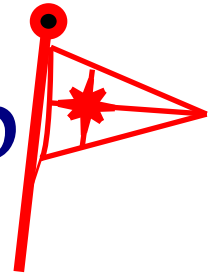


San Leandro Yacht Club

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Commodore Pennington's Message:

The Change of Watch comes once a year to celebrate the accomplishments of the club leadership, and generally relieve the current officers that may move up to the next chair in succession to become Commodore and hopefully the Commodore be elevated to Junior Staff Commodore.

I have discovered in my travels that yacht clubs have a variety of methods for conducting their nomination process of electing officers. Like our club, a committee is formed either as an elected or appointed nominating committee, whereas other clubs hold the Jr. Staff Commodore responsible to fill the elected positions. Since I have been Commodore for more years than I would like to admit and because our club has shrunk to the smallest it has been in years I have assumed the position of Nominating Committee of one. By this time I think that I qualify as Staff Commodore, or at least Jr. Staff Commodore in Training. Therefore I have come up with the following volunteers for the positions shown for the 2017 slate of officers. To make this fair, if any member desires to be nominated and elected for any of the filled or unfilled positions; I will entertain a motion at the Change of Watch on Saturday, November 5th.

Commodore -- Norm Pennington
Vice Commodore – Rick Erickson
Rear Commodore – Dwight Pitcaithley
Jr. Staff Commodore – Open Position
Secretary – Barbara Waldstreicher
Treasurer – Judy Pennington
House Manager – Judy Pennington
Port Captain – Dwight Pitcaithley
Sail Fleet Captain – Open Position
Power Fleet Captain – Open Position
Puff n' Putt Editor – Norm Pennington
Webmaster – Norm Pennington

In past years the change of watch was a fairly formal event with officer reports, committee reports, swearing in new officers, a load of thanks from the commodore all rounded off with a fantastic dinner and friendship. This year, like the last couple of years, we are planning on having a short meeting followed by a dinner. We are a little late on firming up our plans, but will have a notice out following our Board Meeting this coming Tuesday.

On a sad note, Barbara Waldstreicher, our club secretary, recently lost her mother after a long illness. Additionally, our Vice Commodore, Rick Erickson recently unexpectedly lost his mother after she suffered a fall. Our condolences and sympathy go to Barbara, Rick and Vickie and to their families for their loss.












On a positive note, I would like to welcome new members, Barbara and Victor Maylon, residents of San Leandro who have a 33.5 foot Hunter Sloop in the San Leandro Marina.

As reported previously, our little club continues to hold our own. Due to the continuing deterioration of the harbor, berthers continue to move to deeper waters and we are no longer able to attract cruise in's. We seem to however attract non-members for birthday and anniversary parties that we are not able to support due to our small size and limited member base to support.

The marina area continues to deteriorate due to elements from the neighborhoods and beyond that come in driving recklessly including numerous sideshows, and leaving abandoned vehicles around. There have been several false alarms in the area and we have noticed people wandering about to include checking doorknobs on the club and making a mess around the club.

The outlook for our club continues to look bleak as ground breaking for the marina project is supposed to start in 2017 although we have not received a formal notice nor an update as to their plans as plans are still in a state of flux.. However, our little club may not be impacted until 2018. We all know how municipal projects work, they could come in and start demolition, and then the land will be vacant for a few years before they start work. Hopefully our little club will be here for a few more years.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

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|  | Tue - October 11 | SLYC Board of Director's Meeting, 1930 |
|  | Sat - October 15 | MSC Luncheon (all day) |
|  | Sat - October 22 | District 25 Fall Conference, (all day) |
|  | Sat - October 29 | SLYC Halloween Party (Peralta welcome to attend), 1700 |
|  | Sat - November 5 | SLYC Change of Watch, 1800 |
|  | Mon - November 14 | Peralta Board of Director's Meeting, 1930 |
|  | Sat - November 19 | Peralta's Chili Cook-Off (SLYC welcome to attend) |
|  | Sat - December 3 | SLYC Happy Hour & Holiday Decoration, 1800 |
|  | Sat - December 10 | SLYC/Peralta Holiday Party 1930 |
|  | Mon - December 12 | Peralta Board of Director's Meeting, 1930 |
|  | Tue - December 13 | SLYC Board of Director's Meeting, 1930 |

As you can see above, there are several events that are designated as joint events between SLYC and Peralta. We hope that SLYC members will avail themselves to these events as we develop new friends, or get reacquainted with members or the other club that we may not have seen in a long time. Please mark your calendar and attend if you can.

Upcoming is the club hosting of the Marine Sealift Command (MSC) Annual Luncheon on Saturday, October 15th. This was near and dear to the heart of the late Past Staff Commodore, Barbara Chapman. Barbara's mother Laverne Thompson and Associate Member Tom Grabow will be on hand to greet MSC members as they arrive. As I have a conflict that day attending the PICYA Management Conference in San Rafael, my wife Judy and Barbara Waldstreicher will be on hand to help tend bar, but we could use a few more members to assist.

The following week-end the club will be open to host the U.S. Power Squadron's District Council and Fall Conference on Saturday, October 22nd. This will be an all-day affair, however we could use some help in the evening with dinner and bar tending.

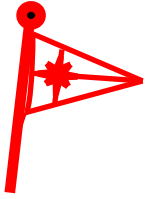
The following Saturday, October 29th we will be hosting a Halloween Party with Peralta Members. The week following we will be having our Annual Change of Watch, then on the 19th of November we will be hosting Peralta's Bi-Annual Chili Cook-Off. Then in a few weeks we will be making preparations for the Christmas Party on Saturday, December 10th by decorating the club on Saturday, December 3rd. We hope that members will come and participate in these activities.

We have ordered and received SLYC Burgees and we have a few available at \$30 each.

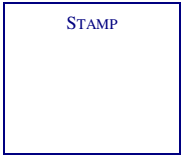
Over the winter the Peralta Squadron will be holding some courses and seminars that I hope that members will take advantage of the offering and attend to enhance your knowledge of recreational boating topics.

Over the summer I attended a seminar on Licensee Education on Alcohol and Drugs presented by the State Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control and hosted by the City of San Leandro. This seminar is focused for professional alcohol sellers and servers. I learned the role of the licensed establishment and where we are able to serve and allow the consumption of alcoholic beverages. Basically, we are limited to serving at the bar with consumption on the wooden decking on the marina side of the club and the exterior alcove near the back door. Members and guests are not allowed to consume beverages beyond these limits. Other parts of the seminar included the role of state and local law enforcement, ABC programs such as the Minor Decoy Program. One of the most interesting aspects of the seminar is detecting legal forms of identification. This seminar will eventually be required for anyone serving alcoholic beverages.

Next weekend I will be attending the PICYA Fall Management Conference in San Rafael. I hope to learn more about serving alcoholic beverages to members and guests. I also hope to be able to learn more on the implementation of the State of California Vessel Operator Card (SB-941), and more information on changes with new bottom paints.



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