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## MARSTROM 32 CATS ON THE BAY!

**T**he very high-level Marstrom 32 catamaran fleet has been back on Biscayne Bay this past winter, bigger and better than ever. This Class is built and professionally managed by Aston Harald AB of Sweden, with almost a “Who’s Who” of sailboat racing among the owners or charterers and professional crew. Coconut Grove Sailing Club has assisted the “M32” program this season by providing limited Race Committee personnel, being the site of some post-race gatherings, and shore-basing the two DV Sailing boats.

There were four fleet racing events from January through Palm Sunday weekend in April. The final event saw ten M32’s on the starting line. In addition, two others were conducting match race training. At this writing, the fleet is sailing the first of two World Match Race Tour events. Six boats are racing – two at a time,

of course. So, there are three matches in each flight. On the first day of match racing, over 30 starts were completed!

All of the M32 events are umpired racing, with two Umpire Boats weaving in and out of the fleet looking for fouls – very exciting duty. CGSC has provided Assistant Umpires for all races, a Medic for the Safety Boat and Signal Boat personnel. Most express themselves with the same thought, “I’ve never seen anything like this in sailboat racing!” The boats have huge acceleration off the reaching start line and downwind under main and gennaker. Their race course involves both leeward and windward gates – something rarely seen.

In the final fleet racing event April 7-9, there was the usual practice day on Friday with great



# COMMODORE'S REPORT

**D**ear Members,  
I'm riding stormy seas this month. Not able to give a full report.

Please take note of the bylaws changes that will be voted on at the Annual Meeting scheduled for Friday, June 2nd.

Vice Commodore, Ryan Alexander will be presenting the Board approved budget for your review.

We will also be voting on 3 new Board of Directors, Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer.

We need 10% of the membership present to approve the by laws change.

Stay calm...sail on.

*Janice Pruitt, Commodore*  
SV Effortless



## CGSC Youth Go Out Into the World



Team Nico And Bruno In Holland.



Team Maya and Alex in Lake Garday, Italy.



*NEXT TIME YOU SEE THEM AROUND THE CLUB, TELL THEM HOW PROUD YOU ARE THAT THEY REPRESENT CGSC ON TEAM USA AT HOME AND ABROAD.*



**Chris Purcell winning SailFest Junior Olympics Sarasota Youth Sailing | April 08-09, 2017**

**West Marine**  
**BlueFuture**  
YOUTH ADVENTURE. EDUCATION & STEWARDSHIP

We'd like to take the opportunity to thank West Marine for their generous support to our outreach and scholarship program.

Also we'd like to thank past Rear Commodore Sigried Beckmann for being instrumental in applying for this grant all the way from Spain.

## VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

**O**n a recent Wednesday evening, organized by Bud Price, CGSC launched 9 boats with over 30 people to sail on the Bay. Gary and Nic from Castle Harbor assisted us by providing race committee. Their help with setting marks, timing races and filming (Coconut Grove Wednesday night racing on Youtube) enabled us to have 5 races with spirited sailing.

There are 8 clubs around Biscayne Bay that participate in sailing activities, Key Biscayne, Miami Yacht Club, Coral Reef, Biscayne Bay, US Sailing Center, Shake-a-leg, CGSC and Castle Harbor. All of these organizations support the sport of sailing with their members participating as competitors and on race committees. On any given week you will find their members supporting

sailing on the Bay, often on boats from other clubs.

Our clubs are varied in their membership base, yet all of us have a common interest and are committed to further the sport of sailing. If you want to sail there are a number of ways to get out on the water and participate. You just have to show up.



*Ryan Alexander*  
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## REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

Hello Sailors!

**I** was walking down the main dock a couple of weeks ago, and came across some of usual culprits sitting on a beautiful boat dealing with a bottle of rum and putting the world to rights ...the "middle aged paunchy men's club" :-). That got me thinking about the lady sailors of our club, who really have their act together on their boats, getting out on the bay and beyond, leaving the boys to their rum. There are some obvious examples, starting with those who were members of the Women's Yacht Racing Association (WYRA) back in the day ... Patricia Murphey, Diane Ferrari, Emy Martiniez, Denise Schneider, Fay Regan, Carol Ewing, Susan Walcutt, Jean-Ann Davis, and more.

A more recent standout figure in the cruiser boat racing scene is Becky Lyons, who has competed in so many races, and recently showed all the MAPMs how it's done by completing the Miami- Havana race. On the mooring field some lady owners we see sailing a lot include Jen Chenney, Carla Pugh, Nina Russell, Nicole Bailey, Joann Pszeny, Lorenza Quijano, Amanda Shiner, and others I'm sure. On the strip it's great to see Lorie Messer, Andee Hoffman, and others getting out there and mixing it up. Finally, let's not forget the enthusiasm of the ladies who come out and crew ... their names are too many, but their faces are so familiar. So, you members of the middle aged paunchy men's club,

it's time for you to step up your sailing activities too ... the bay does not discriminate according to race, colour, creed, or sex!

And now it's May ... love is in the air, the flowers are blossoming, hay fever sufferers are sneezing, and the sun is shining. For sailors, the good news is that the water is warming up (already warm enough or comfortable swimming), the winds are fair, the birds are gone and the barnacles have not arrived, and it's still cool enough to haul your boat out to do bottom painting. The Key Largo race, Annual Rendezvous, Spring Fling, and the Flip- Flop-Fete are some of the events we will enjoy.

I'm heading out sailing this weekend, so I'll see you out on Biscayne Bay!



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## PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

### Old bylaws:

d) PRAM AND SAIL TRAINING COMMITTEES: These Committees shall be the Adult Sail Training Committee, the Junior Pram Committee and the Junior Racing Development Committee. The Chairperson of each of these committees shall report to the Rear Commodore. To insure continuity throughout the summer programs, the Commodore will appoint three chairpersons to serve on a calendar year basis; i.e., from January 1 through December 31.

1) ADULT SAIL TRAINING COMMITTEE: The adult Sail Training Committee shall be composed of a Chairperson and at least two other members. The chairperson shall be responsible for administering the adult sailing classes throughout the year and shall ensure that the adult training boats are maintained in proper working order. The Adult Sail Training Chairperson shall report to the Rear Commodore.

2) JUNIOR PRAM COMMITTEE: The Junior Pram Chairperson shall be responsible for administering junior pram classes throughout the year and the summer instructional program. The chairperson shall work with the Junior Racing Development Chairperson to insure that at least fifteen Club sailing prams and eight optimist prams are maintained in proper working order. The Junior Pram Chairperson shall report to the Rear Commodore.

3) JUNIOR RACING DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: The Junior Racing Development Committee shall consist of a Chairperson and at least two other members. The Junior Racing Development Chairperson shall work with the Junior Pram Chairperson to insure that at least eight optimist prams are in good working order and be responsible for administering the junior racing development program throughout the year. The chairperson shall also be responsible for the summer racing development program, the Annual Pram Regatta and any other activities relating to the junior racing development program. The Junior Racing Development Chairperson shall report to the Rear Commodore.

### To be replaced by:

d) SAIL TRAINING COMMITTEES: These committees shall be the Adult Sail Training Committee, and the Youth Sail Training Committee. The Chairperson of each of these committees shall report to the Rear Commodore. To ensure continuity throughout the summer programs, the Commodore will appoint the chairpersons to serve on a calendar year basis; i.e., from January 1 through December 31.

1) ADULT SAIL TRAINING COMMITTEE: The Adult Sail Training Committee shall be composed of a Chairperson and at least two other members. The committee shall, in collaboration with CGSC staff, administer the adult sailing programs, ensure that the adult training boats are maintained in proper working order, and propose a adult sail training budget to the FINANCE COMMITTEE in time for incorporation into the annual club budget.

2) YOUTH SAIL TRAINING COMMITTEE: The Youth Sail Training Committee shall be composed of a Chairperson, a Vice-chairperson, and at least two other members. The committee shall, in collaboration with CGSC staff, administer the youth sailing programs (including, but not limited to, instructional programs and racing events) in compliance with program policies, ensure that the youth training boats are maintained in proper working order, coordinate key fundraising activities, and propose a youth sail training budget to the FINANCE COMMITTEE in time for incorporation into the annual club budget.

## YOUTH SAILING

**April**, April, April. It is sad to close our Spring 2017 season but we are very proud of what we have accomplished in such a short time. By the time you read this, we will have qualified 9 sailors to attend Team Trials in New Jersey next month - hosted the Canadian National Team for their Spring Clinic – ran a successful Spring Break Camp - held the test event for our Spring Series next year – sailed more than 5260 hours – had a blast while doing it. Congratulations to Bruno Wencelblat who qualified for Team Trials last month in Jensen Beach at the Sunshine State Championship, he worked very hard for that goal and with him we are taking 9 sailors to Brant Beach, NJ in the next few weeks. So if you see us around the club, know that we are working hard to represent CGSC with pride at every club and sailing venue we visit. We are also looking forward to Summer Camp which is right around the corner. Registration is open, so reserve your spots now at <http://cgscic.org/summercamp> We are looking forward to good results in Team Trials, and we will see you around the Bay!

### What Sailing Means to Me

**H**ello my name is Conor Kellett. Sailing is my favorite sport because it involves sportsmanship, it's relaxing, and importantly it's lots of fun! Another reason why I love sailing is because you can travel to different places around Florida, the U.S.A and the world, and you can make new friends. The boat I sail is called the Optimist class, which is really great to sail. My sister also sails an Optimist.



Since I am eleven years old, I am in the Blue Fleet when Racing. This has only been my second season at CGSC. I'm pleased to say that I think that I have made some major improvements to my sailing technique. I've also travelled to compete in qualifying regattas, which allow sailors to compete for the big events such as USODA Team Trials.

Practice and training is an important part of becoming a better sailor at CGSC. Most of the time we do drills like: rabbit starts, the ferris wheel drill and the last beat drill etc. Sometimes we sail against our local sailing clubs CRYC and KBYC. Regattas allow us to compete against other sailing clubs and this enables me to apply the things I have been taught at practice.

Of course none of this would be possible without the support of my sailing coaches at CGSC and my parents. My goal for next sailing season is to compete in the U.S. Nationals for CGSC.



**May**: The youth sailing racing team will be facing the last stage of the season. With a few regattas left on the calendar, the Lasers will be heading to Sarasota for the Junior Olympic Festival while the Optimist team will be attending the Spring Fling regatta at Coral Reef Yacht Club. This will be their last regatta in preparation for the 2017 Team Trials in Brant Beach New Jersey held in beginning of May. Team Trials is our main target because it gives our kids a chance to qualify for the summer international events, as well as the US National and Development Team. Our team has made a lot of progress in the last quarter of the season by implementing a lot of new techniques and focusing on the physical and mental aspect of sailing. We have incorporated Yoga as part of our routine and have gotten really good feedback from the kids. The coaches and I are always thinking big; below you will find a list of International regattas that our kids could qualify for this summer while representing CGSC and the USA. We currently have four sailors representing us in Holland and Italy. We hope to make the members of CGSC proud.

IODA World Championship-  
July 11-21, 2017 in Thailand  
Royal Varuna Yacht Club – Pattaya, Thailand

IODA European Championship-  
July 30 –August 6, 2017  
Yacht Club Port Bourgas- Bulgaria

IODA Asian & Oceanian Championship-  
September 30- October 7, 2017  
Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club – Hong Kong

IODA North American Championship –  
June 25 – July 2, 2017  
Royal Canadian yacht Club – Toronto, Canada

Volvo Gill British National Championship -  
July 29 -August 4, 2017

Weymouth/Portland National Sailing Academy ,  
Great Britain

I would also like to recognize the beginner Laser and Opti class. We have such a great group of new sailors that the coaches our looking forward in working with them in the future. Due to popular demand, we have added an extra beginner Opti course on Thursdays, 4pm - 6pm.

We have now emerged and getting ready to have a successful summer camp. Each year we have 5 two-week sessions of summer camp. If you're interested in registering your children for camp or our Thursday after school program please contact me for any information.

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conditions, but Saturday saw no racing due to light air. However, Sunday was “Chamber of Commerce” wind and sunshine. Seven races were sailed. Winning by six points was REV sailed by Rick DeVos. Don Wilson’s Convexity took second by a point over Team Green skippered by Jim Pendergrast. Former CGSC Member Malcolm Gefter was fourth. Here’s the link to the event website: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=2985>. Also, worth a mention is the Team E11EVEN, (featured on this issue’s cover) skippered by Markus

Edegren with crew Scott Ewing, son of members Carol and Jon Ewing. Scott and Markus, along with five other team members are training on anything catamaran and foiling for the next several months. They have been selected to represent the USA in the Red Bull Youth America’s Cup in AC 45 Foiling boats being held this summer in Bermuda in conjunction with the 35th America’s Cup. Keep an eye out for these guys!

CGSC Race Committee Members who participated in the M32 racing included Assistant Umpires



# M 32

## Winter



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Bill Becker, Bill Quesenberry, Larry Whipple, Julie Hanrahan, Saralee Lamb, Allen Cox, Don Poole, Nancy Rogachenko, Cathy Buller and Esther DiLeo. Medics included Carl Updyke, Bonnie Padgett and Dave Frazier. Signal Boat crews were Lovell Luparini and Dottie and Ron Rostorfer, PC.

Plans are already underway for the M32's to return to the Bay next season!

Ron Rostorfer



## FLYING SCOT RACING

### April

The 7th OD race of the season was 3/12/17, the KBYC RC ran the regatta. There were 9 boats registered. Here are the final standings.

#### FLYING SCOTS

Name	SKIPPER	SAIL	POS
LA	Jim Signor	5566	1
I Gone	Obie Smith	6109	2
Beija Flor	Ryan Alexander	075	3
TBD	Lamphere	6112	4
Air America	Charles (Bud) Price	5220	5
Culpable	Andrea G Hoffman	5246	6
CGSC 3423	Reinhold/Etkin	3423	7
Pearl	Greg McPhee	5123	8
Lady Hope	Henry Bernstein	5321	9

Next race is Saturday April 29, 2017, with the BBYC Annual Sunburn Regatta.

Sail FAST!

### May

With daylight savings time in effect the Wednesday night practice races are back! Get your boat in the water about 5:30 PM and head out to the end of Brennen Channel. We'll run as many Windward-Leeward races as time allows, head back to the CGSC and review the racing over a cold beer at the Grove's Nest! Next race is Saturday April 29, 2017, with the BBYC Annual Sunburn Regatta. Sail FAST!

Larry Whipple



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## NOTICE

### Upcoming CGSC Regattas

**Rescheduled  
CGSC**

**Junior Commodore's Cup  
May 13, 2017**

**Goombay Regatta  
May 27-28, 2017**

**BBYRA ORC #10  
June 4, 2017**

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)



# APRIL REGATTAS

## Melges 20 No. 3 - One and Done!

March is typically the best of the best for the winter regatta season in Miami. Unfortunately, it didn't work out that way for the final event of CGSC's Melges 20 Miami Winter Series.

One of the longest periods of high winds set in on Friday morning, March 3<sup>rd</sup> and remained throughout the weekend and on into early the following week. The result: one day of racing for this fleet on the Friday with three races sailed, and that was it. High winds, well above class limits forced cancellation of racing over the remaining two days.

Friday: A gusty, shifty, squally NE wind greeted the 21 competitors. There was frequently sunlight in between wind shifts and squalls giving the RC and competitors false hope of improving conditions. There was no improvement! Veteran Melges 20 skipper Rob Wilbur won the event with a lot more in the bank than one slim point. Rob and crew posted two bullets and a 7<sup>th</sup> to win the event by six points over another veteran and former World Champion John Kilroy. One point back in third was Drew Freerides. A tough day of sailing.

Saturday: It was clear that the wind was increasing beyond Class limits. Blake sent the fleet ashore. The RC remained on station monitoring conditions, but eventually racing was cancelled for the day.

Sunday: The fleet was held ashore, and two RC boats went out to monitor conditions first hand. Gusts to 30 knots sealed the fate for a second day in a row.

This event concluded the eighth season of the Melges 20 Miami Winter Series, and this was the 25<sup>th</sup> Melges 20 event at the Club. The Melges Rocks dinner in the Main Room Saturday night filled the room to capacity. It was a Pig Roast sponsored again by Rob Wilbur's team, with CGSC's kitchen adding Mahi-Mahi, veggies, salad, etc. Melges President Andy Burdick and Class Manager Sam Rogers were the MC's, and gave great praise and thanks to CGSC and our Race Committee for this long and happy association. At the end, a ceremonial cake was cut for dessert.

Sunday at the awards presentation, the season series Perpetual Trophy was presented to Drew Freerides and his crew of Morgan Reeser, Charlie Smyth and Federico Michetti. In the eight seasons of this series, no one has won the series championship more than once. Quite a statement about the competitiveness of this Class.

CGSC's Race Committee did another excellent job under difficult conditions. Special thanks to everyone who helped.



## CGSC and MYC Team Up!

The International 420 Class is hotbed of pre-Olympic 470 Class training for 'teens. Since the 470 is raced separately in the Olympics by men and women, the I-420 appeals to both boys and girls teams which race together as one fleet.

That said, U.S. Olympic Development Director Leandro Spina and Class North American President Larry Law had a problem: how to add a third winter regatta for the Class in Miami on a school holiday long weekend? This would follow the CGSC Open Orange Bowl over the Christmas Holidays and the North American's over MLK Weekend in January. The only remaining opportunity would be Presidents' Weekend – not possible for CGSC due to the Art Festival. Besides, they wanted racing on the ocean to prepare these sailors for summer competition.

The novel answer: shore-base the new I-420 Mid-Winters at Miami Yacht Club, tow the boats to the ocean and back, and get CGSC's Race Committee to run the event on the water with assistance from MYC RC volunteers. 34 I-420 teams competed in the regatta, which was also a Youth Qualifier – so a very important event for them. Three days of racing were conducted on the ocean south of Government Cut. All eight scheduled races were completed in light to moderate conditions on their standard Trapezoid Course. Each day, the wind was shifty early, but eventually settled down and provided good quality racing.

The event was won by the girls team of Carmen and Emma Cowles from Larchmont YC on Long Island Sound. In addition to this victory, they also won the Open Orange Bowl/ U.S. Nationals and were third in the North American's by only three points. They clearly won the winter series here, even though they give up strength, weight and leverage to boys teams in a good breeze. It's called "talent." They entered the final day with a six point lead, and won the regatta by ten. They don't let up!

CGSC's Race Management leadership team was headed up by Principal Race Officer Ron Rostorfer, PC. On the Signal Boat were Timers Philippe Dusser and Steve Herman and Recorders Lovell Luparini and Kathy Gunst. Up to windward on CGSC's Angler 24 were Skipper Rick Klein, Navigator Dottie Rostorfer Esther DiLeo and Allen Cox. The Pin Boat Race Officer was our Julie Hanrahan. The Outer Gate/ Finish Boat Race Officer was CGSC's George Bradley with Recorder Connie Bradley.

Leandro provided a huge help moving marks in his RIB. MYC's Florencia Barletta handled the scoring and did a great job in support of the RC effort. Special thanks to U.S. National Judge Rick Mallinson and his Protest Committee of International Judge Marty Ottenheimer and required "Sailor-Athlete" Judges Shannon Bush and Mark Foster.



## CGSC RACE COMMITTEE BANQUET

The Annual CGSC Race Committee End-of-Season Banquet took place on Saturday evening, April 1<sup>st</sup>. The Guest of Honor was US Sailing Olympic Development Director, Leandro Spina. Our Race Committee conducts winter regattas for Olympic Development Classes such as the International 420's and 29ers. These boats are sailed by teenagers. As they mature in size and talent, they will move up to the actual Olympic Classes like the 470 and 49er.

Leandro made an excellent presentation on the vision, goals, programs and actions of this three-year old effort which has already struck gold at World Youth Championship events. He was also very complementary of CGSC and our RC:

"Thank you again for all your support, your RC team provides a level of excellence in race management very much needed to help our kids reach the highest levels. You guys rock! We look forward to continue working closely with CGSC. Very exciting times for our sport in USA!"

Regatta Chair Richard Etkin served as Master of Ceremonies. Awards were presented to all private boat owners whose boats were used this season in our regattas. An excellent buffet dinner was prepared and served by the Kitchen Staff. Thanks to all.



Leonardo Spina speaking at the CGSC Race Committee Banquet.



Race Committee Members enjoying their annual banquet

## ADULT SAILING RECAP

### April

As the number of students, both members and non-members, achieve their US Sailing BASIC KEELBOAT Certifications, the demand for the second and third level of certifications continues to increase. BASIC KEELBOAT, the first and biggest step, is the prerequisite for the BASIC CRUISING Certification, which is the prerequisite for the BAREBOAT CRUISING certification. While BASIC KEELBOAT is taught and tested on a true basic keelboat, the Ensign 23, which is tiller-steered, fixed-keel and non-powered, weighing in at 3,000 lbs, the BASIC CRUISING and BASIC BAREBOAT classes are taught on a modern 40' sloop. For members to use our Beneteau cruisers, they must be BASIC CRUISING Certified for day use and BAREBOAT CRUISING Certified for over-night use. Thanks very much to Captain Bruce Penrod for really stepping up to the demand for these advanced classes and certifications during the last few months. For information about these advanced classes, contact Capt. Bruce at [bapenrod29@msn.com](mailto:bapenrod29@msn.com) or 814-341-0094.

We are having better luck so far this year with weather and its affect on our twice monthly BASIC KEELBOAT Classes and almost daily coaching and testing sessions. We would love to see this continue to help us with our backlog of students needing additional coaching before attempting the US Sailing BASIC KEELBOAT Certification tests. With Daylight Savings Time now in effect, we will be able to teach, coach or test even after 5PM on weekdays for those who are available. We continue to follow a strict schedule for our BASIC KEELBOAT Classes, almost all of which are full. We offer these classes twice each month on the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) weekend, and again on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) weekend of each month, providing twenty-two classes or more each year.

With the beginning of Daylight Savings Time, Capt. Bud Price announced that the Flying Scot racing on Wednesday evenings have started again for this season. We encourage anyone wishing to join these fun sailors for casual and spirited racing every Wednesday evening, weather permitting. We strongly encourage our adult students, both currently working towards their certification or already certified to join in the sport and fun and another form of sailing with this dedicated group of sailors. Be at the dock around 5PM for a 5:30 departure. You can count on a spirited and fun social gathering after the races if you care to join in. Questions about our Adult Sailing Programs at C.G.S.C., or about our Member-Use privileges? Feel free to contact me anytime.

# ADULT SAILING REPORT

May

**A**fter a string of BASIC KEELBOAT classes, both group and private, being interrupted and rescheduled, due to the recent fickle weather, we have been able to put together a good schedule of group and private classes for March and April. Our Sunfish and our Cruising classes have also had to deal with more than usual weather issues this season, but most recently the weather has been kinder to us. Thanks to Capt. Bruce Penrod for his continued cruising classes in 2017. Congratulations to members, Catherine Colby, Peter Gumble, Stephen Rogers, Doug Hyer, Alex Fox and Abel Gonzalez, who recently completed the US Sailing BASIC CRUISING CLASS with Certification, which will enable them to take part in our Beneteau users program (Adopt-a- Beneteau), once they have completed their orientation. By the time this report is published, Captain Bruce will have completed another BAREBOAT CRUISING CLASS with Certification, April 14-17.

Our very active Flying Scot group has restarted our Wednesday evening racing event. This well supported, very popular weekly event, guided by Fleet Captain and US Sailing Instructor, Bud Price, is open to all sailors. Many of our member owners generously give of their time and the use of their boats for this event. It is open to members as well as non-members, especially those who have attended recent classes at CGSC.

Show up at the dock around 5PM for assignments and launching of the boats. A few short, fun races are followed by retrieval and derigging the boats then most participants gather on the verandah for socializing. I encourage those who have attended recent classes to expand your sailing experience by joining this fun and dedicated group on Wednesday evenings, weather permitting.

At the time of this report we are negotiating for a “new” Ensign to replace our old workhorse, PAT, that had already sailed thousands of miles on the Bay when we first got her nine (9) years ago. A club favorite of the newly certified Ensign sailors, PAT is an uncomplicated, fun, swift vessel that has seen her best years, and will soon be retired. More on this later.

Finally, we are seriously looking for adult club members who have strong interest in possibly becoming a US Sailing Certified instructor at the keelboat level as well as the dinghy level. If you are seriously interested, we want to talk with you. There are a lot of benefits to becoming a certified instructor. Let us tell you about it. Sail Often .. Sail Safely .. Enjoy and Protect Our Beautiful Bay ..

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CGSC invites you to the 5th Annual  
**Flip Flop Fête:**

Do you like to party? Do you like to dance?  
Do you like to dress up? Do you like to eat and drink?  
Do you like 80s music?  
Do you remember the 80s???

The annual Flip Flop Fete (FFF) is bringing you the chance to relive this musically awesome decade on Saturday, May 20th beginning at 7:00PM. So break out your hair spray and leg warmers, and come join your friends for fabulous food, drinks and fun!

**05.20.17 • Save the Date**