



CDSOA, Inc. -- Northeast Fleet
Minutes of the July 4th Mini-Cruise & Float-in
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Minutes recorded by Fleet Captain Catherine Monaghan

Seven Cape Dorys and their crews were registered for the July 4th Mini-Cruise & Float-in. Three of the registered boats could not make it, including the Fleet Captain's, but two additional Cape Dorys joined in the fun at Oyster Bay on the 4th and Fleet Captain Monaghan and her better half hitched a ride with the Kaplan's aboard *Sine Qua Non*.

Participating boats and crews were:

CD25 *Neshoma* – Isaac Halpern and his friend Jay
CD27 *Sine Qua Non* – Warren and Julie Kaplan with Catherine Monaghan and Bruce Halley
CD30 *Solace II* – Jack and Gloria Croake
CD30MKII *Machts Nichts* – Michael Heintz and Nan Wasson
CD33 *Isabelle* – George and Christine Van Drasek
CD36 *Summer Wind* – Charlie and Jeanette Palumbo



CD30 *Solace II* comin' at you and CD36 *Summer Wind* in The Cove, Oyster Bay

When Cathy and Bruce arrived at Oyster Bay with the Kaplans, they found *Macht Nichts*, *Isabelle* and *Summer Wind* already in the anchorage at The Cove. The crew aboard *Sine Qua Non* opted for a daysail before finally heading to The Cove. *Neshoma* was sailing smartly into Oyster Bay as *Sine Qua Non* headed out.

With all of the activity in the harbor the crews decided not to form a raft-up and anchored separately but with *Macht Nichts* and *Isabelle* carrying the only dinghies, Michael Heintz found himself running a “water taxi” service.

Charlie Palumbo made the mistake of inviting the other crews over for cocktails and soon found *Summer Wind* overflowing with people, coolers, boxes and tote bags due to the Fleet Captain’s decision to have everyone stay there for dinner too rather than have Michael ferrying everyone back and forth for cocktails, again for dinner, then to their own boats afterwards. So we piled all of our food, beverages, and totes into the dinghy, hopped in and boarded *Summer Wind* for cocktails and dinner.

The Palumbo’s were gracious hosts and accepted the “change in plans” without protest. **So a special “THANK YOU” goes to Charlie and Jeanette!** *Summer Wind* is gorgeous and everyone enjoyed her almost as much as they enjoyed the company.

The crews provided a smorgasbord of epicurean delights. I don’t think anyone left *Summer Wind* hungry or thirsty.

After the meal, Fleet Captain Monaghan presented each of the participating captains with a bag of goodies which included copies of “Ocean Navigator”, “Ocean Voyager”, “Latitudes & Attitudes”, a SailNet catalog, a CDI catalog, a coupon for one free issue of “Latitudes & Attitudes” and a gift certificate for SailNet or CDI ranging in value from \$25 to \$100. That was followed by a “give away”. Nobody left the rendezvous empty-handed.

Afterwards, Michael brought us back to our boats where we watched the fireworks in the surrounding area before the Oyster Bay display which began at 9:30 p.m.



Fireworks at Oyster Bay

Dolan didn’t disappoint us. We were entertained with a constant barrage of colorful, sparkling rockets.

Following the fireworks, *Sine Qua Non* returned to her mooring and Warren and Julie hosted Cathy and Bruce at their home – **another special THANK YOU goes to Warren and Julie** for making it possible for Cathy and Bruce to get out on the water, sail and see the fireworks, and for sharing their home!

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