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South Beach Yacht Club

Vice Commodore's Report

Easter Egg Decorating was a HIT!

Whoever said that SBYC doesn't have children in our ranks wasn't at this year's Easter Egg Decorating hosted by **Chris Joyce**. I have to admit, I was amazed at the number of kids that showed up. Even the Easter Bunny came out to see us!!

The decorating began with basic egg dying and then moved to painting and additional decorations being done at other tables. After the eggs were all dyed, most of the kids moved over to the play ground at the ball park to finish working off their energy. Once the kids moved on, some of the adults (no names being mentioned to protect the guilty) moved over to start dying their own eggs.

It was a great event for all who attended. Thanks to Chris Joyce and all her volunteers for putting on this exciting day!

The St. Patrick's Day Leprechaun hit SBYC!

Once the excitement ended for the egg decorating, the St. Patrick's Day Leprechaun moved in. This year's event was a great dinner hosted by **Roger Ladwig** featuring Corned Beef and Cabbage along with all the fixings. If you missed it this year, look for the Leprechaun to be back next year with his green beer.

April Events

April will be another great month at SBYC. Be sure to watch your calendar for all updates as they happen.

April 19th – Boat Safety Checks by the Coast Guard Auxillary – starting at 9am – watch your email for additional information as we get closer

April 26th – OOD Training – contact **Rob Moon** for additional information and sign-up's

April 29th – Opening Day on the Bay – **Bob Mason** will be hosting and we will be featuring the traditional Opening Day Oysters

See you at the Club!

Nancy Demauro

Editor's Note

Hi, everyone. A few notes for you:

April marks the 20th anniversary when a group of sailors met at the Longshoreman's Union Hall by the docks of a new harbor south of Market in San Francisco, California for the first time and started talking about a new yacht club. We'll be celebrating our anniversary later this year (watch for the announcements), but folks, it started this month 20 years ago! What a milestone! Congratulations to all our members at South Beach Yacht Club for building such a wonderful club, and a particularly hearty HIP-HIP-HOORAY to all of you who were on the docks with the vision to form our club that first year.

I would like to recognize Ray Hall and his monthly column, "As I was Saying...". It has been a source of entertainment and history for this club for years, and he continues to get his articles. I honestly don't remember when he published his first article, but he hasn't missed a deadline since! If my car could run with Ray's reliability...(you fill in the blank).

Finally, last month I requested the membership to send in your articles for publication in the Wave Length. None were forthcoming! I know that we don't have a membership that doesn't do anything exciting. I hear stories in the clubhouse all the time about great trips to the Med or the Caribbean, a great day of sailing on the Bay, or an exciting race that a member participated in. I'm sure the rest of the membership would love to hear about it as well. Did you have a recent cruise that you really enjoyed? Do you have pictures of members to share? Have someone in the club done something that you would like to recognize?

The Wave Length has been published every month since the club was officially founded. We want to continue this track record. This newsletter is not just for reporting all the Flag Officer monthly reports. It is for news from you, about you, for you! So don't wait, send in your pictures and articles or send the names of members who may have a good story to tell to your friendly Wave Length editor. Deadlines are the 15th of each month for the next month's edition, but if I know you are sending me something, we can stop the presses! Email me at tad.sheldon@sbcglobal.net if you want to submit something! Anything! Please!

Thanks!

Tad Sheldon - Editor

Membership Report

New Members for February:

I'd like to welcome the following new members who joined us as of February 1st, 2008:

Karsten Mau, a member since 97' is joined by his wife **Kirsten** and two sons **Julius** and **Lars** as a family membership. I hear the two boys are proud as punch of their new membership cards!

Ab Shaikh joins as an individual member and is sponsored by **Paul Oliva**, **Kevin Wilkinson** and **Richard Forst**. Ab is in IT and is and loves sail cruising on the Bay

Ann O'Sullivan and **Pat Patton** join as family members. They are sponsored by **Keith Shafer**, **Georg Gottschalk** and **R. Allen**

A hearty welcome to you all and I'm looking forward to seeing you all around the club soon!

New Members for March:

Welcome back to **Christopher Sundberg** who left us for a brief time while he was out of the Bay Area for work. Christopher is keen racer and popular race crew member with a number of Friday Night skippers.

Please welcome **Jaad Ajlouny** who is sponsored by **Dan and Lorraine Lawson** and **Jean Ninis**. Jaad is a retired Fire Chief from Benecia and he enjoys his boat Blue Highways, a SeaRay Sundancer out of Benecia Marina.

New Members for April:

Bill and Trudi Travis hail all the way from San Luis Obispo, waited years for a slip and now have their power boat, Slo Cruising, docked in South Beach Harbor.

The Travis family is sponsored by **Ed Mackin**, **Neil Ransik** and **Sherry Nash**.

Already a volunteer for the 2007 Junior Sailing program, **Tom Odenwald** joins us in the Individual category. Sponsored by **Peter Sorenson**, **Kevin Wilkinson** and **John Mastory**, Tom has over 15 years of sailing experience in both Europe and the U.S.

His Catalina 42, LeLuYa is berthed on B dock.

Susan Otolski is currently taking classes from the Coast Guard Auxiliary for power boaters. She is on the wait list for South Beach Harbor, is sponsored by **Richard Forst**, **Paul Osborn** and **Gary VanGiersbergen**, and joins in the Associate category..

Joining member, **Paul Oliva** as a partner in Time and Tide, a Catalina 310, **Thomas Green** also comes aboard in April. A thirty year owner of a Flying Junior, holder of various US Sailing Certifications in Basic Keel Boat, etc., Thomas is sponsored by **Martin Fay**, **Julie Wicklund**, and **Paul Oliva**.

Recent Applicants:

Jack Walker who applied for membership back at the end of 2007, was not mentioned here in the January or February Wavelengths so I'm correcting that omission now. Jack, an Engineering Manager, is a boat partner of **Christine Calloway-Holt** (member since 98') in Luna Sea a Catalina 27. You might see them working on her on G-dock so say hello to them if you can.

Friday Night Racing Skippers:

Fellow Friday Night Racing Skippers, how about encouraging your crew to join our club? You've received an email from me on this already asking for your assistance in targeting your racing crew. I've already had some positive response from this and thank you for your cooperation in this endeavor.

How long does it take to become a member?

We've been getting some inquiries as to how long it takes to become a member. The not so simple answer to this question is that it depends on a number of factors, and in most cases, the applicant themselves. Applicants influence the duration of the membership process in a number of ways. A few do not complete their application form correctly, do not have three sponsors, do not show up for a brief but important meeting with the membership committee, or do not have the appropriate fees

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Search of a SBYC Committee Boat

Sherry Nash, SBYC Rear Commodore has selected **Roger Tennyson, Tad Sheldon, David Bogdanoff** and herself as the selection committee for our On-The-Water-Activities boat. In addition, **Mark Miner, Norm Pearce** and **Martin Fay** have been very helpful in providing information on available boats. Our Commodore, **Gary Van Giersbergen**, has been helpful with input as well. We had identified our limitations and our Needs and Desires:

Limitations

- \$40,000 Budget
- Fit in a 30' Slip (ie 34' LOA)
- No Foreseeable Major Work (i.e. Ready to Go)

Needs & Desires (sort of in order)

- Diesel
- Stable Platform
- Cockpit
- Flybridge
- Single Engine
- SF Bay Area Location
- Adequate Railing
- Newer (i.e. Fiberglass Hull)
- Cockpit & Cabin on Same Level
- Fiberglass Decks
- Head
- Swim Step
- Transom Door
- Mast

We have decided a Trawler Type boat would best match our needs & desires and serve our interests. Also, almost any boat may need some minor modifications or work (pole holders for flags, bottom job, windlass, etc.). Boats we have visited:

- - 32' Grand Banks Sedan
- - 30' Willard Vega Searcher
- - 31' Tung Hwa Seahorse
- - 34' CHB Sedan

The Committee will shortly be identifying a boat, making and negotiating an offer, arranging sea trials and survey, and pulling in to South Beach Harbor, hopefully, this month.

David Bogdanoff - Committee Boat Search Chair

AS I WAS SAYING...



(The continuing saga of how SBYC was founded) So, to what do I owe the pleasure of your visit, Ray? The Harbor Master asked. "Well, Carter, I've..." "Oh no," he said checking his watch, "I'm due over at the Longshoreman's Union Hall right now. Wouldn't you know it? The one day that I'm really busy. You

did get the notice about the meeting, didn't you?"

"Yeah, but... Huh?"

"Come on, walk over with me. It should be a good turnout. There must be a couple dozen folks in there all ready. The ones I've spoken to seemed really interested in exploring the possibilities of starting a yacht club."

"Yeah, but..."

"Sure, the harbor has only been open for little over a year and a half, and construction is still not complete on the south breakwater/fishing pier. And the trees in the wind break have to take root yet, but they'll be okay when they get some leaves on them."

"Yeah, but..."

And, I know the neighborhood needs a kick in the pants, a little clean-up here, and... okay a lot of clean-up. But we have the best weather in the City and we have hardly any surge in the harbor. In fact, compared to Pier 39 we are like a land-locked lake!" "Yeah, but..."

"Yes, this is the perfect spot for a yacht club. Just think of the potential with this location, south bay sailing, flat water, good winds and the best weather in the City. All it needs is some sailors and boats. Well, you'll have to excuse me, Ray. I have to start the meeting."

And that, my little chorizos, is more or less how I just about almost single-handedly started South Beach Yacht Club twenty years ago, this month.

Happy Twentieth Anniversary!

Ray Hall - DANCING BEAR

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paid in-full. The time period from application to membership committee interview can be as short as one month if everything is done correctly, but frequently takes longer due to the factors listed above.

The membership committee votes on each applicant who is interviewed and presents those supported by the committee to the Board of Directors for approval. Once approved by the Board, they go on the waiting list for membership. Generally, those

waitlisted become members after one to six months, depending on current membership turnover. Our current waiting time is about one to two months so it's an ideal time for new prospective members to apply before the more busy summer season.

Gerard Sheridan



Reality Cheque makes a mainsail adjustment on her new mast while Division D waits for the wind during postponement

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SBYC – 20TH ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK

Our esteemed *South Beach Yacht Club* started life in 1988 when Harbormaster Carter Strauch invited Harbor tenants interested in forming a yacht club to meet one day at the Union Hall.

Since those humble beginnings, we've had two club houses and more races, events and parties than most of us can remember. As Commodore Van Giersbergen has mentioned, this year marks our 20th Anniversary and we'll celebrate in true South Beach style this summer. To mark our 20th Anniversary with a permanent momento, we are also publishing the

SOUTH BEACH YACHT CLUB 20TH ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK

For this, we need your tasty and boat-friendly recipes for this soon-to-be collectors' item. The book will be professionally published and available for purchase online by SBYC members and friends. Think what a great Christmas or Holiday gift this will be!

I'M A GREAT COOK – WHAT DO I DO? Send us one or more of your favorite, boat friendly recipes. "Boat friendly" can include items made on the boat or dishes made at home and brought to the boat to satisfy a hungry crew or just to relax among friends at your pied-a-terre on the water. Or pick a recipe suitable for an event at the Club.

Recipe Details: Please include ingredients, instructions and any special equipment needed – if the recipe is from another cookbook or published source, please tell us where it came from. Try to give measurements for 4 servings (not always appropriate, my trifle recipe feeds 20!).

Cookbook Chapters: Chapters will include: *Appetizers; Soups & Chillis; Main Dishes/Hearty Fare; Side Dishes/Salads; Desserts; Liquid Refreshment.*

I CAN'T BOIL AN EGG, BUT BOY CAN I EAT – WHAT DO I DO? Maybe your wife/significant other/boat partner is not quite as culinarily challenged and makes that fantastic dish you're salivating over right now? Or perhaps you've an easy, no-cook perennial favorite? Send those recipes in (see 'Recipe Details' and 'Cookbook Chapters' above).

I'M A MIXOLOGIST – WHAT DO I DO? Can't cook but make a mean Manhattan? Send in some of your personal recipes for the chapter on Liquid Refreshments.

Timetable: Please submit recipes by **April 18th, 2008**. We'll send you a reminder and this request will also be on the web: www.southbeachyc.org. If we get too many to publish, we may need a cook-off to narrow the choices, but feel free to send us a few of your favorite boat friendly recipes.

Recipes or questions to Julie or to Karen (*Emails or Word documents preferred please*) or mail to SBYC, Pier 40 on the Embarcadero, San Francisco, CA 94107, marked 20th Anniversary Cookbook.

Like to help us sort recipes, edit text, take photos or plan the Cookbook layout? We'd love your help, so please let us know how to get in touch with you.

COME ON YOU COOKS! NOW'S YOUR CHANCE TO IMMORTALIZE YOUR FAVORITE BOAT RECIPES ...

JULIE WICKLUND AND KAREN THOMAS

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Friday Night Series is kicking off...again!

Our Rear Commodore Sherry Nash is setting up another great summer of racing in the South Bay. Expect new courses, new improvements...and perhaps a new Committee Boat before the FNS is over and done with! Signups are now on line at www.southbeachyc.org. Please sign up if you intend to race this summer!

Also, the Midwinters Series wrapped up in March with the make-up race on March 22. At this writing, series results are final for all but one division. They are posted elsewhere in the Wave Length. Congratulations and thanks to all our Midwinters Racers. They look like they had fun!

Editor Tad Sheldon



Division G - Nonspinnaker has a rip-snorting drift down to their first mark, No. 34"



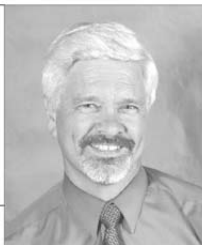
Division E struggles to make the first mark at "SC" during their race.
The wind eventually arrived and everyone had a great race

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Island Fever Series Results - 5 Races with 1 throw-out

				Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Race 5	Make up Race	Points
Spinnaker 140 & below									
1	John Lymberg	Savage Beauty	SSS 50	1	4	1	2	1	5
2	Chips Conlon	Fancy	SBYC 87323	9	4	3	1	2	10
3	Max Crittenden	Solar Wind	SSS 49143	9	4	2	4	4	14
4	Jonathan Gutoff	Stink Eye	SSS 33562	9	9	9	3	3	24
5	Lloyd Ritchey	Breakout	BVBC 18679	9	9	9	5	9	32
6	Paul Eisenhardt	Sierra II	SBYC 28362	9	9	9	9	9	36
6	Fabio/Cino Maino/Bonardi	Centomiglia	CSC 15	9	9	9	9	9	36
6	Don Sellers	Josie	SBYC 39	9	9	9	9	9	36

Spinnaker 141 & Above

1	John Melton	Freedom Won	Encin 447	9	1	1	2	3	7
2	RDK Partners	Double Play	28440	9	2	3	1	2	8
3	Sally Taylor	Auggie	SBYC S476	2	8	8	4	4	18
4	Ray Irvine	Crews Nest	SBYC 1383	1	9	6	3	9	19
5	Warren Wilson	Tricaps	SBYC 5850	9	4	5	5	5	19
6	Dan Knox	Luna Sea	SBYC 420	9	8	2	9	1	20
7	Baskin Brosowsky	Sea Spirit	TI 108	9	3	4	6	9	22
8	Tim Walsh	Star Ranger	SBYC 5843	9	8	7	9	7	31

Spinnaker 180 Only (see notes)

1	M&L Kastrop	Goose	SBYC 1210	3	1	1	1	1	4
2	Amanda Deisher	Huge	SBYC 6375	2	2	2	7	2	8
2	Joe/Ray Askins/Hall	Dancing Bear	SBYC 5504	1	4	4	3	3	11
4	Russell Calvery	MissyB	IYC 4494	4	7	3	2	5	14
5	Andrea Mariotti	Mutual Fun	SBYC 38911	5	3	5	4	4	16
6	Roger/John Tennyson	Grinnin' Bear	SBYC 28619	7	7	7	5	7	26

Non-Spinnaker

1	Pete Hamm	Seaview	SBYC 38115	2	1	1	2	1	5
2	Ruth Summers	Popeye & I	EYC 33	1	3	2	1	2	6
3	Ken Naylor	La Maja	SBYC 265	5	2	3	3	3	11
4	Paul Berger	Bianca	AYC 6289	5	4	4	5	4	17

Notes:

Race #1 was called because of the oil spill

Protest by Dancing Bear against Huge was resolved. Huge and Dancing Bear both awards 2nd place in Series

Full details can be found at: <http://www.southbeachyc.org/racing/index.htm>

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20th Anniversary Committee Mtg	4/3/2008	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Board Meeting	4/3/2008	7:00 PM	10:00 PM
Member Meeting	4/11/2008	6:30 PM	9:30 PM
Membership Committee Meeting	4/15/2008	6:00 PM	8:30 PM
Friday Night Series Practice Race	4/18/2008	5:00 PM	11:00 PM
Vessel Safety Checks by CGAux	4/19/2008	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
Book Club - Hosted by Dina Scholtz	4/19/2008	3:00 PM	5:00 PM
Benecia Yacht Club Cruise-in	4/25/2008		
Friday Night Series #1a	4/25/2008	5:00 PM	11:00 PM
Benecia Yacht Club Cruise-in	4/26/2008		
OOD Training	4/26/2008	10:00 AM	12:00 PM
Benecia Yacht Club Cruise-in	4/27/2008		
Opening Day Parade & Oyster Fest - Bob Mason	4/27/2008	11:00 AM	8:00 PM
Board Meeting	5/1/2008	7:00 PM	10:00 PM
Friday Night Series #2a	5/2/2008	5:00 PM	11:00 PM
New Membership Open House	5/4/2008	11:00 AM	2:00 PM
Member Meeting	5/9/2008	6:30 PM	9:30 PM
Kaboom!	5/10/2008	4:00 PM	11:00 PM
Friday Night Series #3a	5/16/2008	5:00 PM	11:00 PM
IYFR Cruise-In	5/18/2008	12:00 PM	2:00 PM
Membership Committee Meeting	5/20/2008	6:00 PM	8:30 PM
Petaluma Cruise Out	5/24/2008		
Petaluma Cruise Out	5/25/2008		

WINTER CLUB HOURS: FRI 1800-2200, SAT 1400-2000, SUN 1400-1800

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