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# Channel Islands

# Yacht Club

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### TABLE GATE CHALLENGE SUPER BOWL SUNDAY FEB.3, 2013

The following teams will be contending for the, Best Food and Best Decoration awards:

TEAM SHERDIAN REPRESENTING THE HOUSTON TEXANS

3 QUEENS REPRESENTING THE SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS.

TEAM O'NEIL/PENNEY REPRESENTING THE COWBOYS & REDSKINS

TEAM BERGER REPRESENTING THE NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

SUPER BOWL 2012 WE HAD WELL OVER 110 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE.

LET'S TRY AND BETTER THAT FIGURE FOR SUPER BOWL 2013.

LISTED BELOW ARE THE THINGS THAT EACH TEAM WILL BE JUDGED ON.

FOODS FOR A FOOTBALL SUNDAY. AT LEAST 3 ITEMS. 1 HOT AND 1 COLD ITEM. THE OTHER OPTIONAL.

DECORATE THEIR BOOTH WITH THEIR NFL TEAM COLORS, LOGO'S, ETC.

INDIVIDUAL COSTUMES OPTIONAL, BUT COULD HELP WITH OVERALL TEAM SCORE.

ALL THOSE IN ATTENDANCE WILL BE THE JUDGES.

TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED FOR:

1. BEST FOOD.

2. TEAM DECORATION AND ENTHUSIASM,  
AND NAMES PLACED ON THE PERPETUAL TROPHY.

**SUPER BOWL XLVII**, WILL BE ANOTHER ONE TO REMEMBER.



You the fan will be able to dine with all the Challengers.

There will be a super size snack table set up. Special drinks at the bar, at special prices.

All that for a modest cover charge of,

## \$15.00





## Message From The Commodore Thomas Warden



We are now into 2013 with a lot of enthusiasm and new goals. A very special **thanks** go to Darren Mackinga, Zoran Barbaric, Cary Verstynen and Jim McCulley for cleaning our courtyard and Les Hardwick for painting it. According to one member, "It has never looked better."

Our greatest asset is our own membership. In order to prosper, survive, and grow, as well as provide more activities, we need more members.

We have a program in the works, "**Go to the Docks**" in order to invite new members into our club. We will all be involved in this program as ambassadors of goodwill and good salesmanship to attract new members.

Jerry Wood and Chris Williams are the membership committee. Please see them with any potential members or referrals for new memberships.

Our policy is to be accessible at any time for questions or suggestions. If you have a question, ask it. There is no such thing as a foolish question. Only a question not asked is foolish.

Thank you all for being part of "**The Friendliest Yacht Club on the Coast**".

### **OUR DEFIBRILLATOR NEEDS HELP!**

To the left of our men's room there is a small cabinet on the wall. This is where our club's defibrillator resides, along with some junk, and an oxygen tank below. The unit is fully functional, but its pads are old. They will probably do their job, but may possibly leave burn marks on the skin. The replacement cost is about \$130. Since the unit was donated, our Commodore informs me that general funds cannot be used, and that members will most likely be willing to step up and donate small amounts towards this purchase. The defib will thank you, as well as any potential patients among us. Once we receive the new pads, Rick Wilson will demonstrate how to use the unit, using the obsolete ones. This fiery demonstration should attract a lot of attention and interest!

**Your Fleet Surgeon, Zoran**





# Message From Keith Moore The Vice-Commodore



As CIYC's CFO, a few members have asked if I could look into improving the reporting of the Clubs financials. Our Treasure, Mary Foster, provides a detailed report of the Club's financials at the General meeting.

Mary is working with me to build a revised report format: to provide the income and expenses for each of CIYC's Business Centers. With this report, we will be able to better observe the performance of the Bar, Wednesday and Saturday Night Dinners, Club Rentals, Water Activities, and CIYC's Store, etc. I expect that this format will better show any areas that may need help. I welcome your comments and suggestions.

The **Commodore's Cruise**, January 5, was great fun! We enjoyed meeting CIYC's Skippers: issuing a bottle of Champagne and Blessing their Boats for the new year.

Our thanks to the **Beefeater's** - Dave Wardlow, and to the **Epicurean's** – Jennifer Sparks and their crews for our Saturday Night Dinners this month.

Also be sure to join us for Wednesday Night Dinners 6:30 PM – just \$10 and a chance to win at BINGO!

Our chefs last month were Keith Moore, Skip Preston, Gary Johnson, Bob Ridenour, and Jim Lovins.



See you on DECK!  
Keith 805-551-0983



## Message From The Rear Commodore Jane Thomas



Our on-the-water fun began with the **Commodore's Cruise on January 5** – a beautiful sunny morning after many days of cold weather. New Commodore, Tom Warden, and his motley crew, Keith Moore and I, were escorted by Ruth Hatcher, Jack Borkowski, and Bob Nash in TRXTR, as we went from boat to boat and Tom gave his blessing to each boat and a bottle of champagne to each boat owner. Back at the club he presented each owner with a personalized calligraphic Letter of Marquis.

Cruising co-chairs this year are **Cindy Crocket** and **Cindy Arosteguy**. They've built a busy cruising calendar this year. Even if the weather knocks out a few, we should have lots of fun outside the harbor. The first cruise is a cruise-in – to A-dock Channel Islands Marina, in front of the club. A dock party, potluck, and BBQ are planned for Saturday with pajama party breakfast and cruisers meeting on Sunday morning. It's a kick-off to share the cruise ideas that Cindy and Cindy have developed, to recruit cruise leaders for each date and to build the cruising network at CIYC.

CIYC is hosting two big sailing/racing events in February. February 16-17 is the annual SCYA MidWinter Regatta, the first race of the multi-club ASBCYC High Points Series for 2013. We will host the normal skippers meeting at CIYC as well as a special skippers meeting at VYC for the J-24 boats (whose boats are being weighed at VYC before the race and whose class honors the MidWinter Regatta winners with special points). At CIYC Keith Moore's team is providing a build-your-own burrito breakfast for the racers, while at both places; we will have CIYC volunteers managing registration and shirt sales.

A Regatta usually means multiple race starts with each race being a relatively short (<3 mile) windward/leeward course. This requires a Race Committee boat to be anchored at the start/finish line with flags, horns, radios, GPS, and a committee of folks who are willing to sit on the boat all day to administer the race and keep track of the boats and the times they start and finish. Additionally, two "Mark Boats" are usually mobilized to set the inflatable racing buoys at specific locations on opposite ends of the start line, to reposition them if the weather conditions change, and to watch the boats to assure they clear the marks during the course.

**February 16** is also a scheduled social at CIYC – **Mardi Gras** – with authentic Cajun food by **Frank Laza and vintage jazz and blues by Curt Ingram's group, the Barrelhouse Wailers**. We're welcoming the MidWinter racers to join us. It should be a fun night for all!

MidWinter racing continues **through Sunday, February 17**, and the racers convene at CIYC to warm up with **Keith Moore's homemade chili** and stay for the awards ceremony. Representing SCYA, **Martha Jean Geiszler** will be presenting the trophies to the winners.

To be successful, this type of event takes the dedication of a lot of club members. Considering multiple boats, their crews, the race committee, the cooking crews, the registrars/shirt salespeople, the decorations committee, and others behind the scenes, we're talking in the dozens of folks who give their personal time to make sure that CIYC puts on a great Regatta every year! If any of the tasks above are of any interest to you and you have some time to spare, please contact me ([sunblade@prodigy.net](mailto:sunblade@prodigy.net) or 415-518-4046). We can always use volunteer helpers!

But that's not all! Sunday, February 24, is an all-day seminar, *Racing Rules and Tactics*, put on by North U, the educational arm of North Sails and the guys that wrote the books on interpreting the racing rules. The rules that govern virtually all sailboat racing in the U.S. are amended every 4 years, and 2013 is the beginning of a new revision. This seminar will not only go over the rules and the changes in the rules, but also how to use the rules to your advantage in your tactics! This should be an exciting and informative seminar. It is a must for all racers at all levels! Register directly with NorthU at [www.northu.com](http://www.northu.com) or at 800-347-2457.

Stay tuned to your email and to the Currents for details about upcoming social and on-the-water events in March; e.g., a **Daylight Savings Time Day Cruise on March 10**, the **St. Patrick's Day Social on March 16**, and the **Whale Watch Cruise on March 24**!





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9am - 4:30pm

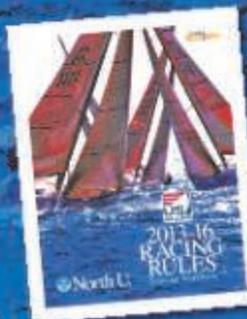
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## Message From Channel Islanders First Mate Mary Ann Moore

Hello Islanders,

I want to thank **Joyce Sheridan, Clark Owens, Karen Farrell, and Jack Borkowski** for serving such a great **Change of Watch Dinner for the Channel Islanders**. I also want to thank all 44 members and guests who attended with their support. Such great club *spirit!*

At dinner, I was happy to acknowledge and publicly thank my board members and committee heads that worked so hard to make our **year 2012** so successful.

They were;

**Recording Yeoman - Sharon Sullivan,  
Corresponding Yeoman - Kitty Brown,  
Purser - Liz Campbell,  
Membership - Mary Foster,  
Luncheons - Joyce Sheridan & Nancy Burger, and  
Photographers - Sharon Sullivan & Keith Moore.  
What a TEAM!!!**

I also want to give THANKS to **Frank Sullivan** who brought the fresh flowers for our tables....  
What a guy!!!

Our **new 2013 Islanders' Board** is;  
**Second Mate - Vera Cline,  
Recording Yeoman - Sharon Sullivan,  
Corresponding Yeoman - Pam Nast,  
Purser - Sharon Sullivan,  
Membership - Mary Foster,  
Luncheons - Joyce Sheridan, and  
Photographer - Keith Moore.**

I am really looking forward to working with this team!!!!

Mark your calendar for our **first luncheon of the year: February 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:30am**.....we will talk about our projects for this year and opening day. I hope you plan to attend.

**Barbara Brauns** has started "auditioning acts" for our musical revue in April....so if you can juggle....bird whistle....tap dance....or have a secret magic trick!....Please get in touch with her.....**DON'T MISS YOUR 15 MINUTES OF FAME!!**

**Happy Valentine's Day to all**.....Don't forget to give someone a hug.....

**Mary Ann (All Day All Night) Moore  
First Mate**



# Anglers' Corner

By Frank Sullivan

Winter fishing and restrictions are upon us. Remember Boat based fishing for Ocean Whitefish, Rockfish and Sheephead are closed until March 1<sup>st</sup>.

There are still plenty of reports of cold water action on Calico Bass and Halibut coming in, unfortunately not by any of our members to date!

## Some cold water Calico fishing technics:

A normal Winter trip will start by being on the water at first gray, armed with an assortment of 8 and 9 foot rods matched with level wind reels full of new 12, 15 and 20lb line. Look for known reefs or "Hard Bottom" areas in water from 30-70 feet. Since the water temperature can be between 50-59 degrees this time of year, the fish are more lethargic, therefore slower more deliberate techniques are used. Cast your swimbait out as far as you can and let it sink to the bottom with the reel in free spool and your thumb feathering the spool, be prepared to be bit before your lure hits the bottom. Once you are on the rocky bottom, the trick is to fish with your Swim-bait-Leadhead combination hugging the bottom, slowly dragging it over and through the rock piles and ledges.

Occasionally, cranking your bait about 10 turns slowly off the bottom, then free spooling, letting the bait sink back again works very well. The change in action excites the bass into taking the bait. At the point you feel the line peeling off, engage your reel, wind as fast as you can until the line is tight, then continue to wind and raise your rod tip quickly to ensure a good hook set. Then, KEEP WINDING to make sure you get the fish out of his neighborhood. A hooked Calico Bass will always head for the closest structure in an attempt to hide, usually resulting in the line being sawed off by the sharp rocks.

Color selection for swimbaits: The darker colors like black, blue, or dark green backs with a root beer glitter belly work better in the low light times of the early morning. Switch over to the "Natural Color" baits after the sun rises, like the brown bait colors, anchovy, and sardine. You can also use some of the early morning colors later in the day but they should have flash. Flash is lots of red or silver glitter in the belly section. You should start with 5-inch baits, paired with a 3/4 or 1 oz. leadhead. If the fish are short biting, drop to a 4-inch with 1/2 or 3/4 oz. leadhead. Bait scents are a MUST for this time of year.

## Slow to Grow - So Let Them Go

A legal Calico Bass (12") is normally between 5-7 years old. These fish have just reached maturity, often not having bred yet. The larger 5 pound plus fish are known as "Brood Stock" and are 15-20 years old or more. If you are going to keep some Calico as table fare, keep a few 13-14 inch fish and release the larger ones. Let's keep the ocean healthy so our children and grandchildren can enjoy our sport.

Remember that the Pacific Ocean can be unpredictable, particularly during the winter and spring months. Check the marine forecast before heading out and bring along some warm clothes plus a rain suit, hat, and gloves. Don't forget a working VHF radio and other safety equipment.

No big fish were reported for January, remember to check the Anglers box on your membership bill and send in your \$10 to join in the fun.

## Upcoming events:

- |                       |                                  |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| March 9 <sup>th</sup> | Annual Anglers Lobster Dinner.   |
| July 14 <sup>th</sup> | Annual In-Harbor Fishing Tourney |
| May 19 <sup>th</sup>  | Ladies Fishing Tourney           |
| June 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Men's Fishing Tourney            |

WSB: I'm still waiting for contact from Hubs research to let us know about the next shipment of fry for the grow out pens.

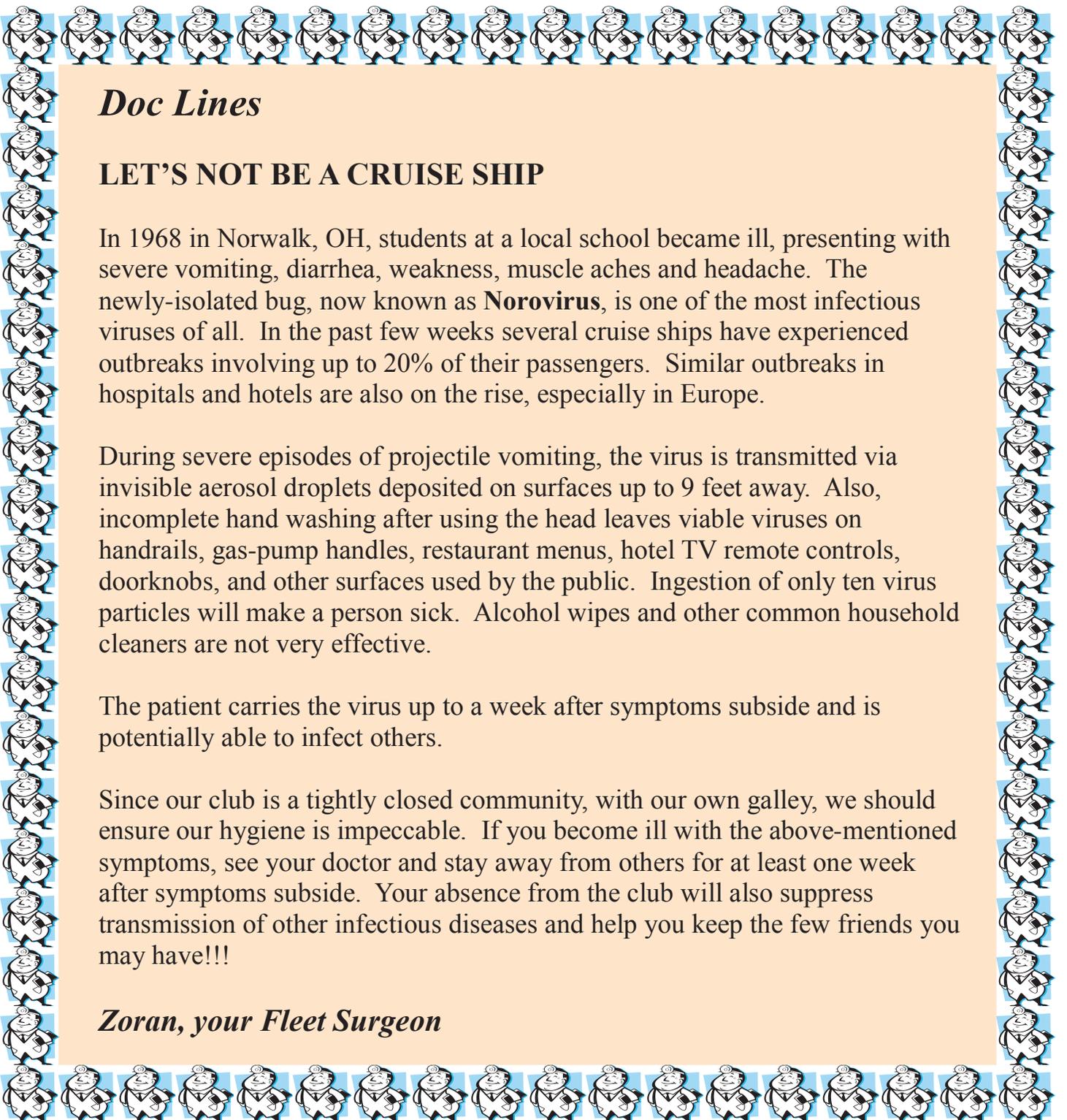
### "Big Fish of the Month"

#### \$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 \$\$\$\$.



## *Doc Lines*

### **LET'S NOT BE A CRUISE SHIP**

In 1968 in Norwalk, OH, students at a local school became ill, presenting with severe vomiting, diarrhea, weakness, muscle aches and headache. The newly-isolated bug, now known as **Norovirus**, is one of the most infectious viruses of all. In the past few weeks several cruise ships have experienced outbreaks involving up to 20% of their passengers. Similar outbreaks in hospitals and hotels are also on the rise, especially in Europe.

During severe episodes of projectile vomiting, the virus is transmitted via invisible aerosol droplets deposited on surfaces up to 9 feet away. Also, incomplete hand washing after using the head leaves viable viruses on handrails, gas-pump handles, restaurant menus, hotel TV remote controls, doorknobs, and other surfaces used by the public. Ingestion of only ten virus particles will make a person sick. Alcohol wipes and other common household cleaners are not very effective.

The patient carries the virus up to a week after symptoms subside and is potentially able to infect others.

Since our club is a tightly closed community, with our own galley, we should ensure our hygiene is impeccable. If you become ill with the above-mentioned symptoms, see your doctor and stay away from others for at least one week after symptoms subside. Your absence from the club will also suppress transmission of other infectious diseases and help you keep the few friends you may have!!!

*Zoran, your Fleet Surgeon*





## An invitation to a party !

Play party bridge with the Channel Islands Yacht Club bridge group.

A former player ? We have practice sessions to get you "back in the saddle".

Want to learn how to play party bridge ?

Practice sessions to learn the fundamentals and techniques.

Call Carter Gage (815-3733) or Kitty Brown (985-2355) to become involved.

Cost?

Only \$2.00 every two weeks with the money used for bridge prizes.

Wine is \$3.00 a glass, and we pay a corkage fee to CIYC.

During 2012 the bridge group donated \$855.00 to CIYC  
and \$20.00 to the sea bass program.

The bridge group members, as a team, cooked a Saturday night dinner and  
two Wednesday night dinners during 2012  
and cooking again on Saturday, February 2.

Please join our party !

Submitted by M. Wendell Morrisset



## CASTING CALL.....

It's that time again.

Barbara is now planning the next **CIYC Spring Variety show**. If you are interested in being a part of this fantastic, fun, exciting program please contact Barbara Brauns at 805-890-1610 or e-mail [seabarb1@yahoo.com](mailto:seabarb1@yahoo.com).

Dust off your guitars, drums, kazoos or any other instrument that may be hanging around and come have some fun.

**Scheduled show date is April 20, 2013.**

An e-mail will be sent to those who respond to let you know the first meeting date. This year we will be helping the Channel Islanders by making this a fund raiser.

**Let's have a great time.**

**Looking forward to seeing our past talented performers and hopefully some new rising stars.....**





Cruisers Breakfast  
 January 27  
 Pajama Party and Barbeque  
 At our very own CIYC  
 First Cruise Event for 2013  
 Cruising Co-Chairs: "The Cindy's"  
 Cindy Crocket & Cindy Arosteguy



# February 2013



Channel Islands Yacht Club

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 1pm Super Bowl Sunday Table Gate Party	4	5	6 Wed .Night Fun night Dinner 6:30 Bingo 7:00	7 Movie night-6pm	8 Bar Appetizers	9 7pm Beefeaters Dinner- Wine Sampling
10	11	12	13 4:30pm Islanders Board 2pm Bridge group Wed .Night Fun night Dinner 6:30 Bingo 7:00	14 Valentines Day Movie night-6pm	15 Currents deadline Bar Appetizers	16 Mid-winter races 7pm Dinner & Mardi gras Social
17 Mid-winter races 7-4pm Open House	18 Washington BD	19 6:30pm CIYC Board Meeting	20 Wed .Night Fun night Dinner 6:30 Bingo 7:00	21 11:30 Islanders Luncheon Movie night-6pm	22 Bar Appetizers	23 9am Shipshape 7pm Epicureans Dinner
24 8:30am North U. Race rules seminar & Tactics 5pm Shelly Ward's BD party in Bar	25	26	27 2pm Bridge group Wed .Night Fun night Dinner 6:30 Bingo 7:00	28 Movie night-6pm	<b>Bar Hours</b> <b>Sunday 3pm to close,</b> <b>Closed Mon. &amp; Tues. except special events</b> <b>Wednesday-Thursday 5pm to close,</b> <b>Fri &amp; Sat 4pm to close</b>	





Channel Islands Yacht Club

# March 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4	5 6pm Bar opens 7pm British Brass	6 Wed .Night Fun night Dinner 6:30 Bingo 7:00	7 Movie night-6pm	8 Bar Appetizers	9 9am Suddenly in Command class by USCG-Aux <b>7pm Anglers' Lobster Dinner</b> (Beefeaters)
10 Daylight Savings	11	12	13 <b>2pm Bridge group</b> Wed .Night Fun night Dinner 6:30 Bingo 7:00	14 Movie night-6pm	15 <i>Currents deadline</i> Bar Appetizers	16 9am Shipshape 7pm St Pat Social <i>Vera</i>
17 St. Patty Day 1-4pm <i>Open House</i> 3pm <i>Rubens and beer</i>	18	19 6:30pm <b>CIYC Board Meeting</b>	20 Wed .Night Fun night Dinner 6:30 Bingo 7:00	21 Movie night-6pm	22 Bar Appetizers <b>7pm General Meeting</b>	23 9am Shipshape <b>7pm Epicureans dinner</b> <i>Wine Sampling</i>
24 <b>Wale Watch Cruise</b>	25	26 <i>Passover begins</i>	27 <b>2pm Bridge group</b> Wed .Night Fun night Dinner 6:30 Bingo 7:00	28 Movie night-6pm	29 Bar Appetizers <i>Dining Room rented</i>	30 <i>No Dinner</i>
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February 14 is Valentine's Day, so  
February 16 at CIYC . . .*



*Cupid's goin' to . . .*



**Saturday, February 16, 2013**

**Music starts at 6:30**

**Dinner at 7:00 PM**

**\$20/person**

**Cajun Food by Frank Laza**

**Jambalaya, Shrimp Etouffee, Cajun Greens, Red Beans  
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**Live Music by The Barrelhouse Wailers**

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# Birthday Bash - "Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>,"

Come and join us for our monthly celebration  
for members whose birthdays or anniversaries are in **February**.  
Bring "munchies" to share and there is always a great birthday cake!



**February Birthday Celebrations are:** Ed Irving, Michelle Dilldine,

Josie Renner, Robert Heatherly, Jeff Schwab,

Rose M Hazeltine, Bill Byron, Diane Paulin, Chris O'Rourke,

Shelly Ward, Daniel Jordan, and Mary Howard.

**February Anniversaries are:** Bill and Sandy Crocket,

Sherry and Bob Brisbane,

Frank and Sharon Sullivan, & Michael and Karen Farrell.



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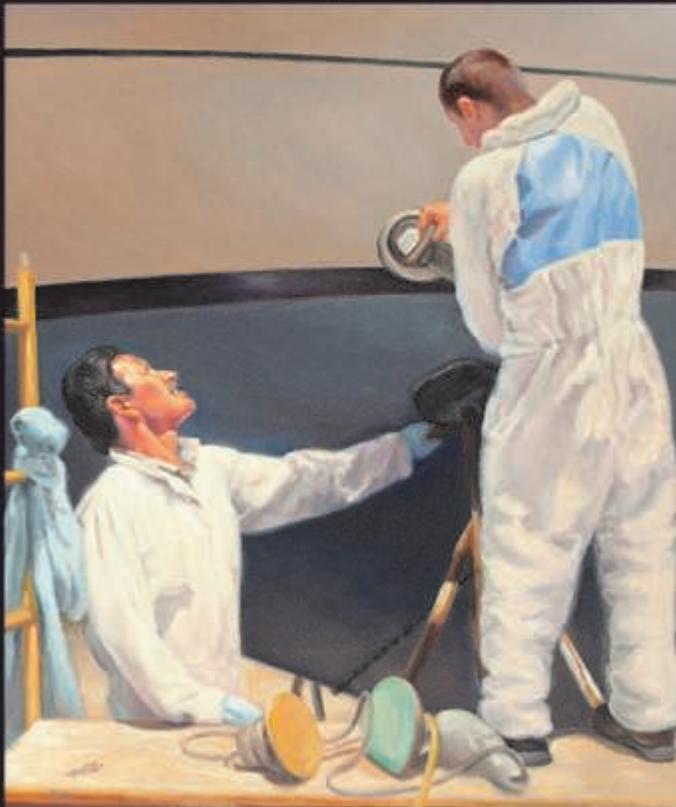
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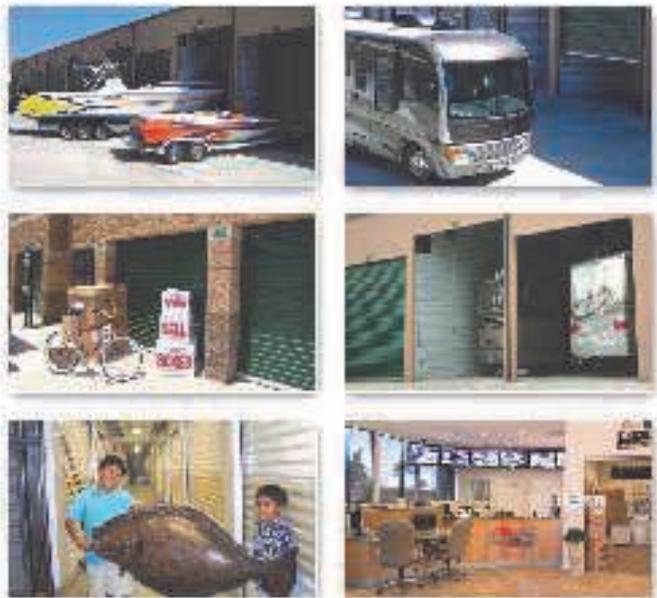
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