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The Monthly Newsletter of the Magothy River Sailing Association

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Calendar of Upcoming Events

- **Every Wednesday, 6 PM:** *Wednesday Night Races on the Magothy River!!!*
- **July 28-29, Saturday-Sunday:** Corsica River Race/Cruise
- **August 3-4, Friday-Saturday:** World Famous Governor's Cup Race, Annapolis to St. Mary's College, St. Mary's River
- **August 8, Wednesday:** Racing Raft-Up Social, after the Wednesday Night Race
- **August 11-12, Saturday-Sunday:** Miles River Lobster Fest
- **August 18, Saturday:** August Picnic at Mil-Bur, Cornfield Creek
- **September 1-3, Saturday-Monday:** Labor Day Cruise: Langford/Reed, Chester River
- **September 9 for one to 2 weeks:** Virginia Here We Come!

Commodore's Comments

- Still hot!

By Debbie Lund, Commodore

The summer of 2012 has been HOT! Let's hope the second half of the summer will be cooler. I am ready for some sailing. Between the heat and our schedule, I think the last time I was out of the Magothy River was Memorial Day. That is very unusual for The Lunds! This weekend is the Corsica River Race and the last two years have been very hot. Maybe this year the pattern will break.



The cruising group is visiting the Miles River Yacht Club on August 11th and 12th. There is a lobster feast on Saturday night which should be fun. August 18th is the MRSA picnic at Mil-Bur community. There is a pool so everyone can cool off. No excuses that it is too hot.

In September, the Lunds are leading the Labor Day cruise and the 2 week cruise to the Southern Chesapeake. Labor Day weekend will be spent in Langford and Reed Creeks. On Sunday, MRSA has been invited to the party at the Eaton's farm. This is the third year we have attended the party. Bill loves to entertain and to give tours of the old farm house. It is the oldest house in Queen Anne County.

The two week cruise will start on Sunday, September 9th and end on September 23rd.

The destinations will be determined by the group. If you interested in participating in the cruise, please contact me. If you only want to go on 1 week, it would probably be easier to attend the first week. Hopefully we will hit the traditional ports of call of St. Michaels, Oxford, Solomons, Crisfield and then Virginia waters during the second week.

Here's to good winds and cooler temperatures! See you on the water.



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Upcoming Cruises & Events

[Corsica Race-Cruise and Dinner - this weekend!](#)

Submitted by A. Hot Sailor

As previously noted, the cruise/sail/race/dinner to the Corsica River Yacht Club is the weekend of the 29th and 30th. CRYC has updated their website, so it's now possible to purchase dinner tickets (for this Saturday evening) on-line.

http://cryc.sailregattas.com/_cryc/ui/Index.aspx

Click on the 'Dinner Tickets' tab. Add To Cart, update the quantity if necessary. When you submit the order, you can use the 'Guest' option to avoid having to create an account.

[Miles River Lobster Feast - August 11-12](#)

Submitted by Myron Dorf, Fleet Captain-Cruising

On August 11-12 MRSA will cruise to the Miles River Yacht Club. The Yacht Club has graciously invited us to their annual lobster feast.

With that in mind please respond to Joe Jackins at jjack65010@AOL.com or 410-544-3657 soon as possible to let him know if you want a slip and/or if you want to attend the lobster feast. We need to make reservations so he would appreciate a quick response but **please RSVP no later than August 1st**.

Slip fees are \$1.50 per foot plus electric and the lobster feast is \$35.00 per person. Slips are limited so please let me know if you will need a slip ASAP. Please provide me with boat name, loa, beam, and draft.

If you want to anchor out, \$25 per boat gives you and your crew complete access to the club including the pool. Starlight Express will be in a slip and host a BYOB cocktail hour on board.

This will be a fantastic venue for a great cruise.

[MIL-BUR, CORNFIELD CREEK, PICNIC/CRUISE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 18](#)

Submitted by Myron Dorf, Cruise Leader

The weather may be hot but there usually is a cool breeze blowing and there is always the pool to cool off in at the August picnic/cruise at Mil-Bur on Cornfield Creek in Pasadena. Come join your MRSA friends for a fun, relaxing afternoon on Saturday, August 18.

Come by water or land. Activities will start at 1:00 and by 2:00 the grills will be hot and busy with hamburgers and hot dogs grilling. Drinks are provided but bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share with the group. Besides swimming and eating there will be kayaks available for use, games to play, and lots of conversation.

Cornfield Creek is a well-protected secure anchorage just off the north shore of the Magothy near Gibson Island. After entering the creek, be sure to heed the small can #1 and then look for the Mil-Bur community pier at the north end. If you are coming by boat and will need dinghy service or if you have any questions, please E-mail us at myrondorf@comcast.net or call 410-255-8330.

Land directions – take Rte. 100 to the end where it merges onto Mountain Road. Continue straight for about 3 miles and after passing Chesapeake High School on the left the next right turn is Milburn Circle. Turn right and go straight to the clubhouse and pool.

Please let us know that you are coming by August 16 so that we can shop accordingly. myrondorf@comcast.net or 410-255-8330.

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[Labor Day Weekend Cruise - September 3-4-5 -](#)[Lankford Creek, Reed Creek, and the Chester River](#)

Submitted by Commodore Debbie Lund, Cruise Leader

On Saturday, September 1st, MRSA will go to Lovely Bay on Langford Creek to start the Labor Day Weekend. Happy Hour will start at 1700. Please bring an appetizer to share. On Sunday morning, we will have Brunch on *Min Van IV*. Please bring a Brunch item to share with the group. At around noon we will move to Reed Creek so we can attend the Eaton's farm party. The farm is located toward the head of Reed Creek. We will anchor and dinghy to shore. Please bring a side dish to share at the party. It sounds like all we will be doing is eating all weekend. We will sail on Saturday and Monday – and a little bit on Sunday. **Please RSVP by Saturday, August 25** to dlund210@gmail.com if you are planning to attend the cruise. I would like to give the Eaton's a head count for their party.

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!

Dates	Cruise	Cruise Leader
July 28 - 29	Corsica River Race/Cruise Corsica River Yacht Club	Annette & Mike Mullarky
Aug 11 - 12	Miles River Lobster Fest	Joe & Diane Jackins
Aug 18	Picnic/ Cruise, Mil-Bur, Cornfield Creek	Myron & Sigi Dorf
Sep 1 - 3	Labor Day Cruise Lovely Bay, Langford Creek, Reed Creek	John & Debbie Lund
Sep 9 - 23	Long Cruise	John and Debbie Lund
Sep 15 - 16	Whitehall Creek	Mike & Laura Bonham
Sep 29 - 30	Mystery Cruise	Al & Sue Kirkendall
Oct 13 - 14	Bird Cruise - - -Swan Creek	Tony & Dee Torres
Oct 29 - 30	Frostbite Cruise – Maryland Yacht Club	Myron & Sigi Dorf

**Tall-Tales of Past Cruises and Events**[About that Annapolis Cruise that Wasn't, June 30-July 1](#)

Submitted by Gabriella Belli & Bob Krapfel, Cruise Co-Leaders

After a fun-filled Memorial Day cruise and a breathtaking Sailabration in Baltimore, we had decided to “dial it back” with a quiet sojourn into Saltworks Creek off the Severn. Well, the stars didn't align quite right for us, with predicted temperatures soaring to 100+ degrees and the heat index going through the roof! So we went for Plan B – Happy Hour at Eagle Cove on the Magothy, close enough to home that the expected three boats could make a

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RESERVATIONS REQUIRED or REQUESTED FOR:

- *Miles River Cruise – by Wednesday, August 1 to Joe Jackins, 410-544-3657*

- *MIL-BUR Picnic – by Thursday, August 16 to Myron Dorf, 410-255-8330*

- *Labor Day Cruise – by Saturday, August 25 to the Commodore*

PHOTO CREDITS:

Special thanks to Debbie Eren, parent of one of the sailing campers, for the terrific photo of all the campers. And to Andy Polk for the cover photo© of three Log Canoes at Rock Hall this month.

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hasty retreat if staying on the hook overnight was not going to be fun.

By Friday morning, only two boats were still planning on the rendezvous, so after a few consultations, we switched to Plan C and made reservations at Deep Creek Restaurant. This seemed like the right decision, because by Friday afternoon we had a confirmed “yes” from 15 MRSA members! Unfortunately, the weather gods were against us and sent a “derecho” (fast moving, violent, line storm) to foil our plans. Even Plan C had to be scrapped because of a widespread power outage that included the restaurant.

Here's hoping for cool weather, fair winds, and better luck the next time around!

[Dog Day Afternoon – Saturday, July 14th – Eagle Cove](#)

Submitted by The Big Dog, Cruise Companion

We put together a 13+ large raft of sailboats, powerboats, dinghies, jetskis, and other floating objects (including big people, little people, and a few puppy dogs) for a good time on a Saturday afternoon in Eagle Cove behind Gibson Island on the Magothy. Many junior sailors and others new to sailing showed up on smaller and larger boats (definition - anything with ballast in the keel). We were successful in proving to them that big boats don't capsize – especially with just enough wind to get there and back. The raft-up and cookout were very successful this year – until Mother Nature intervened late in the afternoon and Commodore Lund took the safer course in breaking up the raft as storm clouds appeared from the south. As it turned out, the storms hop-scotched around but never entered our little domain, so all was well and the only people getting wet did so on purpose – with no nettles!

Many thanks to Chef Norm and wife Chris Poulsen for putting together this fun event!



Special Membership Notices and Announcements

[Welcome New Members!](#)

Submitted by Peggy Poe, Membership Chairman

Magothy River Sailing Association specializes in many things. We specialize in a superior junior training program. It is a very unusual year when we don't have a waiting list for our junior sailing program.

We specialize in terrific Wednesday Night Racing Series. Racers up and down the Magothy look forward to April so that they can leave work a bit early and get out on the water with their friends and get the sails up for a couple of hours whether there is a breath of wind or not.

We specialize in a fun cruising schedule that is the envy of other sailing clubs on the river.

And we specialize in Mullarkys. The Board welcomed new members in May and June. Rob Mullarky and his fiancée Kara Fenton “soon-to-be” Mullarky were voted on at the June meeting. Rob has hovered around MRSA events for so long we were sure he was already a member. But now he and Kara really are members.

And in May we even specialized in Marks and Lisas! The BOG welcomed two new member families both headed by a Mark and a Lisa.

First, we voted in Marc and Lisa Womeldorf of Arnold, MD. Marc and Lisa have 3 daughters, Kasandra, Peighton and Delaney. Peighton and Delaney will be attending Junior Training this summer. Marc attended the April meeting at the Green Turtle.

Mark Martin and Lisa Pedersen live in Severna Park also became members this month. They have 3 boys –Jake, Sam and Alex. They have a Catalina 34 named *Glory* and Mark is planning to race on Wednesday nights. Mark attended the Race Planning Meeting in February.

Welcome to all three new member families.



Racing Corner

"Mid-Course" Racing Adjustments

By Angelo Guarino, Race Committee Chairman

Just a reminder on last month's emphasis on the starting line "poison" theme. In one of the late June 2012 races, the course put some of the A and B fleet boats right in the face of the Non-Spinnaker and Multi-Hull starts. To prevent this dangerous situation, most multi-fleet, rolling start, round-the-buoy racing includes language or course definitions which make the starting line "poison" – making it a disqualifying offense to cross the starting line in the opposite direction on subsequent legs of the course. Please keep this in mind and Sail Fast Safely out there!

For additional racing information, please contact Angelo Guarino at race_committee@magothysailing.com - and ***sail fast safely!***



Junior Sailing Program – Ages 9 - 16

Junior Training Wrap-Up 2012 – how sweet it was!

By Zoe Forsyth, Fleet Captain Junior Training

– that's Zoe on the left with daughter Caroline, Junior Sailor



At this year's Junior Training Sailing Program, which ran from June 18 through 29 at the Grachur Club on the Magothy, 40 young sailors improved their sailing skills, made new friends, and had lots of fun on water and on land. Program activities included the Regatta, and the always-popular Watermelon Hunt. The long sail to Cape Arthur beach took place under sunny blue skies and just-hot-enough temperatures on the program's penultimate day. Two students achieved the rank of Skipper: Ben Andrew, and Andrew Forsyth. At the Closing Ceremony, all students

received their CBYRA Certificates from Head Instructor James Dougan, and then enjoyed a delicious picnic with their families.

Many MRSA folks gave generously of their time and energy and deserve credit for the success of this year's Program. Dave Kemp prepared and maintained the fleet, while Joe Tierney took care of registration and communications. Debbie Lund facilitated arrangements with the Grachur Club; First Aid preparedness was provided by Annette

Mullarky; and Mike Mullarky kept Website information up to date including the very important parent schedule. Kathy Dougan helped with picnic planning and many other details. Sheryl and Wes McNair again generously made available their property for boat storage and pre-program preparation, and for the Closing Ceremony.

Thanks also to all parents and grandparents who willingly pitched in to help on their Parent Supervision day(s); your support was an important part of the program's success. Hopefully many Junior Training families will continue their involvement with MRSA activities throughout the year, and join us again for the program in 2013!

Questions? Contact Zoe Forsyth at 410-315-9548 or junior_training@magothysailing.com.



Oh, By the Way...



Sincere thanks to all who made this year's MRSA Sailing Training at the Grachur Club such a success. Special thanks for Zoe Forsythe and those listed in the accompanying article for their diligence, and also to Debbie Eren, camper parent, for this terrific photo of all the campers and counselors.

Treasure the Children of the Chesapeake!





And since we have room for a couple of pictures this month...

We have a nice shot of the Blue Angels with a MRSA Burgee during Sailabration in Baltimore in mid-June. A definite "proof we were there" picture.

With this other photo, Andrew Forsythe can prove he sailed with the Poes and his brother Ryan to Dog Day Afternoon in Eagle Cove the 14th of July. Well, Andrew has proof. He probably learned so much at the sailing camp this summer that he single-handed his way down the Magothy, having "borrowed" the Poe's *Ravenous*. (Looks like he went to camera school too.)



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Please do your part to restore the Bay and make it cleaner.