

Westerlies

Tiburon Yacht Club



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Paradise Cay
Tiburon, California



NEXT GENERAL MEETING:
THURSDAY, JUNE 16TH
6:00PM

Longitude 122° 28' W.

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

By Drew Clark

As I sit down to write this month's column, I can't help but reflect on what a wild year it's been so far. And I don't just mean weather-wise. Although looking out the window at late-May rain, I am reminded that it has indeed been a doozy of a kickoff to what looks to be a decade of La Niña weather. But it's also been wild in terms of some of the fun we've had lately right here in Tiburon.

A good example is the really successful TYC Birthday Party (thanks, Jane!), which featured some great food (mmm...sushi and dim sum) and great games. (We promised we wouldn't tell on you...but we will include some pics so you can see how much fun we did have! There's a lot more to talk about, but I'll defer to the various chairs and volunteer leaders to give you more details.)

SUMMER DEADLINES!

Due to this editor's vacation schedule, and based on the club's upcoming calendar of events, deadlines for submitting material to the *Westerlies* over the summer are as follows:

For the July issue: Mon., June 27th

For the August issue: Wed., Aug. 3rd

For the September issue: Mon., Aug. 29th

Please note that there is no deadline date in July; the August issue will arrive later than usual; and there are two deadlines to be aware of in August.

Although I will be issuing reminders, contributors can refer to the Events Calendar at www.tyc.org at any time to check each deadline date.

~ Sheila Lyons, *Westerlies* Editor

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Last Friday we officially kicked off our Friday Night racing series. For the duration of the summer we'll have some competitive, fun racing each Friday night. On selected Fridays (consult the TYC calendar) we'll keep it very simple so that we can also feature some special Saturday night activities. We don't want to fill you up too much! So why not come on down to the club and join in the fun? Or, better yet, come sailing with us (enter your boat or sign on as crew) and see how much fun a beer can race can be! If you want to bring the family, we're considering providing someone to watch the kiddos. Let us know if this is something you'd like us to do and we'll put it into action. Oh, and please help our Friday Night dinner crew by signing up online for dinner reservations to ensure that we have enough dinners for everyone.

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The Social Scene

By Jane Clark

What happens in Paradise Cay stays in Paradise Cay, so we won't say too much about the 55th TYC Birthday Party and Casino night. Instead, we'll let the photos speak for themselves...we did have a lot of fun!



We will say that we had over 50 TYC'ers join in the fun and try their hand at roulette, craps, and black jack. The great-looking tables were well maintained and the dealers friendly and professional.

Congratulations to **The Obleys**, who won the raffle and will be enjoying a wonderful meal at Fish in Sausalito. Thank you to those who volunteered to help with the bar and helped with setup and clean-up. Special thanks to **Susie Woodrum** for organizing this dinner.



*Photos courtesy of
Trip Ames & Drew Clark*



FIRST FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER A RAGING SUCCESS

A great time was had by all of the 90+ people who attended the first dinner of the Friday Night race season. To those of you who signed up ahead of time – giving us some idea of how many hungry people we needed to serve -- we thank you.

An especially big *Thank You* goes out to all who volunteered to help and to those who jumped in when needed, like bartenders **Karen Obley, Rita Pirie, Bea Lufi, Eric Lyons, Gary Proctor, David Smith,** and **David Parkinson.** You sure kept us from getting thirsty!

All of us with full tummies wish to acknowledge our Friday night chef extraordinaire, **Susie Woodrum.** Many thanks to those who helped her with set up, food preparation, serving, and clean up. These included **Lon Woodrum, Pat & Otto Schreier** (with cute daughter **Anna** who set up all the chip and dip bowls), **Pat & Jerry Tostenson, Gerry & Carole Gunn, Jackie Royal, Gary Proctor** and his crew, **Myrna Pesce, Lee Royal,** and **Jane Clark** (who had barely recovered from cooking for over 50 TYC'ers the night before!).

Eleven more dinners will follow as we enjoy the boats races and eat scrumptious food. We hope everyone who enjoyed this first fun evening will volunteer to help our Friday night chefs in June, July, August, and September. But if preparing food isn't your main love, lots of bartenders are also needed. If you haven't done either of these jobs before (kitchen helper or bartender), please know there are lots of us willing to help and encourage you. It's easy, fun, and a great way to get to know your fellow club members.

The June dinner schedule (with chefs) is as follows:

June 3rd - (Pat & Otto Schreier)

June 10th - (Ruth Stainken)

June 17th - (Debbie Bennett)

The last weekend in June is the cruise to South Beach and the Giants game, so we'll see you there. Please volunteer to help with the bar or dinner one of these Fridays, and don't forget to sign up on the website to help us plan for each.

Happy summertime "TGIFs"!

*~ Carole Gunn & Pat Tostenson
Your 2011 Friday Night Gurus*

PROGRAM NOTES

BY JANE CLARK



Last Program's Topic: America's Cup 34

At the May 19th General Meeting we had a very exciting guest. **Kimball Livingston**, Bay Area sailing author, *Sail Magazine* editor, and member of the America's Cup Committee, gave a talk about the history of the America's Cup and his experience during America's Cup 33. He also shared the information currently available on AC34. Looks like we will be seeing some big cats soon! Thank you, **Brian**

Forster for helping to arrange the speaker.

No program is planned for the June Meeting.

Calling All Future America's Cup Junior Sailors!

TYC's 2011 Junior Sailing Program

If your young ones are interested in learning or honing sailing skills, sign up for the TYC Junior Sailing Program.

TYC has a fleet of five Optimist dinghies.

Let's get our kids out on the water in Paradise Cay this summer!



Two three-week Saturday morning sessions are planned. Classes start at 9:00am and end by 1:00pm.

Session 1 – July 9, 16, 23

Session 2 (some experience) – July 30, August 6 and 13

Costs:

Boat & lesson – TYC Members: \$150 per session

Boat & lesson – Non Members: \$175 per session

(\$20 discount available for those who provide their own Opti)

Program instruction will be based on U.S. Sailing curriculum. Sessions are *limited to ten kids between the ages of 8-13*. Sign-ups are on a first come, first served basis.

The goal is to have fun and become comfortable on the water.

The focus is basic sailing skills, enabling a child to feel confident sailing a single-handed dinghy. Concepts include: capsize recovery, steering, sail trim, upwind/downwind sailing and safety. Advanced junior sailing instruction may be available Thursday mornings, depending on demand and volunteers. *Please let us know if you are interested in a Thursday AM program.*

What Juniors Need: Life jacket, booties or water footwear (sandals), towel, hat or visor, sunscreen, change of clothes, wetsuit, sunglasses, lunch, water, and snack.

Special events, such as dinghy races and family sail days, are planned throughout the year to get kids involved in sailing.

Volunteers are needed to make this program a success. If you can help out on any of the dates mentioned, or have any questions about the program, please don't hesitate to call or email:

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One of the best temporary cures for pride and affection is seasickness.

~Henry Wheeler Shaw

CRUISE NEWS

BY ALLEN DEKELBOUM



GIANTS GAME AND CRUISE 2011

Say hey, Giants fans! Come out and cheer for the 2010 World Series Champs.

This is the last *Westerlies* article before the game with the Cleveland Indians on June 25. Your Club has purchased 50 tickets to this game; only 16 have been sold. Two weeks before the game, the remaining tickets will be offered to StubHub and no more will be available. You have always supported this weekend, but turnout this year has been appalling.

All ten berths have been spoken for, so the cruise will be a success, but the game attendance will not.

Last chance before I let them go; \$36 per seat, checks made out to TYC and sent to:

Allen Dekelbourn
49 Marblehead Lane
Novato, CA 94949

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The regatta season is really starting to get underway. On June 11th we have the TYC/CYC Friendship Regatta, which is over at CYC this year. Let's show those Corinthians that we know how to win – even on that side of the peninsula. And this weekend (Memorial Day) the TYC Cruisers are headed up to Benicia and then over to Suisun City/Solano Yacht Club for what should be a terrific weekend. In addition, we've got our annual Giant's

Cruise and Game coming up on June 24th. Tickets are still available so see **Allen Dekelbourn** if you're interested.

At the end of the month we have the next pair of H.O. Lind Series races. Races 3 and 4 are scheduled for June 18th. It's hard to believe, but the following weekend is the 4th of July. If I were you I'd already be making plans to participate in the club's Brothers and Sisters Race, and follow that up with some delicious BBQ and a cold one at our annual picnic at the club. There will be lots of fun for both kids and adults. Jumpies and croquet anyone? Be sure to bring the family down to the club and help celebrate our nation's b-day. Everyone will be there...so why not you?

One more thing...I hope you made it over to TYC at the last General Meeting. (We had HUGE attendance. Thanks everyone (and thanks, Jane and Brian!), for the excellent presentation by **Kimball Livingston** on the upcoming America's Cup. Even though the actual Cup races are a couple of years away, the preparatory activities are already underway. TYC will be participating in some of these exciting pre-race events. We'll keep you up to date and announce some fun things you can do to get ready for the Cup!

Oh, and stop by our new TYC Facebook page ("Tiburon-Yacht-Club"). We're just getting started so it's not much to look at...yet. But we need your content – pictures, videos, stories, links – to make it the best in the SF Bay area. So please, post away!

See you on the water!

~ Drew



RACE NOTES

By **ROB HUTCHINSON**



Summer is here. How do we know? 'Cause Friday Night Racing and Dinners are back!

The first of our weekly races took place on Friday, May 20th and we had a great turnout – even if the wind forgot to show up! But despite the lack of wind and a strong tide, all but one boat finished. Where you finished depended on where you went on the way across the Bay. Those who stayed north fared best.

The results can be found on the web site but in boxscore form (for those who read Latitude 38), here are the results:

Div 1 (PHRF <156): 1 – *Miramar* (Frers 41), **Jeff Brucia**; 2 – *Natural Blonde* (J/105), **Kelsie Deisinger**; 3 – *Joyride* (J/105), **Bill Hoehler** (4 boats)

Div 2 (PHRF >155): 1 – *Galante* (Folkboat), **Otto Schreier**; 2 – *Siento el Viento* (C&C 29), **Ian Matthew**; 3 – *Meritime* (C&C 30), **Gary Proctor** (7 boats)

The next day we held our first H. O. Lind Series races. We were very pleased to welcome three Ultimate 20's who were given their own division and really enjoyed close one-design racing. For the rest of us, the weather was excellent with great courses made for close racing.

The results:

RACE 1:

Ultimate 20's: 1 – *Breakaway*, **John Wolfe**; 2 – *Too Tuff*, **Tom Hughes**; 3 – *UAgain*, **Dave Woodside** (3 boats)

Div 1 (Spinnaker): 1 – *Frenzy* (Moore 24), **Lon Woodrum**; 2 – *Siento el Viento* (C&C 29), **Ian Matthew**; 3 – *Don Wan* (Santana 28), **Don Kunstler** (4 boats)

Div 2 (Non-spinnaker): 1 – *Red Hawk* (Hawk Farm), **Gunn/Sullivan**; 2 – *Wind Dance* (Cal 2-27), **Ann Watson**; 3 – *Galante* (Folkboat), **Otto Schreier** (4 boats)

RACE 2:

Ultimate 20's: 1 – *UAgain*, **Dave Woodside**; 2 – *Too Tuff*, **Tom Hughes**; 3 – *Breakaway*, **John Wolfe** (3 boats)

Div 1 (Spinnaker): 1 – *Frenzy* (Moore 24), **Lon Woodrum**; 2 – *Don Wan* (Santana 28), **Don Kunstler**; 3 – *Siento el Viento* (C&C 29), **Ian Matthew** (4 boats)

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Let the summer racing begin!

\$2,500 Scholarships Available From PICYA

The Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association (PICYA) and The Western Boating Safety Group are offering three \$2,500 scholarships to students whose parents, grandparents or guardians are members of a PICYA affiliated yacht club.

Applying for a scholarship requires completing an application, writing a short essay picked from one of three topics, providing an official school transcript and providing a written statement of need. Details and application are on the PICYA website. Go to www.picya.org and click on "Scholarship Program 2011".

Applications must be postmarked by **June 30, 2011**. Questions? Contact **Patty** and **Bob Cerf** or one of the Scholarship Committee members listed on the PICYA website.

Sailing in Marin: Tiburon Woman Helps Team Win Melges 24 National Title

By IJ correspondent Michelle Slade



Sailor Kristen Lane of Tiburon stands on the docks at the Saint Francis Yacht club on Monday, May 09, 2011.
(IJ photo/Frankie Frost)

KRISTEN LANE has reached the point in her sailing career where she thrives on a heavy-duty breeze so she can sail her boat as fast as she can.

The Tiburon sailor, who just turned 40, and her crew on Team Brickhouse recently won the Melges 24 National Championship in a 47-strong fleet. She was up against top U.S. sailors including Bora Gulari 2009 Rolex yachtsman of the year, one of her main opponents in last week's Melges 24 World Championship held in Corpus Christi, Texas.

"Bora's very fast," Lane said. "We were definitely chasing him around the race course at the Nationals more times than not. He's one of the fastest US boats, if not the fastest."

Unlike many of her Melges 24 compatriots, Lane was excited to race in Corpus knowing that the breeze would be big time. While training there last year on the Melges 24, one of the most competitive fleets in the country, her team's top speed downwind was just over 22 knots on one of the windy practice days. That's fast in a 24-foot boat.

"I always look forward to racing Corpus because it is really windy," Lane said. "I don't know that it's even possible to find a venue in America that could really prepare you for Corpus. It's full-on adrenalin."

Those thrilling, but risky, conditions accounted for only 32 boats entering this year's World Championship compared to 111 Melges 24s that made the start line at last year's event in Estonia. Many of the world's top Melges 24 sailors didn't want to sail the predicted high wind conditions that Corpus notoriously dishes out, as the boat is a hard work out in high winds. But, that's precisely why Lane loves it.

Lane's success as one of the top female skippers in the country is particularly admirable given that she first set foot on a sailboat just 10 years ago. Fast forward, she now races in some of the most competitive fleets in the country including the Melges 24, which she's raced on since 2007. She and husband Peter Lane own two 24s, which is a huge benefit to her training program.

"Kristen has worked really hard to achieve her success on the race-course," Peter said. "She's a great team player and motivator which is not always easy as the only woman on the team, and the skipper at that."

For Lane, the adrenalin doesn't stop at the Melges 24, in fact it's propelled her nicely into her new love: the 29erXX, a high performance skiff that's a hot ticket to sail on right now. With an upgraded rig and twin trapeze program, the XX is a "turbo" version of the popular 29er which was first designed in 1998 and targeted to the youth market. Lane has been sailing the 29er for two years and was introduced to the XX in December while she was training in Sydney, Australia.



Kristen at the helm in Corpus Christi

"I sailed the XX in Sydney for three weeks straight, every possible day that I could. I returned from that trip completely in love with the boat. I haven't been in my normal 29er rig since — I'm an XX sailor now," Lane said.

After the Melges 24 Worlds are over, Lane plans to focus on the 29erXX, racing the boat in the U.S. this year and returning to Sydney in the winter to broaden her XX skills.

"Sydney is a fantastic place for skiff sailing and I'm looking forward to connecting with good local sailors there to become more skilled in the boat," Lane said.

It's also possible that Lane has her sights set on a future Olympic campaign. The International Sailing Federation, the governing body for sailing, has announced that it will add a women's skiff to the Olympic Games in 2016. ISAF will hold an evaluation of potential boats to be sailed in the Olympics and the 29erXX will be considered as part of that evaluation.

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When: **Saturday June 11, 2011**
Skippers Meeting – 12:00 noon, CYC Clubhouse
One race – warning signal at 1:00pm

Where: Waters around Angel Island

Divisions: Div A: Spinnaker;
Div B: Non-Spinnaker

Social: At CYC after the racing

Eligibility: The race is open to boats that are owned or chartered by members of the Corinthian Yacht Club or Tiburon Yacht Club eligible to race in SF-YRA events. Minimum crew shall be the helmsperson and one crew member. The primary helmsperson shall be a TYC or CYC member, or his or her spouse, child, grandchild, sibling, parent, or member of his or her household. Entry forms are found on the TYC website, race page or CYC website at: <http://cyc.org/2011/cyctyc-friendship-regatta> as will Sailing Instructions when available. Entries will be accepted until the skippers meeting the day of the race.

Flotation: RRS 40 is amended to read "All competitors shall wear life jackets or adequate personal buoyancy while racing. Note that Code flag Y will not be displayed."

Trophies: Individual trophies will be awarded as set out in the Sailing Instructions, and the Friendship Regatta perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winning club.

Entry Fee: \$10

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While racing takes Lane all over the world, she's very involved locally promoting match racing, a format she thinks is more active and interesting. She and Peter run regular match race training from their home in Paradise Cay during the summer, and Lane coaches local race officers on the quirks of match racing.

With the America's Cup coming to town, she anticipates match racing will really find its groove. "Match racing is exploding on the Bay and I think we're going to see an increase in this more competitive form of sailing," Lane said. "I couldn't be more excited." For info on Lane's Team Brickhouse visit www.teambrickhouse.com.

June 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
					6:00pm Friday Night Race/dinner	Private Party
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		7:00pm - 8:30pm PCHA Board meeting		6:30pm TYC Board Meeting	6:00pm Friday Night Race/dinner	TYC/CYC Friendship Regatta (at CYC)
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
				6:00pm General Meeting	6:00pm Friday Night Race/dinner	12:00pm H.O. Lind #3 & #4
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<i>Fathers Day</i>					South Beach YC Cruise & Giants Game 6:00pm Friday Night Race - NO Dinner	South Beach YC Cruise & Giants Game
26	27	28	29	30		
South Beach YC Cruise & Giants Game Private Party	Westerlies Deadline					

July 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					6:00pm Friday Night Race - NO Dinner	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	<i>Independence Day</i> 1:00pm Brothers & Sisters Regatta 3:00pm Brothers & Sisters BBQ	7:00pm - 8:30pm PCHA Board meeting			6:00pm Friday Night Race/dinner	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
				6:30pm TYC Board Meeting	6:00pm Friday Night Race/dinner	12:00pm H.O. Lind #5 & #6
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
				6:00pm General Meeting	Delta Cruise 6:00pm Friday Night Race - NO Dinner	Delta Cruise
24 / 31	25	26	27	28	29	30
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