

Chesapeake Sailing Club

Annapolis, Maryland

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Newsletter of the Chesapeake Sailing Club

Calendar at a Glance

May 25 - Start of Memorial Day Cruise

June 7 - Start of Spring Cruise

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Commodore's Column

Mal Singerman, *Tieve Owna*

As of this writing, Anne Marie and I are stuck at the dock in Florida, with out plans to leave on hold as we wait for a shipment of a critical generator part from Germany. Those familiar with Tieve Owna will recall our continuing struggles with our Gen Set which, true to form, has delayed us once again.



We had packed up, put our Florida place to bed, had a farewell dinner with friends and family, commissioned and checked all systems aboard, arranged to have an engine mount changed, had the bottom cleaned and inspected by a diver, taken our headsail to Nance and Underwood in Fort Lauderdale for some repairs to the sun cover, and were ready to cast off when the gremlins struck, We are now camped out among the sheet-draped furniture in our condo watching the calendar, raiding our on-board refrigerator and freezer for food, but still optimistic about reaching the Chesapeake in time for the first cruise.

We know our friends near the Chesapeake will be commissioning their boats, and perhaps enjoying the pleasures of early spring sailing. We are looking forward to our voyage North, to revisiting familiar stops along the way and to joining you all on the Bay sooner rather than later.

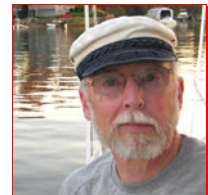
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Vice Commodore's Report

Glenn Whaley, *Trinity*

The Last Blast of the Pre-Sailing Season - CSC at Eastport YC

This is really choice: I, who wasn't there, have the chance to write about the last shore CSC event of the pre-sailing season (that would be "winter" to some). The reason this is so incredibly cool is that your scribe, who didn't actually witness what happened - or what might have happened -- can tell you some enlightening things about the evening anyway. Ready? Okay, here we go...



On a recent Saturday evening -- April 20, to be exact - a happy group of CSCers coagulated (precipitated out? congealed?) at the Eastport Yacht Club at the invitation of Dave and Janet Ewing, longtime members there. They were joined by Frank and Liz Cingel, Richard and Leslie Payne, and Joe and Margie Powers with guests Pat Rutowski and Linda Deland from Ann Arbor, Michigan. Also

Fred and Irene Weinfield, and Sue Whaley (sans husband Glenn, who had to be out of town but would really rather have been there). Discerning minds will note that the total number of attendees was 13. (That would only matter, of course, if said discerning minds were particularly superstitious. But I thought that it was at least worth noting.)

Now what they did in Eastport is a matter of some conjecture and uncertainty. There is no report of untoward activity, however, so far as could be determined from file footage from the Associated Press and World News Tonight. And there was no report of police activity -- at least a review of the Anne Arundel County penal register didn't reveal any. So how much fun they actually had is not really known. But curious minds long to know.

It was, however, documented that Susan ordered a crab cake, ate it, and enjoyed it. Her husband was not totally pleased by this development, since he has become accustomed to being able to have her crab cakes at the annual picnic at Rock Hall each year. There is a rumor that the husband is in a twelve step recovery program to help him through that, but this has not been confirmed.

So I guess we have to conclude that the CSC shore party season ended on a satisfactory note. In fact, there is solid intelligence that the assembled party-goers petitioned their hosts, the Ewings, to do this Eastport Yacht Club thing lots more. (That assumes, of course, that Eastport YC would have us again.)



No undue press coverage, no reported police activity, and only one casualty (Sue's husband suffering crab-cake-sharing trauma). All things considered, it must have been a successful soirée, capping off a wonderful off season of partying, and serving as a great prelude to the sailing season! So let the breezes come and the raft up frenzy begin!

Fleet Captain's Report

Mary Jo Harris, *Circe*

Ahoy, fellow CSC'ers. IT'S TIME TO PLAN OUR FIRST ON THE WATER WEEKEND - MEMORIAL DAY Weekend! We're still hoping to rendezvous with the Rock Hall Sailing Club, but having not heard from their Cruise Captain as of this writing, I thought it might be prudent to go ahead and narrow down our choice of destinations. So..... depending on which way the wind blows that weekend, let's select Bodkin Creek in the Patapsco or Saltworks Creek in the Severn for Saturday evening. Let's conference by cell phone (or in person if you are at the Sailing Emporium) on Saturday morning at 9:30. We will let the weather conditions dictate our final decision. Phone me: 215.760.4641.



Plan to raft-up or anchor separately to gather with other boaters for cocktails. I'm looking forward to catching up with everyone and planning our Sunday evening destination for the eve of Memorial Day.

Don't forget to keep your sailing schedule open for our fabulous SPRING CRUISE that comes up on June 7. The first part of the cruise will be a leisurely sail southward to the Patuxent. For those who can get away on Friday afternoon, we will meet at the Rhode River for our first evening raft up. Saturday night we will gather at Hudson Creek in the Little Choptank. Let's look forward to a beautiful sunset over Caisson Point. Sunday night we will meet on St. Leonard's Creek where we can anchor or take a slip at Vera's White Sands Beach Club. We will plan a dinner ashore overlooking the creek. The following day, Monday, we will cruise down to Solomon's Island where we will spend two leisurely days, taking advantage of the shore amenities, shopping, stocking up provisions for future Happy Hours, and enjoying a few meals ashore. Solomon's also

will be a good place to fuel up in case we are met with windless days during the following week while we ply the southern and lower middle Bay.

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