

Chester River Cruise

Cruise Captain: Edward Buckholz / First Officer Donna Lange from: 7/6/15 to 7/11/15

Number of Nights: 5

Summary: We had 6 boats that attended all or a portion of the cruise. They are as follows:

Dee Gee V – 5; ONYX-5; Karaya-4; Rejuvenation-4; Mistral-4; Voyager- 4

Itinerary:

July 6, 2015 (Monday) DeeGeeV, Onyx, and Karaya sailed to Shaw Bay after threats of thunderstorms for the day never materialized. Cocktails were enjoyed on the DeeGeeV at 5PM with the usual lively conversation. Thunderstorms were forecast for the night but it ended up being a very quiet and restful night



Sunrise reflecting off Karaya at Shaw Bay

July 7, 2015-(Tuesday) DeeGeeV, Onyx and Karaya set sail for Davis Creek at 0800. They sailed up the Eastern Bay on a broad reach with a wind out of the west at 10-12. After passing through Kent Narrows without a bump, we sailed up the Chester River but the wind quickly died. We then had to resort to motor sailing except for the DeeGeeV that put out their spinnaker with some success. We were met by the Mistral motor sailing on the way. Voyager and Rejuvenation joined us later at Lankford Bay Marina on Davis Creek. At 6PM, captains and crew on all 6 boats gathered for a potluck/picnic supper on the grounds of Lankford Bay Marina. Although it was very warm, the picnic area was well shaded and provide a cool breeze. We had



a wonderful assortment of food and time to connect with old friends and meet new friends.

ups, we all arrived safely. The rest of the day was free to explore the historical city of Chestertown.

July 9, 2015 (Thursday) After an early morning rain, the day was partly cloudy and muggy. Several of the crews joined a historical walking tour of Chestertown guided by a member of the Historical Society of Chestertown. It was very interesting. At 6:30PM, we attended dinner

July 8, 2015 (Wednesday)The 6 boats left Wednesday morning at various times for Chestertown Marina. Since there was very little wind most motored to Chestertown. After a bit of juggling of slips and raft



at “The Kitchin” at the Imperial Inn in downtown Chestertown. The 6 boat crews were joined by Tod Engelskirchen and Anne Pilert as well as honorary members Norman and Ellen Plummer for a total of 16 people. Steve Humenick and Shirley Bucci of the ONYX were presented their burgee for having completed the required 6 nights of cruising for membership.



July 10, 2015(Friday) Karaya left the cruise for home. The remaining 5 boats sailed for Corsica River. The weather was spectacular. Clear air with wind out of the north variable at 8 to 17. Many of us initially threw out our head sail but as the river turned we were able to put up the main with a broad reach on much of the sail down the river. All of us agreed it was a great sail. We anchored off Emory Creek in a very quiet, protected, pristine cove. Many blue heron and a couple of eagles were spotted. The farewell cocktail party was held on the DeeGeeV with yet another assortment of wonderful food.



Who says you can't sail the Chester River??

Onyx under sail.

July 11, 2015 Everyone sailed to their respective home ports or other points of interest under a light rain which eventually cleared.