



# Blackbeard's Epitaph

**Save These Dates:**

**March 7**

**BoD @ 9:30**

**March 14**

**Workday @ 8AM**

**March 20**

**St. Patrick's Day Party**

**March 21**

**NYRA Invitational**

**March 28**

**Bill Jarvis Celebration @ 11AM**

**Spring One Design Series #1 (Ensign & SJ21)**

**April 4**

**NCSU Collegiate Regatta (Oriental)**

**Spring One Design Series #2**



## Blackbeard Sailing Club

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## From the Commodore

**Happy March Mates!**

Spring is almost here! The days are longer, the sun shines brighter and the breeze starts coming out of the South more often.

Our workday events are almost upon us - starting with the Club House Cleaning championed by Susan McCrocklin and her merry elves. Then workday follows soon after, where we look forward to connecting with old friends and making new acquaintances.

The weekly fun sails have had a nice run of participation, though there was a little lack of wind. Cruising events are starting to take shape along with the racing events almost every weekend through July. Check out the BSC calendars!

Hope to see y'all out there!

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## Bill Jarvis 1938 - 2026

William (Bill) Jarvis was born in Norwich, UK on 8<sup>th</sup> February 1938 and died peacefully in Fairfield Harbour, New Bern just 4 days short of his 88<sup>th</sup> birthday. He is survived by Olwen, his wife of 64 years, two daughters, Angela and Helen, six grandchildren and one very new, great grandson.

Bill won a scholarship to attend Cambridge University, but chose to attend Birmingham College of Advanced Technology, where he obtained an advanced degree in electrical and mechanical engineering. After five years with Wilkinson Sword



developing razor blade technology, he

was sent to the USA to work on fire protection on aircraft and spacecraft. For twenty years prior to retiring, Bill designed and developed machinery for very specialized packaging for pharmaceutical and electrical components.

Bill was an “engineer’s engineer”, he could turn his hand to anything – electrical, electronic, mechanical, physical or sonic. He was a music lover, a fine musician and played the flute in the Watford Symphony Orchestra in the UK and for 25 years with the Craven County Community Band, New Bern.

Probably Bill’s greatest love was getting on the water. He was a Sea Scout in England, learning to build boats and sail on small lakes. For a short time, he was fortunate to sail and train on HMS Discovery, the Antarctic exploration vessel! He had a series of sailboats, all called “Piccolo”, which Olwen and he raced very successfully up and down the East Coast of the USA. In the latter years, he turned his focus from sailboat racing to race management. Bill established a very successful race management team based around his trawler “Piccolo”. He trained his successor to become the next Principal Race Officer (PRO) which ensures his legacy continues.

Bill and Olwen donated their trawler Piccolo to Blackbeard Sailing Club and to Edward Teach Youth Sailing Association (ETYSA) to continue their support for sailing and for youth sail training.

Donations in Bill’s memory may be made to ETYSA (ETYSA.org), to Carolina Chamber Music Festival (carolinachambermusic.org) or to Craven County Hospice Foundation (<https://www.cravencountync.gov/1935/Contributions>).



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## *Clubhouse Spring Cleaning*



Hello all,

I invite you to join us on Wednesday, March 4th, from 8-11 as we deep-clean the clubhouse and kitchen. Cleaning supplies are provided.

This is an opportunity to meet new members, catch up with old friends, and just have fun. Hope to see you there.

Susan McCrocklin  
(252) 665-2215  
[varnisher@mac.com](mailto:varnisher@mac.com)

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Save  
the  
Date!

Friday  
March  
20th

5PM  
Social  
6PM  
PotLuck  
Dinner

BYOB



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## Neuse Yacht Racing Association (NYRA)

The Neuse Yacht Racing Association (NYRA) concluded its 2026 Commodore's Regatta and annual awards dinner on Saturday, February 21, at the newly opened Fairfield Harbor clubhouse.

The event took place in the Lookout room which featured stylish decorations arranged by NYRA member Jenny Hamilton and catering by The Posh Palate.

The days racing on the Neuse presented difficult winter conditions, including variable winds and chilly rain. Despite the challenges, 12 boats competed across the Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, and Navigator fleets. Boat of the Year award was on the line this race with a score sheet tied at 15 between *Bad Fish* (Ed Doughty) and *Patriot* (Jonathon Brown)

At the evening awards dinner, featured custom artwork commissioned for the regatta by NYRA's board director, Blake Sohn. Winners received framed prints of the pieces, and the original artworks were auctioned among attendees, with all proceeds directed to [NYRA.org](https://www.nyra.org) to support the organization's activities.

### Commodore Regatta winners included:

- **Spinnaker Division:** *Bad Fish*, skippered by Ed Doughty
- **Non-Spinnaker Division:** *Mystic Blue*, skippered by Al Lang
- **Navigator Division:** *Dulcinea*, skippered by Kevin Scott and Gary Scott

The dinner also recognized standout performances from the 2025-26 NYRA Winter Series, a seven-regatta series, and special annual awards:

- **Winter Series**
  - Spinnaker: *Blue Note* / Mark Brennesholtz-Mark Hittner
  - Navigator: *Vertical Wing* / Paul Mills
- **Boat of the Year**
  - Spinnaker: *Bad Fish* / Ed Doughty
  - Non-Spinnaker: *Dutch Wind* / Ed Thompson
  - Navigator: *Dutch Wind* / Ed Thompson
- **Crew of the Year:** Jim Hickman
- **Sportsman of the Year:** Clare Lynn Brock

NYRA extended congratulations to all award recipients and expressed particular appreciation to its volunteers, including Joan Wilson for her coordination of the Regatta Series and to Commodore Stephanie Davies for her ongoing leadership.

NYRA encourages members to renew their annual dues (JOIN HERE). Captains are asked to remind crew members to submit the \$25 annual fee, which helps sustain the club's sailing events and facilities on the Neuse River.

[https://www.regattanetwork.com/membermgmt/NYRA/membership\\_registration\\_start.php](https://www.regattanetwork.com/membermgmt/NYRA/membership_registration_start.php)

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## *Celebration of Life*



*Please join us to Celebrate the life*

of

**Bill (William) Jarvis**

February 8, 1938-February 4, 2026

Saturday, March 28, 2026, 11.00 am

at Blackbeard Sailing Club

(1215 Barkentine Drive, Fairfield Harbour)

Join us for a buffet lunch, and share your favorite stories and memories of Bill, a wonderful person who is greatly missed.

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## Social Planning

Thank you to everyone who participated—both in person and via video conference—in the Social Committee planning meeting on January 17. Your ideas, time, and enthusiasm are what keep our club vibrant and connected.

If you were not able to attend the meeting but would like to volunteer to help with an existing event or organize a new social at the clubhouse, please contact Connie at [BSCsocialrsvp@gmail.com](mailto:BSCsocialrsvp@gmail.com).

Members who are interested in organizing a new social event are encouraged to email Connie to determine open dates. A brief description of the type of event being planned would be appreciated if you know it. Date available could determine the theme of the event. We welcome and encourage members to host social events that are open to the entire membership. We simply ask for patience as dates must be requested in advance so we can honor existing commitments and ensure smooth coordination.

A special thank you goes to Joan Wilson for stepping into the open position of Shoreside Chair. Your willingness to serve is greatly appreciated.

The many events held at Blackbeard Sailing Club rely on collaboration and cooperation among dozens of volunteers. From setup and cleanup, to food hospitality, and even taking trash disposal - every detail matters. We are grateful for the strong spirit of volunteerism that continues to make BSC special place!



*Connie Kern*, NCC LCMHC  
646.588.8176

## Cruising Forward

Ahoy Mates! We are so excited to announce the 2026 Cruise Committee Schedule at BSC!!! This year we have scheduled dates that reflect our efforts to honor other events and holidays where sailors might have other obligations. With that said, there are only so many weekends in the season to do our thing, and I'm sure that is respected as well!

Jessica, Scott and Jason would like to announce the addition of Ken Gasch as a back-up member of the Cruise Committee. WELCOME, KEN! We are thankful for your offer to help out and welcome your participation!

Of course, the dates listed on the schedule below are subject to change due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances. We will send out updates a couple of weeks prior to each cruise with more details and to coordinate departure times. We also may add events, such as the raft up at Pirates Island after the Spring/Fall workdays when the dates are known.

Thank you! ... your humble Cruise Committee -

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## *Cruising Forward (continued)*

### **2026 Cruise Committee Schedule**

- **April 10-12 Oriental Boat Show**
  - Join us in Oriental for their annual boat show! Anchoring is near the bridge while spots are available (try to get there early!), otherwise anchor outside of the rock jetty.
  
- **May 9-10 Blue Angels show out of Cherry Point**
  - Returning in 2026 for their amazing arial acrobatics! Join us on the Neuse River/Slocum Creek as these incredible pilots jet past the tops of our masts and perform their famous air show!
  
- **June 25-28 Ocracoke or Cape Lookout (weather will dictate the destination)**
  - Our "BIG" cruise for the season, this is the chance to get out for some blue water fun! Swimming, snorkeling, beach fires, etc.!!
  
- **July 4<sup>th</sup> New Bern**
  - A fun, short cruise under the bridge to New Bern AFTER the hotdog lunch at BSC to watch some fireworks!
  
- **July 24-26 River Dunes NC**
  - Since it was such a big hit last year, it was decided before we left that it would become an annual sail! Top notch docking service, pool, hot tub and other amenities are among the many enticements provided for a mini vacation a short distance from our home port!
  
- **September 5-7 Beaufort NC**
  - Let's go have some fun in Beaufort for Labor Day weekend! Anchor with us at Taylor's Creek or book yourself a slip in one of the marinas. Either way we'll all meet and party it up properly for the unofficial end of summer!
  
- **October 17-18 Minnesott Beach NC**
  - A fun Autumn raft up party at one of the nicest white sand beaches on the Neuse River!
  
- **December TBD New Bern XMAS Flotilla**
  - Throw on your big boy/girl pants and come out to brave this cold, but fun, night watching the boats all lit up for Christmas!

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**SALE**

**2-Tone  
BSC HATS!**

**ONLY \$12 EACH**

Reserve yours by calling  
**Erin Vergot (252) 229-1942**

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(252) 229-1942

- Full Name
- Membership Number
- Quantity

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## Two in One Dockmaster Messages

by Paul Mills

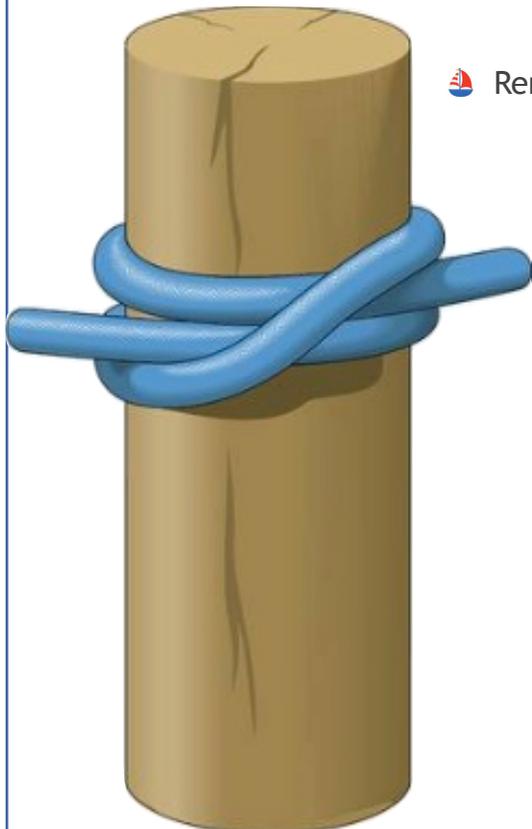
### **Insurance:** *Wet slip boat insurance requires*

-  Members shall provide the club with a certificate of insurance and always maintain the insurance while the vessel is using the club facilities.
-  Vessels in wet slips require a minimum of \$300,000.00 liability coverage naming Blackbeard Sailing Club as additionally insured.  
**(Home owners policy is not appropriate).**
-  Vessels/Trailers in shore slips require a minimum of \$100,000.00 liability coverage naming Blackbeard Sailing Club as additionally insure



### **Dock Walkabout Observations:**

-  Numerous boats have their lines attached directly to the cleats on the pilings. The dock lines need to be secured to the piling and tied off on the cleat in such a way that the load is on the piling not the cleat.



-  Remember, two lines on each corner of the boat and at least one spring line. Leave enough slack for high or low water

Paul Mills  
 Dock Master  
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## WASTE OIL, DIESEL, AND GASOLINE

BSC will be providing barrels for the disposal of WASTE OIL, DIESEL & GASOLINE.

An agreement with Noble Oil/Clean Harbors has been made for its legal disposal.

The barrels will be on site by the fuel storage area from early Feb and expect to be picked up around mid-March.

**Please do not place antifreeze, paint, or other types of cleaners/ solvents in these barrels, to do so will void the agreement with the carrier.**



## Plan Ahead for Independence Day #250

America is turning 250 – and BSC is the place to celebrate!

This July 4th, we're marking a once-in-a-lifetime milestone in our nation's history, and there's no better backdrop than the beauty of our marina and the spirit of our sailing community.

Sheldon Shikoluk and his committee are leading the charge this year. They're planning bigger food, bigger fun, and a celebration worthy of America's 250th birthday!



Lunch drops at noon with a full lineup of brats, hot dogs, and hamburgers – loaded with all the fixings and ready to fuel a fantastic afternoon.

Then the adventure continues! After lunch, Jason Heald and Scott and Jessica Huddle will lead a sailboat cruise to New Bern for the evening fireworks spectacular. Nothing says Independence Day like boats, friends, and fireworks over the water!

All members are invited – so gather your crew, wear your red, white, and blue, and get ready to celebrate in true BSC style.

RSVP buttons will be live on the website soon – ***make your plans now and be part of this historic day!***

PLAN TO SPEND  
**AMERICA'S 250<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY**  
**AT BSC!**

**JULY 4 • 10 AM**



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## McIntyre Mini Globe Fleet sets off on the last of solo around the world race - Part 2

by Ritchie Thomson

The eleven ALMA GC 580s are bound for the National Sailing Academy in Antigua from where they left one year before. 15 sailors set out in their home-built plywood 19ft/5.8mtr yachts February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025. Since then, three retired for financial reasons and one for a health issue. Those still sailing have since amassed a lifetime of memories filled with exotic destinations, scary moments serious challenges and very tight one design racing. Only a few days separate the lead pack.

This last sail home is a tactical challenge through doldrums, collision risk with floating logs from the Amazon, extreme currents and the wind more on the beam, or forward of it and strong in the last days into Antigua. Sails are tired and sun damaged, but the boats are strong. Eric Marsh on *Sunbear* took a 48hr time penalty before departure for fitting a new Mainsail. Others are taking a chance they can hold their sails together. Will that work?

The first 24hrs are pleasant. Keri Harris (#47 *Origami* / UK) and Christian Sauer



(#103 *Argo* / DE) headed offshore to make for the current and strong breeze but the rest of the fleet held inshore with light headwinds laying the course. 14 hours later Keri was 40 miles behind Pilar Pasanau (#98 *Peter Punk* / ES) leading the fleet for the first time. She has made it clear she wants to do well on this leg. More than a few are stating they hope to be in front of Renaud Stitelmann (@28 *Capucinette* / CH) who has won every leg all the way around the world! There is a daily LIVE Tracker update on Facebook and YouTube as 1200UTC.

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## *Wilkerson Cup - April 12<sup>th</sup>*

### FHYC Racing - 2026 Wilkerson

Planning is underway for big boat racing for 2026. The first on the schedule is the Wilkerson Cup, traditionally run on the day after FHYC's Commissioning Day. This year it is on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April. Choosing this day means that the boats are in the water and ready to sail. So, there is no excuse for not participating. Typically, there are two courses, one is round the government marks (ATONs) out on the Neuse. The specific course and distance is chosen depending on the forecast wind speed and direction.

The other course is typically a windward/leeward course around specifically set marks. The boats who sail this course are generally smaller boats. There may be separate classes for spinnaker and non-spinnaker boats.

## Wilkerson Cup 12 April

### Classes – Navigator, Spin, Non-spin

Enter at:

<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/30786>



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## 2026 RACE SCHEDULE

Provided by Inter-Club Racing Committee (ICRC)

1/16/26

| Date   | Day        | Club  | Event                                | PHRF                             | One-Design |                 | Location             |
|--|------------|-------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| <b>More races, events and contact information are listed on next page!</b> |            |       |                                      |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| Mar 21-22  | Sat-Sun    | NYRA  | NYRA Invitational *                  | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Apr 4-5  | Sat-Sun    | BTS   | NCSU Collegiate Regatta              |                                  | X          | Collegiate Only | Oriental             |
| <b>Apr 5</b>   | <b>Sun</b> |       | <b>EASTER</b>                        |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| Apr 11   | Sat        | BSC   | "Around the Course" Rules Seminar    | Seminar by Jerry Thompson        |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Apr 12   | Sun        | FHYC  | Wilkerson Regatta                    | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| May 2-3  | Sat-Sun    | NYRA  | Cinco de Mayo One-Design Regatta #   |                                  | X          |                 | New Bern             |
| <b>May 10</b>  | <b>Sun</b> |       | <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b>                  |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| May 23   | Sat        | FHYC  | John Walsh Memorial Oar Race *P      | X                                |            |                 | New Bern to Oriental |
| May 24   | Sun        | NYRA  | Johnson Lexus Cup Regatta *P         | X                                |            |                 | Oriental to New Bern |
| <b>May 25</b>  | <b>Mon</b> |       | <b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>                  |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| May 30-31  | Sat-Sun    | ODC   | Dragon's Breath Regatta * P          | X                                |            |                 | Oriental             |
| Jun 13-14  | Sat-Sun    | BSC   | Spring One-Design Regatta #          |                                  | X          |                 | New Bern             |
| Jun 20   | Sat        | PSC   | Indian Island to Ocracoke P          | X                                |            |                 | Pamlico              |
| <b>Jun 21</b>  | <b>Sun</b> |       | <b>FATHER'S DAY</b>                  |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| <b>Jul 4</b>   | <b>Sat</b> |       | <b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>              |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| Jul 4  | Sat        | BTS   | Croaker Festival Regatta             |                                  | X          | FJ/420/SF       | Oriental             |
| Jul 18   | Sat        | NYRA  | Parrothead (to Oriental)             | X                                |            |                 | New Bern to Oriental |
| Jul 18   | Sat        | HISC  | Harkers Island Regatta               |                                  | X          | Sunfish only    | Harkers Isl          |
| Aug 22-23  | Sat-Sun    | BSC   | Gurganus One-Design Regatta #        |                                  | X          |                 | New Bern             |
| <b>Sep 7</b>   | <b>Mon</b> |       | <b>LABOR DAY</b>                     |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| Sep 11-13  | Fri-Sun    | ETYSA | Queen Anne's Revenge Junior Regatta  | Dinghy Regatta, under 18 yrs old |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Sep 19   | Sat        | BTS   | Greens Creek Regatta                 |                                  | X          | Under 20 ft     | Oriental             |
| Sep 26-27  | Sat-Sun    | NYRA  | Full Moon Overnight Regatta          | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Oct 3-4  | Sat-Sun    | BSC   | Blackbeard Regatta (ETYSA Benefit) * | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Oct 9-11   | Fri-Sun    | NCO   | Oriental Cup P                       | X                                |            |                 | Oriental             |
| <b>Oct 31</b>  | <b>Sat</b> |       | <b>HALLOWEEN</b>                     |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| Oct 31   | Sat        | NYRA  | Halloween / Winter Race 1 *          | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Nov 14   | Sat        | NYRA  | Winter Race 2 *                      | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Nov 21   | Sat        | BSC   | Turkey Trot Regatta                  |                                  | X          |                 | New Bern             |
| <b>Nov 26</b>  | <b>Thu</b> |       | <b>THANKSGIVING</b>                  |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| Dec 5  | Sat        | NYRA  | Winter Race 3 *                      | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Dec 19   | Sat        | NYRA  | Winter Race 4 *                      | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| <b>Dec 25</b>  | <b>Fri</b> |       | <b>CHRISTMAS</b>                     |                                  |            |                 |                      |
| Jan 9, 2027  | Sat        | NYRA  | Winter Race 5 *                      | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Jan 23, 2027   | Sat        | NYRA  | Winter Race 6 *                      | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Feb 6, 2027  | Sat        | NYRA  | Winter Race 7 *                      | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |
| Feb 20, 2027   | Sat        | NYRA  | Commodore's Ball Regatta *           | X                                |            |                 | New Bern             |

\* NYRA Boat of the Year Race

# Clark Cup Series

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## Additional Events of Interest

### Blackbeard One Design Series - located on the Neuse River near Upper Broad Creek, New Bern, NC.

**Spring Series:** 6 Saturday races on Mar 28; Apr 4, 18 & 25; May 2 & 9.  
**Fall Series:** 6 Saturday races on Sep 19 & 26; Oct 3, 10, & 24; Nov 7 (awards & social TBD.)  
 Three races per day, first signal at 1255. **Contact: Blake Sohn at [blakesohn@gmail.com](mailto:blakesohn@gmail.com) or (612) 481-9696.**

### Blackbeard Sailing Club (BSC) Weekly PHRF Fun Sails

Pursuit starts based on NC PHRF ratings - open to everyone at no cost, no club affiliation required.  
 Day of the week and time based on weather and daylight hours. Notifications via email distribution list.  
**Contact Joan Wilson [sail\\_kitty@hotmail.com](mailto:sail_kitty@hotmail.com) or Ed Thompson [edthompson2@comcast.net](mailto:edthompson2@comcast.net)**

### Oriental Dinghy Club (ODC) Keel Boat Races

Spinnaker on Saturdays: Mar 28; Apr 18; May 16; Jun 27; Jul 11; Aug 8; Sep 5 & 26; Oct 24; Nov 7 & 14.  
 JAM PHRF Buoy on Saturdays: Mar 28; Apr 18; May 16; Sep 5 & 26; Oct 24; Nov 7 & 14.  
 JAM PHRF Distance/Pursuit on Saturdays at 1PM: Jun 27, Jul 11, Aug 8  
**Contact Bob Slook for info at [bslook@gmail.com](mailto:bslook@gmail.com) or (732) 740-5591.**

### Sunfish Racing

**>FHYC Sunfish Races** - near the boat ramp on Fairfield Harbour Inner Harbour; 3 to 6 races per day, first signal at 2PM  
 Spring Series: 7 Sunday race days on Apr 12, 19 & 26; May 3, 17 & 24; Jun 7.  
 Fall Series: 7 Sunday race days on Sep 13, 20 & 27; Oct 4, 11, 18 & 25. (Awards & social following Oct 25 races.)  
**Contact Jerry Rezab for info at [geraldrezab@yahoo.com](mailto:geraldrezab@yahoo.com) or (252) 288-4124.**  
**>Oriental Dinghy Club (ODC), Oriental NC**  
 Dinghy Races on Sundays: Mar 29; Apr 19; May 17; Jun 28; Jul 12; Aug 9; Sep 6 & 27; Oct 25; Nov 8 & 15.  
**Lasers, 420s & FJs may be chartered at regatta site. Contact [info@bowtosternboating.com](mailto:info@bowtosternboating.com)**  
**>Hot Toddy Winter Series at Blackbeard Sailing Club, New Bern NC**  
 2025 Schedule on Saturdays: Dec 6, 20.  
 2026 Schedule on Saturdays: Jan 3, 18(Sunday), 31; Feb 14, 28; Mar 7(make-up if needed), 21; Apr 4.  
**Contact Jude Brown for info at [heyjfb@earthlink.net](mailto:heyjfb@earthlink.net) or (240) 671-5771.**

### Miscellaneous

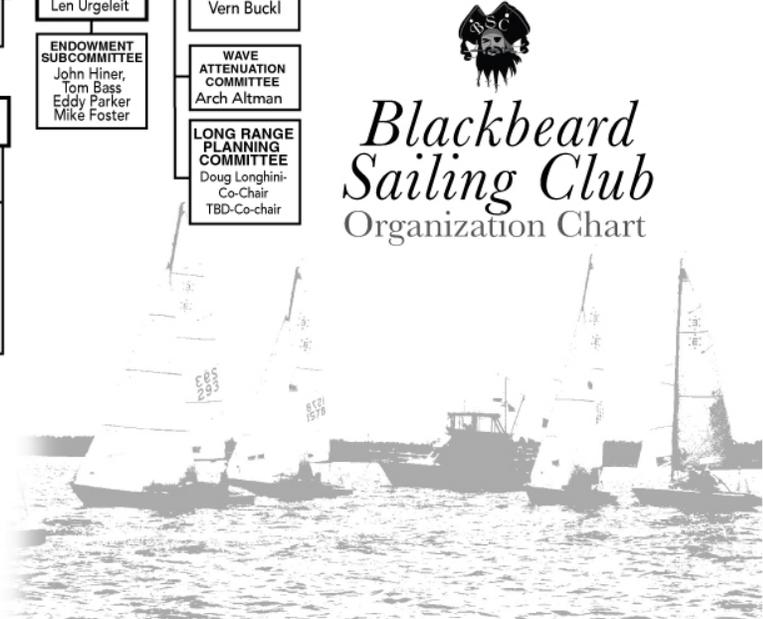
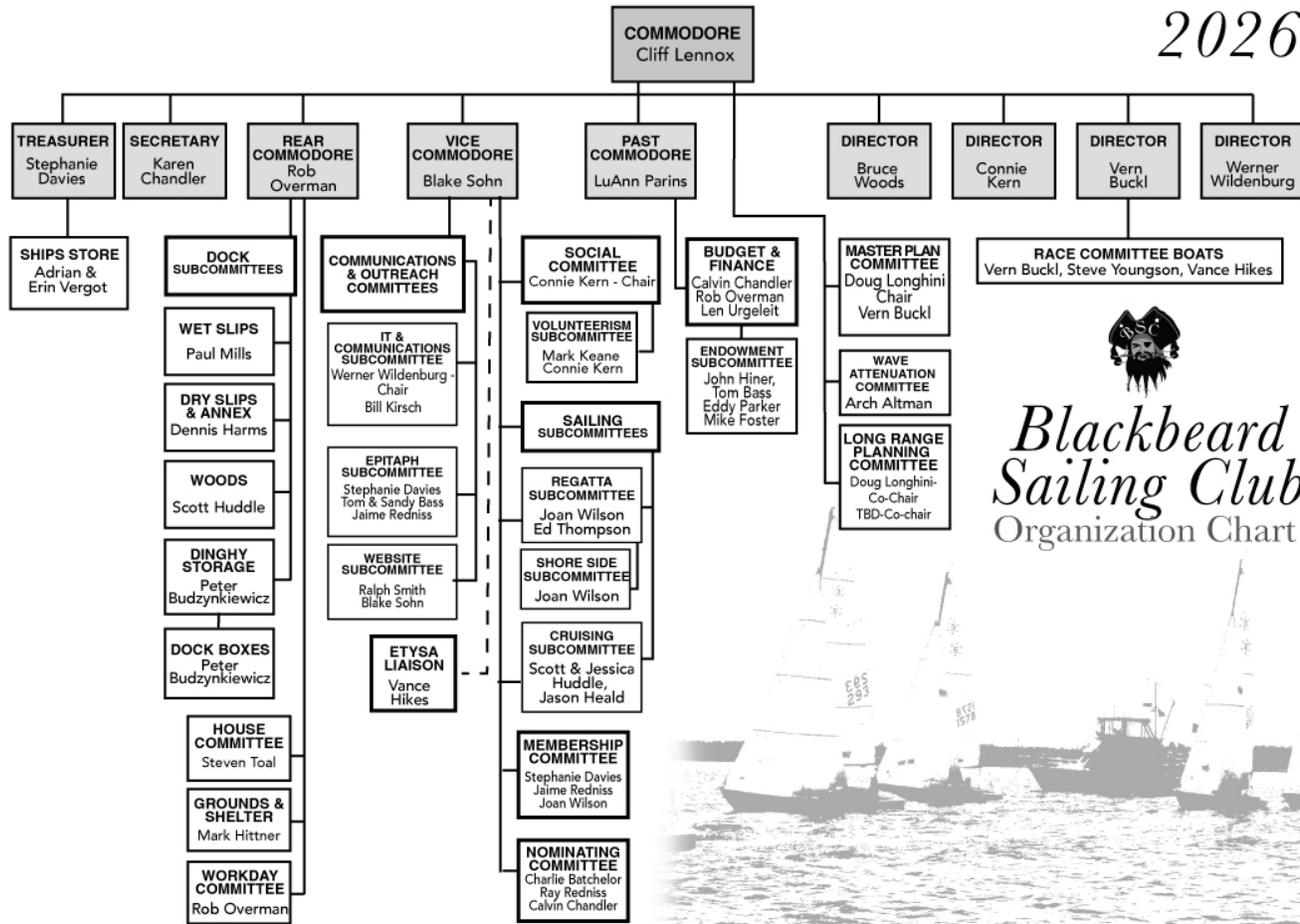
| 2025 Date   | Day       | Club | Event                       | Location      |
|-------------|-----------|------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Apr 10-12   | Thurs-Sun |      | Oriental Boat Show          | Oriental NC   |
| Apr 15-19   | Wed-Sun   |      | Charleston Race Week        | Charleston SC |
| April 17-19 | Fri-Sun   |      | CAT Small Boat Racing Event | New Bern NC   |
| Jun 1-26    | Mon-Fri   | BSC  | ETYSA Youth Sailing Camps   | New Bern NC   |
| Jul 6-31    | Mon-Fri   | BSC  | ETYSA Youth Sailing Camps   | New Bern NC   |
| Oct 10-11   | Sat-Sun   |      | Mumfest                     | New Bern NC   |

| Club  | Club                             | Representative   | eMail  | Telephone      |
|-------|----------------------------------|------------------|--|----------------|
| BSC   | Blackbeard Sailing Club          | Joan Wilson      | <a href="mailto:sail_kitty@hotmail.com">sail_kitty@hotmail.com</a>             | (610) 357-7476 |
| BTS   | Bow To Stern                     | Jim Edwards      | <a href="mailto:info@bowtosternboating.com">info@bowtosternboating.com</a>     | (252) 249-2424 |
| ETYSA | Edward Teach Youth Sailing Assn  | Clare Brock      | <a href="mailto:clbrock@embarqmail.com">clbrock@embarqmail.com</a>             | (252) 671-7462 |
| FHYC  | Fairfield Harbour Yacht Club     | Leigh Hart       | <a href="mailto:dol123@me.com">dol123@me.com</a>                               | (919) 801-7123 |
| FLT 8 | San Juan Fleet 8                 | Jeff Thomas      | <a href="mailto:jennjeff@suddenlink.net">jennjeff@suddenlink.net</a>           | (252) 638-1493 |
| FOM   | Friends of the Museum (Beaufort) | Brent Creelman   | <a href="mailto:brent@maritimefriends.org">brent@maritimefriends.org</a>       | (252) 728-1638 |
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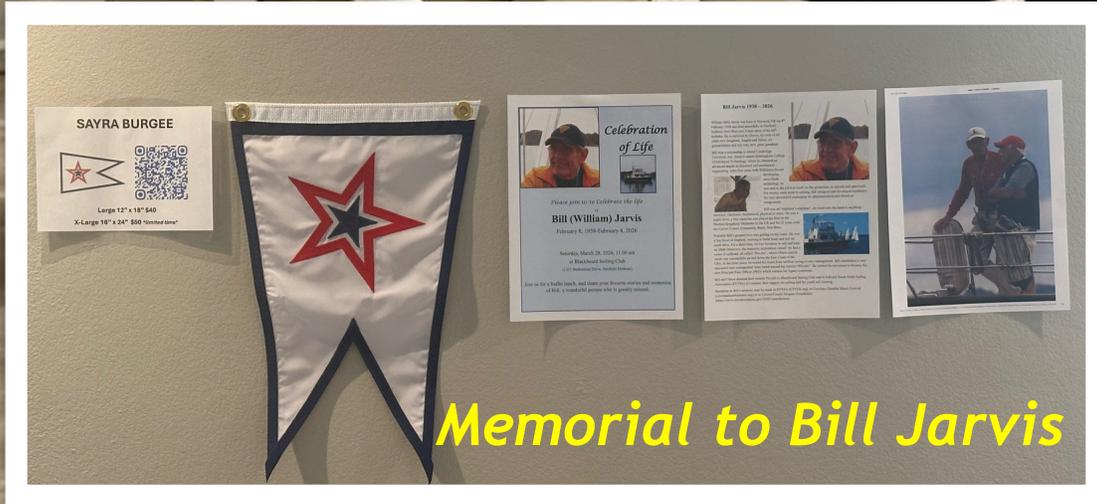
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*Memorial to Bill Jarvis*

***Ray Redniss receiving the John Bonds award at the annual SAYRA meeting in Hilton Head, SC. Ray was honored to receive this award since it had previously been awarded to Bill Jarvis.***