

# CAROLINAS FLEET PLANS EXCITING YEAR OF SAILING

The Carolina's Fleet of the CDSOA met on March 22, 2003 at Captain Ratty's in New Bern, NC. The meeting opened at 11 AM with 21 adults and our Fleet Master attending. Had there been one, the "furthest travel" prize would have been awarded to Wally and Barbara Edwards from Augusta, GA. Shortest travel prize was probably earned by Captain Dick Turner and his first mate Carol of Mystical, but they had lots of competition. The prize for furthest and shortest sail went to Glenn and Kathy Lysogorski, who sailed all the way from Northwest Creek to Patriot's Point and walked in the rest of the way. We were all delighted to see Della and Charlie Mauk from Kill Devil Hills, NC, not a short trip either by land or sea. Secretary Coit, Parfait, probably won the prize for have the oldest Yankee relative buried in the town, but Glen and Joyce Snader probably won the oldest Southern relative as they have long-term ties to the area. Anyone who feels slighted by these arbitrary "awards" can speak to the Secretary who invented them on the fly this very evening.

### **FLEET EVENTS**

We made plans for several events in the next year:

May 3-4, 2003 - South River Raft Up –Cruise Captain: Lou Ostendorff We plan to use this is a shakedown for the Ocracoke cruise three weeks hence. It was suggested that rig tuning and other activities might be shared

May 23 – 26, 2003 – Oriental to Ocracoke Cruise – Memorial Day Weekend – Cruise Captain: John Nuttall

June 28 – 29, 2003 - Clubfoot Creek Raft Up – Matthews Point Marina –Co-Captains: Shanna Paxton and the Turners

August 2-3, 2003 - New Bern Cruise - Co-Captains: Glen and Joyce Snader

October 4-5, 2003 - Cape Lookout Cruise — Co-Captains: Shanna Paxton and Lou Ostendorff; destination dependent on weather; Beaufort a backup.

November 15, 2003 Matthews Point Clubhouse gathering — Co-Captains: Shanna Paxton and Carol and Dick Turner

Winter, 2003/4 - Diesel Course at Deaton's in Oriental – Captain John Nuttall to secure a specific date

January 17, 2004 – Hands On Gel Coat Repair and Pot Luck at Hobby Marine in Pollocksville – Co Captains: Glen and Joyce Snader

Other destinations and activities suggested were: Broad Creek, a Poor Man's Jimmy Buffett concert which could be accommodated on any raft up.

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION

We discussed how to gain more participation and the conclusion seemed to be that we are just going to have more fun. Since the fleet covers a great deal of coastline and several inland bodies of water and most of us do not have the time to take a week's vacation to meet in a remote spot, it was suggested that "pick up" cruises might be possible for those in a specific area such as Oriental and Beaufort, NC or Charleston, SC. These would be implemented via our email list of nearly 90 boats.

Another suggestion was that because there are a significant number of sailing organizations already planning cruises, races, etc. in the area, perhaps we should affiliate with them in some way to take advantage of their organizational skills and momentum. While no conclusion was reached, there was general agreement that our small fleet was generally taxed with tasks that others pull off with relative ease.

We discussed the possibility of allowing Cape Dory power boat owners full privileges in the CDSOA and concluded that, in our opinion, we are a community of Cape Dory boat owners, whether powered by oars, wind, or hydrocarbons, and that if the bylaws need to be changed to accommodate all Cape Dory owners as full members, then the bylaws should be changed. The Carolinas Fleet passed the following resolution unanimously:

"The Rabble Rousing Pirates of CDSOA's Carolina's Fleet upset the dinghy by agreeing that Cape Dory Power Boat owners should be allowed to be full members of the national association."

Captain Turner asked for volunteers to support the fleet. Shanna Paxton and Lou Ostendorff offered to assist with photos; some of Lou's camera work brightens up this report. We are still looking for a nominating committee and someone to be creative in the "awards" department.

After the meeting many of us went off to our boats or in search of yet another marina. Glen and Kathy Lysogorski showed off their wonderful Summerwind to a few of the fleet and Lou Ostendorff, Karma, shot some fine photos of their handy work.

### **ATTENDEES**

Those attending included:

Mark Abboud and Renee' Harrell; Greenville, NC; Athena

Ken and Shelley Coit; Raleigh, NC; Parfait Ernie Humphries; New Bern, NC; Odyssey

Glenn and Kathy Lysogorski; New Bern, NC; Summerwind Charlie and Della Mauk; Kill Devil Hills, NC; Ladybug

John Nuttall; Lizard Lick, NC; Aimless

Lou and Marcia Ostendorff; Raleigh, NC; Karma

Shanna Paxton and our Fleet Master: Keaton Paxton; Oriental, NC; Wanderlust

George and Marilyn Sechrist; Oriental, NC; Trachelle Glen and Joyce Snader; Pollocksville, NC; Joyful Star Dick and Carol Turner; New Bern, NC; Mystical

Wally and Barbara Edwards; Augusta, GA; Spoondrift II

## **PHOTOS by Lou Ostendorff**

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

We adjourned at 12:30 PM to enjoy Captain Ratty's spicy shrimp salads and other delicacies.

Respectfully submitted,

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