



COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

- BY BRIDGE RANDALL -

June is looking to be a big month at the Humboldt Yacht Club! Perfect for all our new members to come and meet the crew. Single Hand Keel #2 starts off the fun on June 7th quickly followed by the Race to Trinidad and Back on the 21st/ 22nd. Wrapping up the month is the Dinghy weekend on the Bay on the 28th / 29th. **We need a Race Committee for the Singlehand series.** If you don't normally single hand your boat, come out with your crew and have a party! The Trinidad race is our big offshore adventure. Prep your boat up, and call the Trinidad Marina to straighten out paperwork. They want an

assurance that your insurance is current and they are included. No big deal, but its one more thing to do. Arrange for a mooring ball and consider either camping onboard or having a way to get to the dock. "Seamen are cautioned not to make free with these shores as they are very imperfectly known



and from their wild desolate character they cannot be approached with safety. Caution! (Chart No 24, Channel between the Gulf of Trinidad and Gulf of Penas.) " While not our Trinidad, it's the Big Pacific nonetheless, sail safe! The plan for the Dinghy weekend is a mix of training sessions to refresh everyone on how to rig the FJs and Laser plus some fun quick racing in front of the city. It should be great fun!

This month is unique in that the Potluck is June 3rd and our monthly cocktail / social party is afterwards on June 7th. The hosts will notify us of the theme! We have a pending meeting with the Humboldt Bay Harbor District early June (date TBD) to discuss the formation of a Humboldt Bay Sailing and Aquatic center. Hopefully we can hammer out a MOU to progress in a potential new yacht club. As soon as I get a date from them I will pass it along.

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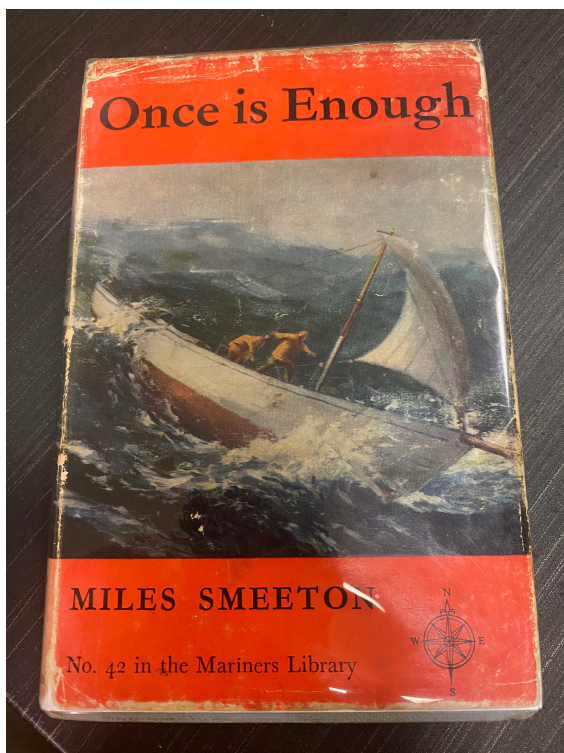
From the Club Library

“Once Is Enough”

You should check out the club library and try this classic out.

I know the title doesn't sound great, but its an amazingly inspiring read. Miles, his wife Beryl and a good friend John Guzzwell (of Trekka), sail Tzu Hang from Australia and attempt rounding Cape Horn for England. The three of them were well experienced sailors and survived amazingly challenging conditions including not one but two pitchpoles in the Southern Ocean. With a spirit of tenacity the Smeeton's refitted in Valparaiso and then continued to sail back to England.

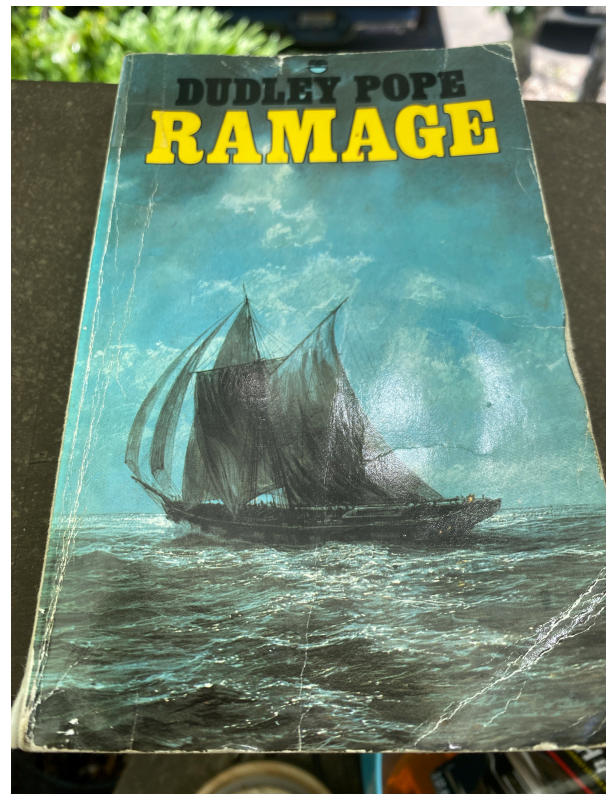
If you have read The Wager or the fictional version by Patrick O'Brian, you have an image about how brutal conditions can be. You should check out the club library and try this classic out.



“Ramage”

If you have enjoyed the classic Patrick O'Brien adventures. But thought them a bit dry, try Dudley Pope! He's a prolific nautical historical author who writes amazing stories. His style isn't quite as bawdy as Dewey Lambden. Not as detailed as CS Forester. A perfect fun read full of swashbuckling battles with the French and Spanish. His main series is based in the late 1700s when Admiral Nelson was rampaging. The hero is Ramage. Technically Lord Nicholas Ramage Earl of Blazey.

15 books follow this one. Each that I have been able to find has been captivating fun fast reads.



Try an author you nor I probably had ever heard of. I promise you won't be disappointed.

PS: Dewey Lambden is great too!

-Bridge Randall

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Another "Favorite Place"

Molivos on the island of Lesbos may be one of our favorite towns from anywhere, anytime. It's a gorgeous example of a Greek-Turkish-Greek coastal mountain village with another rugged castle at its peak.



There are a few vehicle roads in town but most is foot traffic only and the terrain is so nearly vertical that almost all dwellings have a spectacular view out over the Aegean. If you keep going up hill you reach the castle. If you keep going down you reach the sea and the port. In between you can enjoy being lost in a maze of steep cobble stone sidewalk-streets.



There are tourist shops and some low key tourism but in this case it just adds to the variety of the town. There's a historic preservation act in place, we're told, and I hope it stays in effect. The buildings are all native stone, some white washed, and there are many with overhanging Turkish balconies. We've had lovely meals with a great view over the bay at every restaurant and we've walked 'streets' that we might not be able to find again. It's all quite lovely.



Years ago I used to think about retiring to a village on some Greek island and although that was pretty much a pipe dream, and although I'm pretty happy where we're at, if that ever happens, Molivos might be the place.



But tomorrow may be the day we move on. The weather rules and it's been blowing pretty much on the nose, the NW, for our next destination, the island of Limnos. Tomorrow the winds are supposed to veer around to the NNE for a day or so and then fill in again stronger from the NW later in the week. So we plan on being outta here at day break for the sixty mile trip to Limnos. Pretty scary actually, we haven't been out of sight of land in quite a while. Wish us a great sail.

-Bill & Janet Wickman, July 1, 2013

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<div> <div>Today</div> <div>< ></div> <div>June 2025</div> <div> <div>Month</div> </div> </div>						
SUN Jun 1	MON 2	TUE 3 • 6pm Potluck	WED 4 • 6pm Fog Race	THU 5	FRI 6	SAT 7 • 2pm Single Handed Keel #: • 5pm Social Hour
8	9	10 • 6pm Board Meeting	11 • 6pm Fog Race	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 • 6pm Fog Race	19	20	21 • 12:30pm Trinidad Race Nor
22 • 12:30pm Trinidad Race Sou	23	24	25 • 6pm Fog Race	26	27	28 • 12pm Dinghy Rigging Clinic
29 • 12pm Dinghy Race	30	Jul 1 • 6pm Potluck	2 • 6pm Fog Race	3	4 • 6pm Fireworks Raft up	5 Klamath Falls Firecracker Re • 5pm Social Hour



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