



## **townsend passes jorgensen to win boxing day**

Sailors entered boats in twelve different classes for the fifth annual Boxing Day Pursuit Race held on Sunday December 26<sup>th</sup> on Alamitos Bay. A perfect winters day greeted the sailors with clear skies and light breezes. Classes participating ranged from a Naples Sabot and the ever-present Snowbird, all the way to Etchells and J/30s. Tacking, jibing, spinnakers, gaff rigs, code zeroes, bloopers, bowsprits, Boxing Day regatta had it all.

With only ten minutes left before the 1pm Naples Sabot start, there was barely a breath of wind on Alamitos Bay. Almost as if on schedule, the first signs of the afternoon breeze appeared as the warning signal was sounded. At the gun a light 3 – 4 knot breeze out of the southeast had filled and the Naples Sabots leapt across the line trying to cover as much distance as they could before the faster boats started their pursuit.



*Andrew McDade leads the Lasers*

leaders slowly but surely. Bob Daniel in his Cal 25 was getting the better of the Laser fleet and was starting to work his way through the Cal 20 fleet as well.

As the 3:16pm finish time approached, past National Champion Robin Townsend, with the finish line in sight, finally found a lane around Jorgensen to take the lead and the win. Spencer Snook from Long Beach Yacht Club rounded out the top three.

- Final Results:**
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|---|--------------|----------------|
| 1 | Shady Lady   | Robin Townsend |
| 2 | Jack's Barge | Jack Jorgensen |
| 3 | Evil Keneval | Spencer Snook  |

A fun time was had by all; sailing against competitors and boats that they rarely see on the bay. Trophies were presented on the second deck, with lobbying for improved handicaps next year for some already starting at the bar.

Hope to see everyone again next year for the Boxing Day regatta, which will be on Saturday December 31, 2005. Results <http://www.abyc.org/2004REGATTAS/BOXINGDAY/results.htm>

*Mark Townsend*



*Robin passed Jack on the 2nd lap*

The breeze slowly shifted to the south as the remaining classes started, with the Etchells finally starting one minute behind the J/30s and 55 minutes behind the Sabots.

The Etchells and J/30s were battling each other and at the same time reeling in the slower boats. Front running Jack Jorgensen was leading Robin Townsend by a few boat lengths, with the remainder of a highly competitive Naples Sabot fleet waiting for an opportunity to take the lead. The leading Snowbird was closing the gap on the



*Bob and Sharon Daniel chasing a pod of Lasers*

## **save the date**

- Membership Meeting ..... Feb 18
- Midwinters ..... Feb 19 - 20
- End of Month Brunch ..... Feb 27
- Manning Regatta ..... March 5 - 6
- St. Patrick's Day Family Party ..... March 13
- Chapped Cheek Regatta ..... March 13
- Membership Meeting ..... March 18
- Olympic Classes Regatta ..... March 18, 19, 20
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## commodore's comments



January has been a very active month at your club. For the Rose Bowl Regatta we had a record turnout of a total of 74 high school and college teams with 300+ young enthusiastic and very wet sailors at ABYC. Mike Segerblom and Steve Flam, as usual, did a great job of organizing this event. The staff and all of the volunteers made this an event that ABYC can be very proud of. With the rain having stopped many members have been taking full advantage of the club. Over the past weekend the club looked more like a summer weekend with lots of activity in the yard and on the water. Come on down and enjoy our pleasant "winter" weather.

Coming up will be the Mid-Winters on February 19th and 20<sup>th</sup>. We will be hosting the usual fleets but this year Shoreline will not be joining us. They will host the predicted log race so they will not be helping with the staffing. Since there is not a fleet duty, if you're not racing please contact Chris Erickson or Nicole Peoples-Moffett to volunteer.

The quarterly Volunteer sign-up sheet went out in the mail in January. If you haven't completed and returned it please take the time to do so. This form really helps when organizing the events. It makes life a lot easier for the member who is doing the staffing.

As you noticed in last month's Sou'Wester we inserted a one-page race schedule. This was a reprint of an ad that ran in Santana magazine (January) with the SCYA 2005 Race Calendar. We have printed extra copies of this calendar and will be using it to be included with the new membership brochure that is being printed now. The new brochures are being printed, at no cost to the club, by member Doug McLean. We will be using them to promote new membership. If you need copies for use with your fleets or anywhere you think we could promote membership please pick up some copies at the club. We have found that the best source of new membership is though the fleets, so put these materials to good use.

I'm pleased to inform the membership that at the recent Southern California Yachting Association meeting it was announced that two of our members have been awarded very prestigious awards for their outstanding contributions to sailing. For the first time these awards go to husband and wife: Jay & Pease Glazer. It was announced that Pease has been named the winner of the Peggy Slater Memorial Trophy which is awarded annually to a female involved in the sport of sailing who best demonstrates outstanding contributions to the enhancement of women's participation in sailing and individual achievement in the sport. It was also announced that the Andy Gram Olympic Trophy was awarded to Jay. This trophy is given to the person who has made an outstanding contribution to the Olympic Yachting Program. Both of these Perpetual Trophies will be formally presented during the club's Opening Day ceremony. Congratulations, Jay & Pease!

See you at the club.

*Ron Wood*

## manager's corner



I realized that it has been over a year since I gave a special motherly lecture to the club in my article about the little things we seem to forget throughout the year. Last year I listed them as New Year's Resolutions, but a few are worth repeating again. It seems that members occasionally forget to leave their keys in cars when they are parked here at the club. Please remember that on busy sailing days and Membership Meeting nights we have a packed house and really need to be able to get the cars moved around. We also have noticed that a few lucky people have gotten new cars this year! Please remember to obtain a new sticker in the office for your new boats or cars so that we can track them while in the yard.

And last but certainly not least a couple of safety issues have cropped up that I wanted to address. I'm not sure if you have noticed, but the speed limit has changed over the years on the peninsula. It is 25 miles per hour and officers have been ticketing people on a regular basis going both directions on the peninsula. Please take notice when you enter and leave to watch your speed and you'll protect your wallet and not spoil your week.

We have paid close attention to the hoist and have recently changed companies to do our repairs. They have noticed two things that need to be addressed. On both hoists we have noticed people using the pin as a stop for the boom, please bring the hoist to a stop and then use the pin to secure it. Also, a reminder that the small hoist may not be used for Cal 20's, please only use the large hoist for those and large boats. If you have questions about the hoist or notice problems with it during operation please let me know.

*Theresa Laird*

## **scuttlebutt**

**D**on & Bobbie Hodges are going on another Jazz Cruise. They will go to Aruba, Curacao, Costa Rica, Panama Canal and the Bahamas. Don will play in the "Jam band" for the 10 days they are on the ship. Don is taking his sax and clarinet. Have a wonderful time...sounds like fun.

Pat Aumann, suffered congestive heart failure and passed away on December 24. Services were held at St. Bartholomew's on December 29. The altar at St. Bartholomew's displayed the Greek letters Alpha and Omega, perhaps to remind us that we all go from A to Z in this life, but how we do it is up to us. Pat Aumann did it in style.

Joyce Bisset Lorbeer passed away on January 15, 2005. Joyce will be in our hearts and our minds forever. She is truly missed. Memorial services were held at Bay Shore Community Congregational Church.

*Jeanne Nelson*

Merle & Kelly Asper spent the Christmas holiday in Puerto Vallarta with Wayne, Tania and Max Noecker. The Aspers and Noeckers visited the Vallarta Yacht Club and exchanged burgees with them.

Their favorite color is orange after the Aspers and Laura Ives cheered on the USC Trojans for their Orange Bowl victory over the OU Sooners in Ft. Lauderdale on January 4th.

Hi everyone -

Daniel was born Sunday January 16th at 4pm, 7 lb 5 oz and 19.5". He's a sweet little guy, and he and Tracy are both doing fine. We are overjoyed and just wanted to share some of that joy with you.

*Bob, Tracy, and Daniel Falk*



## **adopt a beach**

**A** good group turned up for the Beach Clean Up on January 22nd, but not enough to get the sands completely uncluttered. Doing their best were Bard Heavens, Barbara Marks, Jeanne Reid, Tick Weber, Alaine and John Weiss, Al and Jeanne Nelson, Judy Mathais, Joe and Mary Riddick, Scott, Kim and Sean Atwood, and Cathy Black-Smith. Judy suggested that rakes might help, which we'll follow up on. Alaine and John decided to concentrate on recyclables instead of the trash and came away with bag fulls. Barbara Marks and Bard Heavens, our new Chairman and Board Liaison were particularly diligent and persevering in fighting the Styrofoam invasion. Next time along with the pick-up sticks and rakes, we sure could use some Brownie Troops, Boy Scouts, Explorers, Campfire Girls, or just large families. We only stay out for two hours, and it's a good learning experience. We've been watching Kim and Sean Atwood grow up in the pictures taken at the Adopt-A-Beach Days. Bring your troops and join us next time: March 19th.

Adopt-A-Beach Committee: Chairman, Bard Heavens, Carol Reynolds, Cathy and Todd Black-Smith, Alaine and John Weiss, Barbara Gabriel

## **driftwood**

**A**nyone interested in serving on a protest committee for any of ABYC's regattas, please contact me. Serving is a great way to learn the rules and it will help you if you are ever involved in a protest.

*Margaret Caddle*

### **NEW RULE BOOKS**

Arrangements have been made for a limited supply of the new rulebooks, 'The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008', to be sold at the front office. The price is \$20, which is quite a savings from the usual price.

### **NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS**

The International Sailing Federation's (ISAF) DVD of the 2004 Olympic Sailing Venue and Races is available to any ABYC member to borrow. It's a terrific show that includes the spectacular opening ceremony and shots from all the sailing classes. The Keel Boat Fleet is the lender and you may contact George Caddle if you would like to borrow it.

## **social**

ABYC Family Day -

**T**he Chapped Cheek Regatta and St. Patrick's Day Party will be held on Sunday March 13th. There will be an 11:30 start for the regatta. The Kid Party will begin at 2:00 and dinner will be served at 4:30(ish). Irish Stew will be served and kid food will be available as well (Irish fries, Leprechaun dogs and Shamrock cookies).

Sailing \$5.00 entry

Kid Party \$4.00

Dinner \$6.00 adult, \$3.00 kids under 10

Want to help? Call Sharon Pearson - 562 493-1995

**T**he Easter Champagne Brunch will be held on Sunday, March 27th from 10:00 A.M. to 1 P.M.

The Easter bunny will arrive at 11:00 to take pictures with the children, and the egg hunt will be at 11:30. The price is \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children. The price at the door will be \$18.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children so get your reservations in early!

If anyone would like to help, please contact Stephanie Munn 951 549 0267

# hails from the fleets



**M**any in the fleet were in attendance at the farewells to two ladies of ABYC, Pat Aumann and Joyce Lorbeer. Neither death was expected. Their services were lovely, well attended, and regretted.

However, as Alexander Pope might have said: The proper study of the sailorman is scores. So here are some late and current:

At the SCWSA Regatta on November 11th, Jerry Thompson came in first and Fred Stevens second. Overall awards for the whole SCWSA sailing season were given to some in our fleet. Fred Stevens took second and Lee Berlinger was third in the men's division. Mary Riddick took third in the women's.

The January Fleet Race was enlivened by our resident seal and strange weather. There was barely enough wind to push the boats over the start line in the first race, but it increased after lunch to afford some very fine racing. As usual these days, no one has a clear majority. There were two sailors tied for the top scores and four tied for second. So first, second, and third places went to the three different people who crossed the finish line first in the three races: 1) Lee Berlinger, 2) John Ellis, 3) Al Nelson

Adra Kober, fleet Captain, led the monthly meeting that featured George Caddle going through the planning for the Nationals to be held in June, and Margaret Caddle going through the changes in the new Rule Book just out for 2005-2008. Adra talked about the program for the coming ABYC meeting, and on the following Friday, introduced Mike O'Toole who gave a very informative talk with colored charts and pictures of the changes to take place on the Belmont (Veteran's) Pier. I hope you were there; it was not to be missed.

February 13th is our next sailing date with an "Italian" dinner to follow. Everyone is invited. We are trying to build a B fleet. If you haven't sailed your Sabot for a while, or would like to try your kid's in a grown-up race, come join us. You won't have to race with the stiff competition, and the Sabotiers are fun to be with. Put the date on your calendar and show up!

*Barbara Gabriel*

## KEEL BOAT FLEET ON WATCH



Good friends, great food and a very interesting speaker is bound to produce a super meeting and evening. Ken Hamilton, biologist, talked about the ecosystem of Alamitos Bay. The bay has steadily improved from the eighth of pollution of the seventies. Not only have we boaters become more aware but also upstream industry can no longer introduce harmful chemicals. (Although we wouldn't mind a few less foam cups.) Ken compared the comeback of eelgrass (that's the marine plant in the bay that pulls off your bait when fishing) to the return of kelp in Monterey Bay.

Judy Mathias and Carol Reynolds reminded everyone of the February armchair cruise, which will

already be past when you read this. Maggie Caddle would like everyone to keep July second free. Our Kee boat fleet along with the Sabotiers are staffing the one day 4<sup>th</sup> of July Regatta.

We need to have an official class name for our model boats that Bob Chubb designed and built. Our suggestion of 'Chubb's Tubs' didn't float, so lets everyone bring your suggestions to the next meeting.

On a more somber note, we are very sad to report that one of our fleet and yacht club's most wonderful ladies has passed away. Joyce Lorbeer will always be remembered as the gracious hostess, always with a smile on 'Windless'. Memories include the great charter trip to the Virgin Islands in 1988 put on by Joyce and Bud that so many of us enjoyed and will never forget.

On an upbeat, Margaret Duhamel joined our fleet at the January meeting. Margaret has been in ABYC for many years (#40) and has a Cal 20 and will be a great addition to our fleet. Also Peggy Nelms and Lynn Brandt were welcome guests at the January meeting.

Our next meeting will be March 11. We hope everyone will be there as more news of the spring cruise will be forthcoming.

*John and George*



**T**he Laser Radial has been selected the new Women's Single-handed boat, replacing the Europe Dinghy for the 2008 Olympic Sailing Regatta in China. If you are an aspiring female sailboat racing Olympian or know someone who is, the Laser Radial and the ABYC Laser Fleet is a good place to start. There will be a number of opportunities to race Laser Radials with a mixed group of competitors at ABYC in 2005 and beyond.

If you have not experienced sailing the Laser Radial, contact the ABYC Laser Fleet. We can help you get started.

Oh yes, please don't forget the full-rig Laser is the Men's Single-handed boat for the 2008 Beijing Olympics as well.

Boxing Day 2004

The weather did not appear promising for a sailboat race in Long Beach the day after Christmas. Despite gray skies and light to zephyr conditions, twenty-nine sailboats from Sabots, Lidos & Lasers to Etchells and even a Cal 25 and a J30 launched to compete in the 2004 Alamitos Bay Yacht Club (ABYC) Boxing Day Regatta.

The ABYC Race Committee set a meandering course using the permanent marks in Alamitos Bay. This made the already challenging conditions tougher as racers looked for any wind between houses, boats and buildings lining the Bay. To make things even more interesting, we even had to dodge the floating Holiday Christmas Trees.

and calling the start line. This system kept the fleets separate at first until faster boats began to catch the others. Boy oh boy, a J30 sure does have a big wind shadow in Force 1 to 2 conditions!

A nice turn-out of seven **Lasers** got a clean start with Andrew McDade, on his Christmas break from Oregon State, leading at the first mark with Vann Wilson and your author in hot pursuit. Andrew continued leading the **Lasers** around the course with only Vann keeping it close early on. As the race progressed, it was great to see Jorge Suarez and other newcomers, Mike Eisenberg and Shawn Fife trading places in the lead pack as we made slow progress around the Bay. The race got more challenging as we ghosted along among the Cal 20's and others in sometimes close quarters at the marks set closer to shore.

Sometime after 3:30, the Race Committee finished our race, scoring each boat where it was in order. Despite very light conditions, this was an entertaining day as the marks were close together, each leg offered a new angle or perspective and racers were often close together, trading places with each tack and puff of wind.

None of the **Lasers** finished in the money, *obviously due to prejudicial handicapping*, but the universal sentiment of the day as the racers enjoyed welcome hot soup & chili in the clubhouse, was...it was FUN!

Due to Christmas falling on a Sunday in 2005 and Boxing Day traditionally being the day after Christmas, (Monday when the club is closed) Boxing Day 2005 will be held on New Years Eve December 31<sup>st</sup>. It is a nice change of pace and I hope to see you there next year.

The participating **Lasers** finished in this order:

1 - Andrew McDade #109623	2 - Steven Smith #179463	3 - Vann Wilson #166905
4 - Shawn Fife #159046	5 - Jorge Suarez #166975	6 - Michael Eisenberg #171154
7 - Mike White #83358		

## *Future Regattas and More*

It is not too early to think about the Southern California Yachting Association Midwinter Regatta. Let's have a great turnout of ABYC Lasers for the Midwinters! Lasers will be hosted at Newport Harbor Yacht Club Saturday and Sunday February 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. This is our next opportunity to mix it up before the Manning Series, Midwinters West, OCR, etc.

Please contact me anytime via E-Mail, salaor@sbcglobal.net, phone at (626) 403-9533 or find me in the boatyard, (I'm the guy wearing the bandana with my wet suit) if you have any questions or are interested in getting your Laser back in the water. We can help you with rigging, pointers and lots of source material to help you get the most from your Laser.

*Steven Smith, ABYC Laser Fleet Captain*



**A**lamitos Bay Etchells Fleet 18 kicked off 2005 with a stealth regatta: it kind of snuck up on us. Our 2005 fleet officers—myself included—forgot that we'd scheduled one of our one-day fleet regattas sailed with the Cal 20's for January 23; fortunately, the Cal 20's didn't forget and lined up Dave Kofahl to run races. So, at almost the last minute, we rounded up five boats for the four-race series and had a great time in moderate temperatures and light winds.

There were a lot of firsts on this day, the first regatta of the year. It was the first race for new ABYC member Reese Lane and co-skipper Jonathan Mitsumori. It marked the first win in a race for Jeff Powell and Gordon Dudley, who took 2004 Fleet Captain Greg Sims along as tactician. And it was the first time in a really long time we'd seen Rob Rice out with "Fast" Eddie Ureño and Pat Kelly with his regulars on board.

Both of these latter skippers had flashes of brilliance: both won a race, and Pat won two. But the day went to the steady if not brilliant performance of Tim Carter and Chris Ericksen, sailing with Tim's daughter Courtney, who scored three second-place finishes and one third to come out on top. The regatta was really close: after four races, one point separate the top four boats and there was a three-way tie for second place, broken by the tie-breaker formula. Here are the results:

OWNER	SAIL NO.	RACE 1	RACE 2	RACE 3	RACE 4	TOTALS
Carter/Ericksen	USA491	2	2	2	3	9
Kelly	USA89	1	4	1	4	10
Dudley/Powell	USA531	4	1	4	2	10
Rice/Ureño	USA90	3	3	3	1	10
Lane/Mitsumori	USA662	5	5	5	5	20

Again, special thanks to the Cal 20 Fleet and Dave Kofahl for getting this organized.

The season continues with a great annual event, the Super Bowl Regatta. This started over a decade ago as an Etchells-only event on Alamitos Bay on the morning of Super Bowl Sunday; in recent years the Cal 20's have joined in. The regatta follows a time-honored schedule: launching beginning at 9:00 am, a skippers' meeting at 10:00 and the first start at about 11:00. We run non-spinnaker races around the fixed marks in the Bay and include at least one race that allows the Etchells to fly their kites. It is lovely to see the Etchells ghosting along (it is usually a light-air event) along Bayshore and past Naples and Treasure Islands with their spinnakers pulling. The regatta ends soon enough for everyone to the boats hauled and put away before kickoff.

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## from sou'wester's past

Regatta news is kinda slim in February SOU'WESTER's of the past, so the big news in these editions seem to be about new members and upcoming events.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO:** Richard Kempster, a former junior member of ABYC, became a Regular member in January, 1975, according to the February, 1975, SOU'WESTER. Another new member was Charles Merrill Kober, "known better around ABYC or country music stations as 'Booey' or 'Hambone.'" Fred and Linda Mihaylo joined as Cal 20 sailors, William and Mildred Nicholson joined with a Mariner (ketch?), and Peter Gales rejoined ABYC: he'd been a member before World War II. And John and Jinx Ellis, with their daughters Margaret Jane and Jennifer Ann, joined ABYC as well.

Regattas in February included the SCYA Midwinter Regatta and the ABYC-sponsored Honest Abe Regatta. Men's Day would be happening in March, as would the Turnbuckle Tightener. And a SEA Junior Seminar, sponsored by SEA Magazine, was scheduled for March 24-27 at ABYC; the Seminar Director was Ken Weiss.

Ann Exley apologized for having to discontinue Yoga classes. Mike McDade was accepted at the USC Graduate School...the Sabotiers were painting the stairway in the main clubhouse...the Board was considering repowering the inside race committee boat with an electric drive from Duffield Marine to get away from "the trouble-plagued outboard engine"...the annual financial report of ABYC was printed and showed that assets as of September, 1974, totaled \$344,092.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO:** Apparently the Super Bowl Party was a success, because most of the photos in the February, 1985, SOU'WESTER was entirely of pictures from the party. Grant Hill and Mike McDade tended bar while Jerry Thompson and Commodore Dave Dorrans stood in front; all four men sported moustaches. A bearded Mark Fowle discussed betting with a similarly bearded Bruce Conn.

Paul Ancil became a Regular member in 1985; his sponsor was Lee Smith, with whom Paul was then sailing in Lido 14's. Walter Johnson and Willem Emmer, like Paul former junior members, became Yachting members, as did Tim and Melanie Carter; they lived in Highland Park and raced an I-14 named "Rawhide."

Marty Bowman won the January Sabotier fleet race in the A's, ahead of Bernice Weiss and Don Hodges, in that order; Mildred Dressel won the B's...Steve Moffett was awarded the J/24 Fleet Championship trophy for 1984...Sabot sailor Patty Moore married J/24 sailor Chris Reno and had their reception at Virginia Country Club...Dennis and Eileen Raden were held up for eleven hours at the San Antonio airport—by snow—while on a holiday trip.

**TEN YEARS AGO:** A bunch of new members were introduced in January, 1995, and pictured in the SOU'WESTER of February, 1995. They included Lokke and Nancy Patrick, sponsored by Ken Nairne, and Latham and Jamie Bell, sponsored by father Dick Bell. George Caddle introduced two new families into the club and the Sabot fleet, Brian and Cynthia Brown and Lance Jackson and Juli Flynn. Al Smith introduced his two grandsons, Daniel and Nicholas Henry, as Independent Junior members. And Brian Holmes introduced his partner in the Ericson 35 as a new member: Kevin Ellis.

The New Year's Eve party was quite the extravaganza as organized by John McNaughton, Barbara Kendall and Stacy Conn: it included a blessing of the fleet, a "polar bear" swim and a New Year's Day sail aboard the tallship "Californian." It ran three days and had over two hundred attendees. Staff Commodore Norma Clapp said it was a party where "everyone danced and nobody went home until after midnight."

ABYC was preparing for the 35th annual Olympic Classes Regatta in March; Pat Bixby and Al Smith were co-chairs. And the Cal 20 NA's were coming to ABYC in August, according to Cal 20 Fleet Captain John Merchant. ABYC was also hosting the SCYA Manning Series Regatta and the Keelboat One-Design Regatta on consecutive weekends in late February and early March; it cost \$4.00 a day to park in the lots across the street.

Francis Merchant passed away in December...Paige Elizabeth Tripp, daughter of Chuck and Leslie Tripp, was born in December...the revival of the ABYC Cribbage Tournament was set for March, and a flyer said a training/practice tournament was scheduled for February 24 at Happy Hour.

*Chris Ericksen, Club Historian*

## halls from the fleets

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If anyone is interested in sailing the Super Bowl Regatta, come on down: there are often spots available on either Etchells or Cal 20's. And if you can't sail, come on down early to watch the festivities.

Two weeks later, the ABYC Etchells will be sailing at Seal Beach Yacht Club as that club hosts the class as part of the annual SCYA Midwinter Regatta. A half-dozen or so Etchells, including some from out of town, typically race the weekend.

March will be a travelling month for many of our Etchells, with two regattas at San Diego Yacht Club. Stay tuned for more news on that.

*Chris Ericksen*

### **Sou'Wester DEADLINE**

**Friday, February 18, 2005 is the deadline  
for the March Sou'Wester.**

# membership

The Board of Directors at their January 19th meeting approved the following membership matters: For **Regular Membership** the Board approved Mark and Rebecca Vredenburg, Michael and Carol Ludt, Gene and Trina Dunford, and Reese Lane. Charles Fox was approved to be posted for a **Yachting Membership**. Bridget Starr and her brother, Dustin, were approved to be posted for **Junior Memberships**.

We urge those who have sponsorship letters to be mailed in to do so as soon as possible. This greatly speeds up the membership process. Also memberships are still available at half price. Spring is coming. Let's get more friends sailing under the blue and white burgee.

*Membership committee*



*Jay Golison, left receives burgee from Steve Flam*

*Photos of burgee presentations to new members were taken by Don Reiman at the January 21st Membership Meeting*



*Ron Wood, Dave Robertson & Mary Suttie with John Merchant*



*John and Lorraine Perone with Don Reiman*



*New members: Elizabeth Crooke, Grant Wooden and Steven Crooke*



## the bay clogger (aka junior sailing)

Here in the junior program, even though there have been no sailing clinics and few regattas, we have lots of things in the works. We are fortunate to have an amazing Junior Advisory Board that is committed to making this program great and helped this month to get some of our charter boats up to par. We spent an entire Sunday sanding down leeboards, fiber-glassing and painting. And while it was a lot of work, it was really fun to spend time out in the yard with 70 degree weather. We're looking forward to getting these boats into shape and if anyone is interested in helping or donating old sabot parts, just email us at [jrprogram@abyc.org](mailto:jrprogram@abyc.org).

We are also still promoting the Spring Junior Program, which begins in late February. There are sign up forms in the main lobby at the club as well as on line at [www.abyc.org](http://www.abyc.org) along with lots of info about the program. If you or someone you know would like to sign up for this program, please pass the word along as I believe it will be a really outstanding season and a great time.

Finally I would like to thank the Junior Advisory Board members for their hard work and dedication.

*Brad Schaupeter, ABYC Junior Sailing*

## board droppings

The design committee has been working hard on upgrading plans. Nicole has met with paint contractors and has some bids, but before any painting can be done there needs to be extensive repairs done and she has met with a carpenter to get a firm idea of the scope of the work. Because there is a possibility the Club could be in a state of repair, the Board has decided not to accept any new social functions for the next 60 days.

SCYA has recognized two of our members. Pease Glaser was given the Peggy Slater award and her husband Jay was given the Andy Gram award.

Dave Behr has donated 5 spools of 1/2" gold-braid anchor line for marks, 5 eight pound Danforth anchors and 150 feet of galvanized chain for race marks. Great Big thanks to Dave.

*Jim Morford*





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## more boxing day photos

*All Boxing Day photos and captions by Chuck Hardin*



*Commodore Ron Wood and son Mike*



*Jeff and Matthew McDermaid enjoying a great day on the water*



*Chris Wells and Rear Commodore Jim Bateman after the start*

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