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May Membership Meeting

Tuesday May 23, 2012

At the Middle River YC

Bar opens 6:30 Meeting 7:00

The program for the evening will be a speaker from the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's Speaker's Bureau. Topic will be a PowerPoint presentation "Boaters For the Bay" which should be of interest to all who enjoy the Bay!

COMMODORES REPORT

Well, the winter party season has passed, the activity planning season is drawing to an end, now let the fun begin. While the membership has been busy readying their boats, each Board member has been pulling "double duty" to insure we have fun and plenty of interesting things to do this season.

Rear Commodore Parker Hallam has managed an extensive list of cruises to delight us this year. Besides the normal Holiday weekend cruises, there are two one week cruises and a twelve day cruise to Cape May. Wow, that is a lot of activity and there are even more cruises to boot. I am not aware of any season in the history of Glenmar where so much is planned.

Member-at-Large Siobhan Sheehan has drummed up quite a bit of summer fun too. Our two summer picnics are now sure fire big parties, no longer held on a weeknight, they are now moved to Friday's. This was partially done to accommodate our breathern who reside in PA and to allow for larger events. We expect for these to become club favorites.

The Corn Roast is now moved to Worton Creek for a couple of reasons: get away from the crowded spit at Fairlee and provide a place where more boats, especially those with deeper draft can anchor and raft. There is no longer any valid reason for our racing members to not participate. The Board has been listening to suggestions from our members and we have delivered.

PHRF Fleet Captain Dave Kozera and Smallboat Fleet Captain Edward John have managed another great season of racing for our members. Each of our racing venues is perfect for each fleet as we attract new members from other areas who do not share our resources.

Our marketing efforts have produced very well so far. Jim Harrison has done a stellar job of introducing the Meetup site as an outreach for new members and associated sailors. His three meet-n-greet cocktail socials have produced a lot of awareness and several new members.

Narlin Beaty's work to refine the website has been equally as grand and if you have not seen it lately, you should check it out. It receives numerous hits each day; the rotating picture log and the video made by Greg Bincarowsky are favorites. In addi-

tion, although the club voted to not pursue a CD video advertising campaign, the blue tri-fold has been revamped and is ready for those times when you can advertise the club, one on one.

So far to date we have nine new club members this season and their interest are equally divided between our fleets; 3 are PHRF racers, 3 are Small-boat racers, and 3 are Cruisers. We continue to get new inquiries and expect quite a few more as we go through the season. Not too bad for a start.

Board members are not resting, but it is time for us to ready our boats too, so let's get out and share the fun from all of this planning. Look at the Event Schedule on the home page of the Website, mark your calendars, start planning, and go to the Meetup site to let everyone know you will be there. I will be watching to see who is ready and active.

Dave Fahrmeier

Commodore

Which events will you attend in 2012?

May 26-28th	Memorial Day Weekend Cruise
Jun 15-17th	Baltimore 1812 Festival Cruise
Jun 22nd	Evening Picnic at Bowley's
Jun 30-Jul 8th	Week long Family Cruise
July 21st	Corn Roast at Worton Creek
July 28-29th	Baltimore Harbor Cruise to Nicks Fish House
Aug 8-19th	12 Day Family Cruise to Cape May
Aug 24th	Evening Summer Picnic
Sept 1-3rd	Labor Day Weekend Cruise
Sept 15-23rd	Week long "Where The Wind Blows" Cruise
Oct 27-28th	Sultana Downrigging Cruise to Chester-town

If you were to attend all the above, you would spend almost 40 nights on your boat this season. How many did you spend last season?

Join GSA's new outreach tool Meetup.com right away. Go to:

www.meetup.com/Glenmar-Sailing-Association/

and enter your profile. You are not required to provide personal detail more than you wish

Vice Commodore's Report

As I sit looking out at our boat, Dragon Lady, on this dreary and cool day, it is hard to realize that on the 18th of this month, nine days away, we will leave on a ten day cruise. The first eight days we will be with our other sailing club, the Corinthians, and the 26th and 27th we will be with Glenmar. We found out yesterday that our refrigeration, which we thought was fixed weeks ago, does not work! Richard, as many of you have, has spent many hours working on the boats. The refrigeration problem is definitely a setback. We all go through this every Spring, and still feel very lucky to be able to sail on the bays, rivers and oceans of this world.

Back to the Volvo Round the world Race....It takes time to sail 37,000 miles around the world. Leg six was completed with the lead boats arriving in Miami May 9th after the 17 day, 3600 mile run from Itajal, Brazil. Puma led all the way and bested Camper by 67 minutes. At 2000 miles, the three lead boats were less than two miles apart. Position reports are updated every three hours on the internet. Google "Volvo Ocean Race". They will be in port for ten days before leaving for Ireland and the end of the race. While they are in Miami they will have an in-port race, as they have had in every port. On May 19th the boats will leave on leg 7 to Europe. It has been fascinating to watch the race as the boats followed much of the route we took from the Dominican Republic, but they did it sooo much faster. They passed , the Turks, Mayaguana, Rum Cay, and Cat Island then headed for the turn at the north end of Eleuthera, which lead them past Freeport and into Miami, all in a couple of days.

The races are scored: First-30 points, Second- 25 points, etc.. The in-port races are scored: First-6 points, Second-5 points, etc.. The current scores are: Telefonica---149 + 15=164, Groupama---133+ 20=153, Camper--124+25=149, Puma--117+30=147, Abu Dhabi---58+10=68, Sanya---25+dnf=25. Puma, with three Americans aboard, including Capt. Ken Read, in its eleven man crew, lost its mast on leg one and did not finish, but, still came in second in leg five, twelve minutes ahead of Telefonica which had a broken mast. Sanya had serious damage in leg five and will rejoin the race in Miami. More to come in the next Courseboard.

The next Glenmar General Meeting will be Tuesday, May 22nd, at the Middle River Yacht Club. We will have a speaker from the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's Speakers Bureau. They have updated their topics, and the topic of the power point presentation will be "Boaters for the Bay", which should interest all of us.

Sandra Allen

Vice Commodore

GSA Racing Scene

PRHF Fleet

As you read this the start of the racing season is well underway. The skippers' meeting has been held and multiple races have been completed. Three boats have joined the racing ranks and numerous boats have changed either ratings or spinnaker/non-spinnaker elections.

Follow up from the skippers meeting: It has been determined the Java Scoring program GSA uses is unable to add a +2 to those boats who do not show up to race. This coupled with the lack of problems or complaints until this season is sufficient reason not to change.

If you have not signed up for race committee you are urged (required) to do so. A reminder on some of the racing requirements which include a MOB drill. You are required to have conducted a practice MOB prior to the racing season. If you have not conducted MOB training now is the time to schedule one. Another reminder is to stay clear of the starting area when it is not your starting sequence. Life jackets are also urged while the water is still cold.

Our first race saw great conditions – 8 to 10 knots of steady breeze with few shifts. Two windward Leeward legs provided the normal two spinnaker sets and two gybes. The only thing missing was a great sunset as the cloud cover was heavy with possible rain (which held off until after the race). Danny, Marcy and Crew always run a great race and I am sure they will work on providing some better weather conditions next time.

Speaking for myself – I have no problems starting and finishing near the mouth of the river if conditions warrant. I like nothing better than finishing at Bowley's light under spinnaker - It is always great to get to Marli's before the kitchen closes. Please consider this option when setting courses. Non- racers! Take a mid-week cruise and come out to see the races. Bring along some family and friends to watch some of the best racing on the bay.

Joe Borrison for the PHRF Fleet.

Rear Commodore's Report

April 18th was spent bringing Pride II from Annapolis back to Baltimore. We left the pier just past 10:30 am and began making sail. Square topsail first followed by staysail and jib, then foresail and main last. Wind was light and variable from the NE. After three tacks upwind and still south of the Bay Bridge the engines were started and sails taken in to make Baltimore by 4 pm. It began to rain and several people went below to enjoy the great lunch prepared by chef Kevin. The coffee was very good as well. Passing Fort McHenry we fired several salutes from the guns as well at the Lady Maryland. We then worked the Pride into position at Constellation pier. The Pride will be back in Baltimore for the 1812 Sailabration June 13 through 19.

The first week long cruise will begin June 30 to the Magothy then on to the Rhode River to Dun Cove then to Oxford on July 3 for fireworks that evening. We will enjoy the parade on the morning of the fourth as well as the rest of the day and night in Oxford. July 5th will be to Herrington Harbor North followed by Harness Creek on Friday and Saturday at Swann Creek. From there to home on Sunday.

See you on the water.

Parker Hallam



2012 Cruising Calendar

May 26-28th	Memorial Day Weekend Cruise	Jim Harrison
June 15-17th	Baltimore 1812 Festival Cruise	Jim Harrison
June 22nd	Evening Picnic at Bowley's	
June 30-July 8th	Week long Family Cruise	Tom Connor
July 21st	Corn Roast at Worton Creek	Siobhan Fahmeier
Aug 8-19th	12 Day Family Cruise to Cape May	Tod Herrick
Aug 24th	Evening Summer Picnic	
Sept 1-3rd	Labor Day Weekend Cruise	TBD
Sept 15-23rd	Week long "Where The Wind Blows" Cruise	Parker Hallam
October 27-28th	Sultana Downrigging Cruise to Chestertown	Parker Hallam



Memorial Weekend Cruise

In keeping with the theme of the 200th Anniversary of the War of 1812 and the subsequent writing of our National Anthem, we will have a Star Spangled Memorial Day Weekend Cruise, with our first destination on Saturday, May 26, 2012, being Eagle Cove. Decorate your boat and yourselves with stars, stripes, red, white and blue and fly the colors with pride this weekend.

Eagle Cove is unmarked on most charts, but it is easy to find. After entering the Magothy River, just turn north and follow the coast of Gibson Island to starboard, leaving Dobbins Island to port. Eagle Cove is the first cove to starboard after rounding the northernmost tip of Gibson Is. (Holland Point), just past the mouth of Cornfield Cr. to port. Be sure to observe the marks at the Magothy Narrows prior to Holland Point and you should see no less the 9' of water on the entire approach. Eagle Cove is one of the prettiest anchorages on the bay with 10' MLW throughout.

On Sunday May 27, we will cross the Bay and head for Swan Cr. just north of Rock Hall, where the British frigate Menelaus, carrying 49, and pierced for 54 guns, commanded by Sir Peter Parker, Bt. made her appearance during the War in view of Rock Hall, upon which Lieut. Col. Reed called out the 21st regiment of the Maryland militia. Sir Peter Parker was killed in the Battle of Caulks Field, located between Swan and Fairlee Creeks, and the British were routed.

The Swan Cr. anchorage generally has 7' MLW. Painkiller (5' draft) crossed the Swan Point Bar at the northern range on 5/5 and 5/6 within 2 hours of low tide and saw no less than 6.5' with a NE wind, even on Saturday with 20-25kts of wind. We have a great sail there and hope for the same on this weekend.

Activities:

Saturday: Pre-dinner cocktail party on Painkiller at 5 PM. Bring an appetizer to share.

Sunday: Post-dinner party on Painkiller at 7:30 PM. Bring a desert or snack to share.

The club will provide beer, wine and soda. At the parties, please: no pets, no smoking, no sandy feet. No shoes...no problem. I will monitor VHF 72.

Please rsvp via email or rsvp (Yes only) on the Glenmar Meetup site:

<http://www.meetup.com/Glenmar-Sailing-Association/>

so I know how much beer and soda to buy. Thanks.

Jim Harrison
Painkiller

Important Note regarding August Family Cruise

Even though August seems far away, you need to make reservations for the marinas as soon as possible! The marinas can only hold the slips I requested for a short time and then they must let them go . So if interested, please make your reservations soon!

Some confusion regarding Lewes Delaware has been reported by people attempting to reserve there. Please call the number on the planner and leave a message on the answering machine if no one is available to take your call. Do NOT attempt to reserve via the internet. Leave your number and Marty Whitaker will get back to you. The fee is \$2.00 per night. Ignore the \$35 per hour as that is only for boats staying a short time.

I am looking forward to a great time and I have reserved great weather so pack your swim suits and bring the family!

*Tod Herrick,
Mandolin*

Note from the August Family Cruise Captain;

On next page, you will find the general schedule for the cruise to Cape May. Included, there are contact numbers and a lot of info you will need to sign up. I would greatly appreciate knowing who is planning on coming and how solid your plans are at your earliest convenience to help me in the planning of this adventure.

Some important items for consideration:

- The mileage and estimated hours where you see asterisks do not take current into consideration. Because I planned the departure times around the current so we can go with the flow, I would expect that the actual travel times would be less.
- I've chosen the days to travel to make the best use of currents and daylight as we don't want to be on the Delaware at night.
- While there are a lot of marina time, you should think of this as a much less expensive trip to the beach resort with some adventure thrown in. We've done this trip several times and it will be great!
- Spend some time searching the internet for restaurants and sight-seeing options in Cape May and Lewes. They are plentiful and you will be glad to have researched this beforehand!
- Remember that attitude is the difference between a great time and a miserable time. We travel as a group and we help each other out as a group. This is a great way of stretching out your sea legs and venturing out of protected waters with the comfort of people around who are more than willing to lend a hand with knowledge and or experience.
- I've scheduled plenty of group eating time. We can have a bunch of crabs delivered to the dock at Delaware City Marina for a group crab feast. We can have a group barbecue on the docks at South Jersey Marina as they will get us grills to cook on. We will have a group barbecue on the beach at Worton at the end of the trip so we can talk about the fine experiences and adventure we had together.
- I will provide tide and current information in digital format for anyone interested.
- I can send you my chartwork for you to put into your gps or maybe Jack might make his famous Cruise Guide for us if we ask him nicely enough (and pay his costs).

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Cape May Family Cruise Planner

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Marinas

Cape May	South Jersey Marina	1231 US Rte. 109, PO Box 641 Cape May, NJ 08204	(609) 884-2400	www. sjmarina.com
Lewes	Lewes Public Docks \$2.00/ft.	Leave Msg on answering machine if nec.	(302) 644-1869	Marty Whitaker, Dockmaster
Delaware City	Delaware City Marina	302 Canal St. PO Box 278 Delaware City, DE 19706	(302) 834-4172	www. delawarecitymarina.biz

Schedule:

Wednesday, August 8	Middle River – Turner Creek	21.4 nm / 4.25 hrs.
Thursday, August 9	Turner Creek - Delaware City	~33.6 nm / 6.75 hrs.*
Friday, August 10	Delaware City Layover Day	(Visit Ft. Delaware)
Saturday, August 11	Delaware City – Cape May (via canal)	52.2 nm / 10.5 hrs.*
Sunday, August 12	Cape May Layover Day	Visit Beach, have cookouts, shop, dine out, etc.
Monday, August 13	Cape May Layover Day	
Tuesday, August 14	Cape May Layover Day	
Wednesday, August 15	Cape May – Lewes	19 nm / 3.75 hrs.
Thursday, August 16	Lewes Layover Day	
Friday, August 17	Lewes – Veazey Cove, Bohemia River	72.5 nm / 14.5 hrs.*
Saturday, August 18	Veasey Cove, Bohemia River – Worton Cr. Group Cookout on beach	18.7 nm / 3.75 hrs.*
Sunday, August 19	Home Port	Varies

* Affected by tidal flow / current.

Cruise Amenities:

- Enterprise Car Rental http://www.enterprise.com/car_rental/home.do (Will pick up at South Jersey Marina).
- Great American Trolley Company offers trolley transportation from marina in Cape May to beach and town for \$1 per person, per direction. For info: <http://www.capemay.com/gettingaround-trolley.html> or call: 609-846-4057
- Fort Delaware: <http://www.delawarecity.info/ftdel.htm>
- Three Forts Ferry to Pea Patch Island: <http://www.threeforts.com/>
- Delaware City info: <http://www.delawarecity.info/index.aspx>
- Take a tour of Lewes, DE: <http://www.lewes.com/tour-the-town.html>

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