



View From the Bridge

by Bret Clark, Commodore

A hoy everyone! General Membership Meeting:

Please be sure to try to attend our General Membership Meeting on Friday, November 3, at 1800. All voter-eligible memberships should have received a notice for the meeting as well as the approved officer slate. This year, there are no proposed changes to our bylaws or constitution, and I am happy to report that the slate is complete. Being an officer gives one a unique perspective on what it takes to keep this club running. It can be very informative and rewarding. Moving forward, I encourage all of you to consider serving on the board. If you would ever like to discuss how you might serve and in what capacity, I would be happy to talk to you.

Volunteer Service:

I am pleased to report that we continue to add to the number of members who are certified to be behind the bar. This year's new service opportunity, Food Host/Clean-up has been very popular, and the members have appreciated more substantial hors d'oeuvre offerings. As I look over the remaining months and the volunteer openings, I see that there are a few openings left in each of the remaining months. Please check Time to Sign-Up (https://www.timetosignup.com/sanluisyc/folder/10389/) and sign up for the few remaining openings. I know that there are a sufficient number of you who have yet to complete your second service requirement and hope that we will be able to finish the year without having to cancel any events.

Small Boat Program Update:

With a heavy heart, I submitted to the board, a recommendation by the Small Boat Committee to sell the Club's Hobie Waves. This

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program was started with the best of intentions, but has struggled to find a base of people who use them. These boats are a lot of fun to sail, but the challenge of transporting them from the club to the launch area and rigging them was a bit too much for most of us. We are currently determining a fair price for the boats and will offer the sale first to the Membership before the general public. Please be sure to check the Scuttlebutt over the next couple of weeks for more details.

New Membership:

We will have more openings for Flag Membership in 2024 than we have had recently. If you know someone who would be a good addition to the club, please be sure to bring them around to the club during our events. This is a great way for them to meet club members and to ensure that the club is a good fit. Jr. Staff Commodore, **Ken San Filippo**, will be chairing the New Membership Committee in 2024. Please look for important dates and other New Membership announcements in the Scuttlebutt, and on page 3 of this Foghorn, or contact Ken at jrstaffcommodore@slyc.org.

Appreciate One Another:

This year has been very difficult for many of our members. Several of you have been injured, some significantly, and others have experienced the loss of a loved one. My mom gave my family a big scare this past month as well. During these times, it really hits home how precious and fragile life is. I hope to spend a little more time appreciating the relationships that I have, and the very special role that this club and you play in my life.

Take care of one another, $-Bret \stackrel{\circ}{\downarrow}$

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." —Maya Angelou

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Vice Views

by Bob Hurd, Vice Commodore

A hoy! As Vice Commodore I am supposed to monitor membership volunteer sign ups in Time To Sign Up (TTSU). As I look into the fourth quarter of the year and the number of unfilled volunteer spots for rest of the year, I am thinking I need to find a Knute Rockne fourth quarter speech to motivate you all to step up and give one for the Gipper.

Or, I could look at the database of all of the members who have completed none or only one service and assign a scarlet letter to each member on that list and conspicuously post a copy of the list for all to see.

I would rather not have to do either; give a motivational speech or shame members who have not provided service to the Club.

As of writing this, there are openings in TTSU for the following:

9/22/23	Friday Social	Bar Host, Food Host/Clean-up
10/6/23	Friday Social	2 Food Host/Clean-up
10/8/23	Brunch	2 Clean-up
10/20/23	Halloween	Bar Host, Chief Cook,
		Asst. Cook, 2 Clean-up

If you know you have done no service or only one, please go to TTSU and sign up.

On a more positive note, the end of the month potlucks continue to be very popular well attended events.

Over thirty-five people were at the most recent potluck on August 25. The Chief Cook was member **Tim Waag** with member **Keith Pellemier** assisting with chicken. Members **Pat Hood** and **Georgi Peterson** tended bar and clean-up was handled by members **Januaryet Leonard** and **Margie Hurd**. I was OD that night.

I was reminded that the funds in the potluck duck "Nipsy" go to perpetuate the next potluck—which in September will be schnitzel. Don't miss it.

Wet Wednesdays are one of my favorite events and on September 13 there were two boats, "Second Wind" and "Amelie", on the water with a total of seven members.

"Amelie" sailed out to the Souza Rock buoy and back and "Second Wind" stayed out a little longer, with a total of seven people.

It was a very nice afternoon sail for both boats.

Back at the Clubhouse, Jr. Staff Commodore **Ken San Filippo** and bar hosts **Anthony Reynolds** and **Kathy Johnson** with **Connie Bruton** in the kitchen made a Costco lasagna dinner seem like a Michelan meal.

Evenings like the last Wet Wednesday are for me what make our Club special, and I want to keep that momentum going.

Personally, I have almost finally finished the Camp Roberts Safety Roadside Rest Areas and hope to try and assimilate to retirement and work less.

On a closing note, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, the Committee has been looking at the Clubs finances and will be making recommendations to the Board of Directors probably next month. The recommendations will include a 20% increase in dues, build reserves to cover the expected costs for capital replacement costs, improved financial reporting, and optimize returns on funds not needed short term.

> See you at the Club... -Bob 🕹



From the Rear Commodore

by Joe Montgomery, Rear Commodore

reetings Yacht Club members.

I would like to take a moment to thank everyone who contributed their time and effort to make "JAZZ AND JAMBALAYA" a success this past August 19th. I'll start at the bar. A big thank you to **Michael Ginn** for volunteering to be the OD on such a busy night, **Carter McGowen** for providing mixed drinks, **J Johnson** and **Kathy Johnson** for keeping the beer and wine flowing. Terry Whitney, Brenda Noakes and Carrie Ginn for decorating the club. Dan and Georgina Pease for running the galley and giving the dish washer a good workout. My lovely wife, Molly Montgomery for making a "Caramel Bourbon Pecan Pound Cake". Unfortunately, none to take home. A big thanks to Wayne Harmari and Kathleen Stewart for making and designing the poster and finding Papa J to prepare the authentic southern dinner. Live music provided by "JAZZ AND JAMBALAYA" seven piece jazz band that provided the sounds for the evening. Thank you all, who made it possible, for buying tickets and participating. Without you, this event could not happen.

On another note, it seems that most of the time there is an Avila Cup Race, there's not much wind for us sailors to compete. Maybe a half knot of wind at the start, which is quite painful, or just no wind at all. So, I'm putting in an unofficial complaint to the wind gods. You know who you are. Perhaps, you are Anemoi the four wind gods in greek mythology representing all four directions or Zephyrus the gentle west wind. I'll even take that or, how about Boreas



Jr. Staff Commodore Report

by Ken San Filippo, Jr. Staff Commodore

ello SLYC Members.

As we plan for the 2024 new membership applications, please take the time to review the following information to become familiar with the new member application process and timeline of dates.

If you have someone in mind or asked to be a sponsor for membership to the club, please note the dates and sponsor responsibilities. I have also added informational night dates this year that I will be available at the club to talk with any potential members. (Dates are provided under interested in becoming a member)

New Membership information / Timeline and Dates:

The New Member selection committee will consist of myself Jr. Staff Commodore Ken San Filippo as the Committee Chair and five flag members TBD.

Club applications will be handed out only at the in-person application meetings.

Due to a 200 Flag member cap—Openings for new members are unknown until after the club's membership dues payment for 2024 closes on 1/31/2024. Although I am projecting 4-6 openings. The board will be confirming exact membership openings at the February 8, 2024, Board meeting.

Due to club membership timeline constraints, the time frame process is tight from the application stage to the interview time to March board approval of new members. With a short timeline the following two application meeting dates are scheduled for Thursday January 18 and Tuesday, January 23 at 6:30 pm at the SLYC. Applicants only attend one of the two meetings.

Those interested in becoming a member on the following dates Jr. Staff commodore (Ken San Filippo) membership chair, will be at the club's evening social events—scheduled on the following dates October 11, Nov 17, and December 1, to provide information about the SLYC and membership application process and dates.

Reminder – the new member application process was changed in 2023:

New members to apply must have 2 sponsors, one of the

the North wind; however he comes in the winter. Which ever, one would be welcomed. So don't be shy, I'll be looking for you.

Signing off for now.

Smooth Sailing, —Joe 🕹

sponsors will need to have known the applicant for a minimum of 1 year. Both sponsors must be willing to help mentor the new member with the required 6 onboarding events to complete during their probationary flag membership year, not the 2 required service time commitments.

Sponsors (Honorary or Flag members) must be Members in Good Standing and one of the two sponsors 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, and a willingness to assist with the new member mentoring / and required 6 onboarding events.

Members can sponsor only one applicant.

New members are probationary Flag members their first-year contingent on completing the 6-onboarding events requirement prior to November 2024.

Two applications meetings are scheduled—applicants with sponsors attend only 1 of the 2 meeting dates.

Applications will only be distributed at the applications meetings scheduled for January 18 and 23 at the SLYC.

Perspective members, and spouse, must attend the application meeting with their sponsor (s) who signs their application.

Important Dates:

Thursday 1/18 and Tuesday 1/23, 2024, Application Meetings at 6:30 pm at the SLYC. Applicants only attend one of the two meetings.

Friday 2/9/2024 by 8 pm, completed new member application from the applicants including their sponsors forms must be received as a PDF file by Jr. Staff Commodore Ken San Filippo.

Applications are to be send as one PDF attachment via email send to (kensfsloca@yahoo.com). Note - Jr Staff Commodore will reply to applicant to confirm receipt of application when received.

Sunday 2/18/2024, applicants selected for an interview will be contacted by Jr. Staff Commodore Ken San Filippo via email with an interview time slot.

Saturday 2/24/2024, Interviews scheduled at the club in person (Time to Be determined /10 am - 4 pm).

Thursday 3/7/2024, Membership chair forwards members selected to the SLYC board for approval. Note per bylaws approved in 2023, new members will be considered probational flag members their first year and must complete during their probational period 6 onboarding events (TBD with the member and Jr. Staff Commodore membership chair) this is in addition to their 2 required service time commitments.

Saturday 3/9/24, 10:30 -12:30 PM at club – A Required new member orientation meeting is scheduled for the new members selected (not sponsors). A brunch will be served / with a meet and greet social time with the flag officer team. In addition to the orientation to the club, new members onboarding activities requirement will be discussed that will need to be completed prior to Nov 2024. Members will also receive their club's name tags, card key access and a

picture will be taken for the club directory. New members are required to pay their one-time initiation fee and SLYC annual dues at this event.

Saturday 4/13/24, Noon – projected date – 2024 club calendar not approved until Dec 2023. New members will be asked to attend – the 87Th annual San Luis Yacht Club Opening Day held at the club so that they can be introduced to the membership, sponsors present would be nice but not required. *Best*,

-Ken 🕹



Power Report

by Pat Mullen, Power Captain



CA Boaters Card-Do you have yours?

Beginning Januaryuary, it will be required for everyone under the age of 60. If you don't have one, you can take the required course to obtain one this month in person, put on by the US Coast Guard Auxiliary. It is a one-day class, Saturday, October 28, 8:00 – 4:00, at the SLO Elks Lodge, 222 Elks Land, SLO. Cost is \$35. Register by October 25. Contact Dave Naumann at dnaumann23@gmail.com or 408-497-5667. Space is limited so act now, and let him know you are with SLYC.

Ocean Races

Chase Boat was skippered and crewed by Jack Luxton and John Stocksdale during the September 10th Ocean Races. Weather was sunny and warm, but wind was very



light. Thanks to Jack and John for running Chase that day. The next Ocean Race is October 1, and Chase will be crewed by **Randy Kingsbury** and **Bob Hurd**. Thanks in advance to Randy and Bob for skippering and crewing Chase for our last race of the season on October 1. Also, thanks for **Mike Ginn** for offering to tow Chase out to the Port and back for that race.

Coast Guard Auxiliary Boat Safety Inspections

On Friday, September 8, Chase Boat passed its safety inspection with flying colors! USCG Auxiliary representative, Dave Naumann, conducted a safety inspection of Chase Boat. Dave was complimentary of our committee boat and after passing inspection affixed a new Vessel Safety Check sticker. If you would like to schedule a courtesy safety inspection of your vessel, contact Dave Naumann at the address or phone number listed above, and let him know you are with SLYC.

> Cheers, −Pat 🕹



Jack Luxton and John Stocksdale loading sailing crew members to ferry to their sailboats prior to the races Sept. 10.

Jay Johnson

May 12, 1947 - August 6, 2023



Jay Johnson was a member of the San Luis Yacht Club since 2015 and is survived by his wife Debbie Collins. "Veteran (Purple Heart), Writer, Author, Athlete, Businessman, Family Man, and Dear Friend". These are the words of a good friend, used to describe the life of Jay. Born Jay Clark Johnson at Mountain View Hospital in San Luis Obispo May 12, 1947. Jay attended Sinsheimer Elementary and graduated from San Luis Obispo High School class of 1966 lettering in basketball, baseball, and golf. He enlisted in the US Army and was inducted March 14, 1967. Private Johnson received a Letter of Commendation being one of only 40 out of 45,000 trainees to achieve the maximum score on the combat test. Jay was sent to the front lines of Vietnam where he was wounded in combat in October of 1968 and received a Purple Heart Medal for his service. After his return, Jay then graduated from UCLA March 22, 1974, receiving his Bachelor of Arts from The College of Letters and Science. At UCLA he found his passion for writing, books, and movies. Many residents of San

Luis Obispo may remember Jays video store located in the family building E. E. Long Appliance and Piano in downtown San Luis Obispo. Upon his retirement Jay and his wife Debbie enjoyed living in Avila Beach and traveling and exploring around the world. Jay was a member of the San Luis County Golf Club, San Luis Obispo Bike Club, and San Luis Yacht Club. Jay is survived by his wife Debbie Collins-Johnson, son William Johnson, son Cooper Johnson, stepson Travis Collins, stepdaughter Carrie Collins, grandsons Owen, Waylon, and Duke, brother Jerry Johnson many nieces, nephews and lifetime friend and golf partner Perry Peterson. (Except for the first sentence, the obituary was printed in the San Luis Obispo Tribune.)

> Respectfully submitted, Kathleen O'Neill, SLYC "Sunshine" Chair

Sunshine Committee

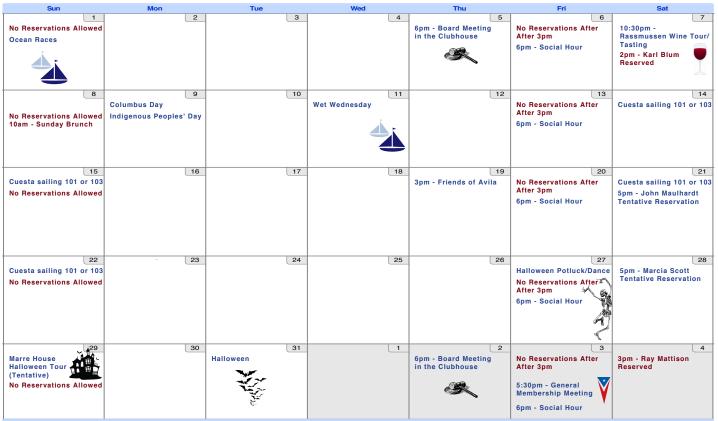


Remember to notify Kathleen O'Neill, Chairperson of the Sunshine Committee, of any illnesses, injuries, or surgeries of Club Members who may need some get well wishes and support from other Club Members. Please also notify her of the passing of any Club Member or their family members so that she may 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'Neill
 Sunshine Committee

Events Calendar

October 2023



November 2023

29	30	31				
Marre House Halloween No Reservations Allowed		Halloween	1	6pm - Board Meeting in the Club	3 No Reservations After 3pm	4 RESERVED 3pm - Ray Mattison
				×.	5:30pm - General Membership Meeting 6pm - Social Hour	
5	6	7	8 Wet Wednesday	9	10 No Reservations	11 Cuesta sailing lessons
No Reservations Allowed		RE\$SERVED 5pm - Pali Kai	wet weunesuay		After 3pm	Staff Appreciation Dinner
Daylight Saving Time		General Membership Meeting			6pm - Social Hour	Mh
PALLBACK		Election Day	4			VETERANS DAY
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Cuesta sailing lessons No Reservations Allowed				3pm - Friends of Avila	No Reservations After 3pm	Cuesta sailing lessons RESERVED
					6pm - Social Hour	1pm - Steve Dahl
19 Cuesta sailing lessons	20	21	22	23 Thanksgiving Day	24 No Reservations	25
No Reservations Allowed					After 3pm	
					6pm - Social Hour	
26 No Reconvertions Allowed	27	28	29	30	No Reservations	4mm Description Contact
No Reservations Allowed					No Reservations After 3pm 6pm - Social Hour	4pm - Decorating Contest 6pm - Lighted Boat

Bar Host/OD Schedule

October 2023

6 Friday Social

-Bill McInerney, OD Bar Hosts: Reid Hester Cindy and Jason Vormbaum Food Hosts/Clean-up: Kate McInerney OPEN (1)

8 Sunday Brunch



- Pat Mullen, OD Bar Hosts: Mark Plassard Steve DeRose Chef Cook: Michael Larrabee Assist. Cook: Margie Hurd Kitchen Crew/Clean-up: Sharon Rosenfeld Mark Hawes

OPEN (1)

11 Wet Wednesday



-Kristin Rasmussen, OD Bar Hosts: Tom Capen Barbara and Joe Boud Chef Cooks: Scott and Karen Negri Cook Crew/Clean-up: Connie Bruton

13 Friday Social

-Bret Clark, OD Bar Hosts: Joe Caradonna Steve Johnson Food Hosts/Clean-up: Julie Caradonna Tina Radovich

20 Friday Social

-Kristin Rasmussen, OD Bar Hosts: Quinn Plante OPEN (1)

Kitchen Help/Clean-up: Ski Kaminski Hal Hannula 🤌

27 Friday Halloween Dinner/Dance

Joe Montgomery, OD
Bar Hosts: J and Kathy Johnson OPEN (1)
Chef Cook: OPEN (1)
Assist. Cook: OPEN (1)
Crew/Clean-up: OPEN (2)





November 2023

Friday Social / General Membership Meeting

 Tom McNeill, OD
 Bar Hosts: Januaryine McNeill
 Kathy Metcalf
 Kitchen Help/Clean-up: Brian Metcalf
 Paul and Tracy Schiro

 8 Wet Wednesday

 Kristin Rasmussen, OD
 Bar Hosts: Karen Silva
 Barrie Cleveland
 Chef Cook: Carol Nylander



Cook Crew/Clean-up: Georgina Pease 10 Friday Social — Tom Swem, OD Bar Hosts: Berenice Parsons Doug Parish Food Hosts/Clean-up: Molly Montgomery

Catherine Ulrich

11 Saturday Staff Appreciation Dinner —Mike Davis, OD



Bar Hosts: Ken McDaniel Leland Swenson Chef Cooks: Paul and Tracy Schiro Assist. Cooks: Deborah and Leland Swenson Cook Crew: Sharon and Ken McDaniel Clean-up: Tina Radovich Kevin Williams

17 Friday Social

-Bill McInerney, OD Bar Hosts: Richard Scangarello Karen Silva Food Hosts/Clean-up: Gary Silva Warren Ristow



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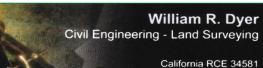
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