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Captain's Corner: by Kerry Roller

Ready to go sailing? I am looking forward to the March 19th cruise to Sausalito. The rainy weather during February certainly impacted the sailing opportunities. However, you can take a tour of the website and checkout the schedule for the 2004. While the website can not replace the feeling of a fresh breeze aboard your own boat, it can remind you of passed adventures and stir your thoughts about future trips.

For Valentine's Day, Kick'n'Back went to the Richmond Boat Works for a Spa treatment. She was treated to a new bottom paint job and waxing. In addition, the yard crew did a safety inspection on the standing rigging and installed some new "Blue Goo" shaft packing material. The "Blue Goo" is supposed to create a drip less environment for the bilge. So I hope that Kick'n'Back will be ready for the season and back to her berth soon.

I find that this time of year is good to work on the project list of inside jobs. It is amazing how the new West Marine catalog can inspire a new wish list for the boat. It is already time to think about the April Boat Show at Jack London Square. This is a fun time to see new products, attend a few seminars and check out the new boats. Last year's big purchase was the atomic tape and a battery less flashlight. Who knows what treasures await at this year's show?

Please take a look at the March 6 engine maintenance day.

Editorial Note:

Please remember that the Fleet 9 Newsletter runs on input from our members. The long delay in this month's news letter comes from a desire on my part to have more than one article. One key to the success of our sailing club is in communication, and sharing our sailing experiences. So please share your wisdom, experiences and fun on the water.

Safe Sailing
Michael Weir
Fleet 9 Newsletter

Learning more about the basics of your engine can only improve our confidence in understanding a key component of our boats.

If you need to update your information or instructions on how to pay your 2004 dues look under membership on the website. You can use the membership application to update the Fleet records.

Have a tip or suggestion about sailing or an improvement to your boat? Do you have a cool picture to share? Why not share it with the Fleet via the newsletter.

Fair winds,

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