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IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

TIME TO START GETTING READY

TO WIN THE PARADE OF LIGHTS FOR CIYC!



TOM AND SUE WARDEN ARE HEADING UP THE CHALLENGE TO BRING THE SWEEPSTAKES TROPHY BACK TO CIYC. TOM AND SUE NEED YOUR HELP. PLEASE CONTACT THEM WITH YOUR IDEAS AND LET THEM KNOW WHAT YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE. THEY NEED A BOAT TO DECORATE. THEY NEED FOLKS TO HELP WITH THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE ENTRY.

THIS YEAR'S THEME IS

“DECK THE HULLS”.

CONTACT: TOM AND SUE WARDEN
ASAP – YOUR HELP IS DEARLY NEEDED.





Message From The Commodore Frank Sullivan



October 24th was the date for the Annual General meeting and election of the Bridge. I'm pleased to announce that next year your Commodore will be Larry Golkin, Vice Commodore will be Mary Foster and Rear Commodore will be Georgie Olsen. All were selected by unanimous vote of the members present. I have every confidence that these folks will serve you in an exemplary manner next year. They have worked tirelessly for the last year on the board in your interests and I'm sure they will continue to do so.

The called meeting for the dues increase was well attended and the membership came up with a very workable compromise on dues for next year. First the preferred alternative was negotiated then the membership voted on whether to accept the dues change or not. These changes were approved by an overwhelming majority of the voting members present at the Called Meeting:

The Annual dues for Regular members will increase from \$650 a year to \$900 a year. Ram, Inactive and Yachting member's dues will increase from \$130 a year to \$180 a year. This should help to slow or eliminate the erosion of our cash assets.

To help increase participation and stabilize income there will be a \$50 a month prepaid "use it or lose it" fee charged to all Regular, Ram, Lifetime and Yachting members. The fee can be used over a 3 month period for any purchase at the club. This must be paid within the first week of each month or may be paid quarterly or yearly in advance. Payment may be made by check, cash, credit card or automatic draft from a credit card account or checking account. The unspent portion of the \$50 not used within the 3 month period will be surrendered to the club. To implement this program the Clubs cash register system will be upgraded and charges will be tracked by member number in the accounting system.

This was a difficult decision and I thank the members for understanding the need for this inconvenient dues increase and the members of the board for working so hard on this.

The dinning room will be closed for most of the month of November while the room renovations are underway. Thank you to R/C Mary Foster and the members of the design committee for all your hard work.

Bocce Ball Awards - 9/26/08





Message From The Vice Commodore Larry Golkin



Our club's water program is multifaceted. It entails the organization of numerous water related activities from dinghy races to buoy regattas. It includes day cruising, longer range cruising, sailboat racing, electric boat programs, predicted log racing, din-

ghy racing, sabots, and even the Parade of Lights. It is a very large responsibility. Moreover, the water program is what makes us a yacht club. It was thus quite disappointing that nobody other than Brenda and I chose to attend all or any portion of the annual cruise to Catalina Island. Those who came out cruising this year know what a great time we have when we are together on the water. The weather at Catalina could not have been much better. Buccaneer Day was a blast and Cruisers Weekend was fun, with great music and a huge pot-luck party sponsored by Latitudes & Attitudes with limitless and constantly flowing beer and wine, and fabulous music by the Eric Stone Band. "Wilson" the beloved buffalo of Two Harbors was around, and the view from the Banning House on Friday nights was spectacular. Hopefully, next year, more of you will participate in the club's cruising program. Next year's water program promises to be just as much fun, if not even more.

In that regard, the Santa Barbara Cruise is coming up this month. Sherry Brisbane has put a lot of effort into organizing this event. Please show her your support and dust off your boats and go to Santa Barbara. Getting there is easy – just keep the rocks on the right on the way up, and keep the rocks on the left on the way down. It is functionally impossible to get lost going to Santa Barbara. Moreover once you get there, there should be nice Indian summer weather for mid November.

Now that it is November, we as a club need to start thinking about the Parade of Lights. Tom and Sue Warden are in charge of this event. Tom and Sue seriously need your help. They need someone to allow the club to decorate their boat. They need people to help design, and ultimately to build, the display. Over the last several years, CIYC has been very successful in this very important event. It would be a shame to see the Sweepstakes Award go again to some club other than ours. As I write this, Tom informed me that he is presently a "Committee of One". Come on folks. This is one of the last "biggies" of the year. To our new members, this is a great opportunity to share your talents, meet a lot of new friends, and have a great time. Make sure you communicate your interests and ideas to Tom and Sue.

Most of you know that I learned an awful lot about sail boat racing this year. You may know that I come from a commercial fishing and diving background. Thus, the idea of me standing on the back of a fiberglass boat waving flags at the start of a sailing event was as foreign to me when I got started as the Cyrillic alphabet. This year, I also got to go racing, an opportunity which served to widen my boating perspectives even more and have a lot of fun. A lot of folks at the club were instrumental in the success of our racing program this year. However, first and foremost, I want to thank my friend, Harry Krum. For those of you who are not familiar with Harry, he is, in my opinion, one of the most competent and experienced "watermen" I have ever known. He is genuinely one of a small handful of guys I would want with me if I were on a boat in extreme conditions, in the dark of night, far from help, when all hell was starting to break loose. He made me a part of his sailing crew this year. As a part of his crew, I had the privilege to sail with some of the best and most experienced racers in the area, not to mention an even broader level. I learned so much as a result of this opportunity and had a splendid time. Richard Sharpe pointed out to me early in the year that, perhaps the most unique aspect of sail racing is that we compete against our friends. Sailing with Harry and the rest of his regular crew exemplified this adage. I know of few sailors who are more loved and respected and want to take this opportunity to thank Harry for allowing me the pleasure. I think he knows that, if he needs crew, he can always count on me. Indeed, Harry invariably invited other "newbies" to sail with him all year long. He is a great teacher. He is always calm, cool, and collected, and knows just what to do no matter what. Thanks again, my friend. I owe you big time!

By the time this article lands in your mail, the All Racers Awards Dinner will have come and gone. So, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who raced, and who helped put on the racing events. There is no "me" in CIYC. We did a great job this year. Our sailors are all on the top of the charts this year. I can assure you, as a boat owner, and as a new participant in the sport, that winning is no small feat. To win in this sport and/or to consistently finish in the top few is a heavy deed indeed. The guys and gals who race for CIYC invest an exorbitant amount of money and time in this wonderful and exciting avocation. For many, it is a pleasurable way to spend a day on the water. But, for those who take it seriously, it is hard work. Our status as a yacht club depends on our racing program. I have said it before, and I shall say it again here, take a moment to identify our club's racers and give them a cheer. Buy them a drink. Just say something nice. They sure don't do it for the money. And I am completely certain that they would appreciate hearing from those of us who do not race, just how glad we are to have them, out on the water, every weekend, all year long, doing what they do so we can have credibility as a yacht racing club.

All the best to you all as we head into fall and winter. Keep boating. And I'll see you.....on the water.





Message From The Rear Commodore Mary Foster



The Year 2008 is getting closer to a close. We will have a lot to reflect upon for many years to come. I thank each and everyone of you for your support the past year. The love and care you have shown shows what a strong family we are.

Your Board of Directors and Bridge Officers for the coming year of 2009 will be one of the strongest groups of dedicated persons you will have seen in a long time. **The Team** which has always been our guide line, direction and motivation will continue to excel. The members of the Board for the past term that have chosen to move into other directions leave a record of balanced budgets, pride, integrity and putting the members of Channel Islands Yacht Club interests always first. It has been my pleasure to have worked with these people. The very good fortune we have is they have chosen to continue to support you and taken on responsibilities of leadership. Barbara Brauns will plan your Variety Show activities as well as Open Houses. Please give Barbara your support and help recruit new members, participate in helping with these committees.

Vera Cline what a tower of strength and an inspiration to us all. Vera will continue as Treasurer the Board and the Bridge will provide her with all the assistance she may need.

Last but not least our Commodore Frank Sullivan he always leaves very difficult shoes to fill. The leadership he has shown us all will prevail. Frank will continue to help guide us as our 2008 Past Commodore and represent our organization in the Blue Gavel. Frank is a strong leader, gentle and patient. I can attest to his being patient because I have tried his patience more than once.

Your design committee which consists of Sharon Sullivan, Joyce Sheridan, Georgie Olsen, Phyllis Lucas, Opal Gilpin, Rosemary Lippert and Mary Foster has spent many hours bringing to you a remodel and renovation you will be proud of. We are going to make a bold statement: The structural equation of this group consisted of Clark Owens, Keith Moore and George Lucas. When you see these people in and around the club thank them for all the time, effort and hours they put forth in your best interest.

Now the time has come we will start November 2nd please come out and help:

We will remove the dance floor, the club Burgees, Chandlers and remove the Coffee Station. A crew will arrive November 3rd to start the demolition of the cork, walls and carpet. Our goal is to be up and running by Thanksgiving. Our contractors are ready to go and kind of look sideways when they realize Mary Foster is running the job. Oh well this should give them something to remember for quite awhile. I would like the memory to be a happy one I would like to leave an afterglow of smiles when the job is done. I would like to leave an echo whispering down the halls of happy times, laughing ways and bright sunny days to know we did a job well done. See you around the club.

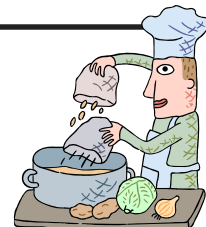
Galloping Gourmets Mary Foster

Galloping Gourmets:

Watch for emails of our reopening.

Target Date: Thanksgiving.

Contact **Mary Foster** 805 797-5148 or 805 984-4290





Channel Islanders Sylvia Hyde



Greetings!

Thank you for coming to our **Fundraiser Dinner Dance**. All of you ladies looked like a million bucks and all you tramps were, as usual, utterly charming! **Susan Rey** kept us dancing and having a great time!

I want to thank **Tom and Carol Naylor** for helping us preparing a wonderful dinner. They always are ready to step up to the plate whenever they are needed and I appreciate them so much. **Ann Hatcher** donated the cheese cakes and as always they were delicious. They were enjoyed by all. Thank you Ruthie!

On **December 6th** we will be having our **“Tree Lighting” potluck dinner**. We don’t know yet how much decorating we will be able to do, since the Club has plans to re-do the dinning room. Never fear, we will have a tree to light, and lots of food to share. Santa will arrive as usual before dinner to light the tree and visit with the children. Please plan to attend, as this is a great kick-off for Christmas. We will get a sign up sheet in the book by mid-November.

On **November 6th** the Islanders will be having a **Board Meeting at 10:30 at the Club**. I would like all of our newly elected Board Members to attend. We might as well get you all into the swing of things.

See you at the Club!

Sylvia Hyde

First Mate

Hospitality Report

Well it seems we have had a some of our members who have had some surgery recently. Please take care not to hug **John Hyde** or **Joyce Sheridan** when you see them. They both had shoulder problems corrected and are recuperating nicely. **Rosemary Lippert** also had some surgery and is now home.

Sue Warden had to make an emergency trip back to Alabama. Her grandson was admitted to the hospital with a serious staph infection. He is now back home and Grandma Sue is staying on to help with his care for a few more weeks.

A past old member of our club, **Virginia Gilford** recently passed away. Please keep her family in your thoughts.

Ed Staples and Annette Alexander sailed off for Mexico to race in the Baja Ha Ha race to Cabo San Lucas. I know a couple of our female members who will be flying down to greet the boats when they arrive.

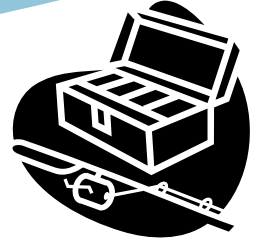
Please let me know of any news that you think our members might enjoy reading.

My e-mail is seabarb1@yahoo.com



Angler's Corner

Frank Sullivan



The Big Fish for August was caught by Marshall Lambert. He was fishing at anchor in Coches Prieto Anchorage during the Club Cruise August 29-31. He landed the fish after an extensive fight on heavy tackle. I was anchored near by and Marshall hauled the fish over to the Valkyrie where it was hoisted aboard and admired. Since no other fish was turned in as the Big Fish of the month by a CIYC Anglers member, this fine fish earned Marshall the September Big Fish award of \$50. Marshall's Big Fish was a $\frac{3}{4}$ lb Smelt. Did you catch a bigger fish? If you did why didn't you turn it in for the monthly prize?

The Annual Scampi Dinner and Anglers awards scheduled for November 15th had to be canceled because the dining room will be under construction. The Anglers Awards will be presented during the Club Awards dinner on December 20th.

The Thresher Shark fishery has been heavily impacted over the last few years. These fine food and fighting fish have become an increasingly popular target for both recreational and commercial fishermen. They are particularly vulnerable during the Pupping season, commonly thought to be between June and August when they move inshore and are more easily caught. Because of this the Pacific Fisheries Management Council (PFMC) will consider new regulations during their November 1st – 7th meeting in San Diego Ca.

This will be considered at the next PFMC meeting in San Diego November 1st – 7th 2008

Highly Migratory Species Management

Changes to Routine Management Measures for 2009-10 Seasons

The Council adopted a range of alternatives to address catch of thresher shark in both commercial and recreational fisheries and identified preliminary preferred alternatives among the range. The preliminary preferred alternative is a recreational shark fishery closure throughout California and a commercial seasonal shark closure south of Point Conception, both for the period February 1-August 14 of each year. Other options under consideration for the recreational fishery include: (1) bag limits, season limits, and boat limits; (2) a requirement to use fishing gear to reduce foul hooking; and (3) mandatory reporting of catch by shark tournaments. The no action alternative is also being considered. The Council also requested NMFS to make a regulatory change to allow vessel marking in compliance with rules established by the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission that require the display of the International Radio Call Sign on vessels fishing west of 150° W longitude.

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Larry Golkin, Vice Commodore



Lady & the Tramp

Islanders Fundraiser Dinner and Dance - 9/27/08

Guess who they are?

See more on page 13



GET RID OF THOSE END OF WEEK CRAZIES

Happy Hours At The CIYC Ward!

FRIDAY NIGHTS

5:30 - 7:30 P.M.

BRING A "MUNCHIE" TO SHARE.

FEATURED WINES, BEERS, AND COCKTAILS

Enjoy Your **FRIENDS** and **CIYC FAMILY** at **CIYC's Bar**

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT!





ALL RACERS AWARDS DINNER

**A BARBECUE BONANZA TO HONOR THE GUYS AND GALS
WHO HUNG IT OUT OVER THE EDGE ALL YEAR FOR OUR
CLUB.**

**COME AND PAY TRIBUTE – THEY SURE MADE US LOOK
GOOD**

**LIVE MUSIC AND GREAT FOOD
MAKE SURE YOU SIGN UP IN ADVANCE FOR THIS EVENT.**

NOVEMBER 1, 2008

7:00 P.M.

Cruise/Drive To Santa Barbara



Friday, November 7th - Saturday, November 8th

Friday Night, November 7th

Dinner at S.B. Yacht Club

Must Call **Sherry** To Reserve at (805) 551-8887



Saturday Night, November 8th

Potluck at 4:30 on 'OUR BLUE HEAVENS' dock

Margaritas will be served!

COME AND ENJOY!

British Brass Band

Will NOT
be Playing
at CIYC

In November.

Come and see them on December 2nd.

Golf/

David Erickson shot a "hole in one" on Sunday 09/21/2008. He was playing with Skip Miser and 2 other people.



Hello Boaters and Waterfront Lovers



WEATHER:

The weather is right on schedule with our Indian Summer condition. Fortunately we have had no Santa Ana wind storms as of this writing Oct. 9. Great!

Our weather should remain calm until after the new year.

Plan your outer island trip now while the fall conditions are present. Remember to listen for Northeast-erly winds.

FISHING:

Fishing remains good with a fair amount of Bonito being caught on the outside edges of the kelp beds. The Bonito is probably the fastest swimming and powerful small tuna of all.

During the period between 1960 and 1980 there were so many Bonito the sport fishing boats I had crewed on would have to move so our customers would be able to catch something other than Bonito. To give one an idea how many and how aggressive feeders the Bonito were in those years when I was probably 12 years old I laid down on the deck on my stomach and had the other dockhand hold down my feet so I could lean over the side of the boat and hand fed the Bonito.

Over the next twenty years through commercial fishing activity the Bonito was reduced to two or three percent of there normal stocks. The Bonito was not a top priority to save due to sportfishermen not wanting Bonito Tuna because of the short shelf life. Like all tunas they require fast cleaning and re-frigeration or icing after being caught. In the earlier sport fishing years, fish caught on sport fishing boats were kept at room temperature hung in potato sack (gunny sacks) on hooks around the outside of huge bait tanks for six to eight hours. Every time someone came to the bait tank to get a live anchovy they stepped on the fish. Now we have warm mushy ready for the rose garden fertilizer not a great eat-ing fish the Bonito is. I often used "Fillet Mignon would not be the same if you left it at room tempera-ture, stepped on it 10 times or left it out on the swim step in the hot sun and then into the frying pan. I was on a trip recently with a customer/friend fishing at the Tanner Bank and the first fish boated was a 8-10 pound Bonito. I gilled and gutted it, slid it right into an iced cooler to chill. After one hour I fillet the bonito and made fresh sushi using soy sauce and lime juice to cold cook. We also had Blue fin Tuna prepared the same way that day and the bonito was favored. Keep cold and clean your fish as you catch them.

Good Luck Fishing

BOATS:

With the oil prices at the fuel dock holding and our economy slowing the need for a new generation of boats are in order.

My son Brian and I have made a turn and will be introducing not a brand of boat but a "GREEN BOAT" that has been used for the past 50 years by northeastern lobstermen looking for the heavy weather work boat that delivers maximum efficiency.

I will be following up in this column with reports of our finding and results of our offshore sea trials.

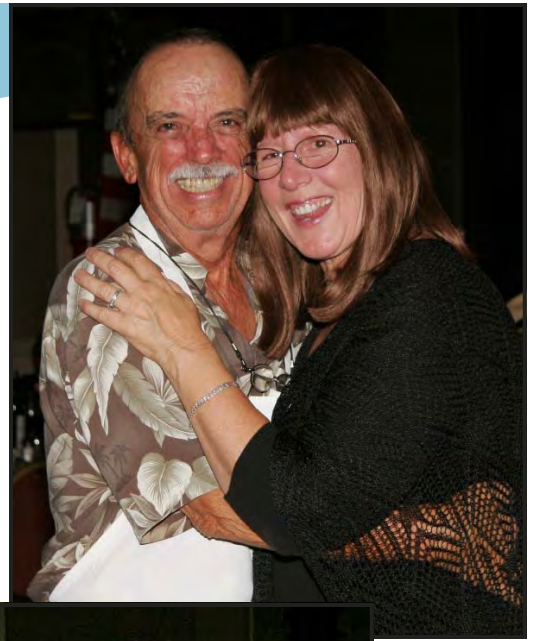
Calm Seas

Captain Dave



**Lady & the Tramp
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 <i>DST Ends</i> <i>9am Shipshape to</i> <i>prepare dinning</i> <i>room for demo</i>	3 <i>Bar opens 5PM</i> <i>For MNF</i>	4 <i>Election Day</i> <i>NO British Brass</i>	5 <i>NO Fun Night</i> <i>Bar Open 5-9PM</i>	6 10:30 Islanders <i>Board Mtg.</i> <i>Movie Night</i>	7 <i>Birthday Bash</i> <i>Cruise to SB Hbr</i>	1 <i>7pm Racers</i> <i>awards dinner</i>
Dinning room closed for remodel						
9 <i>Cruise to SB Hbr</i>	10 <i>Bar opens 5PM</i> <i>For MNF</i>	11 <i>Veteran's Day</i> <i>7pm Club Board</i> <i>Meeting</i>	12 <i>NO Fun Night</i> <i>Bar Open 5-9PM</i>	13 <i>Movie night</i> <i>Bar Opens 5:00p.m.</i> <i>Concession Stand</i> <i>Opens at 6:00 p.m.</i> <i>Movie Starts at 6:30</i>	14 <i>Golf tournament</i> <i>Turkey Shoot</i>	15 <i>Anglers awards</i> <i>Dinner Canceled</i>
Dinning room closed for remodel						
16	17 <i>Bar opens 5PM</i> <i>For MNF</i>	18	19 <i>NO Fun Night</i> <i>Bar Open 5-9PM</i>	20 <i>Movie night</i> <i>Bar Opens 5:00p.m.</i> <i>Concession Stand</i> <i>Opens at 6:00 p.m.</i> <i>Movie Starts at 6:30</i>	21	22 <i>NO Dinner</i>
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23	24 <i>Bar opens 5PM</i> <i>For MNF</i>	25	26 <i>NO Fun Night</i> <i>Bar Open 5-9PM</i>	27 <i>Thanksgiving</i> <i>3pm Brunch</i>	28	29 <i>No dinner</i>
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7 <i>1 pm Calendar mtg</i>	8 Bar opens 5PM For MNF	9 7pm Club Board Meeting	10 6:30PM Fun Night Bar Open 5-9PM	11 Movie night Bar Opens 5:00p.m. Concession Stand Opens at 6:00 p.m. Movie Starts at 6:30	12 <i>Club Rented for Dan's BD</i>	13 <i>Parade of Lights 7pm Chili dog dinner</i>
14	15 Bar opens 5PM For MNF	16 Islander event	17 6:30PM Fun Night Bar Open 5-9PM	18 <i>NO Movie night</i> Club dinning room rented to Navy CB's	19 <i>Birthday Bash</i> Club dinning room rented to CG Sta=CI	20 <i>7pm Recognition dinner cooked by beefeaters</i>
21 6pm CIYC Players Christmas Show Dinghy party sing a long after show	22	23	24 No Fun Night Bar Open 5-9PM	25 <i>Christmas 3PM brunch</i>	26 Take down tree	27 <i>shipsape 7pm Dinner turkey soup & pot- luck</i>
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Competitive Edge

Richard Sharpe

November 2008



Well, the Wet Wednesday season is behind us and the fun is over for another year. CIYC did well with first places in the Non Spin Class from **Fusee** and Spinnaker A Class from **Perfect Balance**. We did not get the top spot much to the surprise of the whole AYC club house, but that is not a problem. We will do better next year. (And keep better track of the results). It should be noted that the majority of Wet Wednesday boats are from CIYC.

The final Wet Wednesday night is pirate's night and most crew were literally dressed to kill! Richard Sharpe did his level best to liven up the evening by arresting Barnacle Bill Brayton for his heinous crimes (of which there are many) during the season. After the reading of his long litany of misdeeds, he was severely punished by being forced to drink warm English beer. Every body went home happy.

Guy and Gal Series

To help foster female participation, the Guy and Gal series puts the women in the driving seat and makes the guy run around at their beck and call. It is enormous fun and should be tried by all. CIYC has an expert team in **Funatic**, driven by Roxanne Vettese and humbly crewed by her servant for the day, Rod Abbott. In the first race after a little bit of a shaky start, Roxanne coaxed **Funatic** to victory in light weather over the other two boats in the A class, **Perfect balance** ably helmed by our own Jane Thomas and her slave for the day Richard Sharpe and **Maine Squeeze** crewed by the husband and wife team of CIYC's Cherrie and Mike Taylor. In the second race the aforesaid protagonists met again, although this time Sharpe thought he would throw in a "ringer" in the shape of his wife Paula. Alas his plan came to naught as the wind died at the end of the race, leaving **Perfect Balance** and **Maine Squeeze** to crawl across the finishing line in that order. No matter what happens in the final race, Roxanne, with her two wins will pick up the first prize.

This competition is sailed without "colored sails" (spinnakers) and therefore is a lot less stressful than say the Bob Cooke Memorial double handed race. I am sure many more of our members would really enjoy taking part in this event.



Ventura Cup/Santa Barbara Challenge

This year, the format changed because few yacht clubs can raise a team with the correct size of boats, therefore VYC decided to mix up the races and allow three boat teams with any handicap.

CIYC joined Anacapa Yacht Club and Pierpont Bay Yacht Club to try and wrest the Ventura Cup away from Ventura YC. We very nearly did it with great performances by all our boats but outstanding performances from Mike Warns in **5150**, Mike Taylor on **Maine Squeeze** and Richard Sharpe on **Perfect Balance** who in the "light team" pushed Ventura as hard as they have ever been pushed. Mike Warns came 2nd by only one point in his class, while Richard Sharpe came second by only one point in the B class. Mike Taylor and crew were 4th. In our "heavy team" **Fusee** (Harry Krum), **Scooter** (Larry Hansen) and **Sisu** (Tim Happenan) had a harder time with the light winds than the light fleet, but nevertheless, fought their way into fifth place with a first place in one race for **Scooter**. **Sisu**, in spite of the skipper's broke arm, came in with a second place and third and a fifth place.

The Light Team took the second place position in the competition. Next year we hope that the format will be the same and we will have more time to plan our strategy. We will be victorious, you mark my words.

Anyway, everybody in the two teams played their hearts out for the club and we thank them. For the third year running, **CIYC** took the "**Ring the Bell**" trophy for the most boats participating from any one club.

The First Race in the Fall Series

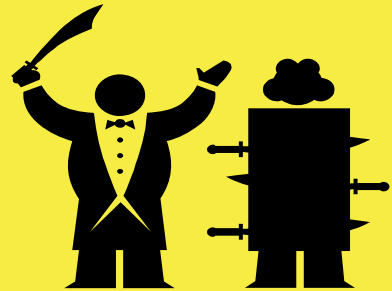
This "**Two Harbors**" series is jointly hosted by **PBYC** and **VYC**. The first race took place with a background of ominous weather forecasts ranging from 20 to 55 knots. Eventually, 14 boats arrived at the start line, off Mandalay power station at the appointed time with 14 knots already registering on the anemometer. The race committee thoughtfully kept the course close to the shore and battle commenced at 11.30. The first casualty was our own 5150 with Mike Warns with a make up crew deciding that discretion was the better part of valor. Next to go was **Ruckus**, the flying Tiger, who was mostly flying horizontal as the winds approached 20 knots. **Funatic** badly split a headsail and retired as the wind went to 22 knots. In the A fleet this left **Perfect Balance** with a rookie crew of Stan Weisenhunt, Paula Sharpe and two 15 year olds, to do battle with the elements. **Rival**, a well sailed J35, was making it look easy as **Perfect Balance** went around the course without a spinnaker. Deke Klatt in **Angry Hillbillies II** was, as ever, in control with a full crew. As the wind went past 25 knots, **Rival** committed an uncharacteristic mistake which left her with her spinnaker up in the air. Then there were two!

Angry Hillbillies II arrived back into the sanctuary of the harbor first, with **Perfect Balance** arriving some 10 minutes later. (Perfect Balance was so wet that two automatic life jackets discharged themselves during the race). Well done to the crew for sticking it out.

With the wind climbing past 30 knots, **Perfect Balance** turned for home, drinking beer (not the kids) laughing and smiling.

Ventura County Championship.

The standings as we go to press are **Perfect Balance** with 107, **Velero** with 83 and **Funatic** with 77. Let's hope we can see CIYC take the first, second and third spots this year.



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Bill Payton





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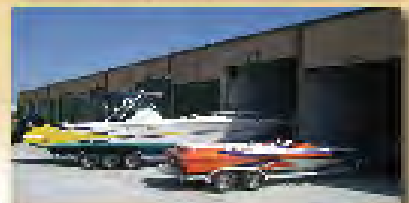
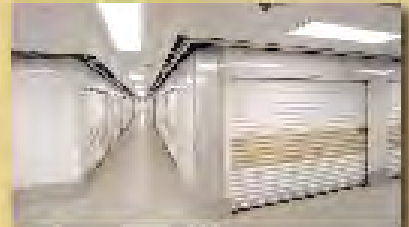
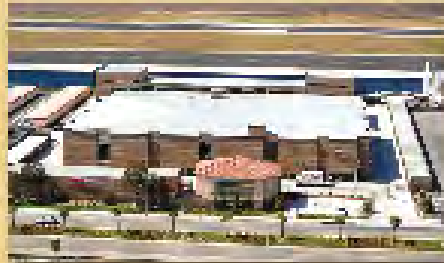
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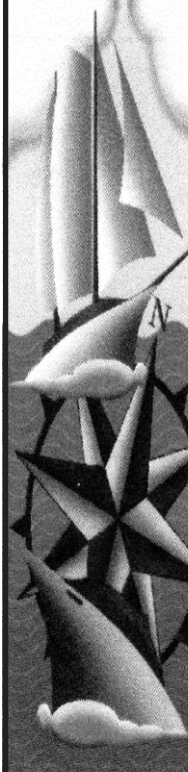
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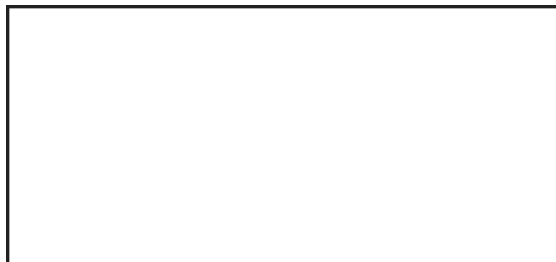
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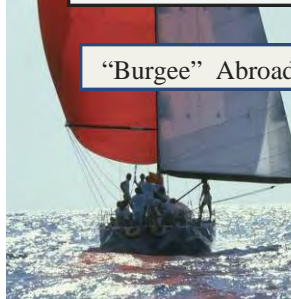
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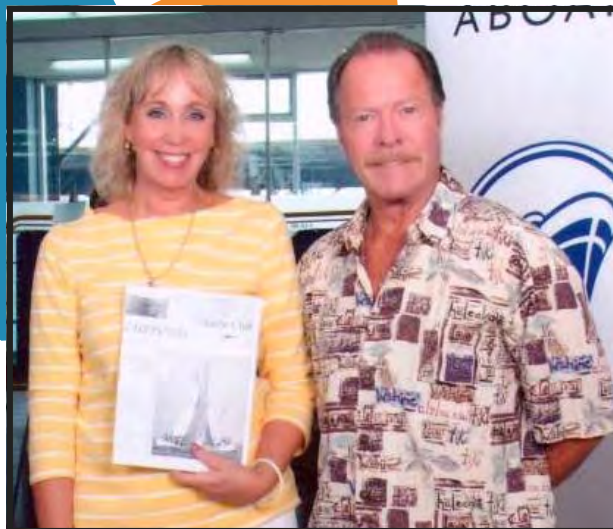
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