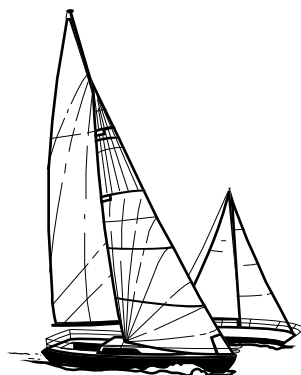


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View from the Bridge

Pete Denholm
Commodore

We are not alone in our appreciation of Catalinas. In the fall of 1999, SAIL magazine invited readers to inspect, test-sail, and send their picks for the 10 best new boats from 36 nominees for SAIL's Top 10 Award for 2000. The reader ballots and SAIL's nine test-sailing judges picked the Catalina 310 as one of its Top 10 Boats for 2000. The write-up about the Catalina 310 is on page 71 of Sail's February issue.

The number of people who stopped by the Catalina display at the Sail Expo boat show in Atlantic City confirms Catalina's popularity. Karen and I volunteered at the Catalina Owners' Association booth for the Sail Expo. The booth was located right in the middle of the Catalina display boats and we were often mistaken for Catalina sales people. When we weren't standing behind the booth or in a casino gambling, we were looking at all the other new boats and checking out the equipment vendors. It made me think about the upcoming sailing season and our club's scheduled events.

CCYC's annual planning meeting was held at Wayne and Joan Savage's house on January 9th. We had a large turnout with over 15 members present. I want to thank everyone who participated for the great food and ideas for this year's events. We have

a full schedule with a variety of activities for monthly meetings and a variety of sailing destinations for our cruises. Check out this year's sailing schedule included in the newsletter. Now's the time to mark your calendars! You know the old saying, the more the merrier, so I hope to see many of you at our events this year.

Speaking of events, our February meeting will be a joint meeting with the International Catalina 36 Fleet 3 club on February 12th. It will be a luncheon and diesel engine class. Come find out how to maintain your diesel engine and meet some Catalina 36 club members. See Ray's article for more details.

See you at the diesel class. ⚓

Member Meeting
Saturday, February 12th, 10:45 to 2:30
Rams Head Tavern, Annapolis, MD

Ray Nieves
Vice Commodore

The February Members' Meeting is going to be on Saturday, February 12th from 10:45 am to 2:30 pm at the Rams Head Tavern, 33 West Street, Annapolis, MD. This is going to be a combined meeting with Fleet III of the Catalina 36 Association and will include a buffet luncheon and a diesel engine seminar conducted by Harvey Smith of Annapolis

Marine Diesel. Advance reservations are required to assure an accurate head count for planning the buffet luncheon, so contact me by phone (301-855-3398) or by email (ClassieChassie@erols.com) no later than Thursday, February 3rd.

The agenda is:

- 10:45 Registration/pay for luncheon
- 11:00 Seminar Session I
- 12:00 Buffet Luncheon
- 12:45 Seminar Session II
- 2:30 Conclusion

The seminar will be on diesel engines and will discuss:

- ☞ Preventive maintenance
- ☞ Fuel system and fuel filtering
- ☞ Cooling system
- ☞ Lubrication system
- ☞ Exhaust system
- ☞ Electrical system

The Buffet Luncheon will include your choice of 3 entrees (Chicken Piccata, Pasta Primavera, Sausage Supreme), Classico Caesar Salad, beverage (coffee, iced tea, sodas). The cost is \$16.00 per person, which includes tax, gratuity and speaker fee. Please bring your checkbook to pay at registration.

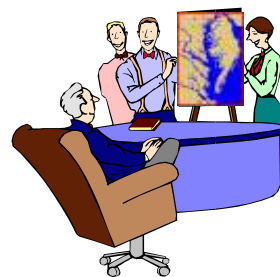
Several spouses are planning to stay for the luncheon and then head off for a few hours of shopping during the second session. Feel free to join in. ☞

Tall Ships 2000 And OpSail 2000

Tall Ships 2000, affiliated with the nonprofit American Sail Training Association and its international counterpart, will kick off with a race between Southhampton, England, and Genoa, Italy, in mid-April, 2000. On May 7th, the group of more than 100 tall ships will begin a special transatlantic race, scheduled to end June 9-12 in Bermuda. From there, the ships will cruise along the East Coast, stopping at various ports, including Norfolk, Philadelphia, New York and finally rallying in

Boston for the race to Halifax and then to Amsterdam. For a complete calendar, contact the American Sail Training Association, 401-846-1775 or check the web site <http://tallships.sailtraining.org>.

Ships from more than 60 countries will participate in "OpSail 2000: The Nation's Celebration", a two-month tour of East Coast ports. The event will begin in San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 25-29, and then visit Miami, Norfolk, Baltimore Philadelphia, New York, New London, Conn, and Portland, Maine. The July 3-9 New York event is expected to draw the largest parade of tall ships in history. You can get information at <http://www.opsail2000.org> or call 202-955-5850. ☞



2000 Cruise/Raft-up Planning Meeting

We came;
We planned;
We (will) sail.

The cruise and raft-up planning meeting at Wayne and Joan's house was a great time. It was also one of the best-attended planning meetings we've had, so the schedule is full of interesting events scattered around the Bay - something for everyone. ☞

Date	Event	Location
Apr 2	Flag Raising Brunch	TBD
Apr 30-31	Ice Breaker	Paula's Landing, Spa Creek
May 27-29	Memorial Day Cruise	Choptank River
Jun 10-11	Wahine Cruise	TBD
Jul 1-4	Cruise/Raft-up	Solomons Island
Aug 5-6	Crab Feast Cruise	Cantlers, Mill Creek
Sep 2-10	Labor Day/ Week Cruise	Magothy, Baltimore, Chester
Sep 30 - Oct 1	Octoberfest Cruise	TBD
Oct 28-29	Halloween Cruise	West River
Dec 9	Holiday Party	Nieves' Landing