



# LEE RAIL

## NEWSLETTER FOR THE ELKHORN YACHT CLUB

### APRIL 2023 EDITION

#### The Luck of the Irish!



Tiffany & Peter Pedulla painted EYC green for St. Patty's Day fun.  
Photos on page 8

#### Wine Tasting & Dessert Auction



Members and guests gathered at EYC to taste good wine, good food, and good desserts at the annual fund raising event.

## WORD FROM THE COMMODORE - MELISSA ACKERMAN

Hello Dear Members of the EYC,  
Happy Spring?! Every once in a while that big orange ball in the sky makes it out and reminds us what it's like to feel the sunshine. All that rain has produced some beautiful landscapes and I'm certain that wildflowers will abound and be spectacular if we don't get too much more moisture.

Lots of great events are coming up for members to participate in and enjoy this season. The **Circumnavigation** Party was a hit. Members imbibed delicious bites from around the world. I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the events to come.

**Just a reminder** that members can't bring their own alcohol into the club when the bar is open. That includes club events that have specialty drinks. According to ABC law, we must order our alcohol through our distributors. Bringing in outside alcoholic beverages jeopardizes our license. The exception of course might be a bottle of wine in which a corkage fee is paid first.

Wishing everyone a bright and sunny spring! My poem of the month is by one of my favorite poet laureates, Billy Collins. He emphasizes spring fever rather well.  
Mel



### Today

By Bill Collins

If ever there were a spring day so perfect,  
so uplifted by a warm intermittent breeze

that it made you want to throw  
open all the windows in the house

and unlatch the door to the canary's cage,  
indeed, rip the little door from its jamb,

a day when the cool brick paths  
and the garden bursting with peonies

seemed so etched in sunlight  
that you felt like taking

a hammer to the glass paperweight  
on the living room end table,

releasing the inhabitants  
from their snow-covered cottage

so they could walk out,  
holding hands and squinting

into this larger dome of blue and white,  
well, today is just that kind of da

**WORD FROM THE VICE COMMODORE - RITA JACQUES**

It has been a good month at EYC. The rains came and came and came, but because of the outstanding work of our work-party headed by Frank Lewis and Tim Atkinson there was no damage to the club. The French drain installed on the South side worked perfectly.

Another bit of good news was that it appears that the repair of our seawall can be completed by our club members using the plans drawn by our engineer consultants. Many thanks to Frank Lewis and Wayne Kelly for heading up this initiative. The implementation will take some time, but we have a plan. That is always the biggest hurdle. I have no doubt that our members will rise to the occasion and volunteer to help with the implementation.

Several club members discussed how we might help our neighbors in Pajaro. We are investigating what we can do and more information will be forthcoming. If any of you have any ideas, please let me know. The long-term effects of these storms can be devastating to this community.



# EYC BOARD UPDATE - TONI SCARBOROUGH

## MARCH BOARD MEETING BRIEFS

### Membership

#### **Prospective Members:**

Patrick Gaffney-Flag

### Old Business

Covid protocols for all events: Sunny will recommend to anyone having a private event that guests that are not vaccinated will wear masks and or be tested before the event.

Rita, Hillary, Frank, Wayne, and John met about the seawall. They discussed whether or not we could do the work ourselves with the plans that were made by the engineer. The decision was made that yes we could. Frank will oversee and make sure we are following the plans and recommendations from the engineer. Wayne will work on getting volunteers. Frank is ordering parts.

Maureen installed the part in the ice machine. It is now fixed.

The Leaks in unit X and 10 have been located. Materials have been purchased. Waiting for dry weather to fix.

Phone lines are still a problem when it is raining. AT&T suggests we change to cell phones. Sunny will check on prices from different providers and report back to the board.

### Reports

Commodore - Melissa Ackerman - Thanked Rita for getting the carpet cleaned. Thanked Frank and Dan for looking into the leaks. Thanked the seawall team for their work and the good news. She reported that we need to get the tree trimmed, Rita will set it up.

Treasurer - Toni reviewed the accounts and balances and past due accounts. Total membership 165. All offices are rented. Some lockers available soon. Budget will be updated with the new salaries due to the minimum wage going up. Stacy will report on updates next month.

Bar Manager - Shane reported everything is running smoothly. Sunny reported that one tap line doesn't work properly, getting fixed next week. Dishwasher is leaking, and a leak in the soda gun. Frank is contacting repair guys and the part for the dishwasher.

Bylaws Committee - Stan reported that himself, Susan, Hillary and Morgan are on the committee. Morgan will email to the board for their review, a conflict of interest policy and information to establish the board's power to give notice and to act via email, so that business can be conducted anytime, and not just a monthly board meeting. Stan also reported that in our Rules and Policies it states that members are prohibited to use the facilities for personal gain, also members are not allowed to store anything outside of the storage areas. The mast that was on the roof is now stored outside of JDs boat yard and needs to be removed.

Cruising Coordinator - Keith would like to see if there is interest in going to the Sail Grand Prix in San Francisco on May 6th. If there is, we could look into getting transportation. Contact Keith if interested.

Lee Rail- Mel reported that Dave is doing a great job. Everyone needs to get their reports, pictures, articles, and flyers in on time.



## EYC BOARD UPDATE - TONI SCARBOROUGH

### MARCH BOARD MEETING BRIEFS

Long Range Planning committee - Stan reported that Hillary has thoughts about organizing a strategic planning day for the board.

PICYA - Dan reported that he attended the delegate meeting at the South Bay Yacht Club San Francisco. Spring leadership conference is on 3/25 at the Stockton Yacht club. Dan will be doing a safety presentation at the conference. Opening day on the bay in San Francisco is 4/30. There will be a big yacht that holds about 180 people and a boat parade in front of St. Francis Yacht Club. If you're Interested in any of the events go to PICYA.org.

Property Chairman - Tim is working on a plan to install covered gutters. He will meet with Hillary and Sunny to discuss and then present to the board.

Race Committee - Dan reported Canyon series starts 3/18, and the Otter Cup race is 4/29. The Otter cup is set up in the regatta network. Diane created a design for shirts or other apparel for the otter cup.

Social Committee - Toni reported that the Circumnavigation party was a great success. Thank you Shar for putting it together. Upcoming events: 3/17 St Patrick's day Friday night appetizers and music by Flight crew, 4/1 Wine Tasting & Dessert Auction, 4/9 Easter Brunch & egg hunt, 4/21 Semi Annual membership Dinner, 4/29 Otter Cup.

Submitted by Toni Scarborough, EYC Secretary



## **SAILING/RACING**

### **CANYON RACE #1 2023**

The first race of the 2023 Canyon Series was held on Saturday, March 18. Sailors were dealt with clear skies and winds from the west for the 9.2 nautical mile course.

#### **Standings after race #1**

**Cutlass - 1:31:10 (corrected time)**

**Athena - 2:23:38 (corrected time)**

Race #2 will be held on April 15



**PICTURES in MOTION by Michelle Gentry**

Every captain would love to have a photo of their boat in motion.

**ACTION PHOTOS**

With the iconic power plant and beach background or just the wide open ocean.

Racing photos or just because!

Call Captain Jay to schedule an appointment

**408-334-5003**

**SAILING/RACING**

**OTTER CUP 2023**

Elkhorn Yacht Club is hosting the Otter Cup, a race from Monterey to Moss Landing Saturday April 29, 2023. Here is the link to buy your shirt(s).

<https://www.customink.com/fundraising/elkhorn-yacht-clubs-2023-otter-cup>

**M B Y R A**  
**OTTER CUP**

**2023**





# RECENT EVENTS

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION



Peter & Tiffany Pedulla hosted a Friday night St. Patrick's Day happy hour appetizer. The pot of gold at the end of the rainbow was at EYC! Corned beef sliders, specialty drinks, and music by Flight Crew made us all lucky



# RECENT EVENTS

## WINE TASTING & DESSERT AUCTION



The annual wine tasting & dessert auction was held on April 1.

Money was raised to benefit both EYC members and the Pajaro community

More photos and details will be published in the next Lee Rail



## **AROUND THE CLUB**

### **COMING EVENTS**

### **Mark your calendars for these upcoming events**

#### **April 7: Makeup Like a Queen**

Makeup & dance party for guys & girls

#### **April 8: Board Meeting**

Monthly EYC board meeting

#### **April 9: Easter Event**

EYC Easter brunch & egg hunt

#### **April 14: Semi-Annual Membership Dinner**

EYC membership & board dinner

#### **April 15: Canyon Race #2**

Sailing race series

#### **April 29: Otter Cup Race**

Race from Monterey to Moss Landing

#### **May 5: Cinco de Mayo**

Friday night appetizer celebration

#### **May 13: Around the Bay Race**

Sailing regatta

#### **May 14: Mother's Day Brunch**

Celebrate mom!

#### **May 20: Canyon Race #3**

Sailing race series



# AROUND THE CLUB

## COMING EVENTS



SUNDAY, APRIL 9TH, 2023

*Rabbit Petting Zoo & Egg Hunt 12:00pm*

*Brunch 1:00pm*

*Menu*

HAM

SCALLOP POTATOES

ASPARAGUS WITH HOLLANDAISE SAUCE

HARD-BOILED EGGS

FRUIT SALAD

BIRDS-NEST

HOT CROSS BUNS

ADULTS \$25

KIDS ( AGES 9 TO 13 ) \$10

UNDER 8 FREE

Bring your friends & family. Easter Prizes for Children & Adults!

Sign up in the Club or by Emailing [eyc@elkhornyachtclub.org](mailto:eyc@elkhornyachtclub.org)

Event deadline for RSVP & CANCELLATIONS is April 6, 2023 or accounts will be charged.



## **AROUND THE CUB**

### **COMING EVENTS**

# **Makeup Like a Queen at Elkhorn Yacht Club Friday April 7, 2023**

**Woo Woo Monroe and her girls are coming to EYC to show us how to makeup like a queen.**

**After the makeup session, we will dance and party with intermittent performances by the queens.**

**Join the makeup session for \$30 or just come to join the party.**

**Sign up by texting  
Diana Garrett at  
831-566-7230.**

**Start time is TBD.**



**AROUND THE CLUB**

**COMING EVENTS**

SAVE THE DATE

**EYC**

ADULT PROM

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MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:30 PM

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MUSIC BY SOUL DOUBT – APPETIZERS – PHOTO BOOTH  
\$35 Per Person

# ELKHORN YACH CLUB OFFICERS

## BOARD, COMMITTEE, & STAFF MEMBERS

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS & STAFF

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

### 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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