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Islander 36 Association Mission Statement

"To promote ownership and use of the Islander 36 via a one design racing fleet, cruising group and to provide valuable resources for the Islander 36 owner."

While we are an Islander 36 association, we welcome other Islander models and their owners.

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The Islander 36 was designed by Alan Gurney to be a fast racing boat with a good IOR rating as well as comfortable to sail and cruise. The boat has proven to be very well-suited to San Francisco Bay conditions. The mast is stepped on the keel with double spreaders and inboard chainplates to provide minimum sheeting angle. The deck plan offers unusually wide walkways which provide added safety and ease of sail handling. The T-shaped cockpit provides an efficient means of sail trimming and allows the helmsman an unimpeded view of the sails and foredeck. The extreme beam in relation to length combined with the deep draft and long waterline gives tremendous room below decks as well as stability and speed. The all teak interior is standard with a roomy galley, unique folding table, settees and chart table. The boat sleeps 6 comfortably. Many features are available to make the boat very comfortable for cruising. The Association promotes and sponsors both racing and cruising. We welcome inquiries and new boat owners. For information, contact any fleet officer.

The end of 2023

Time for new thanks
and celebrations





2023 is ending and now is the time for thanks and celebrations. I have been blessed to have such a great and talented group of volunteers including Rick Van Mell, Mike Patterson, Jocelyn and Steve Swanson, Kit Weigman, and finally David Wadson and Cara Croves who form our dynamic duo of newsletter editors. Thank you all for helping me navigate another season of fun and adventure on our favorite boat.

The Islander 36 Association is truly a miracle when you consider that at yesterday's board of directors meeting, we spent most of the time in a discussion concerning the fact that many of our trophies have run out of room to add new winners! A 50-year-old organization has problems like that.

Highlights of the year include the weather miracle on January 1st when a

week of torrential rain ended at 5am of New Years Day enabling a group of intrepid members to brave the traditional "around Alameda" festivities. I can tell you that the run-off from the rainstorm created enough flotsam that one could walk across the water barely getting the TopSider's damp. Kapai hit something so hard that it stopped the trusty Perkins! Next thing I know the engine is overheating from what I later

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE



figured was a clogged raw water intake. Luckily, Dan Knox on Luna Sea was nearby and towed Kapai into Aeolian Yacht Club where I could lick my wounds while hoisting a much-needed Bloody Mary. This is the second time Dan Knox has come to my rescue as some years ago, he pulled me off the mud on the Napa River. If this keeps up Dan might consider offering a towing subscription service for our membership.

Later in the year we held our Spring meeting at Richmond Yacht Club and enjoyed a presentation from the US Coast Guard Vessel Traffic Service. San

Francisco Bay is a busy port and it was nice to get the perspective of the traffic cops on keeping everyone safe in these crowded environs. Rick Van Mell welcomed and recognized new inductees into our honorary member category who have been active and contributed for over 25 years. This list included Kathryn Munn and Charles Hodgkins, Mischief, Don & Barbara Henderson, Kindred Spirits, Dennis & Judy Bush, Natural High, Gary & Pat Salvo, Ophira, and Harry Farrell, Pacific High. One of the nicest things about these meetings is the opportunity to meet some long time members that

have so much history with the Association!

Our racing season started with the shorthanded Three Bridge Fiasco and finished with a nice turn out at the Nationals. Some around the buoys races and some destination races to Vallejo and Redwood City filled out the schedule. Congratulations to Rich Shoenhair, Windwalker, for a fine showing in the spinnaker division. Yours truly, Kapai, for basically showing up in the non-spinnaker division and Kit Weigmen, Cassiopeia, with a nice win in the Nationals. The best

crew award went to Eric Korbas, Cassiopeia.

Finally, the Schneider Award for contributions "above and beyond" went to Rick Van Mell. I can tell you sincerely that this award is greatly deserved and that there likely would not be an active association without the contributions of our friend Rick Van Mell. BTW Rick tells me he is 82 years young, still loves sailing and remains curious about a panoply of subjects. Thank you Rick!

Among the more rewarding aspects of being the Commodore is that I can send an email greeting welcoming new members to the Association. My experience over the last couple of years is that new members tend to join shortly after they procure a new boat. I often receive a response to my welcome note and enjoy hearing how excited the new member is about refitting their new to them boat and what their plans are for racing, cruising etc. I never fail to remind them that the true value of membership in the Association is the camaradery and the ability to post a question to the fleet at large and receive informed answers to their query. The collective sailing experience of the membership is invaluable. If you are a new member this last year, welcome again. If you are an existing member, we thank you for your involvement and support. Both new and existing members should consider volunteering with the Association. You will make some new friends and gain even greater enjoyment from sailing these fine vessels.

Finally, Don't forget to take a young person sailing. They are the future of our sport. Here are some shots of the next generation of Kapai crew out on the bay. (Note how many crew want the helm.) Cheers and Happy Holidays.

Rick Egan, Commodore
Kapai – 1978 Islander 36
San Carlos, CA

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Summer to be thankful for

Sailing on Lake Superior has much to offer - secluded anchorages, strong winds, clean water, pristine wilderness. But what it can't provide is year-round sailing. By late October, our boat is hauled out and sitting on a cradle while we spend the next 7 months hoping for an early Spring so we can begin another sailing season. While it sure would be nice to sail year-round, the long break does provide plenty of time to reflect upon the past season and appreciate all the memories we made.

We didn't end up adding any new destinations to our adventures this summer. Instead we spent most of our time at old favorites but got to share them with sailing friends, Joe and Rachel, and Mickle the Labradoodle, who had bought their first keelboat, an Express 35 - "Danu." They hauled their boat out earlier than ours so we invited them to come along with us for one last overnight cruise to Thompson Island in October. It was the weekend of our Canadian Thanksgiving, and it sure made us appreciate our Islander!

The fold-out berth in the main cabin is a comfortable sleeping arrangement when you have guests, rather than squeezing them into a quarterberth. We will never stop appreciating that huge dining table where we feasted on a delicious lasagna bolognese and lemon meringue pie.





The inexpensive diesel heater that I installed in the spring did a fantastic job of taking the chill out of the boat on the cool mornings or warming us up after sailing all day.

Our trip back home was into a strong headwind but fortunately the direction kept the waves from building too much. For a good portion of the trip we watched a smaller, lighter sailboat struggle to make upwind progress in the building conditions. It sure made us appreciate how well Jubilee can handle rough weather!

A few weeks earlier, I had done the same trip to except I was sailing alone...Harry, our beagle, doesn't really qualify as "crew" – four paws and still can't grind a winch! The weather wasn't very pleasant when I left the marina, and I was starting to second guess whether it was the best time to be trying my first big solo adventure on Jubilee. Thankfully, once I was able to turn downwind, the boat settled into a comfortable "groove" and we had a fantastic sail to the natural harbor at Thompson Island. The expense and effort put into getting a functioning autopilot paid off and I was able to comfortably handle the boat by myself!

We are blessed to have a vessel that can easily accommodate two couples and two dogs, but also manageable by just a guy and his hound! But as fun as it was for Harry and I to do that trip by ourselves, I will never be doing any long distance solo sailing - it is so much more fun having friends and loved ones with you!

We don't race Jubilee, though the idea does cross my mind the more I see the pictures of the fleet racing in San Francisco Bay. But we do race with an awesome group of friends on a Mirage 30 and this year we had some stiff new competition in our division against a



speedy J24. After some tough losses in July and August, the stronger wind and waves of September and October were to our advantage and we finished off the season with some well earned victories.

Our yacht club's wind-up awards evening happened to fall on the same evening as the i36 Association fall meeting and awards presentation. It was a great pleasure to connect with the get-together in San Francisco and find out we had won second place in PICYA's Edwin H. Wilder Newsletter of the Year competition!

I think what makes receiving that award so special is that our Association isn't typical of most of the PICYA members. We aren't a "yacht club" in the traditional sense, but rather a

widespread group of Islander 36 owners, half of which are outside of the San Francisco Bay Area. 52 years after it was first built, this boat still inspires over 100 owners to come together and share their love and enjoyment of it.

The past year hasn't been without it's challenges. Like a lot of yacht clubs and racing programs, the i36 Association has struggled with declining participation in its fleet racing in the Bay. None of us, nor our boats, are getting any younger, and racing is usually the first to suffer as comfortable cruising becomes a bigger priority. A number of i36's changed hands this year and new owners are often less interested in the racing aspect and more focused on more recreational sailing with their family and friends...or fixing and upgrading their aging boat!

Our hope for the new year, as newsletter editors and Board members, is that we can find ways to increase participation in club events and in the content we can put into the newsletter. Thankfully Alan Gurney and Jose Artese created a special boat in the Islander 36 that people still want to own them after all these years. It's a comfortable, stylish and well-performing boat that new owners are willing to put the time and effort into ensuring they keep on sailing.

We look forward to sharing their adventures with all of you!

David & Cara, Newsletter Editors
Jubilee – 1978 Islander 36
Thunder Bay, ON



Thompson
ISLAND
 LAKE SUPERIOR
 48° 10.25' N 89° 9.08' W

Located just under 20 nautical miles from Thunder Bay, ON - Thompson Island is one of the most popular destinations for sailors. The spacious, natural harbor has been complemented with a 200 ft dock and one of the best saunas on Lake Superior. Officially, the island is a provincial park, but the boaters have been allowed to maintain the existing infrastructure for the free use by anyone who visits. Due to its popularity, rafting is expected and on weekends it's not uncommon for 15+ boats to be rafted 3 or 4 abreast at the dock. In addition to a roasting hot Finnish-style sauna, there's also picnic tables, fire pit, hiking trail, horseshoes and ladder golf. If you're seeking more solitude, consider visiting mid-week when there's a better chance that you might have the entire island to yourself!



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Have a sailing lover on your list? Make them smile with a special gift from our holiday list. Whether you are shopping for a racer, cruiser or a secret Santa gift for that special sailor on your list who is impossible to buy for, check out our list packed with lots of great ideas for what to give.



Beverage Holder Mittens

We received a pair of these mittens as a “gag” gift, but in our northern climate they turned out to be very practical! There’s a wide variety of options available online for purchase but you can also find patterns for making your own if you’re handy with knitting needles and some yarn.

Hammock or Hammock Air Chair

Put that spare halyard to use holding up a Hammock Air Chair so you can relax in comfort while floating over the foredeck. Feeling more daring? Use your spinnaker pole or boom to suspend the chair out over the water!



Lewmar Bottle Opener

Pop the cap off your post-sail beverages in style with the Lewmar Baby Delta® bottle opener, styled after their full-size Delta anchors. They have a low-centre of gravity, self-righting geometry and great holding power in most bottoms but are not as effective in rocky bottoms and can’t open a beer bottle!



Vexilar SonarPhone

Having an electronic fishfinder didn’t help us catch more fish this summer but what attracted us to Vexilar’s SonarPhone (www.vexilar.com/sonarphone) was that it integrates with the Navionics Boating app to generate your own SonarChart Live data. Enhance the existing chart data or create new maps for uncharted areas. If you opt to share your depth data back to Navionics, it gets combined with other users’ submissions and integrated into their chart updates. We went with the T-Box SP300 model with an integrated rechargeable battery so we could use it on our dinghy to create more detailed charts of Lake Superior’s less travelled anchorages. We were pleasantly surprised to find that it was also compatible with our B&G Vulcan chart plotter!



Rigid Boom Vang

A boom vang is a very important tool for controlling the shape of your mainsail, especially when sailing downwind where the mainsheet isn’t able to exert as much downward force on the boom. Instead of a regular block and tackle boomerang, a rigid vang also supports the boom, eliminating the need for a boom topping lift, making reefing, dousing and storing your main easier. Garhauer (www.garhauermarine.com) recommends their RV20-1SL for the Islander 36 and will customize it fit your particular boom and mast profiles.

CHRISTMAS GIFT GUIDE



Sailing Boots

Unfortunately, every day out sailing isn't sunshine and blue skies. A good pair of sailing boots help keep your feet warm and dry. Consider a tall boot if you're heading offshore or racing with a skipper who likes to have the rail in the water!



Lifejacket Re-arming Kit

Inflatable lifejackets are very popular with sailors as they are more comfortable to wear than regular PFDs but the CO2 cartridge must be replaced after it's been used or expires.

Joker Valve

Is there anything more unpleasant on a boat than a malfunctioning head? Be prepared for the eventuality that things won't stay flushed and have a spare joker valve for your particular toilet!

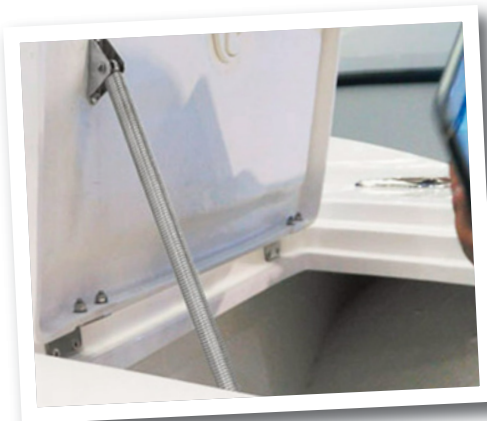


Stand-Up Paddle Board

Leisurely cruise your local anchorage or have a full-body workout with a stand-up paddle board. As with dinghies, inflatable models sacrifice some durability and performance for portability and affordability.

Boat Chairs

For comfort that's more versatile than regular cockpit cushions, try a folding, cushioned deck chair. The Sport-A-Seat (www.sportaseat.com) has a 6-position ratcheting hinge, durable Sunbrella™ marine canvas and carry handle so you can use it anywhere, not just the boat! If you really want to impress your friends, consider West Marine's Go-Anywhere High-Back Seat 2 (www.westmarine.com), with armrests, headrest pillow, cup holder, and backpack carrying straps.



Hatch Springs

Tired of having the cockpit lazarette lids crashing down on your head? Install an inexpensive hatch spring to hold it open while you dig around for that lost fender!



Lighted Cockpit Speakers

Eventually sun damage and a misplaced foot necessitates replacing broken speakers. There's plenty of options to choose from, but a pair with built-in LED lights can enhance the ambiance of lounging in the cockpit. They're also very useful when coming back aboard after late-night trips to shore.





Compass LED Bulb

Do you have an older Ritchie Globe-master binnacle compass on your steering pedestal? Upgrade the old, white filament #330 bulb to an LED bulb. While the amperage savings might be small, you can get them as a red LED for improved night vision.



I36 Burgee

Proudly show your dock neighbors that you have an Islander 36 with the giant 7-foot i36 Association burgee hoisted at your starboard spreader! For days when the wind isn't blowing enough to get that one flying nicely, hoist the smaller 18-inch burgee instead! Available from www.islander36.org.



French Press

What sailor doesn't enjoy a good cup of coffee to start the day off? An insulated French press keeps the second cup warm while you enjoy the first, ideally in a nautical themed mug!



Hurricane Glasses

Often used for New Orleans' signature Hurricane cocktail, this stylish glass is perfect for the Singapore Sling, Pina Colada, Blue Hawaii or any fun, tropical drink! Consider plastic if you are going to sail with them aboard as the some glass versions can be delicate.

Food Storage Canisters

Keep your food fresh and dry with a set of snap top canisters. They're perfect for keeping your galley staples stocked and organized. Consider getting a set for the land kitchen too!



Starlink

While getting out on your sailboat can be a nice way to disconnect, sometimes it's useful to have Internet connectivity while out on the water. Starlink Roam plans make high speed internet a possibility at a reasonable price. Video call your jealous landlubber friends while you watch a movie on a secluded beach!



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Bloody Mary Board Holiday fun...

This year the crew of Felucca, the Mirage 30 we race on, along with our friends that we enjoy cruising with, had our first potluck sailing get together at our yacht club. It was our first, but will not be our last, it was even suggested we do this monthly, all winter long. Although, not sure my liver or my waistline can survive that.

As in true to sailors' fashion, we had lots of unique food dishes to share and far too much to eat! No one will ever go hungry at any of our get togethers.

Some of the dishes were:

- Gnocchi with roast vegetables
- Roast chicken
- Roast beef with yorkshire pudding
- Spinach, beet and goat cheese salad
- Quinoa salad
- Apple/rhubarb crisp
- Cheesecake

One really fun one was the Bloody Mary themed board that was snacked on and also used to make amazing garnishes for



our Bloody Mary (or "Caesar" as we call them in Canada) cocktails. It was so much fun!

You can use a variety of ingredients, even homemade pickled treats from your pantry. Don't forget lemons, limes and celery.

The best part was that the board was not limited to just olives and pickled vegetables, as seen in the picture above, David's creation had cooked and chilled shrimp, candied bacon, prosciutto wrapped bread sticks along with deli meats and cheeses to graze on while putting your drink together.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 lime wedge
- 1 tablespoon celery salt or your favourite rimmer
- ice cubes, as needed
- 1 ounce vodka or 2
- 1 dash Worcestershire sauce
- 1 dash hot pepper sauce
- 8 ounces tomato or Clamato juice, which ever you prefer
- 1 dash of pickle juice

Mix the ingredients together and then get creative and garnish with your favourite snacks, enjoy!

Happy holidays!

2023 NATIONALS REGATTA

Golden Gate Yacht Club

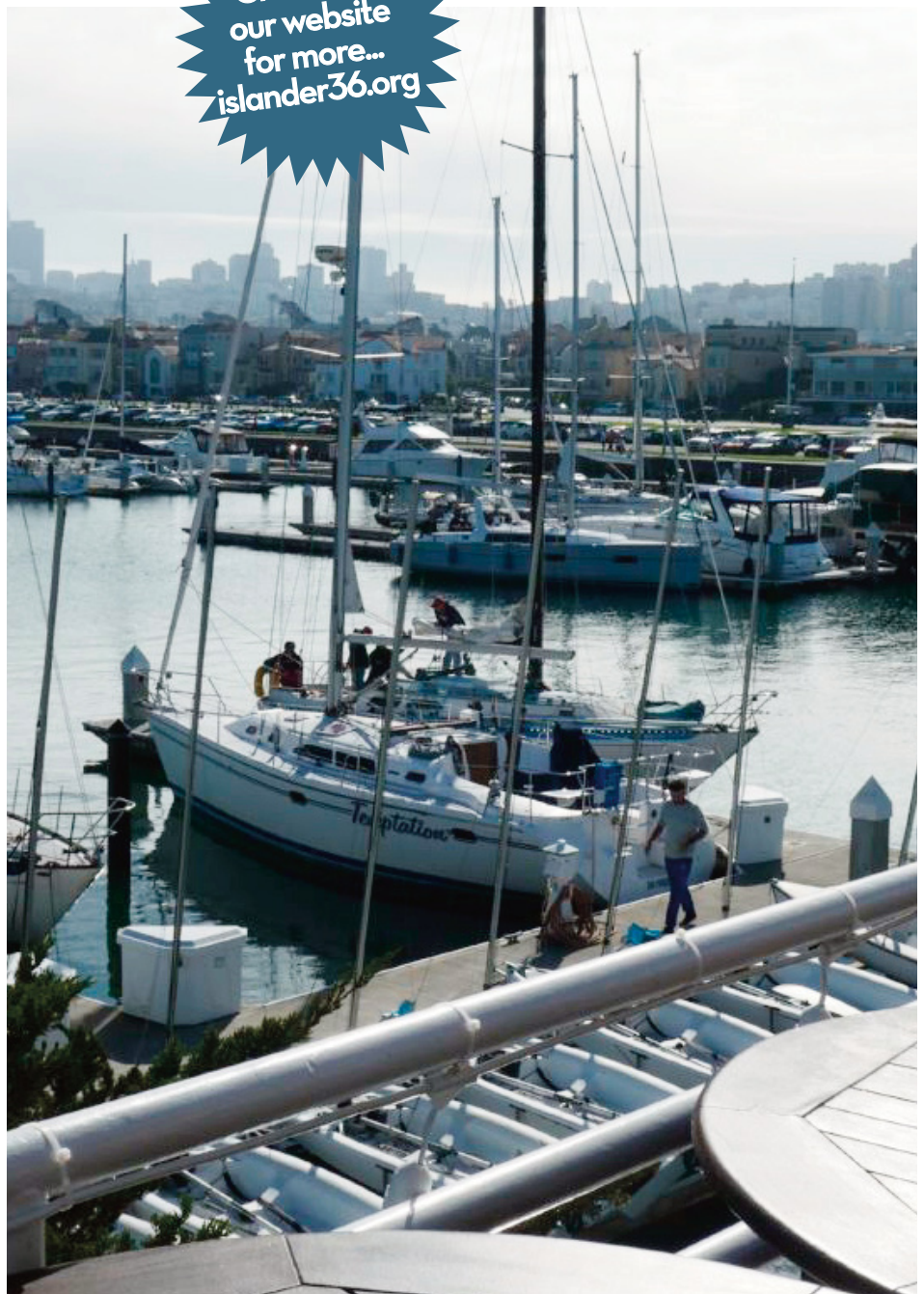


It was great to return to our traditional Nationals Regatta venue, Golden Gate Yacht Club, and work with General Manager Bob Mulhern and his talented crew. Friday night's rain passed east by Saturday morning and we arrived at GGYC shortly after 1000 to see the Golden Gate Bridge gleaming in bright sunshine against the fog lurking farther west. A light southwest breeze gently waved the flags at both Golden Gate and St. Francis yacht clubs, but it was only along the City Front side of the Bay. Glassy calm prevailed on the north side of the Bay between the north tower and Alcatraz Island.

Rick & Sandy Van Mell (Vanishing Animal) started setting up the Race Deck and where shortly joined by I-36 Treasurer Mike Patterson (Green Flash), and Bob DaPrato & Maria (Bella Luna),



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NATIONALS

plus friend Christina. Flags were tied to halyards, radios readied, watches set to exact time, and clipboards were ready to check off starters and record finishes.

Filling in space at the docks were Windwalker, Rich & Tom Shoenhair, Cassiopeia, Kit Wiegman, and Renaissance of Tahoe Vista, Steve Douglass, plus Bill Hackel's Highlighter on the city dock. Commodore Egan's Kapai was sampling the wind west of the starting line. All were checked in by radio as the scheduled 1130 Warning Gun approached. In addition, Peter Kacandes was watching the fun from Jonesque Jones near the starting area with just a jib flying.

In the light air we all agreed that a short course just along the City Front would keep us in the light breeze and avoid the calm to the north. Windward leeward Course 2, marks to port was only 3.4 miles and would do the trick. That runs from the starting line at GGYC west to Blackaller buoy near the south tower of the Golden Gate Bridge, then east to mark 6 off Ft. Mason, and return to the finish line. The Warning Gun was fired on time at 1130 and we started at 1135.

Cassiopeia led at the start with Renaissance, Windwalker and Kapai close behind. It was slow but steady progress beating toward the Golden Gate against the last of the flood tide. Cassiopeia rounded Blackaller first at 11:56:26, then Windwalker at 11:57:10, Highlighter at 11:59:09, Kapai at 12:00:54 and Renaissance at 12:02:15. In the light air tacking downwind was pretty much a must. But the challenge was whether to stay a bit north with stronger current but





the order was the same except that Highlighter passed Kapai to move into 3rd place.

With wind predicted to increase shortly, we waited 15 minutes and aimed for at 1300 Warning Gun for the second race. We debated using course 7 with a triangle from Blackaller to Harding Rock, then Mark 6, but there was still stronger wind along the City Front than up at Harding Rock. So we opted for course 6, Blackaller, St. Francis' starting line "A" buoy, back to Blackaller, then down to Mark 6 and finish, a 5.4 double windward - leeward course. It was a busy day on the Bay with several races going on at once, and they were also communicating on VHF Channel 71. When we heard another countdown for a 1300 start, we postponed 5 more minutes to begin our sequence at 1300 with a 1305 start. Well, with more breeze our Islanders were charging along and we had two boats over early at the gun and their angles made it hard to read sail numbers. Though we raised the "X" individual recall flag and announced two boats were over early, by the time we were able to sort out who was who, we felt it was unfair to call them back and

declared a General Recall and brought everyone back to start over. We got off a clean start for the second race at 1320.

Much to the Race Committee's dismay, the sequence off the starting line was Highlighter, Windwalker and Cassiopeia. If that sequence had held through the race, we would have had a 3-way tie for 1st place - and thus would need a 3rd and deciding race for the series. But by the time the fleet reached Mark 6 Cassiopeia had gained the lead and it was clear a 3rd race wouldn't be needed. However, (maybe it was just everyone being polite) by Highlighter taking 2nd and Windwalker in 3rd, they were now tied for second place, and with Renaissance finishing ahead of Kapai, they were now tied for 4th place!

Most of the fleet gathered ashore at GGYC to enjoy our Nibbles & Celebration feast of Caesar Salad, Hot Dogs, Chili, Curly Fries, the 'fixins, and cookies. We all shared stories of the day and congratulated Cassiopeia on her victory. Our thanks again to Golden Gate Yacht Club for their warm hospitality for the fleet.

lighter wind, or closer to the shore with more wind but less current. At mark 6 it was Cassiopeia at 12:26:38, Windwalker at 12:28:42, Kapai passed Highlighter to round at 12:30:48, followed by Highlighter at 12:31:10 and Renaissance at 12:32:42. After the beat to the finish

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RESULTS

- 1** CASSIOPEIA
Kit Wiegman
- 2** HIGHLIGHTER
William Hackel
- 3** WINDWALKER
Tom Schoenhair
- 4** RENAISSANCE OF TAHOE VISTA
Stephen Douglass
- 5** KAPAI
Rick Egan



Boat Galley

CHEESECAKE WITH RASPBERRY TOPPING



Okay, okay, this is probably not something that you would make on your boat, and if you do, you have gone way up in my books!

But, this is a great dessert, now I'm unsure on where David ever found the recipe, but this cheese cake with raspberry topping will not disappoint and it looks very festive!

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/4 cup (50 mL) butter, melted
- 1 1/4 cups (300 mL) graham wafer crumbs

FILLING

- Three 8 oz (250 g) pkgs block cream cheese, at room temperature
- 1 cup (250 mL) granulated sugar
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) cornstarch
- 3 eggs
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) lemon juice
- 2 tsp (10 mL) vanilla
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) salt
- 2 cups (500 mL) sour cream

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 350°F (180°C).

Lightly butter bottom and sides of a 9 1/2-inch (24-cm) springform pan. In a small bowl, stir crumbs with butter until mixed.

Press onto bottom of pan. Bake in centre of preheated oven until set, about 8 to 10 minutes. Cool completely. Leave oven on.

Meanwhile, using electric mixer, beat cream cheese until smooth and creamy. Add sugar and cornstarch, beating until well combined. Scrape down sides of bowl as needed. Add eggs one at a time, beating after each addition until incorporated. Beat in lemon juice, vanilla and salt. Add sour cream and stir just until mixed.

Wrap the underside and halfway up the sides of the springform pan with a double layer of heavy-duty foil. Pour cream cheese mixture into pan. Set pan in a larger ovenproof dish. Fill larger dish with enough hot water to come about 1-inch (2.5-cm) up the sides of pan. Do not fill water higher than the foil. Bake in centre of preheated oven 45 minutes. Leaving door closed, turn off oven and leave cheesecake in oven 1 hour.

Remove pan from water and discard foil. Run a knife around outside edge of cheesecake. Cool in pan on a rack at room temperature 1 hour. Refrigerate overnight. Cut into wedges and serve with raspberry coulis. Cheesecake will keep well refrigerated for several days or can be frozen.

TOPPING INGREDIENTS:

- 2 (8-ounce) containers fresh or frozen raspberries

- 1 teaspoon lemon rind
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 tablespoon OR 2, Chambord (Raspberry Liquor)

If you are using frozen raspberries, there is no need to thaw them. Simply rinse and put into a saucepan.

DIRECTIONS:

Add the water, sugar, lemon rind and juice. Bring to a boil and allow the fruit to cook 5 to 10 minutes. Ideally, using an immersion blender makes it very easily to puree the fruit. Otherwise, you can use a potato masher. It is important that you strain the pureed fruit with a fine mesh strainer. Push the juice through, by stirring the cooked fruit. You will end up with a lot of seeds! Toss the seeds.

I prefer to have my coulis sauce a little thicker. I use about 1 to 2 teaspoons of cornstarch, with enough water to dissolve it (about 1 tablespoon); whisk completely before adding back to the strained fruit puree. Add this to the strained fruit puree and cook until it thickens.

Add the Chambord to the coulis sauce, pour on top of the cheesecake and enjoy!



Fall meeting and winners lunch at Coyote Point

Whether braving the elements or FaceTiming, a great core of Islander 36 sailors represent at the annual fall meeting

A great core Islander 36 group of 22 strong representing 10 boats braved a showery Saturday, November 18th to gather at Coyote Point Yacht Club for the Annual Fall Meeting. David & Cara joined via FaceTime for an award, and, alas Falcon's Bruce Halberg took a stumble on Friday so couldn't make it.

Thanks to Jocelyn and Steve Swanson and Commodore Egan, we once again had a delicious lunch at the friendly Coyote Point Yacht Club with great views of the South Bay and easy parking. This was a lunch meeting to make it easier for members to get to the event and home again after the meeting. Our

menu included Cheese & Crackers for Nibbles, Spinach and Feta Salad, Marinated Chicken, Grilled Salmon, Veggie Side Dish, Rice, Sour Dough Bread & Butter, and Cake for Dessert

A lively Attitude Adjustment gathering occurred between 11:30 and shortly after noon. Great conversations with cheese and crackers eased everyone into lunch.

After lunch, Commodore Rick Egan welcomed everyone and presented the treasurer's report that we are in good shape. He also noted that our membership is strong, remaining around

130 boats with plenty of representation across the country and in many far-flung countries.

Jocely Swanson is our association representative to Pacific Inter-Club Yachting Association (PICYA), and she, Steve and Commodore Egan recently attended their annual award banquet and came back with a wonderful surprise. Among other categories, PICYA makes annual awards to outstanding Yacht Club and Association Newsletters among their more than 100 member clubs. Thanks to the outstanding work of our newsletter editors David Wadson & Cara Croves, your Islander 36

Association won 2nd place in this year's Edwin H. Wilder Newsletter of the Year Perpetual Trophy competition.

Jocelyn also reminded everyone of the benefits of our membership in PICYA which gives us access to most of the yacht clubs in the Bay Area. However, many still require advance reservations if you would like to tie up at their docks, so be sure to call ahead.

Commodore Egan then invited all of the Board members to come forward and said we had all agreed to stand for office for 2023, plus David Wadson as our newsletter editor. He also invited volunteers for Vice Commodore, Secretary, Race and Cruise Chairs. Those nominated were unanimously approved.

Commodore Egan then presented the rest of our awards:

The Spinnaker Division Season's Championship Ormand Cup went to Rich & Tom Shoenhair, Windwalker.

The Non-Spinnaker Buster Hammond Half Hull went to Rick Egan, Kapai.

The Perpetual Crew Award went to Eric Korbas aboard Cassiopeia.

The Nationals Trophy went to Kit Wiegman, Cassiopeia.

The Schneider Trophy for outstanding contributions to the Islander 36 Association went to Rick Van Mell for continuing service above and beyond.

And the Commodore's Plaque was updated with Rick Egan's name for 2023, and next fall he will be recorded as the Commodore for the 50th year of the Association!



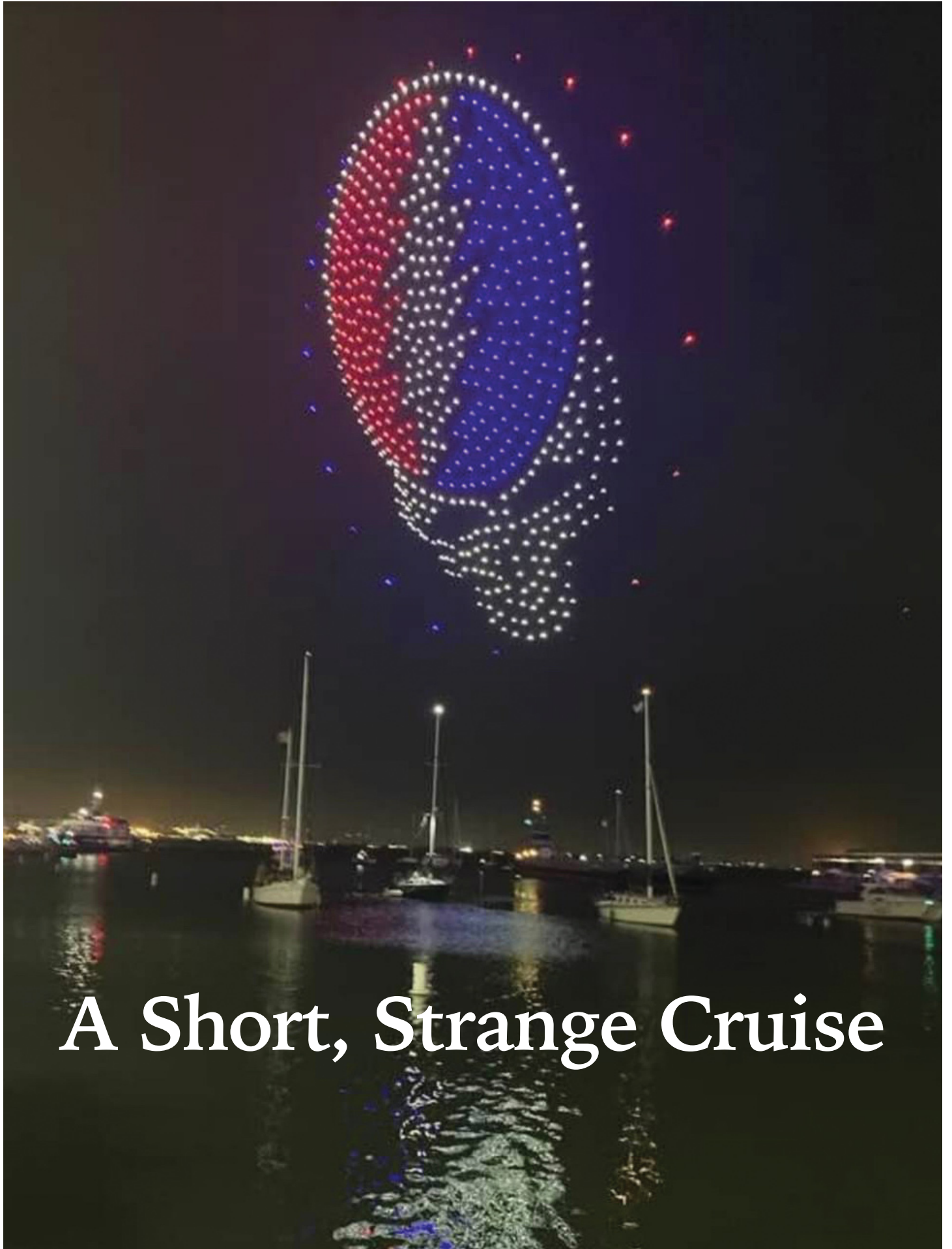
FALL MEETING



The last piece of business was to elect our 2024 Officers. Commodore Egan reported that the current staff would stand for nomination, and were unanimously approved. (It was threatened that anyone voting "No" would have to stand for office.)

So enjoy the pictures, then make a note to check the tides and weather to join us Monday, January 1st, 2024 for the 'Round Alameda Parade. (Weather permitting.) There is a "low" tide at about 3' around 0900, and it rises to about 5' a little after 1400 - and then heads quickly down to .6' by 2100. We will fine tune as we get closer to the date and see what various clubs are offering, but an I-36 rendezvous off Encinal at 1030 gets us to Aeolian on rising tide for a wonderful lunch. Those that are bold and brave enough to try the San Leandro Channel at barely 5' can then head west under the Bay Farm Bridge to actually circumnavigate Alameda Island. Less bold skippers may enjoy the thicker water heading back under the 3 bridges to Encinal.





A Short, Strange Cruise

My excitement soared upon discovering that Dead & Company would conclude their last tour at Oracle Park in San Francisco on July 14, 15, and 16. Conveniently moored in South Beach Harbor, right next to the Giants baseball stadium, our boat, Green Flash, was due for some much-needed maintenance and cleaning—making this the perfect excuse.

Over three days, I diligently attended to the Beta diesel, conducting heat exchanger cleaning, an oil change, and replacing the impeller and fuel filter. Topsides were pressure washed, and the interior received a thorough cleaning. Ready for adventure, I inflated the dinghy and fired up the outboard engine.

The day before the first concert, I navigated around the corner to McCovey Cove, anchoring in a prime spot with a clear view of the giant monitor—although, disappointingly, the band wasn't featured. I found myself the sole boat in the cove that evening.

On Friday, three close friends joined me, bringing an abundance of food and supplies. A few other sailboats also gathered for the concert. Positioned



across from "Shakedown Street," the traditional outdoor market accompanying the band, we enjoyed the lively atmosphere. Fans without tickets crowded the sidewalks outside the stadium, creating a stereo effect with the music bouncing off the high-rise buildings. Using a paid streaming service, we watched the concerts live on our laptop, almost preferring it to being in the stadium. (link to shakedown street youtube video here)

I proudly hoisted the large Islander 36 burgee under the lower spreader, illuminating it with the spreader light. The burgee and the deck of Green Flash were well-lit throughout all three events, as were the crew.

Saturday saw an influx of more boats into the cove, and festivities commenced early, lasting late into the night after the second concert. Exploring ShakeDown Street, we perused handmade memorabilia and sampled various foods. The atmosphere, typical of the Dead scene, felt like a large family gathering, embodying the spirit of free love. The music each night was unforgettable, with different song lists for each event.

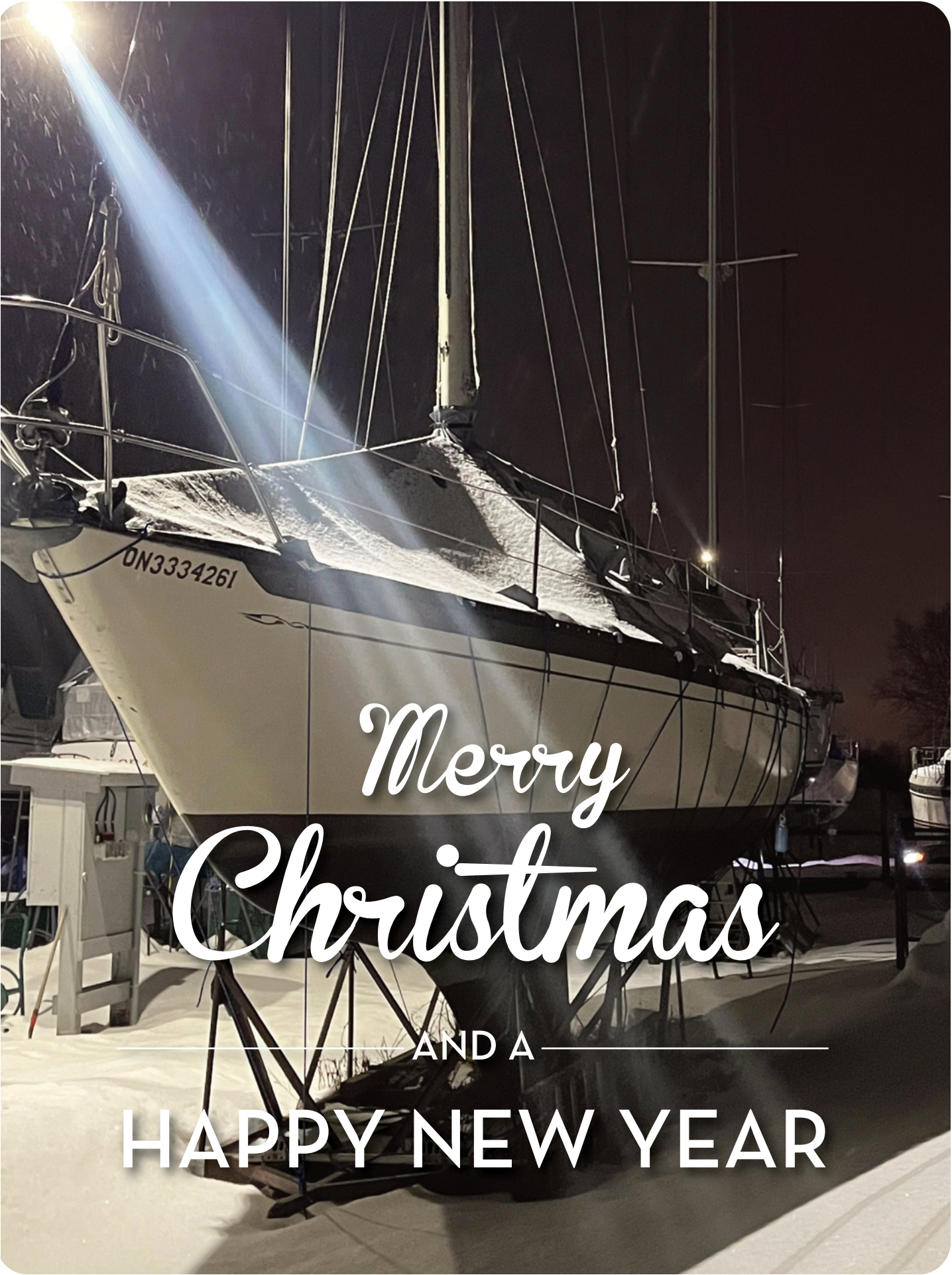
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On Sunday morning, a large tug and a 200-foot barge positioned themselves in the center of the cove. Assist boats coordinated the relocation of other anchored vessels, creating an open water space between the barge and the stadium. Luckily, we had anchored in the perfect spot and avoided needing to move.

The final concert was particularly memorable as the band poured their hearts into their last tour performance together. To cap off the evening, a mesmerizing drone show unfolded, (<https://youtu.be/WXM5MD6-Qck>) featuring six hundred drones moving in synchronous formation. Transforming from iconic Grateful Dead symbols—roses to skulls to dancing bears—the show lasted half an hour. Positioned right under the drone display, our boat was prominently featured in articles on social media and even made it into The New York Times. This short cruise will undoubtedly be etched in memory for a long time!

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