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From the Commodore



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Commodore Tim Clarke (second from right) competes at CYC's J/70 World Championship.

Putting the "S" into SAILING

This month's column is going to be slightly sailing-centric, as we have a lot to celebrate and even more to look forward to. If your attitude is ailing, just add an "S" and life will feel better.

Given the challenges that we've continued to face in 2021, it's been a wonderful summer, at the Club and out on the water. In the CYC world of racing, we've wrapped up our Wednesday night Sunset Series, with our top finishers competing in the King of the Hill and for the first time the Cruising Class were invited to compete for top honors in their own Cruising Championship. The Sunset Series is a staple for the racers in Marina del Rey and hosting this regatta again has meant a great deal to us all.

August saw the conclusion of the exceptional J/70 World Championship. As a competitor I was in the lucky position of being able to enjoy, firsthand, all the effort and planning that made the event so successful both on and off the water. It made me very proud to receive so many compliments from competitors about our Club, its members, and all the hardworking staff. A special mention goes to the Janov brothers (Ryan, Grant, and Jordan) sailing *Threatening Minors*, who were top CYC boat, finishing 15th overall and first in the One-Pro Division.

CYC's focus on women's sailing and racing continued with a fabulous performance at the Women on the Water/Women at the Helm (WOW/WAH) regatta. CYC teams swept the perpetual trophies, winning the WOW, WAH, and Martin 242 divisions, with the Club winning a special award for the most entries. Women's sailing remained the focus in September, with CYC and Santa Monica Windjammers YC jointly hosting Southern

California Yachting Association (SCYA) Women's Boating Event. If you missed out on these events or want to build on the skills you learnt, we are hosting a Women's Racing Clinic in early November using the Club's Martin 242s. Keep an eye on *Zephyr* for more details.

October is challenge month and once again CYC have been invited to compete in the Linda Elias Memorial Women's One Design Challenge (LEMWOD), the International Masters Regatta, and the Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Cup Regatta. It's a tremendous honor to be invited back to these events year in year out and I wish all our teams the very best of luck.

Last month I was excited to announce the revived Junior vs. Senior Bridge Challenge. This month I'm not so excited to announce the results ... the short story is the Senior Bridge lost. Congratulations to Junior Commodore Grant Janov and his team, we'll get you next year.

A recent highlight for me was the Junior Awards Banquet. This annual event allows us to celebrate all those Juniors who participated in the program during the year and applaud the recipients of our perpetual trophies. This year was even more meaningful as I was able to congratulate my daughters Madeleine and Morgan. Well done to all our Juniors.

Lastly, it's with great pleasure that I announce Rory Mach as the nominee for Port Captain in 2022. Rory brings a wealth of knowledge and passion and is sure to be a great asset to CYC in the years to come. Congratulations Rory.

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

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J/70 World Championship



Optimist West Coast Championship



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FRONT COVER After several years of planning including a year-long postponement, 61 J/70s representing 11 countries competed in the J/70 World Championship August 11-15, hosted by CYC. Fifteen-year-old Jordan Janov (sail 383, *Threatening Minors*) was CYC's top competitor, winning the One-Pro Division and placing 15th overall.

Photo by © Christopher Howell

BACK COVER Allie Blecher was one of three skippers out of a total of seven CYC women who raced in the U.S. Women's Match Racing Championship, hosted by San Diego YC August 20-22. Allie's team placed fourth out of ten teams.

Image courtesy San Diego Yacht Club and Mark Albertazzi

Balloon Fishing Contest Winner

By CURTIS WAGNER,
Dockmaster

New members **Mary Gaughan** and **David Whitcroft** were returning from a long weekend at Howland's Landing in late August and caught six balloons: four "It's a Girl!," one "Happy First Birthday!," and one "basketball." Quite a celebratory haul!

Bounty for the member bringing in the most disabled balloons off our bay is dinner for two at the Club. Send a photo of your catch to Dockmaster Curtis Wagner at dockmaster@calyachtclub.net or contact the Dock Office. One prize will be awarded each month.



Burgee Travels



Staff Commodore Bill Moore (far left) and **Sue** (back row, center) were guests of John and Penny Barr on Mackinac Island, Michigan in August for a wardroom reunion of the USS Warrington (DD-843). The group posed for a photo in front of the Mackinac Island YC where they had Sunday brunch. The Barr's horses and carriages transported the group to and from the yacht club.

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California Cup - The Early Days

By Port Captain SUE SERVICE

The early 1960s were a time of tremendous growth in recreational boating in Southern California. Santa Monica had several boatyards and there was a crane on the Santa Monica pier for launching and retrieving boats. Work on the creation of Marina del Rey was in high gear at that time, with the harbor formally dedicated in 1965. CYC began operations at its current locale in 1966, but starting in 1963 they were an active club at the site of the present-day Marina del Rey Hotel. It was at that location that CYC began hosting the prestigious California Cup Regatta.

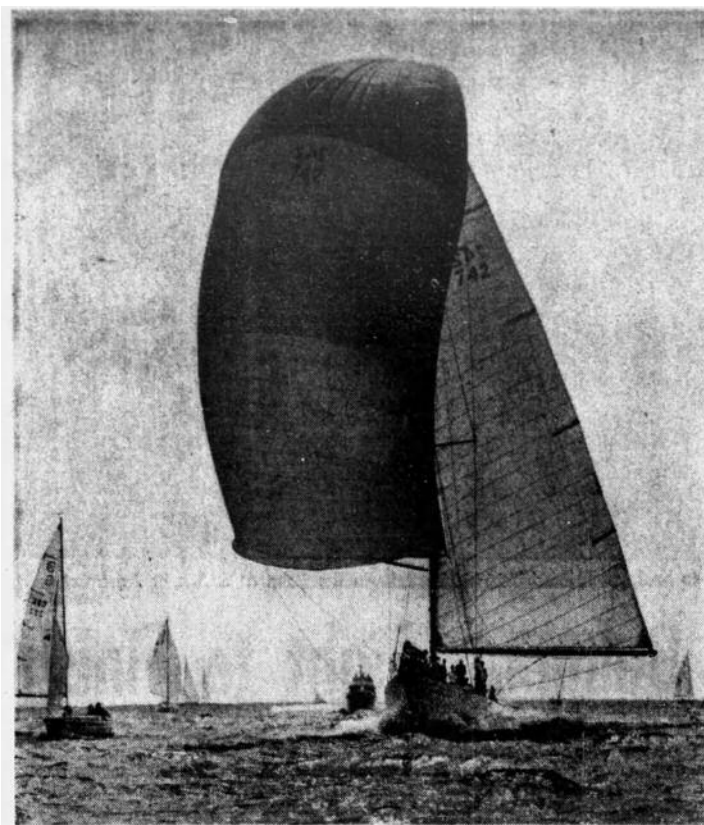
The first Cal Cup regatta, held in October of 1963, was a one-design fleet race in 10-meters. The winner, *Coquille*, skippered by Walter Podolak, swept all three races. Podolak also owned and raced *Angelita*, the 8-meter that Owen Churchill skippered to a gold medal victory in the 1932 Olympics. The year after winning the inaugural California Cup, Podolak partnered with Thomas Patrick Dougan, who had purchased *Columbia*, the 12-meter that won the 1958 America's Cup, to mount a campaign to compete in the 1964 America's Cup defender trials in Rhode Island that summer.

Podolak was to skipper *Columbia* in the trials, and it would be the first time a West Coast team had competed for this prestigious trophy. However, *Columbia* was unsuccessful in her bid and Dougan brought her back to Southern California, where *Columbia* competed in the third Cal Cup in 1965 and many other southland regattas. Ironically, Walter Podolak died at the helm of *Coquille* in the fall of 1964, racing from Newport to Long Beach.

The second California Cup, in October of 1964, was also a fleet race format. CYC member Bill Rogers was crew aboard one of the entrants, *Hanalei*, owned and skippered by fellow member Hayes McLellan. The regatta was held in the Cal 40, a very popular ocean racing one-design fleet. Bill remembers that competition in the regatta was very intense, and coming into the last race any one of three boats, including *Hanalei*, could have won. Before the start of that last race, the race committee asked the boats to come within hail to verbally announce a new course – the organizers wanted the boats to finish inside the harbor, near what is currently the CYC guest dock, under full spinnaker. They also announced that all marks were to be left to starboard.

The final race saw *Hanalei* take a commanding lead – they had hit all the shifts and stayed in the pressure and rounded the last weather mark well ahead of the competition. Flying downwind under spinnaker they began to talk of how they'd fill that big silver California Cup with champagne to celebrate. Four or five minutes after the final rounding, Bill looked back to see the second-place boat finally reaching the weather mark – and saw them round to starboard. *Hanalei* had mistakenly rounded the weather mark to port.

They dropped their kite and went back to round the mark correctly, and finished mid-fleet. *Tangent*, skippered by Don



CLOSING IN — Jim Kilroy's Kialoa II closes gap on former America's Cup defender Columbia during first race for California Cup Saturday. Columbia, skippered by Jerry Driscoll, won duel which was sailed off Marina del Rey. Photo by Robert Whiting

COLUMBIA TOPS KIALOA II TO WIN FIRST LEG OF DUEL

BY ALMON LOCKABEY
Times Staff Writer

Columbia made it look easy Saturday in defeating Kialoa II in the first of three races being sailed for California Yacht Club's California Cup in the ocean off Marina del Rey.

The margin of victory for Pat Dougan's 12-meter sloop was 6½ minutes. She breezed across the finish line with her big parachute spinnaker and tri-colored spinnaker staysl standing out like marble in the brisk, 15 knot westerly.

The race was virtually won at the start. Columbia was to weather and slightly

ahead as the two yachts approached the line early. This gave Columbia the advantage of being able to tack smartly and restart. Another quick tack by skipper Jerry Driscoll put the 12-meter on course for the first mark on a beam reach while Kialoa was still maneuvering to restart.

Skipper Jim Kilroy ordered the spinnaker hoisted on Kialoa II in a vain attempt to pick up the loss and was not helped when the big chute failed to break out of its stops completely for several minutes. Columbia led at the first mark by 2 minutes, and on the short beat to weather widened the

gap to nearly 10 minutes.

As predicted, Kialoa II made her best bid on the downwind run to the finish, gaining some three minutes.

More than 100 spectator boats jammed the course to watch the start of the highly-touted duel between the 12-meter and the 73-foot aluminum racing cruiser.

The final two races will be sailed today, the first race starting at noon.

Los Angeles Times,
June 6, 1965

Gumpertz, won the regatta. *Hanalei*'s skipper, Hayes McLellan, would later go on to be Commodore of both CYC (1966) and St Francis YC (1974) and had many regatta victories with *Hanalei* but always remembered the 1964 Cal Cup loss as one of his

greatest disappointments in yacht racing.

In 1965 the California Cup went to a match racing format. The organizers wanted to do something unusual and pit very different boats against each other: a 12-meter would be competing against a newer design – the Maxi Yacht. The 12-meter design was, for her time, a light-weight racing machine, she didn't even have an engine. At that time everyone believed no boat was faster upwind than a 12-meter. The Maxi was more of a fast cruising boat, designed for downwind sailing. The boats that were invited were both designed by Sparkman and Stephens: the 12-meter *Columbia*, winner of the 1958 America's Cup, and the newly built 73' aluminum-hulled *Kialoa II*. *Columbia* was owned by Thomas Patrick Dougan and skippered by Jerry Driscoll. CYC member John "Jim" Kilroy owned and skippered *Kialoa II*.

The two yachts would race boat-for-boat, that is, no handicapping was involved, on a 17-mile triangle course with a reaching start to a turning mark, an upwind leg to a weather mark, and a downwind leg to the finish. The course was designed so that 64% of the course was off the wind, where the heavier *Kialoa II* would have more of an advantage.

This odd match-up was as much spectacle as it was yacht racing and caught the attention of yacht racers all over the US. Unlike the previous year in the Cal 40s, not many Club members would be participating and the new format was initially viewed negatively by Club members. Eventually the membership warmed up to the idea and reservations for spectating were quickly sold out. The after-parties were legendary, and included luminaries such as film and Broadway star, Julie Andrews, who was dating yachtsman and film producer John Calley and charmed everyone she met.

The regatta was held June 5-6, one race on Saturday and two on Sunday. On Saturday, *Columbia* beat *Kialoa II* by six and a half minutes in a brisk 15-knot breeze, in front of more than 100 spectator boats. In the first race on Sunday, *Columbia* won by one minute, five seconds, but *Kialoa II* protested *Columbia* right after the start when *Columbia*, who was to windward, altered course to bear down on *Kialoa II*, who was trying to pass to leeward. Tragically, the first race on Sunday was marred by a collision between two spectator boats. The 50' ketch *Moby Dick* collided with the 23' inboard cruiser *Kahuna*. *Kahuna* sank, and one of her crew members was severely injured.

In the third and final race, *Columbia* was ahead at the first mark, off the Santa Monica pier, and increased her lead substantially as she went upwind. But then an unthinkable error in navigation doomed the race for *Columbia* – she sailed well past the layline for the weather mark, mistakenly thinking it was further upwind, and had to beam reach to round it. *Kialoa II* did not make that error and rounded ahead of *Columbia*. She further lengthened her lead on the downwind leg, finishing six minutes ahead.

In theory *Columbia* won two of the three races to win the regatta, but the protest lodged in the second race still needed to be heard. After two hours of deliberation *Columbia* was disqualified in the second race, and *Kialoa II* was the winner of the 1965 Cal Cup.

Kialoa II's owner, Jim Kilroy, was a winning yachtsman for more than 40 years, starting in the 1960s with a series of five maxi boats all named *Kialoa* — "long, beautiful canoe" in Hawaiian. He was inducted into the National Sailing Hall of Fame in 2014 and given its first lifetime achievement award. Like father, like son, John Kilroy Jr., won the 2004 California Cup aboard the Farr 40 *Samba Pa Ti*, in that year's fleet race competition.

Kialoa II competed in two other California Cups, in 1967 and 1971, but lost to *Stormvogel* and *Sirius II*, respectively. While *Columbia* lost the 1965 Cal Cup, she competed again in 1970 and won (still owned by Pat Dougan), beating *Endless Summer*.

The Cal Cup Regatta continues to feature great racing, colorful and talented sailors, and wonderful stories. Many thanks to Bill Rogers for sharing his memories of these early California Cup regattas. ⚓

Art Aficionados "Favorite Vacation" Art Show

By SEO NORMA PRATT



Photo by Penny Collins

Art Aficionados presented an exhibition of summer art with the theme "Favorite Vacation." The seven paintings entered in the juried show were on display in the Club lobby for a few weeks during August. The locations included local spots such as Anacapa Island, Laguna Beach, and Cherry Cove, as well as places further afield such as Portland, Maine, with images of beaches, boats, and a secluded cabin. Many thanks to each of the participants and jurors Caryl Levy, Randy Sprout, and Vickie Meyers for their time and expert critiques, which were reviewed by the artists. The work chosen best of show was "On the Beach" (above), done in a pastel medium by Lynn Nelson. ⚓

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CYC Women Storm the San Diego City Front at the U.S. Women's Match Racing Championship

By MARY STUYVESANT

CYC has been growing its pool of match racers over the past few years. This past August we had three skippers and a total of seven women competing at the U.S. Women's Match Racing Championship, hosted by San Diego YC. That's a CYC member on 40 percent of the teams competing.

Everyone agrees that a year and a half of not competing during the COVID-19 pandemic definitely had an impact. To mitigate the lack of events in 2020 and the first half of 2021, the CYC match racers went out and practiced in the Club's Martin 242s on Monday nights throughout the spring and summer. There was a great spirit of support and competition. Everyone recognized that the teams would improve by working together. Several members came out to support the teams in filling crew spots, coaching, and running races and we also held an advanced match racing tactics clinic. "We can practice all we want at home but there's nothing like the real deal and I was very happy to get back out there after being off the circuit for the past couple years," commented skipper and 2019 champion Allie Blecher. All the racers commented that this was key – but nothing beats actual competition!

San Diego's city front is a unique racing venue. It's beautiful, but shifty, and there is current. Trimmer Simone Staff felt this is really an advantage, "Conditions were beautiful. We had consistent breeze that was tricky at times to read, as the venue was extremely fluky. However, you could make major gains (or losses) due to those breeze conditions."

Beka Schiff, main trimmer, did double duty, both racing and co-chairing the event. All of the teams were asked what is different about competing in a women's event. Beka, from both the organizing and racing perspective, had this to say, "Women's events are really special. There are extremely high levels of competition in women's match racing and this event has been getting larger every year. It's awesome to see women's match racing growing again!" Port Captain Sue Service, bow, sailed with Shala Youngerman. Sue, a veteran of both women's and coed events enjoys racing in women's events. "Generally, I think the events are more positive, encouraging, supportive. Lots of laughing!"

All the CYC racers wish to congratulate Nicole Breault for winning her fifth title in a perfect run of wins throughout the regatta. Congratulations to Allie Blecher for placing fourth, Liz Hjorth sixth, and Marilyn Cassedy seventh. CYC women competing were Allie Blecher, Beka Schiff, Simone Staff, Liz Hjorth, Port Captain Sue Service, Marilyn Cassedy, and Junior Coach Julia Rychlik. Special Thanks to the Keelboat Program, Commodore Tim Clarke, Dockmaster Curtis Wagner, Assistant Dockmaster Daniel Collier, Doug McLean, Bob Little, Will Tetrick, Tony Festa, Danny Bailey, and the Competition Fund for supporting our racers! ⚓



Allie Blecher, CYC's top-finishing skipper, placed fourth.



Liz Hjorth challenges regatta winner Nicole Breault (St. Francis YC).



(above) Marilyn Cassedy crosses Janel Zarkowsky (Scuttlebutt Sailing Club).



(left) Port Captain Sue Service, on the bow, raced with Shala Youngerman (Southwestern YC).

Images courtesy San Diego YC and Mark Albertazzi

WOW/WAH!

A Very Special Marina del Rey Regatta

By S/C DEBBIE FEINERMAN

The annual Women on the Water/Woman at the Helm Regatta (WOW/WAH), held August 21-22, is unique in our waters: it promotes, empowers, and celebrates women sailors; it is co-hosted by five local yacht clubs; it attracts a breadth of experience among skippers and crew; and it depends on the generosity of local boat owners for its existence, growth, and success.

A hallmark of the annual WOW/WAH regatta is the collaboration among several ASMBYC member clubs – the Women’s Sailing Association of Santa Monica Bay (WSA-SMB), the organizing authority for the regatta and the coordinator among the other regatta hosts; Del Rey YC, Pacific Mariners YC, and Santa Monica Windjammers YC, hosts of pre- and post-race hospitality; and CYC, responsible for arranging the race committee and race management.

Chaired this year by WSA-SMB S/C Avghi Constantinides, WOW/WAH offered three divisions – WOW for all-female crew, WAH Performance for a female helmsperson with a co-ed crew, and WAH Cruising for a female helmsperson with a coed or all-female crew. Some competitors are veterans of racing, while others are much newer to the sport. There are also significant distinctions in



Team All In did it all, taking trophies for the top WOW and Martin 242.



Obsidian, helmed by Michelle Kringen, won the WAH Performance class.



Team Ruby D'eau took top WAH Cruising honors.

boat types and ratings, and we designed courses to take account of the variations among vessels and our racers. The regatta kicked off with a pre-race party at DRYC, with refreshments, raffle prizes, and lots enthusiasm from the group.

No amount of planning could have predicted Saturday’s weather. At the scheduled noon warning, the wind hovered around three knots atypically from the northwest. After an hour-and-a-half postponement while the wind settled in and the velocity increased, we were able to send boats off and complete the day’s planned races. The festive mood continued at PMYC, with dinner, drinks, a band, raffle prizes, and a sense of accomplishment for having successfully tackled the first day. Sunday’s steadier, breezier, more typical conditions allowed us to send each class on a specially selected random leg course and easily conclude the regatta in time for raucous hospitality and awards (and more raffle prizes) at SMWYC.

CYC made an impressive showing, receiving recognition for the yacht club with the most entries, as well as sweeping the perpetual trophies. CYC racing member Derby White, skippering Denise George’s *All In*, was awarded the Robert S. Wilson Perpetual Trophy as the winner of the WOW division and won the Cheryl Rembert Perpetual Trophy for the highest placing Martin 242 in the WOW. Alicia Minano

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sailed her *Dark & Stormy* to second place in the WOW. The WSA Perpetual Trophy for the Woman at the Helm, awarded to the winner of the largest WAH division, went to Michelle Stack sailing John Staff's *Obsidian*. Michelle Kringen, skippering Richard Benedon's *Ruby D'eau*, took first-place honors in the WAH Cruising division. Other CYC entrants were Marie Rogers, in WAH Cruising, at the helm of the eponymous *Marie*; Curt Johnson's *Avet*, skippered by Talin Babikian in WAH Performance; and Doug Steele's *Tiburon*, helmed by Krista Harris, also in WAH Performance.

Congratulations and thanks to the yacht clubs who joined together to continue the annual WOW/WAH Regatta, to the volunteers who ran the races and helped with hospitality; to the coaches and mentors who shared their expertise and love of sailing with newer racers; and to the competitors and the generous boat owners who made it possible. Here's to a fun regatta, and to continuing to make it even bigger and better together! 🍷



Skipper Derby White and All In owner Denise George, surrounded by their team and regatta chair Avghi Constantinides, hoist the Robert S. Wilson Perpetual Trophy in celebration of winning the WOW division.



(above) A joyful Michelle Kringen, flanked by Team Obsidian, collects the WSA-SMB Perpetual Trophy for Woman at the Helm.

(left) CYC race participants are all smiles as the Club is recognized for having the most entries in the regatta.

Juniors Win the Bridge Challenge

By Port Captain SUE SERVICE

We've revived an old tradition at CYC: The Junior-Senior Bridge Challenge. In this epic rivalry, the members of the Senior Bridge face the Junior Bridge in a sailing competition. This year Commodores Tim Clarke (Senior) and Grant Janov (Junior) selected a fleet racing format: five short races off the guest dock in the Club's four M242s.

The event took place on Saturday, August 28, under sunny skies and light winds. S/C Denny Haythorn was PRO, assisted by S/C Bill Watkins, Dave Kurt, and Lori Haythorn. S/C Alice Leahey was the umpire, and according to the rules of the regatta could demand penalty turns from any competitor, at any time, for any (possibly imaginary) infraction. She was assisted by S/C Richard Mainland and Junior Bridge S/C Julia Rychlik.

Grant and his brother Jordan were hot off their successful J/70 World campaign, but both brothers and their second skipper, Richard "Junior" Rychlik, Jr., had little experience in the M242, whereas Tim regularly skippers a Martin for Sunset Series. There was plenty of trash-talking at the dock while both Bridges rigged their boats; V/C Monica Antola taunted the Juniors with "We're coming for you!" Jordan just grinned and replied, "Oh I'm so scared."

Boat traffic on a summer Saturday afternoon in the marina is high, and both teams dealt with dodging paddleboards, kayaks, and power boats. Despite Alice levying multiple penalties to the Juniors, and Denny turning a blind eye or two to OCS penalties by the Seniors, Grant and his team waxed the Senior Bridge. F/C Anthony Agoglia crewed for Tim and said, "It was great fun ... but we never had a chance against those kids!" The Juniors were gracious in victory with Grant commenting, "The Bridge Challenge was a lot of fun, and while it wasn't quite like the J/70 Worlds, there was a lot to learn from racing against our elders." A hearty congratulations to the Junior Bridge – Senior Bridge: let's start practicing for 2022! ⚓



Photo by Heather Janov

Senior Bridge team R/C Christina Tarantola, F/C Anthony Agoglia, V/C Monica Antola, P/C Sue Service, and Commodore Tim Clarke with the victorious Junior Bridge: Jr. Racing Team Captain Carsten Zieger, Junior Rychlik, Tommy Kraak, and (bottom) Jordan Janov and Jr. Commodore Grant Janov



Photo by Julia Rychlik

For one brief shining moment, the Senior Bridge (sail 101) has a nice lead. They couldn't possibly have been OCS, could they?



Photo by Julia Rychlik

The Juniors round the weather mark and head downwind, with the Senior Bridge in hot pursuit.

Sunset Series: Finally, a Bullet!

By CHRIS GOROG



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California Dream has been fast enough to podium every Wednesday night in this year's Sunset Series, but a first place was still not in our hands as we headed out for Race 11 on August 4. The question was what could we do differently to finally beat our number one competitor, our nemesis. It wasn't going to be simple.

There is an old adage that racing is easy: All you have to do is win the start and not let anyone pass you. Whoever came up with this has never done handicap sailboat racing. This year, *California Dream* had frequently squeaked out a slight advantage at the start, made it first to the weather mark and first back to the breakwater, only to see the massive black genoa of our nemesis advance on us in the channel and glide past us to win. So, what were we going to do? Could we win the start so substantially to finally get our first?

A lot of instruction on winning the start will tell you to stay away from the committee boat end, to stay away from the crowd. But with eight to 12 boats in our class, mostly in the 35- to 55-foot range, even if you're away from the crowd, being lee of this fleet is like being blanketed by buildings. Therefore, the race committee is both entertained and alarmed every Wednesday night when they see most of

these large vessels trying to get the most windward position as close to the stern of the *Charles Hathaway* as possible to enjoy the pole position and give bad air to everyone else.

I must admit I am attracted like a magnet to this approach because if you succeed, you're well positioned for success. But also because it's just so damn fun. To pull it off your timing has to be spot-on, your judgment of objects moving in space has to be very keen. And you have to overlay that without barging, while fending off or playing chicken with those that do. In short, it's a little dangerous, which is why it's so much fun.

So our story of how we got our first win this year is that we abandoned our fun, dangerous strategy we do most every week, and instead did something much more dangerous and inadvisable. We port-tacked the entire fleet from the pin end and in doing so we had the start to ourselves with clear air. The only traffic we had to contend with were eight large boats coming directly at our bow - with the right of way!

Fortunately, being all alone and timing our start well, we had great boat speed, so we were able to tip our hats to the fleet and fly right across all of their bows on port tack. Our advantage at the start was so substantial, our nemesis could never make up the difference.

So now we're left wondering ... can we do it again? ♣

J/70 Worlds Brings Together All Three Owners of a J/105

By DAN MURPHY

I bought the J/105 *Cuchulainn* in 2017 from the Mullen family of the Bay Area. Because a broker handled the sale, I never met any of the Mullens. I brought the boat to Marina del Rey, joined CYC, and actively raced for the last four years.

I recently sold *Cuchulainn* to friend and crewmate, Rob Dekker. It was a happy occasion when photographer Lisa Bronitt, who was working the J/70 Pre-Worlds, made a connection with Brian Mullen, down from the Bay Area with his J/70. She introduced Brian to Rob and me, and it was agreed all three owners would get together for a photo when Brian came back for the Worlds.

The get-together for the photo was an occasion for all three owners to swap stories about the boat. Brian talked about how his father, Jim Mullen, ordered the boat new from J/Boats in 2003. Being steeped in Irish lore, Jim decided on the *Cuchulainn* name to make a connection with the most prominent of Irish folk heroes. He also designed a very distinctive logo for the boat. The Mullens sailed the boat actively in San Francisco Bay for years.

When I was looking for a J/105, there were only two for sale on the West Coast. Both were in good condition, but I could not turn away from *Cuchulainn*, given my own Irish background, appreciation for Irish lore, and, of course, the perfection of the logo. The four years I spent racing *Cuchulainn* were an excellent sailing education for me.

Rob grew up in Amsterdam in a family that owned a boatyard and cannot remember a time when he was not sailing. He was twice national sailing champion of Holland and participated in two Quarter Ton Cups. He appreciates the J/105's quickness and easy handling for a short-handed crew. I will continue to crew for Rob on *Cuchulainn* while Rob will crew with me on my new boat, *Javelin*, a J/125. Brian, Rob, and I plan to stay in touch and keep each other updated on our sailing exploits. ⚓



Past owners Brian Mullen and Dan Murphy with current owner Rob Dekker on *Cuchulainn*.

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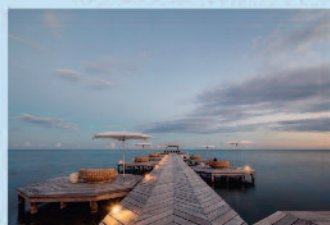
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Optimist West Coast Championship

By JOSHUA WENOKUR

What a weekend of significant accomplishments for the CYC Opti Team at the West Coast Championship! This year the Opti West Coast Championship took place at King Harbor YC August 7-8. King Harbor is only a 30-minute drive away from Marina del Rey so the waters are very familiar to the CYC team. We were fortunate to tow down there and got to see dolphins on our one-hour tow.

There were 11 different yacht clubs, including CYC, from along the California coast, and from as far away as San Francisco. CYC Opti Team Katlia Sherman, Ethan Wenokur, Kaito Le Tenoux, Lexie Bugacov, and Joshua Wenokur were all at the regatta.

At the beginning of the day, it was windy but later the wind kept dying until everyone was sitting in their boats. The pin was favored almost the whole regatta. The weather was good, and the Opti Team was excited to improve on their skills and racing.

Overall, the team did amazing in the regatta! Many bags (prizes) were won by the CYC Opti Team. The scores were: Katlia – second Red Fleet and second overall, Kaito – third Blue Fleet and ninth overall, Joshua – first White Fleet and 14th overall, Lexie – third White Fleet and 18th overall, and Ethan – eighth Blue Fleet and 23rd overall.

Congratulations to everyone on the CYC Opti Team for winning six bags and for the individual accomplishments. Thank you to our coach, Manny Resano, and to the parents on the team for help moving the dollies and for cheering us on! 🏆

*Katlia Sherman
(20879), CYC's top
finisher, placed second
out of 36 boats.*



Joshua Wenokur holds the bag he won as a prize for placing first in the White Fleet.



Kaito Le Tenoux



Joshua (3153) and Ethan (23153) Wenokur



Lexie Bugacov

Photos by Volker Corell

Star-Studded Competition at J/70 World Championship

By MARYLYN HOENEMEYER, Regatta Chair

After nearly three years of planning, the 2021 J/70 World Championship is now in the record books. This prestigious event, sailed from August 11-15, attracted some of the sport's top sailors, including Olympians, Rolex Yachtsmen of the Year, World Match Racing champions, and past world champions. All were competing alongside top amateur racers for the highly coveted title of world champion in one of the most recognized, fastest growing international one-design classes. Before the racing could begin however, there was still a bit more work to be done.

The Pre-World Championship

Hosted by Del Rey YC, the Pre-World Championship on July 31–August 1

gave 44 teams one final opportunity to race in Santa Monica Bay's challenging conditions. It also served as a dress rehearsal for the CYC race committee, as visiting PRO Mark Foster orchestrated the six-race event with most of the same volunteers who would be on-the-water for the World Championship.

It was a perfect weekend of summer sailing, with the morning marine layer burning off each day to sunny skies, and temperatures in the low 70s. Saturday's breeze started at 10 knots, building to the high teens by the third race. Competitors welcomed slightly lighter conditions on Sunday, with the breeze peaking in the low teens in the last two races of the series.

Bruce Golison (San Diego YC), and

his team on *Midlife Crisis*, topped the leaderboard with all single-digit finishes, including wins in races two and four. Chris Raab (Newport Harbor YC/St. Francis YC) on *Sugoi* secured his top finish in the One-Pro Division with a win in the last race. The Chilean father and sons on *Ducasse Sailing Team* topped the 12-boat Corinthian Division. Would winning the Pre-Worlds be a harbinger of future success, or a jinx? Time would tell.

The Inspection Process

Before the racing could begin, each team went through a rigorous boat inspection and sail measurement process. Sail templates filled the Fireside/Epicurean Room as volunteers measured the jibs, mainsails, and



spinnakers that each team declared as its inventory. The dry storage area was abuzz with activity, as boats went through five stations to ensure that all class-required equipment was aboard, that the foils conformed to the manufacturer's specs, and that the boats met the minimum weight requirement. Nearly two dozen volunteers were required to complete these tasks each day, with many people filling their assignments for all three measurement days.

Throughout the inspection process, CYCWA volunteers deftly handled registration, confirming that the requisite insurance had been filed, handing out pre-purchased regatta wear, and distributing the coveted wrist bands that would grant competitors entry into all post-race festivities.

The Stage is Set

Boats moved to their assigned mooring locations after the inspection process. It was quite a scene to see the boats filling the slips around the bow of the clubhouse grounds. What had once been known as sled row had become "J Row." Flags from each of the countries represented in the regatta rippled in the breeze along the fence as competitors prepared for Tuesday's practice races.

At the Opening Ceremony later that day, Regatta Chair Marylyn Hoenemeyer welcomed the competitors and thanked the sponsors and volunteers, after which S/C Bill Stump introduced the international teams. The Championship was officially opened with the shot of a cannon and the raising of the J/70 class flag by Commodore Tim Clarke and Jr.

Commodore Grant Janov, who would both be competing in the regatta. An international buffet, complemented by beverages from the ever-popular beer truck, fortified the teams for the five days of Championship racing that was about to begin.

The Big Show

Sixty-one teams representing 11 countries hit the starting line on the first day of Championship racing. It was a deeply talented roster, including three previous world champions, the reigning North American and U.S. Corinthian champions, the 2018 South American champion, plus four of the top five finishers from the 2019 World Championship.

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The 61-boat fleet lines up at the start with the Santa Monica Mountains in the background.



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Corinthian Division winner Andrés Ducasse and his sons (Ducasse Sailing Team) round the north leeward gate. The team from Chile also won the Corinthian Division at the J/70 Pre-Worlds.

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All boats competed as one fleet, but were divided into three divisions: Corinthian, One Pro, and Open, depending on the number of professional (i.e., paid) crewmembers on the team. More than half of the fleet competed in one of the first two divisions, an indication of the class's Corinthian roots.

It was a fleet of families sailing together, as was the case with the Coll family from Uruguay on *Farrista*, and the *Ducasse Sailing Team* from Chile. And against each other, like brothers Bruce and Jay Golison (Alamitos Bay YC) on *Midlife Crisis* and *It's All Good*; husband and wife Ryan (Coral Reef YC) and Maggie McKillen (New York YC) on *Surge* and *Magatron*; and CYC's own father and son rivals Jeff and Jordan Janov sailing *Minor Threat* and *Threatening Minors*, a clever twist on the senior Janov's boat name.

The eager fleet aggressively charged the starting line in each race, leading to several general recalls and subsequent U flag and black flag starts, despite guidance and cajoling from visiting PRO Mark Foster. And while varying leg lengths separated the boats at the weather mark, invariably the fleet compressed on the downwind leg, with crowded leeward gate roundings the norm. No matter how your day went on the water, the shoreside festivities were enjoyed by all, with

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The competition was
really great ...

— Winner Peter Duncan,
Relative Obscurity

specialty cocktails and pours from the beer truck complementing the daily food offerings. The action was captured on the event's dedicated website (2021J70Worlds.com), with a press release, video, and photos posted daily.

Santa Monica Bay delivered a wide range of conditions over the five days of the Championship, from Thursday's zephyrs when no races could be sailed, to Saturday's third race when the wind built to the mid-teens. These conditions promised that the 2021 World Champion would be the team that was best able to shift gears and sail in a variety of wind strengths and sea states.

While Brian Keane on *Savasana* from Beverly (Massachusetts) YC held on to the top spot for the first three days of racing, in the end it was Peter Duncan from American YC in Rye, New York and his team on *Relative Obscurity* that prevailed. Duncan is a repeat world champion, having won the title in Porto Cervo, Italy in 2017. His words say it all: "It was very cool that four boats could have won this thing going into the last race. The competition was really great, and the race committee did a terrific job getting the races in with the wind we had. Cal Yacht Club did an awesome job." The Ducasse Sailing Team from Santiago, Chile topped the 26-boat Corinthian fleet, repeating their performance in the Pre-World Championship. The biggest round of



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The J/70 fleet fills the bow of the clubhouse grounds.

applause at the Awards Ceremony was reserved for Jordan Janov and his team on *Threatening Minors* who secured their top finish in the One-Pro Division by virtue of their win in the final race in the Championship.

It took hundreds of volunteers to successfully execute this world championship, and I hope someday to thank each of you individually. Our efforts were supported by the management and staff who worked equally as hard to guarantee the event's success. The Club should be proud of having orchestrated a first-class event. For as Polk Wagner, Chair of the J/70 International Class's Technical Committee commented, "Cal Yacht Club was the best venue the class has ever had for a World Championship." ⚓



Commodore Tim Clarke (far right) with Peter Duncan (American YC, holding plaque) and his Relative Obscurity team, winners of the J/70 World Championship.



Peter Duncan (American YC) and his Relative Obscurity team (bow 31) clinched the World Championship on the final day of racing.



Brian Keane's Savasana (bow 96, Beverly YC) held on to the top spot the first three days of racing.



Bruce Golison (San Diego YC) and his Midlife Crisis team placed second overall.



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The tightly packed fleet sets their spinnakers after rounding the windward and offset marks.



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R/C Christina Tarantola (far right) with Jordan Janov (holding trophy) and his Threatening Minors team, winners of the One-Pro Division and 15th overall.



On-the-Water Photo Contest Winner

A special thank you to **Ray Campbell** for lending his professional talents in branding and photography to the J/70 World Championship. He developed the event logos and website, as well as volunteered his photography skills on the water during racing. To see more action photos from the regatta, visit his website at sheetsandhalyards.com.

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



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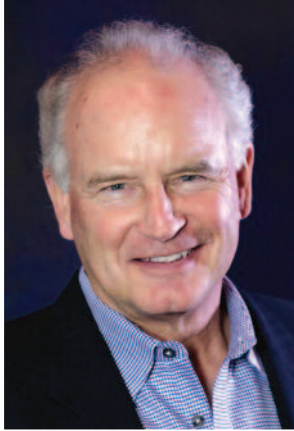
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What CYC Means to Me

By Vice Commodore MONICA ANTOLA



CHRIS GOROG
Member since 2011

I see CYC as a gift. In my case, the gift of a very active and exciting retirement where I am learning new things every day, continuing to challenge myself, and most importantly, forging truly rich and rewarding friendships with crew mates, fellow racers, and the race committee members with whom I have worked so closely over the last few years. At the end of the day, it's about the people.

I believe CYC has soul. It has soul because of the multi-generation commitment of the Hathaway family. It has soul because of the culture of volunteerism in this unique member-led club. It has soul because of the always helpful staff, best exemplified by the always-gracious Rodolfo. It has soul because of long-time member S/C Bill Stump, CYC's Principal Race Officer and the Club's own Obi-Wan Kenobi. In fact, the building itself has soul. There is something truly extraordinary, and perfect, about the feng shui of our enduring hexagon, positioned in the most prime position in our beautiful marina.

So I look forward to celebrating the Club's 100th anniversary and if you see me enjoying my *California Dream* – give me a soulful thumbs up!



SCOTT JAREMA
MASTER AT ARMS
Member since 1999

Most members like to say that CYC is like their home. For me, it is not a cliché, it is the truth. I have lived aboard my boat at the Club for more than 20 years now. The staff and members have been like an extended family to me. I always enjoy their greetings when I show up.

The clubhouse and grounds have always been a respite from daily life. I have seen members come and go through the years and I have grown older with many of you. I can look back fondly to being 29 when I first joined CYC, spending time at the bar listening to the sage advice and wisdom of the old guard, names like Mike Lewis, Ben Demotto, Daryl Howe, and Art Sacks who have passed over the bar. Then there are members who were my age then, and now we are filling their shoes. I have witnessed the kids of my friends grow up at the Club and gone on as adults to become members here. CYC has always been a place I could come back to at the end of the day and know I was home.

What does CYC mean to me? It's my home ... no, seriously, it really is! (Mic drop.)



DAN MCGANTY
Member since 2009

A privileged oasis of adventure. Is that even a thing? Assuming it is, that is what I feel when I drive through the gate at CYC. From the pleasant environment looking over the marina to the attentive staff and considerate service that is always on offer – the “privileged” part is easy. The “oasis” follows from that – entering a place filled with good friends and none of the hassles of the world outside of the gate. The “adventure” part comes from the fact that the vast majority of my visits are heading to one of two boats, heading out to race. Sailboat racing is never the same twice – with the one certainty being adventure. I am fairly certain that a privileged oasis of adventure really is a thing.

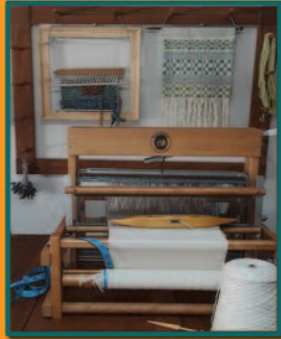
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FAC Summer Camp Party

By THERESA TORRANCE

The Family Activities Committee wrapped up summer with a summer camp-themed party on Friday, August 27. It was a beautiful evening on the lawn, with parents welcomed with a complimentary margarita, and kids playing Connect 4, Jenga, and other games around the front lawn. Then, the real races and contests began, including a potato sack race, egg race, balloon toss, hula contest, and of course, the limbo, with prizes awarded to the winners.

Summer camp wouldn't be complete without a dinner buffet of grilled burgers, potatoes, salad, and the fixings. In addition to playing great beats to pump everyone up, DJ Gabe rallied the parents to participate in the games as well, and even got the kids to sing along to their favorite campfire songs while roasting their s'mores over a campfire.

Co-chaired by FAC's Theresa Torrance and Joni Williamson, the evening was a festive end to summer. For those who were not able to attend, we highly recommend you make it to this fun-for-all event next year!



Junior Awards Banquet

CYC's junior sailors, their parents, and coaches gathered August 26 to celebrate the sailing season. This year's award winners were:



Photo by Junior Committee Chair Jon Mueller

- Commodore William A. DeGroot Junior Sailing Championship High Point Award: **Tommy Kraak**
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"State of Wonder:" A Beautiful Novel that Draws You in From the Beginning

By **SUSAN FRENCH**, Book Mates Chair

Sue Moore led the Book Mates in a lively discussion of Ann Patchett's intriguing book, "State of Wonder," at their September meeting.

For many years the Vogel pharmaceutical company has financed the work of Dr. Annika Swenson, who is looking for the secret to the lifelong fertility of the women of an obscure tribe in the Amazon. The company has sent one of its employees, Dr. Eckman, to check on her progress. The book opens with a letter from Dr. Swenson announcing that Dr. Eckman has died and been buried in the jungle. Eckman's office mate, Dr. Marina Singh, reluctantly agrees to go investigate the situation and, hopefully, pin down the exact state of Swenson's research. After considerable difficulty, including losing her luggage, Dr. Singh finally arrives at the tribal village. There she not only discovers why Dr. Swenson's work has not been completed but undergoes a personal transformation as she adapts to life in the jungle.

That's not the end of the story, but you need to read it to learn what happens next.

As one reader said, "the book grabs you right from the beginning and you have to find out what happens." The

descriptions of the jungle are evocative—you can see the intense green colors and the butterflies, feel the heat and humidity, and be frightened by all the snakes and other fearful creatures. The discussion ranged over the complicated relationships between Swenson and Singh, who had known each other when Swenson was one of Singh's professors at medical school, and between each of them and the boy named Easter, who was saved from a sure death by Dr. Swenson. Themes of nightmares, death and resurrection, the lasting effects of a major failure, and bending or hiding the truth to achieve an important goal were all raised in the discussion. All agreed that the book is beautifully written and highly imaginative—well worth the read.

Book Mates meets the first Thursday of every month, except July and August. Our selections for the rest of 2021 are: October 7, "The Sympathizer," by Viet Than Nguyen, to be moderated by EO Connie Webster and S/C Stephanie Weston; November 4, "Klara and the Sun," by Kazuo Ishiguro, to be moderated by Hank Toles; and December 2, "The Madwoman and the Roomba: My Year of Domestic Mayhem," by Sandra Tsing Loh, moderator TBD. If you would like to join Book Mates, send an email to french@law.ucla.edu. ⚡

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\$25 per campsite. Spaces are limited.
7 p.m. "Bend it Like Beckham" begins.

Complimentary s'mores by the fire.

All tent campers and boat campers welcome.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

Family Pancake Breakfast
8-9:30 a.m. - Pancake breakfast served, for overnight campers, on the pool patio.

\$10++ for Adults
FREE for kids 12 and under, compliments of the Family Activities Committee.



BREAKFAST AND CAMPSITE RESERVATIONS
REQUIRED BY WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30
CALL THE FRONT DESK AT 310-823-4567.

CANCELLATIONS MUST BE MADE AT LEAST
72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE EVENT TO AVOID FEE.

CYC Members Make New Friends on Long Beach Cruise

By First Officer LAURA GREENBURG and JONATHAN, Cruise Co-hosts

An amazing, fun group headed to Long Beach YC (LBYC) on August 12 and 13. This trip seemed to bring out more wildlife sightings for the boaters than usual. Along with large numbers of dolphins, there were whales and even a shark. Each boat that came in talked about the fun ride and calm seas.

The theme of this cruise was “Make New Friends,” and we have to thank our seasoned CYCers for doing a tremendous job welcoming our new members and making them feel at home. Three boats Med-tied (docked side-by-side with their sterns up against the walkway) which makes for fabulous partying as everyone is all together. The boats that Med-tied were Fred Ryan with John Levy on *Good Jujy*, Executive Officer Connie Webster and Peter on *Next Chapter*, and Ruth Robbins and Alan Goodman on *All the Way There*.



SEO Dawn Sprout and Randy helped cruise hosts Laura and Jonathan Greenburg on *Silver Lining* with a smile and a can-do attitude. Of special note were Stephanie and CYC President Steve Hathaway who came down on *Starr*. Aside from the tremendous help they provided, it was great to see Steve at the helm again and making it all look so easy.

The cruise officially kicked off Friday night, August 13, with delicious appetizers and a special welcome drink on the dock for our own CYC private party. The drink, created by cruise host Laura Greenburg, is called a mojitarita and is the offspring of, as you guessed it, a mojito and margarita. The appetizers, braised short rib sliders, seared ahi tuna on cucumbers with wasabi cream cheese, marinated beef satay along with fun cheese and crackers, were so filling, many people passed on dinner and partied all night on their boats. Of course, libations were plentiful.



Saturday morning found the hungry boaters being treated to breakfast on the dock, which included burritos, muffins, fresh fruit, and, of course, coffee and tea. There are so many things to do around LBYC, our cruisers spent the morning jogging, going for walks, and swimming in the beautiful pool. And if anyone has any doubts about Stephanie Hathaway's conditioning, she invited Jonathan Greenburg out for a short, three-plus mile jog and literally ran circles around him.

So what about our new members? The ones with boats jumped right in. Mary Maguire on *No Regrets* did a fabulous job with table decorations. Jeff and Shayna Zisner sailed down on their boat, *The Office*, with daughter Mikayla who was right at home on the water. Laurie and John Gosch and Laurie Craig joined us for the whole weekend.

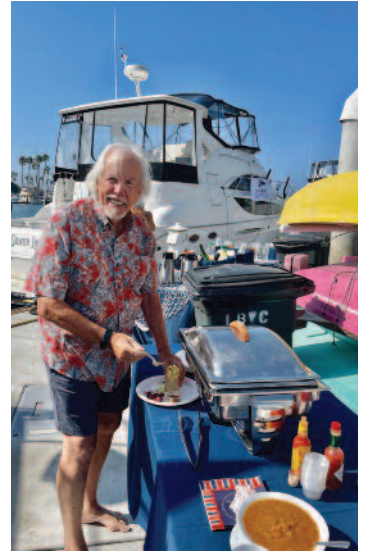
Many of the new members drove down (land cruised) and joined us on Saturday afternoon for the entertaining dinghy cruise around Naples Island. We welcomed Chris Ciotti, Carol Clemmensen, Sharon Hoffman, Melissa Robinson, and Nina and





Martin Eggenberger. It was so much fun to see the amazing waterfront homes and of course the kayakers and paddle boarders who were dodging us in the narrow canals that brought memories of Venice. The dinghy cruise was followed by cocktails on CYC member boats and tours of their boats for new members and then a sumptuous dinner at LBYC. The food continued to be a highlight with passed appetizers of crispy shrimp brochettes with coconut curry sauce, Hawaiian poke with ponzu in a won ton cup, and Tuscany bruschetta with tomato, basil, and avocado vinaigrette. The views from the dining room were fantastic but what made the evening so special had to be the amazing live band and dancing.

Clearly, the concept of a “Make New Friends” cruise for old and new members alike proved to be a huge success, one that we hope will become a CYC tradition. Whether by land or sea, all made it safely back to CYC. Thank you to everyone who attended. Without you, this wonderful time would not have happened. ⚓



Avalon Midweek Cruise

By GEORGE ETTER

The Avalon Midweek Cruise, hosted by Pati and George Etter August 10-12, provided a relaxed and fun venue for its cruisers. The first day began with a happy hour on the beautiful Pavilion Hotel courtyard, followed by dinner at Antonio's, and culminated at the Marlin Club with cocktails and a pool tournament.

Wednesday, hump day, everyone pursued their own interests, including shopping, tours, walks, museum visits, and golf, and then everyone met at the Descanso Beach Palapas for an afternoon of conversation and relaxation. That evening we were all back at the Pavilion for a farewell cocktail party. Everyone had a great time in this beautiful port city. ⚓



From the Manager



LINDSAY PIZARRO, CCM

Two of My Favorite CYC Traditions

Two of my favorite Club traditions happen this month - the Club 25 Dinner and Trunk or Treat. While the two events cater to different membership groups, they represent a great cross section of CYC culture.

The Club 25 Dinner honors members who joined CYC 25 and 50 years ago. Attendees will reminisce with their friends and over dinner they will surely discuss Club happenings from the years 1996 and 1971. Please give the front desk a call or email for reservations.

Being a mother of two young girls, I love seeing the excitement my girls have getting into a costume for Halloween and collecting treats - it's contagious. If your children are like mine, they selected their costumes months ago. The Family Activities Committee puts on an amazing Trunk or Treat event. Members are encouraged to participate by reserving a spot and decorating the trunks of their cars on October 24. Prizes go to the best costume and trunk, and I hope to see the parking lot full this year! To sign up your trunk, princess, dragon, or witch, contact the front desk.

Club Updates

- It's not too early to sign up for the **Commodores Ball** on November 13.
- Please look out for a letter from us asking for **roster updates**. Be sure to send us any changes in address, boat purchases or sales, or additions to your family.
- Join me in welcoming our new Member Services Lead, **Clarence Williams**, to the CYC team. He comes to us as a customer service expert and has experience in retail sales, administration, and graphic design. Please stop by the front desk and say hello.
- EA Photography returns this month so schedule your portrait today! We look forward to you participating in our **Commemorative Centennial Yearbook** to be published in 2022. Enjoy the moment to get a little dressed up and be part of the legacy. For more information visit eacclubs.com or login to the online member portal and check out "News and Announcements."
- Did you know we are doing a **special member referral** through the end of 2021? Please contact our Membership Department for more details and enjoy the jingle of our Maritime Referral Rhyme. 🎵

In Memoriam



Bill Herrschaft
CYC Member since 1983

Wanda Stein
CYC Member since 1962



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Ellie Ortiz
CYC Member

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

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