

ANNUAL RENDEZVOUS 2004

fter months of work by members and staff we were ready to go A on the big adventure down to Elliot Key. The staff tried to set up the tent Thursday, but because of high winds they were not able to. So they came back cold and wet. At the club we continued to go

over our list of supplies we needed to take. We made piles of supplies for Jaime and Manny to put on their boats to take down Friday. Friday came and the boats were loaded and the supply ship convoy headed out to sea. The makos and pontoon boats left early to set up the tent and unload their share



of the supplies. The sail down was nice and fast. Boats started to arrive and unload their cargo. It looked like it was going to be a beautiful weekend. There were members helping out with setting up the site for everyone to have a good time. Then sundown came and out in the anchorage. Saturday came and the weather turned to show its good side. By the time I got to shore, volunteers had already made breakfast. People were starting to arrive and the place became active. Gonzalo had games ready for the kids and Dick had the

sunfish ready for some cruising and racings. A treasure hunt was held for children and adults. By the afternoon, volunteers started to gather to start cooking the shrimp, fish soup, and get ready for the barbecue. In the meantime Randy, Eric, and his son were northwestern loggers







on the other side of the island to get the bonfire ready. By three o'clock people were ready for food and the food continued until sundown. The wind had picked up a little and by 8 o'clock it was quite strong. Launch service was a little tricky and had (continued on page 4)

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COMMODORE'S REPORT

The waterfront board held a workshop type meeting this month. The purpose was to review the R.F.Q. prepared by the city and provide feedback It was attended by several waterfront board members, all of the involved staff level people from the city as well as several concerned citizens of the community and of course several club members. My perception of it was that we have a lot of people in the community who are



trying to make sure this thing works out fairly. Most of the questions that were asked involved making sure that we get proper input and making sure the language was clear specifically concerning public feedback and direction taken. Bob Weinrob from the city is the man responsible for authorizing the R.F.Q. He was quite cooperative and agreeable. When we asked why the northern most islands were not included in the scope of the study he said that it was simply to keep it simple. When several people showed interest in including the islands he said he would see if he could that. When we asked about the possibility of having stronger language concerning the level of direct club involvement in the decision making process he reminded us of a passage that stated that we would indeed be directly involved. When asked by several people in the room to make it even clearer he said he would attempt to do that. There are still people out there who have different ideas about what our future should be. By making the changes we have made and by continuing to be cooperative involved and vigilant we are hearing those voices get softer and our position continues to strengthen. We have a long slow road ahead of us. I want to thank all of you who have been patient and open minded about the changes and some of the imposition they have brought. I also want to thank all of you who have given your time and attention to helping us incorporate these changes and helping us keep vigilant. Our continued work in these areas is what will assure success. Our social membership program is continuing to be more of a success than we had predicted. We have signed up over 160 new members. When you come to the club on any given night you will see many new faces enjoying the veranda. These are all city of Miami residents now sharing our love and support for our club. We have had to make some changes in staffing and equipment to handle the increased volume but overall the problems encountered have been reasonably small. Some of you may have had to wait a little longer to get served from the bar or kitchen but the changes we have made should alleviate those problems. Be sure to introduce yourself to these new members and pass along information you might find interesting about our club or our sport. You never know there just might be some new converts in the group. I personally have found the new much higher level of activity at the club invigorating. I hope you are enjoying it as much as I am.

Bud Price, Commodore

In Memorium

Alan Loy, a long time member of the club, passed away recently. He had kept his boat, *Tension*, a Ranger 26, here on the mooring for many years and raced it quite successfully. He left the boat in the care of the club with the wish that we find a person to take it over. He wanted it to go to a young person that possibly could not otherwise afford a boat of this type to provide them an avenue to some of the wonderful experiences he had been exposed to at her helm. We are currently looking for such an owner. Because of his illness the boat is in need of some tender loving care. If you know of a candidate please let Scott know and we will try to fulfill his wish.

Bud Price

VICE COMMODORES REPORT

I am happy to report that the moorings are completely filled and a waiting list has been established. Despite the lack of a long-term lease, our club continues to

prosper. Our growth, however, has created some challenges. In particular, parking has become an area of concern for many members. As a result, a new parking policy is being implemented. The bottom line is that we can longer tolerate illegal parking. A towing agreement has been signed as a means of enforcement. This is an unfortunate consequence of our growth. To help matters, our dedicated staff has graciously offered to park on the loop during weekends.

Please be advised that the annual meeting will be next month. The 2005 budget will be presented, as well as, the candidates for the Board and Bridge positions. In addition, several Committee Chairmen positions are available. Please contact any of the club officers if you would like to volunteer.

The Dingy Dock permitting process is slowly moving forward. Therefore, the "Grand Work Weekend" will be scheduled in June. I am really looking forward to replacing that old dock prior to the summer camp and hope that you volunteer for the project.

One last item...the next time you see smiling Capt. Joe Logan – please buy him a cold beer. After teaching sailing many years on the hot bay, Joe was awarded the American Sailing Association (ASA) Instructor of the Year Award. Congrats Joe! Also many thanks to Cathy Peak (soon to be Cathy Buller) for organizing the Baynanza clean-up. This was great time and good PR for the club.

Jack Hamm, Vice Commodore

Baynanza Brigade 2004

Many thanks to Cathy Peak for organizing the Coconut Grove Sailing Club part of the Baynanza Brigade Island clean-up April 17 at Peacock Park, Shake-a-Leg and the off shore spoil islands.

CGSC provided twenty-five plus volunteers in Peacock Park plus two power boats to carry kids and adults back and forth to the three offshore spoil islands. Jack and Clare Hamm, Jaime Ramon and Cathy Peak drove the CGSC boats to and from the islands and ferried over 300 clean-up volunteers back and forth all morning.

Lisa Martinez, head of the Positive Partnership Mentoring Program joined CGSC members in Peacock Park with five of her kids from the program. The smaller kids climbed through the Mangrove roots to squeeze to pick up trash where we adults couldn't fit. Teamwork helped unwrap plastic bags from around mangrove roots, unravel long lines from amidst the rock and muck and we even found rusted old iron water faucets!

As over one hundred fifty folks swept through Peacock Park it was quickly cleaned. Walter and Martha Walkington and Joe Horgan discovered that CGSC's shoreline was dirtiest of all! They filled four bags with trash and then Anne Platt and Lisa Martinez and the PPP kids joined in. The kids again climbed to the far out reaches of the Mangroves to pull out the hard to get to junk. CGSC now has a new collection of lumber and spare parts!

Our new dock master, Frank Aloise and Scott Salzberg, club manager extraordinaire then fired up the barbecue grill. Joe Horgan and Evelyn Wolfe cooked hot dogs and served over 200 CGSC and Baynanza volunteers.

Many thanks to volunteers CGSC already mentioned as well as Susan Walcott; Marvin Schenker. Ben and Stacy Demeo, Robin Jackson, Kelly Smith, Gabriella, Alexander, and Jonathan Milley, Juan Martinez, Raquel Kerr, Kennard Huinngs, Kevin Delbusto, and



Nasharia Hemingway. If I missed anyone please forgive me.

We especially want to thank Scott Salzberg who managed to stay calm in the midst of the frenzy of Jose and Beth Hernandez laser class, Britt Price's Pram class (each with over a dozen kids) and the early morning flurry of departures for the Key Largo race. He and Frank even took time to try to procure a boat and life jackets to take the PPP kids over to Kennedy Park.

In the midst of the cookout Scott was also directing the usual parking lot madhouse! All had a good time and the Biscayne Bay shoreline was pristine.

Anne Platt & Cathy Peak







(Rendezvous continued from 1)

to be stopped. Martin, the launch driver, was trying his best, but it was getting too hazardous. So now we were marooned on an island with only food, beer, and a bonfire. A group of cold people started heading over to the bonfire (also in the lee) to get some warmth. Many tales were told by the fire. The lucky people that had boats in the harbor went to sleep (rocky sleep). The unlucky ones had to hang around the bonfire or various hideouts till midnight when the launch was able to run again. Sunday morning came and volunteer members had breakfast ready. By late morning we began the reverse process of bringing everything back to Miami. Everyone I could find that had a boat, I asked to take something back. So with everyone helping, the packing process was done by noon. We set sail in the early afternoon and had a beautiful sail back to civilization. I want to thank Mike Lovelady for donating a BIG sign and the tee shirt/burgee design.

I hope everyone had a good time. I thank the volunteers and staff for their support. And finally, there should be a no swimming rule for mother-in-laws after 8PM.

> Vladimir Stroleny, Rear Commodore



Thursday Night FUN Races

Starting mid May fun races for all people that like to enjoy sailing boats will begin again. The races will held every Thursday, weather permitting. Start will be about 6PM. The starting sequence is a Lemans type start and the course will be set according to the harbor winds. We will select one type of boat per week: pram, sunfish or kayak. The boats will be provided by the Coconut Grove Sailing Club. Last year we had many fun races. The adult big boat racers had to adjust themselves into these boats. Spectators need to come early to get the best seats on the veranda. Hopefully, this year they will be more knowledgeable.

Some rules:

If you can come early - please help in setting up the boats. At the start - no running, pushing, feeling, laughing, etc. At the start - on the dock you can help your fellow racers. The winner of the race gets a glass beverage at the bars. At the end of the race everyone helps in getting the boats washed and back in the racks. If you need to go after the race and do not have time to put the boat back - we can do that for you for a charge of \$10.00. Normal racing rules apply, but last years crowd had problems. Race committee will be provided - if there are volunteers (which there are).

Hope to see you there. Vladimir

From the Sailing Director

Green Fleet

Learn to Sail

We had a great month with our Learn to sail classes. The wind was light in the mornings for our level 1 class and picked up nicely for our intermediate class in the afternoon. We played Pirates one day and tag on the last day of class. This helps the children fine-tune their skills along with having fun. The winds were also very shifty the last couple of weeks so the kids had to keep checking for the wind. On student asked if we could just pull out a fan to make it fair. I told them it would take the skill out of sailing. Later in the day the same student said he changed his mind and he like the changing of the wind. We have two more sessions before we break and start up summer camp. The dates are as follows:

 $\begin{array}{c} \mbox{Learn to Sail Level 1} \\ (Beginner) \\ \mbox{May 15}^{th}, 22^{nd} \& 29^{th} \\ 1:00{\text{-}}4:00 pm \end{array}$

Learn to Sail Level 2 (Intermediate) May 15th, 22nd & 29th 9:00am-12:00pm

Mini Camp

We had a great Spring Break Mini Camp at the end of March. We had a class of about five kids on different days. They were taught wind direction and how they rig the boat along with points of sail. Coach CJ who just finished the Level 1 instructor course through USSAILING. Congratulations!!!!!



Summer Camp

Summer is almost here, if you have a child or friend who you want to have join us for our fun filled summer camp sign up now!

All sessions are Monday thru Friday from 9:00am-4:00pm. Each session is two weeks long. Register on-line at <u>www.cgsc.org</u>. Pricing: Member \$300.00 Non-Member \$360.00

Dates are as follows: Session 1 June 14th- June 25

Session 3 July 12th- July 23

Session 2Session 4June 28th-July 9July 26th- August 6Need more information? Please contact Britt Price @ 305-444-4571ext. 11 or britt@cgsc.org.

Britt Price

Our Racing Team is getting ready for September's Optifest here at the club. We have been practicing every weekend. We also would like some help repairing our boats for next session. Below are some pictures of our kids' practiceing hiking out on our own simulator.

ADULT SAILING REPORT

A successful Adult Learn-to-Sail Class was conducted on the weekend of March 27-28. Thanks to those unselfish club members who served as coaches and safety boat operators for this class. One of our CGSC staff participated in this class. See if you recognize her from the pictures. By the time this article is published, we will have conducted another Adult Learn-to-Sail class on the weekend of April 24-25. The Adult Training Committee also participated in our Annual Rendezvous on the weekend of April 3-4 by providing four SunFish boats for fun and a Saturday afternoon fun regatta, which was won by David Hernandez. Thanks to Jaime Ramon, Bill Beavers, Marc & Cathy, Manny Pacin and Bruce Schneider for the safe delivery and return of our SunFish which took somewhat of a "beating" in the rough conditions of Elliott Key Harbor. The May Adult Learn-to-Sail class will be conducted on the weekend of May 15-16. Following this event, our own Rob Quinlivan will conduct an Adult Sailing Clinic on Sunday, May 23. We invite adult members with dinghies to join us for this fun filled, full-day event. If you want to participate in this fun day, please contact Richard Crisler. Further, if you would like to get involved with our fun and effective Adult Learn-to-Sail program, please contact me at 305-342-4775 or crisler@mindspring.com.

Fair Winds and Safe Sailing, Richard Crisler



We don't teach racing in these classes, but with like boats, the students can't help but compete with each other on the second day. (below) Having just completed their capsize drills, students are ready for their first sail. Do you recognize a familiar face in this group? (above)



Popular new bartender, Lynn, tries out her newlearned skills on a SunFish. (above)

CGSC Laser Racing Program

The Laser Group had a great time at the SE Dinghy Championship Regatta hosted by the Key Biscayne Yacht Club (KBYC). A total of 116 sailors participated in the regatta, including 19 Laser Sailors (10 Radial Sailors, 7 Laser 4.7 Sailors!!!!!, and 2 Laser Full Rig Sailors). The Race Committee (RC) ran all four starts (C420s, Lasers, Opti RWB, and Opti Green Fleets) on the same course, making for some congestion and challenging boat handling maneuvers at various mark roundings and especially the last 2 races on Friday, when a general recall for the Opti RWB fleet had them starting at the same time the Lasers were going downwind in the area of the start line pin end. Image going downwind in your Laser and trying to avoid 52 Opti sailors (who had the right-ofway) heading upwind at their start!!!!

On Friday, a total of 3 races were run (races started after lunch due to lack of wind in the morning). The wind conditions were relatively light, may-be 5 to 7 knots for the first race, building to 10 to 12 knots by the end of the third race.

Saturday morning's wind (or lack of wind) had the fleet drifting around the RC signal boat, with the sailors swimming, jumping on each other's boats, switching boats (Laser sailors sailing (drifting around in) Optis and Opti sailors sailing Lasers). The wind finally filled in enough for the RC to start and finish 1 race.

Congratulations again to all those that participated in the regatta!!!!

All the results are now posted on their web site at www.kbyc.org. Jose Hernandez





Please join the club in recognizing the volunteer efforts of our membership on Sunday Evening May 23 for the "CGSC Volunteer Appreciation Night" Just identify yourself as a "volunteer" and receive 2 for 1 drink specials. Appetizers will be provided

Remember, volunteerism can be as small as helping another member dock a boat or as large as race committee or the board.

Goombay Regatta

17th Annual Cruising and One Design day races held in the bay in conjunction with the Goombay Festival.



May 29th and 30th







Sands Key Rendezvous

Memorial Day Weekend, Saturday, May 29 to MondayMay 30

Raft up for Happy Hour on Saturday and bring a snack to share.Spend a night or stay the weekend. Bring your dinghy to go exploring around Sands Key and Boca Chita. Don't forget life jackets and documents (registration). The park marine patrol can be very fussy about you having those things when you are in your dinghy. They have been known to give fines.

Jonathan Milley is the organizer and can be reached for more information.

Elaine Long



2004 Coral Cup Woman's Cruising Class Regatta

A n early morning squall line rolled across Biscayne Bay giving the normal pre-race jitters goosebumbs as the 2004 Coral Cup Regatta got underway. The previous week had seen 20-25Kt breezes with gusts up to 30, with the last two days adding rain storms to the mix. Conditions were improving and the skys cleared in time for the first warning at 11am. Two Cruising fleets were set to go, the Gold (all Female crew) and Silver (female driver), with seven boats in total.

The course was set for a 3+ mile triangle for the first race with the wind holding steady at 18 kts ENE (085). The breeze was oscillating left in the puffs and settling back as the clouds went overhead. The waves had whitecaps and were rolling rhythmically for a change, instead of the normal power boat chop. The starts went off with anyone OCS and race on. The individual boat handicaps were pretty wide so the closest finishes were between the J-27 *Goombay* (Anita Hansen) from the Gold Fleet, and the Custom 28 *Breeze* (Barbara Safiullin) from the Silver Fleet, having started 5 minutes behind.

After a brief chance to dry out a little, the sequence for the second race cycled up. The course was shifted a little left (075) and the trigger pulled around 12:15 with the sun now shining bright and the breeze slacking a hair. After working the bugs out in the first race, the second start was much closer and again everyone behaved themselves for a clean series of starts. The left side of the course appeared to be favored as the breeze seemed to go more right than left this time. The first days races were in the bag before 2pm as the day warmed up into a chamber of commerce special. A battle for second place in the Silver



Fleet developed between the Sonar *Blew BaYou* (Kerry Gruson) and the J-27 Cunning Stunts (Angie Vernon) leaving them tied after Saturday's racing.

Sunday saw the breeze lay down with only 4-5Kts at 8am. By the first warning at 11am, the breeze had filled to around 9kts coming from the right side of the Bear Cut bridge. A couple of Dolphins made their way up the bay as the final race of the series got underway. The course was set for a 1.75nm windward/leeward 2 lap tactical battle with the wind swinging from 045 to 100 and settling back around 075. The sky was clear and the water a sparkling turquoise as the spinnakers were set coming down wind for a picture perfect day on the bay.

Congratulations to Anita Hansen and Barbara Saffiullin on their

victories in the Gold and Silver Fleets and a special thanks to Anita for all the work she put into organizing this event. The complete results and some pics of the action are attached. Thanks also to our dedicated Race C o m m i t t e e volunteers; Ron & Dottie Rostorfer,



Charley Branning, Bud Price, Susan Walcutt, Jo An Pszenny, Tricia Reeder, Larry Whipple, and John Degan. You make all this fun on the water possible.

Check your Calendars and save Saturday May 1st for the C-Gull Cup One Design regatta.

Have Fun and Sail Fast!

Wil Bourne, Race Committe Chairman

Nick Voss is top American in South American Optimist Dinghy Championship

Nick Voss just returned from Algarrobbo Chile and the South American Optimist Championship, he was again the top American and placed 19th. His goal was top 10 and he almost made it. There were only 7 points between 8th and 19th place after 12 races. He was almost there until the 11th race when the wind shifted 170 degrees and he finished 25th (some of the top kids near him couldn't even finish). Nick's next goal is to make the American world team. The trials are here in Miami in May. Great job Nick...we are proud of you!

Scott's NEWS

I would like to welcome our new chef Pedro Martinez who hails to us from restaurants such as Don Shulas Steak House and Ruth Chris. With Pedro in the kitchen we feel that we once again taking the Coconut Grove Sailing Club up a notch.



I would also like to announce for all the wonderful mothers here at the CGSC we will be

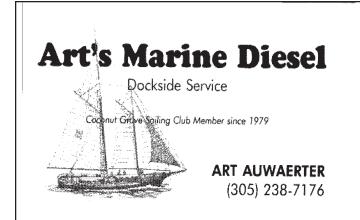


having a prime rib buffet from 12:00-3:00pm, May 9 2004. We all look forward to seeing you there.

Starting this month we will have full service to the outside terrace on Friday nights to help improve in the service to all our members



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- Labors
- Jesters
- Painters
- Cooks

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- Club Railing Replacement
- Dock Repair
- Repair floor drains
- Painting

Final date is dependant on the DERM approval of dock replacement permit.

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What better way to help support your club! New spring fashions for men and women are now available at the Coconut Grove Sailing Club. Select from Outer Banks embroidered piques, t-shirts and caps and visitors in a wide variety of colors. They make a great gift and help the club gain recognition in the community. Have your friends and neighbors ask "where can I get a shirt or hat like yours!"

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Claire Hamm

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Month 1

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