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OPENING DAY

APRIL 2021

From the Commodore

All Systems Go!

Spring is upon us and happily the voyage to normalcy seems to be getting smoother.

It was wonderful to be at the Club for Opening Day and although we were not able to celebrate in the traditional way, I enjoyed making the best of the situation and would like to thank Fleet Captain Anthony Agolia for organizing the day. The video of our ceremony is posted on the CYC YouTube channel, so please check it out if you have not already done so.

Although April is traditionally the start of our most eagerly awaited Sunset Series, we have decided to delay until the beginning of May. This will give us a small buffer to make sure we will be able to meet the protocols set by LA County and ensure the safety of our competitors and volunteers. Club leaders continue to devote significant time and effort to establish CYC's own protocols to manage members and guests competing out of CYC. Thank you to all those involved. Please check our website for the most up-to-date race schedule and protocols related to racing.

As we wait for our season to begin, I want to recognize our junior sailors who have been competing on the East Coast in Lasers, 420s, and the 29er at various events with great success. Thank you for representing CYC. This month we will see our youngest juniors head to the Opti Team Trials in Texas with Coach Manny Resano. Good luck to those competing.

Thank you to those who joined the first installment of Cocktails with the Commodore. Lara



Commodore Tim Clarke, Morgan, Madeleine, and Lara

and I thoroughly enjoyed it! The second installment will be April 17. This is a free BYO virtual cocktail event which will be hosted by me and my fellow Bridge members. We have a fun evening planned with games, trivia, and a great opportunity to catch up with friends.

I am thrilled to announce our Adult Learn to Sail Courses and private lessons have resumed. The lessons are for people of all levels, whether you're a beginner or just looking for a refresher. For more information, please email cyckeelboat@gmail.com.

Under the guidance of S/C Cheryl Mahaffey, our Strategic Planning Chair, we are building upon our 2019 Strategic Plan. In this ever-changing landscape we want to ensure that we are meeting the needs of our members and look forward to reporting our

findings in due course.

I've said before that our members are the most important part of CYC, but it's certainly been challenging to stay connected during the pandemic. However, with restrictions easing and more events now available alongside our delightful outside dining, I hope you'll seize the opportunity to connect with friends both new and old. As Commodore I have the honor of meeting all our new members (via Zoom) when they join CYC, and it has been energizing to hear why they chose to be a part of our wonderful Club. My dream, which hopefully will become a reality later this year, is to give our new and existing members the opportunity to come together in person for one big party!

I look forward to seeing you at the Club or on the water soon. ⚓

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Photo by Heather Janov

Grant Janov, coach Willie McBride, and Jordan Janov in the CYC parking lot before their departure to Miami



Photo by S/C Craig Leeds

Rowing



Photo by Stephanie Hathaway

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FRONT COVER Opening Day on March 13 proved to be a great day of friends and families reuniting under the sun.

Photo by Lauren Baker, Director of Membership and Marketing

BACK COVER Jordan (helm) and Grant (crew) show great form on their 49er. The brothers traveled to Miami with their coach, Willie McBride, for a month of skiff training and racing in Miami.

Photo by Willie McBride

February Training and Racing in Miami

By GRANT JANOV

Grant and Jordan Janov train on the 49er in Miami.

Photo by Willie McBride

There is no such thing as a typical day of training. No day has been the same as the last. The only constants include sailing as many hours as the body allows, eating as much food as the stomach permits, and talking about sailing at every moment in the day.

My brother, Jordan (15), and I (18) were in Miami for the month of February working with our coach, Willie McBride, training in the 49er FX, a 4.9-meter double-handed skiff, and sometimes in the 29er (the youth feeder boat for the 49er and most high-performance boats), in preparation for our goal of competing in the Olympics in 2028.

Our journey began with a non-stop trek from CYC with an ancient 49er on top of the car, and a coach boat on the back of the car. Stopping only for gas and caffeine, Willie and I split the seemingly endless drive while Jordan kept us awake when he could. The car ride truly began the trip: We formulated our campaign plan, talked about sailing, listened to podcasts with great sailors, and searched for Chipotle locations to stop at whenever they were near a gas station. After 40 hours, and a disappointing three stops at Chipotles across the country, we made it to US Sailing Center Miami and began putting together our boat. It took all day to clean the country off of the boat.

From then on, we sailed the living hell out of that boat. It lasted a mere 12 days before I stomped a very sizable crack in the deck, which forced us to gain some urgency in finding

a modern 49er.

About halfway through our stay in Florida, we paused from the 49er to do the Skiff Generation Grand Prix #5 regatta in the 29er. Jordan and I placed second out of 20 in the event, winning half of the races in the 10-race regatta, but making a few critical errors that left us one point out of first.

My happiest moment of the regatta came in Race 3, where Jordan and I were called OCS roughly 20 seconds after the start. We were so far up the course, we sailed down with the spinnaker to clear ourselves, and finally turned upwind several hundred yards behind the next boat. By the first weather mark, we had gained five boats. By the next mark, we had three more. We rounded the final weather mark around ninth place, and passed four more boats before the finish line to take fifth place, only a matter of seconds behind the leaders. I didn't really care about the other boats; I was overjoyed to have been able to bring the best out of my little brother in a very frustrating situation, as we witnessed all of the other boats sail away from us. When we began to fight through the fleet, I saw just how much we had grown from the racing that we had done just a year before. There were very few obstacles in our path that could break us as a team.

The last race included a match race between us and the winner of the event, where both teams rounded in nearly last place around the first weather mark and worked their way through half of the fleet.



Jordan (helm) and brother Grant (crew) race the 29er.

While it was disappointing to have lost the event, Jordan and I kept our eyes on the bigger picture. It would have been nice to have won the event, but we left with a valuable experience that will better prepare us for more important regattas in the future. We took two days to rest and began sailing the 49er again.

After this event, we had planned on sailing eight hours in a day (four in the morning, four in the evening), but a weather system rolled through Miami, where we sailed in some of the most frightening conditions we could possibly handle. Our ambitions were cut short by the difficulty of sailing in 20+ knots of breeze, and we called it a day at five hours when our training partner fell through his mainsail after wiping out (funnily enough, Jordan was the last person to have fallen through that very sail).

By the end of our Miami adventure, we completed 70-80 hours of sailing, only to return to the water within a couple days of making it back to California.

The trip has become so much more to me than the sailing I have done. Sure, Jordan and I improved throughout this block of time, making maneuvers that are actually race-ready and getting comfortable strapping ourselves in this beast of a boat, but the really important part, in my mind, is that this experience helped us grow as people. Jordan and I have become a really strong team on our boat, and spending a full month together may have seemed like a daunting task for two siblings, but we have only gotten better at bringing out the best in each other. That is not even mentioning the strength of the three of us, as our coach has also essentially spent all of his time with us. We have become a well-oiled machine, supporting each other when we need to achieve our goals, while also making sure that alone time is respected. On top of that, this trip has provided me with the opportunity to make acquaintances (in a COVID-safe manner) with the people I got to meet at the Sailing Center. While occupancy is limited, there are some truly interesting people that you can find, some people that cherish the sport for the right reasons.

After having been through this experience, there are things



The Janov brothers (sail #2634) start one of the races at the the 20-boat Skiff Generation Grand Prix #5, held February 13-15 in Miami.

that would need to be changed so that we can do it again in the future, but for an even longer period of time. I learned just how important it is to have friends and/or family to live with. I have my parents to thank for this beautiful experience, and I also have them to thank for allowing us to be away from them for so long without complaint. While the circumstances made it too challenging for the whole family to travel, it would have been a more emotionally comforting experience to have my parents with me.

The school aspect, on the other hand, has not been simple. In our hotel room, typically one of us is working on the couch and the other at a small table. We do our schoolwork when we are not sailing and have not had to slow our sailing progress because of it, but doing schoolwork makes it nearly impossible to rest properly.

All in all, the time that we have spent in Miami was not always the most enjoyable, but I am confident that the three of us have left our trip with an unforgettable experience in life, that resulted in many sailing stories and funny experiences that came along with learning how to live by ourselves and learning how to live outside the comfort of a routine, and the comfort of our home. ⚓



Grant and Jordan placed second in the Skiff Generation Grand Prix #5 and won \$305.

Photos courtesy of Skiff Generation



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April 9-11

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Moderator: SEO Donna Petersen

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"CYC Singles Next Generation" mingle.

RSVP and more information:

Linda at 310-804-8158 or Istandaart@live.com

Friday, April 16

7 p.m. - 8 p.m.



Topanga Race Report

By JAMES CORR

The second event in Del Rey YC's single-/double-handed series, the Topanga Race on February 6, promised perfect conditions. Having just finalized our rating and sail number the week prior it was our first official race.

Starting the race proved less than ideal, however. We were slightly delayed getting out to the line; sail trim issues and a vague plan to situate ourselves on the committee boat end of the line saw us start in the back half of the fleet. Luckily, CYC's Daniel Murphy and Rob Dekker on *Cuchulainn* didn't punish us too badly for our less than ideal position. From there on it was a battle to find breeze and pull in the rest of the class.

We noticed most of our fleet being pulled in toward the beach well short of Topanga so we felt we were better off staying as far out as possible once we could maintain a reasonable pace. Shortly after we tacked out and I handed over the helm to my crewmate, Simon Jones, the wind shut off on us completely.

While we critiqued my latest call, Simon worked very hard to keep any sort of momentum going with the wind shifting 30-40 degrees at times. Luckily, the breeze filled back in for us earlier than the rest of the fleet. This put us third around the mark just behind eventual class winner, *Andiamo*. Our plan to pull them in downwind was short lived so we focused on sailing our own race. The light wind conditions were punishing CYC's Scott Torrance on *Forgiveness* and we managed to slip past on the approach to the finish. Overall good result – second out of 17 boats in our class – and a great race.

James Corr races his Fareast 28R, Darkside, double-handed along the coast of Santa Monica Bay.



Marylyn Ritchie Trophy

By Vice Commodore MONICA ANTOLA

This month I want to feature our big summer perpetual trophy that is awarded at the end of the Sunset Series each season. While the Sunset Series was canceled last year, we remain hopeful and excited that we will be back to racing in 2021.

The Sunset Series originated in 1932 when CYC was still located at its original site in the Los Angeles Harbor area of Wilmington. The format was a weekly regatta during the summer months and a wide variety of boats entered, including smaller dinghies. In the 1940s, CYC's Wilmington clubhouse was taken over by the U.S. Coast Guard. Unfortunately, due to the Coast Guard occupation, the CYC clubhouse took a hiatus and the original version of the Sunset Series came to an end.

CYC reinvigorated the Sunset Series when it moved to Marina del Rey in the 1960s. 29 boats entered the first Sunset Series race on Thursday, April 30, 1964. The following year, more than 80 entries representing 12 yacht clubs were out racing and enjoying the CYC hospitality. In the late 1960s, the Sunset Series was moved from Thursday nights to Wednesday nights, where it remains today. 1967 marked the first year that spinnakers were allowed in the Sunset Series, though only outside of the Marina del Rey harbor – the same rule is in effect today.

Then, off to the races, as they say. In 1976 another significant turning point in the history of the Sunset Series occurred with the introduction of the Marylyn Ritchie Trophy which is awarded to the boat with the best record for the entire season. The trophy's namesake was a constant contributor to CYC and the race committee with her powerboat, *Bobber II* frequently used as the signal boat.

The Marylyn Ritchie Trophy is awarded annually to the boat with the best overall record in the Sunset Series. Points are awarded each week to every boat and the boat with the most points at the end of the series in September is the winner of the Marylyn Ritchie Trophy. Since 1997 this trophy has been awarded to the best boat in the Racing Division (handicap and one-design boats).



Photo by David Piper

Marylyn Ritchie Trophy Winners

- 2019 - *Avet*, Curt Johnson
- 2018 - *Avet*, Curt Johnson
- 2017 - *Scooter*, Liz Hjorth
- 2016 - *Avet*, Curt Johnson
- 2015 - *Scooter*, Liz Hjorth
- 2014 - *Avet*, Curt Johnson
- 2013 - *Lizzie B*, Dick Hampikian
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- 2006 - *Lizzie B*, Dick Hampikian
- 2005 - *Clockwork*, Marc Skipwith
- 2004 - *Cuvee Caliente*, Mahaffey family
- 2003 - *Lizzie B*, Dick Hampikian
- 2002 - *Raccoon Shack*, Mahaffey family
- 2001 - *Bandit*, Cheda / Thomas / Fleck
- 2000 - *Bandit*, Cheda / Thomas / Fleck
- 1999 - *Ole Yeller*, Lee Lewis
- 1998 - *Margaritaville*, Jay Steinbeck
- 1997 - *Pendragon*, John MacLaurin
- 1996 - *Pendragon*, John MacLaurin
- 1995 - *White Knight*, Philip Friedman
- 1994 - *Arana*, John Carroll
- 1993 - *Top Sort*, M. Russert/R. Landell
- 1992 - *I'll Go*, Don Preston
- 1991 - *Blarney*, Craig Yandow
- 1990 - *Shenandoah*, McCann/Tunks
- 1989 - *Walrus*, Blomquist / Stolnitz / Trippel
- 1988 - *Gremlin*, The Kelley family
- 1987 - *Thumper*, S. Stolnitz / J. Morris
- 1986 - *Avenger*, M. Guccione / J. Peterka / B. Hall
- 1985 - *Pacific High*, Steve Hathaway
- 1984 - *Wings*, P. Isler / L. Shabes / W. Cogan
- 1983 - *Shenandoah*, O. McCann / R. Brown
- 1982 - *Su-Dy IV*, Lockton / Lockton / Hedlund
- 1981 - *Orion*, C. Lee / J. Stinson
- 1980 - *Dead Earnest*, Leweck family
- 1979 - *Su-Dy IV*, A. Lockton III / A. Lockton IV
- 1978 - *Lollipop*, Tom Leweck
- 1977 - *Sunny*, John Simms
- 1976 - *Woomera*, Ken Young ⚓

What CYC Means to Me



COMMODORE TIM CLARKE
Member since 2009

During my almost 13 years as a member I have been rewarded with great friendships and the opportunity to enjoy many of the Club's activities. I initially joined for the racing but as my life changed the Club has continued to offer me and my family opportunities to stay engaged and experience new activities.

My highlight of the CYC calendar continues to be our Wednesday Night Sunset Series, giving us the opportunity to get out on the water and enjoy the company of our members post-racing. For the last few years, I've been chartering one of the Club's Martin 242s through the Keelboat Program which has been very easy and thoroughly enjoyable.

As a family with young children, we continue to enjoy the events hosted by the Family Activities Committee and getting out on the water, whether a day sail in Santa Monica Bay or cruising to Catalina.

Our community is the heart of California Yacht Club and I feel lucky to be a part of it!



VICE COMMODORE MONICA ANTOLA
Member since 2005

CYC has been an integral part of my life for the past 23 years and counting. While I am a fifth generation Angelino, I did not grow up sailing at CYC. My sailing began at summer camp with Sierra Ski and Pack Club learning how to sail Sunfish out of Mother's Beach. While I had chartered catamarans in the Caribbean and sailed with friends over the years, the sailing bug did not bite me until I returned to Los Angeles from Colorado in 1998. Upon my return to L.A., I found myself looking for a way to meet new people with common interests. A friend's boyfriend asked me if I knew how to sail and told me about the Sunset Series at CYC. So off I went on a Wednesday afternoon to try to find a boat to go racing on. With a six pack of beer in hand I figured I was off to a good start and found a ride quickly. The rest, as they say, is history. Racing became an integral part of my life and as I became more active in the racing scene, I knew I wanted and needed to be part of a yacht club. CYC was in my mind as the standout choice for racing and running regattas and, in 2005, I joined.



CHRISTINE PERAKIS
Member since 2005

California Yacht Club was a life-changing experience for me. When I got my first blue-water cruising boat, I was in way over my head. It was Commodore Bill Petersen who took me under his wing, helping me to find a nearly impossible-to-get-at-the-time slip, and a home at CYC, volunteering with him as Race Chair for the Sanguinetti regatta, the start of many fun volunteering activities that helped me make my way at the Club and make many new friends. It was always a wonder to find so many kind and willing volunteers to help me run the 16-week Sunstroke Series, and assist the Sail Committee Chairs for many years in myriad ways.

Returning to L.A. after being away for a number of years, it had been some time since I had been yacht racing. CYC also helped me to meet and befriend the many excellent skippers and boat owners who are members and gave me the opportunity to join them as crew, including such illustrious sailors as S/C Alice Leahey, S/C Steve Curran, S/C Bill Petersen, Alan Field, David Voss, and many others.

Opening Day: Keep Calm and Sail On

By Fleet Captain ANTHONY AGOLIA

Opening Day on March 13 proved to be a great day of friends and families reuniting under the sun in hope of a summer that resumes normal Club activities as permitted by L.A. County.

In lieu of a traditional Opening Day, Commodore Tim Clarke and his Bridge created an Opening Day video that was released on March 13 and available to view by members and the Southern California yachting community as a whole. We had a great time making it and hope you enjoy it.

Being at the Club was a great opportunity for many of our members to see the wide variety of improvements done during the last year, including the revamped Junior Clubhouse, outdoor dining facilities, the new Liveaboard Lounge, and a variety of cozy seating areas with fire pits that were placed around the Club, providing more options than ever to enjoy CYC's outdoor space.

Slip holders were invited to dress ship and the entire outdoor area was festooned in traditional Opening Day decor, which definitely added to the celebratory mood. Port Captain Sue Service was in charge of drawing a winner from among the dressed ships on the finger with the highest percentage of dressed ships. The winner of the \$100 CYC gift card was S/C Anne Sacks, owner of *Artana*.

Chef Fabio created a special menu offering platters that had members mix and match sandwiches, salads, and desserts for delivery to slips enabling families and close friends to dine on their boats in a safe environment. From the reactions of the members, we may need to do this more often!

The one tradition that occurred as usual was Master at Arms Scott Jarema officiating the Evening Colors ceremony, which was held on both Saturday and Sunday and was well attended by the Bridge, Staff Commodores, management, and members. It's always great to hear the cannon echo across the harbor.

With 2020 behind us, we look forward to the resumption of normal and while we wait we'll heed Commodore Clarke's advice to "Keep Calm and Sail On!" 🚢





Photos by Larry Estrin and Lauren Baker, Director of Membership and Marketing

EASTER BRUNCH

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Saturday, April 17 at 7 p.m.

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Saturday, April 17

11 a.m.

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Rowing Update: Training, Time Trials, and Land Rowing

By S/C CRAIG LEEDS, Head Rowing Coach

With rowers diligently training for a full year without a regatta to showcase their speed, CYC has been finding alternatives which serve as preparation for when regattas are possible again. Our February 28 time trial was one alternative. With very strong winds leading into the day, threatening cancellation of the event, we were blessed by the wind gods and were able to run our 1,500-meter time trials in Ballona Creek. Another club was going to race but the predicted winds kept them home. We were all happy the event was able to go forward.

CYC's Saturday rowing class, ably taught and assisted by instructor Luke Holscher, continues with 16-20 participants at 1:30 p.m. on the Club's front lawn. The next six-week land rowing session begins March 20. The cost is \$90 for six classes. Sign up by contacting S/C Craig Leeds at caleeds@pacbell.net. ⚓



Photo by Luke Holscher

Iva Obradovic (bow) and CYC's Howard Ruby (stern); their bow number pays homage to Howard's age, 86.

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February Online Epicurean Adventure

By PETER WEBSTER and LAURA GREENBURG, Epicurean Co-chairs

When your fearless Epicurean Co-chairs were asked to consider a Zoom-based Epicurean event, we were less than enthusiastic. We had imagined our work would focus on in-person events as soon as the Club reopens, but our wise Fleet Council suggested we do SOMETHING meaningful with wine and food that we might all sample remotely. Our parents' "Oh, ye of little faith!" rang in our ears, so we pushed on. Our wonderful General Manager, Lindsay Pizarro, had the fine idea of asking Iron Horse Vineyards in Sonoma to consider a kind of romantic Valentine's theme with sparkling wines and some food from Chef Fabio. Well, the rest was history and what a history it was.



S/C Bill Petersen and Donna

Photos courtesy of Laura Greenburg

Our first 2021 Epicurean adventure occurred remotely on February 26 with an engaging Zoom conversation with Joy Sterling, partner and CEO at Iron Horse Vineyards. Chef Fabio and Joy collaborated beforehand and put together a wine and food pairing that the 28 participants will not soon forget.



Some of our members actually dressed up for this Zoom event. We sampled a lovely unoaked chardonnay and two of the winery's more outstanding sparkling wines. Iron Horse even included a couple of cool wine stoppers to preserve bubbles for the next day (if needed).

Members picked up two large baskets of food and wine at the Club and retreated to their home-centered, digital devices to see what would happen. The boxes included a tour de force of food from Chef including a generous charcuterie board with yummy meats and cheeses, special popcorn—yes popcorn—crab cakes with an outstanding amount of crab and hardly any filler, and a lavish chocolate cake dessert that demanded just a bit of ice cream from the freezer. As if that

were not enough, Chef included an outstanding smoked salmon, bagel, and cream cheese delight for next day's breakfast. Most of us woke to this great bonus with perhaps a bit of leftover bubbly that topped off this event like nothing we have had before for an Epicurean event.

Joy was a marvelous presenter, a self-proclaimed Ph.D. holder of bubbly wine wisdom that was most welcomed. We had a rich discussion and interacted together just like a remote class anxious to learn more. If this is any indication of what is to come in Epicurean adventures at the Club, we are in store for quite a year. Mark your calendars for the scheduled gatherings in May and December! 🍷



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Emergency Communications System in Operation at CYC

By CHARLES PASCAL, RAG Chair

If you asked one of our new members if they've heard of Winlink, many would probably say no. Some might ask what's a Winlink?

Winlink is a communications system controlled by amateur radio operators which can provide emergency communications during disasters or emergencies. The Winlink station is located at our Club's radio room.

The Radio Amateur Group recommended the Club invest in a shortwave communications system which would serve a dual purpose. This system was Winlink. It can provide email communications to cruisers who don't have access to the Internet while on cruises anywhere in the world. It can also be used during emergencies when the Internet is not accessible to the general public. The extreme snow storm recently experienced in Texas is an excellent example of when this type of communications system can be used.

The Red Cross is now conducting joint operations with Winlink amateur operators to provide needed assistance during a disaster. In February the national newsletter sent by the American Radio Relay League, which is the official organization for amateur radio, had this to say about Winlink's performance in Texas:

"ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES®) and American Red Cross volunteers joined forces in Texas under the ARRL/Red Cross memorandum of understanding in responding to the situation resulting from unseasonably frigid weather. 'We made a special effort to use Winlink email over radio to get reports of infrastructure problems and unmet needs

[and to] communicate information about warming centers,' said Kevin McCoy, a regional director of the Red Cross, adding that Winlink operators provided the most valuable contribution in the disaster response."

Winlink is a digitally operated shortwave system, which combines shortwave radio with the Internet through the use of computers that can operate off the power grid. Winlink doesn't need the Internet infrastructure to send emergency traffic. It is that benefit which makes this system so valuable during times of limited communication.

Established in 2000, Winlink was the creation of several Qualcomm engineers who wanted to build a network of emergency communications stations which could provide communications when the Internet wasn't functioning.

In 2004, past Chair Scott Stolz, Robert Pack, and a group of dedicated RAG members installed the Winlink equipment at CYC. Since then, CYC's Winlink station has been in continuous operation, providing email communications to cruisers during times of non-emergency.

In 2011, the Winlink system received its first major test providing emergency communications following the Fukushima nuclear disaster in Japan. Winlink has provided emergency communications during 50 major world-classified emergencies.

Winlink is available to all licensed amateur operators. This system can be accessed by members of the Club through our Radio Amateur Group. If you are a licensed ham, contact a member of RAG to learn about Winlink. ⚡

"Love in the Time of Cholera": A Sentimental Story about the Enduring Power of True Love

By HANK TOLES, Happy Hour Book Club Chair

"El amor en los tiempos del cólera" is a novel by Colombian Nobel Prize-winning author Gabriel Garcia Marquez. Originally published in Spanish, the novel has been translated into multiple languages. The book is set mainly in an unnamed port city somewhere near the Caribbean Sea beginning about 1880 and spanning some 50 years.

The main characters of the novel are Florentino Ariza and Fermina Daza, who fall in love in their youth. They exchange love letters, but once Fermina's father, Lorenzo, finds out about the two, he commands his daughter to immediately stop seeing Florentino. When she doesn't, Lorenzo forces his daughter to move far away to another city. Regardless of the distance, Fermina and Florentino continue to communicate via

"Hamnet," a Novel of the Plague, by Maggie O'Farrell

By SUSAN FRENCH, Book Mates Chair

Hamnet, Shakespeare's son, died at age 11, leaving an enormous hole in the lives of his mother, Agnes, and twin sister, Judith. Throughout the rest of their lives, they continue to look for his presence. In this fictionalized account, author Maggie O'Farrell paints a sympathetic portrait of Agnes as a devoted mother, accomplished healer, and sometime psychic. After the birth of his three children, Shakespeare, who is always referred to as "he" or "the father" or other description, but never by name, goes off to London to pursue his theatrical career. Although he returns to Agnes and the children occasionally, he always goes back to London. Agnes refuses to join him there because she worries about the health of the children, particularly Judith, who has been sickly since she was born.

O'Farrell challenges the traditional view, fueled by the fact that they had no more children and he remained in London, that Shakespeare and his wife were estranged. Instead, she portrays them as deeply committed to each other, kept apart only by his need to be in London and her unwillingness to expose the children to the city's rampant filth and disease. Shakespeare provides amply for the family, buying them a large house, and investing in substantial land holdings in the surrounding area.

Marylyn Hoenemeyer led us in a very interesting

discussion of the book with a series of insightful questions, including why the author chose not to use Shakespeare's name. Was it to keep the focus on Agnes? To avoid direct comparisons to "Hamlet," the play? To make it a more universal story about the resilience of family? Lots of ideas were offered. Agnes'

psychic abilities and healing prowess drew varying reactions from the group. Some found them unconvincing and distracting, others found them appealing. In one particularly interesting scene a doctor appeared at the house wearing the bird-beak mask typical during episodes of the plague to deliver a dead toad that was to be placed on the chest of the invalid, contrasting with Agnes' healing approach that used medicinal plants.

Most, but not all, of the participants liked the book, which seems particularly relevant in this time of our pandemic. The themes of separation and loss resonate across the centuries from 17th century England to 2021 in Los Angeles.

Book Mates meets on the first Thursday of the month. Our April 1 book is "This Tender Land," by William Kent Krueger, which will be moderated by SEO Donna Petersen. On May 6, SEO Norma Pratt will lead our discussion of "A Long Petal of the Sea," by Isabel Allende.

If you are interested in joining Book Mates, please email french@law.ucla.edu. ✚

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telegraph. Two years later, upon her return, Fermina realizes her relationship with Florentino was nothing but a childish fantasy.

Fermina meets and eventually marries Dr. Juvenal Urbino, a young and accomplished national hero. Florentino swears to stay faithful and wait for Fermina, but promiscuity gets the better of him and he has many, many affairs. Even with all of this, Florentino tries to make sure that Fermina will never find out. Years pass. Then, as an elderly man, Juvenal attempts to get his pet parrot out of his huge mango tree, only to fall off ladder. He dies. After the funeral Florentino proclaims his love for Fermina once again and tells her he has remained faithful to her all these years. Hesitant at first because she is a recent widow, Fermina comes to recognize Florentino's wisdom and maturity, eventually giving him a second chance. Their love blossoms

during their old age and they now attempt a life together, having lived two separate lives for more than five decades.

Our lively discussion for the most part concentrated on the culture in Latin America and its caste system. We also spent time discussing the various meanings of the word "cholera" and discussing various smells of individuals, in various stages of life. To summarize, the group found the book a complex but excellent read.

Starting in April and for the duration of Sunset Series, we will meet on Thursdays. Our April 15 book is "A Street Cat Named Bob," by James Bowen, a heartwarming story of the lifesaving friendship between a man and his streetwise cat. Sue Moore will moderate. Our May 13 book and moderator are TBD. If you are interested in joining the Happy Hour Book Club, send an email to Hank Toles at hmt@toles.org.

Balloon Fishing Contest Winner

“My wife, Julie, and I were out cruising in the bay on our boat, *Zuzu*, when we saw a shiny object ahead of us. As we approached it, we realized it was an oversized partially deflated foil balloon. As we reached the balloon and removed it from the water we saw another, then another, and in a few minutes had collected nine balloons. Every little effort makes a difference!”

– Yehuda Elmakias

Bounty for the member bringing in the most disabled balloons off our bay is a dinner for two at the Club. Send a photo of your catch to the Dock Office for consideration. One prize will be awarded each month. ⚓



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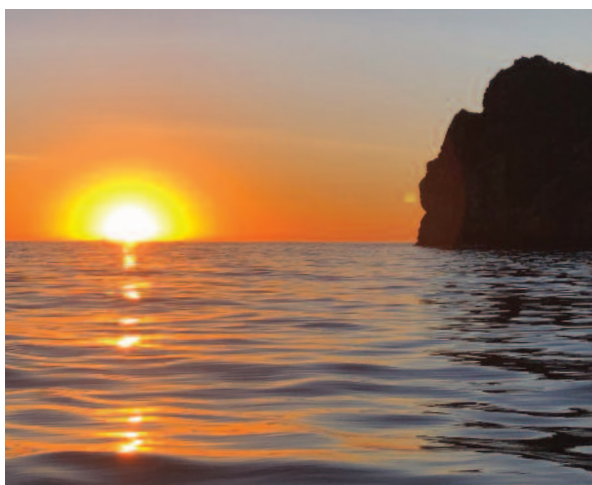
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On-the-Water Photo Contest Winner



Drew Baldwin took this sunset photo of Stephanie and CYC President Steve Hathaway with Fred Ryan in silhouette on January 16 at Lobster Point, Cat Harbor. Catalina remains a popular year-round getaway destination for CYC members.

Congratulations, Drew, on winning a bottle of fine wine selected by General Manager Lindsay Pizarro.



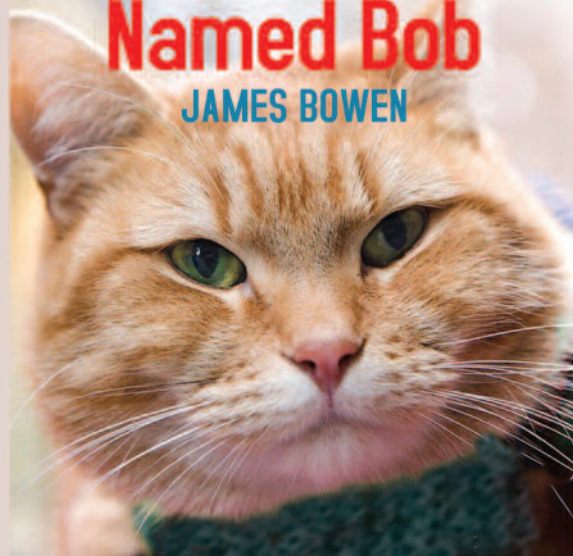
At the same time that Drew took his contest-winning photo, CYC President Steve Hathaway got a different perspective of the sunset from the dinghy.

HAPPY HOUR BOOK CLUB

Thursday, April 15 at 6 p.m.

A Street Cat Named Bob

JAMES BOWEN



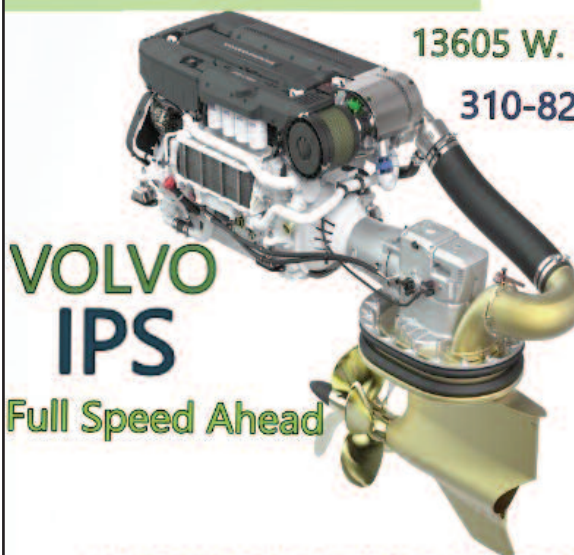
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From the Manager

Tangerine

As I write this article in early March, I am focusing on the color orange – the most vibrant and cheery color orange, like tangerine. Why? Because I am envisioning that when you read this in April, Los Angeles County is in the orange tier. According to the California Department of Public Health's "Blueprint for a Safer Economy," (available at www.cdph.ca.gov) in the orange tier some indoor business operations may open with modifications, meaning the clubhouse is open and limited indoor dining has begun. Perhaps mixed households can mingle outdoors and masked sailors are racing again. So, forget spring cleaning this April ... it is finally time to get out of our Zoom loungewear, brush up on our in-person social skills, and get ready to (safely) mingle and celebrate the color orange!

With (we hope!) reopening and relaxed protocols, we are



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excited to welcome your guests and are ready for membership referrals. First we want to ask, whom have you missed seeing during the stay-at-home order? How can we help you invite them to CYC? We are rolling out a new membership referral program. Contact Lauren Baker, Director of Membership and Marketing, for program specifics.

At this writing, gatherings are still limited to same households with a maximum of six people per table, so we have modified CYC's Easter Sunday celebration on April 4. Reservations are required, diners must be of the same household with six guests or fewer. In addition to à la carte brunch items, we are offering a family style menu available for four and six people. Please pre-order this special menu, it will include favorite CYC Easter brunch items such as caviar deviled eggs and lamb chops.

Happy spring, I look forward to seeing you at the Club! ♡

Storage Area Cleanup Coming – Unregistered Items Will Be Removed

For years, a vast inventory of Sabots, kayaks, paddleboards, masts, spinnaker poles, battens, and Lasers has been accumulating along the fence separating the guest parking lot and the locker storage area. Many of these items are unused and unkempt.

Any inventory not registered with the Dock Office will be
confiscated and disposed of on June 30.

The small craft currently registered will be relocated elsewhere or consolidated on one rack.

If you have assets in this storage area, or want to make sure you are properly registered and being billed correctly, please visit the Dock Office and speak to Assistant Dockmaster Daniel Collier or me so we may further assist you and answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you and we look forward to providing a cleaner and more efficient storage area.

Curtis Wagner
Dockmaster

Daniel Collier
Assistant Dockmaster

LASER TAG ON THE CYC LAWN

Hosted by the Family Activities Committee

Saturday, May 15 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. (ages 9 - 14)



In need of some quiet time?
Come enjoy a nice dinner
at the Club while your kids
play laser tag!

**Enjoy dinner, dessert,
and refreshments for
only \$20++ per child.**

Visit the front desk or call 310-823-4567 to
make your reservations by Wednesday, May 12.

Always check Zephyr and calyachtclub.com for the most current event information.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
APRIL HIGHLIGHTS 4 Easter Brunch 9-11 Shoreline Yacht Club Cruise 13 Dave Perry Racing Rules Webinar 15 1040 Dinner 17 Cocktails with the Commodore 21 Sunset Series Seminar 23 CYCWA Virginia Robinson Gardens Tour				Women's Paddle Tennis 1 Mah Jongg Fleet Council Mtg. Book Mates	2	Pickleball 3 Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis Keelboat Program and Adult Learn to Sail Course #1
4 Passover ends Easter Sunday Easter Brunch Pickleball	Club Closed 5 Evening Pickleball	Club Closed 6 Women's Paddle Tennis	Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis 7 Bridge Club	Women's Paddle Tennis 8 Mah Jongg CYCWA Board Mtg. Jr. Comm. Mtg. Sail Comm. Mtg.	9	Pickleball 10 Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis Shoreline Yacht Club Cruise Keelboat Program and Adult Learn to Sail Course #1
11 Shoreline Yacht Club Cruise Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis Pickleball	Club Closed 12 Evening Pickleball	Club Closed 13 Women's Paddle Tennis Dave Perry Racing Rules Webinar	14 Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis Art Aficionados Bridge Club	Women's Paddle Tennis 15 Mah Jongg 1040 Dinner Happy Hour Book Club	16	Pickleball 17 MD Paddle Tennis Keelboat Program and Adult Learn to Sail Course #1 Cocktails with the Commodore
18 Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis Knit or Knot Pickleball	Club Closed 19 Evening Pickleball	Club Closed 20 Women's Paddle Tennis	21 Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis Bridge Club Sunset Series Seminar	Women's Paddle Tennis 22 Mah Jongg Fam. Activities Comm. Mtg.	23	Pickleball 24 Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis Keelboat Program and Adult Learn to Sail Course #1
25 Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis Pickleball	Club Closed 26 Evening Pickleball	Club Closed 27 Women's Paddle Tennis	28 Mixed Doubles Paddle Tennis Art Aficionados Bridge Club	Women's Paddle Tennis 29 Mah Jongg Bridge Mtg. New Member Mtg.	30	Breeze Deadline
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