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Newsletter of Lake Yosemite Sailing Association

January 2019

Happy New Year



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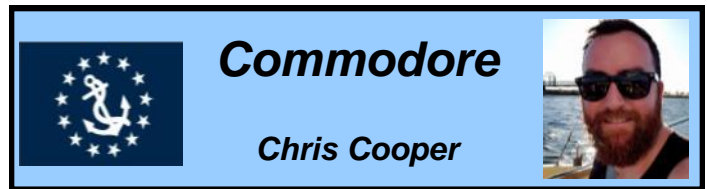
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**Deadline is the 22nd of each month
Submit with LYSA in the Subject Line**

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Welcome 2019! 2018 was fun and busy with my all my children in school. It felt as though I blinked and we are already at the end. This year is bound to be busy and full of fun as well. I get the pleasure of being your Commodore this year. After being Vice-Commodore for a year I am looking forward to seeing what the new Board can do. There will be a meeting at Round Table Pizza on January 15th. Being that the New Year starts on Tuesday we are going to have the meeting on the third Tuesday of the month. I'll see you all there!

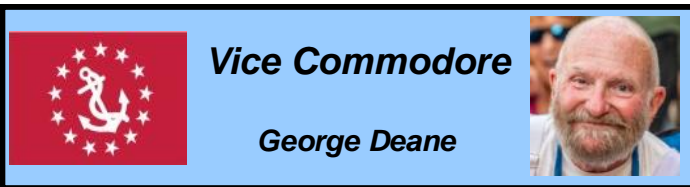
"To reach a port, we must sail – sail, not tie at anchor – sail, not drift" ~ Franklin D Roosevelt



We had a great turnout for our Christmas party and it was great to see so many of our members there. Dan Farmer did a great job with the dinner and so did his whole crew made the room look like Christmas. Our new board is in place and I know that they will do a great job for us this year. I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday season and new year. I was excited to hear that we are going to have a soup contest for the Superbowl at the club on Sunday February 3, 2019. This should be great fun so **please** make plans to be there for this event. I'm starting to put the 2019 Regatta together and will be reaching out to many of you to help plan and execute our annual event. Last year was a great success and we hope to do as well this year.

Please make every effort to bring new members into our club to see if we can grow it back to the pre-drought levels. LYSA has a lot to offer to prospective members, as I have said many times it's a diamond in the rough.

See you all at the lake this year.



Ever since I was recruited (Shanghaied) to follow my shipmate as Vice Commodore, I have given a lot of thought about the club and where we want to take it in the next couple of years. First, I am constantly impressed by the level of talent, dedication and commitment by numerous members of our association. December's Holiday Party is a perfect example of a number of folks spending a great deal of time and energy resulting in a tremendous event. I know that our family has enjoyed the party for years and the Commodore's kids always have a great time. We are really good at throwing great functions; the Shrimp Feed and the Regatta are consistently top notch! We are a sailing club and the dedication of the crews that run the Thursday evening races and the Junior Sailing program are what keeps that tradition alive and hopefully growing.

There is certainly a huge social aspect to the club which is reflected by the fact that there are always a lot more folks enjoying time on the deck and dinner on Thursday night than there are sailors out on the water. This is surely one of the strengths of the club. We have just about the best place there is to sit with friends, enjoy a beverage and enjoy the view. The fact that its ten degrees cooler in the summer than in town isn't lost on anyone either.

Jay is planning a Soup Competition at the club house for Super Bowl Sunday and I know that Chris Cooper and JoAnne Clarke will be vying for the family championship. If you have friends who'd be interested this would be a good chance to introduce them to our facilities and members. Even in the middle of winter there aren't many places better to be than out at the lake.

I look forward to getting to know more about the operation of the club. As there are people around who have held every office in this association (some several times), I know I will have all the support I could possibly need. But what I would really like is for people who are newer to the club to let me know what their ideas are and what we can do to get new people to join in our fun and adventures. See you at the lake!

Hello everyone!

This will be my first year on the Board but I have been an active part of the race committee for a few years now. I still have quite a bit to learn about sailing considering my first time on a sail boat was when Don and Rachel Hadley brought me out to the lake back in 2013. I slowly started coming around more and eventually became a part of the race committee in these past few years. I still have lots to learn and am happy for any tips you guys may have.

I am looking forward to this year's races and hope we can build on last year's success! The boat count seemed to dwindle as the season went on but am hopeful we will have a better turn out this year. If you are interested in helping out with race committee we would be happy to have you! If you'd like to help out this year let me know. I hope everyone had a Happy Holiday and a wonderful start to their New Years! I hope this New Year will bring in more boats!



Membership Meeting

Join us in January!

Round Table Pizza

1728 West Olive Avenue

Tuesday, January 15th

6:00 pm *Dinner / Social*

7:00 pm *Membership Meeting*

Board Meeting to follow



House Captain
Debbie Harden



Debbie Harden
House Captain

Just typing my new title has given me butterflies! House Captain! I have read over some of the past years' newsletters to see what House Captains write about and there are some common themes.

- **Clean up after yourself.**
- **Don't leave leftovers in the refrigerator.**
- **Use the recycle bins appropriately.**



The LYSA Clubhouse is for all members and their guests and with a little respect for each other the club can be a fun place. See a mess, clean it up. (I know, it wasn't your mess, but...)

See a problem, fix it or call/text me at 209-777-4655.



Clean Up
after YOURSELF



Clean Up after
Others (sometimes)

I would like to encourage you to use the Club often during the short season we have. I am sure Social Captain Jay will be having some fun events lined up for us.

If you need to reserve the Club for a special event, please be sure to follow the application procedure online.

Happy 2019! See you at the lake!

LYSA's Christmas Party



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LYSA's Christmas Party





Cruise/Social Capt.

Jay Sousa



Greetings and Happy New Year to all LYSA members! I am very excited to be back on the LYSA Board as your cruising and social captain for 2019! I have a lot of fun activities planned for the year but first I want to give a big shout out to Dan Farmer who did a great job doing C & S last year.

I have plans to continue with many of the events that we have always done, bring back some events that we have not done in a few years and add some new events to our yearly calendar.

I really want to increase club participation in our events this year. I am planing on really ramping up the communication with club members on when events will be happening well in advance so everyone can, if possible, clear their calendars to attend. I will be using our club's Gmail, Facebook page, the club's website and my monthly newsletter column to keep you all informed. Remember that, **it will not be nearly as fun if you are not here!**

Our year kicks off with our monthly social and membership meeting. Normally our meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month but for January we will meet the third Tuesday which is the 15th. This month we have a meeting room reserved at Round Table Pizza on Olive Ave. We will meet beginning at 6 PM with the general membership meeting following dinner around 6:30. The board will meet following the general meeting. Round table has a very nice pizza and salad buffet.

For the next big event of the year we will be bringing back the super bowl party at our LYSA clubhouse on Sunday February 3rd. I am going to call this the LYSA super bowl soup competition party. I ask that everyone bring a pot of their favorite soup and an appetizer. The winner will receive the coveted LYSA "Soup Bowl Award". The club will supply a nice salad and rolls.

The party starts at 2 with appetizers. The TV will be on for all of the pre game hype. Game time is at

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Upcoming Events

January, 2019

15 Monthly Membership Meeting

February, 2019

3 **Super Bowl Party - LYSA Clubhouse, 2 pm**
Oakland Yacht Club Sunday Brunch Series

March, 2019

St. Patrick's Day at the Lake—Dinner at 6 pm
Oakland Yacht Club Sunday Brunch Series

April, 2019

Make A Wish Event
Livingston Kite Festival—9 to 4
8th Annual Chili Fest. Bring your best Chili - 3 pm
Strictly Sail Pacific, Richmond
Camellia Cup Regatta

May, 2019

3-5 Don Pedro Cruise
LYSA Opening Day
LYSA Thursday Night Summer Series Begins
18-19 **LYSA Spring Regatta**

June, 2019

Thursday Night Racing
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22 **Open House/Shrimp Feed**
Thursday Night Racing

July, 2019

4 Independence Day Potluck Lunch BBQ & Fun Sail
High Sierra Regatta, small boat, Huntington Lake
High Sierra Regatta, large boat, Huntington Lake
Special Needs Sailing Day 3—7 pm

August, 2019

Racer's Dinner
Junior Regatta
23-25 Pinecrest Weekend

September, 2019

October, 2019

Fleet Week SF Bay
End of Year Party - Awards / Election

November, 2019

December, 2019

Christmas Party

Dates are To Be Determined. Subject to change.


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3:30 and we will eat at halftime. We will also be holding a super bowl pool.


Several other fun events are planned for the year, which I will write about in more detail in future columns but keep a couple of dates open for two weekend trips. The first is the revival of the Lake Don Pedro cruise, which I am going to be planning for Friday May 3rd through Sunday May 5th

The second fun trip is a new one near the end of our sailing season. I will be working on putting a trip together to beautiful Pinecrest Lake on August 23rd-25th 9 (Fri.-Sun.) for a weekend of camping, or if camping is not your idea of fun there are many cabins for rent around the lake, sailing and more fun than you can handle!

Looking forward to seeing everybody and often at the lake.

Secretary
Chris Martin



LYSA Membership Meeting Call to Order: A combined meeting of the LYSA Membership and Board was held on November 28, 2018 at the Bowers-Loeffler home. The meeting convened at 7:14 pm, Commodore Tom Cooke presiding.

Reports - Actions - Discussions: Commodore, Tom Cooke: Tom welcomed members to the meeting. Invited Board / Committee Members to report.

Approval of Minutes: Motion: Tom asked to dispense with reading of the minutes. Minutes were approved by acclamation.

Commodore, Tom Cooke: The new lease was discussed. MID wanted to agree on a 1 year lease, year to year (house). The Docks are owned by the County.

Vice Commodore, Chris Cooper: Nothing to report.

Treasurer, Diane Sousa: The Treasurer's report was shared. Receipts need to be presented in a timely manner.

Dock Captain, Chris Currier: Not present.

House Captain, Mike Bloed: Not present.



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Cruise / Social Committee, Dan Farmer: Not present. It was stated that the gate lock was repaired, all the keys work.

Race Captain: Debbie Harden: No report. Deb asked (as new House Captain) if she could get rid of the 2 old barbeques.

Junior Sailing, Matt Loeffler: Jerry / Darrell shared we now have 4 Capri 14.2 Catalinas to replace the Lidos. One was purchased from Eric Swenson, 3 came from UC Santa Barbara – with Capri masts. They were cleaned. There is some fiberglass damage, they have been sitting in salt water for some time. They need sails, but we can use the Lido sails with the Lido booms.

A work party is scheduled for Saturday mornings when there is no rain. Jay will email. Darrell kept the tags, Diane needs them, needs to take them off the tax return.

Past Commodore, Brigitte Bowers-Loeffler: No report.

New Business: Sea Scouts: (Rich Kleitman) – LYSA owns the Villan. The 2nd boat is owned by the Council. Formed a non-profit to own the boats, the boats will become youth

boats. Rich wants a private non-profit to own the boats. The corporation can also accept donations and can fix and sell boats.

Old Business: Key issue is resolved.

Good of the order: None.

The General Meeting was wrapped into the Board Meeting at 7:44. The 2019 Budget was presented to Board Members. Projected income and expenses were reviewed. Request to Diane: run numbers for the Regatta and Open House and email to the Board. Liability insurance will be split more evenly between the General Fund, Docks and Junior Sailing. **Motion:** Moved by Chris Martin, seconded by Brigitte Bowers-Loeffler to approved proposed budget. **Motion carried.**

Adjournment: The next LYSA Combined Membership and Board meeting will be held Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at Round Table Pizza, Olive Avenue in Merced. Dinner at 6, General Meeting at 6:30. **Motion:** Adjournment by acclamation. Combined Membership and Board meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

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