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NEWSLETTER FOR THE ELKHORN YACHT CLUB

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Cruising For The Fun Of It



Cocktail hour on the docks of Monterey for EYC members.

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Hopping Good Time



The annual "World Famous" EYC boat hop was deee-lish!

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WORD FROM THE COMMODORE - MELISSA ACKERMAN

Hello, Dear Members of the EYC,
 October is upon us! Fall is my favorite season! The coming crispness of the air, pumpkins and all things autumn is refreshing. Besides, the patio at the EYC is very comfortable on these warm fall days. Love seeing all the old and new faces at the club. Don't forget to come to the Annual Membership Meeting on October 20th and vote for members of the board.
 See you at the Club! - Mel Ackerman



October—BY ROBERT FROST

O hushed October morning mild,
 Thy leaves have ripened to the fall;
 Tomorrow's wind, if it be wild,
 Should waste them all.

The crows above the forest call;
 Tomorrow they may form and go.
 O hushed October morning mild,
 Begin the hours of this day slow.
 Make the day seem to us less brief.
 Hearts not averse to being beguiled,
 Beguile us in the way you know.
 Release one leaf at break of day;
 At noon release another leaf;
 One from our trees, one far away.
 Retard the sun with gentle mist;
 Enchant the land with amethyst.
 Slow, slow!

For the grapes' sake, if they were all,
 Whose leaves already are burnt with frost,
 Whose clustered fruit must else be lost—
 For the grapes' sake along the wall.

EYC BOARD UPDATE

PROPOSED CANDIDATES SLATE

The annual Elkhorn Yacht Club Board & Officers Election Dinner is scheduled for October 20th. Show up and let your voice be heard.

Proposed Candidates for 2023 - 2024

1 year terms:

Commodore: Rita Jacques
Vice Commodore: Hillary Thomas
Rear Commodore: Dan Garrett

2 year term:

Treasurer: Dan Robbins

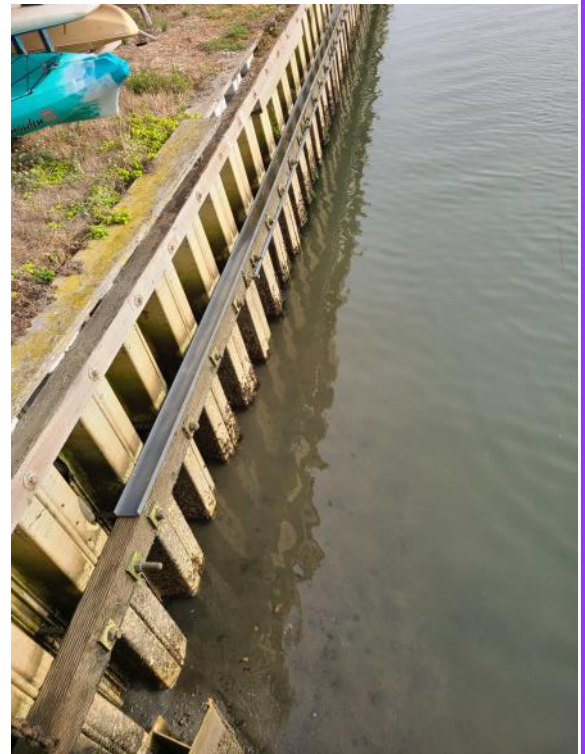
2 year terms (3 Director openings):

Shane Dowling
Stacy Hughes
Brad Wuerstle

SEAWALL UPDATE

Progress was made on the Seawall when a small, but dedicated crew, went to work the weekend of September 16. Four upper channels were completed on Saturday for a total of 80 feet. On Sunday afternoon, 3 channels were done for 60 more feet.

A minimum crew of 4 is needed for any work to be performed. The next favorable tides allowing for work is October 11, 12, and 13. Please let Wayne Kelly know if you can be part of the team and keep an eye open for further updates.



MEMBERSHIP NEWS - KATIE DOWLING

NEW MEMBERS



Cody Forsythe and Amanda Malone



“Aquanaut”

Current Residence: Seaside, CA

Previous Residence: Iwakuni, Japan

We so are happy to be official members of EYC! The Navy brought us to the Monterey area but our love of sailing and community brought us to EYC. “

We are looking forward to racing “Aquanaut” in the upcoming club races and then

LEE RAIL SUBMISSIONS



Submit your photos of Elkhorn Yacht Club activities and EYC’ers (even away from the club). All submissions must be made by the 25th to be included in the following newsletter. Send photos to:
leerail@elkhornyachtclub.org

SAILING/RACING

UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming sailing events

CHOWDER CUP SERIES

14 October

4 November

18 November

October 28 is the fabulous “Dia de los Dinghies” races and other fun events including costume contest and on the water pumpkin hunting.



Let's get ready for this year's Dia De Los Dinghies race Oct 28th!

We have two Lasers available for club members. Training on how to access and rig them will be conducted Sunday Oct 8th at 1200. Let's meet outside the Annex building.

**Please RSVP to diana.greene.garrett@gmail.com
Diana Garrett EYC Fleet Captain**

RECENT EVENTS

EYC CRUISE OUT TO MONTEREY

Keith Chastain & Lori Robinson organized an EYC cruise-out to Monterey on September 9. Six vessels traveled across the bay to spend the weekend at Monterey Harbor.



RECENT EVENTS

EYC CRUISE OUT TO MONTEREY (CONT'D)

Cruisers played tourist at the wharf before meeting on “Damn!! Baby!” for happy hour.



RECENT EVENTS

EYC CRUISE OUT TO MONTEREY (CONT'D)

Dinner was held at The London Bridge Saturday evening. Sunday morning, several EYC'ers could be found at LuLu's Griddle in the Middle before heading back to Moss Landing.



RECENT EVENTS

EYC CRUISE OUT TO MONTEREY (CONT'D)



RECENT EVENTS

WORLD FAMOUS BOAT HOP

Nine boats fired up their galleys and opened up their salons to host and entertain guests at the annual “Boat Hop” on September 16.



RECENT EVENTS

WORLD FAMOUS BOAT HOP (CONT'D)

There was also plenty of activity at the club for the main course and after hour libations.



AROUND THE CLUB

EYC'ERS DOING STUFF



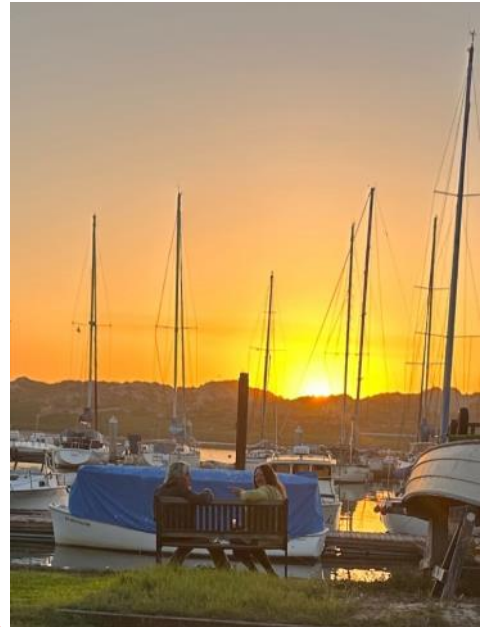
Birthday Cheer

Mel celebrates another successful trip around the sun.



Happy Retirement

Aaron hosted a party in honor of a successful career with MBARI.



Autmnl Evenings

Bill and Jeane enjoy a spectacular September sunset.

EYC SPOTTINGS



Monday Meals

Thank you Rita and Lara for cooking & serving up a Monday Night Dinner. Contact Sunny Padilla to secure your week hosting Monday Dinner.



Are You Ready?

Monday Night Football is back. Join us at the EYC for a \$10 dinner and lots of friendly discussions. Oh, there's a football game on, too!



Hide and Seek

It's been 2 months, which means this is worth 2 DRINKS! Find this trinket inside the EYC club and submit it to Toni Scarborough for free drink tickets.

AROUND THE CLUB**COMING EVENTS**

Monday Night Football: Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Chowder Cup #3: Oct. 14

EYC Board & Officers Election Dinner: Oct. 20

Sailrite Workshop: Oct. 22

Private Event: Oct. 27

Dia de los Dinghies/Halloween Party: Oct. 28

Chowder Cup #4: Nov. 4

EYC Board & Officer Installation Dinner: Nov. 4

Chowder Cup #5: Nov. 18

BeerFest & Craft Fair: Nov. 18

Wayward Sailor's Thanksgiving Potluck: Nov. 23

AROUND THE CLUB

COMING EVENTS



Sailrite Workshop



Do you own a Sailrite Ultrafeed sewing machine
or are you Sailrite-curious?

Join us for a Sailrite workshop on Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 11 AM.

Lara Jacques and Dan Garrett will facilitate a hands-on session in the dining room including:

- Needles, threading, and bobbins
- Notions, tools, and optional accessories
- Hems and stitches
- Maintenance and troubleshooting
- Job aides, resources, and how-to help

Bring your machine or use one of ours. We will complete a small sewing project to learn skills like basting, zig zag stitches, hot knife use, and more. Materials included!

Please RSVP so we know how many project kits to make.

Contact Lara at larajacques@icloud.com or Dan at 4garretts@comcast.net to RSVP

AROUND THE CLUB

COMING EVENTS

ELKHORN YACHT CLUB PRESENTS



THE WESTERN FLIER IS
HEADING TO MOSS
LANDING! LEARN MORE
SATURDAY
OCT. 14
6PM

Saturday, October 14 6-7pm

Join Sherry Flumerfelt and EYC club members and learn more about this historical treasure returning to our neighborhood!

****Sponsored by EYC Race Committee****

Western Flyer: Literary History Heads Back to Sea

In 1940, John Steinbeck and Ed Ricketts chartered the fishing vessel *Western Flyer* for a six-week exploration of Mexico's Gulf of California, resulting in the famous publication *The Log from the Sea of Cortez* (1951). The boat returned to

AROUND THE CLUB

COMING EVENTS

fishing for decades, changed names and owners, disappeared, sank, and was in disrepair when marine geologist John Gregg purchased it in 2015. Inspired by a vision to restore the iconic boat and bring it back into service for research and education, he launched the Western Flyer Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit with a mission "to stir curiosity by connecting art and science in the spirit of John Steinbeck, Ed Ricketts, and their journey on the *Western Flyer*." The vessel has been renovated and is scheduled to return to Monterey Bay this fall, when it will embark on the next phase of its journey, taking students and researchers out on the water to learn, observe, and create. Sherry Flumerfelt, the Executive Director of the Western Flyer Foundation, will talk about the history of the *Western Flyer*, its incredible restoration, and the organization's programs aimed at inspiring the next generation of marine scientists, writers, and artists.

Sherry Flumerfelt

Sherry Flumerfelt joined the Western Flyer Foundation as its first executive director in July 2022 with more than two decades of experience working for ocean nonprofits. Prior to joining the Foundation, she was the executive director of the Monterey Bay Fisheries Trust, where she spent eight years working to support the local fishing community and build consumer demand for local, sustainably harvested seafood. She also spent eight years as a consultant on a range of ocean conservation projects, supporting clients such as the Environmental Defense Fund, California's Marine Life Protection Act Initiative, the California Fisheries Fund, and EcoTrust. Between 1999 and 2007, Sherry worked for the Coral Reef Alliance leading education and conservation programs in Fiji, Micronesia, Indonesia, Hawaii, Papua New Guinea, and the Caribbean.

Born and raised in London, Ontario, Canada, Sherry moved to California in 1999 for a two-month internship, and never looked back. Sherry holds an MA in Anthropology and International Development from the University of Guelph and a BA in Anthropology from McMaster University. She lives in Pacific Grove with her two teenage sons.

ELKHORN YACH CLUB OFFICERS

BOARD, COMMITTEE, & STAFF MEMBERS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS & STAFF

Board of Directors		Committee Chairs		Committee Chairs	
Commodore	Melissa Ackerman	Port Captain	Brian Ackerman	Property	Frank Lewis
Vice Commodore	Rita Jacques	Fleet Captain	Diana Garrett	Property Maintenance	Dan Piro
Rear Commodore	Hillary Thomas	Bar Manager	Shane Dowling	Club Safety	Gary Skillet
Treasurer	Stacy Hughes	Bylaws	Stan Jacques	Race Co-Director	Lara Jacques
Secretary	Toni Scarborough	Casual Cruisers	Scott Richert	Race Co-Director	Dan Garrett
Director	Hans Thomas	Cruising Director	Keith Chastain	Social	Toni Scarborough
Director	Dan Garrett	Garden	Barbara Lehman	Work Party	TBA
Director	Shane Dowling	HR	Rita Jacques	Workshop	Jim Brady
Director	Susan Osorio	IT	Shane Dowling	Webmaster	Sydney Drake
Director	Sheri Bugalski	Lee Rail Editor	David Robinson	STAFF	
Director	Andrew Listl	Long Range Planning	Stan Jacques	Club Manager	Sunny Padilla
		Membership	Katie Dowling	Bookkeeper	Sandi Mantey
		PICYA Representative	Lara Jacques	Bartender	Anna Harris
		PICYA Representative	Dan Garrett	Bartender	Richard Levine
				Bartender	

CLUB OFFICE HOURS

◆ Sunny
Club Manager
Wed - Sat
1pm - 6pm

◆ Sandi
Book Keeper
Tue - Wed
6am - 11am

CLUB MANAGER NOTES

- ◆ Locker space in the Annex Building is available.
- ◆ Please contact Sunny Padilla in the club office to inquire about office/locker space.
- ◆ For emergency maintenance issues, please call Dan Piro: 831-440-6668

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