

February 2005

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<http://www.harbor20.org>

From the Fleet 1 Captain Glyn Davies

I would like to introduce myself to the members as Fleet 1 Captain for 2005. On a positive note, I want to share an example of how the board tries to be responsive to the membership.

An interesting subject came up before the Board, which could be of interest to some members. In the 2004 championships a situation arose where two very active boats were unable to compete because they

did not qualify under the rules. The board felt the rules had an unintended consequence and appointed a sub-committee to amend the rules.

After much deliberation, it was decided that the addition of piece-meal exclusions and conditions would destroy the clarity of the rules and since people did not make a habit of studying the rules, would likely not fix the problem.

Instead, it was decided to insert a general provision for a member to petition the Board in writing to obtain a variance to the rules for a specific purpose. An example would be substitution of an unqualified crew for a missing regular crew in the Fleet Championships. Of course, the Board would likely be negatively biased, if the petition were submitted a considerable time after the point where the petitioner knew of the requirement. The granting of the petition is by no means a foregone conclusion since a 2/3rds majority of the Board is required for approval.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or any of our officers by our email addresses found on the web site. Our Board meets regularly and is anxious to create as many exciting sailing venues and activities for our fleet as possible. Your input and ideas are always welcome.

YACHTING CUP From Jamie Douglas, Fleet 1 Secretary

The Yachting Cup, organized and hosted by San Diego Yacht Club, will be held on April 30 & May 1, 2005. This is a

Harbor 20 Fleet 2 event. Saturday and Sunday will feature Southern California's premier multi-venue PHRF and One Design Regatta. On the heels of the Newport to Ensenada Race, the Yachting Cup has traditionally attracted some of the best boats and sailing talent on the west coast. Last year there were over 140 boats entered in 14 classes.

I propose that Fleet 1 make our presence felt at this fantastic event by: **bringing your boat to San Diego!**

"How," you ask?

We have a bid from John Papadopolus of \$500.00 for the round-trip. This includes de-rig, transport, re-rig, and return of your boat. The pick-up and delivery point in Newport will be at your yacht club. The boat will be waiting for you and race ready.

Where will the race be?

The South Bay Course will no doubt be utilized so Coronado Yacht Club would be the logical launching and berthing location. Fleet 2 will assist us with those arrangements.

Can my boat be out of the water and still be legal to race?

Yes. The Class/Fleet officers have agreed that any time out of water will be negligible.

What kind of turn-out can we expect?

At this moment, Fleet 2 indicates at least eight Harbor 20's from their fleet will participate.

Is there any interest in skipping or crewing for a Fleet 2 owner?

This may help get a Fleet 2 boat out on the water by providing needed crew or an experienced hand to alleviate racing anxiety.

I am going to bring *Sunday Driver* down to San Diego and I hope to see you there. The venue and vistas are unmatched. SDYC puts on a great event and this is an excellent opportunity for Fleet 1 members to do some great racing and help support our newest Fleet!

If you have any interest in participating at Yachting Cup, drop me a line at:

<mailto:jdouglas@socal.rr.com>

Race Documents and Online Registration are available here on the SDYC/Yachting Cup website:

<http://www.sdy.org/raceinfo/yachtingcup/index.htm>

A SIMPLE WANT AD STARTED IT ALL

In November the South Carolina Harbor 20 dealer and a friend ran this simple ad.

**SAILORS
WANTED**

We are looking for sailors who would like to race ONE-DESIGN keelboats from Windmill Harbour. We plan to purchase a new fleet of fast, fun easy to sail, & stable boats. Beginners & experienced sailors are welcome. Contact:
Ned at xxx-xxxx or Gary at xxx-xxx

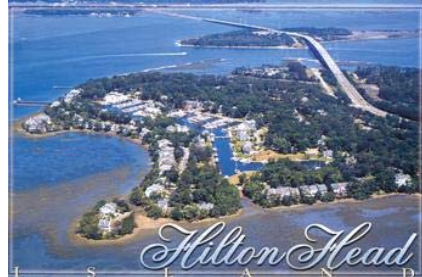
Ned and Gary had targeted a particular neighborhood and had two people committed to buying boats if it looked like they would be able to put a fleet together. Ned and Gary received about 30 responses, told them about the Harbor 20, and planned a meeting where everyone could see and sail Gary's demonstrator Harbor 20. Tom Schock flew in to help with the meeting, and flew home with high hopes that a fleet would soon be

forming on in Windmill Harbor, Hilton Head Island. The interest generated by the ad was UNBELIEVABLE.

Harbor 20 Fleet #3 Windmill Harbor



Hilton Head Island, South Carolina



Corinthian Sailing

Something which is probably unique to the Harbor 20s is that we don't carry protest flags on the boat and a regatta is not prolonged by visits to the protest room. Traditionally, a verbal hail of "Protest" has been sufficient to cause the offending boat to take a penalty turn.

Recently and I suppose in the past, there have been occasional complaints of a boats not responding to a hail. A proposal that was once floated was to have a dockside protest committee of

one or two Fleet Officers immediately after racing, but this was never implemented. Instead on a few occasions a polite discussion between Board members and offending parties seems to have solved the problem.

Since conformance to the RRS is the basis of fair racing (as stated in the Fundamental Rules) it is important that we not allow this situation to get out of hand. If you think you were fouled and the offending boat does not as soon as possible do the penalty turns, it might be appropriate to approach the other skipper (or contact by email) and debate why you have differing opinions on whether a foul was committed. Both might learn something about the complexity of the RRS.

If the exchange leads you to believe the other skipper is gaming the rules, perhaps a discussion with a Fleet Officer is in order.

During the upcoming Clinic the RRS can be one of the topics. Save up your long-standing questions on Race situations for this opportunity.

A very good site for reviewing common situations covered by the RRS is <http://www.uksailmakers.com/>. You have to register to use the Rules Quiz but it only takes 3 minutes.

From the editor, Judy Weightman

One of the best things about our Harbor 20 fleet is the amount of information available on our slick little boats. Need to know how to tune her? Check out our website www.harbor20.org. And how about the history of the **Harbor 20** development – yes, it's all there, along with complete technical information, bylaws of the class, continually updated calendar, email addresses of everyone you ever wanted to know,

and even a place to read or place classified ads.

And for our **Social Sailors** especially - Are you loving your beautiful, comfortable Harbor 20 but not ready for sailing in the championships? Me too. So how about joining us for some relaxed sails with your new Harbor 20 friends. First off, please sail over to NHYC for the Gold Cup Harbor Cruise on Saturday, March 20. Arrive about 1:45 and join the fleet cruise.

Another great day is the Nautical Museum Sail on June 11. Ted Munroe and the museum folk have designed a comfortable, whimsical, patriotic day of sailing for us all.

If you want to get started racing in a relaxed atmosphere, you might want to consider the American Legion YC Monday night races that start May 2.

Which brings us to the always memorable Summer Rally and Party at LIYC! One never know what Kathy Sangster and I will come up with to spread some cheer.

And no matter what, you must plan to join us for our Holiday Party at LIYC in December.

Looking forward to seeing you on the water,
Judy Weightman

Dues Renewal

It is that time of the year and you should soon be receiving your 2005 membership renewal form in the mail. Please correct or complete the form as appropriate. Your prompt action in returning the completed form with your check is appreciated.

If you don't get a renewal form or know of someone who did not, check the Sign Up form on the Website and follow the prompts.



Harbor 20 Fleet 1 2005 Race Calendar

February

Sat 19 **Midwinter Regatta**
BCYC 12 pm

March

Sat-Sun 5-6
WD Schock Memorial
NHYC 12 pm

Sun 20

Gold Cup/Harbor Cruise*
NHYC 2 pm

Sat 26

Loren Weiss Memorial #1
BCYC 12 pm

April

Sun 10
Earl Corkett Regatta
NHYC 1 pm

Sun 17

Loren Weiss Memorial #2
BCYC 12pm

Sat 23

NHYC Opening Day Regatta
NHYC 1 pm

May

Sun 15
Leukemia Cup Fund Raiser
BCYC 11 am

Sun 22

Loren Weiss Memorial #3
BCYC 12 pm

June

Sat 11
**Nautical Museum Event
(Flag Day)***
NHNM 1 pm

July

Sun 24
Summer Rally/Party *
LIYC 1 pm

August

Harbor 20 Mid-Summer Regatta
BYC
Saturday August 5, 2005

September

Sun 18
Fall Gold Cup
NHYC 1 pm
Harbor 20 Championship Tune-up Regatta
BCYC
Saturday September 24, 2005

October

Sat-Sun 1-2
Fleet 1 Championships
NHYC 1 pm

Sat 22

Winter Series #1
NHYC 1 pm

November

Sat 5
Sunkist Series #1 CHOC regatta
BYC 1 pm

Sat 12

Winter Series #2
NHYC 1 pm

December

Sat 3
Sunkist Series #2 Inside
BYC 1 pm

Sun 4
Ken Davis Regatta
NHYC 1 pm

Sat 17
Winter Series #3
NHYC 1 pm
*** **Start times (and even dates) may change.**
Check with the sponsoring yacht club.

Evening Series

ALYC Sundowner Series
Mondays May 2 thru
Sept 19

BCYC Finally Friday
Fridays June 3 thru
Aug. 26

BYC Inside Twilights
Wednesdays May 18 thru
Aug. 31

BYC Beercans
Thursdays May 26 thru
Sept. 1

LIYC BBQ Series
Fridays June 3 thru
Aug. 19

NHYC H20 Twilights
Tuesday July 5 thru
Aug. 30

NHYC Twilights
Thursday June 9 thru
Aug. 25

Instructions for locations and start times of races.

Goof-offs

Spring
1st and 3rd Thursday of each month February thru May
Fall
1st and 3rd Thursday of each month Sept thru November

NOTES

1. All races on the calendar except for Evening series, Goof-offs and races indicated by an “ * ” count for **High Point** and **Rain or Shine** trophies.

2. The **High Point** trophies will be awarded to the A and B fleet skippers (not the boat) who have the best total score between consecutive Fleet Championship Series in their respective fleets. This total score is computed by discarding their worst one-third scores including DNS's. Any ties will be broken according to A8 of the RRS.

3. The **Rain or Shine** trophy will be awarded to the A or B fleet skipper (not the boat) who races in the greatest number of High Point races between consecutive Fleet Championship Series. Any ties will be broken according to A8 of the RRS.

4. Always check Your **Notice of Race** and **Sailing**