Konocti Bay Ripples Newsletter

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Home of Sailing on Clear Lake

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Commodore's Message

Hellooo Summer!

June and now July are still showing great winds most every day and the lake still has enough of a chill to feel cool when one dumps a bucket overhead on that toasty downwind run. We are having another great sailing Summer and, for the first time in years, we aren't breathing smoke and wondering if the house will survive the night. >knocking on wood<

With our move into the warmer and longer days has come the revival of the evening "Beer Can" races, except the beer is optional and so far, little racing has occurred. The venerable noon OSIRs group continues but the evening meeting at 5PM on Wednesdays is growing too. The skippers wait until 5:30 so working folk can join in and then we kinda sail together somewhere, maybe we set or not, enjoy the cooling of the evening and return to the harbor by about 7PM. The neat thing is that the evening sails are fully crewed. We are hard pressed if there is only three boats as word is spreading. New faces show up hoping to sail. Last Weds. July 10 had 6 new sailors and four boats. And while we had a break in the first Weds of the month **hosted beer can** due to the fourth of July holiday, you should mark your calendar to attend on **Aug 7th** and bring a friend. We try to be sure to have two able hands on each boat and if you are looking for the chance to add to your crew, make new friends, or enjoy the best of Clear Lake's sailing conditions *come on down!!*

I had an epiphany regarding Board operations and, as one might have gathered from our Ripples edition of the Board Minutes, we now have a club Bookkeeper. This will allow continuity for each Treasurer so that the operations from year to year do not need all the changes in banking signatory, training in software and other onerous details that made the job very complicated and labor intensive. The Treasurer will now oversee the bookkeeper and report directly to the Board. While I am of the opinion that the bookkeeper should be compensated, in recognition of her training and profession as a Quickbooks® certified bookkeeper, **Mellonie Bryant** felt she would be happy to provide the services to the club in

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trade for some sailing rides and free admission to our social events. Talk about an offer too good to refuse! At said events, please take the time to thank her for her efforts to simplify and organize our club finances.

Keep an eye on your emails, the Discussion group (https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/kbsc_discussion), and our calendar for updates on our social sails and other club activities. Let's SAIL!

Brad King, Commodore

Vice Commodore's Message

Lil' Bit Wins Monster, Sadie Hawkins Up Next & Buoy #4 Results

Chet Britz on *Lil' Bit* held off two Capri 25s for almost 3 hours on a shortened course to win the Monster race. Very light to no winds made for a challenging day and a small 3 boat fleet.

Buoy Race #4 saw both fleets starting together for a total of 7 boats and two races in 5 to 10mph winds. The Open fleet saw *Showtime* winning the first race with *Lil' Bit* following in second. In the second race *Lil' Bit* took advantage of some confusion at the finish to take the win with Jim Westman on *Santé'* in second.

The Capri25 fleet saw a very close race for first and second in both races with Jim Carlsen and crew on, *In the Red*, dueling with *Tranquility* and crew. *Red* took the first race by a boat length and *Tranquility* took the second race by a boat length. *Lakota* held on to the front runners as long as possible but got caught up in traffic on both races while *Blew by You* lost a rigging shroud before the start of the first race and had to retire.

Sadie Hawkins is a fun race with a lady on the tiller to win. Men can race and drive also but can not win. The race is Sat. July 27th and we have many boats just waiting for a lady driver. We only have a couple of gals signed up so far and are anxious for a bigger turnout. This is a race with the emphasis on fun ... don't be bashful. Come on down and enjoy a day on the lake with a fun get together at the Tiki Hut after!

Bob Robinson, Vice Commodore/Race Director

Old Salts in Retirement (OSIRs)

Many of our members sail with the *"OSIRS"* every Wednesday rain or shine, winter or summer. Skippers meet at noon for lunch and course discussion.

Racing begins at 1 pm.

Come enjoy beautiful Clear Lake with this fun group of passionate sailors at Braito's Marina. Bring a bag lunch and a willingness to learn. A boat and retirement are not required.

OSIRs* (Old Salts in Retirement) | *Facebook

New Sailors and First timers webpage

Braito's Marina

Ongoing Beer Can Races every Wed. @ 5pm

Club News

Announcing the Konocti Bay Sailing Club has become a charter member in the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association.

What is PICYA? The Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association (PICYA) was formed in San Francisco on May 12, 1896, to improve communication between yacht clubs, provide uniform racing rules, and encourage yachting. From the 5 charter clubs, today there are 100 member clubs in Northern California with a combined membership of approximately 15,600 boating families.

How does it help our members? Being part of the PICYA enables our members the opportunity to enjoy most clubs in the bay area and delta region and beyond. Next year we will include the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association on our membership cards.

What can KBSC offer other charter member clubs? Though we are still figuring out the reciprocal end of things, we are pleased to offer visiting members of PICYA yacht clubs the use of our refrigerator, restrooms, and showers.

Remember to fly our club burgee when visiting different yacht clubs.

This article on buoys was submitted by Adam Silverman, a young sailor, who did a project about sailboats and how they work for science class. We hope Adam may visit us someday so we can show him what lake sailing is all about.

Red and Green, Go-Between: A Guide to Buoys and What They Mean.

For the full article click here

Buoys are navigational devices that float on top of the water. Boaters will find and use buoys on rivers, lakes, intercoastal waterways, and the open ocean throughout the world. Some buoys are equipped with lights on the top, but others do not have lights. Buoys also come in different shapes. A buoy with a conical top is known as a "nun," while a buoy with a flat top is called a "can." Another type of navigational device that may be found on the water is known as a beacon. Beacons are permanently fixed, usually to the floor of the body of water. Beacons may have lights, but some do not. Those beacons without lights are called day beacons. When navigating the water in a boat, whether it's a large sailing yacht or a small fishing boat, you need to learn the nautical information communicated by buoys and beacons. This information is provided to keep boaters safe from harm and to help them avoid potential issues that might lead to accidents or property damage.

The article contains information on:

What Are Buoys?

History of Buoys

Types of Buoys and Their Uses

Navigational Signals from Buoys

Dorn Bay Raft-up & Overnighter July 20-21

This is a very popular club event on the water. Some boats just come for the evening to swim, relax, and share food and drinks. Other boats remain the night. Raft-up begins around 4-6 pm. If you bring a boat, please make sure there are proper navigational lights on board.

Sadie Hawkins Race
July 27

Women on the tiller and as crew!

Everyone's invited (Men too)!

No boat will be excluded from the race itself, but only boats with a woman on the tiller can win.

Val's Santana 20 can hold another two ladies. Hopefully we'll have a few more Open Fleet boats going out. There should be at least two Capris as well. So, call your favorite skipper and ask if you can get in on the race. Or show up by 11 am to be assigned a boat. Potluck after the race around 4:30-5:00

Members with Boats For Sale

1980 MacGregor 25. Set up for cruising rather than racing. Full set of sails, furling jib, all in good shape. Boat is in fair condition (it's old). Includes 1996 Evinude, 9.9 hse, long shaft w/ electric start & alternator. Lots of extras. Ready to sail. At Borenbega's-

$ 2500 obo Call Bruce Foster 707 272-4134

Catalina Capri 25 Sailboat
$4,490

1981 Capri 25 Sailboat. Sail inventory: 2 mains, 1 average, 1 poor; 2 Genoas, 1 excellent, 1 poor; 1 130% average, 1 110% average condition; 1 spinnaker average condition. 5 hp Mariner air-cooled 2 stroke-engine. It's rigged for racing in the Konocti Bay Sailing Club fleet of one-design boats. It's also a great day sailor for the lake. Dual axle trailer included. The boat title is in my name. The trailer is still in previous owner's name but will be transferred to new buyer. TJ 707-349-2953. Offers will be considered from people who actually look at the boat. I will not respond to "What's your lowest price?"

July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 OSIRs Noon **Beer Cans 5pm**	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 OSIRs Noon Board meeting 4pm **Beer Cans 5pm**	11	12	13 Buoy Races 11am Skippers and crew meeting
14	15	16	17 OSIRs Noon **Beer Cans 5pm**	18	19	20 Dore Bay Overnight/Raft-up Meet @ Dore Bay Bet. 4pm-5pm
21 Dore Bay Overnight/Raft-up	22	23	24 OSIRs Noon **Beer Cans 5pm**	25	26	27 **Sadie Hawkins Ladies on the tiller** 11am Skippers and crew meeting
28	29	30	31 OSIRs Noon **Beer Cans 5pm**	**Women Sailors** **Get a boat to drive, add a couple of other women as crew, and what a fun race we can have.**		

August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Aug. 24th- Skippers' Scramble – Random crew picked from a hat. Show up by 11 am to be included as crew. This is always a fun race and a way to get to know other sailors you don't usually get to sail with.				1	2	3
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