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Challenging weather - stay cool!

We are in the thick of summer right now - heat and humidity, and with light winds that are occasionally sailable. For those of you who enjoy air conditioning on your boat, I hope that your water inlet filters remain clean. Our A/C system on *Rising Sun* got plugged up with debris the last time we used her - reportedly fixed now.

After a wonderful but warm visit to the Mt. Harmon Plantation two weeks ago, combined with a great visit with the folks at the Worton Creek Yacht Club, we on *Rising Sun* reminded ourselves that, after all, it is the middle of summer. We had a pleasant trip (mostly motoring) to Knight's Island on the Sassafras River and enjoyed a few light breezes in the shade of the

picnic area. But it was hot. See the Trip Report contained in this issue of Sails & Tales and check out our website to see photos of the cruise, compliments of Bill Poot.

This year we will probably take a hiatus again from sailing until the end of August. We still will try to get in some on-the-water time through the Fall. Remember, Fall IS one of the best times to be on the Bay. While days are shorter, the weather cools off in the evening, and traffic on the Bay can be a little lighter. Sailors can look forward to moderate winds.

Please review the list of cruises and events for the rest of the season on our Cruise & Event Schedule. BRMSA is active because of its volunteers who guide our events and our club through routine as well as unexpected weather and conditions. "Thank you" to all of you who have captained and co-captained the cruises and events that have been successfully completed so far this season. Please consider how you can get involved in seeing BRMSA have enjoyable, often exciting, and successful events and provide leadership for the rest of this season and in future years. As always, contact Jane Randall, our Vice Commodore, if you are interested in helping with any of the upcoming events or cruises.

I hope this message finds all of you well and staying cool - see you around the water!

Cheers,

Jack Evans Rising Sun



Vice Commodore Rode

Hello Everyone,

Wow, what a hot summer we're having!

In July, we had two picnics with pools available for cooling off. The first was at Spring Cove on July 4th, and the second was at Worton Creek Marina at the end of the Plantation Cruise on July 16th. On July 4th, no one used the pool, but on the 16th, several of us did. It felt great!

The July 4th gathering was very nice and well-attended.

The tour of Mt. Harmon Plantation was quite interesting, and those who were there ate our lunch together on the grounds, where we encountered a large black snake!

The picnic with Worton Point Yacht Club was fun, and it's nice to join with another club.

Now I would like to turn your attention to the rest of our schedule for this season. It is in this newsletter, and it is important for members to look it over to be aware of any opportunities for being a captain or co-captain, or for taking the lead for a land event.

Have the co-captains of the Dog Days of Summer Cruise reached a decision on a date and destination?

Labor Day Cruise, Sept. 3-5, needs cruise captains and a destination.

The Oyster Boys Cruise is all set. Thank you!

Jim Semmler and Marge Caplan have been working hard on arranging a venue and date for the crab feast.

Since the Lands have sold their boat, they will not be leading the Northern Bay Cruise. Do we have any members now who are north of Worton Creek? We have members at Worton Creek Marina and The Wharf and Tolchester. Is there someone interested in captaining the Northern Bay Cruise?

The Goose Cruise (Chili Cruise) is all set except for destination. Thank you.

On Oct. 8th, Rock Hall has its Fall Fest. The discussion had been for BRMSA to have a table that day for advertising our club to the crowds. Is someone interested in staffing that table? I can help with planning, but because I am on the Fall Fest committee, I can't sit at the table because of my other duties that day.

Oct. 13-17, is the sailboat show in Annapolis. Are people interested in this being a cruise, anchoring in Back Creek and using the water taxi? The cruise doesn't have to be for five days for the whole duration of the show. Maybe people interested in the show just want to drive there. Making it a cruise and maybe having some meals together is more fun. Anyone to captain?

The last weekend of Oct. is the 29th and 30th when Sultana Down rigging happens in Chestertown. When it was discussed, the thought was that those interested could go to Chestertown by car, but if someone were acting as leader,

we could go to events together and share some meals. Interested?

The last three cruise items were suggested as fun activities, but no dates have been chosen or any plans made, to my knowledge. Please look at those to see if you want to help.

Thank you for your patience with a long article. Hope to see you on the water, if the heat gives us a break.

Jane Randall, Vice Commodore

EVENTS

BRMSA Mid-Week Mt. Harmon Plantation Cruise & Picnic with Worton Point Yacht Club

July 14 - 17, 2022

Despite the hot sun and low breezes of July, three BRMSA boats (*Rising Sun*, Stage Door Canteen, and Wright-Aweigh) chose to sail to our rendezvous on the Sassafras River. We rafted up at a lovely spot just off Knight's Island for Happy Hour; however, the wake producing boat traffic was a small problem.

A short dinghy ride Friday morning took us to Mount Harmon Plantation's modern floating dock. We waited in the shady picnic grove for a short golf cart ride up to the plantation house where we were joined by Jane Randall and Lou Malone, who came by car.



The tour of the plantation was excellent. After a description of plantation life on the Eastern Shore and the significance of tobacco production there, we were led on a tour of the house itself.





There, we marveled at the quality of the furniture, the handpainted wallpaper, the ornate sunken bathtubs, and the needlework pillows. We toured the outbuildings: a kitchen with unique colonial cooking utensils, the smokehouse, and the indentured servants' quarters.







There was also a beautiful formal boxwood garden with a nice serpentine wall. The view from the Widow's walk on the top of the main house allowed us to see the river on three sides and the steeple chase course. If you haven't visited the plantation yet, we highly recommend it. Our tour was followed by a group picnic in the shady picnic grove complete with a long black slithering visitor.

At this point in the afternoon, we were starting to get warnings of upcoming severe thunderstorms and high winds for Saturday night. The Poots decided to return directly back to Rock Hall, while the Evans and Wrights headed for Still Pond and a protected anchorage on Friday night. After waiting for the dense fog to lift on Saturday morning, we decided to return to Rock Hall and drive to Worton Creek for the next scheduled event of the cruise.

On Saturday afternoon all the BRMSA visitors to the mansion plus Carla and Jeff Pyle, Eric and Nadia Nelson, and Bruce and Dot Govan, met at Worton Creek Marina for a carry in picnic with a group from the Worton Point Yacht Club. We enjoyed meeting new people and exchanging sailing experiences.



Vince and Linda Wright Jack and Debby Evans

Cruise Schedule







PRELIMINARY

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Date	Event	Location	Cruise Captains
August 12,13,14	Dog Days of Summer Town Cruise	CBYCA meeting at Bodkin Yacht Club	Phil Dodge and Barbara Hoffman, <i>The</i> Blue Note and Bill and Ann Poot, Stage Door Canteen
September 3-5	Labor Day Cruise	TBD	Cruise captains needed
September 10	Oyster Boys Cruise	Shaw Bay, Wye River	Bill and Anne Poot, <i>Stage Door Canteen</i> and Eric and Nadia Nelson, <i>Windborne</i>
September?	Crab feast	Odessa? Watermans? Cantlers?	Jim Semmler and Margie Caplan, Tuesday's Child and Jeff and Carla Pyle, Wings
Late September	Northern Bay Cruise	TBD	
October 1 and 2	Goose Cruise (Chili Cruise)	TBD	Bruce and Dot Govan, <i>Long Reach</i> and Tom Lillis and Stephanie O'Connnor, <i>Dragonfly</i>

October 8	Fall Fest	Rock Hall	Captain needed
October 13-17	Sailboat Show	Annapolis	Cruise captains needed
Last weekend in October	Sultana Down- rigging	Chestertown	Captain needed
No dates chosen	Dinner Take-out Cruise	Mike's on Rock Creek	Bill and Ann Poot, Stage Door Canteen
No dates chosen	Bird-watching Cruise	Behind Knight's Island or Wye River	Bill and Ann Poot, Stage Door Canteen
No dates chosen	New members' cruise and raft-up	TBD	Cruise captains needed

To sign up to help run a cruise, contact Jane Randall at <u>womansailor46@yahoo.com</u> or <u>770-861-7427</u>

Future Event Flyers

New/Veteran Member Cruise-weekend- August 6/7

Cacaway Island, off Lankford Bay



This is an invitation for those new members who have not yet had an opportunity to participate in a club cruise. The Plan is to sail the Chester River with our destination set for an anchorage just east of Cacaway Island, off Lankford Bay. For those who prefer a slip for the evening following happy hour, Lankford Bay marina is a very short jaunt west to Davis Creek. Book a slip on their web site at http: lankfordbaymarina.com or call 410-778-1414.

Bring an hors d'oeuvres or snack to share at Happy Hour around 4:00 pm. Theme is comraderie and good conversation. All members are invited. This is a chance for our veteran members to get to know our newer members in a more relaxed BRMSA traditional atmosphere.

This is a heads-up pop-up cruise, so please register for the cruise on our web site at **http: bayregionmariners.org**. Please direct any questions to

Bill Poot at 610-585-5193 or email at wpoot@comcast.net.

Foul weather alternative would be a gathering at Spring Cove Marina Captains Lounge. Please register on our website so I can contact you if needed.

Dog Days of Summer Cruise

Aug 12, 13, 14, 2022 BODKIN YACHT CLUB



Come join us. The CBYCA Board of Governors and Delegates meetings will be at Bodkin Yacht Club on Saturday 8/13 at 9:30/am and 10:30/am respectively. Come for the meeting and stay for the weekend.

Dockage Friday and Saturday nights, rate is \$25/per night plus \$10/for power.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be served during the meeting. There is a \$12/pp fee for lunch, pay at the door. Another continental breakfast is available Sunday morning.

Saturday night dinner will be at The Rumor Reel Restaurant & Tiki Bar, a short dinghy ride from Bodkin YC.

They will issue separate checks. There should also be live music on Saturday night.

Bodkin YC also has a pool and picnic area with grills.

For dockage Aug 12 or 13 contact:

Bodkin YC Fleet Captain Josh Webster 443-790-1119 or

<u>Bodkinycfleetcaptain@gmail.com</u> Identify yourself as a member of BRMSA, as we have reserved slips.

Directions by boat:

At mouth of Patapsco River, obey markers to enter Bodkin Creek, pass RED-12 to enter Main Creek at Spit Point. Then pass Jubb Cove, deep water all the way. Club is next to Rumor Reel Restaurant and Pleasure Marina Cove. Hail them on channel 68 for dock assignment.

Latitude: 39.12653430 Longitude: -76.47540420

If you plan to attend, please register on the BRMSA site.

If you plan to attend either the meetings or dinner, please RSVP to Phil Dodge via text at 908-963-2382 by Aug 9th so reservations can be made.

Cruise Captains Phil Dodge & Barbara Hoffman 908-963-2382 Co-Captains
Bill & Ann Poot
610-585-5193

The 2023 Beauty of the British Isles Trip

At this time we have six couples planning to do the Beauty of the British Isles, a luxury Vantage trip in the summer of 2023, from July 25 through August 9, 2023. The small ship (only 165 passengers) cruise starts in London and ends in Edinburgh, with stops in England, Wales, Ireland, Scotland, Orkney Isles and more. On the itinerary is London, Isles of Scilly, Fishguard, Holyhead, Isle of Man, Belfast, Isle of Mull, Isle of Skye, Outer Hebrides (Stornoway), Orkney Islands (Stromness), Invergordon and Edinburgh. Please check the Vantage website (www.vantage travel.com) for more details and express your interests to me. Call or email me before you make your reservation and I will explain the discounts and benefits you will receive for being in our group If you decide to join us, you make your own reservation by calling 1 800 322-6677. Be sure to give the group number 87672 and the trip code OP123; the PO Code is G739300. If you pay in full by 7/29/22, you are eligible for a 10% discount on the price of the trip. Call or email me if you have any questions.

Hope you can join us, Arleen Mauger 717-669-0689 aamauger@gmail.com

Announcements



Calling all recipes!

Got a terrific appetizer you've served at a BRMSA cruise?

A killer potato salad that you've brought (or plan to bring)
to a BRMSA potluck? A renowned dessert that has (or will)
grace a BRMSA gathering?

We are now collecting BRMSA's best recipes to be included in a book we hope to have available for purchase at the December Annual Meeting.

Categories are Appetizers, Beverages, Salads, Soups, Desserts,
Quick & Easy Meals to Make on a Boat, Great Grilling,
& Family Favorites

We are looking for up to 6 recipes per membership.

Send your recipes to Jean Korten, at <u>jkorten4092@windstream.net</u>

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Sails & Tales Deadline

Deadline for the **September issue** of Sails & Tales is **August 31th.** Send your submissions (Simple **Microsoft Word format** or **Text** is required, PDF and other formats are not) to: patriciaaland@gmail.com

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