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IYC Goes Hog-Wild with the-Hobies at our Annual Pig Roast!



By Dawn Chesney

What do you get when you mix **IYC, Hobie Fleet** members, an 80-pound pig, two 14-pound turkeys, 9 lasagnas, 5 salads, uncountable appetizers and ice cream? A **BIG** party and a **LOT** of **FUN!** The Hobie Fleet joined IYC members for our annual **Pig Roast**, which we rescheduled to coincide with the Hobie Fleet's Annual **Around TI Race** weekend.

Well over 100 people enjoyed an evening of delicious food and lively camaraderie. In the past, the Hobie Fleet has just had salad and lasagna, which they would cook in their RVs parked at Alameda's **Crown Beach** parking lot and sort of rough it. Imagine their delight when they saw the spread IYC put on! Before the night was over, the Fleet leaders were talking to me about how they wanted to do it again next year! We're discussing the idea of IYC being the event sponsor, which would allow us more flexibility and income for the Club. Joel Sailer told me that Sunday morning during their pre-race meeting, the dinner got more applause than anything else, even their cool raffle prizes. They also gave IYC a unique plaque of appreciation.

Thanks to **Mark Sailer** for coming up with the idea, and **Joel Sailer** (photo at right) for taking such good care of **Petunia** (the Pig) and the turkeys (who did not get named). Thanks to everyone else who made the rest of the meal so memorable. It was fantastic!



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OCTOBER EVENTS CALENDAR

October 10 & 11 17th Annual Northern California Women's Sailing Seminar

- 10/13 Board Meeting
- 10/17 Champion of Champions Race
run by IYC @ GGYC Race Deck
- 10/17-18 Cruise Out to Corinthian Yacht Club
- 10/24 Membership Dinner & Speaker
- 10/31 ? Halloween Party?
- 11/1 Jack & Jill + One -
Woman-Skipper Race in the Estuary
- 11/8 Island Sundays Race #1

Cruise-out to Corinthian!

October 17-18

Limited space; reservations required

David Shea, Cruise Chair, has announced the fall cruise-out to the beautiful **Corinthian Yacht Club** is set. We are scheduled to be at the Corinthian YC on **Saturday, October 17th.**

As many already know, this is the premier destination at this time of year. The wind and Bay conditions are ideal. At press time, we will be together on the guest dock with power and water available.

There will be socializing on Saturday afternoon and a group dinner in CYC's dining room in the evening followed by partying/dancing at local clubs in Tiburon. Black-toppers are always welcomed.

On Sunday, there will be a club breakfast at the San Francisco Yacht Club and a leisurely lunch on the deck of Sam's before heading back to Alameda. To make reservations, please contact David at 804-513-8509 or Email dbshea@hotmail.com.

NOTE: CYC has limited berthing space available and can only accommodate a small number of boats. Perhaps we can take fewer boats and more people by grouping together or blacktopping!

Change of Watch Party

CHANGED to Saturday November 21 at IYC!

Catered dinner, the band "Bumpy Ride" will play and we'll celebrate a great year!

COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Your Club Needs YOU!

By Dawn Chesney

Believe it or not, my term as Commodore is coming to an end next month! It's been a busy and fun year; I know we all want to see the momentum continue into 2010. We've done some things a little differently this year, thanks to Dave a new *Mainsheet* and Website to name a couple. We also opened up the Crab Feed to the SSS Racers and joined with the Hobie Fleet for the Pig Roast. What energetic events those were, partially due to the number of people who got involved and attended! I think it's more fun with more people.

The Club is also in good shape in other ways. Despite fewer memberships (which all clubs are experiencing) and some unexpected expenses (new crash boat, bar cooler repair, garbage disposal replacement), we are ahead financially due to bigger events, the Midwinter Race Series and closely watching how we spend our money. Just this last week the proposed Bylaw revisions were enthusiastically and unanimously approved by our members; I expect them to last without challenge for many years thanks to the hard work of Cindy, Dave B, Dick, John R and Ted. And, new news to most everyone, we even have the lease signed on our building through 2010, without any significant changes to the terms of the lease!

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COMMODORE'S REPORT *continued*

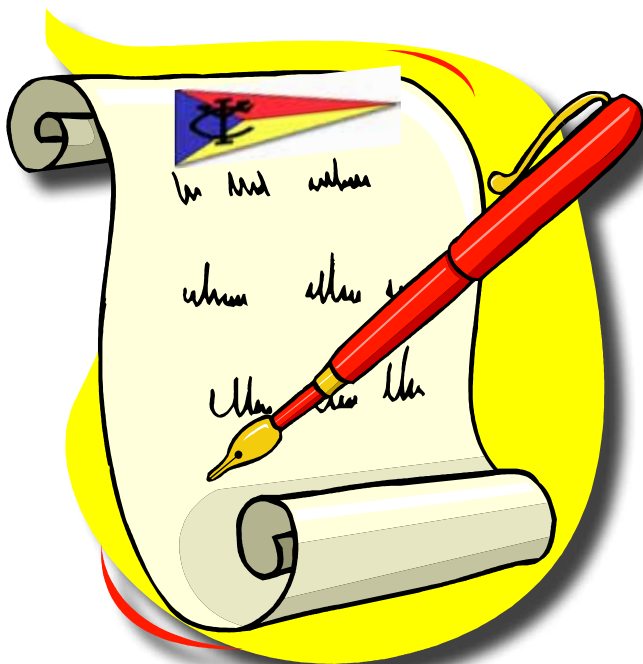
We've successfully dealt with some real challenges this year, one of the biggest being the loss of **Joanne** just days before I became Commodore. I don't think anyone knew everything Joanne did quietly behind the scenes, and how she could use that phone to get what the Club needed. The other two people we've missed are **Lucie** and **Janet**; both of whom are taking well deserved breaks after working soooo hard and tirelessly for so many years. Again, so many things they just took care of that we didn't know about. We've worked hard, had so many good experiences and learned so many things this year. I expect next year to be even more FUN!

My next step as Commodore is to complete the **Nominating Committee**, as it's time to start thinking about next year. Our Vice Commodore Dick Vandenberg will be buying his retirement home later this year and taking his well earned retirement from teaching in February. Unfortunately, Dick won't be buying in the Bay Area, so will not be near enough to serve as our Commodore.

So, that's where YOU come in.

As an all volunteer Club, we need a full Board and active participation from all of our members to keep the momentum going. That's you, every one of you is important to the fun and success of Island Yacht Club! Your participation at our events and races, and taking your turn to volunteer make all the difference. I look forward to your thoughtful response if you are asked to participate as a Board member, and your enthusiastic "Sure, I can do that" the next time we're looking for volunteers to help make our Club a success.

Let's have some fun and enjoy the year together!

**FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK**

By Dave Bloch

Ever since starting the Browser Version of *Mainsheet* this past April, we have followed the rule that both editions will be identical in content.

I'm breaking that rule for this one issue, because one very important content item really has to be presented in a printable form, and that is the *IYC Constitution & Bylaws* that were amended and passed unanimously at the September 26 membership meeting! So that we know every member gets a copy of those new Bylaws in an easily-printable form, I've included it in the **print version only**. You'll find it on the last three pages of this issue, so **please do print and keep them for reference!**

By far, most of the Bylaws changes were either to make them reflect more accurately how the Club actually does business, to clarify things or to correct a few errors. But there were some amendments that actually change some policies or procedures. Here's a summary of those items, as presented by Commodore Dawn Chesney at the September 26 meeting:

Article III: 3.3 Leaves of Absence—specifies the suspension of membership privileges during Leave.

Article IV: 4.1 Initiation Fee and Annual Dues—removes the \$ amounts from the Bylaws, and changes the procedure to (1) Budget Special Committee annually reviews the fee structure and makes a recommendation to the Board and (2) Board approves the structure for the following year.

Article IV: 4.2 Delinquent Dues—slightly shortens the times for notification and delinquency.


Article IV: 4.3.3 New Memberships—changes the allowed time periods during which the Board is permitted to reduce or eliminate the Initiation Fee. (Shorter periods, but allows two per year instead of one.)

Article V: 5.1.2 Governing Board—Ends practice of every Committee created by the Commodore automatically having a Board seat. Names the specific Standing Committees that do have a Board seat. Removed possibility of a single Board member having multiple votes (for example, a Flag officer appointed to head a Standing Committee).

Article V: 5A&B Executive Officers and Standing Committee sections—moved duties around to reflect reality. (No changes in how we do things, but lots of changes and clarifications to the written bylaws!)

Article V: 5C Special Committees—Split Audit and Budget Committee into two: Audit Committee and Budget Committee. Budget Cmte has responsibility to annually review dues and fees and submit budget to the Board.

Article VI: 6.1.2 Election/Term of Executive Officers—requires Club membership to be nominated for office, not just to take office. Added a special procedure for replacing the Staff Commodore if that office is vacated during the term.

Article VII: 7.2.1 Amendments—added a means by which a substantial portion of the Club membership can have an Amendment brought to a vote without Board approval. 

RACING REPORT

By John New, Racing Chair

Well, the **Friday Island Nights** series is really over, when the crash boat driver has to wait until Saturday morning to pick up the marks because its too dark to find them after the race, then it's that time of year to give up on the evening races. Anyway thanks to **David Ross** our Rear Commodore for keeping things going...also a big round of applause for **David & Devon Hand** and **Tom Mantooth** and the others on the race deck, and in the galley and behind the bar! **Great series!**

The best laid plans of mice and race chairs oft go awry ... the Rear and I had a **pow-wow** over what the race instructions actually meant with "prizes will be awarded after the series:" Spring ? Summer? Overall? We went with these:

- 1st Place Overall: large framed photo with burgee
- 2nd Place Overall: smaller framed photo with burgee
- 1st Place Spring or Summer: smaller framed photo

Heather and **Kathe** "volunteered" to take the photos (Heather with Glen driving the crash boat, get the pictures printed and framed and matted at Heather's shop; I supplied pizza and beer. **David** made an educated guess at who were going to be the winners with one race still to go. Oh and Oops—no pics of **Daniel Alvares'** *Jet Stream JS9000* or *Shadowfax* the Olsen 25 spring series winners! Oh well, they haven't shown up for any of the summer series races so probably were not going to be at the last one. Wrong...I couldn't believe all the boats at the start—*Shadowfax* and the JS9000 plus single racers **Al and Phil** from the Marin Sailing School Blind Sailing Program and *Ruby*, Steve Macarthy's Moore 24.

Anyway, the A-fleet big boats Devries/Pohl Farr 40 *Twisted* and Bill Mohr's *Spirit of Freedom J-124* apparently forgot during the Labor Day break that we start the non-spins first. So, there they go starting with Kristen's little Cal 20! Sheesh. Oh well, good for Scott Christensen's J-29 *Audacious* who squeaked into **1st Overall** due to the foulup.


Another local rock star, one-time racer Steve Macarthy in the Moore 24 *Ruby* must have thought that since he's 24 feet long and kinda looks like a J24 that he should race with the 168-Raters. No Steve, you rate 150. Thanks to *Dire Straits* skipper/Commodore Dawn's polite comment he was able to get back and start in C-fleet and get a First for the night. Good work, Steve, even if you thought you were racing the Encinal series!

But the BIG surprise of the series was that it really does pay to show up. **Kristen Soetebier** with crew **Nancy and Sylvia** in her Cal20 *Kapi!*—who somehow didn't get her Travel Mug for the Sadie Hawkins and who has struggled with the 8:30 cutoff time and with race committee picking up marks before she got there etc. — ended up with **2nd Place** in the non-spin Class D for the combined Spring and Summer Series!

Remember:

- *Jack and Jill* November 1st
- *Island Sundays*, second Sundays starting in November
- *Commodore's Cup* November 22nd

ALSO: we need **Race Committee** for the Champion of Champions YRA at Golden Gate YC in October!

See you out there! 



A J24, Bewitched and Dire Straits at the line for the final Island Nights race!



The Racer Chicks gave a special certificate and photo to their skipper Dawn Chesney. L-to-R: Dawn, Anna Christensen, Kathe Welch, and Cindy Wagner



Kristen Soetebier gets her Second Place award, and John gets a hug!


Blind Sailors Succeed at National Championships!

By Philip Kum, Marin Sailing School

Great news! Marin Sailing School's blind sailing team, *California One*, performed better-than-ever at this year's U.S. Blind Sailing National Championships at Newport, Rhode Island held August 25-27.

In the adjacent photo, we're in the #2 boat, racing in Sail Newport's fleet of J/22's on beautiful Narragansett Bay. These racing boats are quick and quite responsive- providing the crew with plenty of excitement.

Still relatively new to this experienced group of American sailboat racing teams, *California One* scored a first-time-ever fourth place finish in the second race (of ten) at this year's national competition. After completion of all ten races over three days, the national title was ultimately awarded to the Boston-based team skippered by veteran racer Sengil Inkiala. The full results for the regatta can be found at www.ussailing.net/claggett/.

We'll keep you posted as to new developments at **Marin Sailing School's Program for the Blind**. Thanks again to all of our supporters for sending us to this year's national regatta—it was fantastic! 



Team California One competes at the US Blind Sailing National Championships at Newport, RI

NEW BOAT OF THE MONTH

Have a new baby in the family? Send a photo or two and a little article about her and let everyone celebrate your new arrival!

The "New" yacht will be ready to do battle soon. It has been languishing under a douglas fir in North Tahoe for the past 3 years. I have finally got all of the pine needles out of the cockpit drains, fabricated a new motor mount, procured a 2 HP/4 stroke motor, replaced or re-finished the long neglected woodwork (cracked and split), and have re-rigged the poorly designed sail controls. The name (new) to be announced soon. Attached are a couple of pics.

Roger England
Wilderness 21 #19



DON'T MISS

Photos of the **Half Moon Bay Labor Day Cruise-Out!** Just flip a few more pages to our big photo section!

Historical Haze: Designing the Burgee

By Helen and Malcolm Sowers

We received the following question from Zane Clark of the Delta Marina Yacht Club:


“I’m the secretary, newsletter editor for Delta Marina Yacht Club at Rio Vista. The colors of our two burgees are the same and in the same pattern. I have been attempting to find out why these colors and pattern were chosen, but the charter members are almost all gone and I’m not able to discover this information. Do you know why your burgee is designed as it is?”

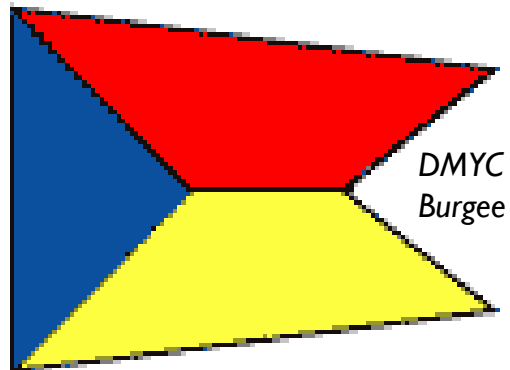
Although the colors of IYC and Delta Marina Yacht Club are the same, the shapes of the burgees are different (see figures at right). We researched the history of the IYC burgee and found the following information. From the Minutes of March 4, 1970,”

“A stimulating conversation on various esthetic colors for our burgee was discussed. A very fine ad hoc committee of John Beery and Bill Sibbet was unanimously selected to either suggest further alternates or to finalize the colors. It appears that the superimposed letters “IYC” will be in black and the Burgee will be predominantly orange with the small triangle nearest the staff in white.”

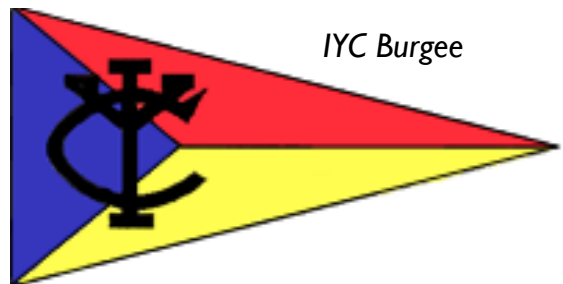
The October 1970 *Bulletin* had the following article on the burgee:

An official Island Yacht Club Burgee was adopted at the Governing Board meeting held in August. After much deliberation an attractive three-color design was approved. An initial order of 25 flags have already been sold at \$6.00 each.”

The very first *IYC Constitution and Bylaws* contains the description still included in our current Bylaws, but there is no further detail in the minutes about how the colors were decided. 



DMYC Burgee



IYC Burgee



Editor's conception of what the 3/4/1970 design might have been.

Insert from the October 2009 issue of the DMYC Newsletter, showing the “burgee” item on the agenda of the first meeting organizing the Delta Marina Yacht Club on November 2, 1963:

Special note: Club burgee of orange, green and purple was turned down and suggestions of orange, green and either black or white be used. The matter was turned over to Chas Bailey to rework over the suggested burgees in these colors and submit at the next meeting.

Island Yacht Club presents the:

17th Annual Northern California Women's Sailing Seminar©

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October 10 and 11, 2009

2009 Seminar and Course Information - Coming Soon

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Examples from 2008: Boat Speak, Knots, Sail Trim, Navigation, Intro to Racing, Diesel Care & Feeding, Anchoring, Crew Overboard, Spinnakers, Shorthanded Sailing

For information visit <http://womenssailingseminar.com>



A Letter from Commodore Dawn Chesney to IYC, September 13 2009:

Lou Haberman passed away last Monday, he was 94.

Lou was a long time IYC member and a huge promoter and supporter of our Club, and of women in sailing. He held many leadership roles in the sailing community including President of RBOC, Commodore of PICYA and IYC Commodore in 1985. Lou also continued to be the Club's PICYA representative for many years following his Commodore term at IYC, an organization he was very passionate about.

Lou loved to sail and participate in the Friday Night races. From speaking with others I understand he was well respected and always there when you needed help. As Pam put it, he was just a very nice man. Heidi said he was the perfect gentleman and sailor. Attached are a couple of pictures of Lou and his Italian Greyhound Marcel.

Every year the Lou Haberman Perpetual Trophy is awarded to an IYC member who is the "Most Improved Sailor".

When I learn about the memorial service, I'll be sure to pass the information on to you.

Our heartfelt thoughts go out to Lou's family.

Dawn, IYC Commodore



Lou Haberman and Marcel, 2006

Remembrances of Lou Haberman

By Linda Newland

Lou Haberman was my friend and my surrogate Dad...the mentor and role model that I missed as a child. Above and beyond that, he was a contributor to the state and local boating scene through his advocacy for boater's rights and for encouraging people, like myself, to become better sailors and activists in the boating community.

Lou was an early member of IYC but did not show up on the IYC political scene until he served as Commodore in 1985. Before that he was an avid racer on his Santana 22 and, unknown to many IYC members during the 70's and early 80's, also served as Commodore of Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association in 1977 and as President of Recreational Boaters of California in 1981. His leadership skills were well-honed before he stepped up to lead IYC. I joined IYC in 1974 and Lou was not on my radar as a fellow member until the late 70's and because he was a quiet and unassuming man, he did not stand out nor brag of his achievements outside of the club.

Sometime around 1981 he approached me and encouraged me to volunteer to be one of the three IYC delegates to PICYA. At the time, I had no real understanding of PICYA and did not know the other club delegates. Lou was a strong proponent of being involved with our fellow boaters and banding together to get things done for the betterment of the sport and for the sheer fun and camaraderie. So I became a delegate and we drove each other to PICYA meetings for the better part of 25 years.

Because of Lou's persuasiveness and support, I became the second woman to sit on the PICYA Board of Directors in the early 80's and the third woman to be elected to the RBOC Board in 1993. During all those years, Lou was always one of my cheerleaders and sat as proud as any dad as I was sworn into the many offices I occupied over the years.

Not only I, but many other sailors, both men and women can attest to Lou's unselfishness in sharing his time and his boat in encouraging people to learn to sail and race with him on Friday nights. He encouraged both men and women alike to pursue their sailing dreams. He was a total non-sexist in his promotion of women in all aspects of yachting activities. He asked only that people be true to themselves, to their endeavors on behalf of the yachting community and put the best interests of the organization above their own personal agendas.

He volunteered a new trophy for IYC called the "Most Improved Sailor Award" which has been won by our own Commodore Dawn Chesney. He never "jumped ship" to a more prestigious yacht club, but stayed with IYC and was proud of the little volunteer club with the "can do" attitude. When he finally moved from San Leandro to be closer to his son in Santa Rosa, he confided that he was very disappointed in respect that he would no longer have anyone in his area that could drive him to PICYA meetings and IYC events, except on special occasions. Lou loved a good dinner with wine and a good visit with his lifelong friends in the yachting community. I sadly miss him but will forever remember his devotion to his fellow sailors and as my special friend.

See Article by Janet Frankel on next page

FRIDAY NIGHT RACES WITH LOU

By Janet Frankel, 2001 Commodore

My first memory of Lou Haberman is from sailing on the Estuary in the Friday Night series in the early to mid-1990s. His boat was a Cal 27 named Kattepus. The most distinctive thing about Lou's boat was that it had TWO mainsails, which I thought was odd for a sloop-rigged boat. He did fairly well in the races.

I felt a bond with Kattepus because our own boat, Frankie, was also a Cal, a Cal 20. My first glimpse of the two mains made me wonder if I was seeing things. It did not help that Lou had the ability to split his mains and sail them "wing on wing" when going downwind, and to bring them together into one main when sailing to weather. For the longest time, I was sure I was imagining that that main went off in two directions. And, we were busy aboard our own boat, I never really felt that I had the chance to carefully examine what was going on there.

It was years later, when I was Rear Commodore at IYC, that I was faced with a conflict: one racer felt that Lou's double-main created an unfair advantage and that he shouldn't be allowed to use it in a non-spinnaker division. Lou was a past Commodore and, as Ted Crum will remember, always a gentleman.

When I was Rear, then Vice, then Commodore, I followed Ted's lead and frequently looked to Lou as my barometer of what was right and wrong. So, I was highly motivated to take care of Lou, and to make him happy. Yet, it seemed that the racer had a point: the double-main conceivably acted like a spinnaker when sailing downwind.

So I called Lou. I told him there was a complaint about his main, and that I was called upon to resolve it. I told him that it did seem to me that more sail meant a different PHRF rating was warranted. So, I suggested that he could use his split main with an additional 12 secs per mile. Lou was very sweet and gracious. He said, "I appreciate that you have to make a decision. Thank you for taking the time to investigate it and to think about it. I guess the days of my double main are over. I was never sure whether it really helped at all, anyways!" And that was that.

In the many ensuing years of Lou's membership and involvement at IYC, he was always charming. I for one will miss him - although, since I did not see him very often in these later years, in my heart it still feels like he is here somewhere.

It was Lou who donated the "most improved sailor" perpetual trophy to the club. Who will win it this year, I wonder?



Officer of the Day:

An idea whose time has come?

By Dick Vandenberg, Vice Commodore

Reprinted from the August *Mainsheet*

Attend an event at many yacht clubs and you will see a member clearly supervising the volunteers who help everyone have a great time. Often, that person is an *Officer of the Day*, a duty given to each regular member. The Officer of the Day is the direct representative of the Commodore for that event, and has the authority to make all the necessary decisions to make it a success. At the July Board meeting, a proposal was made that the IYC do something similar.

Here's how it would work: each Club member (one per family membership) would be responsible for Club supervision during an event on one day each year. Typically, we have 3 to 5 events each month (Friday night races, membership dinners, etc.), each requiring a supervisor. Multiplying this by twelve and you can see the job would employ the good efforts of most of our membership.

Why is this a good idea? The galley, bar and cashiering functions all need oversight and support, and the Officer can also fill in while volunteers take breaks. Decisions have to be made that speak for the club, using the authority of the Commodore. Moreover, all members need to be introduced to club procedures and the rewards of volunteering. Working as Officer of the Day will do a lot to

get members to meet and socialize, forming lasting sailing bonds. Lastly, our current volunteers and Board members, who have given so selflessly, can really use your help. They can use the respite, allowing increased service in other areas—membership recruitment and providing robust racing and cruising programs.

Would everyone have to do this? Generally, we think yes, but we do envision consideration for people who are ill, out-of-town, or have a very good reason. Application for relief would be made to our Volunteer Coordinator.

Would training be available for new or inexperienced members? Yes, a short training would be given by a board member as to their bar, galley, and cashier responsibilities.

One last proposal is for board members and others well-versed in club procedures, to participate in the planning for their days of watch. Where needed, they would receive guidance from the Volunteer Coordinator or one of the commodores.

Well, this is the proposal. The Board is interested in your response and wants to hear objections and "work around" solutions as much as your enthusiasm. Please **call or email a board member today** and tell him/her what you think. (All phone numbers are on the front page of this *Mainsheet*; Email addresses available at www.iyc.org



Island Nights Final Race Photos All photos by Jane Brown



Island Nights racers jockey for position during the pre-start phase



Race Deck: Thom Mantooth, Pam Krawiec, Dave Hand, Devon Hand, and someone in red shorts.



Laraine Salmon receives her First Place award for winning in Bewitched.



Phil Kum from the Marin Sailing School Blind Sailing Program, 3rd Place for the race.



Daniel Alvarez, JS9000, Jet Stream, First for the race and First place A fleet Spring



Dawn Chesney, Third Place for for race and Second Overall



Emile Carles, Lelo Too, First Overall Spring & Summer



Dan Pruzan, Express 27, Second place for race



John Guillford, Phantom, J24, 1st in 168 div. and 1st place summer



John Guillford receives is Silver Eaglet First Place award from Racing Chair John New



Lining up at the Island Nights Barbeque



John New, Dick Vandenberg and David Ross

Photos from the Half Moon Bay Labor Day Cruise-Out!

We don't really have an article, but here are some of the high points submitted by Commodore Dawn:

- Corky & Anna Stewart joined us on their Islander 36 Brigid at HMB after a week of sailing South
- Ben & Lucie black topped in, after Ben finished a race to Santa Cruz, & joined us for appetizers
- Joy Brahmst & Lynn Christensen, with their friend Cathy, sailed their Ericson 38, Astrea, to HMB for the weekend
- Dawn & John sailed in on Wuvulu
- Fantaseas sailed in with Marilyn, Richard, Tony, Jerry (Dawn's '05 HaHa Captain) & Sherry
- Nice sail down on Sat till totally fogged in the last 1-2 hours before reaching HMB
- Appetizers & wine, followed by pasta dinner & wine, aboard Brigid Sat evening
- Winds to 30 knots, large seas with some confusion sailing home Mon as we approached the deep water channel at the farthest buoys....which we did to avoid the rough water over the bar



Marilyn Bruner's Fantaseas at anchor in Half Moon Bay



Captain Marilyn on Fantaseas



Lucie, Ben, Joy, Lynn, Cathy departing Fantaseas after cocktail hour



Dawn Chesney, Richard Bruner, Jerry Morgan & Sherry, Marilyn Bruner, Anna Stewart



Sailing home in some high winds and rough seas



Dinner at Ketch Joanne's Sunday evening

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENT:

LOST! My Mustang -

By Lucie Mewes

Silly me. For months I saw the Mustang inflatable PFD hanging from the clothes rack and wondered where it called home. Alas, when checking the CO2 cartridges I discovered it was Gise's - and used by our Mirage midwinter crew. If you know where it is, give me a shout. I'd like it back now that we're getting out into the ocean again.

Constitution & Bylaws of the Island Yacht Club

Approved by the membership September 26, 2009

ARTICLE I – NAME

1.1 The name of the Club shall be “Island Yacht Club, Inc.”

ARTICLE II – MISSION

2.1 The mission of this Club is to promote sailing, boating, and other yachting activities for the enjoyment and benefit of the members.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

3.1 There shall be no limitation as to the number of members. Candidates for membership shall apply for membership through the Membership Chair of the Island Yacht Club.

3.2 Membership Classifications - There shall be five (5) membership classifications; Regular, Student, Cruising, Lifetime and Limited.

3.2.1 Regular Membership - Membership shall be open to any person 18 years of age, or older, who participates in boating activities.

Membership includes all members of a family, with “family” defined as spouses or partners, and their children under twenty-one (21) years of age living at the same residence. All family members shall be entitled to participate in all functions of the Club, but each family membership shall be entitled to only one (1) vote. Sons or daughters in a family membership may elect to transfer to a personal regular membership status without paying an Initiation Fee.

3.2.1.1 Regular Membership Dues Waiver – The Governing Board may waive, or allow the Membership Committee to waive, the membership dues under the circumstances described in this section. Regular Memberships with waived dues may be issued as prizes at club events and raffles, may be donated to other Yachting related organizations for use as raffle prizes, or may be granted to a non-member in recognition of services provided to Island Yacht Club. Regular Memberships with waived dues awarded as prizes will be for one year only, and the recipient may elect to become a dues-paying Regular Member at the end of the membership term without paying an initiation fee.

3.2.2 Lifetime Membership – Upon the unanimous approval by the entire Governing Board, the Governing Board may grant a Lifetime Membership to a current Regular Member in recognition of extraordinary contributions to Island Yacht Club. Lifetime Members shall have all rights of Regular Members. Lifetime Members will not be required to pay annual dues.

3.2.3 Student Membership - A Student Member shall be a full-time student under twenty one (21) years of age. A Student Member will not pay any Initiation Fee and may not vote. A Student Member will enjoy all privileges of the Club, except inter-club reciprocal privileges. A Student Member may race for the Club.

3.2.4 Cruising Membership - The Cruising Membership will be a non-voting, reduced fee, conditional membership. Annual dues will be one-half the normal fees while the initiation fees will be the standard amount. This membership shall be open only to individuals who reside and have a boat moored more than 100 miles from the club, or individuals who reside more than 100 miles from the club but do not own a boat. These members

must write to the club at least semi-annually as to their situation. Cruising members will have all other membership privileges other than serving on the Governing Board and voting.

3.2.5.1 Limited Membership - Shall be extended to any boat owner, or charterer, and all crew, of any type boat qualified to race in a Club sponsored race or event. This Membership is limited to the duration of the race or event for which application has been made, including any awards or other ceremony at the Club following the race. The dues for this Limited membership will be that designated as the entry fee for the race or event. No initiation fee will be required. The entry form for the race or event will serve as application form for this type of membership; and its acceptance by the race or event chairperson will also signify acceptance of the applicant as a Limited Member of Island Yacht Club.

3.2.5.2 A Limited Member will be entitled to all membership privileges for use of the Clubhouse facilities; a suitable Limited Membership Card will be issued to cover the qualified period. The Limited Member will not be entitled to vote in Club elections, hold elective office, enjoy inter-club reciprocal privileges, or race as a Club member in any racing association sponsored event. A Limited Member will be entitled to participate as a Club member only in the race or event for which application has been made.

3.3 Leaves of Absence - The Governing Board may grant a leave of absence for a period not to exceed one year to any Regular Member with currently paid dues. The member must present a written request for a leave of absence. No remaining dues will be returned to the member; they will be held by IYC and applied to dues after the member returns from the Leave of Absence. During a Leave of Absence, all privileges of membership (including clubhouse access, voting, holding office, serving on committees, reciprocal privileges with other yacht clubs, etc.) shall be suspended. The Governing Board's decisions on Leave of Absence shall be final.

3.4 Power to Suspend or Expel a Member - Any member may be suspended or expelled by a three-quarters majority vote of the Governing Board. A member may be suspended or expelled only upon evidence of gross violation of the Club rules, or upon evidence of conduct harmful to the best interests of the Club. A suspended or expelled member shall be notified in writing by the Club Commodore and shall forfeit all remaining dues.

ARTICLE IV - INITIATION FEE AND ANNUAL DUES

4.1 Initiation Fee and Dues - Each year, the Initiation Fee, Dues and Dues Schedule (if any) for the succeeding year shall be recommended to the Board for approval by the Budget Special Committee. The approved fee, dues and schedule shall be published to all Club Members by November 30. All dues shall be due on January 1 of each year.

4.2 Delinquent Dues - Any Member whose dues remain unpaid fifteen (15) days after January 1 shall be notified by the Membership Chair; then after an additional fifteen (15) days, if dues are unpaid, the member's name shall be notified a second time. If still unpaid thirty (30) days thereafter, the Membership Chair shall notify the member, in writing, of their suspension from the Club. The effective day of suspension shall be March 1.

4.3.1 New Memberships - For new memberships the dues shall be payable according to the published schedule that reduces the dues on specified dates through the calendar year.

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4.3.2 For new members joining on or after October 1, the initiation fee and full year's dues shall apply to the following year and shall entitle these members immediately to all membership privileges.

4.3.3 Twice in a calendar year, the Membership Chair, with approval of the Board, may reduce the Initiation Fee for a set period of not more than 30 days. Members initiated in the 15 days prior to such a period shall be given the benefit of the reduction.

ARTICLE V - GOVERNING BOARD

5.1.1 Governing Board - The Governing Board shall be the Governing body of the Club, and shall have all power and authority necessary to carry on the business of the Club under the powers defined in the Constitution and By-Laws.

5.1.2 The Governing Board shall consist of all the Executive Officers and Chairpersons of the following Standing Committees: Publications, Membership, Galley, Bar, Cruising, Racing, and Association Liaison. Each Standing Committee shall have one vote on the Governing Board. No Board member shall hold more than one voting position, even if appointed to perform the function of a Standing Committee Chair.

5.1.3 The Governing Board shall meet at such time and place as may be specified by the Commodore or by a majority of Members of the Governing Board.

5.1.4 A quorum for doing business shall consist of a simple majority of Members of the Governing Board. The authority for resolving parliamentary issues and conducting business of the Club shall be the most recent edition of "Robert's Rules of Order."

5A EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

5A.1 COMMODORE - The Commodore is the Club Executive. The Commodore shall: preside at Club meetings; be Chair of the Governing Board; appoint Chairs of the Standing Committees to serve at Commodore's discretion; authorize payment of bills; appoint a nominating committee for election of new officers, with approval of the Governing Board; create ad hoc Committees to carry out specified duties for the Club; coordinates the efforts of the Publications Chair; and shall assume such other duties as are required of this Office.

5A.2 VICE COMMODORE - The Vice Commodore shall assist the Commodore as required and shall preside as Chair of the Governing Board in the absence of the Commodore, except as provided in Article VI of these By-Laws. Duties will include arranging programs for monthly meetings and overseeing the management of the Bar, Galley and Ship's Store.

5A.3 REAR COMMODORE - The Rear Commodore shall assist the Commodore as required and shall preside as Chair of the Governing Board in the absence of the Commodore and Vice Commodore. Duties will be to coordinate all Club boating activities, including all Club-sponsored races, cruises, Women's and Junior Sailing events. The Rear Commodore shall appoint, with the approval of the Commodore, the Cruising and Racing Chairs and representatives to the various racing organizations to which the Club belongs.

5A.4 STAFF COMMODORE - The Staff Commodore shall be the immediate Past Commodore of the Club. Duties will be to advise and assist the Commodore as requested, and to assure the continuity of Club progress.

5A.5 SECRETARY - The Secretary shall record the minutes of the meetings of the Governing Board, the Annual Meeting, and any special Club meetings. The Secretary shall be responsible for and handle Club correspondence as requested by the Commodore and the Governing Board, maintaining the Club records, notifying Governing Board Members of their meetings, and making governmental filings in a timely manner.

5A.6 TREASURER - The Treasurer shall prepare and maintain the financial and tax records of the Club, shall deposit funds in the bank, make disbursements of funds with the approval of the Commodore, and shall prepare and submit financial statements monthly or as required by the Commodore and the Governing Board. All disbursements of funds shall be electronic or by check with the signature of the Treasurer or Commodore or other Officer appointed by the Commodore to sign checks in the Commodore's absence.

5A.7 PORT CAPTAIN - The Port Captain shall be responsible for the maintenance of the Clubhouse, for coordinating times and dates of use of the Clubhouse, and coordination of docking space for visiting boats.

5B STANDING COMMITTEES

5B.1 PUBLICATIONS CHAIR - The Publications Chair shall be responsible for all IYC publications and the Club website.

5B.2 MEMBERSHIP CHAIR - The Membership Chair shall be responsible for the following: assuring that all new members are made aware of all Club activities and encouraging them to participate; welcoming new members and guests at Club functions; introducing them to other members; explaining Club policies; soliciting new members and providing applications to those who wish to join; and generally all procedures related to membership dues, maintaining membership records, expirations and leaves of absence.

5B.3 GALLEY MANAGER/CHAIR - The Galley Manager/Chair shall be responsible for all functions of the IYC galley.

5B.4 BAR MANAGER/CHAIR - the Bar Manager/Chair shall be responsible for all aspects of management of the IYC bar.

5B.5 SHIP'S STORE/CHAIR - The Ship's Store Manager/Chair shall be responsible for all functions of the Ship's Store.

5B.6 WOMEN'S SAILING CHAIR - The Women's Sailing Chair shall promote sailboat racing and instruction in boating for women members of the Club.

5B.7 JUNIOR SAILING CHAIR - The Junior Sailing Chair shall be in charge of encouraging and promoting Junior Sailing and boating activities.

5B.8 CRUISING CHAIR - The Cruising Chair shall organize and schedule all destination cruises and all cruise-in activities for the Club in coordination with the Rear Commodore.

5B.9 RACING CHAIR - The Racing Chair will organize the Racing Committees and Protest Committees, with the approval of the Rear Commodore, for all Club sponsored race events. The Racing Chair will also serve as a representative for the Club, along with other appointees by the Rear Commodore, to the racing organizations to which the Club belongs. The Racing Chair will also be responsible for reporting race results to the Club and appropriate organizations, and for securing and distributing the Trophies for all Club racing activities.

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5B.10.1 ASSOCIATION LIAISON COMMITTEE CHAIR

- The Commodore will appoint members to serve as delegates to the various associations. These appointees will form the Association Liaison Committee.

5B.10.2 One committee member will be designated by the Commodore as chair and report to the board on the activities of the various associations.

5C SPECIAL COMMITTEES

5C.1 AUDIT COMMITTEE - The Commodore will appoint no later than the November Board Meeting a committee consisting of the Vice Commodore and two (2) club members who are not members of the Governing Board. The Vice Commodore will act as Chairperson of this committee. The Audit Budget Committee shall audit the Treasurer's accounts and prepare a final financial statement for the current year. The results of the audit shall be presented no later than the March Board meeting.

5C.2 NOMINATING COMMITTEE - Not later than September at a time designated by the Governing Board, the Commodore shall appoint a nominating committee consisting of five Regular Members, with one appointed as Chair. The Nominating Committee shall report their slate of Executive Officers at the Annual Meeting.

5C.3 BUDGET COMMITTEE - This Committee shall consist of the Vice Commodore, Treasurer, Membership Chair, and two (2) Club members who are not members of the Governing Board. This committee shall annually review the initiation fee, dues, and dues schedule, prepare a budget for the following year, and submit its recommendations to the Board for approval no later than the November Board meeting.

ARTICLE VI - ELECTION AND TERM OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

6.1.1 Election of Officers - The Executive Officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting to be held in the month designated by the Governing Board.

6.1.2 Only Regular Members may be nominated to hold office. As described above, the Nominating Committee shall report their slate of Executive Officers at the Annual Meeting. Any Regular Member may make nominations from the floor, with the consent of the nominee(s). The candidate receiving the largest number of votes for each Office shall be considered elected. Elected Officers shall serve in their respective capacities for a period of one year commencing with their election and ending with the election of their successors at the Annual Meeting called for the following year. The Commodore shall call a meeting of the old and new Executive Officers within thirty (30) days after election of the new Officers. At that time, the old Officers will pass to the new Officers all books and records.

6.2.1 Vacated Office - If an Executive Officer vacates Office during their term, the Governing Board shall appoint a Regular Member to fill the vacated Office for the remainder of that term. The appointee shall have the full powers and responsibilities of that Office.

6.2.2 If the Commodore vacates Office before the end of the current term, the Staff Commodore shall chair the Governing Board when it meets to appoint a new Commodore to fill out the remainder of the term. If the Staff Commodore is unable to act as temporary Chair, the Governing Board shall request the

next most recent Past Commodore available to act as temporary Chair until it appoints the new Commodore.

6.2.3 If the Staff Commodore vacates office before the end of the current term the Governing Board shall request the next most recent available past Commodore to fill the vacated office for the remainder of the term.

6.3.1 Removal from Office - When the Governing Board determines that an Executive Officer has neglected the duties of the Office, as set forth in these By-Laws, to such an extent as to be detrimental to the functioning and growth of the Club, the Governing Board shall notify the Executive Officer, in writing, of their concern over this dereliction of duty, and shall allow the Executive Officer thirty (30) days in which to resume his or her duties and responsibilities in full.

6.3.2 If, at the end of thirty (30) days, the Executive Officer has not corrected the problem to the satisfaction of the Governing Board, the Governing Board shall meet and vote on whether to remove the Executive Officer. An Executive Officer may be removed from Office only by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of all other members of the Governing Board.

6.3.3 A Commodore removed from Office by the Governing Board shall not act as, nor have the privileges of, Staff Commodore thereafter.

ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS

7.1 The Constitution and By-Laws of the Island Yacht Club may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Regular Members present at the Annual Meeting of the Club, or at a Special Meeting called by the Governing Board.

7.2.1 Amendment Procedure - The Governing Board or a group of at least ten Regular Members of the Club may initiate an amendment and present the proposed amendment to the Governing Board for approval. The Governing Board shall pass on whether the amendment is in the best interests of the Club. An Amendment submitted by not less than thirty percent (30%) of the Regular Members shall bypass Board approval and move directly to the next step, appointment of the Amendment Committee.

7.2.2 After the Governing Board approves the proposed amendment, the Commodore shall appoint an Amendment Committee consisting of five (5) Regular Members. The Amendment Committee shall ensure the proper wording and sequence of the proposed amendment in the Constitution and By-Laws.

7.2.3 The Secretary shall ensure that the proposed amendment is distributed to all Club Members via Email or postal mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting or Special Meeting, and shall post the proposed amendment on the Club bulletin board thirty (30) days before the Annual or Special Meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - CLUB BURGEE

8.1 The Club Burgee shall be a triangular shaped flag 14" high and 24" wide and shall be made up of red, blue, and yellow colors with red over yellow on the outside portion of the triangle and a blue triangle at the mast side of the flag. A black 8" I.Y.C. monogram shall be placed on each side of the flag overlapping all three colors of the flag.

8.2 Any larger or smaller version or reproduction of the Club Burgee shall have dimensions that are proportional to the Club Burgee. [end]