

# WHISTLER



## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

- by Wesley Hodges -

March was a ton of Yacht Club Fun and some great sailing too. The next few months should provide some decent spring breezes and I bet we have a few more weather surprises on the way.

We have four series races coming up in April that need Race Committee volunteers. Thank you to those that served last month. Seems like RC is having the most fun!

SailGP finals are May 6th & 7th in San Francisco and it looks like a contingent of Humboldt Yachties are planning to be there to watch some of the top athletes handle the latest sailing technology. It's all about foiling! SailGP also promotes the *Inspire Program* that works with youth sailing

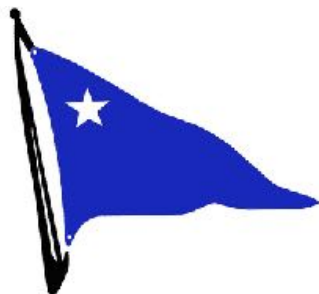
programs at each venue. Bring the kids to see what getting paid to sail looks like and maybe they will be inspired.

April 14 potluck will be in the Great Room and again hosted by the Bill and Janet Wickman. I can't wait to hear another great sailing story from their infinite inventory.

No foolin' - - on April 1st Estrella Acosta hosts Social Hour at the HYC Tiki Bar where she will treat us to a Hemingway Daiquiri. *"An intelligent man is sometimes forced to be drunk to spend time with his fools."* - E.H.

See you on the water!

Commodore Wes



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## THE PROPERTY WE ALMOST BOUGHT IN 2000



Located between Gill's Restaurant and the EZ Landing Trailer Park, the property had a four-plex with \$1400/month rental value, two bedroom house with \$600/month rental value, a 360 sq.ft garage, a detached bathroom and a small dock and ramp. Asking price was \$165,000. After meetings, meetings, and more meetings, it finally was decided (by a slim margin) not to purchase.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF HUMBOLDT YACHT CLUB GENERAL MEETING TO DISCUSS PURCHASE OF PROPERTY IN KING SALMON

Your attendance is requested at a meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 19, 7:30 PM at the One Marina Way boardroom in Eureka. The purpose of this meeting is for the HYC membership to become familiar with the proposed purchase of property in King Salmon via findings and opinions of the "Committee of Seven" and to hear and record views presented by the general membership regarding this proposal. The King Salmon property is under consideration for purchase using our "Building Fund". By the HYC Constitution, a general meeting must be held as part of the information gathering process that will be presented to the HYC Board of Governors.

As well, I am interested in hearing ideas and desires from our members regarding the direction our organization follows into the future.

Kenneth Thiessen, Commodore  
Humboldt Yacht Club

### BOARD OF GOVERNORS

*Commodore:*  
**Wesley Hodges**

*Vice Commodore:*  
**Wendy Zampardi**

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**Bill Wickman**

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**Garrett Coonrod**

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**Will Bagnall**

*Members At Large:*  
**Darren Weiss**  
**Caris Cassidy**  
**John Brown**

*Immediate Past Commodore:*  
**Bridge Randall**

### SAILBOAT RACING IN APRIL

IN-BAY KEEL #2 - Apr. 8th  
GREAT BAY #2 - Apr. 15th  
SUNSET KEEL - Apr. 22nd  
WHISTLER #1 - Apr. 29th



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## “BIGHT”

A “bight” is made by folding a piece of rope so that the two parts lie alongside each other. When tied near the rope’s end, the parts will be the ‘Tail lying beside the Standing End. A bight can be used to finish many knots – making them easy to untie by just pulling the tail. The term “Bight” does not imply a “Loop” (which is when a rope forms a partial circle with the ends crossing each other).



The blue rope is **half-hitched** through and around a bight of the red rope in this **sheet bend**.



The final tuck of this **slipped buntline hitch** is made with a bight rather than the end, making it easier to release after tightening.



The bights, in the case of this **Turk's head knot**, are the scallops along the perimeter of the knot.



In the tying of a **marlinspike hitch**, a bight of the standing part is snagged through the loop.



A **figure eight knot** tied in the bight results in a **figure-eight loop**.



An **overhand knot** tied in the bight results in an **overhand loop**.



The **alpine butterfly knot** is a knot which is tied in the bight and forms a reliable fixed loop.



The **bowline on a bight** forms two fixed loops in the middle of a rope.

## NEWS FROM THE TIKI BAR

The Yacht Club's monthly Social Hour (coinciding as it does with Eureka's Arts Alive) is Saturday, April 1st starting at 5pm. Hosted this month by Estrella Acosta and co-conspirator Caris Cassidy, the featured cocktail will be another Polynesian-inspired drink — a Humboldt-version of the “*Hemingway Daiquiri*,” hand-pressed by your hosts of course. PUPUS, too ?? Please come and enjoy the occasion!



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**SAILING CAN BE SUCH A HEELING ACTIVITY**

**WELCOME BACK**

The yacht club is pleased to  
announce that  
**DAVID & JENNI SANGIOVANNI**  
have returned as members  
with their Ta Chiao 38,  
"Wayfinder"

***Keeping A Weather Eye:***

Apr. 1	Social Hour - 1700 hrs
Apr. 8	In-Bay Keel #2 - 1300 hrs
Apr. 14	Potluck & Membership mtg - 1800 hrs
Apr. 15	Great Bay Race #2 - 1300 hrs
Apr. 11	Board of Gov'nors mtg - 1800 hrs
Apr. 22	Sunset Keel - 1900 hrs
Apr. 29	Whistler #1 - 1230 hrs

