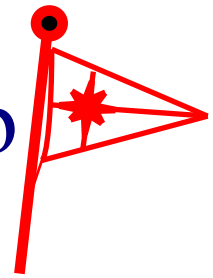


San Leandro Yacht Club

Puff 'n' Putt



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Commodore Pennington's Message:

Club Finances

Primarily due to not having many cruise-in's to support the club's operating costs we have had to take some cost cutting measures to sustain the operation of the club. To that end we have turned off all unnecessary electrical equipment such as the ice machine and the wine cooler. As a result I'm happy to report that this has resulted in a dramatic decrease in our electrical expense. To facilitate these cost cutting measures we have transferred all beverages from the wine and beverage chiller to one of the refrigerators. Fortunately that has not presented any problems as we are able to work around any inconveniences.

It was recently discovered that strangers have been using electricity to charge cell phones and other electronics from the outlet next to the barbeques. It was also observed that someone connected an extension cord to the outlet to charge their electric automobile. Now, that is a lot of nerve! Until we can secure that outlet we have tripped the breaker to eliminate theft of electricity. Unfortunately, that also means that we have no power in the bar area.

To help alleviate our declining financial position, your Board of Directors has approved entering into a partnership with the Peralta Sail and Power Squadron. This partnership will allow Peralta expand the number of educational classes and courses they offer as well as greater use of the club for their functions as well as joint-events for both SYLC and Peralta members in exchange of a monetary benefit to the club. Both SYLC and Peralta will have events that are specific to their organization as well as events and activities that will be shared by both. This decision will allow the club to function and hopefully build a strong relationship between both organizations.

Legislative News

There is a new law in California that will be implemented in 2018 requiring everyone to have proof of basic boater education to operate a motorized vessel in the waters of California. The law will be phased in over several years starting with the youngest boaters. For more information please refer to the attached for the latest news from Recreational Boaters of California concerning the passage of **Senate Bill 941 – Boater Operator Card**.

Coming Events

For October and again in November we have scheduled two Happy Hour and Pot Luck events. The first is this Friday, October 24th starting at 7:00 p.m. Please plan on attending and bring a dish to share. The second Happy Hour and Pot Luck event is Saturday, November 22nd starting at 6:00 p.m. This one will also be a party to kick off the Holiday Season where we will be decorating the club and trimming the tree. As before, please plan on attending and bring a dish to share.

This coming Saturday, October 25th at 5:00 p.m., the Peralta Squadron will be hosting their bi-annual Commander's Chili Cook-off Challenge. This is where their current Commander, Alan Smith will be challenging past Commanders with their best chili recipes. SLYC members are invited to attend and participate in the voting for the best chili. The cost is \$10 and includes all the fixings for a great dinner. We hope to see you there.

On Saturday, November 1st the Peralta Squadron will be hosting the Power Squadron District Meeting and Dinner. The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m., lunch around 1:00 p.m. with the meeting that is expected to last until about 5:00 p.m. Following the meeting we plan to have the bar available until dinner is served. Judy will handle the lunch; however we would like members assisting with evening bar tending and dinner. We expect to bring in some much needed income to the club.

On Sunday, November 2nd, the Peralta Squadron will be conducting boat operator certification testing starting at 9:00 a.m.

On Saturday, November 8th, we will be holding our **Annual Change of Watch and Dinner**. According to our bylaws, the Board of Directors is supposed to appoint a nomination committee comprising of five (5) Active Members with not more than three (3) may be members of the Board of Directors. In consideration of the limited number of members in our club, and if there is no objection by the membership, the present Board of Directors have agreed to continue in their present capacities as follows; **Norm Pennington serving as Commodore; Judy Pennington serving as Treasurer; Barbara Waldstreicher serving as Secretary; Paula Padilla serving as House Manager; and Tony Padilla serving as Port Captain. Unfilled positions are Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Power Fleet Captain, Sail Fleet Captain and Staff Commodore.** Norm Pennington has also consented to continue on as the Puff n' Putt Editor and the Webmaster. The Change of Watch will occur at 6:00 p.m. at the club followed by cocktails and the Change of Watch Dinner will be at Horiato's Restaurant starting at 7:00 p.m.

On Saturday, December 6th, Peralta will be hosting a Joint SLYC/Peralta Holiday dinner and party. Peralta will be bringing a ham and the remainder of the meal will be pot luck. We hope to get as many SLYC and Peralta members as possible to celebrate the holiday season. As we get closer to that date we will be sending out a notice to sign up for the party.

Past Events

There have been several recent events at the club that I'm told have been quite successful. **Bob Haynes** held his **Annual Rooster** event on September 25th. This was followed by **Dale and Dena Snearly** holding their **Bon Voyage party for Dena's son Allan Rutan**. This was followed by the **West Sail Cruise-in** on Saturday, October 4th. Not able to attend the West Sail Cruise-in I would like to thank **Paula and Tony Padilla** for hosting the event, **Fran Moon** serving as bar tender, **Judy Pennington** as buyer for most of the supplies, **John and Doreen Fellows**, and **Rick and Vickie Erickson** for cleanup. Lastly, on Saturday, October 18th we had the **Marine Sealift Command** annual luncheon. This was once again hosted by **Tony & Paula** with assistance by **Renate Rupprecht**. I would like to thank everyone who participated in these events including anyone I may have overlooked. Both **Jay Beitz** of **West Sail** and **Past Commodore Barbara Chapman** with the **Marine Sealift Command** have requested the same week-ends in 2015 to hold their events.

Summary of Coming Events

7:00 pm, Friday, October 24 – Happy Hour and Pot Luck

5:00 pm, Saturday, October 25 – Peralta Bi-Annual Chili Cook-off (SLYC Members Welcome)

10:00 am, Saturday, November 1 – Peralta Squadron Fall Conference and Dinner

9:00 am, Sunday, November 2 – Peralta Squadron Boat Operator Certification Training

6:00 pm, Saturday, November 8 – SLYC Annual Change of Watch and Dinner

7:00 pm, Tuesday, November 18 – SLYC Monthly Board of Directors Meeting – All members welcome

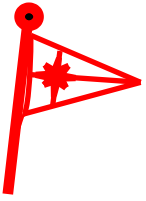
6:00 pm, Saturday, November 22 – SLYC Happy Hour, Pot Luck and Tree Trimming Party

6:00 pm, Saturday, December 6 – SLYC/Peralta Holiday Party

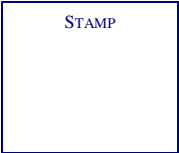
7:00 pm, Tuesday, December 9 – SLYC Monthly Board of Directors Meeting – All members welcome

Check the SLYC Website for the latest dates of events and other activities.

**GET HAPPY AT HAPPY HOUR -
SELECTED FRIDAYS, 7:00-8:00 PM
NEXT ½ OFF HAPPY HOUR, October 24th**



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