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## View From the Bridge

I would like to thank Vice-Commodore Bill Olsen and Holly for organizing the Staff Commodore's Ball. The event was well attended by the general membership, our Past Commodores and their spouses. The music was great as was the food and drink. I dearly thank those that came and participated. It was an event that both Kay and I will treasure, and remember, long after this year has passed.

The participation on Club Beautification Day was one of the best that I have witnessed in several years. We accomplished a lot, and I thank our Port Captain Jim Prince for taking care of the logistics. It was great to see so many members, new and seasoned, working together. Jim has written a "work day" article for your reading later in this issue of the Bugle.

One of our newest members, Douglas Honn, has offered his help. He is a certified diver, and is willing to set aside one day, to replace the zincs (anodes) of our boats. Please call him @ 209-339-4108 so he can schedule a day that will work for as many members, as possible, on the same day. He is will provide the diving service free of charge but you will need to provide the zincs. Also, the Coast Guard Auxiliary will be doing safety inspections at the Marin Yacht Club on June 16; perhaps this might be an ideal day for both. Thank-you again, Douglas, for your very generous offer.

The Classic Car and Boat Show is scheduled for August 11. Portions of the proceeds will be donated to Sailing Education Adventures (aka SEA, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization), for the benefit of our junior sailing program. S/C Chuck Essayan is chairing this event. This will be a labor intensive day-long event. Needless to say, your help is needed. Please give Chuck a call to volunteer soon, as August is quickly approaching. This will also be an opportunity to advertise your business! An attractive program of the day's events will give both our member's

business and others, an opportunity to advertise. You will find the cost to be extremely reasonable, particularly given the public's attendance at past shows. Your participation will contribute to the financial success of the event. Money raised from this benefit will help upgrade the aging fleet of laser sailboats and also raise monies towards scholarships for disadvantaged youths to enroll in the junior sailing program in future years. This benefit is our opportunity to not only do something for our community, but also to have a memorable and enjoyable day! The 1997 and 2001 shows are fondly remembered by many. Please give Chuck Essayan or Paul Zwimpfer a call for more details.

Once again, I am sorry to have to report the passing of another member. Hugo Quackenbush, a member since 1999, who passed away last month. I extend my condolences to Hugo's family on behalf of the Marin Yacht Club.

The MYC web-site is alive and well, thanks to Zia Ahari. He is continually striving for improvement and it continually needs information from the membership to keep it interesting and informative. Also, if you are interested in working on his committee, please give him a call.

Most of our events are "selling out" early. The cruises, parties, and day-trips are fun and interesting. I encourage you to make your reservations early, not only for the regular dining activities, but also the cruises and day-trips.

The Board of Director's meeting is at 5:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday, of most months. Members are invited to attend these meetings. If there is an item of concern that you would like the Board to address, please contact me or Secretary Ted Phillips to place the issue on the agenda. Thankyou in advance for your interest and participation.

*Paul Simmons*  
*Commodore*

## The Commodores Had a Ball!

On May 5th the Marin Yacht Club honored Commodore Paul Simmons and eleven past Commodores at the 20th Annual Commodores Ball. It was a beautiful evening at the Club, and the delicious menu from Chef Jose, with the smooth sounds of Shake, the band, contributed to a wonderful event.



*Commodore Simmons and Kay*

Commodore Paul Simmons had the pleasure of welcoming and congratulating past Commodores Chuck Essayan, Jim Markel, Floyd White, Wib Tapscott, Carl Clark, Frank Hall, Dave Dorward, Don Lesley, and Ron Witzel, as well as Commodore Joe Alderson and Commodore Tom Patterson.



*Frank and Carol Hall and Tom Patterson*

Commodore Paul Simmons and Kay hit the dance floor for most of the evening and also graciously thanked the past Commodores, wives, and supportive members who attended this important, traditional



*Joe and Fay Alderson*

event. We were all happy to give tribute to so many men who have helped to lead the Club forward over the years. The evening was a fantastic place to reminisce about the past, and to dream about the future of the Marin Yacht Club.

**Bill Olsen**  
*Vice Commodore*

## The Port Report

I would like to begin by thanking the members who made our May 12th work day the biggest and most productive we've had in years. We had fifty-nine men, women, and children on the job, including sixteen new members. We completed projects in all areas of the Club, many of them physically demanding. I'm sure there were a lot of aching muscles the next day! What impressed me the most about the day was that every committee: Tennis, Harbor, House, Landscape, and Rose Garden worked together for the overall benefit of our Club. It shows what we can accomplish in one day! Think what can be done in a year working together! Again, thanks to one and all for a job well done.

Our dredging project has been pushed forward until July. Jessica will keep you informed on a start date, and boat relocations as required. Please let Jessica know if your boat will be out of the harbor for an extended period of time and be sure to call her with the date of your return.

All boat owners berthed in the Marina without a current copy of your insurance on file in the office will be receiving a letter requesting you send one as soon as possible. Marin Yacht must be named as addition insured. This is easily accomplished by notifying your insurance carrier and they will automatically send a copy to us annually.

As you read these pearls of wisdom I will be cruising on my boat somewhere in the Pacific Northwest. All harbor related matters can be directed to the Harbormaster. I will be back on June 21st for a week before returning North. I can be reached by cell phone or E mail.

Always remember, SAFE BOATING IS NO ACCIDENT.  
See you on the docks.

**Jim Prince**  
*Port Captain*

## Director Jeff Hines

Since Jeff Hines' father has been a member of the Marin Yacht Club for 27 years, it is probably safe to say that Jeff has been thoroughly steeped in the traditions and history of our Club. With this background in the Club, he most likely has as good (or better) knowledge of the MYC than many of our members. He is certainly a "natural" to serve on our Board of Directors and is presently part way through the first year of a two year term of office on the Board.

His ability to serve as a Director is further enhanced by the fact that he serves as the General Manager of the Mini-Storage Company that is owned by his father, Duane Hines. Under Jeff's management, he is responsible for the operation of 14 storage sites including some 3,000 units and ranging from the Lake Tahoe area to the Bay Area, north to Calistoga. The company operates a Classic Car Storage facility in Sausalito and, in addition, they are building an additional Automobile Storage facility San Rafael. The Classic Car facilities include lounge areas with T.V.'s for the comfort of their customers. These facilities could not be called "garages" as they offer far more conveniences for their customers. Additionally several of their facilities have office space available for lease. The term "Mini-Storage" takes on a whole new meaning under the Hines family management and ownership.

Backing up a bit, we should take note of the fact that Jeff was born in Marin General Hospital and as a youngster, moved with the family to Medford, Oregon. He has two brothers, one older and one younger. In Oregon he completed his early schooling, graduating from Medford High School. The next step was to attend the University of Oregon where, in addition to studying, he joined the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He graduated from "U of O" with degrees in Sociology and Psychology, graduating in 1991.

As might be expected, Jeff's dad ensured that he was in one kind of a boat or another virtually from the day of his birth. The "roster" of boats he has sailed aboard looks like the signup sheet for a boat show. Using a slightly "salty" expression, he has plenty of miles under his keel, and probably salt water in his veins!

Please forgive me if I get these slightly out of sequence but my head was spinning as Jeff relayed to me the list of boats. He would get through four or five and then remember one or more that he had forgotten to mention. I'll not even try to remember which ones were Jeff's and which belonged to either his dad, or someone else, or perhaps he one he owned in partnership. Here goes with my best effort, in reasonable order:

Snipes, Knarrrs, Stars, an Abeking Rasmussen (65' Sloop-"REWA"), a Stevens cruiser, a 48' Defever cruiser, "JADE"

a 68' sloop, a 54' Vicem (Turkish built), and a 62' Garden designed power cruiser.

Jeff's own private fleet started with a J24 sloop, then a Tartan 10 (33'Sloop), on to a 32' GrandBanks wooden hulled trawler (hull #11 !!), plus a 21' Sport Ski boat, and just for kicks, a 17' Montauk style Boston Whaler.

His present boat is a Baltic 38 sloop named "WE'LL SEA" which is presently moored on the east side of A dock just a few steps from shore. To this he has recently added a child proof netting to the rail (Jeff calls this his seagoing play pen). This done so that he and his wife, Lisa can take their son Luca (17 mos.) and daughter Milan (3) sailing without fear of unexpected swimming lessons.

It is particularly pleasing to see a second generation of MYC members joining and becoming active in the Club. It is thanks to people who give their time to the Club that makes it very special.

### *Dave Dorward*

*Recently discovered minutes from a 1939 meeting of the MYC board disclosed that my father, also Dave Dorward, was accepted into MYC membership when I was 8 years old ! Sometimes things do stay in the family.*

## Attention All Members

To facilitate the integration of the new members into the Club and to ease the communication between all members, face recognition is of utmost importance.

Because of technical and financial reasons, adding photos to the printed roster and updating them regularly has not been feasible so far. However with the progress of the internet facilities and along with the development of our website, achievement of this goal is within reach. The Club intends to add photos of the members and their spouses to the data available on the website. This is a voluntary act and those members who prefer not to have their photos published, may do so.

The webmaster, Zia Ahari, would appreciate if the members provided him with a photo of the member and his/her spouse preferably in digital format. The photos may be left in a CD format at the offices of the Club or sent directly via [HYPERLINK "mailto:ziaahari@comcast.net"](mailto:ziaahari@comcast.net) E-Mail to Zia Ahari

May I repeat that this is entirely voluntary but compliance with it would be another step forward in the direction of making our Club "The Friendliest Club on the Bay."

*Dave Dorward*

## **Ladies and Gentlemen, Directors of the 2007 Club Cruises**

Quite a number of Club cruises are up and coming.

In order to propagate the venture and to reach as many of our Club members as possible, I assume you are already busy creating Flyers to accompany the next issues of the Bugle.

To increase the spread of the news about the cruise, to reach a larger number of participants and to announce last minute changes, use of the Club website [www.marinyachtclub.com](http://www.marinyachtclub.com) seems to be an easy and convenient venue.

To achieve this goal, while mailing the flyer to the Bugle, (most probably by E-mail) send a copy to my E-mail at [ziaahari@comcast.net](mailto:ziaahari@comcast.net). The flyer will be posted in a prominent position on our website.

*Regards*  
*Zia Ahari, webmaster*

## **San Francisco Experience**

Our day in the city began with a very interesting tour of KQED television studios. We saw all the high tech equipment and learned a lot about the intricate workings of producing the programs that we take for granted. Our guide was a retired professor who was very knowledgeable. We then enjoyed a delicious lunch at Connecticut Yankee Restaurant, a funky sports bar near our next destination. As we approached Anchor Brewing Company, the aroma of beer filled the air. Our tour of the brewery was very informative and ended with tasting of the beer. They produce about eight different beers and we tasted probably close to six of them. As opposed to wine tasting where they give you a small amount, these folks were filling the glasses. The day was a lot of fun and enjoyed by Scott and Betsy Baxter, Frank and Kathy Divita, Chuck Essayan, Hope Herndon, Rich Kurtz, Claire McBride, Tom and Lynn Mercurio, John and Judy Sommer, and Norm Williams.

*Judy Sommer*

## **Cheapest fuel prices in the Bay area**

Fuel prices in the Bay Area are breaking records every day.

Although the prices in San Rafael are not amongst the highest, they nevertheless are at least 30 cents higher than the national average.

In order to provide a valuable service to the Club members Lee Corder has generously offered to create a page on the MYC website to show the current prices on the filling stations in our vicinity.

Lee researches the prices and ([www.marinyachtclub.com](http://www.marinyachtclub.com)) the page is updated regularly.

In order to attract more readers to our website, Lee has agreed to allow us to post the page on our public side.

Please check the website [www.marinyachtclub.com](http://www.marinyachtclub.com) regularly, or at least before your next fueling, and visit Lee's page by pressing the BAY AREA FUEL button. It may save a buck or two for you.

**Deadline for the July Bugle  
is Thursday, June 15.  
e-mail articles to:  
[simmonspk@comcast.net](mailto:simmonspk@comcast.net)**

Marin Yacht Club  
Cruising Log  
2006

Member	Yacht Name	Points Prior Years											Points in 2005	Total Points Earned	Total Stars Earned
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	# *			
Aberer, J.	El Nido	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	37	9
Adams, S.	Sapphire	44			1							1	2	46	11
Ahari, Z.	Atgesa	0								2			2	2	0
Battat, F.	Escape	5											0	5	1
Baxter, S.	Scotch Mist	27			1	1							2	29	7
Bennett, G.	Carina	31										1	11	42	10
Blumenfeld, G	Wiki Wai	20			1	1		1					13	33	8
Brouwer, K.	Vade Retro	6											0	6	1
Brown, J	Lion in the Sun	1							1		1		2	3	0
Chattham, H.	Virginia Sea	1											0	1	0
Clarke, C.	Sea Lark	40	1		1								2	42	10
Cordiero, M.	Starlight	20											0	20	5
Divita, F	La Bella Vita	3					1						1	4	1
Doving	Sea Breeze	5			1				1				2	7	1
Duer	Sea Tiger	1											0	1	0
Eastman, B	Lisa Marie	48											0	48	12
Essayan, C.	JC Lee	82	1		1								2	84	21
Fairey, J.	Fairey Tails	21	1										1	22	5
Friend, T.	Moondancer	2											0	2	0
Frier, D.	Cookie	23											0	23	5
Garrison, M.	Good Vibrations	22											0	22	5
Glazunov, Ser	Margaux	0	1			1							2	2	0
Grif?n, Marty	Sugar Time	0	1			1							2	2	0
Gudelj, S.	What's Next	5											0	5	1
Hadley, L.	All Ma Doe	1											0	1	0
Hall, F.	Close Hall'd	71	1		1								2	73	18
Hewitt, E.	Night Star	0	1										1	1	0
Hines, D.	Jade	11											0	11	2
Holland, S	Lunada	0	1									1	2	2	0
Hueckel, J.	Priority	0										1	1	1	0
Kaltreider, B.	Mystique	14										1	1	15	3
Laurence, R.	Idyllic	23	1		1	1			1				4	27	6
Lesley, D.	Intrepid	168	1	1			1			2			5	173	43
Lowrance, W.	Time Out	10											0	10	2
McBride, C.	Sun Quest	37		1	1		1		1	2	1		7	44	11
Myers, L.	Banker's Lady	78	1	1				1					3	81	20
Niemela, M.	Vista	0									1		1	1	0
Olson, B	Hobo	16	1		1								2	18	4
Patten, J.	Margie	36						1			1		2	38	9
Phillips, T	Farfalla	18	1	1	1	1		1			1		6	24	6
Prighoff, B.	Bonnie Belle	3	1								1		2	5	1
Prince, J.	Sea Prince	23											0	23	5
Roemer, R	Drifter	30	1										1	31	7
Samuels, J.	Carlyndo	50	1		1								2	52	13
Sargent, V.	Dona Mia III	31											0	31	7
Siegan, M.	America	5	1		1			1	1				4	9	2
Simmons, P.	Erin Rose	41	1	1	1	1		1					5	46	11
Sommer, J.	Second Story	71	1	1	1								3	74	18
Sorenson, J.	Southern Cross III	35											0	35	8
Stolp, P.	Cool Change/Souve	31											10	41	10
Tapscott, W.	Sunshine	24											0	24	6
Treis, S.	Ragtime	84											0	84	21
Vennemeyer.	Manatee	10											0	10	2
Wambach, D.	North Star	81											10	91	22
Weinmann, G.	Sasha	3											0	3	0
Welby, E.	Aries	25											0	25	6
White, F.	Lina Belle	37	1	1									2	39	9
Witzel, M.	Sandpiper	85		1	1							1	3	88	22
Witzel, R.	Harpoen	9	1						1				2	11	2



1. Homeport-Feb
  2. San Francisco YC-April
  3. Petaluma-April
  4. Angel Island-May
  5. Sacramento Jazz-May
  6. Grindstone Joe's Delta-May
  7. Benecia YC-July
  8. Blue Water-Santa Cruz/Monterey-Sept
  9. Tinsley Island-Oct
  10. Extended Cruising Points
- \*Bold-application made, others awarded

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