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## Commodore's Notes

by Reg Smith



**Commodore Reg Smith with the Louis Vuitton Cup and America's Cup in Valencia, Spain** picture by Reg Smith

As summer begins, I would like to thank the many faithful Treasure Island Yacht Club supporters for their contributions toward making this year a success.

Our community service event on May 5th, which was touted as Treasure Island History Day, brought together the Treasure Island Museum Association and TIYC to hold the first exhibition of Treasure Island memorabilia since the Museum left building one. Lead by our Vice-Commodore, Desmond Thorsson, the event brought together island residents and history buffs and allowed the Museum Association to show why they deserve permanent space to educate the public about the Island's storied past.

The week of May 13<sup>th</sup> found several members of the Treasure Island Yacht Club

in Valencia, Spain for the Semi-finals of the Louis Vuitton Cup, the precursor to the 32<sup>nd</sup> America's Cup competition. Treasurer Fred W. Gibson (joined by his good friend Keith Plumlee), past Commodore Earl Ansley and myself represented TIYC.

The weather was perfect, averaging 85 degrees and approximately 12-14 knots of wind. There were ten people aboard the 40 foot catamaran, Pecorilla VII, which loosely translates into "adventuresome woman," from the Presidio, Alameda, and Treasure Island Yacht Clubs.

In addition to the camaraderie, the participants visited the America's Cup compound, the city of Valencia, and the yacht club the boat was berthed at, the Real Club Nautico de Valencia. This yacht club, founded in 1903, is the largest yacht club in Spain, with over 6,000 members.



**Commodore Reg Smith with Commodore Isidoro Sanchez Martorell of the Real Club Nautico de Valencia** photo by Reg Smith

Watching the American entry, BMW-Oracle lose 5 matches to 1 wasn't easy, but learning about the Spanish culture and the history of the America's Cup was well worth the time and expense. I think we all

left with an appreciation of the Cup's ability to unite and bring together people from different cultures to enjoy the oldest rivalry in sport.



**Fred W. Gibson, Reg Smith, Earl Ansley, and Keith Plumlee** picture by Reg Smith

After arriving back on American soil, I hurried to get ready for our cruise out to Angel Island. I was fortunate enough to stay in Belvedere the night before our rendezvous that Saturday, at the San Francisco Yacht Club. The Club celebrated its reopening after being closed many months for renovations. The paella served that evening was as good if not better than that in Valencia, which is credited as the "birthplace" of paella.

Next was our cruise-out to Glen Cove Marina on June 15-17<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Rear Commodore Russ Breed, who came with me on the long voyage toward the Delta, we made it in great time.

Our cruise leader, past Commodore Sandy Aberer, and her husband, past Commodore Jim Aberer, were gracious in hosting Rear Commodore Breed and myself, as well as Lynette Breed, my wife Debrenia and Staff Commodore Earl Ansley.

Finally, the Summer Sailstice weekend was an unparalleled success. Thanks to the great work of our office manager, Joyce Waters, the Friday night dinner was a wonderful event for those attending. TIYC Director Sharron Harper lead a successful raffle, and the TIYC safety officer Neil Nevesny put together a wonderful

presentation with a fellow Coast Guard Auxiliary member, who spoke on the topic of America's Waterway Watch.

On Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, Russ Breed and Staff Commodore Fred C. Gibson led a group of thirty enthusiastic junior pirates in our third annual treasure hunt. After the Treasure Island Sailing Center's fund-raiser Saturday evening, many of the cruisers from the South Beach Yacht Club came back to TIYC for a photo exhibition and talk that I gave on the 32<sup>nd</sup> America's Cup. Many questions were answered, and all left with a keener understanding of the Cup's history.



**Commodore Reg Smith addresses the Summer Sailstice dinner guests** picture by Russ Breed

On Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, Director Jerry Huff and his wife Karen lead the TIYC group that served breakfast to over 50 cruisers and summer sailstice participants. The weekend was not only a financial success, but also a great weekend for getting people involved in boating.

Our July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday dinner, hosted by TIYC Director Alice Pilram, promises to be another great hit, considering that the weather prospects are good for a clear evening.

Upcoming events include a cruise-out to Coyote Point Yacht Club on the weekend of July 20, 2007, with a dinner at Coyote Point Yacht Club on Saturday, July 21, 2007. Also, Director Jerry Huff will be hosting an International Dinner on August 11, 2007, with dishes from Romania.

August is a busy month at TIYC, with Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> being the TIYC sponsorship of the Chispa/Youth regatta, co-sponsored with the International Order of the Blue Gavel, District 14. The annual cruise out to the Aberer's delta house is being held on the weekend of August 23<sup>rd</sup>, with a dinner for TIYC members and friends on Saturday, August 24, 2007.

Please don't forget our castaway dinner on the weekend of September 1<sup>st</sup>, (Labor Day weekend). We have invited John White and his wife Maxine on Glen Cove Marina, whose boat was sunk hitting a container while chartering in the Carribbean. John and Maxine will talk about their time as "castaways," and how to survive after your boat has sunk.

On September 8, 2007, we will have our annual picnic with TIYC member Yvonne McBain at their house/lodge in Redwood City. The events start at 12 p.m., and Yvonne's hospitality is not to be missed. Please join me for these events and more as we enjoy sailing in 2007!

### ***Rear Commodore's Notes***

by Russel Breed

The third **InterClub** race was held on June 9<sup>th</sup>. The series standings show Larry Baskin in 5<sup>th</sup> place (out of 9) with the Catalina 34 fleet and Rich Holden in 5<sup>th</sup> place (out of 12) in the Multi-hull division. Standings are posted on the racing board.

**Glen Cove Cruise Out** - We had 4 cruisers and 4 blacktoppers for a fun weekend organized by Sandy Aberer. With *El Nido* leading the way and *Native Sun* making record time (due in part to the flood tide) the first wave from Treasure Island YC made our way to Glen Cove Marina on June 15<sup>th</sup>. It was a very relaxing weekend. Winds were light to moderate. Friday was very warm with the temperature jumping about 20 degrees as we passed the Napa River entrance to Vallejo approaching the Carquinez Bridge. Saturday was much

cooler but it warmed up as the second wave of our contingent came by car. Glen Cove has a very cozy restaurant with reasonable prices. Showers at the end of the marina were a great way to cool off following a warm Friday ashore. We were pleasantly surprised to see past commodore Earl Ansley arrive by car following his recent knee replacement. The cruisers included Sandy & Jim Aberer, Debriena & Reg Smith, Lynette & Russ Breed, Melinda Eslinger & Earl Ansley.

**Island YC Cruise In** to Clipper Cove June 16 & 17<sup>th</sup>. Feedback from the folks on the dock when Reg and I returned from Glen Cove was that Desmond and his crew did a great job in entertaining IYC. They are looking forward to coming back and IYC would be pleased to host us at their club for a cruise in the near future.

### **Summer Sailstice** weekend

Joyce Waters was host for the Friday night Dinner. She was assisted by Lynette Breed with Gordon Strom manning the grill and John Harrison tending bar. This dinner was well attended by the folks from the South Beach YC. We had a speaker from the USCG Auxiliary who talked about the Waterway Watch program.

We received several donations for the Treasure Hunt from club members as well as John Arndt from Summer Sailstice and the Pirate Store. Staff Commodore Fred Gibson and Sophia helped bury the loot in the morning after we negotiated our portion of the beach (There was another pirate party going on in the early afternoon.) The treasure hunt started around 3:15PM until about half of the treasure chests were found. A second hunt got under way around 3:45PM and all of the loot was found except for a few wooden nickels. The treasure was exchanged for booty at the club. During the day Almar hosted a BBQ at the club (thanks to Roger Ladwig and Todd who was the grill master) while we sold drinks. Thanks

to new club member Mark Saville for tending bar.

On Sunday we had a highly successful breakfast of waffles, eggs, bacon and sausage cooked by Jerry Huff. Karen Huff served up Mimosas and other liquid libations.



**Jerry Huff in action cooking waffles**  
picture by Russ Breed

Chris Henderson jumped in and helped Club Nautique with their Photo Scavenger Hunt and Jerry Huff provided an e-mail address for the submittals. Mark Saville also volunteered as a photo judge.

There will be a wrap up meeting with TISC on either June 28<sup>th</sup> or July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### **Upcoming events:**

**Commodore's Cup Race July 14**

**Coyote Point YC Cruise Out July 21-22<sup>nd</sup>**

Cruise notes will be out this week. We need to have people sign up in advance.

**Oakland YC Cruise Out & Schreiber Cup, August 4-5<sup>th</sup>**

**Chispa / Youth Regatta, August 18<sup>th</sup>** El Nido is Committee Boat

**Delta House Cruise, August 24-26<sup>th</sup>**

**Cast Away Weekend/Labor Day (informal club cruise –in), Saturday, September 1st at 6:00 p.m.**

### ***The Pirates Are Here!***

by Sophia (and Daniela) Gibson

For weeks, my friends and I have played pirates in anticipation of the Treasure Hunt at TIYC. Then, the day has finally come—it is Summer Sailstice on Treasure Island! I convince my daddy, Staff Commodore Fred Gibson, to take me along in the morning to burry the treasures on the beach which is very hard work.



**Sophia Gibson helps her daddy Fred Gibson and Gordon Strom to burry the treasures**  
picture by Russ Breed

Of course, I can't remember in the afternoon where they were buried... But more important than the treasures are the pirates! I have taken my best friend Zoe along to finally see some real pirates. We are so excited when they arrived in their pirate dingy! And there is even a canon to greet them on the beach.



**Pirates Russ Breed and Fred Gibson arriving in their pirate vessel**  
picture by Daniela Gibson

Rear Commodore Russ Breed and my daddy are very nice pirates (although I have to say that last year's costumes were a

bit more elaborate). Many more kids are showing up than last year, and nervously I watch how several bigger girls find a lot of the treasures before Zoe and I can even start. But Russ comes to our help and tells the older kids to let us smaller ones have a turn, too. Zoe and I quickly find several wooden nickels and with some adult help finally discover our treasure chests. We proudly carry them into the club to trade them in for bounty. We are lucky, for Lynette Breed is very generous and our wooden nickels buy us a card game, cool sunglasses, and even a kite! Zoe and I are already looking forward to next year's Treasure Hunt. Thank you so much Russ, Lynette, and Fred!



**Pirates Russ Breed and Fred Gibson watching the successful Treasure Hunt** picture by Daniela Gibson

### *Sail a tall ship to the Farallons!*

*The Seaward* will be going out to the Farallons on August 19th, as a joint venture between Call of the Sea and the Golden Gate Tall Ship Society. If you buy tickets at [www.ggtss.org](http://www.ggtss.org), the cost is \$135 per person, a \$15 discount from the full price to the public. The fee includes a light breakfast, lunch, beverages and snack. Click on Events for a full description, and Ship's Store to order. This is a wonderful opportunity to observe the abundant wildlife both at the Marine Sanctuary and on the way, enjoy the thrill of sailing as it was in the Golden Age of Sail, and support sailing education for youth.

Please join us, Fair Winds,

Karen Huff, director, GGTSS

### *Racing*

Please note that results for **Interclub race #4** (July 7<sup>th</sup>) can be found at: <http://www.sfbama.org/2007/IC07/index.html>

George Knies, Past Commodore and Principal Race Organizer and , notes that **the PICYA CHISPA & Youth Regattas** will be held in Clipper Cove on 18 August, 2007.

We need volunteers to assist with registration, safety boats, mark setting, lunch service, etc. Activity commences at 8:30 am and will terminate late afternoon with race results and photos at our clubhouse.

If you can help out, please contact George at [machbuster1@earthlink.net](mailto:machbuster1@earthlink.net)

### *Cruise Outs*

Cruising chairs Russ and Lynette Breed invite you to join them for the July and August cruises:

The July **Cruise to Coyote Point Yacht Club** is scheduled for **July 21-22**.

The August **Cruise to Oakland Yacht Club** is scheduled for **August 4-5<sup>th</sup>**. It features Blues & BBQ with Blues Cadillac on Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. Please RSVP for the Oakland Cruise by July 25<sup>th</sup>.

For more information on these cruise outs, please contact Russ Breed at [rsbreed@earthlink.net](mailto:rsbreed@earthlink.net) or cell 650-400-6192.

### **WATCH DUTY**

Please remember to check the back of your roster for a complete list of dates. You must keep your watch or arrange for another member to switch dates with you. Watch Captains' names have been listed also but remember that they will not arrange for your switches, their job is to remind you of your duty and to aid with questions about the watch. Watch hours are from 4PM to 8PM.

Check the Watch List at the end of the 2007 roster for more information.

### July Watch

7 Pete Roberts  
14 Reggie Smith  
21 Gordon Strom  
28 Desmond Thorsson

### August Watch

4 Terry Utter  
11 Ray Zahnd  
18 James Aberer  
25 Earl Ansley

For new members questions please contact Commodore Reg Smith at [regsmith@ix.netcom.com](mailto:regsmith@ix.netcom.com)

The next *Jibe* deadline is **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Please submit your articles and pictures to [Daniela@gibson-design.com](mailto:Daniela@gibson-design.com)

## 2007 Officers

Commodore..... Reg Smith  
Vice Commodore..... Desmond Thorsson  
Rear Commodore..... Russ Breed  
Recording Secretary..... Sharron Harper  
Port Captain..... Don Mibach  
Assistant Port Captain..... Atta Pilram  
Membership Chairperson..... Karen Huff

## 2007 Calendar

### JULY

4 - 4<sup>th</sup> of July Dinner 6 pm

7 - Estuary Inter-Club Race (IYC) 12:25 pm  
14 - TIYC Island Series Race 12 pm  
21 - Cruise-Out Dinner @ Coyote Pt. YC 6 pm  
30 - Bridge and Board Meeting 6:30 pm

### AUGUST

4- Estuary Inter-Club Race (SBYC) 12:25 pm  
11 - TIYC Island Series Race 12 pm  
**International Dinner (Romania) 6 pm**  
18 - CHISPA/Youth Regatta 9 am  
24 - Aberers' Delta Cruise-Out (23<sup>rd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup>)  
27 - Bridge and Board Meeting 6:30 pm

### SEPTEMBER

**1 - Harvest Dinner 6 pm**  
8 - McBain Picnic (Redwood City) 12 pm  
Estuary Inter-Club Race (BAMA) 12:25 pm  
15 - TIYC Island Series Race 12 pm  
22 - Blue Water Cruise Out  
24 - Bridge and Board Meeting 6:30 pm  
29 - Wheelchair Regatta @ EYC 9 am

### OCTOBER

**6 - Fleet Week Steak & Lobster Dinner 6 pm**  
13 - TIYC Island Series Race 12 pm  
21 - TIYC Work Day 10 am  
22 - Bridge and Board Meeting 6:30 pm  
27 - Halloween Pot Luck 6 pm

### NOVEMBER

17 - Annual Meeting & Election Dinner 6 pm  
26 - Bridge and Board Meeting 6:30 pm

### DECEMBER

8 - Holiday Party & Secret Santa 1 pm  
17 - Bridge and Board Mtg.\* (3<sup>rd</sup> Mon.) 6:30 pm

\* All Events: At TIYC unless noted

**You are invited to enjoy a day of summer fun; food and fishing**  
(bring your own pole)!

Come by boat or car (maps available by request)

**Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**

**To the “Delta House” hosted by Jim & Sandra Aberer**

4200 Sandmound Blvd, Oakley, CA (925-684-0103)

Lunch is scheduled in the afternoon - about 2 “river time”

Drinks, Delta corn and BBQ meat will be supplied

Please bring a dish to share

Reserve your entrée and/or dock space by calling 925-837-8271 in  
advance

Patio boat tours of Sandmound Slough will take place throughout  
the day

Limited availability for tents, campers, beds and transients

**COME EARLY and/or STAY LATE**

**But do share a Day with Treasure Island Yacht Club in  
the Delta!**

