



View From the Bridge

by Bret Clark, Commodore

hoy everyone!

Happy New Year and Happy 2023! I am very excited to be your Commodore this year and am looking forward to working with the energetic and enthusiastic board that you have elected. As I write this in mid-December, I have already had meetings with the Rear, Vice, and Jr. Staff Commodores about next year's plans and have started setting up the agenda for our January Board meeting. During our first meeting, we will establish, as a group, board initiatives for the year. These initiatives will be consistent with our Constitution's objectives and may include:

- Offering advanced ASA courses exclusively to our membership
- Negotiating a long-term Clubhouse lease
- Engaging in capital improvement projects for the clubhouse

If you would like to offer some additional initiatives, please feel free to send me an email or stop by our board meeting at 1800 hours on Thursday, January 5.

This past December, I was struck at how far we had come from where we were in December of 2020. Rear Commodore Joe Montgomery obtained the perfect Christmas tree for the club and presided over the tree trimming and decorating that took place on December 9. In fact, the tree may have been too perfect. When my wife, Michelle and I were at the club, I got down on my knees under the tree to check the water. Michelle asked me why I was on my knees and when I told her that I was checking the water, she said that she

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thought the tree was an artificial one; it was that wellshaped! December 16 brought our December potluck. Sr. Staff Commodore Barry Stewart, and 2022 Commodore Ken San Filippo ensured that the main courses were plentiful and 50-60 members and guests were able to celebrate. I would also like to recognize 2023 Vice Commodore Bob Hurd for filling in for me since I was under the weather. Our last event of 2022 was the Friday Social and Commodore farewell hosted by Barry Stewart and Ken San Filippo. As you all know, Barry has served on the board for 10 years and served two years as Commodore as he navigated the club through COVID. Upon learning that there still was a Director position open, Barry even volunteered to fill it! Ken has served (and will continue to serve as Staff Commodore) for 8 years and has handed off the Commodore duties with a club that is ship-shape. I wish to thank them both for their service to the club!

Looking Forward

Our first event of the year is the Polar Bear Plunge on January 1 at 10:00. I am told from a somewhat questionable source that Commodores Barry Stewart, Ken San Filippo, and Bob Hurd will be participating in the plunge at 12:00. Please try to come down to the east side of the pier at 11:30 to participate, or egg-on/ encourage the plungers. Afterwards, warm dishes and drinks will be served at the clubhouse.

I am pleased to inform you that the calendar is wellpopulated with most of the events that we held before the pandemic. While we have many events planned, we cannot do them without volunteer support. I will continue to grant new ABC Certifications one credit towards their volunteer commitment so that we have a membership capable of staffing the bar. At the time of the writing, I see that the beginning of the year is well-staffed. If you haven't done so yet, please be sure to sign up for at least one volunteer event so that we can identify dates where we will be understaffed. If you have questions about Time to Sign-up, please contact Vice Commodore Bob Hurd.

Cruising Captain Mike Ginn has put together a calendar of fun and exciting activities on the water.

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Please be sure to check them out. We are also putting together a Wet Wednesday schedule that will include both on-the-water, and off-the-water activities. Please check back soon for specifics.

During the first week in January, I will be sending out letters to all members who have yet to pay their dues. It is vital that dues are received on-time, because that informs us as to how many openings there are for new members. One of Jr. Staff Commodore **Ken San Filippo**'s duties is to chair the New Membership Selection Committee. Please look to his article in

the Foghorn and check the Scuttlebutt for information regarding the New Membership process. The board will take action in determining how many new membership openings there are at our February board meeting.

I wish you all to know that it is an honor to serve as your Commodore. If you have any questions or concerns about the club and our course, please be sure to drop me a line. I will do my best to be transparent, informative, and open to opinions as we continue to chart through new waters.

Nautically,

 $-Bret \stackrel{\$}{\smile}$



Vice Views

by Bob Hurd, Vice Commodore

A hoy!
I started off writing this article thinking that it was as a Director for the December Foghorn—But then I remembered that it is for January 2023, and I am Vice Commodore.

For me 2022 was just beginning to feel comfortable. Now we have a new year to get used to.

In 2023, as your Vice Commodore, my role, and responsibilities, as defined in the Officer's Handbook, include:

- Assist the Commodore in the discharge of the assigned duties and officiate during any absence
 - Chair of the SLYC Finance Committee
- Monitors membership volunteer sign ups by Coordinating the Time to Sign In (TTSI) Sheet with Web Master
- Submit Officer on Duty and TTSI volunteer member information to post in Scuttlebutt and Foghorn

- Notifies the Officer of the Deck (OD) of their dates of duty and their responsibilities to make member volunteer contacts to remind members signups etc.
- Provides guidance and oversight of Wet Wednesday's activities plan with the assigned Director
 - Organize Opening Day Activities
- Develop tentative club calendar for subsequent year
- Complete annual SCYA application together with photographs of Commodore and Vice Commodore elect
 - Notify SCYA / MBYC of Opening Day Date
 - Responsible for Old Board/New Board dinner
 - Submits articles to Foghorn by 20th of the month
 - \bullet Serve as Officer on Duty (O.D.) when signed up for on TTSI

Some of the goals I have for this next year are a photo for Tim Wingerd; a memorable Opening Day; enjoying Opening Day at clubs down south; improve reciprocity with other clubs; fun Wet Wednesdays; racing; and figure out TTSI.

Like when I stand for the Star-Spangled Banner and get teary eyed, I have strong feelings for the Club and will work hard to do everything that is expected of me and try to have fun doing it.

I look forward to all your support this coming year.

See you at the club or on the water.

-Bob \checkmark



Jr. Staff Commodore Report

by Ken San Filippo, Jr. Staff Commodore

hoy SLYC Members.

2023 New Member Applications

As the incoming Jr. Staff Commodore one of my duties is to coordinate the 2023 New Member selection process.

The New Member selection committee will consist of myself as the Committee Chair and five flag members.

Please note we will not have information on the number of vacancies until Mid-January 2023.

Due to a 200 Flag member cap—Openings for new members are minimal. In past years we have had only 2 to 3 openings each year with 15 to 20 applicants applying for these memberships with many applicants from previous years re-applying.

For 2023 the new member application process has been changed from how it was previously done:

This year there will be one New Member Application Meeting on Wednesday January 25, 2023, at 6:00 PM in person at the Club House. Perspective members, and their spouse, must attend this meeting with both of their sponsors.

This year completed new member applications from the applicants and both of their sponsors must be received by Jr. Staff Commodore Ken San Filippo no later than 8:00 PM on Friday February 10, 2023.

Applications can be delivered in person at the Club

House Friday Evening 2/10/23. I do prefer applications be send as PDF attachment via email send to (kensfsloca@yahoo.com).

This year all sponsors must be Members in Good Standing and must have known the applicant a minimum of one year and must be able to attest to the applicant's volunteerism, boating experience, and participation if applicable in Club activities as a guest.

This year Members can sponsor only one applicant.

This year both sponsors of any applicant accepted as a new member are required to mentor the new member and attend club events with the new member during their first year as a Probationary Member. (More details specific to sponsor responsibilities will be provided at the 1/25/23 meeting).

Applicants selected for an interview will be contacted on 2/19/23 by Jr. Staff Commodore **Ken San Filippo** set for Saturday 2/25/23, at the club in person (Time to be determined /10-4pm).

Saturday 3/4/23, 10:30-12:30 PM at the club—An Orientation meeting is scheduled for the applicants selected to be new members.

Sponsors/Members: Please share this information with potential applicants.

Note: New member application information has been posted at the club, on our club web site (home page) and in the weekly Scuttlebutt, and in our monthly December and January Foghorn newsletter.

Best, −Ken **↓**



Sr. Staff Commodore Report

by Mike Davis, Sr. Staff Commodore

A hoy Mates!

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays with friends and family, and I wish you all a very healthy and happy New Year.

As the Sr. Staff Commodore, I will be heading up the Nominating Committee, and we will be looking for dedicated volunteers to join the Board of Directors in 2024. The plan is to make nomination recommendations to the Board of Directors at the August 2023 Board Meeting. If you are interested in joining the Board, please contact me.

Happy New Year!

Start off the new year with a gift from the Latitudes & Attitudes Magazine! They are offering their Winter 2023 edition for free. Just go to https://tinyurl.com/49h7pnjh

 $-Mike \stackrel{\bullet}{\downarrow}$



From the Rear Commodore

by Joe Montgomery, Rear Commodore

hoy!

Its just about time to say adios to 2022, and what an eventful year it has been. Hopefully putting Covid in our tail lights or off our stern we welcome in a new year. I was kept busy at the club repairing broken toilets, new faucet in the galley, installing fire sprinklers, new door mats, new locks, replacing a new circuit breaker box, (kudos to Gary Cox). New hinges on all windows, thank you Dan Pease, new venetian blinds, custom made. Numerous trips to Home Depot, Miners Hardware, Smart and Final... Under the club, new water lines (hot and cold). Five coats of varnish on the front door, including lots of sanding. Bird deterrent over the south canopies, thanks Dennis Demsey. I'm probably, missing other projects and volunteers, but you get the picture.

December, brought on last minute calls for schelping a large eleven foot Christmas Tree. Many thanks to, **Gary Ross**, **Carter McGowen**, **Dennis Demsey**, and **Molly Montgomery**. Without them, the tree would have never made it in the club. (It almost didn't fit through the front door.) Thank you all, for rising to the occasion. And thanks to, **Fred** and **Shannon Bond** for doing a fine job on cleaning all the windows, and thanks for not falling out of them... Also, I like your phone message ring with the James Bond musical theme.

Next year, I, return as your Rear Commodore one more time. I will be looking for two committees. Five people in each one. You can be involved in upgrading the galley—That is, selecting a new floor, cabinets and counter tops. The second group, would be involved in upgrading the bar...I think these can be fun projects for people, that like interior upgrades, decorating etc. You can contact me at Hornblower46@gmail.com or 213 500 3304. I hope everone had fun at the polar plunge.

Buy more sail boats.

P.S. For those of you who lose your key card to the club, you can contact me. Try to refrain from such a predicament. I'm learning the process and have just locked myself out of the club. Bear with me.

Smooth Sailing, —Joe ↓



From the Secretary

by Katie Gillespie, Secretary and absolutely love the water. I grew up sailing and look forward to refining my skills.

-Katie &



I look forward to serving on the Board as Secretary in 2023. I am looking forward to learning more about the Yacht Club and participating in events. I swim daily at the ABAC,



From the Treasurer

by Mark Correla, Treasurer

Happy New Year SLYC members. I am looking forward to 2023 for a couple of reasons. In March I will be retiring from a 35-year career in banking, free at last! Serving as Treasure for the SLYC should satisfy all my desires for

working with numbers while helping the club. Having this new role and more freedom is what I'm most excited about. I appreciate this opportunity to share the upcoming Yacht Club year together.

Retirement advice welcomed!

 $-Mark \stackrel{\bullet}{\downarrow}$













Cruising News

by Michael Ginn, Cruising Captain

Happy New Year greetings to all!
I am happy to return to the SLYC board this year as your new Cruising Captain, My work travel schedule will be winding down and I look forward to replacing business trips with sailing adventures and many other fun events that we are currently planning for our members.

As previous Port Captain on the board from 2019-2021, I continue to learn a lot about our great SLYC and now look forward to helping the board and our members in my new role.

We will be hosting a wet Wednesday on February 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. to present the club's 2023 cruising events with more details on dates and times for our New Year calendars. I hope to get feedback and input from our members on a number of cruising events that we are planning—so please plan to attend!

Thanks in advance to you all for your input and mentoring with my new role—I always appreciate the help and look forward to seeing you all at the yacht club and out on the water!

Happy sailing, $-Michael \ \mathring{\downarrow}$





Power Report

by Pat Mullen, Power Captain

A hoy!
Time to hoist the anchor for 2023, and I am excited to be your Power Captain for this year! I have three goals for 2023 that I would love some help with;

- 1. Train some new folks, and existing skippers, to feel more comfortable running and skippering the clubs center console powered "chase boat".
- 2. Schedule skippers for chase boat for all club races this year.
- 3. Take chase boat out on the water at least once a month to introduce club members to chase boat, enjoy being on the water, and provide proficiency training to skippers.

I am also looking to schedule some boating safety and first aid safety classes this year. I will provide towing of chase boat out to the port for any skippers unable to tow and launch her for races, so don't let that keep you from



offering to be a skipper. Special thanks to **Jeff Blauer** for being our Power Captain in 2022, and a huge thanks for **Mike** and **Jill Nunno** for allowing the club to store chase boat at their property. I would love some help from any members interested in helping with chase boat this year. Look at the items above and reach out and let me know if you're interested.

-Pat \checkmark



From the Boat Master

by Greg Jackson, Boat Master



The Yacht Club owns a sail boat. Since 2019 the Club has owned a Catalina 30 MKIII that is moored in San Luis Bay for the use of the Club members for the small fee of \$250 a year. That is less than half of the normal one day rental for this type of sail boat in Santa Barbara.

This is a sail boat that the Boat Committee maintains and keeps here ready to sail.

If you have experience sailing get with us and we will set up a check out to allow you to get on the calendar and take "Second Wind" out for a sail.

If you need to learn, the club works with the local collage to get you up to speed through ASA 101 beginning sailing classes that trains using our boat.

Lots of our members just want to go out for the afternoon and being on the supporter list lets us know who wants to



crew and when we go sailing, we know who to call.

Being checked out lets us know what level you are at and gets you a great introduction to "Second Wind".

While supporting "Second Wind" for \$250 a year you get the added benefit of being able to check out and learn to sail our Hobie Waves.

Check out the "Second Wind" if you are a sailor or want to be a sailor, we have the boat.

Here is a link to some racing shots of "Second Wind". https://photos.app.goo.gl/ZNWkEsATGdsqzS2G9

-Pat \checkmark

Second Wind Annual Get Together



Your SLYC Second Wind Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this year.

Our annual get together coffee was lots of fun with a great turnout, the weather was beautiful.

Our Second Wind Sailors seemed to have a great time. We know that at this time of year all of our schedules are packed so having so many of you turn out was great and we hope you all enjoyed yourself as much as we did... For those of you who could not make it this year we are hoping to see you this coming year on "Second Wind" and at next year's get together. We hope you have had a wonderful and safe holiday, and wish you a Joyous New Year in 2023.

May you have fair winds at your back, Your SLYC Second Wind Committee





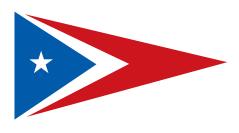




Commodores' Farewell Party

On December 23rd the club hosted a Commodore Farewell party, honoring outgoing Sr. Staff Commodore Barry Stewart who has served on the board for 10 years and Commodore Ken San Filippo eight years. The event was well attended with over 60 participants. Commodore Barry and his crew cooked BBQ ribs with members bringing side dishes. Many thanks to the cook helpers, bar hosts and our social chairs for helping make the event successful.

Commodore Ken San Filippo and incoming Commodore Bret Clark both made brief comments thanking the members for their involvement in this years events and looking forward to 2023 with many planned events.









We have a Winner!

Michael Dobrzensky submitted this photo to the San Juan Sailing Club and it was voted 1st place in the "Nature and Wildlife" category!
Congratulations Michael!



Sunshine Committee



Remember to notify Kathleen O'Neill, Chairperson of the Sunshine Committee, of any illnesses, injuries, or surgeries of Club Members who may need some get well wishes and support from other Club Members. Please also notify her of the passing of any Club Member or their family members so that she may compose a tribute for them and send them a condolence card on behalf of the Club. As she and the Club always respect the privacy of Club Members, she will post a notice in the Foghorn about such illnesses, injuries, etc. only with the member's permission. Please contact Kathleen at 805-550-5010 or email her at koneill555@gmail.com.

Kathleen O'NeillSunshine Committee



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
New Year's Day No Reservations Allowed 12pm - Polar Bear Plunge		3	4	6pm - Board Meeting in the Clubhouse	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour & Tree Untrimming	7
No Reservations Allowed		10		12	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	6pm - New Board/Old Dinner
No Reservations Allowed	Martin Luther King Jr. Martin Luther King Day		18	19	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	21
No Reservations Allowed		24	6pm - New Membership Application Meeting	6pm - Friends of Avila	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour 7pm - Potluck	28
No Reservations Allowed	30	31	1	6pm - Board Meeting (ZOOM)	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	4

Events Calendar

February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
No Reservations Allowed	30	31	1	6pm - Board Meeting (ZOOM)	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	4
No Reservations Allowed	6	7	Reservation (Pending) Blecha/Krenn	9	No Reservations After 3pm New Membership Applications Due 6pm - Social Hour	
No Reservations Allowed	13	Valentine's Day	New Membership Committee to Select Interviews	16	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	Valentine's Dinner/Dance
No Reservations Allowed			6pm - Wet Wednesday 2023 Cruising Presentation		No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour 7pm - Potluck	10am - New Member in Person Interviews
No Reservations Allowed	27	28	1	5-8pm - Board Meeting at the Club Members are Welcome!	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	10:30am - Orientation for Selected 2023 New Club Members

Bar Host/OD Schedule

January 2023

1 Sunday – Polar Bear Plunge

-Barry Steward and Ken San Filippo, OD

Bar Host (10-1pm): Thom Dimmitt

Rick Bertram

Bar Host (1-4pm): Tom Baxter

Sheila McCann

Grub Food Hosts (10-1pm): Tammy Casiano

Christina Deviny

Grub Food Hosts (1-4 pm): Tom Baxter

6 Friday Social & Tree Un-Decorating

—Joe Montgomery, OD

Bar Hosts: Rick Bertram

Ed and Chris Henry

Food Host/Clean-up: Ed and Chris Henry

Janet Leonard

13 Friday Social

-Mike Davis, OD

Bar Hosts: Bingo Farmer

Jeff Blauer

Food Host/Clean-up: Ed and Chris Henry

Janet Leonard

20 Friday Social

-Bret Clark, OD

Bar Hosts: Bingo Farmer

Jeff Blauer

Food Host/Clean-up: Margo Fraser

Nancy Alvarado

27 Friday Social-Potluck

-Tom McNeill, OD

Bar Hosts: Judy Bellis

Janine McNeill

Kitchen Help/Clean-up: Margie Hurd

Mark and/or

Christine Machala





February 2023

3 Friday Social

-Ken San Filippo, OD

Bar Hosts: Thom Dimmitt

Gary Ross

Food Host/Clean-up: James Mattison

Keith Pellemeier

5 Sunday – 2nd Annual Kids' Day

-TBD, OD

Kitchen/Clean-up: Freeman Tideaback

OPEN (5)

Registration and Crafts: Marc and Betty Gillespie

Jim Blecha and Sally Krenn

OPEN (4)

10 Friday Social

-Mike Davis, OD

Bar Hosts: Patrick McGowen

Carter McGowen

Food Host/Clean-up: OPEN (2)

17 Friday Potluck

-Bret Clark, OD

Bar Hosts: Patrick McGowen

Carter McGowen

Food Host/Clean-up: Margo Fraser

Tanya Erbstoesser

18 Saturday - Valentine's Dinner and Dance

-Bob Hurd, OD

Bar Hosts: OPEN (2)

Chief Cook: Michael Taylor

Assistant Cook: OPEN

Crew: OPEN (3)

22 Wednesday - Cruising Presentation

-Ken San Filippo, OD

Bar Hosts: Jeff Watkins

Richard Watkins

Chief Cook: Melissa Watkins

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Assistant Cook: Iris Swisher Strachan Kitchen/Clean-up: Marcia Scott

24 Friday Social

-Tom McNeill, OD

Bar Hosts: JanineMcNeill

Lauren Krup

Kitchen Help/Clean-up: John and Mary Janowicz

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