



J70 Midwinters



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the channel



Coconut Grove Sailing Club
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COMMODORE'S REPORT

Hello Fellow Members!

It's starting to get warmer and many of the snowbirds are starting to leave and head north for the summer. Easter has passed and the major out-of-town regattas are over for the season. As the club gets slightly less busy, now is the time to get that sailing certification you've been wanting or, to get on that Flying Scot you've been wanting to try! We have a lot of members and a lot of members who do not have boats. And every month I talk to a ton of folks who would simply love to be on the water especially as the weather heats up. So why not contact our staff and get yourself in a learn to sail program? We've got the Ensign program that will get you started and we also have the Flying Scot program to get you going and out on the water.

The Ensign program has a few different angles to it. First off, we are a USSailing accredited educational facility with qualified instructors who will get you certified to take out a keel boat. Once certified, you can then use our Ensigns when they are not allocated to classes. This is a very inexpensive way to get some skills and get on the water. Contact the dock staff and they can point you in the right direction.

If the keel boats are not your thing you still have options. Meet near the cranes on Wednesday

nights and find our fleet captain Bud Price. Bud will get you on a Flying Scot for the night free of charge and introduce you to the largest racing fleet on Biscayne Bay in a boat called a Flying Scot. The Flying Scot is a 19' centerboard boat that has a jib and a main as well as a spinnaker. The Wednesday night gang practices between 5pm and 7pm and they have a great time racing and learning the boat.

If the Ensign and the Scot are not your thing, try your hand at a Sunfish or a Laser! The club has a handful of these boats for use by the members as long as you get checked out. Again, contact the dock staff to learn more about these options.

There is really no excuse for you not to be out on the water especially in the upcoming summer months when the weather is warm and so is the water!

See you on the water!

Dave

Dave Martin, Commodore

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"It came from the sea"

Susan Walcutt's monthly word (or phrase) with nautical roots. This month,

Hunky-Dory

Definition: perfectly satisfactory; fine

Origin: According to one theory, this is a corruption of Honcho dori, said to be a street in Yokohama, Japan, where sailors went for diversions of the sort that sailors enjoy

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

This Channel article is a little different. It is not about programs and improvements to the club facilities. We need to address how we use the club and this is a matter of respecting our club and our fellow members.

CGSC has undergone a rapid growth of membership and attracted many families and many young kids. This is as it should be. I can't think of a better family friendly environment to hang out and enjoy the waterfront and sailing on Biscayne Bay. There are times, though, we need to remember this is a sailing club. What I would like to point out that CGSC is not a kids playground nor a daycare center. This may sound contentious and it is not meant to be. We support sailing, sailing instruction, and social camaraderie. Our large membership represents a wide cross section of the community. Our physical assets on the other hand have not grown in more that 75 years since our founding. What our small lawn is not, is a play ground, nor daycare center, or a place to practice soccer/football. Children must be advised of what proper behavior is expected. Parents are responsible to supervise their kids. It is surprising how many

parents have allowed children to climb on racks, boats, and play with dock carts and dollies, as if these were standard playground equipment.

This is a serious matter and so I ask you not to dismiss this topic. Cars have been damaged and children put at risk. So, as mentioned, it is about respect for the club facilities and the other members with whom we share the club.



Richard Etkin

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Life and Regular
Members

Save the Date
as your
attendance is
requested



**ANNUAL
MEETING**

Friday, June 22nd

7:00pm

2023 J/70 Midwinter Championship

March 23 - 25, 2023

The J/70 Midwinter Championship in Miami, FL proved to be a roller coaster ride for the full nine-race series. The top finishers kept changing, and even the more consistent teams all had a couple double-digit scores or penalties. The team who outlasted the others and therefore crowned 2023 Midwinter Champion is: Savasana, led by Brian Keane, with crew Thomas Barrows, Conner Harding and Ron Weed. Three more idyllic races went in the books Sunday on Biscayne Bay. Keane, locked in a three-way tie for third heading into the final day, controlled their own destiny by racking up a 5,2,1 to close with 47 net points. Bryce Kalow's Superior 2 compiled a steady series for second place with 55 points. Charlie Thompson and Thomas Mallindine on Brutus III won two races and were always in the hunt, ending in third place with 68 points. Topping the all-amateur division was team Dime with Andrew Loe, Mallory Loe, Spencer Kunath and Chris Roberts. In the runner-up position is Zachary Segal's USA 1154, followed by Henry Filter's Wild Child. The

Eker group from Turkey prevailed in the One-Pro Division with Ahmet Eker, Burak Zengin, Doga Aribas and Ates Cinar. Convergence secured the Mixed+ Division with an all-female team of Ava Wilson, Giulia Conti, Sarah Stone, Megan Gimple and Annie Longo. Savasana is on the heels of winning the recent Bacardi Cup in Miami as well as the Davis Island Winter Series in Tampa. Thomas Barrows summarized, "The fleet was really deep here, so unless you had a good start, you'd find yourself in the back really quickly. Brian, Ron and I have sailed together for 9-10 years, so when things are going well, we catalogue that. When things aren't, we troubleshoot on the fly. The teamwork is really good."



Photos by Dick Pober

TOP FIVE FINISHERS:

- 1 -Savasana, Brian Keane, USA – [21] -4 -6 -4 -21 -4 -5 -2 -1 ; 47
- 2 -Superior 2, Bryce Kalow, USA – 1 -5 -18 -8 -[26] -7 -7 -3 -6 ; 55
- 3 -Brutus III, C. Thompson/Thomas Mallindine,UK –12 -21 -[29] -1 -14 -9 -1 -7 3; 6
- 4 -Midlife Crisis, Bruce Golison, USA – [51] -10 -12 -5 -6 -1 -12 -10 -13 ; 69
- 5 -Black Mamba, Fernando Perez Ontiveros, MEX –5 -2 -10 -28 -1 -3 -23 -[34] -4; 76

The J/70 Class Association extends its appreciation to Shake a Leg Miami and Coconut Grove Sailing Club for hosting, Mark Foster as PRO and sponsors Quantum Sails and Bacardi.

Sunday's race winners were Thompson/Mallindine on Brutus III, Bruno Bethlem's Joker and Keane's Savasana. Fifty teams, including 10 Corinthians, competed from the United States, plus Brazil, Canada, Chile, France, Great Britain, Mexico, Sweden and Turkey from March 24-26. Photos and video are available on the USA J/70 Class Facebook page, and complete results may be found at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15468>.

Reprinted from the class association website.





**Commodore's Cup
Saturday, May 13**

This is a club championship,
once again combining adult
and youth racing.

**Goombay Regatta
May 27 & 28**

Summer can't start without the
Goombay Regatta. A Handicapped
Pursuit Race on Saturday and One
design racing on Sunday.



**NOTICE
Upcoming CGSC Regattas**

**CGSC's Commodore's Cup
May 13, 2023**

**Dinghy Winter/Spring Series #8
May 13, 2023**

**Flying Scot Winter/Spring Series #8
April 16, 2023**

**Goombay Regatta
May 27-28, 2023**

**Dinghy Winter/Spring Series #9
May 28, 2023**

**Flying Scot Winter/Spring Series #9
May 28, 2023**

FOR BBYRA 2022-2023 NOTICE OF RACE &
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
VISIT THEIR WEBSITE @ WWW.BBYRA.NET

May 14, 2023

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57th ANNUAL DON Q SNIPE REGATTA COCONUT GROVE SAILING CLUB March 31-April 02, 2023

The Don Q had three beautiful weather days. There were 40 boats representing over 25 different clubs from several different countries. The racing was intense, as can be demonstrated in the scores found on the web site. Congratulations to all 80 sailors on a job well done. Special congratulations to our winners Ernesto Rodriguez and Kathleen Tocke with a total of 8 points. With a total of 29 points Enrique Quintero and Charlie Bess came in second followed closely by Augie Diaz and Taylor Scheuermann taking third with 31 points. It was a great regatta and look forward to the future.





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