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## Alameda — Dan Niessen

730 Buena Vista Av. (510) 521-4865

Dan Niessen comes to West Marine with over 25 years of sailing experience. After competing in the Pac-10 college sailing circuit, he moved up to racing J-Boats, 505s and FDs in the San Francisco Bay Area. Dan currently owns 2 boats and is an avid long distance cruiser and a certified sailing instructor.

## Long Beach — Holly Scott

251 Marina Dr. (562) 598-9400

Holly's love of boats and sailing began at the age of nine, when she found a fully rigged Sabot in the living room. By the age of 15 she was skippering her parent's Cal 36 to Catalina and up and down the California coast and bought her very own cruising sailboat at the age of 24. Today Captain Holly has a 100-ton Masters License and charters all over the world. Holly loves to share her knowledge, experience and boating humor.

## Newport Beach — Louis Holmes

900 West Coast Highway (949) 645-1711

Louis has been an avid sailor for 22 years. Starting in sabots, he has sailed in regattas ranging from Dinghy and Olympic One Design, to Grand Prix and Offshore events. He has over 6000 miles of delivery experience, including two Mexico returns and a return from Hawaii, and over 10,000 miles of racing experience. Louis is most at home charging down waves or slogging around the next point. Now in his tenth year at West Marine, Louis is eager to tackle your rigging, electronics, and navigational needs to make your boat faster, safer, and easier to sail. Stop into our Newport Beach location to talk to Louis or the many other knowledgeable associates about outfitting your boat for the Baja Ha Ha.

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Mick has been sailing since he was a small boy. He started out sailing Thistles, Comets, and Lightenings on the finger lakes in upstate New York and built his first sabot out of plywood with his dad when he was 11 years old. Their family yacht was a 60' Alden that his father salvaged off the Jersey shore and completely rebuilt. Mick, along with his wife and son, have cruised on and off for many years, and he is currently restoring a 1967 Columbia Constellation.



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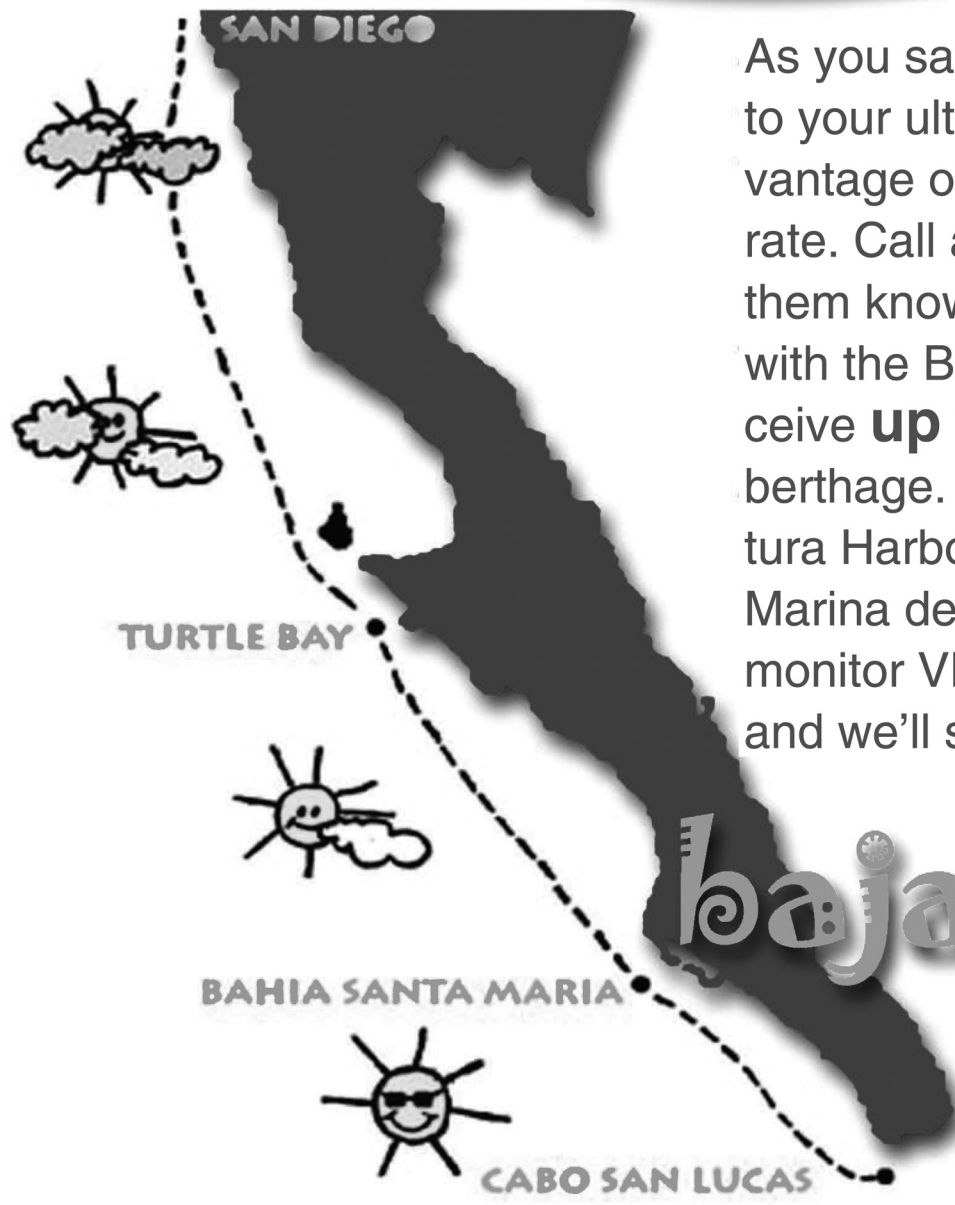
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Congratulations! If you're reading this, you are probably participating in the 16th annual Baja Ha-Ha cruisers rally — and by doing so, you've escaped from the rat race, at least temporarily.

The Rally Committee produced this "Meet the Fleet" program as a memento of a bold adventure. If you are like most participants from years past, however, it will serve as both a souvenir and a resource for getting acquainted with other fleet members. We suggest that you keep it handy so you can read about the boats and crews you'll see out on the ocean during your voyage to the Cape, and later, in anchorages and marinas.

The mini-bios included here were first published in *Latitude 38* magazine, the Baja Ha-Ha's founding sponsor, and are used here with permission.

The *Latitude* staff joins the Rally Committee in wishing every participant a safe and fun-filled voyage through the sunny latitudes of Mexico. And the editors encourage you to keep in touch as you wend your way farther down the Central American coast or around the world, so that future cruisers can learn from your experiences. (Email: [richard@latitude38.com](mailto:richard@latitude38.com) or [andy@latitude38.com](mailto:andy@latitude38.com) or write to: Latitude editorial, 15 Locust Ave., Mill Valley, CA 94941.)

Wishing you fair winds, sunny skies and excellent health!

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One of the differences between veteran cruisers and first-timers is that newcomers actually think they'll complete all the tasks on their 'to do' lists before the date they've set for leaving town. Veteran cruisers know better.

That's why we're often told that the best thing about the annual Baja Ha-Ha rally is its concrete starting date, when — ready or not — even inveterate procrastinators are inspired to stow their fix-it lists, set their sails, and head south.

As you've undoubtedly heard, there are also other good things about the Ha-Ha, such as making friends with like-minded adventurers, communing with Mother Nature, and having a rare opportunity to reinvent yourself, if only during a brief getaway from the workaday world.

This year's fleet has grown to record proportions, and, as you'll read here, its 600+ participants have a wide variety of motivations for sailing south of the border this season.

Here then (drum roll please) are members of the Baja Ha-Ha Class of 2009.

## **Adios — Columbia 43** **Craig Shaw & Tiffany Lidy** **Portland, OR**

*Occupation:* Craig, yacht rigger

*Quote:* Craig: "I'm really looking forward to skippering *Adios* down the Baja with the kite up under the full moon! And with the best first mate on the planet, I'll have the biggest smile in the fleet!"

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise the mainland and Sea until Sailing Week, then sail back to Portland.

*Noteworthy:* *Adios* was owned by Craig's parents before he bought her, so he's been sailing the boat for 25 years.

## **Albatross — Seamaster 46** **Douglas Schneeman** **& JoDean Bifoss** **Marina del Rey**

*Occupations:* photographers

*Quote:* Doug: "This is hull number one. That's a good thing, right? My advice is: Never buy the first of anything. Let 'em work the bugs out first."

*Cruise Plans:* Wherever they go, they plan to keep the "cruising dream moving forward."

*Noteworthy:* JoDean grew up salmon fishing on the Inside Passage.

## **Albatross — Island Packet 32** **The Foley Family** **Clear Lake Shores, TX**

*Occupations:* Kevin, retired marketing

manager; Lisa, mom

*Add'l Crew:* sons Teagan, 9, and Mick, 7

*Quote:* "We recently ordered a Chinese dish called Four Happiness and my oldest son said, 'That's us, Dad, as soon as you quit work and go sailing!'"



*The Foley kids will be home-schooled as they cruise to Texas.*

*Cruise Plans:* Sail home to Texas, "but if the cruising bug infects our sons and Captain Kevin can handle homeschooling, who knows?"

*Noteworthy:* Both Kevin and Lisa have been sailing since they were pre-teens.

## **Alika — Challenger 32** **Rory & Cheryl Kremer** **Monterey**

*Occupations:* Rory, delivery skipper & archaeologist; Cheryl, realtor

*Quote:* "We need to shake off some shore dirt and get some miles in."

*Cruise Plans:* The Baja Bash, made easier with a new engine.

*Noteworthy:* Although Cheryl started sailing only a year ago, Rory is an old pro. From '99 to '04 he did a solo circumnavigation on a steel *Spray* replica. Plus, he's done nearly 50 solo and crewed deliveries from Hawaii to the U.S. mainland, Canada or Alaska.

## **Allymar — Ingrid 38** **Ken Gosling, Winchester Bay, OR**

*Occupation:* physical therapist (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Kristin Hamilton, Colin Franger

*Quote:* "Allymar is finally getting to do what she was designed for nearly 40 years ago. May the same be true for the captain and crew this year."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise Mexico with wife Cindy Harper.

*Noteworthy:* Colin and Kristin will continue their adventure by heading south to Chile after the Ha-Ha.

## **Alobar — Island Packet 350** **Joel Ungar, Santa Barbara**

*Occupation:* lawyer

*Add'l Crew:* John Harold

*Quote:* "Viva la Baja Ha-Ha, viva Mexico, y vamanos amigos."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico, south to Ecuador, French Polynesia, and possibly farther.

*Noteworthy:* Joel joined the rally to meet others going to the South Pacific.

## **Andalucia — Irwin 37** **Steve & Edie Hollen, Alamitos Bay**

*Occupations:* retired

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "Life's too short and all our friends are dying."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico and beyond.

*Noteworthy:* During last year's event, the Hollens suffered the Ha-Ha's first dismasting, but got home safely and put *Andalucia* back together again.

## **Ansa — Cooper 416** **David Bereznaï & Terry Downs** **San Francisco**

*Occupation:* David, electronics engineer (ret.)

*Quote:* "No comment."

*Cruise Plans:* Winter in the Sea.

*Noteworthy:* The Vancouver, BC-built Cooper 416 was designed by Stan Huntingford and had a limited production run.

## **Aquadesiac — Tayana V-42** **Doug Simms, Alameda**

*Occupation:* engineer (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Dave Calhoun and Mike Dobson

*Quote:* "As a young boy I always looked west when I was daydreaming. This journey is the culmination of those dreams."

*Cruise Plans:* South to the Canal.

*Noteworthy:* Doug had planned to do the 2010 rally but was laid off last May, accelerating his plans by a year.

## **Aquila — Islander Freeport 36** **Michael Rafferty & Diana Nitzch** **San Diego**

*Occupation:* Michael, teacher (ret.)

*Quote:* "You can't navigate by watching the wake."

*Cruise Plans:* Jumping the Puddle.

*Noteworthy:* Their 'must see' list includes the islands of French Polynesia and Thailand's Ko Sumoi.

## **Astraea — Cheoy Lee 41** **Robert Moon, San Francisco**

*Occupation:* Commander, U.S. Navy

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(ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Dan Keniley and Bob Mann

*Quote:* "Stoked!"

*Cruise Plans:* South to Panama and then the Puddle Jump in '10.

*Noteworthy:* Robert learned to sail while a midshipman at Annapolis, competing with the U.S. Naval Academy's team aboard Luders 42 yawls.

**Atlantis — Treworgy 34  
Jim Jolly & Carolyn Wilson  
Paul Coast, FL**

*Occupation:* Jim, physics professor (ret.)

*Quote:* "Where the girlfriend earns, the boat will follow."

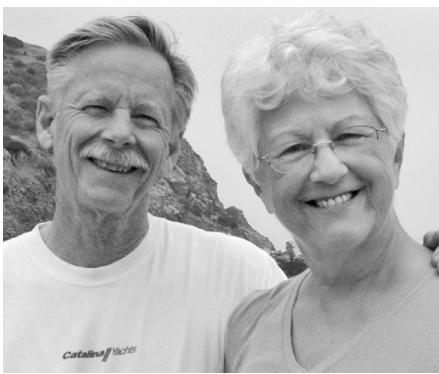
*Cruise Plans:* South to the Canal and then the East Coast.

*Noteworthy:* The couple has lived aboard and cruised for the past 13 years.

**Avalon — Catalina 42 Mk II  
Phil & Katie Habegger  
Marina del Rey**

*Occupations:* both retired

*Quote:* "It's time to cut the docklines."



*Compared to their previous boats, Phil and Katie think 'Avalon' is luxurious.*

We've both just retired, and all the stars are in alignment for us."

*Cruise Plans:* At least two seasons in Mexico, or until it isn't fun anymore.

*Noteworthy:* "Modern conveniences" such as pressurized water and refrigeration are luxuries to the Habeggers, who are used to stripped-out racers and "leaky, old wooden cutters."

**Aventura — Hunter 41  
John Rollins, San Francisco**

*Occupation:* retired

*Add'l Crew:* Brian Nelson, David Webster, and Tim & Susan Tiefenbach

*Quote:* "Let's see what adventure each day brings."

*Cruise Plans:* The Sea of Cortez.

*Noteworthy:* John has owned *Aventura* for two years.

**Beach Access — Lagoon 380 cat  
Glenn Twitchell, Newport Beach**

*Occupation:* captain/electrical contractor

*Quote:* "I am open and unencumbered for most possibilities."

*Cruise Plans:* "That's too far away to plan."

*Noteworthy:* Glenn claims that *Beach Access* is the most improved Lagoon 380 on the West Coast.

**Bequia — Gulfstar 50  
Richard Coleman  
Richmond**

*Occupation:* building contractor (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* David Coleman

*Quote:* "We've sailed the coast before, but it's been lonely. This sounds like a lot of fun!"

*Cruise Plans:* Manzanillo, Barra, and then points south.

*Noteworthy:* Richard also keeps a dive boat in Manzanillo.

**Besame Mucho — Beneteau 36s7  
Dan & Lyn Hannegan, Dana Point**

*Occupation:* Dan, plumber

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "Can we take the time off to do this? NO! Then let's go."

*Cruise Plans:* A slow trip back home.

*Noteworthy:* According to Dan and Lyn, their boat "loves to have fun."



*Dan and Lyn of 'Besame Mucho' are a fun-loving crew on a fun-loving boat.*

**Blackdragon — Catalina 34  
Steve & Tracey Dolling  
Vancouver, BC**

*Occupations:* Steve, business developer; Tracey, dental hygienist

*Add'l Crew:* son Foster, 11

*Quote:* "You can't run away, but you are allowed to heal in paradise."

*Cruise Plans:* A year of cruising in Mexico.

*Noteworthy:* Steve says Tracey started sailing "at birth." He claims he married her partly because her dad had a sailboat.



*Meet the 'Blue Dolphin' crew — ready for laughs and adventure.*

**Blue Dolphin — Bruce Roberts 58  
Robert & Kathy Baldino  
San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Robert, architect (ret.); Kathy, dental hygienist (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Michael Fanta and Steve Niel

*Quote:* "We purchased this old ferro-cement boat intending to become liveaboards, but soon realized that floating in a marina wasn't enough."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruising the Sea, then Panama, the Caribbean and the Med.

*Noteworthy:* *Blue Dolphin* is the only ferro boat in the fleet.

**Bliss — Hylas 46  
Michael Chambers  
& Danica Riconosciuto  
Ensenada, Mexico**

*Occupations:* Michael, contractor (ret.); Danica, teacher (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "This will be the start of our new life."

*Cruise Plans:* The Sea of Cortez till next fall, then south toward Panama. They're not sure if they'll turn right or left.

*Noteworthy:* Their Frers-designed sloop was launched last January.

**Blue Lightning — New York 36  
Michael Riley, Seattle, WA**

*Occupation:* construction

*Add'l Crew:* Michael Tepper-Rasmussen, Thomas Morris, Ken Painter and Michael Chirhart

*Quote:* "It's about time I got there."

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*Cruise Plans:* Micahel is planning a transAtlantic crossing in 2010.

*Noteworthy:* John says he decided to do the Ha-Ha because he was "very cold!" He first read about it in an old *Latitude* that someone had left in his marina's laundry.

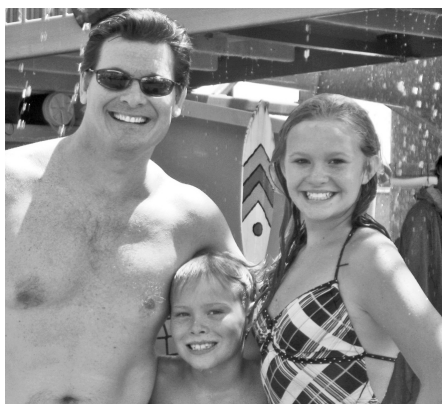
## **Blue Swan — Ta Chiao 41 Robert Johnston, San Pedro**

*Occupation:* mortgage banker  
*Add'l Crew:* Mark Saltrick

*Quote:* "Sounds like a great time! This will be the first of many new adventures."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise the Sea, then head for Tahiti or back home. Hmm. . .

*Noteworthy:* *Blue Swan* is one of only six center cockpit Ta Chiao 41s built.



*Mark's kids obviously like time at the beach. Will they join him aboard 'Blue Swan'?*

## **Bluebird — Custom Trimaran 28 Jack Taylor, Lakewood, WA**

*Occupation:* industrial designer (ret.)  
*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "Sounds like fun!"

*Cruise Plans:* Heading to his and wife Muriel's winter home at La Cruz de Huanacastle.

*Noteworthy:* Built by Jack, *Bluebird's* unusual design and special features make her a unique entry. And at age 88, her captain is one of the oldest and most experienced sailors ever to do the Ha-Ha.

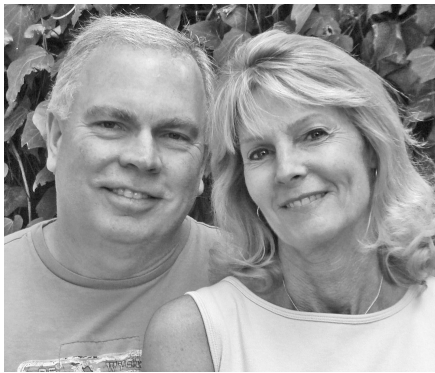
## **Bluzzz — Swan 42 Stephen Coleman & Mary Ferro Sausalito**

*Occupations:* Stephen, physician; Mary, RN  
*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "Not quite retired, but getting closer every day!"

*Cruise Plans:* No plans.

*Noteworthy:* Stephen and Mary were among the 2007 Ha-Ha'ers who were



*This time, Stephen and Mary of 'Bluzzz' are determined not to sleep on the beach.*

forced by a weather anomaly to spend a night at the Bahia Santa Maria fish camp.

## **Braveheart — MacGregor PH 65 Bob Callaway Pleasant Harbor, WA**

*Occupation:* computer engineer (ret.)  
*Add'l Crew:* Al Gilmour

*Quote:* "The Ha-Ha sounds like a blast."

*Cruise Plans:* Bob, who normally singlehands *Braveheart*, plans to head to the South Pacific next spring.

*Noteworthy:* *Braveheart* used to sail San Francisco Bay as *Northstar*.

## **Broken Compass — Hudson 41 Chad & Bret van Roden Newport Beach**

*Occupation:* Chad, banker  
*Add'l Crew:* twin brother Bret

*Quote:* I'm always up for an adventure and meeting good people. The Baja Ha-Ha rally is the perfect combination.

*Cruise Plans:* On to the Caribbean and Eastern Seaboard.

*Noteworthy:* These 25-year-old twins spent more than a year prepping the boat together.

## **Callisto — Amel 54 Michael & Ann Last St. Helier, Jersey, UK**

*Occupations:* Michael, surgeon (ret.); Ann, RN (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Joanne Squires and Ron Rienert

*Quote:* "This will be the first leg of our world cruise."

*Cruise Plans:* The Lasts will eventually head into the Pacific and beyond.

*Noteworthy:* Michael sailed this boat from France.

## **Capaz — Perry 48 The Baker Family, Seattle, WA**

*Occupations:* Brad, yacht broker; PJ, bookkeeper  
*Add'l Crew:* sons Bryce, 11, and Austin, 8

*Quote:* "'Capaz' means 'capable' in Spanish and Portuguese."

*Cruise Plans:* The family plans to explore Mexico before heading west to the South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* Brad and PJ (dad and mom) will be "boat schooling" Bryce and Austin. One of the kids' tasks will be to produce a newspaper about their travels called the *Capaz Chronicle*.

## **Capricorn Cat — Custom 45-ft cat Wayne Hendryx & Carol Baggerly Brisbane**

*Occupation:* Wayne, electrical contractor (ret.); Carol, teacher (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* John, Katy and Haley Riise

*Quote:* "Once more, with feeling!"

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico, Central America and perhaps the South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* Having done four previous Ha-Has (three with previous owners), this boat definitely knows the way to Cabo.

## **Celtic Song — Pacific Seacraft 42 John Berol, San Diego**

*Occupation:* attorney (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Tony and Diane de Witte and their daughter Leah, 3, and Rene and Charlotte Alberola

*Quote:* "I'm thrilled to be enjoying the sea in the company of those who love sailing."

*Cruise Plans:* The gang will hang out in La Paz before heading home.

*Noteworthy:* Everyone aboard *Celtic Song* has cruised Mexico before.

*Aboard 'Chrokeva', the 'Pitt crew' borrows a pose from 'Titanic'.*





## **Chrokeva — CT54**

### **The Pitts Family, San Diego**

*Occupations:* Mark, firefighter; Jackie, administrative assistant

*Add'l Crew:* daughter Amanda, 18

*Quote:* "When all else fails, move onto a boat and sail to Mexico."

*Cruise Plans:* A year in Mexico, then on to the Caribbean.

*Noteworthy:* Mark and Jackie find it remarkable that their 18-year-old daughter is actually excited about being on a boat with her parents for an extended period.

## **Chardonnay — Catalina 30**

### **David Elkin, Richmond**

*Occupation:* machinist

*Add'l Crew:* Tom Hansen

*Quote:* "This isn't just another sail around the Bay!"

*Cruise Plans:* An immediate return to the Bay, either by sail or truck.

*Noteworthy:* David says he's read about the rally in *Latitude* every year and that his participation "is a long time coming."

## **Coral Rose — Aloha 34**

### **John Aldous, Beaverton, OR**

*Occupation:* construction (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "It's time for a change."

*Cruise Plans:* John will cruise Mexico for a few winters before figuring out his next destination.

*Noteworthy:* John lives aboard *Coral Rose* and says he loves the lifestyle.

## **Crescendo — Challenger 50**

### **Bob & Alice Phillips, Olympia, WA**

*Occupations:* retired

*Quote:* "It's about time!"

*Cruise Plans:* "Somewhere south."

*Noteworthy:* Having cruised to Alaska and back three times, Bob and Alice are ready for a change of climate.

## **Cuba Libre 3 —**

### **Catalina-Morgan 440**

#### **Orlando Duran & Linda Richards Marina del Rey**

*Occupations:* Orlando, IT director (ret.); Linda, CPA (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "Let's get the hell out of town!"

*Cruise Plans:* Two years in Mexico, then the Puddle Jump in 2011.

*Noteworthy:* "We have 50 bottles of rum. Hope they last us to Mazatlan."

## **Delight — Hunter 36**

### **Al Miller, Sacramento**

*Occupation:* engineer (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Dennis White

*Quote:* "Life is a journey. If you get cracked eggs, make an exquisite omelet."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise the Sea, then "where the wind takes us."

*Noteworthy:* Al is a veteran of the '07 Ha-Ha, which he calls *Delight's* shake-down cruise.

## **Delphis — Cal 39**

### **Peter Greengrass, Calgary, AB**

*Occupation:* electronics tech (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* son Joshua

*Quote:* "After 40-plus years of wife and kids, I'm happily sailing."

*Cruise Plans:* To cruise warm waters for as long as possible.

*Noteworthy:* Peter's 29-year-old son Joshua will crew to the Cape, where Peter's wife will re-join the boat for further cruising.

## **Distant Drum — Beneteau 51**

### **Harry Hazzard, San Diego**

*Occupation:* IT (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Constance Campbell, Bobby Maher, Petra Weflen and Mark Noyes

*Quote:* "No schedules, no itineraries, tomorrow is another day."

*Cruise Plans:* Who knows?

*Noteworthy:* This boat has done three previous Ha-Ha's. Not long after the '07 event, she survived a direct hit by lightning in San Blas.

## **Dolce Vita — Fontaine-Pajot 56 cat Mai Dolch, Belvedere**

*Occupation:* retired

*Add'l crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "*Dolce Vita* will be coming out of the boatyard just in time to do the Ha-Ha!"

*Cruise Plans:* Open-ended.

*Noteworthy:* Although she may not look to be the type, Mai is an excellent fisherman (woman).

## **Dolfin — Crealock 37**

### **The Meanley Family, San Diego**

*Occupation:* William, hardware

*Add'l crew:* daughter Kelly

*Quote:* We want to get back to the real world, meet interesting fellow cruisers again and enjoy the wonderful people of Mexico.

*Cruise Plans:* Bash home shortly after the rally.

*Noteworthy:* Back in '87, William, his wife Patricia and their then-8-year-old daughter Kelly did a two-year South Pacific circuit on this same boat.



*William, Tracy and Patricia of 'Dolfin' are picking up where they left off in '89.*

## **Done Dealing — Beneteau 47**

### **Jay & Gail Bryan, Lake Tahoe**

*Occupations:* Jay, contractor; Gail, gaming (ret.)

*Quote:* "We're very excited!"

*Cruise Plans:* Cruising the Sea of Cortez, then Bash back home.

*Noteworthy:* Jay once made a trip from Crescent City, CA, to Dutch Harbor, in Alaska's Aleutian Islands.

## **Eagle — Cal 35 Mk III**

### **Phileta Riley & Dorothy Tharsing Bandon, OR**

*Occupations:* Phileta, RN (ret.); Dorothy, property management (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Patrick Ralph and Josie the cat

*Quote:* "The Ha-Ha is a perfect way to start an open-ended cruise."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico to Hawaii and back to Seattle by next May. Then south for the '10 Ha-Ha and Puddle Jump.

*Noteworthy:* They just bought *Eagle* on August 5, and have been in a mad dash since then to get her ready for the October start.

## **Echo — Islander Freeport 41**

### **Michael Bereznai, Beaverton, OR**

*Occupation:* nuclear power plant foreman (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Bonnie and Ray Jensen, and Dick Niemi

*Quote:* "Warmer and farther is better."

*Cruise Plans:* Michael hopes to eventually reach Borneo, Indonesia and the Philippines for some diving.

*Noteworthy:* Michael bought this Bob Perry-designed classic just 15 months ago.

## **En Fuego III — J/44**

### **Bill & Hillary Cook, Quincy, CA**

*Occupations:* both retired

*Quote:* "You can see by all the nuts and bolts that this is a working boat!"

*Cruise Plans:* Bill and Hillary's "first adventure" will be sailing through the

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Canal and to the East Coast.

*Noteworthy:* Hillary and Bill always travel together.

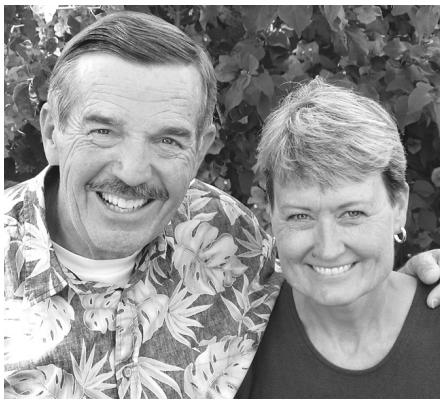
## **Equinox — Brewer 30** **Tom & Mary Ellen Ybarrola** **San Diego**

*Occupations:* Tom, educator; Mary Ellen, MBA

*Quote:* "Let us go, we said, into the Sea of Cortez, realizing that we become forever a part of it. . ." (Borrowed from Steinbeck.)

*Cruise Plans:* At least one season along mainland Mexico.

*Noteworthy:* This is the third boat Tom and Mary Ellen have built together — and they're still in love!



*With the boatbuilding finally complete, it's time to head south aboard 'Equinox'.*

## **Eros — 103-ft McMeek schooner** **Bill & Grace Bodle, Pt. Richmond**

*Occupations:* commercial dock owners

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "I can't think of any reason not to sign up."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruising and chartering along the West Coast of the Americas.

*Noteworthy:* The is the inaugural cruise for this 1939 classic, after enduring an 18-year, stem-to-stern refit.

## **Escapade — Catana 52 cat** **Greg Dorland & Debra Macrorie** **Newport, OR**

*Occupations:* Greg, construction; Debra, restaurateur

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "We've learned to be flexible in our planning"

*Cruise Plans:* Greg and Debra hope to end up in the Caribbean or Southeast Asia.

*Noteworthy:* Their 50,000-lb cat can still easily hit 10 knots.

## **Espiritu Santi — Atlantic 57** **Santiago Becerra, San Diego**

*Occupation:* CTO

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "I'm ecstatic. I'm beside myself. I can already feel the warm breeze, hot sun, clear blue water — not to mention the cold beers and fish tacos. Mexico here I come!"

*Cruise Plans:* Probably home to San Diego, but "you never know."

*Noteworthy:* Santiago has sailed extensively in the Caribbean.

## **Eupsychia — Cal 36** **David Addleman, Monterey**

*Occupation:* engineer (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Christine Hagen

*Quote:* "After a career in engineering, where details, planning and control were paramount, I enjoy the uncertainty of sailing."

*Cruise Plans:* Though David says "No plan is the best plan," he suspects they'll head straight to La Cruz de Huancaxtle for commuter cruising.

*Noteworthy:* *Eupsychia* has been in in David's family for 40 years.

## **Evergreen — Liberty 458** **Dennis & Carol Morrison** **Alameda**

*Occupations:* Dennis, technician (ret.); Carol, RN

*Add'l Crew:* son Joshua, 11

*Quote:* "Safety first, then fun and boat maintenance in the sun."

*Cruise Plans:* They will cruise Mexico until hurricane season, then head home to replenish the cruising kitty, and start again in the fall.

*Noteworthy:* The Morrisons have sailed their trailerable Catalina 25 in the Sea of Cortez.

## **Exit Strategy — Amel Maramu 48** **Dave Benjamin & Jean Harrison** **Alameda**

*Occupations:* Dave, sail loft owner; Jean, consulting firm owner

*Add'l Crew:* Derek Stroening

*Quote:* "Our entry was spontaneous, like many things in our lives. We originally planned to leave next year. But who wants to sit in Alameda during an El Niño winter?"

*Cruise Plans:* "We don't know what we're having for dinner, much less what we're doing after the rally."

*Noteworthy:* The last time this pair sailed Mexican waters was when they trailered a beach cat to the Sea of Cortez.



*Dave and Jean's 'Exit Strategy' was altered by El Niño.*

## **Fly Aweigh — Catalina 440** **Allan & Allison Gabel** **Channel Islands**

*Occupations:* both are pilots

*Quote:* "Carpe diem!"

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico to Panama, then Caribbean or South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* They say the most interesting thing about their entering the rally is that they are actually doing it "despite the odds and the ridiculousness of the whole idea."

## **Formula Won — Beneteau 473** **Jim Schmid, San Diego**

*Occupation:* real estate development

*Add'l Crew:* Bill Peavey

*Quote:* "We regret that we missed last year's Ha-Ha — it won't happen again!"

*Cruise Plans:* "On to La Paz!"

*Noteworthy:* While they cruise, Jim and Bill intend to continue fundraising for their favorite charities.

## **Free Spirit — Islander Freeport 36** **David Nieuwstad, Santa Cruz**

*Occupation:* photographer (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Richard and Henry Nieuwstad, and Carl Klem

*Quote:* "Both the boat and the skipper are getting older, but are not yet down for the count. Nothing is stopping me now!"

*Cruise Plans:* David says he'll make plans after morning coffee and a weather check.

*Noteworthy:* David's Santana 27 sank in La Paz during Hurricane *Marty*.

## **Freedom Won — Islander 36** **John Melton, Alameda**

*Occupation:* engineer

*Add'l Crew:* Jim Stover

*Quote:* "I have been preparing me and my boat for this since I bought her."

*Cruise Plans:* Explore Mexico.

*Noteworthy:* Last winter John lost 75 lbs on a crash diet. He's now feeling more fit than he has in years.

## **Galatea — Island Packet 380**

**Doug & Cathy Hounshell, Berkeley**

*Occupations:* Doug, software developer; Cathy, RN

*Quote:* "With the economy in the toilet, why work?"

*Cruise Plans:* Winter in Mexico, then who knows!

*Noteworthy:* After 10 years of dreaming, Doug and Cathy are looking forward to sailing in warmer water.

## **Gato Go — Kennex 445**

**Craig Wiese & Bruce Merkle  
San Diego**

*Occupation:* Craig, "shrink"

*Add'l Crew:* Ed Lewins, Gary Demarast, Mark Yonkovich and Savannah the boxer

*Quote:* "When ya gata go, ya gata go!"

*Cruise Plans:* Craig and Bruce plan on at least a year in Mexico before setting firm plans, though Craig says he'd love to do another circumnavigation.

*Noteworthy:* Craig's sailing resume includes a five-year circumnavigation.

## **Gitana — Cal 39**

**Pat & Diane Mitchell  
South Lake Tahoe**

*Occupations:* retired

*Add'l Crew:* Dave Wike, Aaron Mitchell and Dave Wakeman

*Quote:* "We may or may not come back!"

*Cruise Plans:* After heading out the Golden Gate, they plan to turn left, and check it all out slowly.

*Noteworthy:* Pat and his crew are experienced Bay Area ocean racers.

## **Grace — Beneteau Oceanis 393**

**Paul & Judy Witzke, Portland, OR**

*Occupations:* Paul, CPA; Judy, piano teacher

*Add'l Crew:* Mark Maier

*Quote:* "After getting cold in Alaska, we decided that this time we'd rather turn left outside the Columbia."

*Cruise Plans:* Paul and Judy will leave the boat in Mexico for tax season, then return to explore the Sea.

*Noteworthy:* Although she's now headed for the sunny latitudes of Mexico, this boat has "kissed" bergies in Glacier Bay, AK.

## **Gypsy Wind — Vagabond 47**

**The Chernoff Family, Vancouver, BC**

*Occupations:* Harvey, builder; Kim, artist

*Add'l Crew:* sons Nikita, 16, and Noah, 7, and daughter Kiya, 14.

*Quote:* "It takes more than one to cre-



*The 'Gypsy Wind' crew rehearses for the Ha-Ha rest stops.*

ate harmony."

*Cruise Plans:* Up to the Sea, then south along the Mexican mainland.

*Noteworthy:* After hearing about the rally a few months ago, Harvey & Kim (dad and mom) sprang into action, bought this boat and shanghaied their kids — Nikita, 16, Kiya, 14, and Noah, 7 — to come along as crew.

## **Happy Nest — Beneteau 46**

**David & Joy Robbins, Longmont, CO**

*Occupations:* David, electrical engineer (ret.); Joy, piano teacher (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Carl and Cheryl Lynn Oss

*Quote:* "We're relatively new to sailing and have jumped in with both feet."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise Mexico before jumping the Puddle.

*Noteworthy:* David and Joy are sailing down the coast from Vancouver Island.

## **Harrier — Finn Flyer 31**

**Ken Roper, Los Angeles**

*Occupation:* U.S. Army Brigadier General (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* daughter Lou

*Quote:* "It's never too late to have a happy childhood!"

*Cruise Plans:* Bash back up to LA

*Meet Ken — the only Brigadier General ever to do the Ha-Ha — and his daughter, Lou.*



singlehanded.

*Noteworthy:* "The General" has done more Singlehanded TransPacs than we can count. He'll have crew on the Ha-Ha, though: his daughter Lou.

## **Hello World — Caliber 40**

**Christy Clement & Jason Anderson  
Seattle, WA**

*Occupations:* Christy, project manager; Jason, developer

*Quote:* "A room full of people laughed at us last year when we told them our plan and that we didn't have a boat yet — but we made it!"

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise the Sea for a year, then they hope to make it to the South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* Cap'n Christy grew up sailing with her dad and got into racing after college. Jason is a passionate newcomer to the sport.

## **IO — Davidson 44**

**Robert & Bobbie Kuschel  
San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Robert, IT (ret.); Bobbie, architect

*Add'l Crew:* Jeff Piazza and Jean Orsini

*Quote:* "This is the first step in an adventure to see as much of the world before we have to buy an electric winch to raise the sails."

*Cruise Plans:* The Kuschels plan to head south, then make a big decision at Panama.

*Noteworthy:* This boat was designed by Laurie Davidson, of New Zealand A-Cup fame, and her first owner was renowned Kiwi racer Neville Crichton.

## **Interlude — Catalina 36**

**Mike Joyce, Alameda**

*Occupation:* sales

*Add'l Crew:* Joe Mihalick

*Quote:* "Well, I ain't getting any prettier."

*Cruise Plans:* Mike's plan is to continue on to La Paz and commuter-cruise for the winter.

*Noteworthy:* Mike has done three "Trans-Backs" (returning race boats back from Hawaii).

## **J World — J/120**

**Eugenie Russell (skipper)**

**San Francisco/Puerto Vallarta**

*Occupation:* sailing school skipper

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "Come play with us where the weather is warm and the sailing is fantastic!"

*Cruise Plans:* Heading to PV for the

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sailing season.

*Noteworthy:* This entry is part of an instructional program. Her crew is made up of sailors with varying levels of experience, "from rookie cruisers to seasoned salts."

## **Jabiroo — Island Packet 35**

### **John & Janice Limb, Dover, OR**

*Occupations:* John, electrical engineer (ret.); Janice, cartographer (ret.)

*Quote:* "We're considering all possibilities."

*Cruise Plans:* Who knows?

*Noteworthy:* John claims that he's had to replace almost every system on this boat since buying her 11 years ago.

## **Jammin' — Freeport 41**

### **James Wilson, Los Angeles**

*Occupation:* IT

*Add'l Crew:* son Max, and Andy and Jen Wilson

*Quote:* "I can tell by the way *Jammin'* dances on her bow lines that she's ready to get out of Dodge!"

*Cruise Plans:* "Around the bend" to La Paz, spending the winter in the Sea, then Panama and points east. "I want to hear '*Jammin'*' performed live in Jamaica while I imbibe whatever."

*Noteworthy:* James and Max spent the last year prepping *Jammin'* to get her cruise ready.

## **Jarana — J/42**

### **Bill Cuffel & Kathy Kelly Seattle, WA**

*Occupations:* Bill, avionics project engineer; Kathy, leisure researcher

*Quote:* "Beats working — at least we hope so."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico, then south with New Zealand as a goal.

*Noteworthy:* Bill and Kathy are using the Ha-Ha as the start of a two-year tour of the Pacific.

## **Jesse's Girl — Morgan 440**

### **Jesse & Shanna Hibdon, Alameda**

*Occupations:* Jesse, yacht sales; Shanna, retail

*Add'l Crew:* Michael and Judy Stouffer

*Quote:* "Grip it and rip it!"

*Cruise Plans:* To have as much fun as possible on the Ha-Ha, then figure it out.

*Noteworthy:* In order to embrace the cruising life, this couple sold not only their house, but also Shanna's lingerie shop!

## **Journey — Beneteau Evasion 37**

### **The Luker-Freiberg Family Tacoma, WA**

*Occupations:* Craig, engineer; Melanie, HR director

*Add'l Crew:* sons Jordan, 9, and Marcus, 7.

*Quote:* "This has become known as 'Our Big Trip', and it feels like it!"

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico for the season and then home, wherever that is.

*Noteworthy:* Parents Craig and Melanie are eager to find playmates for their sons.

## **Joya — Dreadnought 32**

### **Steve Pruitt, Brookings, OR**

*Occupation:* marine chandlery owner

*Add'l Crew:* son Garrett

*Quote:* "*Joya* may be slow but I notice when it's blowing 20 knots, nobody else leaves the harbor."

*Cruise Plans:* Either Bash home or winter the boat in San Carlos.

*Noteworthy:* You can easily find this father-son team, as *Joya* has life-sized, bare-breasted mermaids painted on both sides of her bow.

## **Julia Morgan —**

### **Morgan Out Island 41**

### **Thomas Christensen & Liza Kapauan Long Beach**

*Occupation:* Thomas, CPA (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Kris Moats, Stuart Polzin and Ginger Clark

*Quote:* "I was set to go last year but broke my wrist just before the start. This year, I'm going, come hell or high water."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise the Sea for a couple weeks, then Bash home.

*Noteworthy:* Thomas' experience should serve as a lesson to others: He had planned to cruise long-term. But after spending five years preparing this boat, he was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, which means staying close to home for chemo treatments every two weeks. However, his doctor gave him a six-week reprieve to do the Ha-Ha and a bit of cruising afterwards.

## **Kaholo — J/40**

### **Martin & Lisa Falk, Redondo Beach**

*Occupations:* Martin, consultant; Lisa, research librarian

*Quote:* "We aren't retired, but we are tired of working!"

*Cruise Plans:* Sailing home.

*Noteworthy:* Martin and Lisa are using the Ha-Ha as a test to see if they want to go cruising full time next year.

## **Kells — Swan 44 Mk II**

### **Jack Kavanaugh, Sausalito**

*Occupation:* retired

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "It will be adventurous!"

*Cruise Plans:* Who knows!

*Noteworthy:* Jack started sailing in '65. He's owned this 1976 Swan for 24 years.

## **KnopKierrie — Pacific Seacraft 37**

### **Gerrit Boonstra & Monika Majewska Alameda**

*Occupation:* Gerrit, software entrepreneur

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* Gerrit: I see my path clearly but I don't know where it leads — the making of great adventure.



*Monika will verify that taking sailing lessons can lead to all sorts of adventures.*

*Cruise Plans:* Short cruise, then bash home.

*Noteworthy:* The first time Gerrit and Monika stepped aboard a sailboat was during a Tradewinds Sailing Club course two years ago. They bought this boat last year.

## **Lady J — Beneteau 393**

### **Steve & Rita Hirsh San Diego/Everett, WA**

*Occupations:* self-employed

*Quote:* "We're looking forward to the start of another great adventure!"

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise Mexico for the winter, then go from there.

*Noteworthy:* While Steve has done several deliveries up and down the West Coast, this will be Rita's first offshore trip.

## **Last Resort — Catalina 470**

### **Dick & Sharon Drechsler Marina del Rey**

*Occupations:* Dick, author/philanthropist; Sharon, public relations

*Add'l Crew:* Terri Watson and Kimi

Harrison

*Quote:* "After wintering in the Pacific Northwest, we're longing for warm, tropical breezes and water warm enough that you can put your hand in it."

*Cruise Plans:* Winter in the Sea, then the Bash next year. The Drechslers are thinking of entering the Pacific Cup.

*Noteworthy:* This boat is the flagship of the Sail Through Cancer Foundation Armada of Hope.

**Laura — Bristol 41.1  
Michael & Laurie Michel  
Richmond**

*Occupations:* Michael, distribution manager; Laurie, mortgage broker

*Quote:* "Retire now and work later."

*Cruise Plans:* Six months of cruising Mexico before Bashing back to the Bay.

*Noteworthy:* Expect to see *Laura* closer to shore than most monohulls thanks to her shoal draft.

**Liberty — Nicholson 35  
The Strattan-Candille Family  
Redwood City**

*Occupations:* J. Seth, molecular biologist; Sophie, geneticist

*Add'l Crew:* son Casey, age 4

*Quote:* "We're doing the Ha-Ha," explains Seth, "because we're sick and tired of preparing to do the Ha-Ha."

*Cruise Plans:* They'll keep going until they become bored or broke.

*Noteworthy:* Seth and Sophie spent every weekend and every penny they had fixing up *Liberty* while they were graduate students at Stanford medical school. This cruise is their graduation present to themselves. (Both now have PhDs.)



"Enough of academia, let's go cruising aboard 'Liberty!'"

**Lillia del Mar — Catalina 400  
Mark Slemmons, San Francisco**  
*Occupation:* sales

*Add'l Crew:* Chris Walton, Micah Hall and Michael Planas

*Quote:* "I've finally reached a point in my life that I have the time and resources to do the Ha-Ha."

*Cruise Plans:* Baja and the mainland, then return home to the Bay.

*Noteworthy:* Mark began sailing in El Toros at age 8. He bought this boat, his fourth, just nine months ago.

**Little Christian — Tayana 37  
Donald Murvine &  
Jacqueline Cavanaugh  
Seattle, WA**

*Occupations:* Donald, bus driver (ret.); Jacqueline, certified medical asst. (ret.)

*Quote:* "I want to lie in the sun, bake my bones and render my fat."

*Cruise Plans:* Commuter cruising.

*Noteworthy:* Donald and Jacqueline know what they like. *Little Christian* is their first boat — they've owned her for 28 years!

**Little Lara — Pacific Seacraft 24  
Jay & Peggy Bowden, Santa Barbara  
Occupations:** Jay, accountant; Peggy, RN



Who needs a huge cruising boat? A small, cozy space is better for snuggling.

*Quote:* "We'll keep sailing as long as it is fun."

*Cruise Plans:* Explore until spring, then reassess.

*Noteworthy:* Jay and Peggy convinced the Rally Committee to bend the '27-ft minimum' rule and admit their 24 footer — the smallest boat in the fleet.

**Lorien — Islander Bahama 30  
Ed Ammerman & Gina Sarbo  
San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Ed, appliance tech (ret.); Gina, RN

*Quote:* "Between my husband, a retired appliance technician who was also a diesel mechanic in the service,



Between the two of them, Gina and Ed of 'Lorien' have a boatload of useful skills.

and myself, an ER nurse with 26 years experience at a trauma center, we are set to fix things or people that get 'broke'."

*Cruise Plans:* Ed will continue aboard *Lorien* to the couple's home in Florida.

*Noteworthy:* Ed and Gina learned to sail together aboard dinghies in 1992.

**Lovely Lady — Hallberg-Rassy 46  
Rose Loper & Jani Way, Seattle, WA**

*Occupation:* Rose, test pilot (ret.)

*Quote:* "This boat is rigged for women over 50 and sailed by two women over 60."

*Cruise Plans:* The Sea until mid-December when they'll head to Ecuador, then around the world.

*Noteworthy:* Cap'n Rose ordered this boat from the factory to celebrate her 50th birthday in '98.

**Ludwig — Catalina 42  
David Lott, Long Beach**

*Occupation:* restaurateur

*Add'l Crew:* Rick Ware and John Rohman

*Quote:* "This is one thing off my 'bucket list'."

*Cruise Plans:* Leaving the boat in La Paz until the holidays.

*Noteworthy:* For the Ha-Ha, David recruited a friend whom he's known since he was seven years old.

**Mahalo — Cal 40  
Holly Scott, Long Beach**

*Occupation:* cruising consultant

*Add'l Crew:* Peggy Bair, Claudia Graham, Marcia Grace, Grey the Cat and Gracie the Dog.

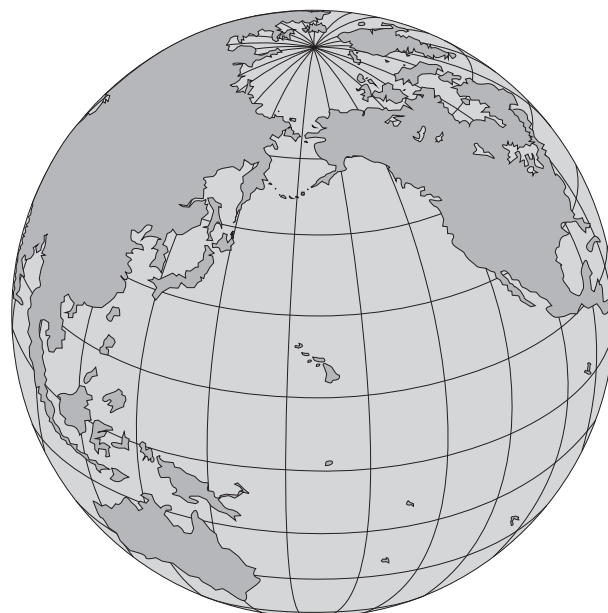
*Quote:* "Life's too short to stay in your slip!"

*Cruise Plans:* An immediate Bash home with fresh crew.

*Noteworthy:* Now an official cruising consultant for West Marine, Holly began her sailing career when she was three months old; she first took the helm at age three and got her first boat at 10.

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As you may have heard, more boats are entered in this year's rally than ever before.

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If you're new to the event, let us explain that the Ha-Ha is a 750-mile cruisers' rally from San Diego to Cabo San Lucas, with stops along the way at Turtle Bay and Bahia Santa Maria.

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This year's Mexico-Only Crew List Party and Baja Ha-Ha Reunion on September 9 served its purpose by linking dozens of potential crew members with skippers in need of additional watch-standers.

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- Oct 25, 9 am** — Final deadline for all crew and skipper waivers, West Marine, S.D.
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- Oct 25, 1 pm** — Ha-Ha Halloween Costume Party and Barbecue, West Marine, S.D.
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- Oct 26, 11 am** — Start of Leg 1
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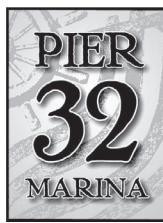
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Cap'n Holly (top right) helps her female crew build confidence and skills aboard 'Mahalo'.

## Mai Pen Rai — Islander 36 Noble Brown, Benicia

Occupation: refinery supervisor

Add'l Crew: Mike Weaver, Jim Perry, John Hickey, Paul Goetz and Jim Cotcher

Quote: "Considering the age of the crew (an average of 60), we need to find a good tequila drink that will mix well with our Geritol."

Cruise Plans: They'll enjoy Mexico for a spell before returning home.

Noteworthy: Noble's crew for his fifth Ha-Ha consists of an MD, two contractors and an innkeeper who all love sailing.

## Mangareva — Dallimore 40 Mark & Gail Strong, Pollock Pines

Occupations: Mark, ski lift mechanic (ret.); Gail, office manager/teacher (ret.)

Add'l Crew: Nico and Elyn Dekker

Quote: "Unexpected health issues forced us to drop out of last year's Ha-Ha. This year we're ready to go!"

Cruise Plans: One to two seasons in Mexico, then on to the Canal and possibly go to England or Holland.

Noteworthy: Mark and Gail met their Dutch crew a few years ago in The Netherlands, as they own a similar European-built boat.

## Mariah — Seawind 1000 cat Gary Rufener, San Diego

Occupation: business manager

Add'l Crew: Rich Hall, Matthew Dunning and Richard Hart

Quote: "We are both cautious and excited."

Cruise Plans: Gary plans to take the boat to La Paz and Loreto before returning to San Diego next year.

Noteworthy: Like many of this year's participants, Gary plans to moor Mariah in La Paz for the season, then bash home in the spring.

## Marishanna — Wylie 39 John Freeman, Richmond

Occupation: retired professor

Add'l Crew: Nathan Bossett, Hendrik Bruhns and Timothy Marsolais

Quote: "This is a last blast before I sail off into the sunset forever."

Cruise Plans: Short stay in Baja, then bash home.

Noteworthy: As John notes, "This boat is fast, beautiful, unforgiving, and I've sailed her over 10,000 miles without smashing her up or sinking her."

## Maya — LaFitte 44 Rick Meyerhoff, Sausalito

Occupation: packer

Add'l Crew: Peter Carlson and Lenny Krantz

Quote: "Meeting great people along the way and then spending the rest of the season cruising Mexico is why I'm doing the Ha-Ha again."

Cruise Plans: Zihua by Christmas and then winter in the Sea.

Noteworthy: Rick's done two previous Ha-Ha's. Having learned from past problems, he's now better prepared than ever before.

## Merry J — J/42

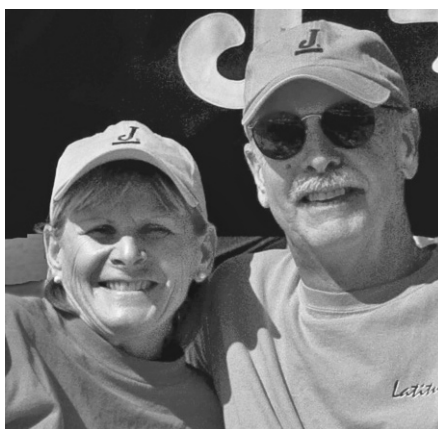
### Rob & Teri Moore, San Francisco

Occupations: Rob, IT (ret.); Teri, boat sales

Quote: "Time to get off the treadmill for a total change of lifestyle."

Cruise Plans: Who knows?

Noteworthy: Rob and Teri claim Merry J knows the way to Mexico because she's been there before.



Teri and Rob of 'Merry J' are ready for a change of pace.

## Meshach — 45-ft custom trimaran The Temme Family Nawiliwili, Kauai

Occupations: Thor, web marketing;

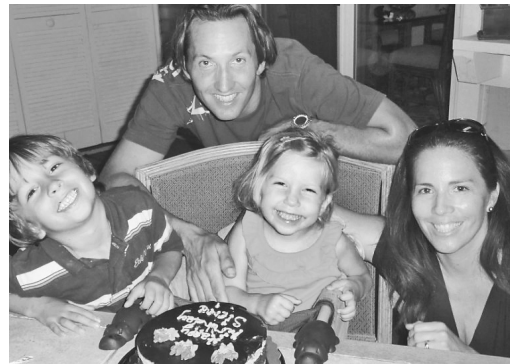
Tanya, mom

Add'l Crew: son Tristan, 6, and daughter Sienna, 3

Quote: "Our kids have been on boats even before they were born."

Cruise Plans: A season in the Sea and along the Gold Coast, then perhaps the South Pacific.

Noteworthy: This fast custom tri has many innovations, including unstayed carbon-fiber masts.



Like their parents, the Temme kids' sailing careers are getting an early start.

## MoJo's Folly — Gemini 105Mc Cat John & Marie Orr, Napa

Occupations: John, fire captain; Marie, appraiser

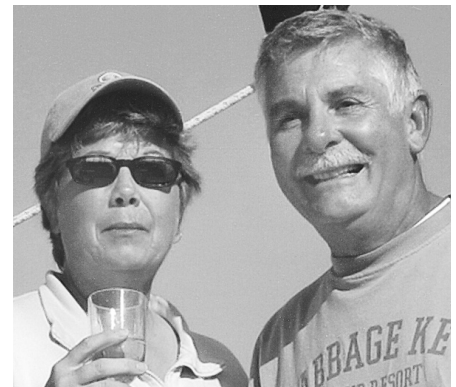
Add'l Crew: Michael and Denise Eytton-Lloyd

Quote: "We have the right mojo and good friends to accomplish a lifelong dream."

Cruise Plans: Up to the Sea, then?

Noteworthy: If boats could talk, this one would probably tell us she's thrilled that John and Marie bought her 18 months ago, as she spent her first few years in Stockton as a "dust collector" — a sad fate for any boat let alone one built for performance cruising like this one.

Marie raises her glass to the start of their long-anticipated cruise.



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## **Monitor — 55-ft Monk trawler**

**John Wilson, Coos Bay, OR**

*Occupation:* Chef (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "I'm grateful to be joining a rally that I've heard so much about."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico and on to Costa Rica.

*Noteworthy:* According to John, "Monitor is a one-of-a-kind boat — one of Ed Monk, Sr.'s very first pleasure boats."

## **Moondance — Canadian Sailcraft 34**

**Niels Frommann, Santa Clara**

*Occupation:* Engineer

*Add'l Crew:* Michael Zwerg

*Quote:* "My plan is to have no plan."

*Cruise Plans:* Where the wind blows.

*Noteworthy:* Niels participated in Latitude 38's inaugural Delta Doo Dah this summer.

## **Moontide — Lagoon 470 cat**

**Bill Lilly, Long Beach**

*Occupation:* Real estate developer

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "We may be the last to the party, but will make up for it en route."

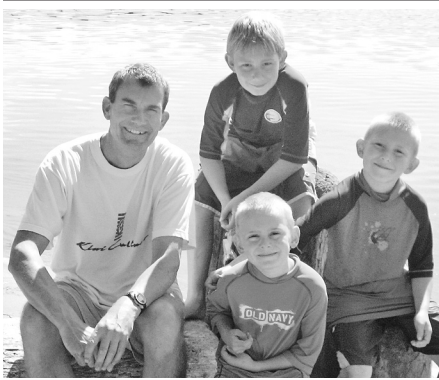
*Cruise Plans:* A season in Mexico, then home again.

*Noteworthy:* Already having 35,000 bluewater miles under his belt, Bill considers Moontide to be his "round-the-world boat whenever the economy decides to let me go."

## **Mulan — Grand Soleil 39**

**The Karda/Parr Family  
Vancouver, BC**

*Occupations:* Susan, HR manager; Andrew, financial services director



*Cap'n Susan has an able-bodied crew to help her sail 'Mulan' to distant landfalls.*

*Add'l Crew:* sons Jack, 11, Samuel, 9, and Max, 7.

*Quote:* "Nothing ventured, nothing won."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico, then on to the South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* We'd say this happy clan has been on the 'sailing fast track'. They started sailing only seven years ago, and they've thoroughly prepared *Mulan* for cruising since buying her just 18 months ago.

## **Music — Beneteau 40**

**Rick Gio, Pt. Richmond**

*Occupation:* mason

*Add'l Crew:* Patricia Zajac and Jan Grant

*Quote:* "We joined the rally for the fun of it all."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruising Mexico for a year.

*Noteworthy:* Having begun his sailing career in 1969, Rick already has lots of offshore sailing under his belt, including a sail from S.F. to Tahiti.

## **Mykonos — Swan 44**

**Myron & Marina Eisenzimmer  
San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Myron, finance manager (ret.); Marina, vice president (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Peter Bennett and Hazel Caldwell

*Quote:* "Let's get going — it's close to winter."

*Cruise Plans:* The Eisenzimmers plan to leave *Mykonos* in Barra Navidad for the winter and Bash back in May.

*Noteworthy:* This will be the couple's fifth Ha-Ha aboard their Frers-designed sloop.

## **Nalu IV — Lapworth 48**

**Kent Miller, Los Angeles**

*Occupation:* facility coordinator (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Doug Ludden, Tim Oourke and Jim Brock

*Quote:* "All three of my crew have sailed to Mexico many times — I'm the only newbie!"

*Cruise Plans:* Kent plans to sail this well-heeled boat to La Paz, then south to the Canal and Caribbean.

*Noteworthy:* When owned — for 27 years — by Jim and Diana Jessie, *Nalu IV* circumnavigated twice.

## **Natalie — Ericson 35 Mk I**

**Ford Johnson, San Francisco**

*Occupation:* high tech marketing (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Dan Medler, Todd Johnson and Chris Lecroy

*Quote:* "The Ha-Ha just seems like a load of freakin' fun."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise Mexico in the winter and spring, then Bash home.

*Noteworthy:* The mold for this boat was salvaged from a landfill — where

it had been abandoned by Pearson Yachts.

## **Nipigon — Norseman 447**

**Tom Albers**

**Friday Harbor, WA**

*Occupation:* lawyer

*Add'l Crew:* Denny Thompson (skipper), Mike Irvine and John Weller

*Quote:* "Looking forward to a great experience."

*Cruise Plans:* Tom is planning to stay in Mexico.

*Noteworthy:* Skipper Denny has previously done three Atlantic crossings.

## **Nirvana — Irwin 44**

**Bob & Sherry Davis, Shell Beach**

*Occupations:* Bob, aerospace executive (ret.); Sherry, retail

*Add'l Crew:* son Dustin, Charles Cover



*The 'Nirvana' crew knows that having an unfinished 'to do list' is no reason to stay home.*

and Diane Murray

*Quote:* "When we did the Ha-Ha last year, our 'to do list' was longer than the boat, but we went anyway and had a great experience. We can't wait to go again this year!"

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico to Central America and eventually the South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* Bob and Sherry have finished their 'to do' list — new engine, refrigeration, SSB, solar panels, etc. — and say they're not going home again.

## **No Name — Catalina 30**

**Bob Bahlman & Margie Hewes  
Sausalito**

*Occupation:* Bob, fire captain (ret.)

*Quote:* "We're very excited to start our cruising life!"

*Cruise Plans:* After the rally, Bob and Margie will head up to the Sea of Cortez for some kiteboarding.

*Noteworthy:* Bob and Margie have sailed in the South Pacific and Caribbean.

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## **Norwegian Steam — Jason 34 Alan Westhagen & Sally King Seattle, WA**

*Occupation:* Alan, software engineer (ret.)

*Quote:* "This is just the first of many voyages beyond U.S. shores."

*Cruise Plans:* Alan and Sally plan to cruise Mexico until May, then head to Hawaii, Alaska and back home.

*Noteworthy:* Built from a bare hull, *Norwegian Steam* is the skipper's "fifth child."

## **Odysseus — Maxi 97 William & Christy Hogarty Pleasanton**

*Occupation:* William, finance expert

*Quote:* "Let's party," says William. And believe us, he knows how to party in style, as evidenced by the Jacuzzi on his aft deck.

*Cruise Plans:* Stay in Cabo for New Year's at Nikki Beach.

*Noteworthy:* William is a veteran of two previous Ha-Has, and his boats are always among the most impressive in the fleet: the *Dynamique 80 Leda* in '98, and the N/M *Able 94 Marishiten* in '01.

## **Ohana — Gulfstar Sailmaster 47 The Lyon family, Kona, HI**

*Occupation:* Tom, nuclear tech; Nicole, mom

*Add'l Crew:* son Max, 6, daughter McKenzie, 4, plus Cris Byles and Julie Adams

*Quote:* "Finally!"

*Cruise Plans:* Open-ended and flexible.



*The last time Nicole and Tom's son Max did the Ha-Ha, he was inside his mama' belly.*

*Noteworthy:* The last time Tom and Nicole did the Ha-Ha was in '02, and she was four months pregnant with Max. Also, Tom and Cris did the first Ha-Ha in '94 aboard Steve Ford's *Cal 34 Comfortably Numb*.

## **Ohana — Sceptre 41 McKenzie-Palaske Family Missoula, MT**

*Occupations:* Charlie, real estate investor; Beth, RN

*Add'l Crew:* daughter Marina, 13, and son Keegan, 11

*Quote:* "The Ha-Ha is a great jump start to meeting other cruisers."

*Cruise Plans:* Surf the East Cape on the way to La Paz, then cruise the Sea. They'll take the boat to San Diego next year to finish a refit before heading out again.

*Noteworthy:* When Charlie and Beth got married, their prenup mandated that they would eventually go cruising with their family. With daughter Marina now 13, and son Keegan now 11, they're finally getting around to it.

## **Old Moon — Hylas 49 John & Mary-Ann Cogan, Ventura**

*Occupations:* Both are retired HR managers

*Quote:* "We're slipping and sliding south to the land without a plan."

*Cruise Plans:* Hang in the Sea for a bit, wander south for awhile, then head home.

*Noteworthy:* John and Mary-Ann named their boat after their favorite Trader Joe's wine.

## **Osprey — Elan Impression 434 Jerry Whitfield, Anacortes, WA**

*Occupation:* engineer

*Add'l Crew:* daughter and son-in-law Claire and Grant Burwash

*Quote:* "So excited!"

*Cruise Plans:* Zihua for the winter, then who knows?

*Noteworthy:* Jerry's previous boat was a 75-year-old classic wooden schooner.

## **Pacific Mystic — Cooper Seabird 37 Eric & Valerie Wagoner, Seattle, WA**

*Occupations:* both are software engineers

*Quote:* Valerie: "I can't wait!"

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico and Central America, then on to the Caribbean, and across to France next summer.

*Noteworthy:* "The most interesting thing about this boat is its amazing resilience to our operating it."

## **Paikea Mist — Beneteau 50 Michael & Gloria Hanssmann Vancouver, BC**

*Occupations:* Michael, engineer; Gloria, occupational therapist

*Add'l Crew:* Mike and Joanne Nusbaum

*Quote:* "The best is yet to come."

*Cruise Plans:* The Ha-Ha is first leg of a multi-year trip that will take the Hanssmanns to the South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* Gloria met Michael in a college sailing class, where he was the instructor.

## **Passage II — Hunter 410 Jim Cassidy & Lucy Lowe Channel Islands**

*Occupation:* Jim, business owner (ret.)

*Quote:* "Getting *Passage II* ready for the last year has been a labor of love."

*Cruise Plans:* The couple plans to cruise Mexico for a couple of years, then on to Central America.

*Noteworthy:* Jim and Lucy bought their first boat in 1988 and have sailed it almost every weekend, more often than not to the Channel Islands.

## **Peregrine — Fuji 45 Larry & Margaret "Muggs" Zabel San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Larry, theatre technician (ret.); Muggs, fire sprinkler engineer

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "There is no time like the present to start living your dream."

*Cruise Plans:* The Ha-Ha is the start of the Zabels' cruising life. They plan to explore the Sea before moving on.

*Noteworthy:* After Larry crewed on another boat in last year's Ha-Ha, Muggs realized it was time they did it together on their own boat.

## **Pipe Dream IX — J/160 Scott Piper & Tracy Nance Miami, FL**

*Occupation:* Scott, surgeon (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Jeff Fredrich, Stewart Jones, Lauren Goché, Mary Vineberg and Tom Hauk

*Quote:* "Woo hoo!"

*Cruise Plans:* Scott plans to transit the Panama Canal by January, be in Miami by February, the Abacos in April and Scotland by July.

*Noteworthy:* Scott undoubtedly has more ocean miles under his belt than any other entrant. Having completed four circumnavigations aboard this boat, he was awarded the Cruising Club of America's Blue Water Medal this year.

## **Prevailing Wind — Beneteau Oceanis 400 Peter Wragg & Natalie Pearl San Diego**

*Occupation:* Peter, sales VP (ret.)

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*Quote:* "I've finally retired and have spare time."

*Cruise Plans:* Peter and Natalie will spend the winter cruising between La Paz and PV.

*Noteworthy:* An Australian native, Peter's early sailing career took him across the notorious Bass Strait and Tasman Sea.

## **Proximity — Swan 41**

**Rod Lambert & Elisabeth Lehmborg,  
San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Rod, engineer; Elisabeth, scientist

*Quote:* "I have the simplest of tastes — I am always satisfied by the very best." (Borrowed from Oscar Wilde.)

*Cruise Plans:* Probable circumnavigation.

*Noteworthy:* Years ago, Rod and Elisabeth had an apartment so small they figured they might as well live on a boat — and moving aboard led to dreams of cruising.



*Rod and Elisabeth are transitioning from liveaboards to world cruisers.*

## **Prufrock — Santa Cruz 52 Jim & Diana Freeland Ko Olina, HI**

*Occupations:* Jim, pilot (ret.); Diana, administrator (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Leslie Hardy and Michael Ganahl

*Quote:* "We need a 2009 adventure!"

*Cruise Plans:* Six months in La Paz and then the Bash home.

*Noteworthy:* The Freelands have crewed on two previous Ha-Ha's aboard the three-masted schooner *Millenium Falcon*. This time that boat's owners will crew aboard *Prufrock*.

## **Puma — 52-ft power cat Del Urban, Homer, AK**

*Occupation:* construction (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Julie Williams

*Quote:* "I enjoy an adventure and this should be a good one."

*Cruise Plans:* Where the wind blows.

*Noteworthy:* Like most Alaskans, Del is obviously a do-it-yourselfer. He designed and built this power cat using composite (wood/epoxy) construction.

## **Qualchan — Whitby 42**

**The Pond Family, Redondo Beach**

*Occupations:* self-employed

*Add'l Crew:* daughters Natalie, 16, and Charlee, 8, and son Luke, 7



*The Pond family plan to take each day as it comes aboard 'Qualchan'.*

*Quote:* "We're anticipating this trip with excitement, and an open mindset."

*Cruise Plans:* The Ponds have only loose plans, but they include Mazatlan, PV, Zihua and the Sea. The family will fly home in the spring when Todd will get fresh crew for the Bash home.

*Noteworthy:* Margaret & Todd, aka Mom and Dad, are thrilled to be introducing their kids to the cruising lifestyle.

## **Rachel S — Cape George 40 Patrick Orleman, Waldron, WA**

*Occupation:* real estate

*Add'l Crew:* Corey Bruere

*Quote:* "My first boat was a wash tub in the pond next to my parents house."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico for the winter, then south. Patrick hasn't decided yet if he'll eventually turn left or right.

*Noteworthy:* Patrick sold his house and is ready to see the world.

## **Raindancer — West Indies 38 Daniel & Lorraine Eastman Federal Way, WA**

*Occupation:* Daniel, locomotive engineer (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "If you're not living on the edge, you're just taking up space."

*Cruise Plans:* The Eastmans plan to stay in Mexico.

*Noteworthy:* The couple will be sailing with three miniature Australian shepherds.

## **Reverence — Tayana 58 Jason Scott & Colleen Cronin San Pedro**

*Occupation:* Jason, CEO

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "This here is the wildest ride in the wilderness . . ."

*Cruise Plans:* "I'll cruise until my insurance company says I have to bring the boat back."

*Noteworthy:* This will be Jason's second Ha-Ha.

## **Rhino — Westsail 32 Roger & Constance Hedrick Dana Point**

*Occupation:* Roger, commercial property management (ret.)

*Quote:* "Constance is no deck fluff — she's a competent sailor who's cruised the Sea of Cortez several times."

*Cruise Plans:* The Ha-Ha is a jumping off point for the Hedricks' five-year cruise.

*Noteworthy:* Roger built *Rhino* from a bare hull. "She's a consummate cruiser — 10 tons of fun and security!"



*Roger and Constance plan to ride this 'Rhino' for at least five years.*

## **Risk Taker — Catalina 38 Duane Rawson & Christine Anderson San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Duane, contractor; Christine, accounting

*Quote:* "It's time to go sailing."

*Cruise Plans:* Head south, then possibly on to the Caribbean.

*Noteworthy:* "We have been threatening to retire and go cruising," explains Duane. "The economy pushed us out the door." Before the downturn, he made his

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money as a contractor.

## **Rocinante — Passport 40**

### **Larry & Vicki Byers, Seattle, WA**

*Occupations:* Larry, healthcare manager (ret.); Vicki, RN (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* son Andrew Bartels and Tom Gray

*Quote:* "The fruit is on the end of the limb. You've got to go out there to get it."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico to start.

*Noteworthy:* *Rocinante* has sailed to and from Mexico twice, but this will be the Byers' first time.

## **Rockstar — C&C Landfall 43**

### **Jeff & Amber Lim, Vancouver, BC**

*Occupations:* Jeff, construction management; Amber, business owner

*Add'l Crew:* Chris Vernon-Varvis and Gordon Brown

*Quote:* "Let the good times roll!"

*Cruise Plans:* The Lims will cruise Mexico for the season.

*Noteworthy:* Unless the grandparents volunteer to fly Jeff and Amber's two-year-old to Cabo, he may be along as 'crew'.

## **Roksan — Crealock 34**

### **Marvin J. Fritts, Whidbey Island, WA**

*Occupation:* operations engineer (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Ron Holbrook and Jim Merritt

*Quote:* "Ready, willing and able."

*Cruise Plans:* The Sea of Cortez and maybe more.

*Noteworthy:* A Ha-Ha '06 vet, Marvin previously sailed from Hawaii to Tahiti.

## **Rotkat, Lidgard 43 cat**

### **Arjan & Debbie Bok, Emeryville**

*Occupations:* Arjan, plumbing contractor; Debbie, secretary

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "We are looking forward to sail-

*The 'Rotkat' crew have a sweet ride for the trip south.*



ing down to Mexico and meeting a bunch of cruisers along the way."

*Cruise Plans:* Puerto Vallarta for the winter, Sea of Cortez in the spring.

*Noteworthy:* Between '01 and '06 Arjan spent untold hours building this beauty, mostly by himself.

## **Sagittaire — Brewer 47**

### **Michael & Diane Quiriconi Seattle, WA**

*Occupations:* Michael, mechanical engineer (ret.); Diane, child care (ret.)

*Quote:* "Like Moitessier, we want to watch the sun set on the open sea, to



*After the rally, Michael and Diane plan to spend six months a year cruising 'Sagittaire'.*

inhale its breath, to let our land-bound cares evaporate before the immensity of the sea and sky, and to feel our joy soaring so high that nothing can disturb it."

*Cruise Plans:* 'Six-and-six' cruising out of San Carlos.

*Noteworthy:* This will be the couple's second Ha-Ha aboard *Sagittaire*.

## **Sabbatical — Mason 33**

### **Bill Thompson & Claudia Cowen Long Beach**

*Occupations:* Bill, professor; Claudia, attorney (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Bill's sister Janet Baker and her husband Paul

*Quote:* "We want to do this while we're still young enough to enjoy it."

*Cruise Plans:* The mainland and the Sea until spring, then either Bash home or have it transported.

*Noteworthy:* Bill took a sabbatical from his job as a professor at UC Irvine — thus, the boat's name.

## **Sabbatical — Valiant 40**

### **Phil Kumpis & Laurie Lipman Hermosa Beach**

*Occupation:* Phil, attorney (ret.)

*Quote:* "Indecision is the key to flexibility."

*Cruise Plans:* Either joining the '10 Puddle Jump, leave the boat in San Carlos for commuter cruising, or Bash home.

*Noteworthy:* The previous owners set out to circumnavigate, but got only as far as Tahiti due to health issues. Phil hopes to finish the trip for them.

## **Saint Mary II — Catalina 34 Mk II**

### **Thomas Madden, Newport Beach**

*Occupation:* retired

*Add'l Crew:* Don Taylor and Rick McCreadie

*Quote:* "Adventure? Excitement? A Jedi craves not these things. (Good thing I'm not a Jedi!)"

*Cruise Plans:* Spend a month cruising, then bring the boat home.

*Noteworthy:* This boat is named after Thomas' great uncle's fishing boat, which was the only vessel in an Irish fleet to survive a famous disaster at sea.

## **Sally Lightfoot — Corsair 31 UC**

### **Paul Martson, Ventura**

*Occupation:* technology marketing

*Add'l Crew:* Darren Doud

*Quote:* "My crewman, Darren Doud, is like me. He's been sailing in California and elsewhere since childhood — including weird places like New Caledonia."

*Cruise Plans:* Who knows?

*Noteworthy:* Paul owned four keelboats before buying the Corsair.

## **Sapphire — Hunter 30**

### **Luke McDonald & Megan Buechler Portland, OR**

*Occupations:* Luke, research specialist; Megan, marketing

*Quote:* "We couldn't wait to escape the grey walls."

*Cruise Plans:* The Sea and as far as Zihua for the season.

*Noteworthy:* Luke: "We started sailing two-and-a-half years ago after an exciting dinner conversation about how we'd both like to sail around the world if we won the lottery." They didn't win a million, but managed to cut the docklines anyway.

## **Sceptre — J/130**

### **Bob Musor & Terri Guerra, Alameda**

*Occupation:* Bob, high tech exec (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Tim Dick and Kim Le

*Quote:* "I have raced all over the world, but also enjoy cruising. I'm looking forward to a nice cruise down the Baja Coast with old friends, and I'm also looking forward to making lots of new

friends."

*Cruise Plans:* Maybe Cabo or La Paz, maybe PV, maybe Bash home. It's a mystery.

*Noteworthy:* Bob's sailing career started by racing Olympic Class Tornado cats. He even built one himself.

### **Scott Free — Gulfstar 44**

**Scott & Monica Stoner, Seattle, WA**

*Occupations:* Scott, COO (ret.); Monica, commercial loan rep. (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Rod and Jane Dufour

*Quote:* "Life's not a dress rehearsal."

*Cruise Plans:* "We plan to cruise in the Sea of Cortez until the Dow hits 14,000!"

*Noteworthy:* Scott and Monica heard about the Ha-Ha while "drinking with some sailors in the BVIs."

### **Sea Bear — C&C Landfall 39**

**Harold & JC Miller, Alameda**

*Occupations:* Harold, technology engineer; JC, artist

*Quote:* "This will be a major, mandatory attitude adjustment. A chance to test our skill set against real world challenges."

*Cruise Plans:* Destination unknown.

*Noteworthy:* *Sea Bear* did the '05 Ha-Ha with a different owner. "At least one of us has done this before!"

### **Sea Conquest — Morgan O/I 41**

**The Labarre Family, Montreal, QC**

*Occupations:* Steve, engineer (semi-ret.); Monique, attorney (semi-ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Baby son Sacha and Miranda the Dog

*Quote:* "We love adventure and wish to share the joy of sailing with our newborn son, Sacha."

*Cruise Plans:* The Labarres will most likely cruise Mexico, Latin America and possibly the Caribbean.

*Noteworthy:* Steve calls *Sea Conquest* a "floating condo" — it even has a dishwasher!

### **Sea Dream — Jomar 55**

**Ron Brimlow & David Dodrill  
Long Beach**

*Occupations:* both are retired

*Add'l Crew:* Jonathan Berger, Jerry McNeil and Thomas Wheatly

*Quote:* "We've been wanting to go for a very long time — and now it's happening!"

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise as far as Zihua for a few months, then return home.

*Noteworthy:* Ron and David both began sailing in the '60s, but on different coasts.

### **Sea Siren — Hunter 356**

**Dave Fisher, Monterey**

*Occupation:* electrical contractor

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "I sail for fun!"

*Cruise Plans:* Onward. . .

*Noteworthy:* Dave did the Ha-Ha last year on the same boat.

### **Sea Villa — Islander 37**

**Jim Morgan, Sausalito**

*Occupation:* teacher (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Dale Roush

*Quote:* "Sailing is truly an elemental experience that I enjoy immensely. I also very much appreciate the camaraderie of the sailing community. This seems like an excellent opportunity to combine the two."

*Cruise Plans:* Jim hopes to leave *Sea Villa* in the Sea so he can return for continuing adventures.

*Noteworthy:* Though *Sea Villa* has been well-maintained, she has few of the conveniences of modern cruisers — such as roller furling and self-tailing winches.

### **Seabird — Swan 51**

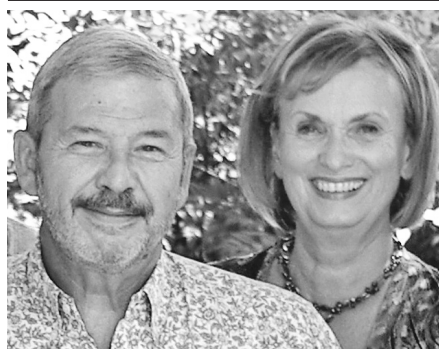
**Lou & Marge Freeman, San Diego**

*Occupation:* Lou, anesthesiologist (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Phil and Joann MacFarlane, and Synthia Petroka.

*Quote:* "She's a two-bedroom, two-bath with 350 square feet, a panoramic ocean view, and she moves like a scalded dog."

*Cruise Plans:* Enjoy Mexico, then return in time for the Singlehanded TransPac next summer.



**Lou and Marge — and their big red chute — are back again for more Ha-Ha fun.**

*Noteworthy:* Lou has done two Ha-Has and three Singlehanded TransPacs with this boat, and if we're not mistaken, he's used the same red kite on all of them. It has a steer's head logo, as the boat was formerly called *Longhorn*.

### **SeaFox — Sabre 452**

**Jim Hurst & Randee Fowler  
Sausalito**

*Occupation:* Jim, mechanical engineer

*Quote:* "SeaFox is fast, comfortable and safe, but like any lady you should never take her for granted."

*Cruise Plans:* No definite plans.

*Noteworthy:* Jim has been sailing for 40 years, much of it in Europe.

### **Serendipity III — Hunter Passage 42 The Lym Family, Lahaina, HI**

*Occupations:* John, engineer; Paulette, realtor

*Add'l Crew:* son Keiffer and Gordon Clay

*Quote:* "It's on the bucket list."

*Cruise Plans:* Bash back home.

*Noteworthy:* After becoming disabled, John thought he would have to abandon his long-held Ha-Ha ambitions. But after recruiting Gordon Clay to skipper, the plan is now back on.

### **Serenity — Tayana 52 DS**

**Gordon & Sherry Cornett, Ventura**

*Occupations:* Gordon, dentist; Sherry, RN

*Add'l Crew:* TBA



**Gordon and Sherry of 'Serenity' started sailing together in college.**

*Quote:* "Spend more time counting your blessings, and less time moaning about your misfortunes."

*Cruise Plans:* Mainland Mexico, then Puddle Jump to the South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* Why did Gordon and Sherry decide to join the Ha-Ha this year? "It was the one way to get rid of the squatters (our kids) living in our house."

### **Set Me Free — Beneteau 423**

**Joe Pfeifle, Redondo Beach**

*Occupation:* consultant

*Add'l Crew:* Tom Treichel & Sherri Wilkinson

*Quote:* "All hands on board!"

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*Cruise Plans:* Farther into Mexico.

*Noteworthy:* Although this is only Joe's second boat, he's been sailing since 1972.

## **Simple Pleasures — Freedom 36 Bernard Slabeck, Alameda**

*Occupations:* photographer (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "I'll be leaving for good, for the second time!"

*Cruise Plans:* When Bernard left 'for good' in '07, the plan was to not have a plan. "That's still the plan," he says, "and I'm stickin' to it!"

*Noteworthy:* Believe it or not his boat struck two different whales in two completely different areas of Mexico last year. They both swam away unharmed, but the second blow caused Bernard to bring his 36-footer home to Alameda for keel repairs.



**Bernard rides his masthead, safe from whale attacks.**

## **Sirocco — J/130**

**Lee Pryor & Cathy Sweet, Oceanside**

*Occupations:* Lee, professor (ret.); Cathy, budget manager

*Quote:* Lee: "It was my wife who decided we should go. But I make all of the key decisions otherwise, like where we will store the toilet paper."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise Baja till early 2010, then Bash home.

*Noteworthy:* *Sirocco* has a jet black hull.

## **Slow M Ocean — CHB 45 PH Trawler Errol & Norene Phillips, Scappoose, OR**

*Occupations:* both are retired.

*Quote:* "Yaaaahoooooooo!"

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico until . . . ?

*Noteworthy:* Errol and Norene started powerboating nearly 40 years ago.



**Meet the 'SOMF' crew. Pirates? Naaah, we don't think so.**

## **SOMF — Island Trader 46**

**Jerry Wilhite, Stockton**

*Occupation:* project manager

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "This was my dream 25 years ago, but life and family buried it deep. Then five years ago it started to creep back into my dreams, and now here I am."

*Cruise Plans:* A year in the Sea, then perhaps the Caribbean or South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* Some kids on Jerry's dock think SOMF looks like a pirate ship, but after seeing his shipmates' photo, we doubt that there's a buccaneer among them.

## **Southwind — Islander 36**

**Jean Gregory, Oceanside**

*Occupation:* insurance (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Scott and Janet Haselton

*Quote:* "After meeting and listening to so many Ha-Ha'ers relate their adventures doing the Ha-Ha, I can't wait to experience it for myself and have my own tales to tell."

*Cruise Plans:* Jean plans to cruise the Mexican mainland and return to the Sea in the spring.

*Noteworthy:* As a kid, Jean cruised the Caribbean with her parents. As an adult, she's covered most of Southern California, and spent six months cruising Mexico.

## **Stella Blue — C&C Landfall 38**

**Wally Bryant, San Francisco**

*Occupation:* sales (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Mark Goetz

*Quote:* "Since the boat was named after a Grateful Dead song, I'll pull a quote from a different one: 'Going where the climate suits my clothes.'"

*Cruise Plans:* At least two years (or more) in Mexico. "Then we'll see."

*Noteworthy:* This boat was a derelict in '01. Wally has spent the last eight years rebuilding it — "new rig, new engine, every nut, bolt, wire and hose."

## **Stepping Stone — Maple Leaf 42 The Anderson Family, Newport, OR**

*Occupations:* retired

*Add'l Crew:* daughters Kimberly, 16, and Savona, 5

*Quote:* "We've been dreaming of sailing around the world since we were kids. After a lot of work, the Ha-Ha is our first step."

*Cruise Plans:* Starting in Mexico, the Andersons plan to circumnavigate.

*Noteworthy:* Elias and Sarah say they've been dreaming of sailing around the world since they were kids. Now they're finally on their way — with their own daughters.

## **Stray Cat — Seawind 1000 cat**

**Guy & Carol Dean, San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Guy, firefighter (ret.); Carol, legal assistant (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* David Roskelley and Mark Downing

*Quote:* "A black cat is constantly crossing our paths."

*Cruise Plans:* The first part of the couple's multi-year cruise will be either on the mainland or in the Sea.

*Noteworthy:* Guy's introduction to sailing came in the eighth grade at a local lake through a parks and recreation program.

## **Symphony — Hans Christian 38T**

**Thomas Spencer & Magi Sarvimaki  
Channel Islands**

*Occupation:* Thomas, computer software (ret.)

*Quote:* "Plan B sounds like it will be a lot of fun. We look forward to meeting as many cruisers as possible."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico for a spell, then on to the South Pacific or Hawaii.

*Noteworthy:* Doing the Ha-Ha is Plan B for Thomas and Magi, as they'd originally intended to sail straight to Hawaii, but after making a boatload of new sailing friends, we'll bet they'll be glad that serendipity intervened.

## **Tabu — Farr 44**

**Sheri & Rich Crowe, Newport Beach**

*Occupations:* sailing instructors

*Add'l Crew:* Al Briggs, Paul Prioleau and Jim Benson

*Quote:* "It was so much fun last year and, heck, we can still make French Polynesia before we have to go back to work."

*Cruise Plans:* French Polynesia, storing the boat on Raiatea.

*Noteworthy:* The fact that Sheri and Rich are sailing up from La Paz to do this year's Ha-Ha is impressive. But last year



they sailed all the way up from Ecuador to do the '08 rally.

**Talion — Gulfstar 50**  
**Patsy Verhoeven**  
**La Paz, Mexico**

*Occupation:* real estate

*Add'l Crew:* Seth Constable, Leslie Egenberger and Tim Morris

*Quote:* "I'm going to sail all the way for the third time!"

*Noteworthy:* Patsy's delivery is actually to the start in San Diego — she's based in La Paz!

**Tapestry — Command 10 tri**  
**Richard Pearsall, Ventura**

*Occupation:* TV/film post production

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "We're going to be dead a long time. Go cruising!"

*Cruise Plans:* Who knows?

*Noteworthy:* Richard learned to sail aboard his family's 27-ft gaffer.

**Teal Sea — CT 54**

**Craig & Debbie Schroeder**  
**Long Beach**

*Occupations:* Craig, civil engineer; Debbie, special education assistant (ret.)



*Craig and Debbie of 'Teal Sea' plan to cross 'the ditch' after seeing Central America.*

*Quote:* "We have way too much teak."

*Cruise Plans:* Ultimately, the Caribbean.

*Noteworthy:* After cruising Central America, Craig and Debbie plan to transit the Panama Canal and head to Belize.

**The Answer — Ericson 38**  
**Bob & Debra Haley**  
**Richmond**

*Occupations:* Bob, pipe welder (ret.); Debra, manager

*Add'l Crew:* Ray Thielen

*Quote:* "It only took 6,325,000 welds

to get to this point. I can't wait!"

*Cruise Plans:* The Sea and farther south or even grander exploits.

*Noteworthy:* While Bob's sailed in Mexico three times already, this will be his first time sailing to Mexico

**The Brass Ring — Sunchaser 58 cat**  
**Bob & Joanie Brass, Toledo, OR**

*Occupation:* Bob, lumber wholesaler (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Sharon Tate

*Quote:* "We're excited for this challenging, new adventure."

*Cruise Plans:* Leaving the boat in La Paz.

*Noteworthy:* Robert and Joanie spent six years building this boat. From the beginning, their intention was to eventually head south of the border.

**Thee Amazing Grace — Vector 39**  
**David Bloom & Karin McGinley**  
**Long Beach**

*Occupations:* David, media sales and advertising; Karin, real estate

*Quote:* "Just another great place to get drunk."

*Cruise Plans:* Extended cruising in the Sea until March 2010, when they'll sail home.

*Noteworthy:* *Thee Amazing Grace* was built in 1979, commissioned in 1986, but never sailed until 1996.

**Theophilus — Voilier Grand Duc 41**  
**The Derrick Family**  
**San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Kiwi, inspector; Debbie, boss!

*Add'l Crew:* daughter Alicestasia, 7, and Mark Rulli

*Quote:* "A new chapter in our life is about to begin."

*Cruise Plans:* Continue cruising while working part-time.

*Noteworthy:* The Derricks are eager to find other 'kid boats'.

**Tiger Beetle — N/M 45 IOR**  
**Robert Macfarlane, San Francisco**

*Occupation:* software engineer

*Add'l Crew:* TBA

*Quote:* "I'm looking forward to having a good run down the coast from the Bay to San Diego, participating in the Rally, and enjoying the harbor hop back up the coast."

*Cruise Plans:* The Bash home.

*Noteworthy:* Although this is Rob's first Ha-Ha, he's no stranger to offshore sailing, having made five crossings to Hawaii — three of them in the Single-handed TransPac.

**Trim — Del Rey 50**

**Ken & Lori Newell, Irvine**

*Occupation:* Ken, engineer

*Quote:* "I'm quite certain time travel can be achieved by installing fluorescent lights on my sailboat. I've come to this conclusion based on how time seems to pass at a snail's pace while at the office and exponentially while sailing."

*Cruise Plans:* Open-ended

*Noteworthy:* Ken eventually hopes to do the Pacific Puddle Jump and dive on Beveridge Reef.

**Tsunamita — Hunter 356**  
**Kimberly & John Edwards**  
**San Diego**

*Occupation:* both retired

*Add'l Crew:* Tom Herrington

*Quote:* "We just retired and are looking forward to starting a new life."

*Cruise Plans:* Heading to PV for a year.

*Noteworthy:* Kim and John both learned to sail in college, but this will be their first big offshore cruise.

**Tynamara — Spencer 53**  
**The Dixon Family**  
**West Port, OR**

*Occupations:* Jerry, construction management; Wynne, boat captain

*Add'l Crew:* sons Zack, 16, Dylan, 14, and daughter Danielle, 10.

*Quote:* "Fun, finally!"

*Cruise Plans:* "We'll take it day by day and see where we end up."

*Noteworthy:* Before moving to Seattle and having kids, both Jerry and Wynne worked as professional yacht skippers.



*The 'Tynamara' kids will get an education along the way in the 'school of life'.*

**Ubuntu — Kelly-Peterson 44**  
**Stephen Dear & Arleen Lindstedt**  
**San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Steve, technician; Ar-

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leen, teacher, both retired

*Quote:* "It's the stories you tell that color your life. . . so dig in."

*Cruise Plans:* On to the South Pacific.

*Noteworthy:* According to Ubuntu, a traditional African philosophy, there exists a common bond between us all and it is through this bond, through our interaction with our fellow human beings, that we discover our own human qualities.

## **Vento — Swan 391**

### **The Lalovic Family, San Francisco**

*Occupations:* Ivan, engineer; Ursula, attorney

*Quote:* Ivan and Ursula say, "Our 2-year old deck swabbie, Ena, keeps things interesting."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico, to start.

*Noteworthy:* Ivan and Ursula have sailed the Adriatic.

## **Virago — Catalina 470 Paul Goss, Alameda**

*Occupation:* business analyst (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Roger Elliot

*Quote:* "Something to retire to."

*Cruise Plans:* Winter in Mexico.

*Noteworthy:* Paul is lucky to have an extremely supportive wife. She suggested that he take the boat to Mexico for the winter while she continues to work full time back home.

## **Wave Goodbye — Hunter 44 Dan Redding, San Diego**

*Occupation:* contractor

*Add'l Crew:* Maggie Looney

*Quote:* "Hopefully this time will be the start of the South Sea adventure."

*Cruise Plans:* Mexico to start.

*Noteworthy:* Dan bought this boat new in '05 and did the '06 Ha-Ha as his first offshore shakedown cruise.

## **Westerly — Cal 2-30 Randy Knapp, Aptos**

*Occupation:* real estate broker

*Add'l Crew:* Mark Cooper

*Quote:* "No better time to get on with it."

*Cruise Plans:* Commuter cruising from La Paz.

*Noteworthy:* If we understand his application forms correctly, Randy is delivering this boat — which he thoroughly refurbished — to her new owner in La Paz.

## **Willful Simplicity — Catalina 27 Steve & Charlotte Baker, Sausalito**

*Occupations:* Steve, farmer; Charlotte, marketing

*Quote:* "When we decided that there were more reasons why we must do the Ha-Ha than reasons why we couldn't, we were finally moved into action," explains Steve. That's impressive since Charlotte began sailing just a year ago.



*Steve and Charlotte are eager to start their new lifestyle of 'Willful Simplicity'.*

*Cruise Plans:* Open-ended.

*Noteworthy:* This boat seems aptly named: "The most interesting thing about this boat is its simplicity," says Steve. "It has taught us to live simply and love it."

## **Whatcha Gonna Do — Fountaine Pajot Bahia 46 The Mitgang Family, San Francisco**

*Occupation:* Michael, finance

*Add'l Crew:* Danielle, 11, and Harrison, 9

*Quote:* "One step at a time."

*Cruise Plans:* Cruise now, figure out

how to get home later.

*Noteworthy:* Michael and Barbara have taken many sailing vacations, but had never owned their own boat until they decided to go cruising with their kids.

## **Wind Child — Beneteau First 36s7 Rudy Heessels, Sequim, WA**

*Occupation:* meat department manager (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* Dave Taylor

*Quote:* "Wind Child flies a hot pink spinnaker that can be seen for miles."

*Cruise Plans:* South to Banderas Bay, then jumping the Puddle, up to Hawaii and back home.

*Noteworthy:* Rudy has sailed from Victoria B.C. to Hawaii three times.

## **Windshadow — Ericson 35 Jim Parker & Gary Himes, Richmond**

*Occupation:* Jim, builder

*Quote:* "Another day in paradise."

*Cruise Plans:* Six months of sailing.

*Noteworthy:* This 39-year-old boat has now been fitted with an electric motor.

## **Wizard — Choate 41 Obie Ciesiel, Portland, OR**

*Occupations:* builder

*Add'l Crew:* brother Mike

*Quote:* "It's time to have some fun!!"

*Cruise Plans:* Puddle Jump?

*Noteworthy:* A prominent Portland businessman raced this boat for years. Some recent guests have sworn his ghost is still aboard!

## **Worrall Wind — Nauticat 44 Russ & Roz Worrall, Emeryville**

*Occupations:* Russ, optometrist/professor (ret.); Roz, education administrator (ret.)

*Add'l Crew:* David & Marcia Meyer

*Quote:* "We're so looking forward to turning south this year and joining the HaHa!"

*Cruise Plans:* Join the '10 Puddle Jump and keep on sailing.

*Noteworthy:* Both Russ and Roz learned to sail back in 1970 via a Red Cross sailing class while stationed in Germany with the U.S. military.

And that, friend, is the last of them. It really is quite an amazing fleet of boats, and quite a remarkable bunch of sailors. In the coming months, look for reports by many of them in *Latitude 38*, as they travel on through Mexico, Central America and beyond.

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## Post-Rally Events — A Mix of Fun and Fund-Raising

If you're lucky enough to be cruising onward after the Ha-Ha, take out your calendar and note the following events. Most, but not all, are some combination of 'nothing serious' racing and fund-raising. *Latitude 38* supports all of the following:

**Banderas Bay Blast**, including the Pirates for Pupils Spinaker Run — December 2-4. Co-sponsored by the Punta Mita Yacht & Surf Club and the Vallarta YC, this event features three days of destination racing, with stops at Punta Mita, La Cruz and Paradise Marina. There is no entry fee, but it is a fundraiser.

**Vallarta YC Chili Cook-Off** — December 5, the day after the Blast. This is the Vallarta YC's biggest fundraiser of the year. Held at Paradise Marina.

**Subasta**, presented by the Club Cruceros de La Paz — December 6. Now in its 21st year, this is the club's biggest fundraiser, and coordinates with the respected Fundación Ayuda Niños La Paz, A.C. (FANLAP), which fights the good fight for the truly underprivileged kids of La Paz. The money raised is used to buy kids the basics such as toothbrushes and toothpaste, shampoo and soap, socks, underwear, and school supplies. Last year 400 simple Christmas presents were bought for kids who otherwise wouldn't have even gotten a piece of coal.

**Zihua SailFest** — February 2-9. Conceived on a whim by the publisher of *Latitude*, thank goodness a series of more serious and responsible people took charge, and over the years have turned this into a stunningly successful cruiser fundraiser for local schools.

**Sea of Cortez Sailing Week** — early April. 'Nothing serious' cruiser racing from La Paz to Caleta Partida to Isla San Francisco and back. It's free, but it's fundraiser, too.

**Loreto Fest, Puerto Escondido, Baja** — early May. The big cruiser gathering in the Sea of Cortez includes four days of fun and fundraising.

Lots of cruisers like to make contributions on a personal rather than group level. The stuff you never use or that you think of as junk, can have tremendous value for children in Mexico, some of them who literally live in city dumps.

Remember, too, that parts of Baja were hit badly by recent storms. If you've got room on your boat, try to bring something along for those folks, particularly the kids. Our only caution is to be very careful when giving cash to charitable organizations, for just as in the United States, the money often ends up in the wrong pockets.

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# Pacific Puddle Jump

## Where should you go after exploring Mexico?

Many cruisers choose to head west with the Pacific Puddle Jump Rally. It's an annual migration of private sailing yachts that set sail from various points on the west coast of the Americas, but all bound for the same destination: French Polynesia. Because this 3,000-mile crossing is one of the most ambitious passages in the realm of cruising, *Latitude 38* gives it in-depth coverage every year, both in print and online.

Because the fleet does not depart from the Americas on one single date, their arrivals in French Polynesia can be anytime in April, May or June, and many fleet members don't actually meet face to face before their arrival in the islands. However, they share information on preparation, weather routing, and inter-island cruising via radio nets and electronic communications before, during and after their passages.

**Learn more about this annual westward migration at**

**[www.pacificpuddlejump.com](http://www.pacificpuddlejump.com)**

# Official Entry List — By Divisions

*Please note: This list was provisional several days before the Rally.*

*The Rally Committee reserves the right to make Division changes prior to, and even after, the October 26 start.*

## AGAVE Division

<i>Little Lara</i>	Pacific Seacraft Dana 24	Jay Bowden	Santa Barbara
<i>Equinox</i>	Brewer 30	Tom Ybarrola	San Diego
<i>Wayward Wind</i>	Alberg Odyssey 30	John Conser	Newport Beach
<i>Alika</i>	Challenger 32	Rory Kremer	Monterey
<i>Joya</i>	Dreadnought 32	Steve Pruitt	Brookings, OR
<i>Rhino</i>	Westsail 32	Roger Hedrick, Jr.	Dana Point
<i>Sabbatical</i>	Mason 33	Bill Thompson	Long Beach
<i>Roksan</i>	Crealock 34	Marvin J. Fritts	Whidbey Island, WA
<i>Atlantis</i>	Treworgy 34	Jim Jolly	The Hammock, FL
<i>Norwegian Steam</i>	Jason 34	Alan Westhagen	Seattle, WA
<i>Aquila</i>	Islander Freeport 36	Michael Rafferty	San Diego
<i>Free Spirit</i>	Islander Freeport 36	David Nieuwstad	Santa Cruz
<i>Dolphin</i>	Crealock 37	William Meanley	San Diego
<i>Sea Villa</i>	Islander 37	Jim Morgan	Sausalito
<i>Knop Kierrie</i>	Pacific Seacraft 37	Gerrit Boonstra	Alameda
<i>Pacific Mystic</i>	Cooper Seabird 37	Eric Wagoner	Seattle, WA

## BURRITO Division

<i>Willful Simplicity</i>	Catalina 27	Steve Baker	Sausalito
<i>Westerly</i>	Cal 2-30	Randy Knapp	Santa Cruz
<i>Sapphire</i>	Hunter 30	Luke McDonald	Portland, OR
<i>Chardonnay</i>	Catalina 30	David Elkin	Richmond
<i>No Name</i>	Catalina 30	Bob Bahlman	Sausalito
<i>Lorien</i>	Islander Bahama 30	Ed Ammerman	San Francisco
<i>Harrier</i>	Finn Flyer 31	Ken Roper	Los Angeles
<i>Albatross</i>	Island Packet 32	Kevin Foley	Clear Lake Shores, TX
<i>Saint Mary II</i>	Catalina 34 Mk II	Thomas Madden	Newport Beach
<i>Blackdragon</i>	Catalina 34	Steve Dolling	Vancouver, BC
<i>Coral Rose</i>	Aloha 34	John Aldous	Beaverton, OR
<i>Moondance</i>	Canadian Sailcraft 34	Niels Frommann	Santa Clara

## CEVICHE Division

<i>Eagle</i>	Cal 35 Mk III	Phileta Riley	Bandon, OR
<i>Jabiroo</i>	Island Packet 35	John Limb	Dover, OR
<i>Alobar</i>	Island Packet 35	Joel Ungar	Santa Barbara
<i>Natalie</i>	Ericson 35 Mk I	Ford Johnson	San Francisco
<i>Wind Shadow</i>	Ericson 35 Mk II	Jim Parker	Richmond
<i>Liberty</i>	Nicholson 35	J. Seth Strattan	Redwood City
<i>Tsunamita</i>	Hunter 356	Kim Hartnett-Edwards	San Diego
<i>Sea Siren</i>	Hunter 356	David Fisher	Carmel Valley
<i>Southwind</i>	Islander 36	Jean Gregory	Oceanside
<i>Mai Pen Rai</i>	Islander 36	Noble Brown	Benicia
<i>Freedom Won</i>	Islander 36	John Melton	Alameda
<i>Simple Pleasures</i>	Freedom 36	Bernard Slabeck	Alameda
<i>Interlude</i>	Catalina 36 Mk II	Mike Joyce	Alameda
<i>Delight</i>	Hunter 36	Albert Miller	Sacramento
<i>Eupsychia</i>	Cal 36	David Addleman	Monterey

## DESPARADO Division

<i>Blue Lightning</i>	New York 36	Michael Riley	Seattle, WA
<i>Besame Mucho</i>	Beneteau 36s7	Dan & Lyn Hannegan	Dana Point
<i>Wind Child</i>	Beneteau 36s7	Rudolf Heessels	Sequim, WA
<i>Journey</i>	Beneteau Evasion 37	Craig Luker	Tacoma, WA
<i>Andalucia</i>	Irwin 37	Steve & Edie Hollen	Yorba Linda

<i>Galatea</i>	Island Packet 380	Doug Hounshell	Berkeley
<i>Risk Taker</i>	Catalina 38	Duane Rawson	San Francisco
<i>Stella Blue</i>	C&C Landfall 38	Wally Bryant	San Francisco
<i>The Answer</i>	Ericson 38	Robert Haley	Richmond

## ENCHILADA Division

<i>Little Christian</i>	Tayana 37	Donald Murvine	Seattle, WA
<i>Allymar</i>	Ingrid 38	Ken Gosling	Winchester Bay, OR
<i>Raindancer</i>	Heritage West Indies 38	Daniel Eastman	Federal Way, WA
<i>Symphony</i>	Hans Christian 38T	Thomas Spencer	Channel Islands
<i>Rachel S</i>	Cape George 40	Patrick Orleman	Waldron, WA
<i>Mangareva</i>	Dallimore 40 Cutter	Mark Strong	Pollock Pines
<i>Hello World</i>	Caliber 40	Christina Clement	Seattle, WA
<i>Broken Compass</i>	Hudson Seawolf 41	Chadwick van Roden	Newport Beach
<i>Blue Swan</i>	Ta Chiao 41 ketch	Robert Johnston	San Pedro
<i>Sea Conquest</i>	Morgan Out-Island 41	Steve Labarre	Montreal, QC
<i>Julia Morgan</i>	Morgan Out-Island 41	Thomas Christensen	Long Beach
<i>Theophilus</i>	Voilier Grand Duc 41	Kiwi & Debbie Derrick	San Francisco
<i>Echo</i>	Islander Freeport 41	Michael Bereznai	Beaverton, OR
<i>Jammin'</i>	Islander Freeport 41	James Wilson	Los Angeles
<i>Ohana</i>	Sceptre 41	Charlie McKenzie	Missoula, MT
<i>Ansa</i>	Cooper 416	David Bereznai	San Francisco

## FRIJOLE Division

<i>Marishanna</i>	Wylie 39	John Freeman	Richmond
<i>Mulan</i>	Grand Soleil 39	Susan Karda	Vancouver, BC
<i>Delphis</i>	Cal 39	Peter Greengrass	Calgary, AB
<i>Gitana</i>	Cal 39	Pat Mitchell	So. Lake Tahoe
<i>Vento</i>	Swan 391	Ivan Lalovic	San Francisco
<i>Sea Bear</i>	C&C Landfall 39	Harold Miller	Alameda
<i>Thee Amazing Grace</i>	Vector 39	David Bloom	Long Beach
<i>Grace</i>	Beneteau Oceanis 393	Paul Witzke	Portland, OR
<i>Lady J</i>	Beneteau 393	Steve Hirsh	San Diego
<i>Prevailing Wind</i>	Beneteau Oceanis 400	Peter Wragg	San Diego
<i>Music</i>	Beneteau 40	Rick Gio	Pt. Richmond
<i>Mahalo</i>	Cal 40	Holly Scott	Long Beach
<i>Sabbatical</i>	Valiant 40	Phil Kumpis	Hermosa Beach
<i>Lillia del Mar</i>	Catalina 400	Mark Slemmons	San Francisco

## GUACAMOLE Division

<i>Passage II</i>	Hunter 410	James Cassidy	Channel Islands
<i>Aventura</i>	Hunter 41	John Rollins	San Francisco
<i>Laura</i>	Bristol 41.1	Michael Michel	Richmond
<i>Wizard</i>	Choate 41	Obie Ciesiel	Portland, OR
<i>Serendipity III</i>	Hunter Passage 42	John Lym	Lahaina, HI
<i>Set Me Free</i>	Beneteau 423	Joe Pfeifle	Redondo Beach
<i>Ludwig</i>	Catalina 42 ***	David Lott	Long Beach
<i>Avalon</i>	Catalina 42 Mk II	Phil Habegger	Marina del Rey
<i>Osprey</i>	Elan Impression 434	Jerry Whitfield	Anacortes, WA

## HUEVOS RANCHEROS Division

<i>Nautilus</i>	Passport 40	Steven Ingham	Centralia, WA
<i>Rocinante</i>	Passport 40	Larry & Vicky Byers	Seattle, WA
<i>Astraea</i>	Cheoy Lee 41	Robert Moon	San Francisco
<i>Stepping Stone</i>	Maple Leaf 42	Elias & Sarah Anderson	Newport, OR

# Official Entry List — By Divisions

*Please note: This list was provisional several days before the Rally.*

*The Rally Committee reserves the right to make Division changes prior to, and even after, the October 26 start.*

<i>Celtic Song</i>	Pacific Seacraft 42	John Berol	San Diego
<i>Aquadesiac</i>	Tayana V-42	Douglas Simms	Alameda
<i>Qualchan</i>	Whitby 42	Todd Pond	Redondo Beach
<i>Rockstar</i>	C&C Landfall 43	Jeff Lim	Vancouver, BC
<i>Adios</i>	Columbia 43	Craig Shaw	Portland, OR
<i>Cuba Libre 3</i>	Catalina-Morgan 440	Orlando Duran	Marina del Rey
<i>Fly Awake</i>	Catalina-Morgan 440	Allan & Allison Gabel	Port Channel Islands
<i>Jesse's Girl</i>	Catalina-Morgan 440	Jesse Hibdon	Alameda
<i>Worrall Wind</i>	Nauticat-PH 44	Russ & Roz Worrall	Emeryville
<i>Bliss</i>	Columbia 45	S. Brown & L. Peterson	Helena, MT

## IGUANA Division

<i>Proximity</i>	Swan 41	Rod Lambert	San Francisco
<i>Bluzzz</i>	Swan 42	Stephen Coleman	Sausalito
<i>Kells</i>	Swan 44 Mk II	Jack Kavanaugh	Sausalito
<i>Mykonos</i>	Swan 44	Myron Eisenzimmer	San Francisco
<i>Nirvana</i>	Irwin 44	Robert Davis	Shell Beach
<i>Nipigon</i>	Norseman 447	Denny Thompson	Friday Harbor, WA
<i>Wave Goodbye</i>	Hunter 44	Dan Redding	San Diego
<i>Ubuntu</i>	Kelly-Peterson 44	Stephen Dear	San Francisco
<i>Maya</i>	LaFitte 44	Rick Meyerhoff	Sausalito
<i>Scott Free</i>	Gulfstar 44	Scott Stoner	Seattle, WA
<i>SeaFox</i>	Sabre 452	Jim Hurst	Sausalito

## JALAPENO Division

<i>Peregrine</i>	Fuji 45	Larry Zabel	San Francisco
<i>Evergreen</i>	Liberty 458	Dennis Morrison	Alameda
<i>Albatross</i>	Seamaster 46	Douglas Schneeman	Marina del Rey
<i>SOMF</i>	Island Trader 46	Jerry Wilhite	Stockton
<i>Bliss</i>	Hylas 46	Michael Chambers	Ensenada, Mexico
<i>Sagittaire</i>	Brewer 47 PH Cutter	Michael Quiriconi	Seattle, WA
<i>Gypsy Wind</i>	Vagabond 47	H. & K. Chernoff	Vancouver, BC
<i>Ohana</i>	Gulfstar Sailmaster 47	Tom Lyon	Kona, HI
<i>Exit Strategy</i>	Amel Maramu 48	Dave Benjamin	Alameda
<i>Nalu IV</i>	Lapworth 48	Kent Miller	Los Angeles
<i>Old Moon</i>	Hylas 49	John Cogan	Ventura

## KILO Division

<i>Lovely Lady</i>	Hallberg-Rassy 46	Rose Loper	Seattle, WA
<i>Happy Nest</i>	Beneteau 46	David Robbins	Longmont, CO
<i>Last Resort</i>	Catalina 470	Richard Drechsler	Marina del Rey
<i>Virago</i>	Catalina 470	Paul Goss	Alameda
<i>Done Dealing</i>	Beneteau 47	Jay Bryan	Alameda
<i>Formula Won</i>	Beneteau 473	Jim Schmid	San Diego
<i>Capaz</i>	Perry 48	Brad & PJ Baker	Seattle, WA
<i>Talion</i>	Gulfstar 50	Patsy Verhoeven	La Paz, Mexico
<i>Bequia</i>	Gulfstar 50	Richard Coleman	Richmond
<i>Paikae Mist</i>	Beneteau 50	Michael Hanssmann	Vancouver, BC
<i>Distant Drum</i>	Beneteau 15.50 Idylle	Harry Hazzard	San Diego
<i>Seabird</i>	Swan 51	Lou Freeman	San Diego
<i>Serenity</i>	Tayana 52 DS	Gordon Cornett	Ventura

## LANGOSTINO Division

<i>Trim</i>	Del Rey 50	Ken Newell	Irvine
<i>Crescendo</i>	Challenger 50 ketch	R. & A. Phillips	Olympia, WA

<i>Tynamara</i>	Spencer 53	Jerry Dixon	West Port, OR
<i>Teal Sea</i>	CT-54	Craig Schroeder	Long Beach
<i>Chrokeva</i>	CT-54	Mark Pitts	San Diego
<i>Callisto</i>	Amel 54	Michael & Ann Last	St. Helier, Jersey
<i>Sea Dream</i>	Jomar 55	Ron Brimlow	Long Beach
<i>Espiritu Santi</i>	Atlantic 57	Santiago Becerra	San Diego
<i>Blue Dolphin</i>	Bruce Roberts 58	Robert Baldino	San Francisco
<i>Reverence</i>	Tayana 58	Jason Scott	San Pedro
<i>Odysseus</i>	Maxi 97	William Hogarty	Rhode Island

## MARGARITA Division

<i>J World</i>	J/120	Wayne Zittel	SF/PV
<i>Kaholo</i>	J/40	Martin & Lisa Falk	Redondo Beach
<i>Merry J</i>	J/42	Robert Moore	San Francisco
<i>Jarana</i>	J/42	Bill Cuffel	Seattle, WA
<i>Sceptre</i>	J/130	Bob Musor	Alameda
<i>Sirocco</i>	J/130	Lee Pryor	Oceanside
<i>En Fuego III</i>	J/44	Bill Cook	Quincy
<i>Tabu</i>	Farr 44	Sheri Crowe	Newport Beach
<i>Companera</i>	Farr 44	P. Eichen & S. Flieder	Sausalito
<i>I'O</i>	Davidson 44	R. & B. Kuschel	San Francisco
<i>Tiger Beetle</i>	N/M 45 IOR	Robert Macfarlane	San Francisco
<i>Pipe Dream IX</i>	J/160	William Piper	Miami, FL
<i>Prufrock</i>	Santa Cruz 52	Jim & Diana Freeland	Ko Olina, HI
<i>Braveheart</i>	MacGregor PH 65	Bob Callaway	Pleasant Harbor, WA

## NO COMPRENDE Division (multihulls)

<i>Bluebird</i>	28-ft Custom Trimaran	John Taylor	Lakewood, WA
<i>Sally Lightfoot</i>	Corsair 31 UC Cat	Paul Martson	Ventura
<i>Stray Cat</i>	Seawind 1000 Cat	Harold Dean	San Francisco
<i>MoJo's Folly</i>	Gemini 105Mc Cat	John & Marie Orr	Napa
<i>Tapestry</i>	Command 10 Trimaran	Richard Pearsall	Ventura
<i>Mariah</i>	Seawind 1000XL Cat	Gary Rufener	San Diego
<i>Beach Access</i>	Lagoon 380 Cat	Glenn Twitchell	Newport Beach
<i>Rotkat</i>	Lidgard 43 Cat	Arjan Bok	Emeryville
<i>Gato Go</i>	Kennex 445 Cat	Craig Wiese	San Diego
<i>Capricorn Cat</i>	Hughes 45 Cat	Wayne Hendryx	Brisbane
<i>Meshach</i>	45-ft Custom Trimaran	Thor Temme	Nawiliwili, Kauai, HI
<i>Whatcha Gonna Do</i>	Fountaine-Pajot Bahia 46	Michael Mitgang	San Francisco
<i>Moontide</i>	Lagoon 470 Cat	Bill Lilly	Long Beach
<i>Escapade</i>	Catana 52 Cat	Greg Dorland	Newport, OR
<i>Dolce Vita</i>	Marquesas 56 Cat	Mai Dolch	Belvedere
<i>The Brass Ring</i>	Sunchaser 58 Cat	Robert Brass	Toledo, OR
<i>Profligate</i>	Surfin' 63 Cat	Dona de Mallorca	Punta Mita, MX

## OJALÁ Division (motoryachts)

<i>Slow M Ocean</i>	CHB 45 PH Trawler	Errol & Norene Phillips	Scappoose, OR
<i>Puma</i>	52-ft Power Cat	Del Urban	Homer, AK
<i>Monitor</i>	55-ft Monk Trawler	John Wilson	Coos Bay, OR

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