

A Message from the Jr. Staff Commodore K. San Filippo & Commodore B. Hurd, 2025 membership chair.

Regarding - 2025 New Member Applications – Information & Timeline of Dates

Hello members of the SLYC

As we plan for the 2025 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 informal informational night dates to be available at the club to talk with any potential members. **(Dates are provided under interested in becoming a member)**

Information for the 2025 membership drive besides this informational sheet posted at the club - will be published in the October Foghorn, in various Scuttlebutts and a link has been posted on our club's web page.

New Membership information / Timeline and Dates:

The 2025 New Member selection committee will consist of **Bob Hurd** rbrt@gmail.com / 805.550.9071 text as the Committee membership chair and five flag members TBD.

Club applications will only be available at the in-person **application meetings**. Jan 16 & Jan 21 @6:30pm. Bring your laptop to download the application or sponsor form. **(Forms will be posted only the night of the 2 meetings)**

Due to a 200 Flag member cap – Openings for new members are unknown until after the club's membership dues payment for 2025 closes on 12/31/2024. Although were projecting 4-6 openings. The board will be confirming membership openings at the February 6, 2025, Board meeting.

Due to club membership timeline constraints, the time frame process is tight from the application stage to the interview time to meet the March board approval of new members. With a short timeline the following two application meeting dates are scheduled **for Thursday Jan 16 & Tuesday Jan 21, 2025, at 6:30 pm at the SLYC. Applicants & sponsors only attend one of the two meetings.** Application/sponsor forms to be downloaded at the meeting (s)

Those **interested in becoming a member or have questions** - On the following dates please give Commodore B. Hurd, 2025 membership chair, a heads up in advance via email or text, to be available at the club's evening social events to informally answer questions / discuss the applicant process on the following dates **10/18, 11/15, & 12/6.**

FYI - New members are not required to attend any of these 3 listed informational nights. Please pre contact Commodore, Bob Hurd 2025 membership chair if you have a potential applicant prior to coming to the dates listed

Reminder the new member process & requirements changed per bylaws in 2023: & in 2024 applications went paperless

1. New members to apply must have 2 sponsors, one of the two sponsors will need to have known the applicant for a minimum of 1 year. Note: Sponsors cannot recommend new members until after their 3rd year of membership.
2. 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.
3. Sponsors (Honorary or Flag members) must be Members in Good Standing, club members for 3 or more years 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 the required 6 board approved onboarding (OB) events. (OB list to be provided to new members at the orientation meeting)

4. Members can sponsor only one applicant per year. (refer to item 3)
5. New members are probationary Flag members their first-year contingent on completing the 6-onboarding events requirement prior to November 6, 2025. (JSC will monitor progress during the probationary period)
6. Two application meetings are scheduled at the club – applicants with sponsors attend only 1 of the 2 meeting dates.
7. Applications provided only at the meeting – note members/sponsors bring a laptop will need to download the forms while at the meetings scheduled for Jan 16 & 21 at the SLYC. (must attend one of them)
8. Perspective members, and spouse, must attend the application meeting with their sponsor(s). **Bring a laptop**

Important Dates: SLYC

Friday socials October 18, November 15, & December 6 – **These are general interest talks – not required to attend** – sponsors please give Commodore Hurd, 2025 membership chair a heads up via email / text – to be available to meet potential applicants who have an interest in applying for membership. A laptop will be needed for the January meeting.

Thursday 1/16 and Tuesday 1/21/2025, Application Meetings at 6:30 pm at the SLYC. Applicants & Sponsors need to attend only one of the two meetings. (Application/sponsor forms to be downloaded at the meeting) Need laptop.

Friday 2/7/2025 by 8 pm, completed new member application from the applicants including their sponsors forms must be received as one PDF file 2/7/25, 8pm by Jr. Staff Commodore, Bob Hurd, 2025 membership chair.

Applications are to be send as one PDF attachment via email send to **Jr. Staff Commodore, membership chair Bob Hurd** rbrt@gmail.com **Note** - Jr Staff Commodore will confirm receipt of application to applicant.

Sunday 2/16/2025, applicants selected for an interview will be contacted by Jr. Staff Commodore (Bob Hurd) via email with an interview time slot.

Saturday 2/22/2025, Interviews scheduled at the club in person (Time to Be determined /10 am - 4 pm).

Thursday 3/6/2025, Membership chair forwards members selected to the SLYC board for approval. Note per bylaws approved in 2022, new members will be considered probational flag members their first year and must complete by 11/6/25 their 6 required onboarding events per a board approved plan listing of various events. Specific events TBD with the member & JSC, membership chair) in addition to their 2 required service time commitments.

Saturday 3/22/2025, 10:00 -12:30 PM at club – (check in 10 am / Brunch 10:30) 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 (OB) activities requirements will be discussed (a board approved designated listing of OB events will be provided). The OB plan due April 30 to JSC– activities need to be completed prior to Nov 6, 2025. 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.

By Mid April – B.Hurd, will contact new members as a follow up specific to any questions / concerns to complete OB form.

Saturday 4/12/ 2025, Noon – **projected date** – 2025 club calendar not approved until Dec 2024. New members will be asked to attend – the 88th annual San Luis Yacht Club Opening Day held at the club so that they can be introduced by the Commodore to the membership, sponsors present would be nice but not required.

Best - B. Hurd, Commodore (2025 membership chair) rbrt@gmail.com / 805.550.9071 text