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## COMMODORE'S REPORT

by Sandy Bartiromo

### When you know your past; you can better shape your future

#### *So where are we going?*

South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club is preparing for its Opening Day, March 19th. Your help is welcome and needed. There will be a sign up sheet in the club house with the job duties for which you can volunteer. Please be prepared to wash, paint, clean, serve, and of course, attend. Please bring your skill and talent to the club house: the official cleanup/fix-up date is March 11th.

While we are thinking about the 2006th year, did you know that 2007 will be SCCYC's 75th year? To me, that means a special celebration for our anniversary. I would like to have an ad hoc committee that will address this upcoming celebration. If you are interested in planning for the 75th Anniversary please see me for details. We will start off with a special meeting to identify the steering committee members and start to develop some plans. If you want to be on the committee, please plan to attend Saturday, Feb. 18th at 3:30 for the 75th Anniversary Planning Committee.

The idiom, "no one sees the elephant in the room" is appropriate for what we will be confronting in the future. The Marina Del Rey redevelopment plan is looming for SCCYC. Any members who would like to attend a SCCYC special meeting that will inves-

tigate our options, strategies, and plans for this inevitable event will meet Sunday, Feb. 19th, at 5:00pm. We need a group of members that will meet regularly to formulate some pro active strategies that will help prepare us for this impending scenario.

#### *So where have we been?*

The Lido Fleet was very active last year. Some sailors of note are:

Tom and Karmen, who participated in the Roy Woolsey Regatta, Sept 25, 2005.

Peter Beale was a B flight boat in the Turkey Day Race, November 19 and 20th.

Bruce Fleck, Tom and Karmen Estlow, Gary Speck and Don Baker raced in the Super Bowl Regatta on Jan 28, 2005.

Although not races, SCCYC will be offering parallel activities for those who want to expand our social and fun events. We have gone to Hollywood Park for a day with the ponies, an after Christmas hike, a Super Bowl Party, a Boat Parade party, and a museum tour at the La Brea Tar Pits. We have several other "off campus" events planned for 2006. Our lecture topics were on anchoring with Peter Beale, and Peter Damisch delighted us with an Antarctic presentation.

The board has been meeting regularly and I have been attending several other yacht clubs, installation dinners and opening days. I have been having a great time and learning a great deal as the Commodore of SCCYC. I look forward to the next year and will continue to represent the members of this long standing, friendliest yacht club.

Please help us rejuvenate our classic Friday night dinners by volunteering to host a meal.

See you at our next event,

— Sandy Bartiromo, Standing By

# How Not to Treat Your Lido

By Michael Sikov

One lovely Sunday afternoon, I decided to take one of my friends sailing for his second time. It was a great day maybe 75 degrees, clear sky's and a 12 kt wind out of the west. It was a typical southern California summer day.

We both got the boat ready for a sail. About 20 minutes later we left the club and headed out into basin "G". All seemed well but when we went to make our first turn once in the basin (out of the slip area) it seemed as though our centerboard struck something. We both felt a hard hit and flew to the front of the boat. At this time we were both in shock and did not know what was happening.



*My Kingdom for a Keel*

Simultaneously the main and jib sheets were locked in and were nowhere in reach so the boat began to tip. We both found ourselves standing on the vertical part of the seat (which was now horizontal along with the waterline) trying to save the boat from capsizing. Unfortunately all of our exhausting efforts failed and I saw my friend finally give in and jump off the boat and about 3 seconds later I joined him, I was thinking hey why not everyone wants to go swimming in the marina. It always looks so inviting! In those three seconds between me and my friend jumping overboard I was trying to decide where to jump, so I headed for slightly south of the cigarette butts and trash floating by.

I then noticed that my friend ended up under the main sail somehow, so I had to go over there and free him. We both finally got used to the fact that the boat was now filling with water and we were going to need to figure out how to get the boat back upright. We both climbed on top of the bottom of the boat which was now sticking up over the waterline, and just sat there catching our breath.

We both looked back at the club and realized that some people were watching the whole thing unfold from the deck. Also we noticed that a few nice people on some dinghies were cruising by. These unnamed people were nice enough to lend a hand and try to get us over to the dock you see in the picture above.

About an hour after the capsizing we finally got to the

dock to notice one thing. It was low tide and the depth of the marina was about 5 feet shallower than the height of my mast. I thought that my boat was totaled. Another really nice person came running up in a bathing suit with a snorkeling mask. Now 3 hours has passed since the initial capsizing.

For some reason, this man was nice enough to dive to the top of my mast to try and tie a rope to it so that we could try and free it. He went down into the murky depths of basin "G" and hooked on the line at where he said the mast went into the mud. This was at the top of my jib sail which I realized is about 4 feet from the top of the mast, meaning that my mast was stuck in 4 feet of mud. The whole situation was not sounding too good to me.

At this time Tracy Kenny just happened to be stopping by and came running down the dock to help. She gave some great advice and we finally 5 hours, 2 power boats and 9 people later were able to right my boat. My swimming in the marina adventure was finally over.

When I got back to the club dock after bailing probably 3,000 gallons of water from my boat, I cleaned off all of the mud and realized that not one thing had broken other than my wind-ex. I could not believe my eyes. Lidos are some tough little boats!

I later told Tracy that I really appreciated her help and advice and told her that if we were ever in each other's shoes I would help her just as she helped me, but I hoped never to have to. 4 days later on one of our Thursday night races (in the main channel) in the second heat, I was trailing just behind Tracy when.... By the time I got there she was already back right side up and back in the race!

Overall this could have been a much worse event but all in all it is fun to look back and laugh at it, but please for your Lido's sake this is not how to treat a Lido....



## Membership Report

<b>ACTIVE MEMBERS</b>	<b>74</b>
Flag Members	64
Life Members	3
Non Resident Members	5
Cruising Members	1
Honorary Members	1
<b>NEW MEMBERS</b>	<b>1</b>
Christopher & Anita Rulla	
<b>RESIGNATION/TERMINATIONS</b>	<b>2</b>
Stephen Johnson & Heidi Meyers	
Marco Karpodings	

# A Brief History of the Lido 14

by Dylan Porter

**S**CCYC is well known for its active Lido 14 fleet. Is this because of the enthusiastic SCCYC Lido sailors? Our convenient storage area behind the clubhouse? The SCCYC dockside hoist? Answer: all of the above! These sailors simply have FUN!

This month we take a look at some key dates in Lido history:

1958 – W.D. “Bill” Schock designs the Lido 14 in Newport Beach

1961 – Lido gains rapid popularity as the fleet reaches 1000

1970 – Total number of Lidos built approaches 3000

1980 – Number of Lido 14s produced is nearly 5000

1995 – Newly redesigned Lido 14 re-energizes the fleet

Today – One design races & clubs continue to be very popular

Shortly before designing the Lido, Bill Schock made a boat called the Lehman 10 (designed by Barney Lehman). The Lehman 10 lays claim to being the very first production fiberglass boat. By pioneering production methods and materials, Schock has helped make the sport of sailing accessible to an ever increasing number of people. More people have learned to sail on the Lido than on any other boat in California.

Tracey Kenney, SCCYC Fleet Captain says, “As a fleet, Lidos participate in regattas all over Southern California, and enjoy many afternoons sailing together just for fun!!! We are also hosting a Lido Day on June 17<sup>th</sup>, for anyone who would like to try sailing a Lido 14. The fleet welcomes all individuals of all skill levels. There are many opportunities to sail a Lido as both crew and skipper.”

The schedule for 2006 includes the following events relevant to Lidos:

Feb 18-19	MidWinters at ABYC
April 22	2nd Annual Fleet 2 Invitational
May 4 – Aug 24	CYC Sunstroke Series racing every Thurs evening
June 17	“Lido Day” at SCCYC open to all visitors
July 7	Junior Lido 14 National Championships
July 8 – 9	High Sierra Regatta
July 10 – 13	Lido 14 National Championships
Aug 12	SCCYC Outlook Trophy

For a complete calendar and more info, visit the Fleet 2 website at <http://www.lido14fleet2.org>, or contact: Tracey Kenney at [fleetcaptain@sccyc.org](mailto:fleetcaptain@sccyc.org)



## RACE CHAIR'S REPORT

by Stu Coleman

I spent eight hours at Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> attending the SCYA sponsored US Sailing Club Race Officer Training and Certification class ably instructed by Lido 14er Stan Betts, MBYC, and Bruce Greene, SDYC. Aside from learning the vagaries of using the “I” Flag and the “Z” Flag in lieu of the “P” Flag, the sixteen attendees were treated to stories of working Race Committee at the America’s Cup as well as how to start 50+ boats on one starting line. While I aced the exam, it will take quite a few more days of race committee work to qualify for the title of Club Race Officer. The seminar will be held at Del Rey Yacht Club on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> and I highly recommend it for racers and those interested in what makes a race committee great. For more information, see the SCYA website: <http://scya.org>.

The racing season opened this year with DRYC’s Berger/Stein #1 held on Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. Let’s just say that there were more boats than wind, and our club boats have seen better results.

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series has seen some great performance with the team of



Why Lifelines are a Good Thing.

Marshall/Tranquillo on *Diavola* scoring 2 bullets and the indomitable *Bandit* Team winning 4 out of 4 heats.

Jerome Sammarcelli may want to find a luckier name for his boat as his latest *Chupacabra* stayed afloat, but caused him to get his wing clipped.

Peter Beale and Eric Boisvert have been leaving quite a wake in Newport in the Lido fleet.

Most of the club’s racers should be out on February 18 and 19 for the SCYA midwinters championships in all manner of boats big and small.

Our first club race is the Les Storrs coming up on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, a week after our opening day and I look forward to our R/C stalwarts being joined by some new faces on the water and coordinating the hospitality back at the clubhouse. In closing, let me just say it’s great to see Frank Kronewitter back at the club.



# O.D. SCHEDULE

## & Club Events

Friday 1800 - 2200 Hrs (Year Round Hours)	Saturday 1200-1600 Hrs (Fall/Winter Hours)	Sunday 1200-1600 Hrs (Fall/Winter Hours)
2/03 Tracey Kenney <b>First Friday Dinner</b>	2/04 Christopher Rulla	2/05 Sandra Bartiromo <b>Super Bowl Party</b>
2/10 Angel Lopez	2/11 Ward White	2/12 Gary Magnuson <b>Board Meeting 6pm</b>
2/17 Robert Speiler	2/18 Michael O'Brien <b>75th Anniversary Planning Meeting</b>	2/19 Zac Araneta <b>MDR Planning Meeting</b>
2/24 Brian Mason	2/25 Michael Sikov <b>Mem.Mtg&amp; Dinner</b>	2/26 Ron Judkins
3/3 Rick Horner <b>First Friday Dinner</b>	3/4 Bud Zucker	3/5 Wally Stephens <b>Board Meeting 6pm</b>
3/10 Jerome Sammarcelli	3/11 Gray Marshall <b>Club Clean-Up Day</b>	3/12 Jerry Magnussen <b>Club Clean-Up Day</b>
3/17 Ron Ikejiri	3/18 Mark Tilford <b>Club Clean-Up Day</b>	3/19 Robert Speiler <b>Opening Day</b>
3/24 Lara Jacques <b>Mem.Mtg&amp; Dinner</b>	3/25 Gil Gfelner <b>Les Storrs Race</b>	3/26 Bob Kellock
3/31 Gary Speck	4/1 Ronald Kenney	4/2 Gimmy Tranquillo <b>Board Meeting 6pm</b>

If you cannot fulfill your duty on your assigned date, please get a replacement and notify Dylan Porter (dylanporter@sbcglobal.net) of your replacement. It is your responsibility to fulfill your duty or find a replacement; otherwise you may 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	_____	Aug. 4	First Friday Dinner	_____
March 24	Membership Meeting	Peter and Francesca Beale	Aug. 26	Membership Meeting	Stu Coleman
March 25	Les Storrs Race Hospitality	_____	Sept 1	First Friday Dinner	_____
April 7	First Friday Dinner	_____	Sept 16	Membership Meeting	_____
April 22	Membership Meeting	_____	Sept 24	Fletcher Cup Race Hospitality	_____
May 5	First Friday Dinner	_____	Oct. 6	First Friday Dinner	_____
May 20	Membership Meeting	_____	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



# A Home Away From Home

By SC Robert Kellock and Samantha Carlson

“We’re home!” Samantha exclaimed as she stepped out of the car in the parking lot of the Palm Beach Sailing Club. An understatement! From the first moment we walked into PBSC we were made to feel at home. The current Commodore, Joe Tringali and his wife, Mary Lou, were there along with other members of their all-volunteer club decorating for that evening’s gala.

It looked like they could use a hand, so Samantha and I joined in the fun, helping to hang lights, set up tables, add centerpieces, and decorate them some more. For our efforts, we were offered an invitation to the “clam and lobster bake” Commodore’s ball (installation dinner) that evening. (This event coincided with Samantha’s installation as Secretary of the South Bay Yacht Racing Club that was held that same evening back in Marina del Rey). At first, we declined saying that we hadn’t brought clothes for such an event. Later, the staff, Joe, and Mary Lou turned the invitation into a friendly command performance instruction, which we happily obeyed!

The installation dinner was delightful ... especially when Joe included Bob with the other staff commodores present by placing a staff commodore’s flag in front us. He honored us with an introduction and an explanation of why we were there. The only complaint heard about our attendance that evening was, “They’re not moving to Florida.” We came away with great pictures, many new friends and an application for membership.

We were also presented with PBSC’s burgee which we presented to SCCYC at the first Membership Meeting of 2006. (And Joe’s an author – he writes books about yacht club customs and courtesies. He gave our Club one of those, too!)

Hospitality is reciprocal. PBSC’s now staff commodore, Joe Tringali is also Director of District 8 – Florida and Mobile Bay – of the International Order of the Blue Gavel. He’ll be attending IOBG’s Winter Regional Meeting at Mission Bay 2- 5 February 2006. We plan to further the East-West connection between yacht clubs by joining our District’s representatives to be with them ... and help make them feel as though they are at a home away from home!



Joe Tringali and Mary Lou



## 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.



### What is that burgee in the window contest.

And the winner is Back Bay Yacht Club, oops, I mean the Seagull Sailing Association, or maybe the French Foreign, oh just forget it as no one has been able to identify the Burgee. So, we are accepting most believable names for the burgee.

Special thanks go to Michael Sikov for his clever installation of the mud guard at the back hose. Now the Lidoers don’t have to play in the mud after sailing and if they find that their crew weight is on the light side, there is a readily available supply of ballast. Send us your club improvement pictures!





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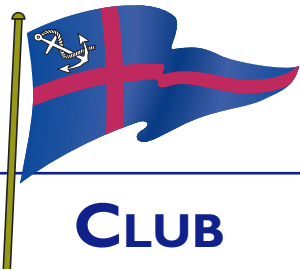
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