#### **NOVEMBER 2023**



# COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

- by Wesley Hodges -

Hey Party People! Another amazing month of Yacht Club activities has passed, with more in the works. If you were there you know that the social-wing of the club has been in "full sail in a fair breeze." It's great to see club members take the helm to promote events and organize volunteers. The Fundraising Committee has also been successfully hammering away at the goal of buying a new outboard engine for the safety boat. The best way to support volunteers is providing equipment in proper working order.

The November calendar looks action-packed with Fall celebrations. The Veterans Day "Three Bridges Fiasco" race happens on the second Saturday (11/11), which is also the first day of Winter FOG racing. Don't miss the first Saturday Social Hour or the second Friday Potluck hosted by the Fantastic Four.

Check our website and information following for the "Festivus Grail" Notice of Race. Three throw outs? But what if only three races are scored? Who's in charge here? This is a great series for taking holiday guests for a sailboat ride and next year's crew auditions. Your Nominating Committee has been hard at work sifting through the vast stack of applications that have come in for Board of Governors positions for 2024. Thanks to all the applicants for including those glamor shots. There is still time to throw your hat in the ring for a board position, as nomination will be taken from the floor. Vetted candidates will be shaking hands and kissing your babies at the November membership meeting on the 10th, so be sure to show up and cast your vote.

There are also lots of Volunteer opportunities that don't require Board Service. What if we had an aspiring influencer managing our Social Media accounts and digital presence? How about a member in charge of merchandise sales and ordering? Applying for Special Use Permits? Engaging with the Chamber of Commerce? Reach out to a Board Member if there's any task on this ship you think you can manage. Thanks to all the Volunteers!

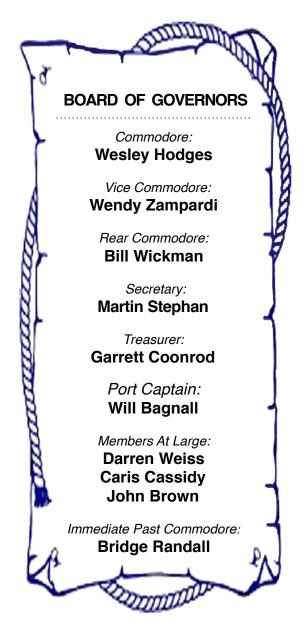
- Commodore Wes

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### **RACES IN NOVEMBER**

VETERANS DAY RACE Nov. 11 at 1111 hrs GREAT BAY RACE Nov. 18 at 1300 hrs

## The FESTIVUS GRAIL Series

November 18 &25, December 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30. Like the Commodore's Cup, but chillier. The Notice of Race can be found on the bulletin board in the clubroom.

### **Single-handed Keelboats**

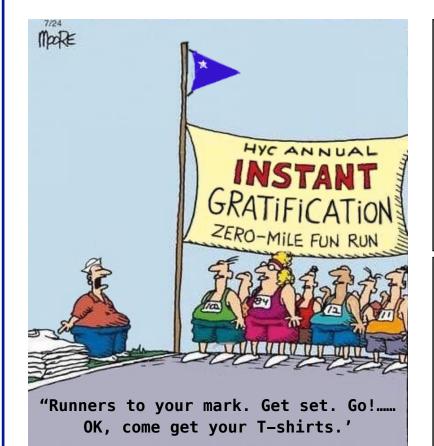
The 4th and final day of racing in the singlehanded keelboat series was held on October 21st, with wind from at SSW at 9-15 knots. There were four races, with the first three races of the day having the course and side of rounding in reverse. Ed Mattson came in first place in the whole series, followed by Tim Dellas in second and Richard Hendry in third place. Scores for the races are on our website.



Link to Video of Race: https://youtu.be/8MJ\_TVf4o9w? si=o\_Hto5MOtn3dkSOD

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## POTLUCK DATE CHANGE CHANGE

You may recall last month you were advised that at the October potluck there would be a vote to change the potluck / general membership meetings back to the first Tuesday of each month (except, of course, September and January). Well, that didn't happens because those in attendance made a motion to move those meetings to the first Saturday of the month instead. But because our by-laws require advanced notice to change this, a vote is now set for the November 10th potluck / general membership - - a vote between the first Tuesday or the first Saturday of the month. Two-thirds of the memberships present at that meeting will need to vote in the affirmative for one of these times to make the change happen.

#### PLANNING MEETING

What do you want on the calendar next year. More or less racing? More or less social events? It's all up to you! So come to the "Planning Meeting" on November 12th at 1000 hrs to help plan the club's activities for 2024. You can make a BIG difference in what you see on the Event Schedule for the coming year!

## FOG RACES ON THE MOVE

Once again, it's time to change your clocks on November 5th when daylight saving time ends. That means the HYC unofficial FOG races will be moving to Saturdays at 1400 hrs. The last Wednesday FOG race will be on November 1st at 1800 hrs. Mark your calendars!

#### Save the Date FLAG OFFICERS DINNER

The annual Flag Officers Dinner & Change of Watch next month will be held in the Great Room on December 8th starting at 1800 hrs. More details to follow.



**RICHMOND YACHT CLUB** 

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#### AMERICA'S CUP 37 - by Gail Foreswin -

Last month six teams lined up in their new AC40s in the run-up to the 37th America's Cup next Summer. The first races in the America's Cup World Series event were held in Catalonia, Spain.

The AC40s use just four crew who don't switch sides on tacks or jibes, as there is one helmsperson and one crew on each side. The defenders Emirates Team New Zealand faced off against Ineos Britania (United Kingdom), Alinghi Red Bull Racing (Switzerland), Luna Rosa Prada Pirelli (Italy), American Magic (New York Yacht Club), and Orient Express Racing Team (France).

The America's Cup finals will be held from August through October 2024 in Barcelona, Spain, racing in the AC75s.

The next AC World Series event will be held in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, from November 24 to December 2, although the American team has declined to participate.







# Keeping A Weather Eye:

- Nov. 4 Social Hour 1700 hrs
- Nov. 10 Potluck / Membership Mtg 1800 hrs
- Nov. 11 Veterans Day Race 1111 hrs
- Nov. 12 Planning Meeting 1000 hrs
- Nov. 14 Board of Gov'nors Mtg 1800 hrs
- Nov. 18 Great Bay Race #3 1300 hrs

