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Spring is Here!

Wishing all our members and families a great spring and super summer! We are so thankful that we are moving forward towards summer and getting closer to being more where we used to be – enjoying our friends, families and club.

As you can see from the Easter Sunday pictures, we were able to enjoy dining outside **and** inside. We brought back the large canopy for outside dining on the Compass Rose, a huge success,

allowing us to meet our members' desires to enjoy this special day at the club. It was great to see so many members and their families celebrating Easter at BCYC – 265 were served. With the many requests to be seated outside and staggering the arrival times, social distancing was accomplished.

As we continue to move forward, and follow COVID-19 protocols, the Opening Day 2021 weekend will be somewhat similar to last year. The Closing Night ceremony will take place May 7 on the Compass Rose followed by a prime rib dinner. Saturday, May 8, the Opening Day ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. and is already sold out. This event will also be live-streamed on the club Facebook page. Unfortunately, we will again not have the traditional dock parties. Following the ceremony, the Columbia Room menu will be available for your dining pleasure. A separate table reservation is required and can be made by calling/visiting the club office.

Currently, reservations are required to enjoy food and beverage at the club. It is the best way to allow as many members as possible to take advantage of the excellent food and beverage at BCYC. We want all members to know they have a table in a safe environment during these times of limited indoor/outdoor food service.

Many thanks to all our members who have started coming back and enjoying BCYC.



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*Cruising Season
has Just Begun*

If you missed BCYC's first cruise of the year, the Staycation, then you really missed out. Sometimes staying at our home port can be really fun. We started the weekend with a rousing game of trivia on the pool patio, attempting to answer all the questions. What we learned is that we have some smart BCYC members and it was a really close game. Table 1 came out on top. Congratulations to Treasurer Gary and Peggy Granbery, Vice Commodore Kari and Staff Commodore Paul Konapelsky, Jennifer Pfeiffer-Morris and Kell Morris, Rear Commodore Rolf and Ronda Rolnicki, and Staff Commodore Don Willet and Leila Lewis for being the official winners of the trivia contest.

On Saturday, we set off in our Dinghies and Duffys for a scavenger hunt throughout Newport Harbor. Many of the questions asked for historical information about the harbor and famous people who have resided there. Many of us learned new and interesting facts about our harbor. It was a lovely afternoon on the water with 125 jello shots consumed. First place winners were Philip Thompson and Wendy Kerr. Good job!

Later that evening we all enjoyed our first performance of the 2021 Compass Rose Concert Series, featuring renowned

jazz artist Andrea Miller, accompanied by keyboardist Ron Kobayashi. She really has a great voice! We also honored our new members that evening. In attendance were new Regular Flag members Debbie Bodewin and William Wolfe, Ruth and Nicholas Clemence, Grace and Glenn Dassoff, Kathi and Alan Gussin, Salma Bushala-Hamud and Harold Hamud, and Joyce and Rob Ukropina, and DRM Jennifer Pfeiffer-Morris and Kell Morris. The next concert in this series will be May 29.

Sunday, we finished our weekend off with mimosas, Bloody Mary's and doughnuts on the dock. A big thank you to Director Jeff and Julie Granbery for planning such a delightful and exciting weekend!

Our next cruise is scheduled for May 21-23 to Catalina Island's Emerald Bay, and we have a lot of BCYC cruisers already signed up. We will be utilizing Corsair Yacht Club's facility and Scott Vernier has agreed to captain this cruise. Please note that the last day to sign up or cancel your cruise reservation is May 12. If you need to cancel after May 12, you will still be charged for this cruise. Understand that this cruise will require lots of preparation, as we will be bringing food, beverages, supplies, ice, coolers, etc. and will start purchasing these items well before the cruise. We will need help transporting everything to and from the Island. This will be another excellent cruise and what a beautiful spot to spend the weekend. Sign up today before it is too late.

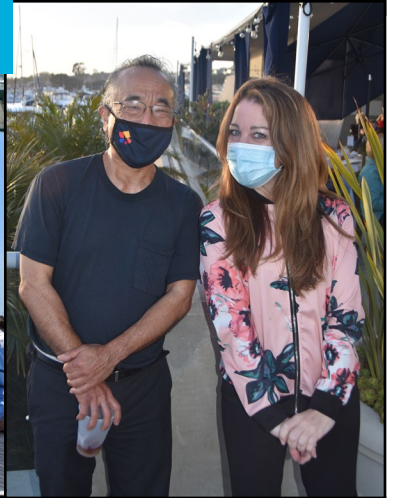
Have you signed up for Commodore Rhonda Tolar's Cruise to Napa Valley, July 6-12? It is rapidly approaching so you better hop on that right away. Some activities are limited in space so sign up today.

We have a lot going on now that the club is opening up inside, so sign up for a cruise as cruising season has just begun!





Staycation April 2021





*Staycation
April
2021*





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Connecting at BCYC

Our first official event, now that our club has reopened for limited inside seating, was our annual Easter Champagne Brunch on April 4. It was such a warm and beautiful day, and the families had a wonderful time celebrating this special holiday at BCYC.

This month, we have a few events scheduled. The Activities Committee will support the club on Closing Night, May 7, and Opening Day, May 8. We will decorate the club and provide any other assistance that is needed. If you are unable to attend the ceremonies, they will be live-streamed on Facebook Live via our BCYC Facebook page. You can also go to our social media platforms to stay updated on the latest club events and racing news on:

- Instagram@bcyclub
- Twitter@BCYClub
- Facebook@BCYClub
- and
- @BCYCRACING.

The club website is another great way to find out what is happening at the club.

On Sunday, May 9, we will celebrate Mother's Day with our annual brunch from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. I encourage BCYC members to bring your mothers to this amazing event to show them how much you love and appreciate all they have done over the years. If you have not made your reservations yet, please call the club to see if any spots are available.

The Activities Committee meets every second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. Our next meeting is scheduled for May 12. If you want to join our meeting please email me at bcycactivities@gmail.com.

SHIP'S STORE

Spring is in full swing and Opening Day is right around the corner. It's the perfect time to show your BCYC spirit. Accessories, such as a burgee tie, belt or a pair of sandals are the perfect addition to your ensemble. Oh, and don't forget a hat! Spoil Mom on Mother's Day with custom jewelry and fun fashions, always a great gift. Check the Ship's Store regularly for NEW items, since BCYC gear never goes out of style!

Kelly Brennan and Lori Curtin, Ship's Store Chairs



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What Time is It?

Some of us...the "older" crowd... may remember the answer..."it's Howdy Doody time." If you never heard of Howdy Doody, that's OK, but I would like you to visualize another famous figure – Señor Taco.

The mention of Señor Taco is to remind you that Taco Tuesday races start May 11 and run thru the end of August. Taco Tuesday races for PHRF and Harbor 20s begin at 6 p.m. We race for about an hour and then head back to the club for food, drink, trophy presentation and the world-famous raffle. By the way, you don't have to race to participate in the fun. Come for dinner and stay for the raffle.



At the end of May, we will again host the Leukemia Cup Regatta for the Harbor 20 Fleet. Entry fees and donations from the regatta go to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to fund critical research. You don't have to participate in the race in order to make a donation.

Speaking of Harbor 20s, the final race of the Lorin Weiss Series is also scheduled in May. Remember, the club has a Harbor 20, *Ruthless*, that you can use to race. Just ask Waterfront Manager Debbie Dunne for details.

Looking ahead to June, we will run the first Around The Islands race June 19. The 21-mile race course goes around all three mid-channel oil islands and finishes off the Newport Pier. In 2020, we had 27 entries – let's make it 30 in 2021. Be the first to register!



**Taco Tuesday
 Race Series**



Las Commodoras
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Derby Day - and
They Are Off

I am looking forward to a fun-filled Kentucky Derby day, May 1, from 2-5 p.m. We will have games available, plus participate in our own Derby race and will be able to choose the top three finishers in the race. There will be a hat contest just like the one at Churchill Downs, flights of bourbon and mint juleps. As I write this, I don't know the winners of our derby day events – the winners will be posted in the May 5 Weekly Update.

Details of our June 17 luncheon are still in the planning stages, but we just may be planning something like a tropical island dream. Please watch the electronic board for updates, as well as the Weekly Update, social media and the club website.

Future events planned include our beautiful tea luncheon in August, the September dog show, Oktoberfest, November fashion show and our holiday luncheon in December. It's great to be back at the club! I hope to see all of you soon.



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Family Fun

We are so excited that BCYC is slowly opening, most schools are back to full-time instruction and warmer weather is right around the corner. It was great to see so many families attend the Easter Sunday brunch in April. It truly felt like old times.

The Junior Events Committee is committed to bringing family fun back to BCYC! From Pop Up Sunday Fundays at the pool, to parents-night-out movie nights, and Burger Bash Fridays in the summer, we are excited to get back to what we love – enjoying our awesome club with friends and family fun!

If you are interested in knowing more about the JEC and our events, please let us know. We'd love to meet you! If you have ideas about future events, we want to know that too. Please send an email to lori@marinadiamondandwatch.com. Let's make some amazing memories this summer!



Easter 2021



Food and Beverage
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*Spring Back
to BCYC*

COVID-19 drastically changed the lives of BCYC members. It has been more than one year ago that this pandemic began and Americans across the country had to make so many adjustments to their lives. Finally, it might now be the time to start returning to a new normalcy.

As springtime began, so did the return to BCYC indoor dining. As COVID-19 relief continues, more and more activities and increased availability to indoor dining are happening at BCYC. It has been so exciting to see so many of you back at the club enjoying the warmer weather and the great menu items prepared by Chef George Rapicault and his culinary team. They have had to make so many adjustments with all of the ever-changing restrictions and have done a great job. Ordering and preparing food for takeout, as well as indoor and outdoor dining is not easy. Thanks, Chef and crew!

Easter Brunch was filled to capacity. Everyone enjoyed the visit from the Easter Bunny, the staff provided great service and the food, once again, was fantastic.

The Food and Beverage Committee is in the planning stages of returning more of our specialty dinners, as well as coordinating opportunities with the Activities Committee. As COVID-19 restrictions are lifted we hope to have Sunday Night Suppers and Pop-Up Signature Dining, plus other activities in the near future. Reservations will be required and COVID-19 protocols will be in place.

As summer approaches, we hope to see more and more of you returning to BCYC to enjoy the beauty of our club and sharing your pandemic experiences with friends in the Columbia Room, the lounge and the various seating areas on the patios. Come enjoy food items prepared by our dedicated culinary team, beverages from our talented bartenders and awesome service.



Rear Commodore
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Come Join the Fun

This month, I am featuring the Membership Committee, chaired by Secretary Cleve Sproule. Cleve has done a wonderful job this year. Having served as chair of this committee last year, I can attest to the fact that this is an extremely fun committee to be part of.

The membership process usually begins by the potential new member(s) being introduced to BCYC through another member, a friend, or just having heard about the club and walking in. After meeting the front office staff, they are usually introduced to Waterfront Manager Debbie Dunn, who provides them with a membership application and a tour of our facilities and the marina. Assuming they now wish to join BCYC (and frankly who wouldn't?), a membership interview is scheduled.

The interview team usually consists of the Membership Committee chair, plus one to four other Regular Flag members. This process allows us to get to know the potential new member(s) and provides them the opportunity to get to know (and ask?) about BCYC. The interview process spends time delving into the likes and expectations of new members, as well as what the club has to offer, and what the club expects from them. Joining a committee is encouraged, absolutely the best way to get to know other club members and get the most out of BCYC.

After the interview is complete, the membership chair makes a recommendation to the Board of Directors for admission, and then vote on the applicant. After approved by the board, their picture is posted on the membership bulletin board for a period of two weeks and, assuming there are no objections to membership, the new member then becomes a Regular Flag member.

Now that you remember the process that we all went through, contact Cleve, and join the Membership Committee. I guarantee you will have lots of fun and be one of the first to meet all the new members.

A Note from our Chaplain . . .

“Life is like a camera...focus on what is important. Capture the good times. Develop from the negative and if things don't work out, take another shot.”

~ Unknown

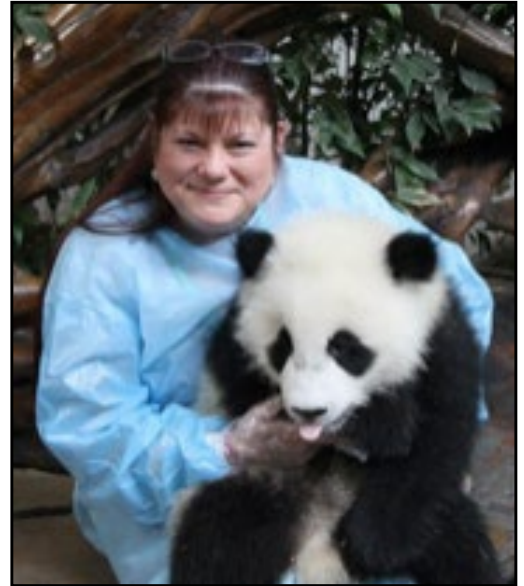
Staff Highlights – Shawncy Little



One of our longest tenured employees of the club is also our bar manager, Shawncy Little. In October 2021, she will celebrate 19 years of dedicated service to the club and its members! Shawncy was raised in Hampton, VA, and studied theater, religious philosophy and recreation management at Christopher Newport University in Newport News, VA before moving to her current home in Laguna Beach. She has been married to Eric Straus, her best friend, since 2009.

Shawncy is responsible for selecting and ordering the wine, beer and spirits, and other necessary supplies for the bar. She also is in charge of inventory control. In addition, Shawncy tends bar and serves food and beverages to members in the Columbia Room and at banquets and special events at BCYC.

When Shawncy isn't working at the club, she and Eric enjoy traveling and have been to more than 14 countries. They have made several trips to Switzerland and Italy, where they spend time with many close friends who live there. On one trip to Austria, Shawncy had the distinct pleasure of holding a three-month-old panda bear in her lap!



If you are new to the club, stop by the Columbia Room and introduce yourself to Shawncy! We're proud to have her as our bar manager and as an important part of our food and beverage team!



House & Grounds
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Finish and Repair

The House Committee has gotten a great jump on finishing up the wainscoting in the Library and Card Room. I am sure when you see the Library you will agree that it is going to be a great place for members to relax and read from our expanded collection of books. Another accomplishment was the repair and replacement of some of the 60-year-old vent pipes that were blocked for a long time, preventing the removal of obnoxious smells from the bathrooms in the club. The new venting should make a world of difference for our members and guests.

We have just started a survey of electrical requirements in the club and marina as part of strategic planning for potential upgrades. We welcome and appreciate the input from members who attend the House Committee meetings on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.



Junior Commodore
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Moving Up

At the end of March, the junior sabot sailors of BCYC competed in a regatta hosted by Balboa Yacht Club. These young sailors were tested with very light wind conditions and an above-average amount of current. Caleb Everett and Isaac Stone finished in the top five in a very competitive 18-boat advanced sabot fleet. In the C2 sabot fleet, Emerson Shoemaker dominated the competition and is now our newest C1 racer. The spring sailing season is in full effect and all of the sailors are preparing for the upcoming summer season. We have been lucky to have been able to practice in some windy conditions as well and are very excited to see the improvements that the young sailors have shown due to working hard during the winter.

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Upcoming club events will be publicized in the Weekly Update, on the website, social media, eboard at the club and in special eblasts.

The Board of Directors has decided that *The Masthead* will no longer be printed and mailed. You can visit the club office if you would like a printed copy.



Easter 2021

DID YOU KNOW ?

Important Stuff

Did you know our AED's (Automatic External Defibrillator) are located upstairs near the elevator, behind the Columbia Room employee entrance and downstairs in the laundry room? With an AED on each level of the club, they are easily accessible when needed.

Did you know that if you have more than 10 in your party, or would like to use a separate room, you need to reserve through the Food and Beverage Department? Please contact Bruce Fottrell or Tasha Michalowski to discuss details and your expectations.

Did you know that there is plenty of additional parking right across the street? This only is available on Saturdays and Sundays!

BCYClub Strong @ Home and at BCYC



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A GLITTERING SECRET, IT WOULD LIKELY BE MISSED ENTIRELY IF NOT FOR THE CRASHING OF WATER...

Tucked into a zig-zagging cleft in the rock, the waterfall drums the saltwater in a never-ending rhythm. Our kayakers get us close enough to feel the spray on our faces, and see ferns, mushrooms, and moss growing where water meets earth. Fjord walls reach to the sky, as big as the solitude all around.

DAY 1 Juneau—Alaska's capital city! Meet your shipmates, then make your way to the Wilderness Adventurer. It's time for adventure.

DAYS 2-7 Grab a coffee, but take in the view for a real wake up. Kelp-lined channels. Hemlock and spruce forests. Sea lions, seals, and humpbacks cruise the dark waters of Icy Strait. As you go deeper into Glacier Bay, the waters get milkier. Most visitors only see one small corner of Glacier Bay National Park. Not you. You've got two days and the outback is vast! Remote bays (some with names, some without) deliver dense wilderness. Paddle, skiff, rubber boots—grab gear and go Puffins, guillemots, and oystercatchers make a ruckus at a sea lion haulout.

Big days call for a dose of recovery and guided morning stretches are just the ticket. Then you're off! Hard charge, or keep it mellow—you'll have time for both. Your captain picks hidden, off-the-map pockets in Chatham Strait. Find a perch on the bridge with your captain, or with your guides on the bow, and watch for whales and other creatures before tucking into Port Frederick or another inlet in the Tongass National Forest. Hike, paddle, or skiff your way through this remote corner with bears on the shoreline, seals bobbing on the surface, and welcoming boughs of moss in the trees. It's all yours to explore. Back on the boat, there's a treat in store—the Farewell Dinner and some special memories from your crew.

DAY 8 Linger over breakfast and conversation with new friends. Then safe travels to all—you're transferred to the Juneau airport or your UnCruise hotel stay or land tour.

The crack of a calving glacier is even louder. Explore the stomping grounds of bears, wolves, and mountain goats. A skiff, kayak, or your own two feet take you to the glacier's face or on a towering hilltop for a powerful view.

PRE- & POST-CRUISE OPTIONS are available.



Join Ginny Lombardi on her 2021 Jr. Staff Commodore's Cruise!

2021 Saturday Departure

Wilderness Explorer
Aug 29 - Sep 5, 2021

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NAV=Navigator; TRB=Trailblazer; PAT=Pathfinder; EXP=Explorer; SGL=Single

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Nancy Levy

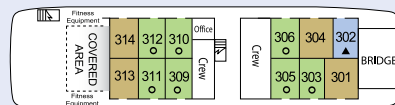
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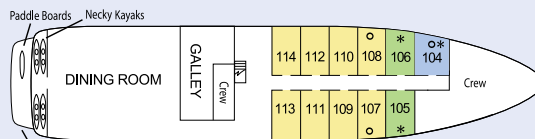
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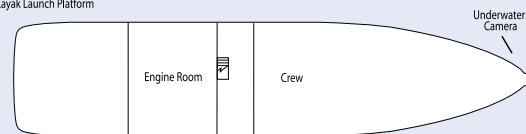
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Lounge Deck



Main Deck



Below Deck

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2021 BCYC Commodore Cruise

San Francisco & Napa Valley

Tuesday, July 6 thru Monday, July 12

Fly or Drive

San Francisco — 3 nights

Argonaut Hotel

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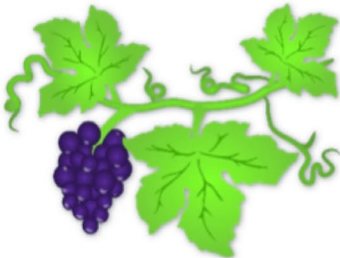
Private Yacht Tour in San Francisco Bay

"Painted Ladies" San Francisco City Tour

Napa Valley — 3 nights

Westin Verasa Napa Resort

(blends downtown convenience with upscale comfort)



Wine Tour

Includes tastings at 3 wineries & transportation

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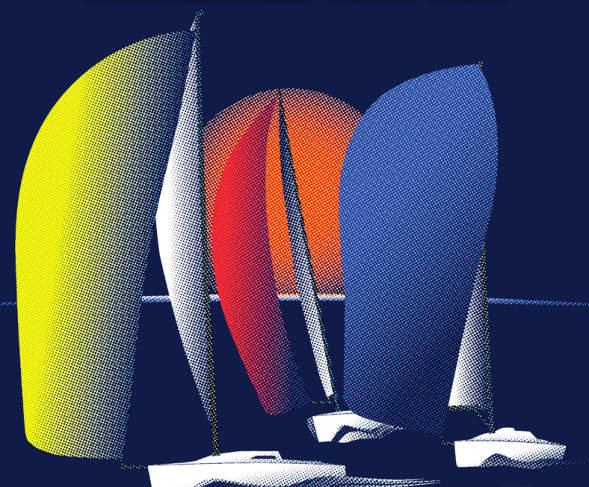
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Race Committee Boat

73rd Annual
**Newport to Ensenada
International Yacht Race**



Rylacade



Dark Star



April 23 - 25, 2021



N2E Race Start



N2E Race Start



Healer



Problem Child



Press Boat

**2021
Newport to Ensenada Race Results
BCYC Boats**



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Skipper	Boat Name	Class	Finish
Steve Brown	<i>Dark Star</i>	UL-B	6th Place
Dan Rossen	<i>Problem Child</i>	UL-C	4th Place
<i>Dan Rossen</i>	<i>Problem Child</i>	<i>Double Handed</i>	<i>1st Place</i>
Larry Kliger	<i>Healer</i>	PHRF C	11th Place
Larry Bjork	<i>Calary</i>	PHRF D	3rd Place
Stuart Leigh	<i>Rylacade</i>	CRUZ SPIN B	3rd Place