

Catalina 36 Fleet 9

San Francisco Bay



Anybody remember what 5 blasts mean?

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From the Helm



Dear Fleet Niners,

We sincerely hope you all are having a happy holiday season despite the rain that has certainly kept us from spending a few days on Champagne this week. We'd also like to wish you all a Happy Sailing New Year.

This is my first year as Fleet Captain and I'll be writing more in the next newsletter. I did want to drop you all a line before the end of the year on a few points however.

I would like to encourage all of you to renew your membership for 2005. Also, as many of you may know, you will all be receiving Liability Releases that you should sign and return as part of your membership. This is a fairly typical release that is designed to help protect all Fleet 9 members (not just officers) from any claims

related to Fleet activities. Given the nature of our activity, it seemed prudent to put something in place. Thank you to Jim Carolan and Phil McCaleb for working on this for all of us.

Finally I would like to encourage you to join us for our first "Cruise" of the year the weekend of Jan 15/16 at Marina Village. The event is hosted by Fleet 9 long-timers Jody and Arnie Leonard. Please join us, take a tour of the Hornet and find out more about Fleet 9 activities for 2005. If you haven't been to a Fleet 9 activity then make this your first one. We're a friendly bunch with a wide range of sailing interests and we'd love to see you.

Please check out this cruise in our latest newsletter:

<http://www.catalina36fleet9.org/Site/newsletters/NewsletterNov2004.pdf>

Best Wishes for a Prosperous 2005,

Richard, Francine, Madeleine & Elisabeth.
s/v Champagne, Marina Village, Gate 9, L34
Captain, Catalina 36 Fleet 9

Catalina 36, Fleet 9

AGREEMENT AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY

I have voluntarily applied for membership and to participate in the activities of Catalina 36, Fleet 9, ("Fleet 9" herein), which include, among other things, sailing in both inland waters and the open ocean.

I AM FULLY AWARE THAT SAILING IS A HAZARDOUS ACTIVITY. I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THE ACTIVITIES OF FLEET 9 WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGERS INVOLVED AND AGREE TO ACCEPT ANY AND ALL RISKS OF DAMAGE TO MY VESSEL AND/OR INJURY OR DEATH TO MYSELF, MY CREW AND GUESTS. I AM FURTHER AWARE AND AGREE THAT I AM IN SOLE COMMAND OF AND RESPONSIBLE FOR MY VESSEL AND ITS OCCUPANTS AT ALL TIMES WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE ACTIVITIES OF FLEET 9, AND THAT ANY DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN A SPECIFIC ACTIVITY OR EVENT IS MINE ALONE.

In consideration for being permitted to participate in these activities, I hereby release Fleet 9, its officers, directors and members, from all actions, claims, levies, or demands that I, my assignees, heirs, guardians and legal representatives now have or may have in the future for injury or damage resulting from participation in any Fleet 9 activity, however caused.

I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Fleet 9, its officers, directors, agents, and members, of any liability of any nature whatsoever for accident, injury or damage to my crew, my guests, and/or any vessel owned by me or under my command, however caused, while engaging in activities related to or connected with Fleet 9. I acknowledge that any decision regarding my vessel or any under my command, and its use, shall be solely my own. I will likewise indemnify, defend and hold harmless Fleet 9, its officers, directors, agents, and members, of all liability for any accident, injury or damage allegedly caused by me or my vessel to other persons or vessels.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND IT CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN ME AND FLEET 9, AND EACH OF ITS MEMBERS. I SIGN THIS RELEASE OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

I further understand that the term of this agreement is indefinite and shall apply to any situation in which I participate in an activity of the Fleet 9.

This document shall be executed by any person who owns or commands a vessel which participates in Catalina 36, Fleet 9 activities.

Name of member: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Primary Telephone No.: _____

Name of Vessel: _____ Doc. or Reg. Number: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Witnessed by:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Primary Telephone No.: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____