

# The BAHIA CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB *Masthead*

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## *Sailing Into 2015*

Since the December *Masthead* was published, I took a trip on a sailboat to Cherry Cove. I am a rank amateur sailor so as commodore of a yacht club, I felt I should experience a sail to Catalina. I hoped to get a sense of what our sailing members experience on the water. It was a beautiful day when I left the harbor on my friend Michael O'Brien's Catalina 28. It was warm and sunny and the wind speed reached 12 knots before 9 a.m. Wow, I thought we were in for a fast sail over to the Isthmus. Unfortunately, the wind eased to between six and eight knots for most of the trip.

I have to say that sailing seemed a lot like power boating. Even though we had our sails up, the boat engine ran the entire trip. Also, with only one engine and no thrusters, it was

a little harder to maneuver around the mooring. Even though it took about six hours, it was a great trip.

Before we sailed for Redondo Beach the next morning, we had the opportunity to spend time with Armando Eason, Two Harbors Harbormaster and BCYC member. Armando, Michael and I cruised over to Howland's Landing (see the picture). It was a nice smooth return trip to Redondo. I hope to take a few more sailing trips in 2015 so I can learn more about sailing.

2015 started off with a great Mardi Gras-themed New Year's Eve party at the club. Everything about the event was fantastic – the decorations, food, the band and, of course, the members who attended. The club was also recognized as the "Best Yacht Club" by the 2014 Newport Beach Christmas Boat Parade Waterfront Home Decorating Committee! A big "thank you" to the members who volunteered to put up and take down the holiday decorations. All the help made a huge job very manageable. Additionally, Juver Garcia and Mario Nieto, our amazing maintenance team, did a great job putting up all the lights around the outside of the club. We are very fortunate to have both of these hard-working individuals at BCYC.

The lower level renovation is progressing well. It is a big undertaking and will take several months to complete. As usual, we are very fortunate to have several club members volunteering a huge amount of their time to oversee the project.

Although it is only February, there are many activities this month, both on the water and at the club. We are again hosting the SCYA Women's Sailing Convention Feb. 7. Our Midwinter Regatta is scheduled for Feb. 21 and 22. Additionally, on Feb. 28, a half-day US Sailing Safety at Sea Seminar will be hosted by BCYC. This seminar is designed to prepare sailboat and powerboat skippers and crew for what to do when issues arise on the water. Please look for additional information in *The Masthead*, on our website and at the club.

A very Happy and Healthy New Year to all!

*Armando Eason, Two Harbors  
Harbormaster and BCYC member*

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**Welcome Aboard!**



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*New Role, Creativity*

I'm back, but with reinforcements! In keeping with our plan to strengthen the Membership Committee, we are happy to introduce the new position of vice chair. This role will be filled by Director JR Means during 2015, putting him in a great position to lead the Membership Committee in 2016.

The vice chair will help alleviate the learning curve from year to year when a new committee chair takes over. It will help provide continuity and stability to the membership recruitment and retention strategy, and will complement the BCYC Strategic Plan.

Please help me welcome JR – he brings fresh, new energy and creative ideas. His broad reach into our community will be an asset for potential new members. I'm excited to be working with him, and look forward to a successful 2015 membership class. All those interested in this very important committee, please join us at our monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.



**Junior Commodore  
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*Another Great Year  
 at BCYC*

On behalf of the entire Junior Board of Directors, I wish a Happy New Year to everyone at BCYC! We hope that you all had a wonderful holiday season and are refreshed to begin the New Year. 2014 was a great year, and we are looking forward to an even better 2015.

January and February find us working to plan events that will occur later in the year. Some of these events include Bingo Night, scheduled to take place **Friday, April 10**, and the all-new Summer Welcome Event, taking place at the start of the Junior Summer Program.

Bingo Night this year, as opposed to previous years, will be devoted to raising money for the Junior Program. This event is a perfect opportunity to show your support of the program and junior sailing. I do not wish to spoil the announcement of this year's theme, so I will only say, "May the bingo be with you."

We will be working extremely hard to make sure that these events will be fun and really memorable. Personally, I am very excited and know that as we move forward, the Junior Board of Directors will do a great job.



Junior Sailing Director  
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### A Busy New Year

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season, and welcome to 2015! Before we get too far ahead, there are many notable events from the end of 2014 to be recognized. Late November was the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club Turkey Day Regatta, where seven of our sailors represented BCYC. Max Mayol and Derek Pickell competed in the 29er fleet, finishing 8th against some of the best sailors in the class. Joshua Means finished third in the Sabot A class after some very tight racing. Justin Coburn and Zoe Johansson competed in the Sabot C1 class, finishing second and third, respectively, in the largest sabot fleet of the regatta. Jake Johansson sailed in the C2 fleet and, despite challenging wind conditions, pulled a bullet in the eighth race! Last but not least, Jake Mayol, our only Optimist sailor on the ocean course, raced his way into **first place**, taking home a giant frozen turkey trophy! Congratulations to all these dedicated sailors who continue racing and competing at a very high level.

I would also like to congratulate Max Mayol, Derek Pickell and Sammy Pickell for being accepted to participate in the 2014 SCYYRA Winter Clinic in December. This advanced racing clinic, hosted by the US Sailing Center of Long Beach, required sailors to submit an application and sailing resume for a spot on the roster. Experience, skill level and past regatta results were all factors in the selection process. Derek and Sammy were also accepted into the 2014 Orange Bowl at Coral Reef Yacht Club in Miami, where they competed in the C420 fleet, pulling several top-10 finishes against nearly 100 boats! Mid-December brought the Lido Isle Yacht Club Holiday Cup, where BCYC sent 12 sailors, with several making the podium. Highlights were: Justin Coburn, **first place** overall, C1 Fleet; Chris Sandoval and Cameron Wood,

second place, CFJ Fleet; Jake Johansson, third place, C2 Fleet. Great sailing guys!

January also brought lots of exciting events for our Juniors. The PCISA Rose Bowl Regatta, hosted by the USC Sailing Team the first weekend of the month, attracted high school **and** college teams from all over the country. Although this was not a yacht club-sanctioned event, several of our BCYC sailors were competing for Corona del Mar High School, finishing second overall as a team! Jan. 10-11 was the Junior Invitational for Sabots hosted by San Diego Yacht Club; also the third stop for the North Series. A week later was the third Shadden regatta of the series at SDYC, as well as the LIYC Midwinter Tune-Up. Finally, the last weekend of the month was the Perry Series for C420s. Please visit [regattanetwork.com](http://regattanetwork.com) and navigate to the results archive to see all results.

We have already had a very busy new year of sailing, and February brings even more. **CISA applications are due Feb. 1**, the SODA Youth Match Racing Series takes place Feb. 14-15, the PCISA Golden Bear Regatta coincides with the SCYA Midwinters Feb. 21-22 and the final regatta in the Shadden Series takes place on the last weekend of the month. There are lots of sailing possibilities, opportunities to learn and improve!

### LIYC Regatta



elevator shaft and pit have delayed the project by a couple of weeks, but by the time you read this, the pit will be poured and construction should return to a normal pace for an anticipated spring completion.

This year, the House and Grounds Committee will look at areas of energy efficiency that will help keep down operating expenses. One area being considered is replacing the outdated, single-pane windows on the lower level and second-floor offices.

Our first meeting of the year will be Wednesday, Jan. 21, at 7:30 p.m. Members are encouraged to attend. If you have suggestions, email them to me at [lmichaels58@gmail.com](mailto:lmichaels58@gmail.com).



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### L3 Update And Efficiency

As we start 2015, we are well into the current renovation project (Lower Level and Lift). As of the end of January, important accomplishments have been the demolition of the restrooms, hallway, stairs leading to the patio and the planter. Unforeseen structural complexities with the



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## *Warming Up For Cruising*

It may be winter on the calendar, but in our hearts we are warming up for CRUISE SEASON! We are thrilled to return as Cruise Committee chairs and are looking forward to an exciting and **fun** 2015 cruise season.

Each cruise will start at sign-up! Sign-ups will be the Saturday morning one month prior to the cruise and will **only** be accepted in person until noon that day. Then you can sign up by phone or on the club website. Come get in line, sign up and get in the mood with your fellow cruisers over breakfast and Bloody Marys at the fabulous Saturday build-your-own Bloody Mary bar. Special incentives will be given to those who sign up on Saturday. Last year there were waiting lists for cruises so don't be left out.

The cruise agenda for 2015 is as follows:

- March 14 Huntington Harbor Yacht Club – day cruise
- April 24-26 Lido Raft-Up
- May 22-25 Del Rey Yacht Club
- June 26-28 Isthmus Cruise/Turtle Rally
- July 24-26 While the Commodore Is Away – Raft-Up (location TBD)
- August 20-23 Clambake at Howland's Landing
- Sept 4-7 Long Beach Yacht Club
- Sept 25-27 Jr. Staff Commodore's cruise to San Diego
- Oct 23-25 Catalina Island Yacht Club

As you might have noticed, we are going to some of our old favorite locations, returning to some long lost ones and venturing to an exciting NEW location for Clambake. We are once again combining the Isthmus cruise with The Great Turtle Rally. Clambake will be held in August again this year at our front-side destination of Howland's Landing. We are adding a Labor Day weekend cruise this year, returning to Long Beach Yacht Club. Look for more information on these exciting events.

Put on your deck shoes, cast off the dock lines and join us for the first sign-up Feb. 14 for the Huntington Harbor cruise. It is going to be a **fun** year!

Please come join us in the planning for these cruises. We meet the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. For more information, please contact us at bkparr@earthlink.net.



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## *Having A Blast*

The New Years Eve Mardi Gras-themed party was a blast! BCYC was transformed into Bourbon Street, the menu was fabulous and the nine-piece band was terrific. At the stroke of midnight there was so much confetti that the room looked like it was snowing. What a great way to start 2015.

Special thanks to Cary and Silvia Breeden, Commodore Craig and Joan Delaney, Junior Staff Commodore Paul Konapelsky, Director Ginny Lombardi, Chef George Rapicault, General Manager Scott Jones and the BCYC staff, for all your time and effort to make this event special.

Holiday take-down was completed in record time (less than three hours) due to so many volunteers. A big **thank you** for helping goes to: Commodore Craig and Joan Delaney, Treasurer Gary Granbery, Jon Hamilton, Ramsey Johansson, Staff Commodore Paul Konapelsky, Director Ginny Lombardi, Kathy MacDonald, Mary Madden, Melia Michaels, Gary Neshanian, and Fleet Surgeon Bob and Joan Sachs. We are grateful for your help.

February will be very busy, starting with our Super Bowl Party Feb. 1, a romantic Valentine's Day dinner Feb. 14, and one of the top events of the year, the Commodore's Ball, Feb. 21. Please join the fun and support your club at the same time.

We welcome you to join our Activities Committee meeting on the second Wednesday of every month. If you are a new member, this is a great way to meet new friends!

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**Vice Commodore**  
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*Not Bad For Winter*

I am really excited about being vice commodore because that is the officer who oversees the activities at BCYC that I know the most about. I will be reporting on our excellent racers and Race Committee, on our always fun and exciting cruises, and our very successful junior sailors. As we all know, these events don't occur and become successful without the wonderful, dedicated and energetic volunteers who make them happen. As the year progresses, I will mention many of the members who make these signature events so very special.

By the time that you read this article, we will have already completed the Hot Rum series, started the Doug Mills Ocean Racing series and presented an Introduction to Sailing seminar. That was just in January, a month that is very quiet by BCYC standards. As February arrives, we will be hosting the SCYA Women's Sailing Convention, continuing our Ocean Racing series, hosting a US Sailing Safety at Sea seminar, and signing up for our first of many cruises to come. How is that, for two months in the winter when most of the clubs outside sunny California are closed until spring?

If you go out on the water on a power boat or sailboat, I want to encourage everyone to attend the US Sailing Safety at Sea Seminar Feb. 28. This seminar is not just for sailors, but power boaters, kayakers and anyone who goes out on the water. It is extremely important for those of you who most often let your husband or someone else drive the boat. This seminar will teach you how vital it is for everyone who regularly goes on a boat to know how to get help and handle an emergency at sea. The more we know, the more fun we have and the safer we all are.



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*Bottom Fishing or Trolling*

Most of us know how to put bait on a hook, whether using anchovies, sardines or squid, and drop it to the bottom. Hopefully you will feel a tug, set the hook and reel in the big one. Live bait is usually the best for fishing this time of year. Squid is candy to most fish, but can be very messy. They have an ink-like liquid discharge that they emit for protection when chased by other fish. When you put the hook in them, they tend to spray the ink. As long as you wash it off with salt water it goes away rather easily. If left to sit, it becomes much more difficult to clean. With this type of fishing, there is a whole different array of bottom fish to catch, all very good to eat.

The other way of fishing, especially for sail boaters, is to troll – five to seven knots is a perfect speed. This time of year, there are a lot of surface fish, such as bonito and skipjack. All you need is a rod and reel with 15-pound test line and a lure. Both species will put up a great fight and there is no need to stop as long as you set the drag so the fish can still pull line off the reel when it gets excited, but not too loose where you can't retrieve the line. The feather-type lure works well for trolling. If the day is overcast, the darker colors, like purple or dark green are good. When the sun is out, the brighter-colored lures (red, yellow and green) are the right choice. See the picture below of some great lures. The lure that goes around the four lures in the center is called a daisy chain – from left to right in the center are a cedar plug, rapallo, purple feather and Mexican feather (red, green and yellow).

On Saturday, Feb. 28, I'm planning a fishing trip to the Florida Everglades. We can try both methods of fishing: bottom fishing and trolling. The boat is a 35-foot center console with triple 300 HP outboards and will hold six people. If you have some interest, please email me at [kipcyprus@aol.com](mailto:kipcyprus@aol.com).

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**Las Commodoras**  
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*Las Commodoras*  
*Fun and Friends*

I would like to introduce the 2015 Las Commodoras Board of Directors to you! They are: Nancy Bryant, president; Carol Wallace, 1st vice president; Bobbi Silvey, 2nd vice president; Sally Cohen, treasurer; Leslie Kazarian, secretary; Gail Cyprus, historian; Joyce Barnes, special projects; B.J. Eden, technical advisor; Sally Sopkin, auxiliary liaison; Peggy Granbery, auxiliary liaison; Marcia Last, goodwill ambassador; Ginny Lombardi, past president/parliamentarian. We are here to serve you and invite you to contact any of us for information about Las Commodoras. We welcome ideas for our luncheons and activities too! Please visit [bcyc.org](http://bcyc.org) and click the Las Commodoras tab for this year's schedule of events.

Our holiday fundraiser in December, chaired by Leslie Kazarian, was a tremendous success with 54 attending, and it was lots of fun! To kick off 2015, the Recognition Luncheon, chaired by Kari Konapelsky, was held and we honored of all the ladies of BCYC who have served as commodores, staff commodores' wives, past Las Commodoras Presidents and BCYC Women of the Year. Thank you Kari! I am looking forward to seeing you all attend our field trip Feb. 15 to Bowers Museum for lunch, learning and leisure.



**Rear Commodore**  
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*Calling All*  
*Volunteers*

Previous to my being elected to the BCYC Board of Directors, my many years with the club had been spent on the water racing sailboats. It wasn't until last year that I was introduced to the many committees and staff who make our club so successful. Watching how the volunteers on these committees work, I realized the commitment, dedication and passion they bring in making BCYC what it is today.

At this time, all the committees are gearing up for the upcoming year and so, if you are inclined, your participation would be welcomed. The lifeblood of BCYC is our Membership Committee headed by Director EB Barden – last year, she and her team did an outstanding job in recruiting new members and creating our new and well-received member classification of Junior Flag. Our House Committee, chaired by Larry Michaels, has a big challenge this year with the lower-level renovation project currently underway.

Wherever your interest may lie, joining one of the many committees at BCYC is both needed and appreciated. For those of you who have participated in the past, thank you so much for your service, because without it, BCYC would not be the success it is today. For you new volunteers, we look forward to your contributions.

**A Note from our**  
**Chaplain . . .**  
 "If God brings you to it,  
 He will bring you  
 through it."  
 - Rick Warren -

*Who did play*  
*Santa Claus*  
*in 2014?*





**ATTENTION FIRST MATES**



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**PREPARE**



**Attend the  
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**Sail Fleet Captain**  
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*Be Prepared!*

One of the rites of passage many of us experienced growing up was being a Boy Scout. Some of our current BCYC members and staff are still actively involved, providing adult guidance and leadership. Regardless of our past or current affiliation with the Boy Scouts, we all know their motto – be prepared!

Be prepared for the 2015 boating season. Attend the US Sailing Coastal Safety at Sea Seminar (SAS) presented by US Sailing experts. This is a **special** half-day version of the two-day SAS that Transpac racers and other ocean voyagers attend. The material applies to all boaters — power and sail. It will be held at BCYC Feb. 28. Check the club website for information and to register.

I know, I know, you've been boating for years and haven't had any problems — YET. But picture this – you fall overboard without your life jacket half way back from Avalon. Does your crew know what to do next?

The SAS focuses on personal safety gear, man overboard recovery, emergency communication, and search and rescue. Stop taking chances. Every skipper and crew should sign up now!

US Sailing has also published an excellent checklist of safety equipment you should have on your boat, again power or sail. Click on the “US Sailing Safety Requirements” button on the BCYC Racing webpage and compare the list against what you actually have on your boat. Is your boat prepared?

Are you ready to race? The Doug Mills Series has started and the Bogart Race is at the end of March. Sign up.



**Port Captain**  
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*Resolving Problems,  
Providing Solutions*

Ahoy. I look forward to seeing you on the docks at BCYC in 2015. Please help keep Susie Brodrick, waterfront manager, or myself aware of any dock or dry storage issues. We are always looking for ways to better maintain and improve our facility.

Do you have a question regarding your yacht, including unresolved issues, anomalies, ongoing maintenance problems or repairs that still need fixing? How long do your batteries last when you need them? When is the last time

you discharged completely (on purpose), then recharged or equalized your house/inverter batteries?

I have over 50 years of power and sail yacht maintenance/repair, building/ commissioning and thousands of hours of sea time and delivery experience. As your port captain, I am here to assist if I can.

Please email me your questions and concerns and I will make every effort to get you an answer or provide a resource to assist you with your situation.



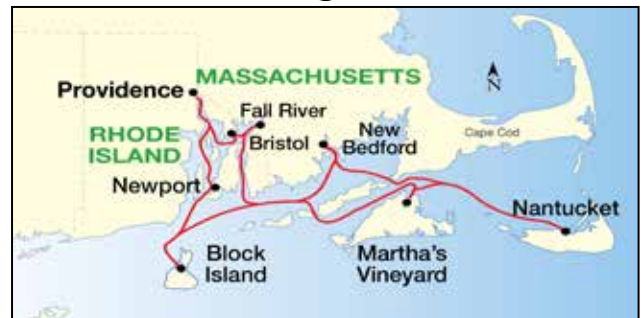
# Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club

## Enjoy Autumn in New England Next Year!

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Let us fill you in on the details. **February 5th 6 pm – Presentation in The Lounge**



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# Events

## NOT TO MISS



**VALENTINE'S DAY  
DINNER  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14**



**LAS COMMODORAS  
BOWERS MUSEUM  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19**



**COMMODORE'S  
BALL  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21**



**US SAILING  
SAFETY AT SEA  
SEMINAR  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28**



**HHYC  
LUNCH CRUISE  
SATURDAY, MARCH 14**



**SHOWBOAT  
WED-SAT, MARCH 25-28**

## FEBRUARY

Sunday, 8,15,22	Sunday Night Supper Club
Sunday, 1	Super Bowl Party
Thursday, 5	2016 Commodore's Cruise info meeting
Thursday, 5	Prime Rib Night (No Regular Menu)
Saturday, 7	SCYA Women's Sailing Convention
Saturday, 7	Mill's Series 2
Saturday, 14	Valentine's Day Dinner
Saturday, 14	HHYC Cruise Sign-Up
Wednesday, 18	Old Guys Lunch
Thursday, 19	Las Commodoras Bowers Museum
Saturday, 21	Commodore's Ball
Sat-Sun, 21-22	Mid-Winter Regatta
Saturday, 28	US Sailing Safety At Sea Seminar

## MARCH

Every Sunday!	Sunday Night Supper Club
Thursday, 5	Prime Rib Night (No Regular Menu)
Saturday, 7	Mill's Series 3
Saturday, 14	HHYC Lunch Cruise
Sunday, 15	Lorin Weiss 1
Wednesday, 18	Old Guys Lunch
Thursday, 19	Las Commodoras Fashion Show
Thursday, 19	Kick-Off for BCYC Leukemia Events with Gary Jobson
Wed-Sat, 25-28	Showboat
Saturday, 28	Seal Beach YC Cruise Sign-Up
Sat-Sun, 28-29	Bogart Race

### **MORE INFORMATION AT BCYC.ORG**

Please make reservations for all club events, as well as dining plans, at [BCYC.org](http://BCYC.org) or by calling the office at 949.644.9530.

Member Event: Regular member dining is not available / Columbia Room menu served until 5 p.m. To avoid a cancellation charge, reservations must be cancelled three (3) or more Club Open days prior to the Member Event (e.g. no later than the Wednesday before a Saturday Member Event).

Breakfast in the Columbia Room  
Every Saturday 8 - 11 a.m.

Omelet Express  
Every Sunday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Sunday Night Supper Club  
Every Sunday 5 - 8 p.m.