BCYC 3rd Sunday June Sail Race

submitted by David Burnham, Race Chairman

Nine sailboats came for the start of the June BCYC sailboat race. The sailing instructions were drawn on the clubhouse chalkboard at the 10am Skipper/Crew meeting. After a short question and answer session and a quick talk to brush up on some racing rules, the crews loaded their boats and headed out into Boca Ceiga Bay for the start of the first of two scheduled races.

The "Race Comedy" on **Ridiculus**, Larry Brown's Morgan 38, consisted of myself and my dear Mary, with Lisa Glaser, Bill Aronis, and Fred Wohlman. We got Ridiculus anchored and all boats checked in by radio or hailing the Race Comedy as they sailed by. The first warning went off at 1120 for the 5 leg, 2 and a half mile course. With a light 6 knot breeze from the south, all boats got off to a clean start with no protests and no individual recall flag. We were using Mary's iPad and its **R/C Assist** program to time the 5 minute countdown sequence of flags and horn signals. We also used the iPad to video the races and found out that it makes a difference how you hold it or you may get upside down videos when you display them on a Windows PC.

The first boat to finish wouldn't be back to the finish line for another 54 minutes so we decided to have brunch while keeping an eye on the competitors for any violation of the rules. **Bounder II**, Peter Kvasnicka's S2 7.9, had a 32 second lead on Doug Fuller's **Seaduce Me** at the finish but Bounder's 189 PHRF rating wasn't enough to keep Seaduce Me from winning on corrected time with a 224 rating. Congratulations to Doug and the crew on the Capri 22.

Steve Honour's Cal 34, **Shady Lady**, was third crossing the finish line but was only 38 seconds ahead of Bob Calvillo's Albin 28, **Fanta-Sea**, and so was unable to keep Fanta-Sea from finishing third on corrected time in the first race. **Palmetto Moon**, **Robbie Lee**, **BCYC Capri #1**, **Legacy**, **and Finny's Wake** crossed the finish line in that order with only Vic Walters 250 rating for the Capri 16.5 moving him ahead of Robbie Lee in the corrected finish order.

The wind was diminishing while we reset the starting line at 1245 for the second race. As we started the 5 minute starting countdown the wind was still coming from the south and a distraction during our countdown caused us to raise the postponement AP flag. Luckily, we had Lisa Glaser aboard and she restarted the sequence for the second race at 1255. All boats

slowly cleared the starting line with no recalls so as they sailed away, the race committee had a swim call to beat the heat in the dying breeze while we awaited their return.

The sea breeze started to fill in from the west at 2:30pm after seven sailboats had already finished. It was a good test of light air sailing skill as it took **Bounder II** fifteen minutes more to complete the same course in the second race. **Shady Lady** finished second, three minutes after Bounder II, with enough of a lead ahead of **Seaduce Me** to save their corrected time by a minute and 39 seconds. The low windspeed spread out the finish times for the remaining 6 sailboats making it easy on the race committee as Ridiculus swung on her anchor in the freshening sea breeze.

The man overboard recovery award goes to Vic and June on the Capri 16.5 for saving the life of a hat lost by Robbie Lee's crew.

If you didn't get a copy of the race results, send an email to Racing@sailbcyc.org

June Race Results

Race 1 Sunny Winds South 6-7mph

| | Boat | Corrected Time Finish | | | |
|-----|-------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| 1st | Seaduce Me | 0:45:07 | | | |
| 2nd | Bounder II | 0:46:03 | | | |
| 3rd | Fanta-Sea | 0:46:46 | | | |
| 4th | Shady Lady | 0:48:08 | | | |
| 5th | Palmetto Moon | 0:48:17 | | | |
| 6th | Capri #1 | 0:50:49 | | | |
| 7th | Robbie Lee0:52:23 | | | | |
| 8th | Legacy | 0:52:35 | | | |
| 9th | Finny's Wake | 1:05:36 | | | |
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Race 2 Sunnier Winds South/West 4-5mph

| | Boat | Corrected | Time Finish | | |
|-----|-------------------|-----------|-------------|--|--|
| 1st | Bounder II | 1:00:59 | | | |
| 2nd | Shady Lady | 1:04:05 | | | |
| 3rd | Seaduce Me | 1:05:44 | | | |
| 4th | Palmetto Moonn | 1:13:51 | | | |
| 5th | Fanta-Sea | 1:17:31 | | | |
| 6th | Capri #1 | 1:19:53 | | | |
| 7th | Robbie Lee1:22:32 | | | | |
| 8th | Legacy | 1:23:39 | | | |
| 9th | Finny's Wake | 1:42:55 | | | |