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from the commodore

How about that America's Cup? Could you believe the drama generated by a sailboat race? New Zealand is poised to take the whole series, but then the U.S makes a miraculous comeback! Just unbelievable and so much fun! But what did the America's Cup mean to sailors around the world? It was an opportunity to watch a publicized sailing event, even if the sailboats did resemble spaceships...or maybe pterodactyls. A sailing event with television and internet coverage around the world.

The America's Cup brought sailors together to watch the races, talk about the races, dissect the races, and want to be out there on those huge boats. But it also attracted non-sailors, all the landlubbers who for a while felt the same as the seasoned sailors – they watched, talked, dreamed. San Francisco was packed with people who now consider sailing a real sport. Some of those people will become sailors and will promote our sport.

Here at our club we enjoyed the races together, with a lot of talking, coaching, and cheering. Everyone remembers when Team New Zealand went vertical in a tack – up to 45 degrees! We were all amazed that they could recover. We had a lot of fun watching the races – hope you were here to enjoy it with us.

And...UKSC had our own personal representatives at the America's Cup. Rick and Georgie Taylor were there and did a burgee exchange at Sausalito, CA. Sharon Berry was there several days, and she did a burgee exchange with the St. Francis Yacht Club. Sharon also brought us souvenirs from the races – maps, charts, and photo albums. Thanks, Rick, Georgie and Sharon!

And so the America's Cup is over until another challenge is issued. Here's hoping we will all be together to watch that one, too!

Sara Kahler
Commodore



from the rear commodore

Happy Hour has been a success and will continue for the foreseeable future. Come early, bring an appetizer, and get your favorite drink for half price.

The next social event is October 26, the Halloween Party, to be coordinated by Sharon Berry and Dylan Kyle. Sharon will be publishing the details soon.

We are looking for a few chefs to plan and prepare inexpensive Saturday night dinners. Our previous lasagna dinner was a huge success. The dates available are October 12, 19, and possibly November 23 and December 28. Please contact Barbara Bauman if you would like more information, or would like to host a dinner.

Just a reminder that the UKSC Clubhouse and grounds are available to members to host private events, such as weddings, parties, and meetings. If you would like to have more information about renting the club, please email me, and we can arrange a meeting to discuss.

Finally, thanks to our Dockmaster Guy for installing handicap bars in both bathrooms. They'll be much appreciated by those who need them.

Gary Bauman
Rear Commodore

Don't forget to check out our web site for the latest!
www.upperkeyssailingclub.com
You can find news, photos, links and membership information.



fleet captain's corner

Hey Sailors!

Get those gloves on and the feet under the hiking straps, the sailing is going to start heating up!

We're looking at sailing events almost every weekend in October and November. From series races to all-comers, there's something for everyone.

In addition, our popular Adult Intro to Sailing will be happening on Saturday, October 19. I'm looking for volunteers and boats to help out on this community-oriented event! After a short introduction/chalk talk, we'll be taking groups and individuals out on club and member boats for a nice afternoon sail. Then back to the club for snacks and sailing stories!

In addition to the buoy racing, I am reinstating the Cruising Trophy Awards. The purpose of this award is to acknowledge the cruising efforts of members of the UKSC.

To qualify for the UKSC Cruising Award, a member must earn at least 5 points in a membership year, complete the form and submit it to the Fleet Captain by April 30. There is an entrance fee of \$10.

A Qualified Cruise is a UKSC sanctioned or announced raft-up/cruise with an overnight on your boat at least three miles from your home dock. It is worth 1 point. An Extended Cruise is one that lasts more than one overnight and is worth 2 points for each cruise less than a week and 3 points for a full week.

For 2013-2014, the Qualified Cruises are: Columbus Day Regatta (Oct 12 – 13); Black Betsy Race/Raft Up (Nov 2 – 3); Oceanview Pub Crawl/Cruise (Dec 28 -29); Flea Market Frenzy (Plantation Yacht Harbor) (Feb 22- 23); Miami-Key Largo Race (April 11 – 12). Dates subject to change, so check the club calendar! Other cruises may be announced as well.

On the boat front, I'm pleased to say that our J24s are repaired and ready to go as of October 6, 2013. These boats have been reserved already for that day's race! Many thanks to our J-crew for their assistance in putting the sticks back up and sails on the boat: Steve Perry, Bill Stanard, Pat McLaughlin, Jim Enright, Judith Rhodes, Barbara Bernstein.

We are also getting the Flying Scot up to par, hopefully by October 19th, thanks to Dick Slosar. That will give us another club boat for use in our Portsmouth races and as a very comfortable day sailor.

I think a Boat Check Out Day is in the future so that people can get checked out on all these various boats – stay tuned!



from the vice commodore

There are a lot of prospective members in the pipeline. I've posted their names on the bulletin board as there are too many to list here.

We want to be known as a friendly, welcoming club so considering that I have a few recommendations.

- Treat all visitors as if they might be prospective members.
- You might be the only contact that a visitor may have our club and that impression is what they will convey to others about us.
- We lose members every year so we need new members to keep us going.
- It doesn't cost anything to be nice.
- Remember when you first joined the club and didn't know anyone? Be friendly should be our new motto.

Mary Lou Chambers
Vice Commodore



stepping the mast



Re-rigging crew



from the treasurer

An important notice from our hard working Treasurer, Bill Andersen:

If you currently receive paper Invoices/Statements from the Club, and would like to receive them by email, please send your Treasurer, Bill, an email at: billing@UpperKeysSailingClub.com.

upcoming events

October 2013

- ** 5 Portsmouth (Fall #2) Skippers meeting, noon, First flag, 1:00 p.m.
- ** 6 PHRF (Fall #2). Skipper's meeting, noon, First Flag, 1:00 p.m.
- ** 11, 12, 13 Columbus Day Rendezvous at Elliot Key. The Helen K will be there flying the UKSC burgee. Come raft up with her, and view the festivities of the Columbus Day Regatta.
- ** 16 Membership Meeting. 7:00 p.m.
- ** 17 Board of Directors Meeting. 7:30 p.m. Members are welcome to attend.
- ** 19 Adult Introduction to Sailing.
- ** 26 Halloween Party 7:00 p.m.
- ** 27 Halloween All Comers Regatta. Skippers meeting, noon, First Flag. 1:00 p.m.

November 2013

- ** 2-3 Black Betsy Regatta
- ** 9 Luki Regatta
- ** 16-17 Dockmaster's Regatta
- ** 20 Membership Committee Meeting - 7:00 P.M.
- ** 21 Board of Directors meeting - 7:00 P.M. Members are welcome to attend.
- ** 22 General Membership Meeting and Pot Luck Dinner. Dinner at 7:00 p.m., meeting at 8:00.
- ** 23 Workday.
- ** 28 Thanksgiving Day. Dinner at the Club.

swap shop

For Sale: Fast, safe, Boston Whaler jet boat (1995) on a first class registered galvanized trailer with new rollers, ready to go for \$3,500 or best offer! New jet bearings less than 20 hours ago. Power head is an indestructible 115 horsepower Johnson/Evinrude. Very safe boat for kids because there is no exposed prop. Clocked at close to 30 mph, but she cruises at an easy 20. Full safety package (flares, horn, anchor, life vests, extinguisher, et cetera), 23 gallon fuel tank, dock lines, full new Bimini with boot, and a stainless steel mounted cooler ahead of the console just waiting for a comfortable cushion. Call Bill Stanard to see her: (305) 632-7396



For Sale: 1997 Ford Ranger extended cab. Six cylinder, 5 speed manual transmission, heavy duty tow package with heavy duty hitch and electric brake. Fiberglass truck topper and bed liner. Kelly Blue Book gives it a value of \$4,200. First \$2,500 gets it! Contact Leah White at 305-619-5353 or soki-toome@bellsouth.net

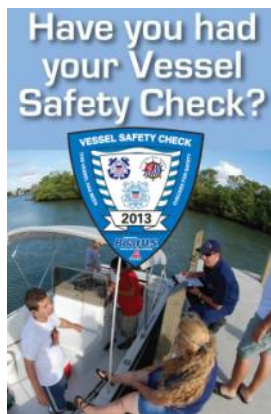
For Sale: Dock Davits, 7500 lb capacity. Good shape. \$950.00 OBO Call Larry (305-304-8986)

To place an ad in **Swap Shop**, contact Larry Koenig at skipperrlarry78@aol.com.



B. T. W.

In the America's Cup Race the American entrant "Oracle" had only one American on the crew. Promote American sailors by supporting your youth sailing program and maybe in the future we can have an all- American crew for the America's Cup race.



September Race Results

August 31 - Labor Day Regatta

Portsmouth Multi-hull winner- Leah White on her Hobie Wave

Mono-hull - Jim Signor on his Flying Scot

PHRF- Mark Leffler on Bohica

September 21 - 22

Just for the Halibut Regatta

Portsmouth Race Winner- Bruce McCord on his Force 5

PHRF Winner- Dick Saylor on Saylorman II

Want to Be Safer As You Sail?

Get a United States Coast Guard Auxiliary – Vessel Safety Check!

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary offers an important safety service, the voluntary Vessel Safety Check (VSC). Why is it important? It can help you be sure you:

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- Have the right kind and proper number of personal flotation devices

- Have the required safety equipment

- Can show the Coast Guard and other law enforcement that your boat is in compliance with regulations in the year inspected, reducing the possibility that your vessel will be boarded for inspection

- Have made sure your boat is as safe as possible for you, your family and your guests

- Took steps to receive a possible discount on your boat insurance

If you have any deficiencies, we do not report them. And, we can work with you to help correct them to get you your VSC decal.

To schedule a VSC, contact UKSC member and Vessel Examiner Dewayne Roos at 305 395-2749 or any other USCGA Vessel Examiner. There is no cost and we can do the VSC at the Club or come to where your boat is located.





Labor Day
PHRF



Bruce McCord, winner of
Just for the Halibut,
Portsmouth race



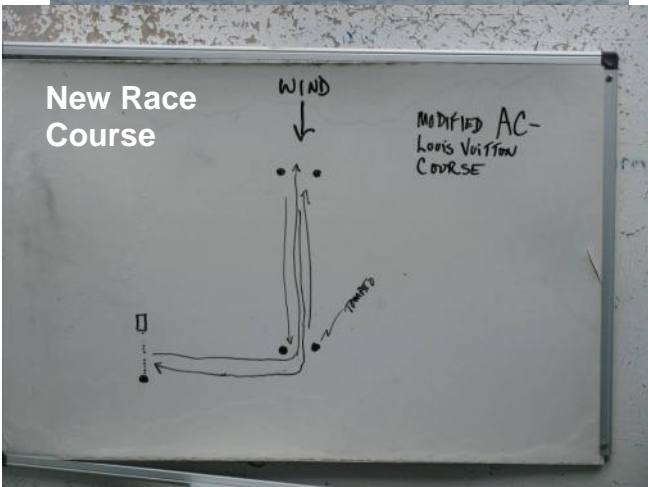
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Dick Saylor
winner of
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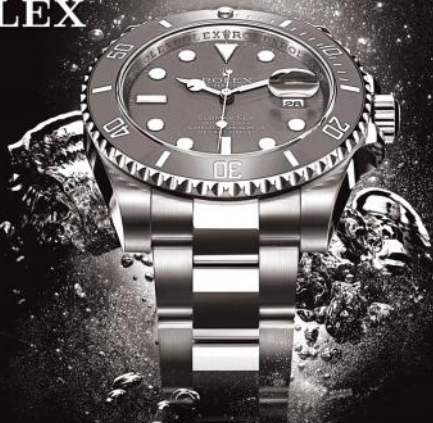
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