Miss Kelley, the Hunter 23 boat available to CRSA members for rental, is in need of a new main. If you have a main for a Hunter 23, a Catalina 25 or a MacGregor 26 (all will fit) and are not using it please contact Harbor Master Brad Leslie. Any used sails will be considered (or even new ones for that matter). Contact Brad at harbormaster@caverunsailing.org or call 304-541-9356. **CRSA Members can also rent the Miss Kelley. Contact Brad for information.**

**Trip Tales Saturday, Feb 21, 6:30-8:30 PM**
**Former Commodore Al Lawton**
**“A Leisurely Cruise in the French West Indies Salt Water and Sand Beach Cruising”**

Join CRSA for what we are sure will be a fun filled February Trip Tales with Al Lawton describing his cruise in the French West Indies. CRSA will be providing buns and burgers grilled by Social Chair Ted Brandewie. Following a recent Trip Tales tradition, this presentation will be enhanced with optional tastings of a well known beverage local to the West Indies.

Attendees please bring a side dish to share and any alcoholic drinks for yourself.

RSVP by the morning of Friday Feb 20 with numbers and what dish you will be bringing to CRSA Social Chair Ted Brandewie at social@caverunsailing.org or 859-699-6666. Location: Lakes Edge Clubhouse, 2414 Lake Park Rd., Lexington. See page 2 inside this issue for directions.

**Renew Your Membership Now**

If you have not already, please renew your membership on the CRSA homepage. Go to caverunsailing.org > renew membership > forgot password (if you did). Your email address is your User ID. If you do not want to pay your membership dues on line you can fill out the form online and mail your dues check to PO Box 256, Lexington, KY 40536.

[Image of a boat on water]
Directions to Lake’s Edge Clubhouse
For The Trip Tales Social

Address: 2414 Lake Park Rd.
From downtown Lexington or UK:
Head out of town on Richmond Road until you almost get to New Circle. When you pass the Central Bank, Applebee's, the big new Southland Church, and Newk's on your left, and a Fire Station and the Water Company on your right, you’re getting close! You’ll next see the water on your right. Just BEFORE the Shell station on your right, turn RIGHT onto Lake Park Rd. Follow the winding road to the back and veer right to the gate. Ted Brandewie (859) 699-6666 will be there to open the gate or will have a code for you to open it. After passing through the gate, turn left, then right, and the clubhouse will be on your right (it's the only 1 story building around).

From outside New Circle Road:
Go to the Richmond Road exit and turn TOWARDS downtown. James Mercedes dealer will be on your left, and then a Shell station, turn LEFT onto Lake Park Rd just before the water. Follow the winding road to the back and veer right to the gate. Ted Brandewie (859) 699-6666 will be there to open the gate or will have a code for you to open it. After passing through the gate, turn left, then right, and the clubhouse will be on your right (it's the only 1 story building around).

CRSA Members Enjoy Malts Cruise
Trip Tales AND
A “Shot Across The Bow”

CRSA Social Director Ted Brandewie arranged a January Trip Tales with Sam Moore describing the CRSA participation in the Malts Cruise, a two week sailing trip along the coast of Scotland that involved stopping in various scotch distilleries. Members enjoyed fresh home smoked salmon and artisan cheeses. Sam arranged a scotch tasting by Southern Wine and Spirits with Diageo Classic Malts. Special Thanks for a good time to Sam Moore, Bob Woods and Ed Puterbaugh, and of course Ted Brandewie.

You Can Find Lots of Stuff On The CRSA Website: caverunsailing.org

There are lots of interesting things on the new CRSA Website. For example race results, old newsletters (under “about”) and coming events under other appropriate tabs. The CRSA Board of Directors has been busy with two meetings, and if you would like to read the minutes from those you can find them at caverunsailing.org in the Members section, at the ‘Club Business’ tab. You must be logged in to access this page. Please email CRSA Secretary Sally Shafer with any questions at secretary@caverunsailing.org.

CRSA PO Box 256 Temporarily Closed
But Back Open Now

Some CRSA members or potential members who tried to mail in information to our PO Box 256, Lexington KY 40536 address may have had their mailings returned to them. Wonder what in the world was going on? Well that was a glitch in the Post Office that has now been corrected. Feel free to resend to that PO Box. Everything should work fine now.

Beginning Sailing Classes
May 5, 7 and 9, 2015

CRSA’s popular Beginning Sailing Classes will be taught May 5 and 7 at Central Christian Church from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the second floor meeting room. On Saturday May 9 sailing will be on the water from 10 to 4 at Cave Run Lake, meeting at the Marina dock. These classes are for people who have no, or little sailing experience and provide a good basis for anyone wanting to begin the American Sailing Association series of classes also offered by CRSA. Register on the website caverunsailing.org under “classes”. Cost is only $25 per person. You must be a CRSA member. For more information contact Bill Lubawy at beginningsailing@caverunsailing.org.

Please tell any of your friends who may be interested in sailing about this opportunity.
Commodore: Jim Dinger, Nicholasville, KY.

My family: Wife, Prince; a blended family of two adult daughters and sons, and 5 grandkids all under the age of seven and all within 3 miles of us.

about CRSA? Prince came home from a Beginning Sailing Class around 2004 and said, “We need to get into sailing!” I had sailed on Lake Champlain in the late 60’s and Lake Tahoe in early 70’s. We both knew it was time to retire from the rigors of whitewater paddling and sailing was a natural evolution of staying on the water. Since joining CRSA have served as Vice-Commodore, Harbor Master, and the appointed Cruise Director.

Do you own a boat? What type of sailing do you enjoy? I own four boats at present: Flying Scot 4348, 16 ft. Hobie Cat , 25 ft. Macgregor cruiser, and a 26 ft. Hunter cruiser. My heart is in small boat racing, but I really enjoy gunk holing along the Atlantic coast meeting other coastal sailors, along with cruises to out of the way places like Hawaii, Lake Heron, British Columbia, Scotland, Spain, France, the Caribbean and, hopefully in 2014, Croatia.

What do you enjoy most about CRSA? I enjoy being on the water, listening to what Mother Nature is telling me, using Her to enjoy the water, and meeting people from around the world with similar attitudes. This has been fostered by the progressive ideas of the members in CRSA. I also enjoy teaching new sailors through the ASA courses that CRSA offers, and the CRSA socials.

Rear Commodore: Mark Breeden, Lexington.

My family: My wife, Patti.

How did you hear about CRSA? A National Guard buddy needed crew and I discovered sailing on Cave Run Lake. I’ve been a CRSA member since 1998.

Do you own a boat? What type of sailing do you enjoy? I own two, ‘good old boats’, a one-design racing dingy – Flying Scot 2194 and a Hunter 25 cruiser. At heart I’m a one-design racer but as I mature, I’m enjoying cruising the Chesapeake, teaching others to sail and being a club race officer. Moonlight sailing on the lake is also great fun.

What do you enjoy most about CRSA? The experiences, excellent ship mates and opportunities to expand my horizons and skills. When I joined I was a “pond” sailor, racing on inland lakes. During the last 15 years. I’ve raced in three Flying Scot North American Championships: cruised in the Chesapeake, Caribbean and Italy: become a certified Race Officer, keelboat instructor and licensed USCG Captain. I was able to do this because of the spirit of adventure, love of sailing and willingness to teach I found in the membership of the CRSA. Finally, I really enjoy the opportunities to race, run race, teach, cruise, socialize and tell “sea stores. As always the best enjoyment is the people. Some I’ve sailed with or competed with for 15 years and others I’ve skippered their first boat ride.

Vice Commodore and ASA Sailing Coordinator: Dave Davison, South Charleston, WV (Past Commodore)

My family: My wife, Rebecca, our two adult daughters, Kelly and Lee, and our granddaughter, “Captain” Madison.

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2014 Annual Report of the Cave Run Sailing Association

Commodore Jim Dinger: It has been an eventful year with the drafting of updated By-Laws to facilitate current and, hopefully, future endeavors, and a major update of the website to bring us into the 21st Century and what are newer members and, therefore, the future of CRSA, expect. In between we managed to have some great fun through our socials, racing, teaching sailing, and two eventful cruises. It was my pleasure to work with the 2014 officers in so doing. Officer summaries are below.

Vice Commodore Chris Bollinger: The Vice Commodore’s office is charged with hosting the Charity and Grand Annual regattas. This year the Charity Regatta had 11 boats participate, including 7 in the cruiser division and 4 in the daysailer division. The day was a nice one, with good sailing, lots of camaraderie, and great food by the Ladies of Thetu Nu! Almost $4,000 was raised for the Lexington Speech and Hearing Center.

The Grand Annual regatta had a total of 14 boats registered including four Catalina’s, 6 cruisers and 4 daysailers. Unfortunately cold weather and high winds prevented sailing on Saturday, while cold weather kept all of the daysailers off the lake Sunday. In the end we had two good races in great wind, with four Catalina’s and five cruisers participating. Dinner on Saturday night was well attended, and the bonfire and smore’s were fun!

Overall, the regattas were a success, and I thank all those who helped to make them wonderful.

Rear Commodore Mark Breeden: This year saw a new set of spring races called the Brass Monkey Series. One of the race days had to be postponed because of bad weather, but there were three race days with good wind on two of them. The Catalina 22’s won most of the awards and again participated in the Mountain Mama Regatta in West Virginia as well as several out of town races.


Secretary Chuck Emrich: Taking down the minutes and posting the votes are pretty dry and boring. Yes that was done and another successful year on the water happened! Let’s talk about the success of the club and where we want it to grow! It all starts with dedicated volunteers with emotion for what we (and you) want to create...be it racing, youth sailing, education or more cruising. We need new ideas and stimulation in everything we do. How do we embrace more people in learning to sail both young and old, engage more people in cruising to more places, and enthrall more racers to be better sailors and have a great time learning? It all starts with enthusiasm for what we do! Why not get involved and make a difference? Sure it will be some work and involve missing some time to do chores but what the club can be and make a difference in our lives will be worth the effort! If you choose not to lead why not volunteer to support our leaders!! We need you to make the club be all it can be! Yes we all know about the economy or time commitments... But, if you bring the love of sailing to the table we can find a way to improve all our lives on the water!!!

Harbor Master Brad Leslie: Several upgrades to the Committee Boat (the Margaret Mary II) were performed during the year. End of the season this year the Engine was fogged, the tank was filled with gas and fuel stabilizers added to the tank. Prior to this season a more thorough service was provided. The boat was pulled from the water by Rick Bartley of Marine Works and the following work performed; engine oil and filter change, impeller changed, lower unit oil changed, and fuel system cleaned. A new fuel cap was provided for the on board fuel tank. The Miss Kelly has been winterized and is ready to be put back in service next spring. A new engine was purchased for the chase/safety boat. It has been winterized as well.

Work that was deferred last year and planned for the 2015 season includes: bottom cleaning and inspection for the Miss Kelly, painting the name on the stern, installation of a 12 volt outlet on the MMII, installing a dedicated battery and solar charger for the slide, inspection and replacement if necessary of the tires and bearings on the Opti trailer.

Social Chair Derek Eggers: The year began with two “Trip Tales” socials presented by Sam Moore on the 2013 America’s Cup Cruise and David Duncan on the Grenadines. A New Member Social was generously hosted by Al and Ruth Lawton in March. During the racing season there was one post race social held at Pop’s Barbecue. A great Commodore’s Summer Social was hosted by Bob and Judy Woods and featured Commodore Jim Dinger being thrown into the pool. Bob made and
served a delicious low country boil for nearly 50 CRSA members. The Annual Awards Banquet was held at Spindletop Hall with Commodore Dinger doing a presentation on the Croatia Cruise and a silent auction arranged by Bill Lubawy. This Annual Report written by the officers and collated and printed by Bill Lubawy was distributed.

Membership Chair David Duncan: CRSA year-end membership stands at 114 household members including 79 returning and 35 new memberships. The annual budget of $0.00 set in January was met to the penny. The reason is the achievement of 100% electronic communications: CRSA website, on-line MainSHEET publication, Facebook membership, email, and CRSA SCUTTLEBUTT notices. Welcome letters were sent to all new members. Membership and Treasurer account links to a single spreadsheet was streamlined. Cost savings to CRSA members for postage, envelopes, printing, and publishing was several hundred dollars and hundreds of hours. On-line Member Directories, Ship’s Store, Membership Manuals, and Cave Run area lodging and camping files were electronically distributed as well as regular updates when needed. Liaison relationships were established with the US Forestry Service and the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division. With course set, sails trimmed, and fair winds next year, smooth sailing should be expected for Membership affairs next year. One consideration is adding a CRSA Twitter account in order to achieve instantaneous communications between members at home, on the road, at the marina, or on the lake during CRSA events should members desire.

Webmaster Julie Mitchell: Software updates by the web host made several website functions inoperable. Because of that an update of the website functions was undertaken by an outside consultant. The new site is mostly functional, but several issues still need to be resolved. It is hoped everything will be finalized in early 2015 and the site fully functional by spring.

Cruise Director Dan Geiger: The CRSA sponsored two cruises this year. The first was to the lower Chesapeake Bay for 3 days over Memorial Day weekend. We had 5 sailors on one 41' boat and enjoyed perfect weather. The second cruise was two weeks in September in the Dalmatian Islands of Croatia on the Adriatic Sea. We had 9 sailors on two 36' boats and participated in a Sun Sail flotilla of 7 boats. The flotilla allowed us to become friends with British and Croatian sailors and have a great vacation exploring some of the 1200 islands of Croatia.

Newsletter Bill Lubawy/Bev Merten: Four issues of The MainSHEET were published this year, and the editors modestly believe they again were exceptional. It is hard to know how many members read them through their email, but the electronic distribution is certainly a lot easier and cheaper. The editors are still pursuing mechanisms to place the older newsletters on the website. Formats are set so newsletters are not searchable by search engines to try to thwart stalkers.

Youth Sailing Ted Brandewie: Youth Sailing had 7 sessions with either a Sunfish or the Optis at the lake next to the Lakes Edge condominiums. Two families and four students were involved. A program for Girl Scouts was organized by Charlotte Lubawy and taught at Cave Run for a week in July. Eight girl scouts participated in an intense sailing course that met every morning. In the afternoons over 40 additional girl scouts participated in a water activities program on the Margret Mary II. Instructors were Mark Breeden, Ralph and Bev Merten, and Bill and Charlotte Lubawy. Steve and Di Morris graciously provided excellent facilities for the instructors during the week.


Jeff LaGrew, Instructor Evaluator, conducted a "private" Instructor Clinic for ASA-201 "Basic Keelboat Instructor" certifying David Duncan and Brad Leslie as our newest Instructors for ASA-101. David has also completed his ASA-203, ASA-204 and ASA-205 instructor certifications at the Annapolis Sailing School. Our thanks to our volunteer instructors: Mark Arnold - ASA 101, 103, 104, 105; Jim Bugay - ASA 101, 103, 104, 105; David Davison - ASA 101, 103, 104, 105; Jim Dinger - ASA 101, 103, 104, 105; Cliff Hynmin - ASA 101, 103, 104, 105; Jeff Lagrew - ASA 101, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 114; Sam Moore - ASA 101, 103, 104, 105; David Duncan - ASA 101, 103, and Brad Leslie - ASA 101. ASA courses brought in over $5,300 in tuition payments.

We are planning the 2015 season and based on interest are considering an ASA-105 "Coastal Navigation" course in the 1st quarter of 2015 and an ASA-104 teaching cruise in the Caribbean. If interested please let David Davison know.

Beginning Sailing: Bill Lubawy, with help from Mark Breeden and Sally Shafer, taught the Beginning Sailing class with 27 individuals registered from 21 new household memberships. Weather for the one day water lab was dismal so it was cancelled. Chris Bollinger, Mark Breeden, Jim and Prince Dinger, Chuck Emrich, Bill and Charlotte Lubawy, Brian Pollard and Graeme Wilson took students out for individual water labs on their boats during four successive race weekends. Special thanks to Ruth Lawton who made arrangements for a room to hold the two lecture sessions. Beginning Sailing brought in approximately $2,355 in registration fees and new memberships.
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1. promoting both leisure and race sailing,
2. conducting sailing education classes,
3. providing a forum for good will and social activities
   among those interested in sailing and
4. participating in charitable activities.
Membership Information can be obtained from David
Duncan at membership@caverunsailing.org.

TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP: An electronic membership form is now
available at the website caverunsailing.org. Go to the website > renew
membership tab > forgot password (if you did). Your email address is your
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