



AUGUST 30 –SEPTEMBER 1

The Labor Day Event was held at [Sailing Associates](#) on the Sassafra River, August 30 through September 1, 2014. [Narsilion](#), [Xtasea](#), [Silent Running](#), [Windsprint](#), [Windkist4](#), [Aquila](#) and [Annalee](#) started the weekend early and anchored in Turner Creek, Stillpond or Knights Island on Friday night. Elsie's Phantasie departed from Rock Hall just before sunrise on Saturday and enjoyed a great sail with easterly winds 10 to 19 knots all the way up the bay and into the Sassafra River. Boats started arriving at Sailing Associates just after 10:00 AM. [Schatzi](#), [Tenacity](#), [Paisano](#), and [Penury's Prize](#) arrived a little later, and [Teresa Marie](#) arrived by car and [Contigo](#) joined the fun on Sunday morning.



[Tony Tumas](#) of [Great Blue Yachts](#) provided the food for the Saturday evening barbeque. [Sailing Associates](#) provided tents just in case it rained. Happy Hour and the barbeque also included many of the slip holders from [Sailing Associates](#). Many of us made new friends and the party continued well after dark. [Chris Schultz](#) won the prize for the most creative use of watermelon with his hand carved Shark sculpture. There were several other entries that were equally as good, making it difficult for the judges to decide on a winner. The prize, a large bottle of "water" Mellon wine was awarded to [Chris](#), who graciously shared it with anyone brave enough to try it. Many of us made new friends and the party lasted well after dark.





On Sunday Joe Cameron taught a wonderfully informative class on Spinnakers, after which member went to The Granary for lunch. Several of the ladies walked to Galena to shop. In the afternoon Paul Borchardt taught us what to do if the boat is leaking, and Chris Schultz shared a first-hand experience with a sinking boat. Rex Noel taught us how to make a MADAY call just in case all else fails. Steve McDonough taught us all about AIS systems and shared several experiences with us.



We held a Pot Luck dinner on Sunday evening, and the thunderstorms held off just long enough for everyone to finish eating and dash back to their boats before the rain started.

Most of the boats departed early on Monday because more thunderstorms were forecast for later in the day. The race was cancelled due to the lack of wind and the weather forecast. Elsie's Phantasie left just after noon, and was able to escape a thunderstorm as it moved across the bay from Baltimore to Rock Hall.