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Classes, hands-on workshops, racing, cruising, music, and just a lot of really great energy... 17th Annual Women's Sailing Seminar October 10 & 11

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Lunch and the raffia, Saturday at Women's Sailing Seminar

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Change of Watch Party Saturday November 21 at IYC! (THIS IS NOT the date in the calendar published at the start of 2009.) Catered dinner, the band "Bumpy Ride" will play and we'll celebrate a great year!

- NOVEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR
11/1 - Jack & Jill + One - Woman-Skipper Race in the Estuary
11/8 - Island Sundays Race #1
11/17 - IYC Board Meeting
11/21 - Change of Watch Party
11/22 - Breakfast/Calendar Meeting
11/22 - Commodore's Cup

COMMODORE'S REPORT By Dawn Chesney

We've had Some Fun, Now Let's Celebrate the Year Together! Can you believe our Change of Watch dinner party is happening in just a few weeks? Wow, the year has gone by quickly. It has truly been my pleasure to serve as your Commodore... I have learned so much and gotten to know many of you better...

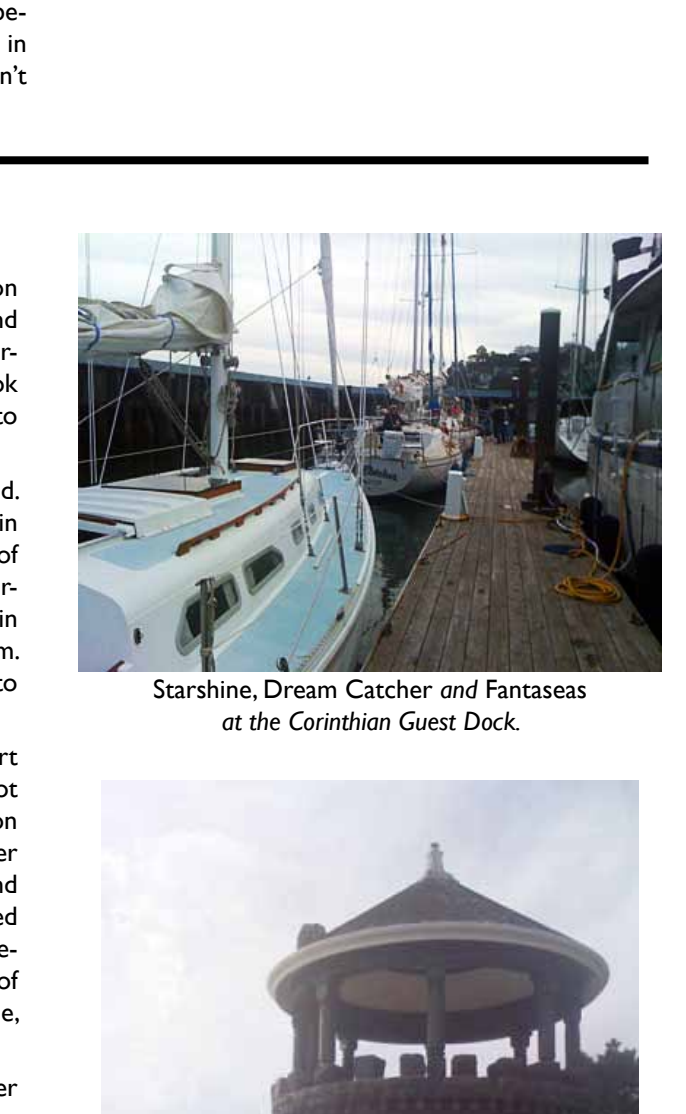
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MainSheet congratulates Commodore Dawn on a great year!



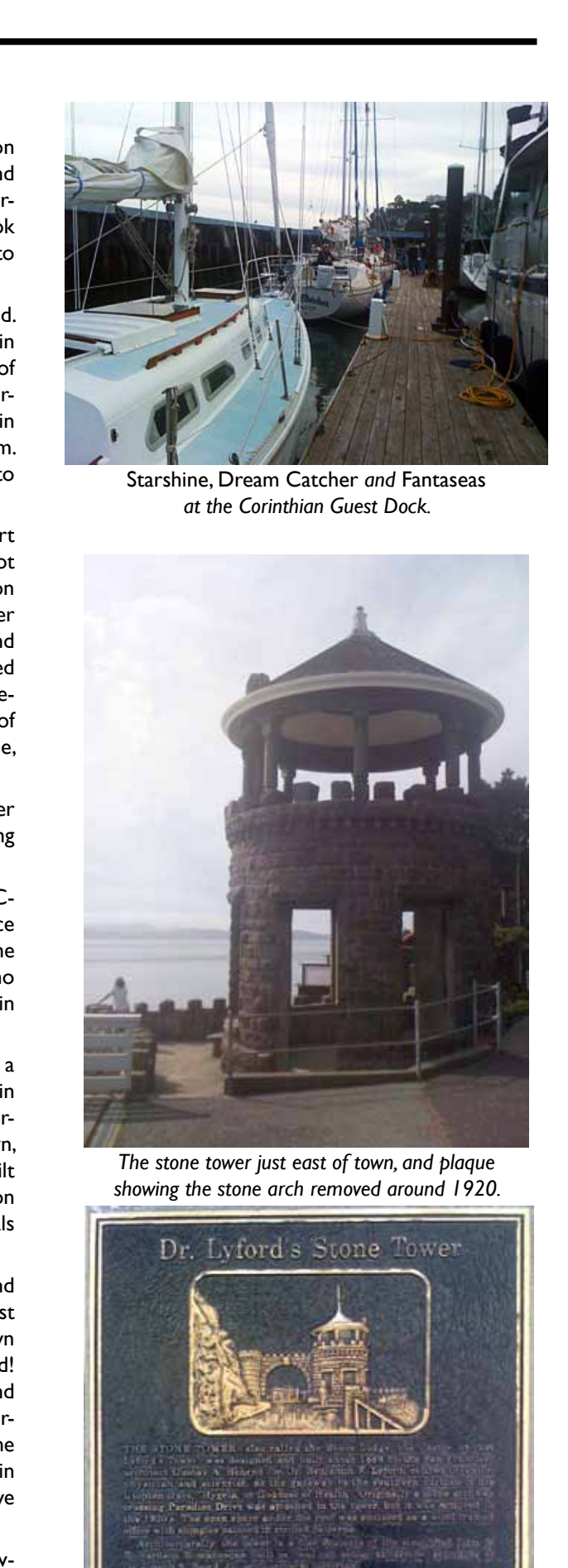
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Bay Oil Spill By Dave Bloch, Mainsheet Editor

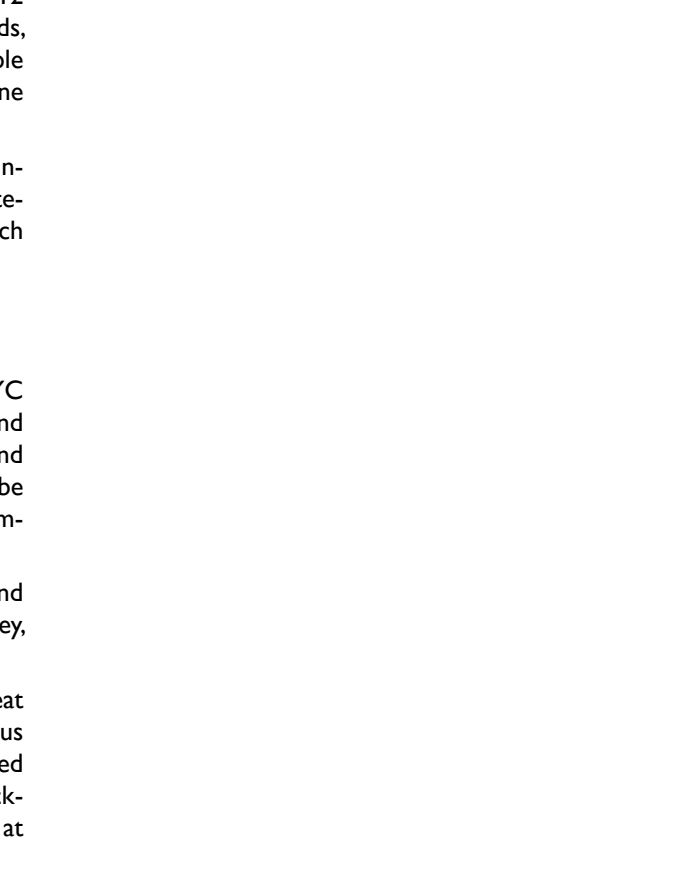
Mainsheet usually doesn't cover news events, but when it's happening right outside the window during the final assembly for publication, it seems appropriate to make an exception. As of 3PM Saturday, October 31, several agencies are fanned out around San Francisco Bay working to contain and clean up a fuel oil spill...



The bright red-orange barrier is plainly visible in this photo of the Alameda Bay Farm Island bridge.



This small, flat boat is stationary about at the middle of the Channel entrance from the Bay, with the barrier extending out both sides. It also shows up in the large photo below.



Beautiful Corinthian Yacht Club, as seen from our berths at the Guest Dock

the curious thing... all the workers on the boats wearing life jackets... Dave Bloch and I went to the boat... we were close to the starting point of many of the YRA races at Knox Point...

FROM THE EDITOR'S COUCH By Dave Bloch, Mainsheet Editor

As many of you know, I'm currently recovering from a little knee surgery... it's no big deal—heck, seems like everybody's doing it—and it was planned for a long time. But not until you find yourself forced into crutches do you realize how much you really move around in a day...

AT THE HELM — YOU?

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Historical Haze By Malcolm and Helen Sowers, IYC Historians

IYC's Cruise-in to Corinthian Yacht Club, October 17, 2009 October 17th 2009 was our sixty-sixth wedding anniversary. Although we no longer have a boat, we decided to celebrate by backtracking to IYC's Cruise-out to Corinthian Yacht Club...

>Welcome Aboard!

By Cindy Wagner, Membership Chair We've expanded our membership this fall. Here's an introduction to a couple of newest family members. New members Carmine and Steve Taylor didn't have far to travel when I met with them at IYC last week...

Lighted Yacht Parade By Craig Wong, Lighted Yacht Parade Committee

Please join hosts Marina Village Yacht Harbor, the Oakland Yacht Club and the Encinal Yacht Club for the 33rd annual Lighted Yacht Parade. It will take place in the Oakland/Alameda estuary on Saturday, December 5th starting at around 5:00 PM. This year's theme is Christmas Carols and trophies will be awarded to the Best Decorated Sailboat, the Best Decorated Powerboat...

Unwanted Immigrants? RBOC Pursuing Prevention of Invasive Species

RBOC is continuing with efforts to combat the introduction of invasive species throughout the state and to protect boater interests as actions are proposed by governmental agencies on the state and regional levels. Toxic Avengers: RBOC Following Development of Anti-fouling Surface Alternatives. The identification and assessment of alternatives to copper-based anti-fouling surfaces is occurring in a number of venues...

Voice From the Rear By David Ross, Rear Commodore

This month's feature highlights some topics from the RBOC's October Key Issues Overview announcement. (RBOC = Recreational Boaters of California) CAL BOATING Spared from the Chopping Block Bureaucratic Likely to Return

Restricted Navigation? RBOC Working to Preserve Boater Access

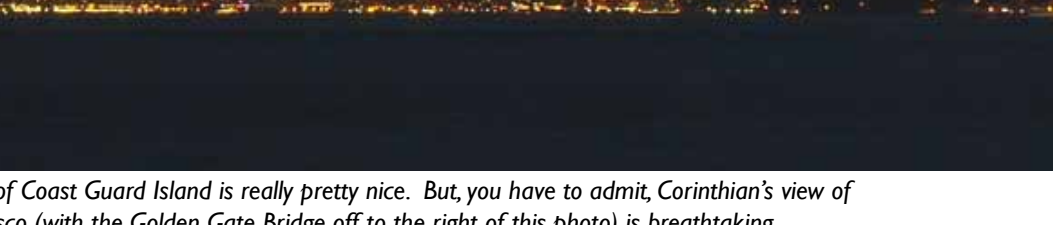
The continued ability of boaters to access the state's waterways is being challenged on a number of fronts with the proposal of regulations and legislation that would negatively impact boating recreation. An example is the Sacramento San Joaquin Delta. Several bills have been considered in the State Capitol regarding the Delta, including governance, conservation, environmental protection, and conveyance...

Proposed Alameda/Oakland Drawbridge Regulations

The following notice and commentary is provided from PICYA delegates, John & Sue Roderick. All italic/italicized emphasis by the Mainsheet editor. US Coast Guard - District 11 Local Notice to Mariners - Week: 35/09 Northern California-Bridge-Oakland Iner Harbor Tidal Canal, Proposed Drawbridge Regulation (Comments Requested) Alameda County has proposed a regulation change for the Estuary drawbridges: 33 CFR 117.181, Federal Docket Number USCG-2009-0803.

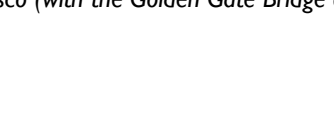
OK, so IYC's view of Coast Guard Island is really pretty nice. But, you have to admit, Corinthian's view of San Francisco via the Golden Gate Bridge off to the right of this photo is breathtaking.

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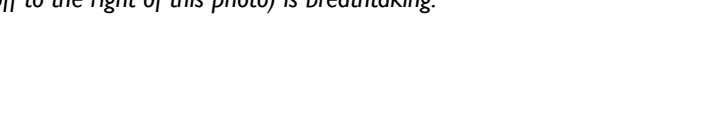


Ben Mewes in a Nutshell, another realm of sailing. Photo from Lucie Mewes.

One of the WSS Basic Sailing on-the-water classes got a closeup view of the FDR presidential yacht Pocomac on their Estuary cruise.



Approaching Corinthian Yacht Club on Dream Catcher, from near the western end of Angel Island.



Drinks at IYC Saturday evening, we look up and—guess who's burge happens to be right above our table?