

Light *Westerlies*

Tiburon Yacht Club



Latitude 37° 54' N.

Paradise Cay
Tiburon, California



Longitude 122° 28' W.



COMMODORE'S COMMENTS



by Shirley Vaughan

February was Fabulous at TYC!! Many Thanks to Jane Clark for the festive and delicious **Super Bowl 51** event, with that exciting comeback for the Patriots! Football fans huddled around the big screen TVs to socialize and enjoy the game. Eric and Sheila got extra points for taking us back in time to remember the beers and root beers from years gone by, including a fun sampling game of guessing the brewer. Just as in football, these events can't take place without a team effort, so **THANK YOUs** are on the roster! Ann Watson helped with planning, shopping, cooking, and serving. Carole and Gerry Gunn set up the club, and Carole along with Patty Cerf provided some delicious cornbread to go with the chili. Eric, Sheila, and Patty tended bar and ran the tasting game, Ann Tunney and Janet Wright helped set up, and Walt and Nancy Bilofsky helped clean up. Thank you, Jane and everyone, and apologies if we missed anyone who was on the field lending a hand.

And then there was **Chinese New Year!** Wow. The club was festive, the special cocktails were popular, the dinner was lavish, the costumes were impressive, and then, there were the dancers. Fresh from their appearance at the San Francisco Chinese New Year Parade earlier in the evening, the Yau Kung Moon Lion Dancers amazed us all. They have won many international contests, and conduct after school art programs at Bay Area middle and high schools. After what must have been an incredibly long day for them, they still posed for photo ops. It is believed that Lion Dance brings good luck, good health and prosperity, and I know everyone there really did feel blessed. We owe a huge debt of thanks to Michael Zhao and Carole Gunn, who made it happen. Michael prepared a spectacular Chinese feast with assistance from Freddie Greene, Suzanne Jolma, and Donna Gravely. Pellie Anderson made that great dessert. Gerry and Carole Gunn, Rita Pirie, Patty Cerf, and Jack Solomon did a fantastic job decorating. Ann Tunney, Jane Clark, and Jane Borodkin helped serve, and Nancy Bilofsky in her fabulous Chinese headdress, greeted guests at the door. Ian and Rene Matthew led the clean-up crew, and as always, our apologies if we left anyone out. **Thank you All!!**

And now **Looking Ahead**, please join me in welcoming **Ian Matthew** as **Vice Commodore** for 2017! As we wish the Desteins well on their next adventure in Minneapolis, Ian has agreed to step in and take another turn on the Flag. Come congratulate Ian and join the rest of the Board at a **General Meeting** on **Friday March 17**, and help us plan the rest of 2017. Now, that just happens to be **St. Patrick's Day**, so pizza and salad just won't do; we will have a traditional Irish feast

prepared by Chef Pia. Irish green salad, loaded with vegetables and granny smith apples, Irish soda bread, Corned Beef and Cabbage served with Colcannon potatoes, and Pistachio Ice Cream for dessert. Bar opens at 5:30, dinner will be served at 6, and the meeting will begin at 7. Only \$17/\$10 kids under 12. **RSVP appreciated by Wednesday March 15.** Please join us, and bring your ideas for events you would like to see happen this year, in addition to the great activities already on the calendar. There's always room for more, AND we need volunteers to help bring these events to life. These include:

Back by Popular Demand - The **Commodore's Cocktail Party and Guest Cruise** - Sunday April 9. Our sail and powerboats will take you and your friends for a short cruise from 2-4pm, before treating them to free drinks and potluck hors d'oeuvres at the club 4-6pm. Bring prospective members! Sign up at [Guest Cruise](#). **Skippers, please sign up to take guests out.**

Family Fun Brainstorming Session - Wednesday March 22 - 10am at the Club. TYC wants your ideas! Jen Irwin invites all young families to an informal discussion of how TYC can meet your needs. Come with ideas for fun club events! Feel free to bring little ones. [Let Jen know you're coming](#), or send her a note if you have ideas, but can't make the meeting.

Easter Party planning is underway for a fantastic **Saturday April 15** event! Crafts, Easter egg hunt, cupcake walk, Mimosas for mom and dad,... Contact [Jen Irwin](#) with your ideas for a fun morning for the little (and not so little) ones. Jen is enthusiastically heading up our effort to host more family events; let's support her!

Would you like to get out on your boat with the club, but don't have a whole weekend available? [Join the Discussion online in the new Cruisers Forum!](#) How about some good food and music on a day cruise to Angel Island or Sam's Anchor Café in downtown Tiburon, or Terrapin Crossroads in San Rafael? New boat owners can get help, or advice, or just have company for short day on the water. Skippers might invite non-boat owning members. Please chime in and let us know what dates, times, and destinations work for you and your family. Someone has already suggested a brunch cruise on Sunday March 19th, or Sunday April 2nd; how does that sound?? Let us know what you need to get out boating! Find the Cruisers Forum under Cruise on the website's main menu, and click "Subscribe" to follow the chats by email. Giants outing? Plans before or after the Delta Cruise? Let us hear from you.

Dues payments are still trickling in. The end is very, very near, and if you are delinquent as you read this, your name is about to be posted on the club bulletin board, where it will remain for 30 days, and then you will be dropped from the membership roll. We'll be devastated to see you go, so please don't let that happen.

So, lots going on, and I do hope to see you on the 17th.

Upcoming Events:

March 17 - [General Meeting and St. Patrick's Day Dinner](#)

March 22 – Family Fun Brainstorming Session - March 22 - 10am at the Club

March 24-26 - [Benicia Cruise](#) with Petaluma YC. Only 18 miles away, excellent marina, walk to restaurants and shops

April 1 - [Don Wan Regatta](#) - Two races; first gun at noon

April 1 - Matthew Turner Launch- [Tickets on sale now](#), and we will have a **Film Presentation May 20**

April 9 - Commodore's [Guest Cruise and Cocktail Party](#)

April 15 - Easter Party 10-noon

April 15 - RBYC Cruise in 5:30





General Meeting and St. Patrick's Day Feast Friday March 17th

**Bar Opens at 5:30
Dinner Served 6pm
General Meeting at 7pm**

*Enjoy Irish Green Salad, Irish Soda Bread,
Corned Beef and Cabbage served with Colcannon Potatoes
and Pistachio Ice Cream for Dessert*






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Then help plan Your Club Activities for 2017

RSVP's appreciated by March 15











Help needed with Set-up, Clean-up and Bartending












OFFICERS

Commodore	Shirley Vaughan	
Vice Commodore	Ian Matthew	
Rear Commodore	TBD	★
Secretary	Jen Irwin	
Treasurer	John Carter	
Past Commodore	Nancy Bilofsky	

Directors		
Patty Cerf		Doreen Clark 
Snorre Grunnan		Hal Mooz 
Lauren Selmeier		

STAFF AND COMMITTEES

Apparel	OPEN/Freddie Greene	
Building/House	Peter Schoen	
Historian	Bob Mott	
Membership	Jen Irwin	
Port Captain	Jon Price	
Race	Cam Tuttle/Robert Clark	 
Social	Michael Zhao	
Tidings	Jane Clark/Carole Gunn	 
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Bar	Eric Lyons**	
Cruise	Walt & Nancy Bilofsky	 
Marketing	Walt Bilofsky	
PICYA Delegates	Bob & Patty Cerf	 
Program	OPEN	★
Rentals	OPEN/Melanie Wegner	
Stores	Susan Hoehler	
Webmasters	Walt Bilofsky/Eric Lyons	 
YRA Delegate	Ian Matthew	

**Eric would love to have a Co-Chair