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## Nominating Night Meeting November 19th

**Commodore Todisco** called the meeting to order Wednesday November 19th following the delicious dinner done by Manager Ann-Marie.

The primary purpose of the meeting was to elect a Nominating Committee to determine the slate of officers for 2009. (See article on right)

Treasurer **Don Kearney** gave an overview of the club's financial status, particularly as it pertains to the current global economic situation. Efforts to curtail expenses were discussed.

Director **Robert Baum** presented an update on a proposed maintenance dredging project. While CPYC failed the 10 day bioassay sediment samples testing in 1999, no chemical analyses to determine concentrations of chemicals present were undertaken at that time. In addition, since then methods for flushing ammonia in sediments prior to testing have been modified. This may or may not change yield different results for CPYC. A phased approach to testing will be done considering the high cost of biological and chemical testing and determining suitable methods of disposal. Specific questions should be addressed directly to **Bob Baum**, as he is working with a private civil engineering firm specializing in coastal and dredge engineering, environmental permitting, hydrographic surveys, civil, structural and geotechnical engineering and construction management services, involved in numerous similar projects. Upon a vote of the membership, **David McDonald** was elected to Life membership. (See article on page 6. )

Tel. (617) 846-CPYC

## Holiday Decorations At CPYC

Thanks to the efforts of **Denise Duval**, **Janine Stanton**, and **Vice Commodore Ellen Reilly**, CPYC sported beautiful decorations for the holiday festivities.



Web site: [www.CPYC.ORG](http://www.CPYC.ORG)

## Nominating Committee Elected



The Elected Nominating Committee includes (left to right above) **Steve Feeney**, **Tom Bailey**, **John Economides**, **Steve Honan** and **Larry Bradley**, chairman by virtue of receiving the most votes.

The committee will meet with candidates for the Flag Offices, Treasurer, Secretary, Board of Directors, and Audit Committee in order to determine a slate of officers for the February Annual Meeting.

The committee is already hard at work. They must complete their work and give a list of nominees to the secretary within 21 days of the Annual Meeting. To help the Nominating Committee, any member who is interested in running for an office should promptly write a letter to the committee outlining his or her interest and intentions. The work of the Nominating Committee is very important to the future direction of CPYC.

## Annual Meeting Thursday Feb. 26th

In Feb. 2008, the membership voted to move the annual meeting to the 4th Wed in February. However if the meeting falls on Ash Wednesday, then according to the by-laws, the Annual Meeting will be the next night, which is the case for the 2009 Annual Meeting.



# Breakfast With Santa 2009

Once again thanks go to **Tom and Heidi Montgomery**, and friends and family for all of their efforts in making this annual event a success .

## ➤ Reviewing CPYC Rules and Regulations

**Ed Note:** During the past month Commodore Todisco has been reviewing the CPYC Rules and Regulations via email messages. This review is repeated here in the Windjammer in a somewhat shortened format for member consideration.

The Board of Director's have recently reviewed and updated the CPYC Rules and Regulations that govern certain operations of the Club. These Rules have been posted in and around the Clubhouse for your attention. However, to ensure better understanding of the Rules and the need for them, a review of the rules follows so that everyone is on the same page. Please remember CPYC rules and regulations that have been established over the years for three basic reasons: the safety and protection of the members and their families; the preservation of the clubhouse and its facilities; and the consideration of other members and our neighbors.

**Rule # 1** *The CPYC buildings are designated as smoke free.*

This is fairly simple and it means that smoking is prohibited inside the Clubhouse but is okay anywhere else on the property. This policy was voted on by the membership long before most Clubs in and around the town banned smoking. However, we need to ensure if you do smoke that you extinguish your smoking materials in a proper receptacle as for one to prevent fires and secondly keep the entries clean.

**Rule # 2** *Parking is allowed only in designated areas. Fire lanes must be kept clear so that fire equipment can get to the club should an emergency arise. This is especially important as the Clubhouse is built on pilings over the water. (The fire at the Orient Heights Yacht Club revealed the difficulties such a club encounters when attempting to rebuild.)* This is a simple rule with simple demands that are critical because there is a lot is at stake if a fire strikes the Club.

**Rule # 3** *Do not park close to neighborhood driveways and street corners. We need to be considerate of the neighbors and fire trucks must have room at corners to turn if necessary.*

Common sense and respect for our neighbors should be what is interpreted in this rule. We have limited parking with roughly 36 summer spaces and another 6-8 off-season spaces. This means we may have to park on the local streets, especially during events at the Club. Carpooling is a good option.

**Rule # 4 - Bowlers must wear bowling shoes or socks when using the lanes. Children under eighteen (18) must have adult supervision physically at all times when using the facilities.**

Appropriate footwear is important, as some shoe soles are dangerous for bowling and they may cause damage to the bowling surfaces. The bowling equipment has just been rebuilt and the equipment is new. However, because of the nature of the bowling, the equipment is prone to breakdown. If we treat the equipment kindly the down-time can be minimized, i.e. proper footwear and supervising younger bowlers.

**Rule # 5 - No glasses or bottles are to be taken from the bar to the pier. Plastic cups are available for drinks outside the clubhouse.** Broken glass on the pier areas can cause injury to someone. If you need to take your drink outside please ask the bartender on duty for a plastic container (excludes the Pilot House Sun Deck). Should you accidentally bring a glass container onto the pier or deck and it breaks, try to ensure all the pieces are cleaned up to avoid injury.

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## Ladies Bowling Roll Off

The Ladies Bowling Roll Off was held Wednesday Dec 3rd, in an exciting match that was not resolved until the third string. In the first string, team Wednesday took the lead, 14 pins ahead of team Tuesday and 24 pins up on both team Monday and Thursday. In the second string, team Wed slipped while team Monday bowled the highest sting, putting them 2 pins ahead of Thursday and 3 pins better than Tuesday. At the start of the third string there were only 9 pins separating all four days. Tuesday bowled its best string so that they finished 1st, 21 pins ahead of Monday. Thursday and Wednesday finished 3rd and 4th respectively. It must have been Tuesday's bowling angel pin mascot and angel tee shirts that watched over and guided them to victory.



L. to R.  
**Sophie Grasso,  
Donna Reilly,  
Joan Kaiser,  
and  
Mary Sullivan.**

High Single with Handicap went to **Judy Gaffney** with 133. **Lorraine Poto** won High 3 with Handicap with 333. High Single was awarded to **Barbara Cummings** with 117. **Jane Carideo** won High Three with 299. **Nancy Peterson** took home the High Average honors at 92.



### Pilot House Hours

**Sunday & Monday:** noon -11:00p.m.  
**Tuesday – Thursday:** noon – 12:00a.m.  
**Friday & Saturday:** noon – 1:00a.m.

**The kitchen closes two hours prior to the listed closing time.**

**Check your email for specials announcements**

## CPYC Rules and Regulations Review Continued

**Rule # 6 - Children 12 years or younger must wear lifejackets when on the pier and floats.** A simple rule and mandated by the Coast Guard for obvious reasons. The only possible exception is a child is in a stroller, carriage or carrier. However, a lifejacket is advisable for their safety as well.

**Rule # 7 - There shall be no running on the pier or in the clubhouse. In addition, wheeled footwear, skateboards and roller blades are prohibited.** This is intended for all members and their guests ages 1 to 100+, to prevent injury.

**Rule # 8 - Ball playing is prohibited on club property.** Common sense should prevail as someone may get hurt trying to stab a fly ball off the Green Monster. In addition their should be no ball playing on the property of our neighbors out of respect for them.

**Rule # 9 – All dogs are prohibited from being in the clubhouse or on the deck. Dog owners are required to pick up after their animals. Dogs on club property must be leashed.**

Seems simple enough, NO DOGS inside the buildings or on the House Deck. Since dogs can't read so we must ensure their owners can. NO means NO. Dogs must be on a leash either in the hand of a person or tied to stable footing. Not everyone loves your dog as you do. Please be considerate of others.

**Rule # 10 – Because of regulations of the club's liquor license, only alcoholic beverages purchased at the club may be consumed in the clubhouse, on the pier and on the deck.**

Drinking outside purchased alcoholic beverages in the aforementioned areas jeopardizing our license. Drinking on the docks or a boat is permitted but walking up to the Head Pier with a drink in your hand is considered a violation.

**Rule # 11 – Trash from the boats in the marina or brought in from moored boats must be placed in the parking lot dumpster and not left on the pier.**

This rule is in place to prevent overflow of trash on the Head Pier and wandering "animals" making a mess of the area.

There has been talk about establishing a recycling bin(s) for all recyclables and may come to fruition in the 2009 season..

If interested in becoming part of the Green Machine (not the Celtics) speak with someone from the BOD or the club manager

**Rule # 12 – Diving or jumping from the clubhouse roofs, outside stairs or pier is prohibited.** What don't people understand about this rule? It's dangerous!

**Rule # 13 – Gasoline, oily rags, paint or any other inflammable materials are not to be stored in any CPYC locker.** This is a FIRE LAW and an INSURANCE maxim.

**Rule # 14 – A non-member may be invited to the clubhouse only once in a 30-day period.** This is the most abused rule. The rule was intended to keep our private club status and maintain honesty in membership numbers. However, a non-member can, as a guest of a member attend "club" sponsored events through out the month without violating the rule. This applies to activities such as drop-in-bowling, darts and the frost biting series,. However, the non-member, is not allowed in the clubhouse any other time during that 30-day period. We hope that by non-members attending these "club sponsored" functions they will experience the amenities of the club and become members.

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## Starting the Winter Season at CPYC



Dec 19th  
1st Pilot  
House  
Storm  
Party  
◀



First day of winter  
December 21st Storm



# \$5,000 DINNER



L. to R. Kim, Larry and Toni

## EDITOR'S NOTES

I want to thank the approximately 300 of you who have responded to the Internet verses United States Postal Service questionnaire that was mailed out to you. There are still approximately 150 on our mailing list that have not responded. If you have not replied yet, PLEASE do so with the self addressed envelope that was sent to you, or by emailing me at [www.Windjammer@cpyc.org](mailto:www.Windjammer@cpyc.org). I will be trying to contact those I have not heard from personally in January, either by email or letter, as I am trying to have a paper trail of your responses.

The members who have replied that they want delivery of the Windjammer electronically, will not be receiving any more paper issues. The Windjammer will be on line on the CPYC website. I will send out electronic notification and link when it is posted. However rest assured that those of you who have requested to continue getting paper copies, you will. Those of you who have not replied will continue to be mailed copies until we hear from you as to your preference. In addition there will be a limited number of copies available in the Pilot House.

Thank you for your cooperation with this endeavor. For those I have not heard from, please help me complete this task by responding on your own and making my job easier.

Sue Hardy, editor



The \$5,000 Dinner was held November 7th. Anticipation and excitement filtered through the crowd as the evening progressed. The 200 raffle tickets sold out before the event thanks to the efforts of **Ernie Hardy** and his ticket sellers. Attendees were treated to a delicious beef tenderloin buffet dinner prepared by **Steve Merola, Dave Aloise, Dave O'Brien, Janine Stanton, Denise Duval, Chuck Newman**. (Pictured on left)

Ticket drawing began and quickly there were only 10 tickets remaining in play. Some wanted to split, others held out. Down to 5 tickets remaining worth \$1,000 each, (below). But someone did not want to split. Finally the remaining ticket holders split at 3 for \$1,666 per ticket. The winners (below left) were **Kim Hardy Kennedy** playing for **Jim Burns, Larry Bradley, and Toni and David Fisher**.

Everyone attending had a great time and is looking forward to the next dinner raffle.



## LAUNCH OPERATOR'S INFORMATION

By the time you get to read this you'll be recovering from the Holiday Season. However, in a very short time the 2009 boating season will be upon us once again. As we dream about warmer weather, even though we haven't even experienced any real cold weather yet, the question you may be asking yourself is how can I get my son, daughter, grandchildren or myself a job for the summer of 2009. Why not give them a gift certificate so they can take a Launch Operator's Course and be licensed by the USCG to operate the WINDJAMMER next season.

The Launch Operator's License comes in two versions – uninspected or inspected vessels. To operate certified (inspected) launches typical of most yacht clubs, such as CPYC, the holder must have the "Inspected Operator's License." The renewable license allows you to work at any yacht club or marina and is good for five (5) years. The holder may operate up to  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile from shore. The primary requirements are:

- Age 18 for inspected launches (CPYC Windjammer)
- 120 days underway experience on like vessels (time acquired since age 13)
- 90 of those days in the past 3 years
- Physical, drug test, eye exam
- CPR/First Aid class completion
- Certificate from an approved Safe Boating

### Course

If still interested, you can contact any of the schools listed here for more information on course schedules and requirements or contact Commodore Lou Todisco for further details on being a launch operator for CPYC.

Here are few of the School's web sites and toll-free numbers that offer Launch Operator's programs as well as other USCG Licensing programs. They are not in any particular order.

SEASCHOOL, 1-800-435-3393, [www.seaschool.com](http://www.seaschool.com)

BOATWISE Marine Training, 1-800-698-7373, [www.boatwise.com](http://www.boatwise.com)

AMERICAN BOATSCHOOL, 1-800-321-2977, no web site

NAUTICAL SCHOOL, 1-800-992-9951, [www.nauticalschool.com](http://www.nauticalschool.com)

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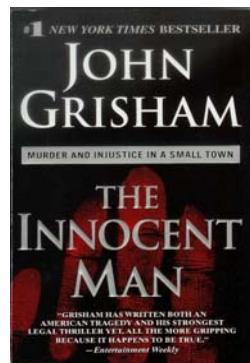
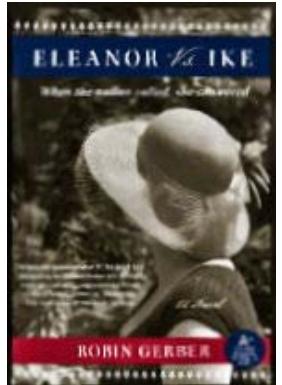


## Book Club

The Book Club selection for January 20th will be "Eleanor vs. Ike" by Robin Gerber. This novel presents a fascinating supposition. What if Eleanor Roosevelt had become the presidential candidate of the Democratic party running against Dwight Eisenhower in 1952. It looks at the politics of the time, the perceptions of women and men in politics, and emerging ways to promote candidates in the developing media world. The next selection to be discussed on

March 10th is the "Innocent Man" by John Grisham. This non fiction book tells the story of murder and injustice in a small town. If you believe in the presumption of innocence, your faith will be shattered. A legal story, it is fast paced and reads like a novel.

The next scheduled meeting is April 7th. No book has been picked for that date yet. Suggestions welcomed. The book club meets by the fireplace at 7:00 PM and refreshments are available. For questions contact Pamela Aranov at [aranov@rcn.com](mailto:aranov@rcn.com).



## David T. McDonald Elected Life Member



Congratulations to **Dave McDonald**, member # 92 on being elected to Life Member at the November Nominating Night Meeting. **Dave** has been an active member of CPYC for over 25 years. Among the many things that **Dave** has done for CPYC are to have chaired the Entertainment Committee for at least 12 years, served on the Marine Facilities Committee, fixed numerous things about the club and currently is a member of the House Committee. **Dave** enjoys his boat, "Night Rider",

and is a Wednesday Night Bowler, a Pilot Houser, and supports CPYC activities and functions with his wife **Linda**. **Dave** and **Linda** have 2 daughters, **Jennifer** and **Michelle**. Over the years **Dave** has encouraged many to become CPYC members. **Dave** has a true love and concern for CPYC.

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# Adult Holiday Party

The annual CPYC adult holiday party brought members and friends together for a delightful evening of camaraderie, good food and dancing. Delicious Hors D'Oeuvres during the cocktail hour were followed by a wonderful buffet dinner thanks to Manager **Ann-Marie Garzone** and her friends. The band, "Imagine" was a very talented group and played a mixture of dancing and listening music. Even the famous Ralph Baker punch bowl made an appearance. All enjoyed a wonderful evening.



## Travels with Matt Toomey

**Editors Note:** Matt is a deck officer aboard a US Naval Supply ship. He sent me the following as his ship rounded South Africa this fall. The things he has learned and seen are worth sharing. Most recently I heard from him from Dubai.

### SSH

October, 2008, Richard's Bay,  
KwaZulu-Natal, Republic of South  
Africa 33.46 S, 27.43 E

The narrow South African continental shelf northeast of Cape Agulhas provides only a few short nautical miles of resistance to break up the substantial hills of northbound ocean swell that sweep up out of the Southern Ocean. This same ocean swell confronts a strong southerly flow of water from the famous Agulhas current, and it was aggravated on Monday by blustery NE winds and showers, creating a chaotic pattern of rambunctious sloppy ocean action just outside of the entrance to Richards Bay.

My arrival was delayed this morning by two events: The 26 day 7,284 mile transit from Sandy Hook, NJ provided almost no maneuvering experience for our young engineers, so the astern propulsion had to be tested, and some of the finer points of procedural knowledge had to be refreshed among the crew who are enjoying their first deployment on this ship. We also had two whales breach right in front of the ship as we prepared to make our final approach in the main shipping channel, causing our wheelhouse to order "all stop" so that we could drift past the whales and continue on our way into the harbor.

I took the helm in hand just after this encounter with the whales, and turned my attention to the last 2 sets of channel markers riding the surf outside of the harbor breakwater entrance. This evolution marked the first time in over a year of work on this 50,000 ton, 753 foot long ship that I have had to consider the effects of swell, set and drift in the same way that a yachtsman might eye-ball local conditions to see if he has the power and the point of sail to cross a strong current during a final approach into a busy harbor! Our Cargo Mate Mr. Burnett chuckled on Friday as we passed Cape Town, with 15 foot swell, and imagined how weary we would be if we were delivering a 60 foot sailboat into this territory. I was glad to get inside of the breakwaters, and reduce the amount of

"free-styling" that I was using at the helm. The flat harbor waters were appreciated by the entire crew, and the South African Yellow trees (soft, long needles) ringed the white sand beaches, even within a mile of the 200 foot tall piles of black coal which command most of the commercial attention in this trading port. The sea and air temps were in the high 50's, so we were experiencing the normal early spring temperatures that you should expect to find at this latitude during October.

The pilot was unusually quiet, and informed us that the tugs would take a line



from us "when they were ready" so we made our way (bare steerageway, really) past 6 very large bulk carriers, to the last berth on the coal pier, with our "spectator tugs" standing by. We shifted the helm as our stern cleared the last collier, and I think we were dead in the water, parallel to the dock about 8 feet off of our port side, with the stbd engine rung up for slow astern to open our bow distance when the tugs took their lines, so it felt great to reach this berth after such a long passage!

South Africa is the richest country in Af-



rica, filled with mineral resources, wildlife, woodlands, and a temperate climate. The industrial infrastructure appears to be efficiently operated and carefully maintained, which includes diesel/electric railroad yards, aluminum smelting plants, public and private transport, and municipal utili-

ties. A budding business district is cordoned off from the rougher neighborhoods, and this area includes a marina and an executive park to attract foreign trade and tourism. Violent crime is unusually high in this country, with murder and rape statistics that rival the worst of any metropolitan area anywhere. This situation has been deteriorating for a number of years, so most new structures and homes have both razor wire and electrified wire fences at the top of all garden walls. The locals no longer attempt to drive from Richards Bay overland to

Cape Town. Private clubs have crash gates and 2 or 3 guards at most entrances, but they all respond well to polite inquiries. We found the largest concentration of commercial business offices and best restaurants crowded around the port authority buildings, but also visited the retail shopping district which offered all the basics that you could want from any industrialized country.

Afrikaner, (Dutch heritage), Zulu, Indian, and English settlers trade and mix all kinds of businesses and show a lot of hustle whenever they have an opportunity to attract a new client or contact. This was a very comfortable type of commercial setting for any American to walk into, and it was terrific to see how polite and eager the young people were, as they tried to figure out how long we would stay in port, and what services we would require. The Zulu kids waiting tables at the best restaurants had a lot of grace and polish, and were very eager to chat up our table with questions about Boston schools, and America's intentions for enhancing geo-political stability and free trade. They tested our preferences for language, (English? French?) Almost as if they wanted to determine the best approach to enhance their sales effort. These kids are ready for international trade. Dinner for two, all inclusive came to 350 rand, or about \$40 bucks. This South African experience stands in sharp contrast to the problems that a traveler might encounter to the north, where some African countries struggle to maintain any sort of social order which might attract international commerce. For Example: The Republic of Djibouti is not ready for prime time, and feels overall, about as dangerous as the worst street that you could possibly find in Boston or New York, certainly not an environment (Continued Page 11)



**CPYC Rules and  
Regulations  
Review Continued**



**Rule # 15 – All non-members must sign the guest book when in the Pilot House.** If you as a member bring in a guest, you must have the non-member sign the guest book. This also applies to persons visiting the club using reciprocal rights from other internationally recognized clubs. Further it is a requirement for the club's liquor license.

**Rule # 16 – Use of the club grill is permitted only for club-sponsored functions.**

The Club's gas grill is for club-sponsored use only. Any exceptions must be approved by the manager or a board member before use.

**Rule # 17 – The hall can only be rented by a CPYC member, in good standing, who must be attendance for the duration of the function.** Only members can rent the hall for themselves or they can sponsor another renter but they must be present for the entire event. However, another member in good standing may be designated to take your place. This is too ensure that club property are taken care of properly and guest services are met.

**Rule # 18 – The policy of the CPYC Directors is that unsigned or anonymous letters received will not be reviewed at any board meetings. If a member feels strongly about an issue, he/she should sign their letter or make an appointment to meet with the board.** If you have an issue that you would like the BOD discuss, either come to a BOD meeting or sign a letter describing your concerns. If the BOD can resolve the concern by the letter they will or they will ask you to discuss it in person. If you want to see things change for the better then do act, but do it respectfully and in a parliamentary way.

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# Turkey Shoot



The Annual Turkey Shoot was a tremendous success. After an excellent lunch bowling began. The 1 ball contest was won by **John Creedon**. **Mike LaRossie** scored the highest total in the 2 ball contest. **Theresa Herbert** was the best 3 ball bowler and **John Nalen** won best over all score. Many turkeys were won from the bowling and raffle. Many turkey recipients donated their turkeys to the Winthrop Food Pantry. In addition the event raised over \$550 in the raffle. Thanks go to organizers **Dan Sheppard** and **Steve Merola**, and to **Bob** and **Libby Dowling** for the persistent and superior raffle selling making such a donation possible. Thanks to all who participated.

## Mass Bay Sailing Awards Dinner at CPYC



The Massachusetts Bay Sailing Association Awards Dinner was held at CPYC on Saturday Nov 22. Sailors and members from 20 area yacht clubs were in attendance from Rockport to the north, Winchester and Wakefield to the west, and Hingham and Hull to the south, as well as representatives of the US Sailing Association.

Included in the evening's activities was the trophy presentation

for the JFK Regatta, hosted by CPYC. Prizes were given for 1st place finished to: Class A - **Bob Foley Wild Ride**; Class B **Ernie Hardy Jaguar**; Class C **Ralph Di-mattia Wharf Rat**; Class D **Brice Baker Blixten**; Class E **Paul Smith Pterodactyl**; Class F **Jim Hoskins Ares**; Class G **Jody Graul Akeepah**.

CPYC Wednesday Night Series Results included: Class A 1st place **Sailsman Tom May**, 2nd place **Choucas Jeffrey Talbot**, 3rd place **Jaguar Ernie Hardy**; Class B 1st place **Iphigenia Dave Winkler**, 2nd place **Sojourner Blake Bedingfield**.

## Volvo Ocean Race

The 2008-2009 Volvo Ocean race around the world will be coming to Boston's Fan Pier the end of April till mid May. Boston is the only North American stop over port. The vessels will be racing to Boston from Rio de Janeiro on the 6th leg of the race. While in Boston the vessels will race around the buoys on May 9th in what is expected to be spectacular close racing. After their Boston stop over they will race to Galway, Ireland.

Currently the race is finishing up its 3rd leg having just arrived in Singapore for a stop over. You can follow the race at [www.volvoceanrace.org](http://www.volvoceanrace.org)



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## Travels with Matt Continued .....

where you can safely conduct any type of normal transaction.

There is an unspoken sadness that troubles South Africa, and it is on display in public service announcements at their Post Offices, since the country has seen a decline of 5% in GNP over the last 2 years, and expects an additional decline of 5% next year without considering the effects of the global financial services meltdown. South Africa has lost



a lot of people in the last 8 years due to AIDS, and the numbers are staggering enough to affect their entire economy. All of the local businesses are trying to forecast reasonable expectations for the future. The reality of a community which is facing a pandemic, is juxtaposed against businesses that are loaded with electronic gadgets...where flat

screen TV's try to offer a hip venue of VH1 fare to an audience that cannot possibly appreciate the edginess of such a Hollywood fabrication. As a matter of fact, any thoughtful person who wishes the best for their family or business will resent the recklessness of the whole VH1 schtick, and will avoid killing the ambiance of their business or club, by turning off such nonsense. File that under: VH1 toxic atmosphere pump!

I saw newly built 2 bedroom houses for sale for about \$24,000 and new Audi autos with horrendous financing terms for about \$50,000. I swapped club burgees with the Zululand Yacht Club, and noted their efforts to balance power boating, sail, junior and adult sailing programs just like all of the clubs that we try to maintain in the States. I had a hot dinner at the club and met with the commodore and business manager.

All of these clubs are only as good as the strength of the families who maintain them, so it is terrific to see clubs like ZLYC doing most of the same things that I see happening at my own club, CPYC.

Richards Bay is an excellent port for visiting yachtsman, and I would recommend the Zulu Yacht Club to any mariner who needs a starting point for acquiring local repairs or provisions. It is easily found on the north side of the main channel. There are crocodiles in this area (we only saw a three footer) so be careful of everything as you always should be when traveling through a biologically diverse environment.

## John Pratt

### Member and Frostbite Sailor

Congratulations are in order for CPYC member **John Pratt** who was recently appointed an International Umpire by ISAF, the International Sailing Federation that governs the sport of sailing worldwide. This is the highest level and most difficult appointment for a sailing official. You may have seen the umpires in powerboats closely following America's cup boats and when appropriate, signaling a penalty turn against one or another competitor. Umpiring is now standard in nearly all 1 vs. 1 Match Racing and most 3 vs. 3 Team Racing regattas. Umpires must know the instant application of the racing rules in "real-time" as they role-play the skipper of the sailboat they are calling while another umpire in the same powerboat role plays the skipper of an opposing sailboat through the pre-start and during each race. It takes many years of experience as a US Sailing Umpire officiating International caliber events both in the US and overseas to pass the rigorous written and on-the-water examinations, for appointment as an IU. US Sailing then nominates a short list of its top candidates, hopefully a few of which are appointed in November at the ISAF annual meeting. John was one of two Americans from eight worldwide that were appointed as International Umpire last November.

There are now 119 IU's in the world. Nineteen are Americans, five including **John** live in New England. He is too modest to mention it but do congratulate **John** when you see him after frostbiting in the Pilot House this winter.

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Any questions please feel free to contact me. S. Hardy



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