



EYC celebrates New Years Eve in a glamorous locale,
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UPCOMING EVENTS


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| Wednesday, January 1 | • Hangover Brunch |
| Saturday , January 12 | • Boating equipment talk |
| Saturday , January 25 | • Robbie Burns |
| Wednesday, January 15 | • EYC Ukulele Jam |
| Saturday , January 25 | • Robbie Burns |
| Friday, February 14 | • Valentines Day |
| Saturday , February 22 | • Crab Feed |
| Sunday, February 23 | • Oscar's Party |



Monday Night Dinners, \$8 • Friday Night Appetizers, Free
Saturday & Sundays • Burger & Tap Beer, \$7 starts at 12:30 pm
Wednesdays • Breakfast & Sail, Moss Landing Café, 10 am

EYC OFFICERS, STAFF & COMMITTEE CHAIRS


Commodore	Maureen Huber	Port Captain	Brian Ackerman	Membership	Susan Osorio
Vice Commodore	Toni Scarborough	Port Safety Officer	Dan Piro	Garden	Hillary Thomas
Rear Commodore	Scott Richert	Fleet Captain	Wayne Kelly	Finance	Rita Jacques
Treasurer	Barbara Skillett	Race Director	Peggy Carroll	Property	Dan Piro
Secretary	Melissa Ackerman	PICYA Rep	Krista Brassfield	HR	Toni Scarborough
Directors	Sydney Drake	Workshop	Dan Piro	Club Manager	Melissa Kelly
	Stanley Jacques	Work Party	Steve Jenson	Bookkeeper	Sandi Mantey
	Beverly Terra	Bar Manager	Frank Lewis	Bartender	Manny Diaz
	Jeff Jones	Lee Rail Editor	Pat Sutliff	Bartender	Linda Mae McDade
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COMMODORE REPORT

Happy New Years to everyone!

2019 was a big year of changes at EYC.

The galley ceiling and a fresh new color scheme really brightens the galley area. Thanks to Jeff Jones, Steve Jensen and his whole crew of volunteers.

A gas fireplace insert, thanks to Dan Piro and Don Riggs for their resourcefulness in finding it.

New windows in the bar area, thank you Frank Lewis for doing the ground work on that project . The view of our north harbor is spectacular.

Our Commodore photos are back on the wall, this time relocated to our bar area on fresh paint. Again, thanks Frank. Our pendants our getting washed and rehung, thank you Betty Jelavichon for your time to do that.

That's the things I can think of off the top of my head- I know there's tons more, but I can't list them all here.

As we all know, our club runs on our volunteerism to keep things running and to progress forward with change.

There's plenty of ways to contribute, if you're not handy with tools, perhaps cooking? Or lawn work- if your not sure of how to contribute, visit Mel in our office and she can help with ideas.

The dredge is here and the harbor hopefully will look like a harbor again soon. It's been a request from the harbor master, that we try to keep the dock gate closed for better security. We all know that's hard to do with kayak connection traffic. However, as a compromise the gate could be closed during the night hours. You can obtain a gate key from the harbor with a \$25 security fee.

Which reminds me, soon we will have a new access system to our club. Key fobs are already being distributed. You may get one from the office, with a \$25 deposit.

Let's have happy and successful 2020 with lots of sailing and fun times at the club.

Maureen Huber
Commodore



Events Policy

Note the change in our Events Policy:

Beginning January 1 2020

All RSVP for events will require a 24 or 48

hour cancellation notice or you will be charged for the event .

Vice Commodore Report

Happy New Year! December was full of holiday cheer at EYC as the club hosted several holiday events. A great start to the month was the members that decorated their boats with lights for all to enjoy every evening. I'm hoping next year we can get more boat owners to participate.

>> The tree trimming, pot luck, gift exchange party was great fun. The gift exchange was the highlight of the evening. I believe Stan Jacques opened the most presents. He had a gift of picking the packages that contained alcohol which were quickly stolen by the next participant.

>> A great feast was enjoyed by all who attended our annual Wayward Sailors Christmas potluck. Thank you Shar, Aaron and Jim for cooking the turkey and hams.

>> The month ended with our New York themed New Year's Eve party. The night started off with appetizers followed with dinner provided by Lalla Catering. At 9 pm we toasted to the new year. Members and guests then danced the night away with music provided by Music Express.

>> Naturally, all this fun would not be possible were it not for our wonderful member volunteers who worked hard all month so that we could enjoy all these events. A BIG THANKS to you all.

>> Looking forward to another great year at EYC.

Toni Scarborough
Vice Commodore



New Key FOBs

Just a reminder, new locks will be put on the Clubhouse front door & annex restrooms on January 9th. That means all EYC cards will no longer work to open those doors. We are updating to a FOB system. As mentioned in the December Lee Rail, all FOBS are available for pick up at the office with a \$25 security deposit. We accept cash, check, credit cards, or we can charge your house account.

Pick up your FOBs in the office from Melissa Wednesday - Saturday from 12-4pm.

Or

Pick up FOBs from Toni Scarborough at the clubhouse on the following dates:

Saturday, January 4th from 12-4pm and from 4-8pm

Monday, January 6th from 4-8pm

If you are unable to make it to the club and would like one mailed to your address, let Melissa know and she will make arrangements.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Membership Update

Susan Osorio, Membership Chair

The EYC Membership Committee is excited to begin 2020 with an energetic team of members consisting of Chair Susan Osorio, Director Sydney Drake, Jess Grigsby, Sue Preble, Frank Sanchez and Niki Clark. Activities and events are being planned by the committee to increase and maintain members throughout the year. As we commence a vigorous 2020 membership campaign, we invite you to help us by encouraging prospective members to join the club in a year of fun, in and out of the water!

Meet one of our newest members, Dylan Cotter!



Dylan joined our club officially on December 14, 2019. As you can see, Dylan is an avid sailor and water enthusiast. Dylan came to the Monterey area via Chicago where he started sailing at the age of 5. By the age of 10, he was sailing competitively with a passion that has lasted through time as he now continues his sailing ventures at EYC. Dylan is excited to become a volunteer with the club and is interested in starting a youth sailing program. Dylan states that he has a love for teaching and would enjoy helping others achieve their sailing goals in any way he can! Dylan will be attending Monterey Peninsula College in the spring and you can expect to see him at the club inspiring people, young and old, to enjoy a world of sailboats and the thrill of adventure.

RACE REPORT

Happy New Year!

I hope this finds you healthy and happy as you start the new year. Even though we are in a bit of a break from racing there is still lots of sailing news.

Racing

One of the great benefits of an EYC membership is our Club Series Races (Frostbite, Summer, and Chowder Cup). There are no entrance fees and they are open to all levels of sailors. As more than one person has explained to me, the best sailing lessons are learned in a race setting. The Frostbite Series begins on March 7th. Check out the calendar on page 7. We hope to see some new faces, and boats, joining the seasoned veterans for fun and camaraderie!

On Sunday February 9th at 3:30 (after Sunday Sail) I will be holding a get together for those who are planning to (or thinking about) racing this year. This will hopefully be a great time to discuss questions anybody might have...possibly add some more club races...discuss any training/practice we want to schedule. Food will be served!

Volunteers. If you are not planning to race but want to be involved we need volunteers - especially for the invitationals! Please contact me if you want to help out.

A special call out to our Power Boat Fleet - we could really use your help as the finish line RC boat for the Invitationals. PLEASE contact me if you are interested.

PHRF Monterey Bay

If you were rated by PHRF Monterey Bay last year you will be receiving your renewal by mail. Please make sure you make any changes necessary and submit it ASAP. If you did not have a 2019 PHRF certificate last year you need to apply for a PHRF. The 2020 application has been posted on the SCYC website

<http://club.scyc.org/2019/01/03/phrf-monterey-bay-rating-application-2019/>
(don't worry that the link says "2019" the 2020 application is there)

I will also make sure copies are available by the white board in the Hearth Room.

IMPORTANT---you must have a current PHRF for both Invitationals and Club races!

If you have questions, problems, or want to volunteer please contact me at racedirector@elkhornyachtclub.org

Peggy Carroll
Race Director

2020 EYC RACE SCHEDULE (as of 12/13/19)**CLUB SERIES**

Frostbite Series: March 7th, March 21st, April 4th

Summer Series: July 11th, August 1st, August 8th

Chowder Cup: October 3rd, October 10th, October 24th

INVITATIONALS

Otter Cup - May 2nd

Little Boreas - June 27th

Double Angle - August 29th

MONTEREY BAY YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION

May 2nd - Otter Cup

June 27th - Little Boreas

July 4th - Firecracker: SC to MY

July 18th - MPYC Long Distance

August 29th - Double Angle

OTHER

July 25th - Sailor's Dinner (cruisers from MPYC and SCYC for Flea Market)

July 4th (Cruisers) - Join the racers in Monterey for dinner and fireworks

August 9th - Big Brother/Big Sister Regatta, Santa Cruz

JANUARY 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Hangover Brunch 10am Happy New Year!	2	3	4 Burger & Tap Beer
5 Social Sailing 12pm Burger & Tap Beer	6 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm	7	8 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	9 Finance Meeting 6PM	10 Free Appetizers 6 pm	11 Board Meeting 9:30am Burger & Tap Beer
12 Boating - Required Equipment 11:30am Burger & Tap Beer	13 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm	14	15 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am Ukulele Jam 7pm	16	17 Free Appetizers 6 pm	18 Burger & Tap Beer
19 Social Sailing 12pm Burger & Tap Beer	20 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm	21	22 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	23	24 Free Appetizers 6 pm	25 Robbie Burns Night Burger & Tap Beer
26 Social Sailing 12pm Burger & Tap Beer	27 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm	28	29 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	30	31	

FEBRUARY 2020

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 Burger & Tap Beer
2 Social Sailing 12pm Super Bowl Burger & Tap Beer	3 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm	4	5 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	6 Finance Meeting 6PM	7 Free Appetizers 6 pm	8 Board Meeting 9:30am Cruisers Planning 1pm
9 Social Sailing 12pm Race planning 3:30 Burger & Tap Beer	10 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm	11	12 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	13	14 Free Appetizers 6 pm Valentine's Day	15 Burger & Tap Beer
16 Social Sailing 12pm Burger & Tap Beer	17 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm	18	19 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	20	21 Free Appetizers 6 pm	22 Crab Feed Burger & Tap Beer
23 Social Sailing 12pm Burger & Tap Beer Oscar's Party	24 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm	25	26 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	27	28 Free Appetizers 6 pm	29 Private events 10am-1pm 6 - 10pm Burger & Tap Beer

Around the Club

The Voyage of Solace continues



Lara presented us with the proper headgear and our relative responsibilities as Crew. Arjay is the Chief Safety Officer (CSO); Lara, Chief Operating Officer (COO); Rita, Chief Executive Officer (CEO); and Stan, Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

The original scantlings, architectural drawings, are historically accurate and will be submitted to the PHRF Rating body, as required, for handicap calculation as Lara and Rita prepare Solace for the 2020 EYC Club Races. With her new bottom paint last August, she moves thru the water as smooth as silk. Arjay will direct our safety, Lara will call tactics, Rita will helm, and Stan will pay and pay and pay. By Stan Jacques

Why can't you interact with a service dog?

If you see a dog wearing a harness, vest or cape, assume it's working. Service dogs provide mobility, guidance, comfort, and companionship for their handlers and interfering with what the team is doing could result in a potentially dangerous situation.

Don't pet a service dog unless you are invited to by the handler. If people in the general public either pet, talk to or just make eye contact it could distract the dog from doing its job. These dogs are highly trained for the specific needs of the handler and many times their role is invisible. When a service dog is out and about it is working and on duty to keep its handler safe. Service dogs may alert their handler to take medication, to notice impending seizures, decreasing blood sugar or a PTSD episode.

Even if a service dog is sleeping, assume it's working so don't distract it. Don't ask to let your dog meet the service dog because again, it is distracting. Many service dogs are taught not to interact with others dogs.

There is one time you should pay attention to a service dog. If the dog is alone without their handler it likely means the handler is in trouble. Let them lead you to the handler or seek other help to find the handler.

Also, there are some service teams where even though the dog is wearing a service vest or ID, it does not mean they are legitimate and well trained to be a service dog. You could be injured by such a dog if you approach it. Therefore, always assume any service dog you see is legitimate and "working" so let it do its job.

For more information please see the article by Dianna Kelly Levey WWW.msn.com/en-us/lifestyle/pets-animals/the-real-reason-you-can't-pet-service-dogs/ar-AAGuC9i?li=BBnbfcL

Around the Club

Robbie Burns Night

Saturday, January 25, 2020

All Lads & Lassies! Don your best kilt, bring your favorite poetry or Burns tributes for all to enjoy and share to celebrate Burns Day,

Dinner \$10

*Festivities begin 5pm Dinner served at
6:30pm*

*Lamb Sheppard's Pie, Haggis Sheppard's Pie,
Vegan Pasta Pesto*

RSVP for dinner by January 20th.

Signs up outside office or Evite

Please note all RSVP's require a 24 hour cancellation notice or you will be charged for the event.



Elkhorn Yacht Club Ukulele Jam

Wednesday, January 15 at 7pm
All levels are welcome

For more information contact
Lara at larajacques@icloud.com



AROUND THE CLUB

EYC Cruisers:

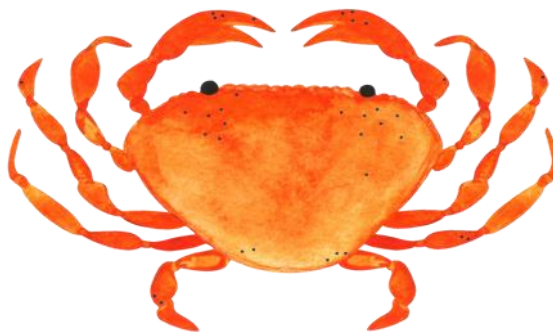
Anyone interested in day cruising, overnight cruising and all kinds of fun cruising please join the EYC Cruisers on February 8, after the board meeting, at 1pm to make future plans.



The shortest day of the year was long on fun for the EYC Cruisers as they made their way up the Elkhorn Slough and back on December 21st, in celebration of the winter solstice. Port Captain Brian Ackerman was at the helm of the Selkie as he and cruise host Keith Chastain shared insights about local history and wildlife.

Elkhorn Yacht Club's Annual Crab Feed

Details & how to sign up will be announced February 1st.





Tree Trimming Gift Exchange with the children's gifts and then the fun opening and stealing of gifts until if you are lucky it's yours.



Happy New Years EYC!
We celebrated New York City style.



Wayward Sailor

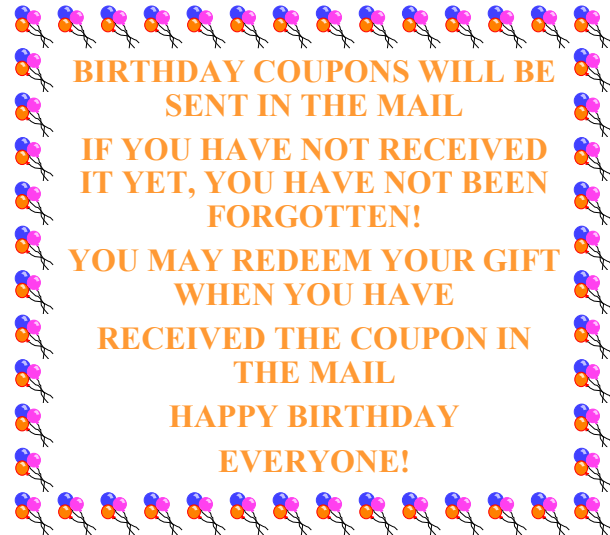
Christmas Potluck with lots of fun company and good food including scrumptious turkey and crab.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

Victor Corfee	2-Jan
DeWayn Kezerle	3-Jan
Bernardo Reynoso	3-Jan
Don Riggs	6-Jan
Dennis King	8-Jan
Howard Jones	9-Jan
Shawna Freels	9-Jan
Carol Paul	10-Jan
Linda Lewis	15-Jan
Benny Jefferson	17-Jan
Marc Colman	21-Jan
Joe Paul	22-Jan
Stuart Wentworth	24-Jan
Carol Greenspan	27-Jan
Hans Thomas	29-Jan
Rosana Imlay	31-Jan
Janet Anderson	31-Jan



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