



# Blackbeard's Epitaph



## Kick Off 2022 with the 50th Fred Latham Regatta

### Blackbeard Sailing Club

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### From the Commodore:

*Seasons Greetings Mates and Friends,*

A week and a half ago, NYRA held the second race of the Winter Series. On the same day, ETYSA sponsored a scrimmage between the Epiphany High School Sailing Team of New Bern, and sailors from a high school in Greensboro.

When I came in from racing late Saturday afternoon and walked up to the clubhouse, I was greeted with a most pleasing scene—sailors and friends from both fleets gathering around the Club grounds for post-race socializing. I haven't seen anything like that in almost two years. It was great to see!

I think it may be possible to open the Club up a bit for socials soon. This topic will be discussed at the next board meeting, which I expect to hold via Zoom and in person. Perhaps we will be able to have limited social gatherings at Christmas and on

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New Year's Eve, and later in January for the Installation Dinner on the 16<sup>th</sup>. I hope the numbers for COVID work for this endeavor.

In addition to the news of the growth/development of the Junior program, I want to announce the closing on the purchase of the "Wyndham" property, adjoining our current property. This is an investment in the future of the Club for the next generations of club members. A committee will be organized to discuss and develop long range plans for the property.

Elections for Directors and Officers were held last month. Please welcome Mike Foster and John Hiner to the Board for two-year terms. Karen Chandler for Secretary. All other Board members were reelected. Thank you for your participation.

All in all, it has been a very good year for Blackbeard, despite COVID.

Fair winds and smooth seas,

*Arch*

## Kick Off the New Year with Fred Latham Regatta



**Fred Latham aboard "Mad Mama"**

Kick off the New Year and Blackbeard Sailing Club's 50th Anniversary! Join San Juan Fleet 8 in celebrating by hitting the water on New Year's Day. This is a San Juan 21 event competing for the honor of having a plaque placed on the Transom of Fred's first San Juan "Mad Mama."

All cruising sailors are invited to join in the fun and just get out for a day on the water.

The Notice of Race is just a click away:

[NOR - Fred Latham Memorial Regatta](#)

Note .. Page 3 has the entry form

Doug Longhini  
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## Countdown to 50th Anniversary

It's hard to imagine, but next year Blackbeard Sailing Club will be celebrating 50 years of sailing on the Neuse! Do you remember what you were doing 50 years ago? Were you even born 50 years ago? Well, our monthly countdown to BSC's Anniversary will try to help you out!

Picture it, December 1971...

- Chicago Cubs release long-time star and future Hall of Famer Ernie Banks, ending his 19-year MLB career where he finished with 512 home runs and 1,636 RBI's. Banks went on to serve as a coach and manager on Leo Durocher's staff.
- Abu Dhabi, Ajman, Dubai, Fujairah, Sharjah and Umm al-Qaiwain form the United Arab Emirates with Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan as President.
- West German Chancellor Willy Brandt receives the Nobel Peace Prize.
- William H. Rehnquist is confirmed as a Supreme Court Justice.
- Don McLean's 8+ minute version of *American Pie* is released.
- *Diamonds are Forever*, the 7<sup>th</sup> James Bond Film, is released starring Sean Connery and Jill St. John.
- CBS airs *Homecoming*, *A Christmas Story* which introduced The Waltons to television.
- Stanley Kubrick's film *A Clockwork Orange*, based on the book by Anthony Burgess, was released starring Malcolm McDowell.

And....



Lucasfilm, Ltd. is founded in San Francisco, California as a film and television production company by George Lucas, the film director, scriptwriter and producer associated with some of the most successful films ever made. His first major film was *American Graffiti* in 1973.



Lucas attended the University of Southern California School of Cinematic Arts where he met fellow director Stephen Spielberg. Lucas went on to create the Star Wars franchise, directing the first film, which became the highest-grossing film ever at the time.



While making this film, Lucas set up the special effects company, Industrial Light and Magic. The company went on to set the industry standards for visual and graphic effects in film. Lucas also produced the hugely successful Indiana Jones films, asking his good friend Stephen Spielberg to direct.





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## Ensign Series Winners

Photos by Judy Hills



Thank you to Karen & Mark Hallquist for offering their home for the evening to Captains & Crew as well as Race Committee...nothing was broken, nor was any red wine spilled on their Oriental Rugs....Good job Ensign Sailors!

BlueNote takes 1st again...  
Red Stripe 2nd,  
Raptor 3rd,  
Mutiny 4th.

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## Welcome New Members

### Dennis and Gerry Cray



We have been Happily married now going on 39 years. Between us, we have 5 children ranging from 46 to 53 and 11 grandchildren. All are scattered throughout the country.

We started sailing in 1985 when we were at a small park in PA, where they had Sunfishes for rent and thought let's try it! After a quick lesson, off we went. We were hooked.

We sailed in small lakes in NJ and PA and joined our first sailing club (Penn Warner Sailing Assn) for a few years. It was a self-help club, and everyone pitched in to get things done. Between 1985 and 2006 we have owned and sailed, Sunfish, Force 5, Laser, Precision 15, Mutineer 15, Oday 20 and lastly Moonbeam our Tanzer 22.

When we bought the Tanzer 22 it needed to be moored and we joined the Red Dragon Canoe Club (Sailing Club) in Burlington NJ on the Delaware River. This was a much bigger club, more people, boats, more work that needed to be done as this was also an all-hands-on club. It involved setting and pulling moorings and docks twice a year, launching boats, boat support with club members and property maintenance. We have done some racing and a few overnight trips while at the RDCC.

In 2006, I was a field engineer for Nordson Corp. and we were relocated to Liberty MO. Alas Moonbeam had to stay in NJ, too heavy to tow. We lived in MO for 11 years and work kept us busy. We still needed the water, so we switched to kayaking. I traveled the country doing service work for Nordson Corp. and Gerry was a Chemical tech for Corbion Corp.

We decided to retire back East to Kinston, where we had family. Missing the water, we bought a small 13.5 Boston Whaler - which was ok but didn't compare to the love we had for sailing. So, after lots of thought, we bought a Tanzer 16 project boat, and we looked around and found interest in your BSC. We know we are older and not as agile as we used to be, but we really miss the camaraderie of the sailing environment and would love to be a part of it again.

## 50th Anniversary License Plate Now On Sale!

Newly designed 50th anniversary BSC License Plates are on sale in the Ship's Store. Get yours now and show it proudly to celebrate our 50th year on the Neuse.

**Selling for \$6.** All proceeds will go towards funding the big anniversary celebration to be held in June 2022.





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## Welcome New Members

### Christine Zeller



I am a single mom of a seven year old son, Cameron, who is in first grade at Epiphany. I moved to New Bern in 2013 because I was working remotely. We currently live in Greenbrier. In addition to sailing, I love traveling, skiing and SCUBA diving.

I started sailing in Annapolis in my early 30's. I belonged to Chesapeake Boat Club for years. They have a fleet of J's for day sailing and cruising. I loved circumnavigating Kent Island on long weekends. I was just starting to explore the waters north of Annapolis when I left the DC area, which is where I was born and raised. I have raced on a J30, Flying Scot and an Interlake.

I am casually boat shopping for something I can cruise with my son and friends. I have a Sunfish and a Minifish in my yard that are in need of repairs. After years of only sailing Js, I am enjoying chartering some of the boats at Bow to Stern for the learning experience.

I'm looking forward to being part of Blackbeard, meeting some new friends and getting back into sailing. I am also hoping to get involved with Edward Teach!

Cheers!  
Christine

The Celebration  
Logo is.....



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## Rainbow Morning @ Blackbeard



## Boat and Tractor Club by Mark Hittner



Lk Champlain Boat & Tractor Club



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## Where Were You in '72?

Next year, 2022, BSC is celebrating a milestone birthday - our 50<sup>th</sup>!

We'd like to celebrate your birthday next year, too!

Starting in January, we'd like to honor all the BSC guys and gals celebrating their birthday each month of the year. Don't worry, you don't have to tell us how old you are - just the month you were born - and what you were doing in '72!

We'll publish your name and your story in the Epitaph. Maybe you went on a ski trip for your birthday in January and broke your leg,

went to the Valentine's Day high school dance, were finally old enough in 1972 to have your first green beer on St. Patrick's Day, or...well, you get the idea. The story(ies) don't have to have happened in your birth month, just some time in 1972. Feel free to include a picture!



Send your stories to [bscepitaph@yahoo.com](mailto:bscepitaph@yahoo.com)





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## ICRC Race Schedule

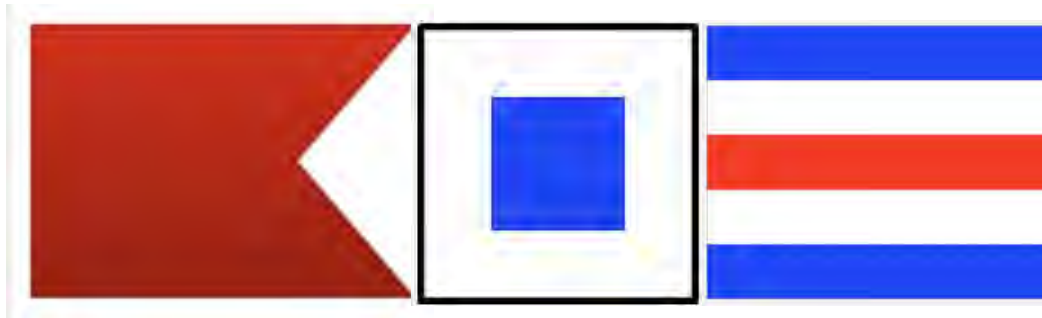
### 2021 RACE SCHEDULE

Provided by Inter-Club Racing Committee

Final Rev -1

4/29/21

Date	Day	Club	Event	PHRF	E n- sign	SJ21	Sunfish	Other	Location
<b>More Races, Events and Contact Information are Listed on next page!!</b>									
Dec 4	Sa	NYRA	Winter Race 3 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Dec 18	Sa	NYRA	Winter Race 4 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Jan 1 '22	Sa	BSC	Fred Latham Regatta	X	X	X			New Bern
Jan 1 '22	Sa	ODC	Instead of Football Regatta	X	**	**			Oriental
Jan 8'22	Sa	NYRA	Winter Race 5 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Jan 22'22	Sa	NYRA	Winter Race 6 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Feb 5'22	Sa	NYRA	Winter Race 7 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Feb 19'22	Sa	NYRA	Commodores Ball Regatta *	X	**	**			New Bern
* NYRA Boat of the Year									



## Blast From the Past

by Tom Bass

Forty-two years ago in 1979, the activities of Blackbeard Sailing Club were not much different from what we enjoy today. The Club had multiple races, lots of socials, and a fiscally responsible leadership with the Club's finances. Take a look at the expense side of the ledger to see that total expenses were less than \$16,000 for the year. How things have changed!

However, it's good to know that some things never change, as the Michelob Cup was being held 42 years ago and continues today. The principles guiding our club back then continue today, with strong conservative leadership, and good stewardship of our resources.



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Epitaph deadline  
is the 15th of  
the month

### RACE COMMITTEE NEWS

#### RACE SCHEDULE

Again this year we will have two series; a Saturday and a Sunday Series of seven races each running from March through October. Join in one series or both or just come around the club for the socializing.

If you haven't yet participated in a Blackbeard Race, enter now. There promises to be all grades of skill to match wits with and just for the fun of it, see what your boat will do!

The skipper's meeting the first weekend is mandatory. A representative of each boat is required to attend. Those racing the Saturday Series come to the skipper's meeting Saturday at 10 a.m. Those racing the Sunday Series come to the skipper's meeting at 10 a.m. Sunday.

#### Saturday Series

March 17	Race #1
April 21	2
May 12	3
June 23	4
Aug 11	5
Sept 29	6
Oct 20	7

#### Sunday Series

March 18	Race #1
April 22	2
May 13	3
June 24	4
Aug 12	5
Sept 30	6
Oct 21	7

SKIPPER'S

MEETING

11:00 A.M.

(EXCEPT 1ST RACE)

RACE START IS 1:00 P.M.

"Club Championship" (date to follow) consists of Round Robin Series with top series skippers from each class participating.

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We are looking for a person or person's interested in handling the Race Committee Work for the Saturday or Sunday Series (or both). Possibly a financial amenity could be arranged. If you have any interest or know of someone, please contact the Race Committee Chairman.

#### "Boat of the Year"

One boat and skipper will be selected this year by the Race Committee as the distinguished boat in both club and outside racing.

#### More Races

Also to add to your racing calendar are the following dates:

May 5 Neuse River Overnight Race (more information to follow)  
\*May 25 Wachovia Cup Race—Wrightsville Beach to Cape Lookout  
\*June 2 Planter's Cup—Indian Island to Ocracoke  
\*June 8,9,10 Oriental Sailing Social  
Sept. 1 Michelob Cup  
Sept. 8,9 Blackbeard Regatta

\*Wachovia Cup, Planter's Cup, Oriental Sailing Social comprise Carolina Racing Circuit Series



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## PROFIT AND LOSS FOR 1978

### INCOME

Initiation fees	\$2,200.00
Dues	7,352.00
Slip Rental	14,600.00
Dry Storage	1,711.00
Regatta and Socials	235.41
Inc. 1792.86	
Cont. 1557.45	
Misc. Income	488.48
Advertising	205.00
Coke	18.80
Interest	410.20
Lic. plates etc.	46.00
Loss Ice Mach.	(191.52)
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Inc.	336.87

### TOTAL INCOME

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\$26,586.89

### EXPENSES

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### CASH FLOW FOR '79

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Pay off remainder of A bond issue	3,900.00
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## SOCIAL EVENTS

March 17 Hot Dog Roast after race  
May 12 Hawaiian Luau Feast  
June 23 Social (details to follow)  
August 25 Almost anything goes contest  
with wine and cheese social  
Two more events will be scheduled after  
August.

## AWARDS NIGHT

The awards banquet for the first annual  
"Frostbite" Series race sponsored by  
Blackbeard Sailing Club, Fairfield  
Harbor and Bryan Wholesale will be  
February 17 at Fairfield Harbor.

A separate mailing is due to be sent  
to each entrant with information on  
time, cost and entertainment, Les  
Bernabi announced.

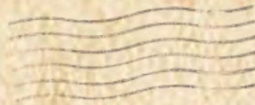
## CRUISE SCHEDULE

April 14, 15 Easter Cruise to Oriental  
May 26, 27, 28 Cruise to Cape Lookout  
July 21, 22 Cruise to South River  
Oct. 6, 7 Cruise (destination to be  
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