



SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF YACHT CLUBS  
Minutes for Dinner Meeting Held July 16, 2020

Commodore Poltorak called the virtual meeting to order at 6:30PM. Rear Commodore Gary Jorgensen of SWYC then led the pledge of allegiance to our flag; proposed a toast which was everybody's good health and good luck to all the clubs in 2020 and beyond.

Commodore Poltorak call for approval of the minutes for the June 18, 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:

Senior Director Wayne Strickland: He asked that all the clubs consider nominating their sailors for the Paul Hartley award and consider being a member of the selection committee.

Junior Director Jim Murtland: No report.

Rear Commodore, Bill Edwards: Thanked the Commodore for the consolidated Awards letter for 2020. He plugged for the Alonzo De Jessop award and told everyone they can contact him for any questions.

Vice Commodore Dianna Durgin: Getting race calendar inputs otherwise no report.

Junior Staff Commodore Margo Hemond: Stated she is in charge of the Pete Curtin Sportsmanship award and that she is looking forward to getting inputs.

Treasurer Bob Ehlers: The Commodore reported for Bob that we are in good shape financially and all but a few Affiliate Members have paid.

Representative Phil Kinnison: No report.

Commodore Michael Poltorak: We're muddling through this new normal. He got the consolidated awards letter out and he recognizes that this is not a normal year but all clubs are playing on the same body of water. He thanked everyone for their patience.

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

CCYC Commodore Brian Goelz: Reported that they had an employee test positive so they are currently shutdown. He recognized Dianna Durgin as a Staff Commodore and that they are racing harbor twenties and holding a Duffy regatta over the weekend.

CYC Staff Commodore Wayne Strickland: They held a family only race a couple of weeks ago but postponed the Vanity Race and it was rescheduled for the coming weekend. CYC continues to have outdoor dining.



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MBYC: Commodore Poltorak announced that his family have been sequestered because of a family member being exposed to COVID. MBYC is continuing with Sunday and Thursday night racing for single or household members. Indoor dining has been secured and outdoor dining is authorized. They will be holding their annual Catalina cruise a couple of weeks out. They did have a limited Fourth of July celebration.

NYCSD: Vice Commodore Bob Howdysshell stated they are getting maintenance accomplished and he is considering a winter racing schedule since summer and fall series have been cancelled.

OYC: Commodore Mark Mallaby recognized his Vice and Rear Commodores. Stated they are in the process of moving inside dining out side and organizing their small boat races. They will not be racing big boats this year. They will have their around the Catalina Race with household crews.

SDYC: Director Peter Phillips had no specific inputs but they are boating within the guidelines provided by the county and that they have outdoor dining. He is the Committee Chair for the Adaptive Sailing initiatives for SCYA and a member of the board for RBOC where they are monitoring several issues that are important to California boaters.

SGYC: Vice Commodore Lisa Clements acknowledged Staff Commodore and Cleave Hardaker and members in attendance. She announced they are providing takeout food and have outside dining available. The guest dock is closed to reciprocity. They have scheduled a Commodore's raft up in Mission Bay and a Paddle Your Rear event with SWYC.

SWYC: Rear Commodore Gary Jorgenson recognized Margo Hemond as a SWYC staff commodore and Colleen Cooke as a member. He discussed his clubs discussions about holding an in person event like a SDAYC dinner and since they do not hold in person events for their members it would not be appropriate. They have moved their dining to the decks outside of the club due to the latest health orders. They still have reciprocity privileges. They are holding a Rum Race in reverse either single or double handed with rules as restricted by the county. The held a soft opening and closing for their members. He invited other Rear Commodore's to their and SGYC Paddle your Rear event. He also brought up the port loading issue where the Water Quality Board (WQB) only test for copper in the Shelter Island inlet as opposed to the whole bay; promised to keep the SDAYC members up to speed on their communications with the WQB.

CRA: Colleen Cooke, the Race Committee Chair for CRA described their racing schedule and conflicts. She asked that SDAYC coordinate a plan to provide to the County Board of Supervisors when the opportunity to crew boats with other that household members become possible. A lengthy discussion ensued about what we have done in the past and what we should do in the future. The end result of the discussion was to look into forming a committee with the goal of creating a plan to present to the County Board of Supervisors. During this discussion it was brought up that SDAYC should convene the Board of Directors to discuss the formation of



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and the guidelines for forming a committee to address non-household boating for the boating community. SDAYC asked every one of the people on the Zoom Meeting to contact Bill Edwards if they want to be on this committee.

PLYC: Commodore Michael Kirchgastner stated they postponed the Crew of Two regatta on the around the Coronado's because it is not enough crew for a safe regatta. They are considering a soft opening of their club on August 2 on the Sun Harbor Marina patio where social distancing can be achieved. They are exploring having BBQ events where they can accommodate eight parties for reservations only to provide some type of social events for their members.

SMYC: Rear Commodore Brett Hohmann remarked they are restricted by base regulations to only four boats for racing so their season has been curtailed. They have a tentative cruise planned from Dana Point to Catalina Harbor to Twin Harbors and back August 1-9.

IOBG D15 President Robinson: He recognized Jim Murtland and Michael Kirchgastner as D15 Director and Secretary respectively. They are exploring having their activities on line as they are struggling to keep events going.

SCYA: Commodore John Marshall had a board meeting for SCYA and they are postponing many events due to the virus. The Commodore's Cruise has been postponed because Carnival Cruise is not sailing until two days before the event. He took an informal poll of who is interested and has a very sparse response. They are racing every Wednesday night and they have a Crew of Two double handed race, sponsored by the South Shore YC around Catalina coming up and getting a great response for entries.

RBOC: President Cleave Hardaker stated that Assembly Bill 3030 which is an open ended bill that is so open ended it is cause for concern and they have not formed a position on it at this time. There are also other issues, such as the WQB water quality (port loading issue Gary Jorgensen brought up above) and RBOC is lobbying for testing in the San Diego Bay to determine if the copper in the water is causing an ecological harm before they implement restrictions in bottom paint. They have done that testing in northern California and found no issues. Proposition 15 is under consideration for repeal on the November ballot and if carried would create and increase in taxes for yacht clubs. Finally, RBOC fund raising is down. When asked how much they need he replied they owe about 100,000 per year and they have about \$10,000 at this time.

America's Boating Club/San Diego Sailing and Power Squadron: Sean McCardle asked everyone to write down Americasboatingchannel.com. Please go there and explore everything that they have to offer.



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Commodore Poltorak called for any old business:

- a. Plan of attack for addressing the household only restrictions for recreational boating. Commodore Poltorak pointed out that this topic has been thoroughly addressed throughout the meeting.

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- b. SDAYC 2020 annual awards and 2019 perpetual trophy presentations (MAYC Yachtsman and SDYC Paul J Hartley and Yachtswoman). This had also been addressed throughout the meeting
- c. Parade of Lights update- Rear Commodore Edwards announced that the Parade of Lights is scheduled to happen and that he will be sending out a call for volunteers to serve as picket boats for the event.

Commodore announced the next meeting will likely be a virtual meeting on September 17, 2020, dress Tropical.

Commodore Poltorak adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Rear Commodore Bill Edwards

Commodore Michael Poltorak

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