



KEEP IN TOUCH WITH CRSA

FACEBOOK – Cave Run Sailing Association has an Open Group on Facebook. You will see posts from CRSA and its members. Feel free to post items yourself. Keep in touch with other members.

EMAIL BLASTS – If you are a CRSA member you will get email blasts prior to major events or announcements of upcoming events.

WEBSITE – Caverunsailing.org is the official website. Check it to register for events, see what is upcoming, find more up to date information and more details on events.

THE MAINSHEET – The newsletter of CRSA. Check for pictures of activities, newsy news, details on events, boats for sail or wanted to sail.

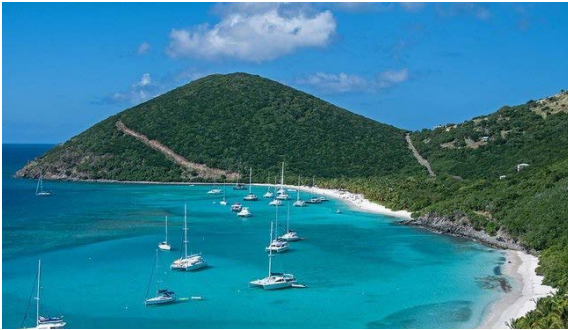
CRSA TRIP TALES ARE BACK THURSDAY JANUARY 30th, 6:00 PM

Mark your Calendars – the first 2020 Trip Tales is scheduled for Thursday January 30 at **Rooster's**, 124 Marketplace Dr., Lexington. Beginning at 6:00 pm are drinks and food orders, 6:45 is the program, 7:30 – 8:00 is Q & A and open discussion. A good time for all.

TOPIC: Sailing the BVIs

Chartering Boats in Paradise.

The British Virgin Islands have long served as a boating mecca for sailors from around the world. Over the years, many CRSAsers have been drawn to the turquoise waters, white sand beaches and near-perfect trade winds of the Caribbean.



Valerie and Ben Asksren will provide a colorful travelogue, complete with slides, maps, and travel advice. CRSA members will share their expertise and experiences of sailing in the paradise known as the BVIs.

Learn –

What does it take to charter a boat in the BVIs? What are the best good restaurants and where are they?

How about the run drinks, snorkeling holes and more?

Please join in again on Thursday February 27th for Trip Tales II, location TBD, to share experiences from the CRSA 2019 Cruise **Sailing the Greek Isles**. Look for more information on TTII coming soon in email blasts, facebook etc.





ANNOUNCING: 2020 Club Cruise - Tahiti/Bora Bora

From CRSA Cruise Director Merritt Wade

I have set up a CRSA sailing cruise to Tahiti Bora Bora. The dates will be the 10th thru the 17th of June 2020. The sailing will include the Islands of Raiatea, Tahaa, Bora Bora and possibly Huahine Nui. So far, we have 3 SunSail 44-foot 4 cabin, four head Catamarans reserved. There are 22 persons signed up for these boats.



I am now working on reservations for a fourth boat. This boat will be from Moorings. The options from Moorings include a 40-foot 3 cabin 2 head Catamaran and a 48-foot 4 cabin 4 head Catamaran. There are two cabins reserved and the size of boat will be determined by interest. The cost per person is \$1471 with two persons per cabin. This cost covers all boat related expenses including fuel, moorings and deposits. Refunds may be available after the trip if we use less fuel and return the boats undamaged. All food and island excursions will be additional.

Go to the Sunsail web site and look at the information for Tahiti. World class snorkeling, sailing, sightseeing and natural beauty can be found in this tropical paradise. June is the most pleasant month to visit French Polynesia. Rainfall is the least amount for the whole year. Water temperature should be in the low 80's and air temperature 72 to 84. Daily winds blow a steady 13 knots from ESE.

Our travel guide says you should fly to Los Angeles and transfer to your final Tahiti flight there. Flights can be from \$1000 to \$2000 depending on your arrangements. You fly into Papeete airport in Tahiti and then take a shuttle flight to the island of Raiatea. If you have an early morning flight to Papeete (5:00am) you should be able to get to Raiatea by 8:00am. We will be able to board the boats around noon on June 10. I would

strongly suggest getting there a day early as baggage might be delayed. To make good use of the long flight, most participants are planning an extra week on the islands either before or after the sailing trip.



The availability of boats changes every day. If you are interested, you should act soon. ASA 104 is not a requirement in Tahiti, but we will need an experienced captain on each boat. Each person **must** be a member of CRSA and can reserve a spot on the trip by sending me a deposit check in the amount of \$500.00 **MADE OUT TO CRSA**. First come first served. If we cannot secure a boat or there are not enough persons to fill the boat this amount will be refunded. **Final payment for the cruise will be due March 1st, 2020.**

You can contact me via email at merritt.wade@live.com or phone (859) 619-4490. Please call after 5:00 pm on weekdays.

Sunsail CRSA Charter Discount



Announcing the Sunsail charter discount program for Cave Run Sailing Association members. If you plan to do a private charter with Sunsail and you are a current CRSA member, you are eligible to get a 15% discount on your booking. This discount is not stackable with other discounts you might receive. It also might have some restrictions on peak holidays (Christmas to New Years and spring break). Each time CRSA has 10 bookings under this program, the club will get a free week booking to be used towards one of our club cruises and you will get the 15% discount.

If you are interested in using this discount program please contact Merritt Wade email merritt.wade@live.com or phone (859) 619-4490 to get the code required to participate.

2019 CRSA Cruise to the Greek Islands – Missed Info

Ed. Note: Your tall, dark, handsome and modest MainSHEET editor had a senior moment and left Greek Cruise comments from Susan Harbour in the file cabinet when he put together the last MainSHEET. Thought they were great comments. To make up for that here are Susan's comments and some pictures reprinted from the previous MainSHEET.

Fav Part: We were supposed to see Greek Dancers after supper one night but they did not show. So a lot of our group headed back to the boats. Pitiful me hobbled across the floor with my two canes and a waiter said, "If you wait ten minutes the waiters will dance for you." And they did. And then a big circle happened and they taught everyone how to do Greek Dances.

Fav Food: I used to live on BLTs in the summer, but after Greece I hope I never see another tomato (or feta cheese or black olives).

Fav Spot: The Airbnb we stayed in while in Athens across the street from the Acropolis Museum. \$120 a night, marble floors, a big porch right above the street.

Done Differently: There were way too many boats. On the other hand it was lots of fun meeting so many people.

Advice: Take less not more and it will be easier to carry your luggage.

SUSAN HARBOUR



2019 CRSA Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet

2019 Awards Banquet

The Annual Awards Banquet was held at the Lexington Country Club. Social Chair **Graeme Wilson** arranged a delightful evening hosted by 2019 Commodore **Valerie Askren**. Val did her usual excellent job of making everyone feel warm and welcome. Music was provided by DJ Rice and the Paying Dues Band who were superb. **Nancy Wilson** arranged the table flower decorations and **Molly Sutherland** made the nametags. **Sally Shafer and Kelly Emrich** did registrations. **Gerard Howell** gave the invocation. Special thanks to **Dan and Sue Wermeling** for sponsoring CRSA at the Lexington Country Club.

Valerie Askren received the Past Commodore Award for three successive and outstanding years as Commodore. **Steve Morris** received the Charlie Jett Award for the 2019 Most Outstanding Member. Racing Awards were presented to **Dale Sturm, Chuck Emrich and Lou Trost**. The Best Crew Award went to **Ken Ruhl**. The Captain Crunch Award was won, deservedly, by **Lou Trost**. The Most Active Newer Member Award went to **Luke Adams and Jonathan Ware** for their tireless work rehabbing the Rhodes 22. **Bill and Charlotte Lubawy** received the Commodore's Award for helping with many of the activities with which CRSA was involved during 2019.

The new CRSA Board of Directors for 2020 were installed for all officers except the Commodore, a position still open.



Steve Morris received the Charlie Jett Award for the Most Outstanding Member



Luke Adams and Jon Ware received the Active Newer Members Awards for their tireless work on the Rhodes 22.



Valerie Askren received the Past Commodore Award for three years of outstanding service as Commodore.



Racing awards went to Dale Sturm (accepted by Mark Breeden), Chuck Emrich and Lou Trost.

More Annual Awards Banquet Pictures



Awards Banquet Pics



Annual Awards Banquet



Even More Annual Banquet Pics Again



More Annual Banquet Pictures



The Only Annual Banquet Pictures Left



2020 CRSA Board of Directors. From Left to right - Youth Sailing, Chuck Emrich; Membership, Graeme Wilson; Certified Sailing, Jim Dinger; Vice Commodore (Regattas), Lou Trost; Secretary, Ken Ruhl; Treasurer, Michael Jones; Cruises, Merritt Wade; Webmaster, Kelly Emrich; Rear Commodore (Racing), Mark Breeden and Newsletter Editor, Bill Lubawy. Not Pictured are Social Chair, Molly Sutherland; Past Commodore, Valerie Askren and Harbor Master, Brad Leslie. Standardized email addresses for all CRSA Officers will be available in February.

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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 and community service activities.
- Membership Information can be obtained from Steve Morris at membership@caverunsailing.org.

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CRSA 2020 Officers

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