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BABA's Mid-Winter Party

by Chuck Schnee

We did it! We managed to sandwich our Mid-Winter bash in between two snowstorms. Jeff got his community, and his driveway, plowed out and by my unofficial count there were 39 windsurfing enthusiasts enjoying **Jeff and Linda Riach's** incomparable hospitality. Jeff and Linda – many thanks.



Jeff Riach, Sandy Rollins & Linda Grande

BABA chef **Marc**

Rosen pleased the crowd with his grilled marinated chicken breasts, Italian sausages, and Portabello mushrooms. And Marc, we must thank your able assistant, **Paula**, for her invaluable help. Supplementing Marc's efforts were the contributed side dishes that make the event a gastronomic occasion. I can remember the hot spinach dip, Italian string beans, salad, several bow tie pasta dishes, Key lime pie, chocolate Italian cheese cake, brownies...and more. It was not an evening to be on a diet.

The traditional BABA raffle was held with something for almost everyone.

Prizewinners were encouraged to patronize our sponsors, some of whose banners decorated the walls. **Mark Weinman** won the grand prize, a week of windsurfing at a newly revealed, but remote site in Jericoacoara, Brazil (just try saying that quickly three times). We'll look forward to your report on this adventure, Mark.

We were glad **Linda Grande** was able to join us for the evening, but we missed husband **Paul Cudone** who broke his leg skiing in Utah. With five pins and a plate in his tibia, Pauley now joins **Bob Catzen, Tom Sargent**, and I think



Bert Mayer and Don Caplan

Steve Cohen in the "Can't make it through the airport security machine" club. Hurry and mend, Mr. Cudone. Sailing weather will be here soon.

The evening ended on a high note for this writer when, partnered with Steve Cohen, we defeated Mark W. and our host in straight games of eight ball at the pool table. (Yeah, I just had to put that in guys!) We departed to greet the blizzard of '03 the following day.

Hope to see many of you in Hatteras.

Membership Privileges Have Their Price

By Fred Thomas, Treasurer

It's time to support our club for the 2003-2004 fiscal year. Dues are only \$20. That's less than the price of a subscription to **Windsurfing** magazine (well not the free subscriptions that many members win at our races). We've never increased our basic membership rates, just increased the fun. Our dues cover the cost of printing and mailing this newsletter, general administrative expenses, advocacy, U.S. Windsurfing Association dues, etc.

How do I pay? Here are the steps:

- 1) Get an envelope and place first class stamp on right hand corner
- 2) Address envelope to: Fred Thomas, 2418 Meadowside Ct, Monkton, MD, 21111
- 3) Get your checkbook out and write a check for \$20 made out to BABA.
- 4) Complete a membership renewal form (found on page 11 of this newsletter)
- 5) Insert check and membership form in envelope and mail.

For those going on the April trip to Avon, it's even easier: give me a check or cash for \$20. For those new members who paid after the fall sailing season, you're paid up for this year.



Marc Rosen - hail to the chef!

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Avon 2003

By Fred Thomas, Trip Coordinator

April 5 – 12, 2003

Those familiar with our Island Creek trips know that these houses have the best launches and are the most spacious houses on the Sound: West Wind, North Wind, Island Sun, Island Blast, Island Breeze, Island Star, Island Sky. For the first time on an April trip, we have managed to rent all houses in one location, Island Creek. As of March 5, 2003, there was 1 room available.

October 11 – 18, 2003

We rented 6 contiguous houses in Island Creek for October. There is still room for both accommodation levels (3 private rooms, 5 shared rooms) and we did not rent any semi-soundfront houses. Please email me at fthomas@cms.hhs.gov to reserve your place in the wind for either trip.

New Sponsorship Guru

by Chuck Schnee

Mark Weinman, BABA's Steering Committee Chair and Chief Instructor, has answered the call and volunteered to take charge of the club's efforts to attract and retain sponsors. Many thanks to **Maureen Pritchard** for her years of involvement, and to **Marc Rosen** who will continue to bring us merchandise prizes from the suppliers for whom he reps. And special thanks to Mark Weinman whose continuing involvement in many club activities has contributed significantly to BABA's success.



BABA Mission Statement

The Baltimore Area Boardsailing Association (BABA) is a network of Northern Chesapeake Bay windsurfers. Our purpose is to promote the sport of windsurfing through seasonal racing, instructional clinics, social events and group travel to windsurfing destinations. The club is an advocate for windsurfer access to clean, safe launch sites. Our events focus on an enjoyable social experience while developing further windsurfing skills.

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Membership and other club information is also available online at
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Racing News

Gerry Brown Memorial: First BABA Race of the Season

by Marc Rosen

The 8th Annual Gerry Brown Memorial Windsurf Race (BABA I) will be held at Sailing Center, Rocky Point Park on Sunday, April 27. Registration begins at 10AM and the first race will start at noon.

The race is sponsored by the **New England Windsurfing Journal** and **EZZY Sails**. (More T-shirts and refreshments!)

This is our 4th annual fundraiser for Cancer Research - the entry donation is \$10 - and we have raised more than \$3100 from entry fees and donations. **Pledge sheets are available on the BABA website** (on the racing page) for those sailors who want to get additional donations from friends and sponsors.

I will be the race director and Mike Mueller, of the Baltimore County Sailing Center, will be our host and committee boat captain. For additional information contact Marc at duckbite@qis.net. Directions to Rocky Point Sailing center may be found on the BABA website.



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Profile: Tom Sargent BABA Race Director for 2003

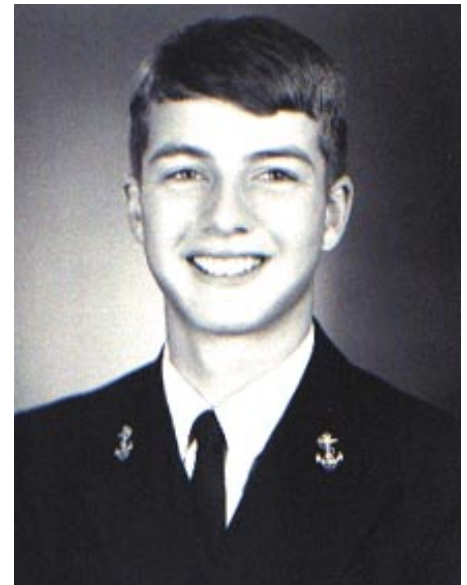
by Susan Belsinger

As I write this profile on Tomaso, BABA's race director for 2003, there is about two inches of new fallen snow on top of the 24-inch accumulation from last week's storm.

Tomaso called from Cocoa Beach this morning. He, **Alan Bernau**, and **Dave Kashy** drove straight through in order to arrive at the Calema Midwinter's Windsurfing Competition in plenty of time to scope out the scene and have a few practice runs. It's 80 degrees, they're in their shorts, and ready to ride the wind. What is wrong with this picture? Nothing, if you're one of the boys on the beach in sunny Florida!

Actually, I encouraged him to go. As you well know, there is probably nothing worse than a landlocked windsurfer in the dead of winter, who is in need of a fix.

Tom Sargent's passion for water sports began early as a child. He first sailed solo on Assawoman Bay in a 9-foot Squall when he was nine years old. He graduated from the 9-foot Squall to a 14-foot Cape Dory and on to a 15-foot Albacore during family vacations to Lake George in upstate New York. As a teenager, he began racing the Albacore on the Chesapeake Bay. As he grew, so did the family sailboat, going to a 29-foot Bristol, then a Columbia 36 and eventually a Columbia 45. Tom attended and graduated from Admiral Farragut Academy in St. Petersburg, Florida where he excelled in seamanship and navigation. After graduation he worked for Edwards



Graduation - Admiral Farragut Academy

Boat Sales in Annapolis and lived on board the Columbia 36.

Tomaso first began windsurfing in Ocean City, MD, off and on in the mid-to-late 70's, renting different equipment. He finally got serious in the 80's and spent a couple of summers renting equipment from **East of Maui** and windsurfing off Kent Island and Sandy Point. He remembers trying out a bunch of new equipment at a Fanatic demo and meeting **Mark Bandy**. That summer was the turning point—he was hooked on windsurfing.

During a trip to Hatteras, Tomaso bought his first board and sail—a Mistral Equipe with a 6.4 slalom—from **Fox Water Sports** in the fall of '87. Thereafter, family vacations revolved around windsurfing. (Have you ever noticed that when the wind is blowing just right for a windsurfer that the rest of the family is

usually being sandblasted or blown away on the beach?) We took our daughter Lucie to Disney World when she was three. Tomaso's best memory of the trip was scream-in' at Terra Verde on Tampa Bay.



Tom and his father in the 9' squall

Racing News

Seeking sailing venues close to home, Tomaso tried different places in and around the Chesapeake Bay. Sailing at Chesapeake Avenue, he met **Doug Palmer**, who told him about BABA. He entered his first BABA race, which he recalls was pretty grueling with not much wind, at the Gunpowder in 1990. He became serious about racing in '91 when he chartered a One Design Imco for a Tudor Mistral series, which was a 2-day event sailing on the Potomac River racing behind the Lincoln Memorial. Boy was he psyched when he won the novice class with 6 bullets!

Through some other Tudor events he raced with **Ron and Scott Steele** and Eric Nelson at Rocky Point and met **Kim Kasanzakis**, who reconnected him to the BABA group. He started attending BABA races in '94 where he met **Chuck Schnee**, who of course, encouraged him to join. Tomaso attended his first Windfest in Hatteras in 1999 and returned for the one in 2000, where he broke his hip in a mountain bike accident. He wasn't down and out for long—he was back racing in less than a year.

Ed Note: Susan Belsinger is Tom Sargent's wife. She loves food as much as Tom loves windsurfing. Check out her new website at www.susanbelsinger.com.



Favorite place to windsurf?

"Local—today Mayo Beach, not local—anywhere Outer Banks."

Q & A with Tom Sargent

So what is your idea of a good time?

"Campin' out on the beach with good friends like in Hatteras at Frisco Woods, the Midwinter's in Florida, or even at the Gunpowder."

What would you say are your windsurfing highlights?

"Sailing the Gorge, San Francisco Bay at Coyote Point, and learning how to jibe in Rhonda Smith's Jibe Class on Hood River."

As far as windsurfing goes-- what do you like best—what is your favorite move?

"Any part—it is all good."

What was your biggest, highest, most fun time?

Out on the ocean alone off Hatteras, sailing along and seeing stingrays and sea turtles swimming beneath me."

Your best race?

"First race was the best race (laughing)."

Worst race?

"Wanted to give up—hate this sport!"

Future dreams/ fantasies?

"To be able to afford to windsurf where it's warm when it's cold."

What do you like best about windsurfing?

"The aspect of combining elements."

What would you like to change about windsurfing?

"Wouldn't change anything. The fact that you are a conduit when you windsurf—you are between two elements—air and water. Your body bridges the gap between liquid and gas. It tunes you in because you have to achieve a balance between the two elements and the result is speed."

Which board do you like best for racing?

"Raced in all - Unlimited, One Design, Formula and 7.5. Hands down racing a formula board is most exciting (challenging). I like one design because of the equipment all being the same, it's down to skill and tactics, these are the things that determines who is fastest around the course."

As race director for BABA what is your goal?

"Motivating others to experience some new places to sail. By sailing at different places like the Gunpowder, Mayo Beach, Kent Island, Rocky Point, and others, it will vary the environment, conditions, and venue, challenging us to become better windsurfers."



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Racing & Clinic News

BABA Members Compete at Calema Midwinters

Several BABA members traveled to Merritt Island Florida for the 2003 Calema Midwinters Regatta. Here are the results. Congratulations to all of you for your outstanding performances. We hope to have a story or two and pictures to share. Keep your eyes on www.windsurfbaba.org.

A Fleet - Place/Rank
 Formula Masters Heavy
Alan Bernau 8th/67
 Formula Masters Light
Dave Kashy 3rd/23
 Formula Men Light
John Groesbeck 8th/55
 Longboard 7.5 Limited
Fenn Giles 6/13

Sport Fleet - Place/Rank
 Formula Masters
Tom Sargent 2nd/9
John Quinn 5th/21
Bob Tanev 6th/23

WET Spring Regatta/Beach Sports Challenge

MAS Race and USWindsurfing
 National Racing Tour Event
 April 18 - 20, 2003
 Norfolk, Virginia
 by Dave Kashy

Windsurfing Enthusiasts of Tidewater (WET) are hosting the first race of the 2003 US Windsurfing Mid-Atlantic Series (MAS). This regatta is also part of the US Windsurfing National Racing Tour (NRT) for 2003.

Included as part of this 3-day event is the Beach Sports Challenge (BSC), to be held on April 18 (day one of the Regatta) as an informal event and "tune-up" for the MAS/NRT event. The BSC may include

Petra Kanz Clinics 2003

by Chuck Schnee, BABA Clinic Director

BABA, in cooperation with **Ultimate Watersports**, is supporting two **Petra Kanz** professional clinics at the Gunpowder this season.

June 7 & 8 – Advanced Longboard Clinic – aimed at longboard sailors and racers seeking to upgrade and fine-tune their skills. Petra teaches mast track and daggerboard positioning, efficient tacking techniques, pivot jibes, high wind techniques, riling, downwind and close-hauled sailing at speed, harness line (double) setup, out-haul controls, and more.

In the light to moderate winds of our northern Chesapeake, the longboard remains the vehicle of choice for both everyday cruising and course racing. This clinic will get you moving

July 26 & 27 – Beginning Freestyle Clinic - this clinic will help any windsurfer comfortable with basic skills to greatly improve their board and sail handling ability. Petra starts with solid clew first, fin first and backwind sailing (beach starts and water-starts). Then come helicopter tacks and body sail 360s. Petra works from successes on these skills into more advanced tricks, all interspersed with lots of sail-chi and how these moves apply to everyday sailing. And the beauty of a freestyle clinic is that it requires next to no wind!

Petra was the women's 2001 freestyle champion at the prestigious King of the Cape competition in New England and is a uniquely qualified freestyle instructor. She says that learning freestyle means "Debunking two myths: 1) that 'freestyle' is a senseless accumulation of show off tricks that only 1/2% of the windsurfing population is able to do, and 2) that it has nothing to do with 'normal' sailing skills." Petra teaches at **Extreme Windsurfing** in Lakes Bay, NJ, and conducts professional clinics at other sites on the East Coast during the season.

The clinics will limit class size to six students (minimum four students) which allows for significant individual attention. When held on site these clinics are normally \$220 for the two-day event with 20 percent going to the organizing authority for administration and promotional expense. BABA has waived its fee reducing the cost to members to \$176. Reservations are on a first come/first served basis so book your place early. For reservations, or questions about the clinics, contact Chuck at (410) 592-7681 or cschnee@home.com.



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enduro and/or long distance racing and will allow competitors to familiarize themselves with the conditions at the event site and have fun at the same time.

The Wet Spring Regatta will be held on the waters of Hampton Roads Harbor off the point of Willoughby Spit in Norfolk. The Days Inn Marina Motel is the host hotel and regatta site so you can rig your gear, race all day and go to sleep with it still

rigged less than 100 meters from your bed. They are offering a special rate for regatta participants.

For more information check out www.sailwet.com or contact Dave Kashy at kashyr@juno.com



Windsafari: Lake Arenal-Costa Rica

By Mark Weinman

The BABA Costa Rica trip for '03 got off to a rocky start. We only had four people on the trip this year, two of whom were friends of **Tony Litwak's** from Arizona, Ron and Marcia Blake. Four weeks before our departure date our trip leader and Arenal expert, Tony Litwak, was sidelined by a broken leg. At the last minute I was able to convince Florida sailor, Karl Langefeld (a Hatteras-BABA regular) to join me for the trip.

We were tempting fate as we returned to Arenal for the third straight year. Luckily we had an incredible time, as had been our previous experience. Lake Arenal is a 25-mile long, man-made lake in the central mountains of Costa Rica at approximately 1,500 feet above sea level. The lake is adjacent to an active volcano. The wind is extremely steady and strong from December through March. As with previous years, we stayed at Rock River Lodge. The owner is Norm List who is a great host, hard core mountain biker, and avid windsurfer. Upon our return we were greeted like family. All of Norm's staff is extremely friendly and the food at the lodge is very good. We stayed in the bungalows, which are above the main lodge building. The lodge property is on the side of a steep mountain, with clear views down to the launch site. The wind howls about 20 hours a day and getting to sleep at night can be difficult. If you plan to go, I suggest taking earplugs for sleeping.

The first few days were actually cold and rainy. The locals said it was the coldest weather they could remember, with temps in the 60's during the daytime. The same weather system that brought 20-degree lows to Florida was also influencing the weather in Central America. The deep low-pressure system also brought



Powered up on 3.3's

big winds to the lake. Day one we had 4.4 winds all day. Day two was raging with steady winds 40 to 50 knots. Sails of 3.3 to 3.7 sails were the call on tiny 70- liter, 7'-10" wave boards. Even for the local sailors this was a big day.

On the third day we ventured North 2.5 hours to check out a new sailing site on the Bahia Salinas, a bay along the Pacific coast just south of the Nicaraguan border. We spent two days at the Eco Playa resort.



Locals ripping it up.

This is a small resort right on the beach with views to the mountains along the Nicaraguan border. The sailing concession at Eco Playa is operated by the same

proprietor as the one at the Lake (web site: TicoWinds.com). It was sunny and hot with another day of 3.3-3.7 winds. Despite a 10-foot high windscreens, the resort's pool had foot high breaking waves and whitecaps at lunchtime. The sailing is onshore wind with 18-24" waves that do not break. The water is warm and shallow. Unfortunately you have to share the water with stingrays and one of the world's most venomous water snakes. The snakes are only 18" long but one bite from the little buggers and they say you will die. The second day of sailing was 5.4 conditions. Although this would be a great day on the Chesapeake, it seemed very tame compared to the previous day. We left at mid-day on Wednesday and had lunch in the town of La Cruz. The restaurant was on the top of the ridge that overlooked Bahia Salinas, it was an incredible view.

Next we headed to a game preserve named Hacienda Inocentes to catch some birding. Ron and Marcia are avid bird watchers. Marcia told me there were 850 different bird species in Costa Rica of which 600 could only be found within the country. Inocentes Ranch is a retired cattle farm that is being transformed into a game preserve. The farm sits at the base of Orosi Volcano. We did not see a lot of animals but we did see some fabulous birds - Toucans, Parrots, Macaws and Oropendulas. We left Inocentes at dusk for the long drive back to Rock River Lodge. Driving in Costa Rica is quite an experience. The Costa Rican section of the Pan American Highway, the road that which links North America to South America is a two-lane paved road. Passing is an art form and there are no apparent rules. There are numerous potholes and very few lights. The lanes have paint that is barely perceptible and it is quite common to have pedestrians



and bicyclist along the 12" shoulder on the side of the road. Needless to say, two hours of nighttime driving here is a harrowing experience.

Thursday, back at the lake, dawned with sunny skies and light winds. At Arenal they take high wind for granted. Before we arrived they had 3 weeks of 3.7 to 4.7 conditions. A sunny day with 5.4 conditions on the Chesapeake would be epic but for the Tico's (locals), they will question whether it is even worth the effort to rig. Well us yanks decided it was a good day and sailed all morning. For the afternoon we decided to check out the local mountain biking scene. Originally Karl and I were going to take an easy route on our own. It ended up that Karl and I went tagging along with 5 of the locals. These guys ride all year long, know all the trails and use state of the art equipment. The first climb was called "skin graft" and Karl and I knew we were in for trouble. The climb was brutal and I walked my bike for half of the climb. Norm is in his mid fifties and his friend Dave is in his 60's. These guys made the climb look easy and pedaled the whole way up to the top. At the summit I was wheezing with shaking legs. The locals were cold and anxious to descend. The trail down was tough. Did I say trail? I meant cow path. We were descending down cow pastures on the side of the mountain. Hidden beneath the tall grass

for. We went to the Eco lodge, just 20 minutes from the sailing site to meet our group. A canopy tour is a trip through the treetops of the jungle, hanging from a 1/2 inch cable, while traveling at 30-MPH. You are outfitted with a mountaineering harness and you ride a zip wire from tree to tree at a height of up to 100 feet off of the forest floor. Yes it was a thrill and yes I would highly recommend it to other thrill seekers.

Arenal has a reputation for high wind and once again the lake offered up her best. We had a lot of wind although this year there were some light wind days. We sailed every day in conditions ranging from 3.3 to 5.9 meter sails. At Arenal, when the wind dropped off to 5.5 it seemed like a light wind day. The water on the lake is very choppy which makes for ideal bump and jump conditions. The ramps are all port, which takes some getting used to. The water temperature was in the low 70's and a shorty was plenty of protection, even on



Volcano Inocentes

like the Gorge. Oh yeah, lots of non-sailing activities, no powerboats and warm sun. A crowded day on the lake is 18 sailors. I don't know about you but this place adds up to the ideal windsurfing destination. The setting is beautiful and the people are very friendly. There are plenty of activities for non-sailors including many full and half day excursions that you can take from the Lodge. There is horseback riding, mountain biking, and white water rafting. Other activities include hiking through rainforests, great bird watching, jungle, waterfalls, tree canopy tours and thermal hot springs. Hope you will join us in 2004 for another great adventure.

THE GEAR: The locals are very impressive sailors and tend to be very friendly. Upon arrival at Tico Winds, you are assigned a *Chinook* carbon boom for the entire week. Peter Hopely, the owner, and his staff work very hard to keep you well outfitted throughout the day. They do all the rigging and sail adjusting for you. There is plenty of grass and shade at the launch site. Peter's equipment selection is very good. He has all new *Neil Pryde* sails, and carbon masts. He has a wide selection of *JP* boards, from 65 liters up to 115 liters.



Eco Playa Resort at Bahia Salinas

were ruts and holes waiting to topple the unwary rider.

We were to have light winds for the remainder of the week. Morning sessions on 5.7 to 5.9 followed by afternoon excursions. On Friday we decided to take a "Canopy Tour". It sounded interesting to me but I had no idea what we were in

the colder days.

Costa Rica is a beautiful country with lots of interesting things to see and do. It is the *Ultimate Playground*. Consistent winds, beautiful countryside, great people, no crowds, \$7 dinners and \$1 beers. Maui may be great, but this place is 2.5 hours from Miami and has daily wind strengths



Frosted Flakes

by Marc Rosen

photos by Paula Rosen

After last year's mild winter I was delighted that the region got cold enough to freeze up Lake Marburg for another season of sniceling (snow and ice sailing). Occasionally a few friends would show up to join in the fun. February 2 (3rd session) had the best conditions. The snow from the previous week's storm had blown off and left a relatively clean surface with a little water on top - it was in the low 40's - to easily power me on a 3.7 in the 10 -15 MPH breeze. Dave Macveigh brought his wooden DN iceboat and there was another "boater" on an all steel Skimmer. Both boaters were using 27+ square feet sails which dwarfed my 3.7 and they proved their wind handling ability by going extremely fast. I traded craft with Dave for short time and had a wild session covering one mile sections of the lake in what seemed like seconds. Often I got overpowered and the windward runner would rise off the ice.



Marc Rosen on a 7.8 and Steve Sabia with a kite.

The following week Paula and I were joined by BABA member Steve Sabia and his girlfriend Chris. Steve brought his homemade freeskate and a tandem kite rig to use with his snowboard. This time we had a thick and uniform snow cover that resulted in me using a 7.8 and a harness. Steve's freeskate could not course through the snow but his skill with a kite and board was incredible. Another friend of Steve's showed up with a solo 8 meter kite and we were racing each other to the farthest reaches of the lake. We went back to the lake a few more times although our later sessions were much shorter because the wind was short lived. Steve and I also tested Lake Roland in Baltimore on a 20+ day only to get skunked by the abundant snow cover and twitchy wind directions. Lake Roland is sailable when there is no snow cover at all, but the "No Skating" signs probably indicate that we should not be out on the ice. As I'm typing this there is still a measured 11 inches of ice on Marburg but no wind. I'm hoping to get one more session in before the thaw. And then, there's always next year. Maybe more BABA members will come up for some hard water fun.

Ed Note: Go to www.windsurfbaba.org for more Frosted Flakes pictures.



Marc jibing his 3.7 on the ice.

Are Girl Scouts the Future of the Sport?

by Stuart Gray

Last summer on a quiet creek in Northern Virginia over 200 young women had first hand experience with windsurfing. When I first arrived

I'll admit I felt a little out of place and wondered how the girls would take to being taught by a guy old enough to be their father. But in the end I took with me a camp T-shirt, a hand drawn card, a Girl Scout friendship bracelet, a camp nickname, and quite possibly the most rewarding windsurfing teaching experiences of my life.



Ed Note: Stuart Gray runs Annapolis Wind - providing windsurfing instruction and events in the Annapolis area.

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**Almost April Fools Wave Bash
& Hot Dog Roast
(Ezzy Sails Demo Day)**
Saturday, March 29, 2003
10am - 4pm
Sailing Center at Rocky Point
Essex, MD

Spring Swap Meet
Sunday, March 30, 2003
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8am - 4pm



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April 27 - Spring Swap Meet
May 2 - 4 - ABK Clinic
May 10 - 11 - Fanatic Demo days
May 17 - 18 Starboard & Sailworks Demo
May 24 - Petra Kanz Womens Clinic*
May 31 - June 1 - Kite Event OC *
June 14 - AHD/Gastra/Fiberspar demo
June 14 - 15 - Kitesurfing Clinic*
June 21 - 22 - Lakes Bay Challenge Cup
June 28 - 29 - Petra Kanz Wave Sailing Clinic*
July 12 - Petra Kanz Longboard Clinic*
August 9 - Annual Beach Party
August 9 - 10 - Starboard & Sailworks Demos
August 16 - 17 - Kitesurfing Clinic*
August 23 - 24 - Women Kitesurfing Clinic*
September 14 - Fall Swap Meet

* denotes tentative events



BABA 2003 Schedule

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| March 29 | Almost April Fools Day Wave Bash and Hot Dog Roast Sponsored by Ezzy Sails Baltimore County Sailing Center at Rocky Point contact Marc Rosen 410/374-1230 or duckbite@qis.net | June 29 | BABA V at Gunpowder State Park, Chase, MD |
| Apr 5 - 12 | BABA Spring Hatteras Trip contact Fred Thomas 410/692-5409 or FThomas@cms.hhs.gov | July 13 | BABA VI at Gunpowder State Park, Chase, MD |
| April 27 | BABA I/Gerry Brown Memorial at Rocky Point State Park, Essex, MD | July 26 & 27 | Petra Kanz Freestyle Clinic , Gunpowder State Park, Chase, MD contact Chuck Schnee (410)592-7681 or cschnee@comcast.net |
| May 17 | BABA II/MAS at Mayo Beach Park, Mayo MD | September 6 | BABA VII/Hart/Miller Island Enduro hosted by the Baltimore County Sailing Center at Rocky Point State Park, Essex, MD |
| May 18 | BABA III/MAS at Mayo Beach Park, Mayo MD | September 27 | BABA VIII/MAS at Mayo Beach Park, Mayo, MD |
| June 7 & 8 | Petra Kanz Longboard Clinic , Gunpowder State Park, Chase, MD contact Chuck Schnee (410)592-7681 or cschnee@comcast.net | October 5 | BABA IX at Gunpowder State Park, Chase, MD |
| June 14 | BABA IV - Chester River Windsurfing Race at Stevenson, MD | October 11 - 18 | BABA Fall Hatteras Trip contact Fred Thomas 410/692-5409 or FThomas@cms.hhs.gov |
- More great BABA events are in the works for 2003, so stay tuned to BABA News and windsurfbaba.org for updates.

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Cleaning out the trailer:

Race Sails: Gaastra Nitro3's: excellent condition, red white and blue USA team color scheme (masts also available): 10.4 - \$450 9.3 - \$425

AHD Boards: 2001 Diamond Formula 95 - \$800 Good condition, well cared for, 1/2" bag also available (\$100). 2002 G-Ride 63 - \$750 1/4" custom Lakes Bay bag also available (\$80).

Kite: 15 F-One Magic - \$650 (bar and lines additional \$100) contact Sam Franck VA11@cox.net or 703.408.3699

For Sale:

2001 GulfTech Small Wave All Carbon Boom 155cm - fits sails 4.5m & smaller. Like New Condition. \$200.00 Contact Fred Hylla at hylla@erols.com (h) 301.774.2863 (w) 202.326.4130x6603

For Sale:

'98 Mistral Superlight II (with the "good" easy to operate mast track), 2 daggerboards, 2 fins, 1 mast foot. Excellent condition. \$700. Lakes Bay bag to fit, \$175.

'98 Bic Veloce 298 (137L) Excellent condition, 3 fins (1 weed), \$375. Lakes Bay bag to fit, \$75.

Foot straps (RRD) never used. \$6 each, \$10/pair

EZZY sails (all in excellent condition) 2002 Wave SE; 6.9 - \$390, 4.5 - \$350 2002 Infinities; 5.4 - \$340, 6.6 - \$350, 8.5 - \$390

2001 Wave SE; 3.7 - \$270

Fiberspar carbon booms

2001; 180 to 228 cm - \$275

2001; 220 to 268 cm (with adjustable outhaul) - \$380

2002; 200 to 258 cm - \$350

Call Marc at (h)410-374-1230 or

(w)410-502-DUCK or duckbite@qis.net

For Sale:

NEW DaKine XL Kaloma Waist Harness (black) with back support straps and Reactor bar: \$80; **2000 North Volcano 5.8 sail**, no cams \$250; **1996 World 5.5 Slalom Sail** \$95 Doug Kon 336/768-8568 or dougkon@triad.rr.com

Wanted:

Beater mast for landsailing. 400 - 460 2 piece. Contact Daphne at babanews@earthlink.net or 703/538-4388

Wanted:

For an art project --- looking for donations or to buy some **old windsurfing fins**: all types, preferably pointer fins (upright vertical leading edge) or 1st generation blade fins. Also looking for trippy old fins like the "football fin" and the "torpedo fin" and the "fence fin". Let me know what you have in your used gear pile. Steve Sabia sabia@kong.gsfc.nasa.gov or call: 301 464 5424



Baltimore Area Boardsailing Association

2003 Membership Application

New Member Renewal

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

Occupation: _____ Years Boardsailing: _____ Age: _____

I would like to be an electronic subscriber to the newsletter

(If you need more information about e-subscribing contact babanews@earthlink.com)

Volunteers are needed for race registration (meet other windsurfers), race committee boat (close up view of racing and great photo opportunities), newsletter articles and photos, social event help, and other stuff. No experience necessary!

I'm interested in volunteering to help with: Newsletter Racing Program Hatteras Trips
 Clinics Local Trips Social Events Family Fun Day
 Other: _____

Release, Waiver of Liability, and Indemnity Agreement to the Baltimore Area Boardsailing Association

I, the above named individual being 21 years of age or older, in consideration of services which have been or will be performed by the Baltimore Area Boardsailing Association in providing travel arrangements and activities and of being permitted to participate in the Club trips, activities, events and other functions which I recognize as being hazardous, do for myself, my personal representatives, heirs and next of kin, (1) hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue or hold liable the Baltimore Area Boardsailing Association, its officers, its Board of Directors, their agents and members, jointly and severally, all for the purposes herein referred to as RELEASES, from all loss or damage, and any claim or demands, therefore, on account of injury to the person or property, or resulting in death, whether caused by the negligence of RELEASES or otherwise while for any purpose participating in any event or activity; (2) hereby agree to indemnify and save and hold harmless the RELEASES from any loss, liability, damage, or cost they may incur due to my presence and participation during any activity and whether caused by the negligence of RELEASES or otherwise; and (3) hereby assume full responsibility for any rise, due to my presence and participation and fault, of bodily damage, death or property damage due to negligence of RELEASES or otherwise while traveling, participating or for any other purpose while engaged in such activities. I expressly agree that the foregoing RELEASE, WAIVER, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the state, states, or countries in which the activity is conducted and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance of the agreement shall continue in full legal force and effect. I have read and voluntarily signed this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT which shall remain in full legal force and effect until such time that I notify the Baltimore Area Boardsailing Association in writing that this agreement is voided and such notification is acknowledged by the Baltimore Area Boardsailing Association.

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

DUES:
\$20.00 Individual or family (membership year 4/1/03 - 3/31/04)

Make checks payable to : Baltimore Area Boardsailing Association - or - BABA

Mail to: Fred Thomas
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