

CHESPEAKE MULTIHULL ASSOCIATION (CMA) NEWSLETTER

Now on the hard for winter, but eagerly awaiting 2014 Bay sailing....



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2014 CMA Board Members

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Note: new board members/positions filled are noted in bold font.

Commodore's Letter...

As the year ends, I need to reflect on the past and the future.

We've had a good year. The racing fleet was one of the more active on the Bay during challenging times. We've had several new members in the B Fleet, and A Fleet, while somewhat smaller, is still active. From what I've heard, both fleets should grow by a few boats next year. Tim Layne has been actively working with CBYRA to line up next year's schedule.

On the Cruising Side, getting people together has been rather like Herding Cats. Everyone has been so busy that making formal raft up's has taken second priority. Despite this, the St. Michael's Raft-up and the PSA/Swan Creek Raft-up's were great successes.

We had two excellent speakers last year, Dr. Richard Korpus, Principle Scientist for Applied Fluid Technologies who gave a talk entitled "*Outside the Box: The High-Tech Approach to Multi-Hull Design*". And Gary Jobson entertained us with sailing lore. Next year, David Gross from Quantum Sails plans to educate us on Fiber Choices for Sails and Rigging. We are also trying to line up Gary Jobson again, this time to give us the insider's scoop on the 2013 America's Cup. Michael Katz has been working overtime to make these happen.

The CMA Holiday Party was again hosted by the Glovers. It was well attended and a great way to catch up on our sailing friends during the darkest days of winter.

Our 2014 Board of Directors has been chosen, and I thank everyone for volunteering.

Doug Dykman,
Commodore

Upcoming Events:

12-JAN-2014: David Gross presentation @ 2:00 PM at the Quantum Sails, 951 Bay Ridge Road, Annapolis, MD 21403. Potential presentation topics to include sail and line/rigging fibers and materials.

23-FEB-2014: Meeting/Awards at 6PM (confirmation of date and site will be sent later)

2014 CMA Racing Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>High Point</u>	<u>Long Distance</u>	<u>Elapse Time</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Sanction #</u>	<u>Results</u>	<u>Associated Event</u>
4/26-27	AYC Coast Guard Overnight		*	*	<u>AYC</u>			
5/24	Annapolis to Miles River Race	*	*	*	<u>MRYC</u>			Raft-up
5/25	Miles River Race Back	*		*	<u>WRSC</u>			
5/31	Leukemia Cup				<u>EYC/AYC</u>			
6/07-08	PSA Overnight	*	*	*	<u>PSA</u>			
6/28-29	Northern Bay Race Week	*/x2		*/x2	<u>GSA</u>			Raft-up
7/11-12	Solomon's Island Invitational	*	*	*	<u>EYC</u>			
7/19	Race to Baltimore	*	*	*	<u>BCYA</u>			
7/20	Baltimore Lighthouse Classic	*		*	<u>RCRA</u>			
8/01-02	Governor's Cup	*	*	*	<u>SMCSA</u>			Raft-up
9/13	Race to Oxford	*	*	*	<u>NASS</u>			
9/14	Hammond Memorial Race	*	*	*	<u>TAYC</u>			Raft-up
9/27	PSA Race to Rock Hall				<u>PSA</u>			
9/28	Rock Hall Race Back				<u>PSA</u>			Raft-up
10/04	Havre de Grace Race			*	<u>HdGYC</u>			
10/25	Baltimore Harbor Cup	*	*	*	<u>BCYA</u>			
10/26	Baltimore Harbor Fall Back	*		*	<u>RCRA</u>			

From our membership chair...

News and Dues

A special thanks to those members who've already sent in their dues and are now CMA members in good standing for 2014. Now's the time to find the check book and get that chore done. Make those checks payable to: Chesapeake Multihull Association Mail and mail to me at: 542 Devonshire Court, Severna Park, Maryland 21146

Note: Please include the renewal form with your check. You'll find the link on the home page. If there are no changes in your contact information, no need to fill out the complete renewal application, simply enter your name.

Welcome aboard to our new members. Before the season begins, would like to make your introduction to the membership here in our newsletter. We're curious to know more about you, your boat, your crew (kids and pets included) and your sailing interests: cruising, gunk holing, racing, day sailing, rendezvous, etc. What delights and confounds you about sailing your multihull. CMA members want to make your sailing and ownership experience richer and more enjoyable. Please make an effort to send me pictures and a note about your sailing experience, interests or problems and with your permission, I'll post them here in the newsletter. Thanks in advance. Wishing all of you a quick winter, an early spring!

Jim Nealey,
CMA Membership Chair
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Final Comments

The 2013 sailing season on the Bay is now history (for most of us)! However, I am left with many wonderful memories of new races entered, new ports visited, and new sailing friends met this year, as well as chance encounters at different events which promoted renewal of friendships with old sailing friends. Though I am not sailing this winter, I'm eagerly countering down the days until early spring when I will prepare my boat for the 2014 season.

We have had a lively discussion in recent months about the future of the CMA, with suggestions including offering more sailing-related activities for our current members, as well as working out a strategy to attract new members to join. Whether our personal preference leans towards racing, cruising, or day sailing, we are all bound by a common love of sailing multihull sailboats, ranging from the smallest beach cats and trimarans up to blue water-capable vessels. CMA definitely fills a critical need for this area of interest and I am personally committed to the continued growth and development of this wonderful organization!

I am again requesting that all Newsletter readers, including our many CMA members and friends, feel free to contribute any text and/or photos that you believe the readership may enjoy. Possible topics might include (but are not limited to): cruising or day sailing adventures, racing accounts, great overnight anchorages, and favorite food and/or beverage recipes when you are out on your boat. Additionally, any contributions describing preparing the boat for the season on the water, or recommendations for regional boatyards, riggers, mechanics, etc. would be most welcome!

I continue to highly recommend you to check out the CMA website (www.chesapeake-multihulls.org), which has a tremendous store of information, including club history, racing and cruising information, an image gallery and videos, current classified advertisements, and our CMA sponsors logos. My hope is that the CMA Newsletter will complement the CMA website, and will be of value to our membership. Additionally, I also anticipate that our website, with the embedded current and previous issues of the Newsletter, may attract the attention of those who are considering getting involved in sailing multihull sailboats (CMA will always need to attract and welcome new members).

Finally, the CMA Cruising Chair position remains vacant. I continue to extend a special plea to all to consider volunteering to assume that important position. Responsibilities are minimal (I continue to offer my personal assistance, though I must admit my knowledge of the Bay is still very limited), and I'm sure the membership would support any events that would be planned. Again, I would offer the suggestion of building combined "cruising & racing multihull raft-ups" after scheduled racing events, perhaps with additional snacks, deserts, and drinks at the combined gathering. I suspect all would have a great time!

I thoroughly enjoyed seeing (and meeting) many of you out on the Bay this season. I look forward to more great sailing throughout the upcoming 2014 season. Ultimately, any errors or oversights in this Newsletter issue are mine alone. Please let me know your thoughts...

Dana Stoffregen
Rear Commodore

Note: Please consult the CMA Website for current classified ads, including crew available/desired and boats/gear available. All Sponsors Logos are also available on the Website.