



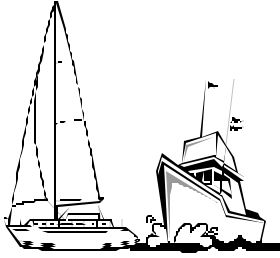
# CONNECTIONS

## PORT ROYAL YACHT CLUB

Redondo Beach, CA

May, 2003  
www.pryc.us

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



### Port Royal Yacht Club

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EL COMMODORE

### Commodore Zeke's Comments

Our Cinco De Mayo party was a great success with 65 adults attending. Chef Larry Brown and Emily and Chef Hal Dean prepared an outstanding dinner that was enjoyed by all. A special thanks to all those who assisted with the party and the cleanup.

**Cruise Fun:** Vice Commodore Dave Coleman and Carolyn are sponsoring a cruise to the Isthmus on May 29 - 30 and returning June 1. Please sign-up at the club or call Dave at 310-813-1271 with any questions. My wife Terri and I are sponsoring the annual cruise to California Yacht Club on June 20, 21 and 22. Please sign-up at the club or call me at 310-686-3560. This is always a fun event, so don't miss it.

**Club Upgrades:** The club has never looked better with our new carpet, new oak flooring, our 47 cubic foot merchandiser refrigerator in the kitchen, new pot and pan racks and two new Stainless Steel BBQ's. We will soon have a new small dishwasher for washing our bar glassware. One BBQ was purchased by PRM and one was purchased by PRYC. The lock combination to PRYC's BBQ for members use only is 5252. Each time a BBQ is used, the gas must be turned off, it must be cleaned, locked and the cover placed over the unit after cooling.

**Friday July 4 Celebration:** Mark your calendar now! We are combining our July 4 celebration and our annual club/charity fundraiser. This is one of our biggest events of the year filled with fun, food and entertainment. Watch for details, be generous and volunteer for a few hours and be proud of yourself.

Please check the calendar in this newsletter and at the club for the various events for June and July. Your Board of Directors want this year to be the best 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

## SCENES FROM CINCO DE MAYO



### Ahhh...Tamales y Enchilada



### Helen models the sombrero

## Bar Policy Reminders

We occasionally have problems in the following areas and ask for your help.

- A. Members only behind bar.
- B. No minors behind bar.
- C. All guests must sign guest book upon club entry.
- D. No beverage of any type allowed to be brought into club, except for wine and corkage fee posted at bar applies. Corkage fee goes in tip jar.
- E. **Bottled beer drinkers-** please press the right beer key on the register.
- F. **Bar tabs are for members only and absolutely no guest is allowed to run a bar tab.**
- G. Each beverage must be rung on register **immediately** when obtained and either paid for **immediately** or marked on bar tab **immediately**.
- H. If you mark the bar tab first, don't forget to ring it on the register or vice versa.
- I. Bar Tabs must be paid within two (2) weeks of charge or **20% penalty** will be added to the full balance each month until paid.
- J. When paying bar tabs, each member shall enter both the **Amount Paid** and the **Date Paid** to receive credit for payment.

**Any member having questions, please:**

- 1) Read Register instructions posted above the register.
- 2) See PRYC Bar Operations Policy No 002 in club manual above Music Control Station.
- 3) Ask a club officer for assistance.

Our beverage donation prices are very reasonable. Help us keep the honor bar honorable!

*Commodore Zeke wheeler*

## SCENES FROM CINCO DE MAYO



The Ladies of the Club



The Usual Suspects



Some work....



...while others play

## Un Gato De California Viaja A México

*Dr. Ofsie* and her husband, *Todd*, have been spending the last few months sailing their 24-foot sailboat "Solace" throughout Mexico. So did they leave their cat, **Delightful**, at home? Aye, no! Delightful is sailing with them on the blue seas, taking in the views, scoping out the fish, and looking pretty in her little lifejacket. The three sailors return in May.



## LOCAL YACHTSMAN'S DISAPPEARANCE CAUSES CONCERN

Frank Guernsey, a local businessman and skipper of a sturdy little sailboat slipped here in King Harbor, set out October 8 of last year on a voyage bound for Cape Town, South Africa. Aside from a postcard to his wife from Catalina, that was the last time anyone heard from Frank.

He and his Pearson Electra, all twenty-two feet six inches of her, were due in Cape Town over a month ago but has yet to show up. Speculation as to his fate varies. Those who know his experience and character believe there is every likelihood that Frank Guernsey is still alive and dealing with whatever obstacles may have arisen. Others are not so optimistic.

Searching for Frank has been complicated by his refusal to carry any location devices. We want to express our best wishes for his safety and let his family know our thoughts and prayers are with the m.

## Ukrainian's Circumnavigation Not All Smooth Sailing

Dmytro Biriukovich converted a fishing boat into a tall ship in Kiev, ran it aground in the Dnieper River on the way to the Black Sea, suffered a storm in the Mediterranean, sailed a thousand miles off course due to a faulty GPS, and took three months to make it across the Atlantic to New York. Since then, he has sailed the Erie Canal, the Mississippi River, the Caribbean, and the Panama Canal. Now in Long Beach, Dmytro has hit a real snag. Not the nautical kind, the bureaucratic kind.

For the next leg of his journey, he wanted a Ukrainian crew. He got them but their visas won't last long enough to get them to Hawaii. He also doesn't have a place to park when he gets there.

But he'll go anyway, with an abiding faith that his problems will be left astern.

I must go down to the sea again, to the lonely sea and the sky,  
And all I ask is a tall ship and a star to steer her by,  
And the wheel's kick and the wind's song and the white sail's shaking,  
And a grey mist on the sea's face and a grey dawn breaking.

*I must go down to the marina again, there's a meeting at the club tonight,  
And all I ask is that the 405 has traffic that's relatively light,  
And there's no stalled cars in the Number One lane or jack-knifed rigs that leak,  
Because I've got to get down to the meeting on time; I don't want to disappoint Zeke.*

I must go down to the seas again, for the call of the running tide  
Is a wild call and a clear call that may not be denied;  
And all I ask is a windy day with the white clouds flying,  
And the flung spray and the blown spume, and the sea-gulls crying.

*I must go down to the marina again, the one that's called Port Royal.  
I have a tall ship there that's calling me now because it requires my toil.  
The chainplates leak, the hull needs wax, the holding tank's overflowing;  
The water heater's on the fritz, its circuit breaker keeps blowing.*

I must go down to the seas again to the vagrant gypsy life.  
To the gull's way and the whale's way where the wind's like a whetted knife;  
And all I ask is a merry yarn from a laughing fellow-rover,  
And quiet sleep and a sweet dream when the long trick's over.

*I must go down to the marina again, to the boat that has captured my heart,  
And look all around the dock and hope that I can find a cart.  
I have to bring down the coffee pot, the TV, and microwave,  
And after all that, when she's fixed and supplied, I might get to sail her some day.*



RUSS MORGAN  
Rear Commodore

(With apologies to  
John Masefield...)

**SATURDAY MAY 17, 2003**

Shoot off your old flares! Even the **RED** ones! Teach your crew how to fire a flare **PROPERLY** before the need arises!

The Flare Day at King Harbor will be held on May 17th from 1100 to 1300 hours at Moonstone Park (Mole B). We will be setting up at 1000 at the location. The Harbor Patrol will be helping with set up and monitoring the traffic in the harbor.



**Vessel Safety Checks at Port Royal and Portofino. This is NOT an official boarding for law enforcement purposes. It is for our safety!**



Let's all get our boats safety inspected for a safe boating season!

1300 - 1400 hours!

Corrosion Seminar 1800 hours (6 PM) in the club house! Don't let corrosion get the best of you! Presented by Dave Sadler of Renegade Marine; Hosted by Don Mueller

Birthday  
Potluck  
(7 PM)

Non-members  
\$6.00



1900  
hours  
Hosted by  
Zeke

# Port Royal Yacht Club

## May Group Birthday Party

Date: Saturday, May 17, 2003

Time: 1900 hours (7:00 pm) after corrosion seminar

**Non-birthday Members:** Please bring enough food for your family and guests plus for 4 others as a minimum. Too assure we have a variety of food and dessert - **suggested food based on your last name is as follows:**

<b>Last Name Begins with:</b>	Bring enough food for your family and guests Plus for 4 others as a minimum
<b>A thru K</b>	Vegetable dish/Cheese Platter/Deviled eggs
<b>L thru T</b>	Meat/Chicken/Fish/Lobster/Pasta
<b>U thru Z</b>	Salad/Coleslaw/Fresh Fruit
<b>Zeke Wheeler</b>	Birthday Cake

**Birthday Celebrants:** Members or Associate Members who are celebrating either of their birthdays do not have to bring any food as the birthday celebrant will be provided **free food** and **two (2) free drinks** and the non-birthday members of the family will pay only \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12. The May Group Birthday party at PRYC is for the following group:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>

***PLEASE ADVISE SO YOUR NAME CAN BE ADDED TO THE LIST.***

**Non-Members:** Non- member guests from the corrosion seminar are welcome to join us for dinners at \$6.00 per adult and \$3.00 per child under 12.

June 2003 Port Royal Yacht Club ( rev C- added June 1 cruise)

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Week 22	<u>1</u> PRYC Cruise- Isthmus	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u> 6p PRYC Grill Your Own Party & Games Nite	<u>7</u> 6p Club Rental- B'day Party Mike Wood \$100 + \$50 dep
Week 23	<u>8</u> 5p BBQ- Meet Commodore's Wheeler relatives	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u> 6p PRYC Board of Directors Meeting	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u> 6p PRYC Group B'day Potluck Dinner
Week 24	<u>15</u> 8:30a PRYC Breakfast - Profits to Dream Come True Youth Sailing- Hosts Zeke & Terri	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> 12p PRYC Cruise- Calif. Yacht Club	<u>21</u> PRYC Cruise- Calif. Yacht Club
Week 25	<u>22</u> 12p PRYC Cruise- Calif. Yacht Club	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>
Week 26	<u>29</u> 8:30a PRYC Breakfast - Profits to Dream Come True Youth Sailing- Hosts Zeke & Terri	<u>30</u>					

July 2003 Port Royal Yacht Club

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

# Cinco De Mayo Aftermath

By Lobsterdon

Our annual Cinco de Mayo this year was the most fun and the best attended we have had in recent memory. We had 60+ paid attendees who participated in the meal as well as many more who mainly participated in the margaritas and Mexican beer. I had the pleasure of tending bar for part of the party and I can tell you first hand that we had HUGE bar participation and a lot of fun. The food was outstanding. It included the famous Bountiful Beverly Hillbillies Fire Department Enchilada Pie by Hal Dean, Emily's magnificent Mexican rice with secret sauce, Larry's not so secret famous ceviche prepared with luscious local halibut, as well as el Indio tasty tamales, best in California. That coupled with the double Margaritas raised the bar for future Cinco parties.



The Girls of PRYC



Beverly hillbilly at work

Credit for this endeavor goes to Larry Brown as chief organizer and his staff which included Hal Dean and Emily as cooks, Tom Vavrick, Debbie, and myself as bartenders, and the clean up crew who included many members including Judy Vavrick and Emily T, two people who always help on cleanups and don't get enough credit for their work. I know there and others who helped and please accept my apologies for failing to mention you but my mind went a little blank towards the end of the party.



This is what it's all about



Hard at work