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Taco Tuesday
Established 2008 by

CMDR Rhonda Tolar, Paul deCapua
and Jerry Moulton

In 2008, Paul deCapua, Jerry Moulton and I had the brilliant idea to begin a summer sailboat race series hosted by BCYC. Thirteen years later, the Taco Tuesday Series is still going strong. As well as managing the race course, the club also hosts the fabulous Mexican buffet and after-race party, open to all members and racers. BCYC averages 75-100 sailors each week, with 18 PHRF boats and 26 Harbor 20s competing this year in the 16-week series.

Since the beginning, it has been a true joy to work with Paul. He and the Race Committee volunteers make up the great team that keeps the race moving along (wind permitting). Tammy Boivin, Linda Buchanan, Wendy Kerr and I keep the fun times going with the after-race raffle. So much work goes into this series. Thanks to the many people who make Taco Tuesday a huge success!



From left to right: Nicholas DeRoulhac, Jim O'Connor, Bob Kafka, Larry Klinger, CMDR Tolar, Russell Grant, Tim Richley, Debra Haynes, Peter Haynes, Mark Conzelman, Jocelyn Klinger, Philip Thompson, Steve Fink, Rose Henigman, Blake Thornley



Fabulous BCYC Taco Tuesday Staff!



From left to right: Wendy Kerr, Linda Buchanan, CMDR Rhonda Tolar and Tammy Boivin



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A Note from our Chaplain . . .

“True patriotism springs from a belief in the dignity of the individual, freedom and equality not only for Americans, but for all people on earth, universal brotherhood and good will, and a constant and earnest striving toward the principles and ideals on which this country was founded.”

~ Eleanor Roosevelt

Southern California Cruiser Association Navigation Rally

The BCYC Cruiser Navigation Rally team won the trophy for best navigational accuracy for a first-time entrant in the Bahia Corinthian Invitational contest of the Southern California Cruiser Association held on June 5. Team members were Macarena Crimmins, Michael Crimmins, Kari and Paul Konapelsky, Ronda and Rolf Rolnicki, Rhonda Tolar and Russell Grant.



Saving in the Summer for Cruisers

In a conversation with David Beek, owner of Island Marine Fuel, we wanted to let you know that they offer BCYC members a discounted rate. This rate is only available to BCYC, DPYC, BYC and NHYC members and is based on a tiered pricing scale. They also offer free coffee all day long.

To receive your discount, you must display your burgee on your boat or show a membership card, and they might even take a t-shirt or jacket, but they won't take your word for it. So, show some bling and get your savings.

David said: "Island Marine Fuel will gladly continue to give BCYC members a discount at our fuel dock. We love your members and appreciate their business. Also, as a reminder, Island Marine only pumps Valvtect Marine Fuels. We are the only fuel dock that provides premium diesel fuel, and our gasoline is pre-treated for ethanol and is stabilized for up to two years."

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Activities
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*Cars, Watermelon,
 Music*

Wow, what a great turnout for our Annual Father's Day buffet and car show. It was such a joy seeing all the fathers, grandparents and children enjoying this family event. As previously announced in the June *Masthead* article, the Art Show portion of the Father's Day event will return in 2022. Start painting now and we will put your magnificent work of art on display for all to see.

Come celebrate the Fourth of July at BCYC. There will be a barbecue on the pool patio from 5-8 p.m. Children under the age of 12 can participate in a watermelon-eating contest starting at 6 p.m. Reservations for this event are required. Please call the club office to reserve a spot for your family.

Friday, July 23, will be our first Lounge Night of 2021. Aged to Perfection, featuring our very own BCYC members Michael Bryant and Tim Whelan, will perform. Prepare to dance all night. This concert will be the hit of the summer. Make your reservations by calling the club office.

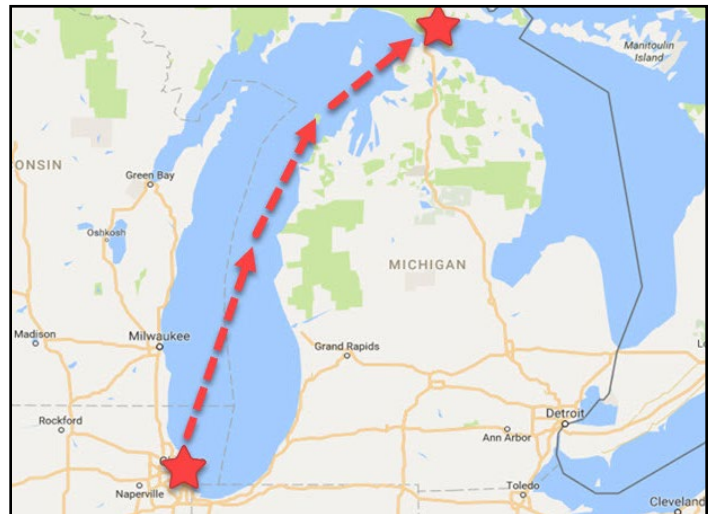
The Activities Committee meets every second Wednesday of each month. If you are interested in attending, please contact Artesha Harvey at bcycactivities@gmail.com.



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BIG MAC...NO FRIES

The 112th running of the Chicago to Mackinac Island race is scheduled for July 16. For those of you not familiar with this 333-mile race, it's the world's longest freshwater race – a wild ride on Lake Michigan with the fastest boat finishing in about 52 hours. All I can say is wow!



Our scaled-back versions of long-distance races are a bit less than 333 miles and are considerably easier for racers. For example:

AROUND THE ISLANDS – ATI consists of three days of racing with each day featuring a 21-mile round trip, around all three of the mid-channel oil islands. If you've never been "up close and personal" with an oil island, they are gigantic.

ARGOSY RACE – Another 21-mile race, this two-day regatta sails up to Long Beach and then back the next day for the 16-mile return leg. As mentioned last month, we are reviving the old NOSA Argosy Race and hope it will become another new favorite for racers around the area. We're offering the option to sail one day (NB to LB) or both days... with the intent to have racers from Long Beach participate.

BOGART RACES – "26 Miles Across the Sea" is the destination of the first race day of the Bogart. Depending on the wind, this can be a really fast (or slow) race, but it's all about "crossing the pond" and finishing at the Avalon Casino, then picking up your trophy at the group get-together. On the next day, we race back to Newport Beach and more fun at BCYC.

Do one series...or do all three!

Avalon Cruise





Staff Commodore Mary Bacon exchanging burgees with Commodore Lori Stadick at Indianapolis Yacht Club.





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What is Clambake?

Summer is here, which means cruising season is in full swing! The highlight of every summer at BCYC is Clambake. Now you might ask, what is Clambake? Clambake is our traditional cruise held in August when we travel to Catalina Island. It is there that we utilize a facility called Shultz's Landing, at the Del Rey Yacht Club facility, which comes complete with a dinghy dock, showers, restrooms, kitchen, barbeques, fire pit and bar. Once you see the facility, you will immediately think of Gilligan's Island, which just so happens to be our theme this year. This cruise is scheduled for Aug. 12-15.

If you need a mooring, we can get one for you in Cat Harbor. Just let us know when you sign up. Always make sure to sign up for a cruise so that we are prepared for all your smiling faces. You can do this by either calling the club office or going to our website and clicking on the "Cruise" tab. At the same time, please fill out a BCYC float plan, also available on the club website.

We will have loads of fun activities for all ages, including but not limited to: build-a-boat race (kits proved), kite flying, bean bag toss, bunco, appetizer contest, giant Jenga and much more. So, you see, there will be plenty to do for both adults and kids. This year, we are excited to present JBone & Porter, a band that will be performing for us Friday and Saturday evening. It will be great to dance the night away!

Our wonderful staff joins us on this cruise to provide all our cocktails and many delicious meals and, yes, we usually do have clams. We will offer a specialty cocktail for the duration of the cruise, along with any other cocktail of your choice, as the staff brings over a fully stocked bar. They work hard to make sure that we do not go hungry or thirsty on this cruise.

Make sure you sign up for Clambake today so as not want to miss all the fun. Let's all get shipwrecked together!

Estate Planning
Have you considered remembering BCYC in your estate planning?
Please contact
General Manager Scott Jones to discuss.

DID YOU KNOW ? Important Stuff

Did you know that like other businesses in the area, BCYC is running short staffed? Please be courteous and understanding with our staff as everyone works to gradually reopen the club. We appreciate our staff and are thrilled to have members at the club enjoying our beautiful facilities.

Did you know we try to schedule staff each week based on reservation count? Please continue to take the time to make a reservation by calling the club office. Large walk-in groups might not be able to be seated.

Did you know that our summer swimming pool hours are different during Camp Corinthian? From June 21-July 30, the pool will be open from 10 a.m. to dusk, Saturdays and Sundays. Starting Aug. 1, the pool will be open these same hours, Wednesday through Sunday. Please note that there will be no lifeguard so an adult must be present at all times.

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*Family Friendly
Festivities*

It's time to dive into summer! We have many family-friendly activities that you do not want to miss. Kicking it off in July is Friday Family Night, July 2, on the pool patio. There will be a different theme each Friday night with yummy food and great activities for the kids. The final FFN is July 23.

The Fourth of July celebration is a great time to come to the club and hang out poolside before the festivities begin. It is always a terrific opportunity to meet and mingle with new families. The barbecue, also on the pool patio, will be from 5-8 p.m. The watermelon-eating-contest for kids under 12 years of age begins at 6 p.m. Reservations for the barbecue and watermelon contest are required. Please contact the club office. We hope to see you there – summertime is the best at BCYC.

SHIP'S STORE

Summer is here and we have so many new items in the Ship's Store! Check out the lightweight jackets, sweatshirts and vests. Men, treat yourself with a Fourth of July Reyn Spooner shirt. We also have new tote bags, perfect for packing up your summer gear. Always check the rack in the lobby for the most current items. Is there something you would like to see in the Ship's Store? Please let us know.

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*Summer
Memories*

As summer is finally here, the weather is warm and the sun is shining brightly. This reminds me of the numerous trips to Two Harbors and staying on "A" row at Cherry Cove. Watching the sunset while eating Costco pot roast and mashed potatoes after a long day of swimming and enjoying the island. My brother, Max, and I would skimboard on the beach of Isthmus Cove every day. On our breaks we would get ice cream from the small general store. This is just one of the many memories that I will never forget from one of my favorite places in the world. I'm incredibly grateful that I am fortunate enough to experience this on a regular basis. I hope to be able to do more Catalina trips this summer.

"You can't wait until life isn't hard anymore before you decide to be happy."
Jane "Nightbirde" Marczewski from Zanesville, Ohio
(she has cancer with a 2 percent chance of surviving the year)



Food and Beverage

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Food and Beverage 101 - Refresher

As our country begins to gain some control of the COVID-19 pandemic and some normalcy is returning, there are changes that will occur as a result of the pandemic. BCYC is not exempt from having to make changes along with the rest of the world. Some of these changes are detailed here.

STAFFING – Many companies, including BCYC, are having a difficult time hiring staff. Some individuals are choosing to collect unemployment instead of returning to the work force and thus everyone is struggling to get quality workers. BCYC members must be patient and appreciative as our new staff gets oriented to their new positions and yacht club protocols. Please be gracious and understanding as we meet our new food and beverage staff.

MENU – As a result of the pandemic, prices for many food items have escalated, some as much as 20%. Because of this, BCYC is having to discontinue a few items from the dinner menu. Please be understanding and as time goes on, if food prices once again become more reasonable, these items might return. Check out the menu, as Chef Georges Rapicault has recently added

three new entrées, a new salad, appetizer and dessert. When a new item is added, one must be removed. Pickle fries are back and there is a new Greek salad on the Columbia Room menu with the option of adding chicken, shrimp or salmon.

SUNDAY NIGHT SUPPERS – Our first 2021 Sunday Night Supper, held in May, was a sellout. With an SNS planned for one Sunday night a month this year, our July supper will be July 18, and dinner choices will be pork ribs or salmon and corn on the cob. On Aug. 8, SNS will be a modified Taco Tuesday buffet. Bill Long's New England Lobster Night will be in September with lobster, Bill's New England Chowder and other favorites. Come join us for Sunday Night Suppers – reservations are required.

FRIDAY FAMILY NIGHTS – New this summer is Friday Family Nights with fun food and barbecue on the pool patio. Games and themed-food items will be served every Friday night in July. Come meet the kids and their families, who are participating in Camp Corinthian. ALL BCYC members are encouraged to be part of this new dining experience.

RESERVATIONS – Planning for food services is particularly challenging for BCYC. To ensure proper staffing and food provisions, it is important that we all make reservations in advance to allow Chef Georges to make his "grocery list" each week. If we wait to make our reservations until the last minute (if a reservation is still available), certain food items may not be available. Plan ahead! Things may never be what they used to be, but we are making every attempt to return to "normal" as we "reopen" the Friendliest Club on the Bay.



Rear Commodore

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Food, Food and Fun

This month, I will focus on our Food and Beverage Committee which is chaired by Michael and Nancy Means. They, together with our General Manager Scott Jones and Chef Georges Rapicault, comprise our very own F and B team. Monthly, the committee reviews all sales numbers from the previous month for food and alcohol/beer sales, by both brand and product, to determine what is and isn't popular. Based on these analyses, product purchases can be adjusted to fit the needs of our membership. In

addition, members can provide suggestions, raise concerns or questions, and discuss menu changes at these meetings. Of course, every now and then, the committee must sample new products or beverages when changes are made or when vendors replace a particular menu item (those are definitely the times you would want to attend these meetings).

So, you would think all of that is enough to keep this committee busy for the month – you would be wrong because there is more. They also work to create specialty dining events, such as Sunday Night Supper and Pop-Up Signature Dining. They assist with room setup and decor for such special events as Mother's Day, Father's Day, Taco Tuesday, Friday Family Night and other occasions that may be planned by the Activities Committee. All I can say is, if you love food (and who doesn't), you really should join this committee.

Staff Highlights



Juver Garcia - Maintenance Supervisor

Proper maintenance of our club's assets is something that many of us take for granted, but we rarely stop to realize what it takes to keep things "ship-shape" at BCYC. We are fortunate to have Juver Garcia, maintenance supervisor, and Mario Nieto, maintenance staff, to maintain our club in Bristol condition!

Juver is celebrating 40 years as a valued member of our BCYC staff. He started as a dishwasher in 1981, promoted to prep cook and accepted the position as maintenance worker in 1988. Until 2002, Juver was the sole maintenance person at the club. It was then, that Mario joined the Maintenance Department. This year, Mario celebrates 19 years as a valued team member! Their caring and dedication to their jobs contributes greatly to our pride and enjoyment of our club.

Juver and Mario are responsible for maintaining our club building (inside and out), the marina and docks, swimming pool and decks, the dry storage area and the parking lot (sweeping, line and arrow painting and signage). Not only are they responsible for maintaining the land-based assets of BCYC, they also maintain all of the club-owned boats, including *Emmi*, *Blue Star* and the two Duffys, *Membership* and *Membership II*. During the pandemic, and going forward, Juver and Mario have and will continue to follow CDC guidelines to not only keep appropriate areas in and around the club clean and sanitized, but also cleaning the club-owned boats between rentals and usage. This provides a safe environment for our members, juniors, kids and guests. In fact, BCYC was one of the only yacht clubs on the bay that was not forced to close due to member or staff testing positive for COVID-19 throughout the past 15 months.



Mario Nieto - Maintenance Staff

For several years, BCYC has won first place in the "Ring of Lights" Yacht Club Category sponsored by the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce Christmas Holiday Boat Parade Committee. Juver and Mario enthusiastically take on the task each year, and do a professional job, decorating the club and grounds from stem-to-stern with strings of lights and other festive holiday décor.

In addition, Juver orders all the paper goods for the club and makes trips to West Marine and Ace Hardware to pick up necessary supplies and the propane to keep the outdoor heaters operating.

We are extremely fortunate to have Juver and Mario as part of our BCYC family, with such great dedication to our club and its members! The next time you see them at the club, please let them know how much you appreciate their dedication and caring for our club and for us.



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*Aloha June -
Mystery Lunch July*

We were happy to see you all had a great time at our Hawaiian dream luncheon. I am impressed that you all knew a lot about the hula, and were right at home learning the Hukilau, taught by our wonderful instructor, Vice Commodore Kari Konapelsky. Our knowledge of the ukulele was improved through the information we learned from Staff Commodore Ginny Lombardi. It may not have been the real Hawaiian Islands, but it was close. The Hawaiian attire, music, ambience and delicious repast from our fabulous Chef Georges Rapicault and his culinary team made for an amazing luncheon. Thanks to event co-chairs Lori Curtin and Teri Leigh, and Cathy Miller for the amazing decorations. Also, a big thank you to Kari and Ginny for the program. All of you ladies were awesome.

Our July 10 luncheon is in the planning stages, but is sure to be a fun event. Please watch for details in the Weekly Update and check the electronic board at the club. This luncheon will also be the kickoff for the backpack drive we do for the kiddos at Camp Pendleton.

We are looking forward to our beautiful tea luncheon Aug. 19. And our dog show, Sept. 18, is always a truly enjoyable happening for all attendees, with and without paws.

Thank you for attending our events. Our goal for the rest of this year is to be together and have a great time. See you soon.





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Upgrades and Recognition

The House Committee continues to address membership needs. The pool patio area now has a wind and sun screen to minimize the wind and sun reflection while members are eating or enjoying this outdoor space.

In recognition of the long-time contributions of Lyle Eisel and his woodwork creations at BCYC, a bronze plaque was placed on the Compass Rose Flag Locker that he built some years ago. The committee determined that Lyle deserved this recognition.

The second-floor elevator atrium is undergoing upgrades to make the area more useful for the staff to serve members in the Library and Card rooms. A new service station frame is in place and we are waiting for the granite company to deliver our new station top. The current table and bookcase that serve those rooms will be moved over to the elevator atrium, cleaning up the clutter in the skylight area. A new brass fire extinguisher cabinet has been ordered and will be installed in the near future, next to the elevator.

We need a few members to assist in inventorying the extra burgees from other yacht clubs so that we can determine if there are duplicates or originals that need to be hung. Please contact me so I can coordinate this important job. The House Committee welcomes all members who have ideas to contribute to make our club even more enjoyable.



The Moon and Venus
(Venus is the small spec near the sailboat mast)



PLEASE READ Important Changes in AED Locations at BCYC

We have made some important changes in the locations of some of the AEDs at BCYC. The AED that was in the laundry room has been moved to the adjoining stairwell

on the lower level. This was done so you would not need a combination to access that AED. We will have an AED in the office, which Race Committee can check out on a daily basis and have aboard *Emmi*. The AED on the main floor is located near the employee entrance to the bar, while the AED on the top floor can be found near the elevator. With these changes, there will be an easily accessible AED on every floor.

Bob Sachs, BCYC Fleet Surgeon

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COLLEGE SAILORS

The College Coed Sailing Nationals just wrapped up and I'm happy to report that Sammy Pickell and her skipper, Michelle Lahrkamp, placed first in the B division to help Stanford take second overall, its best result ever. They were the first all-women's team to win a division in Nationals since 2001. A week earlier, Sammy and Michelle placed third in the A division of the Women's Nationals, where Stanford placed fifth overall.

Cameron Wood skippered for Roger Williams in the B division and had a strong seventh place finish.

For complete results visit <https://scores.collegesailing.org/s21/gill-sailing-national/full-scores/>

This all started by them being part of the BCYC Junior Sailing program, of course! Hope all is well. Rob Pickell



Congrats Sailors!

The Mater Dei High School sailing team posted impressive results at the ISSA Mallory Doublehanded National Championship, June 5 and 6, in Cleveland, Ohio. BCYC junior Kennedy Leehealey and Morgan Pinckney won the division A competition, while BCYC junior Reade Decker, with teammates Sophia Mulvania and Max Kleha (alternates Chase Decker and Vera Allen, both BCYC juniors) took sixth place in division B. Their combined scores rank Mater Dei second in the nation!

BCYC junior members include Vera Allen, Chase Decker, Reade Decker and Kennedy Leehealey. Also, the entire team has coached/or currently coaches for BCYC, and all have sailed for NB4T. On top of that, MDHS sails out of BCYC's facility.

Congratulations to MDHS Sailing Coach Aubrey Mayer (BCYC Junior Sailing Director) and the 2020-2021 Mater Dei Sailing Team.

Additionally, BCYC junior member Tyler Wood, who sails for Corona del Mar High School, finished fifth in division B.

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