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Ida Tyer Annual

Flea Market!

It's about that time...clean out your closets, your dock boxes, and attics... the Ida Tyer Annual Flea Market will be held on **SATURDAY, AUGUST 27TH FROM 7:30AM - 2:30PM** in the Vallejo Yacht Club parking lot. This is a great opportunity to make some space in your home or boat, help find homes for useful items that you don't personally use anymore, and spend some time with fellow shipmates at the club. There will be food and fun for everyone! Booth spaces are available.

The booth fee is \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members.

Please contact Arv Voss, club manager, if you want to secure booth space at: manager@vyc.org or call the office at (707) 643-1254.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	1 Monday Night NFL & MLB Fun & Games 6 - 9:30pm	2	3 Wednesday Night Racing Dinners 5:30-8:30pm	4	5 Friday night Dinner 5:30 - 8pm	6 Midwinter Race 1 - 4pm U.S. Coast Auxiliary Meeting 7:30- 9:30pm
7 Learn to Sail weekend	8 Monday Night NFL & MLB - Fun & Games 6 - 9:30pm	9 Board of Directors Meeting 7-9pm	10 Wednesday Night Racing Dinners 5:30-8:30pm	11	12 Annual Commodore's Cruise Pittsburg Yacht Club Friday night Dinner 5:30 - 8pm	13 Annual Commodore's Cruise Private Party JT 4 - 6pm
14 Annual Commodore's Cruise	15 Monday Night NFL & MLB Fun & Games 6 - 9:30pm	16	17 Wednesday Night Racing Dinners 5:30-8:30pm	18 Wine Tasting 6 - 8pm	19 Friday night Dinner - 5:30 - 8pm Candidate Night 7pm	20 Excursion Vessel 65 ft - Mare Island Brewing Co. 5 - 9pm
21 Senior Citizen's (VYC) Day Brunch 9am - 1pm	22 Monday Night NFL & MLB Fun & Games 6 - 9:30pm	23	24 Wednesday Night Racing Dinners 5:30-8:30pm	25 General Membership Meeting 7:30-9:30pm	26 Friday night Dinner 5:30 - 8pm	27 Ida Tyer Annual Flea Market 7:30am - 2:30pm
28	29 Monday Night NFL & MLB Fun & Games 6 - 9:30pm	30	31 Wednesday Night Racing Dinners 5:30-8:30pm	SEPTEMBER 1	2 Dave Sweet guest dock or berth request 9-2-9-6 Friday night Dinner 5:30pm - 8pm	3 Start Pig Roast Sat nite Midwinter Race 1:00pm - 4:00pm
4 Hawaiian Holiday Luau 4pm	5 Monday Night NFL & MLB Fun & Games 6 - 9:30pm LABOR DAY/OFFICE CLOSED 6 - 9:30pm	6 U.S. Coast Auxiliary Meeting - 7:30 - 9:30pm	7 Wednesday Night Racing Dinners 5:30-8:30pm	8	9 Friday night Dinner 5:30pm - 8pm	10 55th B-Day Party Moore 6 - 10pm

Special Events

- Tuesday, August 9th, 7 pmBoard of Director's Meeting
- Friday, August 12th - Sunday, August 14thCommodore's Cruise, Pittsburg Yacht Club
- Friday, August 19th, 7 pmCandidate Night
- Sunday, August 21st, 9 am - 1 pmSenior Citizen's Day Brunch
- Thursday, August 25th, 7:30 pmGeneral Membership Meeting
- Saturday, August 27th, 7:30 am - 2:30 pmIda Tyler Flea Market
- Sunday, September 4th, 4 pmHawaiian Holiday Luau
- Monday, September 5thLabor Day, VYC Office is Closed

Monday Night Fun and Games 6-9:30 pm
 Wednesday Night Racing Dinners 5:30- 8:30 pm
 Friday Night Dinners 5:30 - 8 pm





COMMODORE REPORT Matt Hendricksen

Hello Shipmates,
This year has really flown by. Hard to believe I only have a few more months left as Commodore! Speaking of which, the nominating committee has put forth their list of

members who will be running for a position at the club in this year's election. Thanks to everyone who has thrown their hat in the ring. I look forward to reading the candidate statements. Also, please be sure to come to Candidate's Night on Friday, Aug. 19 at 7 pm to learn more about all of the members running for office.

The VYC calendar has some great stuff coming up this month, but I'm particularly excited about the Commodore's Cruise on the 12th-14th at Pittsburg Yacht Club. PYC is a great place to visit and I would love to see as many of your smiling faces there as possible, whether by boat or land yacht. They're planning on doing a special Mexican Feast for us on Friday night, but we need at least 20 people to sign up. They are also doing a big poker run on Saturday, so there will be lots of activity and boats to see. Please let Noble Brown know if you'd like to join in the fun.

We also have the annual flea market coming up on August 27th.

Have some stuff you don't need anymore and it's taking up space? Sell them at the flea market. It's not too late to get a booth! You may have seen the e-mail that came out about the Cal 20 restoration project. These club-owned boats could be a huge asset to members, especially those without boats of their own. In addition, they could be a boon for folks graduating from Learn to Sail and a draw for new members. But like with all boats, they need some work and we need to get them ship-shape first. Member Ab Ream is coordinating work parties on Sunday mornings from 9 AM until Noon. If interested, you can contact him at abream@gmail.com or stop by the club on Sunday.

I spoke earlier this year about the upcoming state-mandated changes coming to the bar. Those changes have now gone into effect — please be sure to read that article in this month's Binnacle for details and please don't forget to wear your name badges at the bar. Whether you've been a member for decades, or a new member, you need a badge to get served. Thanks for your cooperation. See you at the club!

Matt Hendricksen, Commodore
commodore@vyc.org



VICE COMMODORE REPORT Jeremy Haydock

Greetings Shipmates!
July was a busy month for the club, with lots of activities, like Learn to Sail, 4th of July celebrations and the Delta Cruise out. Hopefully, everyone who participated in these activities had a great time.

A big thank you to all the amazing club members who volunteered their time to facilitate and put on these activities.

A particular note of gratitude to the large pool of volunteers who participated in running our Learn to Sail program. These dedicated volunteers were on site teaching adults and children for 2 full weekends (including the 4th of July) and 1 full midweek. A lot of work goes into this program, from prepping and launching the Pico and El Toro boats, to teaching the classes, running the chase boats, preparing lunches, and so much more. But all that hard work pays off because we have seven membership applications (2 family applications and 3 individuals) from alumni of the Learn to Sail program

this year. Of course, the greatest payoff is teaching people the joys of sailing and sharing our love of being on the water with others.

As a reminder, don't forget about the annual Bluewater Cruise coming up Sept 16 - Sept 25. This is a great opportunity to gain some offshore sailing experience with the added help and knowledge of going with a group of experienced offshore sailors. If you want to round out your sailing skills, this is an excellent way to do it!

Let's try to make our club an oasis of calm and camaraderie in a time of social friction and factionalism. Let's remember to treat each other with respect and kindness. We are a family of like-minded people, and our love of the water and boating is the glue that holds us together.

Respectfully,
Jeremy Haydock
ViceCommodore@VYC.org



REAR COMMODORE REPORT Scott Green

Greetings, Shipmates!

From down the coast, in a totally different manner to which most of you are accustomed, I write today in this way because oftentimes, some people lose sight of what's actually going on in the lives of others. Me, I strive to help out here in any way I can, as do many others. But not enough of the "others." The vast majority of the stuff that needs to get done around our club and docks is accomplished by perhaps 10-15 people, and yet, the minute that something specific that "you" [insert name of choice] doesn't get done to your schedule or taste, the response seems to be yelling or some other form of insult. This bothers me immensely, as so many folks these days (and granted, many of whom have helped a great deal in the past) seem content to sit around and complain about so-n-so not doing this or that, or doing it in a different way to what you might do. Why sit around complaining while others work their butts off as volunteers while at the same time expecting everything to be done as though they're paid? Get off your butt and help!

I came back from my time at sea only to hear of yet more crappy behavior. Why?? If you want to gripe at someone, asking, "Blank, why have you not done this," I will respond with, "Well gosh, so-n-so, why haven't _you_?"

Some of you forget that many of us are still working full time (or more). Yet, all of us - retired or not - are just as dedicated to this club as the next person. The trouble that I have seen is that, yes, we're all getting older. That means it's harder and harder to muster the energy to help out. Yet we must. Moreover, it is imperative that we provide an atmosphere at VYC that is not only welcoming to newer (and younger) members but one that is also

safe, respectful, and, above all, exciting and fun. If we fail to do this, or if certain nasty actions are allowed to persist unchecked, this club will not be here in 2030. If you are one of those who don't really care much because you either think you won't be around anyway or who feel like the rest of the members owe you something, leaving you to feel entitled to be as nasty as you want. well... Knock it off!!! We are the Vallejo Yacht Club, you individually are not.

Think about it: cussing; verbal attacks; grabbing; flagrantly ignoring club rules; deliberately talking smack about other members in an attempt to embarrass them in front of others; utterly ignoring guests and prospective members unless you happen to think they're "attractive" or whatever... People!!! All of these things would get you tossed out on your butt at ALL other clubs. So why do we have to sit at board meetings listening to obscure reports of such things? It's mind-boggling. I'm just a humble guy doing his best to promote and preserve this awesome club that has been running for so, so long. Rest assured that I will not hesitate to call you out if I see a member being a jerk. I've said this before, and I'll say it again: Please do not give any member reason to dissuade others from coming here; do the opposite. Bring people here and treat them like royalty, as they are our future; you are not if you do not join me in this effort to make VYC the most sought-after club in the Bay.

I challenge EVERY member to bring a guest in August on a Friday night and to introduce them to every single person in the club. Do it. Make this house the place to be. I thank you for listening and for helping!

Humbly, Scott Green
Your Rear Commodore

Calling All Volunteers!



The Vallejo Yacht Club is looking for member volunteers to help restore three old Cal 20s needing some TLC. The work will involve cleaning, scraping, power washing, sanding, and painting. It's a labor of love, and the Cal 20s will be forever grateful for your efforts. You will probably get wet and dirty, and it's outside work, so dress accordingly; wear sunscreen, work gloves, and boat-friendly shoes that won't scuff the decks. Bring a dust mask that covers your nose and face in case you will be using a sander. Covid masks work well.

After the restoration is complete, the sailboats will be available for club member use on a sign-up basis. Ab Ream, one of VYC's new members, will head up this project. The volunteer shifts will be Sunday mornings from 9 AM until Noon, beginning July 24 and continuing until we finish the three boats.

Our goal is to have all three shipshape by the end of September. To volunteer, please contact Ab at abream@gmail.com. For future dates, he will send out emails to all members so you can sign up using Google Calendar. Thank you in advance for your help and hard work!

Hello from the Vallejo Yacht Club Bar.

California has made some major changes to the laws regarding alcohol servers.

Effective July 1, 2022, Responsible Beverage Server (RBS) training is required for on-premises alcoholic beverage servers and their managers. They must complete an ABC-approved RBS training program and exam no later than August 31, 2022.

An alcohol server is anyone who does any of the following:

- Checks customer identification for purposes of alcoholic beverage service or entry to an ABC on-premises licensed establishment;
- Takes customer alcoholic beverage orders;
- Pours alcoholic beverages for customers; or
- Delivers alcoholic beverages to customers.
- Effective immediately, the bar is re-implementing the "No Badge, No Service" requirement. Remember, your bartenders are volunteers. Please do not give them a hard time, you must wear your name badge or a paper replacement to be served.
- Do not jeopardize your club's license, and please follow these rules.

What does that mean to us specifically? As of July 1, 2022:

- No one other than the certified bartenders can serve alcohol to anyone.
- The only people allowed behind the bar when the bar is open are the certified bartenders.
- You cannot serve yourself via the "honor bar" while a bartender is on duty.

We currently have 4 members who have received this certification: Jennifer Charvez, Irene O'Brien, Clare Harmon, and me, Dave Nadolne. I'd be more than happy to point anyone interested in becoming a bartender and taking the class and test in the right direction. We can always use more volunteers! The new law does not affect the honor bar at this time.

Thank you all for making the bar a great place to gather!

Dave Nadolne, Bar Manager



Welcome to the Club

We are always happy to have new boaters join VYC!



Mark Ashworth, new member Ab Reams, and Matt Hendricksen



Mark Ashworth, new member Nataliya Kis, and Matt Hendricksen

THE SHIP'S STORE



Hello Shipmates,

For gosh sakes...time goes by so fast that it's almost time for our Annual Pink Sail, with all proceeds going to the American Cancer Society!! I am surrounded by pink in my sewing room!! Still working on this year's design. This year we have invited sailors from Benicia Yacht Club to join us.

Remember to stick around for the group photo after the race and show off your pink crew!! The Pink Sail this year is on August 31, Wednesday. Toni Kendall will be at the race again this year from the Cancer Society Relay for Life.

Good news!! I now have hats for the Ships Store. Merchandise is very hard to come by right now, so colors and styles are limited plus wholesale prices have doubled. Very challenging to say the least. I'm doing my best to keep prices down or at least reasonable. Please be patient if you have made special orders because supply chain issues are very real!!

I still need crew for the Ships Store if anyone is interested!! I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer!! Lots of sailing/boating adventures, I'm sure. Wishing Kerry Scott and crew on Cali luck on the PAC Cup!! Can't wait to hear their many adventurous stories!!

Remember, the Luau is coming up soon. We have a good selection of Hawaiian shirts in the store. Come by and check them out!!



Respectfully submitted by
Barbara Brown,
Ships Store Chairperson



Galley Report

Thank you to all the clubmates who continue to come down and support the galley and bar at the club. Bring a friend and enjoy a beautiful night at the club!.

Menu

Friday, Aug 5th
Jose's Dinner

- Roasted Greek chicken, buttered sweet peas, salad, bread, and dessert

Friday, Aug 12th

- Pan-seared Alaskan cod with lemon parsley risotto and blistered cherry tomatoes, salad bar, and dessert
- New York steak, baked potato, salad bar, and dessert

Friday, Aug 19th

- Mongolian pork chop, braised red cabbage, garlic mashed potatoes, salad bar, and dessert
- Roasted chicken, braised cabbage, garlic mashed potatoes, salad bar, and dessert

Friday, Aug 26th

- Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, salad bar, and dessert
- Fish and chips, salad bar, dessert

Sunday, Aug 21st • National Senior Citizens Day

Join us for brunch from 10am to 1pm. Enjoy our special brunch menu and cocktails!

PICYA Report - April-June

The last PICYA delegate meeting was held on Monday, July 11, 2022 at the Loch Lomond Yacht Club in San Rafael, both via Zoom and in person, with Social hour/Networking: 5 PM, Dinner: 6:30 PM, Meeting: 7:30 PM

This meeting featured the Trophies and Awards for the winners of the Lipton Cup races held on Father's Day weekend, June 17-19.

2022 Lipton Cup Results and Awards

The June 17-19 2022 Lipton Cup was a great event with good sailing conditions and great racing for 3 days. Thanks again to the race committees, umpires, competitors, volunteers, and hosting clubs Corinthian YC and St Francis YC. Lipton Cup PICYA Chair is PICYA Staff Commodore Bill Gargan, from the Sausalito Yacht Club.

Friday Race – Admirals Cup

- 1st Place Admirals Cup – San Francisco Yacht Club
- 2nd Place Valhalla Cup – Richmond Yacht Club

Saturday Races – Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge

- 1st Place Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Trophy – Richmond Yacht Club
- 2nd Place – Edward Peck Memorial Trophy – San Francisco Yacht Club

Sunday Race – Larry Knight

- 1st Place – Larry Knight Perpetual Trophy – St. Francis YC
- 2nd Place – The Treasurer's Cup – Richmond Yacht Club

Overall Winner

- 1st Place – Sir Thomas Lipton Pacific Coast Perpetual Challenge Trophy – Richmond YC
- 2nd Place – "Keeper" Plaque – San Francisco YC

Commodore Joan Marsh welcomed new Delegates to PICYA, and presented the final audit report for the year. Rear Commodore

Jan Lucas announced that the PICYA Fall Management Conference would be held at the Richmond Yacht Club on Saturday, October 22, 2022, from 10 AM- 3 PM. You may contact Rear Commodore Lucas with suggestions for topics, speakers, or questions at 916-276-5260. Lucas also announced that the 2023 PICYA Opening Day on the Bay will be held on Sunday, April 30, 2023, and the contract has been signed with Luxe Cruises in Alameda again to secure the ship we used this year for the Committee Boat for 2023. If any member has any suggestions for a new theme or any other suggestions, please contact Rear Comm. Lucas at her above phone number.

The Annual Delta 360 degree Cruise is scheduled for August 20th & 21st.

The next PICYA Delegates' Meeting and Annual Scholarship Awards will be held at the Stockton Yacht Club on Monday, August 1st, 2022, both on Zoom and in person.

RBOC News:

RBOC held its Quarterly Meeting of Directors and Board Members on June 9th at the Tahoe Yacht Club to review present state legislation and regulations.

Donations to RBOC are urgently requested, as RBOC can only achieve success for California's boaters if we have access to Desmond & Desmond's lobbying and governmental expertise. We are very much in debt right now to this organization that we have benefited from since 1968. Our Vice President of Northern California this year is Debrinia Madison-Smith, Treasure Island YC, who has reviewed the goals of Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC) and states that this non-profit entity is continuously watching and lobbying for and against legislation that directly impacts boaters to have free access to all of California's navigable waters. Please go to RBOC and provide your yearly donation, whether as a single boater or as an active yacht club.

Hawaiian Holiday Luau

Aloha! Mark your calendars for the FANTASTIC Hawaiian Holiday Luau event. Break out your best Hawaiian shirt (if you don't have one, check out the Ship's Store!) and join us for dinner, drinks, and entertainment. Due to the popularity of this event, we must limit attendance to VYC Members and their immediate families only.

When: September 4th, Labor Day Weekend

4:00 pm – No-host Cocktail Hour

5:00 pm – Luau Feast

6:30 pm – Ke ka o Polynesia Entertainment

Cost: \$10/person (kids under 10 are free)

During the entertainment portion of the evening, we will pass the hat to help defray the cost of our entertainers.



Toni, hostess of the Great Luau, featured with new members Edwin and Davy



Luau Gents: L-R Guy, Hermie, Ricky, Peggy, Tom, Jack, Marvin, Jim & Mike

LEARN TO SAIL

Congratulations to all the students who completed the summer Learn to Sail program at the club. You are all on your way to becoming safe, confident sailors! A huge thank you to everyone who made this program a success year after year: Dale Anderson, Jeff Ruzsler, Bill Switzer, Hugo Knef, Victor Beltran, Steve Farrell, and all instructors and supporters... thank you for the tremendous amount of work and dedication you provide to this important program!



Happy Birthday

Michael Boese7/2
 Tim Rogers08/01/17
 Thomas Dohogne08/04/17
 Bob Sampayan08/07/17
 Dan Sheets08/08/17
 Jerod A White08/08/17
 Guy Nadeau08/09/17
 Jennifer Charvez08/09/17
 Jeff Ruzsler08/11/17
 Sarah Miller08/12/17
 Simon Lee08/13/17

Jacob Blei08/15/17
 Joseph DePietro08/16/17
 Chad Crain08/17/17
 Laverne Coburn08/17/17
 Richard Changus08/18/17
 Robbin Sheltren08/20/17
 John O'Keefe08/22/17
 Karen Peters08/26/17
 Traci Stevenson08/28/17
 Maggie Sabovich08/29/17
 Eric Bates08/30/17

2022 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The nominating committee met and proposed the following candidates for the 2022-2023 election. Additional candidates are eligible to petition up until Aug 22 and to be added to the final ballot. Please take a look at the Candidate Profiles to learn more about all the nominees.

2022-2023 NOMINEES

COMMODORE

- Jeremy Haydock

VICE COMMODORE

- Scott Green

REAR COMMODORE

- Olga Hambrick
- Hugo Knef

DIRECTORS – 2 positions open

- Geof Lambert
- Joe Balocca*
- Elvin Valverde
- Steve Strunk*

**Candidate Profile Not Available*

PRESENTED BY NOMINATION COMMITTEE

- Ken Leslie Chair
- Bob Reeves
- Gail Ashworth
- Jeanie Bekind
- Jacob Blei

The nominating committee proposes the above slate of candidates for the 2022-2023 term of service. Although the committee felt that it exhaustively explored the membership for candidates, if there are members who would like to seek any of the above offices, please refer to Article XIV, Section 3 for the procedure to place your name on the ballot. We encourage any interested members to please run for office.



**Commodore Candidate Profile:
Jeremy Haydock**

Hello, my name is Jeremy Haydock, and I am running for the position of Commodore. I have been an active member of the club for about 5 years now. The club is truly my “Happy Place.” My wife Julique and I have enjoyed coming down and socializing

on Friday nights and in all the other events.

My time serving as Vice Commodore has been both extremely challenging and rewarding. The 2022 Great Vallejo Race was a great success, and for the first time, the event generated a profit of \$20,000. This success was due to all the hard work and dedication of our amazing club members who worked tirelessly to make this event the success it was.

One of my priority goals for the coming year is to facilitate the gate and fence project to break ground and hopefully move forward with construction and ultimately completion. One of my other priority goals is to continue working to broaden and deepen our connection with the local community and get the word out about all the great benefits of joining our club.

I like to work in a collaborative spirit and would be happy to engage with any and all members with ideas and suggestions on how we can improve the club.

We all share some fundamental commonalities and foremost among those is our shared love of boating and being on the water. Together we can make this club a positive, welcoming and fun environment. Hopefully, we can create a new “Happy Place” for other new and existing members moving forward in the future.



**Vice Commodore Candidate Profile:
Scott Green**

Greetings, my Vallejo Yacht Club family and friends!

The last couple of years of my life have taught me (and/or reminded me) of so many Basic Concepts of Humanity that I cannot begin to express them.

But there are maybe three that I want to share right now in the hopes that I may garner your support in becoming your new Vice Commodore for the coming year.

Open your hearts: We all know that times since the pandemic have been up, down, and all over the place. It is hard enough to get people to come to work anymore, much less get them to try

out new stuff. For so many of us sitting here at the Club, being around sailing and the water feels like a no-brainer; “we’ve always done that, so what’s wrong with others when they don’t have the same history?” Well, there are zillions of people out there who have no clue what “water life” is all about. I know this first hand as a result of my “day job” teaching: the vast majority of my students have had zero experience or exposure to the maritime world, or to mechanics, or to anything else we do at Cal Maritime. They come because something caught their eye and their imagination. It is therefore my goal as a flag officer to “catch the eyes” of as many people out there in our community and to convince them to try new (often scary) things, to excite them, and to invigorate this club’s future in the process. Just in the past year or so, I’ve managed to bring in at

least six new people, some of whom have had zero exposure to Water Life. Let's expose as many people as we can and get them excited to be a part of VYC.

Expand your vision: My main idea toward this goal is to remind us all how this club was founded in the first place, long before it was actually incorporated in 1900: people just wanted to get back and forth to Mare Island and/or to have good fun. Fun in as many ways as they wanted. All you have to do is go look at the first paragraph of our Bylaws or the preserved Charter Certificate in the trophy case. Folks had a grand, open, exciting vision for what became VYC, accepting all sorts of water-related activities. With our unique harbor and facilities, why do we narrow our vision today? Let's not. Rather, join me in expanding activities beyond the "traditional." Why only fill the house on Wednesdays and Friday? This is silly! I want to fill the house every day, with a zillion activities. Come out and play

with me and other fun people. Don't sit around pretending it's "not your problem" or that it's still 1992. You all supported me in this year's Dock Hop - for which I am eternally grateful - so let's do more stuff like that. It was a blast and raised money.

Responsibility: It is of utmost importance that we do not sit on our laurels and expect the club to survive into the future. We must be proactive and prepare for the inevitable expenses. We must do this actively, openly, and responsibly. I joined this club because it has soul. Without looking forward to the needs of the coming years, though, we're not going to survive. It is therefore my unwavering mission to plan for these things, to preserve our soul, and to preserve our club.

My ears are always open. Come talk to me if you want to learn more about my ideas. More events, more open arms, more integrity. That's my mission.

Thanks so much!, Scott



Rear Commodore Candidate Profile: Olga Hambrick

I am Olga Hambrick. I am running for Rear Commodore. Originally, I am from Ukraine. During my college years, I participated in the student yacht club in my college. Since I have been dreaming about exploring the world by sailing. From 2010 to 2013, I was a member of amateur and professional Regattas in Greece, Rolex Middle Sea Race in Malta, and others. I was an organizer of my own sailing tours in Europe: Croatia, Spain, Norway, Netherlands, Italy, Greece and Canaries islands, Caribbean Lesser Antilles, Seychelles, and Thailand from 2013 to 2018.

I have met a lot of different amazing people and sail a lot of different sailing boats, I have opened a big sailing world.

In 2018 I came to the US with my husband Dean we used to sail on local lakes in Oregon.

During the first lockdown, we decided to buy a boat and finally in July 2020 found it in Vallejo Yacht Club. From the time when we joined Vallejo Yacht Club, we realized how this place is great, how people are welcomed and joyful here, and how deep and interesting the glorious history of VYC is! The last two years were challenging for all of us but VYC gave us the opportunity to feel fulfilled. With my husband Dean, we met a lot of gorgeous people here and I am proud to be volunteering side by side with them before and after reopening. VYC has been turning in our new family.

I would like to take advantage of my work and life experience to be useful for the club!

Thank you for your support!



Rear Commodore Candidate Profile: Hugo Knef

So.... I was sitting in the yacht club bar one afternoon talking with Ken Leslie, and he asked me if I would consider running for the Rear Commodore position for the upcoming change of watch. Sure, I would think about it, I said. I've been a member for a while now. Yes, I will consider stepping up. Well, I guess that was a yes, as I was added to the ballot in short order!

So.... Let's do this! I'm in! I love this club and everything it

offers. We have a unique location that has a ton of history and future opportunities that only relies on us, the membership, to keep continuing. It is only what we make of it and I realize that everyone may have a different idea or need from their membership. This club is constantly evolving as the membership roster changes. Boats come and go. That's a good thing. Let's be accepting and willing to work and socialize towards a more active and fulfilling experience that we can provide our members at this amazing location on the banks of the Napa River. I accept the nomination to become the Rear Admiral for the Vallejo Yacht Club. Thank you.

Board Member Candidate Profile:

Elvin Valverde

Greetings Crewmates from Elvin Valverde
I am running for VYC board member. I need your vote to get elected. I have been a club member since 2005. I have already served a 3-year term on the board and about the same amount of time as chair of the membership development committee. I have been active in the club's racing program and most of you have seen me around the club on Friday nights. I try to support the club financially and participate in many of the club's social events.

Some of the positive things I have accomplished that I am most proud of are listed below:

- Changing the introduction of new members from monthly Thursday night membership meetings to Friday night

dinners. For new members, this has consistently been a very positive experience.

- Created a community presence such as the large table with a club display at a local restaurant.
- Multiple years of having a display booth at the annual boat show which has brought members to the club and boats into our marina.

As a member of the board, I will always base my decision on what I think is for the greater good of the club. Board members are stewards of a club that has been around for nearly 120 years. Ensuring that the club is around for another 120 will always be top of my mind when voting. As a board member, I will bring intelligence, integrity, and thoughtful consideration to the position.

Please vote for Elvin Valverde as board member.



Board Member Candidate Profile:
Geof Lambert

Greetings from s/v BLUE MOON in slip B10!

In brief, some ideas I would like to help Vallejo Yacht Club within the coming years if elected as a director would be these three items:

1. Help form a 501c3 educational organization aligned with various aspects of the club.
2. Support efforts of the kitchen to have excellent food for all events.
3. Work on getting more San Francisco Bay Area sponsors involved in the annual GreatVallejo Race.

If you would be interested in supporting any of the above topics cast a vote for me! I'll do everything I can to help make them a reality.

Background personal information on my boating world: As a kid, I got my introduction to the yacht club world at the

Crescent Yacht Club on Lake Ontario where I used to regularly go to sailing school in the summers. At that time I had a mono-hull 12' Hobie Cat that I cherished.

And, from there my love of sailing grew. As a young adult, I took sailing trips to the Florida Keys and the Caribbean in search of sea breezes and white beaches. I even had the good fortune to sail a bit on the Mediterranean while part of the Rotary International student exchange program.

Fast forward to today I love sailing on all kinds of boats, especially time on Blue Moon. When time is available I enjoy participating as crew during the weekly Beer Can Races on the masterfully skippered Aerie.

FYI....regarding Tax Deductible Programs & Development: I have started from the ground up IRS 501c3 educational and charitable organizations. There would be new long-term fundraising and community-building opportunities and benefits with the club sponsoring the development of an IRS-designated tax-exempt 501c3 organization. This all could open the doors to more community support and stability over the years.

Please take the time to vote, as every vote counts!



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