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Looking Ahead

Looking at the second half of 2020, BCYC is going to be VERY busy! Opening Day and Showboat have been rescheduled, as well as other events, and some events have been cancelled. Look for a new calendar later this month in print and/or online. I have learned to use a pencil with a big eraser for my date book (which has no “dates” in it, only events).

The Members Only policy may be in effect for some future events. We need to reconnect with each other and take time

to make new BCYC friends. The COVID-19 journey we have travelled together separately has taught me to appreciate what I have at BCYC and how much I miss being in this unique and peaceful setting. Some people tell me they can't wait for everything to return back to the way things were; others say they hope it will be a little different – less to do and more quality time with each other.

Whatever your wish is for BCYC, come back when you are ready, engage with old and new friends, try a new menu item, attend something different, pick a project you want to support, sit in the sun and listen to the sounds of the harbor. We are so fortunate to have BCYC in our lives.

Thank you, members and staff, for your support during this time. I am so fortunate to have been on this team during this journey. I sincerely appreciate each of you.



Memorial Day Weekend at BCYC

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The Benefits of Membership

In keeping with last month's theme, I received a number of responses from members indicating their support and commitment to our club. They were all wonderful responses and it is great to know that our members have such warm, fuzzy and appreciative feelings about BCYC. Keep those emails coming! I also received an email from Tony Knox entitled "Interesting Stuff" about BCYC. The email and interesting stuff list were very comprehensive (three single spaced pages) and was recently highlighted in the May 6 Weekly Update. But I would like to share some of those highlights of that list and will do so in future articles to remind members to "hang on to what we got."

As we all know, we are an equity club and we own our club (building) and marina. This is some of the most valuable real estate in Southern California and an incredibly beautiful yachting venue for all to enjoy. Our marina slip fees, along with membership dues, primarily go to support our club and its operations. The club owns two Race Committee boats, *Blue Star* and *Emmi*. *Blue Star* is named after the blue star in our burgee, and *Emmi* is named after Staff Commodore Jim Emmi, who played an important role with her purchase and restoration. Did you know that we have a cell phone tower on our property, which pays us monthly rent? We do.

The above lists just a few of the benefits of membership. Talk to your friends and neighbors and let them know what we are all about. Perhaps they may be interested in joining.

If you have any questions or comments regarding membership, or how you can help the Membership Committee, please feel free to email me at rolnickilaw@aol.com or call me at 714-835-6300 anytime.





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Let's Celebrate

Summer is nearly here and that means we are in the season of celebrating the most important people in our lives: moms and dads! I hope all the moms had a magnificent Mother's Day on May 10. The second day of summer, we will be celebrating Father's Day on June 21. Please come to the club and enjoy our annual Father's Day Car Show. If you are interested in participating in the Car Show, please contact Director Cleve Sproule at lacleve@aol.com or Mark Arizmendi at markarizmendi@yahoo.com.

We usually have a Father's Day painting event for families to participate in at the club. This year, you can have a paint party at home. Timree Paint Studio will be hosting weekly live painting classes. If you are interested, please go to Timree.com and you will be able to choose the best painting package for your family. Please keep your paintings to display at the club at a future Art Show.

The Activities Committee meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. When our regular schedule resumes, we welcome your participation in our meetings.



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Ongoing Maintenance

This has been a strange and different start to our House Committee agenda for 2020. We have had little chance to finish up projects from last year, but that has not stopped repairs and maintenance from continually going forward at our club. The often-unseen work of Juver Garcia and Mario Nieto continues under the guidance of General Manager Scott Jones. Having the club closed to member events has allowed much work to proceed while members await BCYC's reopening. Maintenance is an ongoing task to keep the quality and condition of the club in top shape, so many thanks to Juver and Mario. Additionally, we continue to receive inquiries about donations to the club's nautical library collection. If you would like to donate nautical books, rest assured we will acknowledge your donation with a label inside your book. Keep sending me your suggestions for improvements to our facility!



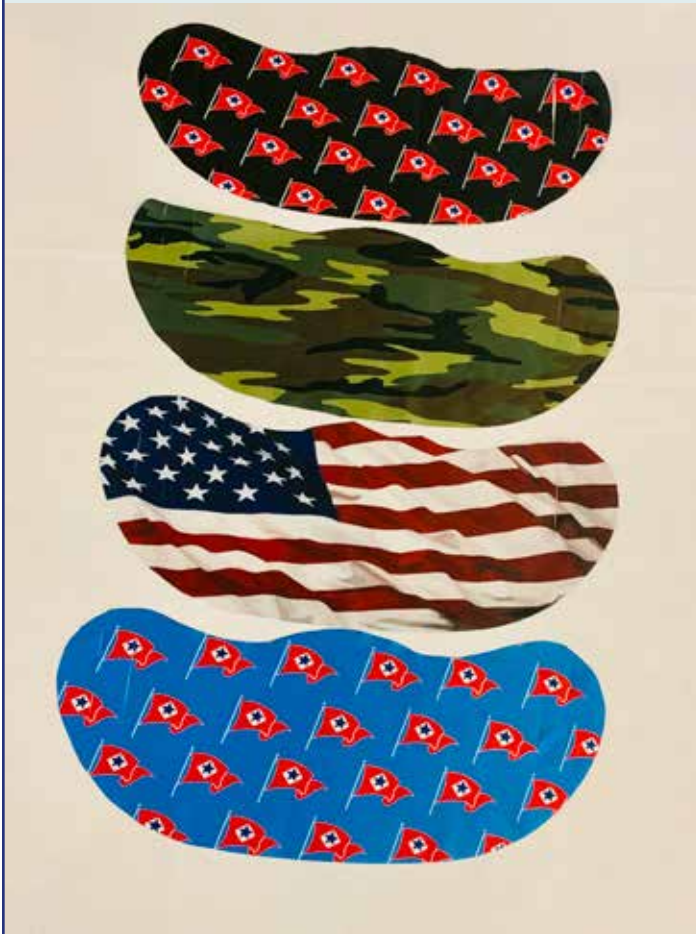
SHIP'S STORE

Wow, I never thought I'd be writing this – BCYC burgee masks, and masks with other designs, are available for purchase from the Ship's Store. Don't forget Dad! We have limited edition Reyn Spooner shirts, BCYC jackets, hats, sweatshirts and of course, barware and accessories. Call the club office and they will be happy to help you choose the perfect item during this time OR shop in person when you have secured a reservation and are at the club.

Lori Curtin, Ship's Store Chair

Face coverings now available in the Ship's Store 😊

They are made of anti microbial cloth, machine washable, and no filter. Call the club office and order alone or with your next take-out order.



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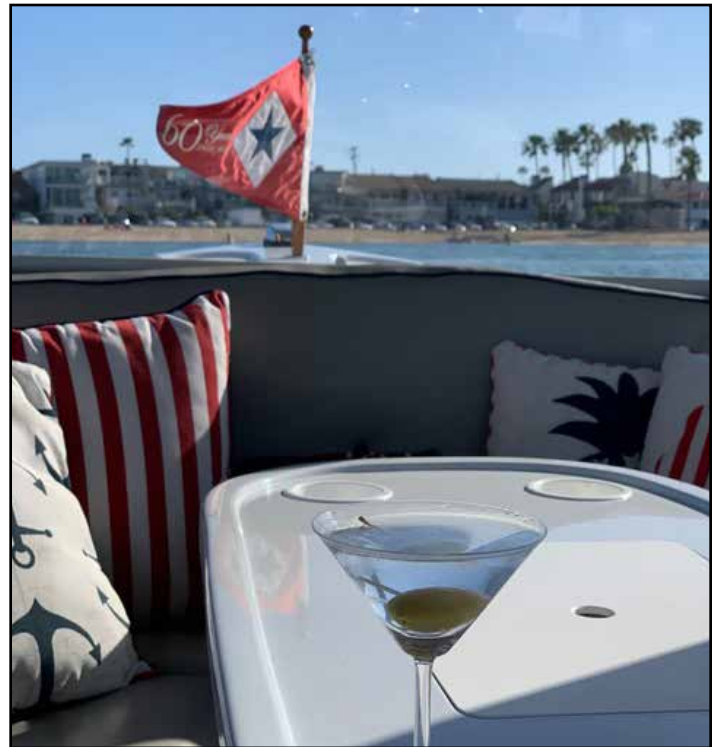
BCYC Friends and Families Together Again

Summer is here with new changes. We are moving forward and the current plan is to start with a soft opening with social distancing in place.

For the past 10 years, Taco Tuesdays have started the Tuesday after Opening Day. Taco Tuesdays were cancelled in May. Beginning this month, we have resumed Taco Tuesday races, with a served buffet hopefully starting June 16. Hopefully, we will have the buffet and after party in July.

There was a new event planned for this summer, Family Friday Nights, for our BCYC kids and families that will be postponed until 2021. When it debuts next year, there will be six weeks of fun - barbecue, special desserts, games, swimming pool activities and more. Each week will feature a special theme with a special game or contest, and different food. Our juniors are a very important part of BCYC and Camp Corinthian will be modified to fit the new normal. Junior Sailing Director Aubrey Mayer and Head Coach Christophe Killian have done an amazing job of keeping the junior sailors engaged during this unprecedented time.

The coming months will see new changes and new things in place for social distancing and more, but I know we are all so happy to be back at our club, enjoying being together at BCYC.





Junior Sailing Director
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New Learning Methods

Despite the extraordinary times we are living through at BCYC, the Junior Sailing Department is doing our best to stay upbeat and constantly developing new ways to keep our sailors engaged. The feedback so far is that it's been working!

Like everyone else in the world, we are utilizing Zoom quite a bit. We invited Steve Hunt to give his US Olympic Team Tactics and Strategy webinar to our junior sailors and it was a big hit! So, we invited him back the following week to give his US Olympic Team Starting webinar. Steve is a Sailing World magazine expert contributor, Olympic Coach, 17-time World, National and North American Champion and the all-time winningest high school coach with 11 national championships at Point Loma in San Diego.

Head Coach Christophe Killian and myself have also been creating new sailing classroom content in-house, which our junior sailors can access in the Juniors section of the BCYC website. The information available includes: Sabot drills you can do on your own A-C3; Sabot C2/C3 — five keys to improving boat speed; Stage 1 [NB4T] Intro to double-handed sailing guide. Christophe has also created a rigging video for Sabot novice families! He has also been running Virtual Regatta inshore races every Thursday at 5 p.m. and our sailors have been participating!

That said, the best virtual sailing content in the world doesn't replace the real thing and we are doing our best to figure out how to run our Summer Sailing Program on schedule and safely. Right now, Summer Program registration is 100 percent risk free, meaning you won't be charged unless we run the program and if you've paid already, you'll be entitled to a full refund. Please register your junior sailor if you haven't already – it is free and it will give us a better idea of how to plan our program in these complex times. Please note: the dates for parent orientation and rigging day have changed.

Summer Program Dates: June 22-July 31
 Parent Orientation: via Zoom by class, details TBD/early June
 Rigging Day: Friday, June 19, 3-6 p.m.
 Awards Banquet: Saturday, Aug. 1, 5-9 p.m.



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Family Time

These past weeks have been crazy. The Junior Board of Directors had to cancel our last couple of meetings, and my school called off in-person classes until the end of the year, which also means no fun senior year traditions like prom, graduation or senior prank. While it's disappointing, I'm trying my best to stay optimistic. I've enjoyed spending more time with my family, especially my brother, who has been away at college the past four years.

In this unprecedented time, I do want to encourage people to stay home and limit their contact with people outside their family in order to protect those who are most vulnerable. That said, I hope everyone in the BCYC community stays healthy and safe, and I'm hoping to see everybody at the club this summer!

DID YOU KNOW ?

Important Stuff

Did you know that BCYC sponsored a virtual wine tasting on May 14? There were three wines from Grgich Hills Estate winery, and cheese and crackers for the event. Thirty-two members participated in the event that included a Q & A with Violet Grgich, along with her father and winery founder, Mike Grgich. There will be more of these virtual tasting sessions from BCYC.

Did you know that BCYC face coverings are now available in the Ship's Store? There are four patterns to choose from – order yours through the club office.

Did you know that when BCYC gets permission to open for dining inside the club, the new menu will be a single page disposable menu? While the choices will be varied, this will allow Chef Georges Rapicault and his culinary team a great deal of flexibility in working with our many vendors as they ramp up their services.

Did you know that as we have begun to slowly open back up, strict social distancing requirements will be in place? During this time, reservations need to be made to dine and enjoy a beverage inside the club. Face coverings are required for all except while eating or drinking. While we get back to full staffing, the patio will be open for take-out food and beverage.

BCYClub Strong @ Home and at BCYC



BCYC's
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Grgich Hills
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Tasting

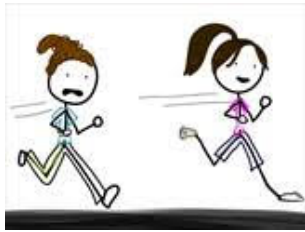
1st Day of New Normal at BCYC





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Ready, Set, GO.....



Ready – we have all been ready
Set – BCYC is getting set for the new future
GO – back to the “friendliest club on the bay” – hopefully soon

I have delayed writing this article in hopes that we would have an update on entering into Phase 2 of the re-entry into normalcy – whatever that is going to be. On May 27, for the first time since March 19, we are now be able to enjoy dining and a beverage **inside** the club! HOW EXCITING. However, we must adhere to the social distancing and sanitation protocols. Please be sure you know the protocols and follow them so we do not go backwards in this pandemic.

The staff at BCYC has done an absolutely fabulous job at maintaining our club. We have had delicious take-out meals, tremendous Easter Brunch takeout, Friday fish and chips, grocery items, alcohol and even toilet paper and paper towels. From the bottom of Michael, Rhonda and my heart, we Thank You and are grateful to have you on staff.

As to the future, well, who knows? It will take a little time to reschedule and co-ordinate Bill Long’s New England dinner month, Build your own Burger month and other Sunday Night Suppers. The Board of Directors will be providing us with guidelines for social distancing in the set-up of the Columbia Room, Lounge, Dining Room, Card Room and Library.

Watch your email for further updates. Hopefully we will be holding a Food and Beverage Committee meeting this month. You are welcome to join us, but again, we may have to limit the number in attendance to adhere to social distancing rules.

SUMMER IS HERE – YEA!



Sail Fleet Captain
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Long Legs!

Did you know that the “legs” on oil island Eureka, pictured here, are about 700 feet long, but it’s the above-water view that is so amazing.

Racers who compete in BCYC’s Around the Oil Islands Races in June, July and August get up-close views as they round all three islands at the mid-point of the 24-mile race. If you’d like the same close-up view, join us on Race Committee. The photo above was taken from *Emmi*.

Did you know that participants in our races come from many different yacht clubs? While most of the competitors are from Newport Beach, we are seeing more racers from Dana Point and Long Beach come join in the excellent racing that we provide.

Also, did you know that our Race Committee is made up of BCYC members, members of other yacht clubs, and others with no yacht club affiliation at all? We do this to learn how other Race Committees operate and to decide what more we can do to be the best.

Registration opened for our Taco Tuesday evening racing series. The number of boats entered is on track to surpass all prior years. We held the first TT race on June 2 and are delighted that we are able to safely enjoy the club and sailing activities.



Oil Island Eureka



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*Let's Play it
 By Ear*

The weather has been so nice, and I am sure everyone, like me, is thinking that is time to go cruising. And, yes, it is!

The next cruise on our calendar is the Isthmus Cruise, scheduled for June 26-28. This part of the island has just recently opened for visitors and we are excited and ready to go. The sites, which include Isthmus Cove, Cat Harbor, Fourth of July Cove, Cherry Cove, Hen Rock, White's Landing, Moonstone, Emerald Bay, Howland's Landing, Little Geiger and Buttonshell will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

We will venture to the Isthmus as planned. However, this cruise will be handled differently. We will continue to be vigilant and safe, wear masks as necessary (currently required onshore), and not plan any large gatherings at this time. Currently, the restaurant and bar are open for takeout only. This means you must call in your order, go ashore to pick it up, and take it back to your vessel. Conditions could change by the end of June so we will wait and see how the situation develops and determine what activities, if any, we can plan. So, let's just call this cruise the "play it by ear" cruise.

You might ask, what does "play it by ear" mean and where does it come from? This phrase initially referred to playing music without the use of printed notation. A person who played music without the use of sheet music was playing music by utilizing their God-given gifts. Today this phrase means to "handle a situation in an impromptu manner."

We will continue to be in contact with the authorities in Catalina, and as soon as we know any more details, we will let you know. Stay tuned to all BCYC eblasts, your email, and your phone because, as we have all been experiencing, things are changing daily and we will "play it by ear."

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Still Waiting

Well, not much to say here! I'm still waiting to sip tea, feast on scones with clotted cream and crust-less sandwiches, and wear my new hat too. Also, I am still waiting to see all the dogs and humans having a fun morning, and for the Kentucky Derby watch party.

I know patience is a virtue, so am trying to be patient. I am really looking forward to when we can all get together soon. Most of all, I hope you are all well and have not lost jobs or businesses in this crazy time. Wishing blessings to you all.



A Note from our Chaplain . . .
*"Sometimes we're tested not to show our
 weaknesses, but to discover our strength."*
 ~ Unknown

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WELCOME BACK

BCYC is Open for Food and Beverage Service Inside the Club – Seating is Limited

- A process is in place to assure your comfort and maximize our limited seating due to the six-foot separation requirement – know that things will continue to change as staffing levels improve
- Our BCYC staff has instituted a cleaning procedure with each table sanitized before/after each use
- Reservations are required for all inside seating and to accommodate as many members as possible, a table will be assigned to you and your party
- Please come to the club office if you are considering a different table, as your table choice might already have been assigned
- The process for enjoying food/beverage inside the club is:
 1. Call to make a reservation for date/time – keep in mind that the club closes at 8 p.m. currently
 2. Members will not be assigned with other members unless requested (provide names of all who will be in your party)
 3. Face coverings are required inside the club except when at your table – the County of Orange has instituted face coverings are mandatory within all businesses in the county
 4. Family and friends are welcome with the understanding that additional chairs or tables cannot be setup
 5. Current parameters require seated dining/drinking – no standing at the bar
 6. Each reservation will have a two-hour time window – please arrive on time and observe the time window so that table use can be maximized and proper sanitation is completed
 7. Name tags are to be worn and, upon your departure, leave your name tag in a receptacle near the front door and we will sanitize for you before putting back in the name tag cabinet
- Take-out food and beverage seating is available on the mid-patio and near the compass rose – this is open seating on a first come/first served basis and no reservation is needed; bus your own table and sanitize before you leave – we ask that you be considerate of other members and wear your face covering except when eating or enjoying a beverage

Prime Rib Night returns this Thursday, June 4, from 5-8 p.m. featuring a limited served buffet. Reservations are required with seating every 30 minutes, and last seating will be at 6:30 p.m.

The Father's Day car show and buffet will take place on June 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Reservations are now open for the limited served buffet with seating every 30 minutes, and last seating will be at 12:30 p.m.

 <p>Prime Rib Night June 4 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reservations required • • Seating every 30 minutes • • Last seating 6:30 p.m. • • Limited served buffet • <p>Adults: \$27.95 ++ Kids (12 and under): \$14.50 ++</p> <p>RSVP CLUB OFFICE</p>	 <p>Father's Day Car Show</p> <p>SAVE the DATE Sunday June 21, 2020 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.</p> <p><small>For Car Show Entries contact: Clive Sprinkle ladavev@aol.com Mick Arumendi Makarummi@yahoo.com</small></p>	<p>NEW NORM CLUB HOURS As of May 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Wednesday, Thursday, Friday – Open 11 a.m.-8 p.m. with lunch service beginning @ 11:30 a.m. and dinner available starting at 5 p.m. ▶ Saturday and Sunday – Open 8 a.m.-8 p.m. with breakfast from 8 a.m.-11a.m., lunch service beginning @ 11:30 a.m., and dinner available starting at 5 p.m. ▶ Make breakfast reservations the day before ▶ During this soft opening period, reservations will be required to enter BCYC – this includes if you are coming for a beverage only ▶ The patio area will be on a first come/first serve basis for TAKE-OUT food and beverage
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Congratulations!

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