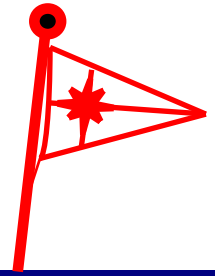


San Leandro Yacht Club

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 23	General Membership Meeting: dinner 1900, meeting 2000
January 30	Peralta Crab Feed: dinner 18:30
February 9	Board Meeting: 1900
February 13	Valentines Dinner: appetizers 1800, dinner 1900
February 16	Piloting Class with Norm Pennington: 1900-2100
February 17	Boating Class with Norm Pennington: 1900-2100
February 20	GPS Class with Norm Pennington: 1300-1600
March 13	Oyster Point St. Patrick's Day Cruise Out

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HAPPY HOUR: FRIDAYS, 1900-2000

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Port Captain	Frank Wilson (510-357-8549)
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Staff Commodore	Dale Snearly (925-337-4586)



Commodore's Corner *Dan Williams*

We can wish 2009 a hearty Good Bye. I believe it was a very hard year for many people, the economy, and our country. For the SLYC we saw both joy and pain in 2009. We lost some dear friends, we also came together as an entity to support each other in times of need. We can weather the bad times and we can look forward to good times, which I believe 2010 has in store for us. 2010 is shaping up to be a great year for the San Leandro Yacht Club. A new Board of Directors has been seated. We are currently without a Rear Commodore, but we should be able to maintain the club and duties this important position holds. We will be voting for a new incoming Commodore at our January 23, 2010 GM meeting. On January 9th Fran Moon hosted our 2010 planning session. The Board went over positions and duties. We also started to set up our calendar for 2010.

Looking back on Club activities since October 2009 - Dena Snearly did a fabulous job once again in arranging and pulling off a memorable Change of Watch. The dinner went off flawlessly. Since the Change of Watch the SLYC has had a busy Holiday Season. The Club had a very well attended Club Trimming Happy Hour - which had the place looking ship shape for the Holiday. Our Mexican Fiesta Christmas Dinner was hosted by Paula and Tony Padilla and was very well attended. We rang in the New Year with many in attendance listening to the sweet sounds of the Backwater Boys (or is it Backwash Boys - not sure on that one). Double Dharma and Deseado made it out the channel for our annual New Years day flotilla. I want to thank all the members who gave their time, effort and expertise to make 2009 a memorable year.



I know that all of us are looking forward to the coming months as the weather improves. Please see the sign up sheets in the club for dinners we need hosts and cooks. I encourage all members to sign up and take an active roll. If you are not sure what you can do, please see a Board Member. Our Power Fleet Director is also working on our Cruise-outs and upcoming events.

Past Commodore Roll Call

1986	Hans Schneider
1987	Michael Dixon
1995	Robbie Robinson
1996	Barbara Chapman
1998	Bob Hungerford
1999	Renate Rupprecht
2002-2003	Lee Stevens
2004	Faye Stevens
2005	Dena Snearly
2008	Dale Snearly

PRAYERS OF HOPE

Rick Rolund: We are all on watch for Rick's return. We wish him well and our hopes, hearts, and prayers are with him and his family.

Eight Bells

We have the sad duty of informing our fellow members and friends of a couple unfortunate losses recently.

* Mike Killian: "A very dear friend and long time member of the San Leandro Yacht Club. Mike is the sweet gentleman that cooked our dinners for Change Of Watch...HERE'S TO MIKEY, A REAL NICE GUY," as quoted by Dena Snearly.

* Tara Stevens, Faye and Lee Stevens daughter: Our deepest sympathies are with her family.

Part of our Club Charter is to promote the safe practice of boating. Norm Pennington will once again be offering classes in the upcoming months. See Norm for more information.

I would like to thank the Club and Board for putting the faith in me as your Commodore in 2009. We have a great Board in place for 2010, working on making 2010 a memorable year for the SLYC. This is a Club that is member supported and in being so – we need member support to continue as a vibrant and great place to find friends with like interests in the boating community. In parting I want to wish each and every one of you the best that 2010 has to offer. Good health, Good Cheer and Safe and Happy Boating!!



Club Life with the Vice *Michelle Haynes*

Happy New Year to all! I truly believe that 2010 will be a great year for the club. Our past few events have been so much fun, I think we are off to a great start. Back in 2009, Halloween was a lively night with great costumes, games, and lots of food. The Padilla's Feliz Navidad Christmas dinner and gift exchange was terrific. The New Years Party was wonderful, and it was so nice to have the band play both Christmas and New Year's events. Thank you to Tony and Paula!! Valentines Day is right around the corner and Delmarie is hosting the dinner at the club on 2/13.



We also have a few new and exciting events coming up at the club that Norm Pennington arranged that should be quite nice to attend: Peralta Crab Feed on 1/30, A Piloting Class starting on 2/16, A Boating Course starting on 2/17, and a GPS Class on 2/20.

Skipping ahead to March, Oyster Point is having their annual St. Patrick's Day Event on 3/13. A few of us attended last year and it was a very entertaining and fun night. They have professional Irish dancers, raffles, and a great corn beef and cabbage dinner. We also have Coyote Point cruising in on 3/20. They are a lively group, so come and join the party!

Next time you stop by the club, come check out the Ships Store. Bob installed new lights and Renate, Fran, and I spent a whole day shopping getting a variety of new items for the club. From new shirts and sweaters to cute women's tops and baseball caps, come and take a look!



Rear Commodore *All Here for the Rear*

The Rear Commodore position is vacant, but please take a look at the calendar for upcoming events and feel free to stop by the club and check out the sign up sheets for more details on the scheduled events.

Make sure to RSVP with the host or the sign up sheet in the club for each event, an accurate head count can truly help make the dinner run more smoothly.

If anyone is interested in hosting a club or holiday dinner, please notify a board member with your request. Thanks to all for your help!

General Membership Meeting & Club Dinner

January 23rd, 1900

**NY Strip Steak or
Stuffed Mediterranean Chicken Breast
Potatoes Magnifico
Green Beans
Cesar Salad
Dessert**

Cost: \$15 per person



**Please RSVP (steak or chicken) to Dan Williams
or the Club Sign Up Sheet**



Port Captain *Frank Wilson*



Nothing to report this month, but always there to lend a helping hand.

Valentine's Club Dinner

February 13th

Appetizers, 1800
Dinner, 1900

Beef or Salmon Dish
Pasta, Veggies, and Salad
Sweetheart Dessert

Cost: \$15 per person



Please RSVP to Delmarie Snodgrass or the Club
Sign Up Sheet



On The House
Fran Moon

New Years Eve was a bittersweet celebration this year- SLYC rang in the New Year in style dancing to our great band, the Backwater Boys, and enjoying lots of great food and friends.

But as we said goodbye to 2009 we also had to say farewell to some old friends. Mike Killian- we will miss those great times at the bar enjoying his outrageous jokes and stories accompanied by Joann's wonderful hearty laugh. And the sad disappearance of Rick- a good friend, always ready to enjoy good times and celebrations at the clubhouse. We were all pleased when we finally convinced Rick and Lisa to join SLYC. Joann and Lisa are in our hearts and prayers.

As we venture into a new year and a new decade our little club has reason to hope for better times- the channel is dredged! - providing opportunities for more adventures around the bay and hopefully more visitors to come and enjoy our SLYC hospitality.

Keeping the club and bar running smoothly requires a lot of effort and we are lucky to have many willing hands. This month I would like to give a particular thank you to a few of those worker bees:

First- Sam Walden- Sam has been an enthusiastic volunteer and is always ready to help out behind the bar- a huge asset to the club and to the bar. Thank you Sam!



Along with many other club duties Bob and Michelle have taken on the Ship Store- many new items have been added and they have done a beautiful job redesigning the merchandise showcase

with lighting, shelving, and artistic backdrops. I urge everybody to check it out- Appreciate! Purchase! Order! We have a great selection and can get more.

And finally I would like to thank Frank and Tina for all the work they put in maintaining the clubhouse and grounds- repairing, cleaning, sweeping walkways, gardening.... we really appreciate all their efforts.

We are fortunate this year in the number of enthusiastic members who are eager to get involved and are willing to work to help the club succeed. I think 2010 is going to be a great year for San Leandro Yacht Club.



Power Fleet Captain
Norm Pennington



I am please to report that as your Power Fleet Captain I have some exciting cruises planned for the San Leandro Yacht Club. Our first two destinations are expected to be the Oyster Point Yacht Club on March 13th, where we will be participating with OPYC in their Saint Patrick's Day celebration. Our next cruise is planned for the week-end of April 9 thru 11 on the Peninsula during the South Bay Opening Day. As soon as

details have been finalized we will have signup sheets posted in the club. I am still working on out cruise-out destinations so if you have any suggestions for destinations please let me know. I will also be looking into setting up one or more single day adventures such as a ferry trip and lunch to Vallejo via the Ferry Building in San Francisco.



Sail Fleet Captain Tony Padilla

Ahoy Sail Fleet! There is a cure for Cabin Fever! The short days and long winter nights have caused me to dream of all the possibilities awaiting us on the Bay.



Just a short visit to our boat to relax or motor out and watch the sun go down can recharge the batteries of our desire and kindle in our hearts the satisfaction that only a healed sailboat

slicing and dancing upon the waves can elicit. And not to mention the camaraderie of my fellow sail mates and club members around the Club House for those Happy Times and fun events. So until we come into the Racing Season I suggest that all Captains and Crew climb out of that winter funk, pick yourself up from that easy chair by the fireplace, toss off that Snuggie, Grab that warm partner of yours and head for Adventure together and with great friends at the Club. Looking forward to "Raising Sail" with all.

Sail Fleet Captain, Tony



Happy Birthday to You!

The Club wishes to extend a very Happy Birthday to all members celebrating their birthday in:

January

17 – Tom Grabow
28 – Hilda Schneider
28 – Bill Kennison
30 – Tina Wilson

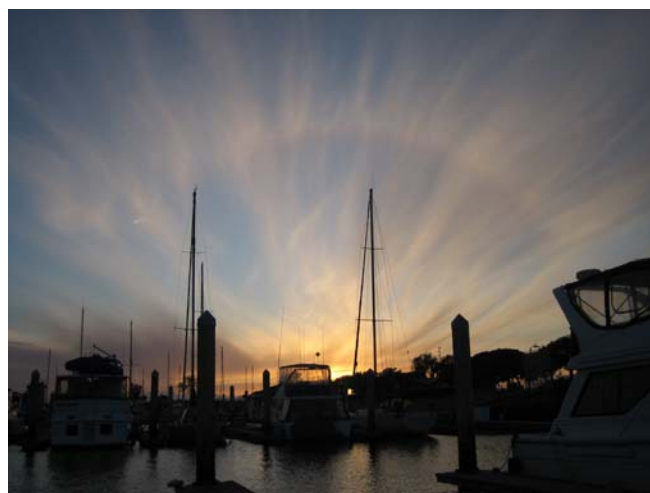
February

4 – Barbara Chapman
5 – Edward Rank
12 – Laverne Thompson

March

12 – Dan Williams
13 – Judy Pennington

Stop by the Club and enjoy a free birthday drink!



Pretty Sunset from the stern of the Blonde Beauty



A spectacular rainbow, a pot of gold must be hiding in Horatios.



This storm on the horizon brought in a lot of rain that day.



Additional Information *Norm Pennington's Classes*

Education Report

The Peralta Sail and Power Squadron will be presenting a GPS seminar on Saturday, February 20th at 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you have ever wanted to know how your GPS works and how to get the most from your GPS, then this seminar is for you. The seminar will include some basic theory and some how to's, a seminar booklet, a GPS Learning Guide and a slick Captains Guide that you can take on the boat with you. The cost of this seminar is \$35.00. I hope to put on a variety of monthly seminars on topics of interest to most boaters.

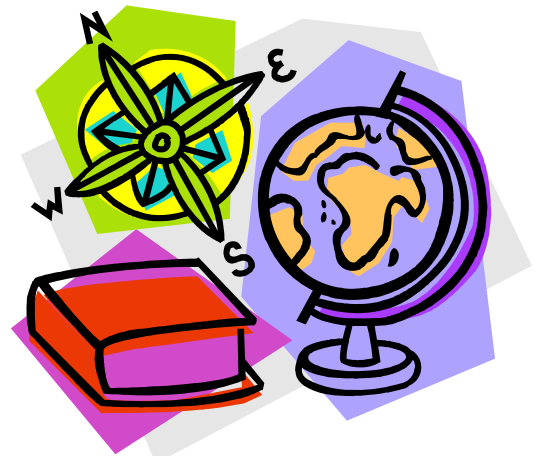
If you are new to boating and would like to take the US Power Squadron Safe Boating Course, I will be presenting this course on Wednesday evenings 7-9:00 p.m. starting February 17th. You will learn safe boat operation and find out what the minimum requirements for safe boat operation. Students will also receive a copy of the Maptech Navigation Software, which they can use on their PC to plot courses using electronic charts. The cost of this course is \$42.00 plus an additional \$12.00 for plotting instruments.

If you have some navigation experience and would like to learn more, I will be presenting the US Power Squadron (USPS) Piloting Course on most Tuesday evening 7-9:00 p.m. starting February 16th. This is a Power Squadron member only course, however I am also offering it to SLYC members. The only difference is that non-USPS members will not need to take the exam. Never the less, it is a great course for anyone desiring to learn how to plot and follow a safe course within sight of land using navigational aids or other landmarks. The cost of this course is \$60.00 plus an additional \$12.00 for plotting instruments.

To sign up for any of these courses or seminar, or for more information, visit the Peralta Squadron website at <http://www.peraltasquadron.org> and click on the Education tab.

Vessel Safety Check Report.

Saturday, April 17th is Safety Day at the San Leandro Marina. The Peralta Squadron will be conducting free Vessel Safety Checks (VSC). This will be your opportunity to get a Vessel Safety Check, and if your boat passes, a VSC Decal will be awarded. To prepare for your VSC; check your flares and make sure that they have not expired; your Personal Floatation Devices to make sure they are serviceable and Coast Guard Approved; and that you have the proper number and type of Fire Extinguishers. In preparation, check your navigation lights, bilge pump, and that you have the required placards for pollution and disposal of oil. There will be more information and a signup at the club in March.





2010 Events Updated



January

- 23 Club Dinner, 1900 / GM Meeting, 2000
- 30 Peralta Crab Feed, 1830

February

- 9 Board Meeting, 1900
- 13 Valentines Dinner 1900
- 16 Piloting Class with Norm Pennington, 1900-2100 (see attached information)
- 17 Boating Class with Norm Pennington, 1900-2100 (see attached information)
- 20 GPS Class with Norm Pennington, 1300-1600 (see attached information)

March

- 9 Board Meeting, 1900
- 13 Oyster Point, St. Patrick's Day Cruise Out
- 20-21 Coyote Point Cruise In

April

- 9-11 South Bay Opening Day
- 13 Board Meeting, 1900
- 17 Vessel Safety Check

May

- 11 Board Meeting, 1900

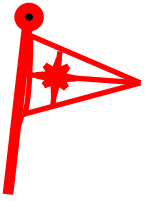
June

- 8 Board Meeting, 1900
- 19 Snearly's Bon Voyage Party, 1700-2100

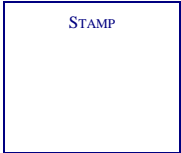
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING & Information:

**January 23rd: General Membership Vote
of New Commodore Bruce Moon & By
Laws Change.**

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