



CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER

- 2-4 Labor Day Cruise to Solomons Island - CC: Fant (**Final Fantasea**)
- 9 Fall Series Race #1
- 16-17 Third Great Puzzle Cruise - CC: Justice (**Catspaw**)
- 23 Fall Series Race #2
- 30-31 Pickup Cruise #5 - CC: Kremers (**Ramshackle**)
- 30 Point-to-Point Race

OCTOBER

- 7 Fall Series Race #3
- 14-15 Cruise to Phillips Creek - CC: Davenport (**Breezy**)
- 21-22 Fall Regatta
- 28 Halloween Cruise to Harness Creek - CC: Knapp (**Elsewhere**)
- 28 Point-to-Point Race

From The Commodore's Corner

By Rich Ordeman



A round of applause is in order for those members who have recently put forth that extra effort for some specific events. First, thanks to Halli and Kent Kunze for dedicating at least one sailing weekend and untold additional hours for publication of the membership roster. I trust that all have been received by now and cross indexed for accuracy.

Rain and mist were two ingredients Laurie Siegel was hoping to do without for the BBQ. Although the weather did not cooperate for most of the day, the rains did stop just prior to the dinner bell. Thanks to Laurie, Rich, and Emily, and the Social Committee for a very successful affair.

Thanks also to John Kremers for organizing the Boyer Memorial Race. Participants had an opportunity to test all points of sail making for some excitement. The Justice's on CatsPaw, filling in for the ailing Nick Brixius, officiated as committee boat and provided last minute assistance which was most appreciated.

With hot days and warm nights upon us, night cruising and racing becomes particularly attractive. Recent articles in various racing newsletters have addressed safety precautions. In addition, a recent rule change indicates that no part of a crew body can be outside the lifeline

between sunset and sunrise. Before embarking on a trip involving night operations, some thought should be given to what may occur. Man overboard drills should be practiced. Night sailing safety rules should be studied and followed. Life jackets need to be worn by all those topside and harnesses are recommended for those outside the cockpit. Some captains require a harness to be worn at night whether on deck or in the cockpit. Lights are required on the throwable and also clipped to the life jacket. Whistles should also be worn.

Although accidents are infrequent, they do occur. An extra degree of care exercised at the outset might foster a memorable trip rather than a potential disaster. If you practice specific day or night time safety measures, won't you share them with us?? We can all benefit from the experiences of others.

We are looking forward to seeing you at our many fall events.

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CRUISING NEWS

Cruise to Norfolk and Portsmouth

by Martin and Terry Katz
(Terremar)

The eager crews of **Hide Away**, **O' Susannah** (as far as Jackson Creek) and **TerreMar** left on Saturday, July 1st at 08:45 bound for the Solomons. As usual, what little wind we had was right on our nose. Back creek north of Spring Cove Marina has new marinas under construction limiting the anchoring ground. The weather seems to be getting warmer. Guess it will be typical July weather. Barbecue at night with pina colodas.

Sunday gave us good winds and a beautiful 35 mile reach to the bight behind Sandy Point in the Great Wicomico. We were going to swim but we spotted our first sea nettles.

Our destination on Monday was Fishing Bay in the Piankatank. Hazy, getting hot and no wind. Decided to go to Deltaville for fuel, ice and water. Why not anchor off the marina and dinghy in for swimming in the pool and showers. Great! **Sea Sparrow**, **Spook**, and **Crusader** came into Jackson Creek, rafted up in front of our raft and joined us for cocktails. Really pleasant surprise. Another really pleasant surprise was the fireworks just beyond the marina.

Strong winds on July 4th for the transit to the Salt Ponds, which is very interesting. Very narrow entrance with a sign that says "One Way Traffic" (which way??) and people on the beach and a rock jetty no more than 10 feet away standing in water up to their ankles. Also rather narrow and unprotected inside. There were some unfinished floating docks so we tied up to them for the night.

The passage up the Elizabeth River on Wednesday was interesting. All the **BIG** ships at the naval yard - destroyers, aircraft carriers, submarines, then dull scenery until Norfolk/Portsmouth. Tidewater Yacht Agency is at the beginning of the ICW with fuel, ice, and clean heads and a block away for the ferry that crosses the Elizabeth River to Norfolk.

Toured the Naval base, the MacArthur Museum, the Chrysler Museum, and a trolley car tour of Norfolk. Rounded out the visit with the D'Art Center, a series of artist's studios, lunch at the Freemason Abby, a converted church which has excellent food and a charming atmosphere and a TGIF concert on the Waterside Mall. The Chrysler Museum is a must.

Saturday brought us to Mobjack Bay with little wind. Nothing eventful.

Instead of going to Gwynn Island on Sunday, we opted for Fishing Bay in the Piankatank since it is more open and we hoped to catch a breeze for sleeping. No such luck. But tomorrow The Tides and a pool and air conditioned heads.

Met Joe and Carole Sarnowski (**Peddler**) and Marty Enstam (**Songbird**) for drinks at McD's Pub at the Tides, had dinner, and cooled off in the air conditioned lobby and TV room.



Tuesday was over 100 degrees and spent the entire day at the pool except for early AM bicycle riding and eating ice cream.

Wednesday, Joe and Carole met us in their Grady White at the entrance to Dyer Creek and escorted us to an anchorage in front of their lovely waterfront home which is the unofficial headquarters of HHSA South. They are both gracious. We swam in the pool, showered, and cooled off in the house and barbecued. A great time. Thanks, Joe and Carole.

On Thursday, our destination was the Coan River. It was hot, humid, and hazy. Decided to make the Solomons instead. At 1400, we were at the Pautuxent River and still hazy, hot, humid, raining and miserable so we decided to motorsail home. Arrived at Herrington Harbour at 1930 hours covering a 13 1/2 hour day and over 73 miles. But we were home after a great cruise, good sightseeing, wonderful friends, and the desire to do it again.

Hudson Creek Cruise aka "Beat-the-Heat Cruise"

August 5-6, 1989

Nick Brixius & Maureen Reynolds (Amitie')

The first weekend in August lived up to expectations - everyone agreed it was hot! That fact was not to deter the willing group of sailors who attended the cruise meeting on Saturday morning (w-e-l-l, most were willing - they convinced the others). It was decided to brave the elements and put the hot weather to the test, as follows:

Hypothesis:

1. The wind seldom blows a great amount on a hot day.

Conclusion:

Empirical data gathered by observations of all participating boats lends credibility to this hypothesis although a two day sample is too small for a definite conclusion.

Hypothesis:

2. Use of the boat's engine increases the breeze across the deck to livable levels.

Conclusion:

Not true if the boat speed cancels the small breeze from astern (Saturday!) but definitely true (whew!) when there is no wind at all (Sunday).

Hypothesis:

3. Nettle pools are Divine gifts and are to be treated with great respect.

Conclusion:

True beyond doubt - as determined by unanimous vote of the nine-boat raft after practically all crew members lounged for a prolonged time in **Gentle Spirit's** 12 foot pool.

Hypothesis:

4. Dry ice keeps ice cream hard and cold even in very hot weather.

Conclusion:

Another question of nature proven beyond doubt as **Amitie'** served various flavors to the assembled cruisers - most of whom required two (some three) samples to verify their observations. (P.S., dry ice lasted until Tuesday).

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So, you now see, a pretty successful expedition. A lot of friendly people and good humor were the main ingredients. Special thanks to the Parkers on *Gentle Spirit* for graciously inviting all to join in the use of their nettle pool. The cruise was joined by *Amitie*, *Allegro*, *Gentle Spirit*, *Kelly Ann*, *Spiggie*, *Sugarbush*, *Windtryst*, *Wind-walker* and *Tzatsky Too*.

Question to ponder - why did the Kerrs "string up" poor George on *Spiggie's* mast? Some feel he was destined for it and deserved it. Jan obviously wanted crowd support and Dick was too gleeful. Would you have done such a thing? HHSA leadership should keep an eye on *Spiggie's* halcyons for similar deeds in the future.

The Third Great Puzzle Cruise

Floyd and Debby Justice

What handsome and dashing young captain carries the nickname "Snake-wake"? What are slops? When will the stock market break? Which way will it go? Is it true that certain members of HHSA are pooling their money to bid on an ambassadorship to a Caribbean island? Is it true Stu Chaney will become ambassador to Poplar Island? The answers to these and other puzzling questions may or may not be answered when the **Third Great Puzzle Cruise** happens on September 16 and 17.

Your cruise captains, Floyd and Debby Justice, invite you along for this year's edition. For those who are new to HHSA (and those whose memories are short), the puzzle cruise involves a word puzzle (with clues of varying worth and usefulness) provided by the puzzle master (us) and solved along the way by the participants (you). As in years past, prizes of varying worth and usefulness will be awarded during hors d'ourves.

This year's **Great Puzzle Cruise** will revisit the site of the **First Great Puzzle Cruise**, Leeds Creek, across the Miles River from St. Michaels. Leeds Creek has some beautiful anchorages, complete with horse farms. It's too early for the geese, so it should be a quiet night. It will be prime cruising weather and, as always, fun.

Captain's meeting at 9:30 in front of the marina office. All those who do not show up will have their names printed in the Newsletter (the editor is a friend of mine) so you better show up.

Membership Directories

The membership directories have all been mailed. If yours didn't come, call Kent Kunze at 522-6297.

Extra directories (for home, car, office, boat, garage, or wherever you think you may need one) are available for \$2.00 each to cover postage and printing. Call Kent Kunze if you want an extra copy.

Pick-up cruise September 30.

John and Dolly Kremers

A pick-up cruise in September mark your calendar so you remember pack your gear and your crew and don't forget to bring the brew

This will be the first cruise led by us so bring extra life jackets and pay up your insurance. Attendance on this cruise is mandatory including the race on the way to our destination. We are going to try a new handicapping system that should make any boat eligible to win the race. More details about the race will be given out at the cruise meeting so we hope to see you at 9:30 on September 30th.

The Social Circuit

By Laurie Siegel

The rain did not diminish the good spirits of the one hundred plus HHSA'ers gathered on August 12th for our annual barbecue dinner. Clad in bright slickers and boots, we gathered under the tents for good food, plenty of beer, and good cheer.

After all, boaters are used to small spaces for parties, and of course a little rain cooled off the August evening.

Emily Siegel hustled to sell 70 raffle tickets for the 50/50 raffle. At exactly 8:00pm she drew the winning number out of Patty Duncan's hat for the 1st place winner. Hearts were beating wildly...and the winner was Joe Batts. He marched forward proudly to receive his \$35 cash prize in his handsome Batman T-shirt (which matched the rest of his racing crew's attire!). Emily then drew the second place winner's number. She gave the numbers a careful but thorough stir. The winner...Joe Batts AGAIN. This time he won a genuine HHSA T-shirt!

Our Annual Awards Banquet will be held this year on Saturday, November 18th. To be in keeping with our love for the sea, we have reserved the "Main Deck" room at the Pier 7 Restaurant in the Channel Inn (Washington's only waterfront hotel). The restaurant boasts a "spectacular view of the river with a panoramic view of Hains Point and graceful sailboats skimming through the Washington Channel."

While there may not be any sailboats skimming at night in mid-November, we can still enjoy the waterfront view from the balcony, the fine food, and the good friends assembled.

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The restaurant has free indoor parking available. After dinner, those who wish to dance 'till dawn may want to stay at the Channel Inn and move on the to dance floor in the lounge.

Please mark your calendar on November 18th for our Awards Banquet. More details will follow in the next newsletter.

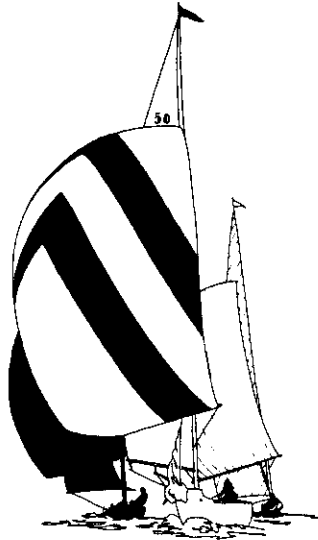
NEXT YEAR'S OFFICERS

The nominating committee is now taking nominations for next year's officers. The entire slate is open. If you want to run for one of the offices, or if you know of someone who should be nominated, call Bryan Davenport at (703) 451-8692. This is a volunteer organization but it cannot run unless someone like you volunteers.

The Racer's Chute

By John Kremers

We have had lots of races since the last news letter including six Wednesday races and the Boyer Memorial race. I would like to thank Joe Batts, Tony Duncan, Larry Glick, Rich Ordeman and Kent Kunze for taking committee duty. The following are the results and the current standings for the second Wednesday series after 5 races:



	<u>Elapsed</u>	<u>Corrected</u>	<u>Place</u>
<u>Race 1</u>			
SPINNAKER			
CALLIOPE	1:05:35	3399.95	3
SPOOK	1:11:18	3281.7	1
NONAME	1:14:13	3346.0	2
NON-SPINNAKER			
LIONESS	1:12:35	3284.9	1
MANATEE	1:35:41	4707.8	2

Race 2

SPINNAKER			
CALLIOPE	1:05:46	3419.65	1
SPOOK	1:13:48	3447.9	2
NON-SPINNAKER			
LIONESS	1:17:39	3606.3	1
MANATEE	1:22:21	3924.6	2

Race 3

SPINNAKER			
CALLIOPE	1:58:00	6553.6	2
SPOOK	1:57:50	6089.9	1
NON-SPINNAKER			
LIONESS	DNF		4
MANATEE	DNF		4
VINDEN	2:15:00	6793.2	1

Race 4

SPINNAKER			
CALLIOPE	1:24:49	4684.45	3
SPOOK	1:28:55	4581.7	1
NONANE	1:31:19	4642.0	2
NON-SPINNAKER			
LIONESS	1:41:31	5281.9	1
MANATEE	2:09:49	7007.8	3
VINDEN	1:57:10	6025.6	2

Race 5

SPINNAKER			
CALLIOPE	1:15:14	4109.45	3
SPOOK	1:13:18	3644.7	1
NONANE	1:17:19	3802.0	2
NON-SPINNAKER			
LIONESS	1:26:23	4373.9	1
MANATEE	1:43:33	5431.8	3
VINDEN	1:34:37	4672.6	2

Wednesday Series 2 Standings

Spinnaker	r1	r2	r3	r4	r5	pts
CALLIOPE	3	1	2	3	3	11.75
NO NAME	2	DNS	DNS	2	2	14.0
SPOOK	1	2	1	1	1	5.0
Non-spinnaker						
MANATEE	2	2	DNF	3	3	14.0
LIONESS	1	1	DNF	1	1	7.0
VINDEN	DNS	DNS	1	2	2	12.75

The Boyer Memorial race was a success even though participation was down from the last couple of years possibly due to the weather. For those that did participate a good time was seemed to be had by all. The race started out in 7 to 8 knots and got a little stronger as the race progressed until the wind died shortly after all the spinnaker boats and two non-spinnaker boats finished. **Belfry** was the best dressed this year with all members of the crew wearing team Battman T-shirts.

The following are the boats that raced and their finish times. Congratulations to Mike Brooks (**No Name**) and Dolly Kremers (**Ramshackle**) for winning the spinnaker and non-spinnaker divisions respectively.

A thanks to the Brixius' for volunteering to be committee boat even though at the last minute they were not able to be the committee. A special thanks from all of the racers to Floyd and Debby Justice for doing a wonderful job as committee boat and for stepping in at the last minute.

Boat Name	Skipper	Rating	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time	Place
SPINNAKER DIVISION					
CALLIOPE	Mary Beth Downs	87	10230	8875.41	2
SPOOK	Rich Ordeman	162	11571	9048.66	3
NONAME	Mike Brooks	180	11195	8392.4 1	
ESPRIT	Gil McClurg	144	11844	9601.92	4
NON-SPINNAKER DIVISION					
HIDE-AWAY	Dick Nemerson	138	15379	13230.34	3
BREEZY	Bryan Davenport	153	16429	14046.79	5
BELFRY	Joe Batts	102	10987	9398.86	2
WIND SHADOW	Rich Siegel	174	17310	14600.82	6
KELLY ANN	Frank McCabe	198	17061	13978.14	4
RAMSHACKLE	Dolly Kremers	174	11978	9268.82	1

Attention all racers: If you have not been committee boat this year please give me a call; I need a committee boat for every fall saturday race.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Thanks for the newsletter.

Possibly on a slow news issue you might like to raise the question "what does the Maryland Marine Police do--besides check license stickers?". I've never seen them assist or tow anyone. Maybe I'm not in the right place at the right time. I'm just curious. Maybe a reader could enlighten me.

Thanks again for your efforts. They are appreciated.

Regards,
Howard S. Gilliams
Frolic (N-34)

Ed. Reply: Thanks for the kind words. They are always appreciated. As to your question, I have never seen them out of their slip for anything. I really don't know what they do, either. Readers, can you help Howard out?

It's My Turn

The Boyer Memorial Race and festivities were outstanding. Just the kind of activities that brings this group together: racing, eating, and drinking and to heck with the rain!

Debby and I had a good time as committee boat after Nick Brixius became ill and couldn't serve. I feel I must, however, defend my integrity and my honor and my good name and whatever else was impugned by one of the crew on one of the slower (if not the slowest) boats in the race. My honor, however, prevents me from participating in a public debate so I will say no more. Except for this: next time, Tony, pick a faster boat to crew on. Five hours to go 13 miles is a bit much.

Did Joe Batts bribe Emily with one of those Batman T-shirts? The circumstantial evidence is surely there.

Seen recently on the rivers: Chill Out sailing up La Trappe Creek with an HHSA burgee flying and wearing an HHSA T-shirt. Talk about club spirit. Way



to go Carl. Also on the same river, Allegro flying the HHSA burgee. That made 5 HHSA boats on La Trappe creek and all this was on a non-cruise weekend.

Short Sermon: As noted earlier in this newsletter, it's time to think about who will run this organization next year. All the offices, from Commodore to Newsletter Editor are open to anyone. The only qualification is that you are interested. It's even easier than getting an ambassadorship (at least it's cheaper). The only office not up for grabs is Past Commodore. Rich Ordeman has that one sewn up.

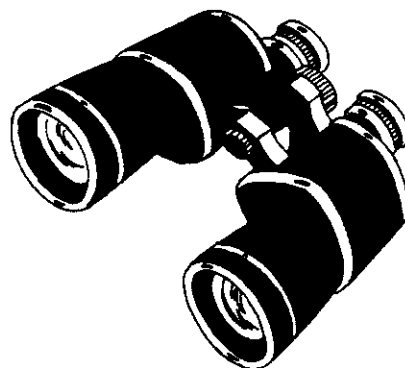
Debby and I volunteered last year because we felt we owed HHSA something for all it has given us. How about you? Your help would be greatly appreciated by your fellow members.

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Slops are articles of clothing.

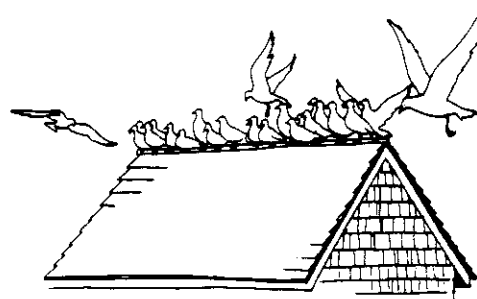
Lost and Found Department

A little girls sweat suit jacket was found after the Boyer Memorial Barbecue. The jacket has been turned in to the Marina Office and can be picked up there.



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