

MAGOTHY RIVER SAILING ASSOCIATION

PRE CRUISE REPORT

DATES 27-29 MAY

Title of Cruise: MEMORIAL DAY WYE RIVER CRUISE

Destination: 38° 53.11' N 76° 08.43' W, Granary Creek, off the Wye River on southern shore of Wye Island, a Maryland Natural Resources Management Area.
(<http://www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/eastern/wyeisland.html>)

Navigation: Two routes available, for those familiar and comfortable with Kent Island Narrows (and have the draft which doesn't preclude this route) one can sail from Baltimore light, around the North End of Kent Island and proceed South through the Narrows into Prospect Bay and on into Eastern Bay. For the rest of us its head South from Baltimore Light, under the Bay Bridge and down to the South end of Kent Island, then at G1 heading E and then NE into Eastern Bay. North of Tilgeman Point at R4 start the track south towards St Michael's and the Wye River. Head NE up the Wye River, turning E into Shaw's Bay and continuing E along the Wye East River. Once past Lloyd Creek and heading NE the river narrows, but depths are good, just keep an eye on chart and depth sounder. Once you are heading E again you will pass Dividing Creek to the North, and the next Creek is Granary Creek.

Anchorage: Plan to arrive Saturday afternoon. If you arrive early, you will be able to anchor in Granary Creek. The creek is fairly long so there will be plenty of space to anchor. If the creek is full, the area immediately outside the creek in the Wye River has good holding ground. There is a dingy dock to the south side of the lodge, or if too full then look at the area just past the lodge (east side) where there is a bit of a beach to land on.

Land Navigation: From the Bay Bridge/Western Shore of Maryland: Travel 12.5 miles eastbound on U.S. Route 50. Turn right onto Carmichael Road. Travel 5.1 miles and cross the Wye Island Bridge. Once on the island, follow Wye Island Road, turning left onto Lodge Lane and follow road to the Lodge Pavillion.

Activities: MRSA will join with the Eastport Yacht Club and the Chesapeake Bristol Club for the 2006 Wye Island O_LIMP_ICs on Sunday, May 28th. Begin training NOW! The events will be held at the Wye River DNR Lodge and grounds. Plan to arrive Saturday afternoon. Saturday evening there will be grills and picnic tables available ashore to join the other clubs for BYO cookouts and socializing.

Sunday morning will commence with wet and whaky dingy races in through the anchorage in Granary Creek so pump up your dingy and join the fun. There will also be awards for the best dressed boats. Bring your flags and whatever else to decorate your proud craft.

The O-Limp_Ics begin at 1200 hours. Organize your four-man team and start training NOW. The events will last until 1500 hours. Each club will participate in the activities for two hours and manage the events for one hour. MRSA will manage the events from 1400 to 1500 hours. Each team will represent an Island and

there will be a judging for the costumes that best reflect the island that your team represents.

The chicken barbecue, by Georges's Barbecue, will start about 1700 hours. The cost of the dinner is \$13.00 per person and a dish to share (hors d'oeuvres,veggies,side dishes,salads or deserts). Someone will take dinner reservations when you arrive at the anchorage. If the welcoming committee does not visit your boat shortly after your arrival, try to reach them on VHF channel 72.

Pets. Note that pets are permitted on Wye Island providing they are leashed. The exception is the Lodge/Pavilion area is deemed out of bounds for pets as stipulated by the Management Area authorities. Those bringing dogs, you will have to dingy further up the creek to take them for a walk

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