



pine block regatta

Bronny Daniels (Joysailing) photo

The Annual Pine Block Regatta got off to a grand start this year on the bay. The Regatta had many veteran block heads on the starting line as well as new member, John Peyton, and some lively Juniors who came ready to race and found out that the sky's the limit on becoming a champ.

If you haven't attended a Pine Block Regatta skippers meeting run by PRO Jeff Merrill.... well, let's just say, you need to experience it first hand to witness the shenanigans that none other than Jeff can pull off.

The fashionable ladies were first up and after 3 heats and some coaxing their boats forward we had a queen from yesteryear crowned, Sue McDanel. 2nd place was Brynn Jolly, a new Jr, and 3rd place went to Jennifer Kuritz. The Juniors competed fiercely for their winning spot. We had 4 Juniors on the line. It turned into a real sporting event when the



juniors swam just behind their boats giving them encouragement and a bit of hot air to pitch forward. Brynn Jolly was our winner followed by her brother, Tanner, who was hoping to celebrate his birthday with a win. There is always next year Tanner! The 5 Grand Masters lined up chest deep in water and proceeded to launch their craft into the deep blue sea searching for the "street" which gave a fresh breeze to favor the lead boat headed to the finish line. Ron Long in No. 24 edged out Bill McDanel in Black Magic who ended up 2nd. John Ellis was 3rd, Dan Clapp was 4th and Jon Robinson chased the fleet with 5th. Jon did get "deep water" acknowledgment from the lifeguard on the beach.

The OPEN was the last race, and per its name, all participants get to have a go at becoming the new reigning champ. Jeff decided to have the participants Mix & Match their boats. The new rule implemented for the OPEN was you could NOT race your own boat AND you could not race the same boat twice in the Open heats or finals. Luckily there were some fast loaners around as well as tried and true winning boats from prior races to swap with one another. Steve Kuritz and Jo Ellerman Pike were amazing at being able to figure out who had what boat and keep it all straight so that we had a bonefide winner at the end of the day. But not to dismiss this race as just any other championship race, we had high style on the starting line with a gold glitter inner tube worn by newcomer Brooke Jolly. The Juniors were revved up to beat the Grand Masters. Our PRO Jeff was ready to bring the trophy home as well. I thought Chuck Clay would repeat his "most firsts" from last year,

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manager's corner



Sadly, this will be my last article as Club Manager of ABYC. It is with a heavy heart that I have decided to move on to pursue a career in Food & Beverage and/or Event Planning, which is where my true passion lies. I have a deep affection for Alamitos Bay Yacht Club and its members, and this place has been like a home-away-from-home for me these past several years, so this was a very tough decision for me to make.

I was fortunate enough to have been given the opportunity to serve as ABYC's Club Manager over 3 years ago, and I am so thankful for all the support and guidance that I've received from the Board of Directors during this time, not to mention the countless members who have also given their support and advice. There isn't nearly enough room in this article for me to list all the

members who have touched my life in one way or another, but please know that you all have a special place in my heart and I am so glad to have gotten to know you.

As we all know, it isn't the building or location that is the foundation of a Club; it's the members and their spirit of community, that's what makes a truly great Club, and ABYC is certainly no exception. ABYC's members have welcomed me into their extended family, and for a Michigan transplant like me, that means the world. I do hope to keep in touch, and I promise that I won't be a stranger when I get back from my travels. I have far too many fond memories of ABYC, and I feel that I've made quite a few friends here.

I wouldn't be able to write a farewell article without thanking our hard-working, dedicated staff. They've been such a huge help to me since I took on this role, sharing their wisdom and insights, and any success that I've achieved during my tenure as manager wouldn't have been possible with their support. I will miss working with them and seeing their smiling faces day in and day out.

Replacing me will be Rick Roberts, who has worked as the Waterfront Director of Long Beach Yacht Club for the past several years, so you may already know him. He will officially be taking the helm on September 5th, and I ask that you please join me in welcoming and supporting him. I will be around to help transition Rick until my last official day of September 12th, and I hope to get a chance to see as many members as I can before I leave, so I can say my goodbyes to each and every one of you. Thank you everyone for all your support and friendship during these past several years, and thank you for showing me why ABYC truly is The Place to Be!

Tori

commodore's compass



Tori's Departure...

By now many of you have heard that ABYC will have a new club manager starting September 5th, 2018. With mixed emotions I must share the sad news (for me) that Tori Kasik will be moving on to a new chapter in her life. Tori has enthusiastically served ABYC for almost nine years. She started out as a bartender and worked her way up to become our club manager. During this time, she became a very big part of the ABYC family. We will miss her smiling face around the clubhouse.

Like all clubs with passionate members ABYC has a very active rumor mill. I have heard every rumor from the Board fired Tori, too she can't stand working with our beloved Commodore (this one might be true). Well the rumor mill as usual was wrong. Tori has been contemplating a change in career for many months. Several months ago, she informed me that she was planning to leave but she didn't want to leave ABYC shorthanded. Her professionalism and love for ABYC provided the employee committee the time needed to find the right replacement.

Tori is going to take much deserved time off to do a cross-country road trip, visiting family along the way. Then she plans on getting a job working at a hotel (hopefully in DTLB) working in the Food & Beverage/Event Coordinating side of things. Tori's last day as an employee will be September 12th. However, she plans to attend the South Seas Adventure party as a guest! Please plan to attend if you can so you can help us wish Tori a grand Bon Voyage!

This brings us to the happy news. We persuaded Rick Roberts to move his work across the bay from LBYC to ABYC. Rick has been the LBYC Waterfront Director for 10 years where he was known for his dedicated service and attention to detail. Rick is very excited to become the newest member of the ABYC family. We are confident he will continue to build on the strong foundation that the ABYC board laid when they promoted Tori four years ago.

For our newer members, Rick is the son of long time member, sailing sports writer and photographer, Rich Roberts.

Kevin

Hope to see you around the Club.
Dave Schack

The Juniors are collecting old sails to recycle into duffle bags and other gear. Clean out your boat and garage! Simply drop off your old sails in the designated collection bin in the junior room.

**September 23, 2018 is the deadline
for the October Sou'Wester.**

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

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First, I would like to Thank Tori for all her years of service at ABYC. Tori, it has been a pleasure to work with you. I wish you the very best with your future endeavors.

It is that time of year again. The Jr. Sailing program is over, and the kids are going back to school. Every year the summer seems to go by faster. With that said, we still have a couple of things on the calendar. September 8th and 9th is the Optimist Pacific Coast Championship here at ABYC. 80+ kids will be racing for a chance to make 2019 Opti Team Trails. Good luck to all our sailors.

Now for the most important part. The end of Summer party September 14th and 15th. Pig roast and all. If you are planning to join the Raft up on the 14th, please let me know at TeamAbyc@yahoo.com. Space is filling up fast. Please make your reservations early. See you there.

Stephen Mueller



Nicholas Mueller and family made the trip to Canada to sail in the Opti Champs

fleet captain's log



Upcoming events you may like to be involved with:
Opti PCCs, Sept 8-9

Halloween/Charity Regatta, Oct 27

Turkey Day Regatta, Nov 17-18

As reported last month the canopy of the bay barge was a bit wobbly. It has now got new rail fittings that have stiffened it fine.

I have taken on a project for the members. That is the "Members Tool Room". There will be culling and cleaning to get that in shape. I know that it is kind of a mess right now. Hopefully we can all keep it in such an order that we will all be able to enjoy it. If you have tools that could be

used for it which you would like to cull from your collection I will put a container next to the door in which you can deposit them.

We will have the awards ceremony at our meeting in November. I am still trying to get all the information to be sent out about what you can help with the nominations of some of them.

the bay clogger

The ABYC Summer Program wrapped up with one of the most spectacular couple of events that our Juniors have participated in yet! First, a fantastic Junior Awards Banquet was held on the patio, to recognize all of the fantastic sailors that spent their summer at ABYC. We would like to thank all of the Coaches, Parents, Members, and Club Staff for making this summer so exceptional! LBYC hosted the INSA Junior Sabot Nationals this year, with 8 ABYC Juniors showing us all their skills in home waters. Bobby Little was on fire the entire regatta, clinching a second place in the last race of the Championship Series. This final victory secured a momentous podium finish in Third Place for the regatta.

We are all proud of the effort that went into all of the successes, small and large, at this event. In the days following, ABYC Junior Optimist Sailors travelled up to Ventura Yacht Club for the United States Optimist Dinghy Association's (USODA) West Coast Championship. Two of our Opti sailors really brought the heat, Tate Christopher finishing 3rd Overall and Nicholas Mueller finishing 8th Overall. Both of these sailors should be proud of their accomplishment at this event and have qualified for the USODA Team Trials in 2019!

With the Fall Program fast approaching, the ABYC Junior Program will be chock full of new experiences and plenty of fun stories this year!

Craig Ramsay



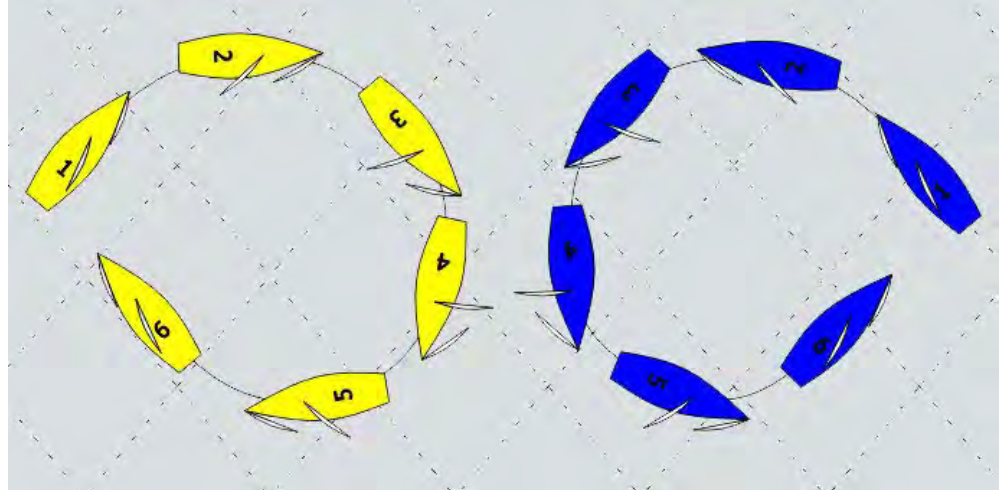
racing rules quiz #46

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This month is a match racing rules quiz. Blue is on close-hauled on starboard tack and Yellow is on close-hauled port tack on a leg to windward. Blue has an outstanding penalty. At approximately four boat lengths from Blue, Yellow bears away to avoid Blue. Blue then bears away, so that the boats remain on a collision course. Yellow and Blue continue to bear away in the same way, until they are both sailing a downwind course. Yellow and Blue both gybe and luff to a close-hauled course, Blue is on close-hauled on port tack and Yellow is on close-hauled starboard tack. There is no Y-flag. What should the Umpires do?

Review the following rules:

Rule 10 On Opposite Tacks
Rule 16.1 Changing Course
Rule 22.2 Taking Penalties
Rule C7 Penalty System
MR Call D6 and N7



new bar project

Chuck Clay photos

WOW your bar remodeling team has been very busy.... it is amazing what you can get done in a month!

The bar remodel is coming along really well if you have not had the time to pop your head in to have a look, well you are going to be in for a nice surprise. All of the paint is done, the bar has been set, the peninsula tables are in, the wainscoting installed, the straight and curved soffits and mahogany doors are hung and the floor tile is set behind the bar.

In the next couple of weeks we will be installing, the teak and holly flooring; can lights and the entire bar equipment. Our projected completion date is still around the end of September, but we will be sending out an official "open for business" announcement soon once we nail down the final touches.

Very exciting time for ABYC as history is being written once again!

Cheers,

Chuck Clay



alamitos bay sailing foundation

Save The Date! Saturday, October 13, 2018 for the 2nd annual fundraiser for Alamos Bay Sailing Foundation (ABSF). The event will take place on the Alamos Bay Yacht Club patio in the afternoon. More details soon.

ABSF was created in 2017 with the mission to grow the sport of sailing in the local area, and ABSF helped many local sailors this past year. ABSF raised \$12,500, 84% of which was distributed by providing 13 travel grants, 5 scholarships, and funding for 1 coach. Approximately 16% of the budget was allocated toward vital administrative items, including insurance, web hosting, events, and fundraising.

ABSF supported the following this past year:

Scholarships: 4 sailing program partial scholarships. 1 Learn-to-Sail session scholarship to a local elementary school.

Coaching: Airfare to bring in a top instructor from Great Britain to bolster the summer program coaching team for Optimis and Lasers.

Travel Grants: Supported 9 sailors and CSULB Sailing with travel assist grants to attend the following events:

- Optimist Team Trials - Florida
- Collegiate PCCs (CSULB) - Hawaii
- Nacra 15 Midwinters - Florida
- 29er Nationals - Massachusetts
- 29er Youth Champs - North Carolina
- 29er Gorge Skiff Regatta - Oregon
- 420 Nationals - Massachusetts
- 420 North Americans - Massachusetts
- 420 Hyannis Regatta - Massachusetts
- Canadian Optimist Championship - British Columbia
- US Youth Champs - Laser - North Carolina
- Laser PCCs - Oregon

Read some of the sailors' personal stories on the ABSF website at <http://www.alamitosbaysailingfoundation.org>

The ABSF Board of Directors include Kevin Taugher as President, Kathy Melvin as CFO, Christina Hall as Secretary, and Jen Christopher. ABSF also has an independent grant committee of five individuals to review grant requests and make recommendations on awarding funds.

Next year, the ABSF mission will expand to provide sailing equipment, regatta sponsorship, as well as support for local Olympic campaigners.

On behalf of the ABSF Board, I hope to see you October 13th. Help us exceed last year's tremendous success!

Thank you for your support,

Kevin Taugher, ABSF Board President

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catalina cruise

Twenty six miles, across the sea...Santa Catalina is the place for me! While I can't remember who it was that wrote that little ditty, the Isthmus is as wonderful a place today, as it was back in the day. In fact, I'd say it hasn't changed a bit!

September 24th – 26th, was the annual ABYC Catalina Cruise, and thirteen boats all made the trek across the Catalina Channel on over to the Isthmus for three days of relaxing, barbecuing, drinking, and just hanging out with friends.

Most of the boats headed over on Friday, which saw several of us hanging out on the patio and on the beach over by Doug's Harbor Reef, enjoying a very nice dinner after fighting the heavy seas and the gale force winds on the way over. Well, ok, maybe it wasn't all that windy. Well, fine, it blew about ten knots, ok? Ten knots! But still!

Saturday, for those early risers, was Frisbee golf, starting at the crack of dawn at 11AM. After that early morning golf, people retreated back to their boats for that much needed afternoon nap, before heading back out for what was a very fun dinghy raft up. Pat McCormick headed over first in his dinghy and securely anchored, and then thirteen other dinghies all tied up to one another, passing around appetizers, drinks, and bottles of wine while soaking in the summer sun. A big shout out to Kevin Thomas and Helen for their Puff the Magic Dragon inflatable...completely stole the show.



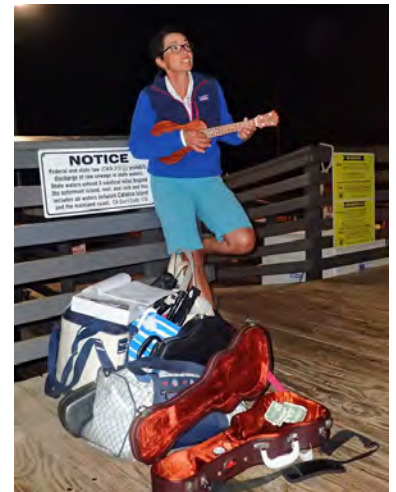
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Breaking up the raft up about 5PM left us all just enough time to get back to our boats to then pack up for the Saturday evening bbq, which was truly a bring your own everything affair. Lots of ribs, burgers, and salmon adorned the four bbq's behind Dougs, and lots and lots of sharing, hanging out, and just enjoying made the Saturday evening the highlight of the weekend. But of course, no Catalina Cruise would be complete without the Ukulele concerts on the steps. A big shout out to Cindy Heavrin for pulling this all together, complete with sing along books! But at the end of the evening, I'm also thinking that Cindy must have spent all of her money on Buffalo Milks, because at the end of the evening, well into the night, she was spotted on the pier by the dinghy docks, singing and strumming her Ukulele, case open on the pier, and begging for money. Only Jack Johnson took pity on her, giving her a coupla bucks, while the rest of us merely shook our heads, sad that the homeless issue has finally found its way to Catalina. Last we saw Cindy, she was still there.

Sunday was time for sleeping in, before breaking up camp and having a wonderful sail back to Long Beach.

A gigantic, ABYC shout out to Pat McCormick who for ten years, has been the spark plug behind the Catalina Cruise, putting together all of the logistics, and begging people to come on over and enjoy the fun. He's talking about hanging it up, but somehow, I have faith in Pat that next year, as August grows near, he'll be banging the drum once again, reminding people that indeed, not only is ABYC the place to be, but that the Isthmus, with all of our ABYC friends, is truly the place to be!

Glenn Selvin



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but alas it was not in the puffs.

After several elimination rounds, we had the final 3 heats to determine the winner. The 6 finalists lined up in the deep shallows and with a nice breeze it was anyone's race, or so we thought. All the races were close and it was fast reaching for the foot long pine boats. In the end, our Champ from 2017, Bill McDanel beat the best of them. What a skipper Bill was to race in different boats and come out the Open champ. 2nd place went to Ron Long. There was a tie for 3rd with Jennifer Kuritz and Brooke Jolly sharing the honor, 4th place was Jeff Merrill and 5th place was Steve Kuritz.

This regatta was truly a family event. Pam Merrill was our chase board extraordinaire. She was on her paddle board for hours chasing the runaway pine blocks headed out to sea. Without Pam's swift action, we could lose one of the boats that always yearn to be the boat in "paddle to the sea". Thank you Pam! We were pleased to have new Member Bronny Daniels as our fleet photographer for the event. Bronny captured all the fun and intrigue of the regatta. You can view

and purchase her photos at her website "Joysailing.com".

Thank you for all the great photos!

Congrats to Brooke Jolly who was elected as Regatta Chair for 2019. A big thanks to Jeff and Chuck Clay for handing out the trophies to all our remarkable winners and the photo opts.

We all need to send a shout out to Bob Chubb for building and giving us the pine block boats that we race from year to year, with amusing comradery while experiencing a unique racing experience. Bob wants to announce that if you need a new boat stand, he can put together some. Also, the fleet is looking for someone who is good with wood working and would like to take over the repair of the pine block boats. Bob has all the notes and instructions and some supplies to make that happen. Please contact Bob Chubb or Rebecca Moffett if you are interested.

I would like to think that at the end of the day, that winning

has nothing to do with the boats, that we are at the will of the wind, current and lady luck...but Bob did mention that some would do a lot better if they waxed their boats before the regatta...thanks Bob, will try that next year.

Hope to see more Pine Blockers on the starting line next summer.

Rebecca Moffett



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new member appreciation party

Mike Shea photos

With steady membership growth continuing, we are confident that we will eclipse the 400 member mark soon. It's important to note that our main source of revenue is from the membership monthly dues so with every additional membership we are better able to plan future projects as well as prepare for unexpected costs such as plumbing and electrical issues or any significant maintenance our building, property, committee boat Patience and fleet of whalers may require.

In August we welcomed new regular members Frank Giammona, Rod Shelley, Janet Eaton, and Barbara Kelly. Approved for 30 day posting is junior member applicant Taft Lyndon Buckley. Saturday August 11th saw the New Member Appreciation Party and Pine Block Regatta held on a beautiful day with about 70 new and existing members enjoying the day and getting to know one another. Sam Bell and Dan Milefchik handled the grill serving beautiful ribeye steaks to the group with Oriana Shea and Maria Milefchik serving the side dishes. With the patio bar in full swing, the guests enjoyed dinner while listening to one of the club favorite musicians Rick Eng. Several new members also had the opportunity to receive their burgees which really capped off the perfect evening. It was truly another wonderful ABYC social event that would not have happened without the guidance of Tori and the staff and the tireless efforts of Dana Bell and the Social Advisory Committee. You're our hero Dana! Big thanks also to Lori VanSkyHock for pulling together the entertainment.

Mike Shea, Membership Director
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Answer:
Blue bears away to a downwind course that is below her proper course. Yellow has to change course to keep clear and as a result Blue breaks rule 16.1 by not giving Blue room, namely the space to manoeuvre in a seamanlike way (See MR D6) and Blue breaks rule 22.2 by not keeping clear of Yellow while taking a penalty (See MR N7). Blue then gybes and luffs to close-hauled and completes her penalty as required by C7.2(a)(1).

1) Signal that Blue has completed a penalty.

2) As there is no Y-flag as required by rule C6.1(a) and breaking rule 16.1 or rule

22.2 is not an Umpire initiated penalty under rule C8, Blue cannot be penalized

for breaking rule 16.1 or rule 22.2.

Mark Townsend

board nominations

Your 2018 Nominating Committee is proud to announce the follow ABYC members that are running for the 2018 Elections. We want to thank each and everyone for taking the time to volunteer and give back to ABYC!

Board of Directors: (Vote for 4)

Steve Mueller-Incumbent

Rob Stropky-Incumbent

Nigel Brownnett-Incumbent

Martyn Bookwalter

Carol Kofhal

Mike Van Dyke

Please take the time to thank them for running for the Board of Directors next time you see them around the club.

Chuck Clay

hails from the fleets

@20 The Cal 20 Class hosted the 57th Class Championships in early August at nearby Shoreline Yacht Club of Long Beach. For the third straight year, Cal 20's boasted one of the largest (if not *the* largest) one design keelboat class championships on the West Coast with 35 boats entered. About one third of the entries were from ABYC and once again our fleet showed its strength in numbers and awards received. If all goes according to plan, ABYC can look forward to hosting the 60th Class Championships in 2021.

Cal 20's have adopted a volunteer system where sailors can sign up for different fleets based on their experience and desired level of sailing including Gold, Silver, and Bronze fleets. Gold fleet had 24 entries and the ever growing Bronze fleet boasted 11 entries. Only two boats signed up for Silver and they joined the action in the Gold fleet. All ABYC entries raced in Gold fleet. We would love to get more intermediate ABYC Cal 20 sailors out in Silver fleet. Even though the racing was top notch and competitive, sailors enjoyed each other's company on shore with several fun social events hosted by Shoreline YC. Friday evening included a burger bash and complimentary keg, Saturday evening's festivities included a lovely teriyaki dinner, and Sunday included a happy hour along with the awards ceremony. All Cal 20's were guest moored in Shoreline marina and this regatta hence had a bit of road trip vibe.



Gold Fleet Cal 20's bang the infamous Long Beach right side shortly after the start with the down town skyline in the background. Photo by Volker Corell.

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In Gold Fleet, the expectation was that we would see another dog fight between Rubber Dog (Keith Ives/Chuck Stevens) and Veintiseis (Chuck Clay/Pat McCormick) who have come in first/second the past two years by a slim margin. These two former Class Champions from ABYC did not disappoint, but they were hard pressed by several other veteran Cal 20 teams.



Jerry Montgomery (left) and Dave Kofahl (right) getting ready to rig Heatwave prior to Sunday's final day of racing. This ABYC team showed marked improvement each day. Photo by Todd Smith.

The team that were the talk on shore after Friday and Saturday was Bravura (Jeff Ives/Phil Soma from ABYC) who dialed in two bullets and a second. There must be some good Cal 20 DNA running in the Ives family!

But after seven competitive races over three days of racing, Keith and Chuck pulled off the three peat as Class Champions with consistent top five finishes in six of the seven race series. Rubber Dog is always a well sailed boat with great boat speed, first rate boat handling, and strong aggressive tactics. Coming in just three points behind Rubber Dog was Lickety Split (Son and father team of Mike and Ron Wood). The Wood's also sailed a very consistent series with two bullets on the final day. Rounding out the top five from ABYC in Gold fleet were fourth place finishers Chuck/Pat, and fifth place finishers Jeff/Phil. ABYC hence took four of the five top positions!

Other teams from ABYC racing included Steve George (Dragonfly 42) who sailed well to a sixth place finish, Dan Gilboa (No Stress Express), the Kuritz family (Hot Pink), Matt Rustigan (Horton), John Merchant (Breakfast Club), and Jerry Montgomery/Dave Kofahl (Heatwave). Two of our boats suffered some equipment damage during the pre-start of Race 1 and were out of commission during the weekend. The good news is that both boats (Bryce Hans on

Cheddar and Cathy Black-Smith on PCH) have since been repaired and are back ready for action. The spirit of good sportsmanship was on display as several ABYC Cal 20's sailors offered spare parts and help with the repairs. Next year's Cal 20 Class Championships are scheduled for King Harbor Yacht Club which is starting to see renewed growth. Start making plans to enjoy our 58th Class Championships in 2019.

Todd Smith



Richard Welsh (Cal 20 Class President - left) presents the Neil Baker (2nd place Gold Fleet) perpetual to the Father and Son team of crew Ron Wood (middle) and skipper Mike Wood (right). The team from Lickety Split sailed well on Sunday with two bullets. Photo by Todd Smith.

Below are the proud winners of this year's perpetual awards:

Class Champions: Keith Ives and Chuck Stevens

Neil Baker Gold Fleet Second Place Finishers: Mike and Ron Wood

Bud Gardiner Award (leader going into last day): Keith Ives and Chuck Stevens

Masters Champion: Burr Hope

Top Finishing Woman Skipper: Jennifer Kuritz

Bronze Fleet Champion: Bruce Dybens

Bravura Award (Best Looking Boat): Liam Haselhorst (see photo below)

The Hank (Opposite of Above): Richard Welsh (we are starting a fund raising drive to help our Class President clean up his act)

hails from the fleets

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Lido Love



August has seen some absolutely beautiful evenings, as things cool down each night after the stupidly hot weather we've all been suffering through! And what better way to cool off then to go Lido racing on a Thursday evening, where the breezes are cool, and the competition is hot!

Martyn Bookwalter continues to be the PRO of choice, using a great combination of windward/leewards and harbor tours, before sending us around that last offset mark, lining us up for the finish. Always great race committee work by Martyn, Sharon Pearson, Jim Drury, Ed Spotskey, and lots of others both in the whalers and on the barge, giving of their time so graciously so that the rest of us can go play with our boats.

And then there's the dinners afterwards! Man o' man, have we been enjoying dinner or what! Just last Thursday evening, we all feasted on fantastic Hawaiian kabobs cooked by Kathy Robinson and Sue McDannel, and then run over to the quarter deck by Jon Robinson and Bill McDannel. Great kabobs, a couple of salads, and then with cheese cake cups for desert. Seriously? Yup, its that good! Question is, who's hosting the next set of dinners?

Next up on the Lido horizon is the Labor Day regatta, which at this point, appears to be fully staffed, and by the time you read this, that regatta will be over. And following Labor Day is the Lido Fest over at Catalina at Howlands October 19-21. A flyer was in your last Lido Love, and if you have any questions, suggestions, concerns, gripes, or just need to vent, or maybe you want to help out some? Get a hold of Kathy Reed!

The Lido fleet continues to be ABYC's most active fleet, and its most hard partying fleet as well! So come on down for dinner on a Thursday evening, and if you want to join in on the racing, borrow, buy, or barter, but come up with a Lido and join us.

Glenn Selvin

Volker Corell photos



The 2018 Viper Pacific Coast Championship was hosted at Cabrillo Beach YC Aug 18-19. Conditions were perfect with the typical summer SoCal sea breeze from 10 to 18 kts. Racing was held outside in the ocean on Saturday and inside the breakwater Sunday. Both course locations made for exciting racing with and for those of us who sailed back from San Pedro it was a solid 11-14kts boat speed downwind back to ABYC. 6/13 boats hailing from ABYC with the winners coming out of Santa Barbara YC. The team of Jay Golison and Steve Flam (204) were one point out of 2nd place with a solid 3rd.

Nick Kofski



hails from the fleets



SABOT SUNDAY, AUGUST 12 – SHIFTY!!!!

This month's Sabot Sunday had a lot of good things going for it...good wind, a good turn-out and a new sailor on the line.

The weather has been hot, with unpredictable wind. The Junior Nationals had lots of wind for qualifier day on Tuesday, then very light air for the first races of the Championship on Wednesday, and then lots of wind the last day.

Sabot Sunday featured just the right amount of wind but it was tricky finding your way to the weather mark. It was very shifty which made sailing extremely challenging and lots of fun with a lot of place changes. If you made one mistake, you were toast!

We had a good turn-out even though our regulars, Kathy Reed and Cindy Heavrin, decided to enjoy some summer fun on their boat at the Island. We missed them. Lee Berlinger was missed as well.

It was good to have Cathy Black-Smith sailing, Charles Soares, came out to sail with us for the first time. We hope to see him on the line for the Fleet Championship next month.

After sailing we gathered on the patio for wine, munchies and to celebrate John Ellis's 90th birthday! John is always a tough competitor in the Sabot and lots of fun to sail against. He always has a smile on his face and has told me that he likes heavy air best! We are very lucky to have him sailing with us and look forward to celebrating his 91st birthday next year. Jennifer Kuritz, his daughter and senior Sabot Sailor, brought a strawberry shortcake cake which was excellent and vanilla ice cream to make sure we don't have to carry weights at the Nationals next year. What a treat!



Paul Ancil 1st (10); Tom Newton 2nd (10), Robin Townsend 3rd (12); Mary Riddick 4th (16), Kathy Weishampel 5th (18).

UPCOMING SENIOR SABOT EVENTS

Little Old Ladies Regatta, BYC September 8

Senior Sabot Sunday, ABYC, September 16

Ladies (and Men's) Day, ABYC, October 13

2018 BYC SUMMER SUPER SABOT BASH

Kathy Reed and Cindy Heavrin represented ABYC at this one-day regatta on August 18th. Scott Finkboner finished 1st, with Cindy Heavrin 2nd, Kathy Reed 3rd, Jeff Lenhart 4th, and Nancy Mellon 5th.

COME RACE WITH US

There are a lot of fast Sabots sitting on the racks that have told me that they want to go racing. We would like to extend an invitation to Sabot parents or anyone that has or can borrow a Sabot to come out and sail with us on September 16, our next Sabot Sunday. We have a fun group with plenty of good competition.

We have an "A" and "B" fleet. Sign up on the patio starting at 10:30 am with the first start at 12:00 pm. Wine, beer, munchies, and trophy presentation follow racing on the patio.

Call Kathy Weishampel for information: (262) 719-8438

KEEL BOAT FLEET ON WATCH



September 7 is the next Keel Boat Fleet meeting. This is always a good one as we have it in the Quarter Deck. Everyone should bring their own libation and their own entrée to cook on the barbeque plus something for the pot luck table. As always, the fleet will provide paper plates, plastic cutlery, cups napkins, serving spoons barbeque utensils, etc.

Cocktails at 5:30 and the barbeque will be ready at 6 p.m. with a short meeting to follow.

See you there.

George



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SOUTH SEAS ADVENTURE

ABYC END OF SUMMER PARTY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 - RAFT-UP

3:00 pm Raft-up Begins

5:00 Bar Opens

6:00 pm Bring Your Own Picnic (BBQ will be Lit)

6:00 pm "Panjive" Steel Drums

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 - FAMILY PARTY

8:00 am Breakfast Specials

10:00 - 11:00 am Treasure Hunts for Adults (17+),
Juniors (11-16), & Children (5-10)

10:00 On-Patio & Lawn Games for All or Family Beach Fun

2:00 pm Paddle an Outrigger Canoe (All Get to Paddle)

5:00 Bar Opens

6:00 pm Polynesian Pig Roast Dinner

6:00 pm Music & Dancing to "Local Remedy"

7:30 pm "Tupua" South Seas Entertainment & Fire Dance

8:00-9:30 pm "Local Remedy" Music & Dancing

—RESERVATIONS—

Early Reservations through September 8

\$30 Adults/\$10 Children (5-10)

Late Reservations - September 9 - 13

\$40 Adults/\$10 Children (5-10)

After September 13, Reservations - Space Available Only

"Panjive" Steel Drum Entertainment

"Tupua" Polynesian Entertainment

"Local Remedy"



ANNOUNCEMENT
2018 ABYC STAG CRUISE

SEPTEMBER 28-30th, 2018

TWO HARBORS – SANTA CATALINA ISLAND



DETAILS:

Depart ABYC: 0900 28th. Gather yer crew on ye vessel and come on over!

Stag Cruise “Flagship” Summerhawk ... thanks Cap’n Scott!

Friday eve: Libations muster on Summerhawk 1730

Sat: snorkeling, day-hike, possible horseshoes, dinner-options

Sunday: depart: back to “the woes of daily life”

RSVP & information contact: Rich Ferdon (805) 279-4213

(RSVP by 9/22, for food forecasting) or Jim Samuel (626) 488-5767

Food & Provisions will be purchased in advance. (please bring cash) :)

COMMODORE'S APPRECIATION BRUNCH

Sunday, October 7

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Commodore Kevin Brown

would like to thank you, ABYC's great volunteers, who helped with regattas, Spring Spruce-Up, Race Management, Social Advisory Committee, Membership, etc. by inviting you to the Commodore's Appreciation Brunch!

Come on down, pull up a chair, enjoy breakfast, and celebrate a job well done in 2018!



\$1.00
Mimosas
\$5.00
Bloody Mary's

Complimentary
Brunch
Prepared by Teak
Catering!

Reservations by Friday, October 5 @ 5:00 pm

Email: abyc.sheila@gmail.com Tel: (562)434-9955 Online: www.abyc.org

SAVE THE DATE **OKTOBERFEST** **at the Ladies Day** **(& Gents) Regatta**

Alamitos Bay Yacht Club

OCTOBER 13, 2018



Senior Sabots: Ladies A & B • Men's • Mixed Cs
Registration: 9:00 - 1100 am or Online at abyc.org

Skippers Meeting 11:15 am
Entry Fee \$25.00, Includes Dinner

Questions: Kathy Weishampel kathywdesign@yahoo.com

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2

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