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Friday: 6 PM to 9 PM Saturday: 6 PM to 9 PM Sunday: 2 PM to 5 PM

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FLAG OFFICERS



★★★ Richard Countess Commodore



January has been a busy month at PBYC. We started off the year with a Pot Luck and Game Day on New Year's Day, followed by a delightful afternoon listening to Larry Schallert and other members of the Sierra Highway band on January 15th coupled with an Open House, and finally our annual Change of Command dinner on January 28th. The latter event saw the handover of the "keys to the kingdom" (i.e., PBYC) from our new Junior Staff Commodore Jeff Olmstead to yours truly. We started off the evening at 6 PM with two bulging tables of appetizers, followed at 7 PM with dinner consisting of Tri-Tip, Salmon, a pasta dish, bread sticks and Caesar salad that was catered by the Stonefire Grill as well as free-flowing wine on every table, and then a full program that I will describe below.

Newly elected Rear Commodore Amrit Khalsa started the program by leading off with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by newly elected Vice Commodore Andy Killion who welcomed and introduced all staff commodores. Next on the program were Staff Commodore Lisa Hopper who handled the swearing-in of the Board of Directors Jeff Cowan, Andy Fried and Candy Girdlestone all of whom received Director flags and emblems, followed by Staff Commodore Susan Countess swearing-in Andy and Amrit as Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore, respectively and giving them their flags and gold stars, and Junior Staff Commodore Jeff Olmstead swearing me in as the 2023 Commodore (Note: this is 37 years after having served previously in this capacity). Then, because it is tradition, I was asked to demonstrate blowing the Bosun's Whistle I was given in 1986. After several feeble attempts, I was able to make several high-pitched screeches. Moving right along----I then had the privilege of introducing the 2023 staff and presenting the club gift to our outgoing Commodore Jeff Olmstead: a 14" world globe made of semi-precious stones. Jeff then handed out individually engraved glasses to each of the 2022 staff and announced his choice of Bill Gibbs as Yachtsman of the Year, Susan Countess as First Mate of the Year, and Jeff Heath for the Helping Hands award.

We then had an abbreviated monthly General Meeting during which Tina Killion, Kappy Paulson, Lisa Hopper, Candy Girdlestone, and Amrit Khalsa received the Golden Anchor award for organizing the dinner and setting up the room (Let's throw in Su Countess and Jim Girdlestone for good measure for their contributions. -Ed.), I narrowly escaped being awarded the Fouled Prop award, and Vickie Brewer and Candy Lorensen won the Blue Ball of Happiness drawing of \$25 in club credits. Maura O'Connor gave an inspired Champagne Toast, after which we adjourned the General Meeting and finished off the evening with dessert and camaraderie.

I would like to thank the following members for making the evening a great success: Susan for preparing the programs and designing the meal tickets; Tina for ordering the appetizers and dessert; Kappy for selecting the caterer; Lisa, Candy G, Tina, Taylor, Kappy and Amrit for setting up the room and cleaning up; and a big thanks go to Jim Girdlestone for bar tending all evening.

We have another busy month coming up in February. Jim has scheduled a one-hour Bartending 101 overview on February 11th starting at noon; please RSVP to Jim if you plan to attend so he can order enough pizzas. Everyone is invited to the club on February 12th to watch the Super Bowl and share in a pot luck. The first race of our Spring Series is on

February 18th. Everyone is invited to the club to share some hot food with the racers as well as watch the race as it unfolds on the big screen TV (we have a surprise for you). Finishing out the month is our General Meeting scheduled for February 25th with Lisa

hosting the dinner. Please RSVP to Lisa if you plan on joining us for dinner. Remember, you must be present to win if your name is pulled in the Blue Ball of Happiness drawing.

Richard Countess Commodore



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Andy Killion Vice Commodore



As the prop turns-

As a marine surveyor I get calls to perform inspections of everything that floats or at least trying to stay afloat in the harbors of the Santa Barbara Channel. Big boats, little boats, pretty boats, ugly boats, boats with two bows, boats that carry other boats, boats that carry passengers for money and just about any other type of boat you can think of.

Sometimes I get calls from insurance companies to solve mysteries of how a boat sank or ran aground or just cooked from too many stray electrons. These assignments can be fun. I even received an "attaboy" from Lloyds of London for solving a mystery on a rainy Superbowl Sunday in a quiet boat yard.

Having grown up here and been involved in the business of boating for the last 18 years I can experience moments of joy and moments of terror as I walk the docks. Certain boats I have inspected amaze me with their longevity and resistance to water and gravity (I am amazed they are still more above the water than below). Some boats persist through changes in styles and aesthetics and remain just beautiful, think John Alden transoms and it might as well be a pin up. Sexy.

Nowadays I limit my "messing about in boats" to just one day per week. I do this because I have a "land" job and taking a break in the middle of the week makes for good balance. So like a good doctor when Wednesday rolls around I put the "closed" sign on my office door and head down to the water's edge for a new adventure.

I love boatyards and the people who work there too. Having owned a couple, I feel very much at home with the noise and chaos. There is nothing more satisfying than a greeting from a familiar face operating a crane hoisting up my next "patient" for a close examination.

Over the years I have discovered that boats and their owners are like a planetary system, if the owner is spinning out of axis, the boat tends to have problems. My survey process is very much affected by a vessel owner's love and knowledge of their vessel. Show me an old wooden ketch with an owner who knows every frame and knee of their craft and I will show you a safe and healthy old girl. Conversely the worst are the owners who know nothing of their boat, rarely visit them and have yet to perform the required maintenance of the many systems below the sole and behind the bulkhead.

If I were to identify the top hit list items which scare the bajeezers out of me, they would be boats that have been "hacked" by their multiple stewards, with the electrical system at the top of the victim list. Nothing worse than self-professed "electrical engineers" messing around with a boats electrical system. You see those electrons don't care if you claim to be an expert, they will find their way, and sometimes the outcome isn't just "not good" but downright dangerous. Respect the electron and hire a qualified marine electrician. Another common hack victim isn't really a hack at all but rather the ignored and unseen type. Every boat has the one spot that is so difficult to get to that it rarely sees the light of a flashlight or the hand of a loving owner. That spot however unimportant to the uninformed usually holds a secret and that secret will eventually reveal itself, usually on a windy and dark night far from shore or during a pre-dawn rainstorm in her slip when her owner is not aboard. My advice is to find that spot, take a close look and do what needs to be done.

Ah boats. I do love them, and I know you do too.

Andy Killion Vice Commodore





Amrit Khalsa Rear Commodore



Sending Everyone Blessings of Clear Skies, Amrit Khalsa Rear Commodore



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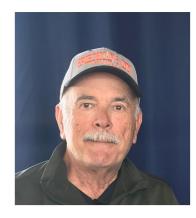


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Race Commentary by Richard Countess Race Chair



SPRING SERIES

PBYC's 2023 racing season starts in February with our three-race Spring Series. The dates for these three races are February 18th, March 11th and March 25th. The start signal for the first class is scheduled for 1100 hours on each race day. We are going to try something different this year based on the input from several racers. Instead of finishing each race in the Ventura Harbor entrance channel and then having the boats based in Channel Islands Harbor spend over an hour returning to their home port, we will have all boats finish at the Mandalay buoy. Each boat will record their own finish time and report it to the race committee. The race committee and all competitors will be able to track the progress of each boat using a free downloadable app called RaceQs. The course will be chosen from the 2023 PBYC Spring Series Course Chart with course lengths varying from 5.4 to 21.2 miles. The Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions are posted on PBYC's web site.

ASBCYC HIGH POINT SERIES

The top three boats for this series in 2022 were Brent Swanson's Islander 29 VELERO with 18 points, Vance Newell's Laser 28 EPIC with 11 points, and Lonnie Jarvis's Farr 400M CHRONIC with 10 points. The winning skippers will receive their trophies at their corresponding yacht club's Opening Day celebrations.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING LOCAL RACES

February 5 PCYC's TGIS Winter Series Race #1

February 18 PBYC's Spring Series Race #1

February 25/26 CIYC's SCYA Midwinters Regatta (PHRF and J-24)

March 5 PCYC's TGIS Winter Series Race #2

March 11 PBYC's Spring Series Race #2

March 12 VYC's Spring Regatta

March 18 AYC's Saint Patrick's Day Regatta

March 25 PBYC's Spring Series Race #3

CHANGE OF COMMAND DINNER

Here are some photos of the Change of Command dinner held Saturday, January 28, at the clubhouse.









Top left: Bill and Debbie Gibbs arriving at the dinner. Top right Bridge and board members Su and Richard Countess, Tina and Andy Killion, Amrit Khalsa. (Oops. Taylor Jonason got cut out.) Bottom left: Jeff Cowan, Andy Killion, Jamie Clark, and Maura O'Connor pose at the dinner. Bottom right: Commodore Richard Countess swearing in new board members Amrit Khalsa and Andy Killion.









Top left: Jeff Olmstead presents new Commodore Richard Countess with his burgee and pin. Top right: Commodore Richard Countess blows the bosun's whistle to inaugurate his reign of error. Bottom left: New Jr. Staff Commodore Jeff Olmstead admires the world globe made of semi-precious stones presented by the club. Bottom right: Commodore Richard Countess presents the Golden Anchor award to Candy Girdlestone, Lisa Hopper, and Tina Killion for their efforts in organizing the dinner.







Top and middle: appetizer trays. Bottom: The Cake.

BARTENDING CLASS



If you are a member, you are already enrolled. Learn your way around the club's bar and the correct way to pour wine and spirits. Also learn the laws that govern our liquor license.

When: Saturday, February 11th			
<u>Time</u> : 12:00 - 1:00 pm			
Where: Your Clubhouse			
Lead by: Jim Girdlestone, our own			
professional bartender			



SUPER BOWL PARTY AND POOL



The links in the photo will not work. Click here to enter the Football Pool. Click here to RSVP. -Ed.

LAND CRUISE

Pierpont Bay Yacht Club



Event:	PBYC Land Cruse
Date:	March 4, 2023 all day
Location:	The Getty Center
Contact person:	Andy Fried (818) 427-0871 or
•	andyfried@earthlink.net

This will be our first land cruse of the year. The plan is to meet at the entrance to the museum at 10:45 and spend the day seeing the art, the gardens, the view of the city, and have lunch on the grounds. The admission is free; however parking is \$20 per car and requires advance reservations. I suggest that we carpool if possible. For more information See: http://www.getty.edu/art

The architecture alone is breathtaking. You see the museum complex up on the hillside as you drive south on the 405. The paking is at the bottom of the hill, then the tram takes you up the hill



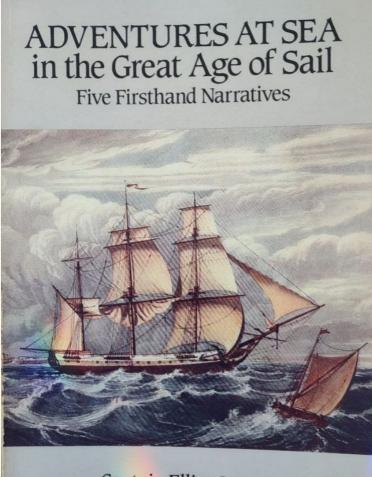


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The artwork is also breathtaking. From pieces everyone knows on sight to unique works and traveling exhibits, you will find the experience memorable – food for your mind.

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BOOK REVIEW



Captain Elliot Snow

This month's book review is *Adventures at Sea in the Great Age of Sail*, by Captain Elliot Snow, USN. This book was first published in 1925 under the title *The Sea, the Ship, and the Sailor*. This republication is from 1986.

Captain Snow is actually the editor of the book, which is a collection of first-hand accounts of five sailors in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Two were published in this book for the first time.

The first of these is by Captain Charles H. Barnard of New York, who writes of a round-theworld trip starting in the sealing brig *Nanina*, 132 tons, from 1812 to 1816. However, he is marooned in the Falkland Islands alone for two years before being rescued by an English ship. He then choses to be left alone on Massafuera Island off the Chilean coast, apparently for the adventure of it, before eventually making his way home on other ships.

John Nicol, a sailor, born in Scotland in 1755, fought for the British in the American Revolution, then later sailed to the Sandwich (Hawaiian) Islands and the Northwest coast of North America before eventually completing a trip around the world. He writes of a voyage carrying female convicts to New South Wales which took only one day less than a year -- one way! Later he is pressed into the Royal Navy and fights at the Battle of Cape St. Vincent on Valentine's Day, 1797, one of the opening battles of the Anglo-Spanish War (1796–1808). Sadly, the account ends with him living out his days alone in Scotland, where he apparently wrote this autobiography.

John B. Knights, Master of the trading brig *Spy* of Salem, Mass., sets out on a voyage to the Pacific Ocean in 1832. After many adventures, he decides the ship is unfit for this type of trading and sells it to the Spanish in Manila, taking passage for New York from there on the ship *Moscow* in 1834.

The aptly named William Mariner writes of being a captive of the natives of the Tonga Islands after leaving England in the privateer *Port au Prince* in 1805. The ship is taken by the natives of Tonga, who kill about half the crew in the event. Mariner stays with the natives for several years but eventually escapes and returns to England in 1811. The editor compares this story favorably to Herman Melville's *Typee*.

John Bartlett writes of his voyage to Canton on one ship, *Massachusetts*, in 1790, which is sold upon arrival there, and then continuing his trip on another ship, *Gustavus*, to the northwest coast of North America to trade in otter and seal skins. The editor says that Bartlett's journal comes to an abrupt end, with only two later letters indicating that he had been pressed into the Royal Navy (a common hazard at the time) and died by 1816.

There are almost three dozen drawings throughout the book illustrating various scenes described in the stories, with descriptions ranging from the sublime - A Maori Village in New Zealand - to the ridiculous - Hottentots Devouring the Entrails of a Bullock.

The Editor will loan his copy of the book to interested club members.

CALIFORNIA BOATER'S CARD DON'T LEAVE SHORE WITHOUT IT

Looking for something to do related to boating while you are spending too much time at home? Get your California Boater Card! All operators of motorized boats will soon be required to carry this card while on state waters. (That includes your sailboat while operating under power.) Good news! You don't have to leave home to get it! Many organizations offer online courses that qualify you for a card. The California Department of Boating and Waterways maintains a list of safe boating courses approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators and the state. Some of them are even free!!! How easy can it get? It's way better and easier than going to the DMV for your driver's license. Click the link below for more information.

The card is proof of successful completion of an approved safe boating course. The fee for the card is \$10.

As of January 1, 2023, all operators of a motorized vessel on California waterways who are 50 years of age and younger are required to carry a lifetime California Boater Card. Each year after that the age limit increases by 5 years. All boaters will be required to carry the card by 2025. Shake out a reef and get yours now before the rush. Only two years left!

For more information about the California Boater Card law, visit the California Boater Card website.



SCUTTLEBUTT

Maggie Hood is on vacation for 6 weeks in Hawaii and later, Australia. She had COVID for a week but is better now. She says she will document the trip for us in the FNA upon her return.

MEMBER RESUME

Coming Soon! -Webmaster

Did you know that there is an online form to submit your PBYC *Member Resume*?

Let everyone know about your life, work & boating experience!

It's an added benefit of belonging to our little yacht club!

THESE ARE THE QUESTIONS:

- 1. Where are you originally from, and how did you come to live or keep your boat in the Ventura/Channel Islands area?
- 2. What do or did you do for a living?
- 3. Is this a service or experience that would be useful to other club members?
- 4. What are your main boating interests, training, or experience?
- 5. Tell us a little about yourself and your immediate family.



CLOTHESLINE A Traveling Challenge by Kappy Paulson

PBYC has lots of travelers, both locally, across the US & worldwide. "Represent" our club by wearing PBYC paraphernalia, including race tees. Take a picture of yourself and we'll post it in the newsletter!

Need PBYC Clothing?

We are starting a new on-demand clothing order system. You can order PBYC clothing at any time. See https://pbycclothesline.itemorder.com/shop/sale/

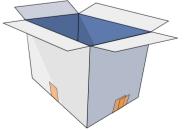
- Pickup is at Custom Embroidery, Lisa Rizzo, Owner
 - 4572 Telephone Road, Suite 907
 - · 805-654-0194/office ; 805-223-3737 (cell/text)
 - Lisa has a wide variety of other items you can purchase with PBYC logo, your boat name & other clubs. See lisa@venturaembroidery.com - CUSTOM EMBROIDERY

PBYC purchased clothing come beautifully embroidered with our logo.

CLUB WISH LIST

If you have anything on the list that you could donate to the club, or think of something we need, please email FNA editor, Jeff Olmstead. THANKS!

Electric Can Opener





FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Feb 6 Maura O'Connor Feb 12 Maggie Hood Feb 15 Lisa Hopper Feb 15 Tom Nelson Feb 18 Debbie Gibbs Feb 24 Arthur McKibben

FEBRUARY/MARCH CLUB CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

Thu. 2. Los Padres Ski Club 7:30 - 9:30 PM **Sun. 12. Board meeting 1 -2 PM** Followed by Super Bowl potluck **Sat. 18. Spring Series race #1 Sat. 25. Membership meeting and dinner by Lisa Hopper 6 - 9 PM**



MARCH

Thu 2. Los Padres Ski Club 7:30 - 9:30 PM Sun. 12. Board meeting 1 -2 PM Sat. 11. Spring Series race #2 Sat. 18. Membership meeting and dinner 6 - 9 PM Sat. 25. Spring Series race #2

CLUB HOSTS

The club host is responsible for washing barware, cleaning the bar area and tables, vacuuming, and especially taking out the trash and recyclables. Hosts are also encouraged to advertise an activity at the club on their duty night to give members a reason to come to the club. The Weekend O.D. is the one to contact for any assistance with club host duties or any

questions regarding opening or closing of the club.

ONLINE CLUB HOST SCHEDULE

(As of February 1, 2023) (T) are new members in training. The assigned OD is responsible for training new members

FEBRUARY						
DATES	OD	FRI	SAT 6-9	SUN 2-5		
3, 4, 5	Killion	Brewer	Goetz	Clark		
	Khalsa/	Brewer	Tacke	Ashland		
10, 11, 12	Jonason			Superbowl		
17, 18, 19	Cowan	Brewer	Verharen-SS race 1	McKibben		
24, 25, 26	Hopper	Brewer	OPEN_gen. meeting	Parkinson		

MARCH						
DATES	OD	FRI	SAT 6-9	SUN 2-5		
3, 4, 5	Countess	Brewer	Jonason/Khalsa	Heath/Paulson		
10, 11, 12	Girdlestone	Brewer	Cowan	Young		
17, 18, 19	Fried/Mailman	Brewer	Hopper, gen. Meeting	Gibbs		
24, 25, 26	Killion	Brewer	Killion	Olmstead		

REMEMBER: Each member is responsible for getting their own HOST REPLACEMENT and notifying their Weekend OD when unable to host the day assigned.

To Find A Replacement Host:

1st: Check the Club Calendar and contact ONLY hosts within the same month.2nd: Email Records Admin for volunteers outside of your assigned month.3rd: Text or email the Rear Commodore with any change of schedule.

Thank you everyone for understanding that this is a volunteer club and we try our best to accommodate members scheduling conflicts and preferences. If there is a particular day you cannot host or have upcoming vacation plans, please let me know as far in advance as possible. - Su Countess., Rear Commodore

Attention all hands!

The Fore 'n' Aft is <u>your</u> newsletter. If you have a story about the club or boating in general that you think club members would be interested in, submit it to the editor, Jeff Olmstead, at jeffrey.olmstead@att.net. Please try to submit pictures, posters, etc., in jpeg format and text in Word or plain text to conform to the limitations of the program. We give credit for submissions. You will see **your name** in the Fore 'n' Aft.

This month's photo credits go to Michelle Cowan, the editor, and the internet.

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