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from the commodore

The month of July has come and gone and what a great month it was! The Firecracker Regatta had a great turn out and thanks to all who participated in this annual club event. Your club is in great hands and your board of directors are taking a very proactive approach in keeping your club in great financial and physical shape. As most of you may know Tim Cotton has resigned his position on the board and I have appointed Mark Leffler as his replacement. So when you see Mark around the club house thank him for stepping up!

Please keep an eye on your emails as I believe Rear Commodore Bill Ellis will be looking for some work parties in the near future, times and what's to be done will be addressed.

Over the past month certain issues have been brought to my attention as it relates to Flag Officer and membership responsibilities as to job descriptions and "whom is the appropriate person to speak to" so I have included in my column this month a brief description of each position as written by previous administrations:

Commodore – Responsible for every aspect of UKSC operations. Commodore must keep in mind that UKSC is not only a club for membership socialization but is also a legitimate business. Commodore must insure that all Flag Officers and board members have read and understand the bylaws and policy letters and properly execute their business responsibilities.

Vice Commodore – Responsible for all aspects of membership and membership recruitment. Chairperson of membership committee, report to board of directors monthly on new applications for membership and maintain records as it relates to current and past members. Responsible for making updates and changes in bylaws and policy letters and is also to act as Commodore in the absence of the Commodore.

Rear Commodore – Primarily responsible for maintaining and running the UKSC operations side to include bar and bar pricing, event food and purchase, building repairs and grounds up-keep, docks, on-site storage and is the current chair of the UKSC Insurance Committee. The Rear Commodore has direct responsibility for the dock masters and any and all issues that

relate to the dock masters must first be brought to the Rear Commodore's attention, and then he/she will bring this information to the Board of Directors. The Rear Commodore is to act as Commodore in the event the Vice Commodore can not.

Secretary – Responsible for all minutes and records of the UKSC. Primary contact with notices to and from membership. Chairperson of the Publicity Committee and also responsible for publication of UKSC newsletter. Printing and mailing of club bylaws and policy letters.

Fleet Captain – Official Registrar for boats and equipment and will inspect all boats as to their seaworthiness and will maintain proper safety equipment. Responsible for all sailing instructions and the appointment of race committee. Primary contact for club owned boats. Shall act as Commodore in the event that VC and RC are not available.

Treasurer – Primarily responsible for the financial books and records of the UKSC. Maintains all cash accounts and pays all approved invoices. Responsible for the payment and filing of all required payroll and sales tax returns. Chairperson of Budget Committee.

Also keep in mind that Board of Director decisions are decisions of the "Board" and if a member is in disagreement with a Board decision then that disagreement shall be brought to the Board. Discussing with or harassment of the dock masters about Board decisions is not an appropriate means to be heard.

Jerry Creasman



from the rear commodore

Alrighty, campers...Saturday Aug 8, it is time to break down the kitchen and one bathroom for the tile work that is scheduled for the week of Aug 10. To be followed by a work party about 2 weeks later to move back in the kitchen equipment. During the weeks of construction I will oversee the work and have the new bathroom fixtures installed. I may shut down the bathrooms for a couple days those weeks so the plumbers only have to make one trip. Please be patient with us, "Hold your wa-ter" it will be worth it in the end! YOUR REAR

Bill Ellis



from the vice commodore

I want to thank everyone who helped make the open house a success. There was a great showing of big boats to take our visitors out for a sail and a good showing of racers. Hopefully we will see some new members soon.

Total members.	139
Regular	92
Associate	43
Junior.	4.

MaryLou Chambers



race committee

Thanks to everyone who's stepped up and volunteered this summer! Now we need other folks to come out and join the fun. Racing will start heating up as the weather starts to cool down (hah!) in September. We sure could use your help out there on the water, and the pontoon boat is the best seat in the house. Lots of choice words can be overheard as skippers vie for position on the starting line! Check out the calendar on the UKSC website and pick a date and sign up! If you're an active Portsmouth racer, consider signing up for a PHRF race, and vice versa for the PHRF racers. Barb Short and I are actively soliciting people for races, and we may be approaching YOU one Friday night.

New to race committee? New to the club? If you are interested in learning more about race committee, starting, and/or scoring races, let one of us know. We can run a race committee seminar and then put you in real race situations, always with an experienced committee member at your side for the first few races. It's a great way to get to know other club members, feel a part of the racing excitement, and learn your way around the club grounds. See you on the water!

Ginette Hughes,
Half of the Rapid-Fire Race Committee Recruiting Team.



board of directors

Commodore	Jerry Creasman
Vice Commodore	Marylou Chambers
Rear Commodore	Bill Ellis
Fleet Captain	Jim Enright
Treasurer	Judy McGraw
Secretary	Sara Kahler
2-year Director	Pat McLaughlin
Director	Barbara Bauman
Director	Larry Koenig
Director	Mark Leffler
Director	Joe Worley
Youth Sailing	Lynda Munshower

race results

Firecracker Regatta, Saturday, 07/04

PHRF Spinnaker Fleet		
1st	Jerry Creasman	Aiemef
2nd	Bill Ellis	Wild Thing
3rd	Dick Slosar	High Yield
PHRF Non-spinnaker Fleet		
1st	Bob Sandifer	Mischief
2nd	Larry Keonig	Helen K
3rd	Dave Olson	Whiskers
Portsmouth Monohull Fleet		
1st	Dominic Marsden	Laser
2nd	Kyle Sikora	Laser
3rd	Barbara Berstein	Sunfish
Portsmouth Multihull Fleet		
1st	Dave White	Wave
2nd	Leah White	Wave
3rd	MaryLou Chambers	Wave

the birthday boys



Pat and Doug at their joint birthday celebration. The "90" on their cake we presume is their accumulated years. Exactly how that is divided might depend upon whom we ask.



from the fleet captain

Dog Days Regatta is August 1st and 2nd (Ports 8/1, PHRF 8/2). I'll be out of town so the race committee will take over for me. Thank you, race committee.

Trophies for all the regattas held over the last three months will be presented at the General Membership meeting Aug. 28th.

Check your plugs!

Jim Enright

swap shop

Send your ads for Swap Shop to Sara Kahler
(sarakahler@aol.com)

FOR SALE. **Bowflex Xtreme**, good condition, \$700.
Kim Hamilton 305-394-0643

FOR SALE. We are leaving the keys and have two boats for sale: a **2006 Catalina 250 sailboat** and an **Everglades 20CC flats boat** new in 2005.

The Catalina is a shallow draft 25 ft. swing keel water ballast sloop with a 9.8 hp electric start 4-stroke Tohatsu and very low hours. The boat is trailerable and draws about 30 inches. It has a large cockpit with wheel steering plus remote throttle and shift controls and has always been kept out of the water even though it has bottom paint. Below decks there is one queen sized berth, 2 vee berths and two side berths. It is equipped with a table, sink, propane stove, ice chest and a separate head compartment with porta potti. The boat comes with a boom tent, Bimini top, steering console cover, fresh water shower and large retractable transom ladder.

The Everglades is a 20 ft. center console flats boat with a 115 HP Yamaha 4-stroke (230 total hours). The boat is very comfortable and extremely economical to run. Draft is 8 inches. It has 2 batteries, 2 live wells plus 2 storage/fish boxes and 4 very comfortable fold down back seats plus additional seating. It is rated for ten people. It has a Bimini top, an elevated stern poling platform, a swim platform and retractable ladder. We've made the round trip from Tavernier to Flamingo comfortably across the bay with as many as 9 on board. Contact Tim Cotton at 305-852-9159 with serious offers.

WANTED. I gave away almost all my belongings when I moved to Broward County and now find myself without **so many things**. I need 1) a television, 2) king size sheets, 3) kitchen things -- just about anything one could think of, 4) mop and bucket and cleaning stuff. Contact Sandra Sawyer at 305-731-9852.

HOME SALE. **Too many items to list**. I need to down-size. Please call Nancy @ 451-4999 (home) or cell 305-923-9995 for appointment. Fishing gear, tools, hammocks, propane and Scuba tanks, dive gear, artwork, furniture, roof racks, electronics, wiring, chainsaws, luggage, 19 foot camper/trailer (very clean), hitches, dishes -- whatever -- I need to sell.

FOR SALE. **GLANDER CAY "PENNY B"**
Call Dermot, 305-522-6926 or dermothenssey@ireland.com

upcoming events

August 2009

Dog Days Regatta
Portsmouth

Saturday, 08/01—Sunday 08/02

Saturday, 08/01

Skippers' mtg. Noon, 1st flag 12:55 p.m.

PHRF

Sunday, 08/02

Skippers' mtg. Noon, 1st flag 12:55 p.m.

UKSC Work Party

Saturday, 08/08

Break down kitchen and one bathroom

Special General Membership Mtg.

Saturday, 08/08, 7 p.m.

Discussion of change on UKSC policy as it relates to Liquor/Beer/Wine Inventory being locked down during non-business hours.

Portsmouth Summer
Series \$4

Saturday, 08/15

Skippers' mtg. Noon, 1st flag 12:55 p.m.

Membership Committee Mtg.

Tuesday, 08/18, 7:30 p.m.

Board of Directors Mtg.

Thursday, 08/20, 7:30 p.m.

General Membership Mtg.
And Trophy Presentations

Friday, 08/28, 7:00 p.m. covered dish,
8:00 p.m. meeting

September 2009

Labor Day Portsmouth

Saturday, 09/05

Fall Series #1

Skippers' mtg. Noon, 1st flag 12:55 p.m.

Labor Day PHRF

Sunday, 09/06

Skippers' mtg. Noon, 1st flag 12:55 p.m.

After Race Picnic

Sunday, 09/06, approx. 4 p.m.

Membership Committee Mtg.

Tuesday, 09/15, 7:30 p.m.

Board of Directors Mtg.

Thursday, 09/17, 7:30 p.m.

Portsmouth Fall Series #2

Saturday, 09/19

Skippers' mtg. Noon, 1st flag 12:55 p.m.

lobster season is here!!



Photo: Stewart Glegg

IT'S HOT, HOT, HOT!

open house and portsmouth summer #3

