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CGSC HOSTS 29er Class 2013 National Championship

Following right on the heels of CGSC's very successful 2013 1st Annual Open Orange Bowl Regatta with 98 boats came the 2013 29er Nationals and World Youth Qualifier (WYQ) Regatta. Registration was on New Year's Eve, 2013, but the racing was New Year's Day, 2014 thru January 3rd. The 29er is a training class for the Olympic 49er (Men) and 49erFX (Women) skiffs. These are very tender boats, and a bit scary from a race management standpoint. They can easily capsize while tied to the dock! But, that's the direction of Olympic sailing, so that's the direction in which we head. The America's Cup teams from back this summer were full of former and current 49er sailors, so hard to argue with success.

Two Young Sailors from SoCal. Sounds like an important event, and it was. Relative to our current regatta program, this was not a big deal. However, it was a big deal to the 29er Class, and a very big deal to two young sailors from Alamitos Bay YC in Long Beach, California, Quinn Wilson and Riley Gibbs. Riding on this regatta was a single boat berth in the World Youth Championships this summer in Portugal. Quinn and Riley came into the regatta with a good result from the first WYQ in Texas a few months ago, and a convincing 13-point win in the 51st CGSC Open Orange Bowl Regatta that had just concluded on Dec. 30th.



Quinn and Riley secured the WYQ berth for Portugal, and in the process left an indelible



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COMMODORE'S REPORT



My work schedule can often be challenging and as result of that schedule, I usually don't get to the club on Saturday mornings. I wish that wasn't true because Saturdays are the days that remind me how important our mission is and just in case you don't remember our Mission here it is once again:

"The purpose of this organization is to encourage the sport of sailing, to promote the science of seamanship and navigation, to sponsor cruises, races and instructional classes and to foster a spirit of cooperation and good fellowship."

This past Saturday morning, I walked around our club and saw adult sailing classes being held in the upstairs main room, I saw the junior sailors rigging Optis and Lasers on the lawn, cruisers and day sailors were heading out on the launch to get to their boats, and some boats were at the dock getting scrubbed or loaded up for a day on the bay. When I see these sights, I understand why we say that the CGSC is where sailors belong.

Also on that Saturday, there was a group of people who went out to Clarington Island to support our ongoing commitment to keeping the island clean and maintained. Members of the CGSC, Coconut Grove and Miami Rotary Clubs, and the family of Robert Clarington all pitched in and when the work was done, everyone enjoyed some lunch and beverages on the island. The cleanup effort will continue through to the spring, and every second Saturday of the month will be Clarington Island cleanup days, so if you want to lend a hand and help keep this project going, please join us.

Speaking of projects, the mooring field project continues to move forward and with an engineering firm chosen, so we are one step closer to spending a large amount of money for this very important project. A project that is required by the terms of our lease with the City of Miami to be completed by June of 2016. Since the signing of that lease, the leadership of the CGSC has been focused on supporting the growth of our sailing programs while always keeping in mind our commitment to install the new mooring field. We will continue to balance the needs of the club and to be responsible stewards as this project goes from the planning phase to the installation phase in 2015.

Fair Winds –

Sean Connett, Commodore

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VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

2013 brought a difficult project to the table. That project was resolving a list of longstanding maintenance, repairs and code violations at our clubhouse. I am happy to report that at the time of this writing, the concrete spalling repairs have almost reached completion on the first floor ceiling. As you may have noticed it was a huge inconvenience and mess but we have now finished the last phase of our required building issues. Many of these were safety related such as hand rail deficiencies, fuel storage issues, deck guard rail deterioration and code violations, signage, emergency lighting, electrical issues, kitchen hood and storage problems and corroding pipes on the first floor. However the spalling repairs were structural and have been nagging for some time. The repairs were not inexpensive and it is the least glamorous item that I have dealt with as an officer at the club. But this completion marks a waypoint on our city lease compliance and we can all feel a little better about our club being a safe place.

February brings the Coconut Grove Arts fest our way as well as the Strictly Sail event at the Miami International Boat show. As always we are in search

of enthusiastic volunteers to spread the word about our club. In particular we would like to promote our membership, adult learn to sail programs, youth programs and camp and our mooring field. Your time is always appreciated and these are fun relaxed events which are a great way to get to know other fellow club members.



Please note that the bar will remain open on Monday Feb. 17th during the festival as is the recent tradition. See Lauren or Adriana for tickets to get in and volunteer. And finally – remember that that weekend it is tough to get to the club. You can park up the road and walk down, or park by the convention center and come across the waterfront. Show your CGSC membership card to get in. The launch will run on demand to the Seminole ramp area that weekend to pick up sailors who want to come in from that direction. Call the dock office or bring your handheld VHF radio and call in on channel 78.

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New Club Race Officers

CGSC's new USSailing Certified Club Race Officers: left to right, Freddie Sambolin, Dorian Goldberg, Dottie Rostorfer and Rick Klein. They are the first "graduates" of the CGSC Race Committee "PRO Class of 2012" – it takes that long to get Certified! Hopefully, a few others will follow. One of the advantages of USSailing Race Officer Certification is that if a Certified RO is serving at a regatta in any capacity, the event



is protected under USSailing's Insurance Cover. Congratulations!! This brings to nine the number of active CGSC Race Committee Members who are USSailing Certified Race Officers. That said, CGSC very much needs USSailing Certified Club (and above) Judges. If you are interested in becoming a Certified Judge, please let RC Chair Susan Walcutt know (Walcutts@bellsouth.net).

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

2014 started with a bang and a little taste of winter that lasted 24 hours. What gorgeous weather are we having in Miami! Prime time for CGSC sailors of all ages!

CGSC hosted some of the best events in the country like the 29er National Championship (Jan. 1-4), the 470 North American Championships (Jan. 17-18), the 49er and 49erFX North American (Jan. 17-18), the 420 and RS ISAF qualifiers (Jan. 17-18), the ISAF Sailing World Cup (Jan. 25-31) and the Commodore Rasco Snipe Regatta (Feb. 1-2). This is thanks to our fantastic Race Committee that never ceases to amaze us with their organization and professionalism. We are honored to have such a world-class Committee. For the adults that are not racing we have great news with 4 dates opening with Bryan Wesolek for Basic Cruising classes (Jan. 25-27, Feb. 22-24, Mar. 29-31 and Apr. 26-28). The Sunfish class with Phil Adams and Basic Keel Boat with Richard Crisler are just some of the class offerings to take you the next level. Do not miss this sailing season and get into one of these classes!

The Youth Sailing Program started its Winter-Spring Season with sold-out groups and schedules yet again. Our fantastic coaches have their hands full with terrific teams in Laser, RWR Optis, Green Optis, Learn to Sail youths and the famous little Cubbies. Stop by any Saturday to feel the energy downstairs. CGSC's participation in 5 regional and local events has taken off, placing one Optimist sailor again in the US National team to go to Holland and a Laser sailor qualifying for the US Championship in Laser for the first time in the program's history. Congratulations to both for these accomplishments as they are the future generation of world-class CGSC sailors.

The Coconut Grove Arts Festival and the Miami Boat show are coming the weekend of February 14-17. CGSC will have booths in both events and we are looking for volunteers to join us and promote our fantastic club and sensational programs and classes. Please stop by the office if you can lend a hand on those days. We are a club where volunteers are critical to the success of our programs and events so join us for a few hours

and have some serious fun in the process.

As always, I want to thank dozens and dozens of people that make sailing in our club so successful. It is an enormous effort that could not be possible without each and every one of you. To our fantastic staff, our incredible instructors, coaches, director, chairs, general manager, all our committees, parents, volunteers, valuable donors, Bridge members, Board members, and sailors.....
THANK YOU!

Fair Winds and Following Seas

Sigrid Beckman, Rear Commodore



NOTICE OF RACES

Upcoming CGSC Regattas

Comodoro Rasco Snipe Regatta
February 1-2, 2014

Audi Melges 20 Miami Winter Series #2
February 8-9, 2014

Barnacle Old Time Regatta
February 22, 2014

Melges 32 Miami Winter Regatta #1
February 28-March 2, 2014

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FORMS ON RACE BULLETIN BOARD
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VISIT THEIR WEBSITE @ WWW.BBYRA.NET

Happy New Year



stamp on the 29er Class in 2013-14 and the National Championships. Their total score was 10 points in nine counting races. They won the regatta by a huge 22-point margin over second place Nic Muller and Kai Friesecke from Lauderdale YC and third place Geronimo Nores and Scott Ewing from Miami YC/Coral Reef YC.



began wild oscillations of the sort we do see from time to time out of the NW off the adjacent CG-Miami shoreline. Three starts were aborted until the cold front wind settled in from 045 degrees with authority. An hour had been burned up in the process. Race 11 started, but the wind speed was flirting with the class-recommended maximum of 25 knots. There was carnage around

The Racing. The regatta consisted of three days of excellent racing under a variety of conditions. The race target time for these skiffs is only 30 minutes. The boats are very physical, so four races per day for a total of 12 races was the plan. The regatta would eventually deal with frontal passage conditions, but on Day 1, the wind was just south of east at about 10 knots, and the planned four races went off with minor hitches. Two of the four races had to be started under Black Flag conditions due to the over-anxious fleet. That sent a message to the competitors which was well received for the duration of the regatta.



the track, but the race was finished. The Race Committee signaled Flag Alpha at the finish, indicating no more racing today. The 21 remaining cold and wet teams heaved a sigh of relief and headed upwind to shore.

Day 2 on Thursday, January 2nd was one of the best in modern CGSC Race Committee history! The wind was locked in at 190 degrees around 10-11 knots, with the front coming in. Again, four races were sailed in rapid succession, and not a single mark was moved during the entire day due to wind shifts. It was picture perfect.



The happy crews gathered around and enjoyed the moment. Happy because they had great racing over the three days, and happy they weren't still out there! So, 11 of 12 races sailed, a National Champion and World Youth Qualifier crowned, a variety of conditions, and good CGSC race management.

Frontal passage occurred overnight, and Friday dawned with a WNW wind and much cooler. Eight races had been sailed with four scheduled races to go. The first two got off without a hitch in moderate air, bringing the total to ten. However, completing an 11th race would allow the boats to drop their worst two races instead of just one, so very important to get that race in. But then, the wind



CGSC's 29er Nationals Regatta Chair (and newly elected Class VP) Carol Ewing officiated at the trophy presentation. USSailing Olympic Coach Leandro Spina awarded the World Youth Qualifier berth to Quinn and Riley. The Italian Night dinner and 29er Class Annual Meeting on Thursday ended with every scrap of food consumed! It was a very good CGSC regatta!

CGSC Race Committee. CGSC's Signal Boat was again Carl and Mercedes Updyke's Gemini 34 cat,

Cool Obsession. Ron Rostorfer (PC) was PRO, and 29er Class Rep John Papadopoulos was Deputy RO. The Signal Boat RC crew included Connie Bradley, Michelle Wood, Veronic Aghayan, Carol Cottrell, Dottie Rostorfer and Marvin Schenker. To windward on his SeaVee 25 was Are Friesecke, wife Lisa, and Oliver Scutt, Richard Etkin and Dick Pober. The Pin Boat skipper was CGSC RC Chair Susan Walcutt with Steve Smith, James Leibl and Rick Klein aboard. The Gate Boat was skippered by George Bradley with Freddie Sambolin and Lizzie Bradley.

Ron Rorstorfer

Photos by Marylinda Ramos



RESULTS:

Sail	Skipper	Pos
USA 8	Quinn Wilson/Riley Gibbs	1
USA 11	Nic Muller/Kai Friesecke	2
1418	Geronimo Nores/Scott Ewing	3
SLO 15	Peter Lin Janezic/Anze Podlogar	4
USA 2251	Max Brill/Zach Malcolm	5
1131	Sean Brennan/Pere Puig	6
USA1844	Conner Harding/Ian MacDiarmid	7
2190	Jacob Rosenberg/Kyle Blair	8
USA2001	Rhodes Garner/Briggs D'Eliscu	9
CAN1442	Emily Merry/Max Flinn	10
USA1258	Lucas Pierce/Andrew Person	11
219	M. Pacholski/H. Stapleton	12
2155	J M Bolland/B.Strickland	13
1472	S. Vinet/Sophie-Andree Vinet	14
USA200	Connor Corgard/Connor Corgard	15
1050	Lloyd Lyall/Andrew Moreno	16
1998	Michael Sabourin/Wells Drayton	17
251	Ivan Shestopalov/Ian Robinson	18
1261	Casper Ladefoged/Harry Schmidt	19
1440	Sam Thompson/William Fuse	20
1109	Veronika Zivna/Jakub Halouzka	21
NOR 697	Christina Black/Naomi Flanagan	22
258	Ceci Wollmann/Jillian Eisener	23



CHANNEL DEADLINE

Please remember that the deadline for Channel material is the 10th of the previous month of publication. If you have something for March it must be received by February 10th so that set up and printing can be done for mailing.

Adult Sailing

2014 is off to a strong start for your Adult Instructional program at C.G.S.C. In January we have re-introduced Sunday Sunfish clinics held twice each month. We have also re-started our Basic Cruising and Basic Bareboat certification program with US Sailing certified head cruising instructor, Capt. Bryan Wesolek, at the helm. Our Basic Keelboat classes and certification testing continues to grow at a very healthy rate, with more and more members being endorsed for our unique member-use privileges. Interest and activity in our unique Flying Scot instructional opportunities continues to increase under the direction of certified Instructor/Trainer, Bud Price.

Of special interest for 2014 is the restart of the US Sailing Basic Cruising and Basic Bareboat classes and certification. For those who have completed the US Sailing Basic Keelboat Certification, either through regular classes and testing, or though the US Sailing Basic Keelboat Challenge, you are ready to take the next step to achieve these certifications and to be endorsed to use the club's Beneteau cruising boats, as well as rent or charter equivalent boats when on vacation. The US Sailing Certifications are earned and are highly respected and accepted in the U.S. as well as many other charter locations, including the Caribbean. If you are ready to take the Basic Cruising course and certification, which is a prerequisite for the Basic Bareboat certification, please contact Capt. Bryan Wesolek at bryanwesolek@gmail.com or 305-812-0050 or the Adult Sailing Chairman. These cruising courses are posted on the club calendar on the club's website at www.cgsc.org and are currently planned around the last weekend of each month.

Whether new or existing member, experienced or a novice, if you want to get certified for the use of the club's keelboat and cruising boat fleet, we are ready to explain the steps and help you safely and correctly through the process. To get started, please contact the Adult Sailing Chairman at the email or phone listed below.

For those members interested in personal use of the Sunfish fleet, this is a simple process which includes classes for beginners and checkouts for more experienced dinghy sailors. For those interested in getting involved with the Flying Scot program or the Sunfish program, please contact the Adult Sailing Chairman, and you will be referred to the primary instructors for both of these fun and challenging programs.

As a final note, there will be no Adult Classes or coaching on the extended weekend of February 15-16-17 due to the Coconut Grove Arts Festival.

Sail Often Sail Safely Enjoy and Protect Our Beautiful Bay

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RECORD FLEET FOR CGSC OPEN ORANGE BOWL!

CCGSC's Annual Open Orange Bowl Regatta has been growing over the past few years, and a record 98 boats from six countries came to compete on our race courses over the Christmas-New Years period. This was the 51st CGSC Open OB Regatta! For the first time in this event, we conducted racing on two separate courses. On the CGSC Circle, were the Lasers, International 420's and 29ers that we've hosted for the last few years. Lasers are an Olympic Class, and the other two are trainers for Olympic Class boats.

New Racecourse. Up north on the Bay at our North Circle, we had the RS:X and Techno 293 Windsurfers. That's because their shore base was up on the Rickenbacker. The RS:X is an Olympic Class and the Techno is a trainer for the RS:X. These were new classes this year for our Open OB. The USSailing Olympic Coaches had approached CGSC asking the Club to provide competition opportunities for US Olympic development purposes. CGSC rose to this "high calling," and agreed to host for the Open OB and two January regattas this season.

The Racing. Racing occurs over four days, with an afternoon start on the 27th, full days on the 28th and 29th, and presumably an early wrap-up on the 30th. The 27th featured good sailing conditions but lots of tropical showers, so good thing we weren't out there all day. The next two days provided excellent sailing conditions, with CGSC and the fleets taking full advantage. Winds over the period were easterlies or southerlies. Unfortunately, on the 30th, all the forecasts agreed on no wind, and sure enough that is what happened. With the Bay glassed-over, and the sailors happy with the racing they already had, further racing was abandoned at 1100.

Great Performances. There were some incredible performances around the racing fleets. Starting with our traditional Laser Class, Erik Bowers from Minnesota won every race to sweep the regatta. Long-time Open OB competitor Roman Plutenko from Chicago had a long string of seconds going, and ended up down 11 points to Erik. CGSC's Augie Diaz took third. The older competitors also race in the Laser Masters Class, with scores adjusted based on age. Here, Augie slipped by Roman to win the Masters.

Meanwhile, in the RS:X Windsurfers, Carson Crane

from Connecticut also swept the field for a 15-point victory over Canadian Gabriel Verrier-Paquette. Miami YC's Raul Lopez was third. In the Techno's, it was Mateo Salles-Ize from Mexico's Yucatan with a very convincing win. Steven Cramer from Miami YC was second, and Aruba's Steven Max was a close third.

In the 29ers, another excellent performance was recorded, with Southern California's Quinn Wilson and Riley Gibbs winning by 13-points over Lauderdale YC's Nic Muller and Kai Friesecke. The closest competition in the regatta was in the International 420 Class. After nine races with one throw-out, Connecticut's Jack Parkin and Florian van Dijk were tied with the Coral Reef YC/ Detroit team of Wiley Rogers and Ian Robinson. Jack and Florian won the tie-breaker. The third place team was 10 points back.

Orange Bowl Committee. CGSC is very appreciative of the support for this event provided by Miami's Orange Bowl Committee. Committee Reps Carter Nance and Stu Wyllie officiated at the awards presentation on the lawn, complete with their orange blazers. It was a happy crowd of sailors who gathered for the occasion, providing a fitting end to a very good regatta.

CGSC Race Committee. The "unsung heroes/heroines" of regatta management are the Registration and Scoring teams. So, hats off to excellent jobs by Registration Chair Sandrine Quenee assisted by Richard Etkin. Carol Ewing handled the scoring with assistance from the RC Finish Recorders. The North Course Signal Boat was David Kurtz's (PC) Robalo. USSailing's Area Race Officer Tim Rumpitz was kind enough to travel over from the Tampa area to be Principal Race Officer for this Circle. Assisting on Signal were Saralee Lamb, Nancy Rogachenko, Dottie Rostorfer, Rick Klein and Veronic Aghayan. USSailing Olympic Coach Leandro Spina handled the course setting.

On the CGSC Circle, Carl and Mercedes Updyke's Cool Obsession was Signal Boat, and Ron Rostorfer (PC) was PRO. Signal Boat crews were Jo Ann Mathieu, Jim Waldron, Paco Calvet, and Suzanne Roberts. Up to windward were Larry Whipple (PC), Art Auwaerter, Bernie Meier and Karen Young. The Pin Boat was skippered by 29er Class Secretary John Papadopoulos, with Debbie Ryder and Ty Techera. Over on the Outer Gate of the Trapezoid Course were 29er Class President Oliver Scutt, Barbara Safiullin, Scotte Hamilton and I-420 Class President Larry Law.
Ron Rostorfer

Boat of the Month - February 2014

Anam Cara - Jen Cheney

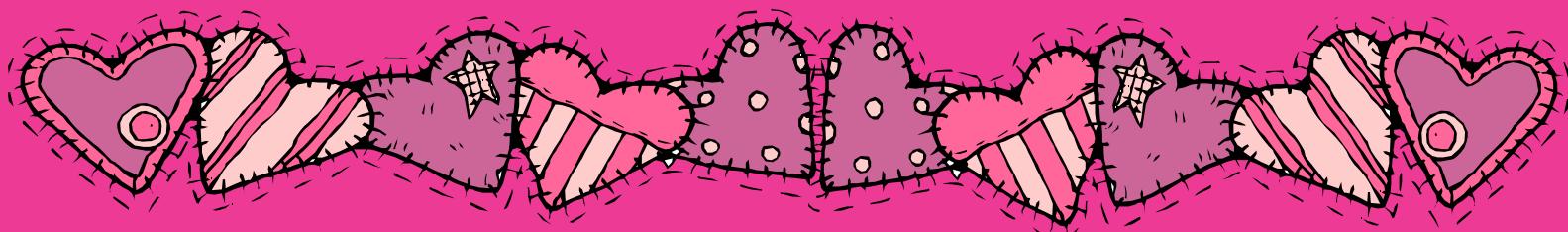
Anam Cara is a 1991 Hunter 30, owned by Jennifer ("Jen") Cheney. Jen joined CGSC and brought Anam Cara onto the mooring field in 2009. Jen gets real value out of Anam Cara, and she can regularly be seen single-handing the boat around the bay in the afternoons after work. Jen and her son Jamie were part of the June 2013 Bimini flotilla (see the September 2013 Channel for the full story), and Anam Cara was the boat that stayed in Bimini the longest! The photo is of Anam Cara at Brown's Marina and Big Game Club in Bimini, with Jamie relaxing in the swing. One thing we can all learn from Jen



is a bit about boat organization and preparation ... ask Jen to have you aboard one day to see a nicely organized interior, well maintained equipment, the right safety gear, and overall a great setup. Jen is one of our lady sailors who shows the world why you should "Come Sail With Us"!

* "Boat of the Month" is a regular column of the CGSC Channel. Club members are welcome to nominate any boat except their own as "Boat of the Month".

Submit a high quality photo, details of the boat and its owners, and any stories about them that are publishable. Email nominations to botm@coldbeer.cc.



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VALENTINES
DAY