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2006 Olympic Class Regatta at Coconut Grove Sailing Club  
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July 2006

## Island Pleasure - Abaco Trip

**A**fter many months in the boatyard repairing hurricane damage, replacing chain plates and installing a new deck, Effortless was finally getting ready to go to the Abacos. Our Anchors Up party was well attended and everyone had a good time. Mr. Clarington did a great job as barbecue chef and Sonia made a delicious pigeon peas and rice. The Outriggers got everyone off their feet dancing.

As always in last minute preparations, Effortless was barely ready just in time to kick off our Annual Adventure Rendezvous to the Abacos. Hammertime and Sunday Morning led the way, departing Thursday, May 11th reporting a perfect crossing. Otro Cuba Libre followed Friday evening, making a solo crossing.

A full moon was rising as Effortless left Biscayne Channel. Meditation, Windshadow and Beauty and the Beast joined us in the crossing. Winds were light out

of the Northeast as we set our course at 60 degrees. We took a pounding for about 4 hours from midnight to 4 a.m. then the seas calmed and we spotted West End around 9:00 a.m. Customs was a breeze at West End, (they brought the forms to our boat). After checking

in at Old Bahama Bay, we napped on the beach, had our first Bahama Mama at the bar (it was Mother's Day) and took a dip in the pool while the band played one of their favorites "Roach On My Bread"

We finally got our sails up Monday on our crossing to Great Sale. The Banks were beautiful, as we passed by a dolphin fishing on a sea grass bed, water crystal clear. We had to divert from our intended anchorage on

the west side of Great Sale when squalls arrived in the late afternoon. We anchored instead off the North side of Little Sale Cay hoping for protection from the southern squalls. At 3 a.m. the winds shifted to the North and then to the West with heavy rain and wind. Thanks to



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 Windsurfers in the Miami Olympic Class  
 Regatta 2006 at Coconut Grove Sailing  
 Club.*

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# COMMODORE'S REPORT

This is my first article as Commodore of the Coconut Grove Sailing Club. I leave the club in good shape (so I hope) for the incoming Vice Commodore, Marc Buller, who is responsible for handling the day-to-day operations and property. Marc will do a great job for the club.



I would like to thank all of you who have supported me through the years in the different positions that I have held at the club. This last one, and the most important, will be challenging and is an honor to hold.

For those of you that came to annual insulation banquet, thank you! It was a pleasure to see every one. Hugh and the staff put on a great party and everyone had a great time (myself included).

In the coming year, I want to increase the number of sailing programs, races and events. I hope that more people, young and old, learn about sailing and seamanship. We have a great bay to sail on and provide a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn about the marine environment.

Come on down to the club, enjoy the beauty of Biscayne Bay and time spent with fellow sailors!

*David Kurtz  
 Commodore*



*CGSC's 61st Installation Banquet*



# VICE COMMODORE REPORT

It is an honor to be sworn in as your Vice Commodore. I hope to live up to your expectations and continue the great traditions of this Club. I plan to work with the Board and Staff to improve our Club and continue programs and policies set forth by previous Commodores.

We have a wonderful facility. Being charged with the upkeep of our grounds, I plan to serve the members and provide the best services at a reasonable price. I feel we have an opportunity to continue the traditions of the CGSC and prove to the Community that we are indispensable. Our youth programs and Community

Outreach Programs are a way for us to accomplish that goal.

So as we look to the future, I ask you to be proud to be a member of the Coconut Grove Sailing Club: a Community Sailing Club.

Happy Sails, ~ ~ \_\_/ ) ~ ~  
*Marc Buller*  
*Vice Commodore*



# REAR COMMODORE REPORT

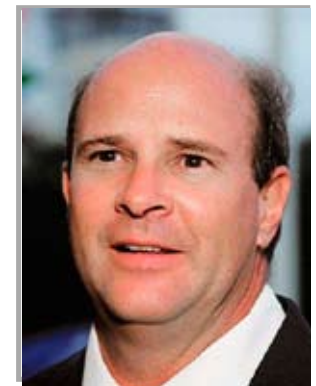
I am happy to have been elected as the new Rear Commodore, and will strive to use the position to strengthen our club and our sailing programs.

Hopefully you are all aware, that the Saski group is well on their way to issuing a Master Plan for the Grove waterfront. In an effort to make them aware of the importance of sailing on Biscayne Bay, I have sent them the letter found on pages 4-5. Copies have also been emailed to Commissioner Johnny Winton and city manager Arriola.

In the letter I propose a common theme for the project. I trust that the membership of CGSC will realize the obvious

benefits if the proposed theme were adopted, and hope that you will all rally to convince the planners and politicians that the "Village of Coconut Grove - Sailboat Racing Capital of America" could be beneficial to all involved.

Smooth Sailing,  
*Charlie Rahn,*  
*Rear Commodore*



# TREASURER REPORT

Well, here I am back in the saddle again as treasurer. Six months ago I would not have believed this. But because we do have a great team and the club is running smoothly, I agreed to do it again.

## DUES AND FEES

This is a new year and dues and fees must increase to cover our expenses. Remember we are a nonprofit organization. Our budget goal is to break even not to make a profit.

Dues for Regular members will increase \$25 to \$600 per year plus 7% sales tax. This year per the club bylaws full payment of dues are due at the beginning of the club's fiscal year, July 1<sup>st</sup>. The option of quarterly payments is no longer available.

Starting next January the dues for Social members will increase from \$50 to \$100 per year. In January 2007 Social members will be billed \$50 for the six month period January through June. Then in July 2007 Social members will start being billed \$100 for the club's fiscal year July 2007 to June 2008.

Mooring fees will be going up from \$6.00 to \$7.00 per foot per month. This is a large increase as compared to past years. However, there are 50 fewer boats in the mooring field right now than there were before Hurricane Katrina.

The board has created a new guest mooring category. This is for future members who have submitted an application for Regular membership but have not yet completed the membership process. Their mooring fees will be \$10.50 per foot per month during this interim period.

Strip fees will increase from \$4.36 to \$5.00 per foot per month. Rack fees will remain as they are.

## WEBSITE

We welcome Beth Hernandez back as overseer of the CGSC website. She has brought it back to life. Please visit us at [cgsc.org](http://cgsc.org).

This is all the financial news for now.

Happy sails to you,

*Jo-An Piszenny, Treasurer*



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June 9, 2006

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Subj: Coconut Grove Master Plan

Dear Mark,

As a Life Member and Flag Officer of the Coconut Grove Sailing Club, I have been following your master plan since the day we first talked at CGSC last year.

I think you have some wonderful ideas in your plan. However, after leaving your presentation meeting at the Women's Club a few months ago, I could not help but feel that the item missing was a "central theme"

Just as Fort Lauderdale is the "Venice of America", and Islamorda is the "Sport Fishing Capital of the World", I would like to propose the following theme.

**COCONUT GROVE**  
**THE**  
**SAILBOAT RACING CAPITAL**  
**OF**  
**AMERICA**

If you look at your overhead photos of the Grove waterfront you will see that a large portion of the land has been directly involved with this theme for years, or at least indirectly benefits from it.

Direct supporters of this theme include, (starting from the north to the south):  
U.S. Sailing Center, Coral Reef Yacht Club, Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, Shake – A – Leg, and the Coconut Grove Sailing Club.

Indirect beneficiaries of the theme include: All the waterfront Marinas, Hotels, Restaurants and Shops in Coconut Grove, from the Sailboat Racers that come from not only the entire United States, but from all over the world. I would venture a wager that the highest earnings week for the Fresh Market is when the 700 plus, junior sailors are competing in the Orange Bowl Regatta.

Biscayne Bay is the best, year round sailing resource in the country, and Coconut Grove offers the best access to that resource. From its waters have come world champions and Olympic gold medal winners as well as hundreds of confident young sailors ready for the challenges of the world.

The city of Auckland New Zealand built an entire portion of their downtown waterfront as the “America’s Cup Village”. This area was centered around one major sailing event, and it transformed a working section of the waterfront to a vibrant gathering place of shops, restaurants and condominiums.

Coconut Grove is home to not just one major sailing event, but a multitude of long established world class events.

I urge you to consider this central theme.

I think Commodore Ralph Munroe would be proud to know that 125 years after he plied the waters of Biscayne Bay, his Village of Coconut Grove would become known for such a noble cause.

I would be more than happy to host you and members of your staff for a dinner at Coconut Grove Sailing Club to discuss just how easy and beneficial it would be to adopt this theme to your project. Although I am not a city planner, as a Naval Architect I have been working with cruise ship designs and renovations for the past 25 years. These ships are in essence a 900 foot self contained waterfront city.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best Regards,

Charles A. Rahn  
Rear Commodore – Coconut Grove Sailing



JUNIOR SAILORS FROM DENMARK, PUERTO RICO, CHILE AND THE USA COMPETING IN THE 2004 ORANGE BOWL REGATTA FROM COCONUT GROVE, VIEW THE MAJIC CITY OF MIAMI AT THE END OF THE RAINBOW

It's the **4<sup>th</sup>** of **JULY** Weekend what are You Doing to Celebrate?  
Why Not Join Your Friends at the CGSC?

Saturday & Sunday (July 1st & 2nd) a Regular Great Weekend!

Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> Lounge Open from 11 am - 8 pm with Limited Lunch Services from 11 am - 3 pm.

Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> Lounge Opened from 11 am with a Traditional BBQ, "Below Decks" from 1 pm to 5 pm. *Regular Restaurant Service and "Social Night" Suspended.*

Bring the Kids and Hang Around for the Fireworks over the Bay and in the local Vicinity.

The 4th of July BBQ menu will consist of: BBQ Ribs OR Chicken Qtrs, Baked Beans, 1/2 Ears of Corn on the Cob, Cole Slaw and Sliced Water Melon. The Bar will be Open for Beverages. The cost is only \$10.00 plus tax with buffet tickets purchased from the lounge.



### WEBSITE UPGRADED

CGSC members can log onto the CGSC website!

- Update your member directory information. Make sure to include your email address so you can receive club email to keep you informed on club news and events.
- View your current CGSC bill. The club will be posting your current CGSC bill regularly through the month .

To log on use the following

User id - this is your CGSC member number, Your member number is printed on your CGSC monthly bill

Password - This is your last name. For additional security, you may change your password when you log onto your member account. If you forget your password you will need to call the CGSC office so they can reset it.

Beth Hernandez,  
Webmaster

## Summer Camp 2006

**For Kids ages 8-16**

**call 305-444-4571 ext.11\Registration open to the public and all members**



**Sessions are 2 weeks long from  
May 29<sup>th</sup> thru July 21<sup>st</sup>**

**One-week session from July 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>  
Prms, Optimists, Sunfish, Flying Scots,  
Kayaks & More !**

# From The Manager . . .

As we all know from the Weather Channel and CNN, we are now in the 2006 Hurricane Season. They remind us daily - Thank you!

I know I'm preaching to the choir, but as a Katrina survivor from the Gulf Coast, I'd be remiss if I didn't pass on and emphasize a few needed precautions for this storm season.

When the winds finally cease, don't expect a representative from FEMA to be knocking at your door. When they say stock up for at least 3 days, they're not kidding. So, avoid the rush, start now! Stock up on bottled water, flashlights, batteries, canned food (Chef Boyardee must have been a hurricane survivor!), watch the Weather Channel and keep your gas tanks topped off and consider keeping about 15 gal of gasoline in reserve, either for your car or generator. If the Big One does come our way and you and your family are forced to head into a central safe spot in your home - take an axe. That might sound pretty archaic, but I'm originally from New Orleans and an axe is a very useful tool to rip through a door, wall or roof.

We all hope this season will pass without incident, but be prepared. You can always eat the Spaghetti-O's in the fall!

On another note, our Dock Master Peter has moved on to accept a rewarding position as Dock Master elsewhere and we wish him the best of luck and success. We are also very happy to announce that Duane Smallwood, a current dock hand has been promoted to assume the vacated position. Please wish Duane well.



Will chat next month.

*Hugh*



*Duane Smallwood*

## "Hugh's Q & A"

Many questions asked are composites from several members. Please direct questions or issues directly to myself or use the "Suggestion Box" located in the club lounge.

I got some good questions this month. I hope they answer your concerns as well.

Q: Some of the wine you serve in the bar is pretty lame. Who do I have to talk to improve the selection?

A: Well, that would be me. We currently serve "Columbia Crest" from the US Northwest as our House Wine. It's not my personal favorite, but it surpasses all of the Gallo products currently flooding the market such as Echo Damoni, etc. in the differing tiers of house wines. We carry Columbia Crest, because its price point is consistent with our budgetary requirements. But, I'm not adverse to exploring other labels and varietals. Both for our house brands and upscale offers. Please contact me and provide your suggestions. You'll find me very open to your suggestions.

Q: My husband and I are "Social Members" of the club. Can we rent boats from the club like regular members?

A: Due to liability concerns, CGSC does not rent boats to anyone - Regular or Social Members. The boats on the moorings belong to individual members and the smaller boats on shore, Kayaks, Prams, Opti's, Flying Scot's, etc. are individually owned by members, the Miami-Dade School System or the club. The club boats are primarily used for the many sailing classes the club offers to the public. If you would like to sail, please check out our website at [www.cgsc.org](http://www.cgsc.org) and list yourself as a potential crew member or consider take one of our Adult Learn to Sail classes.

## Kitchen Hours

### Thursday

11:00am – 8:00pm

### Friday & Saturday

11:00am- 9:00pm

### Sunday

11:00am – 8:00pm



### **Thursday Night Special**

***New York Strip Steak Dinner***

***\$12.00 Between 6-8 PM***

***You need to call ahead to reserve yours.***

## Social Membership

is available to City of Miami Residents and City of Miami Employees. This membership is valid Jan 1 through Dec 31, 2006 and is renewable on an annual basis. Please inquire at the club for details or call the office at 305-444-4571



Our next stop, a short one was at Powell Cay. This was the island that Alyn envisioned when he designed the Abacos' T-shirt. Wide curving beach, uninhabited island complete with shark cruising by the beach. We took the "marked" trail over to the Oceanside and were surprised to find such a large variety of plants, flowers, birds and butterflies. We even had to cross through a wetland area before hiking over the high dunes to a wide undisturbed beach overlooking the ocean. This was probably one of my favorite stops on the trip. We sailed on to Manjack Cay a favorite for charters to anchor for the night. This was recorded as one of the best Sunset spots on our trip.

Next day it was on to Green Turtle Cay where we discovered "Namaste" anchored in White Sound. We anchored off the government dock, dinghied in to the New Plymouth Settlement (population 450) and spent the day touring the Lowe Museum, calling home and provisioning. New Plymouth was by far the best spot for provisions. Block ice at Curry's and homemade ice cream and brownies at Sid's Grocery. Just don't go during lunch, everyone is closed. Laura's Restaurant had the best cracked conch of our trip. Of course we couldn't miss Miss Emily's Blue Bee Bar now run by her daughter Violet to sample her Goombay Smash and meet up with old friends from Miami. Our former neighbor now teaches 5th and 6th grade there, she has 12 students!

Saturday dawned flat calm as we headed to Guana, the party spot of our trip. Our passage through Whale Channel was uneventful, however, Gerri on Meditation caught our supper (still not exactly sure what kind of fish it was) which we shared with Ray and Elena from Windshadow – the sushi was excellent. We got a mooring ball at Fisherman's Bay, dinghied in and checked out the beautiful Oceanside beach and Nippers. Sunday morning on the Cruiser's Net (Channel 68, 8:15 a.m.) we heard the announcement from Otro Cuba Libre that there was a CGSC Party at Nippers Pig Roast so we knew a Rendezvous was about to happen. The harbor and Bay filled with sailboats and everyone headed into shore in their dinghies with one destination in mind "Nippers." Jack and Clare Hamm, Jeanne Cadwalader, Kathy and Mark Buller, Gerri and Wanda Giudici, Ray and Elena Schnell, Jennifer Wirth and Joe Logan, Nick Martens and Alyn and I spent the afternoon, sharing stories, "Nippers" and Kaliks while we danced and enjoyed the tide pools on the beach.

Monday morning the group split up, some off to Marsh Harbour, and we headed to Hope Town, our southernmost destination. We stopped at Man O War Cay for fuel, ice and lunch- where we saw several beautiful Abaco sailing dinghys made there - and made it to Hope Town Harbor late afternoon. Hometown is another settlement much like New Plymouth, a tiny town with brightly painted houses, tidy gardens and a working lighthouse. Tuesday morning we were greeted by Steve Neumeyer and Julio Rodriguez and crew who had flown in to Marsh Harbour and chartered a Moorings Beneteau for the week. As evening approached the harbor took on the look of the CGSC mooring field as Hammertime, Otro Cuba Libre and Namaste arrived to take up spots. CGSC had seven boats moored in Hope Town Harbor that night! We enjoyed dinner together at Capt. Dicks. Great Mango Margarita's and "Jack Hammers" - who could have known there was a drink



*Above, Bake sale is enjoyed by all. At left and below, crews gathered at Capt. Jack's.*



*Green Turtle*



CGSC members gather for a group photo.



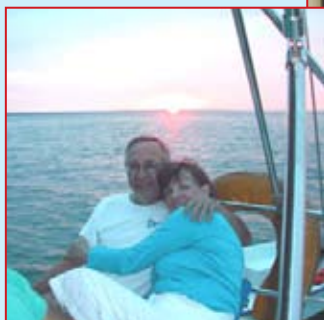
Above and above left are pictures of New Plymouth



Walking on the beach in Guana.



Crews join up in Hopetown for the rendezvous.



Above, Julio and Madie  
Above right, the voyagers meet at CGSC to make plans.  
Right, beauty and the beast.



named after our former commodore!

This was the turning point in our trip. Wind Shadow, Otro Cuba Libre, Hammertime and Namaste headed south for the Berry's and back to Miami while Meditation and Effortless headed back north for one more stop at Green Turtle and Guana.

On our way north we were able to visit the Fowl Cays land and sea park just north of Elbow Cay (great sea urchins), Allens-Pensacola (left our mark on the signing tree), Cooperstown (Conch Crawl Bar), Great Sale (shooting stars), and Mangrove Cay (devastated by the hurricanes) on the way back to West End.

Our crossing from West End to Lake Worth was a pleasant trip. No wind but fair weather. 10 hours to make the crossing and get to our anchorage in Lake Worth. Saturday was spent negotiating the intracoastal waterway, waiting for bridges (every bridge has a different opening schedule) and dodging power boats, The upper end of the intracoastal was pleasant but sea walls and wakes on the lower end were nerve racking. We got a slip at Pier 66 and watched our last sunset over the busy waterways of Ft. Lauderdale.

Sunday we sailed down the outside until the wind shifted and then motored through Government Cut and into Biscayne Bay.

It was a great trip and everyone made it back safely.

Upcoming events include a July 4th raft up at Nixon's to enjoy the fireworks, Please join us after the club BBQ for a casual potluck and tubing session.

We are also planning a Mini Lobster Season Rendezvous, the end of July, watch for the date in my emails. In August we are planning our Meteor Shower Rendezvous in Bimini. We will make the crossing August 12 to view the Perseid Meteor Shower and then spend the next night in Bimini.

In case you are wondering, suggestions for our next Adventure Rendezvous include the Exumas and the British Virgin Islands (fly and charter). Let me know if you are interested.

*Janice*

### The Crossing

We left it was daylight  
An interesting brew  
It would soon be night  
But we all had good crew  
At the outside marks  
The moon was rising it lit up  
the dark  
And the night turned bright  
For our start

"Meditation", strummed along  
Mainsail up engine beaming a song  
As we all ambled along

The fast freighter did frighten  
But there was nothing to fear  
As the sun started to brighten  
We knew West End was near  
And customs would be frightened  
Over all the beer.

As we assembled  
This interesting ensemble  
"Effortless," is on lead guitar  
We could all see her gleaming  
wood spars  
"Windshadow," on drums  
Providing direction to run up the ruhmb  
"Beauty and the Beast", would disappear  
from site  
Then reappear on a crest all of the night

*(Poem written by Gerry Giudici on the Abaco crossing.)*

# ON THE MOORINGS....

By Doug Hanks

*This is a new, occasional column about news big and small from the mooring field. Have some new brightwork you want to brag about? Mystified by a boat's name? Drop me a line at hanksmiami@yahoo.com.*

When he would visit his grandmother, **Amaury Bentacourt** usually made glum trips to the garage -- for more than a decade, the cramped home of his late grandfather's Cape Dory Typhoon.

"It was sad to see it sitting there," recalled Amaury, a 20-year-old junior at the University of Florida. "I always wanted to take care of it."

Now the 19-foot daysailer sits on the southwestern edge of the Sailing Club's mooring field, a rescued family tradition.

Amaury was 6 when he last sailed on

the Typhoon, just before a coming storm (1992's Hurricane Andrew) prompted his grandfather to haul her out of the water for the final time.

Amaury Bentacourt Sr., a Cuban-born banker in Miami, bought her new in the early 70s, shortly after the Carl Alber classic came on the market. Nicknamed "America's Littlest Yacht," the Typhoon featured a roomy cockpit and heavy keel -- making it a popular family starter boat.

When Amaury's grandmother died last winter, there was talk of just giving the old boat away. No one in the family really had the room for the full-keel, two-ton vessel. Then Amaury and his father volunteered to take her.

The dusty Typhoon didn't turn out to be quite the project they had expected.

"Nothing really had to be fixed on it," Amaury said. "He put it away really well."

The morning the family trailered it over to the Club's parking lot, one veteran sailer walked over and offered to buy it.

He was out of luck, of course. Amaury and his father, **Amaury Bentacourt Jr.**, try to head out at least once week on her -- even if it means stealing a quick workaday sail before sunset.

"I'm so glad we're sailing," Amaury said. "It's nice to have it in the water after all these years."

There's no name on the transom yet, but the Bentacourts plan to call her *Diablo* -- the name of a boat Amaury's grandfather had in Cuba.

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At press time, the Club was preparing to read the last chapter of **Genesis, Marty Ward's** Sabre 28. The semi-retired yacht broker is heading to Annapolis, Md., after two years in Miami.

Marty says she'll miss all the sailing lessons she has

given her friends on Biscayne Bay. But she is looking forward to the Friday night beer-can races that start weekends off the right way in Annapolis.

You can still reach Marty at [marty@Bollmanyachts.com](mailto:marty@Bollmanyachts.com) or 954-732-1112. *Genesis* will be arriving in Maryland via truck, along with Marty's porch furniture.

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By my count, there are seven boats on the mooring field with some play on "Sea" in their names. **Searentity** is one of them. Can you name five others? Send me your list. One lucky winner gets a drink on my tab.



## Joe Logan

### ASA Sailing Instructor of the Year

For the third time in a row, Joe Logan has been named the American Sailing Association (ASA) Instructor of the year. Joe's accomplishments are numerous and focus on his true love of sailing. He started sailing at the age of 10 under the watchful eyes of the Sailing Club. Joe started his teaching career at CGSC teaching summer sailing, before moving on to Long Island Sound while he attended college at Old Dominion. Joe received a Masters Degree in Adult Education and Corporate Training. Currently, he is employed by Blue Water Sailing School, which specializes in offshore sailing for a week at a time. He and his fiancée Jennifer Worth have a Beneteau 352, Sunday Morning on the club moorings. It is always interesting and fun to speak with Joe about sailing!

## *In Memoriam...*

### *Neale S. Foster*

Life and Founding Club Member, Judge Neale S. Foster, passed away at the age of 81. Neale was a public servant for half century, a long-serving Miami immigration judge and a passionate sailor into his 70's. He is survived by his wife Anita and two daughters.



# Summer Sailing Program



The first two sessions of sailing camp began summer on a high note, with two full sessions consisting of Beginning Pram, Beginning Sunfish, and Intermediate sailors. Jeanine McCleod has joined us this year as the summer sailing camp director, along with many returning instructors and a few new faces.



Summer Sailing  
Director -  
Jeanine McCleod

Both sessions were fortunate with the weather—aside from a rainy day or two from Tropical Storm Alberto and a few excessively windy days, no time was lost to inclement conditions. All campers were able to learn the skills they needed to progress to the next level of instruction.



A partnership with the local Rotary club gave a few children the opportunity to learn how to sail courtesy of the organization's generosity. They joined the other campers for fun-filled sessions, which included daily lunch breaks on a nearby sandbar, long-distance sailing, bay exploration days, dolphin sightings, and "Fun Day" at the Vizcaya sandbar. The addition of the new camp store was a big hit this summer. At the end of the day campers were able to treat themselves to candy, chips, ice cream, and water, among other things. A job well done during the day was rewarded with a "sailor silver"—a fake coin the camper was able to redeem at the store for whatever they pleased.



The summer has only just begun—we hope the next three sessions run as smoothly as the past two have!

Ariel Zirulnick





## NOTICE

CGSC'S Race Committee will begin having monthly meetings starting in July.

The meetings will be on the second Tuesday of each month commencing July 11<sup>th</sup>. Meetings will start promptly at 7:45 PM right after Social Night and won't last over an hour. Some months will feature on the water training on a weekend day. (TBA) The meetings will be fun and interesting - current RC members and newcomers are welcome.  
No racing or RC experience required.



## Hurricane Preparedness

Phil Kellet and Bill Beavers put on a very successful Hurricane Preparedness Course May 20th. Thirty-two people attended. They learned about the factors that contribute to a hurricane forming, what equipment is needed to be prepared, how to anchor with two or three anchors. After the informative PowerPoint presentation and a hearty lunch, 13 people went out on the club launches to see the Waterway and Marine Stadium so they could better decide where they will move their boat. Everyone was encouraged to get a buddy system worked out to make moving their boat before the hurricane a success. Having people around you that know how to properly anchor can go a long way to making it less likely that your boat will sustain damage.

If you have not taken the Hurricane Preparedness Course, please contact Phil Kellett to sign up for the next course at [drpkellett@aol.com](mailto:drpkellett@aol.com) 954-288-0679.

### Donate Your Old Sails!

I am collecting unwanted sails to deliver to fishermen on the Northern shore of Haiti. They build their own sailboats and commonly fashion makeshift sails from old flour bags, clothing, and plastic bags. Donated sails in virtually any condition would be useful. The improved materials would allow for less sail maintenance and more efficient fishing. Donations are tax-deductible. Pick-up can be arranged. Call me at (305) 321-8273, or email [m.carcaise@umiami.edu](mailto:m.carcaise@umiami.edu)



Thank you,  
Michael Carcaise  
UM Sailing Team Member

## July – August 2006 Racing Schedule

July 4-14 Regatta Time in Abaco!

BIG RACING WEEKEND COMING UP!  
ANNOUNCEMENT AND NOTICE OF RACE  
LINKED ON THE CGSC AND BBYRA  
WEBSITES, POSTED ON THE RACE BULLETIN  
BOARD, AND AVAILABLE IN  
THE CGSC OFFICE.  
(Prior entry required!)  
JOIN THE FUN!

July 29 **CGSC COMMODORE'S CUP  
CHAMPIONSHIP (PHRF AND  
ONE DESIGN CLASSES)**

August 5 **CGSC COMMODORE'S CUP  
CHAMPIONSHIP (JUNIOR  
LASERS AND OPTIMIST DINGHY  
CLASSES)**

August 5-6 Summer in the City Regatta – MYC

August 12 **SINGLE HANDED RACE – CGSC  
(And Race Committee Party!)**

August 13 **DOUBLE HANDED RACE– CGSC**

August 19 Conch Cup - MYC

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Parking:** Due to excessive crowding in the parking lot, the club will be towing cars without parking stickers. No exceptions allowed! If you are a regular or life member you are entitled to purchase a parking sticker. Please make a copy of your car's registration and take it to the office. Social members, non-resident members and youth members are not entitled to purchase parking stickers.

Ample public parking is available across the street at the Sonesta Parking lot.

**Dog Policy:** Please, please, please:  
NO DOGS UPSTAIRS

Dogs are welcome downstairs on a leash. Please show courtesy to the kids and sails drying on the lawn by picking up after your dog.

We appreciate your understanding on this matter.

### **SAILING DIRECTOR SOUGHT:**

If you know someone who is interested in working at the Club, please let them know of this opportunity.

Requirements:

- \*US Sailing Level one instructor – minimum, First Aid /CPR.

- \*Racing experience / coaching skills  
Have ideas and the willingness to expand our programs

- \*Ability to work with the Board of \*Directors to further these goals.

Please contact the front office or Rear Commodore:  
[rearcommodore@cgsc.org](mailto:rearcommodore@cgsc.org)

Charlie Rahn R.C.

### **DIRECTORY UPDATE INFO NEEDED!**

The Membership Committee is in the process of updating the membership directory. Please look for an insert in your next statement regarding the membership directory. Complete and return the form along with your statement. Alternatively, you can complete the form that will be posted on the CGSC website. As soon as we can get all the information compiled, we will make the new directory available to you.

Thanks  
Janice Pruet

### **THE CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Next year, in May, the CGSC will be hosting the Florida Opti Championship. This is a commitment that all major Sailing Clubs have periodically with the Class. We can show our value as a serious sailing organization to the City, the State, the Nation and the World since this event is published and followed up by thousands of people around the world. WE NEED AT LEAST FIFTY VOLUNTEERS. We have various committee leaders and contributors positions in many areas, such as space logistics, sponsoring, public relations, safety, race committee, food and activities, registration, budgeting and many others. This is an event that will

bring around 200 Opti sailors with parents, coaches and friends, so the impact in our community will be great and positive. As you know the difference between positive and negative will probably be having a well organized event or a poorly organized one. This mostly depend of the attitude and number of volunteers we have.

If you feel that this is a great cause and you want to help our Opti racing program, please give us a call. Antonio Bejarano (305-588-0084 [Antonio1Bejarano@aol.com](mailto:Antonio1Bejarano@aol.com)) or Hugh Stallings.

I am looking forward to meeting you.

**The Sasaki** alternative designs presentation for the Coconut Grove Waterfront Master plan is currently scheduled for mid July. For further information on scheduling please go to: <http://projects.sasaki.com/coconutgrove>

To review the work in process go to the above website and click on "work-to-date" to view the analysis presentation, the image boards, and the goal statement boards.

### **Sail a Small Boat Day! Saturday July 22 from 11 AM to 5 PM.**

Come take a short sail on the bay and see what sailing is all about. Get out on the water in a new sailboat for about 30 minutes. No experience required, just the need to have some fun... to try a new potential hobby, an alternative to the gas guzzling powerboat or pounding Jet Ski.

Call or email David Wadle (305 689 0063 or [davidwadle@hotmail.com](mailto:davidwadle@hotmail.com).) for details.

We will have a Catalina 250K (David's own personal boat), a Catalina 22 and the Expo 14 from BOATER'S EXCHANGE in Rockledge, Florida.

Public parking is available at the Sonesta for \$5 on weekends.

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# CLASSIFIEDS

## Month 1

KAYAK: Perception Prism, 14'-2" plastic sit-on-top kayak with rudder, 2 storage hatches, Harmony Mariner paddle, adjustable padded seat, and small anchor w/ folding flukes; approx 7 years old; \$400 OBO - call Larry @ 305-663-9836 (evenings / leave message).

## Month 2

1980 MORGAN 321 "Ruthie" Great Keys and Bahamas cruiser, 4 ft encapsulated keel, new roller furling jib, 11'6" beam on deck, spacious teak interior with new 5" foam cushions, accommodates for four comfortably. New standing rigging, thru-hulls and bottom paint. Powered 2 cyl. Yanmar diesel, she is equipped for cruising and ready to sail away. Located at Dinner Key Marina, asking \$23,500.00, serious buyers call 305 856-1653.

## Month 3

**Itzabote for sale:** 1986 S-2, 30 ft., center cockpit. Draws 4'. Sleeps 4 in two cabins. All new standing and running rigging. 305-651-0118.

**1983 CATALINA 22**, Swing Keel, Pop Top, Great Condition, On Mooring - Ready to Sail, 2005 upgrades / improvements - Bottom Paint / Refinished Keel, Rebuilt

Trailer, New Running / Standing Rigging, Single handed sailing / all lines to cockpit. CD Stereo, Nice cushions, Bimini, Sail covers. 1995 Johnson 9.9-Runs Great. Call for Info, Serious buyers ask to take her for a sail. Asking \$5,500, Call Scott 954-920-4945

**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)

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**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@bellsouth.net](mailto:cebranning@bellsouth.net).

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# Goombay Regatta May 27-28

The CGSC hosted the Annual Gombay Regatta combined with the 2005 South East Florida PHRF Championship over the Memorial Day weekend. Hurricane Wilma had prompted the rescheduling of the PHRF Championship which was originally set for November 2005.

The race committee set windward leeward courses in the light but consistent sea breezes which were followed by "Dark and Stormy" (courtesy of one of the race sponsors, Goslings Bermuda Rum). The competitors enjoyed

Robert's barbecue on Saturday afternoon and it was Dark and Stormy again for the trophy presentation. Thanks go out to the sponsors, Goslings and to West Marine.

Class winners were: PHRF 1 Mostly Harmless, Chris Woolsey; PHRF 2 Jammin, Russ Horn and; PHRF 3 Blitzkrieg, Karen Mitchell. Complete results may be found on the BBYA web site.



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