

APRIL 1996

From the Desk of the **COMMODORE**

By Gordon Strom

The past month has been a busy one for your officers and the Board of Directors. There has been considerable activity of late, concerning the reuse of Treasure Island, with many individuals and organizations posturing and politicking for position.

Obviously we want all in the arena to be well-informed as to the existence of Treasure Island Yacht Club; our uniqueness, and that we intend to still be here when the smoke clears.

John Miller, Len Cardoza, and others, deserve your thanks and support as we traverse the "muddy waters" of uncertainty during the coming year.

Don't miss April's meeting and the talk on skating by Dr. Nelson

DON'T MISS IT!!

The April Meeting will host Dr. Frank Nelson, former president of the United States Skating Federation. Dr Nelson will give a talk on competitive ice skating, one of the fastest growing spectator sports in America today. He will be using slides and video clips to demonstrate the nuances of competitive ice skating, and the judging of its performances.

This is a great opportunity to learn what really goes on behind the scenes. Don't miss it!

CRUISING NEWS

by Suzanne Sylvester

The TIYC March cruise to Golden Gate YC had six boats in attendance. Saturday night dinner and Sunday brunch were excellent. Drive-ins for brunch on Sunday included the entire TIYC Board of Directors as well as five regular members. We got our money's worth out of that place. A little rain here and there dampened sails but caused little inconvenience. Our fleet consisted of *Southern Comfort*, *Mary Joy*, *Kachina*, *At Ease*, *Spirit*, and *Rapid Transit, Jr.*

In April, we have two cruises. From 8 to 14 April there will be a spring cruise up-river to the Sacramento Yacht Club. SYC has a grand club house overlooking the river with new million dollar docks. Plans include day excursions to the Railroad Museum and other attractions at Old Sacramento, barbecues at SYC and a bingo/poker dinner evening hosted by the Sacramento YC on Thursday 11 April. To sign up for the cruise, call me at 510/748-0533.

The regular on-the-bay cruise will be to the Oakland YC on 20,21 April. This one is a big deal from the looks of the four pages of instructions I received. For new cruisers, Oakland YC is located on the Alameda side of the Oakland-Alameda estuary. They have a new two-story club house and full-time staffing, which may account for the paperwork generated. There will be no restrictions on number or size of boats, but Saturday night dinner at the club must be pre-paid.

CARING CORNER

By Jean Stoner Rieth RN

Dave Adams is recuperating nicely and in excellent spirits, thanks in large part to the cards and well-wishes from his many friends.

Remember, people, to send word or call the Caring Corner with news of any of our group who need to know that.... We Care.

Jean Stoner Rieth
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OPENING DAY ON THE 6TH DAY OF MAY

Bob Becker

Opening Day, on Sunday 6 May 1996, will start a week-long celebration of the Pacific Interclub Yacht Association's (PICYA) 100th Anniversary. The theme this year will be "100 Years of Boating". The opening day parade will start off Crissy Field and end at Pier 39.

Decorated boats are the primary focus with awards given for; The Power Boat/sail boat decorated to theme, and, club entries with a minimum of 10 boats decorated with the same or similar flags and pennants or streamers. The Claude H. Benham Attendance Trophy to the club with the most boats participating, i.e., FLY YOUR TIYC BURGEE.

Club entries will be judged on conformity to theme, originality and effort. For additional information and entry forms, call Joan Marsh-Chune at (510)427-6607.

We're looking for boats, ideas and concepts that our club entry may use for this Opening Day.

Please put your thinking cap on and conceptualize for the good old TIYC. Some thoughts might be costumes of the Sir Thomas Lipton era, White shirts, black ties and beards topped off by a small black yachting cap. For the girls we

would exempt the beards. This is probably the most popular idea for this year. Maybe, since we are a Navy Club, we could use sailor uniforms like white jumpers/pants and sailor caps with the boat driver in a Naval Officer type uniform. Beards were common in those days and we would need a person clever with a sewing machine to manufacture elastic/perhaps Velcro fastened beards, Ouch!!!!

We have some boats lined up already. This should be fun with a capital "F" and we could schedule a party at the club following the Parade of Yachts. Let's hear from you soon since the last day of our formal entry is 21 April. Do it now!!!! Thanks! Please contact Bob Becker at (510)939-1699 or Joyce at the Club at (415)392-2794.

REPORT FROM THE HEAD MAN

By Fred Brislawn

The men's head at TIYC has been renewed, thanks to the dedicated efforts of numerous volunteers. Oliver Field, of Vacaville, is to be commended for his many hours of labor in removing the old shower, installing the new one, as well as installing two new ceiling fans and additional wiring circuits for the kitchen. He also replaced the exterior siding damaged by dry rot. Many thanks to him for his many skills graciously given over numerous days in completing this project.

Charles Bureau, from Stockton, assisted with the painting and decoration, Jim Love and David Gilmer, from Davis, set the throne after the new floor covering had been laid. Al Holston generously volunteered to complete the redecoration by installing the window trim and giving it a final coat of paint.

Thank you, each and every one, for your efforts on behalf of the club.

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STAFF COMMODORE BYLAWS REPORT

by John Miller

It is time to make a slight revision to our by-laws. Our membership is presently limited to military-connected families, members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, and Federal employees. We have been receiving some new members outside these categories on approval of the Commodore, but as our base for recruiting new members diminishes as a result of military installations in this area closing, we must revise our by-laws to allow all approved applicants to join. It is also anticipated that when the City takes over Treasure Island, and Treasure Island Yacht Club is in their plan for reuse, open memberships will be required. We will make wholesale revision to the by-laws this fall when we "convert to a civilian" club, but to ease the enrollment of new members before that, we need to open our membership to all qualified applicants. Therefore, the Board of Directors has recommended that the following changes to the by-laws be approved at this time. We will vote upon these changes at the May general meeting.

Proposed changes to the By-laws:

Article II, section 3. Delete parenthetical phrase "(identified by valid Uniformed Services ID Card)"

Article II, section 4. Change to read "Regular Membership is open to all persons who meet approval of the Membership Committee or the Board of Directors and who have an interest in boating and/or related activities."

MORE ACCURATE GPS BUT EXPECT ADDITIONAL \$\$\$

Over 275,000 owners have been enjoying 100-meter accuracy or better from the Global Positioning System (GPS), which is pretty good for off-shore work but short of the tolerance needed for the accuracy required for near-shore and coastline work.

The USCG has announced resolution of that problem, however, in building an additional system called Differential GPS (DGPS). The system captures regular GPS signals and rebroadcasts them after correction, resulting in 10-meter accuracy. This service will be available only in range of 47 radio transmitters located along the US coastline which translates to about 125 miles from shore.

Additional equipment is needed to achieve this accuracy which will run in the neighborhood of \$500. DGPS will interface only with a GPS unit which has an appropriate port. Anyone buying a GPS unit who believes he will be interested in adding a DGPS should look for the manufacturer's label stating that the unit is "Differential Ready" or "Differential Capable."

ABOUT THAT BOAT LOAN!

Many of you will be happy to hear that the interest on your boat loan may qualify for a deduction. Under current IRS rules, a boat is considered a home if it meets certain criteria, one as it relates to the boat and the other as it relates to the loan on the boat.

The boat must have basic living accommodations such as a sleeping space, a toilet, and cooking facilities. The loan must be secured by the boat as collateral (as opposed to a boat which was purchased on a line of credit),

The taxpayer can only deduct one second home, so if you have a ski cabin in the mountains and a 49-foot Hylas at TIYC, you might want to ask your accountant to check the figures. Those filing for the second home deduction must itemize their tax deductions using Schedule A.

Cruising, cont.

When you sign up, please provide Joyce, our club manager, with \$10 per person for dinner. Coupons will be issued by Oakland YC. This is cumbersome, but we can do it.

The Memorial Weekend is around the corner. Terry Sigel has volunteered to plan our cruise to Vallejo on 25,26,27 May.

TAKE PRIDE IN OUR HISTORY

by **Christa Schreiber**

Over the last few years there has been a lot of talk at the Treasure Island Yacht about the Base closure and how Treasure Island Yacht Club could continue its existence.

Money has always been a big deal, but then I have never heard the question of how the membership could make the Club an important issue to the City of San Francisco and the Bay Area and maybe even the whole world.

"We want the Club to keep going"

"We want the Marina to stay here"

"We don't want outsiders to take over", etc.

But nobody ever asked "What can we do to make this place attractive and indispensable to the City and everybody (and keep it as it is).

Yet we have the key in our hands : with all the Navy Bases around the Bay closed and gone - the Treasure Island Yacht Club is still representing the old Navy Sailing Tradition and the American Heritage : The Connection to the Ocean and the World.

We - the members of the Treasure Island Yacht Club - are still able to be Host to a sailor on his cruise around the world as well as to a tourist visiting San Francisco. People love to visit a place where History still is alive and to listen and to learn about American Tradition of the United States Navy - about men and women who defended our country on the water when it was needed.

This connection to American History and Tradition can not be lost by letting our Club silently slip away.

Treasure Island Yacht Club has been for thirty Years a very privileged, protected port for members of the United States Armed Forces. Men and

Women who deserved this privilege proud to have protected and defended their country - and as Hawaii has its memorial to History at Pearl Harbor - the Treasure Island Yacht Club could also keep up the tradition by Flying its United States Naval Sailing Association burgee.

The Treasure Island Yacht Club offers the City of San Francisco and the Bay Area the connection from the Past to the Future.

(This article was left unedited at the author's request)

VALLEJO PRESENTS 1ST BOAT SHOW

Plans have been announced to present the First Annual Grand Vallejo Boat Show on May 31 through June 2 at the Vallejo Municipal Marina on Harbor Way. A unique feature will be the availability of overnight docking for boaters who wish to arrive by water. Docking facilities can be obtained by reservation for \$6 per night through the harbor master's office at (707)648-4370.

Stock will consist of new and used boats and marine supplies. Food will be available and free entertainment will be provided. Admission is \$5 per day. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Yacht Masters at (707)554-2813.

EDITOR'S POLICY

All published material will be subject to editing unless requested to refrain from doing so by the author. Unedited articles will be so designated.

EDITOR'S DEADLINE

All material must be on the editor's desk by 20th.

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From the Club Manager

Joyce Pucci

The weather may not be heating up, but the clubhouse sure is. The Cruisers are coming in. TIYC is the place that everyone wants to visit. Oakland YC visited in January and then came back on 2 March. **Marcia Thompson** and I tended bar and even played Bingo with the group. They're a happy lot and we all had a nice evening.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Marian Scudder and FAMILY [quite a group!] celebrated her birthday here at the club on 16 March.

On the 23rd, we hosted Tiburon and Benicia YC s. What a turnout! We had over 80 sailors in the clubhouse - no not all at once because we staggered the dinner time and managed to accommodate all, not without a lot of help though. **Mike Eddington** did the cooking, and **Gerry Bowes** and **Chuck Elliot** tended the bar. Chuck introduced his very sweet fiancée, **Arlene**, to the group. We hope to see a lot of the happy couple in the future. June is the big day! **Gerry Bowes** came in early Friday to help and never stopped working. He was a terrific help. Not only was he here Friday and Saturday but he volunteered for Watch Duty Sunday when one of our members could not fulfill his duty. **Vice Commodore Jim Brown** was here. Jim cut his sailing day short and came through, helping in any way possible. I guess the ragging about the "blue stuff" has come to an end. No one seems to know where it disappeared. **Commodore Strom**, have you any ideas? **Rear Commodore Lou Bouma** and **Jo Ellen** came early and did a lot of work. Jo Ellen set up and did everything except actually cook dinner! She was great as was Lou. Lou managed to get all the boats docked and then came up to help with the dinner. **Port Captain, Eric Mueller** came by after spending the afternoon at the PICYA conference and helped out. After dinner clean-up was led by **Cruise Chair, Suzanne Sylvester** and members **Jackie Stevens** and **Ronda Watson**. Prior to the clean-up, they were huddled together discussing an upcoming early 1997 Caribbean Cruise. That's just what we need to chase away the winter blues.

My heartfelt thanks to all of you for helping make this cruise-in a great success.

I hope the upcoming cruises will have needed volunteers. Following is a list of some of the cruise ins. Please call me if you can help with any of them. Help means: bar tending, set-up, clean-up, etc. I'll be present at most if not all of the cruise-ins. You don't have to be a professional bartender. We mix well drinks, serve wine and beer. No experience necessary!

April 4 - **Chico YC** - 22 people for burgers. Need two people to help BBQ and possible bar help.

April 13 - **Passport Owners Assn.** 20 people here for Burgers. Need 2 people to cook and tend bar.

May 4 - **Sequoia YC.** 35 people for steak. Mike will cook, need help with everything else, 4 people would be great.

May 18 - **Catalina 36 Assn.** No details but will probably need two or more people.

August 8 - **Discovery Bay YC.** 20-50 people. Will need 4 or 5 volunteers for this one.

AUGUST 10 WOW!!! The Ocean Yacht Racing Assn. will be coming in to the Marina with 100 or more people for staggered dinners starting at 4pm and going on until around 8pm. They are having a race starting at the City front and going out the gate, then back to TIYC to celebrate. Going to need mega volunteers for this one. Lots of time left but please sign up, call up, for this one.

I'll print the Sept. through Dec. cruise-ins in the next Jibe. No use overwhelming you.

These cruise ins are a valuable source of revenue for the club. They are a lot of fun also. All helpers are invited to have dinner at evenings end. When a lot of people volunteer, it becomes a mini-party. We have even challenged some of the YC s to our famous

[infamous?] Trivial Pursuit contest. So far we remain unbeaten. Yeah, TIYC!

THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH CLUB.

The Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner on 15 March hosted by the Donovans was wonderful. We all sipped Guinness, told stories of the Olde Sod and had a great time. If you haven't attended the, then First Saturday, now third Friday night dinners, you've been missing out on, not only wonderful feasts but great camaraderie. Chef Mike and Al Holston will be cooking Beef Wellington for the April dinner.

Reservations are a must as we can only accommodate 25 people. Call me at 415/392-2794, leave a message on my tape as to how many people in your party, or reserve by signing up on the coke machine. [yeah, we're back to that, old habits die hard!] **April dinner takes place the third Friday, April 19.** Cost is \$12.00 per person. Dress is casual. Sharpen up your brains for the Trivial Pursuit contest following dinner. We divide the group into two teams and go to it! This time look for prizes for the winners.

KUDOS

Vice Commodore Jim Brown and Mike Eddington came in a few Saturdays ago and straightened out the outer office. Mike made a shelf and everything is now neat and tidy. Everything, decorations, archives, etc. are now labeled. Thanks guys!

WATCH LIST:

Following is the April, May 1996 Watch List:

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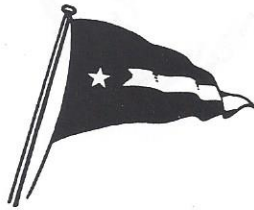
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19 Snell, James C. 510/657-7148
25 Stackhouse, Gerald 510/449-4179
26 Stadfeld, D. Sanford 415/776-1144

Hope to see all of you on your appointed dates. Please do not hesitate to come to the office if you need help with anything. A booklet on the counter explains your duties so all you have to do is sign in, read the book and follow the instructions. Have a nice day.

FIRST TIYC SERIES RACE IS ON 6 APRIL



OPENING DAY CELEBRATION

THE CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB
CORDIALLY INVITES ALL YACHTS
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE

33RD ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE PLEASURE CRAFT

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 1996

IN RACCOON STRAIT
1000 TO 1200 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. All vessels are to proceed under power (even sailboats).
2. Enter the Raccoon Strait Restricted Zone (Point 1 on chart) at the Northeast end (Point 2 on chart), taking Pt. Campbell (Angel Island) to PORT.
3. Proceed on a Southwesterly heading down Raccoon strait, observing the 6-knot speed limit. (Caution: CHECK YOUR TIDES AND CURRENTS)
4. Pass the Blessing Ship Coast Guard Cutter ALERT (Point 3 on chart), taking it to Port.

Pass between the Blessing Ship and the Corinthian Yacht Club clubhouse in Tiburon. AT NO TIME pass between the Coast Guard Ship and Angel Island (Pt. Stuart).

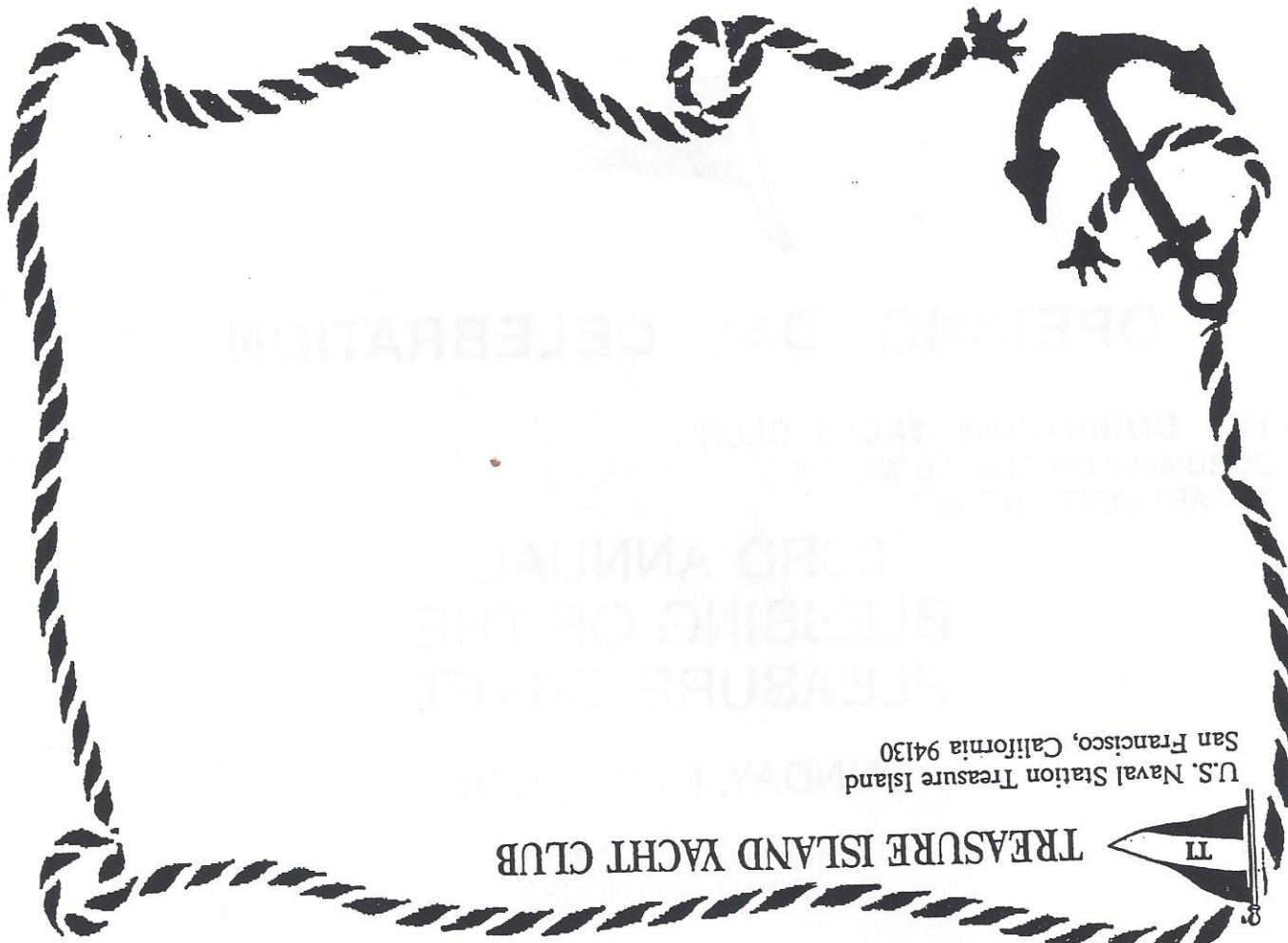
5. Exit the Raccoon Strait Restricted Zone at the Southwest end.

TAKE SPECIAL NOTE

AS YOU PASS THE BLESSING SHIP, TAKE A MOMENT TO GAZE UPON THE AMERICAN FLAG PROUDLY HOISTED ABOVE THE CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB. THIS IS THE VERY FLAG FLOWN FIFTY ONE YEARS AGO ABOVE THE U.S. BATTLESHIP MISSOURI THE DAY JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER, MAMORU SHIGEMITSU SIGNED THE FORMAL SURRENDER DOCUMENT ACCEPTED BY GENERAL OF THE ARMIES, DOUGLAS MAC ARTHUR.

Participants desiring a Certificate of Blessing should send \$1.00 with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Corinthian Yacht Club ~ 43 Main St. ~ Tiburon CA 94920.





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TREASURE ISLAND YACHT CLUB

MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!!

TIYC MEMORIAL DAY CRUISE

May 25, 26, and 27th Cruise-in to Vallejo Yacht Club

Activities:

Saturday--Bring Hors d'oeuvres for the Veranda, Club Bar will be open.

Dinner options: Dinner at the club or one of the several restaurants within walking distance.

Sunday--#1 Public Transportation to Marine World, Discount Admission Tickets will be available. #2 Those with dinghy: Dinking to downtown Napa, many restaurants and possible music available. (approximately one hour dinghy ride with planing dinghy)

Plenty of berthing space will be available. The Yacht Club is somewhat limited in berths, but overflow can go to the municipal marina.

More information next month!