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commodore's installation - aka the prom

Lori VanSkyhock photos

Well, here we go! New Commodore and Board of ABYC is starting up! Let's have another great year.

Main Board: Mike Van Dyke (Commodore), Gabe Ferramola (Vice Commodore), Ed Feo (Rear Commodore), Steve Smith (Fleet Captain), Grant Hill (Director & Secretary), Michael Oliver (Membership Director), Karen Zieba (Social Advisory Director), Dave Crockett (Director of Volunteers), Brooke Morford-Jolly (Jr. Staff Commodore)



Affiliates to the Board: Eileen Haubl, George Kornhoff (Treasurers), Jason Mullen (Port Captain), Russ Cole (Judge Advocate), Dr. Richard Bell and Brenda Jacobs (Fleet Surgeon), Nick Kofski (Digital and Media).



Junior Board: Brynn Jolly (Jr. Commodore), Jessica Green (Jr. Vice Commodore), Elle Williams (Jr.

Rear Commodore), Audrey Stephenson (Secretary), Nicolas Mueller (Events Coordinator), Stewart McCaleb (Fleet Captain), Tanner Jolly (Public Relations), Fiona Barbeito (Treasurer), Tate Christopher (Board Member)



Awards for the Juniors:
Paul Washburn
Perpetual for the

Outstanding beginning sailor goes to Hikari Ferri.

The Ann and Sid Exley travel trophy goes to MICHIO FERRI for racing the greatest number of regattas outside of Long Beach.

Frances Dixon Nason Perpetual, Harper Swezea for best exemplifying the principles of Corinthian sportsmanship.

The Don L. Adams Memorial Trophy to Tate Christopher as the ABYC Junior Skipper, who has shown excellence in sailing ability and Corinthianism.

Other awards included the

Commodores Council: First off, congratulations to the 37 members that have sponsored 67 new members. This award represents 8 of those Members who were able to bring in 2 or more.

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save the date

Happy Hours	Nov 4, 11, 25
Memrship Meeting	Nov 18
Turkey Day Regatta	Nov 19, 20
Lido Christmas Party	Dec 3
Christmas Party	Dec 4
Sabot/Cruising Party	Dec 9
Naples Boat Parade	Dec 10

[Full ABYC Calendar](#)

manager's corner



What a great month October has been!

The seasons are changing, the weather is cooler, a little bit of rain to clean things up and oh yeah, a new regime takes hold of the reigns. The Fall sailing program is underway and thriving thanks to Stephen's

efforts and Chef Ramon and Chef Melissa are bringing great vibes and aromas out of the kitchen. All in all, ABYC is the place to be!

As we get ready for the end of the year, here's some things to share:

- Thanks to the SAC Dream Team and Staff for their efforts with the Installation. Our decorations are always on point. Also, a big shout out to Rachel, she spent a lot of time helping me order items, make floorplans, contact vendors and just put up with me in general.

- Club Spot is coming along nicely, please let us know if you have any questions or need assistance with your profile and or processing your payment
- We're getting ready to put topper on the grass. The grass will be unavailable from 11/7 to 11/18 as we want to look pretty for Turkey Day Regatta.

As we look at November and December, we'll be doing some housekeeping and taking a slower pace to dial in some areas such as general cleanliness and repair and looking to keep the pests moving. With the high tides, rodents will be looking for places to enjoy themselves so we'll be slowly clearing away trash and things left in the Lost & Found.

Sheila is working hard to update the new 2023 calendar and that should be done by the time you're reading this. Again, if your company is looking to take your Team/Staff out for a holiday experience, ABYC is more than capable of hosting an event.

Thanks as always for the continued support, let us continue to sail forward!

See you at the club,
Reggie

commodore's compass



I guess this is it, the dock lines are untied and I'm hoisting the sails, fresh breeze is on. I'm thrilled to be in the leadership role for the club. We have a long and rich history of sailboat racing excellence and I hope to be able to build on that in the coming year and position

the club for the future with your help!

With change in leadership we have a new board, some returning, some leaving, almost all are in new roles. We are blessed by a board of diverse backgrounds, each bringing something to the board table. The commonality we all have is keeping the best interest of the membership and club, front and center as we work thru the tasks in front of us. I feel very fortunate to be working with such talent group of individuals.

I want to shout out about our award winners at installation. A well-deserved win by Harper Swezea who won the Frances Dixon Nason Jr Sportsmanship Trophy, Michio Ferri who won the Ann and Sid Exley Jr Travel Trophy, Tate

Christopher who won the Don L Adams Jr Excellence and Corinthian Trophy, and Hikari Ferri for winning the Paul Washburn Outstanding Jr Beginning Sailor Award. It's great to see these young sailors do so well!

The adult award winners, the Green Propeller went to our PC Jason Mullen for his and his teams outstanding dedication to maintaining our fleets, The Adra and Chuck Kober award for volunteer couple which went to Steve and Jennifer Kuritz, The Ted Matson Memorial Service Award went to Eileen Haubl and Lori Van Skyhock, The Elise and Stan Church Perpetual Sailing Couple went to Dan and Maria Milefchik, and the notorious Ducky Woodman Award went to Steve Kuritz and Sharon Pearson who were very gracious in their acceptance! Thank you for all you do for the club!

In closing, I am very humbled and honored to represent the club and membership as your commodore. I want to thank Commodore Jolly for her leadership over the past year and her tremendous support in the transition. I look forward to seeing you all at Turkey Day!

Gobble Gobble
Mike

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Congratulations to all the juniors, the Junior Activities Committee, parents, coaches, and especially Sailing Director Stephen Long for a great Juniors season. You all made my stint as Rear Commodore a very pleasant experience and keep up the good work. Our new Rear

Commodore Ed Feo already has several projects under way and it's going to be a great year for the Juniors.

My new tasks as Vice Commodore look to be a bit more demanding, so I can use your help. Keep your boats in the yard nice and clean to represent ABYC well, and more importantly enjoy your sailboat and use it! I'm looking forward to a great season serving ABYC.

Turkey Day Regatta is now coming up, soon. If you're not out using your boat, please consider volunteering for one of many positions available to make this a great event as usual. New members are encouraged to join us! Give me a call or email to help staff the regatta. Many thanks.

Smooth sailing,
Gabe Ferramola, Vicecommodore@abyc.org

rear



Greetings from Bay St. Louis, Mississippi where Chuck Tripp, Kevin Taugher and I are sailing in the US Adult Sailing Championships. Not much wind here and a lot of current.

Since stepping into the rear commodore role, I have been

focused on helping Stephen and the JAC with the junior program. We are getting the website tuned up, the calendar set, races planned and social activities rolling. We have more than eighty kids in the program, which is great! But we are planning on growing the number of participants and deepening the program offerings. Stay tuned!

Ed Feo
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Sou'Wester DEADLINE

November 24, 2022 is the deadline for the December Sou'Wester.

Help us to Help you!

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

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fleet captain's log



It is with pleasure and gratitude for your vote of confidence I rejoin the ABYC Board of Directors as Fleet Captain. I take over following a most successful tenure of **Dave Crockett** who has passed on his knowledge to assist me in the transition.

We have a fleet of fifteen boats ranging from our Race Committee boats; *Patience* and the Bay Barge to a variety of open-runabouts or *whalers*. Most of our fleet is in running condition; however, you may notice *Patience* is listing slightly to starboard due to a so far, undiagnosed leak in one of its two fuel tanks. We also acquired a 22 ft. Boston Whaler® Dauntless which is a welcome addition

to the fleet and features an enclosed head. The Dauntless will be available for use as soon as repair of the outboard is complete. I will be reporting on the condition of our fleet in future *Sou'Wester* reports as well.

Despite my very brief time on the job, I have come to realize we have two individuals; **Jason Mullen** and **Grant Hill**, who have begun to not only conduct the day-to-day maintenance of our boats, but have collectively set out detailed lists and timelines of maintenance items for all boats to ensure we will have the best available fleet for our needs. I look forward to working with **Jason** and **Grant** to keep our fleet running and looking good as well.

I also take this opportunity to ask our Fleet Captains what I can do to help you grow your fleets and increase participation in ABYC regattas and events. I can be reached by email, text, or phone. I look forward to hearing from you.

Steve

the bay clogger

The local youth racing circuit is already in full swing as we roll into October. SCYYRA puts on a number of great series in Southern California, and so does PCISA for high school sailors. ABYC junior sailors are active participants in these regional regattas.

We had one SCYYRA event this month at California Yacht Club. The CFJ series, named after local Olympic bronze medalist John Shadden, had the second event of the series on October second. ABYC claimed victory with Opti coach Noah Stapleton and Hannah Crompton's impressive performance—three firsts and a fourth. Mathilde Smith and Joshua Morressey finished 25th in the 33 boat fleet.

The next weekend was the first regatta in the High School National Championship qualification series. Over 100 teams will compete in California, and three of the top teams will represent California at the High School National Championship in Spring. The series consists of five equally weighted regattas, then the Pacific Coast Championship (which counts for 70% of the series weight). Sato High School was able to finish 15th in the Gold Fleet, and St. John Bosco was able to finish 15th in the Silver Fleet. We are very proud of both teams as this was Bosco's first regatta ever.

Many more local and regional regattas to come. We hope to see you all for Turkey Day regatta at ABYC!

Stephen Long



2022-23 junior board

Junior Commodore Brynn Jolly, 10th grade, Poly High School

Junior Vice Commodore Jessica Green, 10th grade, Sato Academy

Junior Rear Commodore Elle Williams, 10th grade, Mater Dei

Secretary Audrey Stephenson, 10th grade, Orange County School of the Arts

Fleet Captain Stewart McCaleb, 9th grade, Los Alamitos High School

Events Coordinator Nicholas Mueller, 12th grade, Whittier Christian High School

Treasurer Flona Barbeito, 9th grade, Mater Dei

Public Relations Tanner Jolly, 11th grade, Wilson High School

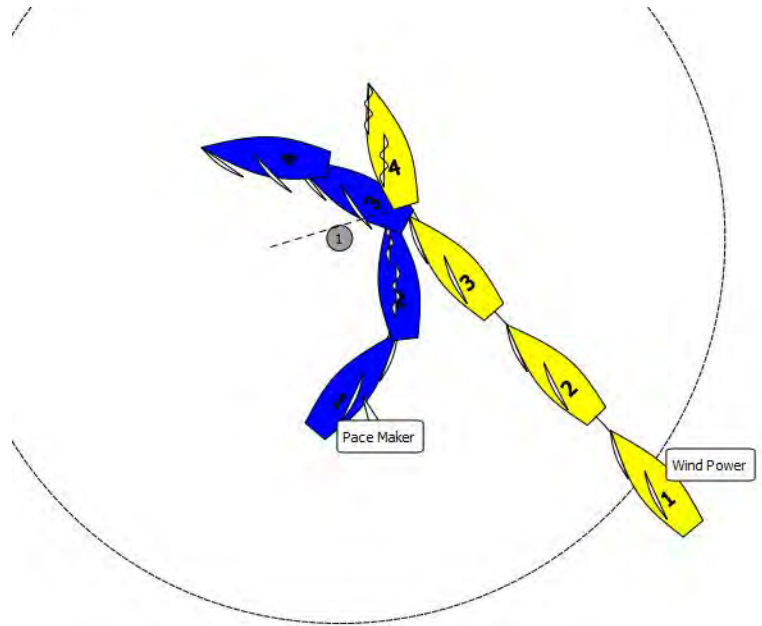
Got Sails?



The Juniors are collecting old sails to recycle into duffel 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.

The wind is 10-12 knots and there was a light chop. Wind Power and Pace Maker were on opposite tacks approaching the windward mark that they were required to leave to port. After Pace Maker passed head to wind within the zone and was on her new close-hauled course, Wind Power was 5 feet directly astern of her. Wind Power was traveling faster than Pace Maker and the bow of Wind Power contacted the transom of Pace Maker resulting in minor damage.

Neither boat took a penalty. How should the protest committee rule? See if you can figure out the relevant facts, conclusions, and decision.



volunteer opportunities

Alex Cross, Carol Fresco and Jeff Ives — Thank you very much for your years of service as members of the Board of Directors of Alamitos Bay Yacht Club. Congratulations to the newly elected members of the ABYC Board of Directors: Ed Feo, Grant Hill and Karen Zieba. As a Staff Commodore and long time member of ABYC, I appreciate the dedication, hard work and long hours our volunteers put in to make our club one of the best on the coast, maybe one of the best in the world. The members of our board of directors are some of the most dedicated and hard working of all of our volunteers. I salute everyone who has ever served as a director - THANK YOU.

As the new Volunteer Director for 2022 - 2023, I have a favor to ask of every member of Alamitos Bay Yacht

Club. PLEASE volunteer. Every day, whether the club is open or not, there are volunteers working to keep the club running. And we need your help. Over the next few months I will be contacting all of the members of ABYC to ask you to help in some way. Sometimes the smallest, seemingly insignificant, thing can be extremely helpful. Every member has something to contribute and every member is needed to make ABYC the place to be.

One other thing I ask: take a moment and say thank you to the volunteers around the club. We are all members, you and I, and a thank you goes a long way.

Go to the ABYC website to see all of the events coming up through 2023 and come on down to ABYC - It's the place to be!

Dave Crockett, Volunteer Director

upcoming regattas

Nov 19-20

Turkey Day Regatta

All Club Classes

[Event Info](#)

Dec 31

Boxing Day Race

Anything that floats!

[Event Info](#)

To enter online and see other upcoming regattas go to: <https://www.abyc.org/regatta-registration>

Quarterdeck

The key to the Quarter Deck has been changed. If you have a key please see the front office to switch it out for the new one. If you are in need of a key, there is a \$25 deposit.

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abyc oktoberfest

Lori VanSkyhock photos

Oktoberfest in Munich is the world's largest folk festival consisting of non-stop beer drinking, sausage eating, lederhosen wearing, and merry-making, but you only had to travel to ABYC to enjoy a contagiously fun opportunity to immerse yourself in Bavarian culture - traditional costumes at all!

The ABYC Hoffbrau Buffet consisted of Brats with Peppers & Onions, German Potato Salad, Spaetzle, Sauteed Cabbage & Bacon, Blaukraut (purple cabbage), Berlin-style pickles and Fraulein Sheila's Warm Butter Pretzels & Mustard. Reggie topped off the evening by serving cinnamon & sugar covered warm pretzels.

Linda Herman performed an outstanding wide variety of musical genres on the accordion (including "Highway to Hell!") ABYC's Oktoberfest celebration was totally "Geil" (German translation: cool, great and awesome!) Prost!

Lori VanSkyhock



2022-2023 committee chairs

ASPBVC	Fleet Capt - Steve Smith	Officer of the Day	Dave Crockett
Boatique	Jen Golison	Opening Day-Basin 5	Pat McCormick
Burgee Committee	Carol Ginder Fresco	Order of the Staff	Dan DeLave
By-Laws Review	Russ Cole, Brooke Jolly, Gabe Ferramola, Mike Van Dyke	Commodores	
Calendar	Mike Van Dyke, Brooke Jolly	Paitience Committee	Steve Kuritz, Jason Mullen
Capital Lease-Hold	Bob Little, Jennifer Kuritz, Ken Reiff, John McCaleb, Dave Schack, Ed Spotskey	Penninsula CERT & PNA	Merle Asper
Challenge Chairman	Chuck Clay	Photography	Tracy Conn
Charity Regatta	Carol Ginder Fresco	Port Captain	Jason Mullen, Dave Myers
Christmas Float	Junior Board - Tiffany Williams	Protest Administrator- Secretary	Anne Costello, Kathy Weishample
CISA Representative	Mike Van Dyke	Protest Committee/ Chief Judge	Ron Wood, Chuck Tripp
City of Long Beach Relations	Ed Spotskey	Protocol Officer	Brooke Jolly
Community Relations	Ed Spotskey	Race Management Committee	Mark Townsend and Steve Kuritz
Compensation	Eileen Haubl	Reciprocal Priviledges	Alan Cunningham
Cruising Club	Alan Cunningham, Ron Clanton	Recording Secretary	Dan Milefchik
Finance	Eileen Haubl, George Kornoff, Jason Mullen, Dan Gilboa	Regatta Computer	Eileen Edwards
Fleet Chaplain	Jorge Suraez	Scoring	
Fleet Surgeon Afloat	Dr. Richard Bell	Regatta Lead Scoring	Sharon Pearson
Fleet Surgeon - Ashore	Dr. Brenda Jacobs	On The Water	
Grounds, Landscaping/ Gardening	Terri Bishop	Roster/Yearbook	Sharon Pearson
House Committee	Karen Zieba	Safe Sport	Alex Cross
Installation Dinner	SAC	Sailing Director	Stephen Long
Judge Advocate	Russ Cole	SCYRA	Fleet Capt.- Steve Smith
Jr Advisory Committee	Ed Feo	SCYYRA	Stephen Long
Jr Board Advisor	Tiffany Williams	SAC	Danielle Hammer
Long Range Calendar	Jennifer Kuritz	Sou'Wester	Sharon Pearson
Membership Support Group	Michael Oliver	Spring Spruce up	Gabe Ferramola
Moorings-Reciprocals	Alan Cunningham	Trophy Chairperson	Elise McCabe
Neighbor Relations	Ed Spotskey	Trophies-Engraving	Carol Ginder Fresco
Nominating Committee	Brooke Jolly	US Sailing Rep	Mark Townsend
Opening Day	Dan DeLave	World Sailing Rep	Mark Townsend
		Yard Committee	Jim Grubbs, Steve Flam, Giancarlo Guevara
		Yard Enforcer	Giancarlo Guevara

Ducky Woodman to Sharon Pearson and Steve Kuritz due to missing the downwind finishers when the scorer expected it to be an upwind finish.

Order of the Green Propeller to Jason Mullen recognizing the continuous effort required in keeping ABYC's fleet and equipment up.

The Adra and Chuck Kober ABYC Volunteer Couple Service Perpetual: This year ABYC recognizes Steve and Jennifer Kuritz.



Ganbare Sea Change Award: Bob Bishop presented to Ed Spotskey. This perpetual trophy is dedicated to the inspiring forces that guide our Club.

Thank you to the group who setup the whole evening: Melissa Kirby, Dana Bell, Lori Van Skyhock, Eileen Haubl, Temre Smith, Annie Kunkle, Cheryl Ferramola, Oriana Shea with lots of support from Liza Van Dyke, What a wonderful and gorgeous evening!

The fare of food was quite pleasant with a choice of Surf and Turf or a Vegetarian which everyone seemed to enjoy.

Music was a band called The Ringers. Nice music, mostly classic rock, that seemed to really fit the crowd.

Guests from across the Bay. Long Beach Yacht Club Commodore, Rear Commodore, and Staff Commodore

There were many Alamitos Bay Yacht Club Staff Commodores in attendance. If not for them, it would have been quite a smaller number. It is nice that so many Staff Commodores are still involved with the Club.

Being such a casual Club most of the time, it was a treat to see all the dressed-up folks. Very formal for us...nice job everyone. The end of the evening was quite late. We left at 11:00pm and there were still plenty of folks having a nice time. It had to have gone pretty late.

Dan DeLave, Staff Commodore



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Ted Matson Memorial Service Award: Eileen Haubl and Lori Van Skyhock are members who have offered ABYC outstanding service.

Elise and Stan Church Perpetual: Dan and Maria Milechik are awarded this beautiful crystal sailboat trophy which is dedicated to the competitive spirits of a couple sailing and representing ABYC.

The Donna Dardenne Massey Lighthouse Award is presented each year to the spouse of the incoming Commodore. So, Liza Van Dyke, hope you have fun with this coming year.

The Sidney T. Exley Trophy: This trophy is awarded to a member who has brought distinction to our Club through sailing accomplishments, race management excellence, outstanding contributions to yachting, sportsmanlike conduct in the past or current years. This year we salute Riley Gibbs!







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abyc Halloween

Lori VanSkyhock photos

This year's Halloween Happy Hour was a spook-tacular one! Melissa Kirby, Danielle Hammer and Dana Bell created a hauntingly cool and creepy scene. Giant glowing pumpkins, spiders and witches were lurking in the staircase and the upper deck was filled with an orange glow. The Smoking Salem Cider was the featured "spirit" of the evening, and Lisa O'Neil provided Tarot card readings which kept everyone entertained all night. There were so many amazing entries in the pumpkin carving contest, and the top three winners were Gabe Ferramola (1st Place, Melissa Kirby (2nd Place), and Lori VanSkyhock (3rd Place). What a fang-tastic night it was!

Lori VanSkyhock



more halloween



stag cruise

This year's stag cruise was a huge success. Fun times, good laughs, and hangovers were had by all! We had a solid showing of ABYC members and their friends (potential new members ;)) There was not a lot of wind on the way to the isthmus but the seas were calm which made for a fair crossing. The party didn't really kick into gear until Friday. The beers and brats on Summerhawk were a hit thanks to Rich Ferdon & Capt. Scott Atwood for the hospitality! Reggie also aided in the provisioning of the event, we couldn't have done it without him.

Momentum was on our side as we slithered out of our beds on Saturday. Nothing better than a Bloody Mary and a Buffalo Milk to wash away the sins of the previous day. Once everyone was good and lubricated Yon Carpenter kicked off the stag cruise decathlon: a test of every man's strength, precision, coordination, cardiovascular health, & liver function. I don't think anyone remembers who was crowned the victor but it didn't matter, the sun was starting to go down and the bar was calling our name. The rest of

the evening is something of a blur but I seem to remember the Dodgers losing to San Diego, interactions with a questionable group of leather clad law enforcement agents, prospective member Mike Park ordering an opulent amount of pickle juice from the bar, and random dinghy rides to collect free beer from generous boaters in the mooring field.

Sunday morning was a late start. Tyler Webb's rib, and ride back to LB, wouldn't start, heads were pounding like a German techno concert, my boat was covered in lemon pepper seasoning, and now we had to prepare our boats for the crossing back to ABYC. Luckily, the gods were pleased with our hedonistic offerings over the weekend and blessed us with good winds and seas for a lovely sail back home.

Giancarlo Guevera

The following photos have been declassified:



Yon organizes a well deserved break during the stag cruise decathlon



Rich judges the marksmanship of Scott and Giancarlo



Mike Park sleeps off a pickle juice hangover (Left)



Yon Welcomes Alex Konev (guest of Giancarlo)

more stag cruise



Rich shepherds the group during the stag cruise decathlon



Yon and Mike feeling the weekend vibes

mark's rules answer #96

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Rule 12, On the Same Tack, Not Overlapped, required Wind Power to keep clear. Wind Power made no effort to avoid contact with Pace Maker's transom and broke rule 12. Pace Maker broke rule 18.3, Passing Head to Wind in the Zone, by causing Wind Power to sail about close hauled to avoid further contact.

CONCLUSIONS

1. After Pace Maker passed head to wind from port to starboard tack inside the zone and was then fetching the mark, she caused Wind Power on starboard tack since entering the zone, to sail above close-hauled to avoid contact. Pace Maker broke RRS 18.3.

2. Wind Power clear astern failed to keep clear of Pace Maker clear ahead, and broke RRS 12.

DECISION

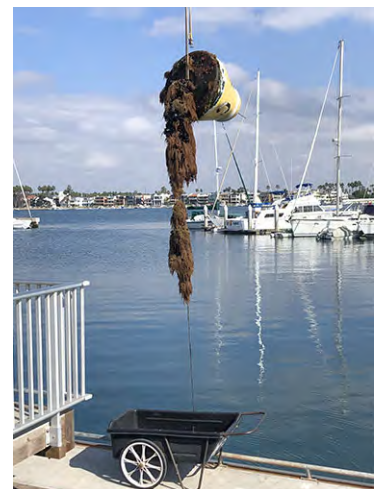
1. Pace Maker is DSQ
2. Wind Power Is DSQ

See you on the Water.
Mark Townsend



License plate frames are now available through Sheila for \$32.00

This from Dave Crockett: I pulled this mark (Bay Mark C) from the water on Saturday after watching it drift by the entrance to Basin 5. My last act (other than the Installation Dinner) as Fleet Captain, was to get the mark out of the water and into the East Yard.



ABYC Cruising Club has planned a day at the Del Mar Race track for Saturday Nov 12. To promote the event they held a Del Mar race track event hosted by Pixie and Rob Hartman. They planned a fun event featuring Del Mar special Margaritas. When you bought a drink you pick out a miniature horse for a chance to be in the horse race. The Jockeys got a hat and rolled giant dice to move around the track. First places was Lynn Cavallaro, Second place was Carol Clanton, Show was won by Jon Robinson. Thank you to the Hartman's for putting together a fun night.

Kathy Robinson



snipe transmogrified?

Could we have a new boat in our yard that would replace the legendary Snipe Fleet that was around a few years ago? I think so. The new Melges 15 could make this happen. At this point we have 5 (soon 6) at ABYC. One in Oceanside and one coming to MBYC...eight total. If we could get 10 in SoCal by the end of the year, we could have 25 by this same time next year. The boat has been around for about a year and a half and is the "Boat of the Year" in Sailing World Magazine for 2022. Their first regatta on the East Coast had about 30 boats in it. They were getting 70 boats on the line for the Winter series in Florida. The West Coast needs to catch up boat numbers and talent-wise to be able to compete. Nice thing about the boat is that it is a harbor, rather than a bay boat. It has a spinnaker and a flat bottom for planing, it is fast and stable. Also, a comfortable boat to sit in and has rather light sheeting loadings. It is reasonably priced for a new



boat of this size. Number manufactured so far is in the 500s at this point.

The boat price is \$14,999, including sails.

If you wanted to get the full package including trailer, and covers, it will come to about \$20,000. You may be able to figure out a used trailer if you would like to save some money.

This comes with a full set of sails, main, jib and spinnaker, but if needed in the future these can be replaced for \$1,800 total.

If we can get 4 boats in one shipping container, we can get free delivery from the factory in Zenda to the Club. Right now, I have two, mine and one for Mission Bay on a trailer. I have been told that we can be in line for 8 more before the East Coast gets their fingers back into it, and they are anxiously waiting. If you are interested contact me and I will get you in contact with the dealer.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Srv1eSxwqal>



hails from the fleets

Deby St John photos



ABYC *ILCA* Fleet members, **Nicholas Mueller** and **Thomas Kraak** placed 4th and 5th at the 2022 *ILCA6* World Championships this October at Texas Corinthian Yacht Club on Galveston Bay. This regatta was originally to be hosted by China; however, Covid-19 restrictions in China forced a reconsideration of location. These results reflect the effort and results **Nicholas** and **Thomas** have earned at several *ILCA* regattas this past summer. Congratulations to **Nicholas** and **Thomas**!



Also competing and representing ABYC was new member **Lillian Myers** who placed 7th in a highly competitive international silver fleet.

ILCA's in The New York Times

The Monday October 17th Sports Section of **The New York Times** featured a story about Canadian Olympic

ILCA6 racer Sarah Douglas who has progressed from a 15th place finish in the 2022 *ILCA6* World Championship to the role of strategist on the Canadian SailGP™ team. I especially like a quote from the article, "Sarah...was laboring in the trenches of an Olympic campaign, training to achieve a precision of motion in a small sailboat to rival a prima ballerina's moves and stamina, but without the choreographed predictability." Other lady *ILCA* sailors have made their way to SailGP. Isabella Bertold, also of Canada, raced with us at ABYC and was on the Canadian SailGP boat recently.

I am always struck by how many sailors either on America's Cup or SailGP boats are former *Laser/ILCA* racers; national, world and Olympic champions. So, from humble beginnings at ABYC and elsewhere, *ILCA* racing is a great place to start! See you on the water for the Turkey Day and Boxing Day regattas!

Steven Smith, ABYC *ILCA* Fleet Co-Captain

20 **T**he **Cal 20** fleet enjoyed a fun **Wet Wednesday** trophy night on October 12th as several boats collected hardware and bottles of Mount Gay Rum. Big winners were **Keith Ives** and **Chuck Stevens** (Rubber Dog), **Steve George** (Magic Bus), **Daniel Gorman** and **Andrew Lamb** (Sea Turkey), and **Mike Corzine** and **Brent Ward** (Shifty).



The evening event celebrated all of the Wet Wednesday sailors and served as a final closing to an epic summer.

Next up is the **Halloween Charity Regatta** on **October 29th**. This regatta benefits **The Children's Clinic**, so it is great to compete in sailboats, while helping a good cause at the same time. In addition, this regatta serves as the **Fleet 1 Championship**, and the winner goes on to race in the **Club Championship** with a chance to win the coveted and exclusive club parking space for one year. Anyone who has tried to park on a busy weekend day knows the value of this prize.

Turkey Day Regatta starts on **November 19th** and is traditionally well attended by the Cal 20 fleet. Nothing

beats a full day of sailing and then a wonderful turkey dinner to follow. Sign up for this two-day regatta for your chance to win a turkey, game hen, or perhaps a pumpkin pie.

December brings the **Cal 20 Fun Run** on **December 3rd**. This regatta is different from our typical ocean course as it is sailed in the bay. Last year's **PRO Wendy Corzine** ran quite a few races in a relatively short amount of time and prizes followed right out on the water following the last race.

The **Cal 20 Christmas Party** is **December 17th** at the beautiful Park Estates home of new **Commodore Mike & Liza Van Dyke**. The Van Dykes and Fleet 1 treated owners, crew, friends and family to a very enjoyable evening last year and this year promises to be a festive affair.

December 31st brings the always fun **Boxing Day Regatta**. Cal 20's have won this Portsmouth rated race in the past and usually several boats attend. Come on over for winter wind that is fresh, crisp, and refreshing to energize you as the last hours of the year approach.

Cal 20's, what a fun boat!

Jeff Ives, Fleet 1



hails from the fleets

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Lido Love



There was a good turnout for our last Twilight race of the season. A few seasoned paddlers made competition pretty stiff even before we got out of the basin! An unusual race course of 4 port roundings, 3 starboard roundings, a final paddle through the basin followed by a graceful leap to the dock. By all accounts at least 4 of those leaps were video worthy (Unfortunately no one got any video footage to me!!) The grill your own steak dinner was a big hit! Reggie and the crew, as usual, did a great job.



Saturday, October 8 was the world famous, never imitated, and never duplicated Lido de Luna - Laurel Games edition! As usual, we piled a bunch of people into very few Lidos and participated in several really fun games administered by our own Melissa Kirby. She really challenged our skills on multiple levels! How well do you follow directions? Can you shoot an arrow? Suction dynamics as well as ballistics were in play. And let's not forget the lassoing portion of our day! At the end of the games we were treated to an amazing dinner curated by our own Dana Bell. It was a really fun night, and a great way to end a Lido summer! Great job Melissa and Dana!! As always, we couldn't have had this much fun without an entire crew of volunteers to do Melissa and Dana's bidding. A huge thank you to all the volunteers!

It was a fun Twilight season and we are looking forward to next year!

Lido Fleet Christmas party will be December 3rd. Put it on your calendar - you don't want to miss it!!



hails from the fleets



Without any regattas to report on, how about we proudly announce our guest speaker for the November General Membership Meeting that the Viper Fleet will be hosting?

Drum roll ~ Our very own Karen Zieba went to Africa this past summer to build a school for youngsters. This was an amazing journey, and a great cause, and we are honored to have her share her time there with us. If you know Karen, she will be fun to listen to and surely have some good stories to tell. Below is just one photo that I lifted from her Facebook page, and I am sure that she will have many to share with us and I do not want steal her thunder in this article. Come on down and hear all about it from her!

We do not know what the menu will be, but surely it will be tasty.

Peace.

Steve Bloemeke



US Sailing Adult Sailing Champs
Having won the Viper PCCs earlier this year, the team of Ed Feo, Chuck Tripp and Kevin Taugher were awarded a bid to represent Area J at the US Sailing Adult Sailing Championship (Mallory) at the Bay Waveland Yacht Club in Bay St Louis Mississippi from October 27-30.



The event included 9 teams and was sailed in Vipers in a round-robin format, switching boats each race and completing 9 races with no discards. The ABYC team got off to a strong start, finishing 6, 1, 3 and held the lead on Day 1 in very shifty 5-10 knot breeze, tied on points with the local team who just won the Viper North American Championship the prior weekend. That team would go on to win the event sailing very consistently.



Day 2 was a non starter as the wind never materialized but Day 3 was a barn burner with a big storm front approaching and 15-25 knots with rain squalls. RC sent the fleet out at 9:30 am to beat the approaching storm and completed one race, sent the fleet ashore for a couple hours and then back out for a second race. We



got good at hoisting and re-rigging as we had to pull the boats out and strap them down for the storm. In the end the storm produced a ton of rain and winds up to 25. We completed two races finishing 4th and then last place (9th) when yours' truly lost balance, fell and broke the tiller. Oh well, stuff happens and now dropped back to 5th place.

The final day again saw light and very shifty conditions with 20-30 degree auto shifts. We navigated this well and finished strong winning the final race but in the end ended up placing 5th but just 3 points from 3rd overall. Just a couple mistakes and we would have made the podium but that's how it goes and we were happy to be competitive. All in all it was a great event and we're glad we went.

Bay Waveland YC is a very welcoming club and put in a big effort to run a great regatta. The club and entire area is fairly newly built as the area was completely wiped out by Hurricane Katrina with the locals telling us the storm surge was 30' above normal high tide!

As is tradition at US Sailing Championships, the competitors vote for a sportsmanship award and our own Ed Feo was awarded the Staton J Peele Sportsmanship Perpetual Trophy. Congratulations Ed.

Kevin Taugher



hails from the fleets



The Ladies of ABYC rocked this year's Ladies Day Regatta, on the podium with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishes! 29 Senior Sabot Sailors participated in 4 divisions. The weather turned out great, with some threatening clouds in the morning, but overcast and light winds made for perfect conditions. SDYC and BCY each came with a trailer full of sabots. MBYC and DPYC were also represented. PRO Mark Townsend assisted by Mike Baumann along with whaler teams Brooke Jolly & Mike Van Dyke leeward gate, and Jack Johnson & Will Vrooman at the windward mark kept the courses square throughout the day. And we couldn't have done it without Stacey Schack and Eileen Edwards on registration and scoring.



Congratulations to Kathy Reed, winner of the Ladies A Fleet and recipient of the Ruth M Russell Perpetual trophy for the woman skipper with the best performance, and also received the Christine Wagner perpetual for the highest placing ABYC woman in the most competitive fleet.

Robin Townsend placed 2nd and Cindy Heavrin 3rd. Congratulations to Susan Lanoue winner of Ladies B fleet on a tie breaker. Over in the Men's fleet ABYC's Tom Newton finished in 2nd place behind Danny North from SDYC. Scott Finkboner of MBYC finished 3rd. In the Mixed-C division ABYC's John Hauck trophied in 2nd place.

A great day of competitive sailing, and getting together with our sailing family and friends we all enjoyed the Oktoberfest meal prepared by Reggie and the staff.



Upcoming Events

November 6th is the next ABYC Sabot Sunday. The next and final SCWSA regatta is **November 12th** at SDYC. It would be great if we could reciprocate and take a trailer load of ABYC sabots to compete! Let me know if you are interested in sailing and let's see if we can get a group going.

December 16th (Friday) is the Sr Sabots and Cruising Fleet potluck Christmas Party at ABYC.

Any Sabot Fleet questions or to get on the Sabot Fleet email list contact Cindy Heavrin via email at cmheavrin@verizon.net. Hope to see you on the water soon!



September 30th was the last Friday Night DragonFlites with Dr. Jim Sears, Keith Ives, and Jay Golison placing in that order. October 16th saw 15 DF95's competing at El Dorado Park in light breezes but good racing.

October 22 the racing continued at Irvine Mason Park Lake with 17 DF95's racing 12 races for season points in ever changing breezes with 5 ABYC skippers in the mix. Next up is Mason Lake November 19th and El Dorado racing November 20th. Both the November races finish the points for the 2022 season. Going to the DF95 Nationals in Florida representing ABYC are Keith Ives, Mark Golison, and Chris Raab. Good luck!

Don Shirley



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