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CONTENT: anything which is likely to be of interest to other members – cruise and liveaboard accounts (including humour), technical articles, letters and recipes. Most articles need a short intro – who you are, who you were sailing with, the type and length of boat, etc – and all need a title. Please tell me if you're sending the same piece elsewhere, inside or outside the OCC. Finally, please double check that all place, personal and boat names are spelt correctly, including in the captions.

LENGTH: no more than 3500 words and preferably less than 3000, except in *very* special cases – and normally only one article per member per issue.

FORMAT: MS Word (any version) or PDF, with or without embedded photos (though see below), sent by e-mail to flying.fish@oceancruisingclub.org.

ILLUSTRATIONS: up to 20 captioned photos, professional-standard drawings or cartoons. **PLEASE** don't send more than this – while you have a single piece to illustrate, I receive up to 20 articles for each issue, so may have 400+ images to juggle! Nearly all digital formats are fine, but please contact me before sending prints.

Photos should measure at least 16cm wide at 300 dpi or 67cm wide at 72 dpi (the default setting for most cameras). If this means nothing to you, please send your photos **EXACTLY** as they were downloaded from the camera or phone – merely opening and saving under another name degrades the quality. If sending photos by e-mail, **manually** attach no more than three per e-mail (do **NOT** use the 'attach to e-mail' facility available in many image programs, which compresses the file data), rounding off with a separate message telling me what you've sent. Alternatively use WeTransfer [www.wetransfer.com], a great little free (!) internet program.

Please include a list of captions, including credits, in the order the photos relate to the text, and place the numbers (in red) in the text where applicable. Captions along the lines of: '01 (DCM 3285) Preparing the boat for sea; 02 (DCM 3321) Leaving Horta, John at the helm; 03 (DSP 00045) The whale! Photo Sue Black;' are ideal.

CHARTLETS & POSITIONS: please send a rough chartlet if relevant, for professional re-drawing. If your article includes cruising information useful to others, please include a separate list of latitudes and longitudes.

COVER PHOTOS: I'm always on the lookout for eye-catching, upright photos of high resolution and quality, with fairly plain areas top and bottom to take the logo and wording.

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DEADLINES: 1st FEBRUARY for June publication and 1st OCTOBER for December publication, though an issue may be closed earlier if it becomes full. If you can't meet the deadline, do get in touch as I can often give an extension.

For more information, either e-mail me or refer to the **GUIDELINES FOR CONTRIBUTORS** to be found on the website. Thank you.

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