

Channel Islands Yacht Club

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From the Quarterdeck

** **COMMODORE**

DANA HAMILTON





Beefeaters Recognition Dinner

November 18th, 2006 7:30 PM

Prime Rib Extravaganza

Help CIYC recognize this fine group of men, who have prepared so many wonderful meals for us this year.

Your Host/Chef for the evening:

Paul Paulin

Sign up at the bar soon!



From the Quarterdeck









COLLEEN NIX

The ALL RACERS AWARDS DINNER turned out to be a great evening! 91 people were in attendance to honor our racers! A fantastic dinner was served by Dana Hamilton and crew. The traditional Jimmy Donlon Steak Dinner was just as Jimmy used to make it, and I am sure that he was smiling from above, at the great job the cooking crew did in preparing the meal. The club was elegantly decorated by Roxy Ostrem, Georgie Olsen, and Beverly Hamilton. Big Winners of the Evening:

Dan AlpernCIYC 2006 YACHTING SPORTSMANDennis WestCIYC 2006 OVERALL SPORTSMANGeorge Arglen2006 TOP CRUISER NAV and
MOST ACTIVE POWER BOAT

Richard Sharpe •2006 OVERALL TROPHY BOB COOKE MEMORIAL AND NEIL UNDERWOOD

- 1ST PLACE BOB COOKE MEMORIAL DOUBLE-HANDED SERIES SPINNAKER CLASS
- 2006 HIGH POINTS CIYC

Brent Swanson • 1ST PLACE, BOB COOKE ME-MORIAL DOUBLE-HANDED SERIES, NON-SPINNAKER CLASS

John and Sylvia Hyde • MOST ACTIVE SAIL-BOAT, • OUTSTANDING RACE COMMITTEE **Mike Warns** • 3RD PLACE CI TO MDR RACE • FOUNDER AND SUPPORTER OF Carole Olin THE CRUSIER NAV SERIES & CIYC PROGRAMS Many more racers were recognized, and I thank you all for coming out. We honored our Ventura Cup Skippers and Crew, our CI to MDR team, our Ensenada Team, Cruiser Nav team and our Wet Wednesday sailors. We honored our Fleet Captain, Evelina Arglen, and our port Captains Bill Cline and Bob Deyling. All worked very hard this year. The Skipper of Funatic Rod Abbott, and Doug Brown, the skipper of Shoestring were also recognized and honored for their 23+ years of sailing and winning for CIYC. This dinner and awards will now become an annual event for CIYC. We all appreciate your contributions and hard work racing for CIYC. We hope to see you all around

Colleen Nix, Vice Commodore

the club house more often!



BILL TRAMMELL

During the last part of October, several members were notified of training being offered as part of the club's security awareness. We are about to move to another level of security that will require your support and involvement. The backbone of the system is already in place and will require your willingness to participate to make it work successfully. When contacted, please make it a point to be at one of the training sessions. Each of these training levels was initiated for good reasons. They are all vital to the security of the club.

At no time should anyone lend their key to another member. If for whatever reason you need a key or access to the club, give me a call and we can make arrangements for you to gain access. However, every attempt should be made to get access to the club during normal working hours.

With an eye on this past month, there are some people that I would again like to thank for their support in getting things done around the club. First, I would like to thank **Jean Gaddis** for all of her help in getting out the Wednesday evening dinners. Jean, you really came through each and every time. For those of you that don't know her, you are missing a jewel of a person. Secondly, my thanks and gratitude goes to **Frank Sullivan** for always being willing to help in whatever way he can. And thirdly, there is the voice on the "mike" during Fun Night. That would be "Mr. Bingo," **Dick Olsen**. I really want to especially thank you three, but also all the others that make the time to support the day to day operations of our club. The actual list is quite large.

Something else to mention are the new extended hours of the club. We are now open on Monday, during football season, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evenings. I hope to see you there!

Bill Trammell, Rear Commodore





The Channel Islanders 💸

Dear Ladies,

Well, Autumn is well underway. It started with Channel Islanders preparing the Billfish Dinner Banquet on September 8th again this year. Thank you for that opportunity. Then on Tuesday, September 26th we had a luncheon with Adrianne Gould as our guest speaker. She taught us a Tic Tack Zodiac game where you add all your birthday numbers to get your "number". It tells much about you. Thank you Adrianne. I already put it to use, as I did my family.

On Saturday, October 21st we had our fundraising event of the year. The theme was "Where the Turf Meets the Surf." We had a fabulous "Surf & Turf" dinner prepared by Evelina Arglen and her cooking crew. We had an auction, raffle prizes and gift baskets going on all night long. Thank you Ellie Bishop for taking care of the raffles. Congratulations to all the winners. Thank you to all that donated items for the auction, raffle prizes, and gift baskets. And thank you to those that donated money towards our largest fundraiser of the year. Thank you to all of you that stepped up to the plate to help put this event together. It takes quite a few people to put out such a great event. Thank you to all that attended this event. Thank you to Sharon Sullivan and her helpers for arranging the beautiful ambiance that was so fitting for the occasion. I would also like to thank Sharon Deyling, our Ways and Means Chairman this year, for working so diligently on this event and for giving up one of her bedrooms at home to allow us to store all the prizes again this year. Thank you to Georgie Olsen, our Correspondence Chairman, for the publicity that it takes to promote such an event. And thank you Sylvia Hyde for taking care of the front desk. Thank you all, and if I missed anyone, please forgive me.

On Tuesday, October 24th, we had our Election of Officers Luncheon. It was a complimentary meal. We celebrated the October birthdays. Ruth Sutton, who could not attend, Joyce Sheridan, Barbara Brauns and myself.

The nominating committee proposed a slate of officers to serve for the year 2007, and the slate, in whole, was approved by all.

Thank you ladies for your willingness to serve. Our officers for 2007 are:



Olivia Escoto, 2006 First Mate

First Mate: Ellie Bishop Second Mate: Sylvia Hyde

Recording Yeoman:
Corresponding Yeoman:
Purser:
Sharon Sullivan
Georgie Olsen
Betty Larson

Thank you all who came to support the candidates.

Ellie Bishop is working on our next outing. It will not be to the Ronald Reagan Library/Air Force One, after all. We are postponing that trip until next year. Instead we're going to the **Greek Restaurant at the Ventura Harbor for lunch on Tuesday November 14th**. We will meet at 11:30 AM in the parking lot for car pooling. Please call Ellie Bishop if you need a ride.

On Sunday, November 26th we start our Christmas Decorating at 1:00 PM and on the week of Monday the 27th, we start at 10:00 AM. We need as much help as we can get! We will need some men to get the boxes down and help with the decorations too, so come on down. The more the merrier!

That quickly brings us towards the end of the year, for which I'm very thankful.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a...

Happy Thanksgiving Day!

Olivia Escoto 2006 First Mate



Sept. 26th Islanders Luncheon









Adrienne Gould, Guest Speaker and First Mate, Olivia Escoto











Anglers' Corner

By Frank Sullivan

Annual CIYC vs PCYC Two-day Fishing Tournament:

Skip Miser was in Mexico fishing and couldn't make the tourney; Jerry and Mary Barker on the *Findango* had boat repairs and couldn't make it. Larry Bensel, Dick Olsen, Mike Preach and Web Palmquist on the *Pacific Player* fished it, but only after noon Saturday to Sunday Morning. The *Valkyrie* by some miracle had no issues to keep her off the water so we were able to participate. We never heard a peep out of PCYC so don't know if they even tried!

The *Pacific Player* was on an overnight lobster hunt with fishing on the side. *Valkyrie* left the slip a little later than usual because of crew responsibilities. On board were me (Frank Sullivan), BM1 Joe Fitzgerald from Coast Guard Station CI and Keith Gear, a friend from the Channel Islands Anglers Meetings.

We started out with light winds, but by the time we were half way across the channel, the seas were kicking up pretty good. I was patting myself on the back for choosing to go behind Anacapa Island instead of shooting straight to Santa Cruz Island figuring we would be able to take advantage of the lee side of Anacapa to do some drifts. Much to my chagrin, the back side of Anacapa was blowing almost as bad as the front side! We were able to hit a couple of Rockfish spots on the outside and with enough weight and vessel placement we were able to pick-up some nice Rockfish for the cooler.

The wind was up and down all morning, so we transited over to Smuggler Anchorage and set the hook for lunch. We tried our luck while there but nothing was going. We saw *Abreojos* anchored up and stopped by to say hi. I guess Larry Golkin doesn't leave his radio on while on the hook be-

cause I had to use my loud hailer to get him up,. Sorry Larry, if I ruined your tranquility!

After lunch we worked our way up the backside of Santa Cruz Island hitting Yellow Banks and Yellow Bluffs, where Keith caught a very niece 5.8 lb Calico bass, as well as Blue Banks and all the other colors we could think of. Finally we anchored up in Albert's Anchorage for the night. We had dinner and put out the Squid light but all that would come out to play were huge Spanish Mackerel. They swarmed the light in clouds of fish.

Next morning we worked the mouth of the anchorage looking for White Sea Bass or Yellow Tail with no luck. We couldn't get past the Mackerel, and they were everywhere! Even when we went to the outside to fish the dropoff for Rockfish, we had a hard time getting down past them to the fish on the bottom. We worked our way back toward the gap hitting spots along the way, picking up a few more Rockfish and finished up back behind Anacapa at my favorite Rockfish spot.

We wound up with 28 Rockfish and 1 Calico Bass. We met with Dick Olsen from the *Pacific Player* at the Yacht Club for the weigh in. We took 1st place with Keith's 5.8 lb Calico, 2nd place with Joe's 5.2 lb Chucklehead Rockfish and 3rd place with my 2.7 lb Red Rock Fish. Dick finished 4th with a 1.5 lb Rockfish and bought our drinks as our reward.

Monthly Anglers' meeting:

November 11th (Sat. at 7:30 P.M.)

Anglers' Awards, Scampi Dinner

Quintessential Channel Islands Fishing



Frank captures Joe and Keith with the photo evidence -



...and Calico Bass

Catchin' Rockfish



No one turned in a Big fish for September! Will you win this month?

"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 \$\$\$\$!!



Cruiser Navigation

By George Arglen

It's too bad it is the end of the Cruiser Navigation season, because at last, we have a strong team ... stronger than ever! Here is how the last two races went down:

Contest #5, sponsored by VYC (SBCS)

1st Ivan Cox, Voyager, VYC

2nd **Ray Bouche**, *Gypsy*, CIYC

3rd George Arglen, *Ta-Keel-La*, CIYC



George, Ray and Ivan celebrate a successful Contest #5 at Ventura Yacht Club.



Ivan Cox, First Place



Ray Bouche, Second Place



George Arglen, Third Place









On October 7th we sponsored the last event of the year for all of the Southern California Cruiser Association (SCCA), the great **A.A. Oakley** contest, which also counts as **Contest** #6 and is the last contest of the Santa Barbara Channel Series (SBCS). We had two boats from down South, out of four originally scheduled to enter. This year we had seven entries in all, and we usually attract 12-18 boats to this last event. This was Frank Sullivan's first run after over a year trying to get his beloved *Valkyrie* running again, and he finished without being towed! Ventura only had one entry. Although PCYC participated by in putting in their annual fees, they failed to show up to even one of the races. We missed them!

The day was outstanding—a little choppy for those who went slow, and smooth ride for Craig Ryan in *Black Jack*, who went like a rocket through all the points. It was a 26.2 NM course, with long reaches between points, which makes for a highly difficult run. Everyone enjoyed themselves. Then, as tradition has it, we all gathered at *Black Jack* with Peggy, Janet and Craig, for a great cocktail party enjoying Janet's beautiful hors d'oeuvres just before dinner.

An outstanding dinner was prepared by the Beefeaters, under Paul Hatcher's baton, with the dessert of all desserts, Ruth's chocolate cake and cheesecake with huge sparkler cake-for-every-table extravaganza, topping off the evening. He said this was his last of over 600 dinners prepared at CIYC. Can it be???

Everyone was welcomed by George Arglen, followed by the "rip off", commonly known as the "peel off," by Craig Ryan. With the help of Carol Olin, Evelina Arglen conducted the presentation of the trophies to the skippers. Awards were as follows:

Contest #6, sponsored by CIYC (SBCS)

1 st	Web Palmquist, Pacific Player, CIYC
2 nd	George Arglen, Ta-Keel-La, CIYC

Jim Cline, Nunziata, VYC

A.A. Oakley, sponsored by CIYC (SCCA)

1 st	George Jackman, Special Effect, SYC
2 nd	Web Palmquist, Pacific Player, CIYO
3 rd	Craig Ryan, Black Jack, SYC
4 th	George Arglen, Ta-Keel-La, CIYC
5 th	Jim Cline. Nunziata, CIYC



We were very happy to announce a First Year Racer from CIYC, our own Larry Golkin. Congratulations!!

On <u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 3</u>, <u>2006</u>, <u>at 9:00 a.m.</u> all skippers and their observers, spouses and friends will gather at Marie Callenders, in Ventura, for breakfast and more awards. This is a time to just enjoy ourselves and get to know one another. *Please join us for breakfast and fun*.

Thank you, one and all...the skippers and observers who donated their time, money, effort and stick-to-itness. It is a great sport for power-boaters, and a great way to spend a half-day on the water on Saturdays. We are hoping to see more power boats join us for the 2007 season!

See you on the water...

George Arglen

3rd





Spagettí Dinner Extraordinaire!







Our Hosts were Carter and Virginia Gage













CIYC General Meeting 7:30 PM November 17, 2006

Membership

By Steve Johnston



Hi everyone!

I have started another assignment here at CIYC: I am the Membership Chairperson. If you have any leads, inquiries or questions from prospective members, let me know. My phone number is (805)573-4429, and I always have time to talk to anyone. I have an email address just for membership issues: *johnstons@inbox.com*. Feel free to give both of these out, and I will follow up from there.

I have several new members in the pipeline and will have photos and bios in the next issue of the *Currents*. We are moving forward and new members are a necessary component. Incoming Board member, Larry Golkin and I will be working on a new members info guide, a FAQ (frequently asked questions) type of source for information on how to access things in the club, info on cruises, racing and all the other things that make CIYC. This is Larry's idea, and would be for all members to use. We hope to have it printed and on our website. If you want to assist us or contribute information, just let me know.

Find a new member...Share CIYC...build our membership!

Steve Johnston

NEWSFLASH! NEWSFLASH! NEWSFLASH!



ELECTION RESULTS:



Your new CIYC Officers are:

Commodore: Colleen Nix
Vice Commodore: Sue Johnston
Rear Commodore: Frank Sullivan

Please support your elected officials with your time and talent!

Captain Dave says...

By Dave Willhite



Hello Boaters and Waterfront Lovers,

WEATHER

Great weather offshore continues with early prevailing winds moving to the Northwest. Watching the general 2006 pattern nationally, it is clear we are going into a El Nino climate, with the lack of hurricanes in the Southeast, to early prevailing late fall conditions on our West coast. Scientists are trying to determine how powerful this El Nino will be. We have experienced all levels of this climate in the past, from slight to torrential rains that flood the lower areas and local fields. Offshore, we will experience more Southeast fronts which also develop large wind waves. Most all of these rain storms are well predicted, so your chance of being caught at sea remains slight. Keep your ear to the weather reports for Santa Ana winds until at least February.

FISHING

Fishing remains good with a fair amount of White Sea Bass still feeding in Chinese Cove and Prisoners Coves. Jim Pennsinger and friends were fishing halibut in these areas and caught a couple of nice 12-15 pound Sea Bass on live sardines. Also this is the time of year when the lingcod move to the shallow reefs to spawn. In the past, we have been able to catch nice lingcod using live mackerel.

To catch the mackerel, simply use a 5 hook bait catcher (I like the smaller hook type) when you find schools of mackerel by using your fish finder (fathometer). The mackerel will usually be suspended from the surface down 100 feet. Best area to find mackerel is where you see sea birds feeding on the surface or what we call breezing fish (school fish swimming on the surface making a surface water cloud). These fish tend to stay off the major points and at the edges of kelp beds. When rigging your leader to fish with live mackerel for bottomfish, tie a small but strong swivel directly to the bitter end of your line. Next, move up the main line about 2 feet and tie a one foot drop loop. After cinching the loop knot, cut the loop close to the knot so the loop becomes a drop line. Above the loop one foot, put another larger swivel to keep line twisting to a minimum. Next take one foot of 10 lb. test; tie this to the bottom swivel on one end, and a rockfish sinker to the other end. This style (break away sinker) allows your sinker to break off the lighter line with relative ease, rather than having to try to break 50 pound test main line. Nine out of ten times, when you hook (snag) the bottom fishing rockfish/rockcod, it is the sinker wedging between rocks. Try the breakaway sinker; you will be happier and you will not be anchoring your boat with your fishing gear.

Be extra careful to measure and count your fish. Fish and Game Wardens are out in full force. Lobster fishing got off to a great start with limits being the rule. While I have personally not tried lobster fishing at this time, plenty of good reports have been coming in. This season lasts six months long, and hopefully I will have been out by next month's report.

Calm Seas,

Captain Dave



All Racers Awards Dinner See Colleen's Article on Page 3 for the story.



The Fog Horn

By Roxy Ostrem

Hospitality Chair



November Birthday Wishes To...

Willard Street 11/1, Gayle Lambert 11/2, Kay Flower 11/3, Dana Hamilton 11/6, Phyllis Lucas 11/6, Jim Lenhart 11/6, Gustie Bell 11/8, Dick Olsen 11/12, Steve Johnson 11/15, Stan Lerner 11/19, Ev Babbe 11/20, Gary Cole 11/21, Joannie Wamhoff 11/21, Marshall Lambert 11/22, Janice Taylor 11/22, Fern Webster 11/26, George Arglen 11/28, Brian Erway 11/30

Happy Anniversary to ...

Brent and Mary Sensabaugh 11/8, Doug and Kathy Brown 11/10, John and Darlene Davidson 11/12, Bob and Bunni Hynes 11/21, Bud and Phyllis Gerding 11/23
Wade Ambrose and Cathy Webber 11/24, Keith and Mary Ann Moore 11/26
Gary and Shirley Johnson 11/28, Al and Oli Escoto 11/28

Sick Bay

Get well and hurry back wishes to Lee Miser and Jan Argall, who had hip surgery on the same day, in the same hospital by the same doctor.

Be sure to get your flu shots!

Our Hearts go to...

...Bob Standley's Family, Bob passed away early in October. Also to Ruth Hatcher who lost her sister. (WE LOVE YOU, RUTHY)

CIYC Good News Reporters have reported that Sylvia Hyde is Semi Retired, meaning she will work only 40 hours instead of 60 a week. BUT, Miles Linman is fully retired (selling Lil Sucker) and to celebrate his retirement, he and Lenora spent 2 ½ weeks in Avalon. Speaking of Avalon, way too much fun was had by Miles Linman, John Hyde and Ed Calo at the Marlin Club during the Club cruise, the girls went shopping, the men were "happy".

I also heard that Paulette Underwood was at the Club and she looked GREAT. Well, Holidays are coming real fast, be sure to sign up for all Club events early. There will be a lot of fun activities happening. Stop by the Ships Locker and pick up that special Christmas gift. Call Paulette or Roxy and they will be happy to open it up for you.

Message from Wendell Morrisset...

Wendell and Jeanne Morrisset will return again to Kona Hawaii for two months. Any member in the Kona area until Dec. 11 is invited to visit them and for a tour of Kona...Keauhou Kona Yacht Club is in walking distance from their island home or their Wednesday and Saturday night affairs, and CIYC members are always welcome.

Request from the Office

Please, we are trying to get information updated. If your phone number or email address has changed since the first of the year, please let Mary know. Call the office at 985-2492. *That's all for now, please let one of our "Good News Reporters" know what's happening fun in your life! (See phone number and email address above.)*



Galley News

By Jean Coltrin

The Holidays are upon us already! Can you believe it will be Thanksgiving at the end of this month? Well, CIYC is a respite from holiday preparations and shopping. Come on over and take a break. Have a drink at the bar and meet up with friends, old and new. Here's what's cookin'...

Mondays - all month! The Law Dawgs are still cooking up great weeknight dinners for \$6, and our

fab new TV still has Monday Night Football for everyone.

Saturday 11/4/06. *No dinner tonight*. This weekend is the Cruise to Santa Barbara, last cruise of

the year. Get your boat out one more time and enjoy dinner in Santa Barbara!

Saturday 11/11/06 Everyone loves *Scampi Dinner* done by Skip Miser and crew for the

Anglers Awards Dinner. Tables fill fast so...Sign Up Early!

Saturday 11/18/06 Love beef? So do our beloved *Beefeaters* and this night is their Recognition

Dinner, so you know they'll pull out all the stops! Paul Paulin is in charge. The dinner is prime rib, special mashed potatoes and snow peas followed up

with a special desert.

Thursday, 11/23/06 Thanksgiving Day. Family far away? Don't want to make the big dinner for

just two people? Come to CIYC's renowned potluck dinner and share the holiday with your CIYC family. CIYC roasts the turkey, mashes the potatoes, and makes the gravy. You bring a side dish and enjoy some of everything

else, from sweet potatoes to pumpkin pie.

Saturday, 11/25/06 Sorry no dinner, even though one of the best things about Thanksgiving is the

leftovers! We won't have enough leftovers for a dinner, but we will have

some great bar munchies! Come and enjoy!

Ever plan dinner for 20 people and 10 show up...or 30? Imagine what our cooks go through when they plan and buy for 50 and 100 show up! Please be courteous to our cooks and **sign up by Friday**, (**NOT SATURDAY**) prior to the dinner. Remember, now you can just say "Charge It." Are you enjoying the dinners? Be sure to sign up to prepare or help on a dinner night soon. We are a self-help club that is for the enjoyment of all, not just a few.

Your attendance is requested, your assistance is required.





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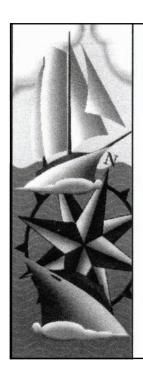
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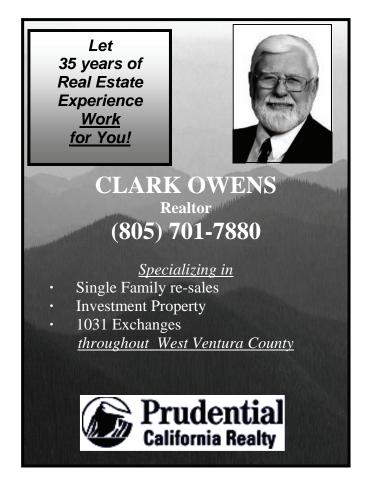
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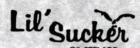
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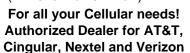
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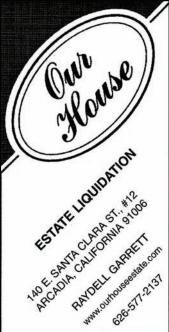
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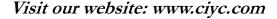
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