

# JYC HAILER

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## COMMODORE'S CORNER



By Dean Rasmussen 2006 Commodore

Jimmy Mahan and the gang did a great job in organizing and hosting the Juneau Yacht Club initial Boating Safety Fair last Saturday, May 6. Two “thumbs up” go to Jimmy as well as to Brian Lieb, Dave Carnes, Gerald Gotschall, Damon Cruz, Jim Green, Mike Rental, Ron Flint, Tom Satre, Sean Boile, Kurt and Zrinka Dzinich, Wade Rogers, Jay Ginter, David Dierdorff, and Madeleine Lefebvre. Sincere thanks also go to Marilyn Holmes who did a fantastic poster for this year’s event. We also thank Judy Ripley and Lawrence Oldaker for staffing our membership table—we added six new members and had five membership renewals!

Participating organizations for this year’s Boating Safety Fair included the Juneau Yacht Club, Alaska Marine Safety Education Association, US Coast Guard, US Coast Guard Auxiliary, Juneau Youth Sailing, Inc., Juneau Rowing Club, Alaska Boat and Kayak, Nugget Outfitters and Western Auto and Marine. We thank Coca-Cola for the event banner they provided.

Please forgive me if I’ve overlooked someone who contributed in this event. I believe it was truly an educational, informative and fun event! I hope we can do it every year.

I urge all members to attend our next regular Yacht Club monthly meeting which will be held Tuesday, May 16. The social hour begins at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. A short meeting and program will follow. This month’s program will feature the Coast Guard discussing new marine security procedures which will affect all vessel operators in the Juneau area. The May meeting will be our last regular meeting until September.

See you on the water!

Dean Rasmussen, Commodore

## ***This Month***

This month’s dinner is a spring BBQ:  
Grilled Chicken, Potato Salad, Green Salad, Rolls and Cake and Ice Cream for dessert.

### FOOD COMMITTEE

Rosemary Hagevig – Chair  
Bev Ward – Chair  
Anita Statter  
Sherri and Noel Grant  
Eric and Bunny Lindegaard  
Peggy and Dick Garrison  
Bud and Carolyn Palmer

### PROGRAM

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## BOARD of DIRECTORS

Commodore	Dean Rasmussen
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Board Member (2007)	Kurt Dzinich

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### JYC Board Highlights - March 14 meeting

Roll Call (Establish Quorum)

Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Dues Status

Membership Cards

Business

- Rental manager on leave until June 26. Commodore is back up.
- Rental cleaner position is now vacant. Need cleaner immediately until June 26.
- M/S/P pay Brian Lieb \$354.40 for yearly web hosting and maintenance of website.
- M/S/P pay Brian Lieb \$126.95 for five-year domain fee.
- M/S/P pay Prestige Flag \$442.35 for pennants Power Squadron.
- M/S/P pay \$80.30 for Around Admiralty trophies. Non-member entrance fees to reimburse.
- JYC burgees ordered.
- Approval to clean carpeting given.
- Carpeting/flooring committee will proceed with work during summer—goal to complete project September timeframe.
- M/S/P to confer Flag Officers with their flags when leaving office. Incoming officers given new flags upon assuming their positions.
- Next board meeting Tuesday, Sep 5 @ 1730 hours.

Adjourned

## NAUTICAL TID-BITS

The grunion, a member of the silverside family on the southern California coast, is the only fish known to come ashore to spawn on wet sand when the moon is nearly full.

Editor's note: It's quite a spectacle to see a whole beach swarming with wriggling sardines.



## NOTEWORTHY

- A Yacht Club work day was scheduled for Saturday, April 22, but had to be canceled. There are still a number of projects to work on—both inside and outside. Keep an ear open for announcements or contact Commodore Dean Rasmussen for information (463-5698). Please help, if you can.
- Our regular monthly meeting will be Tuesday, May 16. Meeting/dinner begins at 1900 hrs. (Social hour begins at 1800 hrs.)
- 2006 Memberships must be paid. Please see Tracy Kubley, Treasurer. Dues can also be mailed to the Yacht Club. Your membership card will then be sent.
- Members have to be current with their dues to receive discounts or waived entry fees in club sponsored sailing or power racing events and to be eligible in winning monthly ticket drawings.
- The JYC Membership Directory is available. Copies can be picked up at our May meeting or contact the Commodore at 463-5698 for a copy.
- Members are encouraged to bring in a framed picture of their boats so we can continue to add to the number of pictures in the club.
- The Yacht Club is looking for a temporary cleaner starting immediately until June 30. This is a paid position—call Commodore Dean for more details (463-5698).
- Members are reminded information and resources are available on our website - <http://juneauyachtclub.com>.
- Our list of volunteers - Brian Lieb, webmaster; Damon Cruz, newsletter editor; Kurt and Zrinka Dzinich our social hosts; Curt Terrell, JYC rental manager.
- New members (approval pending): Russell Strandmann, Brock Weidner, Aaron Brakel, Craig Price, James Green, Saesha Carline, Paul Andron, Craig Price and Paul Grant.

## 2006 Calendar of Events

Jan 3	5:30pm	Power Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Jan 6	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Jan 6	4:30pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
Jan 17	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting & Dinner	JYC
Feb 3	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Feb 3	4:30pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
Feb 7	5:30pm	Power Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Feb 21	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting & Dinner	JYC
Mar 3	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Mar 3	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
Mar 7	5:30pm	Power Squadron Meeting	JYC
Mar 17	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting & Dinner	JYC
Mar 17-19	8am-6pm	Rotary Boat Show	Centennial Hall
Apr 4	5:30pm	Power Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Apr 7	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
Apr 7	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Apr 18	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting & Dinner	JYC
May 2	5:30pm	Power Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
May 5	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
May 5	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
May 6	8am-4pm	Opening Day / Open House	JYC&Norway Pt Dock
May 16	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting & Dinner	JYC
May 27-29	10am – 9pm	Juneau Cup Races, Round 1	Taku Harbor/Twin Pt/ 3 legs
June 2	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
June 2	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
June 10,11	10am – 9pm	Juneau Cup Races, Round 2	Marmion Island/Auke Bay 2 legs
June 16	6:30 pm	Around-Admiralty Race Skippers' Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
June 17-24		Around Admiralty Isl. Race	Auke Bay to Gastineau Channel
July 3	9pm	4th of July Fireworks Raft-up	Gastineau Channel
July 7	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
July 15-16	10am – 9pm	Juneau Cup Races, Round 3	Juneau/Auke Bay to Admiralty Cove 4 legs
July 29-30	10am – 9pm	Juneau Cup Races, Round 4	Juneau Admiralty Cove 2 legs
Aug 4	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
Aug 12-13	10am – 9pm	Juneau Cup Races, Round 5	Juneau and Auke Bay Day Races 2 legs
Sept 1	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Sept 1	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
Sept 2-4	10am – 9pm	Juneau Cup Races, Round 6	Taku Harbor 2 legs and a night over
Sept 5	5:30pm	Power Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Sept 19	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting & Dinner	JYC
Oct 3	5:30pm	Power Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Oct 6	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Oct 6	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
Oct 17	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting & Dinner	JYC
Nov 3	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Nov 3	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
Nov 7	5:30pm	Power Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Nov 21	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting & Dinner	JYC
Dec 1	7:00pm	Sail Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Dec 1	4:30pm-7pm	Friday Evening Social	JYC (Graham Room)
Dec 5	5:30pm	Power Squadron Meeting	JYC (Graham Room)
Dec 19	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting & Dinner	JYC

\* Some Sail and Power Squadron event schedules not fully set at this time.

# JYC Classifieds

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Call Steve at 789-0884

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Contact R.H. "Ole" Olsen at: POB693 Wrangell, AK 99929 or [oollee101@yahoo.com](mailto:oollee101@yahoo.com)

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## A NEAR PERFECT SAIL

By David Carnes, Captain Sail Squadron

My eyes pop open as I am awakened to the rattling of kitchen utensils. The date is June 18, 2005 and I am “racked out” in the forward bunk of my Catalina 27 sailboat, *Lyric*. We are safely tied to *Commitment* in Sitkuh Bay, one of the other sailboats, participating in the 22nd “Spirit of Adventure-Around Admiralty” sailboat race. The bustling activity that is coming from the galley is from my crew Judy and Eddie Gifford. The Giffords are from Visalia, California, and are participating in their first sailboat race. Judy is our “cookie” and chief spinnaker packer while Eddie is serving as foredeck and chief trimmer. Until a few weeks ago the Giffords had never sailed, but after several practices in the weeks prior to the Admiralty race have proved them to be astute students and fast learners. It is nice to be able to stretch out for a few hours. Yesterday was a rather mixed up day as far as sailing. The morning was nice and sunny with moderate winds, followed by hours of wind searching and ending with a front moving in with gale force winds. Getting the boat into Sitkuh proved to be a challenge with rollers coming over the bow. Needless to say, the skipper and crew were tired and wet when all was done. However, today looks like a new game with lots of fog and typical Southeast Alaska drizzle.

After breakfast Gerald Gotschall, skipper of *Commitment* pulls anchor and the three boats participating in the race ease under motor into Chatham Strait. Mike Rentel, skipper of *High Noon* radios and asks if we want to “keep rolling”. With no wind we all agree that it is best to push on towards our leg goal of Baranof Warm Springs. The boats racing are operating under cruising rules which allows for motoring until wind conditions warrant sailing. The fleet continues south for about five miles when a slight 5-knot wind from the southeast forms. Mike again radios for agreement for a race start. This sounds good to all. So, off Point Lull we start our pre-race maneuvers.

For those familiar with the excitement and mad scrambling of tacks and jibs of a short line sailboat race starts would find the cruising starts a bit tame. The cruising start consists of some lazy back and forths with the boats staying relatively close to one another. At a predetermined time a five minute warning is sounded by one of the boats and again to announce the start. With a race leg of nearly 30 miles it is not necessary to scramble.

At the sound of the start the three boats begin their beats. The *Lyric* begins a lazy cover of *Commitment* while *High Noon* dances along the shore. Twenty minutes later finds the wind beginning to fill at 8 to 12 knots. Great winds for the *Lyric*! As the winds increase so does the heel of the boat and naturally the speed. Eddie is faithfully keeping his eye on *Commitment* and before long shouts, “The’r tacking”. We follow suit with a nice lazy tack. The wind appears to pick up a bit more to 15-18 knots. 20 degree heel and we sheet in *Commitment*. After ten minutes adjustments are working. This and dictate the name of the “the right” I shout and Judy port side to Eddie. “Tacking”, I Off comes the sheet from the on port. As the bow swings to on the starboard bulkhead. Our tack....”Nicely done”, I After another 20 minutes we This time we decide to go with and upon my command swing time he is in the lead, but only



Perfect winds for our boat! I settle the boat into a nice tight. We are now in hot pursuit of our quarry or so we appear to be closing in on *Commitment*. Our time as we near *Commitment* we pass in front of them game. Minutes later we decide to tack....”Ready on repies “Ready”, likewise a command is given for the shout as I push the tiller to execute the maneuver. starboard side and a nice smooth recover from Eddie the new heading I glance at the knot meter, located speed barely reduced throughout the entire comment to the crew, and we are off headed south. find ourselves closing with *Commitment* once again. him. Again we go through the pre-tack commands through the heading and are off after our quarry. This by seconds

The crew is a bit upset that Gerald is leading, but I assure them that things are going well. Sailboats of different makes and sizes require the use of equal plane. Since *Commitment* is should be leading us. This time we several miles away. Judy asks, doing?” I look in the direction she are seiners”, I reply, “and since it is started their fishing period”. heading right for their nets. I know is looking ahead, but still the Sure enough right on cue, short of Oops, it looks like they are leading have Judy start timing the seconds



come across their projected stern track line the count stops.....15 seconds. It appears we have to go back to work... “Ready about”, I command. Again we execute our tack, perfectly done with virtually no time loss. “Wow”, this is O.K.

handicaps to put the boats on an nine feet longer than *Lyric* she are headed for shore which is “What are those boats near shore is pointing and think, “Gads, those just past noon they have just Merrily we watch *Commitment* that Gerald is well experienced and excitement is there for- what if? a deployed net, *Commitment* tacks. us...As they come across our bow I that they are leading us. When we

Two hours later finds us still in the hunt, but falling a bit behind our nemesis, *Commitment*. I am still not worried, but keep thinking, "do these handicap numbers really play out?" About this time Eddie, says, "Maybe we can flatten the main a bit". Nice observation, I think....hey this guy is a faster learner than I had figured. Flattening the main should be an easy thing, but with the wind pressure we were experiencing a bit more had to be done. Solution, come a bit head to wind. This means a loss of speed which was critical. But, with the amount of race distance left the slight gain in probably be worth it. So, we put Judy on the tiller and made the adjustment. Loss of time- 30 to 45 Driving south and continuing with our thrilling ride. tacks and an hour later we could see the finish is *Commitment*? I see that she has decided to far shore. Decision time! Do we follow our Always a hard decision since when things are going the same and use the same winds as you is a risk. As I look at the winds and waves I it is....This maneuver requires that we must pinch slight reduction in speed, but the overall distance Slowly, but surely we inch our way toward the marker. The finish line extends a half mile out from the marker at a bearing of 060M from the Baranof Navigation Marker. The winds are still holding, and we are nearing. *Commitment* is now crossing over from the far side. It appears that he has overshot the line and will have to lose a bit of time relining himself for his crossing. We are coming closer and closer to the finish from our side...I pinch a bit more, this is not the time to tack. Eddie eases himself to the bow, we are going to use every bit of distance we can to mark our time and half a boat length is another 14 feet closer. Judy is patiently waiting to jot down the time and then Eddie, begins the countdown, "five, four, three, two, one, MARK"...Judy marks the time. I look up to find *Commitment*. There she is, just ahead of us. I think back over the last several hours of sailing. We made ten tacks with a loss of no more than 10 seconds per tack, plus the 30 seconds or so for the main adjustment. Wow!!! Less than two minutes of time loss in 5 hours of sailing.....Great job crew (and skipper)! A near perfect sail.....



**S/V Lyric**

speed from the flattened main will and slowly reduced the pressure seconds. Then it was back to work- Several more perfectly executed line about five miles away. Where make a long cross and is near the quarry, or do we split tacks? going well you want to keep them opponent. Splitting can work, but it decide to be our own person....split a bit to get to the finish line, thus a will be shorter. So pinch it is. Baranof Warm Springs outer

Post Script. Time behind *Commitment* at the cross of the finish line...1 minute and 10 seconds. Adjusted time considering the handicap... 19 minutes and 39 seconds ahead of *Commitment*-..... Now that's racing!!!!



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## Event Reminders

- Tue 5/16/06 6:30 Monthly Meeting and Dinner, JYC
- Fri 6/16/06 6:30 Around Admiralty Skippers Meeting

Summer Races and Cruising Season begins – see Calendar