



SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF YACHT CLUBS
Minutes for Dinner Meeting Held May 21, 2020

Commodore Poltorak called the virtual meeting to order at 7:30PM. Vice Commodore Dianna Durgin then led the pledge of allegiance to our flag; Bill Edwards, RC SDAYC proposed a toast which was to look forward to having our freedom returned to us all in the near future.

Commodore Poltorak call for approval of the minutes for the April 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:

Senior Director Wayne Strickland: CYC is moving slow and there is no report that the restaurant is open yet. He is hoping that boating opens up soon.

Rear Commodore, Bill Edwards: Looking forward to getting back to normal. During the roll call he was asked to report on Navy Yacht Club. He mentioned that they are staying under the radar as the Navy is occupied with dealing with the COVIC pandemic. It is a good thing to let things cool down with regard to the clubs occupancy on Navy land.

Vice Commodore Dianna Durgin: Is in the process of putting together for the racing calendar in year 2021.

Junior Staff Commodore Margo Hemond: No report.

Commodore Michael Poltorak: The commodore introduced his wife Belen. He thanked everyone present for the patience with the virtual meetings. He reported that things and MBYC are easing up as the county eases up. The beach and picnic tables are closed however. They have opened up limited racing for single handed and family crewed boats. Face covering must be wore while racing- a rule introduced by the mission bay chief lifeguard. Virtual racing is also a big hit.

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: He began by introducing his staff commodores present and announced a soft opening on Saturday, May 23, from 11-1300 outside of the club. All county protocols will be in place. He offered his report on how to reopen to all at the meeting. He also announced they would open the inside of the club on Monday. He mentioned that RG Head is present and wants to talk about opening up racing during the meeting. They are also racing Harbor 20 single handed or families.

CYC Commodore Scott Grimes: Thanked SDAYC for hosting the virtual conference and for helping keep us informed. They have continued to operate with to go beverages and a takeout menu. They held an annual meeting to comply with their bylaws. He also asked for video inputs to add to their video opening day on Sunday May 24. They are targeting a soft opening for the 24th of May.

OYC: Commodore Vice Commodore Ira Hecht: They had an in person board meeting and are planning a soft opening. They will not have guests. He reported that the Vice Commodore is working on racing and



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have held an informal sail to the power plant recently. They have completely repainted their club and refurbishing their galley. Plexiglas shields have been ordered and an electronic temperature instrument to screen members and guests for high temperatures will be used. He introduced Vice Commodore Herb Brown.

SDYC: Director Bill Budd: Bill announced that they have hired Brian Carlson as their manager. They will have a soft opening on June 3rd. Also, they have been doing a lot of maintenance including tenting their club house for termites. Tennis courts are open but the pool has not been opened. They have also added solar power to a couple of buildings.

SGYC: Vice Commodore Lisa Clements: She introduced members of her yacht club and gave a report on their pool opening. They had to shut down the pool because protocols were not followed. Takeout meals continue and they are preparing for a soft open along the lines of the other clubs.

SWYC: Rear Commodore Gary Jorgensen: They are also doing a soft opening starting Saturday, May 23, noon to 6 PM with a limited menu. They will be blocking off the bar and spreading out tables; wearing masks. He also reported they started a retail wine resale program since they recently obtained a wholesale liquor license. It is a very popular program and have brought in roughly 40,000 dollars during the shutdown. He announced that the predicted log racers have gotten back on the water and had a regatta. They usually sail by themselves anyway, so they are going to return to racing.

IOBG International Treasurer Marshall Nemoy: Their organization is also using Zoom with good success to hold their monthly conference calls. He noted the summer meeting in Portland is cancelled and the annual meeting in Ireland is cancelled.

IOBGA District 15 President: President Belen Poltorak reported that she will get a meeting together as soon as practical and begin working on a fund raising event

IOBG D15 President Robinson: Roger reported they have restructured their calendar for this year with nothing on the calendar at this point.

IOBGA D15: President Belen Poltorak mentioned that all of the clubs have a unique opportunity to actually open their clubs and hope that they all do something special and fun.

SCYA: Vice Commodore Bill McNamara reported they are holding zoom meetings also. He asked the attendees if anyone knows what bylaw language is needed to allow virtual meetings. Lisa Clements said she would send him the civil codes that allow it. He also asked if organizing authorities dictating who skippers can have as crew is supported by Racing Rules of Sailing. There was a spirited discussion about this subject. There was general agreement that we should not have to follow up on skippers to do what is expected of them.

RBOC: President Cleave Hardaker began by reporting on the Cortez Racing Association holding a Regatta for family and single handed skippers on Saturday May 23. The crew description was mandated because of county rules. RBOC had been talking with the Department of Boating & Waterways about the



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Harbors and Watercraft budget deficits. He announced that after a lot of back and forth they told him that money had been found.

Guest: RG Head, a member to CCYC, provided us his perspective about sailboat racing in San Diego. After a **robust** discussion it was agreed that Commodore Poltorak would send an email decrying the logic that non-family members can eat at the same table (not 6 feet apart) and boat crews must all be in the same immediate family. Cleave Hardaker also committed to sharing the CRA letter that has sent to the Governor, County Supervisors and City Officials lobbying for returning to recreational boating that is open to all.

Commodore Poltorak called for any old business. Hearing none he called on the RC Bill Edwards who reminded all that the SDAYC Bylaw revisions have been sent out and that anyone who has questions or didn't see the revisions can contact Bill. Bill also announced the amendments will be voted on at the next physical dinner meeting.

Commodore Poltorak called for any new business:

Having heard none the Commodore announced the next meeting will likely be a virtual meeting but could be at SGYC on June 18, 2020, dress Blazer and Whites or casual if virtual.

Commodore Poltorak adjourned the meeting at 8:47 PM.