Alamitos Bay YC is locally world famous for their Turkey Day Regatta trophies during their annual regatta the weekend prior to Thanksgiving, where turkeys are given to winners.

For last weekend’s Labor Day regatta, trophy chairman Cathy Black came up with the idea of coolers of varies sizes to serve as trophies. While an ice chest might look strange on the mantle at home, according to those who won, functional take-home trophies are preferred. Coolers just might become a new tradition.

Most ABYC regattas are chaired by one of the club’s fleets. On the tails of hosting the Viper Worlds, where so many volunteer hours were required, rather than have one of the fleets chair this event, the Board of Directors took the lead with Fleet Captain Brooke Jolly as chairman. The Board normally acts as the host fleet for the Turkey Day regatta, but the Lido 14 fleet will do those honors this year.

Jolly reported there were more than 100 boats entered in the 72nd annual regatta that included a barbecue dinner complete with apple pie on Saturday night.

Jolly oversaw every detail of the event, down to the recipe for the Chimichurri sauce for the steak dinner. She said, “The kitchen crew of four worked chopping, cleaning and cooking. It is always a group effort.” The Chimichurri formula was originally Bristol Farm’s recipe that Jolly has customized and refined over the years.

With 16 fleets racing in courses inside the bay and outside in the ocean, compounded by inexperienced pleasure boaters bidding their last hurrah to summer along with ever-changing wind and weather conditions, it was a challenging weekend for race management.

Saturday an unnamed race committee volunteer told me a number of first-time competitors registered complaints with race officials when the wind was just too much. Later, when racing was delayed for lack of wind, some of those same sailors abandoned their boats for a quick swim.

Laser Radial was the largest fleet with 20 entries. Winner Erik Hou of both Alamitos Bay and Newport Harbor YCs earned two trophies—District 25 District Championship award and the Fiesta de la Playa trophy.

The Cal 20 fleet first place winners, Chuck Clay and Pat McCormick, earned the George L. Lounsberry Award, presented by Lounsberry’s daughter, Robin Townsend.
Recently, I celebrated my one-year anniversary at the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club. I have been told by veteran club managers, that the first year at a club is the most challenging. Learning club history, tradition, who gets to park where and many other nuisances that exist at all membership clubs.

Having survived Turkey Day, CISA, Opening Day, Race Week, Viper Worlds and many other events, I have found that the key to successfully hosting any event is your support team.

So, I want to thank our ABYC staff of Sheila, Eric, Julissa, Ariana, Jenny, Cole, Damian, Dwayne, Krystal, Erica, Christine and Alec. Their *can-do* attitude makes my job enjoyable.

But that is only part of our club’s support team. Our Social Advisory Committee, Race Management Committee, Junior Advisory Committee and our Board of Directors have all been supportive in advice, encouragement and, frequently, hands-on hard work.

And then there are the staff commodores. I have received much advice and suggestions, all of which have been helpful in the management of this wonderful club.

When I was 15 or 16, I knew it all...or so I thought. I remember my dad telling me I should listen to others who offer their advice when working on a project. Because—believe it or not—they probably went through similar experiences and know what they’re talking about.

I have carried his wisdom throughout my life.

During this past year, I have worked to strengthen the teamwork within our club staff and I am very proud of their performance.

When something in the facility breaks or needs repairs, or one of our boats needs work, we fix it. When preventative maintenance needs to be done, we do our best to get it done quickly. Food and beverage requirements are replenished weekly. When members have questions with boat yard space, or on their membership account or on how to book an event at the club, they receive informative answers as quickly as is possible.

Some of us may have also noticed an improvement in the quality and taste of food coming out of the Galley, and our Sunset Saturday’s bar has become a permanent recurring event.

The safety of our members and guests is also paramount. Not just during regattas or special events, but each and every day, for the sake of ABYC members. That is why we now have trained professional security guards on our property, early every morning, walking through our buildings and boat yards checking for unwelcome visitors.

There will always be projects, challenges and room for improvement. It is my intention to continue working with our Flag Officers and Board of Directors in helping to solve those issues for the betterment of our club.

ABYC is my home away from home, and I truly appreciate having this opportunity to share in your lives...your joys,...your heartaches,... and your advice. Because, that is what family does.

Thank you all, for who you are.

Rick

It has been an honor to have served as your Commodore over the past year. I would like to thank our dedicated Board of Directors and Officers for their support as well as our staff for all they do, day in and day out.

Thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers who are always there to make sure that things get done. We rely on a core group of volunteers and we need to expand on this core group. I encourage you to reach out to any Board Member or volunteer to find out how you can get involved.

I am excited and optimistic about the new leadership of our Junior Program, please respect the reporting structure that is in place. Our Director of Sailing Programs reports directly to our Club Manager and to our Rear Commodore. We have an opportunity to capitalize on new talent and enthusiasm backed by strong support from the Board of Directors to grow our program.

Finally, and most importantly, I would like to thank my wife Stacey for her support and patience over the past several years.

See you around the club.

Dave
As we come to the end of my term as Vice Commodore, I would like to thank the volunteers who have helped this last year. It has been a busy year of projects around the club. Most recently, the new carpet for the Jr. Room and the Parking lot repair and slurry have been completed.

We have also seen an improvement is the boat yard this year. The waiting list is very short, and we even have a few of the larger spots open. For those who received a letter from Shelia, thank you for taking care of the issue.

I wish Dan Delave the best of luck next year as Vice Commodore. Thank you for your support.

Stephen Mueller
Thank you all very much for your continued support of keeping me on your Board of Directors as Vice Commodore. I am really enjoying my time as your representative. Many of you have come to me with suggestions and advice which I have taken to heart and hopefully helped in a positive way.

I would like to especially thank the Social Advisory Committee, as that was my directive as the Rear Commodore. From those meetings there are many people to thank for your advice and efforts. It was great!

Special thanks has to go to Dana Bell for her, seemingly, tireless efforts to make sure all bases were covered for all events we ran this last year.

Dan DeLave

fleet captain's log

It's been a great year as Fleet Captain. I have really learned a lot and have been fortunate to have had many knowledgeable mentors. Thank you to everyone who has been such a great support. I'd especially like to thank Dave Meyers and Rich Ferdon for their consistent help in keeping our gear maintained and prepared for our numerous sailing events throughout the year. Additionally, a huge thanks to our dedicated and extremely sharp Race Management leadership run by Steve Kuritz and Mark Townsend. I'm not sure if people understand the time these gentlemen put into helping ABYC consistently bring in and put on top-notch events. It is much appreciated.

We had a great Labor Day Regatta this year. We had over 90 entries spread out over 15 different classes. We were fortunate to have more than 45 enthusiastic volunteers helping to ensure a successful event. In addition to the class awards, there were two perpetuals presented, as well as the Laser District 25 Championships awards. For perpetuals, we had the Largest Fleet - Fiesta de la Playa which was presented to Eric Hou – representing ABYC/NHYC - in the Laser Radial fleet, with 20 participants. We also had the Cal 20 George Lounsberry Perpetual which was won this year by Chuck Clay and his crew Pat McCormick – both ABYC members. Winning the Laser District 25 for full rig was Paul Didham – representing ABYC/MBYC/CSULB Sailing team, and in the Laser Radials was, again, Erik Hou.

If you missed dinner Saturday night, it was delicious. Many thanks go out to our own Dana Bell who catered the event with her group of helpers. Reviews of the meal were fantastic which included flank steak with chimichurri sauce, potatoes, salad and apple pie. If you feel like trying your hand at the Chimichurri sauce, here is the recipe:

- 1 cup chopped fresh Italian parsley
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1/3 cup red wine vinegar
- 2 peeled garlic cloves
- 3/4 teaspoon dried crushed red pepper - or more for spicier
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon sea salt

**Directions for the Sauce:**

Puree all the Chimichurri ingredients in a food processor until well blended. Cover and let stand at room temperature. The Chimichurri can be made 2 hours in advance if necessary (however I've made it even earlier-just give it a quick stir prior to serving).

Cheers,

Brooke

The donation of your old sails to the Alamitos Bay Sailing Foundation is tax deductable. If you would like a letter acknowledging your donation, please leave your name and contact information taped to your donated sails or with the front office or contact Jennifer Golison at jen@golison.com.
**a note from sheila**

I would like to remind everyone the importance of keeping your roster information up to date. Have you moved, phone number changed, had a baby, got married or purchased a boat? This information is located in the member section of the ABYC website. You will need your member ID and password to log in to the member section of the website. Remember after making changes scroll to bottom and click “update”. If you need help logging in, call the office, I will be happy to help you through the process. Let me know if you are not getting the Weekly Reader and the monthly Sou’Wester newsletter by email.

Parking in the ABYC lot is restricted to ABYC members with a parking sticker affixed to your windshield. If you don’t have one, come to the office and a sticker will be assigned to you. Guests must park across the street in the city parking lot. Keys must be left in the car in our lot. The parking lot does get full, so be thoughtful of others and pull your car to the front, do not lock your car, and after unloading your gear, close the back of your vehicle.

Please familiarize yourself with the boat and yard rules found in the member section of the website.

Congratulations to the winners of the ABYC elections.

Respectfully,

Sheila Mattox, Director of Member Services

**upcoming volunteer opportunity**

Volunteering at ABYC is a great way to meet new people, hang-out with friends, learn new skills, and help run top-notch events for which ABYC is famous – all while having fun! Many of our volunteer opportunities revolve around regattas and social activities. Here are some great opportunities to get involved at ABYC in the next couple months:

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Please feel free to reach out to the individuals above if you are interested in helping on any of these events. If you have any questions about volunteering at ABYC, please contact our Director of Volunteers, Rob Stropky, at [rq_stropky@msn.com](mailto:rq_stropky@msn.com) or (562)252-5321.

**mark’s racing**

Yellow on starboard tack starts at the race committee signal vessel and is the on the course side at the start. The race committee promptly displays X flag and makes one sound signal indicating Yellow is OCS. Yellow, on starboard tack, bears away to return to start. Blue, on port tack, passes astern of several starboard tack boats after the starting gun and then luffs to a close hauled course after she passes astern of a starboard starter. Blue is then on a collision course with Yellow. Blue then immediately tacked to avoid contact with Yellow. Blue and Yellow passed within 6 inches of each other, but there was no contact. Yellow protested Blue for not keeping clear of a starboard boat, and Blue protested Yellow for changing course.

How should the protest committee rule? See if you can figure out the relevant facts, conclusions and decision.
Hello ABYC Family, my name is Sawyer Gibbs and I have taken over the role of Sailing Director here at ABYC. As many of you know by now, I grew up sailing out of ABYC and it brings so much joy to be back where it all started. I’d like to thank everyone who stopped by my office to say hi, it made for such a warm welcome.

So far I’m two weeks in and already we have so much going on with our junior sailors. Just this past weekend a few of our Opti sailors put their skills to the test in the inaugural RS Tera North American championship. ABYC’s own Tate Christopher took home 1st place in the RS Tera Pro fleet with teammates Nicholas Mueller and Cameron Farmer placing 2nd & 9th, respectively. Megan Farmer took home 1st place in the RS Tera sport fleet while Finn Donahue took home 14th in the Gold fleet. Awesome to see how dynamic our ABYC juniors are to be able to jump into a entire new boat and still be able to perform at the highest level.

The time has come to dust off the board bags and load up the car. Our fall sailing program begins next Sunday, October 6. We’re offering morning and afternoon CFJ classes so if your sailor would like to try out the CFJ this would be the perfect opportunity. Opti’s, Sabot’s and Laser’s will be offered as well for both morning and afternoon sessions. Please feel to reach out with any questions.

See you on the water!
Sawyer Gibbs, Sailing Director

October is the transition month for ABYC, so we thank those who served last year and welcome our new Junior Board. Thank you to last year’s Junior Commodore Brett Peoples who served on the Junior Board for the past four years. Thank you to Taft Buckley for his service last year, but we think the drive from Redondo was a bit too brutal on a school night. Please welcome and congratulate our new Junior Board for 2019-2020:

Commodore Julia Carpenter
Vice Commodore Charley Snyder
Rear Commodore Emilia Anctil
Social/Events Sammy Thompson
Public Relations Summer Drake
Secretary Lexi Higbee
Fundraising Bobby Little
Community Service Gabriel Mee
Staff Commodore Brett Peoples
Coordinators Wendy Drake & Jennifer Golison

The Junior Board is very active here at ABYC. These juniors assist with and/or plan many club functions such as the Halloween Regatta, Opening Day, a General Meeting, Christmas Party, Easter Brunch and other events. They also perform various community service, including the ABYC holiday toy drive, beach clean ups, and other community outreach activities. You may have tasted their delicious bake goods that they sell at some of the bigger regattas or own one of the SeaBags that are made from the sails that the juniors continue to recycle here at ABYC. The juniors also started our Annual Latham Bell Regatta in June, thanks to the hard work of Bobby Little, with a little help from his dad. The Junior Board always needs and welcomes the help of all ABYC juniors and their friends, so if you are interested, please contact Junior Board coordinators Jennifer Golison at jen@golison.com or Wendy Drake at drakealex@yahoo.com.

Jenn Golison
It's an honor to serve as your Fleet Captain in the coming year. I look forward to working with our club personnel, our Port Captains and the Race Committee to ensure our water assets are kept in operating condition and properly maintained.

I'm off to a face start as we had a recent survey of our beloved Patience and it appears that we need to think hard about invest in structural repairs to make seaworthy, or look at the replacement. Stay tuned. More from the Commodore as we discuss our options.

I want to welcome Sawyer Gibbs again as our Sailing Director. We've kicked started with a very active High School Sailing Program as well as Fall Sailing Program. We recently met with him and we are all impressed with his vision on moving our sailing programs forward.

Mike Van Dyke

After racing, I found myself sitting with some of the Cal 20 fleet racers and thought I'd include some of the comments made by traditionally humble Steve Kuritz, who with wife Jennifer as skipper, took second in the fleet. I must disclose that his quotes are presented totally out of context, which makes them all the better.

When referring to Jennifer he proudly announced, she has the right "speed wrinkles," he continued with, "We keep a tighter halyard then most boats." After others complimented the duo on their starting strategies, Steve disclosed their strongest talent: "Downwind, we are gods."

Jo Murray

Commodore David Schack holds the District 25 Laser Radial Championship trophy with winner Eric Hou. The winning boat racing in the largest fleet of the weekend wins the impressive silver Fiesta de la Playa trophy.

Stephen Mueller ......... Commodore
Dan DeLave ............... Vice Commodore
Brooke Jolly .............. Rear Commodore
Mike Van Dyke .......... Fleet Captain
Mike Shea..................... Membership Director
Rob Stropky ............... Volunteer Director
Gabe Ferramola.......... SAC Director
Nigel Brownett .......... Secretary
Nicole Peoples .......... Treasurer
David Schack............. Jr. Staff Commodore
End of Summer Beach Boys Party

Beginning on Friday afternoon with a very informal raft up, what was expected to be a small BBQ gathering in preparation for the summer-end party, became a large party all of its own. The Patio was packed, the grill covered with sausages, chicken, steak and fish, and the “small gathering” lasted almost to midnight. Light music by Justin Ezzi with an almost full moon helping to create a wonderful relaxing evening.

The fun ramped up on Saturday afternoon for the official End of Summer Beach Boys Party. Two Kahakai outriggers, paddled by Dani (Bell) McClain, Cat Bell, and Tom Dorman, arrived in the Basin at 3:30. While giving anyone who wished an opportunity to paddle a real ocean-going outrigger, there was also some friendly competition between the outriggers followed by a “parade” along the Channel side of the Club for picture taking. By the way, the outrigger club is always looking for new members, and even has a Keiki (kids) program. Check out KahakaiOutriggers.com. Around 4:00’ish the ABYC kids took off on a Where’s Peter Pelican Treasure Hunt. We’ve got smart kids, it took them less than ten minutes to find all the clues to obtain the treasure chest filled with candy. Not only smart kids, but nice kids, as the finders Cameron, Ulysses, Will, Nicolas and Stuart shared the treasure with all of the other kids. Adults then got in to the act with a hunt of their own. Like the kids, they were pretty fast with the treasure hunt. The treasure chest (now filled with mini rum bottles) was claimed by Nicole Farmer using a very clever strategy. Other fun included photo ops of being swallowed by sharks, plenty of beach balls, ping pong in the Quarter Deck, and a bean bag toss on the Lawn.

Teak Catering prepared a feast of grilled tri-tip, whole salmon with cucumber dill sauce and mango salsa, chicken drumsticks, grilled vegetables, baked potato bar with all the fixings, cornbread with maple butter, and apple pie à la mode. No one went hungry! And, under a full moon, all enjoyed the music of Woody and the Long Boards. It was a great two nights!

Dana Bell
end of summer

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CHARITY REGATTA FOR THE CHILDREN’S CLINIC ON THE HORIZON

The Children’s Clinic, “Serving Children & Their Families”, celebrates its 80th year of service to the Long Beach community, and has announced that it is growing to 17 medical sites, (four of which serve children at school sites). TCC also has two medical vans that reach the homeless, and work with Century Villages Senior and Veterans’ Housing. The Children’s Clinic has recently announced that it will partner with St. Mary’s Medical Center Seniors Services, and has broken ground for a new Mental and Behavioral Health facility. It has expanded its Well Baby and Khmer Teens programs, and other social services. It is no wonder that The Children’s Clinic will soon announce its new, more inclusive name, TCC-Family Health.

ABYC and its Yacht Clubs of Long Beach (YCLB) partners, will culminate their summer of fund raising for The Children’s Clinic with the 33rd Annual Charity Regatta—marking its third year as the Halloween Charity Regatta—on Saturday, October 26. The NOR has been posted with ocean and bay classes invited. All proceeds, including race entries, go to The Children’s Clinic. A Silent Auction and Raffle will run concurrently, with outstanding items for you to bid (and bid) on. And since the items all are donated, your bids and buys are 100% for the kids!

Racing is one day of fun in the fall sun. And there are LOTS of perpetual trophies! Generate some buzz and get everyone in your fleet to race because the Winner of the Largest Class gets his or her name on the beautiful Daniel Ting Perpetual, given by the Clapps in honor of their first grandchild (so many years ago). Senior Sabots have the stunning Betty Newton Memorial trophy. Seal Beach YC’s contributions include four trophies that will be awarded to: the boat with the most women sailors; the most members of a family sailing together; the persons who made the greatest contributions (monetary and/or in-kind); and the CREW Challenge where boat owners compete off the water by getting their crew (and everybody they know) to support The Children’s Clnic with monetary donations. The crew making the greatest collaborative contribution gets their boat’s name on the trophy.

But wait, there’s more! The Lido 14’s will hold their District 6 Championship on the same day. (Thank you, Lidos!) They have three perpetual trophies at stake—all donated by Mindy Berkheiser Guzcwa in honor of her mother Marty Bowman, known to many as “The Lido Lady”. The District 6 Champion will be heralded, and the High Point Women’s Crew, and Best Novice will be celebrated.

On November 2, the last YCLB event, is the Charity Golf Tournament for TCC with the “Step Aside” format (aka— “Take your partners’ best shots”) at Little Rec Park GC. Our goal is to fill all 18 foursome slots. This is a fun event—you don’t have to be a great golfer—just make a few great shots to help your team—no pressure. It’s just 9 holes on a course that is all 3-pars and 4-pars (par 31). Carts will be available at an additional fee. Foursomes will be able to buy Mulligans and will get 1 Miracle Putt for free! The entry fee per person is $40; juniors are $25. If you don’t have a foursome, we’ll find you one. Golfers may donate to TCC at the check-in table, and buy t-shirts and caps too. Join us for the Burger Bash at ABYC after golf, for $10 per person. Flyers and Entry forms will be available through the Weekly Reader.

These last two events, hosted by ABYC, follow sold-out events hosted by Seal Beach Yacht Club (Sailors’ Swap Meet and Hot Dog Lunch), Marina Yacht Club,LB (yummy Pancake Breakfast), and a collaborative effort of Navy Yacht Club LB and International Order of the Blue Gavel District 10 (scrumptious Brunch by the Bay) which each enjoyed sold-out and/or record fund raising totals, with all proceeds going to The Children’s Clinic.

Thank you also to our faithful sponsors this year, so far: Murphy Industrial Coatings, Arkema Innovative Chemistry, and RedPillEmail.com; The Kofahl Family; Karen Tiffin, The Print Experience; and Kathy Weischampel. If you would like to be a sponsor, please contact Carol Kofahl, Chair; (carol_kofahl@yahoo.com). A “thank you” banner will be displayed in your honor for monetary and/or in-kind contributions of $500 or more. Special thanks goes to Kathy for her beautiful art and putting together our Notice of Race brochure; and to Stacy Massey and Sharon Pearson for their expertise with publicity.

Burgees presented at General Membership Meeting on Sept 21st.
Lake Denny and Royal Hamilton.
Dave Schack and Rob Stropky.
Congratualtions to America Rizo, a junior at Long Beach Renaissance High School, who won this year’s art work contest for The Charity Regatta and Events for The Children’s Clinic. This year’s contest, sponsored by the Yacht Clubs of Long Beach and the Kofahl Family, departed from the usual by fielding entries only from high school students, while looking for a more mature and developed art style through the theme “Halloween Horrors and Fantasies.”

Students from Long Beach Unified School District and Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District were invited to submit their masterpieces. America’s anime-style mermaid creates the ultimate fantasy as the sailor peers through the submarine port hole to see the delicate creature with silver hair, and a teal tail, decorated with a floral boa of seaweed. Second place was awarded to Randy Bustos, also of LB Renaissance H.S for his ghostly zombie sailor.

America will be introduced at the Halloween Charity Regatta where she will be given her original artwork, expertly framed, and other various gifts and prizes. Her beautiful design is featured on the NOR, this year’s Halloween Regatta T-shirts and trophies.
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OKTOBERFEST

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2019
MUSIC 6:30 – 9:30 PM

BAR OPENS
AT
5:00 PM

DINNER
SERVED AT
6:00 PM

MENU

BRATS AND BUNS
{WITH GRILLED ONIONS,
PEPPERS, & SAUERKRAUT}
GERMAN POTATO SALAD
BUTTER NOODLES
WARM PRETZELS
APPLE PIE

$10.00/Person
Reservations Please by Wednesday, October 23
Email: sheila@abyc.org  Tel: (562)434-9955
Online: www.abyc.org
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Review the following rules 10, 15, 16.1, 22.1, WS Case

At position 1, RRS 10 requires Blue, a port-tack boat shall keep clear of Yellow a starboard-tack boat. RRS 16.1 requires When Yellow a right-of-way boat changes course, she shall give Blue room to keep clear. At position 2 Yellow reaches a downwind course and is sailing towards the pre-start side of the starting line,

RRS 22.1 requires her to keep clear of Blue, a boat not doing so, until she is completely on the pre-start side. Blue acquires the right-of-way because of Yellow’s action, so RRS 15 does apply.

Between position 2 and 3 both Yellow and Blue are altering course. Blues course is to luff to a close-hauled course. Yellow as the keep clear needs to allow Blue to sail her course without taking action. At position 3 Blue the right-of-way boat under RRS 22.1, tacks to avoid contact with Yellow as required by RRS 14.

CONCLUSIONS

While she was sailing towards the pre-start side of the starting line to start after the starting signal, Yellow failed to keep clear of Blue, and broke RRS 22.1.

DECISION

Yellow is Disqualified for breaking RRS 22.1.
Cal 20’s have concluded a fun summer of Wet Wednesdays, Cal 20 Nationals, 4th of July Regatta, and Labor Day Regatta, among others. The next race is the **Halloween Charity Regatta on October 26th**. Let’s get a big number of Cal 20’s out to support the Children’s Clinic.

Next up after that is the **Turkey Day Regatta**, November 23-24. This is a great regatta as traditionally Cal 20’s get a large turnout. It’s not surprising because the club offers a great turkey dinner Saturday night, and you can win a turkey, game hen, or pumpkin pie as a trophy.

**LBYC’s Fun Run** in the bay comes Saturday, December 7th. It’s always an exciting race in the bay, especially this time of year when it’s uncrowded with other craft. The **Cal 20 Christmas Party** is Saturday, December 14th.

Finally, we end the year with the **Boxing Day Regatta on Saturday, December 28th**. This regatta is really fun because it is also in the bay, and you race against many different types of boats. However, Cal 20’s still get scored as a class.

If you need any help with your Cal 20, contact me or any Cal 20 owner you see in the yard. Everyone is always willing to help or lend advice.

**Cal 20 1-design sailing** is on the upswing. All levels of experience are competitive and the racing is always tight. What a great boat!

Fleet Captain, Jeff

Bravura #373
BYC LOL Regatta Recap September 14

Once again challenging conditions made for competitive sailing at BYC’s 45th annual Little Old Ladies Regatta (and Gents). Light wind, heavy out going tide and hot temperatures challenged everyone, including the race committee selecting courses for the conditions. 4 races were scheduled but only 3 completed with not enough wind to start the last race. ABYC’s Kathy Reed dominated the day with 3 first place finishes! Julie McPherson and Serena Hanby missed K mark on the 2nd race and the competition was now for 2nd place that ended in a 3 way tie after the 3rd race between Betty Becker, Cindy Heavrin and Karen Luttrell, finishing in order respectively.

More tiebreakers in the B Fleet with a 2 way tie for 1st place with Meredith Blair coming out on top and Susan Jennings in her brand new boat finishing 2nd.

In the Mens A fleet MBYC’s Scott Finkboner finished in first place ahead of Danny North and Lanny Coon. Mixed Novice Fleet Lachy McLean from MBYC in first place (sailing with his foot in a cast) mixing it up with new Sr. Sabot Sailors from BYC Deby Meany and Susan Jennings.

Thank you BYC and Nancy Mellon for putting on a great regatta. And the cold avocado soup was a crowd pleaser at the end of the hot day! See the photo of the Ladies A-Fleet winners and Kathy Reed receiving the Top Sailor Trophy presented by Nancy Mellon.

ABYC Sabot SUNDAY Recap September 22

This month’s Sabot Sunday we had a good turnout with 12 boats on the start line and unusually light conditions for Alamitos Bay made it challenging for everyone. Kathy Weishample made her debut with her newly refurbished Sabot and Jeff Lenhart and Bob Reilly joined us from Newport Beach. After 4 races MBYC’s Scott Finkboner walked away with the big candy bar winning the day with 5 points. Mark Ryan finished in 2nd and Paul Anctil 3rd place. Bob Reilly from BYC finished first in the B fleet.

Everyone enjoyed a relaxing afternoon on the patio after sailing, and thank you race committee!

ABYC Ladies Day Regatta

Remember Ladies Day regatta (and Gent’s) at ABYC is next on our calendar for October 12th. This is a great opportunity for new sailors to join in on the fun, as there will be a Ladies-A division, Ladies-B division, Men’s-A division, and Mixed-C division. The NOR is posted on the ABYC web page, and an October Fest meal follows racing. Stay tuned for results in next month’s SouWester!
Instructions for Member Ads page
Submit your business card, 3.5” x 2” .jpg, .tif, .png or .jpg file to the club secretary at abycc.secretary@gmail.com or the Sou’wester editor at sharonpea@aol.com

Rates:
$50/3 months
$125/year
Billed directly to your club account

Contact the club secretary at abycc.secretary@gmail.com for non-member rates
Commodore and Stacey Schack

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

Come celebrate a job well done! Enjoy a complimentary dinner prepared by Teak Catering, with music by Cali Conscious.

Music by Cali Conscious!

***Make Your Dinner Reservations***
by Wednesday, October 2 @ 5:00 pm
Email: sheila@abyc.org Tel: (562) 434-9955 Online: www.abyc.org
You are cordially invited to attend

Alamitos Bay Yacht Club's
93rd Annual
Installation of Officers
Saturday, October 19, 2019
6:00 pm  Cocktails and Appetizers
7:00 pm  Dinner and Ceremony

Music by Mike O'Brien

$60.00 Per Person

Cocktail Attire – Guests Welcome
Dinner by Teak Catering

RSVP by October 16, 2019
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Please indicate members with whom you would like to be seated.

– Menu –

Hors d’Oeuvres
Fromages\(^1\) français importé
Raisins\(^2\) et baies\(^3\) frais
Crudités de légume
Petites tartelettes aux champignons sauvages et cultivées\(^4\)
Oeufs de diable\(^5\) à la campagne
Petites saucisses au miel\(^6\), sauce balsamique, herbes fraîches

Salade
Plat principal
Coq au vin
Pommes de terre en purée
Ratatouille

Dessert
Tarte aux poires\(^7\) et framboises\(^8\) à la crème anglaise
Truffes\(^9\) au chocolat

Café
4. Small Sausages with Wild and Cultivated Mushrooms
8. Raspberries 9. Truffles
Fall-Back Patio Breakfast at ABYC

Enjoy Breakfast on the Patio or on the 2nd Deck if Mother Nature doesn't Cooperate

Sunday, November 3
10:00 am to 1:00 pm
(Don't Forget to Fall-Back Saturday Night!)

SAVE THE DATE

Watch for updates on the menu...of course it will include a fabulous Omelette Bar

Adults $15 / Children (5-10) $10
Food by Teak Catering

***Reservations by October 30 Would be Appreciated***
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