

Light *Westerlies*

Tiburon Yacht Club



Latitude 37° 54' N.

Paradise Cay
Tiburon, California



Longitude 122° 28' W.



COMMODORE'S COMMENTS



by Shirley Vaughan

Lots to talk about this month, lots of thank you's to go around, and lots coming up too! This is almost looking like a real Westerlies, so sit back and enjoy.

As I am beginning to see the light at the end of the Commodore's tunnel, I have been reflecting on the year as it flies by, and what I hope to accomplish in the remaining few months. I'm not sure about what has been accomplished so far; this is like a second full time job for me, and I do wish I had more time to properly devote to the club. I think this year may end up being more about quality than quantity, and I guess that's not so bad.

The Board has had a lot of discussion about how to attract new members and retain existing members who don't come around much. Please plan to attend the **General Meeting on Sep 8**, and bring your ideas pertaining to membership. We are in general agreement that the club needs to be more inclusive. Boating will remain the focus and the priority, but it seems there is room for non-boaters as well. Especially if you consider they will help the club survive so that we can continue to enjoy our boating events.

With that in mind, we are going to host a few Open Houses, where we invite the Cay and nearby communities to come and enjoy live music, appetizers, meet the members, and just see what we are about. I hear as new folks move into the area, they are wondering what is that building out there? Let's show them! So, mark your calendars for a **Happy Hour on Sep 15**. We will probably send an invitation via Nextdoor or other social media, but it is always more meaningful to get a personal invitation, so please feel free to reach out to your neighbors who might enjoy all the club has to offer.

The **Salmon Derby** is this weekend, and it looks likely we will have plenty of salmon, and maybe not enough people to help us eat it! Please sign up ASAP to feast, and to help.

And then there's the **Commodore's Picnic and Cruise Sep 22-24**. I gotta admit, I've never been to a Commodore's Cruise, and I'm really not much of a cruiser; *I am a racer*. So, I will use my naiveté as an excuse and completely reinvent this cruise to appeal to cruisers, racers, boaters of

all kinds, BBQ lovers, water sports enthusiasts of all ages and skill levels, music fans, and everybody else who likes hanging out with this great group of people known as the Tiburon Yacht Club. And you are all my invited guests, as my way of saying thanks for all you do. You don't have to do anything! Just come and relax, enjoy all the activities, and the food, and the music. It's my treat, with help from Jerry and the San Rafael YC. Oh, and it's worth noting the weather gods like San Rafael a lot.

The tides are favorable for arrivals and departures in the afternoons, and more details about that can be found on the Cruising page. Driving there for the day or evening is also an option. There will be a simple BBQ of burgers Friday night, and there are restaurants and shopping within a few blocks. Saturday will be free watersports all day long; dinghy races (compete for the Commodore's trophy), lessons for kids if there is interest, kayaks and paddleboarding courtesy of 101 Surfsports, and other kid activities as well. Have you been to Terrapin Crossroads yet? It is right next door to the YC, and they have the most amazing outdoor kid-friendly play area, happy hour music in the bar 7 days a week, and music with Sunday brunch.

But, the part I am most excited about is the **MUSIC at San Rafael YC Saturday night**, during and after the BBQ brisket feast Jerry will prepare for us. We found this band (that's a whole story for another time) that is willing to play for a deeply discounted price (bring on the tips!!) for us. They are called the 7th Sons, featuring some artists you may know about (Davey Pattison, vocalist for Robin Trower and Ronnie Montrose, for one) and we enjoyed the one "dinner set" we saw so much, I just had to have them to entertain you. Keeping the Summer of Love vibe alive, think Buffalo Springfield, Marshall Tucker, Jesse Colin Young, Creedence, Procul Harum Whiter Shade of Pale, ... You will be singing along to every word, and will not be able to stay in your seat. I suspect it even gets a little livelier later in the evening, after the dinner set.

So, this 'cruise' instantly became a major partay! I know there are music fans among us, and please invite your friends, and their friends. \$25 for dinner will include the cover charge, and for those who want to come just for the music, there will be a \$10 cover. We're still figuring out what time they will start, maybe as early as 6 or 7. Watch for more details.

-Cruise News-



For the **Delta Cruise** the last week in July, TYC partnered with Petaluma Yacht Club. TYC participants were: Cami and Jeff Noble on Cherry K, George Federighi on Reel Deal, and Walt and Nancy Bilofsky on Golden Phoenix.

Some boaters started Friday at Pittsburgh YC with a delicious dinner, followed by PYC members Ted and Sherri Adams' cocktail party on their boat Americana. Then, two nights at Marina West YC, which is at Ox Bow marina with a swimming pool.

MWYC also cooked us a great dinner Sat. PYC members Mac and Francesca Smith had everyone over for a cocktail party on their boat Lady Francesca on Sun. The highlight was staying at Delta YC with all their amenities, like golf, fully equipped indoor kitchen, swimming pool, walking paths, and dog park.

Cami Noble baked fresh brownies and shared them with everyone, Nancy learned Mexican train dominoes and played every day, and the Nobles and George enjoyed some water skiing!



And coming up is the **Tinsley Island Five Star Cruise** on Sep 29-Oct 1, celebrating Oktoberfest. Sounds like a good time! Contact cruise leader [Trip Ames](#) and let him know your plans.





Join the Tiburon Yacht Club, Corinthian Yacht Club, San Francisco Yacht Club, Marin Yacht Club, and the Sausalito Yacht Club at the

Tinsley Five Star Cruise

Join us in the beautiful California Delta to celebrate Oktoberfest on Tinsley Island!

September 29th - October 1st

Dominoes, bocce, games, & live music

Table decorating contest, Saturday catered dinner

Themed Cocktail Party: bring a costume! (two drink tickets!)

\$60/person cruise fee; \$125/night docking fee (\$65 additional for each night after)
RSVP through your club's office or website!

-Around the House-

A new, sometimes, feature for Westerlies, when there is this much going on. You may recall we had a major water leak a few months back, which turned out to be three separate leaks. Much effort went into locating and fixing them, including the biggest problem, which was quite deep and under a large drain. Robert Clark headed up the repair team, with assistance from Bill Hoehler and Snorre Grunnan. We are pleased to report that our water bill is now back to 2013/14 levels. Phew! Thanks to all who helped.

There was a work party Sunday July 30th to tackle some projects that needed attention. This included lowering of the flagpole for sanding, priming, repainting, and new shackles, a thorough cleaning of the BBQ, replacement of burned out light bulbs both inside and out, cleaning/organizing the Galley, repair of leaking faucets, and inflating the tires on the chair rack. Minor tasks, but needed to keep our house in order, and our team was finished and enjoying lunch by 12:30. A big thank you to our volunteers, including Peter Schoen, David Anderson, Patty Cerf, Bill & Susan Hoehler, Ian Matthew, Hal Mooz, Steve Nimz, Dick Selmeier, and Lon & Susie Woodrum. A few of those folks came back a few days later and were joined by Gary Greene, Gerry Gunn, Snorre Grunnan, Harry Blake, and Janine Wilford to put the flagpole back in place. The gaff now points towards the bay, so the stars and stripes can fly more freely! THANK YOU ALL!



And last but not least, we think it would be good idea for a few of our regular galley helpers to have a [Food Handler Certificate](#) on file with the Health Department. It costs \$15 and takes less than an hour (as I recall) to complete online. I went to a class and got the Food Manager cert that is good for five years (required by the Health Dept), and even though we are not a restaurant with employees, it may or may not be mandatory, but it's a really good idea if any of you are interested. Please let me know.

-Family Fun-



Another new feature! TYC really wants to accommodate our members with young families, and bring more into the fold. This is our future, folks, and your help is appreciated welcoming the young, as well as the young at heart.

I want to remind you about a great Mommie and Me activity that TYC hosts every Monday morning 9:30-10:30 am in the clubhouse.

The Monday Playdate is a great way for moms with little ones to start the week. Cost is \$10 for the first child, and \$5 each for siblings; drop ins and non-members are welcome. Invite your friends with wee ones to check it out, or contact shannon.kaiser for more info.

We are also working on other family events, such as a movie night. If you have any ideas, or are willing to help host such an event, please reach out to Jen at jmatneyirwin@yahoo.com.

-Race Notes-

Thanks to Cam Tuttle and Susie Woodrum (okay, let's just acknowledge right now that Susie does EVERYTHING), who headed up the Race Committee for all those great Friday night races. The season ended too soon for some, and we're already looking forward to next year.



The **Moseley Regatta** was a big success, with lots of helpers on and off the water. Delicious barbecued oysters! Thank you Steve Nimz, Cam Tuttle, Ann Watson, Tracy Hanson, Hillary Johnson, Ian Matthew, Gerry Gunn, Bill and Susan Hoehler, Dave Eichhorn, Jerry McNulty, Dave and Pellie Anderson, Lon and Susie Woodrum, Patty Cerf, and I bet I even missed a few.

The **Joan Storer Regatta** is coming up on Oct. 14th, and while the details are still being worked out, we want to make it an event for all members to participate in, as in a **big party afterward**, and maybe a silent auction or raffle to raise money for the Hirshberg Foundation for Pancreatic Research. If you have ideas for sponsors or trophies, please pass them on to [Mariellen Stern](mailto:Mariellen.Stern).

-Social Scene-

The last few Friday night dinners were a huge success, with great food and good friends, and unpredictable, fun racing. Big thanks to the Paradise Cay Gals Patty Cerf, Esther Mott, Carole Gunn, and Kelly Palaima, Susan Hoehler and Sondra Blake, The Dutts, Susie Woodrum, Karen Obley, and Rita Pirie, our hosts for the last dinners of the season, and while all their helpers are just too numerous to mention, you know who you are, and you know you are loved and appreciated! And we especially love our bartenders Eric Lyons, Tiffany Townsend, Jack Wernick, the Nobles, and anybody I forgot. Bartending is Fun! Please consider learning how.

TIBURON YACHT CLUB  PROUDLY PRESENTS

12TH ALMOST ANNUAL SALMON DERBY AND DINNER

Big Prizes!
Big Fun!
Fish Stories!

SATURDAY AUGUST 26, 2017

No entry fee!
A delicious feast!

CALLING ALL ANGLERS, Weighers, Recorders,
Filleters, Grillers, Salad Makers, Servers, Bartenders and Salmon Eaters!



August 26 Go Fish!
Be at the Club
for Weigh-in 4 - 5:30
Bar opens at 4
Dinner served around 7

Donation of fish for dinner is optional,
but greatly appreciated.



**ALL THE DETAILS
ONLINE AT
TYC.ORG**
SIGN UP TO: FISH,
EAT, OR HELP

**DINNER: \$15 ADULTS,
\$8 KIDS <12
\$20 NON-MEMBERS**

-PRIZES INCLUDE-



Two Duxbury Salmon Dredges from
West Marine \$80 value

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On the water in San Rafael



All TYC members and their guests are cordially invited to the

Commodore's Cruise

to San Rafael Yacht Club



Sep 22-24, 2017

Come by boat or by car, for the day or the weekend

GREAT Family Event!



Short boat ride over as a group or on your own

LOTS OF DOCK SPACE

Even shorter to drive there, and you might still get a tour of the canal by boat

SKIPPERS - sign up to take guests

NEW BOAT OWNERS - get lots of helpful advice

PASSENGERS - get a ride on someone else's boat



Casual BBQ Friday night,

Brisket & Ribs BBQ Saturday night,
and SPECIAL MUSICAL TREAT - The 7th Sons

only \$25, KIDS < 12 \$10.

\$10 Cover for Music alone
INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

LOTS MORE details at

TYC.org/cruise

Free

ON THE WATER
activities include
Dinghy Races
and lessons for kids

Compete for the
Commodore's Trophy!
PADDLEBOARDING
and **KAYAKING**
courtesy of



Terrapin Crossroads is right next door.
Great place for families to play or relax.

-New Members Corner-

Please join me in welcoming our newest member, Janine Wilford. Janine has been crewing on Cinnamon Girl for a while now, and sailed on the east coast as well. Her answer to the question “Why do you wish to join TYC?” “It’s a great group of people”. I couldn’t agree more, Janine. Glad to have you aboard.



-Upcoming Events-

Aug 26 - SALMON DERBY!! See attached flyer and sign up soon!

Aug 25-27 Drakes Bay Cruise - It's been a while since TYC has cruised outside the Gate. Petaluma YC is going to Drake's Bay and has invited TYC to come along. Contact Petaluma YC Cruise Chair at mfreeman@sonic.net

Sep 8 – General Meeting. Bar opens at 5:30, pizza and salad at 6, meeting starts at 6:30

Sep 9 – Tornberg Regatta

Sep 15 – Happy Hour with Live Music 5:30-7:30. Let’s show off our TYC hospitality!

Sep 22-24 – Commodore’s Picnic and Day or Weekend Cruise to San Rafael YC. Check out the flyer

Sep 29-Oct 1 – Oktoberfest Cruise to Tinsley Island.

Sep 30 – Short Handed Races

And looking ahead:

Oct 14 - Joan Storer Memorial Women’s Regatta. Watch for details

Oct 28 – Red Rock Regatta and Halloween Party. Got any ideas for a fun party theme? We’d love to hear them!

Nov 4 – Annual Race Awards Dinner

Nov 11 – Annual Meeting and Dinner

Nov 24 – Wild Turkey Race

Dec 9 – Holiday Party 2-5pm. Santa is all set! Admission is a toy for a deserving child.







Recurring Events:






Playdate – Mondays 9:30am

Mah Jongg – Mondays 2pm




















Tai Chi – Tuesdays 10am

OFFICERS

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**Eric would love to have a Co-Chair