

"THE HARBOUR LIGHT"

The Newsletter of
Herrington Harbour Sailing Association
Rose Haven on the Bay
Friendship, MD 20758

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March 1, 1985

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The Check Your Boat Party originally scheduled for March 2, 1985, has been postponed to March 16, 1985. The party will still be held at Bill and Dolly Gingras' house on The Overlook above Herrington Harbour from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Bill will provide the mixers for your spirits (remember, BYOB), if you will share your best hors d'oeuvres. To get to the Gingras' house, turn off Rt. 261 on Kim Lane, then turn right on Conrad Court. Please RSVP, their number is 855-5568. Plan on spending your Saturday with the nicest people in the world: Bill and Dolly Gingras and Steve Benjamin, Olympic Medalist, who will describe the 1984 Olympic sailing championships.

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

- March 1 -- Membership applications due
- March 16 -- 10:00 a.m., Executive Committee meeting (all members welcome)
1:00 p.m., Racing Seminar with Olympic Medalist Steve Benjamin
4:00 p.m., Check Your Boat Party at Bill and Dolly Gingras' home overlooking Herrington Harbour (BYOB)
- March 30 -- Orders for HHSA Sailing Essentials due

FROM THE BRIDGE

by Al Walker, Commodore

It's hard to believe but our first cruise and spring series race is less than two months away! Where did the winter go?

For all of your folks who worry about your first (second) love quietly resting at Herrington Harbour for the winter, let me tell you that all our boats have gone from sitting on the bottom one day to rising two feet above the dock the next. We have experienced extremely low tides in the last month that even the "Old Timers" say are rare. But I'm happy to report that everything is still floating.

As you can see from the enclosed calendar, we have planned a very ambitious schedule of events for the coming season. I would urge all of our members, both old and new, to make every effort to participate in at least one or two of the events. Having been doing this for a few years, I can tell you that there is no more fun than a happy hour on a raft up or a more invigorating feeling than crossing the finish line in a race (even if you are still chasing the boat ahead). See attached racing and cruising forms. Here's to a great season, cheers!!!

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

by Jocelyn Marquez, Vice Commodore

The HHSA Organizational meeting turned out to be another great success. Our association has always recognized that its real strength comes from its members.

The membership committee has set a goal of 200 members for 1985. I am very grateful to the members who have volunteered to help promote our association. If you were not present at the meeting, but are interested in recruiting new members, please let me know. The committee is planning an intensive campaign starting in April and we could use your help. We are going to work as a group and you can anticipate a great deal of enjoyment and satisfaction in doing so.

Membership Committee:

Jocelyn Marquez "Free Bird" J-33 (703) 569-1616 (H)
Al Walker "My Mercedes II" M-57 (301) 855-7147 (H)
Pat Ulander "Aqua Vitae" M-20
Tom Willess "Tom Kat'n" B-6
Charlie West "Windsinger" G-31
Al Doyan "Circus" N-45
Joe Batts "Belfry" K-18
Steve Garber "Desperado" C-29
Priscilla Belanger "Crusader" N-44

NOT FOR RACERS ONLY

by Steve Carson, Rear Commodore

The response received at the Organizational meeting to the race program was gratifying and encouraging. We do have an excellent program set-up. Conflicts with the cruising schedule have been virtually eliminated (thanks for the coordination, Ardell).

The schedule includes the following:

Spring Series - 6 races (4 to qualify)
Wednesday Night Series
 Series #1 - 8 races (5 to qualify)
 Series #2 - 8 races (5 to qualify)
Fall Series - 5 races (3 to qualify)
Boyer Memorial (Poplar Island) Race

Registration fee remains \$10.00 for the entire season.

We anticipate spinnaker and non-spinnaker divisions. I'm happy to report that the Wednesday night races will start at 7:00 pm this year. This will really help anyone who just couldn't make those earlier start times last year. For those not aware, the Wednesday night races are generally about one hour long.

Our efforts this year are aimed at getting more boats to participate in the racing program. Greater participation drastically increases the excitement, the interest, and the satisfaction of sailboat racing. To this end, we want everyone with an interest to surface.

Please contact me at (301) 262-9753 (MD Suburbs) anytime if you fit any of the following descriptions:

- 1) You want to crew on other boats
- 2) You want to race but need crew (I have a growing list of crew to help you)
- 3) You want to learn to race (I'll get you on one of the boats that race)
- 4) Your kids want to race but you don't want to hear about it (tell them to call me)
- 5) You have friends that want to crew (tell them to call me)
- 6) You want to sharpen your boat handling skills

Racing experience is definitely not required. Don't hang back if the interest is there. We need your participation. We also need the recruiting skills of those of you already racing. The benefits you gain multiply in relation to your involvement.

I look forward to seeing you all this racing season. HHSA Racing Application is attached.

NEW MEMBERS

Richard and Anne Abbondanza, 7009 Sulky Lane, Rockville, MD 20852, (301) 949-3200; sailing a Cal 25 named Headstrong and slipped at B-41 at Herrington Harbour North.

Lewis Delafield, 11707 Ayreshire Rd., Oakton, VA 22124 (703) 620-6433. Lew is currently without a boat but is looking for a vessel to compliment his Jaguar XKE. Suggestions, anyone?

AN AFTERNOON AT THE OLYMPICS

This is your reminder to mark "March 16 -- 1:00 pm in the Clubroom" on your calendar. This year's Racing Seminar will have Olympic Medalist Steve Benjamin as guest speaker. He will include a slide presentation, a discussion of his preparation for a race, and answer questions. This is a rare chance for us to gain some insight into the dedication, the drive, and the sacrifice required to compete on a world class level.

A large turnout is expected, so plan to take advantage of this unique opportunity.

RACING RULE OF THE MONTH

"Anti-Barging Rule"

This rule of controversy pertains to behavior at the start of a race. It says that before the start, a leeward yacht is under no obligation to give a windward yacht room to pass to leeward of a starting mark surrounded by navigable water.

FIRST CRUISE OF THE YEAR

(Also known as Faucetts' Folly)

by Ardell Hoveskeland, Rear Commodore

The first cruise of the year will be to Annapolis on April 20-21. HNSA is providing everyone with a splendid opportunity to spend their tax refund wisely outfitting their boat for the cruising season. Annapolis was selected because the evenings will be cool and Jack Marquez needs shore power to plug in his electric blanket. Reservations for ten boats have been made at the Yacht Basin. Rates are 60 cents per foot, with electricity at \$4.50 for boats up to 29 feet and \$5.50 for BIG BOATS 30 feet and above. Please call me evenings at (703) 354-6284 to confirm your reservations by March 15. More information will follow in April's newsletter.

AN AFTERNOON WITH DICK AND DIXIE GOERTEMILLER

by Joe Batts

In the five years that this association has been existence, we have never been treated so delightfully as we were by the presentation of Dick and Dixie Goertemiller from Chesapeake Bay magazine on February 16th. Dressed in navy blue blazers, Dick and Dixie kicked-off our annual organizational meeting with a wonderful one-hour slide presentation which highlighted many of the lovely anchorages that we enjoy on our Bay. The two of them were perfectly suited for our association because they shun marina hopping and seek that little cove in which to drop a hook. They even insisted that nice anchorages do exist on the Great Wicomico where one doesn't become overwhelmed by the "fragrance" of the menhaden fish factory.

Their slides represented all the complexities of the Bay -- from the sheltered creek to the narrow inlet, from the expanse of the lower Bay to the beautiful sunsets over the Choptank, and from the stillness of Dun Cove to the commercialism of Baltimore. They even had a set of slides that showed a skip jack bow sprit skewering the rigging of an Alberg 30 during Chesapeake Appreciation Days near Sandy Point. And rumor has it that the captain of that Alberg 30 was the Rear Commodore of Racing for the Alberg 30 Club. Henceforth, watch out Steve Carson.

Toward the end of the presentation, Dick tested our knowledge of the lighthouses on the Bay. We did "ok" on mid-Bay lighthouses, but flunked recognition of lighthouses on the lower and upper Bay regions. Afterwards, Dick and Dixie joined the cruising group to confirm good anchorages and recommended others. They seemed to be quite impressed by the planning and forethought of Ardell Hoveskeland and by the contributions of our membership. At the end of the meeting, we awarded them one of our association's burgees and they promised to join us on one of our cruises.

THINGS ARE A'CHANGING AT HERRINGTON HARBOUR

Prior to the Organizational meeting on February 16, Stewart Chaney reported on the visible changes taking place at the marina. First of all, if your boat was slipped at "A" dock, it isn't there anymore. Stewart moved two boats and sank one before embarking on construction for a new bulkhead and new docks. In place of the ancient docks in front of the marina restaurant and pool, there will be a new shoreline, new docks, and a new marsh. To handle any mosquito problems, Stewart will be installing a hotel for purple martins. (Tony Kowalski says he prefers mosquito bites to you-know-what because he has enough you-know-what from the barn swallows.)

In addition, there will be new landscaping around the pool and in from of the restaurant. The women's restrooms at the pool are being renovated, while the men's are being relocated. Finally, the marina office is being moved across the street.

On April 13, there will be an open house at Herrington Harbour North for everyone to inspect the new facility and yacht yard.

DO YOU HAVE A BIG BOAT?

by Joe and Lana Batts

Last year, several members traded-in or sold their boats and bought larger ones. The Halls, Scotts, Ordemans, Fants, and Ulanders are now proud owners of bigger vessels which will provide them with many years of challenging sailing experiences. During the 1984 HNSA Southern Bay Cruise, Earl and Kathy Hall took their maiden voyage aboard the new Sweet Harmony and joined the cruise in Urbana, Virginia.

That first night, after Sweet Harmony had been inspected by all hands from stem to stern and everyone had lubricated their senses with the libations from Earl's Poseidon Locker, the group began to "roast" Earl and Kathy for submitting to "Big Boat Fever". We resolved afterwards to prepare a Big Boat Joke Book and the following represents the modest beginnings:

In BIG BOATS you don't go down below, you go downstairs;
BIG BOATS don't have tillers, they have destroyer wheels;
BIG BOATS don't have transoms, they have verandas;
You don't get fishhooks from BIG BOAT halyards, you get meat hooks;
BIG BOATS don't have non-skid surfaces, they have sun decks;
BIG BOATS have channel 71;
BIG BOATS don't have mere hatches, they have skylights;
BIG BOAT captains wear standardized royal blue HNSA tee shirts;
BIG BOATS don't have decks, they have promenades;
BIG BOATS don't have compasses, they have crystal balls;
BIG BOATS come to Herrington Harbour to condescend;
BIG BOATS don't have panels, they have dashboards;
BIG BOATS have slips, little boats have dinghy racks;
BIG BOATS don't pound through the waves, they slice;
BIG BOATS have tell tails on their storm jibs and sheets on their burgees;
BIG BOAT captains adjust their rigging with a tuning fork;
On windy days, little boat captains eat raw meat for breakfast, BIG BOAT
captains eat steak tartar; and
BIG BOAT captains are closer to God.

As you can see, the definition of a BIG BOAT is relative. But take precautions against "BIGGER BOAT FEVER", or it will surely render you incapable of rational thinking.

HNSA MERCHANDISE

Every year we offer a variety of merchandise encribed with our HNSA logo. Whether it's a tee shirt or cup, members wear or use their merchandise with a positive pride. Indeed, it's wonderful to propose a toast on an HNSA cruise with an HNSA plastic cup while wearing an HNSA shirt, and flying an HNSA burgee. See the enclosed order form for complete descriptions and instructions. Orders are due by March 30, 1985.

POTPOURRI

John Cronin aboard Trinity is home recovering from recent surgery. With all that time on his hands, John is dreaming about turning in his Pearson 30 for a Sabre 34. BIG BOAT FEVER strikes again.

Trivial Pursuit Question of the Month: What's the difference between a cruiser and a racer? Answer: A cruiser has a slow boat, slow skills, and a slow mind while a racer can't anchor, can't reef, and gives new meaning to the term "compulsive".

In the midst of harbour dredging and "A" dock realignment on February 16th, a male and female Canvasback duck and Bufflehead ducks were spotted feeding on the bottom of Herrington Harbour between "B" and "C" dock. These birds are migratory from Canada and have only been seen occasionally in our areas, and then only in winter.

HERRINGTON HARBOUR SAILING ASSOCIATION
1985
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>MONTH/DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
March 1	Fri		Membership Applications due
March 16	Sat	10:00 am 1:00 pm 4:00 pm	Executive Committee meeting Racing Seminar Check Your Boat Party at the Gingras home (BYOB and hors d'oeuvres)
March 30	Sat		Orders for HHSa Sailing Essen- tials due
April 13	Sat		Open House Herrington Harbour North
April 14	Sun	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Captain's meeting #1 Spring Race Series
April 19	Fri	7:30 pm	Spring Buffet HH Upstairs
April 20-21	Sat/Sun	9:00 am	Cruise to Annapolis, AKA Fau- cetts' Folly, cc: Ardell & Lucinda Hoveskeland
April 28	Sun	11:00 am	Captain's meeting #2 Spring Race Series
May 4-5	Sat/Sun	9:00 am	Hudson Creek/Little Choptank cc: Martha & Tony Kowalski Point-to-Point race
May 8	Wed	7:00 pm	#1 Wednesday night race First series
May 12	Sun	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Captain's meeting #3 Spring Race Series
May 15	Wed	7:00 pm	#2 Wednesday night race First series
May 19	Sun	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Captain's meeting #4 Spring Race Series
May 22	Wed	7:00 pm	#3 Wednesday night race First Series
May 25-27	Sat/Sun/ Mon	9:00 am	Huntington Creek/Miles River cc: Stan & Ginny Fant Point-to-Point race
May 29	Wed	7:00 pm	#4 Wednesday night race First Series
June 2	Sun	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Captain's meeting #5 Spring Race Series
June 5	Wed	7:00 pm	#5 Wednesday night race First Series

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June 7	Fri	8:00 pm	New Members Cocktail Party HH Upstairs
June 8-9	Sat/Sun	9:00 am	New Members Cruise Dun Cove via Knapp's Narrows cc: Al Walker Point-to-Point race
June 12	Wed	7:00 pm	#6 Wednesday night race First Series
June 16	Sun	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Captain's meeting #6 Spring Race Series
June 19	Wed	7:00 pm	#7 Wednesday night race First Series
June 22-30	Sat (9 days)	9:00 pm	Mid-Chesapeake Bay Cruise cc: Hans & Pat Ulander
June 26	Wed	7:00 pm	#8 Wednesday night race First Series
July 4-7	Thurs-Sun	9:00 pm	Mini Cruise: Chester River in- cluding Battle of Queenstown reinacted cc: Al & Marie Doyon and Bill Bickford
July 10	Wed	7:00 pm	#1 Wednesday night race Second Series
July 17	Wed	7:00 pm	#2 Wednesday night race Second Series
July 20-21	Sat/Sun	9:00 am	Shaw Bay Cruise, with a goal of 50 Burgees Over Shaw Bay cc: Jack & Jocelyn Marquez Return to Port race
July 24	Wed	7:00 pm	#3 Wednesday night race Second Series
July 31	Wed	7:00 pm	#4 Wednesday night race Second Series
Aug 2-4	Fri-Sun	7:00 pm	Cruise to Oxford and Peach Blossom Creek, including a night cruise and champagne breakfast in Oxford cc: Larry & Helen Glick Return to Port race
Aug 7	Wed	7:00 pm	#5 Wednesday night race Second Series

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<u>MONTH/DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Aug 10-25	Sat (16 days)	9:00 am	Cruise to Atlantic City cc: Joe & Lana Batts First Annual Blue Water Race
Aug 14	Wed	7:00 pm	#6 Wednesday night race Second Series
Aug 17-25	Sat (9 days)	9:00 am	Northern Bay Cruise (meet with gamblers returning from Atlantic City) cc: To be announced
Aug 21	Wed	7:00 pm	#7 Wednesday night race Second Series
Aug 28	Wed	7:00 pm	#8 Wednesday night race Second Series
Aug 30- Sept 2	Fri (4 days)	7:00 pm	Labor Day Cruise to Solomons including Midnight/Full Moon Cruise cc: Earl & Kathy Hall Return to Port Race
Sept 7	Sat	11:00 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm	Captain's meeting #1 Fall Race Series Annual Crab Feast
Sept 8	Sun	10:00 am	Annual Boyer Memorial Round Poplar Island Race, complete with video recordings
Sept 14-15	Sat-Sun	9:00 am	Swan Creek Cruise cc: Rich & Marie Ordeman Point-to-Point Race
Sept 21	Sat	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Captain's meeting #2 Fall Race Series
Sept 28-29	Sat-Sun	9:00 am	Cruise to San Domingo Creek and St. Michaels cc: Tom Schuyler Return to Port race
Oct 5	Sat	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Captain's meeting #3 Fall Race Series
Oct 12-14	Sat-Mon	9:00 am	Cruise to LaTrappe Creek and Cambridge cc: Tom & Charlene Willess Point-to-Point race

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>MONTH/DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Oct 19	Sat	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Captain's meeting #4 Fall Race Series
Oct 26-27	Sat/Sun	9:00 am	Cruise to Tilghman Creek cc: To be announced Return to Port Race
Nov 2	Sat	11:00 pm 12:00 pm	Captain's meeting #5 Fall Race Series
Nov 9-10	Sat/Sun	9:00 am	Cruise to Church Creek and South River cc: Dick & Patty Doyle Return to Port Race
Nov 17	Sun	1:00 pm	Annual Business meeting
Dec 7	Sat	6:30 pm	Annual Awards Dinner

HNSA RACING APPLICATION

Owner/Skipper _____

Yacht Name _____ Sail No. _____ Rig _____

Class/Length _____ Model Year _____

Largest Headsail _____ Sail Area/sq. ft. _____
 (% of J)

Spinnaker Pole _____ Spinnaker Girth _____
 (% of J) Standard () Oversize ()

Mast: Standard () Tall () Other ()

Modifications: Class Boat () Modified Class () Custom ()

Keel _____ Centerboard _____ Swing Keel _____

Registration Fee: (\$10.00) _____
 (one charge for entire season)

USYRU Rules Book: (\$5.00) _____

Waterproof card with
 simplified USYRU rules: (\$1.00) _____

Total _____

I agree to abide by the regulations and sailing instructions for all events. In consideration of being permitted to enter these events, being knowledgeable of the risks of competitive sailing and knowing that it is my sole responsibility to decide whether to enter or continue any race, I voluntarily assume the risks of participation in these events and release the Herrington Harbour Sailing Association and the people conducting these events from all liability in connection with any injury or damage that may occur.

Signature of Competitor _____ Date _____

Send to: Steve Carson
 12709 Kavanaugh Lane
 Bowie, MD 20715

(301) 262-9753

MID-BAY CRUISE

June 22-30, 1985

If you are planning on joining the nine-day mid-Bay Cruise, please fill out the following information and send it to:

Hans Ulander
19169 Brooke Grove Court
Gaithersburg, MD 20879
(H) 301-977-8440
(W) 703-841-9300

Name of Boat _____
Name of Captain _____
Length of Boat _____
Draft of Boat _____

Proposed destinations for cruise:

- Between Potomac and Piankatank Rivers
- Windmill Point (reservations required)
- Urbana
- St. Mary's City

NORTHERN BAY CRUISE

August 10-25, 1985

If you are planning on joining the 16-day cruise to Atlantic City and points in between please fill out the following information and sent it to:

Joe Batts
1317 19th Road South
Arlington, VA 22202
(H) 703-892-1864
(W) 703-841-1700

Name of Boat _____
Name of Captain _____
Length of Boat _____
Draft of Boat _____

Proposed destinations for cruise:

- Chesapeake City
- Greenwich/Cohansey River
- Cape May
- Atlantic City (reservations required)
- Sassafras River/Georgetown
- Middle River

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T-SHIRTS

SOLID COLORS, 50% COTTON/50% POLYESTER
IN ROYAL BLUE, RED, KELLY GREEN, OR YELLOW
LOGO COLORS IN WHITE OR NAVY BLUE
-- SPECIFY FOR LOGO TO BE FRONT OR BACK --

ITEM #001	ADULT \$7.30 EACH			
SIZES:	S (34-36)	M (38-40)	L (42-44)	XL (46)
#002	YOUTH \$5.50 EACH			
SIZES:	S (6-8)	M (10-12)	L (14-16)	

COACHES SHIRTS

PIQUE KNIT, BUTTON PLACKET, SELF COLLAR, HEMMED SLEEVES
50% COTTON/50% POLYESTER
IN ROYAL BLUE, KELLY GREEN, GOLD OR MAROON
LOGO COLORS IN WHITE OR NAVY BLUE

ITEM #003	ADULT \$15.00, WITH POCKET			
SIZES:	S (34-36)	M (38-40)	L (42-44)	XL (46)
#004	YOUTH \$14.50 -- WITHOUT POCKET			
SIZES:	S (6-8)	M (10-12)	L (14-16)	

WINDBREAKERS

IN ROYAL BLUE, NAVY BLUE, KELLY GREEN, YELLOW, MAROON, BROWN, OR SILVER GRAY
LOGO COLORS IN WHITE OR NAVY BLUE

ITEM #005	ADULT UNLINED \$23.00 (XXL \$24.00)			
#006	ADULT KASHA LINED \$28.00 (XXL \$29.00)			
SIZES:	XS (32-34)	S (36-38)	M (40-42)	L (44-48)
	XL (48-50)	XXL (52-54)		
#007	YOUTH UNLINED \$21.00			
#008	YOUTH LINED \$25.00			
SIZES:	XS (4)	S (6-8)	M (10-12)	L (14-16)
	XL (18-20)			

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CANVAS WITH EXTRA LONG NATURAL WEBBING STRAP HANDLES
FOR CARRYING IN HAND OR OVER SHOULDER
SQUARED-OFF BOTTOM FOR EXTRA ROOM
14" X 15"
IN NEUTRAL WITH NAVY LOGO

ITEM #009 \$5.00

SUN VISORS

ADJUSTABLE IN ROYAL BLUE WITH WHITE LOGO OR
WHITE WITH NAVY BLUE LOGO

ITEM #010 \$4.50 EACH

PLASTIC CUPS

25 CUPS IN A PACKAGE WITH HHS A LOGO (VERY HANDSOME!!!)

ITEM #011 \$5.50 PER PACKAGE

BURGEES

ITEM #012	\$17.00 EACH, NYLON, SILK SCREENED
ITEM #013	\$22.00 EACH, DACRON, SEWN

ALL PRICES SUBJECT TO MINIMUM ORDERS DETERMINED BY THE VENDOR.
IF INSUFFICIENT ORDER RECEIVED, MONEY WILL BE REFUNDED!!!!!!

