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COMMODORE'S REPORT

by Sandy Bartiromo

“People don’t remember what you did...but they always remember how you made them feel.”

A yacht club is a business with the same common denominators as any other commercial enterprise. Our club is a non profit, domestic corporation. We are driven by private funds in the form of dues and donations. Within this structure is the normal operating tasks of all businesses, to mention only a few: marketing, publicity, communications, budget, fiduciary.

However, we are different in many aspects as well. Our infrastructure is governed by a board of volunteers that spend many hours governing, organizing, leading and balancing the jobs of our post. I have come to realize that the amount of work is perhaps better suited for the retiree.

Our constituents are members who participate in a semi private, social structure that develops a flavor or feel of its own, some times known as milieu.

So what does this mean to SCCYC? How can I describe it?

Our club house is approximately 900 square feet of indoor area. Within this footage people dine, chat, drink, relax, entertain, share, and bring friends. Our club is by far the most lively and dynamic in our local area. Visitors always leave our environment with an upbeat, happy, warm feeling. This is what's unique about our club. This quality differentiates us from the

work place and other clubs.

We will continue to make people feel welcome and make them look forward to their return. Our races, dinners, fundraisers, and BBQs promote our board's goals of high visibility, while promoting volunteerism and the nautical milieu.

Attending our club's events may be an exercise of “merge or yield” into the activity of the day. Merge into the dynamics of the group or yield to a quieter day or less active time. One size doesn't fit all. But you will find a social climate that embodies the best characteristics of human nature; never boastful or arrogant, always willing and positive, constructive and helpful.

SCCYC is the model of a friendly, warm place to share the day or spend time on the water with a friend.

The Board is working hard to meet the needs of its members. Please come and join us for a dinner or a race. Oh yes, and remember to bring a friend, that's what we do BEST. *Esprit de corps, — Sandy B.*

Redondo Beach and South Coast Corinthian Yacht Clubs Present the 2006 Corinthian Cup Race/Cruise/Play Fun Weekend May 27-28, 2006

Race in the Corinthian Cup for Cruisers and PHRF from Marina del Rey to King Harbor and back

Cruise to King Harbor and Marina del Rey

Play on Redondo Pier and in Marina del Rey





Some of the SCCYC Boats Racing for a Cure

South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club and Oliver, sail for MS

by Jerry Magnussen

From the Venice Beach you could see boats sailing for MS on Saturday, April 15, 2006. South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club showed its support for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society by organizing a sailing counterpart to the well know MS Walk taking place over the last two weeks.

Sunny skies and light winds graced the event. The boats from SCCYC were skippered by their owners, with their donating sponsors enjoying the ride. The designated route from Marina del Rey to the Santa Monica Pier ran parallel to the sailboats racing in the SMWYC, Mac Jones #1 - Inverted Start Race. Some of the racers opted to support the MS Sail by sponsoring their boat while racing. The event was structured loosely to allow boats in various venues to be sponsored by their crew.

With the MS Sail being newly established, we were looking for a symbol to identify the event, like a mascot or another type of icon. During the cruise on the sailboat Sparta, we found what we were looking for. Oliver, a 4-pound Miniature Pinscher / Chihuahua, was notice hanging in the companion way pouch, normally used for winch handles and other race equipment. The crew unanimously supported the nomination of Oliver for the position of mascot for this and future MS Sail events. Oliver accepted the nomination.



Oliver, the new mascot thinks he's a floating winch handle

As organizer of this event, I would like to thank everybody who participated this year. I would also like to invite anyone interested in participating in this event to watch for details for next year. Information will be available on the club website at <http://www.sccyc.org> and in the Beacon, also available on line at <http://www.sccyc.org/beacon.htm>. The event is tentatively planned for early April of 2007. We also want to extend the invitation to all yacht clubs in the Santa Monica Bay to participate in this worthy cause.



The Cruiser Spinnaker Championship Team of Camelot featuring Geoff Downer, Dylan Porter, Jim Doherty, Joe, Tom Estlow and Gary Speck

18 SCCYC Sailors Finish N2E Race in 6 different boats

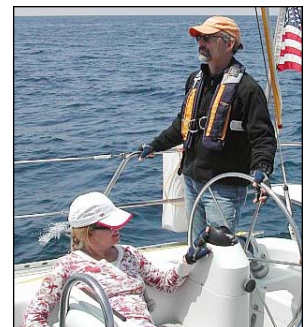
by Stu Coleman

The big story out of the 2006 Newport Ensenada Race was *Camelot's* decisive no-engine victory in the Cruz-SpinB Fleet featuring an all SCCYC crew. An equally big story is that all racers from SCCYC actually finished the race, a boast that few yacht clubs can match, considering that 109 of 454 Boats dropped out of the race. Jim Doherty, helming his Islander 36, *Camelot*, won his class of 25 boats with the same winning team that won the SMWYC Cruiser handicap race 2 weeks prior. This race just took 30 some hours longer.



A Smiling Jim Doherty holds the latest addition to the SCCYC Trophy Collection

Members, Ron Judkins and Jennifer Young, who also belong to Fairwind Yacht Club, crewed a Catalina 40, *Angelsea*, to victory in the Cruiser Non-Spin A Fleet under the FYC Burgee.



Ron and Jennifer Cruising to Mexico in Comfort



It's a full house as the Spartans prepare for battle

Sparta, helmed by S/C Carl Radusch, was manned by fellow SCCYCers, Gimmy Tranquillo, Steve Mullen, and Gray Marshall. While they finished in less than 25 hours, they finished in the middle of the PHRF "A" fleet but, retake the coveted SCCYC First Boat

to finish trophy.

Finishing 7th out of 25 boats in the Cruiser Spinnaker "B" Fleet was yours truly aboard *Reliance* with Shari Landon, my Dad, Walt, and former Ensenada crew member, Michael Burke. 41.5 hours clinches



Sparta Charging before the start with their "A" Sails

Reliance's title as last SCCYC boat to finish this year, but correcting to the top third in the class due to no engine time is a great reward. I just wish that we had arrived earlier to enjoy our slip at the Ensenada Cruiseport Marina for a bit longer.



Reliance early in the race still in sight of land

Tracey Kenney, aboard John Staff's *Wildcat* finished the race late Saturday. They finished out of the money, but across the finish line and that's what matters.

SCCYC scribe and crew about town, Pat Reynolds finished the race aboard an ORCA boat. (Surely making great time.) SCCYC should be proud of its sailors who braved the tedium of 1-3 knot zephyrs on their way down the coast.



RACE CHAIR'S REPORT
by Stu Coleman

My congratulations to a day well done on April 22nd when SCCYC hosted the Lido Invitational. Thanks to the hard work of Tracey Kenney, The Lido Fleet 2 members and club members, this was an event that many of the visiting yachtsmen called, one of the nicest run.

Coming up at the end of the month is our fun dash to King Harbor, the Corinthian Cup Race, co-hosted with Redondo Beach Yacht Club. I hope to see all of our eligible boats participating, including some of our newer boats that haven't raced yet. If you can't participate, we'd love to see you at the Club on Sunday, to help host the racers.



Camelot Pirates the Trophy in the SMWYC Cruiser Handicap

Jim Doherty and his Camelot crew have been burning up the race courses with wins in Marina Del Rey and Ensenada. Congratulations! (Hey Jim, Go PHRF!)



QUARTERMASTER'S CORNER

We have a plethora of great South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club logo wear available in the Ship's Store. If you can't find your size, place a request on the cork board near the Beer Cooler and we will get it ordered for you.

- Golf shirt\$28.00
- T Shirt\$15.00
- T Shirt (Long Sleeve)\$17.00
- Sweatshirt.....\$21.00
(\$2.00 surcharge for any 2XL & up)
- Windbreaker Jacket.....\$41.00
- Baseball Cap\$13.00
- Hat Bands.....\$ 7.00
- Brief Case.....\$15.00
- Bouillons\$28.00
- Golf Towels\$ 5.00
- Burgees.....\$16.00
- License Plate Holder.....\$10.00
- Canvas Tote\$ 9.00
- Zippered Tote\$ 9.00
- Club House Throw Blanket....\$35.00
(we have to order these in bulk so please tell Sandy if you want to purchase one.)

We hope to expand our offerings, so if you have a sellable idea please talk to me and we can work out the details.

Membership Report

ACTIVE MEMBERS	78
Flag Members	68
Life Members	3
Non Resident Members	5
Cruising Members	1
Honorary Members	1
NEW MEMBERS	3
Kelley Cantley	
Doug Cameron	
Willie Smith	

No Limit Texas Hold'em Tournament Night
Saturday, June 3rd — 7 pm

Fundraiser for the Building Fund



- Free lessons
- Dealers will teach you
- Tournament play after the lessons
- \$10 buy-ins are donations
- Play with chips
- 1st and 2nd place prizes will be awarded

Bring a friend

The 2nd Annual Lido Fleet 2 Invitational & 2006 District I Championship Regatta has longest event title and yet, the shortest courses.

April 22nd 2006

By Peter Beale, Lido 6274 Pulce

We had been planning it for months. Details such as traffic signs, trailer parking, hoist operations, dock space for visitors, toilets close to the race course, rescue, photos, race management, food and original prizes had occupied countless meetings. Expectations of 10 to 20 visiting boats plus crews plus a weather forecast of 12 to 20 knots had everyone excited.

I had practiced starts, roll tacking, jibing, cleaned the boat, washed the hull and even the center board, changed the main sheet block and was ready to win. My reality set in early Friday. My trusted crew, Emilly, was sick!! Emails, phone calls and late on Friday a miracle, Sandman became available and willing. With the high winds our combined 400lbs should not prove to be a problem. I knew Sandman had crewed more than once for Tracey and had a reputation as a great crew.



Things sure look tippy without keels

Saturday morning light winds, overcast, and at 9:45am only 2 confirmed visiting A boats. We had to have a least 3 A boats so I allowed my self to be registered in the A fleet even though I had only sailed in 6 dinghy regattas since 1968 and those were all in the last 6 months. My excuse was that I had done quite well in the B fleet so should come in somewhere in the middle of the A's. By 10:00 there were 6 A boats including the present two time National champion and a past National champion!

On learning of our race group, just before the



A Fleeters Beat to Windward

first start, Sandman raised an eyebrow. The wind was picking up and we could both sit out. I positioned the boat at the windward end of the line a minute before the start. We held position as other boats filled in around us. With twenty second to the start I bore away a little to get up speed. Suddenly the other boats took off, the starting horn sounded and they leapt away leaving us standing still.

We followed the other 6 boats up to the windward mark, falling further and further behind. We had the boat flat, were doing everything by the book but they were going faster. By the time we had rounded the mark the others were 100 yards ahead. Never mind, we had the whisker pole out in a flash, the plate up, the boom vang on, the boat leaning to windward, our weight up front, comfortably settled and were going fast down wind. "Do you think are catching up" I optimistically asked. Sandman grunted in a non-committal way. He then mentioned a squall coming from behind and that we should move over to catch it. We moved over as it hit. The boat broached and I



Pulce with 2 men in a boat



The Action Gets Really Close Preparing to Park at the Dock.

could not get out of my comfortable position fast enough. We had half filled up before I could push my weight back to get the rudder back in the water to get the boat upright. By the time we got to the lower mark we had bailed the boat dry, were way behind the others and Sandman was kindly telling me that he had been at the back of his fleet just a couple of seasons ago.

We used the time between races to compare our sail settings with the other boats, make adjustments and convince our selves we were on learning mission.

The second race started not much better than the first but we did manage to keep closer to the other boats on the way up to the windward mark. We were only 50 yards behind them as we turned down wind and actually caught up a little to the sixth boat by the time we turned the leeward mark. It was the gust on the second beat, as we tacked, which tilted us too far and gave us our second filling.

The third race was rather like the second until, half way up the first beat, when we tacked, I changed sides, leant out, missed the toe straps and somersaulted overboard. I was still holding onto the main sheet and realized that unless I let go the boat would capsize. As I let go Sandman leant over, and unceremoniously grabbed me by the life jacket, dragged me over the transom and said "lets get back into the race".

The fourth race was similar. By now I was wet through; Sandman patience with me was, to say the least, generous, and I was getting fed up of being last. Towards the end of the race Sandman exclaimed, "Look at the yellow boat's boom". I looked over and realized his boom was pulled in nearly to the transom while mine was a foot looser.

Regatta Results after 5 Races

"A" Fleet

1st	6240	Kurt & Anne Wiese	NHYC
2nd	6188	John Papadopoulos & Greg	BYC
3rd	3579	Eric & Tiffany Bohman	AYC
4th	3542	Jeff Zook & Ceal Potts	AYC
5th	4072	Bob & Bobby Little	CYC
6th	4532	Mike & Megan O'Neill	AYC
7th	6274	Peter Beale & Mark Sands	SCCYC

"B" Fleet

1st	4790	Mark & Sarah Ryan	ABYC
2nd	6127	Roger Patterson & Fred Marks	MBYC
3rd	4430	Tracey Kenney & Rick Ruskin	SCCYC
4th	6195	Robert Spieler & Shari Landon	SCCYC
5th	4511	Bruce Fleck & Holly Mitchell	SCCYC
6th	5141	Chris & Anita Rulla	SCCYC/BCYC
7th	882	Tom & Karmen Estlow	SCCYC
8th	4779	Michael Sikov & Flynn Cooley	SCCYC
9th	4179	Don Baker & Stu Coleman	SCCYC

The last race started very well but then soon after the start, John Papadopoulos taught us how to lee bow. By the time we tacked clear we were last, but not by much. We kept up with the other boats and grouped up with them on the down wind leg. At the leeward mark we suddenly seemed to be in a groove. On approaching the finishing line we were in a position to be third and within yards of the leaders. An amazing wind shift just before the finishing line gave us a certain third place, we tacked, and in front of the committee boat and ... I slipped. The boat half filled and we finished fifth. Even so we were thrilled with the result and the learning curve of racing with the experts.

Back to the B fleet next time? - *Peter B.*



Whistling about during that 3 minute start sequence

How to Go SAILING IN JAPAN

By Mark Tilford

When Nancy told me she would be spending 2 weeks in Japan for work, my first thought was "Can I go sailing in Japan?" Well, the answer was a definite "YES" and away we went on our adventure to another part of the world.

Velasis City Marina



Yokohama Bayside Marina

Yokohama Bayside Club

Hayama Marina Yacht Club

Actually, the work started here in Los Angeles, with an extensive Internet search of all boating related web sites located in the Tokyo/Yokohama area. Once I had this list compiled, the next step was to send an introductory e-mail and await response.

Greetings, Japanese Yacht Clubs or Sailing Sport Associations:

My name is Mark Tilford, and I'm a South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club (SCCYC) Flag Member. I enjoy both Yacht Racing and Yacht Cruising activities. I will be vacationing to tour your country, soon. I have "never" visited Japan before. I will arrive in Tokyo from Los Angeles California and will be staying in the Yokohama area. Almost 100% of my travel to Japanese destinations will be by train and other forms of public transportation. Since I am a visiting yachtsman, I would like to be invited to your Yacht Club and exchange Club flags (burgee) with you if possible. If you are willing and available to see us, I would appreciate getting all the information regarding your Club's exact location, names of Club contacts, phone & fax numbers, by e-mail as soon as possible.

Attachments: SCCYC Beacon; small map of SCCYC Clubhouse location; photo of my Cal-20; photo of my wife and I.

The response was almost immediate and a bit overwhelming. Within 3 days, we had more than 5 invitations to join in some type of event at various clubs/marinas in

the Yokohama Bay area, which were soon narrowed down to 3 events to allow for Nancy's work schedule and other site-seeing adventures. These 3 events were:

1. Sail across Tokyo Bay and lunch at a local fishing village with Mr. Takafumi Sudo and friends.
2. Local sightseeing trip & dinner with Chako Tobari of the Japan Sailing Federation
3. Participation in one of the Hayama Marina Yacht Club races.

On Saturday February 25th we met with Takafumi (John) Sudo at our hotel and proceeded by train (the only way to travel in Japan) to the Velasis City Marina, picking up more passengers along the way. Once at the Marina, we boarded a Beneteau Oceanus 37' sloop and cruised across Tokyo Bay through the Tokyo shipping lanes which are densely populated with Oil tankers, freighters, passenger ferries, and numerous Japanese fishing boats. Once across the Bay, we stopped at the local fishing village of Hoyta where we enjoyed a lunch of "extremely" fresh fish at a local restaurant called Banyan.

After returning to the Marina, I was able to exchange my 1st SCCYC burgee with the Velasis City Marina dockmaster. After leaving the Marina, we were escorted to the Yokohama Bayside Marina by the President of the Kanagawa Prefecture Sailing Federation, Mr. Kazuaki Kaido and his wife. While at the Yokohama Bayside Marina and Club, I exchanged my 2nd and 3rd SCCYC



Japanese Fishing boat (Maru?)

Fresh Sashimi

burgees with Mr Akinori Ueda and Mr. Yo Sugawara. After the burgee exchange, Mr. Kaido and his wife took Nancy and I out for a fine Italian dinner at the Yokohama Bayside Marina Bruschetta Pix Café restaurant.

Our sightseeing trip with Chako Tobari of the Japan Sailing Federation was originally scheduled for Sunday February 26th, to visit the local town of Kanagawa and all its temples. This trip was cancelled due to rain and slight illness on our part. We rescheduled to meet with Chako for dinner on Wednesday, March 1st. Once again we had to cancel this appointment to meet due to an unexpected dinner scheduled by Nancy's work customers for the same evening. Chako graciously agreed to reschedule and meet us for dinner in Tokyo after Nancy got off work on Thursday, March 2nd. I met Nancy at the train station in Ofuna and then we



Kanagawa Statue

Tokyo's Ginza District

took to train back into Tokyo where we met with Chako. We took another train to the next station and had a wonderful Japanese curry dinner in Ginza (the most elite shopping district in the world). While we did not have another SCCYC Burgee to present to Chako, we did give her an SCCYC T-shirt and she gave Nancy a beautiful Japan Sailing Federation scarf.

On Sunday, March 5th we met with Kiochiro Tanaka at our hotel and were taken to the Hayama Marina Yacht Club. Once at the Club we were put onboard Sakura, a Yamaha 33 Captained by Toshio Furata and set out for a day of racing.

We joined the crew on the boat in dry-dock and remained onboard while she was gently lowered into the water by crane. The inflatable markers and committee boats look very similar to a day of racing off of Santa Monica Bay. Mr Furata had just purchased a new set of sails (Jib & Main) from North Sails and the sailmaker was also onboard to adjust the sails during the race. We took 8th place in the race. The after race party & dinner held at the Clubhouse resembled one of SCCYC's after race events.

After the race, I was able to exchange my 4th and final SCCYC burgee with Hayama Marina Yacht Club Commodore, Kiochiro Tanaka. After the race party/dinner we were treated to a special treat of a Japanese Tea Ceremony presented by the HMYC outgoing Vice Commodore Akihiko Kobayashi.

If any of our members get the opportunity to travel to the Tokyo area, you now know how to enjoy the sailing opportunities presented in Japan. For those of you who can't make to it Japan, 4 Japanese Yacht Club burgees are now hanging in the SCCYC Clubhouse for the enjoyment of all.

Wise Man Say: A Burgee in Hand Worth Too Little in Bush League of Yacht Clubs

An Odyssey Tale by Skipper Seuss

(Read to the tune of Sinatra's song)

I want(ed) to be a part of it, New York, New York...

Consider my recent interaction with the New York Yacht Club: In preparation for my trip to meet my wife, who was working on back-to-back jobs back East, I thought it would worthwhile to take the SCCYC burgee and exchange it with my counterpart at NYYC.

E-mail Effort:

I Googled the website, sent an e-mail, and followed up with a voice message. I quickly received an e-mailed response, succinctly stating that because the club was inundated with requests, they only entertain such propositions to commemorate special occasions. We exchanged three e-mails, in which I offered increasingly elevated pleas just short of feigning imminent death...all to no avail.

Hmmm, perhaps an attempt at the personal touch would yield more satisfying results, i.e., an invitation.

Telephone Effort:

"Hi. My name is, Robert Spieler, I am the Port Captain of SCCYC in Marina del Rey, and I would like to exchange club burgees during my visit to NYC next week."

About five seconds of silence...

"Me no carry no birdies. Me have doggies and catties. Yes. Doggies, catties, and some fishes. You wan to buy some doggies? Me give you rearry good deal; best price! You come over now. Best doggies at best price. You buy, no? My cousin also have hibachi store...maybe we do 2-1,

with sooo good deal? What kind doggies you rike, I got them all. Catties so good too, if you..."

During the sales pitch I was frantically trying to recall the Mandarin phrase for "so sorry, wrong number", but then remembered that I never took Chinese from anywhere other than a restaurant, so I just hung up.

A few days later I meandered my way through the streets of NYC, contently munching on a panini and sipping a double espresso, until I stood at the entrance of the New York Yacht Club. I almost passed by it...being distracted by the Bentley, Ferrari, and BMW M5 parked in front.

A quick check in a side view mirror to remove the last remnants of roasted turkey and mozzarella from between my teeth, and I crossed the street with all of the self-assuredness with which a bonafide yacht club Port Captain is entitled.

Vis'a vis Effort:

Me: "Hello. My name is Robert Spieler, I am the Port Captain of SCCYC in Marina del Rey, and I would like to exchange club burgees during my visit to NYC today."

NYYC: "Golly, how good life must be for you."

Definitely the New York Yacht Club.

Some sort of pithy remark was just reaching my larynx, when...

NYYC: "So what's your point?"

Me: "Uh...that is my point. I would like to exchange our respective club burgees."

NYYC: "I see. How precious of an offer. Lemme check to

see if I can guarantee that the contractor has finished expanding the display room to accommodate your super generous gift. You and your maid servant (motioning to my wife) may wait in the Foreign Room over there.”

After a few minutes on the phone, a “runner” was sent over to retrieve me and my maid serv, er...wife, back to the reception desk.

NYYC: “Hmmm, sir portly captain, no luck regarding the contractor I’m afraid...there might be other options, NYYC certainly does not want such a grand opportunity to pass by without at least making an effort. Let’s see, we could, in a pinch, remove the Sir Lipton America’s Cup Challenge memorabilia exhibit and staple your cute little burgee there. There just never seems to be enough room for all the goodies that we get! But, look at my lack of manners! I have not inquired as to the size of your club’s Sir Lipton collection; please excuse-moi my faux faux!”

Clearly, I was engaged with Olympic Class antagonism here. A quick crack of the neck and knuckles, and I was ready to proceed.

Me: “Actually”, I replied coolly, “the last time I checked our Lipton Collection, it was snugly adjacent to the Sweet N Low collection. I can confidently state of SCCYC’s Lipton Collection; there is no Equal!”

NYYC: “Oh my; that famed ‘Marina del-like-the-NYYC-gives-a-crap’ sense of comedic timing. Oh, shall I ever be able to relive this moment of delight? Please, regale me with more!”

Me: “I’m sorry, did I reach the Hull Maintenance Service department by mistake; you know you’re not suppose to insert the snorkel tip into the bilge outlet, right? Very bad for the disposition I hear.”

NYYC: “My, we are sensitive, aren’t we? Your little clubhouse is in California, isn’t? Go ahead, tell me I’m right!”

Me: “Who can I speak to regarding visiting the New York Yacht Asylum?”

NYYC: “This department does not have the authority to issue permission for a visit.”

Me: “Uh, okay. Which department does?”

NYYC: “Actually, there is none. This department recommends that visitation requests are submitted to a NYYC member of good standing for consideration, pursuant to NYYC By-laws of course.”

Me: “Of course. And which NYYC member of good standing should I properly forward my request to?”

NYYC: “Why, anyone of them listed on the official NYYC roster, dumbass!”

Me: “I see.”

NYYC: “Is there possibly any other way in which I may of service to you today?”

Me: “May I purchase a NYYC burgee?”

NYYC: “No. By-laws strictly prohibit the sale of merchandise containing the NYYC logo; especially to commoners.”

Me: “I see. How about a T-shirt?”

NYYC: “Fraid not.”

Me: “Shot glass?”

NYYC: “My, aren’t we persistent! NO!?”

Me: “How about this NYYC business card?”

NYYC: “Tell ya what I’m going to do for you. I admire your spunkiness. Let me just grab a Sharpie pen and just cross out the burgee logo on the card....there ya’ go!”

Me: “Gee. Thanks.”

NYYC: “Now, once again, and by “once again”, I mean for the last \$#@!ing time, is there possibly any other way in which I may of service to you today?”

Me: “You could find someone around here for me to have a grown-up conversation with; providing the available members of good standing aren’t too busy extricating the crayons they jammed into their ears right after naptime.”

NYYC: “You are soo clever! You just soo remind me of one of our Valet Attendants; he’s funny too, when you can get past the Puerto Rican accent. Does your ‘Our Lady of Marina del Boating’ have a valet service too?”

Me: “No, actually, SCCYC prides itself as being a self-service club; more intimate, more familial...I’m sure I do not have to explain that concept to you, being in NYC.?”

NYYC: “How cute, self-service, just like a little vending machine! Are there long lines for members waiting to make their selections of government cheese?”

This was becoming cool...almost a conversation.

Me: “Not at all. The only lines we have are the white lines on the black asphalt that we park our un-chauffeured vehicles between. Not unlike the white lines on the mirror that you park your straw between...each day you decide to cope with being you.”

Checkmate!

Unable to offer a retort, and undoubtedly hitting an (olfactory) nerve...a stunned look and a knowing head nod by Herr Gatekeeper to the “runner”, (who somehow seemed much larger now), and Michelle and I were unceremoniously escorted to the friendly streets of the fair city.

My wife capped off the illustrious visit by asking me, “Refresh my memory as to why we are Yankees fans?”

Go Red Sox!

P.S. This story is almost entirely infected with unsubstantiated stereotypical hyperbole of my visit. It more accurately reflects a low-blood sugar attempt at prose during an extended flight without the benefit of that extra bag of snack crap sustenance. See you on the water.

P.P.S. I can’t believe I wrote “Go Red Sox”...



Robert, Port Captaining the Big Apple



O.D. SCHEDULE

& Club Events

Friday 1800 - 2200 Hrs (Year Round Hours)	Saturday 1200-1700 Hrs (Spring/Summer Hours)	Sunday 1200-1700 Hrs (Spring/Summer Hours)
5/5 Mike Priest & Kelly F. First Friday Dinner	5/6 Bud Zucker	5/7 Mark Spector Board Meeting 6pm
5/12 Steve Mullen	5/13 John Donahue Berger/Stein Race	5/14 Wally Stephens
5/19 Ron Ikejiri	5/20 Don Baker Mem.Mtg & Dinner	5/21 Michael Fitzmaurice
5/26 Lara Jacques	5/27 Angel Lopez Corinthian Cup Race	5/28 Robert Spieler Corinthian Cup
6/2 Frank Kronewitter First Friday Dinner	6/3 Willy Smith	6/4 Dylan Porter Board Meeting 6pm
6/9 Carl Radusch	6/10 Clark Garrett Berger/Stein Race Paddle Day	6/11 Terry Stringfellow Berger/Stein Race
6/16 Zac Araneta	6/17 Kelley Cantley Club Cruise to Shoreline Village "Lido Day"	6/18 John Thomas
6/23 Ren Oden	6/24 Doug Cameron Mem.Mtg & Dinner	6/25 Chris Rulla

If you cannot fulfill your duty on your assigned date, please get a replacement and notify Stu Coleman (racechair@sccyc.org) of your replacement. It is your responsibility to fulfill your duty or find a replacement; otherwise you **WILL** be assessed a donation of up to \$25.

Reminder: Please fill out the OD logbook, as it may be the only record that you fulfilled your duty.

NOTE: The sponsoring member introduces the new Member to O.D duty on the first tour.

Sign Up for One Dinner! Call 310 721-0244 to RSVP

Feb. 3	First Friday Dinner	Harry Johnson	July 21	Membership Meeting	_____
Feb. 25	Membership Meeting	Bruce Fleck	July 22/23	O/D Weekend Race Hospitality	_____
March 3	First Friday Dinner	Bob Kellock & Samantha C.	Aug. 4	First Friday Dinner	_____
March 24	Membership Meeting	Peter and Francesca Beale	Aug. 26	Membership Meeting	Stu Coleman
Mar 25-26	Les Storrs Race Hospitality	Mike O'Brien & Sandy B	Sept 1	First Friday Dinner	_____
April 7	First Friday Dinner	Ron Judkins & Jennifer Young	Sept 16	Membership Meeting	_____
April 22	Membership Meeting	Sandy Bartiromo	Sept 24	Fletcher Cup Race Hospitality	_____
May 5	First Friday Dinner	Mike Priest & Kelly F.	Oct. 6	First Friday Dinner	_____
May 20	Membership Meeting	Don and Diane Baker	Oct. 20	Membership Meeting	_____
May 28	Corinthian Cup Race Hospitality	_____	Oct 21	Two for One Race Hospitality	_____
June 2	First Friday Dinner	_____	Nov. 3	First Friday Dinner	_____
June 24	Membership Meeting	_____	Nov. 18	Membership Meeting	_____
July 7	First Friday Dinner	_____	Dec. 2	Installation Dinner	Bridge Officers



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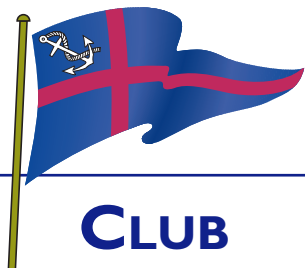
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