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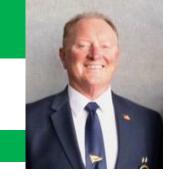
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From the Quarterdeck

COMMODORE





Mike Greenup

November is here; the year is drawing to a close and the holidays are upon us.

The big news in October was the successful election of 5 new Board members for 2022. Congratulations to (pictured left to right) George Arglen, Garry Kraft, Billy Le Croy, Barbara Brauns, and Mike Greenup who were elected to 2-year terms as Directors for 2022-2024. When you read this article, you will have elected a new Bridge to serve as your leaders for 2022.



We have chosen a great combination of club experience and new blood to lead the club forward with these smart and dedicated individuals.

A special thank you to Staff Commodore

Frank Sullivan who hosted and chaired the Anglers' Awards Dinner on October 2nd and also the annual California Conservation Association (CCA) dinner on October 15th. The CCA works to protect the health, habitat, and sustainability of our marine resources, but also the interests of recreational anglers and their access to the resources that we all cherish.

Our Halloween party with a twist was a fun night: 50's and 60's attire with a performance by an Elvis impersonator and dancing and music by DJ Cubberly. Our wonderful Chef Lisa Marie Medlen provided a comfort dinner which was a real treat! (No tricks!) Thank you to Diane Sabol and Linda Greenup who hosted this event.

November is shaping up to be another busy month at the club. We will have our annual CIYC Awards Presentation on November 20th, recognizing all our members who have helped make this a banner year. The Epicureans have a delicious menu on tap, so be sure to sign up on the email for reservations.

In keeping with CIYC tradition, we will be hosting our Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 25th, at 3:00.

Your family (and a few close friends) are invited to join us. We are asking for donations of turkeys and hams which your cooking crew will prepare. The club will provide mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls and butter.

The holidays can be a difficult time for some, so please come and enjoy the camaraderie of your CIYC family.

We are all here for each other!



I sincerely thank our membership for helping the club bounce back in the last 10 months after a difficult time maneuvering though all the COVID restrictions.

This is why we are continually voted the

Best Yacht Club in Ventura County!



From the Quarterdeck

VICE COMMODORE





Billy LeCroy

Fall is here and it seems as if this year has rushed by. We have a lot to be thankful for, and I especially thank all of you for supporting your club.



We are grateful to our October cooks for serving us some fantastic meals.

Cary Verstynen, Sue Woolf, Linda and Jim Perry, Diane Sabol, and their crews came through again!

Diane Sabol has also organized Friday Night Potlucks. Thank you!



The Cigar and Whiskey Party was a success and a lot of fun.

CRAWFEST -The CCA Crawfish Boil and Fundraiser was fantastic!

Thanks to Frank Sullivan, Phil Woolf, Stu Horwitz, and all who helped make that a special night, Also, many thanks to all the CCA members who set up, cooked, and cleaned up after the dinner!

We had the Care Givers' Sail-A-Thon, Anglers' Awards Dinner by Bill Lynch and his crew, Epicureans' Oktoberfest Dinner, the Islanders' Election Meeting, and we're enjoying Monday Night Football. We also had the Hallowe'en Social and Dinner: 50s and 60s with Elvis!



Sharon and I took a couple of weeks off for a vacation, and I sincerely thank Mike Greenup for graciously covering for me.

We're all looking forward to the Variety Show in November and some great dinners. We will have some new chefs to thank: Pam and Joseph Bouganim will be preparing a meal for us. She was one of the cooks for Opera Night and everyone raved about her food!

We have the CIYC Awards dinner by the Epicureans to look forward to; also upcoming are the Lady at the Helm Race and awards.

Our Food and Beverage Committee, led by Linda Weisfuss, has been hard at work putting together, among other things, a manual for our cooks. This will make it easier to recruit and train new members to man the kitchen. Thank you, Linda, Bill Scarpino, and the rest of the committee, for your hard work.

By now we will have elected our Bridge for 2022. I'm confident in the leadership of the club and I personally look forward to a fantastic year ahead. We need to give the Bridge our support and help.

I'll revisit serving, if needed in 2023.

Again, it is my pleasure to serve as your Vice Commodore, and I thank you all for your support.

Remember, we still have a mask policy. It's easy to forget sometimes, but we still need to be safe and comply with Ventura County rules.

Have a great November!

Enjoy Thanksgiving, and we'll see you at the Club.

Captain Billy Le Croy

Vice Commodore 2021



From the Quarterdeck

REAR COMMODORE



Dawn Turnier

Wow! It's already October, and my term as your Rear Commodore is almost at its end.

When I was asked to take this position, I had no clue what I was getting myself into, but now that it's almost over, I feel that I did an okay job. I started with a Dinghy Party at the Ireland's home which went smashingly well. I did another Dinghy Party at the Webb's residence, and that day the weather was perfect. We had a great time! I did a racers' dinner and I really had no clue how it was going to turn out. I really wasn't sure if I would have enough dinner for everyone because the numbers of attendees kept climbing. We had enough, and we had dancing.

All of the racers thanked us for a really fun time.

We now have the Parade of Lights committee working on our float. Mary Ann and Scott Wales donated their boat. So far, Monday night Football has been an amazingly fun time.



Which leads me into the new event that I started and hope will continue: the Whiskey and Cigar Party, which took place at 1700 on 15 October, 2021, on the lower deck. We sampled Old Forester's Distillery Row Series whiskeys called 1870 Original Batch, 1897 Bottled-in-Bond, 1910 Very Old Fine, and 1920 Prohibition style, as well as Arturo Fuente Double Chateau Fuente Cigars.

The weather was on our side and the company was fantastic: We learned about the whiskeys and then had a signature Egg White Whiskey Sour with one of the Old Forester Whiskeys from the party. Everyone had such a great time that we are already planning another event for the cigar series, this time featuring rum. We will be posting more details about this Rum and Cigar Event soon.

Until then, here's wishing you blue skies and fair seas. Dawn Turnier, Rear Commodore 2021







Anglers' Corner

By Frank Sullivan



WSB Grow-out Pen Update:

We have taken delivery of 10,000 juvenile White Seabass at the Channel Islands Harbor grow-out pens. Thank you to all who helped with the delivery and/or support with your time and donations.





5th Annual Coastal Conservation Association Fundraiser:

The Annual fundraiser for the CCA Channel Islands Chapter was a great success. It was sold out with more than 100 attendees. This was the first time for us to try a Crawfish Boil and it was a blast. **CRAWFEST** exceeded our expectations in attendance and funds raised. The Raffles, Silent and Live Auctions were a hit, with some great items. Music and dancing kept folks there past the end of the event.





What About Flu?

The usual seasonal flu infects millions and sends some 600,000 - 700,000 people to the hospital. Last season was unusual, as here in the US there were only 2,000 cases recorded. There were probably more, with many misdiagnosed as Covid because of false positive PCR tests.

(By the way, PCR tests for Covid-19 will be discontinued in December. Why? Because there are way too many false positives, so now no one really knows how many really had, or died from, Covid.)

Such a low number of patients with flu is thought to be the result of social distancing, facial masks, handwashing, and other social measures used to stop the spread of Covid.

Scientists usually follow what is happening in the Southern Hemisphere, but low flu numbers in Australia, New Zealand, and South America did not allow for more precise identification of a dominant strain. Pinpointing the likely strain allows vaccine manufacturers to prepare well in advance and tailor the vaccine for the proper strain(s).

The prediction for the 2021/22 season doesn't look good. It is expected that at least 700,000 may become seriously ill, requiring hospitalization, and that 50-60,000 may die.

At the same time, during the coming winter months Covid is also expected to flare up because people will spend more time indoors during cold weather.

US health authorities strongly recommend vaccinating against the flu. Vaccinating simultaneously with Covid vaccine (including boosters) is

acceptable and carries no additional risk. Everyone 6 months of age and older should get a flu shot every season, with rare exception. Ideally, everyone should be vaccinated by the end of October.

Standard-dose, <u>quadrivalent influenza shots</u> are manufactured using virus grown in eggs. Quadrivalent means they are designed to combat four different strains.

How effective is the vaccine? The effectiveness of flu vaccines varies from one season to the next, but it is estimated to be between 30 and 60 per cent.

What should you do if you are allergic to eggs or to prior vaccines? Or if you are presently sick. Or if you have a history of Guillain-Barre Syndrome. Talk to your doctor.

For <u>flu</u>, the CDC recommends that people stay at home for at least 24 hours after their fever is gone, except to get medical care or other necessities. Temperatures should have returned to normal for 24 hours without the need to use fever-reducing meds.

Recent outbreaks in Croatia, China, and India seem to be a strong indicator that the flu is on the way. Please consider taking a flu shot.

And no hugging and smooching in the club.

Stay safe. Your Fleet Sturgeon, Zoran Thanks to Erika for editing.





Haul Away, Joe!

As many of you know, the barroom of our club is styled as though it were the room of a ship; a ship with the appropriately named "shiplap" paneling. I was recently involved in the polishing of the brass bar rail, making it "shipshape." While I was polishing the rail, running a polishing cloth back and forth along the rail, putting my real Popeye-like forearms to good use, I was put in mind of a classic sea shanty, and how singing one would make the work go by much more pleasantly. But what type of sea shanty would be appropriate to the type of work, you might ask. To answer that, I wanted to examine the main types of sea shanties from the age of sail and their subcategories, as well as their lyrics.

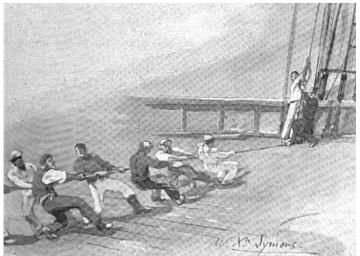


The main types of sea shanties are: The pulling shanty, the capstan shanty, and the fo'c'sle shanty. The pulling shanty can be subdivided into the long-haul and short-haul shanty.

These are songs with call-and-response lyrics where the beat is timed to follow the rhythmic cadence of the work being done: raising sails, for instance. The capstan shanty can be subdivided into the capstan shanty proper, pump shanty, and stamp and go shanty. Marines marching and singing is an example of a stamp and go shanty. The bilge pumps on a ship would have been operated while singing a pump shanty. The final main type of shanty is the fo'c'sle shanty, named for the forecastle of a ship where the crew quarters would have been. These songs would be sung by the sailors in their off hours and would not have rhythms necessarily suited for work; however, they were funny and usually quite dirty.

Many of the original lyrics for sea shanties included exceptionally filthy lyrics sung by the men at sea without any genteel company about. The people of the Victorian era set about bowdlerizing many of these lyrics for mass consumption as folk music. A good example of this is the well-known sea shanty *Blow the Man Down* where the naughtier lyrics are disguised by nautical euphemisms, letting a proud ship's good characteristics stand in for a fair damsel's good characteristics. For reference, *Blow the Man Down* is an example of a long-haul pulling shanty where there is one pull per verse on the call-and-response portion of the verse.

For those of exceptionally strong constitution interested in the subject, one can look up the uncensored lyrics to the fo'c'sle shanty *Barnacle Bill the Sailor*, but please don't share them with children! For a family-friendly fo'c'sle shanty, have a look at the song that almost broke TikTok earlier this year, *The Wellerman*.





The Capstan. Engraving by Arthur Briscoe, 1925. British Museum. Creative Commons License. Find the archival scan here.

Unfortunately, I was so carried away by the thought of shanties that I didn't finish polishing the bar rail, but I know doing so would be better with company and maybe with the help of a short-haul pulling shanty like *Haul Away*, *Joe*! Once the chorus is ready, I'll get back to polishing.







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NEW YEARS EVE Dinner Party

Bar opens 5pm DJ Trivia At 6:30 pm

Bar Open 5pm 6:30 pm Dinner

5pm Monday night football



Channel Islands Harbor Watch By Rene Aiu

Redistricting Impacts the Harbor and Beach Communities

Redistricting is important and requires the public's attention and input. For the Channel Islands Harbor and surrounding beach neighborhoods, there are two factors that can impact its effective representation on the Ventura County Board of Supervisors.

First, it is critical that the harbor and surrounding beach neighborhoods be located together in one district to have an effective voice. A redistricting principle states a "community of interest" should be located in one single district and not divided. A "community of interest" shares the same concerns and values and acts in concert effectively. The harbor and beach community has proven to be a true "community of interest." At a minimum, this "community of interest" should include the neighborhoods within the boundaries of Fifth Street in the north, Victoria Avenue in the southeast, including the entire Silver Strand area, and the Pacific Ocean in the west. County redistricting does not change the City of Oxnard's jurisdiction of the harbor, its residential and beach areas.

Second, redistricting will determine who will represent this community and it may not be the individual whom the community elected. It will also determine what city/cities and other neighborhoods and "communities of interest" will be in the same County district.

Objectively, County redistricting should be guided and decided based upon the "Fair Maps Act Redistricting Criteria" and the "6 Considerations Used to Redraw District Lines."

The Redistricting Plan that best meets these principles should be adopted.

Briefly the 6 principles are:

- 1) Districts should be equal in number of people, not citizens
- 2) Districts must be contiguous, can't hop or jump to include areas
- 3) "Communities of Interest" should be maintained
- 4) Redistrict maps should follow city lines, avoid dividing cities, and when not feasible, minimize a city's division
- 5) Boundaries separating districts should be easily identifiable and should not favor or discriminate against a political party
- 6) Districts should be compact, not stretched to include specific neighborhoods or communities

The Redistricting Partners have submitted 4 Plans to the Board of Supervisors for discussion at the October 19th meeting. Of the four plans, Plan 4 best meets the above principles for redistricting. These plans can be viewed at the Ventura County Redistricting site. [https://www.ventura.org/redistricting/]

At the October 19, 2021, Board Meeting, the Supervisors decided that two of the County Districts must be "Majority Minority" districts. This means these two districts must have at least 50% plus 1 of the Latino Citizen Voting Age Population. The Board elected to eliminate consideration of maps 3 and 4 that were presented by the Redistricting Partners consultants and added 3 other maps presented by community organizations that presented concepts for redistricting that offered two "majority minority" maps.

The final public hearing to view and discuss any revised or new redistricting plans will be held on November 9th. The public is encouraged to submit letters, emails, and/or speak at these meetings. A redistricting decision must be final by December 15, 2021.

SAVE THE DATE

DEC 4th 2021

Rene Aiu, Harbor Delegate







Channel Islands Harbor Watch

By Rene Aiu Harbor Delegate

2021 Holiday Food and Toy Drive

The Harbor Department and the Harbor & Beach Community Alliance are teaming up for the 2021 Holiday Food and Toy Drive on Saturday, December 4th, from 10am – 4pm at Fisherman's Wharf.



• Dry & Canned food: Beans! Salmon! Tuna! • Peanut butter • Non-sugar Cereal • Must be non-perishable

Volunteers Are Needed!

Volunteers are needed that day to help with driveup drop-offs of food and toys at Fisherman's Wharf. As was done last year, people will be asked to drive up, and community volunteers will unload their cars. Food Share will also be there with their truck to help, and the Fire Department will be there sponsoring the Spark of Love Toy Drive.

Food Items Most Needed:

Canned tuna, chicken, and salmon; cereal (non-sugar types); beans (dry and canned); rice (in 1lb-2lb bags or mixes); peanut butter; pasta and pasta sauce.

Other non-perishable food items are also welcome.

Toys and Sports Items Requested:

Toys and sports equipment should be new and unwrapped.

This event is the perfect opportunity for our yacht club members, as well as the harbor and beach communities, to extend a hand to those in need this holiday season and give generously.

Monetary donations to Food Share will be matched up to \$10,000.

Checks or cash can be dropped off on December 4th.



https://app.mobilecause.com/form/gHVTMA?vid=e01hs

SAVE THE DATE:
Drive Up—Drop Off
Saturday, December 4^{th,}
from 10am – 4pm
at Fisherman's Wharf.



REVIVAL OF THE CHANNEL ISLANDS TO MARINA DEL REY RACE



For the first time since 2013, Channel Islands Yacht Club (CIYC) co-hosted the Channel Islands to Marina del Rey Race (CI2MdR) with Del Rey Yacht Club (DRYC). Lifetime member Paul Hatcher co-founded this race, which was co-hosted by CIYC and Palos Verdes Yacht Club (no longer in existence and first run on June 12, 1976.)

The vast majority of entrants sailed up from Marina del Rey on Friday, September 24. With lots of help from Channel Islands Harbor Marina, Peninsula Yacht Anchorage, and the Channel

Islands Harbor Patrol, we found berths for more than 30 visiting boats!

Rear Commodore Dawn Turnier organized the kickoff dinner on Friday night and served BBQ for 120 people! With our friendly bar and DJ Brian Fitzgerald after dinner, many partied until midnight. Saturday morning, Lisa Medlen's pre-race breakfast

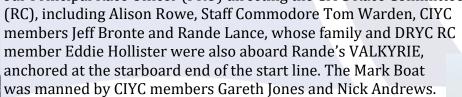
was also a sellout and served over 100 people from 8:00-9:00am, just before the club breakfast and General Meeting that morning.



This year's race was one of the largest sailboat races undertaken by CIYC in its 61-year history. What a sight it was to see! Nearly 40 sailboats with overall lengths from 29-80ft were under full sail, jockeying for position and crossing the start line, which was approximately 1/2 nm outside the Channel Islands Harbor breakwater. From the start all proceeded around Platform Gina before head-

ing to Marina del Rey. Although the wind was very light at the start, it filled in later in the day, and the average finish time was about 8 hours.

Bill Brayton was our Principal Race Officer (PRO) directing the CIYC Race Committee



DRYC provided reciprocal berths to a few visiting boats and a post-race breakfast and awards on Sunday. DRYC Race Chairman presented trophies. With this year's success (and lessons learned), we hope to host the start of even more sailboats next year!

Jane Thomas CIYC Fleet Captain







CIYC PET PARADE



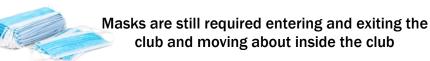
Dogs (left to right): Tara (golden retriever), Zoey (German shepherd), Maggie (sheepadoodle),
Annabelle and Doodle (golden doodles).
Humans: Billy LeCroy (Zoey), and John O'Farrell (Tara) between friends, Michael and Tracie (Maggie).
Photos courtesy of Claire O'Farrell.

We didn't have a burgee but these are mostly CIYC Canines!

Please send your name and your pet's name and picture to currents.ciyc@roadrunner.com



Check your email for calendar updates!



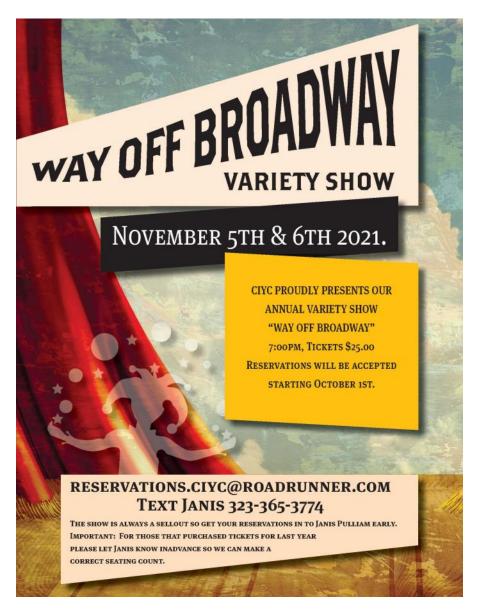




Did know you can find CIYC on Facebook? https://www.facebook.com/groups/ChannellslandsYC

Share event Photos — see what you missed, see what's happening with members!







Monday Night
Football @CIYC
Bar opens 5pm
Food and Fun
with your fellow
Club Members!





DID YOU MISS IT?



Rene Aiu won the raffle at the Anglers' dinner October 2.





Oktoberfest

Thanks to Ingrid Schuh for creating the braids!



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HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARYS

Melanie & Ken Franklin Nov 08

Shaun Plomteaux & Leanna Archer Nov 09

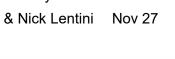
Dan Maxwell & Samantha Marois Nov 11

Freddy Richardson & Liza Clinch Nov 13 Marty & Monica Payer Nov 16

Keith & Mary Ann Moore Nov 26

Elise & Nick Lentini Nov 27





Watch your emails for calls for help setting tables and club clean-ups! These efforts are a great way to meet new people and do your part for our Self Help Club!



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