES, Doc and Carol Johnson's WHIPPERSNAPPER with hitch-hikers Paul and Marge Kavanaugh aboard, and Tom Trump's CAPE DOCTOR. (The saga of FREEFLIGHT'S travails on the cruise will explain why Val and Jane weren't at the party.)



Carol & Hunter

Ted and Carol had set up festive tables in their sunroom and on the sweep of lawn to the river, and all the land-yacht arrivals brought chairs so everyone was comfy. George and Clary Thomas, Tom Finnin, Joel Gross and daughter Wendy, Tom and Elinor Adensam (who



Marty, Joyce & Frank



George Thomas

had taken MERIDIAN home and gotten all spiffed up for the party.. Elinor in a gorgeous blue tropical outfit !), Frank and Nancy McCabe, all the way from Solomon's, Commodore Peter and Margaret Madden (minus Sam), Chris and Virginia White, Mickey and Scott Doran, Hunter and Shirley Kennard, Sandra and Norm Bogarde and Marty and Joyce Suydam. How good to see Joyce all recovered after her very serious illness. Hooray.

As usual, there was a lot of great conversation, accompanied by good beverages and snacks, and everyone kept an eye on the north-west for signs of the predicted thunderstorms. Ted fired up the grilles a bit early so we wouldn't be caught in a deluge, and everyone settled



Tom Finnin & Joel



Will & Tom Adensam

down to some great eating. There was a true assortment of viands sizzling on the grilles, from hotdogs, to steak to hamburgers to salmon steaks, plain and fancy! Real gourmet fare.

Commodore Peter gave a brief synopsis of the cruise, and Paul Kavanaugh



Elinor, Chris, Sandra & Bruce R.

announced the race results. MERIDIAN placed third, SEA SCAPE took second place, and the whites sailed their INTERLUDE to a first place win!

Joel Gross gave everyone a heads up on the Baltimore cruise weekend, and also announced that he was setting up an opportunity for folks to charter in the BVI this coming winter. A beautiful place and ;even more fun with a flotilla of boats!

Everyone pitched in to clear up the tables and move everything inside, and the boaters scurried out to relocate their boats to the protected anchorage off Cornfield Creek. Of course, with all the worry and preparation the storms didn't materialize or passed right by.



It was a wonderful party and a great end to a very eventful cruise !



**Day 1: Saturday, July 3,
Fireworks @Rock Hall**

Moor in Davis Creek, off Langford Bay Marina -- 7 moorings are committed for CBC members who previously indicated attendance. Additional boats will need to anchor or slip.

Galatea will be on station NLT 1700 hours, monitoring Channel 71.

We will take vans (provided by Langford Marina) at 1830 hours to the Sailing Emporium in Rock Hall to join our hosts, the Segermarks, at LAST RESORT. Be sure to bring food and beverage. Vans will return us to Langford Marina after fireworks.



**Day 2: Sunday July 4.
Breakfast and Race to Corsica River Anchorage**

Breakfast will begin at 0900 hours at the picnic tables at Langford Marina. Please bring a side dish to share. After breakfast, race the course prepared by Paul Kavanaugh. Course instructions will be handed out at breakfast. Move to Corsica River anchorage. Bring a **patriotic drink and hors d'oeuvre** to share at the Official July 4th cocktail party which will begin at 1700 hours. Prizes will be awarded. Galatea will host, but will need 2 additional volunteer boats to raft for the party.



Day 3+:

Some boats may wish to extend the cruise and may have made individual plans - join in if you wish. See chart below for other fireworks displays.

Other Mid/Northern Bay Fireworks		
July 2	July 3	July 4
Kent Narrows (rain date July 3) Reedville, VA	Rock Hall, MD (rain date July 4) Eastern YC, Middle River, MD Tred Avon, Oxford, MD Chesapeake Beach, MD	Annapolis (rain date July 5) Baltimore Solomons, MD (rain date July 5) Crisfield, MD Havre de Grace, MD Urbanna, VA Chestertown, MD

Contact Marty Suydam (focusmjs@aol.com, cell: 703-405-0921) if you have questions

WE GET LETTERS.....

Hi All,

I am sorry that I won't be able to come to the nice party. Yesterday, I learned that my 17 year old son, Shane, will have to have surgery on his wrist, which he broke about three weeks ago. The surgery is on Friday, but I am told that he will be uncomfortable for a few days as a result of inserting pins to correct the mending process. His mother is out of town for the weekend, so it's my watch.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next event.

David Crossland

Hi Gang-

We haven't been in contact much recently- sorry. Ned is working in Sacramento and I am back and forth to Boston between work. We put "Beach Plum" in last weekend, but not sure how much we will use her this summer.

We are in the midst of packing up our home here in Boston and about to put her on the market. We will not be making the July 4th cruise, unfortunately.

New will be at a family reunion and I have the opportunity to sail with a friend in Portugal. Don't give up on us yet. One of these days we will have time!!!

Cheers

Cornelia Harris

CBC cruisers Paula and David Frankel have written with an update to the terrible fate of Primrose which fell from a sling while being hauled out in a boatyard in Grenada last fall as reported in the March issue of the newsletter:

"Don't know if the CBC has heard the end of the story--more cracks on the trailing end of the keel were discovered, and (after 3 surveys and an independent assessment from a professional adjuster), our insurer decided to declare Primrose a "constructive total loss", and paid out the insured value.

We remained in Grenada, selling, packing up, or otherwise disposing of everything we offloaded from the boat. As of April 9, we are back in Annapolis, settled in to our place on Back Creek. At the moment, we have an empty slip, so our cruising this season will be on OPB (other people's boats). Don't know if/when we will acquire Primrose II.

We hope to see Club members at one of the outings (one we can get to by land, of course)."

Paula & David

AND LOOK AT THIS!

DISCOUNT OF 15% AT BACON SAILS IN ANNAPOLIS. THIS APPLIES TO THEIR NEW CATALOG ITEMS INCLUDING ELECTRONICS. NEXT TIME YOU ARE IN ANNAPOLIS, STOP BY FOR A CATALOG AND MENTION THE LAST NAME OF OUR COMMODORE TO QUALIFY. THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO CONSIGNMENT ITEMS.

HERE'S A HEADS UP!

The Sunflower Theme this year will be "Holidays"

IT'S A HOLIDAY SAIL-E-BRATION! (Doesn't matter which one!)

Pick your favorite holiday(s) and bring your special holiday dish or libation to share.

Dress your boat and yourselves.

You do not have to carry the same holiday theme throughout, so feel free to be creative!

Details of the Location, timing, directions will be in a later letter, but make your plans now for July 17th & 18th.

**TRY YOUR SKILL ON THE CRUISE QUIZ.
FOR ANSWERS CHECK WITH
VAL TALIAFERRO.**

Dr. Bunting's Sunburn Remedy was formulated by a Baltimore pharmacist in the early 1900s

- a. by combining camphor, menthol and eucalyptus
- b. became Noxzema
- c. was reputed to treat eczema
- d. all of the above

The J.S. Young Co. in the Canton section of Baltimore reportedly was the nation's first company to produce _____, which it began making in 1869.

- a. paper plates
- b. umbrellas
- c. licorice
- d. ramekins

The state's first brewery was established in _____ in 1703 and remained in operation until 1716.

- a. Baltimore
- b. Annapolis
- c. Frederick
- d. Cambridge

The diamondback terrapin is Maryland's state reptile. Unique among turtles and tortoises, this species alone is found in _____

- a. land and water
- b. hot water
- c. brackish water
- d. tidal water

A daisy known as the black-eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*) has been Maryland's state flower since 1918 when the General Assembly declared it the

- a. "floral emblem"
- b. Lord Baltimore daisy
- c. best smelling flower
- d. longest bloomer

"Bugeye"

- a. describes a boat designed for dredging oysters
- b. comes from a Scottish word for "oyster"
- c. is a vessel with a shallow draft exemplified by the Wm. B Tennison
- d. all of the above

The state's motto—*Fatti maschii parole femine*—loosely translates to

- a. men do it, women talk about it
- b. great men, pretty women
- c. "manly deeds, womanly words"
- d. none of the above

Baltimore's Bromo Seltzer Tower was originally topped by a 51-foot illuminated replica of the product's trademark

- a. round tablet
- b. blue bottle
- c. effervescent bubbles
- d. dispenser case

"Born in Baltimore, raised everywhere" refers to

- a. "Old Glory" inspired by Francis Scott Key
- b. umbrellas
- c. chicken hatchery
- d. oyster cultivation

Chesapeake Bay and its tidal tributaries

- a. have more shoreline than the entire West Coast
- b. comprise the largest estuary (a semi-enclosed body of water where rivers meet the sea in the country)
- c. have 11,684 miles of shoreline, (4,431 in Maryland including islands)
- d. all of the above

Maryland's highest point is 3,360 feet above sea level on Backbone Mountain. The state's lowest point is an underwater 174 foot deep depression in Chesapeake Bay called

- a. Solomon's Lump
- b. Bloody Point Hole
- c. Solomon's Trench
- d. Craighill Channel

Before dawn on Aug. 10, 1813, residents of Saint Michaels, survived a British attack by sea by

- a. hoisting lanterns to the masts of ships and in the tops of trees
- b. lighting fires outside of town
- c. abandoning town
- d. inviting the British sailors to a tea party

The Maryland State House, built between 1772 and 1779, is

- a. the oldest state house still in use
- b. served as capital of the United States from Nov. 26, 1783, to Aug. 13, 1784 and is the site where George Washington resigned his commission as commander-in-chief of the Army in 1783
- c. has a wooden dome built without nails and held together by wooden pegs reinforced by iron straps forged in Annapolis
- d. all of the above

The Tred Avon Ferry in Oxford is

- a. the nation's oldest privately operated ferry
- b. the nation's oldest "free running" (no cable) ferry
- c. still operating since establishment in 1683
- d. all of the above

At the "End of Cruise Party", Joel Gross announced plans concerning slip reservations for The 2010 Baltimore Weekend October 2-3 and plans for a BVI bareboat cruise in February 2011. It is important that some initial reservations be made so if you are interested respond as soon as possible.

Please review the preliminary information below and contact Joel Gross (301-460-3070) ASAP.

The **BALTIMORE CRUISE-OCT 2-3** This year the Baltimore Cruise coincides with the Fell's Point Fun Festival Weekend. For Fun Festival details, click on: <<http://www.preservationsociety.com/fpff2010generalinformation.html>>Fun Festival.

Joel Gross has made contact with the Anchorage Marina (for marina information, click on: <<http://www.%20anchorage marina.com/about.html>>ANCHORAGE MARINA.) Joel negotiated a special Festival Weekend slip rate of \$1.75/ft. for CBC providing we register 10 boats. The marina will provide their pool area for our traditional Sunday Breakfast and an inside location in case of inclement weather.

The marina requests that all reservations go through Joel so please call Joel Gross now (301-460-3070) and place your tentative reservation. Note: Should your plans change, the reservation can be canceled at no charge.



Fell's Point Fun Festival

October 3-4, 2009 11 am to 7 pm

812 S. Ann St. Baltimore, MD 21231 410-675-6756 (phone) 410-675-6769 (fax)

A **BVI BAREBOAT CRUISE** (sometime in Feb. 2011) A number of CBC members have expressed a desire to go cruising for a week or 10 days in the BVI next year. In response, Joel has been in contact with Conch Charters Roadtown, Tortola, BVI. (For information on Conch Charters, click on <<http://www.conchcharters.com/>>CONCHCHARTERS.)

Joel and Tom Finnin chartered with them last winter and they were impressed by the cleanliness of the boat, the detailed checkout and the excellent mechanical condition of all systems.

Joel has received a proposal from them for a 10% discount providing CBC reserves at least 3 boats. Since February is the "HIGH" season, there is a need to get a count as soon as possible. Please call Joel Gross (301-460-3070) to get additional



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