



View From the Bridge

by Bret Clark, Commodore

hoy everyone!

As I write this, we are nearing the end of February and I cannot believe that the first two months of the year have gone by so quickly! The first four months of the year are going to be a whirlwind with several big events planned. These include: Kids' Day, Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance, St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance, Clean-up Day, and Opening Day. I am pleased to report that our membership has supported all of our activities so far by volunteering to serve as bar hosts or food host/clean-up crews.

I would like to acknowledge **Brittany Tomasko**'s hard work and vision in bringing the First Kids' Day to the Club in August of last year, and, more recently, the second Kids' Day in February of this year. Brittany's organization and the work of the twenty-one volunteers made this event a huge success. Over fifty people participated in this event which included breakfast with Mickey Mouse pancakes, craft stations, and a beach clean-up. Nicely done!

I also want to thank our Social Chairs, Terry Whitney, and Brenda Noakes for their work in bringing back the activities that were stunted during the pandemic. Our first large event, the Valentine's Dinner and Dance, sold out! Mike Taylor, with the assistance of Val and Sandy Gillespie provided a great meal, and Kevin Daly and Judy Bellis ensured that we were properly hydrated (or inebriated?). Please try to come to our first brunch of the year on March 5 and

our St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance on March 18. You can sign up for each of the events via the SLYC website (https://san-luis-yacht-club.square.site).

Clean-up Day will be on April 1 (no joke!). Rear Commodore, **Joe Montgomery**, is organizing the event. Please try to stop by and lend a hand. This annual cleaning prepares the club for Opening Day, on April 15. If you have never been to Opening Day, or haven't been in a while, I strongly encourage you to attend this year's event. We have much to celebrate this year, including having our first full Opening Day program since 2019!

On the Water

I am working with Staff Commodore Barry Stewart and Eoin Duffy to iron out the details for our first ASA 103 class offered to our membership on Second Wind. Please stay tuned for details on dates and pricing. This will initially be offered to SLYC members only. Cruising Captain Mike Ginn has a robust list of activities planned this year. There are too many events to list here, but some highlighted events are the Sailing Convention for Women, two boat shows, Channel Islands Cruise, and a trip to the Bahamas! For details, please visit the Cruising Page on the SLYC website (https://www.slyc.org/Cruising/cruising.html).

If you have any questions or concerns about the club and the course that we are on, 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, $-Bret \stackrel{\bullet}{\downarrow}$

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Vice Views

by Bob Hurd, Vice Commodore

A hoy!

Usually we think of "Captain of the Ship" as the person in complete charge of something when that something doesn't go well, but this month I would like you to think of our captain of the ship, Commodore **Bret Clark**, in a positive light as the person in charge of your club as things are going very well.

The first potluck of the year and the Valentine's Day Dinner Dance are two examples of how well things are going as Bret works to get the Club back to normal after the pandemic.

As Vice Commodore I continue to focus on insuring all the openings in Time To Sign Up (TTSU) are filled, planning for Opening Day, convening the Finance Committee, and helping the Commodore.

The TTSU page on the Club's website is invaluable for making sure we have every event staffed. At the time I wrote this I see we have openings for Food host/Clean-up on for Social on Friday 3/17 and Kitchen help/Clean-up for the potluck on Friday 3/31. Please look at TTSU for any openings you can help fill.

Opening Day this year is going to be on Saturday, April 15 (see the invitation on page 6).

There are a lot of details still to be finalized to make this important event a success, but one item that is taken care of is that Manny English will be providing the music this year. Be prepared to dance!

As I write this the Finance Committee will have met in February, but too late to report on in the March Foghorn. I will provide an update in the April Foghorn. All but a few members receive their Foghorn electronically, at no cost to the Club. While we recently raised the annual dues for membership, costs for everything continue to go up. We have been looking at our expenses and we have identified printing and mailing the Foghorn as one place where we have an opportunity for savings. Printing and mailing the Foghorn has been costing the Club over \$1,000 a year. Your Board has decided that beginning with the July issue of the Foghorn the Club will no longer be mailing free print copies to non-members or current members unless they are honorary members. To receive print copies every month you can subscribe to the Foghorn. Beginning July 2023, the subscription rate for a monthly Foghorn will be \$48/year. If you were receiving the Foghorn in the mail watch for the letter in the mail explaining the change.

2023 is going very well so far and I look forward to seeing you at the Club.

See you at the club or on the water.

-Bob $\mathring{\downarrow}$



From the Rear Commodore

by Joe Montgomery, Rear Commodore

hoy!
Brrrr. February was one of the coldest months in recent history. Another factor was, my natural gas bill soared to new heights, a whooping 900% higher than normal. I have turned my heater off to my house and have withdrawn to making warm fires by the fireplace, and splitting wood during the day. More wool blankets came into play and I found myself quite comfortable. At

the clubhouse, the exterior light had shorted out and the EMT pipe was rusted out. I made a call to my good friend Gary Cox, and voila, we now have a new LED light, new EMT pipe, and brighter light by the BBQ. Thanks Gary, for getting that done. Also, a new interior light fixture at the south-western wall. A committee was formed to make over all improvements to the galley and bar. Still in its infancy, I look forward to these improvements cabinets, counter tops new floor. The group of volunteers are named alphabetically Gary Cox, Marty Fuller, Carter McGowen, Joe Montgomery, Georgina Pease, Dan Pease, and Gary Ross. I feel this is an outstanding group and looking forward to working with everyone. Lastly, we will be looking for volunteers to sign up for clean up day, April 1st. If you have not fulfilled your TTSU, now's your chance to participate. It will not take long, plus you get a chance to meet new friends. That's all for now.

Smooth Sailing,

—Joe &





Cruising News

by Michael Ginn, Cruising Captain

hoy SLYC members!

Our first sponsored event of the year – the Women's Sailing Convention in Newport Beach, CA – is now open for registration. Please see the flyer below for more information. I am happy to report the SLYC board of directors approved up to \$1500 for reimbursement of convention registration fees for SLYC women sailors who attend this fun and informative event.

Next up after the Women's Sailing Convention, will be a fun road trip to the Bay area for the Pacific Sail and Power Boat Show May 4-7, 2023. The show is at the Westpoint Harbor in Redwood City, CA, with an extensive in-water dockage for a large assortment of sail and power boats, plus on-land space for information booths and exhibitors. The San Francisco Giants will be hosting a 3-game series against the Milwaukee Brewers May 5-7, for baseball fans who may want to catch a game! Please plan to join us for the weekend and if we get enough interest a day sail on the Bay may also be included.

We have many more adventures also being planned for our members. Including a December adventure to the Bahamas! By the time our March Foghorn is published we will have conducted our Wet Wednesday presentation on the club's 2023 cruising events. If you were not able to attend please check out the cruising events webpage at https://www.slyc.org/Cruising/cruising.html for the information covered at the Wet Wednesday. Also, please keep an eye on the SLYC calendar for activities that you may be interested in attending and let me know if you have any questions.

Look forward to seeing you at the yacht club and out on the water!



Sailing Convention for Women April 1, 2023



The annual Sailing Convention for Women is back and will be held at the at Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club in Newport Beach, California offering both new and experienced women sailors lots of fun on-the-water instruction and on-shore workshops.

https://www.sailingconventionforwomen.com/

The day will begin at 8 am and runs until 8 pm and includes breakfast, lunch, happy-hour, and dinner with guest speaker Marie Rogers, Commodore of the Los Angeles Yacht Club.

Registration opens February 1st. If you are interested in attending please contact Michael Ginn, SLYC Cruising Captain at cruisingcaptain@slyc.org.





Power Report

by Pat Mullen, Power Captain

A hoy

Personal Ads

"If you like Pina coladas...and getting caught in the rain..." remember that? Back before dating apps and swiping right or left, personal adds in the newspaper was a way of reaching out. Well, this column is a personal ad asking you to join our club's new Community Relations Committee! In addition to being your power captain, I've agreed to lead this new committee. It is part of our club's lease that we continue to support and make the club available to related

"non-profit entities...in the promotion of marine education, safety, recreation and recognition..." and the premises shall be used for purposes "related to the promotion and encouragement of recreational boating, water safety and activities related to the education, understanding and appreciation of the Port San Luis Harbor Area." I need your help to support the club's mission of promoting Avila and Port San Luis civic activities by reconnecting with and participating in Avila community events and groups. We have a fun committee started already but are looking for a few more active members to help promote our club and its involvement locally. We want to be more visibly involved and participating again in Avila community events now that Covid restrictions have largely eased.

In addition to the Community Relations Committee, I'm also interested in connecting with those of you interested in using Chase Boat and helping support our power boat activities.

Cheers, and do reach out to me to help on one of these two items!

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



Kid's Day



Kids Day at the Club-Winter Edition

On February 5th, the club held its second "Kids Day at the Club" event. The theme was winter clashed with Valentine's Day. A beautiful breakfast was served at the beginning of the event thanks to many volunteers. **John** and **Kay Semon** took the lead on coordinating breakfast. They were assisted by **AJ Dudley**, **Kyle Soucy**, **Margie Hurd**, **Keith Pellemeier**, and **Wayne Hamari** who helped as breakfast prep cooks and chefs. A special thanks to **Kyle Martin** and **Freeman Tidaback** for dishes and clean up.

Our young members, parents and kids are the future of this club! The "Kids Day" concept was created to bring together grandparents, parents, kids and young members of the club to allow them to meet and socialize. It was created to build connections amongst these younger members and to encourage them to bring their kids down to our Friday Night socials and bring a more youthful spirit to the club.

This new generation are the future of this club! They are embracing sailing and paddle sports as a passion. They are introducing their kids to a love for watersports and creating positive memories at the yacht club as a fun place to hang out.

After breakfast, we began our activities! The kids rotated between a craft and beach activity. The beach activity was a Beach Clean Up, led by members Sally Krenn and Cathy Kunkle. The kids picked up gallons of trash off the beach! Thank you everyone who helped clean up our beach in Avila! The second rotation was a craft rotation which the kids loved! Thank you to all of our volunteers who helped to coordinate and run the craft activities! Thank you to Melissa Watkins, Sandy Gillespie, Anette Hackman, Yvonne Jordan, Marc and Betty Gillespie, and Margie Hurd. Thank you also to Mary Matakovich and Yvonne Jordan who helped check in all of our participants. We had over 50 people at the event.

Respectfully,
—Brittany Tomasko&





Friday, January 27th Potluck Success!



From Wikipedia, "The word pot-luck appears in the 16th century English work of Thomas Nashe, and used to mean "food provided for an unexpected or uninvited guest, the luck of the pot". The modern execution of a "communal meal, where guests bring their own food", most likely originated in the 1930s during the Great Depression."



We thoroughly enjoyed the luck of the pot on Friday, January 27, our first potluck of the year with between 70-80 people enjoying themselves on BBQ with good food and company.

Our take on the event, check the calendar for the next one, is that there will be some kind of protein prepared on the grill and members contribute dishes to complete the potluck supper. Add the open bar and music and you have a potluck.

For our first potluck of the year **Marty Fuller** and **Barry Stewart**, with the help of **Steve Dahl**, **Greg Jackson** and **Jon McKellar**, cooked hundreds of pieces of chicken on the grill and members contributed dozens of dishes. There wasn't a piece of chicken left and there was no shortage of variety with the food available.

Tom McNeill was Officer of the Day with bar hosts Judy Bellis and Janine McNeill and kitchen clean-up by Margie Hurd and Mark and Christine Machala.

Look forward to many more fun potlucks this year as we work to get back to normal after the pandemic.

—Vice Commodore, Bob Hurd **↓**

Valentines Dinner/Dance



I think I'm entitled to say Valentine's Day is not special. It's my birthday but the day is one of the most commercialized holidays in the country and I cannot even think about trying to go out to dinner. Yet this year's SLYC Valentine's Day Dinner Dance on February 18 was special.

Mike Taylor worked all afternoon preparing a dinner of chicken fettuccine alfredo, salad, and a cake with fruit and whipped cream for dessert. **Sandy** and **Val Gillespie** helped in the preparation.

Terry Whitney and **Brenda Noakes** set the mood in the Clubhouse with decorations and helped serve the multicourse dinner.

Kevin Daily was the only one signed up for bar host, but **Judy** and **Will Bellis** stepped up at the last minute and helped. Their enthusiasm is contagious—thank you.

I was the Officer of the Day, maybe because Valentine's Day is just another day to me.

Music is important for a good dinner dance, and we did well to have Manny English.

I'm unclear who first suggested Manny but as your Vice Commodore I did some serious R&D to check out

Manny in advance at Finn's at the end of Grand and at Rancho Nipomo. I was confident after dancing to his infectious music that he was it.

Manny's music brought the dancers up from the safety of their tables and they let it all out. Maybe a little too much out; with the Commodore and Vice Commodore dancing with abandon for one song.

Members eventually loosened up their purse strings too and showed Manny their appreciation after a demonstration how to tip by the two commodores. Brenda helped by circulating the hat.

I think the final numbers were 35 diners/dancers and the event more than broke even financially.

Last but not least the clean-up was led by **Phil Whitney** and what a mess it was to clean up. I'm sure I missed others that helped make the event a success but it was a big success—the first formal dinner since the pandemic.

Be sure to be one of the limited number of people to celebrate St. Patrick's Day on Saturday, March 18 with corned beef and cabbage by **Barry Stewart** and music by Manny English.

−Vice Commodore, Bob Hurd ↓

Valentines Dinner/Dance



Howie O'Daniels Corinthian Memorial Trophy



Opening Day 2023 is on April 15, 2023 and this year your Board intends to give the Howie O'Daniels Corinthian Memorial Trophy. This award is given to the SLYC Member logging the most nautical miles in a year (March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023). Corinthian means that the skipper must own the vessel.

Please submit copies of your log books to be considered for this award by March 15, 2023.

Opening Day





Commodore Bret Clark and the Flag Officers of

San Luis Yacht Club

443 Front Street, Avila Beach, CA 93424 "At the foot of the Avila Pier"

Cordially invites you to attend

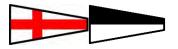
Opening Day Ceremonies

Saturday, April 15, 2023

1100 hours ~ Hors d'oeuvres 1200 hours ~ Ceremonies

RSVP to
Bob Hurd, Vice Commodore
vicecommodore@slyc.org or (805)550-9071

Celebrating 86 Years



Events Calendar

March 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
No Reservations Allowed	27	28	1	5pm - Board 6pm - Board meeting in Clubhouse	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	10am - Orientation for New 2023 Club Members 3pm - Jill Nunno Reserved
No Reservations Allowed 10am - Sunday Brunch	6	7	8	3pm - Denise Reynolds Reserved	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	
Daylight Saving Time No Reservations Allowed	13	14	15	3pm - Friends of Avila Pier Reserved	No Reservations After 3pm St. Patrick's Day 6pm - Social Hour	St. Patricks Day Dinner
No Reservations Allowed	20	6pm - Pale Kai (Reservation Pending)	22	23	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	25
No Reservations Allowed	27	28	4pm - Steve Johnson Reserved	6pm - Friends of Avila	No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour 7pm - Potluck	Annual Clean-up Day Women's Sailing Convention Newport Beach

Events Calendar

April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					7pm - Potluck	
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				Club House	No Reservations After	
					3pm	
					6pm - Social Hour	

Bar Host/OD Schedule

March 2023

3 Friday Social

-Mike Davis, OD

Bar Host: Martin and Debi Testa

Craig Bernard

Food Host/Clean-up: Michael Larrabee

Jon and Cindy McKellar

5 Sunday Brunch

-Mike Davis, OD

Bar Hosts: Mark Plassard

Steve DeRose

Chief Cook: Paul and Tracy Schiro

Assist. Cook: Peggy Golden

Crew: Doug Anthony

Andrew Anthony

Noreen Johnston

Keith Pellemeier

10 Friday Social

-Ken San Filippo, OD

Bar Hosts: Joe Caradonna

Svlvia Dodd

Food Host/Clean-up: Warren Ristow

Julie Caradonna

17 Friday Social

-TBD, OD

Bar Hosts: Shad and Shelly Springer

Brandon and Delaney Spiller

Food Host/Clean-up: OPEN (3)

18 Saturday- St. Patrick's Dinnner/Dance

−Bob Hurd, OD

Bar Hosts: Kevin Daily

Richard Scangarello

Chief Cook: Barry Stewart

Assistant Cook: Marty Fuller

Crew: Lettie Fuller

OPEN (3)

24 Friday Social

-TBD, OD

Bar Hosts: Shad and Shelly Springer

Brandon and Delaney Spiller

Food Host/Clean-up: Don and Kathy Hannula

Kelly Hannula

31 Friday Social/Potluck

-Bob Hurd, OD

Bar Hosts: Brenda Noakes

Lauren Krup

Kitchen Help/Clean-up: John and Mary Janowicz

OPEN (1)



April 2023

7 Friday Social

-Bob Hurd, OD

Bar Hosts: Brenda Noakes

George and Pam Risher

Food Host/Clean-up: Warren Ristow

OPEN (1)

5 Wet Wednesday

-Kristin Rasmussen, OD

Bar Hosts: Anthony Reynolds

Steve Johnson

Food Hosts: Sandra Nielsen

OPEN (1)

Clean-up: OPEN (2)

14 Friday Social

-Bill McInerney, OD

Bar Hosts: Mike Nunno

Cindy and Jason Vormbaum

Food Host/Clean-up: Jill Nunno

OPEN (1)

15 **Opening Day**

-TBD, OD

Early Setup: Val Gillespie

Anna Mullen

Bar Hosts: Sylvia Dodd

Rvan McKellar

Jon McKellar

Clean-up: Ryan McKellar

Cindy McKellar

Kitchen Help: **OPEN** (1)

21 Friday Social

-TBD, OD

Bar Hosts: Karen Hiatt

Bonnie Gardner

Food Host/Clean-up: OPEN (2)

28 Friday Social/Potluck

-Tom McNeill, OD

Bar Hosts: Janine McNeill

Barrie Clevland

Kitchen Help/Clean-up: Paul and Eileen Sverchek

OPEN (1)



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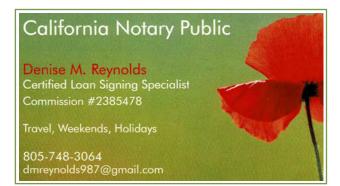
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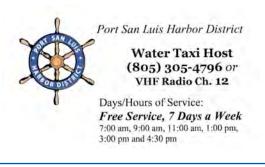


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