

GOOMBAY REGATTA



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COMMODORE'S REPORT

All thoughts about the CGSC for me are focused on this next year as Commodore. I have the benefit of observing how it's done from the hosts of excellent Past Commodore's that have preceded me. There is also the work of the Board that has laid a solid foundation for the Club, and for that I thank them. For now, We set our sights on what we would like for the Club to be in a year and use that vision as a goal to work for.

For those who don't know me, I am a member since 2010 working on the Race Committee, Board, and Bridge. Much has changed in these years, membership growth being the most impactful. Some things have not changed, as our physical footprint is unchanged, as we remain with just over 50 parking spaces, the same as when I joined the club.

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

Hello fellow members:

I wanted to thank each and every one of you who attended the Annual Meeting this June and lent us your support and shared your concerns. As I step into the role of Vice Commodore, I see a club with a growing membership, increased demand for services, and a pool of dedicated members who give their time and money. We have many challenges ahead of us, but also many things to be proud of. We have a vibrant summer camp, a growing and dynamic youth program, a full strip (full of active sailors), a mooring field that is one of the best in the bay, both in terms of amenities and location and a fully subscribed adult sailing program. Where do I see the challenges? Well, in many ways we are victims of our own success. We have a large membership and limited facilities, and many of our facilities are aging. As we look to the next year, I would like to identify areas on our grounds that are in need

Our sailing programs continue strong, with extensions into new classes and the growth of the fleets we sponsor. This will continue.

First and foremost we are a community of mariners, in interest and action. Good seamanship and sportsmanship is at the core of our values.

Richard Etkin

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of correction and work towards improving these facilities. I will of course remain dedicated to the continued expansion and elevation of our youth and adult sailing programs and I look forward to working with your new Rear Commodore.

Thank you to our members for everything you do, and thank you for the opportunity to serve the club.

Kind regards,

Keith Heinrich,
Vice Commodore
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REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

A hoy!!

It is my pleasure to briefly introduce myself as the newly elected Rear Commodore. Thank you all for your trust in me.

My name is Priska Urban, I am half French half German and a member since 2016 when my Children Sophie and Sebastien started learning to sail. I love to say we have 3 boats and only one I can sail, our Jeanneau 32, Maria Bonita, the two Optis are not my forte.

From the beginning I have volunteered my time and energy to our beloved club ranging from my time on the board as a Board member, chairing twice our fundraiser annual Youth Regatta Halloween Howler by working together with our fantastic RC, managing the social media presence through posts and photos, to chairing the annual youth sailing fundraiser the FLIP FLOP FETE, where I hope to see you all this year as well as co-chair and chair for over 3 year of the youth sailing program. I have been instrumental in building up and supporting the youth program. I have seen firsthand the positive impact this wonderful sport has on children: it not only develops their social skills but teaches them about responsibility, autonomy, STEM. I am always amazed to see children as young as 6 years old being responsible for a moving vehicle in the middle of Biscayne Bay. My own children are still avid sailors. My son's goal at the moment is to make it to Opti Worlds. My daughter has finished sailing Optis after becoming the North American Female Champion in Mexico thanks to the strong foundation build by our own Coaches and is now sailing c420. She is working

towards and dreaming to one day represent USA in the Olympics.

I am a big proponent of women and girls in Sailing and will put much of my time and effort in developing female presence on the water on the Adult and Youth side. I am looking into developing an event that would give our female members the opportunity to enjoy the sport of sailing together on an ongoing base and putting my experience and knowledge at service to the adult sailing side.

As the rear commodore looks after the Adult and Youth sailing I am looking forward to keep strengthening the bridge between both as over the years I have met numerous members who would share with me how they learned to sail as a child at CGSG, came back as an adults to sail with us and at times with their own kids to learn to sail. I believe this to be a great foundation for the continuity of our beloved Club.

THE CLUB WHERE SAILORS BELONG!! Small and big.

Priska Urban
Rear Commodore



*New
Members*





CGSC Annual Goombay Regatta Saturday & Sunday May 27-28, 2023

Turnout was light for both days but we dodged the daily thunderstorms and had beautiful sailing on the Bay. Saturday's Pursuit Race had racers on a short cruise around the Bay. They raced Course #5 which took them from the start to Marker B (GPS lat/lons only as the piling has long been missing) then across the Bay to Mark S (a BBYRA dropped mark off the entrance to Gables By The Sea) and back to finish at the Signal Boat. It was a light air day so all appreciated the shorter course.

series for the Dinghy and Flying Scot Fleets. The Flying Scots were the only fleet racing as many of the Dinghy sailors were also Flying Scot racers. Race Committee set up a Windward/Leeward course and held three races for the fleet.

Congratulations to the winners:

Flying Scots

First		David Ames
Second	Bionic	Bud Price
Third	Zoom	Philippe Dusser

Congratulations to the winners:

Racing Class

First	Relentless III	Oscar Valdes
Second	Stalker	Alexei Vasillev
Third	Tiburon	Eduardo Luaces

Cruising Non-Spinnaker

First	Osita	Becky Lyons
Second	Reprive	John Embler
Third	Longsdory	John Long

Trophy presentation was at the end of each day's racing. Winners celebrated with their Mug of cold Red Stripe Beer. Thanks to our Race Committee volunteers: Ian McClelland, PRO, Helen Phillips, Charity Johnson, Esther Dileo, Gail Miller, Susan Walcutt, new RC Elaine Tornes & Josue Rodriguez, Bill Quesenberry, Carol Cottrell, Carl Updyke, Allen Cox, Sonia Diaz, Marlene Erven, Jean Messier, Linda Nielsen and Susan Mohorcic, photographer.

Sunday's One Design was also the 6 race in the spring

Susan

Sunday One Design

Susan Walcutt

Race Committee Chair







Photos by Susan Mohorcic

Flying Scots

The official results are in for the winter/spring series for The Scot fleet.

1st	Philippe and Jason	Zoom
2nd	Ryan Alexander	Biejaflor
3rd	Bud Gary and Bill	Bionic
4th	Obie	I Gone
5th	Lorrie	Lady Hope
6th	Bruno	Phoenix
7th	Jim, Andy and Brian	Mad Dog
8th	Ollie & sons	Culpable
9th	Dave & Andi Gray	Wolf
10th	Alex and Achene	Bandit
11th	Eileen, Amy and Toni	Air America
12th	Luise	Dida
13th	Richard	Go Ugly Early
14th	Luis	Lucky dog
15th	Juan Alvarez	Two Docs
16th	Joerg, Esther	Scarface

Watch the club calendar under regattas for clinics for learning how to race and for the bi-monthly races. Wednesday nights walk on racing during daylight savings time. Email Bud Price bud5220@gmail.com to be put on the mailing lists to be aware of schedule changes and cancellations or for any questions.
Bud



Sunday,
June 25

Photos by Susan Mohorcic

Installation 2023



Cocktail Time and Changing of the Guard

Installation continued



*Dinner,
Dancing and
Social Time*



Sign Up for your next
sailing course!



BASIC CRUISING COURSE AND CERTIFICATION

This course covers all concepts of sailing as well as basic boat systems, maneuvering under power, weather awareness, safety aspects and preparation, chart reading, navigation, and more. Most of the course will be on the boat with the third day reserved for practical skills and written test.

Prerequisite: US Sailing Basic Keelboat Certification

BAREBOAT CRUISING CERTIFICATION

The course reviews basic cruising and considers planning an extended cruise, provisioning, power under difficult and emergency situations, anchoring for the night, advanced sail handling and trim, dinghy handling, and more.

Prerequisite: US Sailing Basic Cruising Certification.

[PLEASE CHECK OUR CALENDAR TO SCHEDULE
YOUR NEXT COURSE](#)

<https://www.cgsc.org/events/>

[More questions: Contact Phil at adultsailing@cgsc.org](mailto:adultsailing@cgsc.org)



SKIP THE CLASSROOM

SAILING LESSONS AT CGSC

Learn by doing--get out on the water with an instructor for private sailing lessons for 1 or 2 adults (years 14+)! 3-hour lessons on a club Flying Scot are customizable to the student's learning goals.



Email for availability: flyingscot@cgsc.org

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link
Below
Walk-ins will be
charged \$40.00*

Come join us for our Annual 4th of July BBQ

Tuesday, July 4th 5:00pm

Adults \$30.00

Children \$15.00

(tickets include food, juice, & fireworks!)

*The
Restaurant
will have a
limited
menu*

*THE WATERSLIDE
IS BACK!!!!!!!*





2023-2024 Officers

BRIDGE:

Commodore	Richard Etkin
Vice-Commodore	Keith Hench
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Interesting Idea

Having spent my entire life on the river I've never seen this wonderful important safety trick....I hoisted many people out of the water and killed my back ,but this is special..hope this helps someone someday!



Sent to me anonymously.

ATTENTION MEMBERS

Any member who would like to place pictures or write an article for the Channel should send them to Cherie Branning, Channel Editor.

go2cherie2@comcast.net

Parents of Youth Sailors, please send photos of practices and especially any regattas that the sailors attend. These should be of all sailors that are competing but certainly your sailor.

All photos should be accompanied by a brief synopsis of the photo content; the who, where, what and when - basic journalism stuff.

Thanks, Cherie

NOTICE

Upcoming CGSC Regattas

Flying Scot Summer Series #3
July 9, 2023

Flying Scot Summer Series #4
July 23, 2023

Single Handed Regatta
& Dinghy Summer Series #1
August 5, 2023

Double Handed Regatta
& Flying Scot Summer Series #5
August 6, 2023

Flying Scot Summer Series #6
August 27, 2023

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