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#### From the Commodore By Commodore John Sugden

any thanks to the members and friends and family who attended the Clean-up Day on March 9. Based on the sign-in list (and what I remember), we had at least 42 hardworking people.

They were: Heidi Francke, Sandy Swanson, Therri and Rick Wall, Carloyn and Dan Cahn,

Emile West, Robin Arnold, Judy Cunningham, Larry Thompson, Pam Phillips, Leslie Barnes, Christina and Garrett Baum, Trevor-Kane Baum, Jim Wise, Kay and Peter Neumann, Craig Leverault, Joel Bozarth, Don Clark, Elijah Ham (Don's grandson), Bruce Puntenney, Dwight Rowe, John Spille, Dean Prophet, Rena and Don Mills, Joe Dunham, John Nordin, Jeri Dunham, Mike Leary, Tracie West, Janet Lawson, Neil Fraser, Kim Bernard, Becky Brooks, Sean Guiltinan, Peter Acutt, Michael Eickhoff, Daniel Mirisola, and yours truly. This list includes at least four Staff Commodores and multiple past and current members of the Board of Directors

Between the morning donuts and coffee and the noontime lunch of build your own sandwiches with soup and salad, this crew really hustled. We had scrubbers, polishers, sanders, scrapers, painters, cleaners, maskers and tapers, pruners, trimmers, sweepers, carpenters, gophers, movers and shakers.

I especially want to thank the crew





of John Spille and Dwight Rowe who over several days fabricated, repaired, and painted the window framing at the club entrance and removed the fireplace and made temporary repairs to the floor and carpet and Joel Bozarth who likewise spent a few days to strip, sand and repaint some of our light

fixtures.

The good thing about Clean-up Day is that the club is ship-shape and presentable for the upcoming season, especially for Opening Day, from the polished brass stanchions and trophies to the topiary dragons who got a haircut.

The other good thing is we discovered some longer-term projects, more sealing, painting, table repairs. Dwight, et al. are exploring options regarding the fireplace and clubhouse interior and the South/West/Ocean Deck.

My favorite comment was from Neil Fraser who said, while adding a new coat to the wooden entry gate, that the only thing bonding it all together is the paint.

We always have more to do. We have a great group of people who are willing to roll up their sleeves and get to it. It's a pleasure to be a part of it.

John Sugden

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#### Vice Views By Vice Commodore Don Clark

Pening Day is not far off. The invitations have been mailed and the band has been scheduled. Our annual Clean-up Day is traditionally a precursor to Opening Day to prepare for VYC hosting a significant number of guests and dignitaries from regional Yacht Clubs, and a higher





Yacht Clubs, and a higher than usual volume of members coming to enjoy a fun day on the docks and inside the club.

Cleanup Day 2024 was held a couple of weeks ago and was a great success. A big shout out with a bucket-andmop tap to all who participated. There were over 40 people who turned up to help check items off a long list which included cleaning tasks and maintenance projects.

Some examples: Dwight Rowe and John Spille replaced some of the framing wood on the large plate-glass window at the right of the entry to the club. Over the years the wood had rotted as a result of the marine environment, the weather and a sprinkler head with a mind of its own. What they had hoped to be a half-day project turned into several days' work. It looks great! Judy Cunningham and a steadfast crew took on the upstairs beautification campaign. The Trophy cases look especially nice. Joel Bozarth took point on dismantling the industrial pendant lights on the ground floor. He took them home, and sanded them, and Susan painted each one of them. Joel brought them back to VYC a week later and reinstalled them. Neil Fraser hooked us up with all the supplies for wire brushing and painting the outside picnic tables, all the walls, columns, doors,

and the dumb waiter got a little love too. The entry gate received a scrub and Avery Stewart provided the products to clean and buff the outside metal stair rails. Don and Rena Mills trimmed the dragon hedge and Braedon Baum and the Juniors had a punch list of to-dos for parts of the premises they frequent.

Even though we accomplished a tremendous amount of work, there is always much more we could do to counter act the impact of the ocean air on our club. It's probably said every year by someone, but we really should have more than one Clean-up Day a year. Maybe we should have one in October. Let me know what you think!

Opening Day remains an important tradition in yacht clubs around the world, bringing together members to celebrate their love of boating and the start of a new season on the water. With VYC's Opening Day landing less than a week away from the publication of this

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## Tails From the Rear

By Rear Commodore Dwight Rowe

n the Hard: In the boat-• yard making repairs. A time when we have a good look at the underside of our vessel.

The VYC Cleanup Day and Buena Vista (my boat) haul-out have simultaneously occurred this year. Discovering the extent of necessary

repairs and maintenance can be a humbling experience. Rot on the club window mullions, blisters in the hull gel coat, paint peeling on the patio lamps, leaking propeller shaft bushings... The list goes on. This is a time to inspect and plan and even dream about future improvements: a new rudder, a new front gate, a faster knot meter, some new aluminum windows. A new layout for the bar—hum, that could be intriguing. The enthusiasm displayed by my crew and our club members help put the work into perspective - after all, we are just playing around in boats. Thank you to all who helped put our VYC ship into shape. And to those dreamers who are constantly pushing us to become a better yacht club.

Boating season is upon us. The Santa Barbara Cruise is coming right up. The Lady Skipper race is on April 14. Wet Wednesday is starting this month too. The first race includes a mandatory crew overboard drill. We are expecting a big turnout in the FUN C fleet - the nonspinnaker boats. The second beginning race seminar was once again very well attended and tells of a public eager to get into yacht racing. This could well indeed



be a turning point for our club.

Spring is time to check your sails or fill up the fuel tanks (or both) and get the rig tuned and running rigging inspected. Don't forget to inspect the safety equipment. Life-

lines, pulpits, life jackets-the list goes on. We are recommending all VYC boat owners to get a Coast Guard inspection. Both the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and the United States Power Squadrons have certified vessel examiners who will perform a free Vessel Safety Check. And you can get a free drink at the bar when you pass. Request an inspection by contacting Rafael Francke at the club or by visiting: U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary https:// cgaux.org/vsc/

And, by the way, many thanks to all who made the second beginning race seminar a big success. Warren Casey for organizing everything and creating the presentation outline, Braedon Baum and Captain Dave Boatner, our presenters and mentors, Peter Acutt and Sean Guiltinan for getting the turnout, Ed Burnett, for filmography and logistics, the VYC staff for all the friendly help and great food, Commodore John Sugden for his skill with the spatula cooking burgers and keeping me in line.

**Dwight Rowe** 

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#### Social Report By Tracie West

appy Easter and Spring. I hope you all have had an amazing time with family and friends around the club.

We had a great time celebrating St. Patrick's Day and Easter.

Thank you Tracy Steward, Therri and Rick Wall.



You guys did an absolutely amazing job decorating and the VYC staff prepared a fabulous dinner.

Easter was a huge success thanks to Mary Beck and all the volunteers.

Looking forward to seeing you all at Opening Day!

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*Forecast*, and the Dock Replacement Project actual kickoff also very close, there may be a little juggling. However, there WILL be dock parties and a band!

Wet Wednesday races start this month so be sure to take a mid-week break and come over for some fun on the water followed by a great meal.

I hope to see you at Opening Day and at the club.

Jamel CO

Don Clark







## **General Manager**

By Nick Moller

Pening Day is upon us! I'm super excited. From having discussed it during my interviews and my onboarding, to working on it and planning it with Anthony, the ASBCYC/ SCYA, the VYC staff and key members such as Judy, Christina, Heidi, Dave and the Bridge. I'm anticipating



members are inactive and not involved with the club, not only are they missing out, the members who are here, who are involved and active are missing out the full potential and complete shared experiences that is only created when everyone is involved.

Overall, VYC is in

good shape. These last few months have been busy and the calendar ahead is full. Come down and watch the DF95, come watch the Wet Wednesday races, volunteer, get involved, join the book club, attend a monthly Board meeting.

Maybe next month my article will be more focused. Hopefully something BIG happens and I'll know what ONE THING to write about....

Mally

Nick Moller

#### Forecast Deadline Reminder

Forecast articles, flyers, ads and photos are due the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication. (i.e. Content for the May Forecast is due April15.)

Please send content to Cindy Daly at cmdaly@pacbell. net and also copy the VYC Office on the email. Thank you!

all the pomp-and-circumstance, the formality, the LOUD BOOM of the cannon, the food and drinks.....

Changing course.

January, February and March financials are showing strong signs and trends. The funding for the Dock Renovation Project is secure as well as finalizing the reserve study. We've developed metrics by which to track the profitability for VYC Social events and so far it has been beneficial. Labor and Cost of Goods sold is beating the budget.....

Changing Course again.

It's officially Spring. We changed the clocks. The days are warmer and longer. Just last week we fired up the BBQ for another successful Burn Your Own Burger Night. The clubhouse has some fresh new paint. Wet Wednesdays started, Lady Driver Race is right around the corner.....

Changing Course again for the third time.

If you are just reading about all that has happened and all that is going to happen you are missing out. But the loss of the experience is not just for those who are not in attendance. When



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## St Patrick's Day Parade 2024

#### **By Peter Acutt**

Shenanigans Sailing Down Main Street! Ventura Yacht Club made a grand statement with three OPTI's on their dollies, fully rigged with the junior sailors tacking down main street.

This year's parade attracted 67 entries from a wide range of floats. From all accounts a record crowd of enthusiastic spectators were lining the route, under another beautiful clear California sky. We (VYC) participated for the second year with an equally enthusiastic crew of kids and the senior kids!

The three OPTI's were rigged and crewed by eight enthusiastic kids supported by a great adult (Senior Kids) crew of 12. Not to be sidetracked, but the crew managed to even take care of a flat jockey wheel with the help of a passerby.

The enthusiasm of the kids and adults in handing out flyers was contagious. Sean G.'s "Captain Chaos" crew said they must have gotten a flyer into the hands of every 8+ year old! There were many overheard comments from kids "Oh I want to go sailing" so we feel our goals were achieved, the potential growth of the Junior's Program and VYC exposure. It was a fun event and one to become a fun tradition!



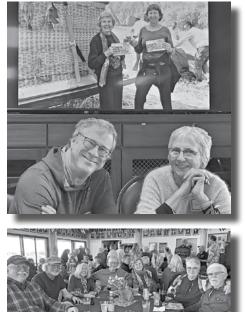


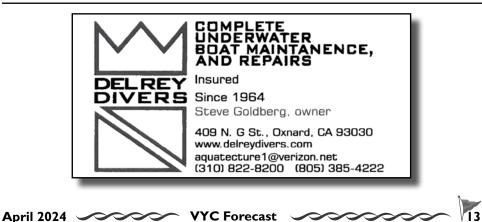


## **Amy West Celebration Photos**



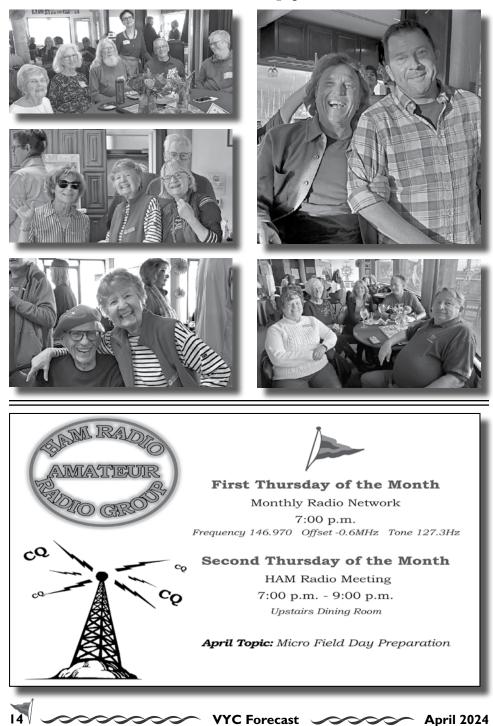






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## **Membership Report**

**By Peter Acutt** 

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with the official first day of spring here there has been a flurry of member activity in and around our club with a host of additional events planned for just around the corner.

By the time you get to read this the St. Patrick's Day Parade 2024 will be in the books with three OPTIs getting up to all manner of *"Shenanigans Sailing Down Main Street!"* (See separate report).

The second Beginners Racing Seminar was again a huge success with some 45 attendees, with a lot of very positive feedback from attendees. We had a number of attendees indicating an interest in joining the club in addition to participating in the summer Wet Wednesdays both as skippers and as crew. We are looking forward to an increase of boats on the starting line with a large number of new commers to sailing.

Our club house is a "*Grand O'l Gal*" and she deserves some TLC from time to time. It was heartening to see the great support from members on Cleanup Day, a great demonstration of the pride and ownership we all have in our club.

They who has not wandered down

to the guest dock when those amazing little radio-controlled *RC Dragon95* are out there racing – neck to neck! Another great boating activity that has taken roots at VYC. New participants are more than welcome.

> Member UPDATE: OPEN HOUSE: Yes, it is that time of the year for us to promote our club with the annual OPEN

HOUSE – scheduled for **Sunday, MAY 5**. Your membership committee will be reaching out to the many past visitors and folks that have shown an interest in joining VYC in the past year to rekindle their interest. (See flyer on page 16.)

A notable statistic in last year's attendees was the large number of folks that had been referred by existing club members and we'd be delighted to have that repeated this year. PLEASE reach out to friends, family and associates and invite them to stop by to discover the strengths and benefits of joining such a dynamic club and the warm and friendly atmosphere. In addition to being able to enjoy such a stunning and unique venue.

We look forward to welcoming a number of new members who will be presented to the Board of Directors this month.



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## "Small Yacht Cookery" Articles From The 1950s

#### **By Katie Rowe, VYC Historian**

**O**<sup>ne of</sup> my selfassigned tasks as VYC Historian is to scan our collection of *Forecast* newsletters from original paper issues to digital format. Forecast newsletters dating from January 1940 have been meticulously preserved by Don Mills. Thanks to Don, our club can revisit and enjoy

SMALL YACHT COOKERY By Inna Larde

I didn't get to Anacapa Island to find out how Geo. Smith makes kelp jelly, so I had to find out the hard way by experimentation as per the following recipe which didn't work.

Go to a good clean kelp bed and gather ten fathom of nine-sixteenths stem. Coil and wrap in a towel, moistened with sea water.

When home, cut the stem into pieces seven-eights inch long and rinse and drain. Boil half the kelp in a pot of frosh water. In forty-five minutes the water will be brown and the kelp, grass green.

Put other half in pot with one cup Put that half in pot with one cup brown sugar, one cup vinegar, one tea-spoonful each of ground clove, cinnanon and ginor. Add pinch of salt. Boil until syrup secthes, then pour into butter tin, When cool you will have molasses caremal full of tarred marline.

Grind contents of pot number one and add to the result of pot number two. Then dump entire mess in garbage can and clean up kitchen before the bess clips you one with the broom. Next month, something really good and

different.

#### Kelp Jelly

this valuable historical diary of our club's development, traditions and activities.

As I feed each *Forecast* edition onto the scanner, topics often catch my eye. My background and career in nutrition has led me to notice topics related to food and cooking. This month, I am sharing a couple of articles that caught my attention.

Starting in March 1950, a club member named Iama Larde began publishing a delightful series of features in the Forecast called "Small Yacht Cookery." Some of the submissions featured recipes using real food. Most were pure silliness. The Forecast editions from this era were typewritten on legal-sized paper and printed using a mimeograph machine.

In the 1950s, we were the Ventura County Boat Club. Members voted to change the name to Ventura Yacht Club in 1960. Our current clubhouse was built in the mid-1960s, so before then, club members met for general meetings at a building on Front Street in Ventura. Parties were held at the American Legion Hall located on the corner of Santa Clara and Palm in Downtown Ventura.

Here are two recipes published by "Iama Larde." By the way, it turns out the

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SMALL YACHT COOKERY by Iama Lardo

This month as promised, hominy with fixins.

Materials -- One large can of hominy, on alice of bacon, one can of cream of mushroom soup, one chine, clove of garlie, one pound ground beef, salt and papper. Tools--Grator, frying pan, spatula, can opener, large spoon and sharp knife. Mothod--Chop slie of bacon in the frying pan and start to slow fry. Grate garlic and onion onto meat, if you grate garlie first, onion removes all traces of garlie from grater. Add salt and pepper and knead meat to mix ingredients. When the moss has simmered five minutes serve in a moal with tuna salad (a gonuine small yacht specialty) broad, jam, coffee and canned pears. Notice to skeptics -- This is a tested recipe. At last reports all who tasted were expected to recover.

#### Hominy with Fixin's -Drawing by R.R. Lunsford (Commodore 1941)

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## Vagabond Sailor: Initial Voyage By Jim Eisenhart

Clearing the Lavagna Harbor breakwater, I savored that priceless sensation of anticipation, unfettered freedom, and more than a little anxiety that I think is shared by all cruisers upon leaving a secure harbor on a new boat for an extended voyage into an unfamiliar sea. *Adagio* was fit and ready with a belly full of fuel, water, and, not least of all, tasty Italian provisions.

From Lavagna Italy, deep in the gulf of Genoa, I could only go south—not a bad thing in this cool Mediterranean month of May. My destination—via island-hopping Corsica, Sardinia, and Sicily—was Tunisia, a little over 600 miles distant. The prevailing wind in the spring and summer in the Mediterranean is out of the northwest, so I expected to be on a favorable point of sail. On the other hand, I would soon learn to be skeptical about so-called prevailing winds or anything else claimed to be prevailing in the Med in this era of climate change.

Setting sail, there is the inescapable truth that you are now on your own and largely self-sufficient. However, I was grateful to be accompanied by my four very handy friends for the first three weeks.

Anxiety? What could possibly go wrong on a still unfamiliar boat that had comprehensive, and yet to me totally incomprehensible, German manuals? In mastering the holding tanks, I learned

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#### Saturday Night Presentations By Dean Prophet

We are seeking members to share their boating/traveling adventures with our membership. These presentations are 45-60 minutes long, starting at 5 p.m. and followed by dinner at 6 p.m. It is a great way for all of us to spend a saturday night together, meet some new friends, learn something new, enjoy what Chef José and his staff prepare for the evening, and maybe even get you excited to try what you saw - yourself.

Please feel free to contact me and arrange a Saturday night that you can present your story. Maybe you know someone that has a great story to tell and would be willing to present it to our members - have them get in touch with me too.

We are setting the Master Calendar and want to get your date secure, so contact me at - deanprophet@gmail.com or 805-794-1747.

Thank you for your contribution.

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author/chef was none other than legendary VYC member Art Giddings. **Sources:** *Forecas*t editions from March 1950 through February 1952

*Forecast* edition March 2010, <u>Re-</u> <u>membering Art Giddings</u>, by Don Mills



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that the capacity of each of *Adagio's* two tanks was a measly nine gallons. What was Hanse thinking? I might have to issue an unpopular cautionary directive to my crew.

I knew better than to give Raphaela, my yacht broker, a Continued from page 18



Portofino and hobnobbing with the rich and famous.

sal Studios, I was to learn, built a life-size replica of Portofino in its inland theme park. When it comes to competing with the Old World, we Americans do not compete; we build replicas—with indoor plumbing

sailor's desperate farewell: "I am shipping out in the morning, sweetheart, and don't know when or if I will return." To which she most likely would have affectionately responded, "Arrivederci, Mr. Eisenhart. Have you paid your yard bill?"

I knew my crew and I all felt good about being at sea again if only because we fought a little over who got to helm the boat. We chose visit Portofino before heading southwest to La Spezia. Portofino is an ultralux, picture-postcard town and harbor where it has been said that "anyone can visit but few can afford to stay"—a different slant from the Eagles' "Hotel California" lyrics.

Curiously, there was no VHF or cell number to call for a mooring in Portofino, nor was the cruising guide encouraging. Was mooring by invitation only? If so, they must have surely overlooked us. We had no intent to stay and were merely curious. There were a dozen or so mega yachts in the harbor and an incongruous scattering of small colorful wooden skiffs and old fishing boats—photogenic props for the tourists? Florida's Univerthat works.

The handful of luxury superyacht owners that I chanced to meet in the Mediterranean were, if not exactly down to earth or friendly, reasonably polite if I did not ask them stupid questions about their yacht. "Gosh, is that really a Jacuzzi on the back of your boat?"

Milling about and sightseeing outside the harbor entrance, I became uncomfortably aware of a large, rigid inflatable boat with a smartly uniformed crew (Portofino dock concierge or dedicated yacht service tender?) approaching us from astern. They were leading a 100-foot-plus motor yacht flying a huge Maltese flag to a mooring in the inner harbor. By the rules of the road, Adagio presumably had the right of way as they were overtaking us. One thing, however, was clear: the luxury yacht belonged here, and we did not. And who wants to get in a spat with a billionaire or someone acting like one? In these surroundings I knew my place, and we scurried out of the way like

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## Race Report Latest Results

#### 2024 Bacardi Invitational Regatta Report By Ryan Cox

The regatta was held March 7-9 at Coral Reef Yacht Club, Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, Shake a Leg Miami, Coconut Grove Sailing Club, and the US Sailing Center in Miami, Florida.

Team Hedgehog with me trimming, had a very successful J70 regatta at the Bacardi Cup in Miami. Even though

the owner of the boat was unable to sail the first day and we missed three races, we still finished 19<sup>th</sup> out of 49. We got more top three finishes in the five races we sailed than any other team received in eight races. Scores in the races we sailed were 3, 2, 2, 17, 3. In the 7<sup>th</sup> race we got 17<sup>th</sup>, We would have done much better in that race if we didn't rip our spinnaker and get a 720-penalty turn.

The team of Naval Academy grads are very happy with how they are



progressing and excited to get back on the water. Next up for us is the North Americans in Puerto Vallarta, a training session in New England with a few of the top boats, and then the World Championships in Palma Spain on August 28 to September 5.

Results can be found here: 2024 Bacardi Cup Invitational Regatta on Yacht Scoring - A complete web based regatta administration and yacht scoring program.

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worthless peasants. The skipper of the RIB—a dark-haired, expressionless young man wearing wraparound sunglasses gave us not so much as a nod and motored implacably ahead with the mother ship dutifully following.

This was a different, albeit entertaining, world than we were used to with our unkempt, California-casual appearance. Our uniform of well-worn and unwashed t-shirts marked us, and we reveled in our self-deprecating image as "humble dirt farmers from the Oxnard plain seeking fame, fortune, and cheap souvenirs in the Old World."







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### **Rival Racing Report**

#### By Dave Boatner

**P**BYC held the first two races of their Spring Series on February 17 and March 9, and *Rival* was there! The courses were the same for both races. The races started at Mandalay Buoy around Fishsticks, to Chips, back up to Fishsticks and then finished at Mandalay. In race #1, *Rival* (VYC) was

able to place 1<sup>st</sup> saving her time and beating *Cirrus* (AnYC). *Paradise Found* (VYC) also competed in the spinnaker course. Race #2 had more boats. *Rival* (VYC) again managed a 1<sup>st</sup> to beat *Cirrus* (AnYC). *Fat Tuesday* (VYC) was 3<sup>rd</sup> ahead of *No Compromise* (AnYC) and *Silver* (CIYC).

In Non-Spinnaker, *Paradise Found* (VYC) was able to stretch out far ahead

SPRING SERIES RACE #1 (2/17/24



**Photo: Pierpont Bay Yacht Club Spring Series #2 - Rival on the line to the right -** photo by Robert Martinez.

of *Valero* (CIYC) to save their time and for a 1<sup>st</sup>. Both races experienced great weather. The first race was light air all day. The second race had light air in the middle of the race and a strong one knot plus current at the buoys – which made for interesting and challenging racing.

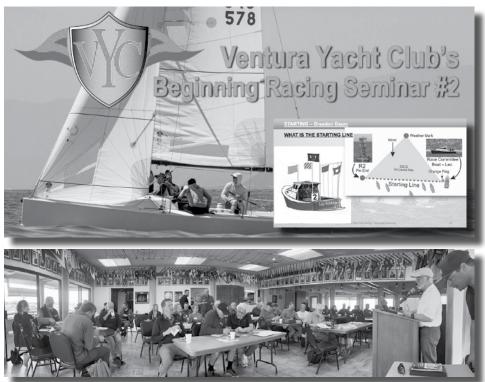
Ventura Yacht Club will be represented well at the next PBYC Spring Series race on March 23. GO VYC!

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## **Beginning Racing Seminar #2 Report**

Our second "Beginning Racing Seminar" was another success. We had over 45 attendees for the three-hour session. Dwight Rowe our seminar captain started the seminar at 9 a.m. sharp. Dave Boatner and Braedon Baum tag-teamed in their presentation beginning with a review of the first seminar. They jumped into this seminar's lessons about starting, upwind, downwind, and finishing strategies. They finished with boat speed and sail trim. Afterward, many of the attendees went down to the patio for BBQ hamburgers by our Commodores John Sugden and Dwight Rowe.

Thank you to the club's staff and



Nick our manager for the wonderful support. Also, we want to thank Peter Acutt and Sean Guiltinan for their help in getting the word out, organizing, and helping on the day! Thank you to Ed Burnett for filming the event and also helping out!

We are planning on posting the Power Point and video of both seminars very soon!

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## Wet Wednesday Series

The much-loved series begins again in the first week of April: **April 3** – Skipper's Meeting at 1800 and Pizza night – with safety presentation. **April 10** – Starting Mania – one hour of as many starts we can accommodate and then back to the club

for dinner. **April 17** – Will be MOB (Man Over Board) Night! We start off as typical WW race with an added MOB drill on any of the legs before the finish – see the instructions for the MOB drill in SI. **April 24** – Regular racing begins, April 17 through Sep-



tember 12 – 14 races. We will have two series of seven races (Flights). Please go to our Clubspot webpage for more info and to sign up. (You can pay for each race as you go): https://theclubspot. com/regatta/0LMI3xFtqx

## Lady Driver Race – Sunday, April 14

This is a random leg race featuring Lady Drivers. We are looking forward to this! We already have three lady drivers interested! The race will be using the RAW (Rating Adjustment Worksheet: https://d282wvk2qi-4wzk.cloudfront.net/



k13EX6RyYo\_doc\_1702666060255) which has been updated and engineered to make race boats and cruising/family boats more equal on the race course. At least one lady must be onboard, and at the helm during the race (periodic short breaks are allowed, but not during the starting sequence, while rounding

marks, or while finishing). Boats can have more than one lady driver. More info: https://theclubspot.com/regatta/k13EX6RyYo

If you have any questions or would like to get involved contact Race Captain/PRO is Pam Phillips: phillips2280@roadrunner.com



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## May Racing is Coming!

• May 19 – Commodore Classic – https://theclubspot.com/regatta/EcT-gO6SX6B

• May 27 – Blue Water Series #1 – https://theclubspot.com/regatta/CvY-DMrqD0n

**Do you like Flags, Clocks, Making Lists, Yelling, and Loud Sounds?** Then you will love getting involved with the Race Committee Team! Please contact Warren Casey – wc@warrencasey.com for more information!

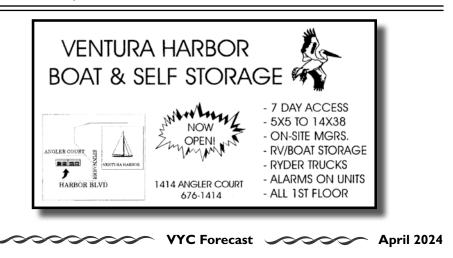
#### HAPPY SAILING!

Race Management Team

YYC Racing webpage: https://venturayachtclub.org/5619-2/

VYC Racing Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/ groups/1015985196505205

ASBCYC (Asso. of Santa Barbara Channel Yacht Clubs) Google Calendar: https://shorturl.at/jrI79



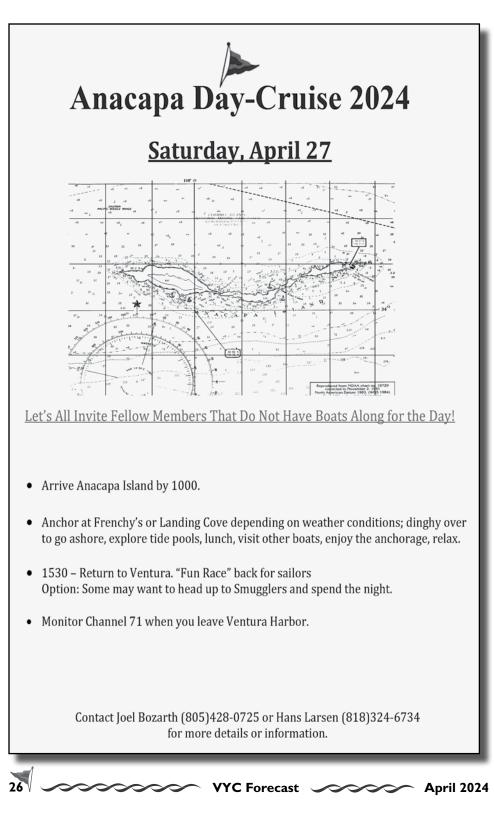
## VENTURA YACHT CLUB APRIL WET WEDNESDAY

DINNER 6:00 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

APRIL 10 TRI TIP, FRIED CHICKEN, POTATO WEDGES, CAESAR SALAD <sup>\$23++</sup> APRIL 17 CHICKEN PARMESAN, LINGUINI, CAESAR SALAD, GARLIC BREAD <sup>\$18++</sup> APRIL 24

CHICKEN STIR FRY, FRIED RICE, EGG ROLLS, HAWAIIAN ROLLS \$17++

ICE CREAM EVERYNIGHT!



## Port Captain

#### By Bryan Drew

A hoy, fellow members and especially the permit holders of our esteemed marina!

We're thrilled to announce that our Marina Rebuild Project for B and D docks has officially Broken-Ground!

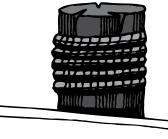
A massive thank you is owed to the B and D dock permit holders who efficiently completed their paperwork for temporary berthing in Safe Harbor or The Keys promptly! Our office staff deserves special recognition for their expertise and patience in assisting those who needed extra help. Our MMC team has truly exceeded the complications of managing these relocations, particularly Captain Jeff Beller, whose expertise in berth assignments and careful mediations has been invaluable - make sure to express your gratitude when you see him; the entire club benefits from such dedication!

The process of clearing out the boats and dock equipment went smoothly overall. We are fortunate to have a majority of very capable boat owners who followed procedures perfectly! However, to address the few violations incurred, penalties have been applied to compensate the club and, consequently, all members. Our Finance team will be accounting these collected fines as they see fit.

We must also extend our gratitude to the generous folks in The Keys who have offered their dock space. Their cooperation and easy cooperation throughout this process have been commendable and truly Corinthian in spirit. Hopefully, some of them might even consider becoming members of VYC through this endeavor. We've certainly had the chance to get to know each other better!

As Bellingham partially takes over our grounds and marina during construction, we kindly ask for ongoing patience and cooperation in remaining flexible on a day-to-day basis. Inevitably, there will be inconveniences with such a complex project. Often the best way to assist VYC is simply by quietly adjusting our individual expectations.

It's important to note that HazMat materials, such as paint, varnish, and grease, are the personal responsibility of members to arrange disposal thereof. Our local Gold Coast Recycling is one option. The club's HazMat disposal is strictly for oil and oily rags used in personal boat maintenance (non-commercial). Our dumpsters are provided by a private company with strict rules; any unauthorized materials improperly disposed of in these dumpsters can be traced back to VYC. So, let's avoid that. Just don't do it.





## Memorial Day 2024 Cruise to Coches Prietos Santa Cruz Island



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May 24 - 27, 2024

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Sign up for weather updates by May 17 Email: <u>hlarsen412@gmail.com</u> or <u>jrbxtasea@yahoo.com</u>

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## Friday, April 26 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Member Welcome and Birthday Announcements and General Meeting to begin approximately at 7 p.m.

#### <u>MENU</u>

<u>Top Sirloin, Chicken Florentine,</u> <u>White Rice, Grilled Vegetables,</u> Gumbo, Garden Salad

Assorted Cakes for DESSERT! Dinner \$27.00++ Soup & Salad \$15.00++

Don't forget, if it's your birthday or you're a Staff Commodore please notify the office if you're attending. 805-642-0426 Thank You.



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# SATURDAY LUNCH

#### 11:30 to 2:00 p.m.

#### **GRILLED CHICKEN, SALMON OR SHRIMP SALAD**

Grilled chicken, salmon or shrimp on a bed of fresh organic greens with tomatoes, cucumbers, red onion, avocado and feta cheese. Served with your choice of blue cheese, ranch, thousand island or balsamic vinaigrette. Chicken \$13.00. Salmon \$15.50 Shrimp \$15.00

#### CHEESEBURGER OR GARDEN BURGER

Our 6 oz burgers are freshly made from premium Angus Santa Carota grass fed beef and are non-GMO, hormone and antibiotic free. Garden burger made fresh. Served with your choice of French fries, onion rings, coleslaw, or potato salad. **CB-**\$15.00 **GB-**\$13.00

#### **GRILLED CHICKEN BURGER**

A top shelf, natural, gluten free 6oz grilled boneless chicken breast smothered in Swiss cheese and topped with two slices of freshly cooked bacon (cheese and bacon are optional). \$14.00

#### **VENTURA YACHT-CLUB SANDWICH**

Avocado, bacon, turkey, ham and Swiss cheese top this delectable toasted sandwich. \$13.00

#### FISH OR SHRIMP & CHIPS

Freshly breaded with a signature spiced batter. Fish \$15.00 Shrimp \$15.00

#### **BAJA FISH OR SHRIMP TACOS**

Two freshly battered fish tacos with a special baja sauce & avocado pico de gallo. \$15.00 Two freshly battered Shrimp tacos. \$15.00 Social with your choice of cide

Served with your choice of side.

#### SOUP OF THE DAY · CUP \$3.50 BOWL \$6.50 CUP OF SOUP AN HALF SANDWICH \$11.00

All items subject to tax & tip



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## SATURDAY NIGHT GRILL

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

STEAMED CLAMS	\$15.00
SHRIMP COCKTAIL	\$13.00
VYC CRAB CAKES	\$16.50

TOP SIRLOIN (10 oz)	\$21.00
SALMON (80z)\$22.50	
FISH OR SHRIMP & CHIPS OR ONION RINGS	\$17.00
CHICKEN BURGER	00
HAMBURGER OR CARDEN BURGER	¢16_00

#### Extras

Side Onion Rings/Fries.....\$2.50 Add Avocado...\$2.00 Coleslaw/ Potato Salad...\$2.00 Add Bacon......\$2.50 Split Plate.......\$2.00

ICE CREAM SUNDAE ...... \$2.50

ALL ITEMS SUBJECT TO TAX & TIP







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## Sunday Breakfast

#### 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

All breakfasts include coffee, orange juice, toast, jellies, and fresh salsa.

#### EGGS BENEDICT

Chef's special recipe -- Choose the traditional with ham, or try it Florentine with spinach Served with hash browns \$15.00

#### **BREAKFAST BURRITO**

Scrambled eggs, hashbrowns, cheese, and your choice of one meat. Add extra meat: ham, bacon, sausage, or chorizo (add \$1.00) avocado (add \$1.00) \$10.00

#### **TWO EGGS - ANY STYLE**

Any style eggs, cooked to order - Served with hash browns and your choice of ham, bacon, or sausage \$12.00

#### EGGS RANCHERO

Corn tortillas and cheese topped with two eggs over easy, and smothered with a fresh grilled blend of diced ham, onions, tomatoes, mushrooms, and (optional) jalapenos \$14.00

#### THREE-TOPPING OMELETS

Cooked to order with your choice of three toppings-shredded cheese, ham, mushroom, bell bebbers, onions, imitation crab, bay shrimb, tomatoes, or avocado (add \$1.00) \$14.00

#### PANCAKES, BELGIAN WAFFLE, OR FRENCH TOAST

-Three fluffy pancakes (or two pancakes with two eggs) \$10.00 -A light crispy waffle \$10.00 -Two slices of thick, egg-battered French toast sprinkled with a blend of sugar and cinnamon \$10.00 Add eggs cooked to your specification upon request +\$2.50 Add meat to fill up your plate with your choice of ham, bacon, or sausage +\$2.00 Add your choice of fruit to make your breakfast well rounded +\$1.00

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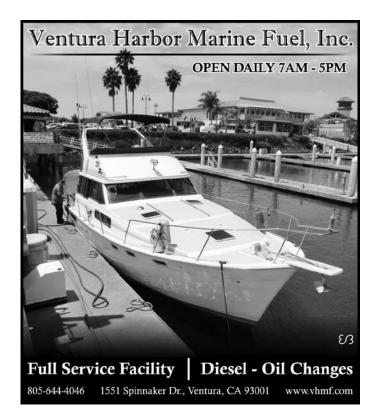
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## **Club Hours**

1100-1400
1100-2130
0900-1700

**Meeting Notice:** The Annual Meeting of the Membership is held on the fourth Friday of October at 8 p.m. Regular Meetings of the Membership are usually held on the fourth Friday of the months of January, April, July, August, and September and are held after dinner. The Board of Directors usually meets the third Thursday of every month except December at 7 p.m. Notice of a change to Regular Meetings of the Membership, or of a change to Board of Director meetings, and Notice of Special Board of Director meetings will be via the VYC website Master Calendar.

## The Forecast

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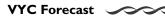
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FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

APRIL 5 Rehearsal for Opening Day Cocktail Night

APRIL 12

### Pasta Bar,

Cioppino, Caesar Salad, *Gelato for Dessert* Dinner: \$23.00++; Soup & Salad: \$15.00++

## APRIL 19

### Prime Rib Carving Station,

Au Gratin Potatoes, Green Beans, Lobster Bisque, Chicken Caesar Salad, Assorted Desserts Dinner: \$28.50++; Soup & Salad: \$15.00++

## APRIL 26

## **Monthly Birthday Dinner**

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Everard Ashworth, April 1.	Iris Acutt, April 17.
Gordon Simpson, April 1.	Stanton Smith, April 17.
Karen Hess, April 2.	Stefany Wolfsohn, April 17.
Pamela Phillips, April 3.	Don Morrison, April 18.
Ken Gottschall, April 4.	Jonathan Eells, April 20.
Arielle Morrisette, April 5.	Betsy Grether, April 20.
Rick Wall, April 5.	Nick Kaschak, April 20.
Bradley Barnes, April 7.	Gillian Zucker, April 21.
James D. Crawford, Jr., April 8.	Brenda Vance, April 22.
David Potter, April 9.	Eric Allison, April 23.
Olivia Stephens, April 9.	Christina Fritsch, April 23.
Joe Kapp, April 11.	Jill Langley, April 24.
Debra Lilly, April 11.	Salley Lopez, April 24.
Lane Lopez, April 11.	William "Rand" Lunsford, April 26.
Luke Morrisette, April 11.	David Chase, April 30.

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