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Memories and Accomplishments **Amazing!**

It has been an amazing experience as your 2011 Commodore. Just as a ship nears land and there is a hearty "Land ho," the month of December is upon us and we hold our annual meeting. There are many people to thank for making this such a remarkable adventure. You all have helped create the memories that Connie and I will share and treasure for the rest of our lives. Three highlights of this year must be mentioned.

The Commodore's Ball was an elegant extravaganza, made possible by the leadership of the hard-working and creatively devoted Konapelsky and Valuch team. The generous hosts and hostesses who opened their homes enhanced the warm and embracing

friendships that embody BCYC.

Rhonda Tolar and the fabulous cast helped bring out my "inner Showboat," which was very entertaining for our whole family.

The most amazing event of this year was our beautiful Commodore's Cruise through Italy, Greece, Montenegro and Croatia on the *Royal Clipper*. This sailing adventure was orchestrated by Nancy and S/C Barry Levy, and could not have been better scripted.

While there was much fun, there was also a lot of hard work. The officers and directors were a solid team working together to solve many difficult issues. During this year we hired a new club controller and food and beverage manager, surveyed the marina, started refurbishing the docks, refinanced our club loan, negotiated a new cell phone tower lease, replaced the chairs in the Columbia Room and furniture on the upper and lower outdoor patios, remodeled the Junior Room, and brought on board a new Junior Sailing director and head coach. In addition, tough individual member issues were addressed and a major review of our food and beverage operations was completed. With all these accomplishments, BCYC had a profitable year and expect stronger improvements next year.

It is with much gratitude and appreciation for all of your help, support and hard work that we thank you for letting me serve as your 2011 commodore.

Connie and I both say,
"Thanks for the memories."



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Commodore.....Ted O'Connor
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Welcome Aboard!
New Members

Hap and Jennifer Weitzel

Corinthian Member

Hap and Jennifer are neighbors of BCYC members Joan and Bob Morris,
and friends of members Marjorie and Ted Davis. Hap is an attorney with
Pepper Hamilton LLP and Jennifer is a paralegal. Both hail from Texas
and reside in Corona del Mar. Jennifer has sailed in the past and looks
forward to the possibility of getting back into it, while Hap is interested
in giving it a go!



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New Members
and Boat Parade

We would like to thank all who supported and acknowledged the newest
members of the BCYC family at the recent New Member dinner. Dining on
filet mignon and shrimp, and dancing the night away was a great way to
meet the future of BCYC. This was the second year that committee chairs
provided a look into what each committee does. From free food samples
provided by Food and Beverage, to boating giveaways from Sail Fleet, this
was truly a great evening.

The upcoming world famous Holiday Boat Parade is the perfect time for all
members, but especially our newer members, to visit BCYC. We encourage
you to bring your friends and introduce them to BCYC, an amazing time
to show off your club.

The incredible dinner buffet prepared by Chef Georges Rapicault and his
culinary team, combined with the beautifully decorated facility, guarantee
that all in attendance will definitely leave in the holiday spirit. If not able
to get a reservation, plan to arrive at the club early to find a good spot to
watch the parade and enjoy a gourmet chili dog.

We look forward to seeing you at BCYC this holiday season.

Please help take down
holiday decorations
Jan. 8-10, 2012.



Look for details to follow soon!

AWARDS NIGHT

JUNIORS

Herb Hester -
 Jr. Sportsmanship:
Caden Wheeler

O/D 1959 -
 Jr. Yachtsman of the Year:
Max Mayol

OCWORS -
 Most Promising Female Jr. Sailor:
Sammy Pickell

Jon Pinckney -
 Most Outstanding Jr. Record:
Derek Pickell

Commodore Byrne -
 Most Outstanding CFJ Skipper:
Jack Donnel

Commodore Montgomery -
 Most Outstanding CFJ Crew:
Drew Mouacdie

Steven E. Winnett -
 Jr. with Most Corinthian Spirit:
Alex Lis

Rowland Perpetual -
 Most Improved Jr. Sailor:
Jake Mayol

John Kimble Memorial -
 Most Outstanding
 Contribution to the Jrs:
Mayol Family

Willie Williamson Memorial -
 Most Generous to the Jr. Board:
Kathy Caulfield

RACING AWARDS

Officers & Directors 1966 -
 Best in Whitney Series:
Steve Brown

Officers & Directos 1961 -
 Most Events other than BCYC:
Erik Shampain

Marcia Holyoake Perpetual -
 Service to Race Committee:
Jerry Moulton

BCYC Ocean Racing Participation -
 Most SCYA Events PHRF:
Joe Degenhardt

MacLaughlin Ocean Racing Perpetual -
 BCYC Member with
 Highest Score - Ahmanson:
Rhonda Tolar

Officers & Directors 1983:
Mike Lawler

Miller Perpetual:
 Officers & Directors 1960:
 Skipper Hi-Point:
John Szalay

Crew Hi-Point:
Erik Shampain

30-mile Race with Boat under 30"
Randy & John Risvold

Gaudio Family One Design -
 Hi-Point in One Design:
Erik Shampain

Wayne Gary - Power Fleet:
Dohn & Joni Trempala

James Berkshire - Lido 14:
Mark Gaudio

Commodore Langley -
 Most Improved Sailor of the Year:
Andy & Lori Everson

BCYC 1st to Finish in N2E Race:
Steve Brown & Rhonda Tolar

Lorin Weiss Perpetual - Best Corrected Time
 Newport/Ensenada Cruising Class:
Stewart Wright

ANNUAL AWARDS

Commodore Bussey Perpetual:
Mills Family

Elmer Carvey Memorial:
Paul DeCapua

Officers and Directors 1962:
Sec. Paul & Kari Konapelsky

Woman of the Year:
Louise Sasine

Commodore Domanski Perpetual:
**Jerry & Nancy Valuch &
 Kari Konapelsky**

Commodore Howard Fisher Perpetual:
R/C Tom & Mary Madden

Chanticleer Award:
Albert Licciardo

Linn Gary Perpetual:
Dee Shandera & Gail Matsunaga

Leukemia Cup Regatta
Jeff Burch

Most Active Angler:
Abbott Ayloush

Biggest Marlin:
Kip Cyprus & Jim Buchanan

Lightner Award
Kip Cyprus & Jim Buchanan

Menkin, Moore & Copp Perpetual:
Dir. Michael Bryant

Pleasure Cruising Perpetual:
John McDonald Family

Commodore Siever Perpetual:
Connie O'Connor

Commodore Levy Perpetual:
S/C Barry Levy

Showboat:
Wendy Noah

25 Year Award:
**Jim & Lynn Brucken
 William Rand & Rebecca Hardy
 Bill & Stella Worden**



Chanticleer Award:
 Albert Licciardo



Commodore Domanski Perpetual Winners
 Jerry & Nancy Valuch, Kari Konapelsky
 with Commodore O'Connor



Commodore O'Connor with
 Herb Hester Jr. Sportsmanship Winner
 Caden Wheeler



Commodore O'Connor with
 Special Recognition Recipient
 Phyllis Jasmine



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Wonder Bread, Please

As Race Committee winds down 2011, I thought about some of the tough decisions we had to make this year, like which type of bread for sandwiches. We tried wraps (too messy), sourdough (too, uh, sour) and plain old Wonder Bread (yum)!

An additional toughie was whether to purchase another yellow or orange mark. Some might wonder - what's the difference? We use orange to mark the course and yellow to mark the changes. I opted for another yellow mark because of some changes that are

planned for 2012.

Should we use A, B, C or 1, 2, 3 for signal flags when starting the classes? This was really tough since most members of the Race Committee knew their ABCs and 123s. We decided to go with 1, 2, 3 using #1 for the first start, #2 for the second, etc., logical and easy for new Race Committee personnel.

Now that all of the tough decisions are out of the way, we can launch into 2012 with ease. Well, almost. Last month I gave a sneak peek into our race schedule and mentioned we will run windward/leeward races. The tough decision here is setting the course square to the exact wind direction. An electronic wind point instrument will be installed on Emmi to help us do the job right.

Finally, thanks to those who helped make Emmi a reality. BCYC truly has the best race committee boat around.



Rear Commodore
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A Journey is Best Measured in Friends

I love the planning phase of a long ocean voyage. Reflecting on my sailing adventures, 60 percent of the pleasure has come from this phase. As I leave the dock to embark on a long journey, I always whisper to my boat, "Okay, I've taken care of you, now it's your turn to take care of us."

There is so much to do and learn - it's just wonderful to take all of this on. The boat must be properly equipped and maintained for the conditions she'll face. On a boat like *Stella Maris* there are many systems to learn, including diesel engine and generator, water maker, standing and running rigging, ground tackle, radio communications, electronics, weather via satellite phone, refrigeration, electrical and much more. Also, there are all the medical supplies, spare parts and tools needed to deal

with the situations that could occur.

We must also take with us the knowledge to deal with the issues we might face. Before my most recent trip into Mexico I took a three-day course specifically to learn my Yanmar diesel engine inside and out. I also took ham radio classes and have now received my general class ham license - yep, I'm KJ6NHV, maritime mobile on SV *Stella Maris*! Mary and I both took several levels of first aid training, including getting certified on AED operation. It's all great fun.

We are now at the time of year where we are putting together the 2012 operating plans for the club. Like preparing for an ocean passage, there is much to consider: maintaining our strong financial position, enhancing service levels, providing a good work place for our valued employees and an outstanding environment for the mutual benefit of all our members. There is much we need to consider and I value input from each of you.

I look forward to our journey together through 2012 at BCYC. Let's take this journey on, with the spirit of friendship and success. And, as Tim Cahill said, "A journey is best measured in friends, rather than miles." Mary and I thank you for your friendship and support.



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The End of the Voyage

When a boater returns safely to his home port, with family, guests and crew healthy and happy, there is an amalgamation of emotions. First, pride and thankful satisfaction upon completing a successful voyage, followed by the bittersweet tug-of-war between that let-down feeling of the adventure being over and the familiar comfort of "there's-no-place-like-home." Shortly after, the memories begin to crystallize of destinations visited, discoveries made, and special people encountered who left their imprints on our hearts, becoming new and treasured friends.

We feel much the same way as we complete our year-long voyage as cruise co-chairs. Accepting Commodore Ted O'Connor's request to serve was the best decision we've made in the last 30 years of membership at BCYC. We discovered and explored new destinations like Seal Beach Yacht Club, and delighted in the fun of new venues, and Kip and Gail Cyprus' lovely waterfront home in Huntington Harbour where they, along with Jim and Gail Buchanan, entertained us lavishly at a cocktail party before a Mardi Gras-themed evening at Huntington Harbour Yacht Club. We returned to much-loved destinations such as Secretary Paul and Kari Konapelsky's Dana Point harbor-view home, aglow with white lights, and spectacular seating for 100 dinner guests under white tents warmed by soft candlelight. We met many amazing members who have become friends, and created memories to last a lifetime. We recall the heroic act of Director Allan and Margie Horowitz, who braved the year's worst storm to bring

Hy-Ro to Huntington Harbour from Newport, knowing all the other cruisers had "abandoned ship" in the wake of the violent storm. This brave and heroic act allowed BCYC to qualify for Club of the Year consideration, needing only one boat to complete the cruise.

With hearts full of appreciation, we thank those members who volunteered to help with each cruise, as well as all the participating cruisers. Without all of you, the cruises would not have been possible.

Our final cruise to Avalon Oct. 20-22 was a huge success. We're grateful to Staff Commodore Kenny and Wendy Rozak for their generous and invaluable help. The miniature golf tournament was well attended, with Staff Commodore Marshall Caplan winning the Konapelsky Perpetual Trophy. Friday and Saturday night cocktail parties at Catalina Island Yacht Club were full of fun and frivolity. The dinners at Portofino and grill-your-own at CIYC capped off a perfect weekend.

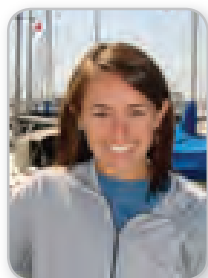


S/C Kenny Rozak, Cmdr Ted O'Connor, Abbott Ayloush and Wendy Rozak



Janet & John Wells with Lauri Baldi and Steve Moffett

In closing, as we find ourselves at the end of our year-long adventure, we're grateful for the voyage. With the holiday season is upon us, we wish all of you and yours health, prosperity and contentment. May you always cruise on calm waters and may your journeys always end happily in the safe harbor of your hearts' desire. God bless you all.



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*Fall Sailing
 Wrap-up*

Fall sailing has come to an end and the juniors finally have the opportunity to relax a little after a long season. As cold fronts start rolling through, it gets harder to drag yourself out on the water for a chilly, windy and possibly rainy practice. Like many sailors from this area, thoughts are now occupied with snowy mountains and how fast they can ski down them.

As we head into a restful winter, we can look back on the hard work we put in this fall, when practices were held at least once each week, and we participated in six regattas jammed into a 10-week span. Many of our newer team members finally got the hang of racing and what to expect at practices and regattas because we regularly reviewed racing starts and strategy, tacking, boat-handling, mark-rounding and sail trim. As funny as it sounds, I am proud to say that our C3 level Sabot sailors can now survive in over five knots of breeze, sometimes much to their surprise!

Looking forward to spring, I anticipate an even larger program. Many of our Sabot sailors are getting their feet wet in CFJs and are looking forward to sailing in our spring CFJ racing program. We will team up with Balboa Yacht Club for several practices over the next season so our sailors have the chance to race against kids from other yacht clubs on a more regular basis. Everyone knows it's always more fun when there are more boats on the starting line.

This fall, our non-racers have taken the opportunity to access more personalized coaching with smaller groups of sailors than in the summer season. Their confidence has skyrocketed and I expect to see more of the same in the spring, showing what they have learned when the summer racing begins.

Plans have been made to conduct five sailing clinics, December thru February, also with BYC. The practice schedule for the coming year reflects our intention to get more days on the water than other yacht clubs in the harbor. Even our beginners are going to be sailing more than in the past.



Commodore O'Connor with
 Most Promising Jr. Sailor Award Winner
 Sammy Pickell

HALLOWEEN REGATTA

October 23 @ LIYC

- Drew Mouacdie, 4th place, Laser
- Max Mayol, 1st place, Sabot A & B
- Jake Mayol, 3rd place, Sabot A & B
- Caden Wheeler, 4th place, Sabot C1
- Cole Pomeroy, 8th place, Sabot C1
- Kate Hampton, 9th place, Sabot C1
- Tyler Jones, 11th place, Sabot C1
- Ashton Brown, 2nd place, Sabot C2
- Sean Caulfield, 6th place, Sabot C2
- Dillon Graveline, 8th place, Sabot C2
- Guy Clauss, 11th place, Sabot C2
- Hannah Hawkins, 5th place, Sabot C3
- Brennis Lidecis, 19th place, Sabot C3
- Justin Coburn, 26th place, Sabot C3
- Eric Jones, 28th place, Sabot C3
- Nicholas Gardner, 36th place, Sabot C3
- Beau Akhavain, 40th place, Sabot C3
- George Quick, 45th place, Sabot C3

JUNIOR COMMODORE'S REGATTA

November 5 and 6 @ MBYC

- Derek Pickell, 5th place, Sabot A
- Sammy Pickell, 20th place, Sabot A
- Max Mayol, 3rd place, Sabot B
- Jake Mayol, 18th place, Sabot B
- Cole Pomeroy, 5th place, Sabot C1
- Madison Nadelman, 7th place, Sabot C1
- Tyler Jones, 16th place, Sabot C1
- Sean Caulfield, 10th place, Sabot C2
- Ashton Brown, 18th place, Sabot C2
- Eric Jones, 26th place, Sabot C3



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Great Things to Come

I am excited to introduce the new Junior Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting this month. They are: Kyle Herman, commodore; Alex Ivory, vice commodore; Derek Pickell, rear commodore; Connor Chung, treasurer; and Kate Hampton, secretary. We also have a great group of directors this year, including Evan Bozanic, Sean Caulfield, Max Mayol, Shannon

Morris, Andrew Mouacdie, Madison Nadelman, Cole Pomeroy and Parker Warden.

Over the past few months, the Junior Board has been busy. We have successfully hosted a beach cleanup with the Senior Board, decided the theme of our Leukemia Bingo Night for next spring and have discussed what enhancements are needed in the junior section of our club; in addition to drafting a resolution to the Senior Board for recommended improvements to our Junior Program. We are excited to use our position as the voice of the juniors to better their experience at BCYC. As always, I am willing to listen to suggestions from any members regarding changes you would like to see. I'm proud of how diligent my board has been so far and am confident that we will continue to shine!



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Appreciation and Thanks

‘Tis the season to be jolly, something that BCYC members have fine-tuned to perfection. Winter is probably my favorite time of year, with the excitement of the holidays, the beautiful décor, the pine trees blanketed in snow...oh, “Earth to Jim, we are not in Tahoe anymore!”

Welcome to Newport Beach and the annual Holiday Boat parade, a tradition that has been going on for over 100 years. We are so fortunate to have the club, our home on the water, and be able to enjoy this annual gala event. Reservations are still available and we hope you will invite your family and friends to enjoy this spectacular event complete with a scrumptious buffet created by Chef Georges Rapicault and his team.

As 2011 draws to a close, I want to express my sincere appreciation to the entire membership for their support in making this a successful year. Thanks to the committee chairs

and volunteers for their dedication and hard work; without their commitment and expertise, the events and projects of 2011 could not have happened. In addition, I want to thank the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee for the privilege of being able to work side-by-side with them to achieve the goals and successes we attained this year.

And to the staff of BCYC – never in my career have I had the pleasure of working with such an incredible team of dedicated, talented individuals. A club is truly only as good as the staff who work every day, committing their energies and talents to giving the members an experience that exceeds expectations. That is the secret to the success of BCYC; a happy membership attracts happy new members.

Special thanks to the many members who donated to the Employee Holiday Fund. Your generous contributions were much appreciated by the staff and all of them wish the members a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We are excited about the new opportunities and adventures that await us as we look forward to 2012.

Cheers to a wonderful holiday season and a happy and prosperous New Year!



DISASTER PREPAREDNESS SEMINAR

BCYC member Larry Fortmuller has been a Red Cross disaster volunteer for the past decade — being part of relief teams sent to locations of floods, mudslides, wildfires, ice storms and hurricanes throughout the United States. Recently, he served as a community disaster educator for the local Orange County chapter. In this capacity, Larry used his experiences to help local communities and organizations prepare for disasters. “It’s an honor to represent the Red Cross, and I’m particularly pleased to have the opportunity to present this seminar to my friends

at BCYC,” Larry noted. This presentation, entitled “Disaster Preparedness for Orange County,” will answer these and many other questions: What disasters are possible in OC? How vulnerable are we? How likely is a big earthquake in OC? What will the “big one” be like, what should you do, and how can you prepare? How quickly can we expect professional help? Is a tsunami possible in Newport Beach? Can preparation really make a difference? How will you react?

This one-hour presentation, at 6:30 p.m., Jan. 20, 2012, could quite simply, save your life.



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Winterizing and Dock Refurbishment

Ahoy. This is the time of year when you should be getting your boats ready for winter storms and heavy rain. Check all your mooring and/or dock lines – if they are frayed now, there is a good chance they won’t make it through the winter. Inspect the canvas on your vessel for tears and stitching that is coming apart, and windows and hatches for leaking.

If you plan to not use your boat until spring, empty all gasoline from engines, both main and outboard, including generators. Run the engines with the fuel valves shut off or disconnected (outboards) until the engine dies. This will allow carburetors

and injectors to empty and not clog due to gummy fuel left inside. California law mandates your fuel has to have a minimum of 10% ethanol, and gasoline goes bad after sitting for a few months.

Clean and refresh your fresh water tanks. While there are a number of cleaners and conditioners sold at marine stores, vinegar and bleach work well. Many boaters’ favorite taste-conditioner is the addition of an inexpensive bottle of red wine to the tank! Be careful with bleach as it can be harmful if too much is used. A good rule of thumb is to use one tablespoon per 30 gallons of water, run through all faucets. You must flush well within four to six hours as bleach can be harmful to some water system components if allowed to pickle too long.

The refurbishment of E and F docks is still in progress with completion expected by the end of the year. They are being prepared now for the application of the new color, carved wood. The next phase, C and D docks, will start as weather permits.



Racing with Joe Degenhardt The Truth and Nothing but the Truth

Somebody asked the other day, "Your stories are not all true, are they Joe?" Immediately I responded that 98 percent of them are absolutely the truth. A prime example of this would be the time we were going around the Point Fermin buoy in 10-foot seas and smashed into the bell buoy with a full spinnaker in 20 knots of wind. Okay, maybe it was 18 knots and seas at eight feet and we only nudged the buoy.

Did You Know?
Saint Nicholas was the patron saint of sailors, merchants, archers, thieves, children and students. He had a reputation for secret gift-giving, such as putting coins in the shoes left them out for him.

Embellishment is the name of the game, which reminds me of the time several years ago when 10 jolly people were aboard *Lickity Split*, participating in the Long Beach Christmas Boat Parade. We elected to sail outside the harbor to enjoy the view from offshore when all "dickens" broke loose! A rain that had started slowly turned into a downpour - actually it was more of side pour, with the rain blowing sideways, greatly limiting visibility. We were using the depth sounder to try and find our way back to the breakwater. Back in the day, we didn't have GPS and our prospects for finding shore were grim. There were rocks on both sides of the harbor entrance and

we couldn't see, but could hear, the waves crashing against them. Lo and behold, up in the sky, we saw a sleigh led by eight tiny reindeer with a big jolly fat guy in a red suit at the reins. He waved for us to follow and led us safely back into the harbor to see the beautiful Christmas parade. Unfortunately, due to the rain and low visibility, most of the parade boats were playing bumper pool - no kidding.

Wishing all happy holidays and hope you find a GPS in your stocking!

TEAM PILIKIA - AWESOME

BCYC congratulates Distinguished Racing Member Jane Hoffner Horst and her all-women racing crew, Team Pilikia. They finished fifth in the 19th annual Linda Elias Memorial Women's One Design (LEMWOD) Regatta held in Alamitos Bay, Long Beach.

Team Pilikia ran seven races on a Catalina 37 over two days. All boats in the regatta are owned by Long Beach Sailing Foundation. According to Jane, the team had three great races, including one first place on Sunday when they horizoned the fleet in light, shifty conditions. This regatta was the first time the 11 talented women sailed together - their finish in the top five demonstrated an incredible team effort and Jane's ability as both skipper and coach. Returning team members included: Patsee Ober, tactics; Sharie Sneddon, main trim; Rebecca McKindley, bow floater; and Mary Beth Landry, pit. New members were: Suzanne Schuler, jib trim and spin; Gayle Elmore, jib trim; Sharlean Perez, mast; Merry Cheers, spin trim; Susan Miller, jib and spin trim; Julie Robinson, floater; and Miriam Smith, box chick. Jorge Suarez, Eric Monroe and Sam Heck served as coaches. BCYC supporters included Sandy and Doug Mills, Lori and Andy Everson, Steve Horst and Gary Neshanian - all encouraged the team on the water. Steve and Gary flew a battle flag donated by Elizabeth "EB" Barden.



Jane would like to perpetuate next year's campaign by raising funds to charter a Catalina 37 for the Wet Wednesday races. Wet Wednesday and LEMWOD races are the same format, consisting of windward-leeward races around fixed marks in Alamitos Bay. Team Pilikia's goal is to raise awareness and support within BCYC to attract other women sailors to participate.

Sailing for the Visually Impaired

October 15 - ALYC

Lickity Split participated in this very worthy tradition. We had three visually impaired people on board who enjoyed the opportunity to share in a sailing experience in Newport Harbor. The helpful crew were Andrew Whittingham, Dave Elliott, Glenda Crosby, Bob Hildenbrand, Sylvia Hasbach, Garrett Davies and Steve Mackey.

Hot Rum Series Race #1

October 16

Dan Rossen - *Problem Child* - B-32 - 2nd Place, Class A
Rhonda Tolar - *Wild Thing* - Farr 30 - 4th Place, Class A
John Szalay - *Pussycat* - Peterson 34 - 1st Place, Class B
Jeff Burch - *Hot Ticket* - J-105 - 4th Place, Class B

Double-Handed - Race #2

November 5

Jeff Burch - *Hot Ticket* - J-105 - 2nd Place, Class A

Point Fermin Inverted Start Charity Race

November 5 - Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club

Congratulations to Steve Brown racing *Brown Sugar*, his Express 37, who placed **first overall** out of 27 entrants.

Sunkist Series, Race #1

November 6 - Balboa Yacht Club

Dan Rossen - *Problem Child* - B-32 - 2nd Place, Class B
Rhonda Tolar - *Wild Thing* - Farr 30 - 4th Place, Class B
Jeff Burch - *Hot Ticket* - J-105 - 4th Place, Class C
Joe Degenhardt - *Lickity Split* - Catalina 38 - 1st Place, Class D





Food & Beverage

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It's Been a Lovely Cruise

Like boaters know, when heading towards a destination, you can look back at your wake to see where you've been. That path of slightly disturbed water shows where you started and where you've veered and corrected on the way to your next stop. As I reach the end of my year as Food and Beverage Chairman, I find myself looking back at all the committee has accomplished this year.

At the beginning of the year, the club changed course and modified the Sunday Brunch schedule to a weekly Omelet Express, and offered a bottomless glass of champagne, if desired, for a nominal price. Another adjustment to the tiller

was recasting the Sunday Night Buffet as the Sunday Night Supper Club. Jazzing up the ambiance in the lounge and including supper club music, occasionally featuring the piano stylings of Bob Kafka, brought more diners than ever to this popular weekly event.

In April, we introduced the first Happy Hour event to BCYC. Drink and appetizer specials along with live music were a big hit and change of pace for a Thursday night. Throughout the year we responded to your comment cards and have experienced even better food and service as a result.

As we cruised towards the end of the year, members enjoyed a wonderful winemaker dinner with Hill Family Estates winery, and also ventured out to explore and enjoy the wines of the Temecula Valley.

As I pull into the dock and tie off the lines of my year as Food and Beverage Chairman, I want to thank the crew of the committee, the BCYC staff and members for making this, as Jimmy Buffett sang, "A Lovely Cruise."

Halloween Scene



Las Commodoras

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Holiday Auction and New Officers

2011 was another great year for Las Commodoras. We enjoyed the repeat of our traditional luncheons, including History of Las Commodoras, High Tea and Progressive events, as well as the Fashion Show and Cooking with Chef Georges. New to our calendar was Tales of Las Commodoras, a delightful insight into the lives of four of our talented members.

I am grateful to all of the Las Commodoras board members, who put so much time and effort into making this past year's programs so successful. We look forward to an exciting 2012, and are pleased to announce the incoming Las Commodoras Board of Directors: Louise Sasine, president; Ginny Lombardi, 1st vice president, programs; Peggy Granbery, 2nd vice president, social; Page Kenyon, treasurer; Joyce Barnes, recording secretary; Carol Wallace, technical advisor; Marcia Last, goodwill ambassador; Nancy Isbell, historian;



Las Commodoras Ladies

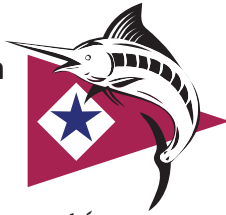
Judy Kane, parliamentarian; and Bobbi Silvey, auxiliary liaison.

The Holiday Auction, Wednesday, Dec. 7, is our major fundraiser of the year. It is always a fun-filled, festive occasion, as attendees bid for the various auction items. Make your reservations early and plan to bring an unwrapped auction item, a new or gently-used holiday decoration or gift, \$20 minimum value.

On behalf of Las Commodoras, we wish you a wonderful holiday season!



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At 7 a.m. on Oct. 28, I was in line to go into court and meet the judge. I was fortunate enough to have a merciful judge who determined that my infraction was not a misdemeanor, but still carried a fine of \$264. Citations

while operating your boat can carry over to your vehicle driving record, another reason to be safe and law-abiding while on the water.

With the holiday season just around the corner, I want to take this opportunity to wish all a Merry Christmas and a very successful and happy New Year.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Every Sunday! Sunday Night Supper Club 5pm - 8pm				1 Holiday Prime Rib Night (No Regular Menu)	2	3 Breakfast with Santa
4 Annual Meeting 4pm	5 Club Closed Monday & Tuesday	6	7 Las Commodoras Holiday Auction/Luncheon 10:30am Steering 6:30pm Activities 7:30pm	8	9	10
11 Holiday Champagne Brunch	12	13	14 Boat Parade..... [Member Event]	15	16	17
18 Family Night	19	20	21 First Day of Winter Club Closed	22 Club Closed	23 Club Closed	24 Club Closed
25 Christmas Club Closed	26	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve Gala (Member Event)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Club Closed Columbia Room Open 10am - 5pm New Year's Day	2 Club Closed Monday & Tuesday	3	4	5 Masthead Deadline Prime Rib Night (No Regular Menu) Jr. Sailing 6:30pm	6	7 9am S/C Breakfast 11am - 1pm Steering, Executive & New Directors Orientation
8 Holiday Take Down	9 Holiday Take Down	10 Holiday Take Down	11 F & B 6:30pm Las Commodoras 7:30pm Activities 7:30pm	12 Angling 6pm Cruise 7pm	13	14 Layer Cake Wine Dinner
15 Hot Rum 5 & 6	16 Martin Luther King Day	17	18 Membership 6:30pm House 7:30pm Jr. Board 7:30pm	19 Las Commodoras Recognition Luncheon Sail Fleet 6pm Ship's Store 6pm	20 Disaster Preparedness Seminar 6:30pm	21 Bogart #1
22	23	24	25	26 Board 6pm	27	28 Lounge Night
29	30	31				

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