



# Jibe

October – November 2002

Newsletter of the Treasure Island Yacht Club

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## Commodore's Report

The summer has come to a close and we embark upon a new fiscal year. The Club has done well this year, our first full year after reopening the clubhouse last Fall. Our membership has risen from 55 to 85. The clubhouse improvements have been successful, with the clubhouse operations running well. We had several very successful functions. We have turned the corner financially and are making progress in putting ourselves on a solid financial basis. It thus becomes time to say thank you to some very key people. In outlining the contributions of the following I want to make it clear that there has been a very significant effort from a large number of our club members and to fail to list everyone's name somehow doesn't do them justice, but the following individuals have been very special this last year.

We would be very much behind in our hoped for progress without the very able assistance of our Club manager, Joyce Waters. She has worn many hats this last year, serving as Manager, a member of the Board of Directors, a material part of the membership committee, and a key member of the Spinnakers.

A second major thank you must go to the Spinnaker group, headed by Sandy Aberer, our Vice Commodore. The Spinnakers put together the Governance Committee, which accomplished most all of the document drafting involved in the revision of our Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Rules. The Spinnakers have also been the core group responsible for the social and event calendar. This group, aided materially by Gail Roche Van Wye, Nancy Brewer, Joyce Waters, Yvonne McBain, Ruth Burton, Jean Rieth and others, has guaranteed that the functions we have held have come off as planned. We must further acknowledge the consistent and hard work of our Secretary, George Knies, our Treasurer, Wil Debrunner, our Port Captain, Don Mibach, and Dave Shuttleworth, our now relocated Jibe and Web Site editor. Behind the scene, always ready to help, and consistently providing such help at virtually every event have been Jim Aberer and Harlan Van Wye, Staff Commodores. Art Eggers and Christa Schreiber must also be acknowledged for these two have consistently attended the various organizational meetings of the greater yachting community to see that our club has received the recognition that it deserves in the yachting community.

I would also like to thank Len Cardoza, our Rear Commodore, for his efforts in getting our cruise out program off the ground, as well as George Knies and Rick Phillips for getting our regatta program going. It has indeed been a pleasure to participate in events both groups hosted over the past six months. After all, that is what the Club is all about, enjoying boating activities with our friends.

I know that I speak for the full Bridge and Board, for the various committees that depended upon their actions, and for the membership as a whole in commending the above named individuals.

**We have our Annual Meeting coming up on 11/9/02.** I am pleased to report that the Nominating Committee is proposing a slate of officers and directors, and for the first time in several years, offer to the membership vote a selection of very capable individuals for the open director positions. Ballots will be sent to the membership soon. Your vote truly counts so please, every eligible member should vote.

This last quarter of the calendar year is when we do our planning for next year. Let me again remind you that input from the membership are critical to the process of having this club meet the expectations of the members. I invite every member to submit ideas, thoughts, complaints, or any other form of communication you wish to make to me, to any of the Bridge officers, or to any of the members of the Board of Directors. I read everything sent to me and listen as best I can. When you present comments to me, they will be considered by the Bridge, and if appropriate will go to the Board of Directors for consideration.



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Lastly, I regret to advise that **Christa Schreiber** found it necessary to resign as a member of the Board of Directors. I have appointed **George Knies** to fill her spot on the Board for the rest of this calendar year, with the elections of directors for next year to be made at our Annual Meeting on 11/9/02. Christa continues as a member of the Club; she just had to cut back on the extent of her activities. We have a great Club; see you at the Annual Meeting if not before.

R. Kent Brewer, Commodore

### Vice-Commodore's Thoughts

The fall boating season is bringing many cruise-ins to Clipper Cove. We are making new friends from many neighboring Yacht Clubs, Emeryville, Marin, and Sausalito have all enjoyed our Clubhouse and hospitality. Sportsman, Marina Bay, Ballena Bay and Benicia are all scheduled to visit before year-end. Please offer to tend bar or help prepare their meals to give our Port Captain, **Don Mibach** some much needed help. It is a wonderful way to help your Club while meeting fellow boaters from other Clubs.

It is a bit challenging to attract visitors to our wonderful location because anchoring out is the only "sure" plan for their weekend stay. Docks are not available for reservations therefore several Yacht Clubs including one for October 19<sup>th</sup> have cancelled their plans to cruise-in. TIYC is encouraging boaters to practice their anchoring skills in the safety of "our" cove with nearby libations. If you have an opportunity please encourage other Clubs to anchor out in Clipper Cove.

**Ann Knies** has agreed to serve as Membership Chair for TIYC. She is working with the Governance Committee in formulating the Membership Rules and Procedures to be presented to the Board for their approval. She is looking for additional committee members. Please say "yes" when she asks in her soft voice or better yet volunteer (925-939-0230) so you can hear her gracious "thanks" coming your way.

Due to attendance our October 20<sup>th</sup> program with Mike Woods, a botanist with the Native Plant Society was postponed. His slide show of "Native Plants to Yerba Buena Island" will allow us to enjoy some of the many plants that flower exclusively on our neighboring island. Mike will offer a walking tour of YBI to our members in the spring and present his slide show some winter evening when we are not competing with a World Series game.

Be sure to mark November 9<sup>th</sup> on your calendar for the TIYC Annual Meeting and Election of Officers for 2003. Following the Annual Meeting please plan to stay for dinner. **George Knies** will be serving a western BBQ at 6pm for which reservations must be made in advance. Further information on this part of the day is elsewhere in this *Jibe* and on the TIYC website.

Sandra Aberer, Vice-Commodore

### Report - Rear Commodore

#### The Angel Island Picnic / Cruise-out, Sept. 14-15 2002

The Angel Island Picnic / Cruise-out on Sept. 14-15 was a resounding success from all accounts. I was not able to attend due to my work schedule. Thanks to The Aberer's aboard the always-magnificent EI Nido for securing moorings for the raft up.

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## Excerpts from Kachina's Log, October 2-6, 2002:

"Conference Cruise" to Pier 39, San Francisco. Skipper faces a conundrum while planning to attend a California Marine Affairs & Navigation Conference in early October. The conference was scheduled to be held at the Hyatt at Fisherman's Wharf, S.F. This would present a transportation nightmare, since the meeting sessions would start early and last late into the evening, October 2-4. Sailing to Pier 39 presents a solution! This would entail an environmentally sustainable (and theoretically pleasurable) transit; convenient to the conference location; and relatively inexpensive (\$35 a night) compared to driving/parking, and any array of mass transit. Ah, the rewards of rationalization! Unfortunately, Wednesday, October 2, 2002, dawns with dire predictions for the weather: North Winds gusting to 45 knots, easing in afternoon. Skipper arrives at Treasure Island Marina and provisions *Kachina* for five days. The plan was for the mate, urchins, and giant white poodle dog to join Skipper for the weekend, October 4-6. The winds were strong enough to cause difficulty in backing out of the slip. Single-handing, Skipper heads out of Clipper Cove and past the north end of Treasure Island against short steep seas and windy conditions. Setting deep reefs in the sails, Skipper "eases sheets" to head towards Pier 39 on a broad reach as winds, and later, seas, begin to diminish. Tristan, the trusty autohelm, keeps *Kachina* into the wind at the entrance to Pier 39, as Skipper furls the sails and proceeds to assigned upwind slip, at the east end of the harbor. Not a bad sail, except for a gash on top of Skipper's head from a glancing blow from the wildly swinging boom, and somewhat alarming sounds coming from the vessel and rigging. The conference went very well, although Skipper spends the balance of Wednesday night wondering where the on/off switch and volume controls for the sea lions were located. In two or three months, Skipper might have gotten used to the cacophony of their chorus. Enjoy a pleasant sail back to Treasure Island on Friday afternoon, October 4, to pick up the family. Return to Pier 39 Friday evening to re-occupy our slip for the weekend. Our stay was characterized by great food, the opportunity (obligation) to purchase overpriced trinkets, and diverse entertainment. We were treated to an interesting spectacle late Friday night. Approximately 150 roller bladers, accompanied by one individual pushing a handcart with a sound system, glided down the center of the Embarcadero. Depart Sunday afternoon, for another pleasant sail back to Treasure Island, a little deeper in the water and lighter in the wallet, due to the aforementioned trinkets.

## Tentative List for remaining 2002 Cruise Outs:

Nov. 9-11. Sausalito / Bay Model. I will have to obtain a special permit if other TIYC boats would like to stay at the Corps of Engineers docks. Let me know by the end of September if you would like to participate since this will take some time. Otherwise, individual arrangements can be made with Schoonmaker 415 331 5550.

## Tentative List for 2003 Cruise Outs:

- March 8-9. South Beach Harbor.
  - April 12-16. Petaluma / China Camp Cruise.
  - May 17-18. Marin Yacht Club.
  - June 14-15. Sausalito Bay Model.
  - July 19-20. Coyote Point.
  - August 21-22. Oakland Yacht Club
  - September 19-21. Angel Island
  - October 25-26. Aquatic Park
- Let me know if you have any other ideas for cruise-outs  
Respectively submitted,  
Len Cardoza, Rear Commodore



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## **Nominating Committee Report**

**FROM: TIYC Nominating Committee**

**TO: TIYC Board of Directors**

**SUBJ: 01 October 2002 MEMORANDUM 2003 BOARD NOMINATIONS**

The Nominating Committee herewith submits the following nominations for election for the 2003 calendar year:

<b>Commodore</b>	<b>R. Kent Brewer</b>
<b>Vice Commodore</b>	<b>Sandra Aberer</b>
<b>Rear Commodore</b>	<b>Len Cardoza</b>

### **Directors:**

<b>One year term</b>	<b>Ernest (Mike) Michelsen</b>
<b>Two-year term (three to be elected)</b>	<b>John Aldous</b>
	<b>Earl Ansley</b>
	<b>Yvonne McBain</b>
	<b>Carol Phillips</b>
	<b>Gail Roche Van Wye</b>
	<b>Raymond Zahnd</b>

The recommendation for a one-year term for Mike Michelsen, who is completing his third year on the Board, will provide for the creation of three vacancies at the end of 2003 (i.e., Michelsen, Strom and Waters), and will provide for three holdovers for 2004 from those elected this fall. This seems consistent with the new Bylaws.

The seven named candidates have all indicated a willingness to serve. The Committee believes that it is for the Board to decide the number of names (i.e., from three to seven) to submit to the membership for election.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harlan Van Wye, Staff Commodore - Chair

*(Editors Note: The Board decided on two-year terms for all candidates, four to be elected.)*

## **TIYC Annual Meeting**

The TIYC Annual Meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup>, Saturday will begin with an open bar at 4 pm. The ballot box will be open until the meeting is called to order at 4:30. Since the last election, the TIYC Constitution and By-Laws were revised to reflect new election procedures.

Your Staff Commodore, **Harlan Van Wye** as chair of nominations reported that all Bridge members have agreed to remain in their current office for 2003. **Gordon Strom** and **Joyce Waters** are continuing their terms as members of the Board of Directors. **Mike Michelsen** has agreed to run for another term on the Board. There are **seven candidates** nominated to fill **four** two-year terms as a TIYC Director. Your ballot will be arriving in the mail from Secretary **George Knies**. **Please be reminded that shared memberships have one vote.**

There are three ways to cast your vote:

1. Your ballot may be returned by mail, using the envelopes provided.

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2. Your ballot may turned in person to the Teller Committee prior to the Annual Meeting being called to order.
3. Should you misplace your mailed ballot, there will be replacement ballots available at Clubhouse prior to the Meeting.

The Commodore will appoint a Teller Committee who will tally the votes and report the results. Our new constitution requires a higher quorum than in the past, so casting your ballot, whether in person or by mail, is important. You are being offered choices that will affect your Club so please vote

Meeting Agenda: Annual reports will be given to the membership. Plans are to introduce our thirteen new 2002 TIYC memberships and to heartily welcome them during this meeting. Commodore Kent Brewer will be introducing Luby & Andrew Aczel, Jeannie Berman, Eric Bohl, Lucy & Donald Galen, Daniela & Fred Gibson, Marcia & Tim Hodges, Karen & Jerry Huff, Todd Kapp, Mark McBride, Iris & Morty Prisament, Chris Shepard, Jennifer Smith, Sally Taylor & Bruce Jackson. In 2002, the Club also welcomes two new out-of-area shared member units of Donna & Bob Mielenz from Port Orford, OR and Kirk Short of Truckee, CA.

The last order of business will be the announcement of the election results by the Teller Committee. At 6pm a Western BBQ will be available by reservation for members and their guests. The annual meeting and BBQ were scheduled separately to allow our members maximum flexibility to take part in either one or both activities depending on your personal schedules.

### AMERICA'S CUP XXXI PROFILES

George C. Knies

There are 9 syndicates in Auckland New Zealand training for the Louis Vuitton Cup. Three are from the U.S., including Oracle Racing, One World from Seattle, and the ever-present Dennis Connors' Stars and Stripes, once again backed by the New York Yacht Club. England is back with their first effort in over 15 years, with GBR. There are 2 challenges from Italy: Prada, which was the challenger last time, and a new entry, Mascalzone Latino. Then there is Alinghi from Switzerland, funded by Swiss pharmaceutical billionaire, 37-year-old yacht racing enthusiast Ernesto Bertarelli. Ernesto will also be serving onboard as navigator. Alinghi is a strong contender with Russell Coutts at the helm. Russel was the driver and one of the dynamics behind New Zealand's Black Magic in the last 3 Cups, winning it in San Diego and then successfully defending the last time in Auckland. There is also a new group, Victory Challenge, out of Sweden. France made the cut-off time with their entry, Le Defi Areva. Areva is a controversial French nuclear power and weapons testing company.

There had been a challenger in the works from Germany, but at they ran into some funding problems, as well as political turmoil, and will not make the starting line. The Louis Vuitton Cup is the challenger selection race. The winner of this series will face the Kiwi boat, Black Magic, to battle it out for yacht racing's ultimate prize, the America's Cup. The racing begins this October with a round robin series. The semi-final will begin in December. The final of the Louis Vuitton Cup will be in January.... Best of seven races, with the winner facing Black Magic the end of February '03. All syndicates have launched their new boats and have commenced the fine-tuning; finishing high-tech testing and making last minute design changes. These are the ones that are trying to gain extra boat speed from innovative or radical designs in their hull shape, sails rigging or keel. Be on the lookout for some interesting and exciting performances from some of these challengers. [See TIYC website for details about each yacht and other information George has collected for interested parties on this subject. ED.]

### Regatta and Racing Committee

Not much on the race circuit for the end of the year. **Kent Brewer & Harlan Van Wye** (Compass Rose) placed third in their class for the 2002 Inter-Club Racing series announced at the Awards Dinner.

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The following events for 2003 are in the planning stages:

**Inter-Club Series**

**PICYA Youth Regatta**

**First Annual TIYC "Poker Run" (start at TIYC; motor/sail to several locations to pick up a playing card to create a poker hand; end at TIYC).**

**Prizes provided for the high & low poker hand.**

**Power Boat log race(s)**

**Opening Day on the Bay – Last Sun of April.**

Any member who wants to serve on this committee for 2003 should call me.

Any member who has questions about participating in "racing" for 2003 season please contact either George Knies or myself.

Best Regards,

Rick Philips, Racing Committee

## **Governance Committee**

### **Report about Standing Rule revisions:**

A permanent binder with the Treasure Island Constitution and By-laws is now available at the Clubhouse. This binder contains a copy of the most current governing documents for TIYC. These documents are also posted on the TIYC Website in the Members Only area. Members may request a printed hard copy from Joyce for the fee stated in the By-laws.

After discussion and revisions, the Board accepted the first two sections, General Rules and Clubhouse Rules, of the revised Standing Rules. In addition procedures appendices A through F were approved.

These Standing Rules documents are also in the binder and available for viewing on the website. As

further Standing Rules are revised and approved by the Board they will be added to the binder and website for easy reference by all members. The Membership Committee Procedure and Teller Committee Procedure sections are ready for presentation and discussion at the November Board Meeting.

## **Sail San Francisco, Tall Ship Events for 2002**

### **George C. Knies, SSF Maritime Committee**

I am pleased to report that some of our Club Members volunteered their support for "Tall Ship Challenge 2002" that took place on the San Francisco Waterfront August 28 –September 2nd. A precursor to this event occurred on Monday 29 July, when the Ecuadorian Naval Training (Tall Ship) "Guayas" passed under the Golden Gate at 0830. Jim & Sandy Aberer, Gordon Strom and George Knies (coordinator) manned Jim's 45 ft Grand Banks (Media Boat "El Nido") along with photographers and other media types to welcome her. "Guayas" was berthed at Pier 35 (Cruise Ship Pier, Fisherman's Wharf) through 3 August. Several of our Club Members volunteered to adopt-a-sailor for a day of home and city hospitality as well as volunteering for administrative and other support activities.

The 28 August "Parade of Ships" opening a six-day "Sail San Francisco" festival was dampened by 30-35 knot winds that blew out sails, split a wooden bow-sprit and caused considerable confusion for the Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary, Power Squadrons and local Law Enforcement security screen vessels. The weather could not keep more than one hundred spectator vessels from dodging in and out of the procession. Again the principal "Media Boat" was "El Nido" embarked with Club Members, Jim &

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Sandy Aberer, George & Ann Knies, Dave & Lynne Shuttleworth, plus 12 photographers, newspersons and guests. As we pitched and rolled about "El Nidos" deck, San Francisco Chronicle, Staff Writer Carl Nolte quoted me in his article covering the event "This is summer on San Francisco Bay... Never mind that calm weather crap. This is what old salts like".

Thursday, 31 October will see "El Nido" back in service as the SSF Media boat. We will meet the Mexican Naval Training Ship **Chautemoc** out at sea West of the Golden Gate Bridge early in the morning, while she un-foils her sails and proceeds to Pier 45 at 10:00 A.M. She is 270' in length, with a beam of 39'4", draft of 17'1", a Barque Rig built in 1982, home port Acapulco, Mexico. She will be in port until 4 November.

### **JIBE & Submissions for the next editions**

Please check out the Web Site version of the **JIBE** at [www.tiyc.org](http://www.tiyc.org)  
It has pictures and a few other surprises not currently available on the mailed version.

Materials, reports and submissions for the December/January Jibe should be emailed or submitted to Gail Roche Van Wye by November 30.  
Any club members who would like to assist with the production of the Jibe both mailed and Web-based versions please contact either Gail or the Commodore. You do not need to be a budding journalist to assist with the TIYC communications services.

### **"Little known TIYC scuttlebutt";**

Did you know that our TIYC new members brought a cumulative total of 388 feet of waterline to our Club? TIYC boat owners: Please provide a 5 by 7 picture of your boat to add to those already hanging on the TIYC Fleet Wall. Requested from both new and seasoned members.

A TIYC member recently spotted our burgee flying on a new boat in the San Leandro Marina. Who are the proud new owners?

TIYC boaters recently assisted in a "Mayday". Approximately 1½ miles off Pigeon Point, a crewman from the disabled vessel was taken aboard a Club member's boat without incident. Did the initial mayday call accurately represented the actual distress?

Which one of our Bridge officers just rounded buoy sixty in his yearly log?

### **A Few words from our UK connections**

We're getting integrated back into the UK slowly - we're currently living in a temporary rented house until our furniture arrives from its ocean cruise, then we'll move back into Lynne's place and keep my house rented out for the time being, as it's making a nice profit for us! We'll be putting our own personal newsletter onto our own website soon with the latest gossip. It is linked to the TIYC website.  
Our best regards to all at the club!

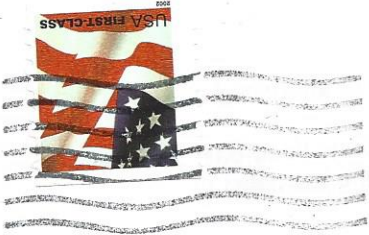
Regards,  
Dave



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**NOTICES:**

**Annual Meeting** will be held at the clubhouse **on November 9, 2002** at 4:00 pm.  
The **Annual Rib Feed** will begin at 6:00 pm after the meeting. See Inside.

Return your election ballot by mail or in person prior to the meeting.

All members are asked to serve on at least one committee in 2003. Plan to sign up on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

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Our Port Captain, **Don Mibach** needs folks to step up *now*: to assist welcoming visitors coming with the November and winter Cruise-Ins and provide them needed services.

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Mark you calendar now and plan to attend our **TIYC Christmas Party on December 14**. The highlight will be a wonderful CRAB FEED, reg form inside.

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**Deck the Halls, oops, Clubhouse** Sunday, December 1. Decorate the TIYC facilities for the holidays. 1pm to 5pm. Bring cookies or other goodies to share.