Calendar of Upcoming Events
- October 4, Thursday: Membership meeting with Special Circumnavigation Sailor Presentation!
- October 7, Sunday: Hallie Rice Fall Series Races 1-2
- October 10, Wednesday: Trophy Party, Gibson Island
- October 13 – 14, Sat & Sun: Bird Cruise to Swan Creek
- October 14, Sunday: Hallie Rice Fall Series Races 3-4
- October 21, Sunday: Hallie Rice Fall Series Races 5-6
- October 27, Saturday: BCYA Harbor Cup
- October 28, Sunday: RCRA Francis Scott Key Classic
- October 28, Sunday: Hallie Rice Fall Series Races 7-8
- November 3, THIS IS A DATE CHANGE, Saturday: Frostbite Cruise, Maryland Yacht Club
- November 4, Sunday: Hallie Rice Fall Series Races 9-10

Commodore’s Comments

By Debbie Lund, Commodore

Fall is a great time to sail on the Bay. John and I spent two weeks in September cruising the Bay. We visited Annapolis, Solomons Island, Oxford, Reedville, Deltaville, Mobjack Bay, and the York River. The Bay is much wider and less boats south of the Patuxent. Once we were in the Virginia waters, there were several times that we spotted dolphins.

There is still quite a bit of cruising and racing in October – check the schedule above. And the racers will not want to miss the Trophy Party at Gibson Island on Wednesday the 10th – be sure to get your name on the list for the gate.

Unfortunately the Wednesday night races are over – the days are just not long enough. The “Goose Cruise” is now the “Bird Cruise” and the destination is Swan Creek. Maybe it will have better weather than the last several years.

There will be a membership meeting on October 4th at Hellas in Millersville. Dick Paden has lined up an interesting night.

October is boat show month. It is always a great time to look and dream at the new boats and equipment. You can get some good deals at the show.

See you on the water!
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“Sail Fast - - - Live Slow.”
- as overheard in the British Virgin Islands

Upcoming Cruises & Events

Annual Wednesday Night Trophy Party
– Wednesday, October 10

Submitted by Swifty Sailier – Starter

The annual Trophy Party celebrating the Wednesday Night Races on the Magothy will be held at Gibson Island on the 10th starting at about 6 PM – probably at the boat house, but double check at the gate house. Also be sure to call Angelo to get your name on the list at the Gate House to avoid having to listen to the crowd from the solace of the other side of the causeway. Angelo Guarino is the MC handing out the trophies. Expecting 105 or so folks, so car pooling is a good idea – or you can always go by boat.

Hallie Rice Fall Races Series

Submitted by Zippered W. Jacket and Inflatable L. Jacket – Warm and Safe Competitors

The races have begun! Grab your warm wear, your inflatable PFD, and your ice pick, then go out and have a great fall day on the water with hearty racers. For more info, contact Angelo Guarino at race_committee@magothysailing.com. And check the date schedule above.

Bird Cruise to Swan Creek – Saturday & Sunday
– October 13 – 14

Submitted by Ima Phlying, Cruise Observer

The Bird Cruise to Swan Creek always proves to be one of the most relaxing and memorable of the year. Sometimes because of the birds; sometimes because of the weather; this year we anticipate at least the latter will cooperate. This used to be called the Goose Cruise, but now called Bird cruise because it is to “Swan” Creek. Get it???? There are Swans out there, but you are more likely to see geese and ducks. Maybe even an eagle or two. In any case, it is a good time to venture across the Bay and into the Chester River, then up to beautiful Swan Creek. For the hearty: no more nettles! (But if you are that hearty, nettles probably do not bother you anyway.) Try to come early and look for the big MRSA Cruising Flag up the Creek, or check in on channel 68. Toni & Dee Torres are the cruise leaders.

Frostbite CRUISE – SATURDAY & Sunday
NEW DATE – November 3 – 4
- Maryland Yacht Club

Submitted by the Dorfs – Cruise Leaders

Since last year’s cruise to the Maryland Yacht Club was a big success and they made us feel so welcome we will be going there again this year for our Frostbite Cruise. It’s a full service Yacht Club with fine food, reasonably priced, and great views of Rock Creek and...
the Patapsco River.

By car: Take Rt. 2 or Rt. 100 to Magothy Bridge Road. Follow Magothy Bridge/Hog Neck to the end. Turn right onto Ft. Smallwood Road and travel 2-3 miles to Fairview Beach Road and turn left. There is a sign to Fairview Marina and Maryland Yacht Club. Go to the end. There is a buzzer at the gate to notify them to open it.

By boat: Enter the Patapsco River.
- At the mouth of the Patapsco River, turn to port after passing Brewerton Channel green buoy 5.
- Proceed on course 244 degrees magnetic, passing the white rocks on your starboard.
- Proceed into Rock Creek.
- Maryland Yacht Club sits on your port side after passing between red day marker 4 and lighted green day marker 3.

Slips are available for those coming by boat for a fee of $1.50 per foot. Let us know if you require a slip and we will send you the form to fill out.

Please RSVP by October 31 so we can give the Club a number: myrondorf@comcast.net OR 410-255-8330.

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**2012 MRSA Cruise Schedule**

*For more information on specific planned cruises, contact the cruise leader listed on the schedule. For any general information feel free to contact us directly, Myron and Sigi Dorf (410-255-8330), E-mail cruising@magothysailing.com. We wish you all a great summer of fun cruises. See you on the water!*

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**Tall-Tales of Past Cruises and Events**

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**Sometimes you just have to take a "FLYER"**

*Submitted by Mike Bonham, Cruise Leader*

That is exactly what the Kirkendall's and the Bonham's did for the September 15th cruise. The Bonham's took *Frequent Flyer*, and the Kirkendall's took *Flying Low* to Worton Creek. The Bonham's left Friday afternoon and had a beam reach from Baltimore light to Fairlee in about 10 knots of wind. The winds picked up to 20-25 knots from the north Friday night which produced very low tides Saturday morning causing more bumping and grinding then a high school dance as *Frequent Flyer* made its way out the inlet for Worton. *Flying Low* was doing some bumping of her own as they beat to Worton in 20 gusting to 30 from the north. Both flyers experienced the Harbour Restaurant at Worton with delicious food. The
winds turned to the south Sunday for the trip home, so most of the flying was done under motor. Guests in attendance were Claudia and Steve Sload, high school friends of Mike's, whose port is Fairlee Creek. (See photo way below.)

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**Racing Corner**

**Trophy Party Wednesday October 10 at the Gibson Island Club**

Please contact Angelo Guarino at race_committee@magothysailing.com for more details.

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**Junior Sailing Program – Ages 9 - 16**

**Junior Training 2013 – stay tuned...**

By Zoe Forsyth, Fleet Captain Junior Training

See you next year! Questions? Contact Zoe Forsyth at 410-315-9548 or junior_training@magothysailing.com

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“Now look here Cap-tain, let us catch the boat,  
We can't swim and lis-ten, we can't float!  
Banjos strum-min’ a good old tune, Up on deck, is the place to spoon,  
Cud-dle up close, be-neath the sil-v'ry moon, Sail-ing down the Chesapeake Bay.”

- excerpt from Sailing Down The Chesapeake Bay,  
words by Jean C. Havez, Music by George Botsford - 1913

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**Treasure the Chesapeake!**

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Sigi and Myron Dorf at Lovely Cove on Lankford Creek  
Commodore Debbie Lund – Labor Day on Reed Creek
The Old Man
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Picture by Bill Paul
Please do your part to restore the Bay and make it cleaner.

Treasure the Magothy!