



SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF YACHT CLUBS
Minutes for Dinner Meeting Held September 17, 2020

Commodore Poltorak called the virtual meeting to order at 6:30PM. SDAYC past Commodore Bob Ehlers then led the pledge of allegiance to our flag; followed by Senior MBYC Marshall Nemoy who proposed a toast to the officers of MBYC and all of the yacht clubs for keeping their members safe during this COVID situation.

Commodore Poltorak call for approval of the minutes for the July 16, 2020 Dinner Meeting and a motion was made and carried (M/C) to accept as them written.

Commodore Poltorak then began introducing the SDAYC Board of Directors for their reports:

Junior Director Jim Murtland: No Report.

Senior Director Wayne Strickland: Everything is good with Boating Freedom Committee and he received 3 nominations for the Paul Hartley award. He is looking for members of his committee. Commodore Poltorak spoke up and said he received an input for SWYC and that he would pass it to Wayne.

Junior Staff Commodore Margo Hemond: Stated she is looking for the Pete Curtin Sportsmanship award.

Treasurer Bob Ehlers: Reported that the organization is solvent and has received all calendar revenues and thanks the clubs for their support.

Representative Phil Kinnison: No report.

Rear Commodore, Bill Edwards: Asked that the clubs get their Alonzo Jessop nominations and that he would have more to say during new business.

Vice Commodore Dianna Durgin: Dianna reported that she got one Yachtsman of the Year nomination. She also reported that they are resuming racing events at CCYC.

Commodore Poltorak then began the roll call of Regular Member, Associate and Affiliate Clubs as well as Liaison Members for their reports:

CYC Staff Commodore Wayne Strickland: He received an email from the club manager that boating is open and he is receiving questions about opening up boating from his friends. The restaurant is open for 25% occupancy.

MBYC: Commodore Poltorak reported for MBYC and he described to changing environment caused by COVID and is doing well. He asked Marshall Nemoy for additional information and he mentioned that they are waiting for additional information about opening boating to non-household members. Kathy from MBYC also addressed racing, same household only, and planning next year. They are planning some renovations to their club house for next year.



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OYC: Vice Commodore Ira Hecht reported they are excited about opening up boating and starting and racing again.

SDYC: Commodore Brian Thomas reported that their restaurant is at about 80 percent of last year's revenue. He noted that they have had a great Junior Sailing season for single handed boats (Lasers, Radial and Finns). He is looking forward to executing the boating protocol when it comes out in the health order.

SGYC: Vice Commodore Lisa Clements acknowledged the SGYC members who were present. They have been holding V-32 races and Race Your Household regattas. Also, they are gearing up for nominations and holding a Zoom membership meeting. The bar and galley is open but they have a no guest policy at this time.

SWYC: Rear Commodore Gary Jorgensen reported they have outside dining on the decks so they can use that space in addition to some tables inside. They are working on awards. Their Junior Program was sold out and a vibrant program. They also sold out an adult Sabot program. He passed on that the bottom fishing tournament, which benefits Elder Help, for November 14 and hopes that non-household persons can participate.

CRA: Cleave Hardaker noted that Colleen Cooke had worked with Bill Edwards on the Boating Freedom Committee to open boating. CRA is supporting SWYC to have a little Ensenada Regatta the first weekend in October and CRA is promoting it.

PLYC: Commodore Michael Kirchgastner is putting on a Charity Bay Race the last weekend in September that has been delayed due to COVID. Peter Phillips commended PLYC for holding the race for challenged sailors.

SCYA: Rear Commodore Anne Eubanks reminded everyone that they will have a SCAY General Meeting Saturday; in person. They have extended the Pandemic Performance award extended to October 2, 2020. The SCYA Commodore's Cruise in Catalina October 24 thru the 26th of October.

SDCA: Member Bob Ehlers reported they are still conducting predicted log races without observers. They cancelled the North American Cruisers Invitational.

IOBG International: They have changed their meetings to zoom meetings. They passed an amendment to hold the annual meeting to be a Zoom meeting.

IOBG D15 Auxiliary: President Belen Poltorak cancelled their chocolate event because of COVID.



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NOSA: Jo Ann Sedgwick, reported that they had cancelled the Newport to Ensenada race this year; and they are planning for the race next year and if can't be conducted the Newport to San Race race will be expanded from 60 to 98 miles. If that happens San Diego yacht clubs will asked to provide slips for participants.

PHRF: Steven Lausch asked about the new protocols and asked Bill Edwards to clarify if the new protocols were in force and pointed out that the County Website does not reflect them. Bill stated those that those that want to take a conservative approach to the new protocol they can and those that wish to use the reopening plan can until the health order and the County's website are updated.

RBOC: Cleave Hardaker has taken the protocol developed by the Boating Freedom Committee to Sacramento with the hope that is can become State guidance for California. There has been a lot of legislature that has effected boaters and a lot were suspended... one battle was AB33 that was hard fought and it was ultimately put on suspense. He provided a brief about several programs of concern to boaters. Peter Phillips discussed state budget issues and RBOC's press on the state to use science to determine copper limits in our waters. He also briefed other issues in the San Joaquin delta area and he reminded everyone that RBOC requires funds to pay for the lobby in Sacramento.

America's Boating Club/San Diego Sailing and Power Squadron: Sean McCardle reminded everyone that boating instruction is available from their organization.

Commodore Poltorak called for any old business:

- a. Boating Freedom Committee, Rear Commodore Edwards: Bill recognized the committee and provided a shout out for Sharon Cloward, SD Port Tenants Association President and Supervisor Diane Jacobs for keeping our community on the Board of Supervisor's agenda.
- b. Commodore Poltorak gave an update on the SDAYC Awards program and asked for inputs as described in the email he promulgated in August.
- c. Parade of Lights, Rear Commodore Edwards reported that there will be a Parade of Lights but the Port could not provide their usual 15K dollar contribution; therefore there will be not be an awards dinner for the participation nor an appreciation dinner for the picket boats.

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b. RBOC Donation from SDAYC, Rear Commodore Edwards: Rear Commodore Edwards presented a question to the attendees of the meeting which asked if anyone presented would object to the SDAYC Board expending funds for a donation to RBOC. Although there was no objection noted by the yacht clubs or association present, there was considerable dissention amongst the SDAYC board members and past a SDAYC commodore. Cleave Hardaker chimed in and asked for the clubs to support RBOC.

Commodore announced the next meeting will likely be a virtual meeting on October 15, 2020, dress casual. If in person Blazers and whites.

Commodore Poltorak adjourned the meeting at 7:44 PM.

Rear Commodore Bill Edwards

Commodore Michael Poltorak
