



**Save These Dates:**

**July 4**

**Hot Dog Lunch**

**July 5**

**Cruise to New Bern**

**Croaker Festival in Oriental**

**July 12**

**BOD @ 9:30**

**July 19**

**NYRA Parrothead**

**August 1 - 4**

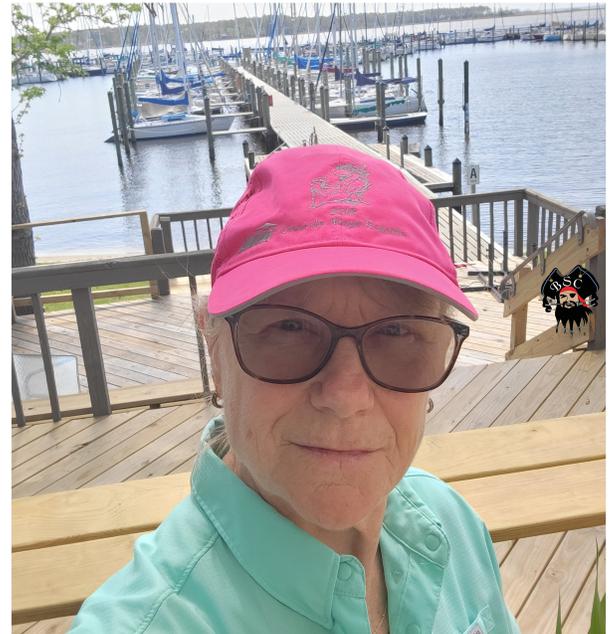
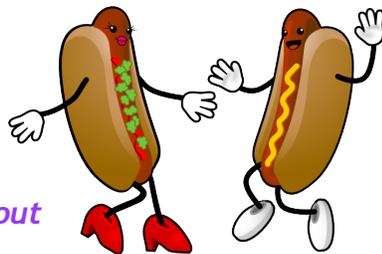
**Cruise to Cape Lookout**

**August 9-10**

**NYRA Overnight Full Moon Cruise**

**August 10**

**BOD @ 9:30**



**Blackbeard Sailing Club**

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***From the Commodore:***  
**Summer Is Here!**

***Welcome to Hurricane Season***

The heat is upon us with a vengeance this week. Even Alaskans have their first ever heat advisory! The Thistle Regional Championship races were abandoned on Sunday (6/22) due to lack of breeze (after better than anticipated conditions on Saturday), and it's getting up to "sweltering" conditions.

There aren't any "official" events planned at the Club for the month, other than the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July picnic, and the cruise to New Bern afterward to watch the fireworks. The Tuesday Fun Racing fleet will sail on the river, each week as conditions permit, and Thirsty Thursday Dinghy Racing will go on in the creek for anybody who wants to join in. It's usually cooler on the water; so go sailing! Just remember to drink plenty of water.

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*From the Commodore:*

NYRA will run the Parrothead "drag race" to Oriental on July 19th, which is always a big time and usually involves dodging squalls. The next cruise is to Cape Lookout August 1-4.

See you on the water!

*LuAnn*



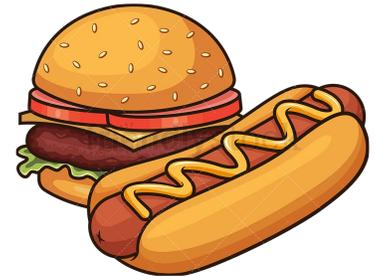
**Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Lunch**

**Friday, July 4, 2024**

**Noon**

**Announcing the Annual July 4<sup>th</sup> Lunch! Featuring burgers, hot dogs, bratwurst, and all the fixin's!**

**Reservations will be required... see link below**



( [shikshikoluk@gmail.com](mailto:shikshikoluk@gmail.com) )



Ahoy Sailors!

Following the July 4 noon picnic at the club, there will be a cruise to anchor in New Bern for the fireworks. Some will return to port after dark, and, some will elect to stay overnight just anchored out. There will be no official leave time from BSC. Some time after the picnic, sail at your leisure to Union Point Park. There is no official sign up; however, if you think you are going, please email [scott.c.huddle@gmail.com](mailto:scott.c.huddle@gmail.com) so we can get a tally.

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# BLACKBEARD'S EPITAPH

## Changes in Club Policy

All members,

Please read the document below, adopted by the Board on June 19th, 2025, it makes changes to Club policy about communicating with members with overdue accounts. These changes allow electronic communications to be considered "official" as well as certified mail. There is another change clarifying the treasurer's discretion for setting up a payment plan in some circumstances. The changes are shown in red.

This policy is in keeping with Club Bylaws, Article 1, Paragraph 5C, and Article 9, Paragraph 3.

### Changes approved 6/19/2025 to the Resolution Adopted at February 2015 Board Meeting

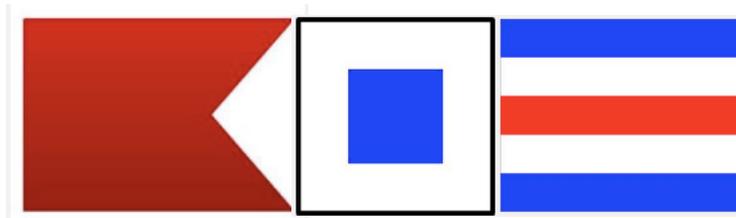
In an effort to bring overdue Club accounts current, the Board adopts the following policy, effective immediately.

1. As soon as practical following the end of each month, the Treasurer shall review the current receivables aging report.
2. Unless otherwise instructed by the Board, the Treasurer shall execute the appropriate "Notice of Overdue Account" for Members with amounts that have been outstanding for longer than 60 or 90 days using the form attached or in such form as may be adopted by future Board resolution. **The appropriate forms will be signed by the Treasurer and mailed by certified mail and/or electronically (email and/or text). A certified letter is considered delivered to the Member when USPS tracking shows it has been delivered to the address Blackbeard Sailing Club has on file for the Member.**
3. For Members with amounts outstanding longer than 120 days, the Treasurer shall provide the names and details in writing to the Board in advance of its next scheduled meeting and the Board shall determine the appropriate action up to and including termination of membership. If termination is to be made, the Board shall instruct the Commodore, by way of resolution, to execute the appropriate "Notice of Termination" using the form attached or in such form as may be adopted by future Board resolution. **The appropriate forms will be signed by the Commodore and mailed by certified mail and/or electronically (email and/or text). A certified letter is considered delivered to the Member when USPS tracking shows it has been delivered to the address Blackbeard Sailing Club has on file for the Member.**
4. The notice of termination shall inform the Member that,
  - a. he/she has 30 days to remove any property from BSC's premises,
  - b. any property remaining at BSC after this period will be considered "abandoned,"
  - c. abandoned personal property may be disposed for the benefit of the Club and
  - d. abandoned property which is titled or registered will be disposed of in accordance with applicable county, state and federal requirements.

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## Changes in Club Policy

5. In the case of a Member's financial hardship or other mitigating circumstances, and where it is determined to be in the Club's best interest, the Treasurer may, at her/his discretion and in consultation with the Commodore or other Flag Officer, enter into a payment plan with a Member whose account is in arrears longer than 120 days. For the duration of the payment plan and for one year after the Member's account is current, the Member will be on probation and may lose slip privileges. If the Member's account goes into arrears for over 60 days after the payment plan is satisfied and within the probationary period, they will be terminated.
  - a. All such payment plans shall be:
    - i. designed to bring the Member's account current within six months, and
    - ii. documented in writing, signed by the Member and filed with the Treasurer and Bookkeeper.
  - b. The details of payment plans shall be provided to the Board of Directors who shall hold such information in strictest confidence.
  - c. In his/her monthly report to the Board, the Treasurer shall report on the status of any payment plans. If any Member has fallen behind in a payment plan, the Board shall determine the appropriate action.
6. In the event that a terminated member abandons property at BSC, the Board, at its discretion, shall direct as follows:
  - a. Personal property that is not titled or registered may be retained by the Club for its use, donated to a charity or non-profit organization, offered for sale to Club Members or the public, or sold at auction to the highest bidder.
  - b. For property that is titled or registered, the Secretary shall complete and file the applicable paperwork to make the property available for disposal.
  - c. The Board, at its discretion, shall determine whether the proceeds from such disposal of abandoned property, if any, are to be retained for Club use or distributed to a charity or non-profit organization.



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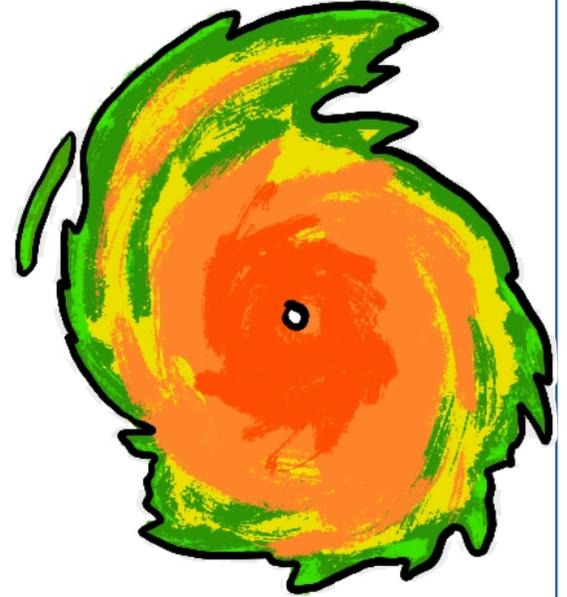
*A few reminders from the Dockmaster*

Dock lines are looking good. Thanks people!

Hurricane season is here, so make sure your boat is in order - anchors, rode, dinks, dock boxes and everything else is ready.

Check your Hurricane plan:

-  Correct phone numbers (yours and your buddy's)
-  Equipment is located and correctly documented on the plan
-  Engine runs, and importantly, dock lines can be untied
-  You can then send the updated plan to the Dockmaster  
[bscdockmaster@gmail.com](mailto:bscdockmaster@gmail.com)



If we make the call to leave the docks, commit time for your boat, and to help with club supplies and equipments like BBQs, garbage cans, dock boxes and carts, bikes etc...

The marina is for all intents and purposes - full. Vacant slips have blank yellow boards on them. Rates for slips are posted under the clubhouse. We are generating a new waiting list, and one needs to be a member, and actually own the boat, to request a slip for it.

Finally, the end of A dock is not to be used, unless one is onboard the whole time the boat is there. B dock slips need the space for coming and going to their slips, and your boat may have to move at a moment's notice. C dock allows for 2 or 3 tie-ups. Contact the Dockmaster for overnight use.



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## Barkentine Dr. Entry Gate now Working

by, Blake Sohn

After several glitches and delays, the new card scanner box at Barkentine is finally working. Additionally, the call button to hail the Security Guard to get in is now working. Testing of the cards discovered that swiping from bottom up within 1 inch to the scanner eye will quickly open the gate.

If you have ordered additional cards or window stickers, we are processing those as soon as possible and will be mailing them out shortly.

NOTE: Emails were sent to alert a few BSC members whose Barkentine gate cards are faulty. Members were asked to drop off cards at the office or mail them back to Joan Wilson for an update.

If you have a card that is not working, please use the website CONTACT US to describe your issue and get a remedy.

You may order additional card/stickers from our BSC website. Purchased items will be mailed to your current address on file. Charges will be billed to your BSC account.

### **Access with Existing RFID Card - \$5.00**

Next-gen security RFID card entry systems works similarly to our present gate cards. This integration not only enhances overall easy of use by holding up the card to the gate's scan box. The card can be used in any car.

### **RFID Window Sticker - \$10.00**

Hands free drive thru capabilities allow users to quickly enter in real-time. The sticker should be attached to your windshield behind mirror and opens the gate automatically.

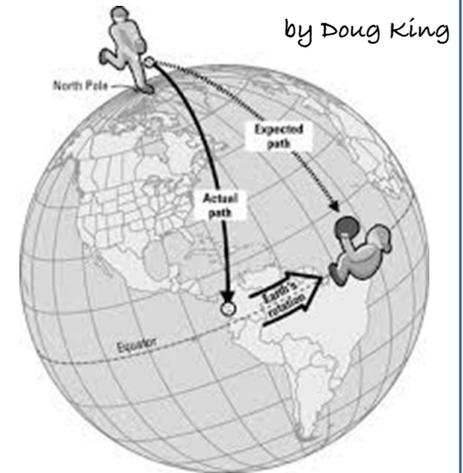


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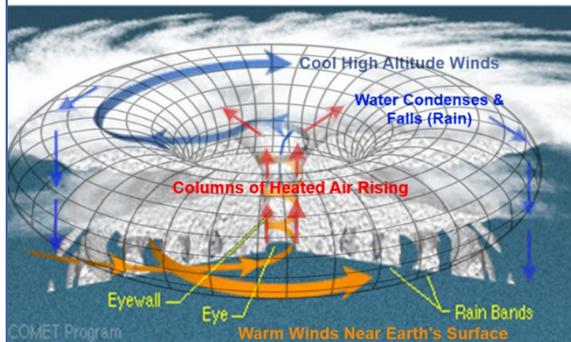
## HURRICANES - How to Cop

Coping implies knowledge and skills, but it is also about attitude. I don't expect anybody really has a positive attitude about hurricanes, but they are a fact of life here in Eastern NC. The more we know about them, and the more we know specifically about any given one coming our way, the more confidence we can have in the actions we take.

First let's look at the mechanics of how hurricanes "work." They are fueled by the temperature difference between the warm ocean and the cold upper atmosphere. An area of low barometric pressure... say for example, 1010 millibars or 29.83 inches of mercury, this is a slight



by Doug King



'Low'... over an area of warm tropic ocean will develop an updraft as the air gains heat from the sea surface. This updraft lowers the barometric pressure a bit more, and winds trend inward toward the low pressure.

This is often called a "Tropical Wave" and is the beginning stage of a hurricane. So if you hear that phrase in a weather forecast, it should perk up your ears.

As our tropical wave's low barometric pressure pulls air into

its updraft, these winds pick up more heat and more water vapor, which in turn accelerates the updraft. The low pressure drops further, which strengthens the winds.

The next stage is "organization." This occurs because of the Coriolis force of the Earth itself. Because the Earth is rotating, its entire surface is in motion. This motion is fastest at the equator; therefore the edge of our "Tropical Wave" closest to the equator tends to get pulled along to the east. In the northern hemisphere of the Earth, the result is a counterclockwise spin to the mass of air moving towards the center of the low pressure area. When the wind and the clouds have been shaped by this, into a spiral with a noticeable clear center or eye, the weather forecasters say that it is organized. At this point, usually the winds are strong enough (20 mph) to start calling it a tropical depression.



A hurricane can be as much as 800 miles across, and the eyewall reaches altitudes of 10 miles. The column of warm, wet air rising in the eye of a hurricane is like a direct connection between the two poles or terminals of a battery. The amount of power released is incredible, tremendous... easily more than any nuclear weapon and approximately 200 times as much as the all the electrical capacity of every country on Earth's power grid.

Now that we know more about how hurricanes work, let's look at how they get to us. Fortunately, they follow relatively predictable paths. All hurricanes begin by following an east-to-west track as they develop. In the northern hemisphere, they tend to curve to the north as they get bigger. The opposite occurs in the southern hemisphere. Hurricanes are massive, and they have lots of momentum. They tend to only make slow gradual turns, but sometimes they are steered by high-altitude winds like the jet

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## HURRICANES - How to Cope!

stream. Other times their path is affected by the high or low pressure of weather systems in the region they are moving toward.

In 2018, Hurricane Florence followed a very unusual path, going west/northwest, and then slowing. But it was a cat 2 hurricane even 10 days before landfall, far to the east and south of Bermuda. The next day's prediction has it moving south and further west, not curving to the north but heading to the coast of South and North Carolina. Even though the wind speeds have dropped, central pressure has not risen and its path is headed straight for the region of North Carolina/South Carolina coast. If you saw this forecast on Saturday morning you may have a week's warning because the storm hit on Friday morning.



Now is the time to start moving stuff up from the low basement floor, to make sure you have a week or more supply of your prescriptions, to secure outside items, barbecues and patio furniture, to call the boatyard and see about a haul-out. The time flies. The next day's prediction has it moving further west, not curving to the north. This is an 8-day warning, not to make any extreme predictions, but to check out that your plan is in order. Boat battery good? Dock lines? Does your insurance pay for part of a haul-out if a named storm is coming? Water supply? Fuel for car(s) and generator(s)? Pet carriers and pet food ready? Important papers available or stored in "ready bag" to go with you? These kinds of things can be time consuming, and they can make a BIG difference in how much you suffer in the aftermath of a big storm. You should also have an evacuation plan worked out in case the County mandates evacuation.

The next report shows probable landfall in Wilmington NC. In Fairfield Harbour we were in Hurricane Florence's "danger quadrant" as it made landfall in Wilmington. What's worse, the storm's track is one that will put north-easterly winds of hurricane force over Pamlico Sound. This makes a difference, that wind will push water to the south-west, into the mouth of the Neuse River and pile it up as the river narrows toward New Bern. NOAA predicted a 12 to 15-ft storm surge for New Bern, and only exaggerated by about 6 inches!



It is distinctly odd for a hurricane track to curve to the south. But even with this zigzag, the track of the storm has never moved outside its "cone" of probability. We can see that even with this irregular zigzag, Hurricane Florence is predicted to hit Wilmington around noon on Friday, a few hours later than predicted a week ago, but the exact same spot. And as it happened, the storm did zigzag on its way, but it did not slow down that much, and did not wander from the center of its predicted 'cone' by more than 20 miles or so not significant in a storm that is 500+ miles across! The National Hurricane Center website of NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) is the best source for hurricane information. All the other weather channels get their information from NOAA.

Last and most important, always keep in mind that hurricanes can be deadly. Your own safety, and the safety of your family, should remain the highest priority.

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by Calvin Chandler

Annual elections for Directors and Flag Officers occur every November at Blackbeard. These are important positions that represent and lead our membership with day to day operations, strategic planning and financial oversight.

Our club has four Directors who serve on a rotating two year cycle. Their simplified role is that of representing the membership in voting on decisions to run the club.

The Flag Officers are our leaders and include the Commodore, Rear Commodore and Vice Commodore. We also have the Past Commodore serve as the eighth board member. **The past commodore position allows for continuity. These duties are spelled out in the club's bylaws available on our website.**

This year Blackbeard will elect three Directors to our Board of Directors. Although any active member in the club is eligible to be a Director, successful Directors usually have served as active volunteers, committee members and committee chairpersons on one or more of our many committees. Our Flag Officers come up for election annually.

Additionally, Blackbeard elects a Treasurer and Secretary annually. These important positions serve as Club Officers, but they have no voting rights on the board.

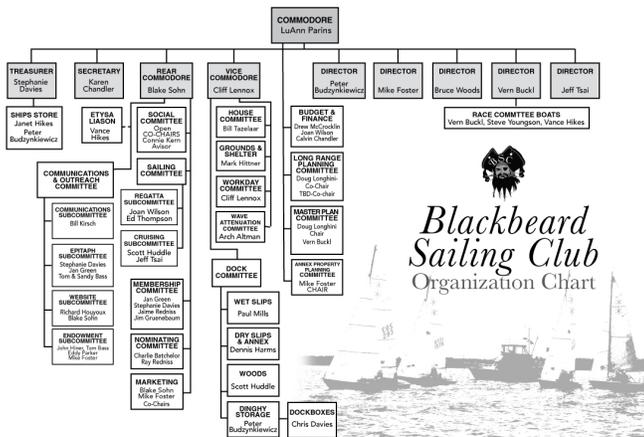
The Nominating Committee is already at work looking for candidates for this fall's elections. Are you interested in learning more? Please reach out to the nominating committee for more information. We welcome inquiries from any member looking for a committee to serve on.

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Calvin Chandler, [chandler101@gmail.com](mailto:chandler101@gmail.com)

Ray Redniss, [rredniss@gmail.com](mailto:rredniss@gmail.com)



**Blackbeard Sailing Club**  
Organization Chart

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2025 Ken Gurganus One Design - Time To Register



It's time to register for the **BSC Ken Gurganus One Design Regatta August 23 & 24**

Below is the link to the event website on Regatta Network.  
Remember to purchase your meal tickets when you register.  
(dinner Saturday and continental breakfast Saturday and Sunday)

**Register soon!!!**



<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/29732>

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## 2025 Parrothead Notice

Please sign up for the NYRA Parrothead race on Saturday July 19 to Oriental (NYRA racers anchor or get a slip Saturday night).

Register **HERE**. <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/29843>.

You can elect to race as a NYRA member or participate as a BSC cruiser. We recommend becoming a NYRA member to attend this event. Visit [NYRA.org](http://NYRA.org) for details.

PLEASE NOTE: A slip must be reserved at Oriental Marina, phone number (252) 249-1818 or you may choose to anchor out.

NYRA Parrothead Rep -Blake Sohn  
[blakesohn@gmail.com](mailto:blakesohn@gmail.com)



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by Jim Floyd

*Coffee Drinkers of Blackbeard Unite!*

If you are a man (sorry, ladies!) who likes coffee, has opinions about Blackbeard, the world, or sports, please come join us upstairs in the clubhouse every other Wednesday at 9:30 am. No topic is off the table, except politics and religion!! Bring your favorite morning beverage if you don't like BSC coffee. We'll solve the problems of the world! Next meeting will be on July 2, Wednesday - No Kidding!

An emailed reminder will go out the Monday before. If you don't get the reminder, but you want to be added to the thread, please contact me at 919-665-8007 or [jfloyd5430@gmail.com](mailto:jfloyd5430@gmail.com)

Best, Jim Floyd



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## 2025 RACE SCHEDULE

Provided by Inter-Club Racing Committee (ICRC)

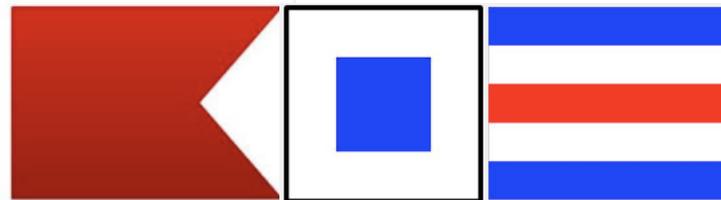
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Date	Day	Club	Event	PHRF	One-Design		Location
<b>More races, events and contact information are listed on next page!</b>							
<i>Jul 4</i>	<i>Fri</i>		<i>INDEPENDENCE DAY</i>				
Jul 5	Sat	BTS	Croaker Festival Regatta		X		Oriental
Jul 19	Sat	NYRA	Parrothead (to Oriental)	X			New Bern to Oriental
Jul 19	Sat	HISC	Harkers Island Regatta		X	Sunfish	Harkers Isl
Aug 9-10	Sat-Sun	NYRA	Full Moon Overnight Regatta	X			New Bern
Aug 23-24	Sat-Sun	BSC	Gurganus One-Design Regatta #		X		New Bern
Aug 30	Sat	FHYC	John Walsh Memorial Oar Race *	X			New Bern to Oriental
Aug 31	Sun	NYRA	Johnson Lexus Cup *	X			Oriental to New Bern
<i>Sep 1</i>	<i>Mon</i>		<i>LABOR DAY</i>				
Sep 13	Sat	BTS	Greens Creek Regatta		X	Under 20 ft	Oriental
Oct 10-12	Fri-Sun	NCO	Oriental Cup <sup>P</sup>	X			Oriental
<i>Oct 31</i>	<i>Fri</i>		<i>HALLOWEEN</i>				
Nov 1	Sat	NYRA	Halloween / Winter Race 1 *	X			New Bern
Nov 15	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 2 *	X			New Bern
Nov 22	Sat	BSC	Turkey Trot Regatta		X		New Bern
<i>Nov 27</i>	<i>Thu</i>		<i>THANKSGIVING</i>				
Dec 6	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 3 *	X			New Bern
Dec 20	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 4 *	X			New Bern
Jan 1, 2026	Thu	BSC	Fred Latham Regatta		X	SJ21	New Bern
Jan 10, 2026	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 5 *	X			New Bern
Jan 24, 2026	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 6 *	X			New Bern
Feb 7, 2026	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 7 *	X			New Bern
Feb 21, 2026	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

### Ensign Fleet Races - located on the Neuse River near Upper Broad Creek, New Bern, NC.

**Fall Series:** 7 Thursday races on Sep 25, Oct 2,9,16,23,30; Nov 6. (Awards & social following Nov 6 races.)  
 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 Weekly PHRF Fun Sails - open to everyone at no cost, no club affiliation required.

Pursuit starts based on NC PHRF ratings - notifications via email distribution list.  
 Day of the week and time based on weather and daylight hours.  
**Contact Joan Wilson [sail\\_kitty@hotmail.com](mailto:sail_kitty@hotmail.com) or Ed Thompson [edthompson2@comcast.net](mailto:edthompson2@comcast.net) to join in.**

### Oriental Dinghy Club PHRF Races

PHRF Races: Apr 6,27; May 18; Sep 21; Oct 19; No  
 PHRF Pursuit Races: Jun 8, Jul 13, Aug 10.  
**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 6,13,27; May 4,18; Jun 1,8.  
 Fall Series: 8 Sunday race days on Sep 7,14,21,28; Oct 5,12,19,26. (Awards & social following Oct 26 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: Apr 7; May 19; Jun 9; Jul 14 & 28; Aug 11; Sep 22; Oct 20; Nov 3 & 10.  
**Contact Bob Slook for info at [bslook@gmail.com](mailto:bslook@gmail.com) or (732) 740-5591.**
- >**Hot Toddy Winter Series at Blackbeard Sailing Club, New Bern NC**  
 2024 Schedule: Dec 7,21  
 2025 Schedule: Jan 11,25; Feb 8,22; Mar 8,22; Apr 5  
**Contact Jude Brown for info at [heyjfb@earthlink.net](mailto:heyjfb@earthlink.net) or (240) 671-5771.**

### Miscellaneous:

2025 Date	Day	Club	Event	Location
Jun 2-Jun 27	Mon-Fri	BSC	ETYSA Youth Sailing Camps	New Bern NC
Jul 7-Aug 1	Mon-Fri	BSC	ETYSA Youth Sailing Camps	New Bern NC
Oct 11-12	Sat-Sun		Mumfest	New Bern NC

Club	Club Name	Representative	eMail	Telephone
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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
HISC	Halkers Island Sailing Club	Sonya Dean	<a href="mailto:sonyafm@hotmail.com">sonyafm@hotmail.com</a>	(919) 271-9899
ICRC	InterClub Race Committee	Joan Wilson	<a href="mailto:sail_kitty@hotmail.com">sail_kitty@hotmail.com</a>	(610) 357-7476
NCO	Nautical Co-op of Oriental	Todd Cox	<a href="mailto:toddcoxvt@gmail.com">toddcoxvt@gmail.com</a>	(802) 999-7572
NYRA	Neuse Yacht Racing Assn	Stephanie Davies	<a href="mailto:stephaniejaedavies@gmail.com">stephaniejaedavies@gmail.com</a>	(949) 533-5543
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ODC	Oriental Dinghy Club	Todd Cox	<a href="mailto:toddcoxvt@gmail.com">toddcoxvt@gmail.com</a>	(802) 999-7572
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**NEW!**

The URL is <https://blackbeardsailingclub.org>

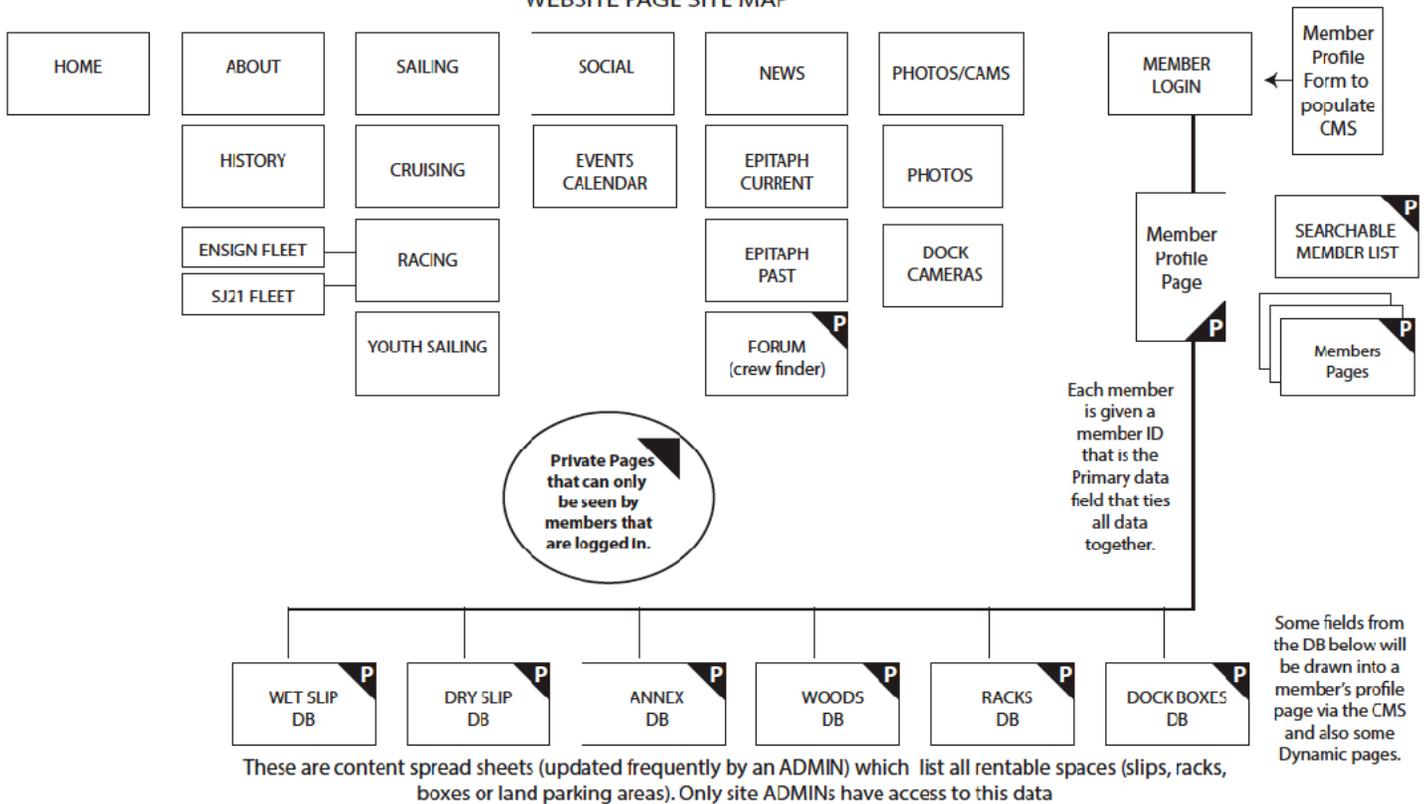
Our website has been redesigned, and as a result members must first re-sign in after a breach to utilize the new website. To do so, follow the process below:

- Your old member ID and email address will have to be re-entered for the new site.
- Once you Sign In and receive your "You Are Approved" notice, you must then go back and LOG IN. (Don't forget to save your password.)
- If you still have issues signing up and logging in, see the FAQ's **?** in the bottom left corner for help.
- If you find other issues with the website, click on "Report A Website Issue" and fill out the form.

If you are still having issues signing up and logging into the website:

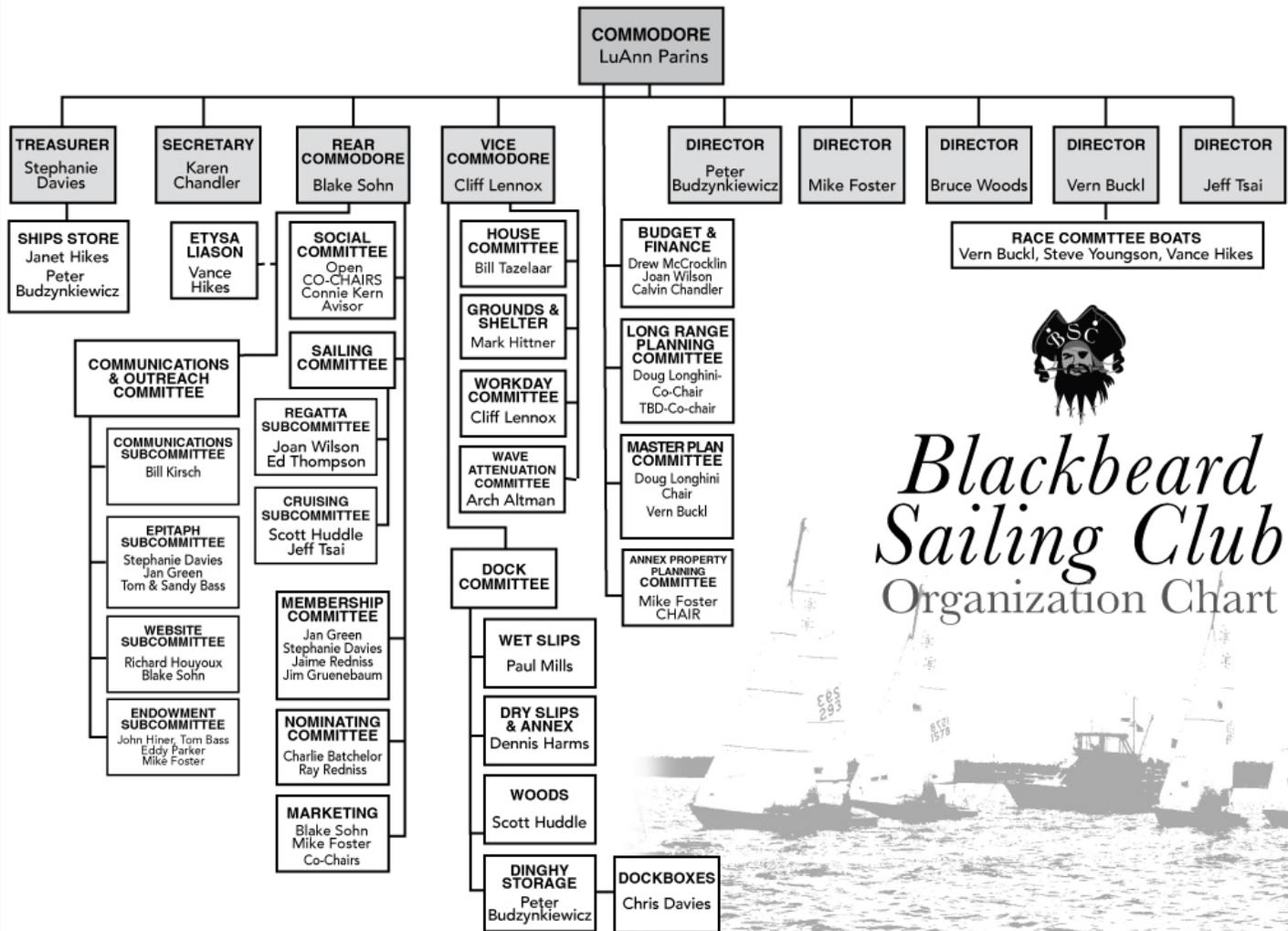
- Use the CHAT feature to query help.
- Or you can fill out a "Report A Website Issue" and a web staff member will get back to you ASAP.

## WEBSITE PAGE SITE MAP



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2025 Board of Directors & Department Leads



## Blackbeard Sailing Club Organization Chart



**Volunteers are not paid, not because they are worthless but because they are priceless.**

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## Blackbeard Sailing Club

### Club Location

Upper Broad Creek on the Neuse River  
1215 Barkentine Drive  
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N35°03.75 W76°56.85

### Mailing Address

PO Box 24  
Bridgeton, NC 28519

### Website

[blackbeardsailingclub.org](http://blackbeardsailingclub.org)

Be sure to visit the BSC website which is loaded with official information, current news, membership directory, slip information and much more.

### Email to Epitaph Editors

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Tom & Sandy Bass, Jan Green  
and Stephanie Davies

### Epitaph Submission Guideline

Submissions to the Epitaph are due by the 23rd of each month for the following month's publication. We welcome the membership's input including:

- stories and cruising articles
- how-to articles and other news
- committee reports
- racing news and reports
- photos in jpeg format
- event announcements and calendars

Please send all material to the Epitaph's editors at [bsceptaph@yahoo.com](mailto:bsceptaph@yahoo.com).



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