

Sailor of the Month - Peggy Young

This month we would like to honor founding member Peggy Young, one of the first women to sail competitively on the bay. Peggy will be turning 87 on October 15th, and still enjoys coming down to the club with her son Renny and socializing with old and new friends.

Peggy and her husband Skip Young were instru-

mental in establishing the club in 1946. Skip had learned to sail in Long Island Sound, and he wanted to continue sailing in Miami. The club was in the inception stages at that point meetings were held at the Coconut Grove Elementary School. The founding members were mostly local Coconut Grove residents who wanted to form an organization to sponsor and run races for adults and children. The Coconut Grove



Did you ever wonder who that beautiful young lady is keeping time of the snipe? Well, that's Charter Member Ms. Peggy Young! She's still a beauty.

Sailing Club quickly received a lease and moved to its present location in late 1946. Skip Young was the contractor for the first CGSC building and helped build the club prams that were used to teach children to sail. Peggy, whose maiden name was Brown, was quickly nicknamed "the unsinkable Molly Brown" and she proceeded to live up to the name.

As a young married couple fresh from war-time military service, Peggy and Skip could not afford a new boat. So they started off their racing career by buying a very old Star boat built in the 1920's and originally numbered in the low teens. The boat was lovingly restored in 1946 and the number was changed to the more contemporary (at the time) number 2027. Peggy and Skip raced the two-person boat from 1946 to 1955, and together they sailed all over Florida and Alabama. Skip was the driver and Peggy was the crew for all races except for the annual Bacardi Cup series in Havana, Cuba. Those races required a heavier weight crew due to the high winds, so Peggy graciously served as ground support when they raced in Cuba.

The Star boat was named "Bunny Duck". Peggy's son Renny explains that his father, who had flown the China, Burma and India route during the war, originally wanted to name it "Ding Hao" which is Chinese for "Number One". However, Freddy Gross,

> Commodore of the club at the time, suggested that the boat should be called "Bunny Duck" which was Peggy's term of endearment for her husband. So "Bunny Duck" it was.

> Peggy and Skip met and married in New York. Peggy moved to Miami in 1942 to be with Skip while he did his training as an Army Air Corps Pilot. They liked Miami so much that they decided to relocate here. Skip went into the building business and Peggy managed the office and raised two sons. They built a house together in 1949, and Peggy still lives in it. Peggy's son

Renny, also a club member, learned to sail in 1953 on one of the club prams that his father had built. In those days, Renny said, the club boats were spon-

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Peggy Young on the Antares



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COMMODORE'S REPORT

ast month, I had the privilege of submitting our biannual report to the City. The following are some excerpts
from that report:

As the new Commodore, I am proud to report that during the past six months we have made significant improvements to the Club property and membership policy.

We listened to the needs of the community and as a result, developed a new Social Membership program for City of



Miami residents. During this period, our membership grew from 516 to 779 total while the percentage of City of Miami members increased from 33% to 64%. The social membership has added a new character to the club, and has proven to be an excellent vehicle to introduce our sailing programs to local residents.

During this summer, we offered four sessions of two week-long summer sailing camps for the community children. A total of 120 children were taught not only the technical aspects of sailing but, also the underlying principles of independence, leadership and respect for nature. We reserved the last summer camp session for underprivileged children at no cost to the participants. In addition, we had the pleasure of providing 60 "Free Introduction to the Bay" sessions also for underprivileged children. During the peak of the summer, our staff grew to 23 providing good summer jobs for the City's youth.

In regard to the care of the property, we have made numerous capital improvements during this period. For example, we have installed two new A/C units, and installed new commercial kitchen equipment in the clubhouse; purchased two environmentally friendly outboard engines, and installed a new hoist to improve boating services; and have added a new ice machine in time for the hot summer months. To make access to the waterfront safer, we are in the process of installing a new floating dock system. With assistance from several City staffers, the permit process is almost complete. A work weekend is planned for this month when Club members will volunteer to paint and repair the club property. After speaking with an aide to Commissioner Winton, we have "adopted" the parking loop between the Club property and Peacock Park. Club members have been encouraged to help keep this area clean, just as we would do for our Club grounds.

As always, we strive to be good stewards of the City's property and we are committed to making a positive difference in the community. We provide our clubhouse to many community organizations at no cost and we have committed to caring for the surrounding park property. Our sailing programs continue to grow, and we're negotiating with several possible partners to bring even more positive initiatives to Miami's waterfront. The Coconut Grove Sailing Club is proud to have given so many people an introduction to our beautiful Biscayne Bay - and we hope to do continue to so for many years to come.

To the credit of our membership, our club continues to prosper and enrich the lives of many despite the lease situation. It takes teamwork and the right atmosphere to operate a successful organization. It's a job well done, but our work is still not complete if we are to earn another long-term lease. So please get involved and volunteer for our upcoming activities or bring your ideas and suggestions to the monthly General Meeting. I look forward to seeing you.

Jack Hamm, Commodore

VICE COMMODORES REPORT

A s one can see, the club is being used by more and more people This increases the amount of maintenance effort that is needed to keep the club in good shape. The staff is trying their best to keep up, but they need some volunteer help. This is why we had a work weekend in August. We made a long list of items that we wanted to complete during work weekend, but we were not able to complete all of them. The staff will complete the outstanding items and they would appreciate the help of some volunteers.

With hurricane Charley we had a little hurricane drill. Fortunately, Charley did not come close enough for a full scale hurricane drill. If we had to go into a full hurricane drill, the amount of manpower needed to get the club safe, could only be met if we had volunteers. The staff alone can not get the club ready for a hurricane. So if a hurricane approaches, and you have some extra time – the club would appreciate your help.

Housekeeping:

On the one-design seawall we finished installing the padding. The staff will increase their efforts to have the one-design bushes and grounds clean.

When a storm is approaching and we are not in the direct path - it would be welcomed if members that have some kind of tops on their boats, such as a bimini top, that these tops are removed. We got lucky with *Charley*.

The length of time a boat can be at the dock is 20 minutes as per the house rules. If you are working on your boat and there is NO traffic during the week, this rule has not been enforced to the maximum extend of the law. But some people are beginning to misuse this time limit, even on weekends when there is a lot of traffic. We also must give the launch drivers space to maneuver their boat by the dock. So let's be aware of our surrounding so we do not have to revert to what the book says.



The dingy dock permits are s l o w l y moving along. We thought we would have had the final permit by now. We are getting close.

Jose Hernandez has done much for the laser program at the club. From the club having no laser program, Jose got sailors together to practice Saturdays and organized week long programs during the summer. He got other parents involved and now there must be a million lasers practicing at the sailing club. So if you have an idea, why not make it work like Jose Hernandez and his helpers have done?

The club is in good shape and with your help we will continue to be the best sailing club in America.

Vladimir Stroleny

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sored by local businesses, and Renny learned on the pram sponsored by Huskamp Motor Co., which is now Deel Ford. Renny went on to race on lightnings with Rick Merritt.

In 1951 Skip and Peggy bought the Antares, a 1934 John Alden 40' ketch. The Antares, reputed to be John Alden's personal boat, had been sailed out of the Virgin Islands. It was relocated to Miami, and once again the family lovingly restored another old boat. The Antares was even-

tually moored right off the spoil island in front of the club. The family extensively cruised the boat down to Key West and back, and sailed it throughout the Bahamas. The Antares has the distinction of serving as the race committee boat for the first Columbus Day Regatta in 1953, back when the Coconut Grove Sailing Club established and ran the regatta.



Peggy and Skip Young racing their starboat "Bunny Duck".

By Andrea Stringos



The Young's ketch, "Antares" was the race committee boat for the first Columbus Day Regatta in 1946.



Renny Young (left) and Peggy Young (right) with guests from Cuba in front of the first CGSC clubhouse.

REAR COMMODORE REPORT

Well, the summer is over, and most people have come back from vacation...which means we're gearing up for the busy winter sailing season.

The summer camps went well, and had a rather exciting finish, due to some inclement weather that caught up with Britt Price & her group of kids. Due in no small part to Britt's leadership, no one was hurt. She actually conducted an informal "stress debriefing". I presented Britt with a commendation from the Club at the August General Meeting. Please congratulate Britt on a job well done, and for going above and beyond the call of duty.

We are in the final stages of an arrangement with Miami-Dade Public schools, bringing more children to the waters of Biscayne Bay, and like many kids before them over the years - to teach them how to sail at the CGSC.

Dr. Janyne Greenberg, from Miami-Dade County Public Schools, Division of Life Skills and Special projects is developing a partnership with the Coconut Grove Sailing Club to provide water sports and marine science educational opportunities for students. The program will be a full inclusion program, pairing able bodied students with disabled students, enabling opportunities for all students. City of Miami middle and high school students will be given preference, but we should expect to see more kids from across the area benefitting from our staff expertise and club facilities. In addition, M-DCPS will be providing sails through a federal activity grant to minimize the wear on CGSC's sails.

We have several other new sailing program initiatives in the works, including one with a major university and possibilities with other organizations.

TREASURER REPORT

O ur closing of the year went well and as foreseen last year was rather successful. We are starting a new year in a solid financial condition. Our level of past due accounts remains at a manageable level and we are instituting programs to deal with the few chronically delinquent accounts.

At a recent Board meeting two motions were passed to adopt resolutions amending articles in our Bylaws. The amend-

ments if approved by the membership will increase the amount of expenditures the Board of Directors can approve for non-budgeted expenses from \$2,500.00 to \$5,000.00 and will increase the amount the Executive Committee may commit the Club in case of an emergency from \$1,000.00 to \$2,500.00.

The original limits were established long ago when these amounts were sufficient to deal with those unforeseen expenditures and when the Club's operational expenses were significantly smaller. By adopting these amendments, the recommended amounts would be more in line with the current operational level of our Club.

To amend the Bylaws and institute the recommended change prior to the next annual meeting we will need to call a special membership meeting. Please make every effort to attend this meeting when it is called.

See yah around the Club!



I mentioned in last month's report that I was looking forward to meeting with as many of the people who make our sailing programs work as possible. So far, I've been able to meet with most of them, and will catch up with a couple of others soon.

One suggestion I'll follow up on, is to try and minimize the "wear and tear" on the Sunfish fleet during our summer camps.



In other news, we're continuing to work with US Sailing on the upcoming National Sailing Programs Symposium (<u>http://www.ussailing.org/training/nsps/</u>), set for January. If you're interested in volunteering for this event, please contact me via e-mail. There are opportunities to help with registration, photography and other areas. We are hoping to host a few events for the conference - including a happy hour or two - so if you can help for even an hour or two, it will help promote our Club.

The Laser and Adult Sailing programs continue to do well (see the Bill & Jefferey Canary testimonial elsewhere in this issue). This month, a racing highlight is the Snipe Florida State Junior Championships.

Finally, I need to remind you that your volunteer efforts at the Club help distinguish it from simply being a "place to keep your boat". The CGSC needs **you** to step up and find ways to make our Club better. If you can't find an hour or two a month, offer a service the Club would otherwise pay for, or one it might not be able to afford. Everyone can contribute. We have plenty of ways for you to help our sailing programs, and others. As always, I welcome your ideas on how to make our programs better, and the Coconut Grove Sailing Club better.

Fair Winds,

Jim Clark, Rear Commodore

SECRETARY REPORT

Greetings once again! I hope everyone is enjoying the Summer and avoiding those "Named storms. The Board continues to stay busy, recently meeting to form a plan to present the City during the Waterfront Master plan Process. We are engaging new programs to make this Club "Indispensable" to the City. If you have any ideas, please come forward and let us know. Consider yourself invited. Groups are meeting weekly to discuss



progress with these plans and everyone's input is welcomed.

Other news to report are changes to the Web Site and Channel. Beth Hernandez, our web master, is doing a wonderful job. We've met recently; some changes were made and implemented "Virtually" overnight! E-mail addresses are established for all members of the Bridge as well as PR and Outreach Chairs. Please check out the site and THANK Beth for her effort.

Cherie and Charley Branning also are doing "Yeoman's Service" on the Channel. It was interesting to note that what I thought would be simple changes actually involve lot's more: Fonts, Plates, Colors and \$\$\$\$. Stay tuned for changes coming and THANKS to Cherie and Charley.

Till next month, Happy Sails to you,

Adult Sailing Report

The past month was good for our Adult Learn-to-Sail program. A well attended Learn-to-Sail class was conducted on the weekend of August 7-8. Despite gloomy weather on Saturday, we did some shifting of schedules and activities and salvaged Sunday for some good sailing. This was an extremely cohesive and fun class. It included a father and his teenage son from whom we have just received a testimonial about the value of their first sailing experience and finding a sport that they could enjoy together. Thanks to Rob Quinlivan for his always supportive and professional help with this particular class. Two days before the class we only had four (4) students, so I did not recruit an extra coach, then on Friday before the class, the enrollment jumped to eight (8), beyond the safety requirements of only one instructor, especially on the water. So...Rob to the rescue.

On Sunday, July 25, I assisted Rob with his monthly Adult Sailing Clinic. This clinic had the largest participation that we have had since I can remember. We had thirteen (13) dinghies on a day that tested our new sailors with some strong winds, a passing thunderstorm, a 90 degree windshift once we had anchored at the sandbar and more. Four of our own members participated and enjoyed the comradery with our new sailors. We encourage members with dinghies to join us for these light, fun sails that help our new Learn-to-Sail graduates increase their sailing skills and interest in our club. Looking for crew? Join us and meet some of our eager new sailors. By the time this Channel is available, we will have conducted another of Rob's successful Adult Sailing Clinics on August 22. Come join us for the Clinics, and make your choice of getting involved at CGSC by volunteering your services to help with our classes, maintaining our boats and more. Contact Richard Crisler at 305-342-4775 or crisler@mindspring.com.

> Fair Winds and Safe Sailing, *Richard Crisler*



"All smiles and ready for their first group sail together"



"Our Clinic fleet returns down Brennan Channel"

Sailing Director

Britt Price

We made it through another Summer Camp. It was one of the best camps we have had in a while. Our camp was filled almost every session. I have learned a lot from this year, and am looking forward to the start of our year round and beginning racing programs to start up again. I want to take this time to thank my entire team of counselor's for all their hard work. I could have not done it without you guys. CJ Abell, Mike Abell, Maryellen Blanco, Ariel Zirulnick, all my main counselors and then who can forget the Counselors in training, David Hernandez, Eva Cantillo, Wendy Gans, Paul Lloyd-James, Max Sparfel, and Abby We worked as a team and had a great time Boswell. teaching all these kid's how to sail, and other things. I also want to say I would not have traded this summer for anything else. I also want to take the time to thank all the parents and members for helping us out and understanding

how hectic our club can become during the summer. I also want to give a special thanks to Dick Crisler for allowing the camp to use the sunfish. Our older campers loved every minute of using the boats. Dock Master Frank was such a great photographer and provided the parents and me great shots of the kids. I have so many to choose from; it was hard narrowing it down to put in the channel. Scott was a great summer camp boss. My entire teams of instructor's were delighted to be working under him, and I could not have made this camp so smooth with out him. Thanks to Brad Funk for coaching our Laser Clinic all summer. He made this summer a great experience for our Laser team. I just want to say again, I had a great time, and I learned plenty of new ideas and hope for a great upcoming year.

U\$ \$AILING Level 2 Course

The US SAILING Center, Martin County is hosting US SAILING's Small Boat Level 2 Course for coaches over Columbus Day weekend 2004. The course is the first step in acquiring coaching credentials through US SAILING - they now offer coaching accreditations up to Level 5. We are also offering the Small Boat Level I Instructor course the same weekend... there should be a good combo of folks here. If you are interested or know of someone who may be interested in taking either course, registration must be completed on-line at <u>www.ussailing.org</u>

A. Small Boat Level 2 Coach Course Goals:

The US SAILING Small Boat Performance Boat-Handling Level 2 Coach Course is designed to provide coaches with information on how to effectively develop the skills of intermediate sailors and to instill in these athletes the importance of ethical behavior and sportsmanship in the sport of sailing. Some of these intermediate sailors will be interested in racing, and some may just want to improve their boat handling skills. Topics covered include performance boat handling, on-water skill development, race training drills, racing tactics, the racing rules of sailing, sports medicine, program planning, coaching theory, the dynamics of team racing and race management. The 3-day course, which builds on the Small Boat Sailing instructional material, is focused on developing boat handling and performance sailing skills through an array of specific drills designed to demonstrate the various elements of racing both on and off the water. This course is only available to individuals who have successfully completed a Small Boat Sailing Instructor Course. A Small Boat Performance Boat-Handling Level 2 Coach course will give the coach a basis for demonstrating the effects of hydrodynamics of the hull, rudder and keel, the aerodynamics of the sails, and how to utilize these effects in developing boat speed. The coach will learn how to break down racing into individual elements that can be worked on without getting into a win/lose environment with the students. This course includes three full days with one-day being Boat Specific Advanced Rigging and Tuning Endorsement

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Help Your Club at the National Sailing Programs Symposium! This national event is coming to Miami this January, and we need YOU! The Symposium is the premier event for sailing education in the United States, bringing together the very best people and resources in instruction, program operation, equipment and more. See: http://www.ussailing.org/training/nsps/ for details, or write or call Jim Clark rearcommdore@cgsc.org/786-317-1342.



Not sure if anyone has this, but Miami-Dade OEM published a useful guide: "Hurricane Manual for Marine Interests" that CGSC members might be interested in taking a look at or printing as a reference:

http://www.miamidade.gov/oem/pdfs/ HurricaneManual_marine.pdf

Also, for information about what the City of Miami is doing for emergency preparedness, links, etc., visit:

http://www.miamigov.com/fire/DMPA/Index.asp

Regards, Jim

LEASE UPDATE

To ensure that the membership is well informed regarding the progress of our lease and to prevent any false rumors, the following "lease update" will be provided in all future channels:

As discussed in our last Channel, the City of Miami issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to select a team of planners, landscape architects, and other professionals to act as the planners for improvements to the Coconut Grove waterfront (including the club property). The RFQ process involves the submission of responses from interested bidders which are then evaluated by a Selection Committee the membership of which has been selected by the City Manager pursuant to the requirements of the Procurement Code.

The RFQ Selection Committee consists of the following individuals:

- 1) Suzanne Peters, City's Waterfront Advisory Board;
- 2) Bud Price, Coconut Grove Sailing Club;
- 3) Harry Horgan, Exec. Dir. Shake-A-Leg Miami, Inc.;
- 4) Kathleen Morris, Member Coconut Grove Village Council;
- 5) Ernest Burkeen, Director of Parks & Recreation;
- 6) Ana Gelabert-Sanchez, Director of Planning & Zoning;
- 7) Stephen Bogner, Marinas Manager for Public Facilities;
- 8) Alicia Cuervo Schreiber, Chief of Operations.

Additionally, the Certification Committee, which screened responses to ensure minimum qualifications were met, included: Enrique Nunez, Planner II, Dept of Planning & Zoning; Michael Rath, Assistant Director, Purchasing; and Robert Weinreb, Consultant to the City.

There was a mandatory informational meeting for the bidders on June 14. Responses were submitted by six bidders, and on July 22 the Certification Committee met to review the responses and decide whether they met the minimum qualifications. They all did, so all six will be considered by the Selection committee. The proposals are available for public review at the Procurement Office at the Miami Riverside Center, 444 SW 2nd) Avenue, Miami. The following is a list of the primary bidders and their website addresses:

- 1) Sasaki Associates, Inc., 64 Pleasant Street, Watertown, MA 02472, (617)926-3300, www.sasaki.com.;
- 2) EDSA, 1512 E. Broward Blvd., Ste 110, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, (954)524-3330, www.edsaplan.com.;
- 3) Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., Suite 353, 420 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach, FL 33139, 305-673-2025, www.kimleyhorn.com.;
- 4) Bermello-Ajamil & Partners, Inc., 2601 S. Bayshore Drive, 10th Floor, Coconut Grove, FL 33133, 305-859-2050. www.bamiami.com;
- 5) Wallace Roberts& Todd (proposal book had no discernible contact information), www.wrtdesign.com.;
- 6) EDAW, Inc., 1688 Meridian Ave., Suite 303, Miami Beach, FL 33139, (305)604-5878, www.edaw.com.

At the first Selection Committee meeting held on July 27, the responses were distributed for review. The Selection committee will score the responses based on a criteria included in the RFQ. The next meeting will be held on September 9th at which time they will narrow the field to a "short list" of three bidders who will be invited to give presentations to the Selection committee. All meetings of the Selection Committee are open to the public, although the audience is not allowed to speak. The Selection Committee will decide which bidder to recommend to the City Commission for hiring, and the City Commission will vote on the selection of the planner. The appearance of potential impropriety prevents the Selection Committee members and relevant City officials from communicating to the public about this RFO. Therefore, they have been placed under a "cone of silence". We are currently gathering as much information as we can about all of the bidders and working with community organizations to develop short and long-term plans for the club. Our strategy remains simple: we will continue to be good stewards of the City's property, stay true to our charter, remain community focused, and support the City through this process to ensure a mutually beneficial outcome.

Jack Hamm, Commodore

CGSC Hosts Castle Harbor

Most of us know of Castle Harbor and it's well known owner, Cai Svendsen. They were our neighbors along the sea wall at Dinner Key next to our moorings since 1949, then in 1998, they moved their operation to Matheson Hammock Park. This is a US Sailing franchise, offering all levels of certification with US Sailing, plus power boat certification through US Powerboat, an arm of US Sailing. Cai is the second owner of the original Castle Harbor.

This well known, champion sailor got his start in the pram program at CGSC in the late 50's.

He remembers his instructor, Pat, who owned a Windmill. Cai held the office of Junior Commodore at CGSC back in 1961. He is a strong supporter of our program at CGSC and has written letters on our behalf to the City Commission.

For many years, Castle Harbor has offered Summer Sailing Camp that basically runs concurrent with our own. For years, every Friday,

the counselors and campers would sail to Scotties Landing for lunch. Dean Sealy, Castle Harbor's General Manager, is a new Social Member of CGSC. He was very receptive to my idea that we sail the campers to CGSC for lunch, at least every other week. Thanks to the cooperation and efforts of Scott, Hector and others on our staff, this turned out to be a big success. In three visits, CGSC served over one hundred (100) meals to the campers and counselors. Good for us...Good for Castle Harbor. While here on Fridays, members present saw the unique W.D.Schock Harbor 20 keel boats used in their camp, (six children per boat plus the counselor).

From my standpoint as a CGSC member and part-time instructor at Castle Harbor, I hope this becomes a tradition.

Safe Sailing, Richard Crisler



by Ariel Zirulnick

Session 3

Session 3 was, by far, the hottest of sessions, with the heat index showing temperatures upwards of 105 degrees to be the norm. The staff received a new addition, Robert Dugger, as another instructor, to accommodate the large number of campers. This session was hit with numerous storms, but most had the grace to hold off until late in the afternoon. As a result, the campers lost very little sailing time, and only one day was a complete washout.

Head Instructors Robert Dugger and Michael Abell taught the Beginning Prams, with help from CITs Eva Cantillo and Abby Boswell. A shortage of boats had many of the campers sailing the prams double-handed, but that just allowed for more fun to be had by all. One camper came all the way from Israel, and taught the counselors a thing or two about the Hebrew language during his two weeks there. This session, the Key Biscayne sandbar became a popular lunchtime destination, as an atypical wind direction made it an easy reach back and forth.

CJ Abell and Ariel Zirulnick taught the Beginning Sunfish. This was the biggest Sunfish session as of yet, with six sunfish being utilized, one as a single-handed boat and one as a double-handed boat. The group sailed to different destinations in the bay every day and had their courage tested during the stormy weather. The Sunfish also frequented the Key Biscayne sandbar, as well as Vizcaya and Hobie Beach.

Maryellen Blanco taught the Intermediates, and introduced them to the world of racing. This session was filled with campers from previous sessions who wished to continue exploring the sport of sailing.

Some highlights of the session included some campers and an instructor landing in the mud and an unfortunate encounter by another instructor with a poisonous finish. However, no serious injuries were sustained, and all had a fun and fulfilling two weeks.

Session 4

Session 4 saw the introduction of a special Outreach program to the normal camp program, and the two mixed well. This was a very full session, with eighteen Beginning Prams on the first day, a dozen Beginning Sunfish sailors, and six or seven Intermediates. The CITs were extremely helpful this session, as two of our instructors were on vacation the second week.

Ariel Zirulnick and CJ Abell taught Beginning Prams, along with the help of CIT Eva Cantillo. The class of eighteen included eight Outreach campers. The majority of the campers sailed double-handed the first week, as a way of providing maximum sailing time with a small number of boats. Excellent weather the first week and extremely high tides the first week meant that for the first session this summer, not a single Beginner got stuck in the mud! Campers had the option of swimming to their boats in the morning or hopping from boat to boat to claim theirs.

Robert Dugger and Michael Abell taught Beginning Sunfish, along with the help of CIT David Hernandez. The class was a mixture of Outreach and regular campers, with two girls coming from Italy and giving everyone at camp a taste of another culture.

The Intermediates was once again comprised of many returning campers, some of whom have already registered for green fleet in the fall, which will be coached by CJ Abell.

The second to last day of the session gave all the campers a chance to prove their bravery and sailing smarts when the camp had to ride out a windy rainstorm on the water. All of them left the camp with a good story to impress school friends with and a new found appreciation of the ocean. We hope to see everyone back next summer!

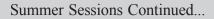
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Laser Team Thrives

The Laser Team continues to grow!!! Several new sailors have recently joined the Laser group's advanced racing ranks. The fall season is starting. This year we plan on having many more one day advanced racing weekend Laser clinics run by either Zach Railey or Brad Funk. Zach and Brad are two of the top five current US Laser Sailors and we are fortunate to have them conducting the clinics.

For more information on the Laser Racing Team, please contact Jose Hernandez at (305)271-0148 home phone or (305) 322-2701 cell phone.

By: Jose Hernandez









Marine Council Report

A meeting of the Marine Council was held Thursday July 29 at CGSC. After a wonderful breakfast the group was introduced to Brett Bibeau, managing Director of the Miami River Commission. Brett provided us with the details and an update on the Miami River dredging project which begins this fall in October. It is an almost two year effort which starts at the west end of the river and moves eastward to the Bay entrance. Dredging will be done using a crane and bucket dredge on a barge and the material will be separated at a site next to the river and then hauled away to a landfill using trucks.

Brett also spoke about the upcoming Miami River Marine Industries Symposium to be held on September 27 at the Hyatt Regency Miami, 400 SE Second Ave. 305-361-4850. This meeting will provide you with the latest information on Marine Business opportunities, including restoration of the Federal Navigable Channel, Economic viability of Marine Industrial sectors, trade trends, and economic incentives for growth. keynote speakers are:Gov. Jeb Bush, Congresswoman LLeana Ros-Lehtinen and other experts on recreational boating, shipping and other Miami River industries. Cost is \$75.00 which includes breakfast,lunch and closing reception.

Rick Rahm

Strip Report

First let me first introduce myself I'm Steve Hawkins the new Strip Chairman. I own a Flying Scot and have had my boat on the strip for over four years. During the past four years one of my pet peeves has been with the hoist, on numerous occasions either bring my boat up to the hoist or getting ready to lift it out of the water I would find that the previous person using the lift has left the lifting hook down at eye level. If you have ever walked into it you know it can give you a nasty knot on your head. So please please when your finished with the lift make sure you have raised the hoist to well above head level.

On a more positive note we have replaced one of the hoist with a new one and I'm sure if you have had a chance to use it you know what a big improvement it is.

If anyone has any complaints, problems, ideas or suggestions please contact me via email <u>shawkone@netscape.net</u>.

There is currently no waiting list and we do have three spaces available.

Steve Hawkins

Web Master Report

Recently there have been several changes to the CGSC website so take the time to sign on <u>http://www.cgsc.org</u> and check out the new additions! The home pages is filled with need to know information that is regularly updated. "Shop@CGSC" and order CGSC clothing and then have your items mailed directly to your home or save shipping costs and stop by the club and pick up your items in the bar. Need to contact a Bridge Member, Committee Chair or Board Member, sign on to the <u>http://www.cgsc.org</u> and select "Officers and Committees". They value your opinions and need your feedback.

Beth Hernandez CGSC Web Master

Jr. Prams Report

Starting this month, CGSC will be offering Learn to Sail classes regularly throughout the school year for children between the ages of 9-13. Classes meet on Saturdays, supervised by US Sailing certified instructors. We will be offering Level 1 and Level 2 courses. Here is our fall schedule. Sign up for classes online at <u>http://www.cgsc.org</u>, select youth sailing option or call 305-444-4571 ext. 11. Any questions you can also contact me at chiquitamsa@yahoo.com.

Our Sailing program is a safe and healthy way to introduce children to our Bay, let's encourage our children as well as friends in the community to be part of it!

On another note, we have 22 kids signed up for the Green fleet. For those interested please contact our Sailing director, Britt, at the ext. above.

Chiquita Ramon

Learn to Sail Schedule		
Date of Class	Level 1 – Beginner	Level 2 - Intermediate
Sept. 4, 11 & 18	9:00 – 12:00 pm	1:00 – 4:00 pm
September 25,	1:00 – 4:00 pm	9:00 – 12:00 pm
October 2 & 9	1:00 – 4:00 pm	9:00 – 12:00 pm
October 16, 23 & 3	9:00 – 12:00 pm	1:00 – 4:00 PM

Rendezvous Committee Report

All members are invited to attend the annual Labor Day Rendezvous September 4-6,2004. The plan is to sail to Elliott Key Saturday and enjoy an afternoon of swimming or exploring the trails on Elliott Key. Saturday evening is the traditional raft-up for a bit of "happy juice" aka rum punch and appetizers to share. Sail home Sunday or join the morning skippers meeting to decide the anchorage for the evening-stay at Elliott-indulge in the exotic and remote Ragged Keys-explore historic Adams Key and join the search for evidence of Black Caesar the Pirate in Caesar's Creek-rediscover the great anchorage and swimming at Pumpkin Key or hop back to familiar Nixon's, allowing for an easy sail home on Monday arriving in time to catch the Hurricanes football game. Contact Hosts Bruce and Denise Schneider at juice.bs@mindspring.com, or Contact Janice and Alyn Pruett at 305.441.2733-jbpmom@aol.com, for information and reservations for rum punch!

Rendezvous Planning Meeting

Do you have a far-flung part of the Bay, Keys or Bahamas you have been dreaming about exploring, or would like to share? Anyone who loves to sail and is looking for adventure can host a rendezvous! Join us to discuss and plan this year's rendezvous'. The planning meeting will be held Thursday. September 9 at 7:00 PM at the sailing club.

Up-Coming October will bring with it the first monthly "dock-side rendezvous" at which we will feature a different type of boat: racers, cruisers, and day sailors. This will be a great opportunity for members to bring their boats to the dock and share their cruising, racing or boat restoration "yarns". Keep checking the Channel and bulletin boards for more information. If you would like to show off your pride and joy, contact Janice and Alyn Pruett at 305.441.2733 or jbpmom@aol.com.

Check the CGSC website at www.cgsc.org for updates on rendezvous' and upcoming CGSC events and to select your new rendezvous gear, now available at the Grove's Nest bar.

Janice Pruett

Mooring; Committee

HEREIN CONSTITUTES GUIDELINES OF THE "GRAND CONSORTIUM FOR THE SAFEKEEPING OF BOATS DURING HURRICANE SEASON".

CHANT (To be yelled collectively, selectively or in groups of two or three): June - too soon; July - stand by; August - a must; September - most ever; October - not over; November - remember.

- 1) Keep adequate fuel, fuel filters clean and run engine at least 1/2 hour weekly. Acquire necessary anchors.
- 2) Keep bottom and propeller clean. Scope out the safe haven sites. Look for ways to improve on this plan.
- Get an understanding beforehand with at least one friend to help you; this may involve small favors of some kind, bribes or refreshments.
- 4) Before or ASAP after a Hurricane Watch or Warning is announced by NOAA take three (3) anchors aboard (lashed on deck is O.K.). Examples: 40# danforth, 30# folding grapnel; 13# guardian. Go to: **1st choice -** West of Star Island: 3 bridges N of CGSC: Rickenbacker, Dodge Island, McArthur, then right past the Miami Yacht Club to the Flagler Memorial and right.

2nd choice - Marine Stadium: Thru Rickenbacker and right to far end across from the Rowing Club.

- 5) Place largest anchor to where the wind may come from, probably E, SE or S, and the other two 120 degrees on bow each side with 10:1 scope. A dinghy and with extra hands is really helpful, but a swimmer with a float for the anchor can do it. Secure chafing gear in place.
- 6) Minimize windage: Remove biminis, sails and dorades; lower boom. Secure wheel/tiller 45 degrees off center.
- 7) It is a motor trip, so check packing flange for drip afterwards and adjust if necessary. Pump bilge, check head and valves, turn power off, lock boat and set alarm.

 Check boat often in succeeding days and notify others that their boats are O.K.

- STORM SAFE BOAT ADVOCATES (All have memorized the chant.)
- FINESSE Bill Beavers 305.385.5161, 305.546.6727C billbeav@bellsouth.net
- *MISTY* Mike Lovelady 305.665.3494, 305.688.2400W, 305.332.8974C <u>llsignfab@aol.com</u>
- REMEMBRANCE Frank Granata 305.598.5527
- BOBBING ALONG Diane Dupeyroux 786.263.0874, 305.798.0985C dianemma@msn.com
- BLACKBIRD Pat Cacace 305.525.5787C, 305.548.9913B silvet@aol.com
- WHOLE LIFE Rey Carvajal M.D. 305.827.3684, 305.578.0344 reystar@worldnet.att.net
- ISLAND DREAM Steve Neumeyer 305.827.3684, 305.578.0344 neumeyer@bellsouth.net
- CONSENSUS Marlene Niemeier 305.604.2088 x 235 mniemeier@relatedgroup.com
- SILKAMAR Patrick McCann 305.443.0418, 305.968.0579C pdm3kw@yahoo.com

The object is to cooperate to keep our boats safe and minimize inconvenience. Call until you get someone with a motorized dinghy, and someone with a van or truck for pick-up near the Miami Yacht Club or Rowing Club. "All for one, and one for all", and all will be O.K. It gets easier once we get into it, and can even be a fun adventure. This is not an exclusive endeavor; anybody can be a part. Please be in touch and try to practice the chant.

Bill Beavers

JOIN THE RACE COMMITTEE JOIN THE TEAM!!

Social Members, New Members, Old Members Coconut Grove Sailing Club is known nationwide for its sailboat racing activities. Come be a part of this important club function!

Upcoming events: Saturday and Sunday, September 11 - 12 Snipe Florida State Junior Championship October 16-17 — CGSC Annual One-Design

Regatta

October 30 - CG\$C Annual PHRF Regatta

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! Contact Ron Rostorfer Race Committee Co-Chairman – ronsailon@aol.com, 954-693-8975

Race Committee Report

One-Design & PHRF Racing

There hasn't been much racing activity on Biscayne Bay in the last month, but there are several events on our bow as we head into the fall. CGSC is scheduled to host the Snipe Florida State Junior Championships on September 11-12. After that, the following events are scheduled:

September 26	BBYRA PHRF #8 Regatta
October 2	BBYRA One-Design #8 Regatta
October 9-10	Columbus Day Regatta
October 16-17	CGSC Annual Regatta/BBYRA One-Design #9
October 30	CGSC Annual Regatta/BBYRA PHRF #9

Sooo, its time to get your one-design or cruising boat ready to race! We're especially looking for a very good turn out of CGSC boats for our Annual Regatta dates in October. Note: THERE IS NO FEE TO RACE IN OUR ANNUAL REGATTA! If you have a current PHRF certificate, or if you have a one-design boat, there is no charge. If you have a cruising boat without a PHRF certificate, and don't want to pay the fee to get one, you can race at no charge in the ARC fleet. If you want to race ARC, contact CGSC's Bill Beavers. Lets get out there!!

Entertainment Committee

Well, how about the Barbershop Quartet that strolled around the deck on Friday, August 6th during Happy Hour? Everyone seemed to enjoy hearing us harmonize a bunch of old songs. We were really 4 guys from 2 different quartets, all members of the Miami Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of BarberShop Quartet Singing in America Inc. (SPEBSQSA for short) Wow, that's a mouthful. There will be other performers entertaining the Friday Happy Hour crowd throughout the year as we can get them. You just have to show up to find out who's playing.



Due to scheduling conflicts we had to make a few changes to the entertainment events. **Movie night**, originally scheduled for August 21, has been moved to Wednesday, August 25th. Admission is still free and so are the food, hotdogs & popcorn. A variety of "sea stories" will be on hand for your viewing enjoyment. Did I say, FREE FOOD? Yes, I did. So you don't want to miss this one.

Many years ago we had one of the most fun parties this club has ever had. It was a Shipwreck Party. We totally decked out the hall as if it was a deserted island, complete with a wrecked ship and palm trees everywhere. Well, is was so much fun that we decided to do it again. This one will be on Saturday, September 11. I know it's a bit risky having a party on that date, but it's the only Saturday night we could get in September. So we decided to make it a fundraiser. As a remembrance of the victims of 9/11, your admission price will include a \$5 donation to The Freedom Alliance. This worthy organization provides college scholarships to the children of soldiers who have died while serving our country. So you can actually do some good while enjoying a party.

Weather permitting; the party will be on the lawn, featuring the fabulous band, **The Outriggers.** And Scott promises to hunt down a wild pig all by himself with a bow and arrow and roast it to perfection for your culinary delight. Admission is only \$20.00 for the pig and all the fixins', a keg of beer, great music and a donation to a great cause. Bring your friends and your most festive tropical attire. We especially want to see all the new social members join us for this one. **Please RSVP at 305-444-4571**.

The October Fest had to be canceled due to conflicts with other club events all month long. We will keep you posted with something for November.

If you would like to help us decorate for the Shipwreck party, contact me at my office ph: 305-740-9200, or at <u>dllamberti@aol.com</u>. And remember to "Keep your sunny side up".

Dominic Lamberti

Co-Chairman, Entertainment Committee

From the Community Outreach

The Miami-Dade DERM office has contacted me regarding becoming a certified DERM Clean Marina program participant. I am going to meet with DERM Representatives and discuss program participation, course of strategy, and final review.

We are meeting with University of Miami Sailing Team to discuss their progress building their Team to join us at CGSC as their home base for boats and meetings. UM Sailing Team members have offered to volunteer in the many CGSC programs that CGSC so proudly supports.

The Boys Club is being contacted for their active participation in programs at CGSC, also. We are offering their organization to join us in sailing lessons and some waterfront safety programs, along with some waterfront science projects for their children.

Local area schools and other children organizations are being contacted to present a science project program including the CGSC facilities for after school programs for children in the Coconut Grove area. CGSC has a wonderful waterfront area for a program to offer children exposure to the bay and explain the importance of science with a hands-on teaching approach. Have children asked Where do waves come from? Why the tide rises and lowers (or "ebb" and "flow")? or Where do seashells come from? This is a great program for children to participate and become more aware of the waterfront.

If you have any questions and would like to participate in any of these or other CGSC Out Reach Programs, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>OutReachChair@cgsc.org</u> You can also call the Club and leave a message for Community Outreach Chair at 305-444-4571.

Cathy Buller, Chair

Rack Report

I am happy to report that the Sunfish/Laser Rack is relatively well used and accounted for. On the other hand, the Dinghy Rack is a disaster area. Although there are approximately 11 Dinks, 1 sail boat, 1 kayak, and 1 windsurfer in the racks, there are only 7 registered users of the rack. In simple terms this is a violation of club bylaws (not to mention ripping off the club). The racks are available—FOR RENT. The bylaws state, "(to use the racks) Members... must first complete an application form." Owners who have taken a temporary space have no rights, seniority or otherwise, and must be prepared to vacate the space within 48 hours upon notice from either the Strip Chairperson or Vice-Commodore." During club work weekend, 28-29 August, I am going to identify those boats that are "squatting" in the racks and make preparations to auction them off or something. If you have an unregistered boat in the racks, please take the time to register it.

> Thanks, Paul Lombardi



NEW MEETING \$CHEDULE

Please be advised that the schedule for Monthly Club Meetings have been revised as follows:

On the 3rd week of each month,

- * Executive Meeting on Weds @ 6:30pm
- * Board Meeting on Thurs @ 7:00pm

On the 4th week of each month,

* General Meeting on Thurs @ 7:30pm

Please remember the General Meeting is YOUR meeting. Bring your questions, comments and suggestions. The Bridge appreciates your feedback.

CGSC Holiday Fleece \$32

Wondering what to send up North for the Holidays? Looking for that unique Florida gift that all will love? Don't want to put up the hassles of the Mall in December?

Well look no further!

We are now taking orders on high quality, heavyweight sweatshirts embroidered with the CGSC burgee on the left chest. There are two styles to choose from; a crew neck in red and ash and a half-zip in navy and forest. Please check out samples and place your order the next time you are at the club. You can pick up your sweatshirts at the Club in early November to give you plenty of time to get them in the mail.

Look-on-line www.cgsc.org.

New Fashions from the Club Store



Fresh off the runways from Paris...Our staff models are sharply dressed in CGCS Tee Shirts and Hats priced at \$15 and \$14 respectively. Check-out the new fall colors on the Web!

Manager, Scott Salzburg is handsomely outfitted in our pique priced at \$30. New fall colors have just arrived! Catch Scott in the October issue of GQ magazine



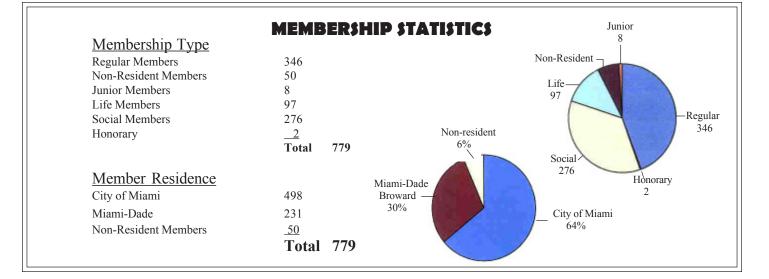
Social Membership For City of Miami Residents

is still available for only \$50.00. This membership is valid through Dec 31, 2004. Call the CGSC office for details.



Kitchen Hours

Thurs 11:00-10:00 Friday 11:00-10:00 Sat and Sun 11:00-10:00



HOW CAN 20 RUSH HOUR COMMUTES ON I-95 IN 5 DAYS BE A GOOD THING?

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Can you imagine leaving Plantation at 7:20am arriving at CGSC at about 8:30, turning around and getting back to the office in Plantation not too much after 9:15. At 4:00pm it was time to head back down to CGSC, pick up my son and start back north on I-95. The total was a little more than 700 miles driving, and to be honest my wife Carolyn did the morning loop on a few of the days.

So why was this a good thing? Our 15 year old, Andy, was getting to participate in the summer Laser program. Andy had out grown his optimist a couple of years ago, but he loves the time he gets to sail with his friends at CGSC, and was thrilled there was a club boat available for use. Many of us interpret the American dream as being able to provide a better life for our children than we experienced ourselves. By sailing on Biscayne Bay, Andy is living my dream. Waiting all winter to sail on the coffee colored waters of Lower New York Bay, the thoughts of sailing in Florida was a dream too good to be true.

Friendships, seamanship, confidence and the time spent sailing on the best bay in the country are all good things. Having my 15 year old "in the middle of the Bay", instead of "in the middle of the Mall" – PRICELESS.

Charles A. Rahn

WEB\$ITE IMPROVEMENT\$

Check-out our web page (www.cgsc.org)! Our dedicated webmaster, Beth Hernandez, is making all kinds of improvements. In the near future, we will be utilizing the website to communicate timely club information such as: social events, sailing programs, rendezvous and, bar and kitchen operations. We are even planning an on-line store. Beth also designed an electronic suggestion/complaint system for the webpage. This system will directly email your suggestions to the Bridge and maintain a database to ensure follow-up is provided and the issue is closed-out in a timely manner. Suggestions can be on any club related subject and the system as the ability to maintain your suggestion confidential or anonymous if desired. On that subject, if you have any suggestions regarding the webpage - try out this new electronic system. Please thank Beth for all her hard work, we are lucky to have such talented volunteer.

Columbus Day Regatta Celebrates 50th Anniversary October 9-10, 2004

Mark Your Calendars now for Florida's Largest Sports Event Afloat

The 50th Annual Columbus Day Regatta, will be held Saturday & Sunday, October 9-10, 2004 in Biscayne Bay. The Golden Anniversary of this two-day regatta is expected to draw over 200 racing and cruising sailboats from Florida and all around the country. Contenders will vie for 1st through 5th place trophies in all classes as well as eight Perpetual Trophy awards.

Regatta Committee Chairman, Larry Whipple, urges all contenders, both veterans and first-timers to "...mark your calendars now for a wonderful weekend out on the bay as we celebrate the outstanding racing and the wonderful camaraderie of our South Florida boating scene." Classes include PHRF racers, ARC wannabe racers, multihulls, cruisers and families.

The Columbus Day Race Committee is already hard at work to make this milestone celebration an extra special occasion. The Committee is actively seeking support from the community in an effort to publicize the outstanding racing that symbolizes this popular regatta. "For fifty years, our goal has always been safety and good clean fun out on the water."

The Committee is seeking donations for raffle prizes that will be given away at the Awards Ceremony at the Coral Reef Yacht Club on Saturday, October 16, 2004. Raffle prizes such as marine products and services, gift certificates for restaurants, hotels, and vacation packages, artwork, theater tickets, watches and jewelry, clothing, nautical books and charts would also be welcome. All donations will be credited in the Columbus Day Regatta brochure, press releases and at all media events.

For more information about the regatta and to learn more about opportunities to support the 50^{Th} Annual Columbus Day Regatta, please check out the website at <u>www.columbusdayregatta.net</u> or contact Chairman Whipple directly at (305) 860-9156.

Larry Whipple, Regatta Chairman

3635 S. Dixie Highway Miami, Fl 33133 (305) 444-5520 FAX (305) 444-3883 wmmiami@aol.com Larry Gahagan Sales Manager





CLASSIFIEDS

Month 1

Complete Adler-Barbour 12V refrigeration system. Compressor, evaporator, thermostat, controller, etc. Was removed to install a larger unit. Sold complete as-is.\$125 Anchor Rode Miscellaneous short lengths of 3/8" 10-20' or so. \$10 each GROCO porcelain toilet bowl. Never used. Best offer. Dave Garrett 305 448-3844 day or night.

For Sale – '00 MegaByte. *Sailing World's* 2000 Boat of the Year. "Not only does it sail superbly on all points of sail, says Boat of the Year judge Greg Fisher, but it's loaded with cool, go-fast features...." On the bottom rack at the club, 130lbs, easy to launch. For more info go to www.megabyteclass.org. List price new \$5,495. Asking \$2500 Rob Quinlivan 305-285-7004

For sale 1984 catalina sloop 25' *"Katmandu"* must sell \$10,000 obo /buying bigger boat/boat in excelent condition/ x clean/bottom prof maintained monthly/new interior/large cockpit/bimini top/new 150 r.f.genoa/cruise+race main sails w/cover/ /battery w/solar charger/sinle-handed rigged/many extras/contact felipe @305 854-6595

1965 PEARSON ARIEL FOR SALE. LOA=26 ft. Beam=8 ft. Headroom= 6 ft. Carl Alberg full-keel sloop design. Dark Blue hull, white deck. Sleeps 4; Main,jib, storm jib. 8 hp Honda 2 stroke, Danforth anchor; epoxy barrier coat below water line \$4,500 Contact:Chris Brunk - 305-510-6243

1975 Pearson 26.5 ft sailboat "Andrea"; 9.9 hp Evinrude outboard motor; five sails: main, working jib, 150% jib, drifter, spinnaker; hull, rigging and sails in good condition. \$5,000. Call David at 305-662-2072 or e-mail at kuhnd@fu.edu.

Month 2

"Aquatic Squirrels" for sale: J-24 hull #1376 built in 1979 with updates. Excellent condition and ready to race. All the sails, rigging, and hull in good condition. Many upgrades. Brand new 5 HP engine. \$8,500. Check it out at the CGSC! Please call Eric @ 305.539.6835 or email at:eschreiber@davincieng.com

Month 3

SNIPES FOR SALE OR RENT: Miami Snipe Fleet #7 (Chartered in 1932) Fleet is willing to help the new members to get fast and further develop their boat handling, tactical and boat tuning skills. It is a boat for young and old! Call Gonzalo Diaz, Sr. and join the Miami Snipe Fleet. 305-667-0492 (best 8-10PM) Work:305-702-8526 (best 4-6PM

<u>Classified Advertising Policy</u> 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) 661-2322.

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

Deadline: All Ads, articles and pictures for The Channel must be received by the 15th of the month. Please send articles and ads as a Word document and pictures as jpeg attachments to cebranning@prodigy.net or drop off at the Club office, attention Cherie Branning, Editor.



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