

Happy Holidays to All!

Bob will be working from home in 2012. RENCO has moved on and he will be spending a lot more time in the garage playing with his motorcycles, while pretending to be a Technical Sales professional for the HEIDENHAIN Corporation. It's a good thing, but after 21 years, it's going to be different.

We did a lot of travelling and had some great vacations this year. Bob went to Germany twice, and was able to finagle a business trip to Salzburg into a return via Utah/Miller Motorsports to see a World Superbike race. He also had his best year ever racing, winning two class championships and taking 5<sup>th</sup> overall in his club. Those exploits are detailed on his RIF Racing facebook page for those who are interested. Bob also did another long motorcycle tour through Northern California/Tahoe/Yosemite with his friends Jerry and Alex.



In August we took another trip on a 55' catamaran and had an absolute blast cruising from St. Vincent and down through the Grenadines before we had to head back. But before we even started the cruise we spent a couple of days in Barbados, and happened to arrive during Carnival. It was crazy... that is one fun bunch of islanders!

From Barbados we went to St. Vincent and spent a few days being tourists. This is the island where Pirates of the Caribbean was filmed so there are a lot of Johnny Depp stories, and the remains of one of the sets is still around. Fran also decided that we were going to hike up a volcano, Mt. Soufriere, which is 4500 ft from bottom to the top. We did it, and it was fun, but it was sort of hard to walk for about two days after.

After that we went sailing. There is way too much to tell. The island Mustique, Bequia, Union Island, turtles, rays, fish, .... These trips are so much fun it is hard to describe. Snorkeling and diving and eating (and drinking!) in the

Caribbean, perfect water, unbelievable sea-life, great people.

Mari started the year at Electronic Arts, but has now moved on to Hollywood and is doing Music Video animations. She is really enjoying her career; she found her place it seems.

Fran's Dad will turn 90 next month and her Mom is still going strong at 95! They still live a few blocks from us and we are blessed to have them still healthy and well.

We hope you all have a great New Year filled with love, health, happiness and prosperity.

