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Commodore's Report

Gene Freund -Commodore's Message

Well now that it feels as if winter is here, email traffic is now turning to talk of haul out facilities, boat stands and bottom paint, rather than hardware gizmos, trimming for heavy air, etc.

CMA had a great racing season, with good turnouts. Special thanks to new members Blesse (Flying Circus), Dykman (Temple of the Wind), Nees (Fitness Resource) and Lyon (Triple Threat), all of whom got out there (often doing well) during their first years.

Call for new officers: we have two positions that must be filled: both our treasurer and secretary have reached their two-year term limits. Please be interested at least in one of these positions (if not others) and contact Immediate Past Commodore (and nomination committee chair) Dave Way to express your interest. Thanks to Dave, Larry Forgy, and Jere Glover for agreeing to serve as the nominating committee.

Jere and Doris Glover will host the annual holiday dinner this year on December 8. The potluck will start at 4 PM at their house in Annapolis. Thanks to Jere and Doris for another holiday gathering. Please find the notice elsewhere in the newsletter and don't forget to RSVP.

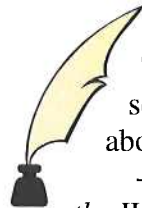
See the rest of the newsletter for the winter meeting schedule. Vice Commodore Jim Nealey is working on lining up speakers, but we do have the library

lined up for the traditional last Sunday of the month for January, February and March.

Fair Winds,

Gene Freund

Quote of the Month



There is nothing - absolutely nothing - half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats.

- Water Rat, Kenneth Grahame, *The Wind in the Willows*

Upcoming Events

CMA Annual Christmas Party – Saturday, December 8th

(see details below)

CMA nomination for BOD

CMA election of BOD

CMA winter meeting schedule

January 27th

February 24th

March 30th

CMA Annual Christmas Party

Saturday, December 8th

4:00 P.M.

The Glovers have graciously invited us to their home again this year to celebrate the CMA Annual Christmas gathering. Please bring your favorite appetizer, salad, vegetable or dessert to share.

CMA will provide the meat and beverages.

Also, the boating Annapolis Parade of Lights is scheduled this same night from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. The Glovers have found the best location and time to see all the boats in a shorter period is 6:45 - 7:15 PM from the Spa Creek Bridge area. Come join the festivities and see many familiar -- as well as new -- faces!

We would love to see everyone there!

DIRECTIONS TO THE HOME OF JERE AND DORIS GLOVER

From Baltimore: take I-97 to Route 50 East OR from the Washington Beltway take Route 50 East toward Annapolis to Exit 22 - Aris Allen Boulevard. Continue on Aris Allen Boulevard approximately two miles. (Do not get off on Riva Road) Aris Allen connects with Forest Drive at the first traffic light. Continue east on Forest Drive approximately three miles. You will see a Giant Shopping Center on your left. Turn left at the second street - Carrollton Road. Stay on Carrollton Road around past the golf course. Take the first right after the golf course on to Ogleton. Turn left at the third street - "York Lane". Ours is the first house on the left. Look for "THE GLOVERS" on the mailbox.

Please **RSVP by Thursday, December 6th** to jerewglover@msn.com or home phone (410) 268-2872. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday the 8th.

2008 Board Election

NOMINATION FOR BOARD OF MEMBERS

The CMA Nomination Committee meet/teleconference on November 23rd, '07. The following is the proposed nominations for 2008 Board of Members:

Commodore:	Jim Nealy
Vice Commodore:	Larry Forgy
Rear Commodore/Newsletter Editor:	Gary Spesard
Web Editor:	Phil Rappa
Treasurer:	David Way
Secretary:	OPEN- need replacement
Membership:	John Wayshner
Fleet captain:	Tim Layne
Cruising Coordinator:	OPEN – need replacement
Cruising Committee:	
(Upper Bay):	Robert Gamble
(Lower Bay):	Bob Englert
Board Members:	Dick Bean
	David Nees
	Mike Brain(pending response)
	Kiyoshi Mizuuchi
	Jere Glover
Past Commodore:	Gene Freund

Nominee Announcements:

The slate of Officers and BOD will be announced at the Christmas Party of December 8, '07.

Elections:

Elections will be held at the General Membership Meeting of January 27, 2008.

Nominations will be open from the floor. Please volunteer for the open positions "Secretary and Cruising Coordinator".

Please call Past Commodore Dave Way, Nomination Committee Dir., 410-867-2814 to advise of your interest.

Your club (CMA) needs and desires your help! Please volunteer for one of the positions above. Please become involved. We need ideas and your support to help make CMA what you want it to be.

Keep Multihull (catamarans) in the 2012 Olympics!

Participating in the "[Keep Multihull in 2012 Olympics](#)" campaign at [YouChoose.net](#). Join and support this campaign. Click on the link below to learn more.

<http://www.youchoose.net/referral/richar...>

Membership Matters

John Wayshner, Membership Board Member

New Members

Please welcome new member Joe Hergenrather of Earleville, MD. Joe has a Gemini 105 he keeps on the Elk River. Joe is looking for crew for day sailing and Bay cruising (see Crew Wanted below).

A Word from:

TabbyCat

Mike and Susan Ratrie 10/29/2007

Hello all,
We are in Bear Creek, NC just a bit north of Oriental and Beaufort (that's Bo, not Bu).

We have just completed some long awaited updates (and photos) to the TabbyCat website, <http://tabbycat.us>

Drop us a note and let us know how you are doing!
Mike & Susan

11/26/2007

We just came back from visiting Cumberland Island, GA. The Island is still unspoiled, and you can walk or ride your bikes along the sandy trails. There is a crumbling mansion, previously owned by

the Carnegies that is now overrun with wild horses- quite a memorable visit.

We'll be here in St Augustine, Fl until after Christmas, visiting Susan's Mom, then we'll hop across the Gulf Stream to the Exumas.

Fair Winds,

Mike & Susan

Paws

Ken and Carolyn 10/17/07

Episode 27 - Tonga 8/11/07 to New Zealand

August 8th never happened; we crossed the International Dateline and just lost a day. We arrived at a decent time in the morning in Neiafu, Vava'u, Tonga, a nice small town with small grocery stores and nice restaurants. The Customs guy wasn't going to let us in the country because we didn't have one of the papers that Tahiti should have given us. This happened to several other boats. He bribed them for \$70.00 but Carolyn sweet talked him into letting us stay. He wanted us to go back to Tahiti and get it. Not likely!! They had several restaurants that served up a pretty decent hamburger. One was listed with salad. What they didn't say was they put the salad on the hamburger. Most of the time was spent going from one anchorage to another, walking long, deserted beaches and doing a lot of snorkeling. This, of course, resulted in getting scads of shells which had to be cleaned up, so Ken spent many hours scraping and sanding his shell collection. We found many beautiful live cowries that Ken would bring up and show Carolyn then take to a better hiding place. One place we snorkeled, called the Coral Garden, is supposed to be one of the better spots in the world but getting there involves sneaking over less than a foot of water at high tide and hoping you find your way back an hour later. The coral wasn't big but just a flowing patchwork quilt of vivid colors.

Coming back, Ken told Carolyn to wait till he went thru the surf line to see if it was OK but she listened like always and when Ken looked back there was no Carolyn. He was a bit scared until he looked around and she was kicking like a woman possessed and was almost back to the dinghy. There were several unique sea creatures. One was a royal blue starfish, magnificent to see just under the surface of the crystal clear water. Another was a 3' - 6' long purple, hose-like creature with one end that looked like bits of broccoli that would snake around from under a piece of coral looking for food in the sand.

The Tonga people are famous for the baskets they weave and Carolyn bought her share. Pigs run around the town like dogs and about every sow had a cute litter of little piglets following her. At the furthest eastern island, where you had to navigate thru a maze of coral, the sea came crashing into the cliffs creating massive waves in a wooded surrounding that made you think of a Harry Potter wilderness. Many of the anchorages had very bad coral bottoms that your anchor chain would wrap around and result in some anxious times while we raised the anchor. Fortunately, we always worked our way out. One anchorage had a Banyon tree that was about 150' across with one foot in diameter roots coming down to support the limbs.

We left for New Zealand a bit early to get back to the States for Carolyn's dad's 92nd birthday. We either had to motor because there was no wind and waiting for wind, unlike other places we have sailed, is not practical because you know after the no wind will come big winds and gales are not uncommon so if the boat speed dropped below 3.5 knots, on came the engine. As we got further south, the winds started to pick up to the point of being darned unpleasant but not dangerous. Waves would pour over the deck and one dropped on top of our bimini. Going out to adjust the sails became quite unpleasant so we didn't do it to just get the boat to sail faster. We continually had the main sail reefed as much as possible. We were doing a steady 8.5 knots with a fire hose of water shooting past our secure cockpit. The wind was coming out of the southwest and we were trying to go southwest so we were at times up to 40 degrees off our course. ; Finally, the wind came around to the west and we

streaked off toward our destination. We had tried our engine and water had filled up our diesel tank and the engine wouldn't run so Ken spent the day draining off water so we could motor up the river into NZ. This worked fine and we cleared into NZ after 9 days at sea and 1,490 miles - 1,200 as the crow flies, with no problems except Quarantine took a bunch of our food which we expected.

The engine cut out the next day going up the river in quite a squall but we got it going again and made it to Whangarei, a delightful town with all the comforts of home. We are tied off to four poles close to the Town Basin with a big grocery store just across the street. All is well. We are off to the States on the 5th for 2.5 months. Have a nice holiday.

Ken and Carolyn on Paws, the wonder cat

Looking for Crew

If you are looking for crew or looking to crew let us help. Send an email to our CMA newsletter editor at glspesard@qg.com

Looking for crew:

Sail the north Bay and also to club gatherings next season. I have a 1999 Gemini on a mooring on the Elk River in Earleville, Md. 21919.

Joe Hergenrather gypseajoe@yahoo.com

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For Sale

CMA Flags and Jacket Patches

There are a few CMA flags (burgees) left. Hurry up and order yours to keep your multihull in "Bristol" style. They are \$22.00 each. These are high quality flags made from heavyweight fabric with the CMA logo sewn on. Or, you can let the world know multihulls are the way to go with the CMA Jacket

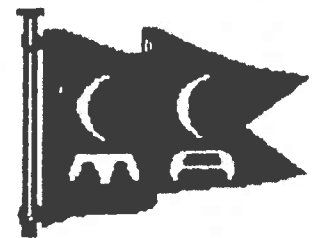
Patch. Each patch cost \$3.00, which includes shipping to your doorstep. Send your check to Mike Brian.

Make checks (only) to: CMA
c/o Michael Brian
416 Plainview Ave.
Edgewater, MD 21037

Jacket Patch



Burgee



Cross 36 Trimaran. Built 1988 w/Cold-molded double diagonal ply/West System. 25 hp Perkins diesel. Main, Jib, Drifter/Reacher. GPS, VHF. Propane stove, Solar panel, Bimini, 45 Lb CQR, 44 Lb Bruce, 25 Lb Danforth. Location: Lombardi Multihulls, North, Virginia. \$36K. Contact: Will Gordon (207) 342-3834.

