

BYC, 1996

**1996 PASSED AT THE BYC WHETHER I WAS THERE OR NOT,
AND AFTER I MOVED TO SAN ANTONIO I WASN'T THERE A LOT.**

**AT LAST YEAR'S BANQUET CHARLIE ULRICH TURNED THE REIGN TO JERRY VAUGHN.
WHEN JERRY FIRST SPOKE, I DIDN'T SEE A SINGLE YAWN.**

**I DON'T KNOW HOW IT HAPPENED BUT FOR A VICE COMMODORE WE GOT A JUDGE.
FOR WHEN IT COMES TO VICE, HIS MORALS JUST WON'T BUDGE.**

**AND IF YOU ASK ROBERT BLACKMON WHAT KIND OF JUDGE IS HE?
HE'LL SAY...HONEST, HARD WORKING; JUST WHAT YOU WOULD EXPECT HIM TO BE.**

**AND WHEN IT COMES TO SAILING, HE KNOWS HIS INS AND OUTS,
BUT IT HAS BEEN A LEARNING EXPERIENCE FOR HIM TO DIRECT THE SEA SCOUNTS.**

**THE REAR COMMODORE WAS RICHARD NILL, THEN LATER BOB MCNEILL.
FOR BOB, THE WORK TURNED OUT TO BE VERY REAL.**

**THERE ARE ALWAYS PROJECTS THAT HAVE TO BE DONE.
AND MANY OF THEM WERE NOT CLASSIFIED AS FUN.**

**BUT WHEN HIS FRIENDS CAME ALONG WITH BOB.
HE FOUND IT WAS A LOT EASIER TO DO ANY JOB.**

**OUR TREASURER KNEW FINANCES FROM A TO Z.
THE MAN I AM TALKING ABOUT IS WILL LEE.**

**BUT WHEN IT CAME TO NUMBERS, COULD IT BE HE'S A WUS?
I HARDLY THINK SO BY ALL THE HELP HE GAVE US.**

**OUR SECRETARY WAS ONE OF A MARVELOUS AGE.
I THINK SHE IS OVER 21, BUT HOW MUCH OVER IS HARD TO GAGE.**

**SHE DID HER JOB WELL AND THAT'S NO BULL.
SHE ALWAYS KNEW WHETHER HER PEN WAS HALF EMPTY OR HALF FULL.**

**SHE HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN ASSET, NO MATTER WHAT SHE HAS DONE.
I THINK VICKI REDFIELD IS QUITE A WOMAN.**

**OUR BOWSPRIT EDITOR'S INITIALS ARE D.B.K.
IT IS FORTUNATE DESMOND BARTHOLOMEW KLINE IS HARD TO SAY.**

**HE TOLD ME HIS REAL NAME ONCE, BUT IT WASN'T IMPORTANT TO ME.
AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, HIS ACTUAL NAME IS D.B.**

**SPEAKING OF D.B., LAST YEAR HE RECEIVED THE TERRY HARKRIDER AWARD.
WITH THIS IN MIND, WE HOLD D.B. IN HIGH REGARD.**

**IF THERE EVER WAS A COOK, IT'S HAL PETERSON, EVERYONE'S PAL.
AND AS FOR SHARON, HIS WIFE, WHAT A GAL!**

**HAL AND SHARON WERE AWARDED THE 1995 BEST COOKS.
SOME OF THEIR SELECTIONS MADE THE RECORD BOOKS.**

**THE BEST MEAL WAS COOKED BY GARY, HANS, AND DEITER
OF THOSE THREE, I WONDER WHICH WAS THE COOKING LEADER.**

**WHEN JAMES SQUYRES WAS TALKING ABOUT THE CRUISER OF THE YEAR,
I THOUGHT THAT THIS SAILOR SOUNDS LIKE A BUCANEER.**

**I ALSO THOUGHT I DO THE SAME THINGS THIS GUY DOES.
THEN I REALIZED WHO THIS SAILOR ACTUALLY WAS.**

**IF I HAD BEEN HOLDING A MIRROR, I COULD HAVE LOOKED TO SEE.
THAT LAST YEAR'S CRUISER OF THE YEAR WAS.....ME.**

**THEN I REMEMBERED HERB HAYNES HAD WON IT 3 YEARS IN A ROW.
IF YOU ARE GOING TO CRUISE WITH THE CLUB, MAKE UP YOUR MIND AND GO.**

**THE COURAGEOUS CRUISER WAS DEBRA TERRHORST WHO SAILS WITH HANS
WHENEVER SHE GOES CRUISING, SHE REVIEWS ALL THE PROS AND CONS.**

**SCOTT HERRINGTON WAS THE YOUNG YACHTMAN OF THE YEAR.
THE FACT HE HAS GREAT SAILING ABILITIES IS PERFECTLY CLEAR.**

**THE YEAR'S FIRST EVENT WAS BREAKFAST BY THE PAST COMMODORES ON JAN. 1ST.
I WASN'T SURE WHETHER I WAS GOING TO TASTE THE BEST OR THE WORST.**

**BUT IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S GOING TO TURN INTO AN ANNUAL AFFAIR.
TO FIND OUT YOUR OPINION, WE MIGHT SEND OUT A QUESTIONNAIRE.**

**ONE NIGHT AT B&J'S PIZZA, I WAS RELAXING, TRYING NOT TO THINK.
I HAD ORDERED A PIZZA AND WAS SIPPING ON A DRINK.**

**ALONG CAME JIM WARREN AND I OFFERED HIM A SEAT.
AFTER A WHILE MY PIZZA CAME AND WE STARTED TO EAT.**

**WHAT I DIDN'T KNOW WAS JIM HAD ORDERED ONE AS WELL,
AND ONE PIZZA FROM ANOTHER, HOW COULD HE TELL?**

**JIM GRACIOUSLY OFFERED ME TO EAT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS SOME OF HIS.
AND I THOUGHT TO MYSELF AND DECIDED....SO THAT IS HOW IT IS.**

**SO AS WE SAT THERE EATING, I ATE MY HALF.
FOR JIM THIS CAUSED ANYTHING BUT A LAUGH.**

**WHEN JIM'S PIZZA BECAME AVAILABLE THROUGH THE LINE,
HE SAID, NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY YOU ATE HALF OF MINE.**

**IN FEB. WE CRUISED OVER TO THE RESTAURANT OF THE CRAB-N.
IT IS A PLACE WHERE MANY CRUISES WE HAVE BEEN.**

**WHILE CARLA AND QUENTON WERE THINKING ABOUT FOOD, BROILER OR FRIED,
NOT TOO FAR FROM THE RESTRUARANT THEIR ENGINE DIED.**

**THEN HAL PETERSON CAME ALONG AND HELPED THEM TO GET UNDERWAY,
ONLY TO GO AGROUND HIMSELF FOR THE THIRD TIME THAT DAY.**

**LATER D.B. ON MISTRESS CAME ALONG WITHOUT A CARE.
A FEW FEET AWAY HE WAS IN NINE FEET OF WATER THERE.**

SO. D.B. ASKED HAL WHAT WAS THE PROBLEM AND WHAT COULD HE DO?
AS IF HE COULDN'T SEE AND DIDN'T HAVE A CLUE.

SO D.B. TOWED OFF HAL BECAUSE HAL WAS ANXIOUS TO DINE.
AND LATER EVERYONE ELSE ARRIVED AT THE RESTURANT JUST FINE.

WHEN JAMES'S YACHT IS OUT OF THE WATER HE SAYS IT'S IN CARDIAC ARREST.
THE LAMPS DON'T MOVE, THE HULL DOESN'T ROCK, IT'S WHAT HE DOES DETEST.

BUT WHEN IT'S BACK IN THE WATER AND YOU GO ABOARD, THERE IS NO DOUBT.
THAT IF YOU LISTEN, FEEL, AND LOOK, YOU KNOW WHAT HE'S TALKING ABOUT.

DIETER JURGENS HAS PLENTY OF CLASSICAL MUSIC ABOARD HIS ISLAND PACKET.
AND HE HAS NUMEROUS PLACES THAT HE CAN STACK IT.

HE ALSO HAS SAILINGS SONGS AND JUST FOR AN ADDED THRILL.
YOU MIGHT HEAR ALL 125 VERSES OF.....BARANCLE BILL.

NOW DIETER'S AN ENGINEER AND CERTAINLY NOT A TAILOR.
YOU ALSO MIGHT HEAR 75 VERSES OF WHAT DO YOU DO WITH A DRUNKEN SAILOR?

THROW HIM IN THE LONG BOAT TILL HE SOBERS, PUT HIM IN THE BUNK WITH THE
CAPTAIN'S DAUGHTER, SHAVE HIS BELLY WITH A RUSTY RAZOR, PUT HIM IN A TUB OF
ICY WATER.

AS YOU WALK PAST DIETER'S YACHT, YOU MIGHT PAY A CALL,
ESPECIALLY IF YOU HEAR SINGING ABOUT 100 BOTTLES OF BEER ON THE WALL.

DID YOU HEAR THAT JERRY SMITH'S DINGHY TOOK FLIGHT?
IT TRIED TO CLIMB THE MAST ON A VERY WINDY NIGHT.

WE GOT A NEW MARINA SUPERVISOR.....BUT WHO?
WHY, WE GOT OUR OWN CAPTAIN QUENTON COOK WORKING FOR YOU.

EARLY IN THE YEAR JAMES SQUYRES FACED A SUDDEN FRIGHT.
HE WOKE UP QUICKLY IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT.

TO SEE HIS ELECTRICAL PANEL BURNING BRIGHTLY IN FLAMES.
AND THE ONLY ONE TO PUT IT OUT WAS JAMES.

AFTER IT WAS OUT, PAM POINTED OUT SOMETHING AMUSING.
THE ONLY THING JAMES WAS WEARING WAS AN EAR RING.

HE HAD SAVED HIS BOAT AND THAT WAS ENOUGH.
EVEN THOUGH HE HAD DONE IT IN THE BUFF.

WATCHING THE BLUE PELICAN SAIL IS LIKE WATCHING GRASS GROW.
EVEN WHEN IT IS QUITE WINDY, SHE IS STILL SLOW.

ON LIGHT WINDED DAYS, RIGORMORTIS SORT OF SET IN.
IF SHE GOES SAILING WITH OTHER BOATS SHE IS THE LAST TO GET IN.

ALTHOUGH SHE IS OLD SHE STILL DOES WHAT SHE WAS MADE FOR.
AND FOR A LONG TIME NOW SHE HAS BEEN PAID FOR.

**ANDY FICKEN SAILED TO INGLESIDE FOR LAUGHS AT THE BAHIA HEE-HEE.
EVEN THOUGH IT WAS WINDY, IT WAS THE PLACE TO BE, HEE, HEE.**

**ON THE HERB & CAROLYN HAYNES CRUISE IT WAS FOGGY, NOT SUNNY.
AND THERE TO ARRIVE LATE WAS THE EVER-READY PINK BUNNY.**

**IT WAS ACTUALLY PHYLLIS VAUGHN IN SOMEWHAT OF A PINK JUMP SUIT.
ROGER WRIGHT THOUGHT OF THE BUNNY AND SAID IT WAS CUTE.**

**WHEN I ANNOUNCED THAT I WAS MOVING TO THAT SAN ANTONIO CITY,
SOME MEMBERS STARTED TO PUT TOGETHER A LITTLE KITTYY.**

**THEY WANTED TO BUY A TAPE THAT REQUIRED A MAILING.
THE TITLE OF IT WAS...CALIFORNIA GIRLS GO SAILING.**

**THEY PRESENTED IT TO ME AT THE CLUB ON A FRIDAY NIGHT.
YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN MY FACE AT THE SITE.**

**THE MUSIC WAS GREAT AND THE YACHTS, YOU COULDN'T ASK FOR MORE,
THE WEATHER NEAR PERFECT & THE CREW ALSO GOT A HIGH SCORE.**

**IN APRIL THE DAWSONS PLANNED A CRUISE TO SHAMROCK COVE.
THE WEATHER WAS NICE AND YOU DIDN'T NEED A STOVE.**

**ON ENTERING THE SECRET CHANNEL MARGOLA WENT AGROUND MORE THAN ONCE.
ABOUT THAT TIME, CAPT. JIM HUBBARD WAS FEELING LIKE A DUNCE.**

**IF ONE KNEW ABOUT IT ONE COULD PROBABLY SAY,
IT WAS THE LOGICAL END TO JIM AND HIS CREW'S HARD DAY.**

**AT THE ICE CREAM SOCIAL THERE WERE SOME WONDERFUL DESSERTS,
I HEARD RUMORS THAT SOME OF THEM WOUND UP ON PEOPLE'S SHIRTS.**

**THE 1ST PRIZE WENT TO A DUTCH OVEN COBBLER THAT WAS WELL DONE.
THE WINNER, RICHARD JONES, WAS A MEMBER OF SHIP ONE.**

**BYC'S PROGRESSIVE DINNER PARTY WAS SERVED OFF BOATS ON B PIER.
LATER ON, ROGER WRIGHT'S JOB WOULD BE AUCTIONEER.**

**THERE WAS QUICHE ON STARSHIP & A VEGETABLE TRAY ON FANCY FREE.
LAYERED SALAD ON MISTRESS AND KING RANCH CHICKEN ON SESEA.**

**THE PASTA PESTO BY THE HAYNES WAS GREAT ON WEATHER OR NOT,
AND THE STUFFED JALOPENAS ON CASSIOPEA WERE MILDLY HOT.**

**HUNGARIAN GOULASH WAS SERVED BY THE VAUGHNS ON SEA HAWK,
AND THE STUFFED MUSHROOMS BY THE ULRICHS PRODUCED FAVORABLE TALK.**

**THE DESSERTS AT THE CLUBHOUSE WERE QUITE A DELIGHT,
AND THE AUCTION WAS SCHEDULED TO START AT 8:00PM THAT NIGHT.**

**THAT MOST OF THE BIDDING CAME FROM THE RIGHT SIDE SEEMED FUNNY.
I GUESS THE PEOPLE ON THE LEFT SIDE WANTED TO KEEP THEIR MONEY.**

**SOMEONE PAID OVER \$20.00 FOR AN EXTENDED BOAT HOOK.
AND THAT PERSON WAS NONE OTHER THAN CAPTAIN QUENTON COOK.**

**FRANK DEES HAS A TYPICAL COLLECTION OF SAILING POWERS.
HE CLAIMS THE BLOCKS HE BOUGHT COULD BE PLAYED WITH FOR HOURS.**

**BEFORE SHE CAME TO THE BYC LINDA EARLS BOUGHT \$100.00 WORTH OF BOOKS.
SO WHEN AT THE AUCTION, PAUL BOUGHT SOME, SHE GAVE HIM STRANGE LOOKS.**

**I BOUGHT \$2.00 WORTH OF MOSQUITO NETTING.
I REALLY LIKE TO KEEP THOSE BUGS AFRETTING.**

**SAM ASSARIAN BOUGHT WINE AND SOME MOORING ROPES.
WITH THEM, HE'LL TOAST HIS BOAT AND TIE UP HIS HALF, HE HOPES.**

**KEN SHARP BOUGHT A DINGHY, BUT IS NOT SURE WHERE IT WILL STORE.
HE IS VISUALIZING NOW ABOUT GOING IN IT ASHORE.**

**ON THE PORT ARANSAS RACE TERI FICKEN SHOULD HAVE STAYED IN BED.
SHE FELL AND PUT AN IMPRESSION OF A SCREW ON THE BACK OF HER HEAD.**

**SHE BLED A LITTLE, ACCORDING TO A MEMBER OF THE CREW.
LATER ON THERE WAS AN EXAMINATION TO CHECK THE DAMAGE TO THE SCREW.**

**JAMES SQUYRES SINGLEHANDED FOR MANY A MILE.
UNTIL CRUISING WITH PAM PUT ON HIS FACE A SMILE.**

**THEY HAD PLANNED TO SAIL TO VERA CRUZ IN LATE MAY OR EARLY JUNE.
BUT AFTER BEING HIT BY LIGHTENING, THEY HAD TO CHANGE THEIR TUNE.**

**ON THE VERA CRUZ RACE IT WAS LANTANA THAT PULLED IN A FIRST.
WHILE ON CASSIOPEIA QUENTON MIGHT HAVE THOUGHT HIS BOAT WAS CURSED.**

**HE HAD A LITTLE TROUBLE KEEPING WATER ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE BOAT.
THIS IS WHERE IT NEEDS TO BE IF YOU WANT TO STAY AFLOAT.**

**ANOTHER YACHT THAT WENT TO VERA CRUZ WAS BOB NELVILL'S STARSHIP.
IT WOULD BE SAFE TO SAY NOT EVERYONE HAD FUN ON THIS TRIP.**

**LET'S FACE IT FOLKS, IT IS A LONG WAY TO VERA CRUZ,
AND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF SUCH A TRIP CAN GIVE ANYONE THE BLUES.**

**DO YOU LIKE GREEN OR MAYBE WHAT YOU LIKE IS BLACK?
FOR MARTHA RESPONDEK, IT'S PURPLE, PURPLE, A COLOR SHE DOESN'T LACK.**

**SHE HAS PURPLE JEANS AND PURPLE SWEATERS, AND A PURPLE HAT.
AND IF SHE COULD FIND ONE, SHE'D LIKE A PURPLE CAT.**

**SO WHILE SOME OF US LIKE RED AND SOME OF US LIKE BLUE.
FOR MARTHA, IT'S PURPLE, PURPLE, PURPLE...THE COLOR THAT'S TRUE.**

**WE SOMETIMES CRUISE TO THE PIYC TO STAY IN TOUCH.
ON THE CRUISE TO DONNEL POINT, DEAN WHITSETT CLAIMS HE ATE TOO MUCH.**

**THE FOLLOWING WEEKEND WE CRUISED TO VICKI REDFIELD'S FISH FRY,
AGAIN, DEAN ATE TOO MUCH, NO NEED TO WONDER WHY.**

**AT VICKI'S THERE WAS A BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR SCOTT WHO TURNED 16.
AND THERE STUFFING HIMSELF WITH CAKE WAS DEAN.**

THERE IS A WORD THAT WE CANNOT YET USE TO DESCRIBE DEAN.
THAT WORD STARTS WITH AN "L" AND IS PRONOUNCED, "LEAN."

BUT DEAN IS DEAN, WHETHER HE IS EATING VEGETABLES OR PIE,
ABOUT HIM I CAN ALWAYS SAY...WHAT A GUY!

THE HARRINGTONS SERVED UP A LAZAGNA DISH,
AND FOR \$5.00, I MADE MINE VANISH.

WHERE ELSE CAN YOU EAT AT THIS PRICE?
AND FOR AN ADDED BONUS, THE PEOPLE ARE SO NICE.

VICKI REDFILED WANTS TO GO TOPLESS; IT SAYS SO ON HER LICENSE PLATE.
AND AFTER ALL SOME PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A NATURAL STATE.

I HAVE TOLD HER SHE DOESN'T HAVE CURTAINS ON HER BATHROOM WINDOW.
BUT SHE CLAIMS TO HAVE THE SUBJECT THOROUGHLY COVERED THOUGH.

SO MAYBE, SHE IS REFERRING TO HER CONVERTIBLE MIATA CAR.
SHE PROBABLY WANTS THE TOP DOWN WHETHER DIVING NEAR OR FAR.

ON JULY 8TH, I SAILED OUT TO A PLACE CALLED PAUL'S MOTT.
IN ROUTE, ONE OF MY COMMENTS WAS.... JULY SAILING IS AWFULLY HOT.

WHEN ON THE BOAT ON WEEKENDS IT WAS UNDER AIR CONDITIONING CARE,
BUT WHEN ANCHORED OUT, THERE WAS THAT FAMILIAR HUMID AIR.

WHILE TRYING TO ERECT A SUN SHADE, I BROKE A FITTING OR TWO.
THE SHADE WAS IMPORTANT TO ME, AS IT WOULD HAVE BEEN FOR YOU.

THINKING, WITHOUT IT THE SUN WOULD TURN MY BRAINS TO MUSH,
I SUPPORTED MY SUN SHADE BY TWO OARS AND A LONG HANDLED BRUSH.

DUE TO WINDY CONDITIONS ON THE 2ND DAY BLIND PASS WAS WHERE I WENT.
IT WAS ALSO THERE THAT WAS THE SECOND NIGHT I SPENT.

THE NEXT DAY I HEADED FOR THE MORRIS CUMMINGS CUT.
TO DO THIS FROM ARANSAS BAY ALMOST REQUIRES YOU TO BE A NUT.

OR AT LEAST HAVE A BOAT WITH THE DRAFT OF A MALLARD DUCK.
AND IT WOULDN'T HURT TO HAVE A LITTLE GOOD LUCK.

BUT I HAD DONE THIS MANY TIMES BEFORE,
AND AFTER ALL THIS WAS JUST ONE TIME MORE.

OF COURSE IT WOULD HAVE HELPED TO HAVE AN UPDATED CHART.
HAVING ONE DATED 1987 JUST WASN'T TOO SMART.

THE BOUYS HAD BEEN PAINTED AND RENUMBERED WHERE I WANTED TO GO,
AND IF YOU LOOK CLOSELY, ALL THAT LAND OUT THERE SURE IS LOW.

BUT I MADE IT THROUGH AND GOT BACK ALL RIGHT.
AFTER TWO MORE DAYS OUT AND ANOTHER NIGHT.

ROGER WRIGHT DID IT, BUT SO DID D.B. KLINE.
I GUESS IT IS FORTUNATE THAT I HAVE NEVER DONE MINE.

I'M TALKING ABOUT FLYING UPSIDE DOWN THE BYC BURGEE.
IT WASN'T SOMEWHERE ELSE; IT WAS RIGHT ON PIER B.

WHEN I THINK OF PAST NAVY REGATTAS, I OFTEN CHEER.
THEN I THINK OF CERTAIN SAILORS THAT DIDN'T TAKE PART LAST YEAR.

I'M TALKING ABOUT THE PURSERS, THE WILEMS, AND JOHN LUBY, TOO.
THE BEAVERS, THE ORLANDIS, AND THE KELLYS, JUST TO NAME A FEW.

THIS YEAR'S NAVY REGATTA WAS A TEST FOR BOATS AND CREW.
ON SATURDAY, BOB NEVILL SAID THE WIND GUSTED TO 32.

THE PARTY OUT AT THE BASE IS A HARD ONE TO EQUAL.
JUST ASK KEN AND BETH WHO SAILED OUT ON SEAQUEL.

ON SATURDAY PHYLLIS VAUGHN WAS AFRAID OF THINGS BREAKING.
DUE TO THE PRESSURE THE EQUIPMENT AND SAILS WERE TAKING.

SURE ENOUGH SOMETHING HAPPENED ON THE TRIP BACK.
AFTER THEY GOT TO THE MARINA AND HARDENED UP ON TRACK

THEIR JIB BLEW OUT IN ONE FELL SWOOP.
THAT IS A TERRIBLE THING TO HAPPEN TO A SLOOP.

IT IS A WISE SKIPPER WHO KNOWS WHEN TO BE FRANK.
AND IN AUGUST, I LEARNED THAT JERRY VAUGHN HAD A CHAIN TO YANK.

AFTER GOING AGROUND OFF THE S-CURVE AND SETTING UP HULL VIBRATIONS.
IT IS A WISE SKIPPER WHO KNOWS HIS OVERWHELMINGLY STUPID LIMITATIONS.

NOW "OVERWHELMINGLY STUPID" ARE JERRY'S WORDS, NOT MINE.
I THINK THE WORDS "A LITTLE CARELESS" WOULD HAVE BEEN JUST FINE.

HOW MANY OF US WHEN NOT PAYING ATTENTION HAVE GONE AGROUND?
HOW MANY OF US WHEN PAYING ATTENTION, HAVE BEEN SHALLOW WATER BOUND?

SO I SAY TO YOU, JERRY...IT IS ALL RIGHT. IT IS REALLY OKAY.
THE MARINA PATROL TOWED HIM OFF, SO HE COULD GO AGROUND ANOTHER DAY.

THERE IS AN ICE CREAM OUT THERE CALLED ROCKY ROAD.
IT ALSO DEPICTS A CERTAIN BOATER AND HERE IS AN EPISODE.

DEAN AND NANCY SAILED TOWARDS ROCKPORT, BUT PUT IN AT INGLESIDE.
IT WAS EASY TO FIND THEM, IF YOU KNEW WHERE THEY WERE TIED.

BUT THE NEXT DAY, ROCKY WAS LOOKING FOR ROCKPORT INTO THE NIGHT.
AND HAD TO NAVIGATE AFTER DARK ON THE INTRACOASTAL BY LINE OF SIGHT.

WE WENT AGROUND AND HAD TO DEAL WITH MOSQUITOS AS WELL.
BY THIS TIME HIS BOAT WAS ALMOST FOR SALE.

HE PAID A SHRIMPER \$100.00 TO PULL HIM INTO WATER THAT WAS DEEP.
NO ONE EVER SAID BOATING WAS GOING TO BE CHEAP.

BUT HE GOT BACK; WE KNEW HE WOULD.
GIVEN ENOUGH TIME AND MONEY, WE KNEW HE COULD,

IN SEPTEMBER, THERE WAS A SMALL CRUISE TO THE FLATO CUT.
DEAN WHITSETT WAS DETERMINED TO GET IN NOW MATTER WHAT.

DIETER JURGENS LIKES TO APPROACH IT AT HIGH TIDE.
SOME LANDMARKS ARE UNDERWATER, BUT IT IS EASIER TO GET INSIDE.

OTHERS LIKE TO GO THERE WHEN THE WATER IS LOW.
YOU CAN SEE THE WAY IN, BUT YOU GOT TO GO SLOW.

THE FIRST NORTHER OF THE FALL SEASON REALLY BLEW.
IT CAME IN WITH MORE FORCE THAN MOST PEOPLE KNEW.

PHYLISS WAS PREPARING DINNER AT THE CLUB THAT FRIDAY NIGHT.
LATER ON, EVERYONE WOULD BE EATING IT BY CANDLELIGHT.

THERE WAS A RACE/CRUISE TO INGLESIDE ON A BAY THAT WAS ROUGH.
FOR ROCKY, ELLIE, A PINK PANTHER DOLL-PINKIE, THAT WAS ADVENTURE ENOUGH.

SOMETIMES, NEW MEMBERS DON'T KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON.
EVERYTIME ROCKY SAT DOWN WITH A GROUP, HE WAS SOON ALONE.

IT WAS ALL A JOKE ALTHOUGH SOMEWHAT STINKY.
LATER ON THERE WAS A BEER RANSOM HELD FOR PINKIE.

ROCKY AND ELLIE TOOK IT ALL WELL LIKE IT WAS A DREAM.
THEY SINCERELY HOPE YOU LIKE HEARING THE PINK PANTHER THEME.

I SAW TWO SEAGULLS TALKING TO EACH OTHER BY THE CAUSEWAY
YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO SAY.

ONE ASKED, HAVE YOU SEEN THE BAY STAR THAT BELONGS TO DEAN WHITSETT?
THE OTHER SAID, OH YES, EARLIER I SPOTTED IT.

OH, I LIKE TO SAIL, BUT I LIKE TO CRUISE A LOT.
SOMETIMES WHEN I AM AT ANCHOR, I WONDER WHAT I FORGOT.

IN OCTOBER WHILE IN SHAMROCK COVE WITH AIR COMING DOWN THE HATCHES,
I STARTED TO COOK DINNER, BUT COULDN'T FIND ANY MATCHES.

SO WITHOUT A MATCH, HOW DO YOU PRODUCE A FLAME?
I HAD A DEVICE THAT PRODUCED SPARKS AND THAT IS SORT OF THE SAME.

SO I HAD DINNER, NEEDLESS TO SAY
WHEN YOU ARE HUNGARY AND THERE IS A WILL, YOU WILL FIND A WAY.

I HEARD PHYLLIS VAUGHN LAUNCHED A ONE WOMAN CRIME WAY IN BEE COUNTY.
THE SHERRIF CAUGHT HER BEFORE THEY COULD SET A BOUNTY.

SHE DROVE OFF FROM A STATION WITH THE PUMP STILL ON THE CAR.
IT WAS NOT AS IF SHE TRIED TO ROB A BAR.

THE WHOLE SITUATION HAD ITS COMPLEX ABSURDITIES.
AND MIGHT HAVE BEEN PREVENTED WITH SOME COMMON COURTESIES.

IF YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE, ASK PYHLLIS FOR THE GORY DETAILS.
I AM SURE SHE WILL TELL YOU WHAT THIS STORY ENTAILS.

AND AS FOR THE OCTOBER ROCKPORT RACE TO SEAFARE,
I THINK ONLY A FEW MEMBERS, LIKE RON CRABTREE, WERE THERE.

I WAS READING A BOOK IN MY BOAT ON THAT SUNDAY AFTERNOON.
KNOWING THAT THERE WOULD BE SAILORS RETURNING FROM ROCKPORT SOON.

WHEN I HEARD A CRASH THAT SOUNDED REAL NEAR.
IT WAS BOB NELVILL TRYING TO LAND HIS STARSHIP ON THE PIER.

THE PIER GOT DAMAGED AND SO DID THE BOAT.
AND FROM THE MARINA SUPERVISOR, HE GOT A NASTY NOTE.

JUST WHEN I THOUGHT THE FAMILY CRUISE WAS A SAILING TREND,
IN 1996, VERY FEW WENT DUE TO THE HIGH WIND.

DEAN WAS AFRAID OF TOO MUCH WIND BLOWING,
AND AS THE DAY WORE ON HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE GROWING.

SO I REALLY DON'T THINK ANYONE FROM OUR CLUB WENT.
FROM THE WAY THE WEATHER WAS, IT WAS PRUDENT.

THERE ARE YACHTS OUT THERE THAT HAVE THEIR USE.
ONE OF THE PROVEN ONES IS CALLED DANGERUSE.

DENNIS LOFTIS SAILED THE CARRIBEAN, BUT NOW HE IS BACK.
WITH THE BOAT FOR SALE, HE CLAIMS HE IS ON A DIFFERENT KIND OF TACK.

IN NOVEMBER, JERRY AND BARBRA SMITH COOKED A FANTASTIC MEAL.
LEMON PEPPERED CHICKEN, BEANS, SALAD.....WHAT A MEAL?

I ASKED JERRY FOR THE SECRET RECIPE FOR CHICKEN WHAZOO.
HE SAID HE WOULDN'T GIVE IT TO ME, EVEN FOR YOU.

ALL THEIR FOOD WAS TERRIFIC, JUST WONDERFUL TO ME,
BUT I THINK I SAW THE SAME CHICKEN SOLD AT H.E.B.

FOR CHARLIE, SHERRY, & SOME FRIENDS, LANTANA WAS A GREAT PLACE TO MEET.
ESPECIALLY FOR A SIX DAY GULF CROSSING ALL THE WAY TO ST. PETE.

ACTUALLY IT'S ST. PETERSBURG, FLORDIA, DON'T YOU KNOW?
IT IS A PLACE WHERE MANY CRUISERS GO.

ON A FRIDAY IN NOVEMBER AFTER ALL HAD FINISHED EATING.
NANCY AND DEAN SHOWED A WAY TO PROVIDE A CHRISTMAS GREETING.

THEY TOOK CHRISTMAS PICTURES OF PEOPLE ON THEIR BOATS,
AND PROVIDED A GREETING PHOTO CARD WITH HOLIDAY NOTES.

OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY WAS REALLY A DILLY.
ROBERT BLACKMON AND SHIP ONE SERVED US UP CHILI.

WE SANG A FEW CAROLS AND THEN OPENED GIFTS.
FOR SOME THEY PROVIDED LOWS; AND OTHERS LIFTS.

THE FACT THAT CAROLYN HAYNES TOOK CARLA'S SMALL SAILBOAT SEEMED FAIR.
LATER ON, IT WAS TAKEN FROM CAROLYN BY MARY WARE.

HAL PETERSON 'S MODEL OF THE TUSON LIGHTHOUSE WAS SQUARE, NOT ROUND.
THEY SAY IF YOU CAN SEE THE TUSON LIGHTHOUSE, YOU'RE AGROUND.

I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS ON PURPOSE OR JUST IMPLIED,
BUT SHARON PETERSON'S GIFT WAS A TAPE ON COASTAL NAVIGATION SIMPLIFIED.

BOB MCNEILL OPENED MANY PRESENTS THAT OTHER PEOPLE TOOK AWAY.
THAT SOMEONE TOOK KEN'S INFLATABLE ICE BUCKET SURPRISES ME EVEN TODAY.

QUENTON GOT WINE, LOST IT, AND GOT IT BACK AFTER TWO TRIES,
ONLY TO LATER TRADE WITH MARTHA RESPONDEK FOR SOME GREEN SAIL TIES.

IF YOU ASKED ROGER WRIGHT WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS HE DOES THEN,
IT MIGHT BE EASIER TO TELL WHAT BUSINESS HE IS NOT IN.

IN DECEMBER, WE CRUSIED TO THE HAYNES TO SEE THE BOATS IN LA POSADA.
AS HOSTSGO, WHAT COULD THEY HAVE DONE THAT THE DIDN'T DO? NADA.

IN THIS CLUB WE HAVE MANY LARGE CRUISING BOATS THAT SAIL ABOUT.
BUT ON THE HAYNES CRUISE ONLY THREE 25 FOOTERS SAILED OUT.

LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE CREWS OF MISTRESS, JOINT VENTURE, AND SEA HAWK.
OTHERS MIGHT TALK THE TALK, BUT THESE SAILORS WALK THE WALK.

NOW I WANT TO SAY SOMETHING AND I WANT TO BE BLUNT.
SOME SKIPPERS DIDN'T GO DUE TO THE PASSING OF A COLD FRONT.

AS FOR THE THREE BOATS THAT WENT, NONE CAME BACK ON SUNDAY.
I'M NOT SURE IF ANY CAME BACK ON MONDAY.

JUST BEFORE THE YEAR ENDED, THREE SAILORS WANTED A DRINK.
THE NAME OF THIS LIBATION IS DOS CAJONES, I THINK.

CONSISTING OF TEQUILA, ORANGE JUICE, AND LIME, IT IS A LITTLE GREEN.
ITS CREATORS, PROVIDED THEY CAN STAND, ARE ROGER, KEN AND DEAN.

I ASKED, WITH THREE INGREDIENTS IN IT, WAS IT NAMED DOS ON A WHIM?
HE SAID TWO WAS ALL ANY MAN HAD AND THAT WAS ENOUGH FOR HIM.

SO I WONDERED, WHAT KIND OF LIMITATIONS WOULD HE PUT ON NANCY?
I FIGURED ANYTHING HE SAID WOULD HAVE BEEN CHANCY.

JERRY AND PHYLLIS PUT ON THE PARTY FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE.
THERE WERE ALWAYS PEOPLE ARRIVING AND OTHERS READY TO LEAVE.

WE SAW 1996 COME TO AN END AND MEET ITS DEATH.
SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT, KEN SHARP WAS KISSING BETH.

IN AN EFFORT TO PEAK UP THE PARTY AND MAKE IT HOT,
A BOTTLE OF TEQUILA WAS CONSUMED, SHOT BY SHOT.

ALL RIGHT FOLKS, HERE IS A ONE QUESTION QUIZ.
DOES IT REALLY MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE AS TO WHO THE COMMODORE IS?

YOU BET. THE COMMODORE NEEDS TO BE HEARD AND NEEDS TO BE SEEN.
AND THIS YEAR'S NEW COMMODORE IS A MAN CALLED DEAN.

**YES, DEAN WHITSETT IS THE COMMODORE AND NANCY IS THE MAMA-DORE.
AND BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM, WHO KNOWS WHAT IS IN STORE?**

**OF COURSE DEAN COULD ALWAYS USE A FEW VOLUNTEERS.
WHAT HE DOES NOT NEED ARE MUTINEERS.**

**ANY CAUGHT MUTINEERS WILL QUICKLY BE STRIPPED OF RANK,
AND WILL BE EXPECTED TO QUIETLY WALK THE PLANK.**

**SO THE YEAR IN WHICH JERRY VAUGHN WAS COMMODORE HAS COME TO AN END.
FOR JERRY'S SERVICES AT BYC, HIS ACTIONS WE DO COMMEND.**

**AND NOW WITH 1997 ALREADY BEGUN AND ALL OF US HERE,
I WOULD LIKE TO TOAST THE BYC AS IT BEGINS ITS 25TH YEAR.**

TOM ARNOLD, 1996