



**Agenda**  
**Cruising Club of America**  
**Board of Governors' Meeting**  
**New York Yacht Club**  
**Commodores room**  
**Friday, March 6, 2020      1500-1645 hours**

1. Call meeting to order
2. Circulate attendance sheet/Governors, Flag Officers, Comm. Chairs
3. Commodore's Welcome
4. Approval of Minutes of last Board meeting, October 11, 2019
5. Report of the Treasurer                      Peter Chandler
6. Report of the Secretary                      Chris Otorowski
7. Report of the Historian                      Jack Towle
8. Report of Fleet Captain                      Paul Hamilton
9. Report of the Vice Commodore              Bob Medland
10. Report of the Commodore                      W. Bradford Willauer
  
11. Committee reports for this meeting (Written reports are provided separately)
  - a. Membership                      Peter Stoops
  - b. Awards                      Bill Cook
  - c. BROC                      Jay Gowell
  - d. Voyages                      Zdenka and John Griswold
  - e. GAM                      Wendy Hinman
  - f. Web                      Michael Moradzadeh
  - g. Safety and Seamanship                      John Robinson
  - h. Archive                      Mark Ellis
  - i. Bonnell Cove                      Joyce Lhamon
  - j. Financial Affairs Committee                      Kathleen O'Donnell
  - k. Cruising Guides and Charts                      Doug Bruce
  - l. Guest Moorings                      Eugene Gardner
  - m. Events                      Barbara Watson
  - n. Environment of the Sea                      Joe Harris
  - o. Investment Committee                      Tom Post
  - p. Technical                      Jim Binch
  - q. Yearbook                      Murray Beach
  - r. Ski GAM                      Johnny and Po Martin
  - s. Communications                      Bob Medland
  - t. Quartermaster                      Steve Prime
  - u. Nominating Committee                      Tad Lhamon/Jim Binch
  - v. Trophies                      Bob Darbee

w.      Waypoints      Dev Barker

12. Q and A about Rear Commodore Reports (Written reports supplied separately)

a.	Bermuda	Les Crane
b.	Bras D’Or	Bernard Prevost
c.	Boston	James D. Phyfe
d.	Buzzard’s Bay	Lawrence Hall
e.	Gulf of Maine	Dale Bruce
f.	Narragansett Bay	Dick Waterman
g.	Great Lakes	Tom Post
h.	Chesapeake	Marjorie Robfogel
i.	Essex	Daniel R. Biemesderfer
j.	Florida	Joel Taliaferro
k.	New York	David Tunick
l.	Pacific Northwest	Rick Meslang
m.	San Francisco	Stafford Keegin
n.	Southern California	Steve Calhoun

13. Cruise reports Steve James

a.	Royal Cork 300th		Dave Curtin
b.	Mallorca, Sept. 2020		Les Crane
c.	Apostle Islands, Aug. 2021		Gaynelle Templin
			Dean Rau
d.	Newfoundland	2021	Bill Bowers
e.	Cruise/Gam	2022	Chris Otorowski
f.	Future cruises	2023, 2024	Chris Otorowski

## 14. Old Business

a.	Bermuda Race Foundation	Jim Binch
b.	100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ad Hoc Committee	Chris Otorowski
c.	Other	

## 15. New Business

a. Dues analysis and recommendation Peter Chandler

16. 2020 Board Meeting/Fall Meeting- Seattle Doug Cole

17. 1645 Adjourn- Next Meeting is in Seattle, October 22, 2020

End.



**Agenda**  
**Cruising Club of America**  
**Annual Meeting of the Membership**  
**New York Yacht Club**  
**Commodore's Room**  
**Friday, March 6, 2020      1645-1700 hours**

1. Call meeting to order
2. Quorum
3. Commodore's Welcome
4. Approval of Minutes of last Annual Meeting, March 1, 2019
5. Report of the Treasurer      Peter Chandler
6. Report of the Secretary      Chris Otorowski
7. Report of the Historian      Jack Towle
8. Report of Fleet Captain      Paul Hamilton
9. Report of the Vice Commodore      Bob Medland
10. Report of the Commodore      Brad Willauer
11. Report of the Nominating Committee      Tad Lhamon

Vote on the following slate:

**OFFICERS**

Commodore	J. W. Robert Medland
Vice Commodore	Christopher L. Otorowski
Secretary	John R. Gowell
Treasurer	Peter L. Chandler
Historian	John P. Rousmaniere


**GOVERNORS (Terms expiring 2023)**

Brian W. Billings (BDA)  
Amelia L. Green (ESS)  
Ian N. H. Gumprecht (GLS)  
Rodney T. Hearne (PNW)

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 2020**

James G. Binch, Chairman  
Douglas A. Bruce  
Ernest L. Godshalk  
Frederic T. Lhamon  
W. Bradford Willauer

Adjourn

	<b>2020 CCA Annual Meetings and Awards Dinner</b>				wifi password nyc1844
TIME	Model Room	Commodores Room 3rd floor front	Ward Room 5th floor front	Afterguard Room 4th floor back	Grill Room
Water requested to be available in all CCA meeting rooms, on a side table				All rooms can have conference phones	
	Members are welcome to attend all OPEN meetings			and with written instructions as requested.	
<b>THURSDAY 5th</b>					
1400-1600		1400 - 1600 Safety and Seamanship <b>30</b> OPEN <b>Speaker phone</b>	1400 - 1600 Tech Committee OPEN <b>speaker phone</b>	1400 - 1530 100th Anniversary committee <b>8</b> OPEN	
1545 - 1745				1545 - 1745 Communications <b>30</b> <b>TV</b> OPEN <b>Speaker phone</b>	
1600		<b>Dinner set up</b>	<b>Dinner set up</b>	1545 - 1745 Communications <b>30</b>	
1800 - 2100		<b>AWARDEE DINNER</b>			
<b>FRIDAY 6th</b>					
0800			0800 - 0930 Awards <b>6</b> Closed <b>Coffee and Danish</b>	0800 - 1000 Membership <b>14</b> Closed <b>Coffee and Danish speaker phone</b>	
0830	0830 - 1000 Financial Affairs <b>6</b> Closed		Awards <b>6</b> Closed	Membership <b>14</b> Closed	
0900	Financial Affairs <b>6</b> Closed	0900 - 1000 Rear Commodores <b>12</b> Closed	Awards <b>6</b> Closed	Membership <b>14</b> Closed	
1000		1000 - 1100 Governing Board <b>24+</b> Closed		1000 -1200 BROC <b>12</b> Closed <b>speaker phone</b>	
1100		1100 - 1200 Elected Governors <b>12</b> Closed	1100 - 1200 Investment <b>8</b> OPEN	BROC <b>12</b> Closed	
<b>NOON</b>					<b>BUFFET LUNCH</b>
1230		12.30 - 1430 Charts & Guides <b>12</b> <b>TV</b> OPEN			
1300		Charts & Guides <b>12</b>	1300 - 1430 Events Committee <b>30</b> OPEN <b>speaker phone</b>	1300 - 1500 Bonnell Cove <b>11</b> Closed 2 hours requested <b>speaker phone</b>	
1500 - 1645		Board Meeting RCs, Governors and Committee Chairs <b>50+</b> OPEN			
1645 - 1700		Annual Meeting of the Membership and Elections <b>50+</b> OPEN			
1700- 1730				Cork300 Mallorca Q & A <b>20</b> OPEN <b>TV</b>	
1730 - 1900					<b>COCKTAILS</b>
1900 -	<b>DINNER &amp; AWARDS</b>				



**Minutes  
Cruising Club of America  
Governing Board Meeting  
Battery Wharf Hotel, Boston  
Friday, October 11, 2019      0800 hours**

1. Commodore Willauer called the meeting to order. This meeting is closed to anyone not on the Board of Governors.
2. 26 of the 28 Board Members were in attendance.
3. Vice Commodore Medland reported that the Communications Committee had met several times since the March meeting. He reported that a major focus of the Communications Committee was to work with the Membership Committee to use communications processes to attract younger members to the CCA. Chris Muesler is involved in heading up that effort. One initiative is to have the young members group populated with a representative from each station
4. The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee efforts were reported on by Chris Otorowski. We are now 3 years away from Sept. 2022 and hotels are able to block rooms. The basic plans include a feeder gam, gala dinner, sites of Newport, two commemorative books and related historical projects. There will be a need to engage members of each station as planning progressives. Some sort of recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup> to be connected to the 2022 Bermuda Race.
5. Jim Binch gave a report on the trophy display at IYRS. The basic history is that NYYC wanted trophy space back and we were asked to move a few years ago. The trophies were moved to a hallway space next to the IYRS library and the trophy cases built out are beautiful and functional. We have a 10 year contract and there are plans to make it a more experiential display. We have spent \$43k plus had a huge amount of volunteer help from Fred Deichmann, Bjorn Johnson and Bob Darbee. The potential opportunity to recreate the Olin Stephens Reading Room at the new Natl. Sailing Hall of Fame in Newport was raised by Chris Otorowski. There was a general consensus to see what options there might be there. There was discussion of a cost of \$90k to further develop the existing display at IYRS; no proposal or

action was taken. Les Crane brought up concerns over the projected cost of this. Bob Medland pointed out that if we are to “collect assets” we will need to convince the membership. We are in a deficit spending mode and we can consider donations for further improvements. Chase Anderson observed that if our objective is to store trophies, IYRS is the way to go. If we want to raise the profile, visibility of CCA, the Hall of Fame would be a good choice.

6. Peter Chandler gave the treasurer’s report and handed out a 9 month report. We have been in a deficit spending mode this past year. It is clear that Peter is shouldering a very large burden and there was some discussion about the need to obtain some help for Peter to lighten his workload. It was moved, seconded, passed that Peter’s report be accepted.
7. Kathleen O’Donnell reported for the Financial Affairs Committee. She pointed out that since there are no financial policies there can effectively be no audit. We rely on the integrity and good will of the treasurer. There is a proposed mission statement and policy memo (attached) which was approved by the Board. She pointed out there is no formal budget, only the general ledger of expenditures. The plan is to set forth some financial controls and policies at the March meeting and recommendations. Chase Anderson pointed out that we need these guidelines for transparency and communication.
8. Peter Stoops reported on the Membership Committee. There has been significant effort to streamline the membership process. The new Membership Proposal Process was presented. It was moved, seconded, passed that the process be approved and incorporated into the 2020 Yearbook. It is proposed that it be reduced to one page if possible.
9. Commodore Willauer reported that an ad hoc committee has been formed called the Contracts Review Committee to be chaired by the Secretary for the purpose of maintaining all contracts that the CCA is engaged in as a way to have a central repository for contracts.
10. Michael Moradzadeh have the website report. The new one was launched June 15. The desire was to make the site attractive and appealing to those who stumble across the site. It is designed to be social media friendly. Larry Somers manages the directory, Maggie Salter oversees Final Voyages. The membership skills survey has produced 125 responses and this could be a good recruiting tool. The biggest challenge is to keep the site up to date and current.

There is someone with every station who has the “master keys” to their station.

11. Jim Binch gave a very detailed report on the ORA. He sits on the finance committee of the ORA. He detailed some of the ongoing issues of the rating system and the lack of proper funding for the system. CCA has to be involved and he will be meeting with Jack Gearhart of US Sailing to discuss the situation.
12. Jack Towle, our historian, reported that he is working on the annual report for the 2020 yearbook. He is working with the Archives Committee regarding cataloguing of the CCA Archives.

The Meeting of the Governing Board was adjourned at 1000.

**A follow-up meeting of the Board was held from 1600-1700 that was open to all. Attendance was taken and there were about 70 in attendance. Various verbal reports were given. A highlight was hearing about the successful Stockholm Cruise and the upcoming Mallorcan Cruise. Below is a summary of the 1600 meeting.**

1. Commodore Willauer called the meeting to order at 1620.
2. Peter Chandler gave the Treasurer's Report which was approved.
3. The Secretary reported on the status of the membership.
4. Historian Jack Towle reported he was working on his annual report.
5. Vice Commodore Medland reported that there were productive meetings of the Elected Governors and Flag Officers. He thanked everyone for their volunteer activities. He has accepted an invitation to go to Ireland for the Irish Cruising Club Cruise with the celebration of the Royal Cork YC 300<sup>th</sup> celebration. The VC reported on the Communications Committee and showed the recent video featuring Hayley Lhamon. There are 3 other movies on line to promote the CCA to younger members. He gave special thanks to Dennis Powers and Doug Bruce.
6. Fleet Capt. Paul Hamilton reported that relations with Team One were stable.
7. The report of the Swedish Cruise by Ernie Godshalk was given. It was amazing and there was a committed of 37 persons. The volunteers were asked to stand and be recognized.
8. Membership Chair Peter Stoops reported that there was a Board resolution to rewrite the standards for application. 36 new members were approved today. 30 male, 6 female. He read their names and advised the names would be posted.
9. Doug Bruce of the Awards Committee read the names of the recipients of our awards. The list was approved by the Board.
10. Jay Gowell reported on BROCC and there are 100 boats registered now. The race starts June 19. The Commodore singled out Jay for his exceptional job, rethinking all parts of the Race.
11. Joyce Lhamon reported on Bonnell Cove. 8 grants totaling \$26k from 6 different stations were approved.
12. Kathleen O'Donnell reported on the Financial Affairs Committee. There is a new mission to develop some kind of process and procedure to support the activities of the treasurer. The committee will recommend best practices and a fuller report in March.

13. Fin Perry reported on the Cruising Guides. The Guides will be taken over by Doug Bruce after CCA acquired the rights to the Guides from author and editor Sandy Weld. They will only be published in print for the next 5 years and the rights will not be resold.
14. The 300<sup>th</sup> Royal Cork celebration was reported by Dave Curtin. This takes place in July with a fleet review on July 12. ICC Commodore Stanton Adair addressed the group and invited all CCA members to participate.
15. Les Crane reported on the upcoming Mallorca Cruise. 35 crews have signed up and 50 is limit. Winds are typically light, good swimming every day, not crowded in September. There will be a mother ship, RIA, a 50 meter boat. This is similar to the boat we had in Ionian. Mallorca is spectacular.
16. The Apostle Islands cruise in 2021 was reported on by Gaynelle Templin. There will be a limit of 120 people.
17. The 2021 Newfoundland Cruise was reported on by Bill Bowers. It has been 20 years since the last cruise to Newfoundland. Doug Bruce led the OCC there in 2011. It is 900 miles from Cape Cod Canal to Newfoundland. This is a bucket list destination. This will be Co-sponsored by Bras d'Or and Boston. It will be held in mid July 2021.
18. Chris Otorowski reported on the 100<sup>th</sup> celebration to be held in Newport in Sept. 2022. Commodore Willauer indicated that the RCC wants to host an event at our celebration. There will be an effort to secure attendance by all living Blue Water Medal Winners.
19. Bob Darbee reported on the Trophy Case- Bob Darbee on the phone. The project is 5 yrs old, and originated with NYYC asking for their trophy cases back. It was determined that the IRYS location in Newport is best. There will be a future budget proposal for some improvements of the trophy display.

The reader of these minutes is referred to the detailed committee reports submitted in advance of the meeting. Below is the list of reports as published for the Board Meeting.

#### Committee reports

a.	Membership	Peter Stoops
b.	Awards	Bill Cook
c.	BROC	Jay Gowell
d.	Voyages	Zdenka and John Griswold
e.	GAM	Wendy Hinman
f.	Web	Michael Moradzadeh
g.	Safety and Seamanship	John Robinson
h.	Archive	Mark Ellis
i.	Bonnell Cove	Joyce Lhamon
j.	Financial Affairs Committee	Kathleen O'Donnell
k.	Cruising Guides and Charts	Fin Perry
l.	Guest Moorings	Eugene Gardner
m.	Events	Barbara Watson
n.	Environment of the Sea	Joe Harris
o.	Investment Committee	Tom Post
p.	Technical	Jim Binch
q.	Yearbook	Murray Beach



r.	Ski GAM	Johnny and Po Martin
s.	Communications	Bob Medland
t.	Quartermaster	Steve Prime
u.	Nominating Committee	Jim Binch

#### Future Cruises

a.	Royal Cork 300th	Dave Curtin
b.	Mallorca, Sept. 2020	Les Crane
c.	Apostle Islands, Aug. 2021	Gaynelle Templin Dean Rau

#### Future Events

a.	July 2020	Royal Cork 300th	Dave Curtin
b.	Sept. 2020	Mallorca	Les Crane
c.	October 2020	Fall Meeting, PNW	Doug Cole
d.	August 2021	Apostle Islands	Gaynelle Templin Dean Rau
e.	Sept. 18-22, 2022	100th Anniversary	Newport, RI

End

Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher L. Otorowski  
Secretary



## **Cruising Club of America**

### **Committee Reports Annual Meeting March 6, 2020 New York Yacht Club**

#### **Officer Reports**

##### **Report of the Treasurer**

**Peter Chandler**

The Treasurer's attention has been focused on improving the flow of financial information to the membership and leadership of the Club. Notably, we produced a complete financial statement for the first time for the eleven months ended September 30, 2019, for distribution at the Fall Meetings in Boston. We have now prepared complete statements for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2019, for distribution at the Annual Meetings in New York.

A related effort has been to start a process to compile and adopt annual budgets to guide the Club's financial planning and awareness. This remains a work in process. To date, we have obtained spending plans from the officers, committee chairs and other volunteers, and compiled them into a cash flow projection for the Club as a whole. The Financial Affairs Committee has been asked to review the results, and the process, in order to make suggestions to the Governing Board. We should anticipate an acceleration of requests for input to the FY 2021 budget in the second half of the current fiscal year.

While the Club's financial statements reflect significant losses over the past two fiscal years, the Club remains financially healthy, with no long-term debt and a healthy investment portfolio. Opinions will differ on the how long the financial health can continue without greater discipline in spending. The establishment of the Financial Affairs Committee, coupled with the appointment of additional volunteers to assist the Treasurer, should improve and increase the flow of financial information to the membership and officers. This, in turn, should enable and encourage financially appropriate decisions.

##### **Report of the Secretary**

**Chris Otorowski**

The Secretary's job continues on with an assortment of tasks, assignments and communications. Fortunately, members generally are able to update their data on the website which has obviated part of the traditional duties of Secretary. The membership continues to grow, presently stands at 1388 up from 1377 as shown in the 2019 yearbook. 19 members deceased in 2019 and there were a few

resignations. Approximately 50 new member applications are being handled by the Membership Committee each year.

We have the following member count by Station and Post:

Station	Count	Post	Count
<a href="#">San Francisco</a>	103	<a href="#">Gulf of Maine</a>	118
<a href="#">Bermuda</a>	36	<a href="#">Buzzard's Bay</a>	121
<a href="#">Bras d'Or</a>	39	<a href="#">Narragansett Bay</a>	55
<a href="#">Boston</a>	449		
<a href="#">Chesapeake</a>	142		
<a href="#">Essex</a>	84		
<a href="#">Florida</a>	106		
<a href="#">Great Lakes</a>	41		
<a href="#">New York</a>	159		
<a href="#">Pacific Northwest</a>	120		
<a href="#">Southern California</a>	99		

Our oldest member was born in 1919. Our earliest joining member joined in 1949. The average date of birth is 1948. We have at least 77 female members (gender identification on the rolls is not mandatory). I continue to greatly appreciate the

efforts of Larry Somers maintaining the mailing list, Michael Morazadeh for his untiring effort in our web doings, and Dev Barker for his excellent, timely and well done Waypoints each month.

### **Report of the Historian**

**Jack Towle**

The Historian continues to write the history section for the 2020 Yearbook. Historical insertions in the GAM continue on towards the 2022 Centennial. The Historian is grateful for John Rousmaniere to pick up the torch and the Club will be well served with John! The Historian regrets not being able to be present in New York but wishes everyone a fun and productive meeting.

### **Report of Fleet Captain**

**Paul Hamilton**

1. Relationship with Team One Newport is satisfactory. Problems with the blazer patch are being addressed and new patches are forthcoming.
2. There have been no reports of egregious violations of flag etiquette.

### **Report of the Vice Commodore**

**Bob Medland**

(See Communications Committee Report below)

### **Report of the Commodore**

**W. Bradford Willauer**

### **Committee reports**

#### **a. Membership**

**Peter Stoops**

As of February 17, the Membership Committee has 27 new member applications in the “Approved for Posting at Station” category to review and present, if approved, to the board. Of the 27, 4 are female, 23 are male, with an overall average age of 59 years (comparable percentages to the last “class” in October ’19).

Also, the Membership Chair will update the club on the progress of several initiatives that are part of the ongoing effort to improve the membership process. This will include:

1. Review of the simplified proposal process changes, and update to bluebook
2. Progress/recommendations of the “At Large” membership subcommittee
3. Review stats on number of members who propose candidates; review ideas to improve those numbers, particularly amongst younger members
4. Review of two key definitions for membership: command experience, and offshore experience
5. Program to publicly acknowledge and thank members who have proposed candidates during the last 6 months

## CCA MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL PROCESS

A member who proposes a qualified candidate for membership is doing a service to the Club. The standards which should guide members in proposing a candidate, and the steps required in connection with a proposal, are listed below (and online) to aid members in completing the process.

### CCA MEMBERSHIP STANDARDS

The CCA Constitution reads as follows:

“A person eligible for membership in the Club must be a sailor and a person of acceptable character and personality who has demonstrated his or her ability to handle or command and navigate and pilot a yacht or small vessel at sea, and who has had sufficient cruising experience.”

When deciding to propose or second a candidate, members should ask themselves these questions:

1. Would you like to take a long passage with the candidate aboard a small vessel?
2. Would you enjoy the company of the candidate in the cabin of a small yacht?
3. In your opinion, is the candidate competent to “handle or command and navigate or pilot a yacht or small vessel at sea”?
4. Would you be willing to have the candidate in command of your yacht for an extended cruise?
5. Would the candidate take a real and active interest in Club affairs?
6. Are other members likely to feel as you do about the candidate?

### CCA MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL PROCESS – 5 SIMPLE STEPS

**Step 1: Share your candidate’s qualifications with your Station Membership Chair** (via email or a call). A concise sailing resume is the best way to do this. If the Station Membership Chair agrees with your assessment of the candidate, you will be given a log-in to the online Membership Proposal site, and that will officially start the process. The station committee will also assist you throughout the proposal process.

**Step 2: Enter the appropriate proposal info required online.** Send your Secunder and (3) Letter Writers the link for adding online recommendations for the candidate.

**Step 3: Submit the proposal to your Station Committee.** When it is fully completed, the Station Committee will add it to other proposals for next (twice annual) posting at the Station level for comments, for 30 days. *In the meantime, we strongly suggest the candidate meet at least one of the station’s Membership Committee members – arrange to bring him or her to a station event!*

**Step 4: That’s it... you are done with the proposal – Membership will take it from here!** After Station posting, the proposal is reviewed at the next National Meeting. Upon approval there, it is posted to all members of the Club for comments for 15 days. When approved, your candidate will be a full member of the CCA.

**Step 5: Get your new member involved in the CCA!!** Take them to events, introduce them to other members, and ask them to consider working with any of our local or national committees. This is just as important as proposing the new member on in the first place!

Peter Stoops  
Chair, Membership Committee

### **Young Member Liaison Committee to Engage, Recruit Younger Members**

In an effort to address the increasing average age of the club's membership, Vice Commodore Bob Medland working with Ernie Godshalk (BOS) have created a new, station-level role, Young Member Liaisons (YMLs), to lead each station's efforts to engage existing younger members, 55 and under, in club activities and energize the recruitment of younger new members. So far, eight stations have appointed a Young Member Liaison with a few more stations yet to fill the role.

The club is facing two challenges: having activities and programs that appeal to existing younger members and reaching out to potential younger members. Each station's Young Member Liaison, will engage the young members of their station and, working with their station's leadership, write and implement a plan that increases the engagement of young members and enhances the profile of the club amongst younger sailors in their region.

Roddy Hearne, YML for PNW and coordinator club-wide of the YMLs, and Chris Museler (BOS) who chairs the Future Member Engagement Committee together are leading the effort; Chris with an eye to club-wide initiatives and Roddy coordinating and working with the YMLs in efforts at the station level. Roddy has been in touch with the new YMLs for an initial exchange of ideas.

In conversations so far, YMLs have consensus: a strong adherence to the club's mission and the club's distinction as a group of sailors with the highest standards of blue water experience and seamanship are key strengths and selling points and should not be compromised. The challenge is how to bridge the generational divide to make the club more relevant and appealing to a younger cadre of sailors.

Many YMLs will be at the Annual Meeting in March where they'll have a chance to meet and share ideas. The conversations and discussions ensuing from this effort will help each of us, individually, as members to think of ways to energize the younger end of the club and make it as relevant and distinctive tomorrow as it is today.

Roddie Hearne  
Chair  
Young Members Liaison Committee

#### **b. Awards**

**Bill Cook**

**Blue Water Medal**

**Jean-Luc Van Den Heede, Nantes, France**

For his six solo circumnavigations and winning the 2018 Golden Globe Race

**Rod Stephens Seamanship Trophy**                      **Gregory McGuckin, Dublin, Ireland**

For extraordinary efforts to aid a competitor in the 2018 Golden Globe Race.

**Young Voyager Award**                                      **Guirec Soudee, Brittany, France**

In recognition of his solo voyage from the Arctic to the Antarctic.

**Far Horizons Award**                                      **Peter and Ginger Niemann, Seattle, Wash.**

For their worldwide voyaging, including a circumnavigation via the Cape of Good Hope and Cape Horn in 2006-2010, and a transit of the Northwest Passage in 2017.

**Royal Cruising Club Trophy**                              **Steven W. James, Palm City, Florida**

For his challenging cruise from Buenos Aires to the Le Maire Strait and Tierra del Fuego.

**Charles H. Vilas Literary Prize**                      **Molly and Porter Barnes, Los Olivos, Calif.**

For their article in the CCA's *Voyages* magazine, "A Family's Three-Year 36,000-Nautical Mile Adventure," which described sailing from Easter Island to Cape Horn, the Falklands to Norway, and more.

**Richard S. Nye Trophy**                                      **Sheila McCurdy, Middletown, Rhode Island**

For her leadership in the Cruising Club of America and the yachting world, as well as her many successes in yacht racing.

**c.                      BROOC                                      Jay Gowell**

With just over three months to go, many people on the BROOC are working very hard on the final arrangements for the Race. As of February 21 (when the last entry fee increase took effect), 196 boats had formally initiated the entry process. Cash flow from entry fee deposits is very positive at the moment.

Major efforts right now are being placed on securing final sponsorship commitments and lining up the many details for the new Race Village at Bowen's Wharf, Race Headquarters at Seamen's Church Institute, and Newport Operations in general. Mike McBee, Will Passano, Janet Garnier and Fred Deichmann all deserve much credit for their tireless efforts. If anyone would like to join in and help out with these efforts, many hands are needed!

The Media Team, led by John Winder and John Burnham, continues to be a juggernaut for participation, sponsorship fulfillment and participant and fan engagement.

John Winder and John Osmond, in their roles as Steering Committee chairmen, together with past Commodore Binch and Jim Teeters, are working on several special projects including details for a revised Onion Patch Series and ensuring ORR rating certificate accuracy with ORA and US Sailing.

James Phyfe is conducting training sessions and calls with his formidable inspections team, preparing for the onslaught of yacht inspections that must be completed in a very compressed timeframe.

Andrew Kallfelz is ably and quietly managing the Sailgate entry system, patiently working with competitors to get their entries completed.

Hank Halsted is on top of the qualifications process.

Michael Keyworth and John Brooks have been working closely with the US Coast Guard and other stakeholders to plan for smooth and safe operations for the Race start on June 19.

Chris and Shawn Otorowski have graciously contributed the services of their beautiful yacht *Aphrodite* to serve as the signal vessel for the Race start.

Stephen Kempe and Somers Kempe have been making preparations for an exceptional welcome to the fleet in Bermuda.

Many other members of the BROCC are working hard on other specific tasks, too numerous to mention here. I hope you'll forgive me for not naming every person!

I want to express my sincere thanks to all members of BROCC for their great advice and support to me, and for their hard work and creativity to make this edition of our great Race a success.

#### **d. Voyages**

**Zdenka and John Griswold**

Issue #62 of *Voyages* rolled off the presses with a record number of articles at 27, plus three book reviews.

The total print run was 2,140, broken down as follows: 1,521 to membership: 75 to yacht clubs and sailing organizations; 133 extras to Cindy Crofts-Wisch; 12 to Bob Medland; 24 for Safety-at-Sea; 50 to Chris Otorowski for new members; 220 to Janet Garnier for NBR; 100 to the rear commodores; and five for the editors.

In addition to sending *Voyages* to several yacht clubs and sailing organizations (see numerical breakdown above), we also shared copies with the editors of *Sail* and *Wind Check* magazines,



with whom we have developed a very good working relationship. Both have regularly republished articles from *Voyages*, with appropriate attribution to and recognition of the CCA (four from last year's issue in *Sail* – see below for details; and one in *WindCheck* - “*Fiona Finds (Mostly) Easy Sailing...*” by Eric Forsyth – May 2019).  
*Sail* 2020 tentative publication schedule:

- March - “*Storms and Pirates*” by Kitty and Scott Kuhner
- May - “*Following Flinders*” by Jim and Jean Foley
- July - “*The Forgotten Islands*” by Krystina Scheller and Erik de Jong
- October - “*A Key Approach to Offshore Passagemaking*” by Dick Stevenson

We will continue to work with Michael Moradzadeh and the website team to make *Voyages* articles publicly available on the club website. The vast majority seem comfortable with having their articles posted on the web. The sentiment is not universal, however, and on occasion, an author is reluctant to disseminate beyond the membership a story, plan, or experience intended to be shared with friends in the club.

Selling *Voyages* was discussed in a recent Communications Committee meeting. The consensus was not to pursue the matter at this time, and we agree. In addition to the concerns noted above, those who write for commercial magazines may want to get paid if we start to charge, or stop making contributions to *Voyages* altogether. Finally, the general drop-off in print magazine sales, including the RCC Pilotage Foundation's experience with selling *Roving Commissions*, the RCC's annual journal, suggests that any sales would at best be tepid.

**e. GAM**

**Wendy Hinman**

Spring will be my last issue and I am working with Haley Lhamon who will become the new GAM editor. Here are some words from Haley:

“I'm honored to have been asked to be the GAM editor and will do my best to maintain its high quality. Wendy has already started showing me what to do, and I know I can lean on her for advice whenever needed. I look forward to getting to know the CCA and many more of its members while helping to produce this valuable club resource.”

It has been a pleasure serving as GAM editor and getting to know so many members and learn about all our Station and Post activities.

**f. Web**

**Michael Moradzadeh**

**Generally:** Following the launch of the revised site, the response has been generally favorable. Very few glitches and considerably less member confusion than I had feared. Web traffic rates have remained fairly constant, about 100-400 visitors per day, with occasional spikes when there's some promotion.

**The Business of the Club:** One set of operations for the site is the Club's business. Roster, event registrations, dues, book sales and the like. Generally, this is going smoothly. A few small issues

continue to invite modification. Some members have a hard time updating their boat information. Others have difficulty getting their login restored. Generally, these are handled on a case-by-case basis, but we remain on the lookout for a better approach. Our stations have been slow to update their information online. Periodic reminders are sent, but we try to avoid nagging.

We have noticed an increasing rate of minor glitches in e-commerce. As noted in an earlier report, a switch to a different commerce tool has been a goal, and in the last few months, I was able to develop the module that will make this tool (Drupal Commerce) useful for the kinds of transactions we do. The goal is to build out this tool with the additional features our membership uses (event-specific lists, dues management, etc), test it thoroughly, and roll it out in August. Big BIG project for March: support YEARBOOK.

**The Art and Practice of Sailing:** The website includes many offerings for the sailor seeking knowledge. These include:

- **Safety & Seamanship.** We are starting to get more articles, which in turn can be promoted. As I write this, a new general declaration on a culture of safety has arrived in my inbox and will be posted. Dick York notes that the transition from the old site did not include some of the older articles, and these will get ported in due time.
- **Environment.** The EOS committee has had many meetings on the display and arrangement of a set of articles on sea environmental matters. As the content arrives from these contributors, they'll be arranged rationally. At some point, our involvement in the environment may support top-level billing. We don't want, however, to claim credit for work not yet undertaken.
- **Voyages.** Voyages online is looking good. We're using Issuu to make the original pdf files easily readable. Moreover, the Issuu site can help us easily develop a web version of the articles for easier viewing and to keep visitors on our site.
- **Cruising Guides.** An exciting development is that CCA has taken the editing and publishing of our cruising guides in-house. We've set up some pages to reflect the guides and the updates to them. These pretty much match what the prior publisher had, but I think we can do a significantly better job presenting and promoting the guides, possibly including an independent site.

**Classes** Because of the large number of non-CCA member transactions, our courses' registrations and fee collections are handled through an independent site (<https://sas.cruisingclub.org>). This site supports SCC sales, SAS registrations, issuance of codes for online training, weather seminar, medical seminar, and any other courses that arise.

#### **g. Safety and Seamanship      John Robinson**

The Committee just released its recommendations on "Creating a Culture of Safety: The Skipper's Responsibility." We also intend to release another set of recommendations regarding Lifejackets in the next couple of weeks.

### Safety at Sea Training Program - Mark Lenci

This program is running very well and serving to educate a large number of sailors. We ran two courses in January with 98 students and will run two more in March that are sold out with 110 students. The course scheduled for May 9 is also sold out. The most significant change is the agreement with the New York Yacht Club to collaborate in presenting the program, which should expand both the student base as well as the club base of volunteers, who are needed to maintain the program at it's current level and to grow it.

We expect to conduct at least seven courses in 2020 as well as conduct at least one under the brand of another organization. We expect the CCA/NYYC courses will produce an estimated 350 graduates, representing about 25% of all graduates in the US. We have a continuing need for volunteers to help manage and staff this program.

### Safety for Cruising Couples Program - Ron Trossbach

We have completed the revision of the Safety for Cruising Couples workbook, which was last updated in 2015, under the editorial leadership of CCA member Chuck Steward and his wife, Peggy. The workbook presentation uses a number of younger members visually, places more emphasis on electronic navigation and reorganizes the material, but the content is largely similar to prior versions. Printing is now complete and copies are available using a new online order fulfillment system.

CCA issued a press release announcing the new workbook on February 11 and we expect some coverage in sailing media. Five seminars were held in 2019 and 8 clubs are currently looking at hosting seminars in 2020. We continue to encourage RCs and Station Safety Officers to support the programs in their local regions.

### Medical Seminars - Jeff Wisch

The CCA Medical Seminar with the optional CPR/AED/First Aid Course will take place on March 15 at Roger Williams University with 50 participants enrolled. This program is designed to focus on the responsibilities of the medical officer aboard a sailing vessel. The curriculum will include a blended on-line First Aid and CPR Course with a hands-on portion with certification for CPR. It will also include discussion of appropriate medical kit, assessment of the victim and how to communicate findings for remote assistance, and an interactive discussion of various medical scenarios at sea.

We have also begun a new collaboration with the NYYC to further develop the program and offer it with greater frequency to a wider community. In addition, the Fleet Surgeon has been involved in drafting a CCA Cruise Guide Medical Memorandum for Cruise Organizers.

### Weather Seminars - Frank Bohlen

The second Marine Weather and Sea State Symposium was held on February 29 at the Seattle Yacht Club. This session placed more emphasis on the characteristics of the Pacific than the 2018 Symposium, with particular emphasis on the Pacific Northwest. The seminar attracted 65 attendees, including 5 younger sailor scholarship recipients from three CCA stations.

## Station Safety Officers - Mark Royce

Station Safety Officers continue to share ideas for useful safety topics suitable for presentations at station meetings and have been active in helping develop positions on recommendations from the Safety & Seamanship Committee.

### **h. Archive**

**Mark Ellis**

The Archives Committee met in Boston and covered many topics. A major goal is to develop and execute a contract with Mystic Seaport regarding digital archives and to develop proper access procedures to those digital archives. The Committee will be working with other club members to develop the contract and procedures.

Below are points of consensus the Committee reached in Boston:

1. We need to re-catalogue what we have at Mystic.
2. We need to consider de-accessioning of some archives material with Mystic consent.
3. We need to come up with new contract with Mystic.
4. We need to decide how and through whose hands digital material gets submitted to Mystic.
5. We need to identify what is worth saving and what is not proper archives material.
6. We need to look at what Mystic has in the archives in terms of books which are not kept with the general archives material but are on bookshelves with other non CCA books.
7. We need to decide what archives material should be scanned and made accessible to members electronically.
8. We need to bring the necrology up to date (stopped in about 1993)
9. We should save the following:
  - a. Financial records
  - b. Minutes of Board, Annual Meetings of Membership, SAS and other Committee meetings
  - c. Bermuda Race material (possibly last saved in 2003 and needs updating)
  - d. Videos by members.
  - e. Weather seminar videos
  - f. Cruise booklets
  - g. Voyages
  - h. GAM
  - i. CC News

### **i. Bonnell Cove**

**Joyce Lhamon**

As President of the Bonnell Cove Foundation, I would like to thank all, especially our generous CCA members, who responded to our Fall 2019 newsletter. These gifts are an important part of our budget and makes it possible for the Foundation to continue supporting efforts to enhance Safety at Sea and our Marine environment. We received over \$26,225 from 130 donations. I am glad to report that many of our CCA members are now using PayPal to simplify contributing.

I would like to thank Bob Melchner for his appreciated efforts in encouraging grant requests and his ability to ask the right questions about BCF concerns. We welcomed a new board members: Rob Robfogel (CHE). BCF continues its relationship with the financial committee of the Club. At the 2019 fall meeting during the second grant cycle in 2019, we approved 5 grants for \$26,000 with recipients in 5 station's regions. These supported innovative educational projects in New York, Maine, and Puget Sound, and New England.

As always, we encourage each station to encourage non-profits in their scope of influence to apply for grants benefiting safety at sea projects and improving the marine environment. Look for continued news in the Gam and BCF Spring newsletter for specific grant information. Thank you for your efforts.

As a result of these efforts, BCF has received 15 grant requests, totaling \$100,079 for consideration at the current spring meeting. These requests represented seven station regions. Bonnell Cove Foundation relies on donations from the members of CCA to continue to give significant grants to small nonprofits. Without your donations the grants given will be smaller and fewer. Thank you for your past generosity and continued support.

**j. Financial Affairs Committee\* Kathleen O'Donnell**

Pursuant to the revised charter approved at the 2019 Fall Meeting, the Financial Affairs Committee was asked to complete the following tasks:

- review the unaudited Financial Statement for the Fiscal Year ending October 31, 2019
- review the proposed budget for Fiscal Year beginning November 1, 2019, which is to be approved at this meeting
- engage an independent accountant to review the practices of the Treasurer (a copy of the review letter is attached)
- develop a policy on reimbursement of Commodore's expenses

As a result of the completion of these tasks, the Financial Affairs Committee makes the following recommendations to the Governing Board:

**1. Budget Process:**

The Club is in the process of adopting a budget concept and process. It is fair to observe that prior to 2019, no attempts were made to anticipate the Club's financial needs either in the immediate fiscal year or in the long term. Spending decisions were made on an *ad hoc* basis by officers, committee heads and members whose authority to spend money was implied by their appointed or elected positions. The first effort to assemble a comprehensive budget was undertaken during the fiscal year that ended October 31, 2019. The Treasurer polled the officers and members with operational responsibilities to obtain their expected financial requirements for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2020. Ideally, the Financial Affairs Committee and the Flag Officers would review the initial compilation with the responsible committee heads, with the objective of adjusting specific spending proposals to produce a balanced budget. This process obviously started too late to produce a balanced budget for the Board's approval for the current

fiscal year. However, the effort reveals the importance of starting the budget process much earlier, and the difficulty that the FAC, officers and Board will likely have in paring spending expectations down to achieve a balanced budget. We recommend, and the Treasurer agrees, that the budget be prepared on a more timely basis so that it may be approved at the Fall Meeting in October for the following fiscal year. A practical timetable acceptable to the Financial Affairs Committee and the Treasurer should be adopted for use for the 2021 Budget. A suggested timeline follows:

a. May, 2020 -The Treasurer sends a request to the officers and the committees for anticipated revenue, expenses, and expenditures of a capital nature for the following fiscal year with the stated premise that the Club is to operate on a breakeven basis. All submissions should be submitted with appropriate explanation and/or backup. Deadline for submissions should be May 31.

b. September - Preliminary budget compilation and financial statements for current and immediate past year to be provided by the Treasurer to the FAC for review and discussion. Deadline September 15.

c. September 15 to October 1 - The FAC reviews raw budget compilation, together and with committee heads and Flag Officers as necessary, to achieve balanced budget for Board approval.

d.. One week prior to Fall meeting the Budget proposal for the following fiscal year is circulated to the Governing Board

d. October - Final Budget to be approved the Governing Board.

e. March - Financial statements for prior fiscal year on a comparative basis and the approved budget for current fiscal year to be submitted to the Annual Meeting.

## 2. Expenditures:

Article XVIII of the Club's by-laws simply states that "no expenditures of funds nor contracts binding the Club shall be made except by authorization of the Governing Board". Compliance with this by-law cannot possibly work and this by-law is probably ignored. The FAC recommends Article XVIII be reviewed. Until such time as a revised Article XVIII is adopted, we recommend the adoption of a continuing resolution to authorize the Treasurer to pay budgeted expenses up to a [amount to be determined] limit without the necessity of Governing Board approval. Any expenditure above this amount must be approved by a second officer and must be supported by appropriate documentation such as a purchase order, a contract, an invoice, or the equivalent.

## 3. Deficits:

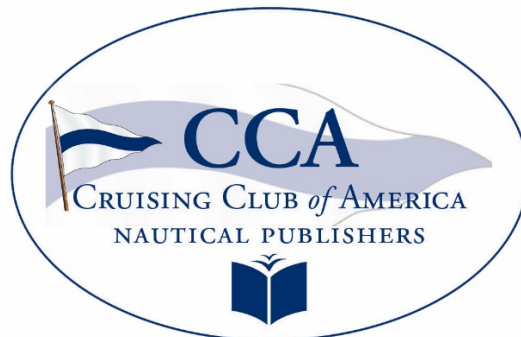
The FAC notes that the Club had an excess of expenses over revenue for fiscal 2019 and is budgeted to have a net loss of \$173,064 in cash in fiscal 2020 year. These losses have a

serious impact on cash reserves, especially when you recognize that some Club assets are tied to the Stations or otherwise restricted. The FAC recognizes that most of this year's loss is attributed to the one-time expense of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary books; a history of the Club and a "boats we sail" volume. But, even taking into account that cost, the Club will still lose \$45,000 this year. The FAC supports a modest dues increase to offset the operating expenses but we are concerned that we have seen no explanation of any efforts to mitigate the expense of the books, or really, any explanation of the budget for this project such as cost of the books, potential sponsorships, pre-orders to indicate interest, etc. The Treasurer has advised us that there are plans under consideration to mitigate the cash impact of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary books.

4. Reimbursement of Commodore's Expenses:

The FAC recommends that the budget include the cost of reimbursing the Commodore for expenses incurred in visiting the Stations and Posts, attending meetings of sister cruising clubs or entertaining visiting Commodores from those clubs. The expense would be capped at \$15,000 per year. Invoices for travel and entertainment expenses shall be submitted to the Treasurer no later than 60 days after the expense was incurred. Documentation shall include for example: credit card statements, cancelled checks, sales receipts, or the equivalent.

k. Cruising Guides and Charts Doug Bruce



REPORT OF CHARTS & GUIDES COMMITTEE  
CCA ANNUAL MEETING - March 6, 2020

The club and committee re-acquired ownership of the Cruising Guides to Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Labrador, and Gulf of St. Lawrence in mid-summer 2019, thanks to the persistent and thoughtful efforts of then Committee Chair, Fin Perry, and Commodore Brad Willauer. Much has happened since:

- The guides were renamed the *CCA Cruising Guide to* \_\_\_\_\_, and the publisher is now known as Cruising Club of America Nautical Publishers.
- An experienced and capable printer/distributor was appointed – Paradise Cay in Arcata, Calif.
- A CCANP logo has been created, and the guide covers redesigned to favor a high-quality appearance with strong CCA branding and a consistent look across all four books.



- Fin Perry retired as Committee Chair at the Fall Meeting, and Doug Bruce was appointed Chair.
- Experienced CCA hands filled the editor positions: Wilson Fitt & James Watson for Nova Scotia, Doug & Dale Bruce for Newfoundland, Fin Perry for Labrador, and James Evans for GSL.
- Endorsements from RNSYS and RNYC were enthusiastically given, and access to the Coastal Marine Informatics website added to Newfoundland Guide for use by purchasers.
- Updated guides with **substantial** corrections to existing content were created by early December thanks to monumental efforts by the editors and several proofreaders, all member volunteers. Special kudos to Jane Babbitt, who expertly proofread both Newfoundland and Labrador Guides.
- Books were printed and began selling to traditional retailers by late December — nautical bookstores and chart chandleries in the northeast USA and eastern Canada. Sales to date have been well above expectations with a large number of CCA members in BDO and BOS/GMP placing orders.
- The CCA Website for Guides has been updated and expanded with considerable help from Michael Moradzadeh
- Advertising and public relations efforts are underway thanks to guidance from the CCA Communications Committee and John Burnham, the club's and BROCC's consultant. Dev Barker has kindly featured the new guides in his Waypoints e-bulletin on a regular basis.
- Several new committee members have joined our ranks: Jane Babbitt, Bill Bowers, Steve McInnis, Michael Moore, Dick & Ginger Stevenson, Dorothy Wadlow, John van-Schalkwyk. And several members have agreed to assist as consultants: Milt Baker, Phineas Sprague, David Pratt, John Harries, Jane Dalton, and Spencer Smith. All have agreed-upon responsibilities.
- The committee has now received permission from the Canadian Hydrographic Service (thank you, Wilson Fitt) and Navionics to use their charts in CCA publications. Planning is underway to add and update charts in all four books.
- The protocols for obtaining necessary copyrights from some authors and all photographers are being finalized, thanks to Steve McInnis.



- Near-term plans will seek to standardize the interior design for guide pages to allow for charts and high-quality photos using a custom template created by an experienced graphic designer. Having this template will make the transition to Adobe InDesign software easier for editors new to this program.
- Introductory material generic to all guides is to be rewritten and updated by Dick & Ginger Stevenson.
- Planning is also underway for incorporating CCA “Institutional Knowledge” (Safety & Seamanship, Weather Forecasting, Environmental Responsibility, etc.) in the introductory sections of each guide.
- Ditto for a new section about Wildlife (under and over the sea) indigenous to the Atlantic Provinces thanks to Michael Moore and Dorothy Wadlow.
- Long-range planning for adding both printed and digital guides is also ongoing, as are opportunities for cooperative relationships with other yacht clubs producing guides (e.g., RCC Pilotage Foundation).

Jon Knowles and Fin Perry are leading the Chart Loaning portion of the committee. This activity remains well organized via the club website to serve the decreasing needs of members wanting paper charts. See <https://www.cruisingclub.org/mo/charts-guides> for details.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Doug Bruce  
Chair, Charts and Guides Committee

#### **l. Guest Moorings**

**Eugene Gardner**

The current guest mooring count stands at 78 individual moorings. Since the last report in October 2018, two moorings were deleted from the listing and one was added. The new mooring is located in Maine on the St. George River. In early March, the Committee will be sending out a request to all mooring stewards to review their mooring listing for accuracy. The updated listings will be the basis for the guest mooring section in the annual CCA Yearbook.

The Rear Commodores are requested to make guest moorings a meeting topic at least once a year. During these discussions, please ask Club members to consider adding a mooring to the program.

#### **m. Events**

**Barbara Watson**

The Calendar as of March 1, will be circulated to the WEB, GAM and WAYPOINTS.

Thanks to Ann Noble-Kiley and Dev Barker for the last Fall Meeting in Boston and to Johnnie and Po Martin for once again leading a great Ski Gam in Park City, Utah.

All future events are in good hands and coming together.

## **CCA CALENDAR**

### **2020**

March 14	SAS COURSE, RWU, Bristol, RI
March 15	SAS COURSE, RWU, Bristol, RI
March 13 - 14	BROC Meeting, Medical Seminar and Race preparations Seminar
March 15	GAM DEADLINE
May 9	SAS COURSE, RWU, Bristol, RI
May 16	SAS COURSE, on boats, Harbor Court, Newport
June 15	SAS COURSE, RWU, Bristol, RI (Bermuda participants only)
June 19	NEWPORT - BERMUDA RACE
Mid - July	FESTIVAL OF SAIL. CORK300
October 15	GAM DEADLINE
October 17	SAS COURSE, RWU, Bristol, RI
October 20	VOYAGES DEADLINE
September 12 - 25	MALLORCA CRUISE
October 22 - 24	FALL MEETING, PNW, Seattle

### **2021**

January 16	SAS COURSE, RWU, Bristol, RI
March 5	ANNUAL Meeting & AWARDS Dinner, NYYC
March 27	SAS COURSE, RWU, Bristol, RI
March 28	SAS COURSE, RWU, Bristol, RI
Aug 23 - Sept 2	APOSTLE ISLANDS CRUISE
October 1 - 3	FALL MEETING, BDO, Lunenburg, NS
October 16	SAS COURSE, RWU, Bristol, RI

### **2022**

March 4	ANNUAL Meeting & AWARDS Dinner, NYYC
June 17	NEWPORT - BERMUDA RACE
September 19 - 23	100th ANNIVERSARY
September	FALL MEETING ESS to be held along with the 100th.

## **n. Environment of the Sea      Joe Harris**

Our work in the Environment of the Sea Committee (EoSC) over the last quarter continues to build on our education mission. New members Steve Brown and Bill Strassberg have been very helpful in reviewing and proposing changes to the EoSC presence on the CCA web site and in forming a Facebook page to facilitate dialogue and communication amongst members, particularly with regard to Climate Change.

All Committee members are getting involved with environmental groups and causes locally, with the most popular activity being a beach clean-up. Our team of John Bullard and Frank Bohlen continue to follow and update us on the activities (births and deaths) of the endangered Atlantic

Right Whale, while Charlie Stillman and Joyce Lhamon keep us informed about the activities and condition of the endangered Orca whales in the Pacific Northwest.

Chan Reis is helping us with his informational videos and may be able to help with the EoSC presence in Newport before the Bermuda Race and our partnership with Sailors for the Sea and their updates Clean Regattas program in June.

Rob Emery reported on the alarmingly high water levels in the Great Lakes, causing massive erosion damage, sewage overflows, and chemicals to enter the great lakes (and find their way to the ocean) and he leaves us with this reminder from Dr. Seuss:

*“UNLESS Someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It’s not.”*

**o. Investment Committee Tom Post**

**Report from the CCA Investment Committee to the 2020 Annual Meeting**

2019 was a good year for our portfolios. Here is a synopsis of results through 1/31/20:

Returns thru 1-31-20					
Fund	Year to Date	1 Year	3 year	5 year	10 year
CCA	-0.09%	15.09%	9.60%	7.95%	8.90%
Bonnell Cove	-0.33%	12.64%	8.10%	7.42%	8.82%
S&P 500	-0.04%	21.68%	14.54%	12.37%	13.97%
MSCI ACWI ex USA (International Stocks)	-2.68%	10.14%	7.81%	5.14%	5.36%
Barclay's Agg Bond Index	1.92%	9.64%	4.62%	3.01%	3.79%
65/35 Benchmark *	0.65%	17.50%	11.21%	9.19%	10.57%
* 65% S&P 500 / 35% Barclay's Agg					
Returns longer than one year are annualized					

We remain close to our allocation targets and don't anticipate making any dramatic changes to the portfolios. We endeavor to keep our costs as low as possible. Expenses for the Bonnell Cove portfolio are 0.09% annually and for the CCA portfolio, they are 0.08% annually.

**p. Technical Jim Binch**

This report is written prior to our first, in-person meeting which will be taking place on the Thursday prior to the Annual Meeting ---which is not to suggest that most of the Committee's members have not been deeply involved in ratings, and scantling discussions over the past twelve months.

For purposes of this report to the Board, I believe it best to focus on the major issues we have encountered with the accuracy of the ORR ratings used extensively throughout the US for offshore racing, in particular the Newport Bermuda Race.

In the Fall of '19 it was discovered by Technical Committee member Jim Teeters, on entering data from existing ORR-certified yachts who wished to race under the ORA's new ORR-Ez non-measured VPP rule, that there were significant errors in critical data used in the VPP calculations, resulting in erroneous ORR handicaps. In fact, these data errors even affected some results in the 2018 Newport Bermuda Race.

Jim brought this to the attention of the ORA's directors, and since then the ORA have been intensively developing new software-driven screening tools, both of sail and rig measurement accuracy, as well as for hull measurement data. In fairness, US Sailing has worked very closely with the ORA since this discovery, and are doing everything they are able to, in helping resolve the crisis. The ORA has loaned to US Sailing the sail and rig measurement software for their use on the checking of every single ORR certificate renewal for 2020. The ORA shall not lend the hull data software as it will become a front-end processing program of the VPP itself. As of now, both everyone on the ORA staff and the BROC's technical liaison, Nick Nicholson, are confident that all certs for the 2020 race, as well as all the other races throughout the USA in 2020 shall have accurate, and fair, handicaps.

How did we get here? When US Sailing entered into its five year contractual agreement with the ORA in 2015, it shortly thereafter enacted a substantial reduction in personnel resources in the Offshore Office, and essentially left the office bereft of any technical skill. Concurrently they were installing a comprehensive new ERP system from SAP (donated by Hap Fauth, owner of Bellamonte and Chair of SAP), which system was to have built into it a screening software for offshore ratings data. Regrettably this was never completed, and the screening of incoming data -- for either ORC, IRC and ORR certificates -- was not performed, or certainly not to the degree required.

Due to the added burden on the ORA to resolve and assist in cleaning up this mess, the ORA has reached out to the Newport Bermuda Race Foundation, the Transpac Yacht Club, US Sailing, and the Chicago Yacht Club, for supplementary financial support to conduct this additional work. I am pleased to let the CCA Board know that all but the Chicago Yacht Club have come forward and provided the needed assistance.

Concurrently, the undersigned is also serving as Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee of the ORA and has been designated as the lead negotiator on behalf of the ORA for a completely new long-term agreement between US Sailing and the ORA. To date, I have had two very constructive and positive sessions with Jack Gierhart, CEO of US Sailing. The opening premise is that we, the ORA, and its founders, want an equitable playing field for all sailors regardless of yacht sailed, and irrespective of wealth (i.e. we are for every sailor, not merely the avowed racer with money to burn). And equally importantly, we wish to have US Sailing remain the entry point and final issuer of certificates, with an equitable split in revenues between the two that ensures the financial viability of the ORA going forward. I believe it will take several more

meetings before we can reveal the final arrangements, but I remain confident the CCA's investment in offshore ratings development over many decades will be preserved and enhanced for future generations of US offshore sailors.

**q. Yearbook**

**Murray Beach**

The Yearbook is in process and will be out soon.

**r. Ski GAM**

**Johnny and Po Martin**

We enjoyed another CCA Ski Gam in Park City with plenty of snow, entertainment, and most of all, excellent company. It was wonderful to see again the traditional participants and more than a few new ones.

This year we skied at 3 resorts which included Park City Mountain Resort, Deer Valley and Alta. At Park City we were guided by locals, Bill Chambers and John and Po Martin. For Deer Valley we were guided by local instructors, Dan and Connie Steffen, and Deborah Norum.

And the Piece De Resistance was our day at Alta hosted by Rick and Linda Olney. There they provided us guides and plenty of fresh powder followed by a wonderful Apre Ski at the famous Rustler Lodge.

Our evenings were busy as well. We started each evening in the "Club Room" for drinks and hors d'oeuvres, some evening highlights included our annual Super Bowl Party where we enjoyed a wonderful meal of Braised Brisket and Sweet Potato Hash catered by Vessel Kitchen. Another evening featured a representative of High West providing us with the history of its local distillery followed by a whisky tasting.

We had a group dinner at the Silver Star Cafe, recently featured on Food Network and another at Adolph's, a Ski Gam tradition. Ernie Godshalk shared his stories and photos of his European adventures and Transatlantic. Vickie and Bob McGrath entertained us with their slides and stories of their annual off of the grid ski trip in the wilds of Canada.

And then finally, our closing evening which included dinner and the award of some entertaining prizes chosen by Ross and Kathleen Sherbrooke and Barbara Watson. Of further note was the success of our communications Tsar, Christy Fisher, who helped everyone download "What's Ap" which enabled us to easily communicate with one another especially when needing a quick change of plans and meeting locations as well sharing photos. Ski gam video: <https://youtu.be/72E3jX9pfLo>

Future ideas for 2021 and beyond are to investigate the feasibility of spending alternate years skiing in Europe where lift and accommodation prices are more economic and to add some variety. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Klh9biU\\_SJI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Klh9biU_SJI) Other ideas are to start a Kiteboard Gam for those who want try an alternative sailing watersport. Kiting has become very popular and is relatively easy to learn at a variety of ages. It will soon become an Olympic sport and

compliments sailing and may be an activity that attracts new breed of members [you tube - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ci07gmvpH0I>]

## **s. Communications**

**Bob Medland**

The Communications Committee in its second year in its current configuration continues to make good progress in terms of enthusiastic member participation providing a range of ideas; activities and communications programs for members and nonmembers to build awareness of the CCA and assist with new member recruitment of qualified younger ocean sailors. Some highlights:

- Over 25 members now participate regularly in the Communications Committee (CC) conference calls (2 per year) and meetings (2 per year). Many CC members are Chairs of other committees such as: Membership – Peter Stoops, Safety & Seamanship – John Robinson, Environment of the Sea – Joe Harris, Cruising Guides – Doug Bruce, Events – Barbara Watson, and BROC – Jay Gowell. They submit separate reports.
- Thank you for the superb contributions of Wendy Hinman, Dev Barker, and Zdenka and Jack Griswold the CCA publications: GAM, Waypoints, Voyages have continued their standard of excellence. A special thank you to Wendy for a magnificent job as Editor of the GAM. She steps down after the next edition. We extend a warm, appreciative welcome to Haley Lhamon who has kindly agreed to succeed Wendy.
- Currently, eight stations have recently appointed station Young Members' Liaisons (YMLs) with the objective of further engaging young members in station and Club activities. Roddy Hearne, who has been appointed YML for PNW and Club leader of YMLs, and Chris Museler (BOS), who chairs the Future Members Engagement Committee, are leading this initiative. Progress on this initiative is largely thanks to Ernie Godshalk.

The YML initiative is intended to elicit input from young members; in conjunction with station Events Committees design events that are attractive to young members; in conjunction with station Membership Committees encourage young members to bring their qualified cruising friends to station and Club events; and involve young members in station and Club committees and leadership.

The impetus for this initiative is the recognition that the portion of young (under 55) members in the Club continues to decline (a trend not limited to the CCA).

- Dennis Powers and John Burnham have continued to develop a program to improve awareness of the CCA in the sailing community with CCA and BROC announcements in Scuttlebutt and publication of CCA articles in various well-known sailing magazines (Cruising World, Latitude 38, SAIL, etc.). Dennis and John are also assisting with the publicity for CCA Awards. Watch for upcoming articles featuring CCA Members and activity including: Rich Wilson and the Figaro Program; an article about Michael Moradzadeh and the Transpac; a book review in Voyages about the book Ocean Sailing

which features contributions from 17 CCA Members and will later be featured in SAIL magazine; John Robinson regarding a Culture of Safety and life jackets; Jim Morgan and the City of Los Angeles Regatta; and Peter Becker and a story on the YASA program (*High Noon*).

- Roel Hoekstra (CHE) continues to explore opportunities to use social media such as: Facebook, Instagram and other avenue to efficiently reach our membership and an audience of younger, experienced offshore sailors.
- Under Michael Moradzadeh's guidance the new website continues to serve the members' needs. There is the ongoing request for more current content. Voyages articles are available on the CCA website.

I am grateful to the members of the Communications Committee for their active participation and commitment throughout the past two years.

**t. Quartermaster**

**Steve Prime**

(See Trophy Report, below)

**u. Nominating Committee**

**Tad Lhamon/Jim Binch**

The Nominating Committee submits the following nominations to be acted upon at the Annual Meeting to be held March 6, 2020

**OFFICERS**

Commodore

J. W. Robert Medland

Vice Commodore

Christopher L. Otorowski

Secretary

John R. Gowell

Treasurer

Peter L. Chandler

Historian

John P. Rousmaniere

**GOVERNORS (Terms expiring 2023)**

Brian W. Billings (BDA)

Amelia L. Green (ESS)

Ian N. H. Gumprecht (GLS)

Rodney T. Hearne (PNW)

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 2020**

James G. Binch, Chairman

Douglas A. Bruce

Ernest L. Godshalk

Frederic T. Lhamon

W. Bradford Willauer

Respectfully Submitted by the 2019 Nominating Committee

James G. Binch  
Douglas A. Bruce  
Ernest L. Godshalk  
Lawrence Somers  
Frederic T. Lhamon, Chairman

**v.      Trophies**

**Bob Darbee**

**Master List:** We have received an updated appraisal of the CCA's trophy collection which also serves as an inventory Master List for this, the club's principal tangible asset. All are stored in the showcase at IYRS in Newport. This appraisal has been performed by Tomart which has been our principal trophy servicer for more than 20 years and knows the collection well. Below is one example of the appraisal and inventory. There is a detailed description of each piece with an appraised value.

**1. Sterling Silver 2-Handled Cup & Cover.**

Makers: S&B, Birmingham – England, 1926.

Marked P9610W.

New London - Bermuda Ocean Yacht Race 1926

in raised relief. George III style square-footed ovoid urn with C-scroll handles. Cup measures 8 1/2" diameter at top; 5 1/2" diameter at bottom; base is 6" square. Engraved insignia of the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club, inscriptions and dates 1966 et seq. Double-dome cover with urn finial.

Overall height 22". 110 troy oz.

\$ 31,425.00



The majority are Bermuda Race trophies. The other portion are the Perpetuals for the club's presentation at the Annual Awards Dinner. The oldest of the club's awards is the Blue Water Medal (BWM) originating at the club's first annual meeting in 1923. However, there is no Perpetual as a medal is awarded each year. The showcase at Newport is the first time a Blue



Water Medal, sometimes described as “The Nobel Prize of Yachting” has ever been on permanent display.

In early days Bermuda Race trophies were largely all Keepers, replenished each time out, few Perpetuals. Practicality imposed sometime either side of WWII. Initially then, trophies could be taken home by the winner for 18 months, to be returned 6 months prior to the next race. Over time, and as the collection grew, this had its complications and today the Perpetuals never leave Government House, site of Prizegiving. Winners get snapshots with the Governor presenting before a henchman snatches it back and the winner then gets a nice Keeper award to take home. Our trophies are returned to a secured warehouse before Prizegiving day is over.

**Ownership:** The CCA owns all these trophies entirely, both club and NBR. Royal Bermuda also has a set of Bermuda Race trophies which are likewise presented at Government House. Each club individually owns their respective pieces entirely. The Race, as such, does not own trophies (even though its trademark is the St. David’s Lighthouse trophy). Only the 2 clubs own Race trophies.

**Total:** This appraisal totals **\$358,000**.

**All-In:** Additionally at IYRS we store our set of custom travel cases (see attached pic during original move into IYRS) for the biennial roundtrip of these antiques to Bermuda. Most of these



were new concurrent with our 2016 move to Newport. The earlier set had worn out and was inadequate to the purpose. As the collection grew, some trophies were making the roundtrip in cardboard cartons and routinely suffered travel damage. We also have a custom case fitted specifically for the trophies that annually make the roundtrip Newport-NYYC for tonight’s dinner in the custody of the CCA Quartermaster. Travel case total, about \$20K. Our trophy showcase at IYRS is valued at approximately \$50K, contributed & built primarily by our member Fred Bauerschmidt who does such work commercially. All in, our holdings in Newport thus run **\$358K + \$20K + \$50K = \$428K**.

We also have, separately, a storage locker in Mamaroneck which holds our revolving inventory of blank BWMs, Bermuda Race award materials, miscellaneous items for award assemblies, etc

valued typically at \$20K or so. Thus all CCA/NBR awards interests of the club run approximately **\$450K**.

**Next Step:** Re-visit insurance coverage. Thx to new Quartermaster Steve Prime we have expert guidance on this and will be in consultation with Peter Chandler on the subject.

**w.        Waypoints**

**Dev Barker**

Waypoints continues to be sent out on the first of each month. It seems to be well accepted. Here is a link to the March 1 issue: <https://mailchi.mp/d7bc2fa9fdda/may-2017-cca-newsletter-2468893?e=a4cb91ee5e> I welcome and all submissions for considerations.



**Annual Meeting, March 6 at NYYC**

Refer to the committee meeting [schedule](#) as posted. The awards dinner is a total sellout, even the waiting list is full. There is also an in-house luncheon option that can be signed up for on Friday. The [Blue Water Medal](#) will be awarded to 73-year-old Jean-Luc Van Den Heede (left) for his achievements in single-handed sailing. Most notable are six solo circumnavigations, including victory in the 2018 Golden Globe Race in his Rustler-36 *Matmut* and setting the world record for fastest west-about circumnavigation against prevailing winds and currents in the Southern Ocean. A [thoughtful article](#) on this and other CCA awards....

**Member Proposal Process Simplified--Standards Maintained**

Your attention is directed to the newly-improved CCA [Membership Standards and Process](#), now five simple steps. The club is only as good as its members. It is each member's responsibility to find good, qualified candidates. The process has now become more streamlined and thus considerably less complicated.



**Inside the Bermuda Race**

**Station and Post Reports**

**a.        Bermuda**

**Ralph Richardson**

Like all even years, 2020 is a busy period for the Bermuda Station. With 196 vessels registered to date, this will be near a record fleet. Local members are planning the Bermuda end of the event as well as participating in the race itself.

The CCA Bermuda Station members monitor the vessels during the race, initiating emergency response when required, plan the post race entertainment and parties, participate in post race inspections (headed by Andrew Burnet-Herkes), plan for the prize giving and the annual CCA reception which will be held this year at the residence of our late Past Rear Commodore Kirk Cooper, Race participants are invited to stay behind the week following the race for an informal cruise around Bermuda.

Rear Commodore Les Crane has also given an update on the Mallorca Cruise this year and reports that all is going well. Local members participating include:

Les and Mags who will be sailing with Comm Bob Medland (& Sally) and co-chair Jock (& Val) Macrae

Nick & Susan Weare who will be sailing with the Storey's and Goodall's who were their hosts in New Zealand.

James and Pauline Watlington who are organizing a yacht.

So far there are ~35 vessels and >200 sailors signed up for the cruise. The cruise plan shows ~200 miles of sailing with an exciting schedule of stops and events.

The Bermuda station is alive and well and active with all members on board to play their part in local and/or international events. We all sailors safe passage throughout this year.

#### **b. Bras D'Or Bernard Prevost**

The Bras d'Or station AGM was held on November 20, 2019 at Ashburn Golf Club.

Our first item of business was to introduce and welcome three (3) new members to the CCA: Douglas Hickman, Rhiannon Davies and Sebastiaan Ambtman.

The station chairs reported on their respective committees' activities. The station's Environment of the Sea representative Dr. Allen Bishop tabled a report on the available options for boats to produce electricity, such as solar, wind and water generators.

Safety at Sea reported the club's safety committee reports and highlighted the success of the safety training program being provided by the CCA.

Membership outlines the evolution of the CCA membership enrolment process and the station's success in recruitment and potential candidates.

The station thanked our outgoing Cruise Committee Chair and welcomed the new chair – Peter Watts. Peter is busy canvassing members and organising activities for the station's 2020 summer season.

Our annual Annapolis Valley gathering was held on January 25<sup>th</sup>. Ten members hiked along the “rails to trails” enjoying a fantastic sunny day. A post hike mid-afternoon gathering took place at the home of Peter and Barbara Watts for champagne cocktails and snacks. That evening we gathered at the Blomidon Inn for cocktails and dinner.

Club members gathered for a station lunch on February 21<sup>st</sup>. Talk around the table was, as usual, about boats and cruising plans.

### **c. Boston**

### **James D. Phye**

The Boston Station (BOS) has 455 members, many of whom are affiliated with one of three posts. The Narragansett Bay Post (56 members) recently saw a change of command with the election of Post Captain Dick Waterman. The Buzzards Bay Post (121 members) remains under the steady leadership of Post Captain Larry Hall, and the Gulf of Maine Post (119 members) is now led by Post Captain Dale Bruce. The station officers and Post Captains coordinate activities to provide a wide range of opportunities for members to enjoy the company of other CCA members.

After a successful Club-wide Fall Meeting in October, RC Tim Surgenor handed the reins over to James Phye at our Station Annual Meeting at the Union Club on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Also at that meeting, we heard from Ernie Godshalk on the activities of the club's Communications Committee. The cruise chairs for the upcoming Station cruises to Maine (2020) and Newfoundland (2021) also discussed planning for those events, as did the chairman of the Club cruise-in-company to Cork with the Irish Cruising Club this coming July.

A reinvigorated series of “Rats Lunches” were held throughout the winter at the India Wharf Rats Club just off the Boston Common. These three events drew about 25 members, with the Christmas lunch attracting a sellout crowd of 42.



Next up is the Spring Dinner to be held at the New York Yacht Club's Harbour Court Clubhouse in March where we will hear from NYYC Past Commodore Phil Lotz on that Club's exciting efforts to win back to America's Cup in 2021. We look forward to our Station cruise starting in Gloucester, MA, on July 24<sup>th</sup> and heading east to Boothbay. In between, the Cruise Committee is working in a Spring Gam to be held over Memorial Day weekend in Marion and Padanaram, MA.

Many thanks to the outgoing Station Officers and those replacing them:

	<u>2018-2019</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
Secretary	Nicholas Orem	Nicholas Orem
	Kathleen	Kathleen
Treasurer	O'Donnell	O'Donnell
Historian	David Curtin	Jim Woodward
Safety Officer	Jon Burt	Brian Guck
Membership	James Phyfe	Jay Gowell
Entertainment Committee		
Chair	Ann Noble-Kiley	Victor Pinheiro
Rats Lunch Chair	Carter Bacon	Carter Bacon
Sailing Committee	Chip Johns	Joe McDonough
		Ray Cullum

#### **d. Buzzard's Bay**

#### **Lawrence Hall**

We have 121 members in BUZ. We convened our first fall luncheon on Friday, November 1, at the Beverly Yacht Club and enjoyed our usual fair of excellent clam chowder and chicken Caesar salad followed by a great presentation of personal safety devices and their use given by Mark Lenci. This was followed by an animated and informative discussion on provisioning for long voyages delivered by Skip Garfield. Thank you, Mark and Skip, for two excellent presentations! The discussion on provisioning spawned the idea of a post cook and provisioning guide.

For December, we had a special presentation scheduled to be given by CCA member and twice finisher in the Vendee Globe Race, Rich Wilson. Rich talked about an exciting Offshore Collegiate Sailing Circuit initiative he is spearheading (see the link <https://www.cosc-usa.org/>). We were able to see one of the Figero 33's (the new offshore training boat) tied up at the BYC float.

#### **e. Gulf of Maine**

#### **Dale Bruce**

At the December 7, 2019 Gulf of Maine Post luncheon at the Damariscotta River Grill the following ongoing GMP officer positions were announced:

Post Captain – Dale Bruce

Post Secretary – Buell Heminway  
Post Treasurer – Paul Rogers (unchanged)  
Safety Officer – Garry Schneider (unchanged)  
Safety Officer – Leslie Schneider (unchanged)

I believe the GMP is in good hands!

Sincerely,

Frank Cassidy  
Out-going Post Captain

**f. Narragansett Bay**

**Dick Waterman**

The Narragansett Bay Post (NBP) has had an active fall and winter season. The Post has 56 active members and an additional 36 “friends” interested in participating in Post events. On November 17, the Post gathered for a potluck Gam at the home of Anne and Larry Glenn in Newport. Despite the chilly weather, the warm camaraderie of the 43 members of the Post made for an enjoyable evening. After a brief business meeting, the Post elected new officers, Dick Waterman as Post Captain, Anne Glenn as Secretary, Larry Glenn as Treasurer, and Mike Keyworth as Safety Officer. We were fortunate to have a number of dignitaries’ present including past CCA Commodores, Dan Dyer and Sheila McCurdy, Boston Station Rear Commodore, James Phyfe and Bermuda Race Chair, Jay Gowell. We also had the pleasure of having Stan and Sally Honey in attendance.

In December, as a precursor to the 2021 Newfoundland Cruise, a hearty group from the NBP made an expedition to the wilds of Providence for dinner and the award winning musical *Come From Away*, where we were able to brush up on Newfoundland language, culture and food. On January 25, about 36 NBP members and friends enjoyed a wonderful evening and potluck dinner at the home of Past Commodore Sheila McCurdy and David Brown. It was also a pleasure to have new members John Bell and Jil Westcott join the gathering. John and Jil are recently back from their transatlantic voyage to Bermuda, the Azores and Portugal on their Aerodyne 47, *Moon Shadow*. Throughout the evening everyone enjoyed good food, drink, shared stories and plans for upcoming cruises and adventures.

Many Post members have also volunteered at the Safety at Sea Hands-On training held at Roger Williams University. We also have a solid contingent of Post members represented on the Bermuda Race Organizing Committee. In addition, the Bermuda Race should be well attended by Post member boats. Even with the busy summer sailing season, we are planning additional events and at least one short cruise this summer.

**g. Great Lakes**

**Tom Post**

The Great Lakes Station continues to have members voyaging throughout the world and throughout the Great Lakes Region. We are excited to welcome three new (and YOUNG!) members from the Toronto area. They are Brian Hill, Erywn Naidoo, and Sean O’Brien. Special thanks goes to Rob Emery for recruiting these excellent new members.



Another kudo goes out to Acorn's captain, Rob Beebe, for the innumerable hours he puts in while helping with almost every aspect of Great Lakes Station activities.

Lastly, we are looking forward to having many sailors join us on Lake Superior for the Apostle Islands Cruise on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. More kudos to Gaynelle Templin, Dean Rau, and Sarah Lund for organizing what promises to be a very memorable event!

#### **h. Chesapeake**

#### **Marjorie Robfogel**

The Chesapeake Station Fall Cruise took place October 15-20, 2019. On a warm evening we enjoyed the hospitality and view from the Severn River home of Tom and Renee Closs. The fleet gathered below or arrived by land for a delicious dinner poolside. Arranged by Cruise Chair John Devlin and committee. In an effort to reduce single use plastics, everyone was encouraged to bring reusable cups and prizes were given for the best (one an old CCA trophy and one a newly hand-etched CCA thermal mug).

The next day a gale ensued and most of the fleet retreated to a snug anchorage in the Rhode River to hunker down for two days. On Friday, we sailed south to the Little Choptank River for a raft up, keg and oyster roast party on board the Nellie Crockett, Ted Parish's restored Buyboat.

The next morning the fleet raced up the Choptank River to Oxford in the Sunny Neff Race. In the dying breeze, Henry Gibbons-Neff, Jr. won the race named for his grandfather, Sunny, with his own sons crewing the family yacht Flossie, named for his grandmother, a true CCA family. CHE held their Annual Meeting and dinner that night at Oxford.

Highlights of the evening include awarding the Transatlantic Pennant to Ted Clucas with crew Bill Read and Jonathan Goldweitz for their passage to the Isle of Man in 2017. Newly minted Circumnavigator Pins were awarded to Kirk and Gisela Hall and to Dick and Edythe Gantt's daughter to commemorate their earlier circumnavigations. It was back to rain and storms on Sunday, so a crowd gathered at Margy and Jim Robfogel's house in Oxford for brunch. In spite of the weather, a fine time was had by all. We will be exploring the idea of an earlier date for the cruise this fall but we always come up against the Fall Boat shows and the CCA Fall Meeting.

Monthly luncheons have been well attended this winter, most especially the gala Christmas Lunch in December where we had a record 102 people. Trophies for the season were awarded with the most prestigious E. Newbold Smith trophy awarded to Jonathan Wright for a lifetime of racing and cruising excellence. Jon gave a wonderful talk highlighting not his, but Newbold's achievements.

Plans are underway for our Spring Cruise the weekend of May 15-17 starting with a dinner at Gibson Island yacht Squadron, a race to the Chester River and a rum keg raft party afterwards. Pre-cruise plans are being made to head to Baltimore Harbor for two days following the May 12 lunch in Annapolis before going to Gibson Island on the 15<sup>th</sup> and then choosing an appropriate anchorage for Sunday night after the official cruise disband.

#### **i. Essex**

#### **Daniel R. Biemesderfer**

Brief report for the Annual Meeting at New York Yacht Club.

CCA Essex Station has 87 members including three new members: Paul Jennings, Mark Kondracky and John (Mac) Turner.

The Essex Station concluded our 2019 activities on December 19 with our annual special holiday luncheon with approximately 50 in attendance at the Yachtsman's Center, Pilots Point Marina, Westbrook, CT. The lunch was provided by Dick and Ardis Holliday.

Two weeks earlier, on December 4<sup>th</sup>, the station conducted its annual meeting and dinner at Essex Corinthian Yacht Club with approximately 60 (members & guests) in attendance. The

Annual Meeting took place with the election of officers for the coming year. The officers are: Daniel R. Biemesderfer (Rear Commodore), Frederick W. Deichmann (Treasurer) and Christopher M. Wick (Secretary).

The ESS winter potluck dinner was held on February 5th at the Essex Corinthian Yacht Club, Mystic, Connecticut. Approximately 30 members and guests were in attendance.

Our Annual Spring Dinner is scheduled for Essex Yacht Club on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

In an effort to attract and cultivate younger members, the Essex Station has appointed Dr. Richard Formica and Mark Kondracky to co-chair a Young Member Liaison (YML) Committee. This committee will work with similar committees from other stations to develop avenues for identifying and attracting qualified younger sailors for membership into the CCA.

Our cruise committee (Ami Green, Chair, Gretchen Biemesderfer, Dorothy Wadlow and Carrol Conner) is organizing cruises in the spring (May 29 to May 31), summer (August) and in the fall (October 2 to October 4). Details of these cruises will be forthcoming.

Note: Our regularly scheduled monthly luncheons are generally held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at noon at Pilots Point Marina in Westbrook, CT. (No lunches are planned in July and August). We have 18 CCA Essex Station events scheduled for 2020.

#### **j. Florida**

#### **Joel Taliaferro**

Florida Station Officers are Rear Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. R/C, Secretary and Historian serve a 2-year term. The Station has adopted a policy of a more permanent Treasurer who does not move up the ladder to Secretary and R/C. The Historian does not move up the ladder.

The Florida Station Annual meeting is held in mid-January on Saturday. The Annual Meeting is preceded by a Rum Keg Rendezvous the Friday before and is usually at a member's home. At the Annual Meeting for 2020 Pat Montgomery was elected Secretary replacing Pam Wall who resigned due to work responsibilities. Gus Hancock has replaced Pat Montgomery as Historian.

The CCA Florida Station currently has 108 members. All members, as well as visitors from other Stations, are notified of Station events via email.

Our Safety and Seamanship Chair, Eric Thyre along with Pam Wall, gave an abbreviated version of our Safety for Cruising Couples to an audience of approximately 70 people at the Coral Reef Yacht Club on November 21. Work is in progress to extend the length of our presentation to more closely resemble the day long course presently being presented at some other stations.

The Florida Station Spring Cruise will consist of three fleets, West Coast, South Florida via Keys and Stuart members via the Okeechobee Waterway congregating at Useppa Island in Pine Island Sound on March 20. The Rum Keg Rendezvous will be hosted by CCA member Charlie and Kay Chapin on Friday. Saturday will see a croquet tournament and bocce ball tournament. Saturday night the awards ceremony and dinner for the tournaments will be held at the Useppa Club.

Luncheons continue at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club, Stuart Yacht and Country Club, Lauderdale Yacht Club and Biscayne Bay Yacht Club from October through April.

#### **k. New York**

#### **David Tunick**

The New York Station's activities since the 2019 fall meeting and going forward:

Nov. 21, 2019: Dinner at Larchmont YC and talk by David Tunick - Stockholm Archipelago Cruise 2019



Dec. 12, 2019: NYS Annual Meeting & dinner at American Yacht Club, Rye, NY, with speaker, Istvan Kopar, Golden Globe singlehanded racer

Jan. 25, 2020: New Year's reception at member Mark (and Nancy) Ellman's NYC River House apartment

Feb. 23, 2020: Lunch, popcorn, and movie Maiden, Stamford YC

Mar. 26, 2020: Dinner at American YC and talk by Rachel Slade, author of "Into the Raging Sea: Thirty-Three Mariners, One Megastorm, and the Sinking of El Faro"

Apr. 4, 2020: "Staying Alive", a clinic and lunch at Larchmont YC on maintaining life vests (PFD's), programming your AIS/MOB function, and instruction on other essential safety equipment; led by NYS Safety Officer Dick York with the assistance of other members of the NYS and Landfall Navigation

May 14, 2020: Dinner at American YC, speaker to be announced

June 6, 2020: Annual clambake, at David Tunick's residence, Shippan Point, Stamford, CT

Sept. 25-27, 2020: Station cruise to NY Harbor, led by Ian Gumprecht

Fall, 2020: A visit to the Bienecke Library, Yale University, New Haven, CT – date tbd

All CCA members are invited to NYS events.

Rear Commodore: David Tunick

Secretary: Spencer Kuhner

Treasurer: Mark Ellman

Membership: Hiro Nakajima, Chair; Sandy Vietor, Vice Chair

Events: Anne. Kolker, M.D., Chair

Safety Officer: Dick York

Cruise: Ian Gumprecht, Chair

Young Members' Liaison: Ian Gumprecht, Chair; Peter Becker, Vice Chair

Historian: Sam Croll

## **I. Pacific Northwest**

## **Rick Meslang**

Replacing our normal October luncheon meeting, the Station had a field trip to Bellingham, WA. to tour the Sampson Rope Technologies, Bellingham Facility, All American Marine's fabrication plant and the Spark Museum of Electrical Invention. The visit turned out to be very popular with approximately 60 members making the 90 mile journey. We had to split into a number of smaller groups for both Sampson and All American Marine as both plants were operating at full production levels.

Sampson making cordage for various uses and All American producing large aluminum catamarans for both government and commercial purposes. In November the station held it's regular luncheon meeting and inducted four new members with noted yacht designer, Bob Perry as our guest speaker. In keeping with tradition, the Station held an annual dinner on the Sunday prior to Thanksgiving. Ernie Godshalk and Ann Noble-Kiley, as station guests, provided an entertaining presentation of their multiyear cruise in Scandinavian waters.

The December meeting saw the Election of new Officers with Rick Meslang becoming R/C, Dave Utley moving to Membership Chair, Doug Adkins becoming Secretary/Treasurer and John Kennell replacing Doug as Historian. Howard Conant spoke on the art of growing and brewing Kona Coffee. January brought in the new year without going R/C, Doug Cole receiving a gift from the Station for his outstanding service along with a number of paper plate awards.

Our January luncheon speaker, Kevin Ritz, a certified expert employed by both USCG and insurers to examine marine electrocutions gave a very informative talk on the dangers of improperly wired vessels and the risks associated with them. Kevin lost a child to electrocution while swimming in a marina.

February saw member, Peter Powell, entertaining us with slides and the experience of flying his Citation jet, in company with three other aircraft, on an eight week trip from Seattle to Europe to South Africa and return. The Station will be having a Spring Cruise commencing May 10 in Roche Harbor and ending at the Rosario Resort on Orcas Island. We will not hold a May meeting.

**m. San Francisco**

**Stafford Keegin**

1. Our Station has monthly meetings, usually at lunchtime, every month except July and August. In an attempt to make it easier for younger members to attend meetings, we have occasional dinner meetings in lieu of two of our luncheon meetings. The dinner meetings are particularly enjoyable because they occur in the large boat-building shed operated by the community-based Spaulding Marine Center, and often feature movies of interest. In November we showed "Following Seas" about Dr. Bob and Nancy Griffith, 1972 Blue Water Medal winners, and their 170,000 miles of cruising aboard *Awhanee*. Our own Mary Crowley shared several colorful anecdotes of sailing experiences with both Bob and Nancy.
2. Our regular holiday dinner was held in the Starting Line Room of the St. Francis Yacht Club, which we filled. It was some celebration. Commodore and Mrs. Willauer were on hand to present a CCA Special Recognition Award to our Station mate, Jeanne Socrates, for her fantastic non-stop, single-handed, unassisted circumnavigation, which she completed in September, becoming the oldest person, at 77, to single handedly sail around the World. We presented our Cruisers of the Year award to Sally and Stan Honey, because they had finally gone on a cruise (a long one at that). It was noted that Sally has one more Rolex award than Stan, a concept that drew cheers. There was a touch of sadness, however, remembering our departed friend, Bob Von Blaricom.
3. Once again we had a co-sponsored lunch with the St. Francis Yacht Club, where the featured speaker was the very same Mary Crowley, who described her highly successful trip out to the Gyre aboard a freight-hauling sailing ship to work on the removal of tons and tons (literally) of debris to be found out there.
4. Our February luncheon at the Marin Yacht Club featured a fantastic and detailed discussion by our Station mate, Michael Moradzadeh, regarding his romp out to the islands and his capturing of lots of silverware commemorating his victories in the 2019 Transpac. His preparation work was especially interesting.

5. This very past Wednesday, the Station held its annual Crab Feed at the Pt. San Pablo Yacht Club, an event to which many folks sailed over. In excess of 50 folks showed up for the feast.

**n. Southern California**

**Steve Calhoun**

As Carlton Mitchell famously said:

*"To desire nothing beyond what you have is surely happiness.  
Aboard a boat, it is frequently possible to achieve just that.  
That is why sailing is a way of life, one of the finest of lives."*

We finished 2019 with over 90 attendees at our annual dinner meeting at Newport Harbor Yacht Club on December 4th• A great evening was planned and executed by Tom Jorgensen. After acknowledging the great job that Peter Palette has done as our Rear Commodore for the past 4 years, we introduced new members brought in during 2019. Pete has left our station in a strong position, and I look forward to building on the success we have enjoyed under his leadership.

Following this bulletin you will find the calendar of events for 2020 as well as the list of our Southern California Station leadership team. We are here to serve you, the members, and if you have any suggestion/comments throughout the year, please contact me.

Note that our first of four luncheons is scheduled for February 20 at Los Angeles Yacht Club, where members David Cort and John Jourdan will be discussing the upcoming Transpacific Yacht Club Tahiti Race, which gets underway on May 28th• Dave is the entry chairman and John will be navigating on Zephyrus, a Reichel/Pugh 77, and will offer an interesting perspective on the preparation for a race of this duration (3570 NM, 1,350 NM further than the Hawaii Transpac). Apart from around the world races, it is probably the longest nonstop yacht race in the world!

For the last few years, my wife Amanda and I have attended the CCA annual meetings in March (New York Yacht Club), and in the fall (at another CCA station around the country-next October in Seattle) and have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know members and being further involved in the CCA. If you haven't had the opportunity to go to New York Yacht Club and experience a CCA annual meeting, it is definitely something to consider. It's an impressive evening including mingling with fellow members. The awards program, and dining in the famous model room of the New York Yacht Club. It's an experience that everyone that enjoys hanging around boats should not miss. Watch your email for the notice of the upcoming national meeting, and if you are interested in attending, I can suggest some hotels in the immediate vicinity of New York Yacht Club in Midtown, Manhattan.

I'm looking forward to an active year for our station to turn out members and their guests at our events. Additionally, keep your eyes out for prospective members that have a solid sailing resume, as the lifeblood of our organization is to continually bring in top quality new members. That is a task that all of us at the Southern California Station must embrace.

I look forward to seeing you at our first luncheon for 2020 on February 20 at Los Angeles Yacht Club.

Smooth sailing,  
Steve Calhoun

### Cruise reports

Steve James

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| a. | <b>Royal Cork 300<sup>th</sup>, July 2020</b> | <b>Dave Curtin</b> (See attached pdf)                         |
| b. | <b>Mallorca, Sept. 2020</b>                   | <b>Les Crane</b> (See attached pdf)                           |
| c. | <b>Apostle Islands, Aug. 2021</b>             | <b>Gaynelle Templin</b> (See attached pdf)<br><b>Dean Rau</b> |

The scenic and historic waters of Lake Superior, the world's largest freshwater lake, beckon you to the CCA Apostle Islands cruise.

The Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, located at the northern tip of Wisconsin, has 21 unique islands with hiking trails, sea caves, light houses, a restored fish camp, and much more. These islands provide an exceptional base for exploring this treasure.

Cruise dates are August 23 through September 2, 2021 and will depart from the Bayfield, Wisconsin area. If you're interested, please see website for expression of interest form.



d. **Newfoundland 2021** **Bill Bowers**

Plans are afloat to organize another two-week cruise in company in late July 2021 bringing members of the Boston and Bras D'Or Stations of CCA once again together with sailors of the Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club (RNYC).

Newfoundland is a bucket-list cruising destination, sparsely populated by hardy people who are the friendliest, funniest, most generous imaginable. The south coast of Newfoundland features breathtaking cliffs and fjords, waterfalls, and vistas, but fog and cold south/westerly winds can be challenging. The major population centers on the east and north coasts are joined by roads and enjoy warm breezes off the land with little fog in late summer, which rapidly melt icebergs carried down by the Labrador Current until July.



RNYC sailors seldom venture around Cape Race to the south shore. There are very few yachts seen (there are none available for charter), and pristine anchorages are mostly empty. There are no lobster pots in July and Aug.

Due to the distance from the US east coast, we encourage boats making the trip to consider offering up empty cabins for members unable to make the trip. See website for full details and attached pdf.

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| e. | <b>Cruise/Gam</b>     | <b>2022</b>       | <b>Chris Otorowski</b> |
| f. | <b>Future cruises</b> | <b>2023, 2024</b> | <b>Chris Otorowski</b> |

### **Old Business**

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| a. | <b>Bermuda Race Foundation</b>                       | <b>Jim Binch</b>       |
| b. | <b>100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ad Hoc Committee</b> | <b>Chris Otorowski</b> |

Plans for the 100<sup>th</sup>, September 19-23, 2022 continue.

The following is underway:

1. Book- The Boats We Sail- in progress, several chapters have been written
2. Book- History of CCA- in progress, outlining stage
3. Hotel- Newport Harbor Hotel has submitted a proposal and the Flags have toured the facility. Downtown Newport, has a marina, can accommodate us and at reasonable rates
4. Gala- currently set for NYYC Harbour Court
5. Invitations and Notice of Celebration are being prepared
6. Volunteers from each station will be solicited
7. Gam/Feeder Cruise is being planned
8. Possible reception at new Natl. Sailing Hall of Fame
9. Committees are forming
10. Possible reprint of Blue Water Medal descriptions
11. Events on May 15, 2022 or Feb. 8, 1922 (day "founded")
12. Commemorative edition of Yearbook
13. Sponsorship will be investigated
14. Plan for book patronage being developed
15. Invitations to be sent to sister clubs
16. Fall Meeting hosted by Essex will be held during this time
17. Special tie in with 2022 Bermuda Race



**End**



**Cruising Club of America  
Treasurer's Report  
February 25, 2020**

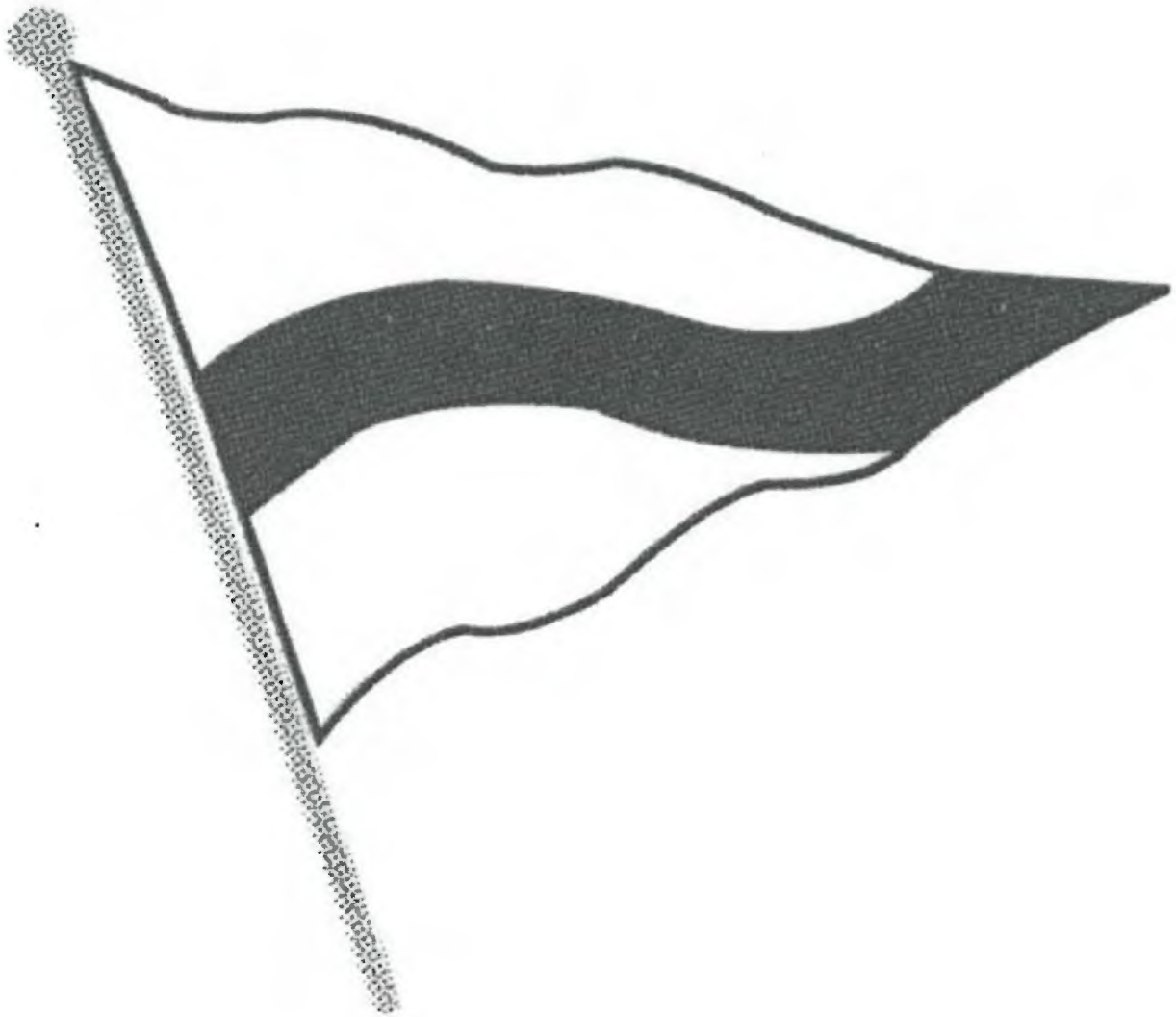
The Treasurer's attention has been focused on improving the flow of financial information to the membership and leadership of the Club. Notably, we produced a complete financial statement for the first time for the eleven months ended September 30, 2019, for distribution at the Fall Meetings in Boston. We have now prepared complete statements for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2019, for distribution at the Annual Meetings in New York.

A related effort has been to start a process to compile and adopt annual budgets to guide the Club's financial planning and awareness. This remains a work in process. To date, we have obtained spending plans from the officers, committee chairs and other volunteers, and compiled them into a cash flow projection for the Club as a whole. The Financial Affairs Committee has been asked to review the results, and the process, in order to make suggestions to the Governing Board. We should anticipate an acceleration of requests for input to the FY 2021 budget in the second half of the current fiscal year.

While the Club's financial statements reflect significant losses over the past two fiscal years, the Club remains financially healthy, with no long-term debt and a healthy investment portfolio. Opinions will differ on the how long the financial health can continue without greater discipline in spending. The establishment of the Financial Affairs Committee, coupled with the appointment of additional volunteers to assist the Treasurer, should improve and increase the flow of financial information to the membership and officers. This, in turn, should enable and encourage financially appropriate decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Chandler  
Treasurer



# The Cruising Club of America

Unaudited Financial Statements  
Fiscal Year Ended October 31, 2019

For Internal Use Only

**The Cruising Club of America**  
**Balance Sheets**  
**October 31, 2018 and October 31, 2019**

	<u>10/31/2018</u>	<u>10/31/2019</u>
<b><u>Assets</u></b>		
Cash available for CCA Operations See Schedule 1	40,918	212,460
Total Restricted Cash Accounts See Schedule 2 and Note 1	281,095	284,071
Total Cash	<u>322,012</u>	<u>496,531</u>
Accounts Receivable	6,706	7,535
Total Inventory See Schedule 3 and Note 3	1,867	33,523
Prepaid Expenses See Schedule 4 and Note 6	7,763	9,548
Prepaid Income Taxes See Note 4	-	472
Marketable Securities (at cost) See Note 5	1,177,012	898,257
Due from BROCC	5,986	
Total Assets	<u>1,521,347</u>	<u>1,445,865</u>
<b><u>Liabilities</u></b>		
Accounts Payable	18,878	30,669
Unearned Income Received See Schedule 5 and Note 6	74,002	56,795
Other Liabilities See Schedule 6	33,583	35,688
Total Liabilities	<u>126,463</u>	<u>123,152</u>
<b><u>Equity</u></b>		
Opening Balance Equity	1,457,498	1,394,884
Net Income (Loss)	(62,614)	(72,171)
Total Equity	<u>1,394,884</u>	<u>1,322,713</u>
Total Liabilities and Equity	<u>1,521,347</u>	<u>1,445,865</u>



**The Cruising Club of America**  
**Profit and Loss Statements**  
**Years Ended October 31, 2018 and October 31, 2019**

	<u>10/31/2018</u>	<u>10/31/2019</u>
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<b>Income</b>		
Membership Income <b>See Schedule 7</b>	238,590	238,415
Investment Income <b>See Schedule 8</b>	101,366	110,352
Cruise Net Income (New Zealand)	5,107	
Cruise Net Income (Stockholm Archipelago)		14,828
Weather Seminar (net) <b>See Schedule 9</b>	(2,954)	
Other Income <b>See Schedule 10</b>	(8,073)	9,926
Safety at Sea Program Revenues	117,040	69,117
Total Income	<u>451,077</u>	<u>442,638</u>
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<b>Expenses</b>		
Awards and Medals ( <b>Schedule 11</b> )	19,587	18,618
Awards Dinner ( <b>Schedule 12</b> )	10,859	14,943
CCA Trophies--Display and Maintenance ( <b>Schedule 13</b> )	17,376	20,092
Communications and Membership Development ( <b>Schedule 14</b> )	49,101	41,155
Flag Officers' Expenses	3,573	14,639
Grants to Other Organizations ( <b>Schedule 15</b> )	53,000	91,000
Insurance ( <b>Note 8</b> )	18,682	34,313
Meetings ( <b>Schedule 20</b> )	8,740	24,324
Miscellaneous	-	1,012
Moorings	1,150	1,210
Post-NBR Bermuda Reception	2,970	
Professional Fees ( <b>Note 8</b> )	29,765	334
Publications ( <b>Schedule 19</b> )	117,921	108,522
Safety at Sea Program ( <b>Schedule 16</b> )	108,408	52,186
Safety & Seamanship Committee	5,158	
Station Activities	26,584	29,268
Taxes ( <b>Note 5</b> )	21,362	22,272
Technology ( <b>Schedule 17</b> )	7,205	26,157
Travel	1,530	5,444
Treasury Expenses ( <b>Schedule 18</b> )	10,720	9,322
Total Expenses	<u>513,691</u>	<u>514,811</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>(62,614)</u>	<u>(72,171)</u>

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**Statement of Cash Flows**  
November 2018 - October 2019

	<u>Total</u>
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Net Income	-72,171.35
Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations:	
11000 Accounts Receivable	-828.54
Due from BROC	5,986.46
Inventory Asset:Inventory--Cruising Guides	-9,729.00
Inventory Asset:Inventory--Cruising Guides:Graphics and Design	-687.00
Inventory-Sailing Safety Guide	1,866.95
Prepaid Expenses:2019 Fall Meetings	7,763.43
Prepaid Expenses:2020 Fall Meetings	-640.00
Prepaid Expenses:2020 Mallorca Cruise	-8,907.60
Prepaid Taxes	-472.00
20000 Accounts Payable	2,155.81
Due to 2019 Safety at Sea Programs	-2,052.04
Due to 2019 Ski Gam	-19,781.01
Due to 2020 Ski Gam	9,635.62
Due to BROC	2,105.17
Due to Mallorca Cruise	22,790.25
Due to NBRF	33.00
Due to Stockholm Cruise	-2,351.05
Federal Income Taxes Payable	-17,756.00
Prepaid 2019 Awards Dinner	-270.00
Prepaid Membership Dues:2019 Dues	-21,350.00
Prepaid Membership Dues:2020 Dues	525.00
Prepaid Membership Dues:2020 Dues:Dues @ \$135	270.00
Prepaid Membership Dues:2020 Dues:Dues @ \$175	13,550.00
Prepaid Membership Dues:2021 Dues:Dues @ \$ 135	135.00
Prepaid Membership Dues:2021 Dues:Dues @ \$175	4,025.00
Prepaid Membership Dues:2022 Dues:Dues @ \$175	175.00
Prepaid Safety at Sea	4,850.00
Total Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations:	<u>- \$ 8,957.55</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>- \$ 81,128.90</u>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Books Inventory:Boats We Sail	-23,108.33
Marketable Securities at cost:Fidelity 500 Index Fnd (FUSVX)	-12,134.69
Marketable Securities at cost:Fidelity L P Stck Fnd (FLPSX)	139,896.99
Marketable Securities at cost:Vanguard S-T Inv Grd (VFSTX)	29,413.63
Marketable Securities at cost:Vanguard Total Stk Mkt (VTSMX)	63,517.21
Marketable Securities at cost:Vanguard USHrtBnd (VUBFX)	58,062.11
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>\$ 255,646.92</u>
Net cash increase for period	<u>\$ 174,518.02</u>
Cash at beginning of period	322,012.49
Cash at end of period	<u>\$ 496,530.51</u>

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Notes to Financial Statements  
As of October 31, 2019

Note 1. Restricted Cash Accounts.

Pursuant to its Agreement with the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club, the Cruising Club maintains Certificates of Deposit representing the accumulated net surpluses of past Newport Bermuda Races. The Agreement requires the funds to be held in segregated bank accounts, and limits withdrawals to the amounts necessary to reimburse the two organizations for net losses of subsequent races. The CCA carries the full amount of the restricted cash as an asset, which is offset by a liability representing the RBYC's interest in the surplus cash. (See Schedule 6). At September 30, 2019, the RBYC's interest in the reserve accounts has been reduced by its share of a net loss incurred in the 2018 Bermuda Race.

The CCA maintains three separate bank accounts to facilitate the management of certain Club activities. These accounts are managed by members designated to organize and operate the functions. Those members report the results of their activity to the Treasurer periodically. Based on their reports, the Treasurer records any surpluses or deficits on the Club's books. While these funds belong to the CCA, they are not considered to be available for use in the CCA's operations, and are therefore classified as restricted cash balances.

Each Station and Post maintains its own bank account to facilitate its local operations. These accounts are managed by the respective Treasurers of the stations and posts, under the supervision of the respective Rear Commodores and Post Captains. The treasurers report the net results of their activities to the Club Treasurer as of the end of each fiscal year, for inclusion in the Club's financial statements and tax returns. Rear Commodores and Post Captains are asked to attest that the year-end bank statements are properly reconciled, and that the respective treasurers' reports accurately reflect the Station's or Post's financial activities. The balance shown at October 31, 2019 represents the aggregate amounts reported to the Treasurer as of October 31, 2019. While these funds belong to the CCA, they are not considered to be available for use in the CCA's operations, and are therefore classified as restricted cash balances.

Note 2. Newport Bermuda Race

The CCA and the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club jointly sponsor and manage the bi-annual Newport Bermuda Race under an Agreement that is renewed for each race. Pursuant to the Agreement, the Clubs commit to sharing any surplus or deficit equally as described in Note 1. Management of the NBR is delegated to the "Bermuda Race Organizing Committee" ("BROC"), which consists of approximately thirty members of the CCA, RBYC or both clubs. Although the NBR is run every other year, BROC is always engaged in planning and negotiating contracts for future races, and making financial investments and commitments as it does so. In most cases, the funds

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needed for such activities are advanced by CCA for commitments made in the United States, and by the RBYC for commitments made in Bermuda. It has been the practice to recover such advances as quickly as possible as BROCC collects entry and sponsorship fees, and no later than the final reconciliation of accounts between the two clubs at the conclusion of each race.

In anticipation of the 2020 Race, BROCC offered competitors discounts for paying entry fees in advance. This payment incentive had the desired result of accelerating BROCC's cash flow, which in turn made it possible for BROCC to eliminate its indebtedness to CCA, and in fact to reverse the relationship by advancing funds to CCA. As of October 31, 2018, BROCC owed CCA \$ 5,986. As of October 31, 2019, BROCC had advanced \$ 13,543 to CCA.

The day-to-day stewardship of BROCC's finances is managed by Assistant Treasurer Jeffrey Eberle, serving as the Treasurer of BROCC. BROCC maintains its own accounting records and bank account. CCA's 50% share of the overall result is reported in CCA's Profit and Loss Statement for the year in which the race is run, and its share of any surplus is included in the "NBR Surplus CD's" described in Note 1.

Note 3. Inventories.

CCA generally capitalizes all costs incurred in the production or purchase of books published or acquired for sale. Costs are recognized ratably as books are sold. In the fiscal year ended October 31, 2019, CCA purchased the intangible assets to four Cruising Guides previously published by Pilot Press, LLC. Following post-acquisition revision of the Guides, they are being offered for sale through retailers.

Note 4. Income Taxes

As a "tax-exempt entity" under Section 501(c)(7) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the CCA is required to pay income taxes on its investment income. Taxes are computed annually on the amount of such income reported on the organization's income tax return for each fiscal year. The Club has recorded its income tax liability on the taxable income reportable through October 31, 2019. As of October 31, 2019, the Club has overpaid its taxes for the current year by \$ 1,633.

Note 5. Marketable Securities.

Marketable securities are recorded at their cost. Gains and losses are recognized when realized. As of October 31, 2019, the portfolio included unrealized appreciation of \$ 366,740. Unrealized appreciation at October 31, 2018 equaled \$301,266.



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Note 6. Prepaid Expenses and Deferred Revenue

The Club generally begins planning events in years before the events will actually occur. In order to match revenues and expenses in the appropriate period, revenues collected in years before the event will occur are treated as liabilities (deferred revenues) until the related event occurs. Similarly, costs incurred in prior years are treated as prepaid expenses until events occur. Once the events occur, the related revenues and expenses are recognized, and surpluses or deficits are shown as a single net entry for the event.

Deferred Revenues also include members' payments of dues in advance. Such prepaid dues are recognized as income in the year for which they were paid.

Note 7. Insurance Expense

Because the Newport Bermuda Race occurs every other year, the CCA accounts for its overall insurance expense on a two-year cycle. The total premiums are allocated between significant activities (e.g. the NBR managed by BROCC, and all other programs managed by the CCA). One-fourth (25%) of the total premiums paid in the fiscal year ended October 31, 2019, are allocated to BROCC. The insurance expense subject to allocation (\$ 45,571) is the total premiums paid by CCA for the twelve months beginning approximately April 1, 2019.

Note 8. Professional fees

During the most recently completed fiscal year, the CCA incurred legal fees of \$ 20,446 in connection with two primary issues: Clarification and confirmation of the ownership of trademarks relating to logos and graphics used in regalia and publications pertaining to the Newport Bermuda Race, and CCA's acquisition of Intellectual Property rights in certain cruising guides. Based on an allocation prepared by the Club's law firm of the time spent on these matters, the fees associated with NBR matters (\$15,718) have been allocated to BROCC, and the fees associated with the cruising guides (\$ 4,728) have been treated as a cost of acquiring the cruising guides.

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10/31/2018

10/31/2019

**Schedule 1--Cash available for CCA Operations**

Key Bank Accounts	20,881		193,337	
Paypal Account	845		8,354	
Fidelity Cash Accounts	19,192		10,768	
Total		40,918		212,460

**Schedule 2--Restricted Cash**

(See Note 1)

Key Bank CD's	92,638		94,393	
Sailing Safety Guide Account	8,879		7,861	
Station Accounts	179,577		181,817	
Total Restricted Cash Accounts		281,095		284,071

**Schedule 3--Inventory**

(See Note 3)

Safety for Cruising Couples	1,867		-	
Cruising Guides	-		10,415	
One Hundredth Anniversary Books (in process)	-		23,108	
Total Inventory		1,867		33,523

**Schedule 4--Prepaid Expenses**

2019 Fall Meetings (Boston)	7,763			
2020 Fall Meetings (Seattle)	-		640	
2020 Cruise (Mallorca)	-		8,908	
Total Prepaid Expenses		7,763		9,548

**Schedule 5--Deferred Revenues**

2019 Fall Meetings (Boston)	-		39,425	
2020 Ski Gam	19,781		23,842	
Due to (from) NBRF	(33)			
Due to Stockholm Cruise	2,351			
Prepaid Income Taxes	17,756			
2020 Cruise (Mallorca)			19,448	
Prepaid 2019 Awards Dinner	270			
Prepaid Membership Dues	30,275		26,205	
Prepaid Safety at Sea	3,602		6,400	
Total Deferred Revenues		74,002		115,320

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	<u>10/31/2018</u>		<u>10/31/2019</u>	
<b>Schedule 6--Other Liabilities</b>				
NBR Accumulated Surplus Due to RBYC			33,583	
Due to BROC (See Note )			<u>13,543</u>	
				47,126
<b>Schedule 7--Membership Income</b>				
Initiation Fees	9,000		8,710	
Life Memberships	3,500		3,500	
Current Year Dues at \$175	222,590		216,180	
Current Year Dues at \$135			8,100	
Prior Year Dues	<u>3,500</u>		<u>1,925</u>	
Total Membership Income		238,590		238,415
<b>Schedule 8--Investment Income</b>				
Dividends and Interest	30,677		32,269	
Capital Gains on Sales of Securities	<u>70,689</u>		<u>78,083</u>	
Total Investment Income		101,366		110,352
<b>Schedule 9--Weather Seminar</b>				
Attendance fees	23,170			
less :				
Publicity	(2,240)			
Credit Card Fees	(603)			
Facilities	(17,855)			
Instructors	(1,500)			
Travel and Lodging	<u>(3,926)</u>			
Net income/(deficit)		(2,954)		
<b>Schedule 10--Other Income</b>				
Earnings (Loss) of Newport Bermuda Race	(12,736)			
Miscellaneous	304		418	
Income from Publications	3,651		(2,638)	
Royalties and Commissions	709		7,018	
Bequest	<u></u>		<u>5,000</u>	
Total Other Income		(8,073)		9,926

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	<u>10/31/2018</u>	<u>10/31/2019</u>	
<b>Schedule 11--Awards and Medals</b>			
Awardee Lodging	1,588	3,097	
Awardee Meals	3,978	4,092	
Awardee Travel	954	3,858	
Hardware, Pennants and Engraving	13,067	4,064	
Publicity	<u>          </u>	<u>3,508</u>	
Total Awards and Medals	19,587		18,618
<b>Schedule 12-- Awards Dinner</b>			
NYYC Bar and Dining Room	39,237	40,712	
Photography	910	895	
Printing		221	
Credit Card Fees		780	
Total Cost	40,147	42,608	
less Members' Contribution	<u>(29,288)</u>	<u>(27,665)</u>	
Net Expense	10,859		14,943
<b>Schedule 13--CCA Trophies (Display and Maintenance)</b>			
IYRS Display, Design and Publicity	3,739	15,236	
IYRS Reception	13,637		
Security	<u>          </u>	<u>4,856</u>	
Total Trophies	17,376		20,092
<b>Schedule 14--Communications and Membership Development</b>			
Films and Artwork	40,500	24,213	
Public Relations		12,266	
Advertising	450	4,171	
Recruitment Events	7,739		
Meetings	<u>413</u>	<u>505</u>	
Total Communications	49,101		41,155
<b>Schedule 15--Grants to Other Organizations</b>			
IYRS	2,000		
U.S. Sailing		10,000	
Mystic Seaport	1,000	1,000	
Offshore Racing Association	<u>50,000</u>	<u>80,000</u>	
Total Grants	53,000		91,000



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	<u>10/31/2018</u>		<u>10/31/2019</u>
<b>Schedule 16--Safety at Sea Programs</b>			
Catering	8,586		
Credit Card Fees	3,619		1,979
Facilities	48,011		5,287
Instructors	25,660		12,694
Insurance	8,263		
Leak Trainer			1,850
Lodging and Travel	10,027		
Program Supplies and Certificates			28,210
Prior Year Expenses			2,166
Transportation	4,241		
Total Expenses	<u>          </u>	108,408	<u>          </u> 52,186
 <b>Schedule 17--Technology</b>			
Membership Proposal Software			2,462
CCA Website	7,205		23,695
Total Technology Expenses	<u>          </u>	7,205	<u>          </u> 26,157
 <b>Schedule 18--Treasury Expenses</b>			
Miscellaneous	877		149
Accounting Software			1,049
Postage	587		320
Credit Card Processing Fees	9,257		7,804
Total Treasury Expenses	<u>          </u>	10,720	<u>          </u> 9,322
 <b>Schedule 19--Costs of Publications</b>			
Gam	31,475		29,249
Safety for Cruising Couples	4,585		294
Voyages	44,239		39,656
Yearbook	37,622		39,323
Total Publication Costs	<u>          </u>	117,921	<u>          </u> 108,522
 <b>Schedule 20--Meetings</b>			
March Meetings	8,740		9,821
Fall Meetings			13,602
Other			901
Total Meetings	<u>          </u>	8,740	<u>          </u> 24,324

## Mallorca Sept 12 – 25 2020

Jock & Val Macrae, Mags and I spent a great two weeks in September shadowing our plans for next year's cruise. We had good weather, lovely swimming, fabulous food and we explored some interesting calas (bays). We know we will have a great event next year.

We are in the process of fine-tuning some of the venues and think our plans will work well. We currently have 35 boats registered and are still open to new crews. Good charter opportunities remain. It is an impressive fleet of member yachts and chartered yachts. A preliminary **boat roster** is posted in the attachments to the right.



"The weather is generally pleasant and the water warm (77 degrees) in September. Daily temperatures are in the high 70's low 80's. Rainfall in our 2 week period over the last 2 years has averaged 0.6 in. (See the attached file to left)." This year, there was a thundershower the day we arrived and two brief showers through the week. A couple of unusually cloudy mornings but many great days and pleasant temperatures throughout.

We plan to sail 185 miles around the island counter-clockwise. "While winds are generally quite light in September, if anything comes up it will generally be out of the NE." This year we had one day of 20-knot winds from the North East. Otherwise, winds were generally light (<12 ) from the North East. Going C-C should have the wind and sea behind us as we go along the North Coast. We've identified the harbours to head to if there is wind and all should work out well.

The anticipated Agenda is

Saturday 12th - Palma - Board Charter boats in the late afternoon.

Sunday 13th – Palma – Provision boats and enjoy Palma

- Opening cocktails and heavy hors d'oeuvres at [49 Steps](#) a rooftop setting beside the marina where most charter boats will be berthed. It has a beautiful view of the Cathedral, fortress and the Palma waterfront

47 miles Mon/ Tuesday / Wednesday

- Explore the south coast and perhaps anchor off the long beach Playa del Trench (21mi) or off Colonia de St Jordi

- Illa de Cabrera (27 mi from Palma) is a nature reserve on the South East tip of Mallorca. There is a very protected all weather harbour. We plan to make bookings here on Monday and Tuesday night. Plan on staying one night.
- The calas along the east coast south of Porto Colomb are not to be missed.

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Porto Colom – Dock Party – We have been assured there should be enough room for 50 boats in the marina and on moorings in this protected harbour. We are working out arrangements for a dock party ashore.

50 miles Thursday / Friday / Saturday

- Explore the calas between Porto Colomb and Porto Cristo.
- Possibly head into the protected Puerto de Cala Ratjada before going around the Cabo de Pera.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> – Alcanada – Casual dinner ashore at a [La Terraza](#) a waterside restaurant. We had a great tasting and it should be a good dinner. Fleet anchored offshore in the lee of Isla de Aucanada or in Alcudia harbour about 4 miles west depending on weather and personal preference.

35 miles Sun / Monday / Tuesday – possible stops

- Polencia
- Cala Formentor

Then around Cabo Formentor from which point the coast is quite open but you can probably pull in for a swim at

- Cala de San Vicente
- or the incredible Cala de la Colobra

before heading for shelter in Soller.

Tuesday 22<sup>st</sup> – Soller - Cocktail party ashore (locale to be finalized). We have been assured there will be room for us either in the marinas or anchored in the harbour. Plan to spend more than one night in Soller to give yourself a chance to take the tram from the port up to the town of Soller or hire a car and test the mountain roads.

47 miles Wednesday / Thursday / Friday – possible stops

- Calla de Deya if a west wind
- Foradada if an east wind. Plan on heading there (4 miles west of Soller) for a breakfast swim. The paella ashore is recommended.
- Andraitx - a beautiful protected port on the west coast
- Stop for a swim in the calas between Pta de Cala Figuera and Puerto Portals.
- Charter Boats will generally be due back by the end of the afternoon Friday.

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Palma – Closing Dinner – [Finca Sa Font Seca](#) – a 17<sup>th</sup> century country estate about 20 minutes from the marina. Cocktails on the terrace, dinner on a lower terrace or in a churchlike hall depending on the weather.

A preview of some of our destinations can be seen through this link [CCA Mallorca Preview](#)

Participants are encouraged to **allow extra time while in Mallorca** for some land travel to enjoy the stunning mountain vistas and lovely towns and villages. The island is a flat plateau with cliffs and caves on the south and east side and mountains and beautiful rock formations on the north-west side. Some suggested hotels in Palma are listed in the attachment. Palma can be quite busy in September so you are advised to book well in advance.

We have been working closely with Helen and Dawn of Sublime Yacht Charters who come well recommended by friends in Palma. They have created a list of charter opportunities which are available at this link [CCA Mallorca Charters](#). It will be updated as boats are booked and additional listings are added. The standard charter would have you going aboard 5:00 pm Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> and have the boat back in Palma for the party Friday with departure from the boat Saturday morning 26<sup>th</sup>. Boats require a 25% deposit with booking, 25% 6 months prior and 50% 1 month before.

A recent update of the RCC Balearics Pilot has been created by David and Susie Baggaley, friends of Charles-Henri Mangin (ESS), and a pdf version can be ordered through this link to the [RCC Pilot Guides](#). They have been kind in adding some specific notes on our cruise which you will find on the right of this web page.

If you think you are interested in joining us, please let us know by completing a brief survey / sign up list via this link [CCA Mallorca Survey](#).

For those of you who are on board for the cruise, we are collecting initial deposits of \$150 per person. Deposits are non-refundable but transferable. We anticipate the total expense for the cruise including the 5 events to be approximately \$700 per person. Registration is via <https://cruisingclub.org/2020/mallorca/register> where you will see a list of others who have registered to date. A recent alpha list is also posted in the attachments to the right of this page

For those of you interested in participating in a **mother ship** we have booked **Rhea** a beautiful 180 ft sister ship to Kioros our mothership in the Ionian in 2015. She was commissioned in 2017 and has 13 deluxe double cabins A description and complete details are in the link above or in the attachment to the right. Rhea plans to anchor in Palma harbour and will be ready for guests from 1600 on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>. Guests must depart by 100 on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>. As of February 14, we are fully booked. If you would like to go on a waitlist please let us know.

Regards

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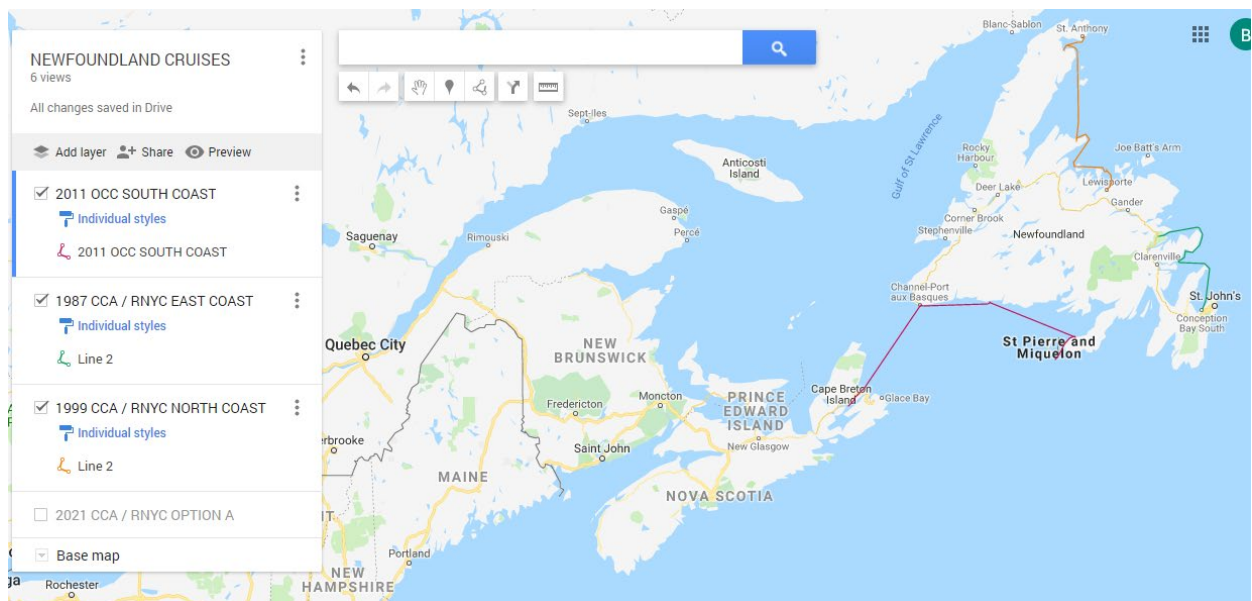
## 2021 JOINT BOSTON & BRAS D'OR CCA / RNYC CRUISE SURVEY REV G

Plans are afloat to organize another two-week cruise in company in late July 2021 bringing members of the Boston and Bras D'Or Stations of CCA once again together with sailors of the Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club (RNYC).

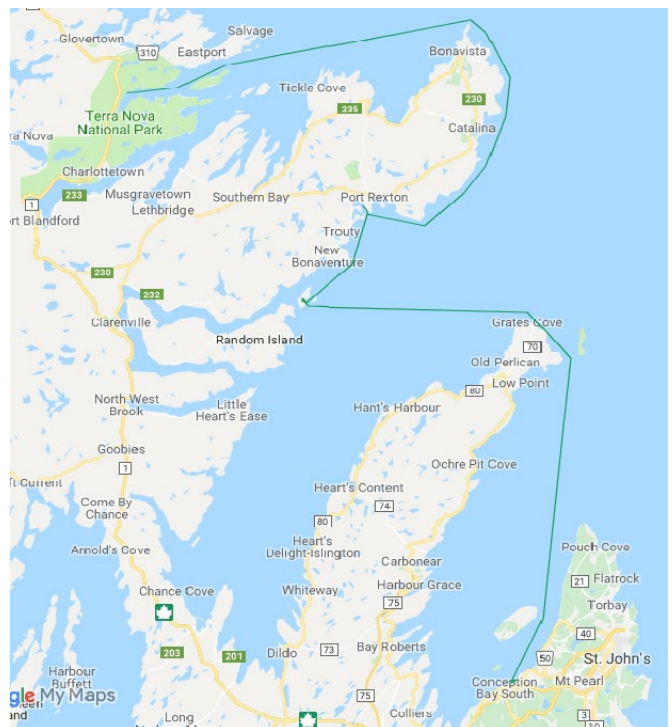
Newfoundland is a bucket-list cruising destination, sparsely populated by hardy people who are the friendliest, funniest, most generous imaginable. The south coast of Newfoundland features breathtaking cliffs and fjords, waterfalls, and vistas, but fog and cold south/westerly winds can be challenging. The major population centers on the east and north coasts are joined by roads and enjoy warm breezes off the land with little fog in late summer, which rapidly melt icebergs carried down by the Labrador Current until July. RNYC sailors seldom venture around Cape Race to the south shore. There are very few yachts seen (there are none available for charter), and pristine anchorages are mostly empty. There are no lobster pots in July and Aug.

Due to the distance from the US east coast, we encourage boats making the trip to consider offering up empty cabins for members unable to make the trip.

### RECENT NEWFOUNDLAND CRUISES

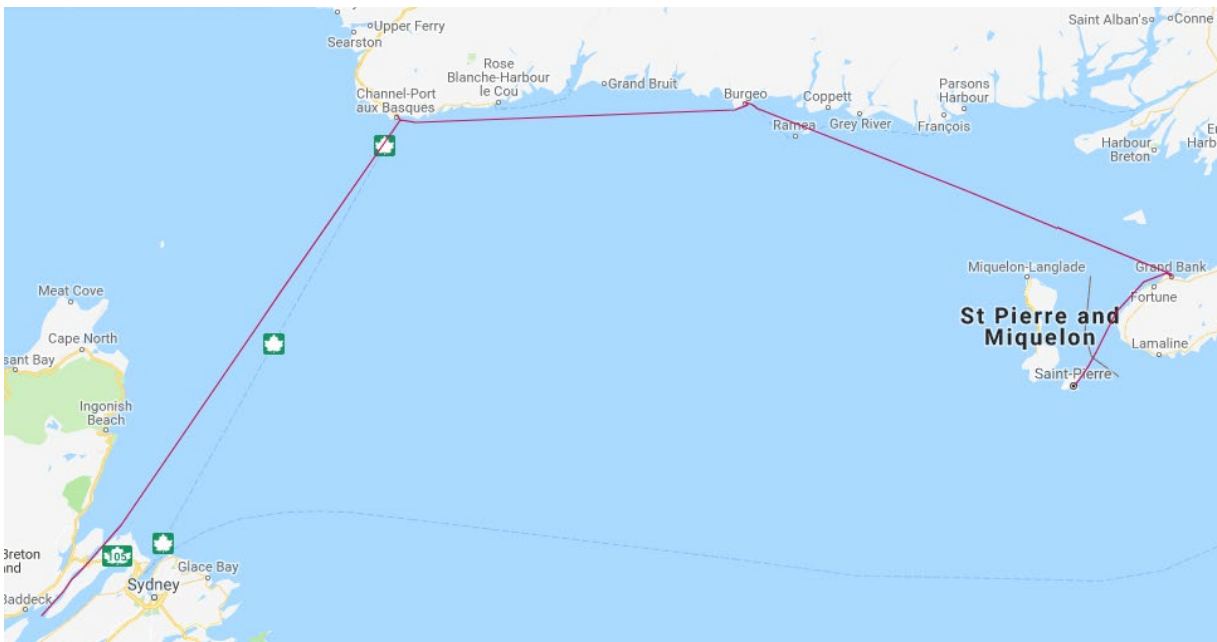
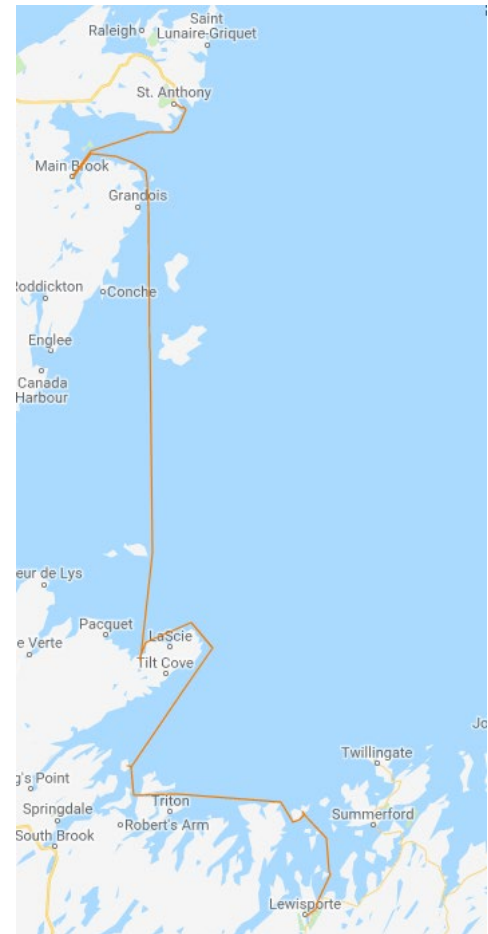


In the last week of July 1987, Sandy Weld and RNYC Past Commodore Geoff Peters organized a two-week cruise along the east coast of Newfoundland starting in the northern port of Terra Nova Park. 25 RNYC boats joined 30 CCA boats from as far away as Florida. After four days of gunkholing and viewing spectacular northern lights displays in Bonavista Bay's peaceful coves and "tickles", the fleet started at will and sailed without engines for a 1500 finish time and an aerial photo entering Trinity Bay's Trinity Harbor. A shore gathering put on by the ladies of the Anglican Church was enjoyed in this charming loyalist town. The fleet explored Trinity and Conception Bay before the final bash at the RNYC in Long Pond Conception Bay.





In the Third week in July, 1999, 34 CCA boats joined one RNYC boat in St Anthony for a north coast cruise in company organized by Sandy Weld and Margaret May and Nizar Ladha from RNYC. Nine other RNYC boats joined the fleet as it sailed toward Notre Dame Bay. Shore functions were held in St Anthony, Little Bay Island, Exploits, with a final dinner in Lewisporte on July 30. A raft party was held in Hare Bay, and another “Drinks on Time” 1300 finish non-race at Little Bay Island.



On July 7, 2011 Doug and Dale Bruce and John van Schalkwyk convened an OCC three week Newfoundland south coast cruise with 24 sail yachts and one 65 foot steel trawler. The fleet first gathered in Baddeck on the Bras D’or for a pre-cruise shore

party at a private home. They sailed 100 nm across the Laurentian Channel to Port aux Basques and then hopped east along the foggy fjord coast exploring the few remaining outports and the ghost towns resettled in the 60’s after the collapse of the cod fishery. Shore functions were organized in Burgeo and Grand Bank, and a farewell dinner ashore on the charming French island of St Pierre.

## 2021 CRUISE

We'd like to get a sense of interest and possible participation of CCA boats in four possible 2021 itineraries. If you have questions or would like more information that would help you evaluate the options presented, *The Cruising Guide to Newfoundland*, Alexander (Sandy) Weld, editor, Pilot Press is available from Landfall Navigation. It has detailed information on this cruising area, and is an indispensable aid to have aboard. Newfoundland cruising is wonderful but challenging. Skippers must budget enough time or plan multiple legs to manage safe offshore delivery to/from the Island. It is possible to winter over if "repair" is done by a local yard. *ConverJence* explored the south and east coast from Marion, MA and returned in ten weeks in '17, and circled the island from/to Marion (3,000 nm) in 12 weeks in '18, taking time to gunkhole, choosing weather windows, and planning several crew changes. In '18 we cleared into Shelburne and waited out a nor'easter before continuing east. Our sense is the cruise should be simple and affordable to blend with the location, and that a modest fleet size is fine.

Please [Visit the Survey Page](#) for possible itineraries and your expression of interest

# Festival Of Sail. Cork300

Celebrating the tercentenary of the Royal Cork Yacht Club and the coast of Ireland

Mid-July, 2020

July 2020 sees the Royal Cork Yacht Club, located in Crosshaven near Cork city on the South shores of Ireland, celebrate its tercentenary – 1720 to 2020. This 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first sailing club will celebrate with a worldwide representation of yacht and cruising clubs. The main events of interest to our fleet are the Great Gathering with its anniversary day of July 12 in Cork harbor “*where it all began*” and a cruise in company along the SW coast of Ireland. The course follows the shoreside hiking and scenic driving route also known as the Wild Atlantic Way.

<https://www.ireland.com/en-us/articles/southern-peninsulas/>

See the RCYC website Home Page for local news of the past – “Way Back When” <https://www.royalcork.com/>

## The Great Gathering

The Wild Atlantic Way Cork300 Cruise in Company and Parade of Sail festival are shaping up to be one of the great yachting events of the year. See attachment. The race fleet continues to grow into the hundreds with race boats coming by sail and transport ship for Cork Race Week. The Cruise fleet is expected to be of 80+ from early notifications. The classic fleet, included in the first part of Cork Race Week, will be led off by two of Herreshoff's great schooners, Elena and Mariette. The expansive harbor of Cork will be quite the spectacle on Sunday July 12 when all fleets will form a parade of sail and a sail-past the old clubhouse under original 1720 Water Club of Cork Sailing Rules for review and salute. We have 14 CCA skippers participating with crews and will be well represented. There are six yachts completing transatlantic passages, a further three extending their NW Europe cruises and a charter fleet of four.

The Cruise in Company from Crosshaven to Dingle, July 12-22, will be a great coming together of cruising sailors from many parts. The coast provides some of the most scenic shores and anchorages for wonderful sailing and social occasions – or hide-aways for interludes of peace and quiet. The Royal Cork is setting up and coordinating the overall ten-day program with gatherings in a few key anchorages. We, the CCA participants, will fly our flag with a GAM followed by dinner at the hotel on Valentia Island's Knightstown Harbor, July 20. This area was where the first transatlantic telegraph cable was laid from in 1858, history and scenery to enjoy. The associated cruising clubs of Ireland, England, Scotland and the Ocean Cruising Club are represented and will host parties to complement the Royal Cork events along the Wild Atlantic Way cruise route. The Irish Cruising Club have invited us to join in their many summer events including those just prior to the cruise in Cork.

[Download PDF Cork300 Wild Atlantic Way Cruise in Company Feb 2020 Update brochure](#)

See attachment for details of ICC and cruise schedule choices- [ICC and Cork300 Cruising Events Schedule](#)

Link to <https://www.royalcork.com/> Cork300 tab, “Take Part” “Wild Atlantic Way” for site on reserving a marina berth at this time ( Feb 26 onwards). Site will ultimately have links for all events and party reservations.



Team One Newport has a cruise crest/logo available for apparel – based on and modified from print crest for embroidery.

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Jul 7, 2020

## **Gulf of Maine Post Report for the 2020 CCA Annual Meeting in New York**

The GMP has a membership of 141, an additional 15 surviving spouses, and we maintain an email list of an additional 158 CCA members and spouses from other regions that visit Maine, or moor their boats in Maine.

Dale Bruce serves as our Post Captain, Buell Heminway as Post Secretary and Paul Rogers as Treasurer. Garry and Leslie Schneider continue to serve as our Safety Officers.

Since the report for the Fall 2019 Meeting in Boston the following events have been held:

**December:** We had a luncheon at the Damariscotta River Grill. 72 GMP members and guests attended. Rachel Slade, author of *Into the Raging Sea* – the *El Faro* story - made a wonderful and compelling presentation.

**January:** Tom Kiley and Ry Hills hosted a pot-luck dinner at their home in Rockport, Me. This included an ‘art quiz’ relating to the artwork in their home. 39 members attended.

**February:** Garry and Leslie Schneider hosted another ski gam at their charming cabin in Carrabasset Valley. 16 attended.

**March:** Will bring us Phin and Joanna Sprague’s wonderful Maine Boatbuilders Show after hours reception. They also include the OCC and Storm Trysail Club in this event and there is usually a great turnout. We hope to show the film about Tabor Boy’s Bermuda Race vs. Spirit of Bermuda.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dale Bruce  
BOS/GMP Post Captain  
March 3, 2020