

The CHANNEL

Coconut Grove Sailing Club

BOAT OF THE MONTH

SKIPPER OF THE MONTH - GONZALO DIAZ, SR.



2002-2003 Officers and Committee Chairmen

Flag Officers

Commodore Andrea Stringos
Vice Commodore Bud Price
Rear Commodore Manny Pacin
Secretary Jean Anne Davis
Treasurer Jeffrey Zirulnick

Fleet Officers

Fleet Captain Will Bourne
Fleet Chaplain Cal Schofield
Fleet Surgeon Dr. Nicolaus Martens

Board Members

Charlie Abell Jose Hernandez
L. B. Carpenter Steve Hawkins
Lionel Baugh Bill Mauk
Vladimir Stroleny Mike Lovelady
Jack Hamm Reggie Nicholson
Club Manager - Chuck Burns

Committee Chairmen

Adult Sailing Instruction Dick Crisler
BBYRA Rep Dave Kurtz
By-Laws Dave Goldberg
C-Gulls Krisan Lamberti
Chamber of Commerce.. Dominic Lamberti
Channel Editor Deborah Mitchell
Cruising&Rendezvous
..... Jo-Ann Pzseny & Elaine Long
Entertainment Marc Buller
Executive Andrea Stringos
Finance Jeffrey Zirulnick
Future Development Brian Bishop
House Jack Hamm
Jr. Racing Development Kay Voss
Marine Council Carl Straw
Membership Richard Crisler
Moorings Gonzalo Bellini
Orange Bowl Regatta Art Auwaerter
Property Bud Price
Protocol Dugan Patchett
Public Relations Love Levy
Race Will Bourne
Rack Rob Quinlivan &
..... Charlie Abell
Strip Karen Young
Web Master Beth Hernandez

Volume 58 Issue 4

When Gonzalo was 15 years old, his father bought him his first boat Snipe 3686, but his "love affair" with Snipes began a couple of years before when he noticed the beautiful lines of the Snipes and how pretty they looked coming into the Miramar Yacht Club (Havana, Cuba) basin with the fresh Caribbean Trade Winds breezes. Gonzalo began to sail with different crews and his never ending sailing career started. He finished High School and attended Fenn College, Cleveland, Ohio; during this time he kept up his sailing activity crewing for Bob Stava in a Lightning at Mentor Harbour Yacht Club by Lake Erie.



Gonzalo returned to Cuba and in 1951 he married Carmen and as result, 3 children and 8 grandchildren completed the happiness of the family. He attended the Midwinters in Clearwater in 1952, 54 and 56. Names that appeared in the Snipe Bulletin were since then familiar individuals to admire: Ted Wells, Owen Duffy, John Hayward, Harold Gilreath and Francis Seavy. Gonzalo with his brother Saul as a crew participated in the Pan Am Games 1959 placing second to Conrad from Brazil and in the 1959 Snipe Worlds was second to Paul Elvstrom from Denmark. He was **Cuban National Snipe Champion in 1958 and 1959.**

The family moved to U. S. A. in 1964. Clearwater was the Diaz Family's first home in the States, then they moved to Miami and he became a member of the Coconut Grove Sailing Club in the summer of 1965. Son Gonzo crewed for this father on the Snipe and son Augie sailed with the Pram Fleet. Augie, that last July won his 5th Snipe National Championship, and was given the opportunity to get trained in the art of racing at the CGSC sailing both the Pram and the Snipe.

Gonzalo is a convincing force when it comes to the Snipe. He says: "It is a boat that is easy to buy, easy to transport and easy to rig. You don't have to be a big guy to sail her. Racing the Snipe is like playing chess, but a fast chess game! You have to think, you have to use tactics, you have to make quick decisions. You will never see 10 cruising boats rounding a mark at the same time, but you will see that racing snipes. The snipe is a very tactical boat. The high boom allows you to see almost 360 degrees around of what is going on in the race course and see what your competition is planning to do to you. You can tack on a starboard tacker without loosing speed and easily get a safe leeward position. It is a very phisical boat, so, if you want to stay in good shape, race a Snipe!"

Gonzalo has offered 57 of his 72 years of life, a complete loyalty and sense of commitment to the Snipe Class and was the Class Commodore in 1980. It is proper to apply the Spanish common term of endearment "The Old Man" (El Viejo) to Gonzalo.

He frequently acknowledges the backing and support he received many years ago (and continues to receive) from a Club by Biscayne Bay, THE COCONUT GROVE SAILING CLUB!

Want to be famous? Submit a 5x7 photo (either digital or regular) of your boat and a short paragraph or two about the vessel and we'll attempt to showcase your boat on the front page of the Channel (provided Editor's discretion).

COMMODORE'S REPORT

October marks one of the busiest months for racers, with CGSC's Annual Regatta on October 5th (Cruising boats) and Oct 19 & 20 (One Design,) organized by our Rear Commodore Manny Pacin and also the Columbus Day Regatta on October 12th, co-chaired by Past Commodore Larry Whipple with Susan Walcutt as Treasurer. Both regattas are unusual in that they encourage first time racers to come out and participate. There is nothing quite like the camaraderie experienced after a sailboat race. If you have never raced before, these two events are a friendly and approachable way to start. Cruising boats without a PHRF certificate should contact club member Dave Kurtz who is both PHRF President and BBYRA Chairman to get one.

As usual, club members have been busy volunteering their time in the past month, and I have a lot of people to thank. Special kudos to Billy Beavers and Charley Branning for all the hard work they did to get our donated pontoon boat into perfect shape. The boat will be used in the Sailing Education programs, for Race Committee activities, and for our new "Introduction to the Bay" program for West Grove children in conjunction with the Coconut Grove Women's Club and the Virrick Pool. In terms of regattas, our club hosted the *Florida Junior Snipe Championships* in early September, with our own Optimist Pram racer Nick Voss coming in third against some world class competition. The Junior Racing Development Committee is currently gearing up to host their annual *Optifest* regatta. As of



this point they have over 100 optimist prams signed up for the event with many coming from out of state. Thank you to all the junior sailing parents for coordinating the logistics of this important event. Our Adult Learn to Sail Program has had a busy month with race clinics and intermediate sailing classes in full swing. Certified U.S. Sailing instructors Dick Crisler, Rob Quinlivan and Bud Price were assisted by Cathy Peak, Paco Calvet, Patrick Levy, Susan Walcutt and Britt Price.

On the social side, the club is bustling. Thank you Bruce Schneider and the Cruising and Rendezvous Committee for hosting a wonderful sailboat rendezvous down at Elliott Key on Labor Day Weekend. Thank you Chiquita and Jaime Ramon for the outstanding Puerto Rican food social night, and Rita and Manny Pacin, who hosted a wonderful Cuban food night. (You too can sign up to host social night by calling Chuck Burns, our Club Manager) Entertainment chairs Marc Buller and Cathy Peak have already started planning a knockout New Year's Eve Party.

The keynote event for September was our sailboat Photo-Shoot on Sunday the 15th. Thank you Jack Hamm, Rob Quinlivan and Dominic Marsden for organizing the event. Thirty-seven sailboats sailed the course and were photographed from a variety of angles. As a small boat sailor, I found it to be great fun to race the same course alongside bigger 40 foot boats, and to have a chance to admire everyone's spinnaker. The photos will be used to update our sailboat hall of fame in the *Grove's Nest Bar*, and Dominic will donate the negatives so everyone can make copies of their favorite shots.

On a final note, I'd like to thank our Club Manager, Chuck Burns, who always goes above and beyond the call of duty to make the CGSC a fun place to be. Come down and join in the fun!

Andrea Stringos
Commodore



CGSC Annual Regatta - 2002

Saturday, October 5 – Cruising Boats

Saturday and Sunday, October 19 & 20

One Design –Class Boats

There will be a band and cookout on

October 5th at 5PM

All members are invited to attend!



YOUTH SAILING

The Racers, Coaches and Parents of the Youth Sailing Program would like to extend a heartfelt "Thank You" to Dominic and Karol Marsden for their continuing support. They have so generously donated their time and talent for several years designing our "Opti Guy" T-shirts that CGSC's Youth Sailing Program is known for. This years "Patriot" Opti Guy is awesome! To see the "Patriot" you can go to the CGSC web site at www.cgsc.org. Then click on Regattas and Clinics, then click on **Youth Sailing Optifest**.

In addition, the Marsden's were kind enough to donate a portion of the proceeds from the photo shoot of CGSC member's boats to the Youth Sailing Program, and for that we... Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!!

Check out Dominic's website at www.Dominicmarsden.com ... Awesome talent!

Jennifer Abell

**The Coconut Grove Sailing Club's
2002 Membership Directory is available!
See Gwenda in the office for your
complimentary copy.**

2002 Florida State Snipe Junior Championship

The 2002 Florida State Snipe Junior Championship was held on September 7 & 8th on beautiful Biscayne Bay, hosted by the Coconut Grove Sailing Club and the Miami Snipe Fleet #7. Saturday was vintage Biscayne Bay and the young sailors were greeted by a fresh breeze from 75 degrees at 10 to 13 knots.

The Coconut Grove Sailing Club Race Committee led by Will Bourne did a great job and ran two double windward-leeward and two double triangle races. At the end of the day Robert Ramirez had a nice lead with finishes of 1-1-2-1. Defending Champion Brian Kamilar followed very closely with finishes of 2-3-1-2. In the fourth race Brian and Robert were in a close battle until Brian decided to go for a swim- he held on to the mainsheet and was able to recover. Great efforts were also turned in by young Nick Voss, Alex Ravelo, Paige Helmick and The Chen sisters Molly and Annie.

Sunday was another beautiful day with winds from around 95 degrees at 8 to 10 knots. Again the racing was close and intense with two double windward-leeward courses. Robert continued to sail well to win both races followed closely by Nick Voss and Brian Kamilar in the first race and Brian Kamilar and Martin Hermida in the second race. In all a great effort turned in by all the Juniors. Martin Hermida, without doubts, was the most improved skipper through the Regatta. Thanks to the Old Man for continuing to organize this important regatta that exposes our Juniors to the best dinghy competition they can get after their Opti careers.

Thanks to the Coconut Grove Sailing Club and the Race Committee led by Will Bourne, Principal Race Officer, Club members and friends that helped. Among them: Rob Quinlivan, Jeanne Bunten, Vicki Rosenbloom, our Commodore Andrea Stringos, Al Chapin, Phil Fleming, Larry Whipple, Susan Walcutt, Alex Ravelo, Sr., John Kehoe and Jim Janda.

RESULTS: (one throwout allowed)

Place	Sail #	Skipper	Race Finishes	Final Points
1	29963	Robert Ramirez	1-1-2-1-1-1	3.75
2	28810	Brian Kamilar	2-3-1-2-4-2	9.75
3	26900	Nick Voss	3-4-3-4-2-5	16
4	2884	Alex Ravelo	4-2-4-3-8-6	19
5	28814	Martin Hermida	7-7-6-5-3-3	24
6	28466	Brandon Cairnes	8-5-5-7-5-4	26
7	16606	Paige Helmick	5-6-7-6-7-7	31
8	26486	Mollie and Annie Chen (Co-Skippers)	6-8-9-OCS-6-9	38
9	28791	Daniel Weberndorfer	9-9-8-8-9-8	42

Augie Diaz, Snipe Fleet #7



SAILBOAT RACING ANYONE?

Let's talk about the racing on the bay and how best to get started.

Racing is organized by the Biscayne Bay Yacht Racing Association, (the **BBYRA**). Visit them at www.BBYRA.net. Races are divided into two types, One Design and PHRF. They occur monthly and are hosted by the bay's five clubs in rotation. There are additional 'fun races' such as the Lime Cup, Key Largo Race, and Goombay Regatta. Information on all races is available on the BBYRA's web-site.



As the name would imply, one design racing involves boats of the same design. The fleets raced in Miami are Lightnings, Flying Scots, Snipes, Etchells, J-24's, and Westphalls. Each has its characteristics. The J-24 has a crew of 5 and is one of the most widely raced boats in the world. The Snipe is a two person dingy. Lightnings and Flying Scots look similar in size and dimension. However, the Lightning is a more 'technical' and aggressive boat. The Scot is more subtle. The Etchell is a sophisticated keelboat best sailed by heavy and experienced crew. It is probably not for beginners. But look out for its sleek, elegant lines.

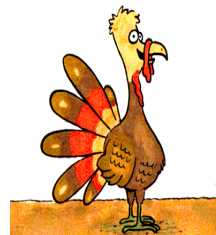
PHRF stands for 'Performance Handicap Racing Fleet'. Boats in this class are handicapped according to speed. The fleet is divided into four groupings to ensure competitive matching. Within this category there is an 'Assigned Rating Fleet' (ARF). The ARF is a special rating for boats that are not prepared to put the effort and money into being 'race ready'. PHRF and ARF boats are generally larger keelboats. There are 50 to 60 active PHRF and ARF boats on the bay. They range in length from 22 feet into the mid-30s. Crew can number from three (J-22's) to 9, averaging at around 6 per boat.

So, how do you get started? By learning to crew. Boats are always looking for crew. If you are interested in learning, skippers and others will be happy to teach you.

Familiarize yourself with the BBYRA web-site. Add your name to the Crew Available page. Contact any one of the fleet captains (their phone numbers are on the web). Visit any one of the individual fleet web-sites (you can link to them from BBYRA.net). Hang around the club on race day and ask anyone. Call me (305-609-8107). Don't confuse race day intensity with aloofness. Racers are actually a welcoming lot. There is a fleet and a boat that will match your personality and level of experience. You just have to inquire.

While you are a beginner, try several boats and several classes. Don't expect to find your ideal situation immediately. Try different positions on the boat. Attend the post-race social at the host club and meet people. If you show interest, boats will find you...trust me. Good crew is worth its weight in gold.

See you on the water, Lionel Baugh



Join Us for Thanksgiving Dinner

Where: Elliot Key Park
When: Thursday, November 28th
Call: Jo-An Pszenny at (305) 666-1325
 email: donapituc@earthlink.net
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (further details to follow)

Excerpts from CGSC Website - Guestbook



Date: 2/19/2002 9:55:27 PM - Visitor's Name: Kathi Gross
Visiting From: Southfield, Michigan
Comments: Greeting from the North Country! Winter days on Biscayne Bay, it's what you all have chosen. For many it may get downright cold, but none of you are frozen.
A Special Hello to those club members that may remember me. I don't do too much sailing these days, but I'm still collecting trophies - Trout and Salmon on a fly rod. If I get down to chase some bonefish, I'll be sure to drop by! Great website by the way - hats off to the webmaster!

Date: 3/11/2002 11:15:39 AM - Visitor's Name: Henry Folkersen
Visiting From: Boca Raton, FL
Comments: I spent a delightful friday afternoon at your club, and on Biscayne Bay as the guest of member Jens Spangenberg, sailing his 27' Hunter. I'm contemplating making the area my sailing ground. Is there a waiting list for moorings at the Club?

Date: 4/20/2002 9:29:10 AM - Visitor's Name: Linda Fitzgerald
Visiting From: Miami Beach, Florida
Comments: I am an "old" member that would like to become active again.

Date: 5/8/2002 5:58:41 PM - Visitor's Name: Paty Branz
Visiting From: Buenos Aires - Argentina
Comments: It's a pleasure to visit your web. I hope one day that my dream will become true: that my two daughters can attend your summer camp as they actually sail here in Buenos Aires every Saturday and Sunday (Optimist and Cadet). Sol is 12 and Agustina is 15. I have a brother living in Miami and always invite them to go visit him and attend a summer camp. No doubt it would be a great experience.

Date 5/26/2002 10:31:06 AM - Visitor's Name: Brent Peebles
Visiting From: Miami, FL
Comments: I am situated up on the Miami River. I have a 25 foot catboat, been around here since late the sixties, seen it all! Glad the CGSC exists.

Date: 6/13/2002 7:14:48 AM - Visitor's Name: Dr. Sandy Burns
Visiting From: Hawley, PA
Comments: Looks like a great club. I'll be happy when you take 42' boats so we can sail down there and stay awhile.

Date: 8/7/2002 7:57:08 PM - Visitor's Name: Frank Florin
Visiting From: Weston, FL
Comments: I am looking to be a crew member on your races. I sailed on a Morgan '24 during the season on the Metedeconk Yacht Club from 1980 until 2000. I moved to Fort Myers in 2000 and last March I bought a house in Weston. Please let me know if somebody needs an old sailor for crew. (954) 389-0039.

Please tell your friends and all the members you meet that our Website now has the CHANNEL posted each month, too!

Mike Weber, Past Commodore

GROVE'S NEST NEEDS YOU!

The official CGSC photo-shoot was a great success thanks to all the club member participation and key volunteers. Dominic Marsden took professional photographs aboard Rob Quinlivan's yacht Slante' while Mike Lovelady swam from boat to boat offering his crew skills. There was just enough wind to safely hoist all the spinnakers. Many members stated that it was great a Club event having all the different member sailboats on the bay at the same time. After a full day of interesting sailing, our chef Ryan provided a great American cookout. Cleanup was handed by the Kid's sailing program (free leftovers). It was suggested that the Club should host more "low impact" sailing events. So, please bring your ideas.

The Club is seeking volunteers during the last week of October to spruce-up the Grove's Nest. The activities will include: (1) carefully removing and saving all the existing pictures, (2) painting the walls, (3) replacing the carpet, (4) upgrading the stereo, (5) installing a dartboard, (6) replacing the bar rail, and finally (6) installing the new pictures and frames. Wow a new bar! Volunteers will be provided a ration of beer equivalent to their efforts. Yes, Free Beer! Please see Chuck for details. The new picture frames will be a smaller size (same size picture but no matting). There will be plenty of available space for all member sailboats. So, please bring your photographs to Chuck the manager. The cost to install your picture will be \$20 (half to the kids program and the remainder for the frame and a brass nameplate). The Club is also seeking Christmas light donations. We are planning to participate in the Coconut Grove Holiday Light Contest. Please bring your extra lights to the club.

Always, enjoy your Club!

Jack Hamm

House Chairman

The best damn bar east of the Mississippi

Octoberfest

Saturday, Oct 26, 7:00 p.m.
Traditional foods and beers

\$20.00 per person includes a donation to the fund to redo the bar

3041 N.W. South River Drive
Miami, Florida 33142

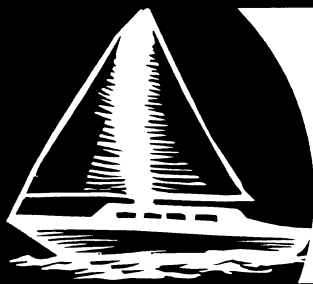
Bojean Boat Yard

BOAT YARD SHIP STORES
305-634-4541 305-634-4777

CAPT. JOHN SCOTT SMITH E-mail:
President captjohn.smith@gte.net

October 2002 - Coconut Grove Sailing Club Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 Social Night	2	3	4	5 CGSC Annual Regatta Cruising & J-24 / BBYRA #10 Opti Practice
6 WYRA Race	7 Office & Bar Closed	8 Social Night	9	10	11	12 Columbus Day Regatta
13 Columbus Day Regatta	14 Office & Bar Closed	15 Social Night	16	17 Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	18 Coconut Grove Women's Club Dinner - 6 PM	19 CGSC Annual One Design BBYRA #10
20 CGSC Annual One Design BBYRA #10	21 Office & Bar Closed	22 Social Night	23	24 Biscayne Bay Sailing Club Meeting	25 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.	26 MYC Fall Harvest Regatta Oktoberfest 7:00 p.m. at the Club
27 MYC Fall Harvest Regatta	28 Office & Bar Closed	29 Social Night	30	31	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tuesday Nights</i> Social Night <i>Friday/Saturday/Sunday</i> Grill Open 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.</p>	



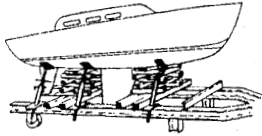
SHELL LUMBER - ACE HARDWARE

*Best Selection for: Teak, Mahogany, Marine Wood Sealers
Stainless and Brass Fasteners*

2733 SW 27th Ave. Coconut Grove, FL 33133 305-856-6401

POLAND YACHT BASIN

Hauling All Types of Keels to 34 ft. for Do-It-Yourself Repairs



On the MIAMI RIVER over 40 Years

- Deep Water Dockage
- Mast Stepping
- Transport Loading & Unloading
- Bottom Painting
- Reduced Rates
- Do-It-Yourself Space

2190 N.W. No. River Dr. Miami, FL • 305-325-0177 Fax: 305-324-0508

Carla Schiefer



Phone: (305) 668-5001

6986 S.W. 47th Street • Miami, Florida 33155

John Schiefer



P.O. BOX 1307
COCONUT GROVE, FL 33233-1307

sailing services

www.sailingservices.com

inc.

We speak Sailing!

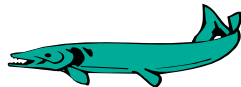
(305) 758-1074
(305) 754-0257 fax
sales@sailingservices.com

*Offering a complete line of
sailboat hardware and rigging
supplies*

80 N.W. 73rd Street Miami, Florida 33150

Monthly Boat Bottom
Cleaning at CGSC
Call

Mary Anne Boyer
445-8536



AAA GLASS & MIRROR

&

GLASS ETCHING BY ANTHONY

MIRRORS - GLASS ENCLOSURES

CHARLES (BUD) PRICE,
PRES.
10980 BISCAYNE BLVD.

10581 N.W. 53 ST., SUNRISE
PHONE: (954) 741 -0143

C.E. PRICE CORP.COMPANIES

FUTRELL CO., INC. REALTORS

AS LOW AS 3% Commission/Full Service

Multiple Listing * All Miami-Dade County

Pinecrest/Coral Gables/Palmelle Bay/Hendall

Arlene Futrell, Broker GRI.

e-mail: arlene@futrellrealtors.com

8203 SW 124th Street

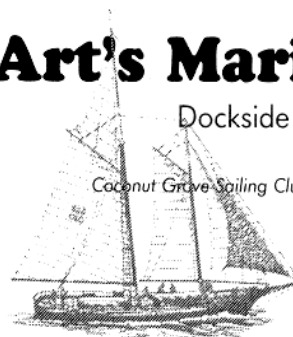
Miami, Florida 33156

(305) 233-4444 www.futrellrealtors.com

Art's Marine Diesel

Dockside Service

Coconut Grove Sailing Club Member since 1979



ART AUWAERTER
(305) 238-7176

WHERE WERE YOU LABOR DAY WEEKEND?

The Labor Day Weekend rendezvous was a big success, thanks to the fabulous weather, the great organizational skills of Bruce Schneider, and the fabulous club members who attended!

There was a good ESE sailing breeze when Jim and I left our mooring around 12:30 PM on Saturday, August 31. We had a great sail to the rendezvous destination in Biscayne Bay off University Dock. When we arrived, four boats were already rafted up. Bruce Schneider and his crew on Unwinder were tucked in between Gringo Latino and Moon Tide. Pete, a friend of Jaime and Chiquita in a 42 ft Catalina, was rafted to the starboard side of Moon Tide and RA was next to them. We pulled up to the starboard side of RA and joined the raft-up. Boats continued to arrive during the next hour or so, until we had a raft-up of 11 boats. Shortly after we arrived, Bruce brought out the rum punch. For the rest of the afternoon, people traveled between boats to visit and taste the yummy snacks or jumped in the water for a refreshing swim.

Plans had been made to split up the raft-up around sunset. Jim and I untied our boat, Pitcairn, from RA, and the 3 other boats in the raft-up to our starboard side (Freedom, Pale Rider, and Rainbow) slowly floated off to a new anchoring site, further west of the original raft-up. It was such a smooth transition that Jerry Marston continued cooking dinner on his stern grill during the move! After our raft-up of four boats was secured with two anchors set, we were joined again by RA on the far starboard end of the raft-up. Soon everyone was busy preparing dinner. We enjoyed feasting and sharing the bounty of our various galleys and cruising-chefs. Some people in our raft-up enjoyed an after-dinner swim and cigars supplied by LB Carpenter. Jerry and Ronnie, veterans of a former unpleasant overnight raft-up adventure, decided to move Long Shot from the original raft-up and anchor alone. They untied from Gringo Latino sometime around 10 PM. The weather held with a calm light breeze overnight and there were no mosquitoes to wreck the party.

Sunday morning started out with one or two passing showers and a light breeze that faded to nothing by around noon. Gradually, most boats left the area to return to the Club. However, I understand that two more boats, Jo-Ann Pszeny and crew and Charlie Branning and crew, came down to the area around 3 PM on Sunday. It was definitely a motor trip back to the Club for those of us who left on Sunday. It seemed that a great time was had by all. I really enjoyed spending time on the water with everyone, and especially meeting new Club members, Gabriella and Johnathan Milley. This was their maiden voyage on their recently acquired Tartan-34, named Freedom.

Plan to join us for the Thanksgiving Rendezvous hosted by Jo-Ann Pszeny at Elliott Key Harbor. Until then, Happy Sailing!

Elaine Long,
Co-Chairman
Cruising and Rendezvous
Committee



ADULT SAILING

August was a "banner" month for our Adult Learn-to-Sail Program. Both our Learn-to-Sail class and our Adult Sailing



Clinic were filled to capacity. The weather was perfect, the participants were eager and our CGSC volunteers performed an excellent service to our club and our students and potential members.

The August Learn-to-Sail Class was like a "United Nations" event, with more than half our students from places like the Netherlands, Germany, South America, etc. It was an extremely cohesive and fast-learning class. Many thanks to Cathy Peak who served as our member-coach for this class. Cathy was extremely effective in calming our more "anxious" students and her outboard dinghy skills added much to the safety and quality of this particular class. It was her first time with us, and I really appreciate her skill and efforts.

The August Adult Sailing Clinic also had the largest turnout ever. Many thanks to Rob Quinlivan for his enormous input and help with this phase of our program. Thanks also to Becca Brown (and her patriotic theme sunfish sail) for her help as "rabbit" for our long sail to the Matheson Hammock sandbar for lunch, socializing and the return. We have a high number of repeat participants in these clinics which says much for Rob's input and hard work. Two of our regular participants, Joe and Pat Horgan, just submitted their application for membership. Fantastic!

At the time of this writing, we have scheduled a September Adult Intermediate Class, headed by US Sailing Instructor/Trainer, Bud Price. We also have scheduled our next Learn-to-Sail course for the weekend of Sept. 21-22. Our Learn-to-Sail course for October will be on the weekend of the 19th-20th, and we anticipate another full class.

All of this sounds very "busy" and exciting, and it is! Want to be a part of it? Just contact Richard Crisler at 305-342-4775 or crisler@mindspring.com. We all need to volunteer our efforts for our unique and wonderful club. The Adult Sailing Program offers you a chance to volunteer, have fun, meet lots of new people, and learn some new skills yourself and more. Thanks for your support!!!!

Fair Winds and Safe Sailing, *Richard Crisler*

 **West Marine**
We make boating more fun!™

3635 South Dixie Highway
Miami, Florida
305-444-5520

CLASSIFIEDS

Month 1

Boat Storage: A limited number of moorings are available at the Coconut Grove Sailing Club for keelboats up to 40 feet and for selected multi-hull vessels. Please contact the Club Manager for more information.

Month 2

2001 9' Apex R.I.B Like new, on rack at C.G.S.C. \$ 1600.00 2002 Mercury 4 h.p. full warranty transferable, \$ 700.00 Both for \$2000,00
Richard D'Ambrosio, 305-935-3598

SNIPES FOR SALE OR RENT. The Snipe is the best choice for two person racing dinghy in Biscayne Bay and are available at practically bargain prices. Please, call Gonzalo Diaz, Sr., Miami Snipe Fleet Captain. Home (305) 667-0492. Work (305) 642-5144 or Email: gcdiaz@accesspro.net.

Month 3

Cruisair A/C [drop-in unit] like "new" \$400.00; Magma BBQ Pit [round], no mount, \$40.00. Call Marc (305) 444-3517 (H) or Cathy (305) 629-1829 (W).

Columbia T-26 **FAR SIDE** Shoal Keel, perfect for Bay, Keys, Bahamas, etc.; Swim ladder with platform; standing headroom below; enclosed head; onboard water for sink & exterior shower; fully battened main; upgraded winches and running backs; lazy jacks, 2000 model Nissan 9.8 hp; with Bimini top; Asking \$7300 obo; contact Don 305-251-3078 or at dondona@bellsouth.net

Ranger 29 **RITA IV** LOA 28'7" – LWL 23'0" – Beam 9'4" – Draft 4'5", 1988 23HP Universal diesel approx. 400 hrs. Serviced June '02. Hull, sides, and deck Awlgrip painted, 6 sails inc. Full Battened Main, Roller Furling, Spinnaker w/ light use, VHF, Depth, Speed, Auto Pilot, New Compass, new Bimini Top and Sail Cover – July '02. New bottom paint – July '02, Sleeps 5. Surveyed and Purchased in December 01 – in very good condition. Fast Cruiser/Racer. Great Value! We're buying a larger cruiser. \$14,900.00 OBO Call John at (954) 647-4160.

Classified Advertising Policy Classified advertising is for club members in good standing and is limited to personally owned items that are for sale. Ads will be run for 3 months and then will be dropped from the listing, unless the advertiser calls the Editor to renew for another 3 months. A classified ad can be pulled at any time by calling the Editor at (305) 274-0670. Ads for the CHANNEL Classified may be sent as a Word document to: shipmate@bellsouth.net or dropped off in the Bar - attention: Deborah Mitchell.

Commercial Advertising is available for business use by calling the Club Office at (305) 444-4571.

The final deadline for all submissions to the CHANNEL is the 10th of the month. Address all items to the Editor. They may be dropped off in the basket in the bar on a disk.



Coconut Grove Sailing Club
2990 South Bayshore Drive
Coconut Grove, FL 33133
305-444-4571