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SCCA 2010 Season Opener contest winner.



Pete Healy receives Season Opener contest first place trophy from Commodore Marla Brown.

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COMMODORE COMMENTS

COMMODORE COMMENTS, March 2010:

Our season opener race was just as interesting as the weather we have been having lately. Rain, currents that were on the irritating side, some wind (but at least no Tsunamis) created havoc on our race. Some racers were dryer than others – right John Walker? We had nine boats participate and very much missed Black Jack. And as usual we enjoyed our stay at Long Beach Yacht club.

The Easter Cat is coming up fast and I hope to see everyone in Avalon the weekend of 4/9. It will be lots of fun and hosted by Hollywood Yacht Club.

Safe boating everyone,

Marla

VICE COMMODORE'S COMMENTS, March 2010:

The new revised "improved" Regatta rules will be in effect for future events including the upcoming Shultz/Easter Catalina (April 9) the Marina Cup (April 30) and the Pritikin (May 1). Thanks for the members who cooperated writing and implementing these rules changes.

Thanks to John Walker for planning and writing the Shultz/Easter Cat Regatta. I suspect he wants us all to locate and see Goat Harbor, one of his favorite mooring spots on Catalina Island. Hope to see you all there. Long term forecast: sunny warm and calm seas.

Daryl Creighton

REAR COMMODORE'S COMMENTS, March 2010:

The 2010 Season Opener contest, having been delayed one week due to weather concerns, is now a matter of record. The race was technically challenging, but also fun. Scores were good and there was a differential of only .055% between first place (Jinkies) and second place (Misty Sea). Wow!

Participants prevailed over the weather which got a little rough, and for some, a lot wet. At times it seemed conditions were about to become seriously unpleasant.

A special thanks to Tom Collins, Bobby Frazier, and others who worked so hard to keep us safe and comfortable by rescheduling the event. They even provided an alternate course, to be run essentially inside the breakwater, should conditions again be deemed unsuitable on race day. Also, a special thanks to LBYC for their flexibility in schedule adjustments and for putting all the pieces together to make it a great event.

Many fun weekends *predicted* ahead,
Bill Winberg

UPCOMING DATES

- March 27** S/C JD Smith invited everyone to **HYC's Opening Day** festivities at Holiday Harbor starting at noon.
- April 9** **Shultz/Easter Cat race.** Be sure to notify John Walker by **March 27th** if you intend to participate. Download instructions: <http://www.predictedlog.org/SCCA/SCCA.html>
- April 14** **Dinner Meeting**, Del Rey Yacht Club

NOTICES

- **Seal Beach Yacht club has joined the ranks of the SCCA:** Please extend a warm welcome. If you are a new SCCA member, please notify billwinberg@yahoo.com to be added to the Skippers Log newsletter.
- **Shultz/Easter Cat race Dinner menu has changed to include these four dinner choices:** Dinner will be served with chips and salsa; choice of Kona coffee, brewed tea, or Pepsi brand soda.
 1. Carnitas Platter (Pork)----Served with Mi Casita rice, Frijoles de la Olla, and choice of corn or flour tortillas.
 2. Pescado Veracruz (Fish)----Served with Mi Casita rice, Frijoles de la Olla, and choice of corn or flour tortillas.
 3. Beef Fajitas----Served with Mi Casita rice, refried beans, and choice of corn or flour tortillas.
 4. Chicken Fajitas----Served with Mi Casita rice, refried beans, and choice of corn or flour tortillas.

- **SCCA Information is available on the web at Predictedlog.org:**

HAVE YOU CHECKED THE SCCA WEBSITE RECENTLY?

You might not have realized it, but the SCCA has a great website. You can access it by going to the NACA website at www.predictedlog.org. Click on the NACA Helm Station and then on the SCCA listing in the left hand column.

The first page you'll come to is a listing of all your wonderful officers and others who help keep the Association running in its day-to-day business.

Plus you'll find a source for just about anything you'd ever need in the way of SCCA forms, Rules, and whatever else.

The Tabs available are:

[Contest Schedule and Results](#)

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[NEW ! - Skipper's Logs](#)

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[NEW - DOWNLOAD CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS](#)

So if you want to see the most up-to-date Rule Book with all the very latest changes incorporated just click the [Download SCCA Rule Book](#) tab.

Or if you want to see some information on the contests or the most recent results, click the [Contest Schedule and Results](#) tab.

As you can see, this site has just about everything you might ever need in the way of information about SCCA.

Plus, if you want to find out a little more about log racing you can go back to the NACA Helm Station page and check out the [Cruiser Navigation Training Documents](#). You might be surprised to find some information you didn't already know.

And if you noodle around a bit, you'll also find a whole bunch of other neat info you probably didn't know was out there!!

What a great resource this is. An we owe thanks to our own S/C Craig Ryan for putting this all together for us. He puts in a lot of effort to develop and maintain the site. Routinely he needs to update and revise all the various data and listings. So the next time you bump into Craig, please be sure to offer him some thanks for all he does behind the scenes for our Association and for the sport.

Tom Collins, March 2010

MEETING MINUTES – Feb 2010

NOTE: Due to an oversight, the Feb meeting minutes were not available for the Feb edition of the Skippers log. This edition will include the Feb and Mar meeting minutes.

Southern California Cruiser Association

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Hosted by Long Beach Yacht Club
February 10, 2010

Member Yacht Clubs Represented:

Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club

Catalina Island Yacht Club

Hollywood Yacht Club

Shoreline Yacht Club

California Yacht Club

At 7:35 pm Commodore Marla Brown called the meeting to order. She thanked Long Beach Yacht Club for hosting the meeting. Staff Commodore Bobby Frazier welcomed the group on behalf of LBYS.

The SCCA Staff Commodores in attendance were introduced: Joe Castagna 1981, J. D. Smith 1998, Jan Ryan for Craig 2004, Ann Sullivan for James 1999, Bill Findley 1997, Tom Chandler 2002, John Walker 2006 and Jr. Staff Commodore Dale King. Others in attendance introduced themselves. Recessed for dinner at 8:00pm.

Meeting resumed at 8:45pm

REPORTS

Treasurer – Suzie Scott reported we have no outstanding bills, and 90% of dues are paid. All yacht clubs are paid.

Fleet Captain – Jan Ryan explained the problems she has been having getting correct name tags for people. Several mistakes have been made.

Sanction Committee – John Willister reported that all paper work is in for the Season Opener. The Easter Cat Race has been sanctioned.

Rear Commodore – Bill Winberg requested all articles for the Skippers Log be sent to him right away.

Vice Commodore - Daryl Creighton announced the Commodores Ball and Installation Dinner will be at the

Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club January 8, 2011.

OLD BUSINESS: The proposed Amendment from the November meeting was voted on and passed to reflect the rules change under Contest Management, Number 9 Contest Rules: From any contest with less than four contestants to any contest with less than three contestants. Also, passed was the rules change for rule 11.15.a be modified by inserting the text; yielding to traffic, interruption by authority (such as USCG).

NEW BUSINESS: Joe Castagna discussed racing changes under PCYA that he was concerned with. S/C J. D. Smith will have a meeting with Joe to continue the discussion.

John Willister submitted the following changes:

Part I – Requirements, 7. Equipment Usage and concurrently amend Part II – Contest Rules/Equipment/1. Prohibited Equipment, to read as follows... Part I – Requirements 7. Equipment Usage: The following equipment and functions may be used by the contestants:

- a. Any and all equipment with which the vessel, contestant, or crew member(s) is equipped except the prohibited equipment stated in Part II – Contest Rules/Equipment/1. Prohibited Equipment.

The Contest Instructions also may allow Open Log contests at its discretion:

- a. Open Log contests: The contestant may have access to all clock times after the call of the “mark” has been given at all official checkpoints, waypoints, timed runs, blind points, etc., that have been written for that specific contest. A precautionary note written in the Contest Instructions suggesting a dog-leg around an obstruction will not be considered an official mark allowing a clock time to the contestant.

Part II – Contest Rules – Equipment.

1. Prohibited Equipment: Use of the following equipment is prohibited:
 - a. Present clock times or elapsed time from any device.....DSQ
 - b. Direct reading speed measuring devices (such as a knotmeter, GPS, laser gun, etc.) of the vessel through the water or over the bottom...DSQ

Oh behalf of the SCCA Rules Committee chairman, Tom Collins, due to his absence, I submit the following motion(s):

Delete 1.3.b because it is redundant to 1.3.a

1.7.c Replace the second sentence pertaining to coupling of the autopilot with GPS with: However, GPS or other navigational data sources may only be actively coupled to autopilots, radar, chart plotter, or any other navigational device when used of such data is specifically permitted by the contest instructions.

Modify 1/7.d to match current practice by deleting the italicized portion:

d. *Paper charts with pencil-drawn courses and distances are the primary focus with* Chart Plotters and/or laptop computers displaying the electronic chart with course and distance allowed. No GPS/LORAN or “Tides” and “Currents” input is allowed unless specifically authorized in the Contest Instructions.

Clean up 1.7.2 by the following deletion of italicized words:

2) GPS *and/or* LORAN: A physical mark such as a buoy, rock, etc., must be called when physically abeam the specified course (*track*) of the vessel to such mark regardless of the electronic indication. An abeam position does not apply to the call of a mark that is a range on an object *at an acute or obtuse angle to the intended course (track) of the vessel.*

Change penalties in 11.16 to ¼% because existing 1% penalty is not inline with severity of infraction.

John Walker announced that Seal Beach YC wants to join SCCA. They have two sail boats and one power

boat. He also said that Gail will be performing in a play and he will send out the information if anyone wishes to attend.

Skipper's meeting for the Season Opener will be held at Long Beach YC on February 26.

John Willister reported that the notice of the shutdown of Loran was effective 2/8.

The next meeting will be at California Y C on March 10.

Meeting was adjourned 9:44pm.

MEETING MINUTES – Mar 2010

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CRUISER ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Hosted by California Yacht Club
March 10, 2010

Member Yacht Clubs Represented

Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club	Hollywood Yacht Club
California Yacht Club	Huntington Harbour Yacht Club
Catalina Island Yacht Club	Shoreline Yacht Club

At 7:30 p.m. Vice Commodore Daryle Creighton welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. He noted Commodore Brown was absent due to travel. He introduced California YC Commodore Tom O'Connor who welcomed the group and said how pleased CYC was to sponsor the CYC contests. CYC member and SCCA S/C Bob Roth also welcomed the group and expressed his appreciation for the support he has received from CYC's Commodore O'Connor.

The SCCA Staff Commodores in attendance were introduced: Tom Collins 1980, Joe Castagna 1981, Bob Roth 1986, JD Smith 1998, John Walker 2006, and Dale King 2009. Following tradition those in attendance introduced themselves, spouses, and guests.

The meeting was recessed for dinner and resumed at 8:30 pm

REPORTS

Treasurer Report: John Willister representing Suzie Scott reported all bills are paid. The account balance as of March is \$6,777.72. All member yacht clubs have renewed except for Dana Point.

Secretary Joanne Collins reported a quorum and 23 attendees. Dues from 13 yacht clubs have been received, including new member Seal Beach Yacht Club. Forty-four individual members have renewed. She noted that several members who have been active in the past – Mike Schachter, Marty Livingston, and Brian Cutler – have not as yet renewed.

Rules Committee S/C Tom Collins proposed an amendment to a motion introduced by John Willister at the Feb. meeting. Text of the amendment is attached. After discussion the motion was approved.

Sanction Committee Chair John Willister reported that the Pritikin and Barzilay contests have been sanctioned, as well as the C. Whitson Shaffer contest (feeder to the Craig).

Fleet Captain Jan Ryan reviewed the Season Opener events at LBYC. She noted that, unfortunately, Black Jack had equipment problems and was unable to be entered. She congratulated winner, Pete Healy. She reminded the group that the Shultz/Easter Catalina contest is April 9. The issue of trophies for the new Season Closer race was also discussed.

Rear Commodore Bill Winberg said pictures and articles are very much appreciated and needed for the Skippers Log.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

S/C John Walker reviewed the Hollywood YC Shultz/Easter Catalina contest and the activities and games planned. The awards dinner will be held at Mi Cassitas restaurant as in past years. Be sure to notify John by March 27 of your plans to participate in this fun weekend.

S/C JD Smith invited everyone to HYC's Opening Day festivities on Sat., March 27 at Holiday Harbor starting at noon. He also noted that there is a new member of the Smith family - Kozi by name.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Joanne Collins, SCCA Secretary

TEXT OF AMMENDMENT

March 2010

Proposed amendment to Willister February motion

Replace the motion with the following

Replace the following sections in the SCCA Rulebook

PART I - REQUIREMENTS

7. EQUIPMENT AND DATA USAGE

- a. Any and all equipment aboard the vessel may be used except that which is prohibited.
- b. The contest instructions may allow Open Log where during the contest the skipper may have access to all times recorded on the Actual Log. Official waypoint times may be recorded on the back of the Actual Log.

PART II – CONTEST RULES EQUIPMENT

1. PROHIBITED EQUIPMENT USAGE

Use of the following data derived from any source is prohibited----- DSQ

- a. Clock time or elapsed time.
- b. Vessel speed (except as derived from an engine tachometer).

1.3.b Delete because it is redundant to 1.3.a

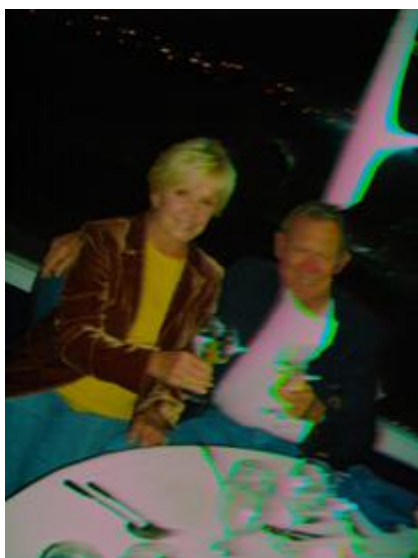
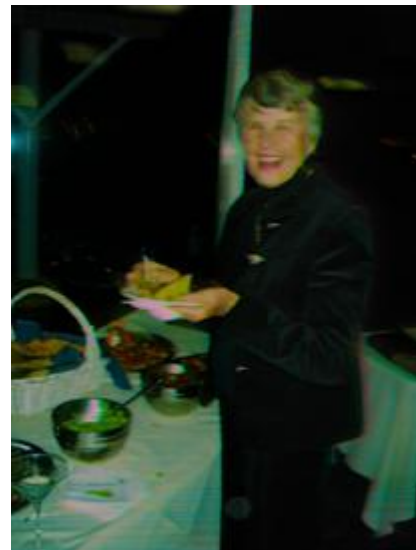
CONTROL POINTS

12. CALL MARK:

A visible checkpoint such as a buoy, rock, etc., must be called when first visually perpendicular to the predicted course to such mark regardless of any electronic indication. Likewise, if the contest instructions specify the checkpoint to be called as a range, it shall be called when first visually in range. This requirement does not apply to waypoints. -----1.0%

16 Change penalties to 1/4% because existing 1% penalty is not inline with severity of infraction.

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