



CHESAPEAKE MULTIHULL ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

<http://www.chesapeakemultihulls.org/>

March 2011

From the Helm - Larry Forgy

The sailing season is almost upon us, and I hope everyone has made some progress on their spring outfitting list. I am not quite sure whether mine is growing or shrinking. I have talked to several members who do the same thing I do: prioritize. This makes the list less daunting, as you can make categories like “gotta do before splash”, “finish before the first race”, “get to it this season”, “would be nice”, and finally “you gotta be dreaming!”

Then comes the most important part of successful list maintenance: moving things down the list. My wife has tried to teach me that “failing to plan is planning to fail,” but I learned an even more effective technique from a time management guru. Consider each item on your list and ask yourself “what’s the worst thing that can happen if I don’t do this?” And, if it is not too bad, don’t do it. So, as usual, you will see my boat on the starting line in various stages of decay/repair. But if you want to measure fun per dollar, I am way ahead of most.

There is a point here, and it is that we have all kinds of boats racing in our fleet. Those of you who have not tried it should come out and try it. We racers absolutely love to have participation, and short of actually throwing the race, will do everything we can to make sure you enjoy the experience. Some of the best raft-ups and social gatherings are after racing, and everyone is happy to share their own tips and experience. You will enjoy it.

We have our annual racers organizational meeting after the March general membership meeting. Doug Dykman, the Fleet Captain, discusses the agenda elsewhere in this newsletter. Even if you are not (yet) a racer, consider coming to this meeting to get to know the skippers. The conversation is always lively and informative.

We also have some new boats that will be racing this season, including a new scratch boat that will likely be the first to finish in some of the Bay races. The boat is a Sea Cart 30, which I am told has a mast 10 feet taller than an F31, but weighs only half as much. This reminds me that I haven’t told them about the requirement that the Commodore (that would be me) has to have a trial sail on any new scratch boat for the fleet. Must put that item on my list.

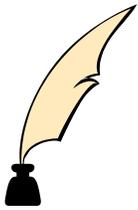
Also, a reminder for all you diehard racers out there. CBYRA has a new rule this year that if you want to compete for the high point award, you will have to join CBYRA by the end of March. Just realized that I need to put that on my list as well.

An exciting season coming up, with a very active cruising program to complement the racing. On several occasions, the two programs will be combined for an enjoyable experience you really don’t want to miss.

See you on the water.

Larry Forgy

Quote of the Month



*"Sailboat racing becomes a game of chance only when you are not prepared."
-Buddy Melges*

Upcoming CMA Events

March

- 27 1:00 p.m. BOD Meeting, Annapolis Library
- 27 2:00 p.m. General Membership Meeting -
4:00 p.m. Annual Racer's Meeting (Details
below)

Website

<http://www.chesapeakemultihulls.org/>

What would you like to see on the website?
Pictures? Links? Blogs?

Send your ideas to the webmaster.
chesapeakemultihulls@gmail.com

March Meeting

Our March meeting will be dedicated to racing. First we will begin with our guest speaker, Jahn Tihansky. Jahn has a pretty impressive sailing bio which includes:

- 2005 – present Head Coach US Naval Academy Offshore Sailing Team
- 1993 – 2005 Owner/operator of J World Annapolis Sailing School
- 1979-1993 Worked in all aspects of sail manufacturing (Hood & Sobstad)
- 1984-87 Owned and operated sail loft

Jahn's presentation will be highly interactive focusing on a combination rules/tactics. He loves to involve his audience in his presentations. We're sure there will be useful information for everyone even if you are not a racer.

Since the library closes at 4:30 the Board of Directors felt it best to move the racers meeting in order to allow enough time to adequately discuss all the topics on the agenda (see agenda under Racing Notes). Following the General Membership meeting we will move to Anne Arundel Gastroenterology Associates offices at [820 Bestgate Rd, Annapolis, MD 21401](#). We will caravan from the library or you can meet everyone there. The meeting will start at 4 PM and last as late as necessary. Some beer, soda and water will be provided. Pizza will be ordered during the meeting so please be prepared to chip in if you wish to partake. If you come late and need admittance, call Doug Dykman at 410-991-8961, and we will arrange to let you in.

Membership Matters - Jim Nealey

Thanks to all of you who have been kind enough to send me your 2011 membership dues along with your most recent contact information on your renewal form, all very clearly printed of course.

If you'd rather avoid postage and my tedious reminder emails this spring, why not resolve to complete your [renewal form](#) now in your neatest hand, of course, and bring along with your dues and racing fee (cash or check made out to Chesapeake Multihull Association) to our next General Membership Meeting on Sunday, March 27, 2011 at the Annapolis Library on West Street.

I've also received a reminder for our racing fleet from our friends at the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association; time to renew your CBYRA membership for 2011. Starting this year, it is important to re-new no later than April 1st (no joke) in order to qualify for the 2011 High Point Awards. You can re-new or join CBYRA by calling their office at (410) 990-9393 or visiting their [website](#).

Speaking of racing, please welcome new members, Paul and Kathleen Parks who will be sailing their Seacart 30, "Sundog" out of Shady Side next season.



Paul with the "Sundog" management team in Fort Lauderdale.

Kathleen and Paul have a long history of racing on the Bay. Kathleen currently owns a J-22 and has raced it for several years usually with an all woman crew and has competed in several Rolex Championships with plans to race in another this year in Rochester, New York. Paul grew up on the Eastern Shore and comes from a long line of watermen racing small one design boats in his younger days. He's owned and raced several larger boats including a Melges 30 and Farr 40. Although they own a center console catamaran powerboat, "Sundog" is their first multihull sailboat.



“Sundog” on West River, November 2010.

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Just received a batch of factory fresh CMA burgees. I’ll bring a few to our next meeting for sale at \$25- each. I hope to see many more burgees flying this coming season.

Hope to see you at the meeting with your dues and renewal forms in hand. Thanks.

Cruising - Chris Shenot and John Nicholson– Cruising Chairs

At this point, we're planning three events this summer. The last weekend in May, the racers will be rafting up down at St. Michaels after their Annapolis to Miles River race and everyone is invited to join them. It's a beautiful area to sail to and is a great excuse to get a night out with the group.

As a bookend to the summer, we have the pavilion at Haven Harbour reserved for Saturday, September 3rd. CMA will provide stuff for grilling and some tropical type rum drinks. Bring your own beer and a side dish or dessert to share and we'll have a party. It was a great event last year and we'll try and make this second annual an event to make Terry proud.

Later that month, the Queenstown fun race is on September 24 with the raft-up and party that Saturday evening. Maybe this year, we'll have some wind to race back on Sunday. More details will be forthcoming once the ice melts....

Racing - Doug Dykman – Fleet Captain

Below is the proposed agenda for the March Racer's meeting. If you wish to add a topic of concern please [e-mail me](#) prior to the meeting.

- Confirm Schedule for 2011 as per [website](#) including which trophies go with which race
- Modification of Rule 44.1 for violations of Part 2 rules [1 turn vs. 2 turns]
- One Multihull Fleet or Two?
 - If two, how do we make the cut-off?
 - Above/below a certain rating
 - Likely to “wave pierce/plane” vs. likely to remain in displacement mode
 - Skipper's preference prior to first race entered
 - Sail Area/Displacement ratio
 - Lottery?
 - Will we have a minimum number of boats in each fleet? The below is based on an arbitrary cutoff of 1.0?

Starters

	Total	>=1	<1
St Michaels	15	7	8
St Mich Back	12	5	7
Leukemia	10	4	6
NBRW	9	5	4
Summer Balto	11	6	5
Summer Back	8	6	2
Solomon's	11	7	4
Gov Cup	8	4	4
Oxford	14	7	7
Hammond	11	7	4
Fall Balto	7	4	3
Fall Back	3	1	2
average	9.92	5.25	4.67

- Minimum Speed over Course requirements for Trophy Qualifications
 - Present 2 knots vs. proposed 3 knots
 - High Point only, or all the other CMA/Lin Kilmon Trophies
- Ratings discussion – to be run by Kiyoshi
 - Headsail rule
 - Rating system
 - OT vs. TOD
 - Crew Weight allowance
- Corsair Nationals 2012

Awards Season

From the Oscar to CBYRA High Point the awards season is in full swing. In case you missed it we held our 2010 Awards Dinner February 26th at the West End Grill in Annapolis. Fleet Captain, Doug Dykman, was our master of ceremony for the evening presenting awards in variety of categories. The table was full of filled hip flasks waiting to be sampled, I mean presented. Let's begin with the racing categories:



2010 Lin Kilmon Memorial Long Distance

	Captain	Boat Name
1st	Tim Lyons	Triple Threat
2nd	Doug Dykman	Temple of the Wind

2010 Lin Kilmon Memorial Elapsed Time

	Captain	Boat Name
1st	Tim Layne	Wild Card
2nd	Gary Spesard	triangle
3rd	Dave Way	Trinity
4th	Dave Nees	Fitness Resource

The **Most Improved Racer for 2010** went to Russ Wesdyk on s/v Lola3, the Wild Child. In 2009 Russ completed four races, finishing 12th in points to winning races in 2010 and finishing third in High Point.

The **Rookie of the Year** went to Jeff Short on s/v Endurance, a Gemini 105MC. In his rookie year Jeff missed starts, rounded incorrect marks and did not finish races in the time allowed. By the PSA to Queenstown race Jeff found his groove and completed his first race.



In 2010 the CMA was dedicated to revyving our cruising program. Chairpersons Terry and Clint Boram lead the charge in organizing rendezvous throughout the Chesapeake. There were two major events. In July twelve multihulls gathered on Swan Creek to eat, drink, swim and play a mean game of croquet at Haven Harbour Marina. In September they thought it would be fun to do as the racers and participate in the PSA to Queenstown. This was a fun “cruiser” race that should be on the schedule for many years to come. For their commitment and dedication to cruising, Terry and Clint received the **2010 Lin Kilmon Cruisers of the Year**.



Terry Boram presented the **2010 Lin Kilmon Award for Outstanding Service** to Fleet Captain Doug Dykman. Doug worked closely with CBYRA and race committees adjusting start times and advising on course preferences to make racing safe and fun for all participants. After each race Doug meticulously reviewed and recorded the race times for up-to-the minute standings. Doug's service to the CMA was well deserving of such a prestigious award.

We also have a perpetual award that no one truly wants to receive. The **Bent Anchor Award** is given to the person who suffered a major equipment failure during a CMA event. Michael Katz was sailing *Hot Mustard*, his custom built catamaran, home from the cruising event at Haven Harbour Marina when a storm hit the Bay with 50 knot winds. *Hot Mustard's* mast snapped crashing into the deck house. Michael was uninjured during the ordeal and he is happy to report that Hot Mustard will live to sail another season. He was not at the awards dinner but you can rest assure that the trophy will be handed off to him in due time.



There was a new award presented that, like the Bent Anchor Award, you truly don't want to receive. The **Flipper Award** was given to the captain who, shall we say, flipped their vessel during the course of the year. The Tim's (Layne and Lyon) were listed as past winners but the person who got the honor of taking this award home until someone pulls a "flipper" was Jim Nealey. Jim won this award for his fine display during the Constellation Cup in October of 2009.

CBYRA High Point Awards

After we handed our awards out it was CBYRA's time. On Sunday, February 27, 2010 winners in our fleet were honored at AYC. Leading our fleet was Tim Layne followed by Doug Dykman and Russ Wesdyk. MIA from the awards event was Russ. He said something about sailing the Laser. So Doug needed to see if this was true. Sure enough.



Notes from the Newsgroup

From Rob Blesse

Ref: Corsair Nationals to the Chesapeake Bay.

I would like to thank all for the opportunity to speak on behalf of the Corsair Nationals Idea and lessons learned from 2009 and 2009.

From a Club benefit stand point I think this would fit well with the idea of promoting Multihull knowledge and sailing on the Chesapeake Bay, our own back yard. Some key items that would go along way in making this type of event sucessful in our backyard:

CMA Corsair Owner support.

We have a fairly large Corsair ownership group and while all are not interested in racing the Nationals, there is a larger part of the meet which is the Cruising rendezvous, in 2008 this out numbered the Racing fleet 2:1.

Formation of a Key leadership commitee to lead and direct "the charge" to make this type of event happen. This commitee would be made up of 3 or 4 key members that would operate independantly of CMA and serve to make decission on key items such as:

- A race venue Where and with which yacht club(s)
- Incorporation of local venue(s) for racing to include CMA non corsair owners
- Sponsorship. The event will need sponsorship from various entities. This sponsorship could include Marine vendors, vendors to setup a party and supply drinks and food, trophy's etc.
- Coordinate Cruising destinations, events and more
- Website development

Last thing, while an event of this size will have an associated cost proportionate to the offerings, it is important to note that the SWAG cost estimate tossed out at the party is not a cost that would be supported solely by any one entity part will come from sponsorship part will come from entry fees. To have a good event the event has to offer something in return from the entry fee paid.

While the mention of cost put some members into sticker shock and running to hide the check book it can also be viewed as what can/will this do for the Multihull effort here on the bay?

I am a big proponent of this idea, I am not willing to move forward or lead this idea without the local multihull community support. If this effort is to succeed it will require support from the local Multihull community.

Thanks again for the time at the BoD meeting.

Rob Blesse
Flying Circus.

From Keith Chapman
Ref: WRSA Awards Dinner

Due to the discussion before on small multi racing (Weta, beach cats, OD, PN, etc.) I figured I'd pass along an invite to the West River Catamaran Racing Association 2010 Awards Party! The WRCRA is the group that does the Tuesday night open class racing that is one of the bedrocks of the Galesville small multi scene. The cat fleets at the West River Sailing Club can trace their ancestry to the WRCRA, and most of the WRCRA participants are WRSC members.

The WRCRA is a great way to get into beach cat racing with minimal investment. Find a used boat (we can help), and come on out. Get hooked, and then see if one of the fleets at WRSC has the OD action you might be looking for. Or jump right into one of those Fleets and still come out on Tuesdays (treat it like bowling or poker night, only boats are involved).

The Awards Party is a great opportunity to come out and meet the cat sailors from Galesville. You might find yourself a boat, a ride, or some crew for your larger multi. If nothing else you'll get to enjoy good times with kindred souls. Come on out!

Here's the invite that went to the Fleet. Consider yourself invited! Drop me an email if you have any questions.

WRCRA,

Yes, that's right, we've finally gotten around to picking a date for the party! And, in case you're wondering, it does not take the prize for the latest date - last year was the 20th. Anyway, here's the details:

When: Saturday, March 19 at 7:00

Where: WRCRA Fleet Reserve (that's the WRCRA Fleet Reserve, not the other not as well known venue!),
4861 Church Lane,
Galesville, Md.

Hear: Inspiring Words by your Commodores (all of them that are not too shy, that is)!

See: Awards given for each series!

Reminisce: Over the great 2010 season!

Eat: Food prepared by you and your fellow
Fleet members! - Otherwise known as
this is a pot-luck feeding, each team
brings food for the Fleet to eat!

Drink: No instructions needed here...

Enjoy: The camaraderie of the Fleet, lots of great times with great people!

So, be there! Bring yourself, your family, and anybody else - especially if it's someone who might be interested in sailing with us! To recap the above silliness, WRCRA awards will be presented for all series and the season high-point. Each team try to bring a dish or dessert to share. Drinks are provided. Did I mention you should bring a friend?

Let me know if you need directions or have other questions! Please forward this to folks that may not be on the list, and also send it around to the cat sailing clubs, and make sure everybody knows they are welcome.

Cheers,
Kap'n K

And finally, somehow talks about daggers lead to a discussion about winter projects which then lead to this remark "maybe we can work out a deal/trade. My shoulder needs rotator cuff surgery." The next poster will remain nameless but you can figure it out.

"Can't help you on the shoulder thing – never used an arthroscope before. Is it anything like a colonoscope.

By the way – I was thinking of doing a discount thing for CMA – sort of what David Nees does. You know, 10% off the list price of a colonoscopy for CMA members. Unfortunately, my practice manager tells me that this would land me in jail for some obscure law regarding Medicare. Do you think that this would have been a popular event? Winter work, so to speak?"

See what you are missing. Join today. <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ChesapeakeMultihull/>

Upcoming Seminars



The 2011 U S Naval Academy Safety at Sea Seminar, to be held on April 2 and 3, 2011, will focus on offshore as well as inshore safety issues, and have poignant programs for cruisers and racing sailors. The live on the water demonstrations and helicopter rescue are unmatched in this country. The Safety at Sea Seminar in Annapolis is in its 32nd year and will be held in Alumni Hall at the Naval Academy.

Again this year, the seminar will offer an ISAF Certificate. To receive the ISAF Certificate you must complete both days. Those completing Saturday only will receive a US Sailing Certificate. An advanced Cruising Seminar is available on Sunday with both a Practical and Interactive option. Topics for the seminar will include: Medical, Weather, Damage Control and Boat Preparation on the first day. The second day of the seminar will offer more detail and opportunity for hands on training and closer interaction with instructors. The choice on Sunday is an ISAF Certificate Course (which includes a test) or the Advanced Cruising Seminar with the option of Interactive or Practical tracks.

Safety at Sea sessions are priced as follows: Day I only (April 2): \$125 includes the evening reception and the US SAILING certificate. The Two day ISAF Certificate cost is \$300. Two day Advanced Cruising Seminar cost is \$200. Please specify "Interactive" (small group discussion sessions) or "Practical" (in pool life raft and safety equipment training).

Advanced reservations are encouraged. Fee includes morning coffee & lunch day. US SAILING members are entitled to a \$5.00 discount. No refunds after March 20, 2010. Register at: www.mtam.org

2011 Pre-Season Sail Race Seminar at NERYC - Racing Tactics and Strategies for Skippers & Crews

North East River Yacht Club (North East, MD) will be hosting a pre-season Sail Race Seminar presented by Kristen Berry on Saturday, March 26th from 9:00am – 3:30pm. The program will be focused on beginning and intermediate skippers and crews looking to improve their proficiency in basic racing techniques including starts, upwind sail trim and balance, downwind sail trim and balance, mark roundings, and racing strategy and tactics. A general overview of the rules of racing will also be covered. The seminar is open to all area sailors interested in learning more about racing. A complete course outline and on-line registration can be found at http://www.neryc.com/pages/sail_seminar.htm.

The cost which includes lunch is \$35 for skippers, \$25 for crew members and \$15 for Juniors. Kristen Berry is a US Sailing certified Level One, Basic Keelboat, Cruising and Coastal Navigation instructor and coach for a number of groups including JWorld Annapolis, Baltimore's Downtown Sailing Center, and the United States Naval Academy. When he's not coaching, Kristen is out racing in local, national and international races, or working with a variety of professional and grassroots groups focused on environmental protection and conservation.

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2011 Racing Schedule

		High Point	Long Dist.	Elapsed Time
5/14/11	AYC Coast Guard Overnight		x	x
5/28/11	MRYC Annap - Miles	x	x	x
5/29/11	WRSC Miles River Back	x		x
6/11/11	EYC-AYC Leukemia Cup	x		x
6/25/11	Northern Bay (x2)	x		x
6/26/11	Northern Bay (x2)	x		x
7/9/11	BCYA/MRSA Baltimore	x	x	x
7/9/11	RCRA Baltimore Lighthouse Classic			x
7/15/11	Solomon's	x	x	x
8/5/11	Governor's Cup	x	x	x
9/17/11	NASS Oxford	x	x	x
9/18/11	Hammond Memorial	x	x	x
9/24/11	Queenstown Cruising Event			
9/25/11	Queesnstown Back Cruising Event			
10/1/11	HdG Fall Invitational	x		x
10/22/11	BYCA Baltimore Leukemia Cup	x	x	x
10/23/11	RCRA Baltimore Fall Back	x		x



Chesapeake Multihull Association

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<input type="checkbox"/> <i>New Application</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Renewal</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Correction</i>	
Name(s) (as you wish it to appear on the roster)					
Street			Boat Type/Model		
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			<input type="checkbox"/> Local Cruising	<input type="checkbox"/> Long Distance Cruising	
How did you hear about CMA?					
Cost					
			General Membership	_____ \$25.00	
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