

GARDEN BAY SAILING CLUB - Newsletter

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The 35th Malaspina Regatta is coming up!



June 29/30

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February Race Results: Total 3 Races

1. Peregrine	Gross 3	Net 2
2. Elua Makani	6	4
3. Infidel	14	6
4. Artemis	24	19
5. Wings II	29	25

Winter Series Jan / Feb Results:

1. Peregrine	4	3
2. Infidel	24	16
3. Elua Makani	19	17
4. Addycake	30	28
5. Wings II	35	29

Video night!
March 20 - 5:30 pm at The Legion

Please join us for a special presentation by Jerzy
regarding his boat designs and safety at sea.

Where has everyone gone?

GBSC membership is down!

2024 - 54 vs 2023 - 68

Please renew if you have not already done so.

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Race/Cruises are coming together!

Tentative dates are.....

Secret Cove May 18/19

Subject to confirmation from SC Marina
Race coordinator: John and Sandra Hansen

Vananda July 19

Subject to confirmation from Texada Boat Club
Race Coordinator: Chris and Michelle

Round Nelson Date to be decided

Race Coordinator: Peter Jones



Harmony Island Raft Up - GBSC Race/Cruise 2022

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Here we have something special! My good friend Liam has just returned from an Atlantic crossing. Finch is Liam's Contessa 26 which he intends to race in the upcoming R2AK. Please enjoy part one of Liam's story....

Delivering "42": The Backstory

by Liam Pareis

I've always wanted to cross an ocean, but the preparations of Finch have taken longer than I imagined! So when a friend from R2AK purchased a lightweight, all carbon catamaran and needed help crossing the Atlantic, I was more than eager to drop everything (again) and hop on board! Sailing Vessel "42" (named after the answer of the question of life, the universe, and everything from Douglas Adam's "Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy"), is a custom, one-off Maxim 55 designed fast catamaran. High aspect ratio (narrow) hulls, tall rig, but luxurious accommodations: 18 knots of boat speed never felt this comfortable before.

A fast catamaran is a vastly different way to cross an ocean than what I'd always envisioned as my first transoceanic passage.

But newly purchased boats have issues, and the Med is a bumpy sea to cross in winter! John & Becca took ownership of the boat in Cyprus, and after they spent a month of their delivery with only 3 people aboard, I was set to fly out to Sicily to join them in Palermo, Sicily...



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Work on the Cal 20's continues.



The 3 boats in our Cal 20 fleet are getting updates and upgrades in preparation for our first adventure race. Basic electrical systems are being installed to run VHF radio, navigation lights, an auto pilot and a chart plotter. Safety gear includes jack lines and MOB recovery equipment. Among the sailing hardware updates are a reef being added to the mainsail and a general tune-up of everything on deck. Whew! Thankfully the boats are simple to work on and all the gear is as small and affordable as can be. These Cal's are capable cruisers and we are looking forward to our first event coming up on March 23/24 when we will be off to Frenchman's Cove at the mouth of Halfmoon Bay.
