



CHESAPEAKE BRISTOL CLUB FALL CRUISE- SEPTEMBER 2011

Our annual fall cruise took place September 3-10. Despite the 5.8 earthquake and Hurricane Irene the previous week, seven boats made it to our first anchorage at Swan Creek. They were Bob and Prue Clopp' OUR TIME, Paul and Marge Kavanaugh's BROAD ARROW, Frank and Nancy McCabe's KELLY ANN, Doc and Carol Johnson's WHIPPERSNAPPER/WACAJO/NO MAS, Elinor and Tom Adensam's MERIDIAN, Joel Gross and Tom Finnin's CHANTEY, Joyce and Marty Suydam's GALATEA. Not to be deterred by the inclement forecast, everyone set sail the next morning for Georgetown on the Sassafras River. Although rain kept us close to the Georgetown Marina for three days, we enjoyed lots of good camaraderie and a delicious dinner at the Kitty Night House restaurant.

Not seeing any chance of a change in the weather, we, luckily, cancelled Havre de Grace. We later learned that the town was forced to evacuate. By Wednesday morning, all but two boats headed for home. The Clopps' OUR TIME and the Kavanaughs' BROAD ARROW headed for Baltimore. With the help of tides, winds and motors, we were able to make Baltimore in less than 6 hours from Georgetown with speeds clocked at 8 to 10 knots, not bad for a 36 ft. boat. For the next two days, we enjoyed learning about the Civil War at the Maryland Historic Society and the President St. Station.



On Friday night, we were joined by quite a few members who came by car for a final dinner at the Black Olive in Fell's Point: Will and Logan Hottle, George and Clary Thomas, Doc and Carol Johnson, Marty and Joyce Suydam, and a nice surprise, Fayla Sherer up from Florida for a nice long visit.

The next morning brought blue skies in time for our trip home. With the winds and tides in our favor, we were looking for a pleasant sail home. However, when the flood gates opened at the dam on the Susquehanna River, years of debris started to float down the Bay. As far as the eye could see, there were piles of debris impeding navigation. It made the trip home more challenging than usual, but by 3 p.m. we arrived safely at our dock.

Despite the rain, we had some great wind and lots of fond memories to mark this annual fall cruise.

Prue Clopp

ST. JOHN'S SAILING DAY

SCUDDER, OUR TIME and LOLIGO were part of the 13-boat flotilla on Saturday, Sept. 17, that helped the Friends of St. John's College give students a chance to enjoy Chesapeake Bay. Bob and Prue Clopp, Mickey and Scott Doran, and Ken and Deb Coons all agreed it was a great day, in spite of the crummy weather and a Bay filled with debris. The "Johnnies" are great kids. The lunch and raft-up in Mill Creek was fun for everyone--and a number of the kids got to sail for the first time and loved it.

At the end of the afternoon, SCUDDER and OUR TIME scooted across to Lake Ogleton where they were joined by Paul and Marge Kavanaugh aboard BROAD ARROW and Elinor and Tom Adensam, on their MERIDIAN, who were fresh from celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Tom and Elinor!

The weather remained crummy, but the company made it all worthwhile.



These pictures are of the kids who sailed with them and they are obviously enjoying the day and the lunch.

HERES A NOTE FROM SOME FOLKS WE HAVEN'T SEEN FOR A WHILE

Shirley- As you know Ned and I have been totally dormant in the CBC...Ned's work combined with my work and schedule have been somewhat chaotic for the past few years...Well, Ned has had to retire due to health reasons- he is fine and stable and active and fit, but his condition is aggravated by stress, heat and weight lifting. I know that every year we say we will be more active and are not, BUT hopefully as we settle and adjust to our new life (although I will continue working for a bit) we will have more time for the boat...We actually may have to sell her as Ned is not allowed to strain or lift heavy weights...We may have to go to a trawler, but we are uncertain as of yet...For the moment, BEACH PLUM is in the water secured for hurricanes and hoping we will take her out for a spin...

We hope to spend part of October on her, but again, plans change rapidly here especially as we are based now in Phoenix in the winter and are loving it out here...For the moment we are alive and well and have our feet planted firmly in mid-air!! We love reading about all the fun sails the club takes and wish we could be part of it....

Cheers,

Cornelia and Ned Harris

It was more of a buttercup.

During the week before the scheduled sunflower e-mails went pinging all over the area with iffy weather reports, conflicting events and limited projected participation, but the CBC sailors are not to be put off so easily and our Commodore and Raft master said that “all systems were go!”

Raftmaster Mike stationed himself in Whitehall creek with an anchor firmly set and soon the rest of the rafters arrived and took their places. LAST RESORT called in and said the threat of thunderstorms would keep them up North in Rock Hall, and Ted Reinhold had to back out with one great excuse! (More about that later) so there turned out to be a grand total of seven boats making up the circle. Each boat had an anchor down and the sterns were tied together neatly and conversation was easy across the interior circle. HIGH ADVENTURE, SEA SCAPE, “no name” bearing Carol and Doc Johnson, SCUDDER, CAPE DOCTOR, MERIDIAN, and BRISTOL CREAM

III made up the raft and Mike had left enough room to include his NIGHT-N-GAEL in the ring. When the circle was closed Mike motored down the way and transported Shirley Kennard to the party.

Everyone had their libations and goodies, which were passed around from boat to boat, as the configuration made it pretty difficult to clamber from boat to boat. “Sam” Madden settled down happily in the cockpit and then snoozed while the rest of us played a neat game directed by Mickey, “The Battle of the Chesapeake”.

This involved a miniature version of the British Fleet, a hula hoop, and lots and lots of green tennis balls. Tossing these through the rigging was pretty difficult but we did manage to sink the British fleet. I think there was almost too much laughter as we tossed and retrieved the “cannon balls”. Peter and Margaret had put together a wonderful trivia quiz “All Things British” and it was indeed a challenge for everyone.

Tom Trump was #1 in the British trivia department and The Adensams were #2, and the Georges took the decorated boat prize for a British message in flags up the forestay and a beautifully framed picture of the Queen on the stern.





Mickey produced materials for each boat so that the captains and crews could produce a coat of arms that was representative of each. This photo of the one for HIGH ADVENTURE shows how great this was. Mike and Marcia had a motto of “Family, Friends & Love”. How wonderful!

The weather turned out to be balmy, warm and pleasant and the only rain was in the middle of the night when everyone was snug below in their berths. We were all glad that the rendezvous went ahead and we’re just sorry that so many folks missed out on a great time.



And we promised you

the reason that Ted and Carol couldn’t make the “buttercup”. Here is their note to Mike saying why they couldn’t make it. Seems their basement got really flooded.....

“Sorry we could not make it as we were continuously bailing our basement on average of every 2-3 hours for over 50 hours. Each time we vacuumed 50 gallons of water. After two trips by Router Rooter (and great expense) a large plug of sand/dirt was jetted out with a hi pressure jetter. It is also likely we have another issue with a small pipe fracture from a floor drain (which might have been triggered by the earthquake?). After the jetting, the perimeter drain water level dropped 12 inches and the flow into the basement ceased. We now have multiple fans, a dehumidifier, the hot water baseboard heat is fired up and the air conditioning is going at the same time drying the basement . Things are really looking up.

I am sorry we could not make the raft this year.

Ted and Carol “

**THIS IS A FUN MURAL
THAT OUR FALL CRUISERS
DISCOVERED IN THEIR
BALTIMORE ADVENTURES.
NOTE THE FLEET STREET
SIGN.
THAT WILL GIVE YOU AN
IDEA OF THE SCALE OF THIS
PAINTING.**



AND NOW THE GRAND FINALE

CBC

THE CHESAPEAKE BRISTOL CLUB FALL LUNCHEON PIRATES COVE RESTAURANT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 12 NOON - 3:00

CASH BAR
Hors D'oeuvres:
Crab Dip
Vegetables & Dip

MENU

Salad,
Warm Bread and Butter,
Choice of Entrees:
Filet of Salmon
English Cut Prime Rib
Chicken Marsala
each
Accompanied by:
Roasted Potatoes and Vegetables
Non-Alcoholic Beverages
Dessert::
Cheesecake

\$30 PER PERSON

check to Chesapeake Bristol Club
or cash at the door

STARRING FOR 2012
Commodore - Mickey Doran
Vice Commodore - Bob Clopp
Rear Commodore - Val Taliaferro
Secretary - Logan Hottle
Treasurer - David Burka
Trustee - Marty Suydam
Trustee - Nancy McCabe

To reserve a place at the festive affair please
e-mail Dave Crosland at
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by October 31

DIRECTIONS FROM ANNAPOLIS:

Follow Route #2 South across the South River bridge. Continue on to Route 214 (Central Avenue). Turn left and continue a short way to Muddy Creek Road #468. Turn right and follow curvey road 'til you make a left onto #255. Follow 255 to the water. Pirates Cove is just to your left with plenty of parking,