





The Catalina Breeze

November 2012 Newsletter

Commodore's Comment

We had 2 great presentations at last month's meeting. First Captain Tony from Vessel Assist showed some local adventures from the <u>Vessel Assist</u> archives, spanning recent boat fires to the recovery of a helicopter in the bay. At the end of Tony's presentation he generously gave away a Vessel Assist annual membership, congratulations to Don Alambu for winning and thoules to Ton.



Don Mumby for winning and thanks to Tony for the donation!

Next we saw Captain Larry's latest adventure, this time in Croatia. For those of us who have not sailed in Europe, Larry's presentations are the next best thing to being there. Now that I've seen Larry's pictures, in my opinion some European slips look more like our raftups than an actual slip!

As we head into our last regular meeting of the year, we have another full agenda. Dave Baer will talk about racing rules plus we will have our annual election for 2013 bridge. We will also vote on some changes to the Constitution as discussed at the September meeting.

December 8th is our annual holiday party in lieu of a regular meeting - please join us and enjoy the photo contest, white elephant gift exchange, great door prizes, along with festive food and drink. We will have more information at this month's meeting including a sneak peak at some of the door prizes!

Pat Yates Commodore

SDCatA News & Events

Next Meeting is Wednesday November 7th at Southwestern Yacht Club, Point Loma. Come join us for Dinner before the meeting.

Dinner @ 1800 Program @ 1950 - TBD

The guest speaker will be:

Dave Baer on Racing Rules

Election Time is here. Come to this month's meeting and vote to elect your choice for Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Treasurer, Program Chairman, Cruising Chairman, Measurer, and Racing Chairman. Come and show your support for our volunteers.

Save the date December 8th for the Annual SDCatA Christmas Party. It will be held at Southwestern Yacht Club. More information to follow. If you are interested in helping please contact Pat Yates.

Start gathering your pictures for the Photo contest at the Holiday Party.

Checkout the new SDCatA website @ http://sdcatalinaassoc.com/index.html

Cruising Forum

November Cruise

This month's cruise will be a sail to beautiful La Playa, November 24-25. Saturday afternoon we will have hors douvres on the boats and we will breakfast on board on Sunday morning.

Please confirm your intention to join the raft-up in La Playa.

Note: I can no longer register club members for our raft ups. The Port of San Diego requires all raftees/anchorees to sign up/register with them prior to rafting up in any anchorage in San Diego at least one day prior to our raft up. Their e-mail address is: http://reservations.portofsandiego.org/boating/

See you on the water, Larry Pascoe, Cruise Chair

2012 Racing Forum / Racing Schedule

The Man O' War race was held on October 20th. Nine Catalina's competed.

The day began with question marks.

First, there was little breeze as boats assembled at the start area to check-in with the Race Committee boat.

Second, there was no Race Committee boat, either. After much waiting and circling, it was announced over the VHF that the committee boat had engine trouble and the RC would start the race from the shore.

The horn sounded at noon and racers set out on a course that went out the channel to buoy #5 and back. The wind was very light at the start but became up-and-down as boats made their way out the channel. Once beyond Point Loma, the wind became steady, *light* and steady, that is!

Copious quantities of kelp had boats zigging and zagging all along the course. Some played catch-and-release with the smaller pieces of weed but a few boats found some keepers and brought them back to the marina.

The 2012 SDCatA Bridge

Commodore: Pat Yates

Vice-Commodore: Don Mumby

Treasurer / Membership: Ken Hubbard

The Chairs:

Programs: Brian Yates **Racing:** Richard Chambers

Cruising: Larry Pascoe

Librarian: Dennis Jackson **Measurer:** Cleve Hardaker

Webmaster / Newsletter: Brian Yates

Sponsors:

The bridge would like to thank the following organizations for their support of the SDCatA:

Silver Gate Yacht Club Southwestern Yacht Club

IPhone Software for Sailing:

- Animated Knots by Grog
- Boating Suite
- Boaters Reference Guide
- Sail Flow
- Wind Alert
- Boat US
- US Sailing Rules of Racing
- Buoy Data
- Nav Clock
- Tide Application

Online Links for Sailing:

Sailors Choice Boat Harbors Website

Boat US Green Foundation Catalina Direct

<u>Cortez Racing Association</u> <u>NOOA SoCal</u> Weather

Practical Sailor Sail Flow

Sailing Anarchy SDCA Shutterfly

Results of the race:

1st - Sabbatical - Larry Pascoe

2nd - Escape - James Harvey

3rd- Paradise - Dennis Jackson

4th - His 'n'Hers - Ken Hubbard

5th - Sumatra - Ralston Machen

6th - Stooges Creed 3 - Candace Redcliff

DNF - Pesty Too, Inspiration, Coaster

In other news:

The two cruising classes of the San Diego to Ensenada Race on October 5th/6th were won by SDCatA members.

1st place - Cruising Spinnaker Class - Inspiration, Catalina 36

1st place - Cruising Non-spinnaker Class - Sabbatical, Catalina 36 Tall Rig

Hearty congratulations to Dan and Larry!

The next race will be the Turkey Day Race on November 10th.

This is the final race of the year so let's have a big turnout!

Rich

11/10/2012	Turkey Day Race
10/20/2012	Man O'War Race
9/15/2012	Dennis Connor Coronado's race
8/11/2012	Privateer Race
	(San Diego - Mission Bay overnight)
7/28 - 7/29	Commodore Overnight
6/23/2010	Clipper Race
5/19/2012	Galleon Race
4/14/2012	Coronado Islands race
3/17/2012	St. Patrick's Day race
1/21/2012	President's Day Race
1/12/2012	Frostbite Overnight

Two Harbors Catalina WestMarine

Wind Finder San Diego Marine Exchange

Port of San Diego Anchorage Reservations

There are 14 new SDCatA Burgees in our inventory @ \$20.00 ea.

Photo Contest

Back by popular demand we will have our 3rd annual photo contest this year.

Rules

- 1. The photo must be taken in 2012
- 2. The photo must be taken by a club member/family
- 3. Must be an ocean, sailing or cruising minded photo
- 4. Limit of 3 pictures entered per member
- 5. Submit a digital copy to Brian or Pat for inclusion in the Year in Review slide show
- 6. You must provide your own printed 8x10 copy for voting either in advance or at the holiday party

The judging will be done at the Holiday Party by the guests. We will offer a small prize for the photos with the 1st, 2nd and 3rd most votes. So dust off your cameras and start taking some pictures. Please email entries to Pat or Brian.

Update on the Aegean

Aegean yacht had 'inadequate lookout' before fatal crash, sailing ...

Here are some other important race dates for 2012. These are not SDCatA club events.

1/1/2012	New Years Day Race
1/7/2012	Cabrillo 1 *
1/28/12	Cabrillo 2 *
2/18/12	SCAYC Mid Winters
3/3/12	Cabrillo 3 *
3/10/12	The Border Run
3/24/12	Cabrillo 4 *
4/7/12	CRA Gerry Browne Regatta
4/27 - 4/28	Newport - Ensenada
5/26/12	Mission Bay - Oceanside *
5/27/12	Oceanside - Mission Bay *
6/29/12	The Border Run 2
6/30/12	Marina del Rey - San Diego
8/4/12	Crew of Two Around the Coronado's
9/2/12	Oceanside to San Diego
9/17/12	CRA Around the Coronado's *
9/30/12	SD Ensenada Warm Up
10/5/12	San Diego - Ensenada *
10/7/12	Regatta de los Todos Santos

^{*=} required race for San Diego PHRF Ocean Series Championship.

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