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## Showboat Memories

Showboat 2022 featured 20 years of Showboat memories. Thanks to all the AMAZING BCYC staff, including the club office team, servers, barkeeps and kitchen staff, and Chef Georges Rapicault, Events and Catering Manager Tasha Michalowski, Bar Manager Shawncy Little and General Manager Scott Jones. I also want to thank the people who worked the show — lighting, sound and the backstage team. And to the CAST, thank you – you all worked very hard to make Showboat 2022 happen, and had fun doing it!



Showboat 2022

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*If you Build it,  
 They Will Come*

BCYC continues to be the most popular club at the dance it seems. As we enter the last few months of the year, BCYC is attracting interest from potential new members wanting to join the club.

At the September Board of Directors meeting, I presented Rudy Alvarez and Tricia Gallagher as new Regular Flag members, and they were approved. Tricia grew up racing sailboats and competing in races in the Newport Beach area. Both are avid outrigger paddlers and spend many a day paddling in the harbor. Rudy and Tricia have found BCYC friendly and comfortable, and are looking forward to socializing and joining in the club's many activities.

Valerie Fryer was also presented and approved as a Regular Flag member. She grew up at BCYC, as her father was one of the founding members. Her mother, Mary, has been a member for more than 50 years. She is director of finance for a nonprofit in Orange County, is an avid sailor and wants to also become active in Race Committee. Welcome home, Valerie.

As of Aug. 31, the total dues-paying membership at BCYC is 414. We are a solid community and it shows by the continued interest in joining our "neighborhood" so to speak.

In keeping with the BCYC tradition, our new members will be wearing their blue name tags. Take a minute, introduce yourself and welcome Rudy, Tricia and Valerie into the BCYC family.

**WELCOME TO BCYC  
 NEW MEMBERS  
 October/November 2022**



Tricia Gallagher &  
 Rudy Alvarez



Valerie Fryer



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### Showboat 2022 and a Few Thoughts

To all those who were unable to make the 49th rendition of Showboat this year, you truly missed the stage event of the year. Rumor at BCYC has it that the only shows that compete with Showboat are the ones held at the Segerstrom Center for the Arts and that Showboat 2022 will next be playing at the Pantages Theater in Los Angeles – well, maybe that is just a crazy rumor!

Dancing, singing, comedy skits, children participation and the true feeling of being at a dinner theater performance was what our members and guests were treated to. The evenings were full of fun and laughter, and frankly, I'm not sure who had a better time – the cast members or the audience. Having now participated in Showboat for the past several years, I can honestly say it has been a wonderful experience of fun, laughter and camaraderie.

Trust me when I say that participation in Showboat will bring you so many new friends, you won't know which new friend to call first. As they say in show biz, this year's show is a wrap, but it's never too early to start thinking of next year's show, April 19-22. The theme will be "A Blast From The Past - Music From the 60s, 70s and 80s." Get involved by calling Ronda Rolnicki at 714-404-3633 or email her at [fourrrol@aol.com](mailto:fourrrol@aol.com) to book your act!



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### That's Entertainment

Countless hours of planning by the entire Showboat Committee got us to Showboat 2022. After many days and nights of rehearsing, the cast took center stage and presented a nostalgic show to the delight of enthusiastic audiences! The crowds roared with laughter at the comical skits performed by talented BCYC members, such as The Synchronized Swim Act, "Robinhood – Men in Tights", and the Three Stooges' "Swinging the Alphabet"! The kids entertained the crowd singing selections from "Grease" and "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown." The audiences greatly enjoyed the many group and solo numbers as well.

Look for information in the future on BCYC's 50th annual Showboat, scheduled for spring 2023 entitled "Blast from the Past," featuring music from the 60s, 70s and 80s!

As we wind down 2022, there are still many great events for us all to enjoy! Coming up Nov. 3 is the start of annual Las Commodoras Toy Drive during Prime Rib Night. The annual Awards Banquet is Nov. 12, followed by the Las Commodoras Fashion Show Nov. 19. And decorating BCYC for the holidays, Nov. 21-22, is an opportunity for all members to participate.

Be sure and make reservations at the club for the upcoming Newport Beach Christmas Boat Parade Dec. 14-18. I hope that you will join us at one or all these events!





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**Showboat 2022**





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Improvement in  
Many Areas

The last months have seen many significant improvements in our club. First, the 50-year-old gas heaters were removed from the Columbia Room patio and the canopy was installed. Next, the mid patio canopies were installed, creating a totally new look and providing for excellent future utilization of this area. These are full weather canopies and are controlled by a wind speed sensor. Staff can extend the canopy in mild weather or wind, but if the wind picks up to a speed that will stress the frame, the canopy automatically retracts so there is no damage. The card room chairs have been reupholstered to blend with the club colors. And the Columbia Room leather bar stools are getting a refreshed treatment, bringing them back to their original color.

The ladies love the full-length mirror located in the main floor bathroom, but wait for the upgrades coming in the dressing room area! The House Committee is looking at projects for the front lobby, the women's bathroom stalls and the marina. All members of the club are encouraged to come and participate and help provide the synergy to make our club an even more enjoyable home.



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Holidays at BCYC

Wow, what a great Halloween Party we had to close out the month of October. Musical entertainer Ron St. Clair had the whole club jamming all night long, singing the great Motown oldies. The Halloween Costume contest was definitely the highlight of the evening. Every year, I am impressed with the creativity of our members to come up with original costumes. I look forward to seeing what costumes will make their appearances at our 2023 Halloween Party.

The Activities Committee will decorate the club Nov. 21-22, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., with our traditional holiday decorations. We are looking for volunteers and, as always, many hands make this decorating go very quickly. If you are interested, please contact Artesha Harvey at [bcyactivities@gmail.com](mailto:bcyactivities@gmail.com). This is a fun event you will not want to miss. Please bring your entire family to help to make our club look very festive for the holiday season. Lunch will be provided since the club is closed on that Monday and Tuesday.

Thanksgiving is the time of the year when we cherish spending quality time with our loved ones, including our BCYC family. I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and have a wonderful holiday with family and friends.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Activities Committee, please join us at one of our meetings that are held every second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.

**BCYC RAVEN WELCOMES HALLOWEEN GUESTS**



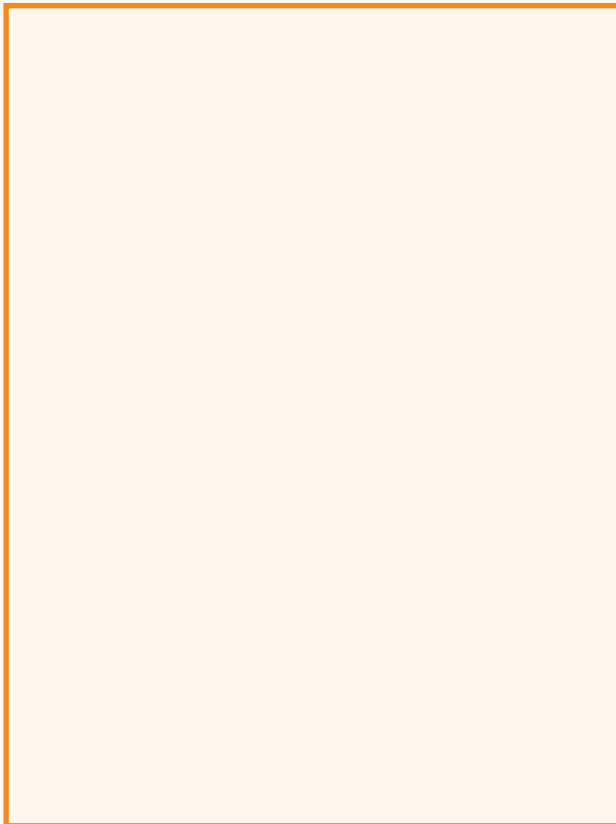


**Halloween 2022**





HALLOWEEN DANCING





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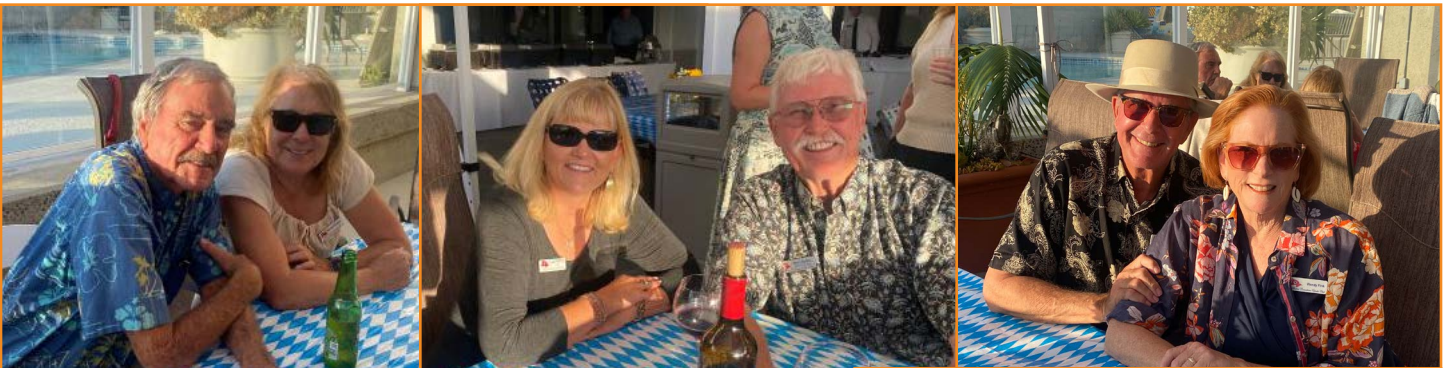
*Celebrate, Toys  
and Fashion*

Prost to everyone who attended our annual Oktoberfest celebration! We had so much fun and the transformation of the pool patio into our very own BCYC Biergarten was spectacular. Many thanks to Rebecca Corbin, Cathy Miller, Junior Staff Commodore Rhonda Tolar and Mary Kaye Whelan for achieving this transformation. Chef Georges Rapicault and his culinary team outdid themselves, providing many German food favorites. The bar was stocked with several German beers and specialty drinks. We sang and danced to the music of Vintage Vinyl, and even enjoyed a yodeling contest! This is one of my favorite events of the year.

Thursday, Nov. 3, we kick off our annual Toy Drive for our Marine families. Come to Prime Rib Night with a toy to drop in our sleigh and receive a coupon for a free house glass of wine or beer. The drive ends Dec. 11, so please consider donating this holiday season. You can also charge your donation to your club account or bring cash to the club office. In 2021, we collected more than 50 toys and over \$1,000 worth of gift cards. The Marine families at Camp Pendleton truly appreciate the generosity of BCYC members.

It's time to sip and shop at our Fashion Show and Holiday Boutique Saturday, Nov. 19. We have a fabulous theme, new vendors and some surprises too. So, grab your friends and make your reservation today as this popular event will sell out.



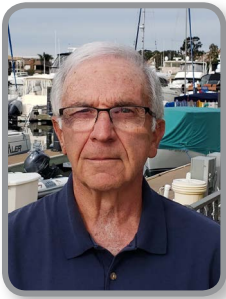


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*Captain Jack Says*

Racing in 2022 is winding down with only two race days left — the Hot Rum Series races. Our long-standing tradition has been to “require” crew sailing in Nov. 13 race to dress as pirates, with the best-dressed crew receiving a bottle of grog.

Hot Rum racing is easy – we run two in-the-harbor races each day around multiple harbor marks. Different courses for different classes make the racing competitive, yet fun. This is a race for all levels of expertise. So...here’s the nag... sign up for this series. Harbor 20s and other one-design boats should also sail in this race – the more the merrier.

I’ll remind you again in the December issue of *The Masthead*, but SAVE THE DATE for my 2023 Introduction to Sailboat Racing seminar, scheduled for Jan. 21, 2023. This seminar is aimed at novice racers and those who simply want to know more about the sport. Skippers should send their crew to the seminar. It is free and open to the public, so invite your friends. Registration will open Nov. 15.



*A Note from our Chaplain . . .*

*“Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend.”*

*Melody Beattie*



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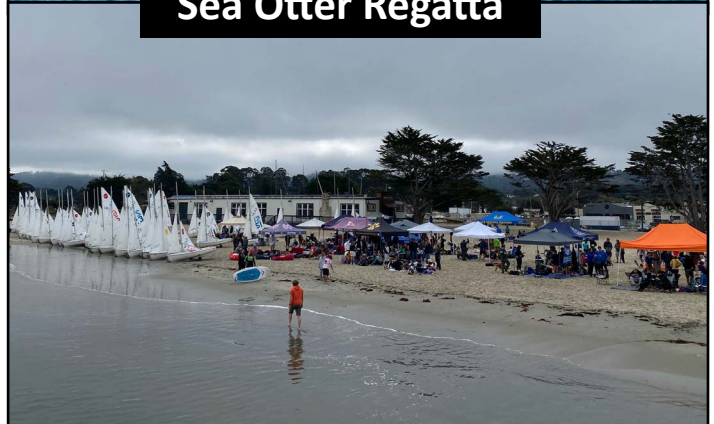
The Sea Otter Regatta, hosted by Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club, is my favorite sailing event. It takes place Friday through Sunday in early October every year during the high school sailing season. I have great memories of leaving school for the seven-hour drive up the coast with my dad and a car full of my sailing friends.

This year, the regatta was Oct. 8-9. When we arrived Friday night, everyone gathered for dinner and video games before getting some sleep. The way high school sailing works is that there are two fleets that go out at different times, so one is sailing while the other is on land. It’s fun to hang out with friends while waiting for your turn to sail.

I have to thank the BCYC sailing program for helping me build my sailing skills. I am proud to be on my Newport Harbor High School team, and to be chosen to participate in these fun sailing events.



**Sea Otter Regatta**



# The Gala

The Gala 2022 was a tremendous success thanks to so many of you who donated, participated and attended this super fun event. Thank you to all for your generosity! There were over 125 members in attendance. We would like to recognize our sponsors and underwriters.

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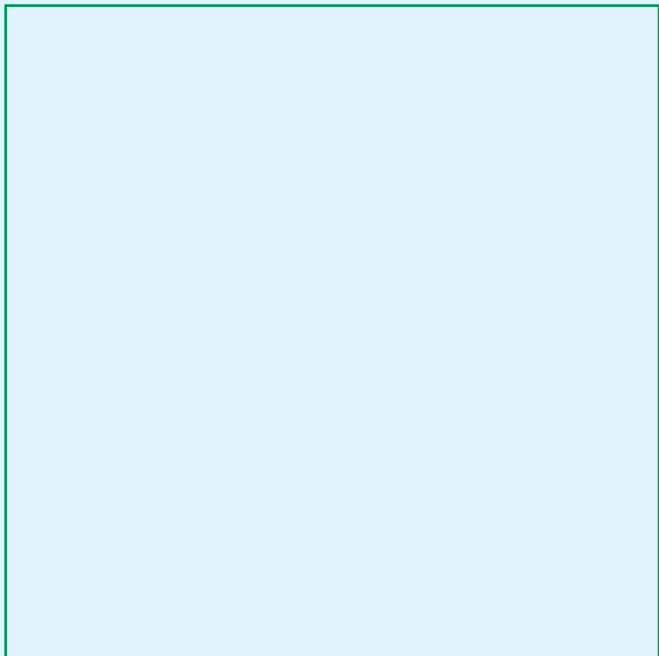
**Martini Bar:** Tim and Gail Munzing

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Thank you to all our sponsors, underwriters and all who made The Gala 2022 a fantastic evening and a very successful event!

- The Gala 2022 Team -

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### CHANTICLEER AWARD

A remarkable golden award that members are “thrilled” to receive is the Chanticleer Award. This annual award goes to the member, while flying the club burgee, who makes the most outstanding goof in the presence of witnessing members. It was first presented to Staff Commodore Lorin Weiss in 1968. Thereafter, it has been awarded more than 50 times to very deserving members, 14 of whom were staff commodores.

At the annual Awards Banquet, a gracious master of ceremonies describes the goofs in glorious detail, usually accompanied with pictures. Surprisingly there are always many candidates to be considered for this prestigious award. Members in attendance at the banquet delight in shouting “for shame” as each goof is presented.

With great fanfare, the trophy given to the deserving recipient is a plastic golden chicken. Also presented to the winner is a chicken lapel pin, which must be worn by the awardee when they are at the club. If caught not wearing this pin of great honor, they are obligated to buy a drink for the member who noticed the offense.

The Chanticleer Award is a grand BCYC tradition.

November, 2022



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## Thank You Juver Garcia for 40 Years of Hard Work and Dedication!

Juver Garcia, BCYC maintenance manager, is our first-ever 40-year staffer. During this time, he has been a valued BCYC employee and has accomplished so much for the betterment of our club. To show our appreciation and gratitude, Juver was recently presented a check in the amount of \$12,000. He intends to use this money as a down payment for a vehicle to replace his 25-year-old truck. A huge thank you, Juver, for all your hard work and dedication!



*Thank you so much for the thoughtful gift. I am beyond thankful and am very lucky to work and be part of the BCYC team for 40 years! Hugs! Juver*

*Muchas gracias estoy muy agradecido por el regalo. Soy muy afortunado de ser parte de un gran equipo de grandes personas por 40 anos de BCYC. Abrasos! Juver*




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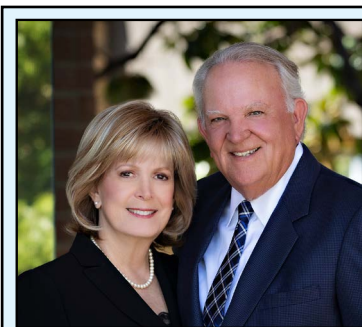


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