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tree trimming 19

was just weeks before Christmas, and all through the club Warm soup filled the kitchen, mulled wine filled the pub; With tinsel and twinkle the tree was adorned, And in the blink of an eye, the club was transformed! Everyone added their finishing touch To the beautiful tree, which didn't need much; 'Twas the spirit of Christmas, but let's not forget The Christmas tunes sung by the Barbershop Quartet! And the Commodore exclaimed as we drove out of sight

"Merry Christmas to all, and to all, a good night!" Lori VanSkyhock







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Celebration of Champions	January 17
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Happy Hour	February 7, 28
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manager corner



elcome ABYC members to 2020. 96 years ago, in August of 1924, our club was founded.

We have come a long way since 12 local sailors met on Pier Avenue (now 62nd Place) and elected our first commodore, Richard Russell, Sr.

I am looking forward to working with Commodore Stephen Mueller in carrying on that legacy and our club's reputation for great sailing and genuine hospitality.

January racing action kicks off with our Junior Invitational Regatta, Jan. 11-12, as part of the Southern California Youth Yacht Racing Association's Sabot North Series. 54 young sailors joined us in last year's regatta, and we expect a similar turnout this year.

The very next weekend, our club will host the United States Optimist Dingy Association's Opti Midwinters, Jan. 18-20. More than 100 sailors and their boats will be our guests for high-level Opti racing Saturday through Monday. This regatta is in the capable hands of our own Eileen Huabl, who I worked closely with on last year's Olympic Classes Regatta.

I believe our club's founding members would be proud of where ABYC stands in hosting local, national and international regattas and how we are proudly carrying that reputation well into the 21st century.

I am looking forward to seeing you at ABYC, *The* Place to BE!

commodore's mpass



ecember was a fantastic month for the club. Lots of parties, food and good cheer. Shelley and I had a wonderful time at all the parties we were able to attend. Thank you, Greg and Kara Ivancich for the Commodores hat. I am trying to have a little fun with it.

I would like to thank everyone who came out to volunteer last year. Weather you help with RMC, SAC, JAC or a regatta, your support is appreciated.

I am looking forward to another busy year of racing at ABYC. We have couple of large events coming up in the next

few months with the Opti Team Racing and the Laser Midwinters West. As well as some smaller events like the Jr. Invitational and SCYA Midwinters. Good luck to all of those who sail under the ABYC Burgee.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Club in 2020 Stephen Mueller



viceerses



am impressed with all the people that are reading the Sou'Wester. I was having a conversation with some of the board and they are not so impressed. I mentioned that I get several comments each month about my article, but some of them do not. If there is anything in a director's report that you would like to comment on, please feel free. It will inspire us to give more to you.

I have a couple of ideas for the Spring Spruce up. I would like to take on the serving area. The idea is to see if it would be reasonable to change the counter to Solid Surface material (like Corian) for an update. Then do something about the sides, maybe just paint. Right now, it is a Formica-like material that reminds me of the early 60's. If you have a better idea let me know. To

work with the Solid Surface we would work with really hard wood. It is reasonably priced relative to Quartz or Marble but not cheap. I would like some people to step up to learn about it before we forge ahead. If you are interested, I will put together some websites and videos that you can peruse.

If you would like to propose other projects for the Spring Spruce Up, please let me know. I would like to get this all ready and prepared long before the event as we will have close to a hundred volunteers looking for things to do.

What a busy holiday season for us. Hope you were able to keep up with it all. Seems to me that there were less days to attend more events than previous years...same with you?

Hope your holidays have been filled with joy,

Dan DeLave

fleet captain's



appy New Year! Wow, we are in a new decade and roaring 20's! We are starting the decade (year) off right with a busy race calendar starting with the Jr Invitational for sabots as a stop on the North Series and then roll into the Opti Team Race midwinters that will be held in the bay. For those of you that want to see serious team racing with on the water umpiring, mark your calendar!

For our wanna be volunteers we are having whaler training at the end of the month as well. If you want to learn how to operate a whaler on the race course or would like a refresher course, I encourage you to sign up. Some of the best times on the water is volunteering and being able to meet fellow members. After the whaler training is the ABYC World Ping Pong

Championship! That's like red wine and beef! A nice pairing and a full day!

On a more serious note, you may have notice that Patience has moved on to a new home. She was purchased by a professional harbor worker to restore and use with his family in Catalina. I'm very happy that she found a good home. The committee is still working on the replacement and has begun to narrow down the options. More to come when information is available!

Mike VanDyke

staffhank you

he ABYC staff would like to thank all the members who contributed to the Staff Christmas Fund. It is greatly appreciated and makes our Christmas brighter. We would also like to thank the Officers and Directors for a great year and look forward to an even better 2020. ABYC is the place to be!

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday and the coming year filled with PROSPERITY, GOOD HEALTH & HAPPINESS!

A heartfelt THANK YOU ABYC Staff

Sou'Wester DEADLINE

January 24, 2019 is the deadline for the February Sou'Wester.

Help us to Help you!

Please keep your e-mail address current with secretary@abyc.org to receive all of the weekly news and events. Thank you.

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the baylogger

he holiday season is well underway and our ABYC Juniors have been spreading holiday cheer all over Southern California. To kick off December our Opti team made the trip up to CBYC for the 3rd stop in the Carrie series. Of the 35 boats that raced, ABYC had two finishers in the top 10, Nicholas Mueller and Tate Christopher finished 4th and 7th, respectively. After the Carrie regatta we had a little downtime to upgrade our CFJ fleet here at the club. All standing rigging has been replaced as well as running rigging. Big thanks to coaches Paul Didham, Roxy Snyder & Charley Snyder for coming down and lending a hand! Next up on the calendar is one of my favorite ABYC events, the Boxing Day Regatta! Come down to the club and enjoy a nice day racing around Alamitos Bay. I hope you all have a wonderful holiday and a Happy New Year! Sawyer



juniorerspective

ovember 9th and 10th several Long Beach schools participated in the PCISA Anteater Regatta hosted by Newport Harbor Yacht Club. Long Beach teams included Sato High School and McBride High School. Sato came away with a first place with an impressive 22 point lead in silver! Silver fleet A skipper, Nikhil Stewart with crew Diego Lockyer, also received a 1st in their division! Silver B skipper, Preston Woodworth with crew Elisabeth Rosbach received a third place. McBride's team featuring Tristan Feves and Liam Williams took 17th place overall.

Nikhill Stewart

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r. Board ABYC Toy Drive The Jr. Board would like to thank all the ABYC members who contributed toys for the Jr. Board Toy Drive this month. It was a great success. The Miller Children's and Women's Hospital truly appreciated your help in supporting their patients and families this holiday season.

Emilia Anctil, Jr. Board Rear Commodore



alamitos bayailing foundation

s we look forward to 2020, here is a brief update on recent ABSF activity and focus for 2020.

Gibbs-Weiss Olympic Campaign:

Many ABYC members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and Allia. Action members have been following and supporting Riley and his partner Anna Weis are the top USA Nacra 17 team with a very good shot at qualifying and his partner have been followed by the following and supporting Riley and his partner with a very good shot at qualifying and his partner have been followed by the following and supporting Riley and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the following and his partner have been followed by the foll Nacra 17 World Championships in Australia. ABSF has been supporting the campaign by receiving



tax deductible donations and issuing grants to the campaign. Follow the action: http://www.gibbsweisracing.com

Junior Fundraiser 2020.

ABSF will be supporting the ABYC junior program's annual junior fundraiser which will be held at ABYC on Saturday March 14. Mark your calendars for a fun night not to be missed. The theme will be "Taste of Long Beach" where local

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restaurants will be represented. We will also have some great auction items. The primary goal for 2020 is to raise equipment funds to improve the junior program's fleet of boats, especially around the growing double-handed program. We are looking for volunteers for the fundraising committee. If interested please contact Kevin Taugher at kevintaugher@yahoo.com or Brooke Jolly.

Boat Donations:

The junior program is looking for equipment donations to support the growing singlehanded and double-handed program. At the moment they are looking for three decent quality Lasers, Laser 4.7 rigs and a 420. If anyone has interest in donating their boat please contact Kevin Taugher at kevintaugher@yahoo.com or contact Brooke Jolly.

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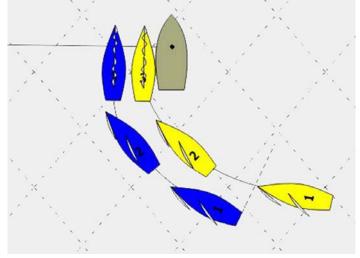
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mark's racinges quiz #62

Answer on page 12

he race committee signal vessel is the starboard end of the starting line and is surrounded by navigable water. Blue and Yellow are approaching the line to start, with Blue sailing a course that gives room for Yellow to pass between Blue and the mark. When Blue and Yellow are astern of the mark, Blue luffs slowly to head to wind. Yellow luffs in response to keep clear of Blue, but touches the mark.

How should the protest committee rule. See if you can figure out the relevant facts, conclusions and decision.



upcoming inteer opportunity

olunteering at ABYC is a great way to meet new people, hang-out with friends, learn new skills, and help run topnotch events for which ABYC is famous – all while having fun! Many of our volunteer opportunities revolve around regattas and social activities. Here are some great opportunities to get involved at ABYC in the next couple months:

1/18-20 Opti Team Race Midwinter Champ 1/25 Whaler Volunteer Training Steve 2/15-16 SCYA Midwinters 2/29-3/1 Manning Series Eileen Haubl (<u>ehaubl@aol.com</u>) Kuritz (<u>Kuritz@earthlink.net</u>) Mike Van Dyke (<u>mvd.lvd@gmail.com</u>) Jorge Suarez (jorgesuarez0@yahoo.com	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Contact</u>
	1/25 2/15-16	Whaler Volunteer Training Steve SCYA Midwinters	Kuritz (Kuritz @earthlink.net)

Please feel free to reach out to the individuals above if you are interested in helping on any of these events. If you have any questions about volunteering at ABYC, please contact our Director of Volunteers, *Rob Stropky*, at <u>rg_stropky@msn.com</u> or (562)252-5321.

membership port

embership numbers continue to hover slightly lower than we would like but we are optimistic that 2020 will bring new activities, regattas and fun that will see an increase in members. With that, we want to make sure everyone is taking advantage of the opportunities and events that are the heart of this great club. For many of us the Weekly Reader and website calendar are the best ways to stay in touch so I encourage you to check the calendar and all ABYC email correspondence along with the Sou'wester. Ongoing events such as Friday Happy Hour, Sunset Saturdays, Club ABYC, and the monthly General Membership meetings along with new events such as the Pin-Pong Tournament January 25th are all great reasons to bring friends and family down to the club.

On the racing calendar we have some big events this year in addition to the usual Holiday Regatta Calendar including the Mid-Winters West for the Lasers, International 420, and Nacra 15, along with 505 North American Championship and Senior Sabot Nationals. It's going to be a busy year of racing but that's what we do best.

In December we welcomed new regular members Wendy Drake and Claire Williams both of whom were sponsored by Elise McCaleb. New junior member Kelsea Cook also joined the fold. Posted for 30 day review is Will Durant.

Mike Shea, Membership Director

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moree trimming

...from page 1 Mike Shea photos





abyc christmasarty 2019

he evening began with kids crafting while waiting for Santa to arrive. Of course, Santa's visit was enchanting! Kids and families were excited to have their pictures taken with the jolly benefactor and Tracy did a fine job capturing those memories.

The kids (and maybe a few adults) loaded up on sweet treats at the Candyland table. However, no one was too full to take in the dinner, provided by Teak Catering, which had a delicious array of offerings. Taste and presentation were fabulous, as always.

As a delightful bit of after party fun, when most of the jolly revelers had gone but a handful were left to finish the wine and clean up a little, Jorge Suarez strolled around playing/improvising on his ukulele and even enlisted a few of our talented bartenders in the mini jam session!

Huge thank yous to Trish & Chuck Clay, Dave Crockett, Alan Cunningham, Dan Delave, Gabe Ferramola, Cindy Heavrin, Carla Higbee, Jack & Deby Johnson (Deby as Designer, builder & candy creator of Candy Land) Melissa Kirby, Cheryl Koll, Steve Mueller, Kathy Reed, Carol Senske and Lori Van Skyhock for hours and hours of work planning the holiday festivities, pulling decorations out of the Attic, stringing lights, setting tables and dressing up the Upper Deck!

Deby Johnson

The following photos, along with additional ones, may be viewed and/or downloaded here: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/wyqzfat8w8pfmsn/AABdJH9EK9QUO42qb2C5F4faa?dl=0







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mark's rulesswer #62

eview the following definitions and rules. Definitions, Room, Mark-Room Rule 11, On The Same Tack, Overlapped Rule 16.1, Changing Course Part 2 Section C Preamble Room 21(b), Exoneration Rule 31, Touching A Mark WS Case 114

As stated in the preamble to Section C, Yellow is not entitled to room under rule 19 or mark-room under rule 18 and after Yellow became overlapped to windward of Blue, she is also required to keep clear under rule 11. Because Yellow established the overlap from astern, Blue has no proper course restriction. However, when Blue changes course Yellow is entitled to room to keep clear of Blue under rule 16.1, including the space Yellow needs to comply with rule 31. Blue's change of course compels Yellow to touch the mark. Blue breaks rule 16.1 and, under rule 21(b), Yellow is exonerated for her breach of rule 31.

CONCLUSIONS

- 1. As the race committee boat was a starting mark, part 2 section C rules did not apply.
- 2. Yellow touched a starting mark, breaking rule 31.
- 3. Yellow did not take a one-turn penalty, as required by rule 44.1.
- 4. Blue, the right-of-way boat, changed her course and failed to give Yellow room to comply with her obligations under the rules of Part 2 and rule 31, as required by rule 16.1.

DECISION

- 1. Yellow was compelled to break rule 31 and is exonerated under RRS 21(b).
- 2. Blue is DSQ for breaking rule 16.1.

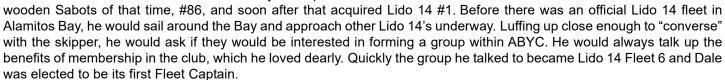
See you on the water.

Mark Townsend

eightells

ong time ABYC member and enthusiastic sailor, Dale Berkihiser, passed on the 8th of December 2019 at the age of 102. His wife Maxine Berkihiser and children, son Elliott Berkihiser, daughters Dara Hodges, Mindy Belli, Robin Parkes and Susan Mrock will miss his vibrant personality, enthusiasm and keen interest in living life to the fullest.

Dale joined ABYC in 1958, when the yacht club was a humble wooden building on the sand at the west end of Alamitos Bay. Dale purchased and restored one of the



Dale was intensely interested in aviation from childhood and enjoyed a life-long career in aeronautics. During World War II he worked in several aircraft plants until he could see that airplane production was adequate for the war needs. He then joined the Navy and was trained on radar equipment.

While still a teen, Dale got hooked on sailing upon his first time in a sailboat. As an adventurous young man with love for the outdoors, he also climbed Mt. Whitney with a couple of friends. He began snow skiing back when skiers had to hike up the hill with skis on their shoulders. Later, he often skied with fellow ABYC members. Dale skied until the age of 80, stopping only when he judged that the risk of injury by collision was too great. He continued racing in the Sabot fleet until landlocked by shoulder trouble at the age of 85. The family has many happy memories of sailing and skiing together. Dale's enthusiasm for life, sailing, skiing, and adventure never waned.

A "Celebration of Life"
will be held at
Alamitos Bay Yacht Club on
January 22, 2020 @ 11:30 AM.

Please join the family in remembrance of our beloved Dale. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Elliott Berkihiser at projex6@comcast.net.



boxing dayace 2019

oxing Day turned out to be a spectacular day.

There was a good breeze and at 13:06 we began the 35 starts.

The Sabots led the day from their start at 13:16 until the last 10 feet of the race. At the finish line a David and Goliath scenario (Sabots vs Cal 20s) played out when Jeff Ives overtook Steven Hopkins and Eric Conn's Mercury slipped into 3rd place.

Michael Kramer was last to finish in the 47 boat fleet.

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Results: https://abyc.org/images/pdf/2019 Boxing Day Results.pdf

Martyn Bookwalter











patienceplacement

y now I am sure that everyone has noticed that Patience is no longer in her slip. She served us well over the last 30+ years. But like a faithful and beloved work horse it was time for her to retire.

In early July the ABYC board of directors officially began the process of addressing Patience' age and condition. Initially it was thought that we could simply put Patience though a major refurbishment. But it was determined after much

research that is was too expensive and risky to go down that path. Which lead us to the current plan of finding a good used replacement race committee boat.

This process began by forming the Patience Replacement Committee. The committee is comprised of staff commodores, current board members and RC officers. The members are; Mike Van Dyke, Dan Delave, Brook Jolly, Mike Shea, Steve Kuritz, Mark Townsend, Chuck Clay and me. A list of requirements and budget was approved by the board. And we were off to the races! Unfortunately, the eager committee was presented with a lack of quality replacement boats on the West Coast. Very few met the club's "must have" requirements. I have including a list of the requirements below (space permitting) for your edification.



Flowers 33' - sistership to current replacement candidate

In October, after an extensive search, the committee met to review a list of potential candidates. Unfortunately, all the boats on the list only partially met our requirements. Some of the boats we considered/researched included; a Camano trawler, Grand Banks 32, Nordic 32 tug, Flowers 35 lobster style boat, King Kat 340, Pacific 3200 cat, a semi-custom Cheetah cat, a custom Morelli & Melvin designed cat, and LBYC's Loynes. Most of the boats were simply too expensive or too long to fit in the slip. Instead of recommending a compromise the committee asked the board for more time to continue the search.

Fast forward to today. The Board of Directors was presented with a short list of four unique boats during the December meeting. The Board decided that they wanted to pursue a 10-year-old Down East style boat that is located in Maine. I know what you are thinking. But we really couldn't find a good match on the West Coast. So off to Maine I go to see our pick in person. If it checks out, we will schedule a survey and a sea trial of a similar boat on the West Coast. Assuming no surprises we should have the new Patience in her slip in 2-4 months. In the meantime, feel free to reach out to me with questions and ADVICE!

- Kevin Brown, Staff Commodore

Requirement	Must Have	Very Desirable	Nice to Have
1 Inexpensive to maintain (fiberglass hull and deck)	X		
2 Boat was built no earlier than 1996 (25 years old)	х		
3 Relatively stable hull form (Cat, Down East or Trawler)	х		
4 Walk-around cabin with ample room to go forward	X		
5 Protected seating area for 4-6 people which inclues a table for scoring	X		
Large upper deck or elevated forward deck, or ability to physically separate starting and finishing crews (at least as big as Patience which was 10'x9')	×		
7 Single diesel engine, or gas ouboard(s)	X		
8 Boat can easily accommodate installation of flag mast/sign holders, or signal flags	X		
9 Standing headroom enclosed head with toilet / holding tank	X		
Boat can be purchased for \$125,000, or less including; purchase price, taxes, shipping/delivery and need modifications	×		
11 Boat requires little to no immediate repairs / modifications	X		
12 Windless and internal storage for ground tackle (or can been inexpensively added)	X		
13 Boat will fit in existing slip (34'11" maximum overall length)	X		
14 Boat has a small covered rear deck (shade from sun)		x	
15 Steering station on upper deck		X	
16 Rear swim step / boarding (or boarding gate)		X	
17 Minimal plumbing / mechanical systems (no water heater, no A/C, no water maker, no generator)			Х
18 Minimal galley (no stove, no refrigeration)			X
19 Minimal sleeping areas			X
20 Little to no external bright work			х

hails from fleets



s we all know, the Turkey Day Regatta can be anything from 50 knot storm conditions with pelting rain to no wind, or anything in between. Thankfully, 2019 was the "in between". Saturday brought 6-10 knots of breeze with ideal conditions to get three races in. With a small but

talented fleet of nine boats sharing the race course with Finns, Lasers, Radials and Optis, PRO Steve Kuritz ran three efficient two-lap races. With very short legs, the fleet was tightly bunched every race with numerous lead changes and close racing. Steve George and Bryan Dair led off the festivities with a win in race 1, sailing recently acquired Magic Bus. Keith Ives/Chuck Stevens and Mike Corzine/Randy Smith rounded out the top 3. These three battled at the top for the rest of the day, each winning a race with



Chris Wells aboard his new Cal 20 #461. Rex & Ron Wood on the dock

Keith 1 point ahead of Mike and Mike 2 points ahead of Steve at the end of the day.

Sunday brought a bit less breeze and some nasty Sunday power boat chop, but again three races were held with the fleet back on shore in plenty of time for trophies and an early evening. Ives/Stevens closed out the win with two firsts and a third, Corzine/Smith struggled a bit and dropped back to third, behind George/Dair who had another solid day to finish second overall. Matt Rustigian sailing with Frazier closed out the regatta with two second place finishes to end up fourth overall.

Thanks to ABYC, the regatta management team and all the volunteers for another great year of Turkey Day. Randy Smith

Final Results here: https://www.sailwave.com/results/ABYC 2019 Turkey Day.htm

Lido Love

ecember is all about the Lido Christmas party, an event that shouldn't be missed. If you missed it, check your email because you just might be the new fleet six secretary. Those that did attend enjoyed a delicious dinner from Domenico's followed by the ever popular fleet awards. Among this year's winners were Melissa Kirby and Martina Steiner sharing the Martini Marilyn award. Mike Baumann won for Culinary Excellence with his famous tri tip. Jim Drury received the prestigious Sam and Dana Bell volunteer trophy. On a less glamorous note, the new fleet captains received the Wet Sponge award for attempting to depower their Lido by flying only the centerboard around the leeward mark. Outgoing fleet captains Ken Reiff and Glenn Selvin closed out the evening with BIG smiles as they handed over the reins to Kevin Thomas and Helen Burdett. Kevin and Helen took the oath of office amid a cloud of controversy swirling with rumors of Russian interference. An unidentified witness claims fleet six officials were seen drinking Ukrainian wine and bribing suspicious characters in the ABYC parking lot. Perhaps even more suspicious is the fact there was an election with no actual vote.

It should come as no surprise that this years Twilights overall winners were Mark Ryan and Lorna in the A fleet and Susan Lanoue and Allie Blecher in the B fleet.

Special thanks to Ken and Glenn for two fine years as fleet captains and Cindy Heavrin for serving as secretary and treasurer.

Upcoming Events:

The annual New Years Regatta and BBQ is Sunday January 26th. This was one of the largest events last year. Midwinters is February 15th (Saturday only) and Lidos are the only fleet.

he Senior Sabot/Keelboat Christmas Party Pot Luck was great fun and a good turnout this year. Everyone enjoyed the singing and piano music by Ronda, who was accompanied by Kathy and Cindy on their ukuleles on a couple of songs. Ronda has been singing at this event for the past 15 years! Thank you Judy Mathias for organizing the games and prizes, which everyone enjoyed.

Our next Sabot Sunday is January 26th. Please mark your calendars for Senior Sabot Nationals to be held at ABYC June 6th & 7th. This will be the first weekend in June and it would be nice to have a big turnout of senior sabot sailors!

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