



Dickerson Owners Association Newsletter

Spring 2012

Samson Post

It was a beautiful 2011 race day on the Choptank until the wind died. Really. I can not say what a beautiful day it was--I was too busy trying to figure out that new handicap system with Barry Creighton and Jeff Stephenson. The race results were:

CAPTAIN	BOAT	HANDICAP	TIME	CORRECTED TIME
Toth	Starry Night	143.6	1:23:20	1:16:19
Fahrmeier	Down Home	214.9	1:29:34	1:18:49
Burry	Plover	325.9	1:38:14	1:21:56
Clarke	Imagine	143.6	1:30:29	1:23:10
Franz	Hemisphere Dancer	225.5	1:35:34	1:24:17
Sampson	Wanderlust	143.6	1:32:23	1:25:12
Freal	Rainbow	301.5	1:40:29	1:25:24
Ewing	Velamore	220.1	1:37:32	1:26:31
Bruns	Rhythms in Blue	249.9	1:39:03	1:26:33
Woytowich	Belle	274.6	1:40:23	1:26:44
Slavin	Irish Mist	243.9	1:40:24	1:28:12
Bernholz	Morning Light	143.6	1:50:36	1:43:25

We had some new faces for winners. Dave Fahrmeier won the 41 Class. John Freal won the 35/36 Class.

We had a record attendance at the parade, reception, race and awards dinner. The Tred Avon Yacht Club and Mears Yacht Haven provided the setting for the Captains' Party and dinner. We had a very good turn out and a lot of fun-- over 60 at the dinner.

2012 is very special because we are celebrating the Dickerson Boatbuilders and will have many of them and their relatives with us participating in all the events. The dates are:

June 15, 16 and 17, 2012

June 15-2.00 PM A parade of Dickersons from Choptank Light to Mears Yacht Haven led by Kerry O'Malley's 59 foot bugeye "Chesapeake" built by Bill Dickerson in the mid 1950's.

Last year we had 16 boats in the parade – let’s do even better this year.

June 15 - 6:00 PM or thereabouts.

Tom Gannon and his crew at Mears have once again graciously agreed to host us at Mears. Tom Gannon and his crew can be reached at 410-226-5450 for a slip. The Association will provide beer, wine, mixers and light snacks. Please feel free to BYOB or additional hors d’oeuvres. Race Packets Party and Dickerson Owners Directories will be handed out at the Captains’ Party.

Oxford Boatyard has slips and can be reached at 410-226-5101. They are just past Mears to Starboard.

Race - Saturday - June 16 - 10:00 AM

Please **READ** your race packet. Course and exact time to be determined. There will be a new format. The new more-level handicap system, used last year and modified to reflect last year’s racing results will be used. This is in an attempt to make the results more equitable. So far the numbers look good and are bunching up the spread. The number of races, etc. will be determined in due course and in the packet.

Dinner - Saturday - June 16 - 6:00 PM

This year’s dinner will once again be held at the Tred Avon Yacht Club, thanks to Jim Karr. As mentioned earlier this year we are having a special “Salute to Dickerson Boatbuilders” honoring the executives and skilled craftsmen that built these classic boats for over 40 year on Maryland’s eastern shore. We have invited a number of boatbuilders and relatives of those that have passed on to join us in this celebration. The program will include a review and video on Dickerson History, a panel discussion with Dickerson boatbuilders and of course the traditional Awards ceremony. It will be a truly memorable event that you do not want to miss.

Some slips and moorings are available by contacting the club at 410 226 5269.

Tred Avon Yacht Club

Chicken BBQ	Baked Beans	Cash Bar:
Burgers & Hotdogs	Watermelon	Mix Drinks & Wine
Cole Slaw	Rolls	Dom. Beer
Potato Salad	Dessert	Imp. Beer
Corn On The Cob	Ice Tea & Coffee	Soda/Juice

RACE: Some of you have NEVER raced—we don’t care. You attend—you race—any questions? With the new handicap system anybody can win—even “Plover”. Okay I’m just kidding, they would have to remove about 5 tons of stuff from the boat. (We bet there’s equipment onboard that Chris has never even seen.) If you have a spinnaker (or other “secret” sail”, forget it. Motors, are for those other boats (CataBenaHunaPacket). Complaints, listened to, sort of. Protests, better be really interesting. Owner, must be on board to win. Mistakes, get use to it, we make lots. Wind, optional, usually shows up after you cross the finish line. Fishing, permitted if you do not foul another boat. Ringers, we know who you are, we’ve seen your act and will penalize you accordingly. Creative cheating will be considered

for what it is. Worst that could happen, is you win the broken mop award. By the way, if you do not know, this is not bumper boats.

Please mark on your registration sheet if you can take crew, or if you are planning to attend and would like to sail.

Visit the website, <http://dickersonowners.org/> there is some neat stuff. Coffee and travel mugs with the Dickerson logo, at a very reasonable price. You would spend twice as much at Starbucks, to give them free advertising, and everyone has their stuff. I am not a jersey fan, but these are more light weight and reeeally soft, and would be real nice at the Captain's Party as it gets cool. They would be nice to give to your all-girl ringer crew.

Contact Bill & Chris Burry wcburry@gmail.com for Post Rendezvous Cruise details.

Dickerson Owner's Association

Membership - June 1, 2012 - May 31, 2013

Please Print

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ FAX _____

Work Phone _____

E-mail _____

Boat Name _____ Length _____ Rig _____

Cockpit Aft _____ Center _____

Previous Name if Renamed _____

Member \$40.00 _____ Associate \$30.00 _____

Rendezvous Reservations

Please indicate the number attending the Captain's Party and Dinner.

Friday night Captain's Party _____

Saturday Salute to Dickerson Boatbuilders and Awards Dinner ___ x \$25.00 =

Dues

Total

RETURN CHECK FOR DUES AND/OR DINNER RESERVATIONS BY JUNE 1, 2012

MADE OUT "DICKERSON OWNERS" TO:

Dick Young
1054 Dawn Avenue
Ephrata, PA 17522

Dickerson Race Entry Form

Please return if entering or thinking about entering, so that we might have the handicap sheets prepared. (Hey, let's be serious----return it!) If you're coming, you might as well fill this out, because we're going to enter you anyway.

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Boat Name _____

Length _____ Rig _____

Cockpit Aft _____ Center _____

Prop Type - Two Blade _____ Three Blade _____ Folding _____

Hard Chine _____ Soft Chine _____ Plastic _____ Wood _____

Sail -- Jib _____ 110 Genoa _____ 130 Genoa _____ 150 Genoa _____

Sail Number (if known) _____

Passengers _____ (Number Please) Looking for ride _____