



Channel Islands Yacht Club

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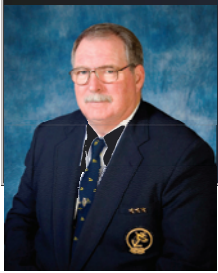


Griffin Turner, Mike & Nikki's son, displaying our burgee in Iraq

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Message From The Commodore Frank Sullivan



What a month we just had! I first need to thank the Islanders, RAMS and Jr. Past Commodore Colleen Nix for all their hard work on Opening Day! We re-

ceived nothing but kudos for the event. We should also recognize the contribution of our friends in the Ventura British Brass who provided the mini-concert leading up to the ceremonies, played a stellar rendition of our National Anthem at the Posting of the colors and an emotional Amazing Grace after the reading of the names of those who “passed over the bar”. Our friends from the Channel Islands Coast Guard Station provided the color guard and did a fine job with two young men who looked very sharp and if you noticed they were brothers. Thank you again to all who helped before during and after the event.

Special thanks goes out to Don Lehman, our intrepid photographer who goes about quietly taking literally thousands of photographs documenting club activities. Check them out on the website, ciyc.com and thank him when you see him next.

Jack Borkowski and the bar staff continue to produce service and an atmosphere that makes the club a special place to come. The upgrades he spearheaded for the cold room are paying dividends. The Christening of the grills steak dinner was a blow out with an overflow crowd, some eating in the bar, while Susan Rey had them dancing til the cows came home. In general, there seems to be an increase in participation in all club activities, which is creating momentum and attracting more new members. The last open house brought 5 new applicants.

The invitation from the Islanders to speak at their Anniversary Dinner was both a challenge and a pleasure. I understand that this is the first Anniversary Dinner that they invited the whole club, so instead of a small intimate group to talk to I got the whole enchilada. But, that’s ok because who ever heard of a retired Cop that didn’t like to talk about their experiences. I got to dust off a couple of my old War Stories and we had a good time. The event gave me another opportunity to solicit input on financing the pending interior remodel and deferred maintenance.

Spring is here and a time of renewal and rebirth. Our tired old clubhouse is way overdue for rejuvenation. As I write this, I’m also preparing for the April General Meeting where I hope to generate some enthusiasm for tackling the problem. We currently estimate approximately \$190,000 to \$200,000 in expenditures. We have on hand about half of what is necessary in the Building fund. The question is how do we close the gap?

One way is to do it on the cheap, cut back on some of the items that need to be done and try to get the cost down to what is available. This method has lead us to the state we are in now where the deferred maintenance is so expensive because some of the previous construction was done by methods often not up to professional standards. This is evidenced by the problem with the carpeting in the dinning room; it was improperly installed and glued to the subfloor. There is an area of the floor that sags in front of the serving window that was not properly addressed. The drain from the coffee machine sink goes up-hill in one section causing regular backups.

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Message From The Vice Commodore Larry Golkin



April was a great month for the CIYC water program.

April 12, saw the ladies take to the water in the second annual Lady at the Helm race. All the competing ladies attended the skipper's meeting first thing Saturday morning. Given the force of the easterly winds, worried looks were common. One boat pulled out of the race just moments before the skippers meeting began. The rest of the ladies, along with their capable crews, managed to get their boats out of their cross-wind slips and into the fairway and out to the race course. PRO Ron Lippert selected a challenging course, the first leg of which was up-wind towards the beach. The wind stayed strong for the entire race, and only seemed to let up as the slower boats arrived in the harbor. The late comers then experienced a wind shift to the south and then to the west-south west which had them literally ghosting across the finish line. The party that followed the daylong racing event was exceptionally well attended. The winners received beautiful engraved martini glasses. Although they did not technically finish "in the iron", in recognition of their effort, the single all-girl crew lead by Jane Thomas, will have their names specially engraved on the perpetual trophy.

April 13, CIYC hosted the Port Royal Regatta. With the help of VYC's race committee chairman, Stan Whisenhunt, we enjoyed the participation of the J-24 fleet. We also enjoyed an Olson 30 fleet as well as a PHRF fleet. The day started off with a great breakfast prepared by Tom and Carole Naylor. The race committee was well organized and had all the signups taken care of before the beginning of the skipper's meeting. Then, we all departed for the water. The plan was to run 4 races this day, and 4 races we ran. This meant starting and finishing 12 race events. Our PRO for the event, Dan Alpern, did a terrific job leading the race committee crew. No protests, and many compliments from the racers supports the notion that CIYC did a great job running this event. Great food and drink specials followed the event. The class trophies and the perpetual trophies were awarded and all enjoyed the rest of the day at the CIYC bar.

Those of you who have participated in the CIYC race program know how much work is involved. Much thanks and appreciation goes to all of those who worked hard this weekend to make this weekend's racing events successful: Brenda Golkin, Tom Warden, Weldon Ferris, Dan Alpern, Ron Lippert, Shelley Johnson, Tom and Carole Naylor, Mary Foster, Frank Sullivan, Steve Schlecht, Bob Deyling, Lori Emerson, Ed Staples, Annette Alexander, and Jack Borkowski all deserve respect and appreciation for their work on this weekend's events.

What's more, CIYC's power boats participated in the first race in the SB Channel Series for predicted log racing. Additionally, CIYC hosted a successful Open House. Moreover, Paul Hatcher and his crew put on an amazing steak dinner, serving more than 120 hungry folks. Susan Rey provided the entertainment and all danced late into the evening.

What I have described above is super fantastic wonderful. Sail boat racing, dancing, partying, participation, cooperation, good food, lots of drinks, and good old fashioned fun is what we are about. We are not only the friendliest yacht club on the coast, we are also one of the hardest working. We are a self-help club, and this weekend proved it, and if there was ever any doubt, ask the folks who pulled double and triple duty this weekend to make it fun for us all. Well, done, CIYC. I'm very proud to be one of you.



Message From The Rear Commodore Mary Foster



Greetings to one and all: Thank you, each one and all for all your support, prayers and encouragement during this difficult ordeal with Ted. When we say we are a family this statement has been proved to be a reality in the last few weeks. Again thank you from the bottom of my heart.

As we move closer to the reality of getting our clubhouse in order, it brings the task we will face in line. **HOW ARE WE GOING TO RAISE THE FUNDS?**

I feel very strong that we will be able to rent our facility more often using our room for day seminars and etc. When you gaze out our dining room windows and reflect on the view we are very blessed to have this. There is no other facility that can compare to this. The talented people that decorate our club house are fantastic. If you have never been a helper you must do so. The fun, laughter and hard work are reflected on our walls etc. I have received so many calls about our opening day, how wonderful it was, and the best ever. Thank you to our Channel Islanders, our decorators and the clean up crews.

Do you ask your self how does it all get done? **I'm asking you to get more involved.** After the party is over there is the clean up. Our expenses will go up because we are going to have to hire help if you are not here. Our club is a happy place to be. We had Dinner on Wednesday, Birthday bash Friday, Saturday: Lady at the Helm race and awards. Cruisers Navigation, Steak dinner/dancing (125 steaks were served) Breakfast Sunday morning for our racers in the Port Royal Regatta. Open house, Awards and buffet dinner. The preparations, clean up, were all done by your fellow members. We are not slowing down! There are lots of events are on the calendar.

Birthday Bash May 2nd.

May 9th TGIF. Until such time we can get the proper venting for the deep fryers we must put them away in storage, so we will have FISH TACOS by the one and only Jack Borkowski so off to the races we go.

SHIP SHAPE IS MAY 10th. WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO AND WE NEED YOU.

Mothers Day May 11, hosted by your Board of Directors

Channel Islanders annual Fashion show/dinner May 17, meal prepared by the Beefeaters.

Holiday Supper Club; Memorial Day May 26th.

All of the above events, plus your **Wednesday night dinners.**

I hope you have noticed your Bridge is always in and about the club ready to lend a helping hand; a smiling face and being involved are you?

**Life may not always be the party we hoped for,
But while we are here we might as well dance.**

Mary



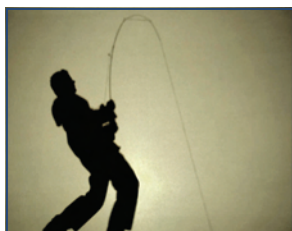
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Another way, is to do what needs to be done in a proper manner with local, licensed, bonded and insured contractors which may cost more up front but will cost less long term.

To pay for the unfunded portion of the project we can vote on an assessment where each member who holds a certificate of membership; regular, inactive or lifetime, puts in a one time amount of money to equal proportional share of the cost of the short age. We currently estimate this to be approximately \$500.00

Another way is to finance the difference using a commercial loan based on our 20 year lease of the building. This would cost more but could be spread over time and paid back with an increase in dues. We may want to reserve this option because we have not yet found out what will happen in regards to the elevator for the building. Vintage has submitted the plans to Oxnard Building and Safety without an elevator. If they are approved then we will have to contribute some or all of the cost of the elevator if we want it. If we do, that is when we may want to investigate the financing option.

Please sent ideas or alternate proposals to board.ciyc@earthlink.net Attn: Commodore.



Angler's Corner

Frank Sullivan

The **first Anglers' Meet & Eat of the year** was held April 17th with bout 30 in attendance. The food was great; thank you Roxy

Ostrem! The main speaker for the night did not make it because of an error in his scheduling . Marty Golden, our NOAA Recreational Fishing Representative was very apologetic and promised to present the program at the **next meeting which will be June 19th**. He will be a great speaker so set the date in your calendars now. Joel Greenberg our Recreational Fishing Alliance (RFA) board member did a great job filling us in on current fishing politics. He brought so much stuff for the RFA raffle that we raised the most we ever have at this meeting. He had rods, reels and tons of tackle on the raffle table.

Sunday April 20th was our **first Anglers Tourney of the year**. The In-Harbor Tourney had a moderate turnout but the fish were a no-show. The Anglers Chair (I) will look at the Moon Phase next year when we set the date so we don't follow a Full Moon night!

WSB Grow-out pen update:

We took delivery of 12,000 Juvenile White Sea Bass last month they are smaller than the usual batch but seem healthier than last batches.

Upcoming events:

June 1st Sunday Ladies Fishing Tourney, 5am to 5 pm weigh in at the Club.

Aug. 3rd Sunday Men's Fishing Tourney, 5am to 5 pm weigh in at the Club.

Sept. 5th Friday CI Bill Fish kickoff dinner

Sept 6th to 10th CI Bill Fish Tourney

Sept 12th Friday CI Bill Fish Tourney Awards dinner

As of the time this goes to print **No** Big fish have been submitted for the month of April!

"Big Fish of the Month"

\$50 prize

is awarded at the end of every month however; you can only win once per year. Legal fin fish only and no sharks.

"Big Fish of the Year"

At the end of the year there will be a Big Fish of the Year award for \$100.00. it does not have to be one of the monthly winners, it can be a tourney fish or not, so if you win one month don't quit, the next fish you catch may be worth \$\$\$\$



Channel Islanders Greetings!

Channel Islanders
Sylvia Hyde



Was "Opening Day" the best? If you missed it, you missed a great party! Thank you to everyone that helped, especially Joyce Sheridan, Opal Gilpin, Ellie Bishop and my right hand Sue Warden. Thank you also to Mike Smith and my John for all their help in the kitchen. We couldn't have done it without them. We cut a lot of expense and still it was wonderful. The British Brass Band was such a special treat and Susan Rey kept us dancing the afternoon away.

Fabulous!!

Our **Fashion Show/Dinner** is coming on **May 17th**. Please come and enjoy a delicious dinner prepared by Paul Morgan and crew, and see all our lovely ladies in some beautiful fashions. There will be a fabulous door prize and Susan Rey will provide some entertainment for us.

On **May 31st** the **Islanders** and our famous **Elevator Fund raiser**, Joyce Sheridan will be having a Yard Sale here at the Club. Please clean out your closets, garages, etc. and save it for us. We will let you know when we can start staging at the Club. The proceeds will be split between the Elevator Fund and the Islanders.

Our Board Meeting for May will be held at the Whales Tail restaurant at 11:30 A. M. The Maritime Institute will be holding their classes the first two weeks in May, so we are moving straight to Lunch.

Thank you again to everyone for making Opening Day such a success!

See you at the Club!

Sylvia Hyde
First Mate

ELEVATOR FUND



We have started a new fund raiser, the **Elevator Card Game**. Tickets are the same price as they were for 50/50. We draw a number and that winner automatically wins \$20 plus the chance to draw a card from our deck. If he or she draws the joker they win the pot which grows by \$20 each time we play the game. The card drawn, if not the joker, is torn up and we continue the next time. The pot can get pretty interesting and we grow our fund at the same time. I hope you will all play and help get that elevator! At this writing we are at **\$22,300**. I would like the express many thanks to

Opal Gilpin for helping me with the raffles and to DeAnn Wood for helping me with the drawings.

We are planning a **joint rummage sale with the Islanders on May 31st from 8am till 2 pm**. Save your goodies and we will let you know when to drop them off at the Club. I think we will also have trucks available to pick up any larger items closer to that date.

Joyce Sheridan
Fund Raising Chairperson





Galloping Gourmets Mary Foster

Here we are in the **merry month of May**.

Wonderful things are going on in your galley.

Have you reviewed the new work tables?

I have ordered the fourth drawer.

Thank you so many times over for Jean Gaddis and Bob Hynes.

Both Bob and Jean were there to give our new member Leonard the support he needed for Ham and Potatoes, not a morsel was left.

The Steak Dinner was beyond belief; the new BBQ's are the best.

**WE NEED COOKS FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHTS FROM HERE TO THE END OF THE YEAR.
PLEASE SIGN UP.**

Your Hostess for the Month of May is Sue Warden, volunteer to help her.

WHAT are you doing in June, please sign up to be a host or hostess.

Wednesday May 7, is the first wet Wednesday racing, support your RAMS and come out for some grub and grog.

SIGN UP NOW FOR JUNE AND PLAN YOUR MENU'S.

You do not stop laughing because you grow old!

You grow old because you stop laughing

Cheers.

You're Galloping Gourmets.

Mary Beth Dersham left Channel Islands Harbor, her wonderful home, family & friends on **April 13, 2008**.

She was a founding member of the Channel Islands Gulls, President in 1984 and Past 1st Mate of Channel Islanders in 1985. Loved life, traveling to Mexico with her husband, Bob, (married 45 years until his death in 2006).

Vickie Branton, her daughter, lives in Woodland Hills, can be reached at 23458 Sylvan, W.H, 91367.

Mary Beth's favorite charity was the Tiger Woods Foundation, Inc. (yes the golfer) 121 Innovation Suite 150, Irvine, CA 92617.

Mary Beth—Thank You for the memories

TGIF



TGIF will be held on **May 9th**. We can no longer use the deep fryers until we get a shed built with a fan so we are going to be serving **fish tacos, rice and beans**. The little fillies will still be running and we promise to make the evening just as much fun as always. Dinner is at **6:30** followed by the races and raffles.

Joyce Sheridan
Chairperson

Hello Boaters and Waterfront Lovers,

Capt. Dave Willhite



WEATHER:

Our on shore weather continues to be unseasonably warm. Offshore Northwesterly winds are still keeping most boaters close to shore.

Saturday, April 12 we had a fairly strong Santa Ana wind storm bringing 25 to 30 knots of wind. This was the latest full northeaster I can ever remember. Generally when you get 10 to 15 knots offshore winds this time of year they are back wind created by gale force northwest offshore winds coming over the high coastal mountain ranges dropping low level amounts of wind down coastal canyons.

Keep a close watch on the weather every trip out avoiding any predicted conditions with 15+ knot winds. Add 5 to 6 foot swells and west current into these swells results in very uncomfortable boating.

FISHING:

My nephew Steve Bostack from Santa Barbara and I have been fishing the surf for perch this past month with fair results. This is a good activity during rough weather months offshore. We simply look at the local tide charts for our area and try to fish when the tide one hour before high tide through high tide for a total of about 2 hours fishing time.

We try fish waters from the curl of the wave to about a foot deep of white water. The perch feed in this zone on sea worms, sand crabs, and small bait fish.

I prefer to use light tackle similar to what one would use to fish trout in fresh water. Simply take a spinning outfit with 4 pound test line and put line through guides leaving about 6 feet of line off the tip. Next tie a #6 brown bait hook to the bitter end. Cut the main line 3 feet up and slid a 1/2 ounce sliding sinker up the main line first followed by a plastic florescent bead. Tie the main line holding the bead and sinker to a small swivel. The swivel stops the bead and sinker from sliding all the way to the hook. Now take the 3 foot piece of mono line with the hook tied to end and take the opposite end and tie onto the remaining end of swivel holding the bead and sinker. (bead and sinker are on the line attached to the rod).

Next are the baits. I prefer to use artificial grub baits. These baits are durable and most tackle store carry a wide variety. I prefer the root beer color and the motor oil color they seem to get more bites.

As for the live baits, sand crab work well. to catch the one simple take a flat nosed shovel and simple dig up a shovel full of sand and power spread it out across the hard sand beach and watch for 1/4-1/2" bugs that look more like a sow bug than a crab. Have a bucket with a little sand and water to hold them while you catch and fish with them?

The other bait, which I have never tried are Chinese worms. They come in 1-3 foot lengths and cut into 1' pieces. Hook the pieces on close to the end of the piece so the bait will wave instead of spin in circles if you hook in middle of piece.

All beaches have surf perch. This time of year you may catch a Corbina which run a pound to five pounds in size. Be sure your drag is set light. My nephew fought a nice fish in the surf for over 20 minutes only to pull the hook because he readjusted his drag setting too high. This is called farming a fish.

Take the whole family surf fishing you have a great time even if you do not catch a fish.

GOOD LUCK

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BOATS:

This past weekend was the Newport Boat Show and while walking the show with clients I could not resist doing the old time stability test on most all the new and newer yachts. Quite frankly, they all failed. I simply step on the corner of the swim platform or corner of the cockpit and see how many degrees of motion I create with my personal weight.

I do this to each new model. In my opinion the stability of many yachts are closing in on being at a dangerous level. If you are looking at any boat 55 foot and under start with this test. If the boat heels at dock-side with your weight, imagine how much motion it will generate with 5 foot seas and 20 knots of wind. If you are working with a yacht broker, ask that he perform this test for you. If he does not know what you are proposing, find another broker. Hopefully manufactures will move towards more seaworthiness of their products rather just glitz.

Calm Seas

Captain Dave



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!



Annual Safe Boating Expo

Saturday, May 10, 2008, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

US Coast Guard Station

4201 S. Victoria Ave. (South of Channel Island Blvd.), Oxnard



*** Offshore Air, Sea, & Fire Rescue Demos 11:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.**

V.C. Sheriff's Rescue, Ventura & Channel Islands Harbor Patrol, V.C. Fire Dept.,
CG Helicopter, & Gold Coast Ambulance.



*** Safety Demonstrations 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Fire Extinguisher, Flares, Water Damages Control, Life Jackets, Medical, Kayaking,
Life Raft Deployment and many more.

*** Tours of the USCG Vessels 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Offshore tours with the 87' Cutter "HALIBUT" and the 41' Utility Boat.
Visit the 47' & the 25' RBS.



*** Agency Booths & Displays**

V.C. Fire Dept., V.C. Sheriff Rescue, NOAA National Marine Sanctuary and
Weather Service, National Park, Red Cross, CG Auxiliary, Power Squadron,
Channel Islands Harbor Patrol, Sea Scouts, & the Navy Cadets.

*** Bring Your Outdated Flares for safe disposal**

Flare disposal by the Ventura County Sheriff's Bomb Squad.

*** Free Digital Selective Calling (DSC) Registration**

For vessels with DSC on their VHF Radio, get your MMSI number in order for it to
be operational.



*** Bring Your EPIRB for testing**

*** Free Vessel Safety Examinations**

Trailerred boats at the Channel Island Boat Ramp

*** Commercial Booth Hands-On Exhibits**

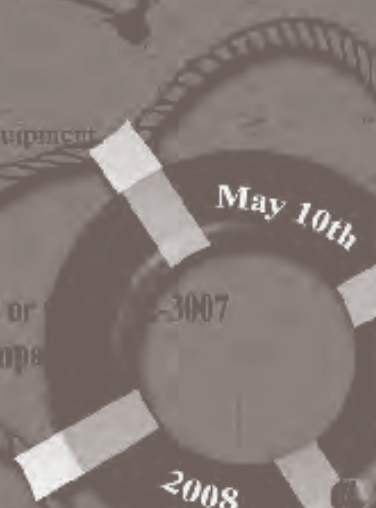
Local Dealers show off the latest in boating and safety equipment.



*** Food and Beverages**

Profits support the Pacific Corinthian Youth Foundation.

For additional information contact (800) 704-5620 or
channelislandsharbor.org * safeboatingcampa



CIYC 10TH ANNUAL WHALE POETRY CONTEST

This year the **singing trio of Barbara Brauns, Sue Warden and Joyce Sheridan** took **first place** among five other entries. Contestants were Dan Alpern, Phyllis Lucas, Dave Lochridge, Karen Korfmacher & Dylan Lochridge, Don & Bobbie Lehman, Barbara Brauns, Sue Warden & Joyce Sheridan and Woody Underwood.

Under Commodore's orders, these works of poetry must be preserved for posterity and so each month in the Currents, one will be published. The first one to be featured this month of May is by Barbara Brauns, Sue Warden and Joyce Sheridan with **"Where are the hump backs..."**

<p>"Where are the hump backs" (to the tune of Gilligan's Island).</p>	
<p>Our blue heaven was the place to be On this Sunday we could search till three Some where out here there's a whole to see Show us your w....r & we'll shout with glee.</p> <p>Where are the hump backs --- Where are the killers ---</p> <p>Captain Sherry said we must prevail 'Cuz she knew where we could find some (whale's) tail Just took her place out on the stern Ever alert & looking for some sperm (whale).</p> <p>Where are the hump backs --- Where are the killers ---</p>	<p>The winds came up much to our chagrin We stayed our course & then we heard slap, slap Where pods of whales all wearing small white caps</p> <p>Where are the hump backs --- Where are the killers ---</p> <p>Mission accomplished we returned to the shore Little did we know what we had in store As all the others looked on in shock We just blew in & didn't take out the dock.</p> <p>This is the life We have no strife Whale watching we were then!</p>

Attention Club Members:

If you have a
'Credit Card Authorization Form'
filed in the office, please provide **Jim**
with your current card info
if your card has recently expired.

Thank You!



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

LUNCHEON 1:00PM

FEATURING YOUR CHEF'S "THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS"

HUGE SALAD BAR

HERB CRUSTED PRIME RIB
CHICKEN PICCATA
SALMON WITH DILL SAUCE

ROASTED RED POTATOES
VEGGIES



VARIETY OF DESSERTS
INCLUDING
CHOCOLATE FOUNTAIN WITH FRUIT

SURPRISE ENTERTAINMENT

FAIRE: \$20

Children 10 years old & under \$10

Under 5 free.





Bob Cooke Memorial Double Handed

The last CIYC race in March was the Double Handed race, always a favorite with racers. This year there was wind and the competitors had to battle both each other and the elements.

There was some gear failure on a few boats, notably Maine Squeeze losing a #3. 15 to 17 knots was challenging and everybody deserves a round of applause for even finishing.

In the 18 mile non spinnaker class, the consummate Velero managed to beat Dennis West on West Wing and Zuma Jay and Outpatient also of CIYC brought up the rear.

In the 22 mile spinnaker class Harry Krum on Fusee just managed to pip School's Out from PCYC by 3 seconds, who just managed to beat Colt 45 by another three seconds. That is close racing guys! Our Funatic was a creditable 4th, considering the work Rod and Roxanne have to put in just to hoist sails.

This was an awesome performance for CIYC boats with 4 out of 5 boats in non spin and 3 out of 7 boats in the spinnaker class. We took both first places!

**The long and the short of it.
Zuma Jay dwarfed by Funatic
at the start of the Bob Cooke.**



Dick McCune Pursuit Race

This PCYC race is reverse start and always attracts a good crop of entries because of the format and the respect shown for Dick McCune. This year 23 boats entered with 4 classes.

In Spinnaker A, Alex Bankfield on *Deception* managed to reel in the whole of his class, coming from behind to win over the ever present *Rival* and *Colt 45* coming in 3rd. Our *Funatic* was 5th with Mike Taylor on *Maine Squeeze*, still looking for that win, coming in 7th.

In Spin B there were two hard fought contests. Kevin Dickmann's *Zuma Jay* just failed to hold off *Rambunctious* for 4th place while at the top of the class, *Perfect Balance* held the lead for 9 miles, but *Blue Star* capitalized on a mistake by Sharpe just before the first rig and then began a procession with these two boats no more than 100 yards apart for the next 10 miles. *Blue Star* ended the day in first place 1 minute and 9 seconds ahead.

In the Cruising Handicap class, our own *West Wing* managed to overtake the Hunter, *Quiet Times* just before the breakwater to finish up a well deserved winner.

It was business as usual in the non spin class as *Velero*, sailed by CIYC's Brent Swanson held the other 3 boats at bay and finished 8 minutes 9 seconds ahead.

CIYC took two first places and a second on the day.

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CIYC Hours: Mon Club Closed Tue Club Closed Wed 5 PM - 9 PM Bar Open Thr Club Closed Fri 5 PM - 11 PM Bar Open Sat 4 PM - 12 AM Bar Open Sun 1PM - 7 PM Bar Open				1 10:30 Islanders Board Mtg. Maritime Institute Captains Class →	2 Birthday Bash	3 7pm Dinner Bob Cook double handed #2
4	5	6 6:30pm Bar open 7 pm British Brass Maritime	7 1st Wet wed. 6:30PM Fun Night Bar Open 5-9PM Institute	8 Captains	9 6:30 pm TGIF Class	10 Shipshape No Dinner Rock Island Day Cruise
11 Mothers' Day 1pm Lunch	12	13 7pm Club Board Meeting	14 6:30PM Fun Night Bar Open 5-9PM	15	16 7:00PM General Mtg	17 6:30 pm Islanders Fashion show dinner beefeaters SBCS Nav#2 vyc Hard way race →
18 5PM Cruising Seminar Hard way race →	19	20 Islander event	21 6:30PM Fun Night Bar Open 5-9PM	22	23	24 No Dinner
25 MDR Cruise →	26 Memorial Day 5pm Holiday supper club	27	28 6:30PM Fun Night Bar Open 5-9PM	29	30 MDR Cruise →	31 RUMMAGE SALE 7pm Dinner





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15 Fathers' Day	16	17	18 6:30PM Fun Night Bar Open 5-9PM	19 6pm Bar open 6:30 Anglers Mtg	20 7:00PM General Mtg	21 Club rented No Dinner Pelican Hrb
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Opening Day

Once again, the RAMs produced a great feast for the visitors and members on opening day.

In common with most other members of the club, the day began early with the setting out of the lawn furniture, podium speakers and the sound system. Bill Brayton once again showed his organizing skills by making things run smoothly. The majority of the RAMs gathered around the new and impressive BBQ and commented on its various merits.

When the speeches were over, the assembled dignitaries descended on the “Wiener Stand” to get their appetizer before going to attack the main course upstairs. 178 hot dogs and buns disappeared in less than 30 minutes! Now that’s action!!!

Thanks to all the RAMs who took part.

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Lady At The Helm

Ten boats took part in what is fast becoming a traditional race. Many ladies entered into the spirit of the occasion with ten drivers and one all female crew. Conditions were very breezy to say the least and thankfully there was little gear damage and all contestants returned, with a few bruises, but all safe.

CIYC’s Funatic driven Roxanne Vetesse took first place, but the point of it all was to get ladies out on the line and show the men a thing or two. The all lady crew on *Mystic Flyer* took some time to get going in the rough conditions but they stuck to the task in weather that sent many people scurrying for cover, coming in last but not least.



all lady crew on *Mystic Flyer*

Again CIYC showed why it is respected as one of the most fun clubs to race at with hot food and very special drinks. All who took part should have received prizes, but that is the nature of racing.

It was good to see the club house full again. This is becoming a habit.



Port Royal Regatta

To echo the words of the Vice Commodore, Larry Golkin, “thanks to Ventura Yacht Club and Stan Whisenhunt for bringing the J24’s up to race with us. Once again the team of **Dan Alpern, Frank Sullivan, Larry & Brenda Golkin et al** put up a great show and the racing went off without a hitch.

A total of 14 boats came out in beautiful sunshine to race in 4 classes. In PHRF *Maine Squeeze* took her first and long overdue win (we knew you had it in you Mike) for Mike Taylor, in a closely run tussle between them and Harry Krum’s *Fusee*. Ideal sailing conditions for all boats and the 6 boat J24 fleet showed some really aggressive starting between Deke Klatt’s *Jaded* and Stan Whisenhunt’s *Tortoise*, Deke just edging out as the winner, but Stan gets closer by the month!!

In the non spin class victory went to our *Velero*, with Larry in fine form, beating *Zoarces* by a wide margin.

It has been a long time since the Olson 30 class had it’s own start and it was great to see 3 boats on the line. Many thanks to *Perfect Balance*, *The Source* and *Blue Star* for coming out for a pre-nationals tune up.

In the first race, *Blue Star* showed that she drops into the groove quickly and she won a difficult, changeable race by 13 seconds from *Perfect Balance*. In the second race Richard Sharpe on *Perfect Balance* was beginning make sense of his new sails making their first appearance and a fierce battle with *Blue Star* began. *Blue Star* led narrowly at the first mark and it was closer half way down the leeward leg, the two boats match raced toward the leeward buoy. *Blue Star* got sucked into a gibing duel, which she lost and the by now faster *Perfect Balance* rolled her and exited the turn 20 yards ahead. *Blue Star* then retired with gear failure, leaving *Perfect Balance* to clean up for the home club against *The Source* who was struggling for pace.

CIYC took first place in three out of the four classes and the day ended well with a packed bar, good hot food and a raffle. Well done CIYC.

Olsons fight for position at the start of the Port Royal Regatta

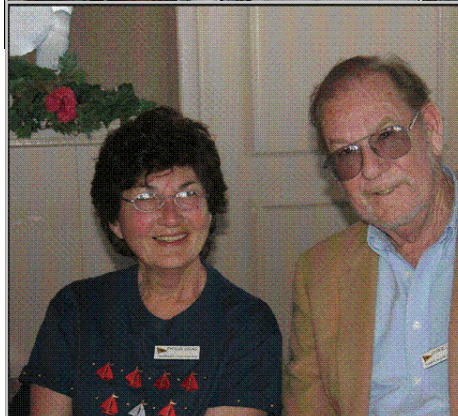


Committee Boat and Mark Boats and Team Effort

Let us all not forget the people who assist in many ways with the races. Committee boats and crew, racing officers, mark boats, the people who organize the food and last but by no means least, the every friendly bar staff.

This is truly a club production of the highest order. Thanks from the racing fraternity!

Easter Brunch 03-23-2008



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