



# the Foghorn

Newsletter of the San Luis Yacht Club



## View From the Bridge

by Chris Barrett,  
Commodore

**A** hoy!  
The year 2018 is well underway at SLYC and your Officers are working hard to make this year successful. The Christmas and holiday decorations at the Club, and probably your home have been taken down and stored. I had the pleasure of being the Officer of the Day for the SLYC tree undecorating social. It was a pleasure to see **Don** and **Patrice Eley** (with the help of their children) take care of much of the undecorating and storage tasks along with other flag members present being eager to help. Also helping out behind the bar were flag members **Warren** and **Melenie Ristow** and **Janet Leonard**.

Moving on to the next fun events at the Club, Sunday February 11 starts our racing season at noon on Lopez Lake. Speaking of races, there is a new, added volunteer opportunity to help with the races. For more information see **New Volunteer Opportunity at SLYC** in this article of *the Foghorn* for more information. Friday February 16 is our Valentines Dinner and Dance. Both of these events should be great. I'm looking forward to them.

February also brings about the determination of the number of vacancies we may have in our Flag membership. Annual club dues were overdue as of January 1st. Once all the dues are received, and all the information has been reviewed, your Board will make a decision on whether or not we will accept new members this 2018 boating year. The membership committee hold the second of two new member orientation sessions on Saturday, February 3rd. For more information regarding new memberships, please give the membership committee chairperson, **Mary Matakovich**, or me a call. Some other events scheduled include the usual full slate of lake and ocean races, the Club Cleanup Day is April 7, followed by the Opening Day Ceremonies on Saturday, April 14. We will be hosting a multihull regatta on May

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SLYC is poised and ready to start the 2018 lake racing season on February 11th at Lopez Lake

5 and 6. We will be providing chase boats and race committee volunteers. The organizers expect to have 30 to 40 boats racing in San Luis Bay.

If you are planning on renting the Club, please fill out a reservation request form and give it to Rear Commodore **Jim Gilletly** so he can get this on the Board meeting agenda at least 30 days prior to the intended use.

**NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AT SLYC**

This year we have added a new way to help out at the Club. The job is for a member to order sandwiches for the Race Committee lunch and deliver the sandwiches, chips and drinks to the committee. The SLYC TimeToSignup web pages have openings listed for this on every race day this year. On the volunteer signup web page, it is listed as Race Support. It's another good way to help with club activities and serve a portion of your volunteer duty. For more details or if you are interested, please sign up on the web page or contact Vice Commodore **Barry Stewart**.

**SLYC IS HOPING TO SPONSOR A SEA SCOUTS CHAPTER**

Adult leaders are needed to get this project launched. SLYC has been working with the local Scouting organization, the Los Padres Scouting Council, to start a Sea Scout Chapter (known as a 'Ship') sponsored by SLYC. SLYC offers a meeting location and a variety of

members who are interested in helping in an advisory role to teach scouts about many aspects of sailing, fishing, other marine activities, operation and maintenance of boats, youth leadership and maritime careers. While this is a great start, the potential Sea Scout Ship is still lacking adult leaders. To make this a reality, we need three adult leaders to take on the Skipper and Mate jobs. If you are interested or know of a possible adult leader, please contact me.

*My best to you, always,*  
– Chris 🚢



## Vice Views

by Barry Stewart,  
Vice Commodore

**A** hoy SLYC!  
We hope to have the canvas awnings back soon, the frames required some work. The look of the building is strange to those used to seeing the awnings in place. We are awaiting the final count to see if there are any flag membership opportunities available, and are in process of soliciting candidates for the membership committee

to review. Scuttlebutt announcements are the source of information here.

We anticipate social activity will accelerate as spring approaches, watch for “e-vites” in your email box for some events and remember to reply quickly, even if your answer is only maybe.

If you haven’t gotten your “member in good standing” duty plan lined up yet, don’t wait or you may find yourself getting friendly calls from board members. We thank the large majority that are now using the systems in place and realize some have special situations so feel free to contact us.

Club sailing and racing is about to start on Lopez for the first time since the drought and storms intervened and we hope you will bring those small craft along for the fun.

*Nautically,*  
– Barry 🚢



## Cruising News

by Lettie Fuller,  
Cruising Captain

**A** hoy Members.  
It is once again my pleasure to be your Cruising Captain for the 4th year. I really enjoy organizing the cruising events on and off the water. I have a great assistant (Marty) that helps me and I really appreciate all his help. We

have such a wonderful time sailing, drinking rum and telling tall tales of our sails. I would like to encourage all boaters (power boats or sail boats) to join us on our sailing adventures. In February, there is a Women’s Sailing Convention, in April, the Boat show in Richmond, in May, the Alaska Cruise, in July, we are headed up to June Lakes, in August, sailing to Catalina Island, in September, driving to Huntington Lake, and many more events. See the schedule posted on office door at Yacht Club or go to the website and click cruising for all the upcoming events.

If you have fresh ideas for cruising events, let me know. I like to spice things up and do different cruises every year.

*Happy sailing,*  
– Lettie 🚢



## Power Report

by Mike Davis,  
Power Captain

**A** hoy SLYC Sailers!  
I’ve been working on sprucing up the Chase Boat for the 2018 season. I was out to the Lopez Lake three times last month testing the boat and taking Sail Fleet Captain Leanne Drummond out to survey sailing courses. It was a pleasure to check out Lopez Lake from the water. As of this writing, the Lopez Lake is at 51% capacity. Lopez Lake has a webcam you can view at <http://805webcams.com/lopez-lake-webcam>.

The good hearted sailor Barry Stewart helped out by replacing the external Racor fuel filter and water separator assembly. Due to some well thought out investigation Barry found that if the water separator bowl was overtightened it would pop off due to its tapered threading. The new unit is working much better! We are also working to service/replace fuel injectors, fuel strainers, engine fuel filter and fuel lines. We want to have a Chase Boat 100% ready for the upcoming races at Lopez Lake and Avila.

Thanks you to Rod Valine for signing up to assist as Chase crew on the 1st Lopez Race February 11th. If others have an interest participating in the excitement of our SLYC racing activities as a Chase Boat crew member, please sign up on our website’s Volunteer Sign Up Sheet. For qualified Captains, we have open dates available for the March 4th and April 8th Lopez race dates. Please contact me with any questions or additional information.

*See you soon on the water or at the club!*

– Mike 🚢



## Rear Commodore Report

by Jim Gilletly,  
Rear Commodore



**Brian King**, and **Pete Kelley** (in no particular order) for their assistance in preparing our club house for a great sailing season and social event venue for 2018. Thank you Michael D. for your photo journalism (photo above, Brian and Pete). You always capture the moment, whenever and whatever the occasion.

*See you at the club or on the water,*  
—Jim 📍

**A**hoy SLYC.  
Happy New Year fellow SLYC members.  
Thank you for entrusting me with the duties of SLYC Rear Commodore for 2018. I think this year will be another fabulous year for the SLYC. It's a new position for me and still a lot to learn to be as efficient as I can. I hope to serve you well. There will be more information to follow in the upcoming issues of *the Foghorn*. In this article, I would just like to share my continued appreciation for **Jay and Judy Chapel's** contribution to another beautiful Christmas tree, all who offered their time and Christmas spirit to decorate, and to the fine/athletic gentlemen, **Michael Dobrzensky**,



## Jr. Staff Commodore Report

by Mary Matakovich,  
Jr. Staff Commodore



**A**hoy Mates!  
February is our New Membership Month. As your Junior Staff Commodore, it is my responsibility to coordinate the process from the Orientation Meetings to the interviews to recommending new members to the Board. At the time of this issue's publication, there is a second Orientation Meeting scheduled for Feb. 3, at 1100, at the clubhouse. Attendance at an orientation meeting is a mandatory requirement of the application process. At the end of the orientation, applications will be distributed to the sponsors of the prospective new members. The application packet along with two sponsors' forms must be mailed and postmarked on or before February 10. Please address your envelope to the Membership Chair's attention. The committee will be meeting the following week to paper-screen all the applications. I will be calling all applicants who are to be interviewed on the 16th and 17th of February for interview appointments on the 22nd and the 24th. The committee's goal is to recommend the names of the proposed new members to the Board of Directors at their March meeting. Once the Board takes their action, Commodore **Chris Barrett** will call the new members and welcome them to the club. Please go to our website, slyc.org, scroll down to "Membership" and read the Frequently

Asked Questions document for more information. If you have any other questions, please contact a Board member or me. We want you to be fully informed.

On another note: Come to the Avila Pier Community Meeting scheduled for March, a date yet to be determined... The Board of Directors has opened our clubhouse to the community for this meeting. The Port San Luis Harbor District Avila Pier Committee (Commissioners/SLYC members: **Jim Blecha** and myself) and the Friends of Avila Pier (SLYC members: **Brian King** and **Richard Zacky**) want to provide an opportunity for the community to gain an understanding of the background of the Avila Pier and its closure, learn about the options to rehabilitate it (i.e., demolish it, reduce its size, replace it as is), know the funding necessary for each option along with funding availability and then, provide your input on the option you prefer and why. The results of this community meeting will be presented to the Avila Pier Committee. This committee will make its recommendation to the Harbor Commission, who will decide the best option to be developed and funded. Please join us for this meeting. We "live" at the base of this pier and our club's input is very important to this process.

*At your service,*  
— Mary 📍



## Avila Beach Storytelling



Yacht Club members **Pete Kelley, Denny Wheeler, Archie McLaren** and **Mike Harkness** participated in the Storytelling event hosted by the Avila Beach Community Foundation last October. If you missed the event now's your chance to hear their stories about the "Good old days in Avila Beach". The Foundation has uploaded videos featuring all the story tellers to their website at:

**[www.avilabeachfoundation.org](http://www.avilabeachfoundation.org)**.

Grab some popcorn, sit back, relax and take a walk down Avila's memory lane!

— Paula Dempsey  
Club Member

## Wedding Bells



Congratulations to newlyweds

**Mr. and Mrs. Karl Blum**

Next time you see them at the club, wish the couple all the best!

## US Coast Guard Auxiliary - About Boating Safely Class



US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 7-61 will offer the class About Boating Safely hosted by the Morro Bay Yacht Club, 541 Embarcadero, Morro Bay on Saturday, February 24 from 8 am to 5 pm. The class will meet the requirement for the new California Boater Card that begins rolling out this year. The class will be open to the public, with a special invitation extended to members of the San Luis Yacht Club. The \$40 fee includes materials provided by the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

For more information check the Morro Bay Yacht Club's website at [www.mbyc.net](http://www.mbyc.net) or call Greg Barker at (805) 704-8613.

## Lost Name Tag?



If you lost your SLYC name tag and need a replacement, contact club secretary **Kristin Rasmussen** to request a new one. There is a \$10 charge to members for replacement name tags.

# Events Calendar

## FEBRUARY 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 No Reservations Allowed	29	30	31	1 6pm - Board 	2 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour	3 New Member Orientation 11am - No Reservations Allowed Newport Beach WOMENS' SAILING CONVENTION 
4 Newport Beach WOMENS' SAILING CONVENTION  No Reservations Allowed 10am - Brunch	5	6	7	8	9 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour	10
11 No Reservations Allowed 12pm - Lopez Race 	12	13	14 Valentine's Day 	15 6pm - Membership Committee	16 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour 7pm - Valentine Dinner 	17 4pm - Pecho Coast Trail Docents, Kren, pending
18 No Reservations Allowed	19  Presidents Day	20	21 US Coast Guard Auxillary Flottila 6- 8:30pm  6pm - Wet Wednesday	22 New Member Interviews	23 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour 7pm - Fire & Ice (hot & spice / chili) 	24 New Member Interviews 4pm - Donnelly event, pending
25 No Reservations Allowed	26	27	28	1 6pm - Board 	2 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour	3 No Reservations Allowed

# Events Calendar

## MARCH 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25 No Reservations Allowed	26	27	28	1 6pm - Board 	2 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour	3 No Reservations Allowed
4 No Reservations Allowed 10am - Brunch 12pm - Lopez Race 	5	6	7	8 6:30pm - Multihull Regatta planning meeting 6:30pm	9 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour	10
11 Daylight Saving Time starts  No Reservations Allowed	12	13 6pm - Wet Wednesday 	14	15	16 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour	17 6pm - St Pat's Dinner Dance 
18 No Reservations Allowed	19	20 - 21 PACIFIC STRICTLY SAIL BOAT SHOW			22 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour	23 3pm - tentative Katavich event
25 No Reservations Allowed	26	27	28	29	30 No Reservations After 3PM 6pm - Social Hour 7pm - International Food (Its a small world) 	31

# Bar Host/OD Schedule

Barry Stewart, Vice Commodore



## February 2018

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2 **Friday Social**

—Chris Barrett, OD

*Bar Hosts:* Mike and Shannon Larabee  
Craig Bernard and Kelly Boland

4 **Sunday Brunch**

—Ray Mattison, OD

*Chief Cook:* Pat and Dana Cusack  
*Assist. Cook:* Cori and Kent Burnett  
*Crew:* Dennis Law  
*Bar Hosts:* Janet Leonard  
Bonnie Gardner

16 **Friday Valentine's Day Dinner**

—Mary Matakovich, OD

*Chief Cook:* Mike Taylor  
*Assist. Cook:* Ski Kaminski  
*Crew:* Sylvia Dodd  
*Bar Hosts:* Charlotte and Tom Robak  
Mike Harkness



21 **Wet Wednesday**

—Ken San Filippo, OD

*Chief Cook:* **OPEN**  
*Assist. Cook:* Hank Johnston  
*Bar Hosts:* Marney and Roger Briggs  
Craig Bernard and Kelly Boland

23 **Friday Social/Potluck**

—Mike Davis, OD

*Bar Hosts:* Patrick McGowen  
Carter McGowen

## March 2018

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2 **Friday Social**

—Chris Barrett, OD

*Bar Hosts:* George and Pam Fisher  
Tom and Ruth Donnelly

4 **Sunday Brunch**

—Lettie Fuller, OD

*Chief Cook:* Mercedes Swem  
*Assist. Cook:* Tom Swem  
*Crew:* Steve Pati Ryan  
*Bar Hosts:* Carter McGowen  
Patrick McGowen

14 **Wet Wednesday**

—Kenneth San Filippo, OD

*Chief Cook:* Deby Swenson  
*Assist. Cook:* Sharon McDaniel  
*Bar Hosts:* Corissa and Kent Burnett  
Steve Johnson



16 **Friday Social**

—Mike Davis, OD

*Bar Hosts:* Warren and Melenie Ristow  
Rick Bertram

17 **Saturday St. Patrick's Dinner/Dance**

—Chris Barrett, OD

*Chief Cook:* **OPEN**  
*Assist. Cook:* John Katavich  
*Crew:* Wayne Hamari  
*Bar Hosts:* Mark Hawes  
Cindy Churchill



23 **Friday Social**

—TBD, OD

*Bar Hosts:* George and Pam Risher  
Ernie and Joan Degasparis

30 **Friday Social/Potluck**

—TBD, OD

*Bar Hosts:* Jack and Mardee Whitehouse  
Gary Joralemon



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Officers, Staff, and Committees 2017

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