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Newsletter of Lake Yosemite Sailing Association

June 2018



2018 Regatta



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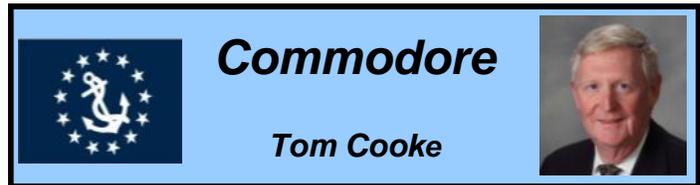
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Deadline is the 22nd of each month

Submit with LYSA in the Subject Line

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We are all fortunate that our May weather was excellent for sailing or just hanging at the Lake. We also had a successful Regatta with a record of 40 boats participating. My hat's off to Past Commodore Brigitte Loeffler and to everyone else who put this event together.

I was especially pleased by the hospitality our Club showed to all the racers. All the racers I spoke with seemed to really enjoy our venue. Saturday night's dinner was delicious and well attended. When you see Chef Dan Farmer and all the sous chefs, give them a hand for putting a great dinner together

Our Racing Committee led by Debra Harden also did an outstanding job of making sure the races were properly run. All in all, a great Regatta, please make sure to mark your calendars for our next Regatta on **May 18th and 19th 2019**.

This month we will have our open house and fund raiser to help support LYSA and our Junior Sailing Program on **June 23rd** from three (3) to ten (10) pm. Check out the flyer on our website. Please be sure to contact Brigitte for tickets. If each of our members bought and/ or sold five (5) tickets we would have a full house. As always we need our membership to step up and volunteer to help with this event. Again please contact Past Commodore Brigitte to help out. Your participation will guarantee that our open house will be a success. Our Junior Sailing Program will be getting underway this month with five (5) week long camps. If you know anyone who you think would like to participate, please direct them to our website to register. Also anyone who would like to sponsor a junior sailor with a scholarship please contact Brigitte.

Hope to see you all at the lake this summer.



or donate their time to help the event run smoothly. So please contact someone on the board if you want to help with any of these things. A big thanks to Brigitte for coordinating both of these events! Webb Chiles was quoted saying, "A sailor is an artist whose medium is the wind." We see this in races often. Everyone is on the same water with the same wind, but all create a different outcome. This is a good metaphor for the paths we all take in life as well. Sometimes you need to be the port tack in a world full of starboard tacking boats. I'll see all of you artists on the water!

Happy June! We had a successful Regatta with strong wind on Saturday and some funky wind on Sunday. We had a great turnout. It's always nice to see the club house full and buzzing with people. This month we have the Open House. Club members are strongly encouraged to sell tickets, donate raffle prizes, and/



to organize the table. I'll be distributing/selling tickets every Thursday night before and after racing for the next few weeks, but if you can't come by the lake on Thursday, just let me know and we'll arrange some other way to get tickets to you.

Hello LYSA members. Sailing season is underway! The wind has been terrific lately, and we had a wonderful Regatta. Thanks again to all who helped out. This was our largest Regatta yet, but every year they seem to get bigger and bigger, so next year will be even better, I'm sure.

I need volunteers for the following: setting up tables (Debbie Harden is in charge of table arrangements), signing up people to sail, and donations of raffle prizes. If you've never helped before, you are exactly the kind of person we'd like to see volunteer this year.

Sail camp starts June 18 for Navy ROTC kids. Our first week of regular camp begins June 25. This year, Jacob Harden will teach the first three weeks and Bridget Farmer will teach the three weeks following. Sessions are filling up fast, anyone who would like to attend sail camp should register soon. We will miss Colin Frost, who has been a fantastic junior counselor for many years, but decided that he needs a summer job. (Junior counselors, adult teachers, and co-directors are all volunteer positions, and all of these jobs entail many hours.) If anyone has summer employment for a hard-working, smart young man, I recommend Colin without hesitation.

Finally, if you can't volunteer, then just come out on the 23rd. Eat some shrimp, listen to some music, and watch the sun set. Remember that proceeds from this event help to keep membership dues low and also benefit a day of sailing for special needs kids and their families. Proceeds also fund scholarships for sail camp.

See you at the lake!

The big LYSA event coming up this month is our annual Open House, which is scheduled for June 23. Sailing begins at 2:00 (we could still use a few more club members to volunteer their boats and time to take community members sailing), followed by no-host social and cocktail hour at 5:00 and dinner at 6:00. Live music will be provided by Express—jazz before dinner, and dance music after dinner. Peggy Larson will once again be in charge of the raffle. Please bring raffle items to the clubhouse by Friday, June 22, if possible, so that Peggy has the time

Membership Meeting

Join us in June!

LYSA Clubhouse

Tuesday, June 12th

6:00 pm *Dinner / Social*

7:00 pm *Membership Meeting*

Board Meeting to follow



Port Captain
Chris Currier




Cruise/Social Capt.
Dan Farmer



Boats are back in the water, but the lake has been down with changing water levels almost on a daily bases. Check your boats often and use bumper guards. Some members have taken advantage of open slips already, if you want to change slips send me an email or call. The lake is shallow in the usual spots, and I have already dragged my keel in the mud more then once. Thanks to our house captain Mike Bloed, he had the electrician fix the power issue with the docks.

See you on the water.

Stellar turnout for the 2018 Regatta this year, Huh! Debbie, Brigitte, and all who pitched in deserve an Atta boy.

Thursday Race Night Grub schedule as follows:

June 7th – Potato Bar

June 14th – Potluck

June 21st – Sea Scout dinner

June 28th – Taco Thursday

Always remember, Thursday nights grub is posted on the club web calendar.

Now all hands on deck to gear up for the Open House.

Thursday Night Racing



Above: Steve Leonard, Rachel Hadley, Jerry Rokes.

Photos Courtesy Matt Loeffler



Steve and Rachel, working on the Committee Boat

Photo Courtesy Deb Harden



First a huge shout out to the Race Committee volunteers! Thank you, Miranda, Richard Kleitman, Ian, Dan Farmer & Larry Thompson, my on shore crew. Thanks to Don & Jay & for running the RC boat. Your rescue skills were much needed Saturday. Thanks to Tim & Mike for setting the marks & then checking them again on Sunday. Thanks also to Mike for his behind the scenes work setting up the fleets & helping make the computer do its magic. Thank you, Tom & Suzanne for being our backup. The regatta couldn't have been done without each of you! I hope I didn't neglect anyone. It was so great to have the help. Thank you so much!

The Regatta was a huge success with a record number of boats! 40! We ran three races on Saturday with plenty of wind. Sunday followed with two more races, but not as much wind. We had some new friends show up this year and some new boats.

Thursday Night Races are off to a slow start. We have ten boats registered. It isn't too late to sign up. There are a couple of new boats in the race, which is always fun to see. Remember Thursday are races, but also social with tasty meals after the races.

FYI: The Rules & Principles (2017-2020 Sailor's Guide to Racing Rules published by USSailing)

- The basic purpose of the racing rules is to ensure safety and fair competition.
- There aren't any referees or umpires in most sailboat races, so you sailors have to 'police' the rules yourselves. A fundamental principle of sportsmanship is that when you break a rule you must promptly take a penalty. By participating in a race, each competitor agrees to be governed by the rules.
- Racing sailors must compete in accordance with recognized principles of fair play. They must not commit any conduct that is a breach of good manners, a breach of good sportsmanship or unethical behavior.
- Sailors are encouraged to minimize their impact on the environment. (Rule 55)
- Safety first! Each boat & sailor must give all possible help to any person or boat in danger, even if that boat is not racing. Each boat must take responsibility for her decision to participate in a race or to continue racing. Every boat must carry adequate life-saving equipment for all persons on board and each competitor is individually responsible for wearing a PFD that is adequate for the conditions.

See you on the water!

2018 Regatta



Spinnaker Keel 2nd Place - Dave Aleman, Dan Aleman, Nick Fordice



Non Spinnaker Keel 2nd Place - Francis Samson



Spinnaker Keel 1st Place - Tim Harden, Mike Streal, Sea Scout Ship 99 (Sea Scouts not pictured)



Non Spinnaker Keel 1st Place - Dan Cox, Ben Lakin



Non Spinnaker Keel 3rd Place - Matt Loeffler



Open Centerboard 3rd Place - Steve Anderes



Open Centerboard 2nd Place - Wayne Cassingham



Daysailer 3rd Place - Steve Lowery



Open Centerboard 1st Place - Charles Witcher



Daysailer 2nd Place - Mike Gillum



Byte Fleet: 1st Place, Michele Loganb - Second Place, Ann Lewis - 3rd Place, Jenn Virskus



Daysailer 1st Place - Craig Lee

Photos Courtesy Jay Sousa



Secretary
Chris Martin



LYSA Membership Meeting Call to Order: A combined meeting of the LYSA Membership and Board was held on May 8, 2018 at the Lake Yosemite Sailing Association Clubhouse. The meeting convened at 7:01 pm, Commodore Tom Cooke presiding.

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

Approval of Minutes: Minutes read by Chris Martin. **Motion:** Moved by Brigitte to approve minutes, second by Craig. **Motion carried.**

Vice Commodore, Chris Cooper: Regatta: 40 tote bags to be filled, 40 bottle openers. Ron & Lorelei Stapp (who own Strings Italian Café) worked with their food vendor and donated 3 cases each of leg quarters and tri tip for the dinner.

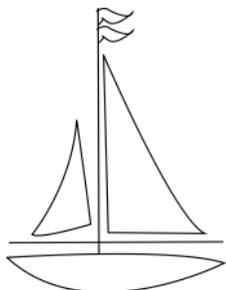
Treasurer, Diane Sousa: The Treasurer's Report was shared. 27 entries have been received for the Regatta.

Sailor's Calendar: June

Show up for Thursday Night races & Dinner.

Check your dock lines regularly if you are not on a floating or dry dock.

Encourage others to participate in Club events.



Upcoming Events

June, 2018

- 7 Thursday Night Racing—Potato Bar
- 14 Thursday Night Racing—Potluck
- 21 Thursday Night Racing—Sea Scouts Host Dinner
- 23 Open House/Shrimp Feed
- 28 Thursday Night Racing—Taco Thursday

July, 2018

- 4 Independence Day Potluck Lunch BBQ & Fun Sail High Sierra Regatta, small boat, Huntington Lake
- High Sierra Regatta, large boat, Huntington Lake
- 21 Special Needs Sailing Day 3—7 pm
- Sunday Brunch at the Clubhouse - Tentative

August, 2018

- Pinecrest small boat trip
- Sunday Brunch at the Clubhouse
- “Cocktail and Sail” 6 to 8 pm, bring a guest

September, 2018

- Jack & Jill Race
- “Cocktail and Sail” 6 to 8 pm, bring a guest

October, 2018

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

November, 2018

December, 2018

- 15 Christmas Party

January, 2019

- 1 Frostbite Regatta

February, 2019

- 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

- 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

- LYSA Opening Day
- LYSA Thursday Night Summer Series Begins
- 18-19 LYSA Spring Regatta

Dates are To Be Determined. Subject to change.

The US Sailing Certificate of Membership was received. Diane asked a member to hang it in the Clubhouse.

Race Captain, Debbie Harden: No report. Deb informed Membership that Racing starts on Thursday. The first race will be a practice run for the season. The Committee Boat is not working. Deb would like to encourage Sea Scouts members to participate in Race Committee duties, learning flags, etc. Four students – two on the Committee Boat, two with the Race Committee. Deb offered to attend a meeting to further educate Sea Scouts.

Dock Captain, Chris Currier: Not present.

House Captain, Mike Bloed: Not present.

Past Commodore, Brigitte Bowers-Loeffler:

Sail Camp: (Report on behalf of Matt) Gary has again contributed to the Junior Sailing Scholarship Fund. Ten students have signed up. One scholarship has been awarded. Jacob Harden and Bridget Farmer will take three weeks of camp.

Regatta: The donation of the meat will cover dinner. Need sides. T-shirts were picked up (Diane can pay the invoice now). We still need more items for the swag bags. Diane will take care of registration. Linda and Diane will make sandwiches. Jay will handle security and photos. Dan will help out Friday night. Darrell is taking care of trophies.

Open House: Tickets have been ordered and will be ready by next week. Brigitte is considering offering a prize for members who pre-sell four tickets, more info to come. The cost is \$25/ticket. The sound permit was ordered and ok'd. Tables ordered, Deb will take care of the tables. Steve Leonard will take care of the Health Permit. The Banner will be done next week. Still looking for a band. Raffle prizes requested from Membership. Deb suggested Brigitte assign someone to handle the Raffle.

Cruise / Social Committee, Dan Farmer: No report. Tom commended Dan on his efforts at the Meet & Greet.

Commodore, Tom Cooke: No report. Tom expressed his appreciation for everyone's efforts on behalf of the Club.

Old Business: Discussion about the different keys and where to get them made or recut so that they do work. Diane has ordered Burgees.

New Business: Sea Scouts bank account. CF stickers for Jr. Sailing Boats. Diane brought them, Darrell will apply the stickers. A BobTones concert on 9/15 or

9/23. Peg asked that anything that collect water be turned over / drained. Also, there are bees in the tree near the house.

Good of the order:

Brigitte: we are looking at a High School sailing program, Thursdays, two hours before racing, to further support Junior Sailing graduates.

Adjournment: The next LYSA Combined Membership and Board meeting will be held Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at the Lake Yosemite Sailing Association Clubhouse, Dinner at 6, General Meeting at 6:30. **Motion:** Moved by John Derby, seconded by John Larson. **Motion carried.** Combined Membership and Board meeting was adjourned at 7:38.

Come Join The Fun!

June 23 2018

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SSS LYSA Ship 99

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Ahoy, this is your Sea Scout Ship 99. Ship 99 is always interested in new Ship Members. We meet twice a month and race weekly during racing season at Lake Yosemite. Come and join us if you, or someone you know, is 14-not yet 21.

This month the Sea Scout Ship 99 members volunteered at the Rio Del Oro District Caveman Camporee. Ship 99 oversaw rope making, how to tie the timber hitch, and how to use their new rope skills carrying a log. Ship members escorted the colors in the Special Olympics Opening Parade May 5, and helped staff for the event. Ship 99 splashed Dr. Bonehead; class- O' Day 22 on May 6. The infamous Villain; class- Merit 25 was splashed on May 5. Villain and her crew has a thirst for Glory this racing season, we are ready to dominate the waters of Lake Yosemite! Arrrrggghhhh!

Currently we have 4 active Ship members, 1 inactive Ship member who will resume after High School Graduation, and 1 new recruit joining in June. Ship 99 will be hosting dinner on Thursday, June 17th. Come hungry!

Yeoman- Hunter Rae

2018 Regatta



Laser Fleet: 4th Place, Bob Gunion - 3rd Place, Marcel Sloane - 2nd Place, Toshi Takayanagi - 1st Place, Emelio Castelli



A bunch of guys named Steve

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