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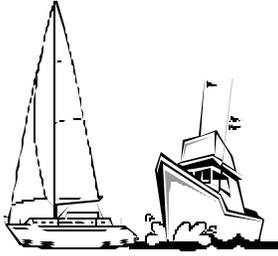
PORT ROYAL YACHT CLUB

Redondo Beach, CA

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A Friendly, Casual, Fun-loving Group Devoted to Social and Boating Activities



Port Royal Yacht Club

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ZEKE WHEELER
COMMODORE

Commodore Zeke's Comments

Summer is almost here and our club is getting busier each weekend. Many of our members visited the Isthmus on Catalina Island on May 29 through June 1. Thanks to Vice Commodore Dave Coleman and Carolyn for sponsoring this successful cruise. Terri and I are sponsoring the annual cruise to California Yacht Club on June 20, 21 and 22. Please call me at 310.686.3560 if you haven't already signed up at the club. This is a fun event. If you can't make it by boat, drive over for Saturdays "FREE" luncheon on Zeke and Terri's boat "Love Catalina" or join us Saturday for dinner at CYC's beautiful dining facility.

Friday July 4 Celebration & Fundraiser: Food, Harbor Cruises, Dirty Dinghy Races, Crab Fishing Contest, Music, Dancing and Fireworks at the Harbor – all of this action for only \$12 adults and \$6 for kids under 12 when tickets are purchased in advance.

Also on July 4th we will sell Raffle tickets for Cash, Prizes and Gift Certificates and we will conduct a Silent Auction for two (2) Club Memberships, a Month's Free Slip Rent, Gift Baskets, Sporting Event Tickets, Dinners and Mini-vacations. Proceeds from the raffle and the silent auction help both PRYC and our "Dream Come True" **Sailing Scholarship Program for disadvantaged local children**. 100% of the July 4th Tips will go directly to PRYC's "Dream Come True" program to help local

needy children to learn how to sail.

We welcome tips in cash, left-over drink tickets or checks (tax-deductible) to "PRYC/Dream Come True" and placed in the Tip jar or given directly to our Treasurer Don Mueller. This is our way of giving back to the community and making a difference in a child's life.

Your Board of Directors want this to be the best summer you have ever experienced whether you are sailing, cruising or just relaxing at our clubhouse. *PRYC is your place- volunteer and attend more events and bring your family and friends.*

Commodore Zeke Wheeler



DAVE COLEMAN
Vice Commodore

Our fearless Vice Commodore wanted to report on his very successful cruise to the Isthmus, setting off this year's cruising seas on. Unfortunately he has become swamped with family, a full time job and a tiny bit frustrated with a broken boat. Not to mention getting his wife Caroline through the end of the school year woes. The bad news is that his boat needs repair, the good news is that because of his breakdown we had a hilarious time with 8 people sleeping on the Morgan's new boat. Story will follow



Port Royal Yacht Club

July 4th Bar-B-Q Celebration

Starts at 2PM (Registration 1:30pm) and goes until Fireworks show is over!

555 North Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach CA 90277 310-372-3960



**All PRYC members and King Harbor boaters
and their special guests are cordially invited**

**Food, Harbor Cruises, Games, Prizes, Dinghy Races, Crab Fishing
Contest, Music, Dancing, Fireworks**

SILENT AUCTION

Many items of value have been donated such as marine equipment, sporting event tickets, personally catered lobster dinners, food and wine gift baskets, a month's slip rent, PRYC membership at discount and mini vacations. The list goes on and on. These items typically go for a large discount to retail value. This is a fun event where you can save some money, but best of all, a percentage of the proceeds from the Silent Auction and our Raffle Ticket sales goes to our "Dream Come True" Sailing Scholarship Program for disadvantaged local kids. 100% of our July 4th Tips go directly to help needy youth to learn how to "SAIL". This is our way of making a difference in a local child's life!

Menu

**Revolutionary Tri-Tip, Uncle Sam's Chicken,
Happiness Hot Dogs, Liberty Hamburgers and Justice Cheeseburgers
"United We Stand" Torrance Corn
Spirit Salad
Independence Sourdough Bread
Patriotic Dessert**

Advance Tickets before 1:30PM on July 4th: \$12 Adults, \$6 Kids under 12

Tickets after 1:30PM on July 4th: \$15 Adults, \$7 Kids under 12

Includes Food, Harbor Cruise, Dinghy Race and Crab Fishing Contest, Music, Dancing & Fireworks.

Purchase ADVANCE discounted tickets: From any PRYC Board Member At Port Royal Yacht Club.



Commodore Calls for July 4th Volunteers:

Your board of directors need member volunteers on July 4th for: **Setup** from 11:30am to 1:30 pm of tables, chairs and beverage containers; **Bartending** upstairs and downstairs, **Cutting and serving food**, **Dinghy Race officiating** & **Cleanup** during the day and after the event.. Please call Commodore Zeke Wheeler at 310.686.3560 or contact him via email at zekterri@yahoo.com to offer your needed help on this special day.



Port Royal Yacht Club's

Friday July 4, 2003 Celebration and
"Dream Come True"
Youth Sailing Scholarship Fundraiser



Schedule of Events (Tentative)

1:30 to 2:00 PM	Register, Sign-up for Events & Purchase Drink Tickets
2:00 to 6:30 PM	Burgers, Hot Dogs & Cheeseburgers
2:00 to 2:45 PM	Crab Fishing Contest at Dock B – Ages 3 to 14- 1 st & 2 nd Place gets prizes Parents can assist!.
2:00 to 2:45 PM	Harbor Cruise for non-crab fishing members/guests
3:00 to 5:00 PM	Dirty Dinghy Race with rower blindfolded 1 st & 2 nd Place Winners get Prizes
4:00 to 4:45 PM	Final Harbor Cruise
5:00 to 5:30 PM	Silent Auction Awards and Raffle Ticket Prizes
5:30 to 6:30 PM	Main Menu: BBQ Tri-Tip & Pork Torrance Corn, Salad & Dessert Prepared by volunteer member chefs:
6:30 to 7:00 PM	Special Desert
Various times and @ 6:00 to 9:00 PM	DJ Music, Singing, Dancing
Approx 9:00 PM	Fantastic Fireworks Show

100% of Tips to PRYC's "Dream Come True" Scholarship Fund will be used to help local needy children to learn how to sail. **Tip Generously!!**

Designed by Commodore Zeke Wheeler 15 June 2003

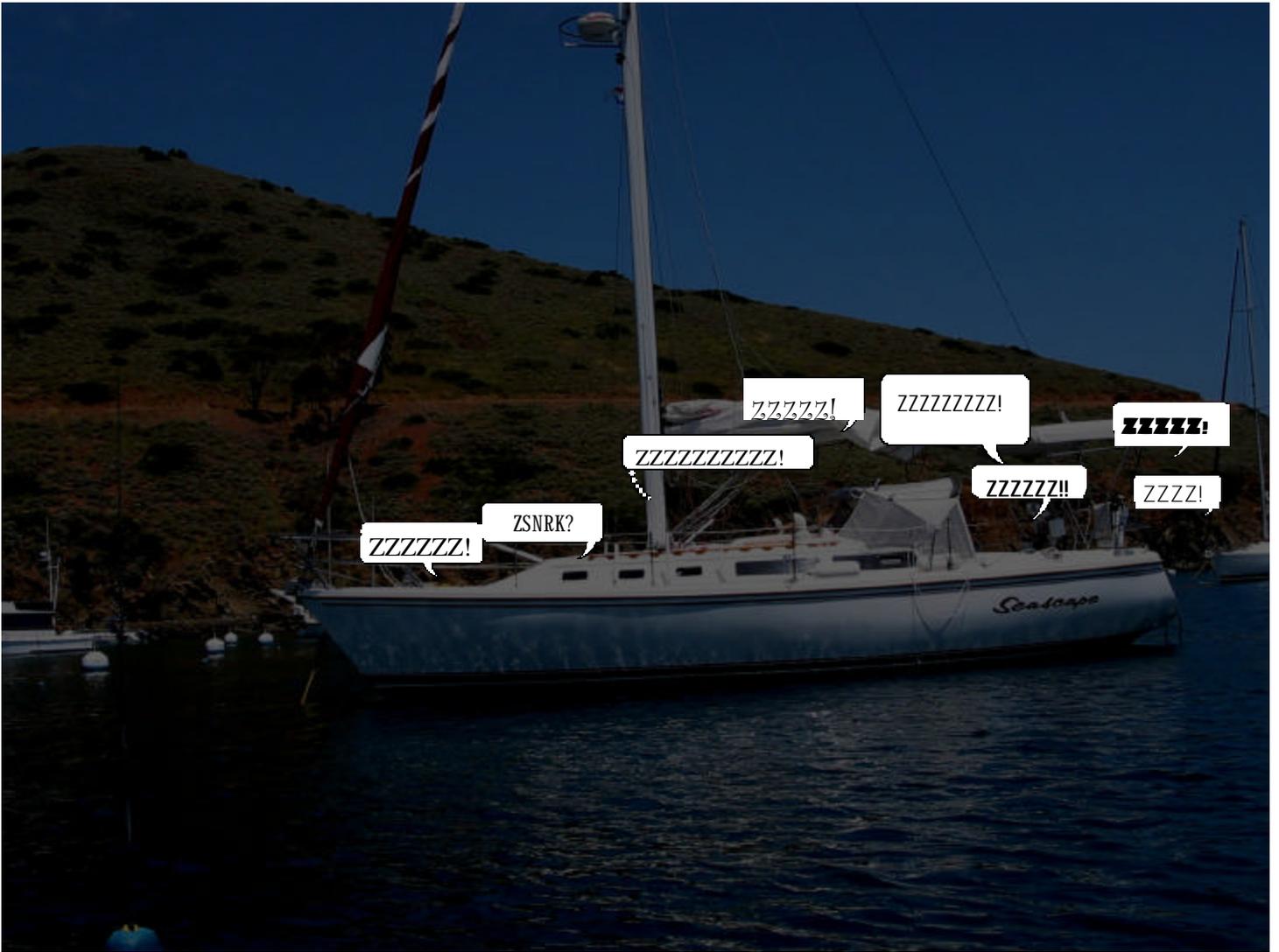
July 4th Silent Auction

This year we are combining our Fund Raiser with our July 4th Celebration. One of our biggest money-makers has always been our Silent Auction because of the generosity of so many wonderful PRYC Members. **So Wonderful Members**, we are asking you to contribute another year to make this a rousing success.

We need items that are **boat** related, **beach** related, **food** related, **drink** related, **beauty** related.....the field is wide open. Please bring your items to the Club no later than July 1st. We will display these items in baskets where apropos (please supply one basket with your items). We have a Committee of three, so far, that will arrange the baskets for the Auction. However, any volunteers who would like to help with this or any other aspect of the July 4th Celebration would be sincerely appreciated. If you have any questions, please call me on my cell phone at (310) 809-5711.

Thanks so much and looking forward to hearing from you and working with all you fine volunteers.

Terri Wheeler - Secretary



A QUIET, PEACEFUL NIGHT AT THE ISTIMUS



RUSS MORGAN Rear Commodore



Isthmus Cruise

The May cruise to the Isthmus was a resounding success. We had a wonderful mixture of old and new members and the day was spectacular. With dire predictions from the weatherman about heavy fog and cold weather, we all expected to spend most of the trip glued to the radar screen and wearing sweats. Fortunately the sun poked through for a pleasant crossing and, although cloudy, the closer we got to the island the sunnier the day became.

As usual on any adventure, there were a few unexpected crises. And, to follow, always the unpredictable solutions. Here's the story. Dave Coleman, our Vice Commodore and sponsor of this event, came down to the marina on Friday afternoon to make sure his boat was ship-shape for the trip. Much to his frustration he found his fuel pump not working and in a dilemma because he had invited Lou and Jill Toth to go early the next morning.

Luckily, Russ and I were there, readying our boat for Saturday's cruise and after much discussion with Dave and Caroline, plus a little wine, the solution became clear. It was simple, if Dave's boat couldn't be fixed, we would all go on our boat. After all, our new 34 foot boat still seemed huge to us, and we were ready for guests. We had already invited Jim Zeitler and Sue Meyer to come along for the sail. The solution was particularly perfect because there is safety in numbers. You see, this was my first real sail in our new boat. Many of you wives might sympathize with my slight anxiety

because my basic seamanship and intelligence was on the line. In other words, if I made a mistake (practically a certainty on a new boat) Russ would yell, but, with so many friends aboard, well, you understand. Plus, with so many experienced sailors on board, any emergency(we had a few little flubs) would be solved with good humor and fun.

So, the next morning off we went. Lou provided the Cheetos, yum, and Sue made up a bagel platter.

Arriving at the Isthmus, Russ had plenty of help mooring, launching the dinghy, and lowering the motor. Then, the engine just wouldn't go. Russ swears he tried that gas switch both ways, but his error was discovered by Andy Davidson two weeks later. (Andy is very talented when it comes to engines). Anyway, the day was gorgeous, the evening balmy with a great bonfire and super food. Our BBQ chefs were Dave and Andy. We had a great spread of food and a wonderful mixture of old and new members which is nice giving us all a chance to get to know each other.

That night, we slept well, Russ and I were in the V berth, Jill and Lou on the settee, Jim and Sue in the aft cabin with Dave and Caroline in the cockpit (their idea).

The morning dawned, the sun shone, and after breakfast we had a great trip home. I took a turn steering, while Russ and Dave figured out how to dump the holding tank at sea. The smart women deserted me at this point and went below as we came into our harbor. I turned up smartly into the wind to lower the mainsail (so proud) then potential disaster as I had a narrow miss by some yahoo motorboat driver who was nuts. Thanks to the men in the cockpit all yelling advice at me at once, I was able to avoid a collision. Then Russ took over and steered us safely into our slip. Another cruise had ended.

.....Helen Morgan, editor

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Images from the Isthmus



July 2003 Port Royal Yacht Club

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Week 26			1	2 6p PRYC Board of Directors Meeting	3	4 1p PRYC July 4th Celebration Charity Event	5
Week 27	6	7	8	9	10	11	12 6p PRYC Group B'day Potluck Dinner - Hosts Jenel & Charles Rubenstein
Week 28	13	14	15	16	17	18 6p PRYC Grill Your Own Party & Games Nite	19
Week 29	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Week 30	27 5p PRYC Sunday BBQ	28	29	30	31		

August 2003 Port Royal Yacht Club

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Week 30						1 6p PRYC Grill Your Own Party & Games Nite	2
Week 31	3	4	5	6 6p PRYC Board of Directors Meeting	7	8 PRYC Cruise-Cabrillo Yacht Club	9 PRYC Cruise-Cabrillo Yacht Club
Week 32	10 PRYC Cruise-Cabrillo Yacht Club	11	12	13	14	15	16 6p PRYC Group B'day Potluck Dinner
Week 33	17	18	19	20	21	22 6p PRYC Grill Your Own Party & Games Nite	23
Week 34	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Week 35	31 5p PRYC Sunday BBQ						