



## CRUISING SAILORS OF ST MICHAELS

### Creeks and Rivers Cruise May 28<sup>th</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup> 2013

This was the first cruise of the season

With a forecast of a chance of rain in the morning and evening three boats proceeded to the Rhode River. Winds were light and motor sailing was the call for the day. Voyager arrived first and anchored close to shore and across from camp Letts. Karaya arrived next and was followed by Grace. It was Zachs (JoAnn & David dog) first trip aboard Grace. By the end of the trip Zach had his sea legs and was becoming regular crew for Grace. That evening we all gathered aboard Voyager for cocktails and snacks until a thunderstorm came at 7:30. The party ended and all went back to their boats. The storm was not severe and the rest of the evening was comfortable.

May 29th Wednesday

The forecast was SW winds 10-15. Grace departed for home and Karaya and Voyager changed the destination to Annapolis harbor instead of the Magothy River. Both boats had a great sail and took moorings in the harbor by 2:15pm. A walk around town was the next order of business. Then we went to McGarvey's Saloon for a light fare dinner. This was Irv and Jayne's recommendation and we really liked it as well. We were not rushed and talked for a long time while enjoying a delightful meal. We then returned to Karaya in time to watch part of the Wednesday night races. What an enjoyable day.

May 30<sup>th</sup> Thursday

Winds were light and Karaya and Voyager motored/sailed to Haven Harbor Marina in Rock Hall. Sea Bonds joined us. They had arrived the day before to have some work completed on their boat. Irv, Jayne, Judy and George took the trolley to town and had lunch at "The Kitchen". Dennis and Stephanie and Winston took the trolley to Sailing Emporium to do some shopping and look for an old friends boat. All gathered for cocktails and a picnic at 5:45pm at the

covered area. We shared tasty side dishes and used the charcoal grill to prepare the main course. Although it was a hot afternoon it turned into a comfortable evening and another great day.

May 31<sup>st</sup> Friday

Sea Bonds elected to go back to home port while Karaya and Voyager decided to go to Shaw Bay off the Wye River. Sea Bonds left first and gave us a detailed report of the depths in Kent Narrows. Irv also heard that a sailboat with a 4.5ft draft was grounded there. It was not a hard decision for Karaya and Voyager to elect the long route around Kent Island. Thirty some miles latter at about 4pm we anchored in Shaw Bay. Some sailing and some motor sailing was call for the day. Karaya invited us for an enjoyable evening and a great ending for the cruise.

June 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday

Karaya headed for Miles River YC for a safety inspection and Voyager traveled to her homeport with a safety inspection two days latter.

Great weather, favorable winds and an enjoyable time with friends made our cruise a huge success.

Boat Nights:

Grace 1 night

Sea Bonds 1 night

Karaya and Voyager 4 nights

Dennis & Stephanie Sokso