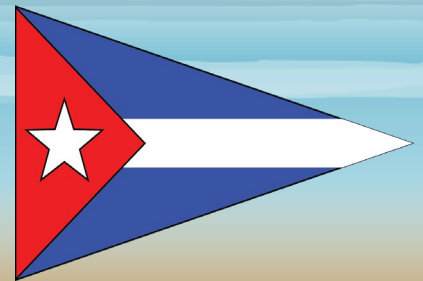
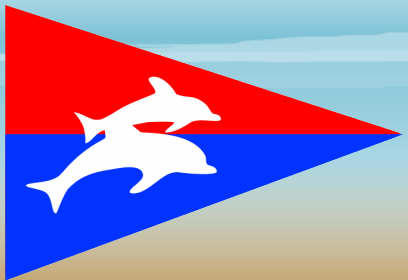




Crew Dynamics

GETTING ALONG FOR SAFETY AND PERFORMANCE



It's Not Enough to be...

- Right
- Skilled
- The Owner

Successful teams support each other, build each other's skills, recognize strengths and weaknesses, and act with respect and consideration



Save it for Shore (or just don't ...)

- Backbiting
- Gossip
- Clique
- Romance (starting or ending)

These are potentially corrosive behaviors that can become destructive on a boat



Support the Structure

- Sailing by Committee does not work
- Skipper and, typically, Navigator and Watch Captain have specific job
 - To quote a former president “I’m the decider”
 - Needed to make crisp tactical decisions
 - Potentially critical in an emergency
- Question and contribute to decisions
 - Do it at the right time.
 - Maybe you learn something. Maybe you make for a better decision
 - “Disagree and Commit”



Speak Up!

- Everyone is responsible for boat's safety and performance
- Don't let respect (or disdain) for leadership deter you
 - “Well, he's a really good skipper; he must know what he's doing”
-- my thoughts as we cut inside the course of Low Speed Chase



**IF YOU SEE
SOMETHING,
SAY
SOMETHING.**

Pitch In. Lighten the Loads

- Offer to
 - Help with dishes or meal
 - Coil a line
 - Read numbers off a sheet
 - Bring a snack
 - Refill a bottle

