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DECEMBER 2010

WORK WEEKEND 2010!

What an OUTSTANDING group of Club Members we have at CGSC! Work weekend was very successful, with Members turning out to work together in many areas of the Club and grounds needing attention. The weather was especially cooperative, and that was very helpful.

It was a pleasure to work with so many Members who were willing to help with whatever needed to be done. And, the camaraderie was absolutely outstanding. For those who missed it, all I can say is don't let that happen again next year! Yes, it's work, but it's also lots of fun. People who aren't even Members showed up to help! In addition, a special thank you to Dragan and his Staff for the hot lunches and refreshments.

STRIKING RESULTS

The two projects that were "best in show" were the Ramp Lattice on the south side of the Clubhouse, the Launch Dock, and the new fabric top on the frame over the work

bench in the Strip Area. Of course, there were many other projects that improved the Club's appearance, as well. They're just not as evident as these three.

WORK LEADERS

Special thanks go to our great volunteer work leaders. They were **Karen Young and Cathy Buller** – Landscaping (and other things!), **CGSC Secretary Sean Connett** – Building, **Commodore Alyn Pruett** – Ramp Lattice, **Bill Braddon** – Club boats (including armoring our new Key Largo for Race Committee duty), **Brian Duplisea** – Launch Dock, **Rick Timmons** – Other Docks, **Past Commodore Bill Beavers** – Carts/Oars/Dinghies, **Past Commodore Marc Buller** – Strip Area, **Race Committee Chair Susan Walcutt** – Race Committee Equipment and Equipment Room, and **Dick Crisler** – Training Fleet.



If anyone of this group is deserving of special recognition, it would be **Brian Duplisea** who took charge of the

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The "Old Man" racing his Snipe. Photo taken by Fried Elliott, friedbits.com, or Laser racing in the Olympix Class Regatta.

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COMMODORE'S REPORT

On Thursday November 11, we held our first (in recent memory) Committee Open House evening. Committee chairs that attended included Susan Walcutt (Race Committee), Antonio Bejarano (Youth Sailing), Richard Crisler (Adult Sailing Committee), Jo Ann Mathieu (Web "Diva"), Janice Pruett (Cruising + Rendezvous), Renny Young (Librarian/Club Historian), Doug Hanks (representing the Seamanship Committee chaired by Sean Connett), Javier Prado (Membership), along with Ron Rostorfer, Vice Commodore (Property / House Committee), and myself, representing the Community Outreach Committee. The Committee chairs did a great job! Each Chair - person set up a table with displays of their committee activities which looked great. I greatly appreciate the efforts of our committee participants and their displays. It was impressive to see all the many activities of the club on display in one place!

While the attendance of other members was less than I had hoped for, several new members came by and volunteered to become involved. John Berryman had some very good ideas regarding ways to engage new members in the CGSC, based on experiences at his former club in North Carolina, where he was Commodore. Based on his advice and ideas I plan to help Javier and John develop a more robust introductory program for new members that will include an enhanced "New Member Information Packet". More importantly John described the "ambassador" program for engaging new members, which they adopted at his former club. This sounds like something that would be a great help to us, particularly now that we have many new members. Moving forward we will work to find the best way to adapt this idea to the CGSC. One way we will consider setting our program would be to pair a new member / family with a "veteran" member / family who will introduce them to other members and help familiarize them with the history, traditions and special events of the CGSC.

In addition, new member Bob Olmedo has volunteered to assist Jo Ann Mathieu with maintenance of our web site. As you can imagine, with all the information we post on-line, this is a big job. I appreciate Bob stepping up to help with this important communication tool. In addition Bob has agreed to serve as chair of a new committee which will be called the "Sailing Green Committee". While we all think of sailing as inherently more "Green" than power-boating, there are ways to further reduce our environmental impacts. If you have seen the recently published issue of Cruising World, you will have noticed that "Green Sailing" was one of the feature stories for December. The purpose of this committee will be to get the CGSC engaged in this rapidly growing area of interest and gather and disseminate information to our members.

I plan to host another Committee Open House early next year. In the meantime, If you would like to participate on any of our committees please contact me or our committee Chair persons directly.

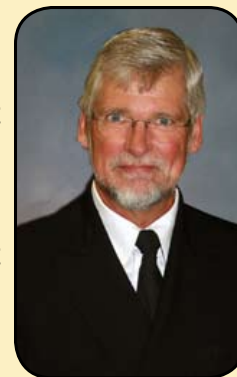
On a different topic, I want to thank all our members who participated in the "Haunted Mooring Field" event, held the evening before Halloween. This was a "spooktacular", fun outing for kids of all ages, with plenty of scary boats scattered throughout the mooring field.

That's all for this month

See you at the Club and on the Bay

Alyn Pruett,

Commodore



REAR COMMODORE REPORT

Our Ensign fleet is growing – and we need your help.

Spend some time at the CGSC waterfront, and you'll see just how vital the Pearson Ensign has become to Club sailing. We currently own two of the 23-foot day-sailers – classic boats designed by Carl Alberg, with unusually large cockpits and a full keel. They're particularly useful for teaching sailing, and many weekends you'll see both CGSC Ensigns (Pat and Foundation) heading out of the Mooring Field filled with students. And when Pat—the original CGSC Ensign – isn't used for teaching, you'll see members at the helm. (To get on the list of members eligible to take out an Ensign, visit cgsc.org/members-use.)

Adult Sailing Chairman Richard Crisler has built one of the Bay's best sailing schools using just Pat, which the late Don Bailey (truly one of the CGSC "Greats") donated several years ago. Then came Foundation, a gift from the Coconut Grove Sailing Foundation (thus her name).

Now we're at another milestone in the growth of the CGSC training fleet. We're adding a third Ensign! We found a fantastic Ensign in Fort Lauderdale for the right price. Treasurer Ron Canizares put up the money to get the boat off the market, and now we're raising the money for the purchase. On behalf of the Sailing Foundation, I'm looking for 14 CGSC members to step up and be "Ensign Stars" by making a \$200 tax-deductible donation to the campaign. We've already had great luck with this, recruiting eight Ensign Stars at print time. You'll see the updated list in the weekly CGSC email, plus a formal thank-you in a future Channel.

Though we're already more than halfway to our goal, we need more help. Would you please step up, donate \$200 and become an Ensign Star? It's a great way to

support the Club's primary mission: expanding the sport of sailing.



Anyone lucky enough to own a sailboat knows what the rest of the world is missing. And if you can afford to support our Ensign program, you'll be helping hundreds of people discover the joy of sailing.

If you can help, drop me an email at ensignmiami@gmail.com. (This is a good time to note I have my own Ensign—The Nell. That's part of why I'm such a fan, and why I donated my \$200 and became a CGSC Ensign Star.) Should we exceed our goal, the Ensign Star funds will go toward improving our Ensign fleet with new sails, rigging repair and other necessities.

The Sailing Foundation is once again helping us with an Ensign purchase, so checks can be made out to that organization. As a result, your donation will be tax deductible. Checks can be made out to the "Coconut Grove Sailing Foundation." Just put "Ensign" in the memo section. Drop them off at the CGSC office, or send them to us at CGSC, 2990 S. Bayshore Drive, Coconut Grove FL 33133.

Any questions? Email me or give me a call at 305-962-8333. Thanks so much for your support of CGSC sailing.

Looking forward to seeing you on the bay,

Doug Hanks.

Rear Commodore
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**Join
CGSC's
Race Committee Team**

A rewarding day on the Bay!

Contact Susan Walcutt
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CGSC DOUBLEHANDED REGATTA – TAKE 2

A funny thing happened at the Annual CGSC Doublehanded Regatta back on August 15th. The wind failed to show up. Fortunately for us who get to enjoy Biscayne Bay with regularity, this circumstance doesn't occur very often. But, in this instance it did, so the event was postponed and was to be rescheduled for a later date – that turned out to be Sunday, October 31st.

All the registrants for the original date were automatically included for the new date, and the Race Committee accepted new entries as well. With some new boats entering, and some of the old boats not available on the new date, we ended up with about the same size fleet as entered in August.

Anyway, off we went with an easterly breeze of about 10 knots forecast. The PHRF boats were to sail one “distance” race, while the Snipes and Scots were to sail up to three races, depending on the weather.

Initially, the wind was very East, as 095 degrees, but a passing storm cell to the NE dragged the breeze over to as far as 060. The courses were set up at 070, and the RC went into starting sequence. As we were counting down to the PHRF start, the cell passed and the wind went back to about 095. So, the postponement flag went up, and the course was re-configured to that radial. After only about 10 minutes, we were back in start sequence.

The PHRF fleet was sent on a bit of a “Bay Tour” course for their only race of the day. After a substantial windward leg, they rounded the weather mark to starboard, reached down to Biscayne Bay National Park Boundary Mark “B,” which was left to port, sailed a lopsided beat back to the windward mark, and then sailed downwind to the finish. The course covered almost seven miles. Mark Pincus, sailing the J-24 *Scout's Honor* was observed playing the right side of the beat, and that would lead to good things.

Meanwhile, three Flying Scots and a Snipe were started together for up to three windward leeward, twice around races. Although the only Snipe out there, Taylor Schuermann of CRYC let the Scots around the course. *Being There* with CGSC's Vlad Stroleny was the first Scot, followed by Henry Bernstein's *Lady Hope* and Larry Whipple's *Magaritaville*.

While the big boats were working their way around the course, the one designs were sent off again on Race 2. The results were identical. About the time of the second one-design race finish, the PHRF boats came downwind to the finish, as well, completing their single race of the day.

Meanwhile, upwind, another storm cell appeared, the sky darkened somewhat and the wind began to increase and move to the left, as before. The RC decided discretion was the better part of valor, and concluded racing for the day.

Back at CGSC for the “trophy” presentation, the happy sailors gave a nice round of applause for CGSC's Race Committee. The racers were reminded that for this regatta, the various available “prizes,” primarily donated or discounted items from local marine merchants were put on display.

The winners were called up in descending order and given their choice. Therefore, the winner of the largest fleet, Mark Pincus, aboard the J-24 *Scouts Honor* had first choice, and the lesser finishers took from what was left, at the urging of the crowd. It's always fun, the storm cell passed, and the afternoon weather was outstanding.

CGSC's Eduardo Luaces, and *Tiburón* were second in PHRF, only 13 seconds ahead of Jon Ewing's *Three Way* from CGSC. CGSC's Randy Clee with *Dutch Treat* was a very close third overall in PHRF.

CGSC's Vlad Stroleny swept the Scots, and of course Taylor Schuermann won the Snipes.

For the CGSC Race Committee, basically, it was Rookie Day, with a few veterans sprinkled in. RC veteran Bill Braddon provided his *Tondelayo* as Signal Boat, and Ron Rostorfer was PRO. Also on board *Tondelayo* were new timer Carolyn Smith, while James Blount handled flag signals.

The Mark Boat was “coached” by veteran Scott Findley. Young Jason, a find as a support boat operator, was operator and Bonnie Padgett crewed. The Pin Boat saw Jim Waldron skippering, assisted by Carol Temple and Derek Cohen.



Cruising and Rendezvous

Here is the tentative Rendezvous Schedule for the next several months. Please note these dates on your calendar. Many of our rendezvous destinations can be arrived at by land or by sea which allows members without boats to join us by driving to the destination and then meeting us with a kayak or canoe for raft up ups or exploring. If you are willing to take on extra crew for any of the upcoming events or would like to crew please let me know via email. If you would like to volunteer to co host any of the upcoming events I would gladly welcome any help. Please notice our Adventure Rendezvous this year will include a Gulf Stream crossing to Bimini and Abaco. Planning will begin for this trip after the first of the year. Start preparing your boats now or if you want to fly over to Abaco and charter a boat for a week or two. We can help you put a crew together for this event.

December - Sunday 19th Holiday Boat Parade and Decorating Party. Decorate your boat with lights, invite extra crew and join us as we parade around the Coconut Grove Waterfront and anchorage singing Christmas Carols. We'll deck the halls and don our gay apparel once back at the club. All boats on the Coconut Grove waterfront are invited to this event.

January

Dockside Rendezvous Saturday January 8th 80's Boats, Dress and Music hosted by Doug Hanks. If your boat was built in the 80's, you are invited to showcase it at the CGSC dock. Bring some tunes from the 80's and dress in your favorite 80's apparel.

No Name Harbor January - Saturday 15th (By Land or Sea) Hosted by JoAnne Pszenny and Karen Young Sign out an Ensign for the day and join us for pot luck picnic. No boat? Drive over and meet us at the pavilion for an afternoon picnic.

February

February Saturday 26th Oleta State Park co hosted by Bruce Penrod

March

Dockside Progressive Dinner Party on the Mooring

Saturday, March 19 South Beach Rendezvous (By Land or By Sea) co hosted by Christian Vargas

April

April Saturday 9th and 10th Chicken Key Rendezvous to Soldier Key Raft up

May

May 7 Dockside Kick Off Party for Annual Rendezvous

May 14-15 Pirates Annual Rendezvous Elliot Key

June

June 17 - 19th Father's Day Bimini Rendezvous
Abaco Adventure Rendezvous June 17th -July 11th

July

July Stiltsville Rendezvous and Camp out

August

August Marine Stadium Triathavous (by land or by sea) hosted by Chiara Manton

August Dog Days Dockside Rendezvous

September 2-5 Labor Day Rendezvous

Other Suggested Rendezvous

Dingy Float

Poker Run

Ft. Lauderdale Pier 66

Viscaya

Sands Key/ Boca Chita

Miami Yacht Club

Key West

Rodriguez Key

Upper Keys Sailing Club

Janice Pruett



NOTICE



Upcoming CGSC Regattas

December 10-12, 2010

Melges 20

Winter Series #1

December 27-30, 2010

Open Orange Bowl Regatta

January 24-28, 2011

Olympic Class Regatta

SEE NOTICES OF RACE AND REGISTRATION FORMS
ON RACE BULLETIN BOARD DOWNSTAIRS
OR AT WWW.CGSC.ORG

Work Weekend Continued

Launch Dock renovation. He took it upon himself to come down to the Club in advance to get things prepared. He and a skilled (and spirited!) team completed the project during the day on Saturday, and the dock was back in service late Saturday afternoon.

OUR WORK WEEKEND VOLUNTEERS

Here are the rest of our outstanding Member volunteers – thank you again, so much: Richard and Maryanne Etkin, Robert Olmedo, Nick Ware, David Bannister and Jan, Jo Ann Mathieu, Kit Temple, Stuart Sorg, Barbara Andress, Melinda Smith, Vicki Rosenbloom, Sherry Pearsall, Niall O'Brien, Scott Findley, Randy Cottrell, Ken Voss, Rennie Young, Past Commodore Larry Whipple, Anne Platt, Don Deresz, Nancy Rogachenko, Antonio Bejarano, Marvin Schenker, Ed Pena, Bob Van Eck, Javier Prado, Veronic Aghayan, Gary Millor, June Williams, Aaron Shadow, Tom Phipps, Esther DiLeo, Geoff Sutcliffe, Adrienne Jalowsky, Glenn Newland, Ross





Young, Rear Commodore Doug Hanks, Andrew Mariassy, Lisa Hammer, Lawrence Michaels, George Bradley, Darren Stortz, Manuel Pozzoli, Tiffany Field, Janice Pruett, Steve Neumeyer, Eda Umpierre, Mike Lovelady, Randy Clee, Treasurer Ron Canizares, Dudley Clark, Becky Butler, Susan Schultz, Mark Lowell, Dragan Savin and our great Club Employees who assisted with the work, provided the lunches and the after work beer kegs.



My apologies to anyone who didn't sign in and hence, was omitted, as well as those whose names were misspelled due to inferior handwriting! It's an honor to serve as

Ronn Rostorfer, Vice Commodore



ADULT SAILING REPORT

There is lots of good news to report from your Adult Sailing Committee. Classes and clinics are ongoing with continuing growth. In addition to our traditional Sunfish and Basic Keelboat classes, we had our first Basic Cruising and first Basic Keelboat classes led by Bruce Penrod in this past month. Watch for more information on these latest US Sailing courses now offered at CGSC. Additionally, training of new Level 1 and Basic Keelboat instructor hires for the specifics of our goals in line with CGSC and US Sailing will be in place at the delivery of this Channel issue. We have released our course schedules which include an increase in the number and type of classes now being offered. The calendar for December classes and clinics appears below. In addition to news about our classes, we have had some other very meaningful and interesting events occur in this past month as follows:

“New” Ensign: If you’ve looked out over the moorings near the clubhouse, you’ve seen our latest Ensign addition to our training fleet. Previously named ‘Puff Daddy’, this boat was lake-raced in Austin TX before being brought to Ft. Lauderdale where a number of CGSC folks played a big role in getting it purchased and moved to CGSC. The story from discovery in Ft. Lauderdale to delivery at CGSC deserves its own article in the Channel. There were multiple trips to inspect, negotiate, purchase, modify, and prepare for the long trip south. Then the two day adventure with phase one moving the boat down the New River, having it stall while attempting to go under the 3rd Ave. Bridge in downtown Ft. Lauderdale and again approaching Lauderdale Yacht Club (LYC). The return to LYC up I-95 in a “monsoon” the next morning, the departure through tricky Port Everglades, the wonderful sailing experience down the coast, the entry into Miami Harbor and the final sail through Biscayne Bay to CGSC. I was accompanied by member and friend Bernie Baetzel for both trips and assisted by many volunteers including Charley Branning, Ron Canizares and Doug Hanks.

We also had the wonderful help of staff member Tom Reese, who installed a removable motor mount so we could make the river voyage on the first day. With all the challenges came the joy of a fabulous sail down the coast and the delivery of a welcome new workhorse for our keelboat training fleet. Once modifications for training use are completed, we’ll have a great new boat for our training fleet as well as a second boat for qualified sailors in the Member Use program. Finally, we are hoping to add the past owner to our club membership along with her Triton to the moorings.

Work Weekend: Work Weekend is always the perfect opportunity for us to be assisted by volunteers as we clean up, repair and refurbish our training fleet. This year our hardy group of volunteers managed to clean and wax all twelve of our Sunfish fleet as well as inspect and make additions and repairs to our entire inventory of sails, and finally to sand and varnish all the Sunfish rudder-tiller assemblies. Our Sunfish fleet works hard for us year-round, helping us fulfill the club’s mission and also providing income for our instructional and other programs. Super Thanks to ALL the volunteers. We even had one volunteer, Ed, who is not a member, but sails regularly with us in the Thursday weekly Sunfish clinics. Terrific!

Winged Rescue: Following our regular weekly Sunfish clinic on Nov. 11, I had just picked up the race marks and was following the Sunfish fleet in when out of the corner of my eye I saw a slight movement just to my right. I looked over and saw an Anhinga (aka - water turkey) hanging by its beak from a frayed anchor line on one of the old boats in the “free” area just southwest of our moorings beyond Peacock Park. It was hopelessly caught in frayed nylon on the anchor line. It was badly scraped, feathers missing from the struggle and doomed in its present state. I was able to save it in quite an ordeal that would make a nice Channel article. It was a dramatic and “warm” ending to a morning clinic on the Bay. This was a young bird, and they are common along fresh water canals and in the Everglades, but to see one up close, and rescue it from sure death, was the highlight of this instructor’s day and a “happy ending”.

At this writing, our December Adult Training dates are as follows:

<u>Course</u>	<u>Dec. Date</u>
Learn-to-Sail - Sunfish	4 - 5
Sunfish Weekly Clinic	3 -10-17
Basic Keelboat	11-12, 18-19
Keelboat Certification	Individually Scheduled
Basic Cruising	3 - 4 - 5
Basic Bareboat	16 - 17-18-19

Gift Certificates: As the holidays approach, don’t forget that your club has handsome nautical Gift Certificates for a variety of courses, from a two (2) hour Introduction-to-Sailing to a full class of your choice.

Fair Winds, Safe Sailing and Happy Holidays
Richard Crisler, Chairman-Adult Training
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Two Testimonials to our new Cruising Courses

The last two weeks have been fantastic with Captain Bruce Penrod as our instructor for the three day US Sailing Basic Cruising course and the four day Bareboat Cruising course. This was my first introduction to the Coconut Grove Sailing Club, and I am pleased to have now become a member. Bernie Baetzel and I were Bruce's first students for this course series. On board a modern 35 foot sloop, we gained great experience learning about basic Yanmar diesel engine maintenance, battery and electrical systems, the head, the galley, safety equipment, cruising etiquette and rules of the road, navigation equipment, chart reading and coastal navigation, reducing sail under high wind conditions, motor-sailing under low wind conditions, and finer points of sail. We also learned the techniques and pleasures of finding a safe anchorage, setting the anchor properly, and enjoying a good meal to the sight of the sunset after a beautiful day of sailing. What could make a better playground to learn in than Biscayne Bay, the intra-coastal waterway, and the ocean around the Keys. There are always small glitches in sailboat systems and equipment, so learning how to troubleshoot them first hand built our confidence and abilities, certain to serve us well in the future. I could not have envisioned a better introduction to cruising and the cruising lifestyle, which is something I have dreamed about for many many years now. Thank you for your leadership and hospitality, Captain Bruce!

Mark Nickum

Just back from seven days at sea aboard Bruce Penrod's Leaping GroundHog, completing two outstanding US Sailing classes, Basic Cruising and Bareboat Cruising.

As I refit and re-provision my first day home I cannot escape the feeling that I should be out sailing. The Legend 37 became my home, and what my mind and sea legs now expect. The incredible time I had is something I long to repeat again and again and again. Although I have spent many wonderful days enjoying nature's splendor while camping in the California desert and the White Mountains of New Hampshire, nothing on this earth can compare to sailing the south Florida waters and seeing the stars from an anchorage. The beauty and wildlife, the wind and sky are etched in my mind.

The instruction over-delivered on my expectation. I know about sailing self-sufficiency and can handle the myriad issues which can arise while underway and I feel prepared for any contingency and have more confidence and mastery in the art of sailing. I invested a week of precious vacation into this effort and am extremely pleased with the outcome. My sincere thanks to my keel boat mentor and friend Richard Crisler who got me to this point, my Cruisin' instructor Bruce Penrod and CGSC. By the way, when is the club's 26 footer ready for the Member Use program?

Bernie Baetzel



GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

An Open Invitation to all CGSC Members

*Join Us to Celebrate the
Holiday Season
with the*

*CGSC Race Committee
Tuesday, December 7, 2010
7:30 P.M.
Bring a dish to share.*



From The Manager.....

Some great weather we have experienced in the beginning of November and it clearly resulted in the business level increase for lunch in the Restaurant. I believe that the best view in Miami, together with Tara's great dishes are very good reason to consider Club for your

next lunch break. To avoid mistakes, we are open for lunch on Thursday and Friday from 11am to 2pm while on Saturday and Sunday we do not close between lunch and dinner. And when we are on the food topic, Chef Tara is currently working on some updates to the menu. Some might have been already formulated as you read this and more will come. The idea is not to change the menu (which by itself is coming on the restaurant's reopening anniversary after the season is over), but to make it more interesting for regular visitors. We had exceptionally successful seven months with this menu and now it is time for few new, fresh ideas.

As for the Theme nights, they will continue as planned. Few items will be new; some old ones will be kept. We are also planning in the near future to have "Oyster Bar Saturday Afternoon". The project is in works, Tara and I are sourcing supplier and formulating the concept at the moment. I'm targeting January as a starting month. It will happen on every first Saturday of the month and depending on its popularity and financial success, it might even become more often event then just once a month.

We are still experiencing occasional cars that are parked with no sticker. Most of the time the violating car is owned by a friend or a crew member of Club's boat owner. I would like to use this opportunity to remind you that only boat renters and Club members are allowed to park on the property. All others would need to find parking spot elsewhere. It would be disrespectful to members if I do not tow the violating cars. I appreciate your understanding and urgent cooperation in this matter.

It is my pleasure to inform you all that CGSC's "Captain Ron" Scare Crew has won First prize in Corporate category during the Fairchild Tropical Garden's contest for Halloween. They will now provide us with a space in their periodical for an ad free of charge. It was a great event and perfect opportunity to bring our name to the community and patrons of the Garden.

That's all for now folks... see you at the Club.

Dragan Savin
dragansavin@cgsc.org

NOTICE

Your Board of Directors has approved a change in the Club's tipping policy pertaining to food and beverage service.

Commencing November 1, 2010, an 18% gratuity will be automatically added to all food and bar purchases.

This charge will be clearly delineated on your bill when you sign out. We are trying to minimize the amount of Member cash handled by our food and bar service staff.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

GALLEY NEWS

FOOD CHOICES FOR DECEMBER

SOCIAL NIGHT TUESDAYS':

- Dec 7th: Tacos (\$2)
- Dec 14th: Fish & Chips (\$2)
- Dec 21st: Pulled Pork Sandwich (\$2)
- Dec 28th: Chicken Wings (\$2)
- Jan 04th: Hot Dogs (\$1)

Dec 24th and 25th Grove's Nest will be closed for Christmas holiday

Wednesday Theme: Caribbean Spice

Chef Tara features a few appetizers and main dishes that represent Caribbean cuisine. Visit our web site or call the office at ext.18 to inquire about the specials for the month.

Thursday Theme: Burger Fest

Every Thursday, Chef Tara will feature four specialty burgers recipes that will tingle your imagination and taste buds. Check the web site for current options or call ext 18.

WEEKLY HOURS OF OPERATION

- Monday: Bar and Kitchen closed
- Tuesday: SOCIAL NIGHT; bar open from 4-9 pm; food served 6pm-8pm
- Wednesday: bar 4-9 pm; kitchen 5pm-9pm
- Thursday & Friday: bar: 11am – 9pm; kitchen 11am-2pm and 5pm-9pm
- Saturday & Sunday: bar and kitchen 11am-9 pm

Launch service 24/7



ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

The 2010-2011 entertainment committee hosted the first of its events last month. Oktoberfest was held on a picture perfect day. The day began with German music, a keg of beer, and a chicken dance demonstration. Members and guests enjoyed the conversation and comradery which was exceptional at the beer hall style long picnic table. Fraulein Pruett, who attended in her traditional costume, built a bean bag dog game and a knock the duck over game which was enjoyed by both children and adults. Herr Pruett was there in his lederhosen to welcome members and possible future members. Brian Donahue, a new member of the club, built a beer pong table which helped the adults get quickly into the spirit of the day. Beer girl(that's me) served as MC and was able to get the crowd excited about German musical chairs (one for children and one for adults) in addition to tug of war and twister. Ben Demeo organized a cash raffle which helped raise money for the CGSC Foundation as well as putting some cash in the pocket of one of our lucky members. Maria Elena Villar, also a new member, organized the children's activities such as tug of war and twister and helped to decorate the yard. Her daughter Adriana attended with some of her friends from the German program and sang some German songs as well as helped to sell raffle tickets. The

brats, potatoes, and delicious salad were fully consumed by the end of the day along with the beer. Needless to say, the day was a big success and a good time was had by all. I want to sincerely thank my committee members for all the time and effort they put into the event. It was a pleasure working with each and every one of you. Check out the pictures on the CGSC photo gallery.

The next event will be a Nautical Yard Sale on Saturday, December the 18th. Members can purchase a table for a nominal fee and the public will be invited. So mark your calendars and get rid of stuff you don't need as well as come shopping for some nautical gifts for Christmas.

We are also working on something fun and affordable for New Years Eve!!

If you would like to join our great committee, please contact me at my email listed below.

See you at the club
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DECEMBER 2010

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
30	31	5 pm Caribbean Cuisine	9 am Adult Sunfish Clinic 12 pm Rotary Club 5 pm Burgerfest	7 pm BAND: Hoodwink	<div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">9am Learn to Sail-Sunfish Class</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">9am Basic Cruising Course</div> 8:30 am Laser/420/ Flying Jr. 8:30 am Red/White/ Blue Fleet 8:30 am Green Fleet 9:00 am Beg.Level Youth	4
6	6 pm Taco Night 7:30 Sea Scouts 7:30 pm Race Committee Holiday Party	5 pm Caribbean Cuisine	9 am Adult Sunfish Clinic 12 pm Rotary Club 5 pm Burgerfest	7pm BAND: Solar Dogs	<div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">9am Basic Keelboat Course</div> 8:30 am Laser/420/ Flying Jr. 8:30 am Red/White/ Blue Fleet 8:30 am Green Fleet 9:00 am Beg.Level Youth <div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Melges 20 Winter Series #1</div>	11
13	6 pm Fish & Chips	5 pm Caribbean Cuisine	9 am Adult Sunfish Clinic 12 pm Rotary Club 5 pm Burgerfest 6:30 pm General Meeting	7pm BAND: Really Thick	8:30 am Laser/420/ Flying Jr. 8:30 am Red/White/ Blue Fleet 8:30 am Green Fleet 9:00 am Beg.Level Youth <div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">9am Basic Keelboat Course</div>	Holiday Boat Parade 6-9 pm 18
20	6 pm Pulled Pork 7:30 Sea Scouts	5 pm Caribbean Cuisine	12 pm Rotary Club 5 pm Burgerfest	<div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Bar & Kirchen Closed</div>	 <div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Orange Bowl Regatta</div>	26
27	<div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Orange Bowl Regatta</div> 6 pm Chicken Wings	5 pm Caribbean Cuisine	12 pm Rotary Club 9am Adult Sunfish Clinic 5 pm Burgerfest 7:30 pm Officer Board Meeting	New Years Eve Dance	 <div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Bar & Kirchen Closed</div>	JAN. 1 2



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