

The Kentucky Derby Raft-Up Saturday May 5, 2018 at Fairlee Creek.

Clem and Linda were ill and in an eleventh hour phone call, Clem asked Elsie's Phantasie to fill in as Raft Captain. Several boats had expressed an interest in attending the event, but the weather forecast was calling for rain throughout the afternoon and evening, and they decided to stay in the comfort of their slips.

Windrose had just been launched on Friday, and was heading south from Tidewater Marina and Elsie's Phantasie was in her slip in Rock Hall ready to head north on Saturday. Both boats had decided by telephone to meet up with the Kentucky Derby Raft-Up on Saturday.

It was a cloudy day with an intermittent gentle 4 knot breeze from the north, not so great for sailing from Rock Hall, and not much better for sailing from Havre de Grace. Elsie's Phantasie arrived at Fairlee Creek just after 1400, and Windrose arrived about a half hour later and took Elsie's port side. We spent a relaxing afternoon under overcast skies. Enjoying the calm water and the scenic view. Happy Hour was held aboard Windrose, while we watched the events and the introduction of the horses and jockeys leading up to the race.

We chose our favorites based on their names only, Lone Sailor, Noble Indy and Mendellson. The race went off at 1830 and Justify took first place, with Cool Magic in second place and Audible in third place. Although none of the horses we liked came close to winning their names struck a memory or had meaning to each of us.

The rain held off until later in the night, and although the forecast caused a light turnout, we enjoyed our time together in a place we had not visited in the recent past. Both boats departed at 0900 the next day, again under cloudy skies with winds from the north.



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OFFICIAL RESULTS FINAL TIME: 2:04.20				
BASED ON 50 BET	0005	WIN	PLACE	SHOW
JUSTIFY	5/2	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$4.40
GOOD MAGIC	9-1		\$9.20	\$6.60
AUDIBLE	7-1			\$5.80
\$2.00 EXACTA		\$1.00 TRIFECTA		\$1.00 SUPERFACTA
7-8		7-6-5		7-6-5-15
\$68.80		\$141.40		\$19,818.20

FINISH ORDER: 7th: 0 Hoffung 8th: 8 Lone Sailor