



February, 1989

Herrington Harbour Sailing Association

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

February 4 Saturday	1:00pm	Yanmar Engine Maintenance, HHSA Club Room (\$10.00), Chris Oliver, Chesapeake Marine Engines (note location change)
February 18 Saturday	1:00pm	Sail Handling Seminar, HHSA Club Room North Sails
February 25 Saturday	1:00pm	Annual Planning and Organizational Meeting, HHSA Club Room
March 4 Saturday	1:00pm	Electronics on the Cruising Sailboat, HHSA Club Room Tom Closs, Jr., Electronics Marine
March 18 Saturday	1:00pm	Safety at Sea (HHSA Version), HHSA Club Room Louise Burke, USNA Sailing Center
April 1 Saturday	All Day	USNA Safety at Sea Seminar, USNA, Annapolis



1989 Cruising Plans

By Jeff Forte

The 1989 cruising calendar is starting to take shape and I am looking for cruise captains or captainettes, as the case may be, for weekend cruises as well as the longer vacation cruises. Cruise cap-

tains for three holiday weekends: Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day have already volunteered.

A goal for the year is to have three weekend cruises per month beginning in May and continuing through the end of October, with a couple of vacation cruises sometime during the season. Simple math shows that I am looking for approximately twenty cruise captains for 1989.

Last season, a new concept, the "pick up" cruise, was introduced and worked well.

The pick up cruise has no predetermined destination and the decision of "where to go?" is made at the Saturday morning captain's meeting. Plans are to expand the number of pick up cruises in 1989.

In the coming weeks, I will be telephoning last year's cruise captains to ask about repeating the experience this year. In anticipation of the need for new cruise captains, however, I would like to encourage those who have not led a cruise to volunteer this year. I would also like to hear new ideas for places to go and different things to do on this year's cruises. Cruise captain volunteers or simply "idea laden" sailors can contact me, evenings, at 657-3146.

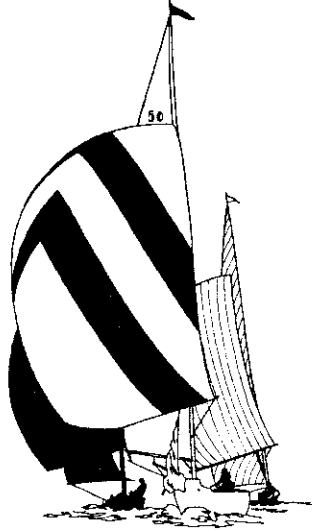
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The Racers Chute

By John Kremers

We are only twelve weeks away from the first race, so while you are making your plans to get your boat ready now is the time make plans to race this summer.



We will be having a point to point race each month. These races have been popular over the last couple of years. Our first point to point race will be the *Dolly Memorial*, April 1, 1989 from Herrington #2 to the Balearic Islands, see you at the starting line. Watch the newsletter for more information about this and other races.

In order to make it easier for boats needing crew to get together with members who would like to crew, I will be maintaining a list of available crew.

This year there is a new edition of the racing rules, so you may want to order one to replace your old copy.

If you have any ideas to make the racing program more enjoyable or if you would like to participate on the racing committee please give me a call.

Membership Renewals Are Due

By now, you should have received your renewal notices in the mail. Your Vice Commodore asks that you please promptly submit your membership renewals for 1989. We don't want our current members to miss a single event but, unfortunately, we will not be able to mail the *Harbour Light* after April 1st to any member who has not renewed membership.

To make membership renewal even easier, you need only complete those portions of the application that have changed from the

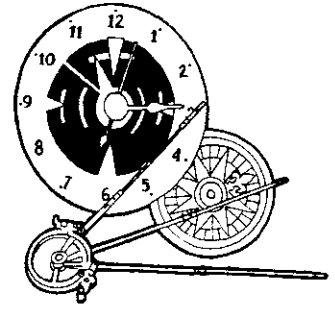
previous year and print your name clearly on the application. (Not sure about what you listed last year--check last year's directory.) As far as changing the ages of the children, HHSA has a brilliant person doing the data entry and she will automatically and without prompting add one year to all children's ages.

It's sure to be a great year for HHSA. Don't miss out on the fun!

Training News

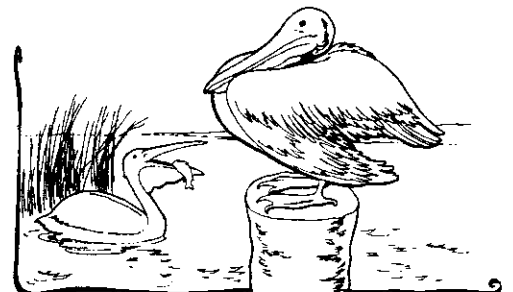
By Bob Parker

The seminar schedule has been set. See the calendar for full details. There are seminars on sail handling, cruising electronics, and a personal visit from Louise Burke of the US Naval Academy on Safety.



IMPORTANT - IMPORTANT - IMPORTANT - The location for the Yanmar seminar has been changed to the HHSA club room and the cost is now \$10 (vs \$40). Call me today to reserve a space - 455-SAIL.

Plans have also been set for the all day Safety at Sea Seminar at the US Naval Academy. The seminar will be held on April 1st at Maham Hall. Ticket availability to this very popular and highly respected program will be extremely limited. Tickets at \$25 each will be available at the USNA Sailing Center About March 1st, but you must present your check in person. Anyone unable to get to the Academy may mail me their check and a self addressed, stamped envelope and I will get the tickets. My address is 9449 William Kirk Lane, Burke, Va. 22015 (phone is 455-SAIL).



From The Commodore's Corner



By Rich Ordeman

Seems now with the seminars underway, planning meeting scheduled, and ice off the pond, it is only a short while till we raise sail for distant destinations and competition around the buoys. We can also look forward to those special social events for which HHSA is famous.

The date selected for the planning meeting is Saturday, February 25. The meeting will be in the club room off the bar starting at 1pm (13:00). This will be an opportunity to review where we have been and, more importantly, to establish a program for the coming year. As in the past, Stuart Chaney has been invited to discuss his plans for the harbours.

A capsule of recent executive officer meetings and activities follows. I will attempt to bring you up to date with this feature throughout the year.

The newsletter has received a new format. The deadline for articles and promos is the 20th of every month. The editor, Floyd Justice, would like to hear from you concerning the best way to get the articles to him -- computer disk, modem to modem, handwritten, typed, etc. Also if you have a favorite article which you believe would have some value in reprinting provide Floyd with the particulars.

Executive committee meetings are open to all interested members. We have been meeting on the first Monday of each month. The locations change as the meetings are held in officers' homes. If you are interested in attending or having a topic aired, please contact any officer.

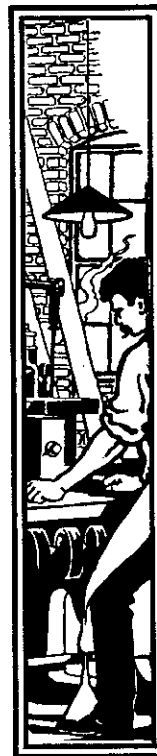
Cruising and racing plans are also coming together. Details will be available at the planning meeting. If you are interested in a commitment to either program, contact Jeff Forte (cruising) or John Kremers (racing) soonest to get on their calendar. For cruising, we will again have an extensive and varied list of cruises. Racing will include series, regattas, point to point, and novice events. Handicapping will again

be based on the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) ratings. Membership in PHRF assures a valid rating. Hull preparation should be underway to attain the racing edge. Your participation is encouraged as we continue to promote increasing knowledge of our vessels and tactics.

Currently we are in the midst of the seminars. We hope you are finding them informative. Bob Parker, with the assistance of Bobby Nemerson, has lined up an interesting selection of topics.

See you on the 25th.

It's My Turn

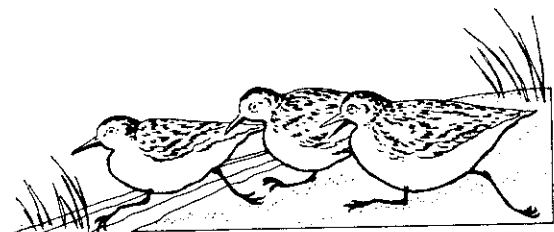


Allow me to add my voice to a new idea in this issue. John Kremers, the Rear Commodore of Racing, has proposed a crew register for those of us who want to crew on races but, heretofore, have had no workable way to widely offer our services. In the past, I have gone to the marina on race night and sometimes found a captain in need and sometimes not.

Now, with John's crew register, a captain in need of crew can call John, get some names, and find crew. The system should help captains stay in races they otherwise would have had to pass up and help prospective crew find a berth.

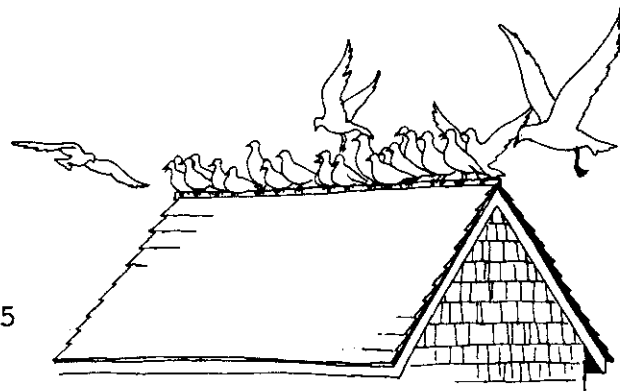
I am going to sign up as crew because I think it's a great way to learn about racing and "advanced sailing" without embarrassing myself by being the inexperienced captain who came in last. How about you??

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