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VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

Hello Fellow CGSC Sailors!

Another fiscal year at CGSC is coming to a close and as I wade through the budget process it hit me how much we've accomplished this year with regards to local sailing regattas, the out-of-town "big" regattas (Bacardi Cup, etc) the Island Cleanups, the reemergence of the Club's Rendezvous, the sheer number of kids rotating through the Youth Programs, the energy of the Strip with the Flying Scot and Finn sailors racing, and the new engines, committee boats, RIBs, and associated gear. Phew! This Club is a busy, busy place!!

Looking forward we will be presenting a very well rounded budget to the membership at the Annual Meeting in June. Please make sure you attend as we usually struggle to gain a

quorum which is required under the bylaws to enact new budgetary items. Please be on the lookout for notices coming from Lauren to learn how to attend whether in person or via Zoom.

Please be safe and I look forward to seeing you all at the Annual Meeting!

Dave

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2022 CGSC Race Committee Annual Dinner

Close to 60 great CGSC Race Committee volunteers gathered in the Main Room on Sunday evening, April 3rd for this year's Annual Dinner. RC Chair Susan Walcutt presided over the two annual awards. On the left, she presents the RC Rookie of the Year Award to Maria Volakis. On the right, she presents the Al Chapin Award for the outstanding member of the Race Committee to Regatta Chair Andi

Hoffman. Guest of Honor and Speaker was Mark Wood, owner of UKSailmakers – Miami. He described how the relationship between competitors and race committees has changed and improved over the years. It was a great evening.



Maria Volakis & Andi Hoffman
receive their awards from Susan

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

It seems like forever since we had the last in-person Annual Rendezvous, but it was only three years ago. ONLY! Covid has been amazing at distorting time. But we made it this year.

The rendezvous took place over the weekend May 13-14-15 on Boca Chita, and as they say, a good time was had by all. Twelve vessels participated and 27 members were registered. This was classic rendezvous, and with the experienced help of PC Janice Pruettt guiding

the Rear Commodore and assembled sailors, we had an active and at time boisterous event. Tradition was maintained with 15 bean soup on Friday evening, an incredible Cuban style dinner on Saturday, and farewell freshly cooked breakfast on Sunday.



The rendezvous is a cooperative affair, and



I would like to thank all that participated as everyone lent a hand when needed to keep the event running smoothly, or at least almost smoothly. The Rear Commodore takes full responsibility of the ALMOST part.

The fun events kept everyone engaged if you wanted to be engaged. The location helped those relax with the beautiful views of the bay and ocean for the low energy crowd. You can see some of this from the photos included. My personal favorite was the blind kayak race, with a blind paddler and sighted navigator. The coconut sailboat race, yes, little boats made from coconuts, broke records as no boats sank. Usually all the boats sink at some point. The scavenger hunt was a hit as Janice knows

how to conduct a fun and amazing event. On Saturday night we dressed the theme of 80's Miami Vice. Bob Aiken, in appropriate wig was almost not recognizable. Janice too dressed in period appropriate garb and was completely in the spirit of the decade.

It is so great to be back to live social events and we can all look forward to next year's rendezvous. We will take this year as a new beginning, and I fully expect the next gathering to even better.

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Spring Flying Scots Race



The Scot fleet is working hard to make it easy for you to experience the boat and learn how to race. We have Wednesday night racing where you just walk on and sail for free with our seasoned skippers. There are Saturday clinics twice per month. These are designed to get beginner racers up to speed quickly with basic tips and instruction. There is a 60.00 fee for these. They start at 10:00 with registration and you are back in by 2:00. It includes a video with play by play of the racing to help you understand what makes the boat go fast and how to win races. There are random clinics all through the year and two formal races each month. There are 7 club Scots available for

sponsorship on a boat sharing program. Using this program you will have access to a boat for less than it costs to store the boat here if you own it. There are right now a few boats available for racing sponsorship positions. There are learn to sail and performance racing classes available including spinnaker handling and starting tactics. Our goal is to get people sailing the boat, then racing with us. It is a great group of people with lots of camaraderie. You will get lots of help and support and constantly improve. If you have any interest contact Bud Price at bud5220@gmail.com



CGSC COMMODORE'S CUP '22

A HARD WIND, IT WAS!

CCGSC's Annual Commodore's Cup Regatta is the Annual Club Championship, and open to CGSC Members only. It was the brain-child of our late Past Commodore, and competitive sailor, David Kurtz, many years ago. This year, the Commodore's Cup and the Junior Commodore's Cup were combined into one event, sailed Saturday, May 7th. -The adult fleet consisted of 14 Flying Scots, two Finns, and seven Sunfish, for a total of 23 entries. Among the Juniors, there were 17 of the young Opti Greens, five of the older Opti Red-White-Blue sailors, and eight Laser 4.7's. Many other of our RWB sailors were out-of-state. The Racing. Prior to dock departure that morning, we were wondering if the wind would live up to the forecast of SW in the low 'teens. Not our best wind direction, but NW is worse. Once out on the Bay, the wind increased to SW upper 'teens, with later gusts recorded as high as 23 knots! Consequently, several of the entrants did not end up competing. After a brief delay the fleets were sent up the race course beginning about 11:40 am. All sailed windward-leeward, twice around courses except

to Opti Greens. Always good to keep these young racers away from the others, so they sailed a triangle course with the start in the middle of the weather leg. The second race got underway a little after 13:00. Not bad, all things considered. However, the fleets continued to see stronger winds. Once Race 2 was completed, all fleets chose to retire except the Junior Laser 4.7's and the adult Sunfish. Our hats were off to these fleets – unless they had already been blown off! So, a third race was sailed by them.

Junior Results. In the Opti Greens, the winner, with two "bullets" was Frederick Noorji. Hard to beat that! Second was Anouk Theurillat with a 3-2. Cecilia de Andrade was two points back in third. It was somewhat similar in the Opti RWB, with Diego de Teran scoring two firsts, followed by Stephanie Gregg and Elena Bazzoni who tied for second. In the Laser 4.7's, Fernando Figueroa posted a 2-2-1 for a slim one-point victory over Sebastian Druck. He was in turn one point ahead of Alessandro Gregori. A very competitive fleet! Adult Results. In the Scots, David Ames posted a 1-1 for a three-point victory over Bud Price PC, who was one point ahead of Philippe Dusser. Dave Martin VC turned out to be the sole Finn racing, completing both races. Larry Suter posted three bullets in the Sunfish,



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followed by Enrique Guitart, one point ahead of Alex Sellar in third.

Shoreside. There was a very nice lawn party for the Awards Presentation after racing. CGSC Regatta Chair Andi Hoffman presided, assisted, fittingly, by CGSC Commodore Robert Carlson.

Race Committee. CGSC's Race Committee turned in another fine performance on the Bay. First, many thanks to Nick Pro who offered his black, 40 ft. sloop as Signal Boat after the RC had two prior cancellations. He did this even though he was racing in another event that day. It all worked out. Ron Rostorfer PC served as Principal Race Officer, leading the RC team. Also aboard Signal were Deputy RO Andi Hoffman, Timer Dottie Rostorfer, Recorders Maria Volakis and Jean Messier, and Flag Signalers Charity Johnson and Carol Temple. Andi Hoffman also did the Scoring. Up to weather on RC Chair Susan Walcutt's Contender 27 were Thomas Druck, Jackie Doner, and Susan Mohorcic ("S2"). The Pin Boat Race Officer was Stacy Morris, with Allen Cox and Gail Miller aboard. The Gate Boat was Rick Klein as RO, with Anne Klein (no relation) and Jurgen Teintze. The Green Fleet Mark Boat was RO Ian McClelland, with Martha Ledesma and Louise McKee. Many thanks to all.



Sunfish Dinghy Racing





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NOTICE

Upcoming CGSC Regattas

Dinghy Summer Series #1
June 4, 2022

Flying Scot Summer Series #1
June 5, 2022

BBYRA OD #10
June 11, 2022

Dinghy Summer Series #2
June 18, 2022

Flying Scot Summer Series #2
June 19, 2022

Reschedule BBYRA ORC #5
June 25, 2022

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New Class & Logo but Same Boat

The boat shown on the cover is a Laser with the new ILCA (International Laser Class Association) logo. This is the newly formed Laser class for sailors. Older boats will still carry the Laser logo as before.