



OCTOBER 2009

FLORIDA STATE SNIPE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

52nd ANNUAL Regatta Held September 12 and 13 at
Coconut Grove Sailing Club

Nineteen teams competed in the 2009 52nd Annual, Florida State Junior Championship. We had representatives from Ft Lauderdale, Tampa and Miami. Five teams from the University of South Florida came to enjoy the competition. The event was hosted by the Coconut Grove Sailing Club and the Miami Snipe Fleet # 7.

Saturday races started on time with winds from the South at approximately 6-8 kts. Race 1 was a course W with 0.6 nm legs. The first attempt to run race 2, another course W, resulted in a general recall. During the second attempt to start race 2 we received reports from the windward mark



Trophy presented to Winner Axel Sly by
Marc Buller, PC.

boat of winds increasing to over 20 kts approaching the starting area and gust reaching 30 kts. As such, for their safety and to protect their equipment, we proceeded to postpone the races and send the fleet back to the Club. Once the weather improved we were able to resend the fleet out to the race course where we were met with winds from the South Southwest at 6-8 kts. Race 2 and 3 were also courses W with an initial leg of 0.5 nm and a shortened second leg to 0.4 nm as the wind speeds were reducing threatening the possibility of not meeting the time requirements. Once race 2 and 3 were completed the fleet was sent back to the dock as we were running out of daylight.



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Cover Photo of a 49'er at the Miami Olympic Class Regatta taken by Charles Branning.

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COMMODORE'S REPORT



It's October already! I trust everyone enjoyed their summer vacations, travels and sailing. I invite everyone to welcome our new General Manager Dragan Savin to CGSC. Stop by the office and introduce yourself and give him your suggestions regarding any new items you would like to see in our F/B selection or anything else that would make CGSC an even better place to share with your family and friends.

The new member drive is going strong with many new faces at the club and a variety of events to choose from for the fall schedule. Get involved NOW with your club, it will enrich your time spent at the club greatly. The staff and your flag officers and board are working hard in keeping everything running smoothly. Discussion with the city regarding our lease are ongoing and their should be more to report after the new Miami mayoral elections November 3 of this year. Coconut Grove Sailing Club for 65 years is the only sailing club venue open to the public in Miami. Our current Mayoral candidates and our district commissioner have been very supportive of the club and appreciate the fine service to the community our dedicated volunteer members and staff work hard every day to provide. The club moorings and membership are available first come first serve to the public after fulfilling the mooring agreement of the club. Anyone can join the sailing club and we invite you to bring your family and friends to the club this fall to enjoy our monthly open house events. Coconut Grove Sailing Club is the only sailing venue on the Bay to offer moorings and membership to the public of Miami in this manner, welcoming everyone to enjoy our oasis on the Bay. The Coconut Grove Annual Regatta will be run this month and I welcome all the sailors that come from out of town for the race to enjoy the event and our club.

I will see you at the club or on the Bay. Go Sailing and Enjoy!

*Nick Martens,
 Commodore*

RECRUIT A MEMBER. HAVE DINNER ON US!

This year, we are pushing to fill our mooring field and boost our membership roster. So we are launching a new incentive program for all members. If you recruit a new Regular Member, you will earn a \$75 credit for food and drink at the Grove's Nest! Recruit two members, get \$150! While the credit is awarded for recruiting Regular Members, any member is eligible for the credit, Social Members, too, of course! So get out there and start recruiting. And remind your recruits to mention you on their application. Tell them their first CGSC dinner is on you! See details at cgsc.org/membership2009.

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

As you all know we have at last found and hired our new General Manager, Dragan Savin (pronounced "Dragon"). I am very happy to have him on-board and managing the day to day operations of the club. I know you will find him, as I do, to be personable, energetic and eager to improve our club. Please stop by the office and introduce yourself to him.

Dragan will be working on a number of initiatives developed by the Executive Committee over the past several months. Among these are: renovations to the bar and main meeting room; kitchen and storage improvements; and menu enhancements. Look for changes and improvements in the coming weeks and months.

In addition, this year, I personally want to see CGSC "Go Green". By that I mean I want our facility and operations to adopt and implement green, sustainable practices. This means everything from waste recycling to purchasing "green" cleaning supplies to using recycled paper products, to using energy efficient lights etc. I think this is an especially important effort for the Club and I hope you will get behind it. If you have specific suggestions please forward them to me at apruett100@aol.com.

One of the important green initiatives we are already working on is the Clean Marina Program. As described by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, "The Florida Clean Marina Programs are designed to bring awareness to marine facilities and boaters regarding environmentally friendly practices intended to protect and preserve Florida's natural environment. Marinas, boatyards and marine retailers receive clean designations by demonstrating a commitment implementing and maintaining a host of best management practices (BMP's). These BMP's address critical environmental issues such as sensitive habitat, waste management, storm water control, spill prevention and emergency preparedness."



Cathy Peak spearheaded the efforts to get this started about a year ago, and has agreed to pick up the ball to help us complete this program. Once we complete our certification we will be able to fly the Clean Marina flag, use the Clean Marina logo in advertising CGSC and be included in the Florida DEP outreach publications and web site and receive recognition for our commitment to environmental stewardship.



Another important initiative that is starting up is the CGSC partnership with Ransom Everglades School to maintain and improve the spoil island immediately adjacent to our mooring field. Ransom Everglades School has been working to improve and maintain this island for the past year or so, under the auspices of Shake a Leg Miami, who has a pending agreement with the City of Miami for the management of all the spoil islands. Ransom Everglades has invited CGSC to participate in this initiative. Moving from north to south the islands are labeled "A thru E" with "our" island being Island "E". Coral Reef Yacht Club is also involved, in the maintenance of island "A", and Shake a Leg has already made improvements to islands B and C. This group, which will be working cooperatively in these efforts has adopted the name "Friends of the Dinner Key Islands" or FDKI.

We are in the process of creating a CGSC committee to develop ideas for use of the island to enhance our learn – to – sail and recreational sailing programs. We also want to create an "official" name for the island – perhaps through a contest. The name will, of course, have to begin with the letter "E".

Dragan and I will also be working closely with our property committee, which consists of the following members – Bill Beavers, Charlie Branning, Jan Treese, Steve Perry and Kevin Rusk, to evaluate our physical facilities and develop plans for additional repairs, improvements etc. In particular we will be developing a "project list" for our member's work weekend to be held in November.

And finally it is important to report that we will be doing our biannual mooring inspections late September/ October. This is a one of the most important maintenance items at the Club, and will ensure that our moorings assemblies are in top structural condition. So in the coming weeks you will likely see divers in the mooring field as they go about their inspections.

As always if you have any suggestions feel free to email them to me or give them to Dragan at the Club.

See you on the water and at the Club

Alyn Pruett,

Vice Commodore

REAR COMMODORE REPORT

We have much to report on our sailing programs which keep growing and gaining strength each year.

Let's start out with our Youth Programs. Sailing Director extraordinaire, Nick Mansbach, has once again completed a successful summer camp with more young sailors than ever taking to the bay from CGSC. We gave away 18 scholarships to students that otherwise may not have had the chance to learn the fundamentals of sailing and seamanship. Students learn not only how to sail but independence and decision making abilities that will stay with them the rest of their lives.

One hurdle we had in giving the scholarships away was that students must first be able to swim. We are working on developing a program to teach swimming so we can continue to grow our scholarship program.

Thanks to Richard Crisler our Adult Learn to Sail classes are also breaking all records. We have recently added a beautiful Ensign to our fleet and hope to keep expanding the programs.

On the racing front: Check out the calendar on the newly updated Coconut Grove Sailing Club web site, cgsc.org, if you have not already done so. Cathy Buller has spent countless hours keeping it up to date not only for racing but all club events. Susan Walcutt has all races posted along with on line registration.

Once again we will be hosting the Lightnings and Lasers for the Orange Bowl Regatta, Dec 27-30, 2009. Volunteers are needed to assist before, during and after each day of racing running the operations on and off the water. Interested Volunteers please e-mail Race Chair, Ron Rostorfer at ronsailon@comcast.net. We are expecting a large inflow of sailors from many states around the country, some of whom may need help with housing. If you have any space available please e-mail me at clare.hamm@gmail.com.

Look forward to seeing everyone out on our beautiful bay.

Clare Hamm

Rear Commodore



Once again, the Coconut Grove Sailing Club will be sponsoring a team for the 14th Annual Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure on October 17, 2009, Bayfront Park, Miami. CGSC Team CocoNUTS will be wearing our bright yellow CGSC T-Shirts (except for any team members who are Cancer survivors and they wear Pink). Team members can register for the 5K Run, 5K Walk, 1 Mile Fun Walk or if you can't make it that morning, you can register for the Sleep In for the Cure and just stay home in your jammies.

Register online at http://race.komenmiaftl.org/site/TR?pg=entry&fr_id=1000 and click on the 2nd item in the list on the right hand side of the page "Join an Existing Team". Enter the team name, CGSC CocoNUTS, hit the search button to the right and it will pull up our Team. Team packets and T-Shirts will be picked up by the Team Captain and delivered to participants on the morning of the Race. Interested Team members can meet at the Club to carpool the Saturday morning of the Race. Last year there were over 16,000 participants – what a sight!

Susan Walcutt
Team Captain
CGSC CocoNUTS
305.297.7757

CGSC Monthly Race Committee Meetings Fall 2009

The CGSC Race Committee meets the first Tuesday of each month during the major Biscayne Bay racing season at 7:30pm. Come for Social Night with \$2 Tacos and stay for our meetings. We review our recent races and plan for upcoming events. Each meeting has a topic relevant to Race Committee activities. We are always looking for new members, no previous experience required. If you don't have a boat, this is a great way to spend a day on the Bay.

- Tuesday, October 6, 2009 @ 7:30pm
- Tuesday, November 3, 2009 @ 7:30 pm
- Tuesday, December 1, 2009 @ 6:30 pm
Our Annual Holiday Party – All CGSC Members invited

**Join
CGSC's
Race Committee Team**

A rewarding day on the Bay!

Contact Susan Walcutt
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ADULT SAILING REPORT

Nothing but good news to report from the Adult Sailing Committee. In August as well as September, we reached a milestone in that we had TWO (2) Adult Training Classes going on the same weekend. These were both group Learn-to-Sail classes... one for the beginning Level 1 Sunfish and one for the US Sailing Basic Keelboat Course. It hasn't been that long ago that our Adult program basically consisted of one weekend class per month plus a couple of clinics. In the past two months, we have had more than twenty (20) days of adult training, which includes weekend group classes, several clinics, private classes and private coaching. Obviously that's activity during the week as well as the weekends. Our weekly Sunfish clinic on Thursdays is enjoying the best attendance ever and is now in its third (3rd) year. We have a faithful group of sailors and we continue to grow. Come join us!

We are extremely pleased to have member Bruce Penrod on board as a regular Level 1 instructor. His students are loving his classes and letting us know about it. Three of his recent students are now attending our weekly clinics. Not only is Bruce doing a great job teaching, but he is promoting CGSC, encouraging participation and membership.

Sincere thanks go out to our volunteer coaches. Bob Van Eck, a lifetime member has answered the call for help too

many times to count. Thank Bob when you see him. Also thank Glenn Newland, Cathy and Marc, Jaime Ramon, Rob Quinlivan, Paco Calvet and others who lend a hand when needed.

New to the club? Get involved with the many opportunities to volunteer your services. You will get to know more people sooner and enjoy the feeling of "ownership" of the success of your club. Consider the Adult Sailing program. Minimal work with maximum fun. Contact Richard Crisler, Chairman at 305-342-4775 or crisler@mindspring.com

Fair Winds and Full Sails,

Richard Crisler, Chairman
Adult Sailing Committee
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Back at the Club the Snipe Sailors and Race Committee were treated with a Hamburger Barbecue by Carmen Diaz and the Club staff.

Sunday greeted us with a Chamber of Commerce day with very shifty winds oscillating from 210 to 310 degrees. Race 4 was another course W with 0.55 nm. Race 5 was also a course W with 0.55 nm legs however due to the wind shifts we were forced to signal a change of course at the leeward gate. Race 6 was also a course W however as the winds were increasing we proceeded to extend the distance of the legs to 0.7 nm.

First and second place went to Miami Fleet members. Axel Sly and Enrique Quintero won the regatta, Taylor Scheuermann and Peter Commette were second. Zack Marks and Erin McKey from the University of South Florida placed third.

Many thanks to Coconut Grove Sailing Club and the volunteers of the Race Committee. Duties were switched off, but mostly: the Signal Boat was Otr Cuba Libre owned by Marc and Cathy Buller. PRO and scorer both days and Line Sighter on Saturday was Jaime Ramon. Line sighter on Sunday was Tricia Walker. Scorer and Scriber both days and Timer on Saturday was Jo Ann Mathew. Scriber and flags was Esther Dileo. Flags on Saturday was Geoff. Flags on Sunday were Cathy Buller. Mark Boat was Susan Walcutt with Freddy Sambolin and Richard Pober on Saturday and Bill Scheuermann on Sunday. Pin Boat Saturday was Dennis Jasma and Doug Hanks. Pin Boat Sunday was Kristin Chapin and Michael Rehr. Standby Jury Sharon Bivans-Bourke (Chair), Jane Anne Pincus, and Gerry Bourke all three USS Judges.

Gonzalo Diaz

Inspecting the (fifty two years old!) Florida State Snipe Junior Championship Perpetual trophy donated by The FLORIDAPOWERAAND LIGHT CO. in 1957.



Florida Jr. Snipe Trophies



Past Commodore Marc Buller delivering trophies to third place winners Zack Marks and Erin McKey from the St. Petersburg Fleet



Marc Buller delivering the trophy to Taylor Scheuermann.



Jaime Ramon, race PRO, tests the winds in order to set a good course for the fleet.

The sailors enjoyed the Biscayne Bay waters and had great races.



RESULTS:

Place	Sail No	Helm Name	Co-Skipper/ Crew	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total	Net
1st	28810	Axel Sly	Enrique Quintero	1	3	1	-8	1	1	15	7
2nd	30741	Taylor Scheuermann	Peter Commette	2	6	2	-11	3	2	26	15
3rd	25455	Zack Marks	Erin McKey	3	2	-7	3	5	6	26	19
4th	30107	Britton Steele	Tristan Vail	5	5	-10	1	6	9	36	26
5th	30571	Scott Ewing	Morgan Commette	7	4	3	6	-14	7	41	27
6th	28818	Chris Keiming	Simon Sanders	-16	1	14	4	8	3	46	30
7th	29681	John Wallace	Mary Hall	4	12	4	9	2	-15	46	31
8th	30321	Wade Waddell	Brandon Cairnes	9	9	5	5	-11	4	43	32
9th	29966	Mitch Hall	Andrew Jones	-13	10	6	12	4	8	53	40
10th	30765	Mike Popp	Jon Ellington	6	12.0	8	7	7	-14	54	40
11th	30236	Mac Agnese	Kara Voss	8	-13	12	2	10	12	57	44
12th	29442	Dominique Wright	Carr Moody	11	-14	9	10	9	5	58	44
13th	38107	Kim Calnan	Hillary Noble	-17	11	11	13	12	13	77	60
14th	30187	Justin Ahearn	Brian White	15	7	(18.0 ZEP)	16	13	11	80	62
15th	23391	Jaime Ramon	Mauricio Galarce	12	15	13	15	-16	10	81	65
16th	30027	Grant Dixon	John Dixon	10	17	17	-18	17	17.0	96	78
17th	28812	Trevor Frow	Bryan Reich	14	(20.0 DNC)	20.0 DNC	14	15	20.0 OCS	103	83
18th	29782	Adam Deprimo	Jake Moore	-18	16	16	17	18	16	101	83
19th	30362	Carolina Palacios	Roger Padron	(20.0	20.0 DNC	20.0 DNC	20.0 DNC	20.0 DNC	20.0 DNC	120	100

YOUTH SAILING

Ahoy all,

As promised the season start up is a success! We currently have 36 kids involved in CGSC youth programs. We have 4 different programs this year, Beginning Sailors, Green Fleet (beginning racing), Red, White & Blue Fleets (advanced racing) and the re-launch of our Laser program this year includes 420's and Flying Juniors.

Our first season practice was an interesting one with all elements of weather, no wind, too much wind and of courses the usual Biscayne Bay thunderstorms. It was great to see the Snipes out racing on the Bay for the Jr. Snipe Championships, but what was really cool was that when the race committee decided that the wind was getting too strong and worried that boats would start breaking that the Red, White & Blue Fleet (advanced racers), continued their practice despite winds in excess of 20 knots. Boy was I proud to see how well they handled themselves in those conditions, although I did urge Coach Baird Lobree to reconsider and call it a day, but all in all it was to their benefit to practice in those conditions.

This year we are very fortunate to have a "Rock Star" staff to guide our kids through the season. Leading the charge for our Red, White & Blue Fleet is none other than Coach Baird Lobree, former CGSC alumni who actually won the Nationals when participating as a kid in CGSC programming. Baird has taken our sailors to the next level and promises that this year we will be the team "To Be Feared", keeping good sportsmanship in place, of course. We are very fortunate to have another former champion in our line up leading the Laser/420/Flying Junior group and that is Diunieski "Koky" Gutierrez, 4 time Cuban National Laser Champ. Koky bring lots of good mojo along with his wealth of knowledge in racing, and aside from that, the kids love working with him. Working with our Green Fleet is long time member and Youth Sailing Chairman, Antonio "Big Daddy" Bejarano. Antonio is one of the first faces I saw when I signed on here at CGSC, and continues to be one of Youth Sailing's biggest supporters, so thanks for all your efforts Antonio.

Working with our beginner group is a new face to CGSC and she is Kelly Ferron. Kelly brings lots of sailing/racing expertise to the group I like to call "The Babies". After working with her for only one day I knew immediately she was an excellent choice to work with these younger sailors, Kelly is also a recent University Of Miami Law School graduate, so if any of you are in need of a good attorney, let CGSC be your one stop shop...

Also joining our group this year is incoming Rear Commodore, Clare Hamm. Most of you will recognize Clare as she and her husband are long time members and Jack, Clare's husband is also a Past Commodore of CGSC. Clare is anxious to "Get the Ball Rolling" in her new position and can't wait to attend her first youth regatta, so please join me in welcoming Clare as my new "Boss" and Youth Sailing guru.

We are pleased to announce the formation of this year's Opti Committee. Leading the way as Chairman is once again, Antonio Bejarano. This is Antonio's second year as Co-Chair of the committee and we look forward to another great year. The committee consists of Opti parents who volunteer their time to help me with logistical issues such as hotel reservations

for away regattas, club boat tailoring to regattas etc. The participants this year are Rear Commodore, Clare Hamm, and former co-chair, Gail Pulsford, Paul VanPuffelen, Marlena Coen, Gina Guardia and Ed Aramayo. One of the other responsibilities of the Opti Committee is to select the regattas that we will attend each year. This year's selections are:



- * The Junior Commodore's Cup hosted by CGSC- September 26th
- * The US Junior Olympic Sailing River Romp Regatta, hosted by the Edison Sailing Center, Ft. Myers Fl.- October 17th and 18th
- * The Fall Harvest Regatta, hosted by the Miami Yacht Club October 24th & 25th
- * The Naples cup Regatta, hosted by the Naples Community Sailing Center, Naples Fl- November 14th & 15th
- * The USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival, hosted by the US Sailing Center Martin County, Jensen Beach Fl.- December 5th & 6th
- * The Junior Orange Bowl Regatta, hosted by Coral Reef Yacht Club, Miami Fl.- December 27th- December 30th

As you can see we certainly have our work cut out for us with this schedule, so stay tuned for results in upcoming Channels!

That's all for now
Nick Mansbach, Sailing Director

Cruising and Rendezvous

**Trick-or-Treating at our Haunted Mooring Field
Fri, Oct. 30th**

We're calling on members to decorate their boats for our big Halloween Dockside Rendezvous and Trick-or-Treat party the night before Halloween.

All the CGSC kids will be invited to put a costume on over their life jacket, board our special Halloween launch, and go trick-or-treating in our newly Haunted Mooring Field.

Is that a headless pirate behind the wheel over there?! That ghost is almost as big as the mast on that one! Look- - it's the scariest creature of all in the mooring field: birds!

Prizes for the best-decorated boat, of course. It will be a great chance to invite some friends for a cockpit Halloween party, so buy extra candy for the adults.

Watch for more details in the weeks to come.

Our New General Manager

As you all know by now CGSC has a new General Manager. Dragan Savin began work on September 1 and has been busy these past few weeks getting “up to speed” on Club operations and activities. Dragan brings to CGSC extensive experience in the hospitality and food and beverage field, having worked for Sandals Resorts in The Bahamas and Jamaica as well as the Betsy Hotel and Hotel Astor on Miami Beach. The CGSC leadership is pleased to have Dragan on board and look forward to an exciting year moving forward.

Alyn Pruett caught up with Dragan one day and asked him a few questions about his first few weeks on the job:

Q: What attracted you to the position of manager of the Coconut Grove Sailing Club in the first place?

A: The challenge and excitement of running a sailing club. With a tranquil view of boats and the blue waters of the Bay straight from the restaurant terrace, I was immediately attracted by the possibilities that this venue can offer.

Q: What are your initial impressions – having worked at the Club several weeks?

A: It is what I thought it would be – a beautiful piece of property with potential for growth.

Q: As you know CGSC will be working hard this year to increase our membership. What “early action opportunities” do you see to attract new members?

A: Being present in the community thru participation in local events will greatly increase our exposure to prospective

members. And I strongly believe we should improve the signage at the entrance to the Club to increase our visibility.

Q: We tend to look at goals for the Club on both a long term and annual basis. Do you have any personal goals that you would like to achieve at the Club this year?

A: I would like to create a new and exciting restaurant menu, one that will attract current members to come more often, and also be a draw to new members. We also need to look at ways to improve the restaurant / bar space itself. On the membership issue, I would like to participate in all local social events as well as all Miami area industry happenings with the goal of bringing CGSC to the attention of prospective future members.



Club members Lewis Richards, Charley Branning, Larry Whipple and guest, with new manager Dragan Savin in the Crow's Nest lounge.

Racing Schedule – October - November 2009

Sat	Oct 3	Full Moon Regatta
Sat & Sun	Oct 3 & 4	CGSC Annual OD Regatta (BBYRA OD #10)
Sat & Sun	Oct 3 & 4	MYC Mark Albury Regatta (Catamarans)
Sat & Sun	Oct 10 & 11	Columbus Day Regatta
Sat	Oct 17	CGSC Annual PHRF Regatta (BBYRA PHRF #10)
Sat	Oct 24	KBYC 43 rd Round the Island Race
Sat & Sun	Oct 24 & 25	MYV Fall Harvest Regatta
Sat	Oct 31	Flat Earth J24 BB Fall Series #2
Sat	Oct 31	CRYC Hughes Regatta
Sat	Nov 7	CRYC Annual Regatta (BBYRA PHRF #11)
Sun	Nov 8	CRYC Annual Regatta (BBYRA OD #11)
Sat & Sun	Nov 14 & 15	CRYC Star Schoonmaker Cup
Sat & Sun	Nov 21 & 22	CGSC SE PHRF Championships
Thu – Sun	Nov 26-29	MYC US Sailing Mid Winters



ANNOUNCING...

COCONUT GROVE SAILING CLUB

47TH ANNUAL

ORANGE BOWL REGATTA

BISCAYNE BAY, COCONUT GROVE (MIAMI), FL USA

Sunday, December 27th - Wednesday, December 30, 2009

LIGHTNINGS, LASERS, LASER MASTERS

AND LASER RADIALS



Attention CGSC Membes: Your help is needed to assist in hosting a major regatta for CGSC! We need volunteers to assist before and during the Regatta and home lodging hosts for visiting racers. Volunteers, please email Ron Rostorfer at ronsailon@comcast.net. Home lodging please email R/C Clare Hamm at clare.hamm@gmail.com.

A Note From Moon Dancer

Well, Phil and I are finally having a quiet Sunday breakfast together on Moon Dancer. Still on the dock but getting close to departing toward Grenada once again.

Although I really don't like being on the dock, the time was very productive. In addition to accommodating Daisy and Nancy during their visit. We accomplished many needed goals such as running the wires and installing an external sat phone antenna and also an external wifi antenna. We also repaired the grounding wires for the ssb which was corroded. We re-seated the forward and aft lower mid ship chain plates which were leaking. Both power winches were serviced and our windlass was finally fixed. I also had a solenoid installed that now allow power up and down on the windlass. I purchase the solenoid a while ago in Miami and was waiting for the time and talent to get it installed with a new heavy duty hand held switch. This was a big safety problem for us.

This Tuesday we are having welding done on the davits and the bow roller. The davits bent due to the new bigger engine we put on the new larger dinghy and the line kept hopping off the bow roller so we are welding cheeks on to the sides of the bow roller to keep it stable and reinforcing the davits. I was always worried that Phil would get injured. On two occasions the anchor jumped off and chewed up the bow of the boat... Not fun; Not safe.

This Tuesday we re-provision and head off to sea. Phil and I are happiest when we are at sea. Phil's kids are meeting us in St Lucia in November; Diane, Rene, Pete and Tanya are coming in December and the Jaimeson's are anticipated to visit early next year. We are looking forward to these visits. Sail, Sun, Swim and great fishing are on the agenda for all. We will keep you all posted on our developments and if you

want to hop aboard just let us know..

We keep discussing our plans for next hurricane season. Trinidad is not in the plan. We are considering touring the Caribbean this season and then heading to Columbia and Panama for next year's hurricane season. We will either go through the canal or cruise north along the central American coast, work our way toward Miami, get a refit done, head north along the US east coast and jump to the UK from New York. Phil wants to visit Daisy once again before we depart and Daisy wants to come back to the boat as soon as possible. I want to get in some fun diving in Belize, Cancun, the Caymans, the ABC's and other world class dive sites. I'm also eager to see Cartagena which other cruisers are saying is super nice and has richly preserved Spanish historical sites. The good news is that we are FINALLY not in a hurry to do anything and everything important is fixed and working.

Of course anything can create a change in plans, but this is what it looks like for now. The ONLY down side is how very much I miss my George. Nothing can fill that hole in my heart so for my birthday I have committed to fly to Miami and spend some time with George and my friends.

Our love to you all...

Nell and Phil

Moon Dancer

PS - for those of you who don't know Daisy. She is my sister and has severe Downs Syndrome. She LOVES sailing on our boat and we LOVE spending time with her. Our plan is to fly Daisy and Nancy once a year to Moon Dancer so she can see the world from our boat. Daisy has the heart of a sailor and adventurer. Also, George is our pet dog, still living in Miami, in a condo overlooking the CGSC sailboat anchorage.

OCTOBER 2009

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			1 <i>Noon Rotary Club 4 pm Adult Sunfish 5 pm Steak Night</i>	2	3 <i>9 am Jr. Sailing CGSC Annual OD Regatta (BBYRA OD #10) MYC Mark Albury Regatta (Catamarans) Full Moon -Regatta</i>	4
5	6 <i>6 pm Taco Night 7:30 Race Cmt.</i>	7 <i>5 pm Pasta Night</i>	8 <i>Noon Rotary Club 4 pm Adult Sunfish 5 pm Steak Night</i>	9	10 <i>9 am Jr. Sailing 9am Adult Learn-to-Sail Class - Sunfish 9am Basic Keelboat Course Columbus Day Rendezvous Columbus Day Regatta</i>	11
12 <i>Columbus Day Rendezvous</i>	13 <i>6 pm Dollar Dogs 7:30 Sea Scouts</i>	14 <i>5 pm Pasta Night</i>	15 <i>Noon Rotary Club 4 pm Adult Sunfish 5 pm Steak Night</i>	16	17 <i>7 am Komen Race 8 am Sea Scouts 9 am Jr. Sailing CGSC Annual PHRF Regatta 9am Basic Keelboat Course US Jr Olympic Sailing River Romp Regatta 7pm Columbus Day Awards</i>	18
19	20 <i>6 pm Dollar Dogs</i>	21 <i>5 pm Pasta Night</i>	22 <i>Noon Rotary Club 4 pm Adult Sunfish 5 pm Steak Night</i>	23	24 <i>8 am Sea Souts 9 am Jr. Sailing KBYC 43rd Round the Island Race Keelboat Cert. MYC Fall Harvest Regatta 5pm Fall Fish Fry</i>	25 <i>Small Boat Rendez- vous/Clinic</i>
26	27 <i>6 pm Dollar Dogs 7:30 Sea Scouts</i>	28 <i>5 pm Pasta Night</i>	29 <i>Noon Rotary Club 4 pm Adult Sunfish 5 pm Steak Night 6 pm General Mtg 7:30 pm Board Mtg</i>	30 <i>Rendezvous Cmt. Meeting Halloween Dockside Rendezvous</i>	31 <i>9 am Jr. Sailing Flat Earth J24 BB Fall Series #2 CRYC Hughes Regatta</i>	

GALLEY NEWS

Tuesday Night

"Dollar Dogs & Pitcher Beer"
\$1.00 Hot Dogs and all the fix'ins
plus pitcher beer from 6-9 pm. Donated sides
or condiments are always welcome!



(\$2 Tacos the first Tuesday of the month.)

"Pasta Wednesdays"

We offer a different Pasta dish each Wednesday
along with garlic bread for only \$5.95! Our regular
dinner menu will also be available.



Steak Thursday \$12.00

WEEKLY HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday Bar and Kitchen closed
Tuesday SOCIAL NIGHT 6-9 pm
Wednesday Pasta Night 5-9 pm
Thursday & Friday
 Lunch 11am 'til 2 pm
 Dinner 5 pm 'til 9 pm
Saturday & Sunday 11am 'til 9 pm



Launch service 24/7

