



The Mainsheet



From The Helm

By Bill Beglin Beneteau 323 ~ Past Behavin' Slip D-31 at Kent's Harbor Marina

From the Helm - September 2013

Labor Day! Are you kidding me, it can't be Labor Day weekend already! Where did the summer go, how can there only be 6 weeks left before the closing of Hanna Creek. It's that time of year when we all need to appreciate the time remaining. There is a lot planned for the coming weeks with our annual Pig Regatta and Roast the weekend of the 7th/8th, followed by the remaining fall series races on the 14th and 22nd. Finally we'll have the Chili cook-off on Oct. 5th on the lower level of Ainsley's restaurant. Come on out and enjoy the end of summer and beginning of fall with your fellow sailors.

Board Membership - One of our most important activities this time of year is asking members to participate and become part of the club's board for a two year term. We have 5 members retiring this year and already have two members that have come forward. One of the hallmarks of this or most any good club is the willingness of members to participate and commit their talent and time for the benefit of all. Please understand leading one of the board positions is not a sole endeavor. We always have plenty of members that volunteer to help with individual events under your guidance. Please give this serious thought and contact any of the board members with your questions and interest.

Fund Raising – As we discussed previously, we are raising funds for a near water level dock to support small boats, kayaks and youth sailing. We are attempting to raise enough money to have these in the water next spring. We've already started selling raffle tickets for the Fall Banquet which will cover the cost of dinner for two as well as a room at the Hueston Woods Lodge for that Sat. night. The winner will be drawn at the chili cook-off on Oct. 5th and you need not be present to win. We're also holding split-the-pot at all of our events and lastly and most importantly a silent auction at the annual banquet.



Commodore Beglin

Calendar

Birthdays:
John Slawter—9/18

Social Events:

Pig Roast-9/7

Oktoberfest-9/28

BLSA BOARD MEMBERS

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From the Helm Cont...**Silent Auction**

We're asking members to donate items for our Fall Banquet silent auction with all proceeds supporting the small boat docks. We already have some great donations including a custom made cutting board, VHF radio and antenna, child life jackets and others. If you donate an item, you can set a minimum bid so that your donation receives a fair return or if not is returned to you. Please contact myself or any board member with questions and more importantly your item to donate. While sailing related items are preferred, if you have something you feel can provide value, let us know.

Bill

From the Race Director

Seems we took a break from racing at the right time of the season with little or no wind the last few weekends. Hopefully, that will all change this coming weekend for the annual Pig Regatta. One of our biggest events of the year, the Pig Regatta weekend includes two days of racing with a pig roast in the middle of it all.

Racing begins with a Skippers meeting at Hanna Creek at 10:00, where we will review a couple rules, and kick off the weekend. Racing starts on the water at 11:00 on Saturday, hopefully getting three races in on Saturday. We will resume on Sunday with two more races. This is a stand-alone event, and does not count toward the fall series races. It is a handicapped race, as always, with prizes awarded for the top three places.

The registration fee for racing this weekend is \$20 per boat. The Pig Roast is \$10 per person. I'll be sending out more information next week about registration, etc.

I am thrilled that Steve and Marie Tacy have offered to serve as Committee again this year (and not just because it means they won't be winning all the races). For the past few years they have done a great job running the races and launching hot dogs from the committee boat to the racers.... Almost as entertaining as the races themselves.

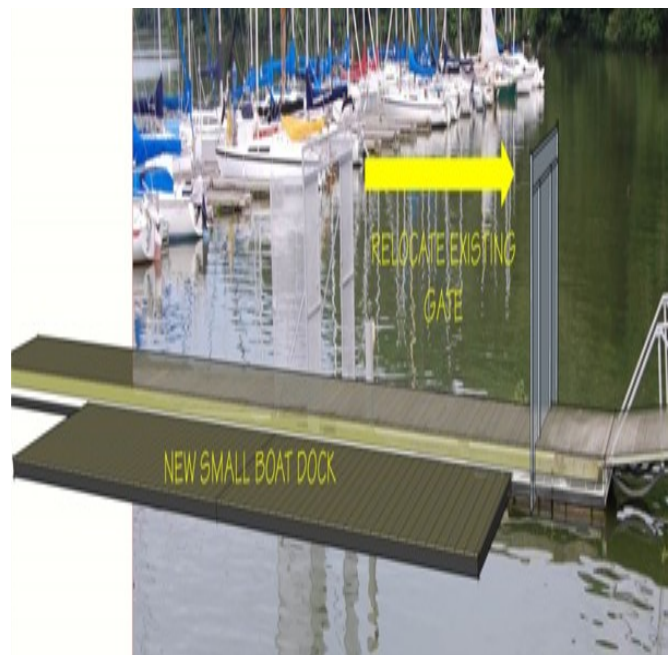
Everyone is invited to participate, in all the races, or even just one. Racing this year is all about getting more people involved, and learning what all the fun is about. Come join us!

Scott

Small Boat Docks:

One of the projects we're working on is the purchase and installation of small boat docks at Hanna Creek. What makes these docks unique is that the float only about 5 inches above the water line while still supporting small boats and people. This makes it much easier to store boats in the dock area rather than up in racks as well as making it much easier to get in and out of puddle ducks, kayaks etc. The initial plan is to have two dock sections 8' x 20'. The intent would be to attach them to the main pier as shown in the mark-up below. Raising funds for these is the main purpose of our Fall Banquet room/dinner raffle, split the pot and silent auction fund raising activities. Please join in to help fund this excellent addition to the Hanna Creek facility.

Bill



From Bill's boat to yours.. Our Social Director has a quick & yummy meal recipe to fill your belly and get you out on your boat in a hurry.

The sailing season in full swing so are the social events.

The Shrimp Boil/Raft up and the Beer Tasting had a great turn out. Thanks to all who attended and everyone who hosted. WI hope a great time was had by all.

The BLSA annual Pig Roast is Saturday, September 7th RAIN or SHINE, 6:00pm in the Hanna Creek circle
Donations are \$10.00 per plate. If you are planning to attend please RSVP to blsa.news@gmail.com

Raffle tickets will be available (6 for \$5) for the Award Dinner Weekend. Dinner for 2 and Saturday night Stay in the Lodge a \$200.00 value,

Speaking of the Awards Dinner, rooms are still available for the weekend. To make a reservation please contact Hueston Woods Lodge at 513-664-3500 and let them know you are with the BLSA.

Now for something yummy at home, try this

Summer Pasta Salad

2 lbs uncooked spaghetti
2-6 ripe tomatoes
2 bell peppers any color
1 large red onion
1 can black olives sliced or whole (optional)
1 or 2 lg bottles of Italian salad dressing

cook pasta according to box directions
rinse and chill with ice water
chop all veggies into 1/2 pieces
toss veggies, pasta and dressing in a large bowl and serve.

Bill B.

Here is an update to the 2013 membership book for your records. We have 70 Memberships as of 8/29/13.

2013 Membership Booklet Supplemental to the BLSA 2013 Membership Booklet.

Barton, Brian & Kris

Boat: Grampian 26
Name: Escape Hatch



Fernandes, Marco & Tiffany

Boat: Capri 22
Name: Wildlife



Hauser, Ernest

Boat: J-24
Name: StrataJem

Holtkamp, Andy & Nicole Batson
 Boat: Hunter 23
 Name: Down Payment

Parsons, Frank & Maureen
 Boat: Beneteau First 265
 Name: WinDancer

Stevens, Ron & Cheryl Vajda
 Boat: Catalina 22
 Name: Some Day I'll

Whelan, Dan & Barbette
 Boat: S2 7.9M Grand Slam
 Name: Deo Gratias



Jay's Mid-Lake Bait & Tackle

Jay Bias

Ice, food, beverages, tableware, propane etc.

They're located at the intersection of Klein Rd. and old rt. 101 just 2.5 miles from Hanna Creek

Please support them - they are supporting BLSA by storing our Equipment Trailer !

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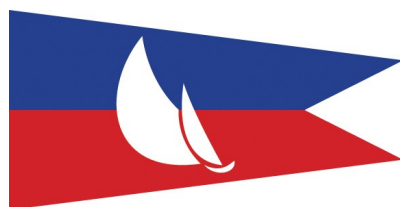
BLSA Logo Wear

Clothing items including T-shirts and hats are available from Capital Varsity Sports in Oxford, OH with the BLSA logo. Call 800-932-5545 for ordering and additional product availability.

<http://www.capitolvarsity.com/>



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