



DockTalk

Stockton Sailing Club

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March 2008

COMMODORES COMMENTS

I'm sitting here, gazing out the window, waiting for the "monster storm" to hit. I think of its possible effects – will the boats on the dry still be standing? Will all the roller furlers stay wrapped up? Will the sail covers still be in one piece? But, as I look out, the wind doesn't seem to be that strong and there are occasional lulls. Sam and Gail – you could have made it to the Bay! Gail – best wishes on your knee surgery and speedy recovery.

By the time you read this, the Hiring Committee will have met (again) and interviews for a new Club Manager will most probably be underway. From the resumes I've read so far, we have some good candidates. We will do our best to pick the best person for the Club.

We are going to do some advertising in Latitude 38 to see about making our club a favorite summer destination. Tom Lueck, as always, has some great ideas.

The Sweetheart Cruise was a great success. I'm sure that everyone who braves the "monster storm" will have enjoyed the Crab Feed with the almost 400 pounds of crab to consume. Next month brings the Tiki Lagun Cruise and the Easter Bunny!

Race season is starting on March 1st. Phil Hendrix is doing a first class job as Regatta Chair.

So, as usual, our Club is a fun place to be. But, we need your help (and your input). Included in this edition is a Club Wish List Survey. Please participate in the survey to help us prioritize the most important projects.

And don't forget to "Save 5%" to keep our costs down!

That's all for this month. Fair winds.

Peggy Feakes



SWEETHEART CRUISE WRAP UP

Well, another long awaited favorite cruise for many has come and gone. The Stockton Sailing Club /Village West Marina 'Sweethearts Cruise' couldn't have gone off any better. Twelve boats showed up to spend the night and a handful of others attended the (dinner only) portion of the weekend's festivities. The appetizers on the dock were 'Off the Hook' (our daughter says: that means exceptional) and the evening dinner was "hecka good," our son would say. Personally, I say everything was totally awesome, but what do I know.

Not so new club members Dan and Adrian Dallas took the opportunity to share with other 'Sweethearts' in the renaming of their own sweetheart Catalina 25, in a full blown ceremony paying homage to the Ruler of the Seas and 4 winds with none other than Rand McHugh officiating the order whilst owners Dan and Adrian immersed large quantities of Champagne into the Delta as instructed by said orders. Let it be known that the vessel once know as 'Fantasy II' in the Ledger of the Deep has now been re-recorded as 'Mood Swing' in accordance with Poseidon's Rule. Once again, Congratulations are in order for another wonderful event to the V.W Yacht Club and their members.

P.S. Thanks for the tall order of Sunshine!!

Rand McHugh



Renaming Ceremony for the Dallas' "Mood Swing"

DOCKTALK

The DockTalk is a monthly newsletter written and published by the SSC club members. All stories and events must be related to sailing or the SSC.

SUBMISSIONS

The deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month!

Articles, classifieds, and event ads can be e-mailed (as an attached WORD document please) to docktalk@stocktonsc.org. The editor reserves the right to edit, or exclude, anything submitted. All articles and stories must be signed.

Classified advertisements are listed as a free service for members of the Stockton Sailing Club. Ads will be automatically removed after approximately 90 days. All ads must contain the name of the seller, the price of the item and, if selling a yacht, the yacht name.

Photos: Digital photos are preferred. Please save them at medium to high resolution for the best looking images. You may e-mail them, or put them on a CD or disk and place it in the Editor's box in the SSC club house. Please identify the place, event and/or person(s) in the photos. If you wish to have your photos or disks returned, please make sure your name and phone number are on them.

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FIRST THURSDAY

Rules & Policy - 5:30 pm
Harbor & Facilities - 7:00 pm
Junior Committee - 7:00 pm

SECOND MONDAY

Membership Committee - 6:30 pm

SECOND TUESDAY

Board Meeting - 6:00 pm

SECOND FRIDAY

General Meeting - 7:00 pm

SECOND THURSDAY

Regatta Committee - 6:30 pm

SECOND SATURDAY

Social & Cruise - 10:00 am

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Upcoming Events

March 2008						
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MARCH

- March 1 Long Distance Race #1 (12 noon)
- March 7 The Island Guys of SF Guys – after dinner
- March 11 Board Meeting (6:00 PM)
- March 13 Fleet Night (7:00 PM)
- March 14 General Meeting (7:00 PM)
- March 15-16 Tiki Lagun Cruise
- March 16 Spring Series #1 (1:00 PM)
- March 22 Children's Easter Party (1:00 PM)
- March 23 Easter Sunday
- March 29 Double-handed Long Distance Race #2 (12 noon)
- March 30 Spring Series #2 (1:00 PM)

APRIL

- April 8 Board Meeting (6:00 PM)
- April 11 General Meeting (7:00 PM)
- April 13 Spring Series #3 (1:00 PM)
- April 26 Swap Meet
Spring Series #4 (1:00 PM)
Post Race Party!
- April 27 Spring Series #5 (1:00 PM)

Social and Cruise News

The Sweetheart cruise went well and the weather Gods were with us this year. We had 11 boats, including a first time cruiser.

The Tiki Lagun cruise is March 15 - 16, which will be hosted by Rand and Janet McHugh.

Don't forget the children's Easter party, Saturday, March 22nd.

That's all for now,

Janet Ayala 916-798-4158
Social and Cruise Chairpersons

ATTENTION PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS

We are beginning a new year of children's activities & parties and need your help in preparing. If you have young children or grandchildren that might participate in the annual Easter, Halloween and Christmas parties, please email Jessica Sherman at jatsherman@yahoo.com with the names and ages of the children you think may participate. This information will assist me in preparing activities and events that are age appropriate and fun for all the kids. If you have ideas or suggestions for additional children's activities, please feel free to contact me with your recommendations.

Our first event will be the
Children's Easter Party Saturday, March 22.
(There will be a sign-up sheet available in the club house beginning March 1st)

We are also looking for a volunteer to be the Easter Bunny. If you're up for the challenge and think you'll fit in the bunny suit, please let Jessica know.

Thank you,
Jessica Sherman



STOCKTON SAILING CLUB
UNAPPROVED BOARD MINUTES

February 12, 2008

Commodore Feakes called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Board Members Present: Peggy Feakes, John Moyer, Bob Camarena, Peter Hine, Tom Lueck, Hank Colberg, Dave Van Dyke, Gail Dameron, Karri Johnson, Steve Canepa and Mike Stefani.

Others in Attendance: Harold Farley, Jim Hachman and Bob Doscher.

Agenda: Motion to approve the Agenda. Lueck/Camarena (MSP)

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes of January 8, 2008 meeting. Camarena/Moyer (MSP)

Financial Statements: Peter Hine explained the financial statements and said all tax returns are up to date. Peter explained that the Learn to Sail Program income was showing as negative in December because we received a check from the State in a prior month during the fiscal year for a grant that had been already recorded as income in the prior year, when the invoice had been sent to the State. An entry in December corrected the duplicate recording of the income. Motion to approve financial statements. Camarena/Colberg (MSP)

Correspondence:
We received an invitation from the Morro Bay Yacht Club to use their facilities in 2008.

1. Randy and Donna Bender request the use of the Retreat for a rehearsal dinner for approximately 25 people on October 10, 2008 from 6 to 9 PM.
2. Phillip Graves requested that we cancel his membership because he lives too far away and no longer owns a boat.
3. Ernie and Rosalie Schimpf requested a change in their membership to cruising/non-resident member status on March 31, 2008, because they are moving to Colorado.
4. Nancy Harrison-Werner is resigning her membership since she no longer owns a boat and rarely visits the club.
5. Warren Wong requested a leave of absence for one year for various reasons.
6. Ben and Clare Hicks are resigning their membership since they sold their boat and live out of the area.

Motion to approve all correspondence requests:
Lueck/Moyer (MSP)

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Member and Guest Comments:

Bob Doscher discussed the Ditch Run planned for June 7, 2008. Arrangements are almost complete to accept entries via a website. There are several benefits to the Club gained from using this website. There will be three planning meetings to be held in March. Suggested dates are 3/13/2008, Regatta Meeting on 3/25/2008 and a stand-alone meeting on 3/16, 2008. Subsequent meetings should be held in April and May to organize volunteers and assign key personnel for the event. The Social and Cruise committee, Harbor and Facilities and the Port Captain will play a larger part this year in the event.

Mount Gay Rum will be our official sponsor and the hats and trophies have already been ordered.

Old Business:

1. Office Repair: John Moyer states that the painting will be done by 2/13/2008. The blinds are installed on the windows and the contractor has been paid. The roof no longer leaks.

2. Harbor Vacancy: Alan Weaver from the Marina Village Yacht Club will help promote us as a summer destination. He suggests running a large ad in Latitude 38 for a summer destination. There was discussion about giving three months billing at member rates for visitors and then they should join the Club. Tom Lueck will outline the ad with Latitude 38. Their cutoff date is February 20, 2008 for the March issue. Consequently, the April issue will probably be where our ad will go.

Motion to approve budget of \$1,500 for advertising:
Camarena/Van Dyke (MSP)

3. Tom Lueck stated that boat movement in and out of the Harbor is normal. He also discussed a grant for \$1,950 for May 17, 2008 National Safe Boating event that has not yet been approved but should be soon. He plans on advertising the event on local television channels and we may use the grant to pay for Learn to Sail programs. He also plans on having another Open House day in June. He led a discussion regarding our relationship with West Marine and a possible future agreement regarding their contributions to our Club.

4. Proof of Roster: Peggy Feakes stated that the roster is almost ready to go. Pam Winters is organizing data and sending it to the printer of our choice. Approximate cost will be \$1923 and she will update the Board following receipt of the information from the printer.

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5. Hiring Committee: Bob Camarena discussed the budget for ads for the club manager position. Harold Farley questioned about the salary range for the position and the answer was that the range would be in line with applicant's credentials and our budget.

Motion to approve \$750 budget for ads for club manager: Van Dyke/Lueck (MSP)

6. Credit Card discussion was continued to next meeting to get costs and benefits defined.

7. Funds from Sale of Jim Warfield's Etchells: The Stockton Sailing Foundation Board approved refunding the contribution Phil Hendrix had made to the foundation. There had been a misunderstanding of Jim Warfield's desire that the Stockton Sailing club junior program, not the Foundation, was to be the beneficiary of the proceeds from the Etchell's sale. Peter said the refund to Phil will be forthcoming in a few days, at which time Phil plans to make his check payable to SSC to buy the boat.

New Business:

1. Peter Hine discussed cleaning up our marina program and tracking deposits for berth rentals and key deposits. Discussion was postponed until next meeting.

2. Tom Lueck discussed our old gate opening system and the fact that there is not much left of the system since it has been incorporated into the new system. He also discussed the replacement of the carpet in the office and the costs for doing a partial or complete replacement with tile. Motion to partially replace the carpet in the office with tile: Stefani/Colberg (MSP)

Closed Session:

Motion to go into Closed Session: Lueck/Dameron (MSP)

Motion to out of Closed Session: Lueck/Colberg (MSP)

Committee Reports:

Dredging Committee: Mike Stefani is getting a formal bid to resurvey the harbor.

Membership Committee: Two new membership applications were presented. Dave and Kathy Gladden were approved and the application for Thomas Johnson was moved to the next meeting because his application was received too late for the membership committee to meet with him.

Motion to accept membership for Dave and Kathy Gladden: Camarena/Johnson (MSP)

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Harbor and Facilities Committee: Office painting is complete and he is finishing the painting of office deck and stairs. John is working on a work party day to prep and paint light standards and repaint the exterior clubhouse walls and repair and repaint the clubhouse deck along with repair in the Retreat.

FBLI Committee: There have been several meetings since January. The proposed budget was presented to the Board. The committee is not proposing increases in the berth or membership. However, FBLI is proposing food and beverage prices to increase. Those amounts and final operating budget will be discussed in the next meeting.

Regatta Committee: Race participation will be increased with the addition of a new non-spinnaker fleet. The next Regatta meeting is the 14th and Fleet Night will be on the 21st.

Rules and Policy Committee: The committee is looking at revisions based on the harbor master changes. The changes will be made in 2009.

Social and Cruise Committee: Ladies Day luncheon date needs to be changed on the calendar. The actual date is the first Saturday in May. May 3, 2008

Junior Sailing Committee: Forms went out with billing last month and they are coming back in.

Motion to Adjourn: Lueck/Moyer (MSP)

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Dameron, Secretary

Please note: The complete and official SSC minutes are posted in the Clubhouse.





Photo: Sir Leansalot, skipper Tom Lueck at the helm, port tacks during a late season beer can race. Most of the crew is pictured but by no means all. Photo: M.G.Kennedy

STERN LOOKS

Sir Leansalot is one of the largest boats in the harbor and certainly one of the most frequently used. Tom and Lynn Lueck take her out two and three times a week, year 'round. And, if the boat's name suggests the fabled Camelot of Arthurian legend, then Lueck is the Galahad of the SSC. You can see him single-handing the big, white Hunter 40 at times and marvel as he docks it and nimbly jumps down to tie her up. Usually, however, there is a large contingent of sailors and wannabe swabs along for the ride. By a casual count, Tom figures at least 84 club members had sailed with him up through last summer. Add in guests and friends of friends andwell the boat gets a lot of use! The Luecks are always

pleased to introduce new people to our great sport. Currently Tom maintains a list of some thirty email contacts who are constantly being alerted to sailing opportunities. He also keeps 24 (!) life jackets on board so there is really, usually, room for one more ... including the time during the junior program when the total crew numbered 23.

Tom came to sailing via a Huck Finn/Tom Sawyer upbringing on the St. Croix River in Minnesota. His father built several small sail boats and, by age ten, Tom was single-handing up and down the river, visiting friends or heading out on week long boat-camping trips with his buddies. Tom claims he was just sailing and "pulling ropes" at that time and didn't learn the terminology "halyard" until much later. But, like most males, Tom fell victim to testosterone poisoning. Often times in his little sloop he'd notice power boats and would imagine what it would be like to have a ski boat. This led to a series of powerboats and culminated in a Mastercraft. Lots of water skiing and wake boarding meant sailing was all but forgotten.

Then, about 13 years ago, while visiting his daughter in Santa Barbara, it occurred to Tom she had never been on a sailboat. Tom hadn't been on one for about twenty years but the family
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rented a little 24 foot sloop and went out for a nearly windless sail. Something clicked anyway and the next week Tom bought a J24 and was sailing it out of Santa Cruz. He did his best to convince Lynn it was a cruiser but the bent-double posture down below made it a hard sell. He started looking around for a Catalina 30 but ran on to a great lease/purchase deal on a Hunter 28 and made a deal that was "almost too good to be true". Many great sails ensued until one day Tom found Sir Leansalot lying by Gweniveer at Ballena Bay. It's true! An identical Hunter 40 named after Arthur's Queen and just one serial number off was in the adjacent slip. Tom liked the name and a quick tour below confirmed it was time to move up to double staterooms, two heads and a large athwartship queen bunk that can be accessed from either side.

Tom and a wide variety of friends, acquaintances, club members and guests have been campaigning her ever since in club events. Last year Tom and friends took a first place in division 'B' and plan to defend the title again in the spring series. But Tom and Lynn are also cruisers and have done many of the Blue Water adventures too. Tom says he particularly enjoys the trips to Monterrey because of the opportunity to hang out with good friends and see lots of whales and other marine life. The crew member with the most years of service, Oliver, the family dog, has been sailing offshore since he was a puppy. Oliver too enjoys encounters with the very different smelling "water dogs" (seals & whales) encountered outside the gate.

As mentioned earlier, Tom Lueck shares many of the characteristics of Galahad, Lancelot's exemplary son. Besides his open invitation to any and all to participate as "no experience necessary crew", Tom is always ready to cheerfully lend a helping hand or gallantly effect a daring rescue. As only one example he saved this author from an ignominious late evening due to a miscalculation of time, tide, wind and sailing prowess. Tom also has a very chivalrous approach to cruising with the first mate and will share the details of keeping the spouse happy with sailors who might need a few pointers. Just ask him. The fundamentals include nice lunches and dinners ashore and avoiding spinnaker wraps in white-knuckle conditions.

As often as he is working quietly behind the scenes, Tom is serving the club in many formal and informal ways. He was Port Captain for two years, Rear Commodore last year, Vice Commodore this year and will step up to the mic as Commodore in '09. He is active as liaison to the board for the Junior Committee. He also utilizes his contracting expertise to repair and remodel club facilities and is ever helpful in preparing or serving or cleaning up after the Friday night dinners.

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One of Tom's latest priorities is to build the membership and fill vacant slips. To that end he urges all members to pick up some of the business card invites to the Friday dinners and pass them out to prospective members. Tom feels the camaraderie at the SSC and the excellent facilities will speak for themselves and effectively recruit new members if more people come inside the gates and up past the "private club" sign.

As the strong winds of the spring season inspire flurries of preparation activity along the docks you can expect to see Tom and Oliver down near the end of C dock, taking inventory of the PFD's and getting things ship shape. And as always anyone who wants a ride need only ask. If you don't, then stay on shore and enjoy a Stern Look at Sir Leansalot and two lucky dogs!.

MG Kennedy



Harbor Announcements

All masts and equipment stored on the rack on the building located at the Point have been moved to a rack located outside the shop building in the small boat yard. Any equipment or masts left there after March 31, 2008, will be sold or disposed of. If you need assistance, contact the office at 209-951-5600 or Tom at 209-604-1300.

If you have a small boat stored on a rack on "A" dock or at the Point, you should have a rental agreement on file and be receiving a bill each month. Any small boats without a rental agreement by March 31, 2008, will be moved to the small boat yard and sold or disposed of. If you need assistance, contact the office at 209-951-5600 or Tom at 209-604-1300.

**LEARN TO SAIL
EARLY SIGN UPS**

Will be May 17th at the club. Any questions, call Jill Humphreys at (209) 601- 9086 or (209) 951-5690

Tiki Lagun Cruise 2008

March 15th and 16th

Bring the Kids

**Chicken, Hamburgers &
Hot Dogs Provided**

(Bring 1 side dish to share)
**Games, Prizes and Salsa Awards
Salsa "DIP" Contest**

We'll provide the Chips
Prizes for Most Colorful, Zestiest, Tastiest,
And, This Year, "Unique" Concoction

WIN BIG!

Sign up Early in the Clubhouse
"Guest dock" space is limited.

Adults **\$ 7.50 ea** Children **\$4.50ea**
Boat Overnite **\$10/\$15**

Continental Breakfast Provided
Sunday AM. Coffee, Juice, Danish, Rolls etc,

Contact cruise hosts Rand & Janet McHugh at
(209) 545-8590 for questions.



2008 CRAB FEED ONE OF THE BEST EVER

With Budge Humphreys at the helm, everyone enjoyed one of the sweetest crab feeds ever... The dinner started with wine and bread brought in from Genova bakery, followed by Tom's fresh salad mix and special dressing. We all found out that the "Crab Man" actually knew how to make delicious raviolis. He told me that he used his Grandma's recipe. This year's crab was the best that I can remember. I was told that the Crab Man hand picks only the freshest and sweetest crabs for our Club. The Dutch bakery supplied the dessert, super sized by Jill and Tom.

Our Junior sailors, under the direction of Jill Humphreys, made sure that everyone got their share of the goodies. This year Suzanne and Bruce Collins, heads of the SSC Junior program, supplied pizza for any of the Juniors that didn't particularly feel crabby. What a great idea.....

This was definitely another "Great day at the Stockton Sailing Club"

From the Juniors

Thank you for all the tips from the Crab Feed, the Junior Sailors came out with \$724.00 that will go into fixing all of the boats, so more of them can go sailing. We had a brand new crew of servers: Bret and Chad Farrell, Chris Webster, Micale Bertilacchi, Bart and John Canepa, Danny Bishop, Brandi Cross, Mary, Parker Spurlin and Dalton Fernandez. They were led by junior member, Jill Humphreys.

Please don't forget that March is "Adopt a Dinghy Month". For more information, contact Bruce or Suzanne Collins at (209) 369-9117.

New members are always welcome to our meetings. Our next one is March 19, 2008, at 7pm in the clubhouse.

More Juniors news on the back cover.....

THE GREAT MEMORIAL DAY CRUISE

The Farnums are planning a Memorial Day Cruise to the Brannon Island KOA Marina and RV Park (formerly Delta Bay Club). Save the dates – May 24 through May 26. Look for more news in the clubhouse and in this and upcoming Dock Talk issues.

The facilities at Brannon Island KOA include a swimming pool, tennis courts, hiking, bicycling, kayaking, full hookups and companionship. We'll plan of getting there Saturday morning, the 24th of May and returning Monday, the 26th. We'll have diner out at the Sprindrift Restaurant on Saturday night and a potluck on Sunday on the patio, near the store at the marina. Please see the sign up sheet at the club for more details and sign up soon – reservations need to be made.

If you're planning to take your RV – you should make your reservations as soon as possible by calling 916-777-4153 – HURRY – they are filling up fast

Questions???

Please call Al and Nancy Farnum @ 209-957-3361

Fleet Night

Thursday, March 13, 2008, at 7 PM

Guest Speaker: Kame Richards of Pineapple Sails

Information, Appetizers and Fun

For more info, contact Phil Hendrix, 209-476-1381

Opening Day

April 12, 2008

Blessing of the Fleet

Great Food

Fun Games

Fun Sailing Activities

CLUB WISH LIST SURVEY

We're asking for your input. We all know that capital improvements are a necessary part of keeping our club in good shape. The Board is interested in finding out which improvements you, the members, think have the most priority.

Here is the list of improvements that we presently have as part of our Five Year Plan:

1. Dredging studying/planning (\$15,000 per year)
2. Dredging (presently \$500,000 in 2012)
3. Small crane dock (presently \$50,000 in 2010)
4. Docks: Finger replacement (presently \$10,500 per year)
5. Docks: Increase water pressure (not budgeted at present)
6. B dock headwalk rebuild (presently \$125,000 in 2010)
7. E dock headwalk rebuild (presently \$125,000 in 2011)
8. H dock headwalk rebuild (presently \$125,000 in 2012)
9. B dock 30 AMP electrical upgrade (presently \$30,000 in 2010)
10. F dock 30 AMP electrical upgrade (presently \$30,000 in 2011)
11. G dock 30 AMP electrical upgrade (presently \$30,000 in 2010)
12. Clubhouse: Dry rot and general repairs (presently \$35,000 in 2008 and \$3,000 per year thereafter)
13. Clubhouse: Decking (presently \$10,000 in 2010)
14. Clubhouse: Wall/Window rebuild (presently \$1,000 in 2010)
15. Rental building: Roof/Gutters (presently \$20,000 in 2011)
16. Parking lot: Concrete sections (presently \$30,000 per year starting in 2010)

These are not listed in any particular order. Please pick your top three (the three you think are the most important) and let us know. The best way is to email your selections to board@stocktonsc.org – or, you can phone me at 209-406-9679 and let me know.

Let your voice be heard!

Peggy Feakes



WHY SAILBOATS SINK AND FIVE TIPS TO PREVENT IT

NEWS from BoatU.S.

A study of 100 sailboat sinkings from the BoatU.S. Insurance claims files could help prevent your sailboat from becoming a statistic. “The sinkings were found to be divided evenly into two broad categories – those that sank at the dock and those that sank while underway,” said BoatU.S. Marine Insurance Technical Director, Bob Adriance.

“However, when it came to sinking underway, a sailboat’s deep draft became the obvious factor,” Adriance continued. Striking a submerged object was found to cause 40% of the sinkings while underway. Next on the underway list was a broken prop shaft or strut (16%) and damaged or deteriorated fittings below the waterline (16%). “Prop shaft corrosion seems to be a bigger issue with sailboats that with powerboats, as auxiliary sailboat engines are not run as often, allowing corrosion to set in,” added Adriance.

The most common cause of dockside sinkings were found to be the result of deteriorated or damaged or corroded fittings, such as intakes, seacocks and drains below the waterline. Stuffing box leaks were number two on the dockside list.

The complete study results are as follows:

Sinking at the Dock

- Below waterline fitting 44%
- Stuffing box leak 33%
- Keel and centerboard 7%
- Rain 7%
- Head back-siphoning 3%
- Above waterline fitting 3%
- City water hookup 3%

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Sinking Underway

- Struck submerged object 40%
- Prop shaft or strut 16%
- Below waterline fitting 16%
- Grounding 8%
- Stuffing box leak 8%
- Storm/knockdowns 8%
- Above waterline fitting 4%

Five Tips for Preventing a Sailboat Sinking:

1. Any time your boat hits bottom, immediately inspect the bilge and keel bolts or centerboard pennant and hinge. To be safe, inspect again an hour later.
2. Routinely – twice a season – inspect all below waterline fittings, hoses and hardware. If the fitting is long enough, it is good practice to have two marine-rated stainless steel clamps on all hose ends. Any hoses showing signs of deterioration should be immediately replaced.
3. When at rest, stuffing boxes should never leak. If leaking persists after the packing gland nut has been tightened, the packing must be replaced.
4. Don’t ignore through-hull fittings or hoses that are installed above the waterline. While they may appear to be “safely” above the water level, they can leak when heeled over in a seaway.
5. A haul out is the perfect time to inspect the prop shaft and cutless bearing.



CLASSIFIED ADS

Boats for Sale

1975 Catalina 22. Pop-top, motor, sails, \$1,900. Call Paul at 209-610-9291

PEARSON LARK 24 Hull #55 docked at H-6. Good started boat. Needs TLC. Merc 9.9 outboard in well. Make me a decent offer. Heck, make me an offer.
Contact: traderik60@yahoo.com – Rick Glass

CAL 2-25 Chairs, 6' head room. She will have a like new main sail soon and a 135 head sail on the Harkin furler. A solar panel recharges the 2 house batteries and a tiller pilot (Hermie) will take care of the driving on a long tack. Asking \$6000.00. I have a double axle trailer for this boat at \$1500.00 and a new Honda 9.9 ex-long shaft with electric start motor at \$2800.00. Chairs does need bottom paint, that I will do next month at an additional \$1250.00. She is on the hard at space 15 next to the Harbor Master office. Call Duke or Denise Mac Gill at cell 775-544-1476 or ho 775-786-3452 or e-mail denisesirduke@sbcglobal.net

1989 BAYLINER 1750 CAPRI BOWRIDER, 17 foot. 2.3 Liter 120 HP I/O Cobra One Drive. Walk Through Windshield. Escort Boat Trailer Model #B1761. \$4950.
Contact Bob Hurst, 209-403-0299 or Nancy Goad 209-474-6623.

1978 CAL 39 - Rebuilt engine & trans.; new tapered double spreader mast; new refrigeration, radar, windlass, below deck auto pilot, headliner, port lights and water maker; hard dodger and bimini with new canvas and solar panels. Much more, \$79,000. See at D-31 Paul and Rouge Owings (209)327-0274

1980 J 24 Relocation Forces Sale...." HARDALEE"... with trailer. Excellent condition, completely restored. Race/ cruise, perfect Delta boat. Sleeps 4, sink, porta pottie, plenty of storage. All new rigging, knot meter, depth sounder, marine radio, AM/FM, CD Stereo w/ wp speakers. Seven sails excellent condition with sail bags - 2 jibs, 2 genoas, 2 mains and spinnaker and extra boom. New 4 hp Nissan long shaft less than 4 hrs. All accessories included. Sharp looking boat!
\$7,000 or best reasonable offer. Can be seen at Stockton Sailing Club PL-11. Call Fred Doblender at (559) 291-2879 or email – hardalee123@gmail.com.

5.5, METER Caribbean Lights, Boat of the Year – 2004
Need to sell, a deal at only \$3,500
Terry Dobell 610-7643

BOATS FOR SALE (continued)

1965 Columbia Challenger 24' "iBoat"

view @ slip A-10
\$4595---**PRICE REDUCTION** now \$2990
Nicely provisioned. Easy to sail, excellent condition. everything works fresh paint.
Single Handed setup, all lines lead aft.
Partial Equipment listing:
4 winches, 2 Harkin self-tailing, 2 line clutches, big solar panel, 1000 watt inverter, radio, masthead antenna, stainless sink water tank, 4 Sails: Very good to excellent, custom cabinetry, lots of storage, head, Lexan 24" forward hatch, 5 HP Nissan 4 cycle outboard low hrs, Autohelm 1000, Harken traveler with single handling lines forward, and much more.
Moved up to larger boat.

22" SANTANA "DELTA FOX" Race ready. New club jib and working jib. Good main. Nissan 5.5 long shaft 2-cycle 1999, Harden self tailing winches, dual compasses, tiller tamer, new battery, light and electrical.
Must see, located on F-15
Contact John Moyer (209)478-7508 or cdrblond@aol.com

8' SABOT, Fair condition \$300,
Call Vern 209-952-4162.





Friday Night Mixers
Look Who's Cooking???

- March 7 Fairservice
- March 14 Farnum's Irish Turkey
 (Corned Beef & Cabbage)
- March 21 Open - what about you?
- March 28 Suzanne Collins
- April 4 Betty Adams

Isn't it your turn to cook??? - sign up in the clubhouse, you only have to prepare an entrée and will be reimbursed for your expenses (there is a \$125.00 limit-Call Suzi in the office for details)

ATTENTION JUNIOR SAILORS

March Events -- SSC Juniors

- March 12 junior committee meeting
- March 15 fund raising luncheon
- Polar Bear Regatta (El Toros and Prams)
March 14 & 28
- Adopt-A-Dinghy Month

sign-up sheets for regattas will be in club house for participants and parent volunteers.

Any Questions????????????????

Call: Bruce Collins 327-2751

Suzanne Collins 369-9117

thank you all from the bottom of my keel to the tip of my mast for supporting our juniors

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