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Remember these Dates!

- Feb 28 Board Meeting** 1800 hrs
- General Meeting** 1900 hrs
- Prime Rib Dinner! - \$15/person
- Reservations would be nice. Call Joanne at 925-254-5384.
- Mar 06 Sadie Hawkins Race** 1130 hrs
- Clam Chowder Cookoff!
- Women-skippers estuary race!
- Mar 27 Board Meeting** 1830 hrs
- Mar 27 General Meeting** 1830 hrs
- Corned Beef! Yummy!



News from the Commodore

By Diane Duey McClure, Commodore.

If you were lucky enough to attend our annual crab feed, you certainly had all the crab you could eat and had a good time too. We welcomed the Blue Gavel, an organization of retired commodores, the Bay Area Multi-Hull Association, and the Single Sailing Association, making a festive atmosphere and a full house. Thanks to Rich and Shirley Ahlf for the many hours they spent cleaning and decorating the club, collecting and banking the money from ticket sales, purchasing and ordering supplies, setting tables, and worrying

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Island Vice

By Peter Linehan, Vice Commodore

Welcome to spring. Time to do all of those little things you were going to do over the winter. Soon it will be time for racing and cruising and where will you be then if you don't fix that whatever it is now?

And while spring may soon be upon us, what a better way to say goodbye to a cold wet winter? A hearty Olde English Prime Rib dinner!! Your very own Vice Commodore and Joanne have conspired to chase away the London gray fog. With a warm pub style setting. Dinner will feature Roasted Prime Rib of Beef served Aus Jus with twice-baked potatoes and a trifle by Joanne. And we promise, no French wines.

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Joyce & Crew Battle Sea Imps

By Joyce and John Logan, Cruising the South

Hi Everyone this is going to be to everyone as I don't have the time to write to each of you individually. We left San Fran on the 23rd and sailed for 2 days and nights down the coast, had a beautiful sail and all went well mostly, a few Sea Imps watched for me to come on and played havoc for a few min but mainly nothing bad, a line came loose in the boom and I needed help as I couldn't get off the tiller to fix it so had to wake one of the guys to help, this was on the 2 to 4 am watch but that was all for that night then the next night they got me again but called for my trusty helpers and they came right up and got it taken care of. We had some awesome times, we got in the middle of a porpoise migration it was breath taking as far as you could see in all direction were porpoises they would poke their noses out of the swells behind us and then surf the swell it was something else. Jim had a digital camera and got some amazing shots. This went on for 30 min and there would be 20 and 30 diving under the boat and it was just beyond belief. We pulled into Morro Bay at 8 on the 25th and stayed at the Morro Bay Yacht Club and they invited us for drinks and pizza and lots of really nice people. One gal came the next day and took me shopping for groc and hardware, and we had them over for steaks and had a great time. The next morning we got ready to leave and the Harbor Master said it would be a good idea to stay another day as the weather would be rough around Point Conception so we went back to the Y C and John rested and Jim the guy with us went to the internet cafe and I walked out to the huge Rock and the break water and talked to some surfers and watched the waves break against the rock and watched the surfers on the other side of the rock it was great. That night we went to Jim and Chays house for pizza. What an awesome house and view up on the hill over looking Morro Bay and the ocean and the Rock. Every room had a view, big picture windows. WOW. We left the next morning and went around ! Point Conception with no problems at all. The swell were about 8 foot from the west and 3 foot waves with the wind from behind us so it was a good ride. The worst stretch was the coast from Big Sur down the swells were about 12 foot from the NW and wind wave about 3 to 4 foot but it was a good ride a bit squirrely but the boat handled it real good. We was impressed with the oil rigs off the coast, like big Christmas trees all lit up. We did a 2 nighter and pulled into Oxnard and spent the night and then left in the morning and came here to Marina Del Rey and we are at the Del Rey Yacht Club VERY EXCLUSIVE. But we fit right in haha I forgot my formal so we didn't go in for dinner. One thing that was really impressive was the dolphins at night, we had a lot of them and they followed us almost all night, they would head for you and you could see them coming for a long ways off it looked like we were being torpedoed with the green phosphorescence trailing them it was so neat really something to see. We seem to have lost them on the trip between Oxnard and here, hope we get back to them again. I am in the computer room of the Yacht Club writing this. We are planning on going from here to San Diego leaving tomorrow

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Interclub Racing

Glen Krawiec, IYC Interclub Racing Representative

Interclub Racing Begins April 3

Second warning! Contact Glen Krawiec for entry information. You get a lot of racing for just a little money and the awards are outstanding embroidered jackets and such. 510-339-9451 or pkrawiec@aol.com

No Formal Attire!

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morning and arriving there Sat morning if all goes right. We average about 5 knots so it is slow going but the view is good. Well that's the trip so far, wish you were all with me It has been a great time and nobody got sea sick so that is really great. Well will catch you after the next leg of our adventure. Love you all Joyce

Feb 01:

Hi all, Well after a kind of wild ride we arrived in SD . We were in 12 foot swells ith 23 knot wind hitting at 9 seconds which is really squirrely for sure, was in it from midnight till we pulled into SD at 9:am to say the least it was awesome. In the middle I got up and was standing in water which was very interesting, told the guys and found the problem right away a hose came loose, so was not dangerous just messy, it is so fun mopping up water in rocking and rolling seas haha. When we were pulling into SD harbor we saw all these boats going fishing as the reports said 2 to 4 foot seas, not long and they were coming back. The boat that tied next to us said the whole crew threw up for 9 hours, lucky us none of us got sick So we are at my daughter Tammys house enjoying a nice visit. Sun shining and warm, John says not warm enough, go further south I will be staying at Tam and Rods for a week and John will be going back to the boat and doing boat stuff and getting paper work done for the trip into Mexico. Well further adventures of the Dragonfly will continue later. The Boat has really been good, it takes the seas really good and gives a good ride for sure. Talk at you later Love Me

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Follow Your Rainbow

Opening Day Decorators Needed!

Volunteers Needed For Opening Day Parade

We need members to volunteer for various projects to decorate our boats for Opening Day, April 25. The theme this year is Follow Your Rainbow and IYC will use the Wizard of Oz as a motif. We will need OZ costumes and actors...all you thespians out there! We need, however, to identify our volunteer force now to allow time to put the show together. Interested? Meet with Glen at the February General Meeting or call him at 510-339-9451.

The Crab Arrived on Time

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about whether or not the crab would arrive on time. Thanks to Betty Sleeth for helping with tables and shopping, to Joan Wetherell for running the bar, to Joanne McFee and Peter Linehan for making the dessert, to Glen Krawiec and others distributing crab, and Malcolm Sowers and all others who helped with cleanup. I'm sorry I can't name all of you, but I did see Devon Hand and Janet Frankel in the galley after dinner. Thanks. As you can see, putting on an event takes a lot of volunteer help. Our membership chairperson, my husband Ron McClure, is compiling a list of volunteers for various tasks. It will be completed the first of next month when the membership renewal period closes, but in the meantime, if you wish to volunteer, please call any one of the board members listed on the front page of the Mainsheet. You could help with races, dinners, cruise-outs, the bar, or club maintenance. It's a great way to get to know other members.

I heard that our Vice-Commodore plans a roast beef dinner for the general meeting on February 28. I'm planning to attend, and hope to see you there.

--Diane

Pizza Overlooking Morro Bay

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Hi well we are on the way to turtle Bay on the Pacific side of the Baja , we traveled all night from Ensenada and had a great trip so far a bit rocky and roly as the swells are from the west but doesn't seem to bother any one as far as sleeping goes. No one sea sick so looks like we have a good crew so far. We planned on leaving Ensenada by noon but as usual the Mexican government runs on their time. Told John to be there at 8 and then said come back at 4 to get papers filed to leave, he finally got it to 1 pm so we left at about 2. We have seen quite a few Dolphins but none stay around long like they did further North. We check in to the mañana net on the radio at 6 each morning, the cruisers have a good check in system. It is a good safety thing for everyone. If you don't check in they start a radio check to see if any one has seen you. Its a good safety thing for everyone. We have heard 3 of our friends from Alameda on there and have talked to one of them. They are on the main land around Mazatlan. so we won't see them this year as we are staying in the Sea of Cortez seeing as we had such a late start. Well will include some messages for some of you Tam will you send this on to Betty as I don't have her address on sailmail and can't get to my hotmail. Thank you and Rod and the girls for such a good time. Tina will you call Bonnie and Tory and relay this message to them please. Steve is doing great taking to the sailing like a duck to water. Really enjoying the sailing part. The wind is calm so we are motoring now till the wind picks up again so we run the fridge and the water maker while

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Jimmy Buffet Report

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As of press time, I have not arranged for a speaker or any after dinner program, however that may change at any-time. We'll try and keep everyone posted.

Also upcoming is the IYC race season. The first race is the Sadie Hawkins in March. I was hoping to find a volunteer or two to help give the chase boat a minor tune up. It should be rather easy and would really help the race committee to have a reliable boat for the season.

Ok, now on to fun stuff. Jimmy Buffet played a sold out show down in southern California last month. As usual your Vice reporter was present. I was witness to many vices... singing drinking and dancing among them. I have to thank you all again for entrusting me with this important position. I hereby swear to uphold the traditions of the office named VICE.

--Peter

IYC's First Cruise 2004

By David Hand, Staff Commodore

Our first cruise of the year will take place on the weekend of May 1st and is to San Rafael Y.C. up in Marin County. They have recently had their dock and harbor entrance dredged to six feet at low water and they are enthusiastic about entertaining some cruisers. So come on let's get a good group together and have a fantastic weekend. By the way tides for that day are, h 0943-4.6', l 1536-0.6' at GGB.

I am also tentatively planning a raft up at Angel Island for the weekend of May 29th.

As we have no official Cruise Chair this year I have stepped in to get things going, but we do need somebody for this position, or if you could just coordinate one or two events that would be a great help.

--David

Seen on a Brit Website

By David Hand

CANDYASS POME'S

What's all this I see about gas barbeques mounted on the pushpit I see you blokes yackin about. Here's how to do a real barbeque. First collect get yer gear together.

1. Two cases of Foster's.
2. A piece of wire mesh or expanded metal about two feet square, preferably with caked on grease from the previous weekend.
3. Yer tucker.

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Ward Cleaveland - 1908-2004

Forwarded by George Knies, Director of Blue Gavel

Ward Cleaveland local Media Obituary

CLEAVELAND, Ward - 1908-2004 After 95 years of life, he peacefully set his sails for a far distant shore on Saturday, February 7, 2004. Born in Montclair, NJ in December 1908 he would go on to sail on Great Lakes ore freighters, act at the Cleveland and Erie Playhouses and work as a counselor at his family's summer camp and ranch all before the age of 25. He moved into the publishing world in 1932 and over the next 40 years worked in sales and circulation for a variety of publishing houses including 20 years as the Western Regional Circulation director for Time Inc. with headquarters in San Francisco.

In 1936 he met and married a nurse, Carolyn, who would be his partner and center of his life for the next 59 years until she passed away in 1993. They moved to the Bay Area in 1939 and set up house in Burlingame where their son, Peter, and daughter Wendy were raised. Ward and Carol moved to Lafayette in 1969 and in 1998 he moved to Rossmoor.

In 1962, while working for SEA Magazine, a friend suggested that if he was going to work for a boating publication maybe he ought to join a yacht club. It was thus that he became a charter member of Loch Lomand Yacht Club in San Rafael and began what became a 50 year association with the Pacific Coast yachting community. During that time he was also active with Coyote Point YC in San Mateo, Metropolitan YC in Oakland, Sequoia YC in Redwood City, St. Francis YC in San Francisco and most recently Treasure Island YC.

Not one to sit idly by when there was work to be done Ward got involved up to his elbows. First with Pacific Inter Club Yacht Association as a delegate, then Board Member and finally two terms of Commodore of PICYA. A champion of women in yachting, Ward opened PICYA's general meetings to women stimulating the increase of women to higher offices in yacht clubs and other boating organizations in the Bay Area.

In 1978 Ward became Commodore of the Pacific Coast Yacht Association, the umbrella organization for all major yacht clubs on the West Coast. Ward served as the first President of the statewide legislative advocacy group now known as Recreational Boaters of California. In 1984 Ward became involved in the project to build an official tallship for the state of California. The Revenue Cutter Californian was the result and it sailed for almost 20 years up and down the coast of California as a sail training vessel for elementary and high school students from all over the state. Much of his time was spent raising money to provide scholarships so many students from diverse backgrounds could participate in the adventure of sailing on a tallship and gain valuable experience in teamwork and self-

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Candy Ass

Forwarded by George Knies, Director of Blue Gavel

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Toss all the above in the dingy, ROW to the beach.

When you get to the beach the first thing you do is drink four Fossies.

Then you relax for a while filling the empty Fossie cans with sand. You then place the mesh on the cans with one can in each corner.

Go for a stroll along the beach collecting bits of dried driftwood, with the driftwood as fuel flash up the barbie, wait for the wood to die down to a nice glow toss on the tucker and off we go.

Translations

"pome", a Brit (Prisoner Of Mother England)

"pushpit" Stern pulpit.

"bloke", guy.

"tucker", food.

Weather for Bay Area Sailors

By Judy Blumhorst, IYC Member and Education Captain,
Potter Yacters Club

Feb 28, 7-9 pm, Olympic Center Sailing Center, Berkeley
Many of you are familiar with the westerly summer wind machine we have in the Bay. But do you know about Central California's microclimates? Do you know that there are often lightning storms on the Bay? Do you know why Sacramento's tule fog is more dangerous than San Francisco Summer fog? Anatomy of a winter storm, how to predict Santa Ana conditions on the Bay and other useful weather information. You'll learn it all.

The cost is \$15 per person. Reservations and advance payment (by credit card) are required. Call OCSC at 800 223 2984 or 510.843.4200 to make your own reservations. OCSC is located at One Spinnaker Way, Berkeley Marina, Berkeley, CA 94710, near the launch ramps. Directions can be found on their website at <http://www.ocscsailing.com/contact/directions.html>

--Judy Blumhorst
Education Captain
Potter Yachter Club

Stained Glass Fleet for Sale

Artist: Glen Krawiec

Some nautical stained glass objects 'd art are on sale at IYC. They are on display on the window behind the bar. One-half of the sale price goes to the club, so check them out. If you want special colors not seen in the display, contact Glen at the club or call 510-339-9451 or e-mail pkrawiec@aol.com.

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the engine is running. Kills two birds with one stone. Well thats all for this morning got to do dishes and clean up here so will sign off for now Love ya all Joyce with the Further adventures of the Dragonfly.

February 20: Turtle Bay

Hi All well here we are tied up in Turtle Bay, in a real nice anchorage. There is a small town here very quaint with dirt streets and they are very narrow. Lots of mini marts on every corner. They have a High school and grade school, the town people seem to be very friendly and nice most speak no English so we smile a lot and try our pigeon Spanish and they smile back. Well for the trip here, we left Ensenada about 2:30 and sailed all night with 2 on watch and two sleeping. It seems to work very well that way. In the morning I was listening on the net and the forecast was for high winds for Thursday and Friday so we talked it over and I opted to go to San Carlos and anchor out till the wind died and the guys talked and John decided to go on and run for Turtle Bay where there was a better anchorage so we motor sailed, with the sails up and the motor on, it was a bit hard steering because of the prop wash but we took a half hour turns steering so it wouldn't be so tiring so it wasn't so bad. In the afternoon the wind come up more, to 20 to 25 gusting to 30 knots. The swell built to 10 to 12 feet and the wind waves were 4 to 5 foot. we slowed the motor as it was getting harder to steer and keep on course, it was much easier then. We got to Turtle Bay about 7:30 pm and we were talking on the radio to 2 boats in the bay that lit up their boats and helped to guide us in. It was nice be here. We hadn't even got anchored and two pangas (skiffs) came out and wanted to sell us fuel and water and rides, we told them to come back in the morning, they did at 6:30 in the am. We got a ride into town and had breakfast and walked through town and got a few groc and met the people we were talking to on the radio last night. Very nice people with a lot of helpful tips on what is going on and where everything was. We had made arrangements to meet the boat drive in 3 hours and he wasn't there so one of the guys and Steve walked over to the guys house and he had got caught up in some paper work with the Port Captain so told one of the guys to use his boat and bring us out so we climbed down this old steel ladder in to the panga and he brought us out to the boat and when he took off he ran out of gas and so Jim and Steve lowered the dingy and put the motor on and Steve pulled him back to shore. We got fuel from George pronounced Horhay or close to that. A really nice guy. We are having a good time. When we got in the bay last night it was so neat we could see fish swimming and the minnows looked like clouds of green fluorescents floating through the water and bigger fish were bright lime green shape swimming it was so neat. John got his fishing pole out and put the lure in the water and it was real brilliant green and the small clouds would follow it around. Sure doesn't take much to excite us

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Turtle Bay

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we were all hanging over the rail oohing and aahing. Can't wait till it gets dark tonight to watch the show better than TV.haha. I saw one pretty big fish about 3 foot long. Well guess I had better start supper so will close for now. Will continue the further adventures of the Dragonfly later. See you later Bye for now. Love ya all Joyce.

Yachtsman of the Year

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reliance.

Ward was named Man of the Year by the Navy League of San Francisco in 1970 and Yachtsman of the Year by Pacific Inter Club in 1978 and in 1982 he was awarded the William Langlais Trophy by the Pacific Coast Yacht Association for his outstanding contributions to yachting.

He is survived by his children, Peter and his wife Lynette of San Carlos; Wendy and her husband John Ullsvik of Watertown, WI; his grandchildren, Scott Cleaveland and his wife Ellie, Maria Cleaveland and her partner Megan Lenihan and Heather, Christian and Matthew Ullsvik; and his two great granddaughters Olivia Jean and Lola Marie Cleaveland. He leaves a brother, Brud and his wife Betty and a sister, Peg and her husband Fred Wyss all of Florida. He is also survived by his close companion and friend Christa Schreiber of Oakland and his buddy, Bill Lorton of Walnut Creek. His final days were made much easier by the kind and gentle ministrations of Ms. Jane Krause, R.N. from Hospice of Contra Costa and the staff and caregivers of Valley View Lodge in Walnut Creek. At Ward's request there will be no funeral, but there will be a memorial gathering to celebrate his life on Saturday March 20, 2004 at Noon at St. Francis Yacht Club.

Donations in Ward's memory may be made to:

The Ward Cleaveland Scholarship Fund at the Golden Gate Tallships Society, P.O. Box 926, Sausalito, CA 94966

Hospice of Contra Costa County
2051 Harrison St., Concord, CA 94520

or the charity of your choice.

WANT ADS

Elaine Wright STILL has foul weather gear for sale:

Description: Yellow pants, yellow and white jacket, West Marine brand.

Size: small

Condition: Excellent (worn only about 5 times).

Price: \$50.00 (obo)

Call Elaine 925-933-6463, how about a gift for your kid!



Board Meeting
February 28, 2004 — 1800 hours

Upcoming Dates to Remember

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