

Moonlight Sail

Aug. 19 , 2016



Friday evening, August 19 was the departure date for the Moonlight Sail. The wind vanished before the sun set, so the destination was changed at the last minute, from Harness Creek to Bodkin Creek. It was a leisurely ride from Rock Hall across the bay for Elsie's Phantasie so we took advantage of the flat water and ate dinner as we motored over what appeared to be a sheet of glass. We enjoyed a beautiful sunset and then a spectacular moonrise the destination as we entered Bodkin Creek. We traveled by moonlight to Judd Cove where we met Annalea, Schatzi and Windkist, who were rafted together, having arrived from points north just before sunset. Elsie's Phantasie anchored nearby under a moonlit sky.

Saturday brought a steamy afternoon with temperatures in the high 90's. Chris and Debbie braved the jelly fish infested water, while some of us cooled off by taking cold showers on the swim platform. Later in the afternoon we enjoyed happy hour aboard Schatzi .



Sunday's weather was forecast to be stormy with winds from the north, so we all planned to depart after sunrise in order to head home before the storms arrived. The clouds were gathering as the sun came up over the horizon, reinforcing the decision we made the evening before. Schatzi departed first, then Windkist, followed by Annalea, and Elsie's Phantasie.



Elsie's Phantasie arrived safely in her slip just before the storms blew in from the south. Air conditioning and a shower never felt so good!

There is still two more full moons on the weekend of September 16, and another on October 16, so who knows. Surely there will be wind and cooler temperatures ahead, and maybe time for

another chance to enjoy a Moonlight Sail.

