



DECEMBER 2015

## VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT *Work Weekend CGSC Style*

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!! I had a very ambitious list this year for work weekend. I was hoping to accomplish two or three projects that I had discussed with the property committee. The staff had two or three projects that they wanted to work on, and I had about seventy. The weather forecast for the weekend was not favorable, so I expected a light turnout when the storms starting rolling in at 2 a.m. Saturday morning. I arrived at the club at 8:00 a.m. to find the commodore pulling in at the same time. Shortly after that, the rains came, but so did the volunteers, asking to be assigned a job. First 10 then 20 then 40 then 80, by noon we had over 100 volunteers and staff working together.

Building, painting, cleaning, pruning, scraping, sanding, sharing, steaming, laughing, singing, greasing, planting, sawing, sewing, sweating, sloshing, dancing, varnishing, moving, sorting, eating, drinking, planning, high fiving, but after the keg was tapped, they kept on working!! They stayed until well after dark and shared potluck. Sunday was gray and blustery but they came back!! Most didn't ask, they went right to work to finish the project that they had started on

Saturday and chipped in to help their fellow members and staff. We tapped the keg and they kept on working!!! Over 200 members and staff and kids made a difference!! Some projects were not completed, not from lack of effort, but we ran out of time.

My list is much shorter, and hopefully our boats will be sporting their burgees proudly on the bay now that the launch service has resumed. Again thank you all for a great weekend.

I look forward to seeing you December 20th for the boat parade and dockside party.

CGSC is the best deal for New Year's Eve.

Come down to check out our new look, new menu and new back bar food service. Enjoy the holidays and let us hope for peace on earth in the coming year ahead.



*Janice Pruett, Vice Commodore*  
*SV Effortless*

Coconut Grove Sailing Club  
"Where sailors and friends belong"

## COMMODORE'S REPORT

I am writing this article at the end of the Club's Annual Work Weekend. Which makes it the same weekend as the Paris attacks. The amount of hate, violence and aggression in the world these days is mind boggling and so sad. But it gives a renewed appreciation to the friendship, teamwork and overall camaraderie that makes up the CGSC. This was such a great weekend at the Club. Vice Commodore Pruett did an amazing job with her long list of items that needed to be done and she is owed more than a simple thank you. Everyone that volunteered did an amazing job of making her list come to fruition. When I left the Club tonight she was so exhausted that she said her article for this month was going say Thank You; and nothing more. Well, I am sure she is going into more detail but I send my thanks to everyone that participated or donated and I am proud to be a member of such a great organization. Switching gears, as you know we finished the construction phase of the mooring field back in August. It has taken some additional time to close out all the permits and obtain final approvals from all the various agencies but I am happy to report that all permits are closed and all approvals have been obtained. With this now done, we have achieved a major milestone for the Club and have also complied with a very important provision of our lease that required the new mooring field. We are at a point where we will now be approaching the City of Miami to exercise our next renewal term under our lease. I will keep you posted on that progress. While Work Weekend is an annual tradition in November, the Holiday Boat Parade is annual tradition in December. Please join us on Sunday, December 20 for the boat parade. If you have a boat, start planning your decorations and your lights. You don't have to have a boat in the mooring field - if your boat is elsewhere, come to the dock in advance and join the fun. And if you don't have a boat, I know you can hitch a ride with someone else. Just let me know. We'll leave the club at dark, caroling away, and motor through the Club mooring field, Dinner Key

Marina, by Scotty's Landing (I know, it has a new name but I don't know what it is. And like the Lipton tennis tourney, it will always be Scotty's...). Weather depending we may also head out into the bay for a short while and back into our mooring field. People on the docks, on their boats and at the restaurants always start singing with us so come along for a CGSC holiday tradition.

I hope you had a Happy Thanksgiving and may the rest of your holiday season be filled with cheer.

Have a happy New Year and I hope to see you at the boat parade and for New Year's at the Club!



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### NOTICE

#### Upcoming CGSC Regattas

Laser District 13 Championships  
December 05-06, 2015

Audi Melges Winter Series #1  
December 11-13, 2015

CGSC Open Orange Bowl Regatta  
December 27-30, 2015

BBYRA One Design #5  
January 2, 2016

SEE NOTICES OF RACE AND REGISTRATION FORMS  
ON RACE BULLETIN BOARD DOWNSTAIRS  
OR AT [WWW.CGSC.ORG](http://WWW.CGSC.ORG)  
FOR BBYRA 2014-15 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS  
VISIT THEIR WEBSITE @ [WWW.BBYRA.NET](http://WWW.BBYRA.NET)



# Working Away at CGSC



# View from the Signal Boat



## ANNUAL REGATTA WINNERS

### PHRF:

Cruising Non-Spinnaker	<i>Osita</i>	Becky Lyons
Cruising/Racing	<i>Sacrosanct</i>	Al Otero
Racing	<i>Senara</i>	Jill Bill, Earmonn deLisser & Horst Baier

### ONE DESIGN:

Flying Scot	<i>Dadomb</i>	Mark Taylor
J24	<i>MuyMuy</i>	Ernesto Mendosa
Laser	208331	Jensen McTighe
Snipe	3047	Ernesto Rodriguez
Sunfish	80322	Alex Wolfe

Susan Walcutt

CGSC Race Committee Chair





## REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

**W**hile serving on the board of the CGSC you get a closer look at the events, operations and responsibilities of our club. Our mission, loosely, is to provide and encourage sailing on Biscayne Bay. For those of us that actually sail on the Bay this seems to be a no brainer, why we sail. The Bay is beautiful, there is an element of security, and it is conveniently located near where we live. Still there are those who hesitate to participate. In order to reach these individuals measures must be taken to instill and maintain a lifelong desire for sailing. Enter the volunteer, without whom all sailing clubs world wide would most likely cease to exist. Our club has been gifted with a number of great volunteers. I would like to recognize one volunteer with this publication. An annual event, the Halloween Howler, continues to be a favorite item for area sailing clubs and the community at large. This year we had over 100 participants for the actual regatta and an increasing number of

boats decorated for the candy hunt. The entire event was produced by our staff and a number of volunteers. Leading the charge was Sandrine Quenee. In addition to her duties as a member of the Race Committee, Sandrine steps up often to assist in club activities. Sandrine's involvement meant that from beginning to end our focus would be maintained. The next time you see Sandrine or any of our wonderful volunteers around the club say "thanks" from me and all the members of CGSC.



Thank you

*Ryan Alexander, Rear Commodore*  
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### DISTANT CGSC RENDEZVOUS

An early November CGSC rendezvous occurred in the far-away port of Opuia, New Zealand. World cruisers Phil & Nell Kellett (on the right) arrived in New Zealand in late October after a Pacific crossing from Panama. Phil is a former Rear Commodore of CGSC and served as Interim General Manager in the tough months following Hurricane Wilma in 2005. They're going to get boat work done, tour the beautiful country and decide their future plans. Dottie and Ron Rostorfer (PC) travelled there by more conventional means. It was a wonderful couple of days in the Bay of Islands.



### Clarington Island Clean Up

A dirty dozen lead by Janice Pruitt spent the morning of Saturday, November 7 cleaning Clarington Island. Thank you to those who participated. The next two dates will be Saturday, December 5 and Saturday January 9. The cleanups will be listed on [volunteercleanup.org](http://volunteercleanup.org). Jeff has secured kegs donations from Sweetwater for re-hydration afterwards.

Denise Schneider





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## ADULT SAILING REPORT

**B**y the time you have received this December issue, our Adult Training Program will have experienced another milestone. We will have conducted our largest BASIC KEELBOAT Class ever (November 21-22) as a result of an additional training vessel made available for us by long time member, Dr. Steve Samson. JOLLY ROGER is a Mariner 24, with a keel design same as our Ensigns. It will comfortably sit three students and an instructor for BASIC KEELBOAT Classes. Along with our three Ensigns, PAT, PUFF-DADDY and FOUNDATION, our BASIC KEELBOAT fleet now numbers four (4) training keelboats, allowing us to conduct our twice-monthly BASIC KEELBOAT classes with up to twelve (12) students and four (4) certified instructors. We also plan to include this vessel in our Member-Use fleet for "advanced" certified members, following a check-out on use from the current mooring location, separate from the Ensigns. Thank You Dr. Steve Samson, who has masterfully sailed this engineless, swift keelboat in and out of our moorings for many years. More to come on JOLLY ROGER as we safely work this fine vessel into our adult instructional program.

Also, by the time of this issue, we will hopefully have cleaned-up, fixed-up and prettied-up all of our Adult training and member-use fleet, including







the Sunfish and cruising Beneteaus. Speaking of our Cruising Beneteaus, Congratulations to several of our members who became US Sailing BASIC CRUISING and BAREBOT CRUISING Certified. Thanks to Capt. Bruce Penrod, certified instructor, for conducting the two classes, totaling seven (7) days, on his handsome 40' sloop, Leaping Groundhog. Once the students have completed these courses, they need only to attend an orientation for the two Beneteau cruisers, FRANELA and TOGETHER. Thanks again to Marc Pendaries for conducting that timely Orientation for the students who were certified, and can now take advantage of the privilege of member-use of these two club cruisers.



We are extremely appreciative of members who offer their services to help us maintain our instructional fleet in safe operating condition. Never before have we conducted an Adult instructional and member-use program as successful as we now have. Maintaining our not-so-new, but very safe fleet is an ongoing job, made easier by member-users doing their part, as well as other members stepping up to help us. Most recently we very much appreciate the help of Terry and Clint Boram for some outstanding work, making one of our tired, very used mainsail covers look and work like new again. Mark and Cathy also recently renewed a sail cover for us. Thanks, Terry, Clint, Mark and Cathy.



There is still plenty of time for you to get our unique, popular and wide ranging instructional gift certificates. If interested, just contact me. Happy Holidays and Safe Sailing to ALL.



Sail Often... Sail Safely... Enjoy and Protect Our Beautiful Bay...

Richard Crisler, Chairman – Adult Training

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*A picture taken during our last BASIC KEELBOAT Class which is an almost PERFECT picture of a properly fitted, trimmed and crewed keelboat. These were novice students on their last day, coming back in via Brennan Channel.*



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## Flying Scot Racing

The 3rd race of the season was 11/8/15 , the Coral Reef Yacht Club One Dsign Annual Regatta. It was a one day race with 10 boats registered. The winds were 10 to 15knots and CRYC had a great awards party after. Here are the final standings.

1st Place - Jim Signor

2nd Place - Henry Bernstein

3rd Place - Larry Whipple,

4th Place - Bud Price

5th Place - Lorie Messier

6th Place - Etkin & Reinhold,

7th Place - Andrea Hoffman

8th Place - Jose Torres

9th Place - Newland & Grupenhoff

10th Place - Ryan Alexander.

Next race is Sunday, December 13, 2015. Sail fast and I'll see you on the bay.

Whip

