



CHESAPEAKE MULTIHULL ASSOCIATION

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Commodore's Report

Jim Nealey - Commodore

March 29th marked our last general membership meeting at the Annapolis Public Library. Following our Board of Directors' meeting we enjoyed a presentation given by Brad Peloquin of the National Weather Service who endeavored to familiarize us with his agency's "products" including on air and on line weather forecasts. It was noted during his presentation that NOAA, no longer offers an animated tidal current prediction product for the Chesapeake Bay. This was a valuable tool for our racing fleet when planning for a day's race. I miss this forecasting feature and combined with wind strength and direction forecasts, found it quite helpful in planning a strategy for any given course. I would imagine this feature is missed by all recreational boaters to better predict wave heights on the bay. If you are so inclined, please ask the folks at NOAA to reinstate their animated tidal current feature. You will find a number of contacts at this link: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/marine/phone.htm>

At the January meeting it was decided to enlist the services of a professional web site designer to bring our on-line presence up to date. The specifications have been delivered to prospective designers and I am waiting for their responses to the proposal. If you have ideas for your new "virtual" clubhouse, let me know so that we can build a site that will better serve our membership, welcome visitors and encourage others to join our Association.

The review our Association's Constitution and By-Laws continues under the stewardship of our Secretary, Terry Boram. Under our present Constitution and By-Laws, proposed changes will require ratification by the general membership. This will have to wait until next fall at the earliest and I am counting on your participation. My thanks to the committee and interested members for their help with this effort.

As cruising co-coordinator, Terry Boram is preparing to establish a calendar of events on our present web site for the season ahead. Please visit in the coming weeks to learn of events as well as our racing fleet's schedule.

If you need crew to race or cruise this season, don't miss the SpinSheet Crew Listing Party, Sunday, April 19th, 4-6pm. The open bar and a crowd of like-minded folks will make for a pleasant afternoon at the Annapolis Maritime Museum.

Our next general membership meeting will be our annual Spring Awards Banquet, Sunday, April 26th at the West End Grille, Annapolis. I hope you will plan to attend. Look for directions and details later in this newsletter. Aside from those racing and cruising this season, it will be a chance to catch up with everyone before we break out for the sailing season.

Enjoy!

Cheers, Jim Nealey

Quote of the Month



"A powerboat and a sailboat both went to sea. From the powerboat, voices asked - when will we get there? From the sailboat, voices answered - we are!!!"

Upcoming Events

SAVE THE DATE - PLAN TO ATTEND:

April 26th CMA Annual Awards Dinner at the **West End Grill** – Lots of awards, YOU may be a winner! Happy hour will begin at 6:00pm. Dinner will begin a 7:00pm. Order from the menu - appetizers courtesy of CMA.

Treasurer's Report

Dave Way, Treasurer

Secretary's Report

Terry Boram, Secretary

Date: March 29, 2009

Location: Annapolis Public Library

Attendees:

Commodore: Jim Nealey, Secretary: Terry Boram
Rear Commodore: Gary Spesard, Treasurer: David Way, Vice Commodore: Larry Forgy, Past Commodore: Gene Freund, Fleet Captain: Tim Layne, Board Members: Jere Glover, David Nees, John Morfit, Rob Blesse, Rater: Kiyoshi Mizuchi, Membership: John Wayshner

Board of Directors Order of Business

1. Review/Approval of Past Minutes: Motioned to pass, second and approved.
2. Commodore's Remarks:
 - a. The website redesign has gone out for bid. We have received one proposal and are awaiting others before a decision is made. It was suggested that we should begin to look "in-house" for someone to redesign and possibly maintain our website for cost reasons. All suggestions and recommendations should be sent to Jim.
 - b. CBYRA dues have been paid.

- c. The Spring Awards dinner will be Sunday, April 26th, 6:00pm at the West End Grill.
 - d. By-Laws: A committee has actively been reviewing the current by-laws and has sent their recommendations to all Officers and Board Members for review. Discussions centered on the approval process of the by-laws by general membership. Terry will work with Jere to formally include the recommendations into the final draft of the by-laws.
3. Vice Commodore Report: Randy Smyth has agreed to give a multi-hull clinic for CMA. There was a lengthy discussion about how to "market" this event. Should it be used as Membership Recruitment or should it remain in house as a clinic for current racers as well as cruisers. Due to time constraints a Committee was formed to discuss this event further. Committee members are Larry Forgy, Jere Glover, Dave Nees, Tim Layne and Rob Blesse.
 4. Rear Commodore Report: Keep your newsletter articles coming.
 5. Treasurer Report: In consideration of time, the Treasurer report will be submitted in the upcoming Newsletter.
 6. Secretary Report: No Remarks.
 7. Membership Report: 55 Members paid for 2009, 19 unpaid. 31 Racing Members paid.
 8. Fleet Captain's Report:
 - a. Nominations for special awards are due to Tim by the end of the week. Trophies will be ordered shortly for the Spring Awards Dinner.
 - b. Tim attended the CBYRA Yearbook meeting on 3/23/09. There are some rules changes that will favor the multihull class. CBYRA dropped the required "average" for boats at the start line for the year from 6 to 5. To further help those classes with lower turnout then can now divide within divisions, requiring only 3 boats. This would help CMA if we choose to run 2 classes (ie. slower and faster). We would then have 2 highpoints trophies.
 9. Cruising Coordinator's Report: Awaiting website redesign to post cruising calendar.
 10. Board of Director's Report: No Report

11. Past Commodore's Report: No Report
12. Old Business: N/A
13. New Business: N/A

BOD Meeting adjourned at 2:10pm.

Our guest speaker was Brandon Peloquin, Marine Program Leader from the National Weather Service.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terry Boram

Membership Matters

John Wayshner, Membership Board Member

Thanks to all who already have renewed for 2009. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone this Summer at one of the races, cruises, raft-ups, or land/sea rendezvous. If you're unsure whether you're current for 2009, I will be sending out an E-mail to those who aren't within a week. If you know your not current and are planning on renewing please send \$25 (\$20 if primary residence is 200 miles from Annapolis) and an additional \$20 if your planning on racing this season. Make check payable to CMA and mail to:

John Wayshner
1435 E-W Shady Side Rd
Shady Side, MD 20764

Cruising

Terry Boram – Cruising Chair

Like everyone else, the Boram household is busy getting the boat ready to put back in the water. This spring is a bit different for us 1.) because of the new boat and 2.) because this season we will be doing both racing and cruising (albeit one discipline more than the other). As you can imagine this has made for interesting tactics in our spring preparations. Clint is "wearing" the racer's hat, paying fine attention to those details while frantically trying to get the boat in the water as soon as possible. I on the other hand have more of the cruiser approach wanting to get everything right before going in. Now some would say that this is a stalling

technique on my part designed to let the spring winds subside. At the end of the day I'm finding that racer's and cruiser's spring prep are not as different as one would think. It's all a matter of perspective.

A racer has researched bottom paints to the point that, if asked, they could become a sales rep for any given brand on the market. They know the compatibility with their current bottom paint and understand the terms hard vs. ablative. Racers are not as concerned about the maintenance of the paint because they will be going over the side to wipe down the bottom before every race. Once the new rule changes are published for the season racers study and analyze them to see where each rule might cost them time or hopefully give them an advantage. And speaking of advantage (and this is something I just learned), racers look at the upcoming High Point schedule, review historical prevailing wind conditions for those races and with great calculation determine which sail combination they will race with for the season. Once that agonizing decision is made they'll contact our Ratings Coordinator, Kiyoshi, to make the appropriate rating adjustment. This is serious stuff. How do I know this? I live with an ex-racer turned crewmember on OPB (other people's boat), trying to turn "Please honey can we race our boat."

Now cruisers are not that far removed from the racer's efforts over the winter. Bottom paint selection is important to them too. They want the bottom paint that requires the least amount of scuffing and if they could skip that part all together it's even better. Cruisers would rather put their arm strength into polishing their hulls and cleaning the topside. "Rule" changes and race schedules are important too. Cruisers need to know if the Spa Creek Bridge is still opening on the half-hour during the summer so they can make it to Happy Arrr on time. As for the racing schedule, cruisers are not so much concerned about the actual race but rather the after race party. Depending on their cruising style or the mood that particular day or even whom they have on board cruisers will either join the racers and party the night away or sail in the opposite direction to find peace and quiet. It is whatever "floats their boat" (pardon the pun).

And just for the record cruisers find sail selection equally as important as racers. Cruisers want to know which sail they can trim in different weather conditions while still having a drink in one hand. That requires proper training throughout the winter.

This season the Boram's are going to be part racer and part cruiser. Clint has researched bottom paint to death and has picked one that is environmentally safe, low maintenance and doesn't require this 'ole girl to scrap every bit of existing paint off before applying. We've determined which sails we are going to race with and have sent Kiyoshi our selection to get our new rating. Clint has taken the time to help me compound and wax our hulls so that we look beautiful on the water. And as for the schedules, I have conceded to race at some point this season and Clint has agreed to cruise more because at the end of the day every man knows "If Mama ain't happy...." Well you know the rest.

See you on the water soon.

Terry Boram

Racing

Tim Layne – Fleet Captain

See 2009 Race Schedule on the last page of this newsletter.

Crew Wanted:

Art Watson is considering taking his Contour 34 to New England and entering the Marblehead-Halifax Race, which starts on Sunday, July 5th. He is looking for crew. If interested, contact Art at 202-363-8882, or at arthur.watson.1@gmail.com.

Here's a Condor 34



Here's a Contour 34:



We're pretty sure Art is taking the later...
Thanks to John Morfit for pointing out the options.

Screwpile Light House Challenge 2009

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday
July 19, July 20 and July 21
To enter the race, follow this address
<http://www.screwpile.com/>

2009 CMA Board Members

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The new burgees are here!



Just \$25 each

To purchase contact Jim Nealey
jim@storyboardnow.com

Dyform stainless steel Wire- 10 mm

Excellent for standing rigging and stronger than standard 1x19 wire. I have two 47.5 ft sections of brand new/never used wire. This type of wire was recently discontinued and is hard to come by. Sells for \$8-10 per foot, I will sell for \$6 per foot or best offer. Tim Lyons 410-804-1849

Chesapeake Bay Charter -- Catana C381 available for 5 - 7 day weekly Charters at \$2,900 and 3 day weekend rates at \$2,100 in 2008. And for weekend getaways, we are also making her available as a Boat and Breakfast in Georgetown Yacht Basin (on the Sassafras) on our mooring at \$120 per night. Please contact us for reservations at 302-290-1066 or rcgamble@hotmail.com or visit our website at www.rcgamble.com for more details.

49' Ocean Catamaran '00, Millennium Dragon built in the USA by Ocean Catamarans, Inc. Standard hull with custom interior, rig and bimini. Constructed in 1998-99 and launched for the millennium. Set up for single handling. This world cruiser was hauled recently for bottom paint, mechanical maintenance and scheduled replacement of sail drive rubber diaphragms. Much more information available at: www.wingsailor.com. Temporary mooring in SW Florida can be negotiated as part of sale. Contact Captain Roger Strube at wingsailorflorida@yahoo.com or 941.639.6232

2009 CMA Racing Schedule

5/23	Annapolis to Miles River MRYC
5/24	Miles River Back RRBC
6/13	Leukemia Cup EYC
6/27/28	Northern Bay GSA
7/11	Annapolis to Baltimore MRSA
7/12	Balt Lighthouse Classic RCRA
7/17	Solomon's EYC
7/19/20/21	SMSA Screwpile (non-highpoint)
7/31	Gov Cup SMCSA
8/22	Cedar Point GIYS
9/12	Oxford NASS
9/13	Hammond Memorial TAYC
10/3	HdGYC Fall (non-highpoint)
10/24	Balt Leukemia Cup BCYA
10/25	Balt harbor fall back RCRA

APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL			
<i>(Circle One)</i>	<i>New Application</i>	<i>Renewal</i>	<i>Correction</i>
Name(s) (as you wish it to appear in the roster):			
Street:		Boat Type/Model:	
City:		Boat Name:	
State/Zip Code:		Manufacturer/Designer:	
Home Phone:		Year and Rig:	
Business Phone:		LOA:	Sail #:
E-mail Address:		<i>(Circle): Cat Tri Mono Proa</i> Sailing Interests:	
Newsletter preference (circle): <i>Email file email me with link</i>			
Home Port:			
How did You hear about CMA?		Questions/Comments:	
Send form with check for \$25, or 20 if more than 200 miles from Annapolis, MD, (plus \$20 racing fee, if applicable) to: John Wayshner, CMA Membership, 1435 E.W. Shady Side Rd, Shady Side, MD 20764.			

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