

Part I - June 4 through June 7, 2017      Cruise Captains: Dennis & Stephanie Sokso aboard *DIVIDED SKY*

Participating Boats: Capricorn, Divided Sky, Jasmine, Karaya, Mistral, Onyx, Tryst

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 - Capricorn, Onyx and Divided Sky left home ports with south winds 5-12mph and tacked and motored our way to Mill Creek just outside of Old House Cove in Solomons. Tryst, Karaya, Jasmine and Mistral met us there - they had all left on Saturday to take advantage of the north winds. At 5:30, Divided Sky rafted with Jasmine, hosted a gathering and all attended for a wonderful evening.

MONDAY, JUNE 5 - Was a lay day due to heavy rains and thunderstorms forecasted. Scattered rain prevailed but ended late in the afternoon. Jasmine hosted a gathering with Tryst rafted up and everyone enjoyed the evening and the clearing skies.

TUESDAY, JUNE 6 - With winds forecasted out of the NW at 5-10mph seven boats left the anchorage by 8:30. With the wind directly behind us we made our way down the bay. As we rounded Point Look Out to head up the Potomac, we faced strong (20mph & up) head winds. Most boats reduced sail and tacked their way to the Yeocomico River. Some boats, like Tryst and Onyx, enjoyed the tacking more than others. All boats arrived at Olverson's Lodge Marina between 3-4pm and most of us were worn out. Resting and settling in took preference to gathering for cocktails that evening.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 - Was a lay day. Most boaters went to town for supplies while others worked on boat projects or just explored the marina in the morning. At 2pm many gathered for several games of Mexican train and a highly active (husbands vs. wives) game of Catch Phrase. At 5pm we loaded into three loaner cars/vans and drove 23 miles to Lowery's restaurant in Tappahannock, VA and enjoyed a nice meal.

Part II - June 8 through June 11, 2017      Cruise Captains : Taline & Arsho Sarrafian aboard *CAPRICORN*

Participating Boats: Capricorn, Divided Sky, Jasmine, Karaya, Mistral, Onyx, Tryst

THURSDAY, JUNE 8 - We left the friendly folks at Olverson's on Lodge Creek by 10:00 under cloudy skies, to head across the Potomac. The Easterly breeze was merciful enough to bring us into Horseshoe Bend, off St.Mary's City by 13:00 as the sun came out to greet us.

Capricorn tied up with Karaya and Tryst to host the cocktail hour. An array of goodies were enjoyed in great company and good cheer, as always.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9 - We met at St. Mary's dingy dock at 10:00 to start the tour of the historic city. Neither the weather, nor the experience could have been more pleasant. We absorbed a great deal about the area settlers' lives. After a lunch break at the College cafeteria, we continued on in smaller groups to see more of the living exhibits, including the tall ship "Dove" which will visit St. Michael's in July.

Five hours of sightseeing on foot made us decide to spend the remainder of the evening on our boats. But the fun was not yet over. The wind came from a perfect direction for us to enjoy a live performance by a steel-drum band that must have been part of St. Mary's Alumni weekend festivities.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10 - By 08:00 hours, the last boat had waved goodbye to Mistral as we headed out of the idyllic anchorage. Barb and Dave Taylor would be spending a few more days exploring the Potomac. Light SW winds and increasing temperatures did not allow for much sailing but we had all reached Zahniser's Yachting Center in the Solomons by 14:30 hours.

Capricorn hosted a light dinner on a terrace above the marina office, which turned out to be an excellent private setting for our group.

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 - Capricorn was the last to leave Zahniser's dock at 08:40 hours to head home.

<u>PARTICIPATING BOATS</u>	<u>NUMBER OF NIGHTS</u>
Capricorn	7
Divided Sky	7
Jasmine	7
Karaya	7
Mistral	6
Onyx	7
Tryst	7

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