

Treasure Island Yacht Club, "JIBE"

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Club located at the Marina, Treasure Island in the center of San Francisco Bay



Commodore's Message



A lot has happened at the club since my last report. If you hadn't been at the club, stop by. The rest-room trailer has been moved alongside our club next to our shed and not only do we have water, we now have a view. Let me start first with our view (thanks to Sandy Aberer). Why do you ask ??? Sandy happened to be at the club when they move the trailer and notice that when sitting down inside the club we could no longer see the Bay Bridge. Marian Saez Director of Operations at TIDA was on the scene at the time and Sandy brought her into the club and showed her our dilemma. Marian immediately had them move the trailer back another 20 feet— Thank you Sandy.

The house committee took over from there and connected water to the club (THAT'S RIGHT WE NOW HAVE WATER). I would like to thank Jim Aberer for donating our sink and special thanks goes to Ray Zahnd who worked for three days putting in the plumbing, electrical and our new counter top behind the Bar. So come on down and join our events. Speaking of events, in the last month we've had the 'Summersailtice' weekend and our 4th of July weekend. I would like to thank all of our members for their help at the Sailstice (our Treasure Hunt was one of the most successful events that weekend). On July 4th our Annual Chili Cook-off which was entirely run by Alice Pilgram (thank you Alice) was a great success, we also had a cruise in from Peninsula YC who also brought chili dishes.

Our Delta Cruise is coming up (July 24 to July 31) with stops at Vallejo YC and Pittsburg YC. If anybody needs crew or would like to crew please contact me by e-mail or phone.

I would like to take this opportunity again for all the cards, letters and visits since my last surgery. Next comes the eyes, I think this is just a parallel with age anyway. I truly thank you for all your kindness and while we're thinking of things getting better I know all of our hearts go out to Kristi who is certainly having her share of trauma at this time. Kristi, please know you're in our hearts and we're only a phone call away wishing for better days ahead. Our Love Shirley

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U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Interpreter Corps

Russian Guided Missile Cruiser VARYAG

At 1900 hrs 18 June, 2010 George Barantseff (FLT 01-02) received a telephone call from Jeff Price - Deputy Auxiliary Sector Coordinator, USCG Sector San Francisco - requesting that he work as a Russian interpreter aboard CGC SOCKEYE (WPB 87337) on 20 June, 2010 from 0800 through the day. The mission involved three Russian Navy vessels arriving into San Francisco Bay and docking at Pier 30-32.

Due to the confidential nature of the assignment, the request was made on short notice. George's Russian/English language skills were necessary for CGC SOCKEYE to be able to communicate with the Russian Federation Navy Warship YARYAG — a guided missile cruiser — so as to effectively and greatly enhance the overall safety of this operation.

The Russian warship was welcomed in their own language into U.S. Territorial waters, from the bridge-communications of CGC SOCKEYE and the mission was successfully completed.

On June 20, 2010 the Russian Navy guided missile cruiser VARYAG arrived in port of San Francisco for a five-day visit. It was accompanied by Russian Navy tanker BORIS BUTOMA and Russian Navy salvage tug FOTIY KRYLOV. Russian President Dmitri Medvedev was on hand to dedicate a monument to Russian sailors who perished off the California coast in the 1800's, and were buried in a small cemetery named Russian Hill, San Francisco.

On 23 June, 2010 the Russian Federation Navy (RFN) guided missile cruiser allowed atour of the warship. The visitors were allowed to see the ship from 1000 to 1300, ingroups of 10 persons. More than a thousand people came to Pier 30/32.

The security detail - comprised of U.S. Naval Criminal Investigative Service Special Agents, San Francisco Police, and RFN



Russian Navy guided Missile Cruiser YARYAG

Marines - were overwhelmed by the number of the visitors, many of the crowd spoke only one language (English or Russian).

The security detail was unable to communicate among themselves - neither spoke the others language. George was one of the visitors and was wearing his Auxiliarist uniform. He saw the need for my linguistic skills and immediately offered his services to the supervisors of the security detail. He explained to them that he was the Interpreter aboard CGC SOCKEYE during its escort duty on 20JUN10. They gratefully accepted and the process quickly began to proceed in an orderly manner.

Just before 1300 hours the last of the visitors who would go aboard the cruiser was admitted through the gate. There must have been more than a hundred persons still waiting to be allowed to pass through the gate to go see the ship, but the visiting hours had come to an end. The crowd began to get a little unruly - everybody was very unhappy at being turned away and would not leave. The security detail was trying to be as diplomatic as possible, but with no success under those very trying conditions.

In the military service George had "Command Voice" training - he offered to be the voice for the security detail. They accepted with a "Nothing ventured, nothing gained" approach and George politely but firmly (and loudly) addressed the crowd in both English and Russian-- telling them that the tour is over and that they should dis-

perse and go home. Many of them (especially the Russian speakers) were apparently glad to have someone to whom they can directly address their frustrations and displeasure. George explained to them that the visiting hours were from 1000 to 1300 - there would be no exceptions.

It took a while, but the crowd finally began to grudgingly disperse to the point where George's linguistic support services were no longer required. George gave his Auxiliary business card to two of the U.S. NCIS Special Agents for their after-action report and to the RFN Marine Lieutenant Colonel who came over to make sure that the gates were secured after the last of the visitors had departed.

Article originally appeared in the July issue of the *NORTHWIND*, District 11 NR USCG Auxiliary publication, George C. Knies Editor-in-Chief

***Editor's Note:* There are 23 Interpreters in District 11N capable of interpreting 19 languages! George is one of them. In the past two years I have published three articles pertaining to the USCG Interpreter Corps activities by our district members, including two involving George. He is to be commended for providing a valuable service to our nation.**

Article by Victor Beelik ADSO-OP-I



4th of July and the Third Annual Chili Cook-off

TIYC hosted our annual chili cook-off on the 4th of July. We were joined by Peninsula Yacht Club and a few members from Club Nautique. We had 9 crock pots of chili entered into the competition and approximately 40 people sampled and voted on their favorite recipe. The chili was accompanied by cornbread, salad, watermelon and brownie sundaes, provided by the club via Atta and Alice Pilram. The winners were as follows: Third place was won by Judi McDowell, Rear Commodore of PYC (actually, her sister made the chili and sent it for Judi to enter). Second place went to Orlene Chartain, Vice Commodore of PYC. The first place went to our very own Sharron Harper, Secretary and Board Member of TIYC! Congratulations and thanks to everyone who brought chili and participated in the fun and games. Our dinner was preceded by a chart talk for the upcoming Delta Cruise by Russ Breed. Russ also worked hard washing dishes in our ACTUAL RUNNING WATER SINK! After everyone was sated and the clubhouse was clean, we adjourned to the waterfront for an impressive display of partial fireworks and traditional spectacularly colored fog! Afterwards, the crowd returned to the clubhouse for Irish coffee (provided by Atta and friends who did a great job of bartending) and camaraderie and stayed until 11:30pm. It seemed no one wanted to return to their boats any time soon. A great time was had by all and I think we should do it again next year. Thanks to all who helped with food prep, serving and cleanup. *-Alice Pilram*

Pot Pourri

Nautical Terms – Port & Starboard

Port is the nautical term for left (facing the bow or front of a ship or boat) and Starboard means right. Originally the words came from the old sailing ships that did not have a rudder and were steered using a board on the right side which became known as the “steer board” side. The other side of the vessel was called the port side as the boat was docked on this side so as to not interfere with the steering board.

2010 Delta Sail Plan

Saturday July 24th -- Sail from TI to Vallejo Yacht Club 485 Mare Island Way, Vallejo, CA 94590-5806 (707) 643-1254 * *Sunday July 25th* explore Vallejo * *Monday July 26th* sail to Pittsburg, dining at local restaurant * *Tuesday July 27th* sail to Devil's Isle Rich Holden is sponsor * Wednesday July 28th and *Thursday July 29th* at Devil's Isle * *Friday July 30th* sail to Benicia (Benicia Harbor master 707 745 2628 VHF #16) * *Saturday July 31th* explore Benicia * *Sunday August 1st* sail to TI

A Delta Checklist

Insect repellent, citronella candles, and hatch screens * Biodegradable soap. (Try Doctor Bronners' for the body, and Dawn for dishes.) * Shade, in the form of boom tents, a bimini, makeshift awnings or sun umbrellas. (No plastic tarps, please!) * A pail, a long-sleeve shirt, a boat hook and a dinghy for berry picking * Canvas ice bag or spare cooler if you're planning to transport ice via dinghy * Four (or more) thick (8" or larger) fenders * A stern anchor and a spare nylon rode for tying up to levees * The largest water cannon you can find, and a sense of humor about water fights * A sense of propriety about not soaking those who do not wish to be shot by water cannons * Chart # 18661 (Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers) * Water toys: kayaks, air mattresses, snorkel gear, et cetera * Barbecue gear for when it's too hot to use the galley stove * A dozen clothespins, every swimsuit you own, and more towels than you think you'll need * Kerosene lanterns/anchor lights to minimize generator time * Wide-brim straw hats and a case of sunblock * Large plastic garbage bags * Paper plates, plastic utensils and cups for roving parties * Ample supplies for the nightly cocktail parties * Horn (needed to raise bridges) * Plenty of books, cards and games to help pass the time without needing to run the generator (leave the videos home, they weigh a boat down)

Catamaran Flips off Ft. Bragg, Crew Rescued

Bay Area sailor Kristy Lugert and her two male crewmen were rescued by US Coast Guard resources Saturday, after their 32-ft catamaran *Catalyst* capsized in extreme conditions, roughly 20 miles west of Fort Bragg.

According to the Coast Guard and other sources, the three sailors were in the process delivering the newly-purchased boat from Crescent City to Alameda when conditions built to what they deemed to be life-threatening proportions — 20-ft seas and 40- to 50-knot winds. The small measure of good luck in this story is that the crew activated their EPIRB shortly before the cat flipped and temporarily pinned them beneath its hulls.

All three crew were able to scramble up onto the overturned hulls, however, where they somehow held on for more than an hour before being rescued, with frigid waves washing over them. A 47-ft motor lifeboat out of Station Noyo River (near Fort Bragg) and an MH-65C Dolphin helicopter out of Air Station Humboldt Bay arrived on the scene within minutes of each other.

Thanks to the expertise of rescue swimmer Petty Officer 2nd Class David Foreman and his helo team, all three sailors were hoisted into the Dolphin without further incident, then flown to Ukiah, where they received hospital treatment for hypothermia.

Catalyst's crew was complimented by the rescue helo's copilot, Ltjg Bernie Garrigan, for having the presence of mind to stay with the vessel even after she flipped. "It is much easier to find a boat, even an overturned boat, in the ocean than an individual person," said Garrigan. The fact that Lugert had left a float plan with her family also aided in the efficiency of this rescue. "If you ever wanted to hear a story about how important it is to have a registered EPIRB on your vessel and a float plan ashore, look no further than this case," said Coast

Guard spokesperson Lt. Todd Vorenkamp. "Without that piece of electronic gear aboard the *Catalyst*, this would be the story of a maritime disaster, not a story with a happy ending."



Coast Guard rescue swimmer David Foreman descends to pick up the three hypothermic crew from their overturned cat.
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At the risk of restating the obvious, we — and the Coast Guard — remind mariners that offshore conditions at this time of year can be extremely treacherous. As we've seen time and again, although waiting for calm conditions can be maddening, doing so can sometimes mean the difference between having a safe passage and a disastrous one. - *latitude 38 / at*

Safety Notice:

Kristy Lugert and the two other crew of the *Catalyst*, a 32 foot Catamaran, were rescued off the California coast by the USCG on July 3rd. She is recovering from her ordeal. Her father indicated that details will be provided in the future when appropriate.— In the mean time, your prayers and wishes of support are appreciated. Cards and letters can be sent to:

Kristy Lugert, 2017 Clement Alameda, CA 94501 —Russ Breed

The EPIRB saved their lives! The day before departing Crescent City, California, on July 1 for an offshore passage bound for Alameda, California, the shore-bound father of one and three crewmembers aboard the 32-foot catamaran sailboat *Catalyst* wanted to ensure his daughter was safe. So he went to BoatU.S.' website to rent an Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB).

Normally costing about \$800, the BoatU.S Foundation rents the life-saving units for just \$65 per week. The rental program is intended to fill the short-term safety need for occasional offshore cruisers. When activated by immersion in water or manually by pressing a button, the units broadcast an emergency mayday signal via satellite along with precise

information of the vessel in distress, allowing for a speedy rescue. A dedicated global satellite system relays 406-MHz EPIRB distress signals to rescue stations around the world.

The BoatU.S. Foundation EPIRB Rental Program is funded by the voluntary contributions of BoatU.S. members, and 65 lives have been saved since 1996. ©



Rear Commodores Report—Jerry Huff

The cruise to South Beach died due to lack of interest.

We are now ready for our cruise to Devil’s Island cruise July 24 – Aug 1 (July 24&25 Vallejo, 26 Pittsburg, DI 27-29, Benicia July 30-31 and back to TI on Aug 1)

We need people to sign up for any parts they are coming to, we can blacktop to Vallejo, Pittsburg and Benicia

Presidio Aug 14-15



YUMMY-YUMMY

*Fred W Gibson
TIYC Treasurer*



8th Annual International Dinner Treasure Island Yacht Club

Saturday, August 21, 2010

Cocktails at 4:00 PM

Dinner at 6:00 P.M.

Featuring the wonderful food of Spain

Tortilla Espanola Aceitunas Pan con Tomate Albondigas
Shrimp Paella Legumbres en SalsaVinagreta Flan de Narajana

TIYC Reservation Form

I would like to reserve [] places at the TIYC International Dinner

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Enclosed find \$ _____ @ \$20.00 PP

RSVP: Jerry Huff at (510) 406-2536, or on-line at www.tiyc.org, or mail to Jerry Huff 1016 32nd St Oakland, CA 94608



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NEW METHOD OF INVOICING DUES AND CHITS FOR THOSE USING EMAIL

With Joyce resigning as the TIYC Office Manager, we are looking at ways to spread out duties which she did previously. One task that we are attempting to streamline is the TIYC billing process as well as reducing the costs associated with mailing bills. Starting in August, with the 4th quarter Dues and bills for Chits, we would like to start sending invoices via internet/email. In the future, chits will be billed monthly. I know not all people will want to receive their bills via the internet.

For those not using email, the invoices will be sent as usual. However, we encourage those that can, to move to this electronic billing for ease of managing the office as well as reducing costs. The invoices will be generated directly out of Quickbooks (our financial accounting software) and attached to an email. No printing, stuffing envelopes, addressing or adding postage.

I will be sending out an email in late July to all members that have email to verify your email address and confirm that you are willing to opt-in to use this method. You can let me know by phone 408-836-6519 or email @ fredw@gibson-design.com if you still prefer to receive your bills via the US mail.

2010 TIYC Watch List

| Duty Hours: 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM | | | DRAFT | |
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| Date | Watch Captain | Officer Of The Day | Activity | Initial |
| 06-Mar-10 | Russ Breed | Breed, Russell & Lynette | Intro to OOD | |
| 13-Mar-10 | 650-574-2251 | Brewer, Kent & Nancy | | |
| 20-Mar-10 | " | Busby, David | St Pat's Dinner | |
| 27-Mar-10 | " | Farnsworth, Matt | | |
| 03-Apr-10 | Fred W Gibson | Gibson, Fred W | | |
| 10-Apr-10 | 408-268-9419 | Gibson, Fred C | | |
| 17-Apr-10 | " | Harper, Sharron | | |
| 24-Apr-10 | " | Graham, Mary | Opening Day Cruise-In | |
| 01-May-10 | Sharron Harper | Harrison, John & Cindy | | |
| 08-May-10 | 415-710-5353 | Mc Bride, John | | |
| 15-May-10 | " | Holden, Rich & Mary Artist | | |
| 22-May-10 | " | Knies, George & Ann | | |
| 29-May-10 | " | Harter, Heather Jackson | | |
| 05-Jun-10 | Karen & Jerry Huff | Huff, Jerry & Karen | | |
| 12-Jun-10 | 510-652-6404 | Lugert, Jerry & Kristy | | |
| 19-Jun-10 | " | Karavidas, Ted & Kathy | Summer Sailstice | |
| 26-Jun-10 | " | Mibach, Don & Cathy | | |
| 03-Jul-10 | Cior Wills | Navarro, Mia | 4th of July Cookout | |
| 10-Jul-10 | 415-702-5398 | Nevesny, Neil & Joanna | | |
| 17-Jul-10 | " | Panagiatopoulos, George | | |
| 24-Jul-10 | " | Pilram, Atta & Alice | | |
| 31-Jul-10 | " | Roberts, Pete & Faye | | |
| 07-Aug-10 | Alice Pilram | Saville, Mark | | |
| 14-Aug-10 | 415-391-2205 | Schreiber, Christa | | |
| 21-Aug-10 | " | Smith, Reg & Debrenia | International Dinner | |
| 28-Aug-10 | " | Smith, William & Cynthia | | |
| 04-Sep-10 | Pete Van Putten | Strom, Gordon & Diane Doron | Cast- Away Weekend | |
| 11-Sep-10 | 510-724-1034 | Thorsson, Desmond & Laura | | |
| 18-Sep-10 | " | Van Putten, Pete & Connie | | |
| 25-Sep-10 | " | Waters, Joyce / Bowes | Dragon Boat Races | |
| 02-Oct-10 | Rich Ahlf | Wills, Ciaran & Cior | | |
| 09-Oct-10 | 925-672-2514 | Aberer, Jim & Sandy | | |
| 16-Oct-10 | " | Holden, rich & Mary Artist | | |
| 23-Oct-10 | " | Breed, Russell & Lynette | | |
| 30-Oct-10 | " | Brewer, Kent & Nancy | | |
| 06-Nov-10 | Matt Farnsworth | Busby, David | | |
| 13-Nov-10 | 310-293-2623 | Farnsworth, Matt | | |
| 20-Nov-10 | " | Gibson, Fred W | General Meeting | |
| 27-Nov-10 | " | -- No Watch Duty -- | | |

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Upcoming Events

- ★ July 3 Peninsula YC Cruise-in
- ★ July 4th or 5th Club cookout
- ★ July 10 Interclub Race #4
- ★ July 19 B&B TIYC
- ★ July 24 to 31 Devils Island Cruise out (See itinerary)
- ★ Aug. 1 PICYA Meeting San Joquin YC
- ★ Aug. 14 Cruise Presidio YC * Interclub Race #5
- ★ Aug. 15 Jibe Deadline
- ★ Aug. 21 International Dinner "Spain"
- ★ Aug. 23 B&B TIYC



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