

# 2023 NC COASTAL & PIEDMONT ACBS CHAPTER BOAT SHOW

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What's the plan?

*Friday 9/29*

- Launch or park trailered boat at Blackbeard Sailing Club (BSC) 1215 Barkentine Dr., New Bern, NC 28560. Or arrive via water and tie off at the assigned slip. Chapter members will be available to assist starting at 3 PM.
- Short cruise of local waters for those interested. 3:30 PM leave from BSC ramp.
- Social on BSC deck 5:00 to 7:00 PM—sandwiches, pizza, snacks, soft drinks—for those that paid. Children under 12 are free. BYOB due to BSC liquor liability issues.

*Saturday 9/30*

- If coming on Saturday, be at your assigned slip or park trailered boats at BSC by 9:30 AM
- Show 10 AM to 2 PM
- Lunch on your own
- Awards 2:30 PM
- Wrap up

### What's the cost and what do I get for it?

The registration cost is \$25 for the first boat plus \$10 for each additional boat. Please use the additional boat registration form if more than one boat, *but just compute the cost on one form*. The social on Friday will cost \$15 each and will include sandwiches, pizza, snacks, soft drinks. BYOB due to BSC liquor liability issues. No charge for children under 12. On Saturday we'll have free cold water and soft drinks for those registered. **Fees are non-refundable.** There is an option to make a donation to our chapter's Cape Fear Community College's Boatbuilding Scholarship Fund—we hope you will.

### Where do I get a registration form?

The registration forms are available on the home page of our website. The form is a fillable PDF form. We prefer you complete it on your computer so we can read it, but you can just print it off and fill it in by hand. Regardless of which way you do it, you will need to print a copy and mail it in. To facilitate our assignment of spaces, we request that you send [Alan Hills](#) a copy of the registration via [email](#) ASAP in addition to mailing the form in.

### Do attendees have to pay?

No. This event is FREE to the public.

### Where can we stay overnight?

- You may bring an RV or tent to camp on BSC grounds. They have a nice bath house. No charge.
- There are rental condos in nearby Fairfield Harbour (various rental agencies including Airbnb, VRBO).
- There are many hotels and B&Bs in New Bern—on and off the water. Here are a few:
  - Bridgepointe Hotel 101 Howell Rd. 877-283-7713 or [website](#) (waterfront—less expensive)
  - Comfort Suites 1006 Old Cherry Point Rd 252.649.3579 (not waterfront)
  - DoubleTree by Hilton 100 Middle St 252.658.9000 (waterfront downtown + marina)

- Courtyard by Marriott 218 E. Front St. 252.636.0022 (waterfront downtown)
- Club Wyndham in Fairfield Harbour (condos) 475 Broad Creek Rd. 252.638.8011 [Click here](#)

**May the boats stay overnight at BSC?**

Yes. This facility is gated and secure.

**Can BSC accommodate a cruiser?**

Yes. BSC can accommodate large boats. Cruisers may stay overnight at BSC. Slips have electric, water and wi-fi.

**Will the boats be judged?**

No. There will be voting by the people, by the captains and by the mates. Completed ballots should be placed in the box at the registration tent by 1:30 PM.

**Will there be awards?**

Yes. All boats entered in the show are eligible for awards. Here is a list of planned awards:

- People’s choice—voted on by the public attending
- Best Boat Name—voted on by the public attending
- Longest Distance Travelled to attend—calculated by show committee using addresses
- Best non-wood—voted on by captains and first mates
- Best non-power/non-sail—voted on by captains and first mates
- Best sail—voted on by captains and first mates
- Best wood outboard—voted on by captains and first mates
- Best wood inboard or I/O—voted on by captains and first mates
- Best Staging—voted on by captains and first mates

**Is there a deadline to register?**

Yes. Friday, September 22, 2023.

**Where can I get lunch on Saturday?**

BSC has a picnic shelter with grills, tables and chairs if you want to bring your own lunch or grill something. There is also the nearby Harbour Pointe Grille at 1105 Barkentine Dr. (3 min drive) or Sara’s (Italian) located at 1150 Broad Creek Rd. (8 min drive).

**What’s there to do in New Bern on Friday evening 9/29 and Saturday evening 9/30?**

Fri 9/29 MumFEAST 2023 6 PM to 11 PM in downtown New Bern: <https://visitnewbern.com/event/mumfeast-2023/>  
Suggest you get ticket very early as this will be sold out.

Fri 9/29 and Sat 9/30 The Revolutionists (a new, bold, smart feminist comedy) at New Bern Civic Theatre 7:30 PM to 10 PM. <https://ci.ovationtix.com/36421/production/1147278>

**How do I get into Fairfield Harbour?**

BSC is located within the gated community of Fairfield Harbour at 1215 Barkentine Dr, New Bern, NC 28560. Note that your GPS will want you to enter the wrong gate! Follow these instructions once you get to the Fairfield Harbour sign on Broad Creek Road. From Broad Creek Road, go to the main entrance (a short distance past the fire station). You will see the manned gate on the right, enter the gate on the left. If the gate is closed, hit the call button. If asked, just tell them you are going to Blackbeard Sailing Club. If the gate is open, just go in. Take an immediate right on Coral Reef Dr, then take the first left onto Barkentine Dr. This winds around until you see Blackbeard Sailing Club on the left. Pull in—the gate should be open. If it is not, call VP Alan Hills at 252.514.8525. **DO NOT TRY TO ENTER FROM THE BARKENTINE DR GATE FROM BROAD CREEK ROAD AS IT REQUIRES A PASSCODE WHICH WE DO NOT GIVE OUT!** If you get to this gate, you have gone too far—turn around and go back to the main gate area.

**Who do I contact if I have additional questions or a problem?**

VP Alan Hills at 252.514.8525 (cell) or [ahills@suddenlink.net](mailto:ahills@suddenlink.net)