

Cortez Racing Association Minutes of Annual Meeting/Holiday Party, December 9, 2024, at Portuguese Hall

1. 2000 Commodore, Chuck Bowers, welcomed members and called Annual Meeting to order
2. Commodore, Chuck Bowers, offered special thanks to **Downing Family Foundation** for their generous donation to help CRA continue to provide services to the sailing community
3. Commodore, Chuck Bowers, offered special thanks to **Safe Harbor Marinas** for their generous sponsorship to help CRA continue to provide services to the sailing community
4. Commodore, Chuck Bowers, offered thanks all of this year's **Sponsors**

**Bali Hai Restaurant, Cynthia Sinclair Photography, Doyle Sails, Driscoll Boat Works, Harbor Sailboats, Koehler Kraft, Modern Times, Mount Gay, North Sails, Pro Mark Swag, Quantum Sails, Rigworks, San Diego Yacht Club, SD Boatworks, SD Sailing Supply/Downwind Marine, Silver Gate Yacht Club, South Coast Yachts, Southwestern Yacht Club, UK Sailmakers, Ullman Sails**

5. Race Committee Chair – Colleen Cooke – presented our **Race Committee Volunteers**

**Shelly Raming, Rich Chambers, Sarah Alexander, Veronica Garcia, Daniel Haynes, Christina Omiatek**

6. Rear Commodore – Dale Greaney – presented award to **Given Ho, Eric Hanson, best 10 of 10 in Class G in the Beer Cans**
7. Rear Commodore – Dale Greaney, presented awards to the winners of the **Dennis Conner Around the Coronados Race**
  - Multi Hull – First: **UnEven Keel, Mark Berdan**
  - Non Spinnaker – First: **Komet, William Mason**
  - J24 – First: **Challenger, Mark Thaidigsman and Ryan Rogers**
  - PHRF 5 – First: **Softstar, Martin Dobal**
  - PHRF 4 – Second: **Sea Maiden, Carolyn and Sandra Sherman** - First: **Blind Squirrel, Mike Schrager**
  - ORR EZ 3 - Third: **Buttercup, Rod Messinger** - Second: **Restless, Mark Clements** - First: **Geronimo, Gene Pitkin**
  - ORC Sport Boats – First: **Leverage, Neil Senturia and Channing Hamlet**
  - ORR EZ 1 – Second: **El Sueno, Brad and Chari Alberts** – First: **Aeolos, Greg Price**
  - ORR Big Boats – Second: **Zero Gravity 51, Ivan Batanov** - First: **Maasai, Robert Capita**

8. Rear Commodore – Dale Greaney – presented awards to those who **participated in all races**

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| • <b>B'Quest - Keith Ericson</b>      | <b>Challenger - Mark Thaidigsman and Ryan Rogers</b> |
| • <b>Fandango - Scott Bennett</b>     | <b>Limoncello - Veronica Hebdon-Hallauer</b>         |
| • <b>Pelican - Dale Greaney</b>       | <b>Rhumb Runner - Chuck Bowers</b>                   |
| • <b>Wharf Rat - Christian Seidel</b> |  |

9. Rear Commodore – Dale Greaney, presented awards to 2024 High-Point Champions

- Spinnaker Fleet: **Al Na'ir - Enrique Mereles, Blind Squirrel - Mike Schrager, Sea Maiden - Carolyn Sherman and Sandra Sherman, Holy Toledo! West - Tim Forderer**
- Non Spinnaker Fleet: **Still Here - Mike Dore**
- Sport Boat Fleet: **Thunderstruck 3 - Gerry O'Malley**
- J24 Fleet: **Wharf Rat - Christian Seidel**

10. Chuck Bowers, Commodore, presented award to CRA Yachtsman of the Year and SDAYC Yachtsman of the Year

- **Chris Seidel, Wharf Rat**

11. Chuck Bowers, Commodore, presented award to Sportsman of The Year

**Jerry M. Lewis**

12. Commodore, Chuck Bowers, presented members of the 2024 Board of Directors

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| • <b>Commodore – Chuck Bowers</b>                     | <b>Vice Commodore – vacant</b>                |
| • <b>Rear Commodore – Dale Greaney</b>                | <b>Fleet Captain – Ryan Rogers</b>            |
| • <b>Secretary – Keith Ericson</b>                    | <b>Treasurer – Shelly Raming</b>              |
| • <b>Communications Director – Susi Graff</b>         | <b>Director at Large – Renee Hirsh</b>        |
| • <b>Director at Large - Ways &amp; Means – Margo</b> | <b>PHRF Representative – Jerry M Lewis</b>    |
| • <b>Membership Director – Lynsi Gibbons</b>          | <b>Junior Staff Commodore – Rich Chambers</b> |
| • <b>Race Committee Chair – Colleen Cooke</b>         |   |

13. Secretary, Keith Ericson, conducted vote for Board of Directors for 2025 - Members may submit additional nominees before the vote

Nominated by current Board:

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| • <b>Commodore – Chuck Bowers</b>                     | <b>Vice Commodore – Dale Geaney</b>           |
| • <b>Rear Commodore – Jerry M Lewis</b>               | <b>Fleet Captain – Toralf Strand</b>          |
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*Vote: YES unanimous*

14. Chuck Bowers, Commodore, presented members of the 2025 Board of Directors

15. 2045 Adjourn

## CRA 2025 Race Schedule

12/14, Saturday, Year End Regatta, North Bay buoy race sponsored annually by Ullman Sails – first race of 2025

1/18, Saturday, Winter Regatta, North Bay buoy race

2/15,16, Saturday, Sunday, Midwinter's by SWYC/CRA, Saturday Ocean buoy race, Sunday North Bay buoy race

3/8, Saturday, Harbor Island Cup Regatta, North Bay buoy race sponsored annually by Safe Harbor Marinas

4/5 Saturday, Tribute Regatta, North Bay buoy race sponsored annually by South Coast Yachts

5/10, Saturday, Opening Day Regatta, North Bay buoy race

5/14, Wednesday, Beer Can Series Kickoff Party

5/21, Wednesday, Beer Can Series, North Bay buoy race

5/28, Wednesday, Beer Can Series, North Bay buoy race

6/4, Wednesday, Beer Can Series, North Bay buoy race

6/7, Saturday, Crown Cup Regatta by CYC/CRA, South Bay buoy race

6/11, Wednesday, Beer Can Series, North Bay buoy race

6/18, Wednesday, Beer Can Series by CRA, North Bay buoy race

6/25, Wednesday, Beer Can Series, North Bay buoy race

7/9, Wednesday, Beer Can Series, North Bay buoy race

7/12, Saturday, Commodore's Cup SD to MB by CRA, Ocean distance race with an overnight raft up in Mission Bay

7/13, Sunday, Commodore's Cup MB to SD, Ocean distance race

7/16, Wednesday, Beer Can Series, North Bay buoy race

7/23, Wednesday, Beer Can Series, North Bay buoy race

7/30, Wednesday, Beer Can Series, North Bay buoy race

8/23, Saturday, Sharp Hospice Regatta, North Bay to South Bay buoy race

9/13, Saturday, Dennis Connor Around the Coronados, ocean distance race sponsored annually by SD Boatworks

10/25, Saturday, Halloween Regatta, North Bay buoy race sponsored annually by Doyle Sails

11/15, Saturday, Fall Regatta, North Bay buoy race

12/8 - date tentative – Annual Meeting/Holiday Party

12/13, Saturday, Year End Regatta, North Bay buoy race sponsored annually by Ullman Sails – first race of 2026