

NEWSLETTER

July 2005

Calendar of Events

- July 11** Monthly Board Meeting – 6:30pm
- July 11** Education Seminar "Where have you been?" – 7:00pm
- July 16** Whaleback Race – 12:00pm
- August 1** Monthly Board Meeting – 6:30pm
- Sept 17** Lobster Regatta – 12:00pm
- Sept 24** Single Handed Challenge – 12:00pm

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Vice Commodore's Message

Many things happening at the club. First of all the Club. Last month during docks -in work day many items were repaired and completed. Thanks to Keith for leading the efforts, to Janet for the breakfast and lunch, and to all the volunteers who joined in. Check out the new entry steps constructed under the leadership of Ed Arsenault-they look great!

Next is our new paid staff for the summer. This year as Steward/Launch Operator we have Ryan Eaton- who has been on the job since May. His direct supervisor is Keith Bridge. Launch hours are the same as last season and posted at the club. Our Sailing School also has new staff. This year we have a new position of Director, filled by Adam Powers. He will supervise the instructors and oversee the daily operation of the school. He reports to John McCormack, who again is running the Sailing School. Please stop by and welcome our new employees. The sailing school is filling up, with classes starting in July. This year they have added a fleet of 420's, replacing the JY15's that John wants to sell. See him if any interest in one of these day sailboats.

Lastly we have had many new members join our club. Welcome aboard-enjoy your club and become involved! All of the committee chairs welcome help-whether your interest are social, house/docks, sailing school, or education. We are a self service club, which helps to keep it affordable for all to enjoy. You are welcome to listen in on a board meeting- we meet once a month on Monday's at 18:30 hours. Our next meeting being July 11. Hope all have a great summer-looking forward to seeing you at the club or cruising down-east, between Muscongus Bay and further points east.

Jim
SV Blizzard

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Hello Friends and Members of KPYC, Our first newsletter ended up at the C & D Canal in Delaware. The next portion of our trip is the Chesapeake which has so many beautiful and interesting places it would be impossible to list all of them. Instead, these are some of the spots we have visited heading South. First stop is at the end of the C & D Canal at Chesapeake City. The anchorage is small and shallow when entering. Favor the east side and stay as close as you can to the bulkhead. There may be space for two boats to tie up at the dock at the entrance at no charge. Across the canal is Schaeffer's Marina. A no frills marina at \$1.00 a foot with fuel and water and a great restaurant right on premises. From there the first anchorage is the Bohemia River about 4 miles south on the port side. Beyond that is the Sassafras River where you'll find protected anchorages, marinas and the town of Georgetown to visit. Further south a short distance is Still Pond where you can enter the inner pond and anchor off the state park. From there we have headed over to Baltimore where marina's abound or you can anchor right downtown and see fireworks and the skyline of the city. Baltimore is steeped with culture and historic areas, a great aquarium and hundreds of shops and restaurants. Heading back out we like Rock Creek, the home of the Maryland Yacht Club. You can anchor just beyond the marina which is directly across from a great restaurant/bar. They have live entertainment and a dinghy dock to get ashore. Continuing south down the bay you will see so many choices it's up to you. Annapolis is a must see stop. The Naval Academy, Front Street, Ego Alley, Fawcetts Chandlery, dozens of marinas, hundreds of bars and restaurants and all the shopping you can imagine. Beyond Annapolis on the western shore is the Rhode River with a basin that reminds us of Quahog Bay up next to Casco Bay. Across the Bay lies Rock Hall where hundreds of sailboat call home. The Eastern shore is more quaint, laid back with it ties to the watermen and there customs which are so unique and interesting. The western side is more commercial, and congested bust still holds on to their history and culture. A trip up the Potomac to Washington D.C. is a great side trip if you have a week or so to spend visiting the Nations Capital. The Solomons are one of our favorite stops. Completely land locked, 3 or more anchorages, several marinas with water and fuel, easy access to town by dinghy. All the stores are an easy walk from the harbor and a maritime great museum. Bars and restaurants line the harbor side and events taking place just about every weekend. On the Eastern shore lie the towns of Crisfield, Pocomoke, St Michaels, Chestertown, and Oxford just to name a few. Back across the bay lie the Rappahannock and York Rivers with hundreds of tributaries and fantastic remote anchorages. The towns of Deltaville, Herring Bay and Deal all with beautiful sights and interesting places to see. Once you get down to Norfolk you will find Old Port Comfort to starboard as you head into the harbor. A large hospital is a good landmark heading in. The anchorage is great spot to over night waiting for favorable currents in either direction. You will pass the Naval Fleet at Norfolk and Portsmouth and see everything from aircraft carriers to submarines along the way. Hospital Point marks Inter Coastal Waterway Mile Marker #0 and the start of the 1500 miles thru Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Once into the ICW and past several bridges you will need to make a decision on weather to continue on the ICW or bear off on to The Great Dismay Swamp Route. Make sure if heading this way you have checked with locals for depth of water as there are always reports of shallow areas and snags. We hope to take this route this Spring when we get up to North Carolina. Many great cities and towns await us as we head further South thru the Carolina's and Georgia which we can talk about on our next newsletter.

Hi Friends and Everyone at KPYC, Today is Friday May 6, 2005. Paula and I are currently heading back North and are at Spooner's Creek, Moorehead City, NC. We have been here several days riding out one heck of a northeast front. We can see the animals traveling two by two heading for the ark. There has been 5 inches of rain today alone with N/E winds 30 to 40 knots and gusts to 58! We have our CQR out on 140 feet of chain. Thankfully this anchorage is completely land locked so there are no waves or current. We left off with our last travel log at Hospital Point, Mile Marker #0 in Norfolk. Our first stop after leaving Norfolk is Great Bridge, VA. where there are two sets of free docks. This is the last and best stop for some time to

provision as the supermarket is only a 1/4 mile away. There is also a radio shack, dollar store, restaurants and sports bars all within an easy walk plus a great library. Just beyond the bridge is Atlantic Yacht Basin if you need first rate professional repairs. The second short day is Coinjock, NC where we stop at Midway Marina for the night. Fuel is the cheapest around, a laundry and a great restaurant on premises. It is also a great place to wait out weather if Albermale Sound is kicking up. Leaving Coinjock we make a 78 s/m run to the Pungo River at the end of the Alligator Pungo Canal. A great marina, Dowery Creek lies at s/m 132. From there it's down Pamlico Sound and the Neuse River to Cedar Creek, approx 53 s/m. From Cedar Creek we pass Beaufort and head into Spooner's Creek. If we have favorable tide and current we will pass Mile Hammock at Camp LeJune and continue to Wrightsville Beach where there is a great anchorage, dinghy dock with water and very good grocery store. From there it's on to Barefoot Landing, Myrtle Beach and the free dock right at the huge mall. Stores of every kind, restaurants, bars, exhibits the House of Blues nightclub and a tiger area right in the mall. Also a bus service that will take you to wal-mart, a laundry mat and many other malls along the way. After a few days there it's off thru one of the most beautiful area on the ICW, the Waccamaw River. Unspoiled and uninhabited with the banks of the river lined with cypress trees. Beyond lies Georgetown another great place to stop. Further are many great anchorages in secluded creeks and rivers, take your pick. Next is Charleston, SC which has so much history and culture it's hard to pass by. Past Charleston are more remote anchorages before you come to Beaufort, SC. Home to the Butlers SSCA Cruising Station and further up to Factory Creek where it's just a short walk across the bridge to the City of Beaufort. There are also two marinas close by. Hilton Head and Savanna are ahead. You can take the Savanna River up to the City where there are free docks or continue to Thunderbolt, anchor in the Herb River and dinghy back to Palmer Johnson and take a bus to Savanna. Jekyll Island is a great stop as is Brunswick, Georgia where the town looks very much like Newburyport. Cumberland Island has a good anchorage where you can dinghy to the dock and walk the trails and beaches where you will see wild horses and the remains of some huge mansions. Crossing the state line into Florida we always stop at St. Augustine, America's oldest city. It's on now to Daytona, Titusville, Cape Canaveral, Coco Beach and Melbourne. Beyond is our favorite stop, Vero Beach where the moorings are \$10.00 a night, a bus service that is free which picks you up right at the marina and takes you to every possible mall, store or restaurant imaginable. There is a great restaurant/bar right at the entrance to the mooring area which you can dinghy to. Enterprise Car Rental has \$19.95 weekend rates on cars all over Florida as well. Leaving Vero we make it down to Lake Worth and then because of dozens of bridges do an overnight coastal trip to Miami. The anchorage there is great to stage for the Bahamas. South Beach is a dinghy ride away with many stores, restaurants, bars and great beach, or you can take the rapid transit all over Miami. Once you find a good weather window it's time to shove off for the Bahamas. We like to go direct to Nassau about a 30 hour trip. Once in Nassau we travel South down the Exuma Chain. It's almost totally anchoring with few marinas from here on. No navigation aids but the waters are so clear the bottom becomes easy to define using good eyeball navigation. We stop at Highbourne Cay, Shroud Cay, Norman's, Wardwick Wells, Staniel, Black Point, Lee Stocking and eventually Georgetown. Every Island has it's own beauty with things to do and people to meet. The Bahamas are a true gem and the native people are kind, religious and very friendly. It's worth every mile from New Hampshire to the Exumas. Traveling back you can cross over to Spanish Wells on up thru the Abacos with all there beautiful Islands and anchorages. Cross the Little Bahama Bank and out across the Gulf Stream and your back in the States. Well that's the trip in a very small nut shell. It's been a wonderful experience for us and we continue to enjoy the trip each year.

Best regards,
Steve and Paula Cantwell—S/V Adios



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Social Committee Report

Summer fun is on! Be sure to join us for our \$dollar\$ cook outs on the last Tuesday of each month after the races! Also mark on your calendars our Clam Bake will be after the Regatta on the 17th of September! We sold out last year, so keep it in mind for this year. Details to follow later in the summer.

Take advantage of our incredible views and come to the club for your own cook outs, take a boat ride and hang out on the deck!

See you on the water!

KPYC Education Seminars for 2005
All seminars start at 7:00 at KPYC


Our monthly seminars have had variable attendance, due to weather, timing of the newsletters and website updates, it has not been as well publicized as would have been ideal. In spite of that we have had some lively discussions and I at least have learned a bit.

May had a seminar on rigging and spring commissioning, attendance was modest, but at least more than the zero who showed in April. Thanks to Sandy Hislop of Great Bay Marine and Dave Reynolds of SharkRigging for their time.

June's plan was to be an on the water video of the Tuesday race, a combination of bad weather, tight schedules and incomplete dinghy repairs has scrubbed that. I will try to get out for a Thursday night next week and one of the Tuesdays to video the race for review.

July 11th's theme is "Where have you been?" Starting at 7pm I welcome club members to bring their slides in any format that they can project and narrate where their cruising has taken them. We will try to have a video projector, if you have 35mm, bring your own.

August 8th will again be racing, topic to be determined. September 12 will be fall haul, review of what you should do.



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