

Cruising and Racing Ahead!

Looking forward to the I-36 Sailing Season for 2009

Cold weather not your favorite? Anxious about opening that investment statement? We have a way to chase away the blues. Make the I-36 racing and cruising schedules the first entries in your new 2009 calendar.

Although we are still finalizing some of the dates, you can see the preliminary cruising schedule on page 7, and some racing dates on page 5. Make 2009 the year you attend an All Islanders Rendezvous somewhere in the world, or go for a Bill Higdon Racer/Cruiser award by participating in all of the cruising and racing events. We even have a special offer for first time racers with the fleet. Check out the working draft of the brochure on pages 10 and 11. So, come on, picture yourself here in 2009:

Clockwise from top left: 1) I-36 kids enjoy the EYC pool, 2) I-36 crowd at the A's vs. Giant's game, and 3) Ron and Karen Damsen's *Woodbine* on her way to the Treasure Island cruise-out.

Pencil in These Dates!

**Spring Meeting and Lunch
 Saturday, March 21**

(details in Spring newsletter)

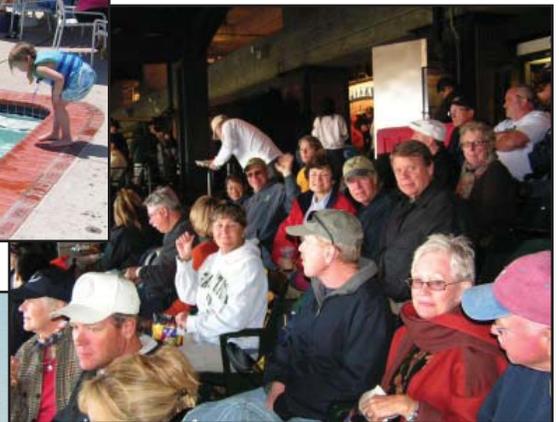
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 • **The Commodore invites you to visit San Francisco!**
 • If you are ever in San Francisco on business or pleasure and want to go for a sail on beautiful San Francisco Bay aboard one of the many I-36s lucky enough to call it her playground, please contact me or any of the Association Officers and we will do our best to make it happen!
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 • ~ Corky Stewart, Commodore
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Commodore's Corner

From Corky Stewart, Commodore

Hopefully everyone successfully made it through the post-Thanksgiving "Black Friday," and maybe even had a chance to take advantage of a sale or two to get a new toy for your I-36. As we look forward to continuing the Holiday Season, we also look forward to the 2009 Sailing Season. Anna and I were welcomed into the I-36 Association in 2007 shortly after we purchased our 1978 I-36, *Brigid* (formerly *Alcor*), and we have had a blast participating in cruising, attending the meetings and social events, and even a little racing as crew or spectators. As many have done before me, I now have the honor of addressing our Association as your new Commodore.

We have a great group of folks who have stepped forward to help do the heavy lifting this year and I am privileged to welcome Michele Williams, our past Race Captain, as the new Vice Commodore. Stepping in to fill the Race Captain position vacated by Michele, are bothers Tom and David Newton, better known as the brain trust of the *Captain Hooke* race team. I know they will continue the strong legacy of the I-36 racing program. The cruising program will be co-chaired by Anna Stewart and Carol Williams, two ladies who bring a lot of enthusiasm to having a good time. They have put together a cruising schedule for 2009 that has a little of something for everyone. Previously dubbed Dan "Fort" Knox by Ron Damsen, Dan Knox returns as our Treasurer. I know he will make sure the funds of the Association remain safe and accounted for in 2009. After a little friendly cajoling, Judy Bush was persuaded to carry over as Secretary for another year and continue her thorough reporting of the minutes of our Spring and Fall Meetings. Another returning officer is Kris Youngberg as Measurer,

a position vital to our racing program. Contact Kris to make an appointment for an inspection of your I-36 at its next haul-out in order to receive your Compliance Certificate, a requirement for racing eligibility. As you recruit new I-36 owners, Bob Knickerbocker will be continuing to welcome them into our Association in his position as Membership Chairman. Of course, one of the strongest assets our Association has is the beautiful and informative I-36 web site, and Rick Van Mell will continue as our Web Master for 2009. In addition to the previously mentioned people, I'll be looking to the guidance offered by Ron Damsen, our Past Commodore who did a fantastic job in 2008 and who will continue to be a resource in 2009. Last but certainly not least, if you're reading this newsletter, I know you'll join me in thanking Kathryn Munn Hodgkins for the fabulous job she is doing as our official Newsletter Diva for 2009! That's the group of folks (see the photo) who have volunteered to make our Association the best One Design Association and strongest on-going boat owners association around. If you see any of them at a race, cruise or meeting, thank them for all they do for our Association and offer to help out with one of the cruises, races or social events.

I hope you have noticed that in my message I have been emphasizing *our Association*. I hope that you will think about the I-36 Association as *your*



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Building the Fleet in 2009

Association, because without your association this group is missing out! Whether you are local to San Francisco, a member from far across the United States, or one of our growing number of members from Canada, Australia or anywhere else on the Big Blue Marble, the I-36 Association is *your Association*, dedicated to supporting ownership of one of the best sailing production sailboats ever built, the Islander 36.

September in the SF Bay has some of the best sailing weather of the year *and* it is the time of year when you can see a variety of different Islanders gathered for the All Islander Rendezvous, a tradition we "borrowed" from our Canadian friends in British Columbia. Even if you can't make it to any events in San Francisco, please be sure to share any pointers on upgrades or maintenance to your I-36, as well as notices of any fleet activities taking place on your home waters. This is the type of valuable information that we can share on the web site and build the strength of our Association.

In closing, please mark your calendar for March 21 for our first official event of the 2009 I-36 Association Season, our annual Spring Meeting. Once again, we are fortunate enough to be able to hold the Spring Meeting at San Francisco Yacht Club in Tiburon, California. There will be limited dock space available for anyone wanting to arrive by boat. The reservation form for the Spring Meeting will be posted in the near future in the 2009 Cruise Schedule section of the I-36 Association web site, so be sure to register as soon as the form is "live". I look forward to seeing you at The Spring Meeting.

Fair Winds and Following Seas,

~ *Corky Stewart*

New Initiatives Planned

by Michele Williams, Vice Commodore

Happy Holidays to skippers, first mates, and crew alike!

After having the honor of being your Fleet Captain for the past two years, I passed those duties to Tom and David Newton and accepted the position of Vice Commodore. I hope to stay integral to the racing program because, as most of you know, I love racing these boats.

As we move into the 2009 season, we have put together a couple of ideas to bring new Islanders into our association and our racing fleet. In order to help new (or current) Islander 36 owners join in the fun and thrills of racing for the first time, we have developed a well-structured Race Mentoring Program. In this program, skippers will learn the sometimes confusing and potentially intimidating racing rules and traditions. The program will also help skippers and crew understand sailing on a whole new level and allow them to sail better and faster in a relatively short period of time.

For skippers who participate, the Race Mentoring Program includes:

- Having a tactician on board as a coach for 50% of the races
- Assistance in setting up running and standing rigging
- Tidal analysis for race day strategy
- Interpreting racing instructions
- Breaking down the starting sequence
- Identifying flags and their meanings
- Fine tuning sail trim for speed and pointing
- Learning how to "read" the course
- Learning rules of the road specific to racing
- Payment of one season of YRA fees by the I-36 Association

Our second avenue for bringing new owners into our family is through a handsome brochure which advertises all that we have to offer. These brochures will be put anywhere anyone thinks would be useful. Obviously, they will go to all brokers who deal with Islanders but we would like your ideas of where else might be beneficial. For example if there's a harbor with a large number of Islanders, we might post a brochure on the local bulletin board or place a few at a particular West Marine store. Please email me with your ideas and I'll make sure the brochures get out there. The intent is to get them out there, everywhere. We've included a draft version with the newsletter, please send along your comments and suggestion.

Have a restful winter and I look forward to seeing all of you at our Spring Meeting.



Rafted up at the 2008 Spring meeting.

A View From the Rear

Musings from an I-36 Racer on the Rise

by Dan Knox

The 2008 racing season has pretty much come to an end. I know there are some mid-winter races but I categorize them in the 2009 season. How did the season go for us? The short answer is a hell of a lot better than last year! For the long answer you need to read a bit more.

Before starting I need to remind everyone to go out and buy a new rule book for 2009. If you don't know about the new 3-boat length rule at the marks need a new rule book. If you are being overtaken by a starboard boat while you are on port and think you have the right-of-way, you need to read the rules. If you are shouting out to a competitor, "Sail your proper course", before they get to the starting line, well you get the point. Read the rules, they are there to help us all. Then try to figure out the five times when a starboard tack boat doesn't have the right-of-way over a port tack. There will be a test later. (Just kidding.

There were some good things about the 2008 season but the best thing was **Cindy**. Thanks Cindy, you were always there for us. We started out the year with the South Beach YC Island Fever Series. The good news is I don't think we finished last once. **John Melton** on *Freedom Won* took the series but *Luna Sea* actually won a race, a big day for us. We could have won a couple of others but for not enough rode to set an anchor drifting all the way down to Redwood City! Actually, my mistake, one time we did finish last...more than two hours behind *Freedom Won*. We sailed around Treasure Island the wrong way and then had to turn around and sail it again. When we finally finished there was no race committee to take our time so we had to call it in, Then they gave us a DNF (did not finish) anyway. I was not pleased. Actually most of our crew was ready to mutiny because we were ghosting along for much of the race and once it was clear we were the only boat left sailing everyone wanted to just toss in the towel. I wanted to finish and with support from Cindy we kept the crew from tossing us overboard in their rush to get to the bar. By the way if you ever see pink flamingos on our boat ask us about them. You can't buy them but we are happy to tell you how to get some.

Next was The Great Vallejo Race. For all you cruisers out there this is the race for you! It is the best race of the year, heck it is the best event in sailing! Lots of boats,

lots of fun and usually a nice broad reach most of the way up to Vallejo. You can put up a spinnaker if you want but no biggie if not. The race up was great. We did the best gybe ever on *Luna Sea* near the Richmond Bridge and we did it so well I wanted to do another one! We had terrific and exciting sailing for almost the race (just one moment I would like to forget, isn't there always one?). We passed a boat on the last windward leg up the Napa River to get third. It was pretty exciting. Champagne flowed. The fun was just starting as we met up with **Harry** and **Carol** and the crew of *Pacific High* in the mass of boats rafting up at the Vallejo YC for that weekend. We also met our friends Marianne and Jerry from *Mon Desir*. You can't help but have fun when Cindy and Marianne are together, or even in sight of each other! There was a report that Bonnie made it up, but I never did see her. It was a big party after all! We did see all the Vallejo burgees on *Captain Hooke*, and I have to say it was an impressive sight. Yes *Captain Hooke*, our 2008 season champion, it's no wonder why these guys usually beat the rest of us...you don't get so many blue Vallejo burgees by being lousy. They have more wins in the Vallejo Race than I have DFLs in my racing career and that, my friends, is a lot! Oh by the way did I mention that we beat them? I think I might have said that a few hundred times during the year but for those of you who didn't hear, one more time can't hurt. (You know I love those 'Hookers and I would follow them anywhere even when they are headed to the wrong mark. Been there done that!) **Lou** and **Steve** won on *Diana* again! I'm sure that doesn't surprise anyone. There is one I-36 we have never beat ever . . . *Diana*. Someday Lou, we will get lucky. It will happen. Maybe I should take up tennis?

The YRA season was not long underway before we took our normal place at the rear of the I-36 fleet, although we fared better than last year. There were, however, highlights: *Going from last, to first, to last again in one race with a shorthanded crew. *Almost running into *Captain Hooke* when we were on port tack near Blackaller and then dropping out to assist a non-I-36



Luna Sea sailing back from racing

boat than had dismasted later in that same race. *Completing an ocean race course, only to have to drop out when we had to start our engine in no wind to give right of way to a container ship a bit bigger than us. We did 10 knots in that race, a new record for *Luna Sea*. *Learning how to drink Mocatinni's. If you don't know about this last one take my advice and don't even ask. They are killers. There are four ingredients and each one contains alcohol. The fact that they taste like chocolate milk doesn't help.

Meanwhile on the Friday Night Series things went a bit better. Actually it was just that the competition was a bit easier to sail against. Most of the time we were in the middle of the fleet though I think we finished last once, no fun at all. Many times we did not have enough crew to fly a kite. Regardless, the Friday Night Series was great fun this year, and it was great having **Debbie** to help.

Cindy raced in the local championship J/105 series as well as one on the East Coast so pretty much she was a sailing girl every weekend. She did take me back with her to Newport once and we actually won the regatta, although my job was just to not screw up too much. Still for me it was the first time I had ever been on a boat that took three bullets in one day. Newport is great and I would recommend that everyone spend a week sailing there. One week a year would be best! The love and level of

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The 2009 racing calendar is still under construction but you can mark your calendars now for these confirmed dates:

- **April 4:** Sailing clinic for racers and cruisers at Golden Gate Yacht Club.
- **May 2-3:** Race up and back to the party at Vallejo Yacht Club
- **October 3:** Nationals regatta at Golden Gate Yacht Club.

Keep an eye on the web site for the final schedule.

There is plenty of room on the starting line for you to join the fleet in 2009. Racing is an excellent way to improve your sailing skills. The Association is ready to help you resolve any reservations you may have about joining in. Be sure to talk to one of us at the Spring meeting in March. See you out on the course!

I-36 Fleet Racing Results 2008

Boat Name	Place
<i>Captain Hooke</i>	1
<i>Tenacious</i>	2
<i>Pacific High</i>	3
<i>Freedom Won</i>	4
<i>Luna Sea</i>	5
<i>Amante</i>	6
<i>Blue Streak</i>	7
<i>Diana</i>	8
<i>Vitesse</i>	9
<i>Windwalker</i>	10



Start of the Run Race at the All Islanders Rendezvous



Michele Williams awards Kit Wiegman from *Cassiopeia* first place in the Nationals



Captain Hooke and *Vitesse Sea* battling it out in Mare Island Straights

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skill the people working on the wooden boats in Newport have will surely put a smile on your face. Maybe there is something about New Englanders and varnish that just mixes correctly but whatever it is those boats are beautiful works of art. They all look like *Zenith*! I will never forget asking someone at the dock if that was the real *Dorada*, the first of many successful and beautiful boats penned by Olin Stephens. It was and the guy thought I was nuts; I am sure he was thinking is there any other *Dorada*? It was like looking at a Rembrandt, so much more than just a bunch of boards fastened together. Really it was one of the most beautiful things I have ever seen in my life. Of course there are also all those nutty guys walking around wearing Red Sox hats, so in the end Newport is nice but as Herb Caen used to say it isn't as San Francisco!

Finally the I-36 Nationals. Unless you are dead you probably already heard that we finished third. Thanks Tom and David for that OCS! Or rather our crew brought me in third. I had a few problems rounding a couple of marks wide and letting the fleet get past use, the fouling our gibe sheets going around the leeward mark and almost got into another pickle with *Captain Hooke* while on port tack approaching Blackaller. I can't believe that I actually tacked back on to starboard instead of ducking them but I did. It was just one of the many mistakes I made sailing this year.

That's one of the best things about sailing, the mistakes. hile sailing is not rocket science it still is not always easy to do well. well-sailed race or even a well-sailed tack is a truly beautiful thing. The boat, the wind, the water and the crew are in harmony. or some it happens all the time but for those of us in the rear it doesn't happen very often so when it does it is truly wonderful.

And that's it for the 2008 season. See you at the Spring Meeting. Oh and think about signing up for the Vallejo Race. If you have never done a race before then this is the one for you. It's more like an I-36 cruise than a race. You will love it, I promise. Who knows you might even get to see us beat Lou. OK you probably won't get to see us beat Lou but the Vallejo Race is still worth it. And if we do beat Lou it would be something you don't want to miss!

Chatting with *Captain Hooke*, 2008 Season Champion

Tom and David Newton, Skippers

Interviewed by Michele Williams, Vice Commodore

I-36: Congratulations on winning the YRA season championship this year.

I-36: What's the most fun you've had this season?

I-36: I see. Tell me more about your crew. You mentioned they were awkward?

Captain Hooke: Thank you, it was a very satisfying experience. A combination of my superior speed to weather and my destiny. Crew work was awkward but adequate. There were no major injuries.

Hooke: I like it when my new owner, David Newton, rubs my bottom before a race. That feels good.

Hooke: Clumsy oafs for the most part. A couple of Marines, a cement contractor, a few geeks for the rail. Most of the time they're bumping into each other and slipping all over my deck. These guys cause more problems than they solve. They mostly slow me down, basically a bunch of amateurs. If it wasn't for them I would have won every race. The new owners, the Newton brothers, are suspicious to say the least. I suspect they're not real sailors at all. You can't get much out of them. They think racing is some kind of game. They mostly sit in the back of the boat and tell jokes about body parts. Believe me, they don't know what they're doing out there. The driver, Tom, seems to be asleep half the time, the other half he's trying to crash me into other boats,

I-36: May I ask, what does destiny have to do with racing?

Hooke: Absolutely nothing. Destiny has to do with winning!

I-36: What are you telling me? Are you saying it's your destiny to win?

Hooke: Yes, that's it exactly. It started with a racing legend here on the bay, a guy named T. David Fenix III. He bought me new in 1978 and had Steve Taft and Jack MacLean sail me up here from LA. They worked for Dave at the time and he had them trick me out for racing. That's where destiny comes in. Dave went on to own *Bullfrog* but was killed in a gruesome speedboat accident after returning from the St. Frances one night in a Whaler. His ghost, however, is still here on board.

I-36: Don't go cute on me. I mean on the race course.

Hooke: Yeah sure. Once I remember passing one of my enemies, *Tenacious*, to leeward. When we broke through, they fell off behind us like a stone. I'll never forget the agony on their faces. A classic kill. That was fun. Real fun. Then we did it again to *Pacific High*, another enemy, this time I rolled them like the last pantatella on earth. It was also big fun to sail to first place in the last race of the season and then simply quit because I locked-up the season the race before. It was glorious to take down the jib and cackle as the fleet sailed by, struggling for second and third. *Hooke* gives the pleasure; *Hooke* gives the pain.

all the while whispering to himself, "I'm fully insured." The other one, David, mostly looks around frantically yelling and pointing at other boats. It's a mess. They don't respect me and are basically dangerous. One of the crew, a pastry chef, put out a cigarette on my gel coat. It was a miracle I won with the blunders these idiots made, especially the after guard. Alcohol is a problem; attitude is a problem; I suspect dementia or perhaps Tourette's Syndrome.



In the photo: David and Tom Newton accept the award for Season Champion.

Several other owners have raced me as *Grumpy Dog* since Dave sold me. They raced me hard but only got one win in all those years. Then, a while back, I was left for dead in Brickyard cove. Three years ago the Newton brothers bought me and started to fix me up again for racing. I'm dedicating this season to Dave Fenix, my original owner.



Cruising Notes

From Anna Stewart and Carol Williams, Cruising Co-Chairs

Schedule 2009 Fun Times Now!

Get out your brand new 2009 calendar and pencil in these dates now! You don't want to miss any of these great coming attractions.

~ Anna and Carol

2009 Cruise Schedule (tentative)

March 21st and 22nd:

Spring Meeting
San Francisco Yacht Club (confirmed)
Coordinators: Anna & Carol

April 4th:

Sailing Clinic for Racers and Cruisers
Golden Gate Yacht Club (confirmed)

April 25th & 26th:

Encinal Yacht Club Cruise & I-36
Night @ Svendsen's Marine Store (confirmed)
Coordinators: Charles & Kathryn Hodgkins

May 23rd and 24th:

Petaluma Yacht Club (confirmed)
Coordinators: TBD

June 13th & 14th:

South Beach Yacht Club Cruise & Bay Bridge Series Baseball Game (A's vs. Giants)
South Beach Yacht Club (confirmed)
Coordinators: Myphi Alloy & Dan Knox

July 4th, 5th & 6th:

Annual Napa Cruise to The Shea's
Coordinators: Tim & Rhonda Shea

August (TBD):

Coyote Point Yacht Club
Coordinators: TBD

August 29th, 30th & 31st:

Labor Day Cruise to Half Moon Bay
Coordinators: TBD

October 3rd:

Nationals Regatta~Cruisers welcome!
Golden Gate Yacht Club

October 17th & 18th:

Point San Pablo Yacht Club Halloween!
Coordinators: Harry Farrell & Carol Williams

November 7th:

Fall Meeting & Awards Ceremony
Oakland Yacht Club
Coordinators: Michele Williams

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All Islanders Rendezvous:

September (TBD):

3rd Annual SF All Islanders Rendezvous
Encinal & Oakland Yacht Clubs,
Coordinators: Rick & Sandy Van Mell

June 19-21

Annual Port Ludlow, Washington All
Islander Rendezvous, Puget Sound

July

Possible 5th Annual Canadian All
Islanders Rendezvous

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Nautical Terms

by Skipper Wall

I thought how appropriate to really know about the origin of what is most dear to our main and jib.

Wind

From the Anglo-Saxon "wind". The word is traced back through the Teutonic languages to the Latin "Ventus", and ultimately to the Sanskrit "vata". The wind, of course, is the *sine qua non* of the sailor's life in sail; its importance is reflected in the many nautical expressions that have found a secure place in our everyday speech.

According to classical mythology, the winds of the north, south, east & west (respectively Boreas, Notus, Eurus and Zephyrus) were ruled by Aeolus (our boat *Snowflower's* original name), who kept them in a cave. Aeolus gave Ulysses a bag containing all the dangerous and unfavorable winds, such as storms and tempests, so that he might complete his journey without being delayed. However, his crew opened the bag, thinking it contained treasure; all the harmful winds escaped and a terrible storm at once arose and drove the boat back to the island of Aeolus.

Wind is found in many expressions we have heard and used. Each have a paragraph or two of explanation:

- A capful of wind (legend in regards to Eric, king of Sweden)
- To see how the wind blows
- Betwixt wind and water
- To see which way the wind blows
- In the teeth of the wind/gale
- To take the wind out of someone's sails
- In the wind's eye
- To whistle up a wind

Lastly: I googled the web site "onelook.com/reverse-dictionary.shtml" typed in "wind" and there were pages of words associated with wind! This web site seems to be a good addition to the dictionary and thesaurus?

Celebrating 2008

Scenes from the 2008 Fall Meeting and Winners Dinner

Clockwise from top left: (1) Captain Zen and Chie French enjoy the evening, (2) Lifting a glass to the year, (3) Tim (and Rhonda) Shea receive the Scheider Award from Smokey Stover, (4) Rick Van Mell gets special recognition as the I-36 Webmaster, and (5) Commodore Corky Stewart presents the Chuck Winton Cruising award to Skipper and Nanci Wall.



Find more pictures
and read about the party on the
Islander 36 Web site at:
www.Islander36.org.

Web Pages Sail On

Report from the Electronic Side

by Rick Van Mell, Webmaster

Two years ago at the 2006 Fall Meeting, we were delighted that our www.Islander36.org web site had gotten just over 1 million hits for the year. Well we've sure got the wind at our back with all sails set as this year we racked up 4,300,798 hits through 11 months. Maybe a lot of that is web crawlers checking out our pages, but it's still a big number.

We now have 333 pages on the web site, with 13,591 pictures to enjoy. What with the little thumbnails and the tiny html shell to display the bigger pictures, we have about 34,000 files on the site.

There are 11 years of history on the site going back to 1998. Our cruise history is told by the number of times we've visited different ports. Encinal tops the list with 8 visits (plus an additional 2 All Islander visits), Half Moon Bay is second with 7, and Benicia is third with 6. Coyote Point and Petaluma each have 5 pages. There are 4 pages for Napa, Marin YC and Treasure Island, and 3 for Sequoia YC. Two visits are racked up for Ballena Bay, Drakes Bay, Marina Village, Pt. San Pablo, Richmond, San Leandro and South Beach. Single pages mark visits to Angel Island, a Delta Cruise, Oyster Point, and Vallejo. Three pages mark the annual New Years Day Round Alameda parade.

Racers get the most pages for a single event - the Vallejo Race with 9 pages. There are 5 pages for Knox races and 5 for The Nationals Regatta. The South Bay races have 4 pages, and there are 4 pages of Sail Trim Clinics.

And how did people find our site? Most people have a link and go directly. But some people use search strings and could get a hit on any of the 36 words in our meta tag. The way most common single search string was "islander 36", and 12 of the top 15 included "islander". But, repeating our experience from a year ago, the # 2 search string in 9 of the eleven months since January was "flower child". If you think that couldn't be us, go to the 2003 Bay To Breakers page and look for a picture with that caption: www.Islander36.org/btob03.html. When you stop laughing, we'll see you next year.

THANKS 2008 Door Prize Donors!

by Karen Damsen

If you missed the Fall meeting you missed a chance at some fabulous door prizes, personally delivered to your table by **Laurie Stover** and **Betsy Fowler** (thanks, Ladies!). Our I-36 members generously contributed many wonderful prizes and everyone had a chance at one of the grand prizes, which included:

- 3 nights stay at Donner/Tahoe cabin donated by **Tim & Rhonda Shea** of *Lean Times*
- 2 nights stay at the Front Thirty Ranch guest house donated by **Bill & Terry Ray** of *Exit Strategy* (Lake Texoma, TX)
- 1 week stay at the waterfront condo at Ma'ala Bay on Maui, Hawaii donated by **Rich Vulliet** of *Paradesia*

Don't miss the Fall meeting in 2009! Here is a list of all the donations:

Donor	Thanks to	Prize
Islander 36 Association		All Islander Rendezvous Logo wine bottles and I-36 burgees
I-36 <i>Pacific High</i>	Harry Farrell and Carol Williams	125 v/30 amp power cord splitter
I-36 <i>Evanescence</i>	Smokey and Laurie Stover	Gift basket with nautical dish towels, cheese spreaders, S&P shakers, and more.
I-36 <i>Pegasus</i>	Robert Aston and Mary Gleim	V-berth fitted sheets and \$200 value photograph
I-36 <i>Dream Catcher</i>	Vern Verling and Cheryl Lawson	I-36 logo mugs
I-36 <i>Brigid</i>	Corky and Anna Stewart	Cozy boat blanket
I-36 <i>Lean Times</i>	Tim and Rhonda Shea	Napa gift basket
I-36 <i>Vanishing Animal</i>	Sandy Van Mell	Hand-made jewelry
I-36 <i>Luna Sea</i>	Dan Knox	Wine tote and 2 bottles of wine
I-36 <i>Woodbine</i>	Ron and Karen Damsen	2 Goodies Baskets from Woodbine Bakery
I-36 <i>Snowflower</i>	Skipper and Nancy Wall	Lighted cork wreath, cork trivet sets, fender adjusters
Anonymous		Onboard potluck cookbook and non-skid cutting board
Anonymous		1000 offshore life jacket
Anonymous		Gift basket with champagne, chocolates, candles, and lots more.
Anonymous		Nautical theme wine tote and red and white wine
Svensden's Boatworks		Fleece caps, key floats, Harken cooler, solar dome light, chapsticks
KKMI	Erica Kaplan	Free haul-out and launch, pressure wash, tape, and 1 coat of bottom paint
Margaret Fago Watercolors		3 boxes greeting cards
Hood Sails	Robin Sodaro	Document bag, medium and large duffel bags
Embroidery Factory	Shirley Housley	T-shirts with I-36 logo
Latitude 38	Richard Spindler	Latitude 38 T-shirts
West Marine-Alameda	Dan Niessen	Rigging knife, safety whistles, lights ticks, first aide kit

New Members Welcomed

The Islander 36 Association Family Adds New Members

by Bob Knickerbocker

During 2008 the Association processed 32 new member applications. Fifteen are from the United States outside of California including Georgia, Idaho, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Oklahoma, Texas, Vermont, Washington, and Wisconsin. Some of the recent members are:

- Peter Wollschlaeger from Okemos, Michigan sailing on *Oriana*.
- Tim and Renae Little from Lewiston, Idaho sailing on *Islander Spirit* out of Hells Canyon Resort.
- Wayne and Carole Eagleson from Germantown, Maryland sailing on *Knotty Buoys*.

Two new members from outside of the United States include:

- Clive Openshaw and Tricia Andrews from Denman Island, British Columbia sailing on *Induna*,
- Geoff Hargraves, and Isabel Navarro Marote from Earlwood, New South Wales, Australia sailing on *Ira-Ricarda*.

Welcome to all! For all you San Francisco Bay sailors be sure to look for and welcome all new members when you see them sailing out on the Bay.

Why Buy an I36?

Quality: The I36 was designed to be a racing boat that is comfortable to cruise as well. The wide beam in relation to the length combined with the deep draft and long waterline give plenty of room below decks while also allowing for speed and stability. She has long proven to be well suited to SF Bay conditions. Twenty five knots in the summer is not a problem for her; she's a great sailor. If you love sailing in the bay, this is the boat for you.

Value: These boats represent an exceptional value. They are typically well cared for and skippers commonly maintain ownership for decades.

Many boat owners are forced to choose between racing and cruising. Some might purchase more than one boat in order to enjoy both. Buy an I36 and you don't have to choose you can do both in one boat.



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**Buying an
Islander 36?
A decision you'll
appreciate for
years to come.**



Beautiful Boats

Many in our Association believe that the Islander 36 is the nicest looking boat on the bay. More than a few have been purchased just because of the way they look. When you purchase an Islander you also get wonderful people, lots of cruising and racing, and an outstanding value.

Why race with us ?

The Islander Association is committed to being a competitive, safe and friendly racing fleet. We follow the Corinthian ethic where gentlemanly racing is not only displayed but expected.

We race in a One Design Class which most racers believe is the fairest and best form of racing. Without an active one design fleet you are just missing out on some on the fun.

With a wide variety of races scheduled each season, your sailing skills will be tested and quickly improved.

Many classes have a problem getting enough boats to the line to keep a One Design status - not us. In 2007 we had more than 10 boats signed up for the YRA Series. We are going on 35 years and are committed to continuing.



Are you really going to pay my \$240 annual YRA dues?

Yes we are. We want to build our racing fleet and have put together a program to help do just that.

There are some requirements but not many. So if you purchase an I36, or simply want to start racing, and are willing to race in at least four races your first season the Islander 36 Association will reimburse the \$240 in YRA fees.

We want you to race with us and we will do what we can to make that happen!



I'm new to racing. Can I get some help?

Our club has a Race Mentoring program available to help you navigate your first race season. We will put an experienced I36 owner/racer on your boat to help you and your crew with tactics, sail trim and much more. See our website for more information regarding this program.

That's it: You race and we not only will we pay the fees but we'll make sure you're comfortable out on the race course.



The I36 Association

Our very active membership is a benefit to any Islander 36 owner. A quick look at our website (Islander36.org) will show that skippers from all over the world in addition to the Bay Area are more than willing to share the pleasure of racing, cruising, and maintaining an Islander. Many of our members feel this large community of sailors is the best part of owning an Islander. As Kimball Livingston wrote about our organization in SAIL magazine, "People may choose a boat for the boat, but they stay in the fleet for the people."

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