

Light *Westerlies*

Tiburon Yacht Club



Latitude 37° 54' N.

Paradise Cay
Tiburon, California



Longitude 122° 28' W.



COMMODORE'S COMMENTS



by Shirley Vaughan

So, light westerlies *can* be a bit unpredictable. Hey, it's still June for a few more days, so this isn't so late. Anyway, there was enough going on to make me want to sneak one more in before July.

First, how about that **Birthday Party**? THANK YOU Michael Zhao, and your small army of volunteers for a fabulous feast. Golda Boeck was a stand-out for tirelessly jumping from food prep to clean up, and Jane Clark, Tiffany Townsend, Patty Cerf, Jack Wernick, Susie Woodrum, Connie Heldman (and apologies to anyone I left out); we couldn't have done it without you. Thanks to Larry Ebert for the fun music! Only four intrepid boats braved the wind gusts approaching 40 kts; Hurricane Gulch, Redhawk, Coaster, and Kinda Blue. I hope all four got a glass for that one! And while we don't have the resources right now to cover racing in detail, or our other events for that matter, you won't want to miss the **Race Notes** page. Trust me on this.

There is a LOT going on around the club these days! In addition to the **Race Notes**, check out the **Cruise News**, and **New Members Corner**.

And now, a word from our sponsor. Oh, wait, we are our sponsor. We'd like to see more of you down at the club. There's a race and a dinner every Friday night for the summer, but if there's some activity you would like to see, something that you feel is missing from your club, please let me know at shirley@greenartist.com. Your input and your help is what make this club work.

Coming up soon is the traditional 4th of July picnic and BBQ, and, like the Easter party, we are inviting some of our neighbors from the Cay and beyond. We hope to host about four of these events a year to bring potential new members down to the Club to experience first hand what we do and who we are. Of course, you can invite your friends as guests any time, and that is by far the best way to recruit new members, but short of that, we want to open our doors a few times a year to bring in folks who maybe don't have that connection.

The 4th is all about families getting together. Please join us, and help us show how TYC rolls. Volunteer to help with the kid's games, food prep, bartending; we need LOTS of help. And invite friends! Sign up to help and RSVP for the BBQ at [4th of July](#). Brothers and Sisters first gun is at 1pm. Activities start at 3, and wrap up in plenty of time for you to go see the fireworks.

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Please Join Us!



Tiburon Yacht Club
at Paradise Cay

**Something for kids
of all ages!**

4TH OF JULY

2017



**Free
Face painting!**

Lots of fun games for kids!

Watch the sailing from the comfort of the clubhouse,
enjoy the BBQ and meeting your neighbors

Live Music!

Bar opens & Fun Starts at 3, BBQ 4-6

Free Food! (kids <5), **\$5** Age 5-12, **\$10** Members,

\$12 Non-members

Visit TYC.org for details, reservations, and VOLUNTEER opportunities

Tiburon Yacht Club is a private club. We are welcoming you, our neighbors, and your families to be our guests for this event. Make it *Your Club* too; Ask us about Membership!

400 Trinidad Dr. Paradise Cay, Tiburon contact membership@tyc.org for info about this or other events

Can you believe we are almost half way through the Friday night racing series? Not to worry, we still have openings for volunteer chefs! Please, help out your club. Get a bunch of friends together, and sign up at [Friday Night Dinners](#). You don't even have to cook; just organize a food truck or some take-out.

-Upcoming Events-

June 29 – 6PM Planning meeting for New Member/Chefs dinner. Free chicken salad supper included.

June 30 – Friday night race and potluck

July 4 – All Hands on Deck!!

July 7 – Friday night race (and dinner??? Please consider hosting)

July 10 – Weekday Lunch Cruise to Angel Island (avoid the summer crowds). [Sign up early!](#) as a skipper or passenger

July 14 – Friday night race and 3rd Annual New Member/Chefs dinner

July 21 – Friday night race (and dinner???)

July 22-26 – Delta Cruise With Petaluma and Oxbow YCs [Register here](#)

-Cruise News-



Weekday Lunch Cruise to Angel Island on Monday July 10th is open to all TYC members, **with or without a boat**. This time we're going on a weekday to avoid the summer crowds. Get more info and register at <https://www.tyc.org/event-2588027>. Register early so we can pair skippers and passengers, and space is limited. Send your ideas for fun destinations to cruise@tyc.org.

Delta Cruise - July 22-30. Fun and sun amenities include: golf, swimming pool, and fully equipped kitchen. Stopovers before and after Delta YC to be determined by interest of the cruisers. Sign up and more info at <https://www.tyc.org/event-2429918>. Or email bilofsky@toolworks.com.

-Race Notes-



Whales! Taken from another boat; it was far too wet on Ma's Rover for pics

"For a great portion of the whole race in mostly tough, pounding conditions of 25-30+ wind and

disorganized swell with wind waves the size of elephants, the sounds from MA'S ROVER were not from water and wind, but rather a deep retching uuuurrrll and yack of sailors making ocean pizzas." That's skipper and helmsman Mark Eastham, talking about our own Cam Tuttle, and Keith Dunlop, in the OYRA Full Crew Farallones Race last Saturday June 17.

It should be noted that a full crew on Ma's Rover would be four, not three sailors. Mark also came very, very close to getting sick himself, but he somehow didn't. This from Cam, on the way out: "At some point Keith and I were on either side of the boat throwing up hard, at which point Mark posits the idea of retiring from the race if we want. We don't". They persevered, somehow avoided hypothermia, hated life for most of the race, and were rewarded for their efforts with 1st in their division, shortest elapsed time, shortest corrected time(!), and only 2nd across the line, after Class 40 offshore monohull rocket California Condor, who started 20 minutes before them! Full results at https://www.jibeset.net/show.php?RR=YRA_T004241016&DOC=r4&TYP=html

And now back to the action, courtesy of Mark and Cam:

The multihull fleet was mostly together at the bridge. On the way out we just put the bow down, footed off, and punched it out, sticking to the south side of the channel, sailing in what we thought was better breeze. We made ground on the fleet, having sailed a fairly straight course to the islands. Glancing over my shoulder, I saw an AMAZING view of all 3 hulls in air with splash foam all around huge waves. It looked like a Harrier Jet skimming the water! At the rocks, we rounded right in front of TRIDENT. Last we saw of them, they were trying to set their chute, but it didn't look good.

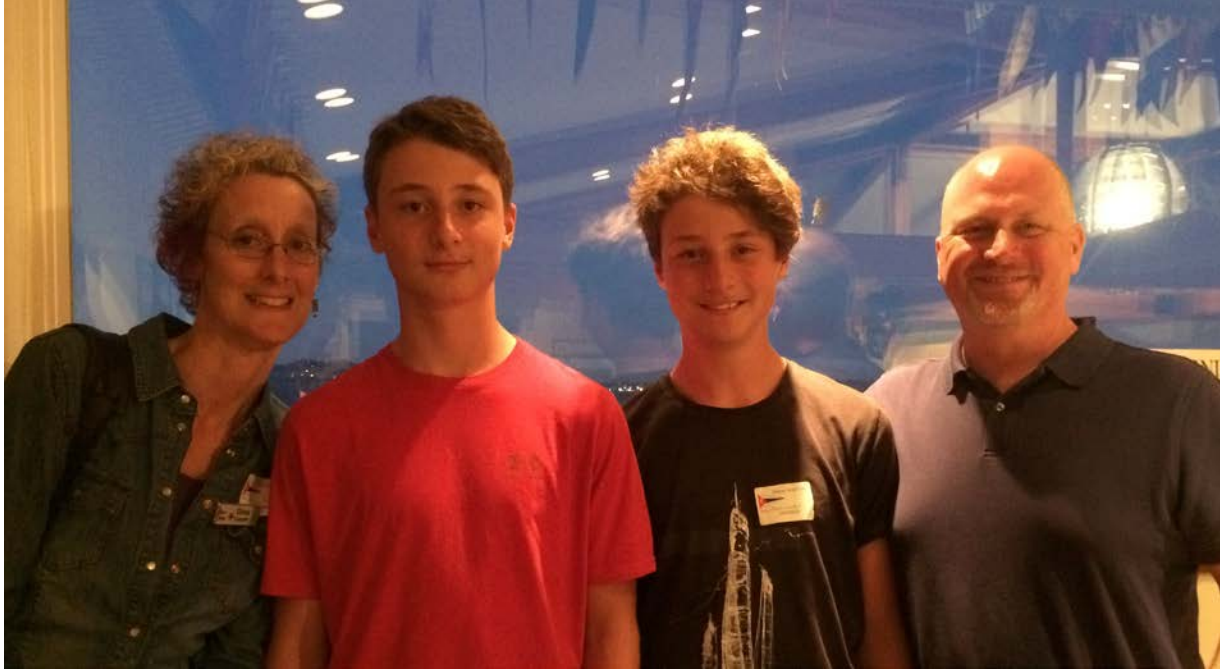
On the way back, we got way lucky in a weird way that we think got us the win for sure. We had full jib with 1 reef in the main, tight reaching in heavy sea and air, and unexpectedly the breeze softened to 15. We were able to empty 10 inches of water from the port ama that was buried from the long starboard tack out! We set up the screecher and deployed it, and jumped from 8 to 12k in the soft 15k breeze. Then bam! Back to 25+ gusts. I would never have set the screech in those conditions, but with it up we decided to ride it, and kill it if we couldn't handle it. WOW. Went from 12 to over 16-18k steady for 2 hours plus. One blast recorded a speed of 24.1 mph!!! This screech ride went on almost the whole way back. We got all the way thru the pack and almost caught CAL CONDOR. Set the spinnaker near Pt. Bonita. A whale breached right beside my starboard ama near the GGB (awesome!) and moments later BAM-BOOM.... the spin halyard blew out and the spin blew off the back of the boat (ouch). The wind angle allowing us to screech all the way home was key; we only had the spin up for 5 minutes and it broke.

That win felt good. I am sore everywhere today. I have never been so drenched or seasick before, but it was worth it! Indeed. CONGRATULATIONS Cam, Mark, and Keith!!!

-New Members Corner-

Friday July 14th: CALLING ALL NEW MEMBERS [2 years or less]. This is a great tradition (thank you, Nancy Bilofsky). For the third year in a row, new members are given the opportunity to come together, and to show TYC you have the spirit and enthusiasm to help sustain the Club by hosting a Friday night dinner. Don't worry; you will get lots of help and guidance! Come to a planning meeting Thurs., 6/29 at 6pm at the Club, with free chicken salad supper. RSVP to Nancy ncb@toolworks.com so she will get enough food.

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS



Gina, Edward, Joseph, and Chris Cooper







The Coopers purchased a Newport 33 about a year ago and keep it at Paradise Cay. Gina and Chris are both musicians with the San Francisco Symphony, and the racers are excited to have these young lads as potential crew.








and Judy White, shown here on station at the race deck. Judy has been crewing with Ian Matthew for a while now, and decided TYC was a good fit for her.









Be sure to introduce yourselves and welcome our new members!












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**Eric would love to have a Co-Chair