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Open for Business

Our Closing Night and Opening Day ceremonies were a huge success, reminding us how it felt to escape the COVID-19 confines and share with our fellow club members and friends. Due to fog and ice in the harbor, we officially closed the club for the season and retreated to the always sumptuous Prime Rib Night. Thanks to Chef Georges Rapicault, General Manager Scott Jones, Events and Catering Manager Tasha Michalowski, and staff for a splendid display of “good eats.”

Opening Day brought us splendid weather and all the pomp and ceremony of a club opening. Special thanks to Junior Staff

Commodore Rhonda Tolar for her trademark organization and execution of the day’s ceremony, Artesha Harvey and the Activities Committee team for club decorations, and Las Commodoras for their annual support with check-ins, boutonniere pinning, and welcoming members and guests to BCYC.

Once the ceremony concluded, all thoughts turned to a return to dock party days with each dock putting a clever spin on a nautical theme and providing a culinary cornucopia of food and drink. Thanks, and congratulations to all team leaders and the dock participants. If you ever wondered whether our members are competitive, you were right.

For those who missed the Catalina Island Yacht Club cruise, May 13-15, participants enjoyed another beautiful weather weekend in Avalon. Thanks to Vice Commodore Rolf and Ronda Rolnicki for organizing the ever-popular annual Catalina Island golf tournament and weekend dining events. Stay tuned later this year when the trophy winner will be honored at the BCYC Awards banquet.

Just when you thought it could not get any better, Jim and Lorie Buchanan unveiled the BCYC angling event schedule and introduction of the “bikini babes” fishing team, who ventured into the deep blue sea in search of the catch of the day. More on this in Jim and Lorie’s article in this edition of *The Masthead*.

We are looking forward to a full summer with our BCYC family.

Opening Day 2022



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New Members - Awesome

BCYC continues to attract new members and each prospective member presents their interests in what brings them to the club. Included are: the reputation of BCYC's members as friendly and welcoming; the many varied events each month; our staff; and our sailing programs. We should keep in mind that each member guest who is at the club for any reason is a possible new member.

The Board of Directors gave approvals to three new member applicants at the April board meeting.

Matthew and Hilarie Beattie join us as Regular Flag members, and are also members of the Dana Point Yacht Club. They have two children and all have been sailing in Southern California. They have participated in events and regattas at BCYC, and are interested in participating in cruises, social activities and the junior program.

Wes and Marissa Coffey join BCYC as Regular Flag members. Though recently having moved into the "neighborhood," they are not new to boating. The social elements of BCYC are an interest for them.

John and Gloria Risvold converted from a DRM status to Regular Flag. Lifelong sailors/racers, they look forward to the social activities, dining and racing while flying the BCYC burgee.

As is the BCYC tradition, our new members will wear their BCYC blue nametags. Take a minute to introduce yourself and welcome them into the BCYC family.

WELCOME TO BCYC NEW MEMBERS April 2022



Hilarie & Matthew Beattie



Wes & Marissa Coffey



Gloria & John Risvold



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Reservations Please

The club is now open for the 2022-2023 boating season!

On Friday, May 6, members witnessed Commodore Kari Konapelsky declare the club closed for the season. After the ceremony, members enjoyed the traditional Prime Rib Night feast.

The following afternoon, members gathered at the Compass Rose for the Opening Day ceremony, where the commodore declared BCYC open for the boating season and looked toward the future with continued success of our great club!

The docks and boats were decorated with signal flags and nautical items. Members and guests partied with an informal competition of food and libations. Specialty drinks such as strawberry daiquiris and margaritas were offered, accompanied by hot dogs, pizza and even Maine lobster rolls with all the fixins! Members ended the party with plans for meeting the following weekend in Avalon and Catalina Island Yacht Club for the first cruise on the ocean of the new boating season!

We celebrated Mother's Day on Sunday, May 8, with a brunch for over 300 in the club's dining room. Andrea Miller provided live entertainment for Friday Night Live on May 13 at the club and Paul Miller entertained at the May 20 FNL. Watch for information on the Father's Day Brunch with the Car Show and Art Show on June 19. Make a reservation and we'll see you there!



Bring on the dock parties!



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Flags Flying and Camaraderie

As vice commodore, I am in charge of water-based activities at the club and I normally write an article dealing with such varied topics as racing, cruising and junior sailing. But for this article, I wanted to reminisce about the most recent BCYC Opening Day. This day has always been one of my favorites at the club (of course, the Commodore's Ball, The Gala, Christmas Boat Parade and New Year's Eve are certainly not far behind).

I so enjoy coming to the club on Saturday morning and watching all the boaters finish dressing their boats and getting them ready for the Coast Guard Auxiliary inspections. Our boating fleet always looks so fine with all the signal flags flying. The docks are also just a bee hive of activity with decorations being placed by so many people in preparation for the dock parties that follow the Opening Day ceremony. Balloons, banners and flags are flying everywhere, and then the ceremony begins.

The bagpiper leads the way with the procession of Staff Commodores dressed in their finest dress uniforms. The junior board commodore leads the Pledge of Allegiance and Commodore Kari Konapelsky acknowledges those members who have passed during the last 12 months. Commodore then thanks the many members who participated in planning and attending the many events that took place at BCYC throughout the year. It is what makes our club the great and fun place that it is. As the ceremony begins to wind down, you can smell the aroma of fresh-baked pizza and hand-made lobster rolls.

Bring on the dock parties! People are everywhere, sampling all types of wonderful food, desserts and let's not forget, the cocktails (of which there seemed to be no shortage)! Most impressive to me is the camaraderie our members enjoy with each other on the docks and on their boats. This is what makes Opening Day so special for me. I couldn't end this article without a huge thank you to Junior Staff Commodore Rhonda Tolar for organizing this very special day. I also want to thank our 2022 officers and the BCYC staff for their enthusiastic participation. Ahh - and now, just sit back and remember Opening Day!





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*Cruising in Full Swing,
 Raft Up
 and Cruise Wear!*

Last month, we had an awesome cruise to Avalon and enjoyed all the island has to offer! BCYC cruisers enjoyed hanging out at the historic Catalina Island Yacht Club, fierce competition in the Konapelsky Perpetual (mini) Golf Tournament, and some high-stakes fishing with our angling masters, Lorie and Jim Buchanan. Thank you to everyone who made it to the island, and can't wait to continue cruising this year!

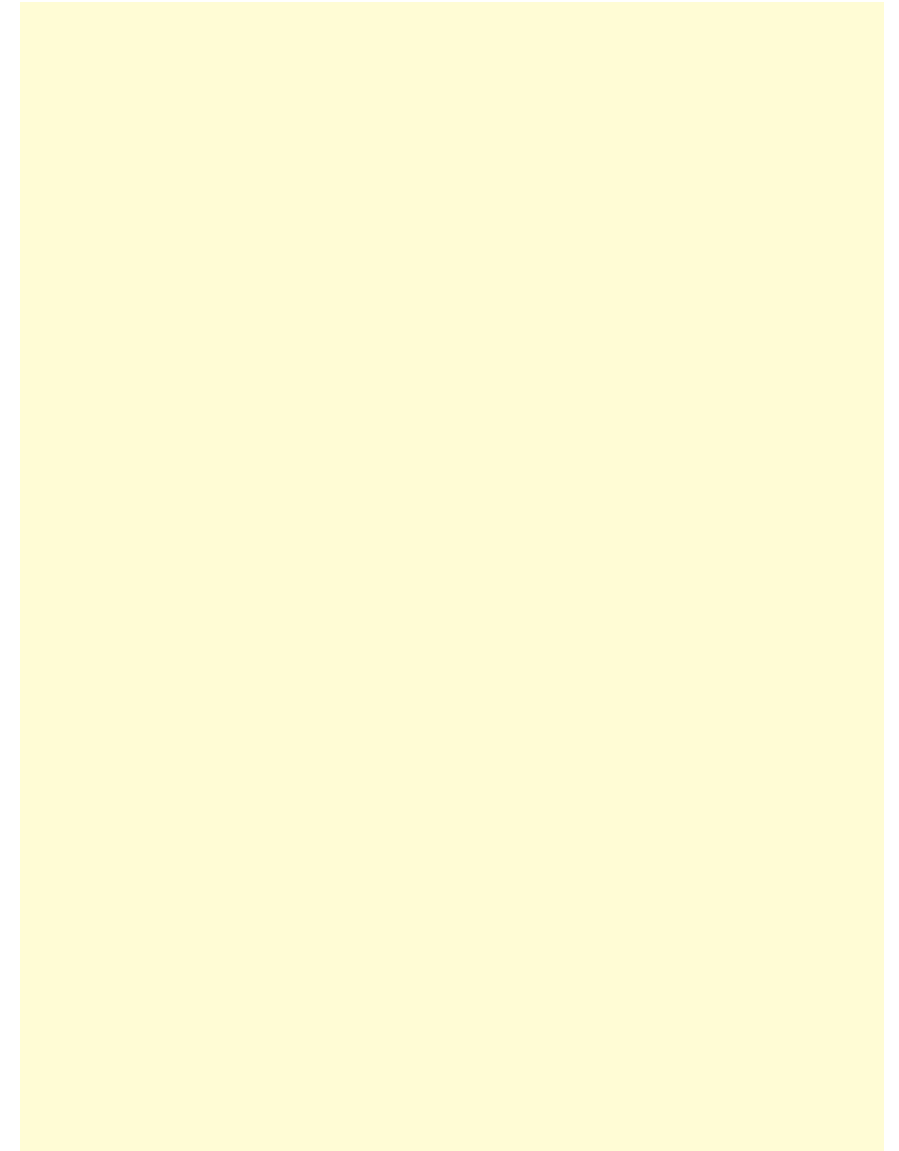
Mark your calendars and sign up to join your fellow members to anchor in Newport Harbor for some hometown fun, June 25-26! We will have host boats with snacks, drinks and games for the entire family. Cruise out on Saturday for music and a signature cruise cocktail – look for the BCYC mega cruise burgee to find the action! Contact Scott Vernier (858-354-0038) to see about side ties and hosting a game or snack for this local event. Get registered.

The Cruise Committee is excited to announce the 2022 Cruiseapoloosa Tour Dates t-shirt! We are adding some festive cruise-wear merchandise to go along with our Cruiseapoloosa Tour, so look out for some great shirts, hats and on-the-water gear to add to your BCYC-wear collection.

We welcome any volunteers or ideas to help make our BCYC cruises the best. Reach out to Julie Granbery or Scott Vernier with ideas!



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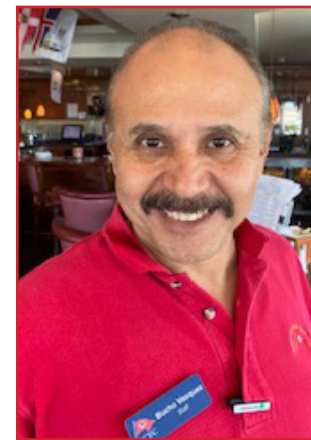


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Celebrating our Parents

What a lovely turnout we had for our annual Mother's Day Brunch. It was such a delight seeing all the BCYC families celebrating their wonderful mothers. On Sunday, June 19, we will celebrate fathers at our annual Father's Day Brunch, and Art and Car Show. This is always a must-attend event! Last year, the car show was top notch, featuring car replicas of the batmobile from the original "Batman" television show and a police car from "The Andy Griffith Show." While the Art Show has been on hiatus for the past two years, it will be exciting to have the club filled with beautiful artwork. If you are interested in submitting artwork or a car to our Father's Day Event, please email bcycactivities@gmail.com with your information. If you have not made a reservation yet, please call the club to reserve your spot.

The Activities Committee is always looking for new members to join. The Father's Day Brunch is our kick-off event to a busy summer. Our meetings are held every second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. Please contact chair Artesha Harvey at bcycactivities@gmail.com if you are interested in becoming a committee member.



Meet The Staff
Bucho Vasquez

Making sure that our members and their guests enjoy their experience at the club is Bucho's main goal. He has been on staff at BCYC as a bartender and server for over nine years. He shares his time with us at Newport Harbor Yacht Club, where he has been on staff for over 22 years as a bartender and server as well.

Born and raised in Jalisco, Mexico, Bucho now lives close to the club with his wife, three teenage children and two dogs. When time permits, he likes ten-pin bowling and playing football.

Bucho enjoys his time at the club and feels that the members are all very friendly and appreciative of his service. If you haven't met him, stop by the Columbia Room and introduce yourself to this loyal staff member! He typically is bartending from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Wednesday thru Saturday.

TRADITIONS

of Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club

Reciprocal Privileges for a BCYC Member

- To visit another yacht club using reciprocal privileges in the United States or the world, contact the club you plan to visit (via email, website, phone) and ask what credentials are needed
- Make sure your membership card is current
- Often, your current membership card and BCYC name badge is all that is needed
- Some clubs request a letter of introduction from our general manager stating you are a member in good standing
- Contact the waterfront manager when requesting docking privileges while flying our burgee
- Purchase drinks, meals and club merchandise with cash or credit card
- Some clubs do not offer reciprocal privileges – they may only allow invited guests of a club member
- Reciprocal privileges are a wonderful way to visit other clubs and meet new friends

Visiting Guests/Yachtsmen

- BCYC welcomes members of other yacht clubs
- Reciprocal privileges are available after contacting our club office regarding bar and dining availability
- Visiting members of other yacht clubs should wear their yacht club name tags
- Docking privileges in the BCYC marina for visiting yachtsmen are available only after making arrangements through the BCYC waterfront manager
- Vessels must register with the waterfront manager and fly their club burgee while in the BCYC marina
- BCYC hospitality to visiting guests/yachtsmen has given us the reputation of being the "Friendliest Yacht Club on the Bay"

May, 2022

A Note from our Chaplain . . .

"Much of the stress that people feel doesn't come from having too much to do. It comes from not finishing what they started."

David Allen



Closing Night

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Closing Night 2022

Even though the sun was shining and the marina was ready for Opening Day, tradition calls for a closing ceremony. As is also tradition, the club recognizes the hard work done by our Steering Committee members. The surrounding photos are of those that were present and presented with a gift of appreciation by Commodore Kari Konapelsky and Vice Commodore Rolf Rolnicki.



Here are the Opening Day Boat Inspection winners:
 Sailboat under 35': Jane Hartley
 Sailboat over 45' : JSC Rhonda Tolar
 Power Boat under 35': Vincent Valdez
 Power Boat 35-45': VC Rolf & Ronda Rolnicki
 Power Boat over 45': Roland Rapp & SC Gary Tolar





Las Commodoras
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Who are These Ladies in Red Jackets?

Las Commodoras is the women's auxiliary of Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club. Also known as the BCYC goodwill ambassadors, Las Commodoras board members organize, plan and execute social events and service activities for all members of the club.

With the assistance of our membership, Las Commodoras has generously supported nonprofit organizations, such as the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and the 1st Marines Special Operations Battalion. We host lady Marines and Marine wives at our annual Fashion Show Luncheon. We also facilitate a backpack drive to kick off the school year, as well as a toy drive for the children of Marine service members during the holidays. Our annual dog show is a favorite event for all, where we show off our furry members and donate to a local animal charity. In addition to these events, the Las Commodoras president and her board selects and presents a "purposeful gift" to BCYC each year that enhances the club.. Las Commodoras takes great pride in representing our club with these service activities.

We invite all BCYC members to attend our events, support our activities and most importantly, join in on all the fun!



Eric Lidecis
2022 Finn U.S. National Champion

Congratulations to BCYC member Eric Lidecis, the 2022 Finn U.S. National Champion. Eric won this prestigious event against an extraordinarily strong group of 38 competitors at the championship hosted by Alamitos Bay Yacht Club in late May. Impressive performance, Eric!



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That was Easy

After watching "Captain and Commander" again (for maybe the 10th time), I realized how **easy** today's sailors have it...imagine if Captain Aubrey and crew would have had roller furling sails. Just watching those crew go aloft to furl and unfurl sails made me seasick.



In the 19th century, most yacht races were started by allotting starting positions to the competitors. Buoys were laid in a straight line, to which the competitors attached their yachts by means of spring ropes. The yachts were required to keep all the sails forward of the mainmast on deck until the starting signal was given. Then the mad scramble to hoist sails and get the boat moving – definitely **not easy**.

Contrast that to today where we already have our boat's sails hoisted at the start and, if the crew has practiced enough, we zoom across the start line headed for the first turning mark.

As the sport grew, so did the need to formulate some rules to assure fair competition and to develop a system of handicapping boats to further promote fairness. Over the years, the Racing Rules of Sailing has grown to 92 rules and 22 appendices. That might sound like a lot, but actually the rules are pretty **easy** to understand.

Handicapping boats is also a fairly **easy** concept. Fast boats have a low handicap and slow boats have a high handicap. Very similar to golf, a "good" golfer has a low handicap and golfers like me have a triple-digit handicap. Subtract the handicap from the total number of strokes and the lowest score wins, which finally leads me to the point I want to make with this article.

Sailboat racing is **not easy**, but it is not difficult – think of it as sailing with a purpose beyond relaxation. If you own a sailboat, I really encourage you to join us on a BCYC race... Taco Tuesday would be a good place to start. Remember, your boat's handicap might actually enable you to place well. Believe it or not, sometimes the last boat to finish can actually win the race. So, just do it!

Speaking of winning races, BCYC skippers again had many successes on the race course.

Angelman Race #2

- Class A 1st Place – *Problem Child*, skipper Dan Rossen
- Class B 1st Place – *XLR8*, skipper Gabriel Nistor
- Class B 2nd Place – *Shadow*, skipper Steve Fink
- Class C 3rd Place – *Maiden*, skipper John Risvold

Weiss Series #2

- Class A 1st Place – *Shana's Secret*, skipper Phillip Thompson
- Class B 2nd Place – *Hula Girl*, skipper Chris Hill

Newport to Ensenada (N2E)

- ULDC Class D 1st Place – *Problem Child*, skipper Dan Rossen
- Double-Handed 1st Place – *Problem Child*, skipper Dan Rossen

DID YOU KNOW? Important Stuff

Did you know that during Prime Rib Night, the buffet is the only menu served in the Dining Room/Lounge area? The Columbia Room menu is also available during Prime Rib Night, but is only served in the Columbia Room.

Did you know that you have responsibilities when signing the liability form to get a key for the swimming pool area? One is that you are responsible for making sure at least one adult stays in the immediate area/inside the pool gate.

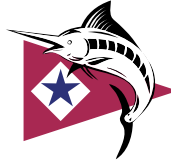
Did you know that you can place an order with the Columbia Room on your cell phone from the swimming pool areas? When ready, you can then pick up your order in the Columbia Room and make sure one adult stays in the immediate area/inside the pool gate.

Did you know that there is no glass of any kind allowed in the swimming pool area? This includes wine bottles – these should be left in the barbecue area.

Did you know that, per house rule D(1), people under the age of 21 may not sit at the Columbia Room bar and that children 14 years of age and younger may sit at a table in the Columbia Room or the adjacent patio with adult supervision until 9 p.m.? Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.



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Fishing Fever Near Catalina

Fishing during the Avalon cruise was a fantastic kickoff to the season, with team Bikini Babes proving they are the team to beat! We ran two four-hour excursions Saturday, and EVERYONE caught at least one fish. Congratulations to Staff Commodore Mary Bacon for catching a 25" bonita, the largest fish caught that day! Staff Commodore Ginny Lombardi landed a huge, almost record-breaking, mantis shrimp! Ian Hardy showed his stuff catching a sculpin, which Chase Jaramillo, our guide, used to teach us why we are very careful not to touch a poisonous spine or barb. Check out all the catches at our tournament website and join in!

The halibut, white sea bass and yellow tail are biting, as proven during the May 22 Harbour Rod and Reel Club Butt's N' Bagels tournament, where Jennifer Pfeiffer took second place with 35" 13-pound and Lorie Buchanan with a 25" 8-pound halibut. Are you ready to go fishing yet? Go to the angling page at BCYC.org and join the fun. Everything you need in the way of tackle is at the club for your use.

We will see you on the next cruise and will be holding more events soon.

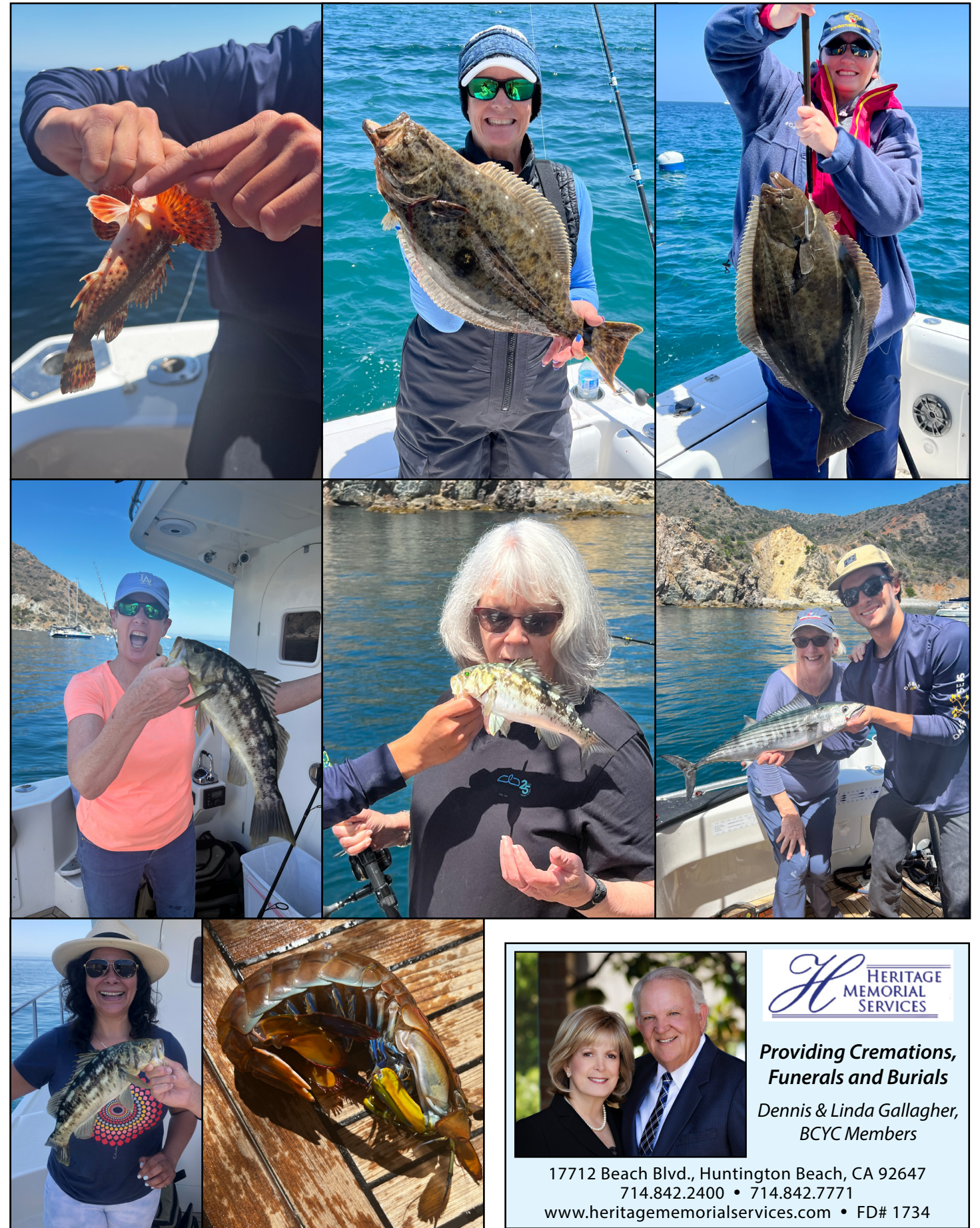


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The Amazing Awning

There have been some very nice additions to the BCYC facility the last few weeks. If you have not been on the Columbia Room patio lately, the vintage gas mushroom heaters are long gone. The plan is to replace these heaters in the near future. The improved view from inside and outside is obvious. And while you are on the patio, check out the new tan awning that has been installed. This will minimize the sun beating down in the summer and give very nice shelter during winter rains. This custom-built retractable awning, manufactured by Southern California-based Accent Awning Company, uses Sunbrella fabric. It also has a sensor that allows the awning to automatically close when the wind is stronger than 15 miles per hour.

Area heaters will return to the mid-patio, along with anticipated new awning covers soon. The compass rose was refinished last month and now reflects its old stunning look.

The House Committee has also been working to recognize contributions from individual members. As you walk into the Columbia Room, check out the beautiful binnacle donated to the club by Dr. Gene and Shawn Elliott – thank them for their donation when you see them. We are a sailing club and nautical ambiance makes it so much more enjoyable.

Looking ahead, we are planning to replace some damaged dock floats with new ones. And, there was a request to put a full-length mirror in the main floor ladies' restroom; members and guests will enjoy that addition soon.

Remember that all members are encouraged to participate in our House Committee meetings. This is where great ideas and synergy take place. We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.



Burgee Etiquette

Bylaw 1.1: The burgee of the Club shall be a pointed flag; the device a blue five- pointed star – point up – in the center of a white diamond; all on a red field. (Bylaws page 6-1)

Port Rule 15: It is mandatory that member boats in the Marina fly the Club burgee and that such burgee be in good condition. (Port Rule page 7-15)



This burgee is good to go!

This burgee does not conform to Bylaw 1.1



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Opening Day and Burger Bashes

Opening Day 2022 was an amazing celebration. The kids from the Junior Support Crew started the day helping at the Ducks for Bucks table selling ducks to all arriving members.

The younger kiddos enjoyed the Opening Day festivities by celebrating at the pool, having a great time swimming with all their friends. It was just like a summer day. Thanks to the club for providing a lifeguard for them.

We kick off the Friday Night Burger Bashes June 17. Every burger bash will have a fun new theme throughout the summer sailing season.



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Grand Finale - Norfolk, VA to Beaufort, NC
 Part 2 in a series following the Rozaks down the east coast



Grand Finale on the Savannah River

After leaving Annapolis two days before Thanksgiving and starting to make our way southbound in the Chesapeake Bay, we began growing a little weary of what might lie ahead in our water-based travels, especially at this time of year. Storms were becoming more and more frequent, the days were getting shorter and shorter – allowing for less travel time – and, quite frankly, I was getting tired of the cold, dark and windy days on the water. This is, after all folks, the northeast, nothing like the southwest at this time of year. Our objective was to get to Norfolk, the northernmost point of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (ICW), fly home to Newport Beach for 10 days to address business matters, then return to Norfolk and get the damn boat to the warm waters of Hilton Head Island before Christmas.



Alligator River, NC (Wide Intracoastal Section)

It had been only Wendy and me onboard since leaving Connecticut, traveling through New York City, down the Jersey shore, up the Delaware River and down the Chesapeake; roughly 510 nautical miles. Now, we wanted to make the 550-mile run to Hilton Head in the ICW, in the most expeditious and safest way possible. I suggested to Wendy that maybe we should consider a captain to assist! This was because our research indicated that traveling in the

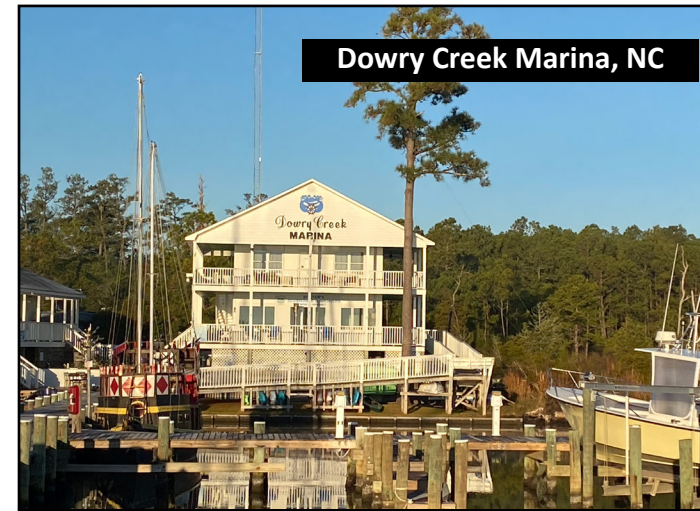
ICW can be much more challenging than going from point A to point B in the ocean. We both agreed and the interview process was on. After reviewing many resumes, numerous telephone interviews and emails, we decided on Captain Jim Marshall who coincidentally, lived on Hilton Head, SC. Jim stood out because he had made over 50 deliveries north and south from Fort Lauderdale to Boston and was very familiar with the waterway from Norfolk south. He also has great familiarity with Grand Banks, as he has delivered two 59' Grand Banks (like *Grand Finale*) and currently runs a 72' Grand Banks in Florida. Wendy and I then flew to Hilton Head for the final interview and to check out Harbour Town Yacht Basin where we were planning to keep the boat, and then we returned directly to California for 10 days.

Upon our return to Norfolk on Dec. 11, we were ready to get underway the following day. Captain Jim showed up bright and early and we left the slip at 9:30 a.m., headed south. Weather was clear but very cold as we began at mile marker 0 (Norfolk) and headed southward in dead calm conditions. Many parts of the ICW are 5-7 knot maximum zones (no wake) and this area of south Norfolk was one



Ice on Deck, Coinjock, NC

of them. The first two hours were spent weaving our way through industrial areas of shipyards, factories and all types of marine-related businesses. Commercial traffic was everywhere. After transiting the one and only lock in this section and waiting for two bridge openings, the waterway turned east, widened and we were able to increase speed. By early afternoon we had crossed the border into North Carolina, headed for our first stop at Coinjock, N.C., where Jim had made arrangements to spend the night and also ordered a prime rib for us to feast on at the charming restaurant right on the ICW. This was the shortest of our five days on this part of our adventure at just over 50 miles. I must admit that it was a real plus having someone on board who had been there and done that. Jim not only knew the route, but he also knew marinas, fuel stops, restaurants and bars, all within walking distance of each of our nightly stops.



Dowry Creek Marina, NC

Up early Monday morning, the weather was clear but cold. We found that the dampness had turned to ice on the decks and toe rails. Docks were slippery as we cast the lines at around 8:30 a.m. This was day two and our next stop was Dowry Creek, N.C., an 82-mile run. By mid-morning the weather had warmed, the decks were free from ice, the channel had widened, and we were able to run up to our 16-knot cruising speed. The width and depth of the ICW varies greatly. The width of a man-made cut, for example, can be as narrow as 50 yards and can run for many miles. By contrast, a large sound can open with a width of 4-5 miles. You must, however, ALWAYS stay between the red and green marker buoys where the depth varies from **only eight to 10 feet**. Width between red and green markers is only around 100 feet in all areas. Should one stray outside these markers, you will find yourself in the mud very quickly. This, of course, is not a good thing *at any speed*. We were in the slip that day by 3 p.m., washed the boat and had a cocktail. This marina had a car for transients to use so we picked up a pizza that night and brought it back to the boat.

On Tuesday morning we awoke to very dense fog in Dowry Creek. We waited until 9:30 a.m. for the fog to burn off, then left for Beaufort, N.C., a distance of 74 miles. We had



Smokin' down Pungo Alley, NC at 16 knots & 60 gals/hour

befriended a very nice couple on a 42' catamaran in the slip next to us who were also traveling south. Around 11:30 a.m., we heard their distress call to the Coast Guard and to Vessel Assist that they were hard aground and could not get off. Many times, sailboats do not have the prop size or horsepower to back down and free the boat, especially if they are buried deep in mud. This becomes a *real problem* if someone does not get there quickly and *if* combined with an out-flowing tide. Vessel Assist responded and had



Beaufort, NC (Jim casting lines on dock)

a boat on the way. Lesson: you must ALWAYS stay in the marked channel! Once again, we were blessed with great weather that day and arrived in Beaufort around 4 p.m. it is a charming town established in 1713 and also played a critical role in the Civil War. More on that next month as we continue our journey southbound through Charleston, S.C. and many other fascinating port cities in the south.

- Staff Commodore Kenny and Wendy Rozak -



Beaufort, NC (Early morning K&W 12-15-21)

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Visit or contact the club office if you would like a printed copy of this issue of *The Masthead*.

Event Highlights in June

2022 Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club
Friday Family Night
Fun, Food & BBQ
 Located outside at the pool patio



Friday, June 17 — Hula Hoops & Beach Balls
Friday, June 24 — Mexican Fiesta
Friday, July 1 — Friday Burger Bash
Friday, July 8 — Pool Game Night
Friday, July 15 — Burger Bash
Friday, July 22 — Hula Hoops & Beach Balls
Entire Family Welcome!



2022 Charity Race

PHRF— July 10
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Classic & High-Tech Cars



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For Car Show Entries contact:
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BCYC is looking for spectacular artwork to display for our Father's Day Brunch. Original pieces (adult or children) are welcome or a piece by your favorite artist. Please contact bcycactivities@gmail.com for more information.



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September 10, 2022

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