

ALLIED SEABREEZE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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Dear Fellow Seabreeze Owner:

I'm a little behind schedule because the month of May disappeared somewhere on the ICW - something about a long trip on a slow trawler (someone else's). The good news is a couple of upcoming rendezvous.

Gerry Clapp invites us to join him at Padanarum on Wednesday, August 12. Through his effort and sterling reputation, dinner is laid on for a modest number of Seabreezeers at the New Bedford YC that evening. The last time he organized something like this, we had five boats in a raft at Block Island. Let's see if we can't top that number this year.

Hank Towers extends a similar invitation just a convenient week later, for a rendezvous at Tenants Harbor on Penobscot Bay on Wednesday, August 19th. He has made reservations for dinner that night at the East Wind Inn at Tenants. He did a similar thing last year at Buck Harbor and six boats and eight owners made the formation, half the boats from west of the Cape.

I'm sure Gerry and Hank will both appreciate VHF calls or some other communication from members planning on attending. The Camden marine operator, at least, can be counted on to do a super job on handling calls.

I'm sorry to report that bad news has also arrived, the death of Charley Williams, our friend and the former owner of hull #65, *HAPPY TRAILS*. Charley is the man who did a mail survey of our membership and distributed a eight-page report on boat values, modifications, etc. Readers of *Coastal Cruising* will also remember him as the man who cruised his Seabreeze to Cuba, as well as the author of several other articles. Charley had a personal interest in:

Charley Williams Scholarship Fund at the Whitman School
Legacy Trail (hiking trails in the Steamboat area)
Interstitial Lung Disease Research Institute.

Donations can be sent to: Charley Williams Memorial Fund
First National Bank of Steamboat Springs
2155 Resort Drive
Steamboat Springs, Col. 80477

His wife can be reached at: Barb Williams
PO Box 2169
Steamboat Springs, Col. 80477
Phone: (970) 879-0903

On a far happier note, members in the Southern New England region are indebted to Hank and Chevy Towers for a delightful shore party and gam that they organized in early June. When not sailing *FINBARR* in Maine, the Towers make their home in Essex, Connecticut. We gathered there on a beautiful June 3rd and proceeded to the Dauntless Club for cocktails and then walked a

couple of doors south to the Essex Yacht Club for lunch. It was mid-afternoon before the party broke up, with everyone feeling well fed and better acquainted. Attendees were:

Gerry Clapp, #28, of Guilford, Conn.
Linc and Mary Lou Craighead, #60, of Fairfield, Conn.
John and Jeanine Eaton, #25, of Deep River, Conn.
Joe and Betty French, #101, of West Islip, N.Y.
Gene Reardon, #46, of Bay Shore, N.Y.
Jim Rutledge, #58, of Old Lyme, Conn.
Hank and Chevy Towers, #121, of Essex, Conn.

Keep well. I hope to see at least some of you this summer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gene", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.