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**VALLEJO YACHT CLUB**

# **BINNACLE**

May 2022

Founded 1900

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P.I.C.Y.A. Club of the Year in 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006!

## **In Memorium**



Former Flag Officer, David Snoddy, passed away on April 6th from COVID complications. Dave was a very active member of the Vallejo Yacht Club. He was the Assistant Cruise Director in 1993 and Cruise Director in 1994. He also helped his wife, Maureen, manage the

Ship's Store from 1994-1997. Dave served as our Rear Commodore in 1997, Vice Commodore in 1998, Commodore in 1999, and Staff Commodore and Chariman of the Board in 2000. We extend our sympathies to Dave's family and friends.

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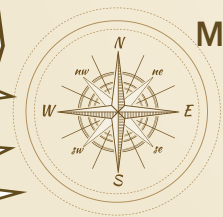
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## Special Events



- Sunday, May 1st ..... Great Vallejo Race
- Sunday, May 8th ..... Mother's Day Brunch
- Tuesday, May 10th ..... Board of Directors Meeting
- Saturday May 14th-Sunday May 15th ... Petaluma Yacht Club Cruise Out
- Thursday, May 26th ..... General Membership Meeting
- Saturday, May 28th ..... Memorial Day Service
- Monday, May 30th ..... Memorial Day - Office Closed

Monday Night Fun and Games ..... 6:00-9:00pm  
 Wednesday Night Racing Dinners ..... 5:30- 8:30pm





## COMMODORE REPORT Matt Hendricksen

Hello Shipmates,

I can't believe it's May already! It's been great to see boats coming in and out of the harbor and folks enjoying the water.

I have a lot of thank yous to extend this month. As I'm writing this, the Great Vallejo Race has not yet happened. That said, I'm sure it will be hugely successful. Thank you to all of the volunteers and participants that made it possible. And, of course, thank you to Vice Commodore Haydock and Julique Haydock for all the planning and organizing. It's a thankless job, so... thank you! And thanks to all the folks that came out and helped with the yard and lot cleanup parties. The club is looking great. Just in time to show off our club to the incoming

crowd of GVR visitors!

We also had a fantastic opening day at the club. Thanks to Scott, Jim, Bruce, Bob and everyone else who helped make the day a success. If you weren't there, you missed out!

Speaking of missing out, now that we are back in boating season and (kind of?) out of the pandemic, what sort of events would you like to see at the club? I've seen a lot of members at the club, but I'd like to see even more of you down and enjoying your club! Let Jim Glenn, Arv or me know if you have any ideas.

See you at the club!

*Matt Hendricksen, Commodore*  
commodore@vyc.org



## VICE COMMODORE REPORT Jeremy Haydock

Greetings Shipmates!

By the time you read this in May, the Great Vallejo Race will have happened. At the time of writing this article, it is about a week and a half before the event

and I am basically just trying to not impersonate a chicken running around without a head!

First and foremost, I would like to thank all the members who volunteered and served on the Great Vallejo Race Planning Committee. This group of volunteers generously donated their time for the last 3 months helping plan and prepare for this event, with meetings almost every week, and indeed weekly for the last 2 months. To this group of amazing members I owe a debt of gratitude and I simply cannot thank you enough.

Next I would like to thank all the members and volunteers who arrived on the days right before the race to help with all the various aspects of setting up and who came down in the days after the race to help with breaking down after the event.

Next I would like to thank all the members and non member volunteers who arrived on race day and pitched in to help at every level and in every "department" of this event.

Our amazing members are the heart and soul of this event, and are the reason why this event has such a great reputation as being an amazing party, an incredibly welcoming and fun event. Many bay area sailors look forward to this event all year long and that is because of the incredible effort and time our members willingly put into this event.

I would also like to thank the many members who volunteered on 2 successive Saturdays in April to help with the cleanup, landscaping, and overall beautification of the club and the grounds. It was hard work, but it sure paid off as the grounds are now looking spiffy, neat and dialed in.

It is occasions like these big events, when our incredible membership comes together and just makes it happen, with everyone pulling in the same direction, that I am consistently humbled, and so proud to be a member of a club where the membership consistently does this. Not many clubs could boast such a tradition I honestly believe.

Thank you to all you who helped put on a successful 2022 Great Vallejo Race!

Humbly,

*Jeremy Haydock*  
Vice Commodore @ VYC.org

## Galley Report - May Menu

The Galley continues to serve up some excellent meals. Please stop down and enjoy a drink at the bar, and a hearty meal!

### May 6th

New York Strip, baked potato,  
Salad bar  
Lemon and garlic pasta  
Spinach and artichoke dip  
Dessert

### May 8th

Mother's Day Brunch

### May 14th

Cioppino and pasta  
New York strip, baked potato,  
Salad bar  
Artichoke dip  
Dessert

### May 21st

Alaskan salmon,  
rice,  
Salad bar

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Alaskan salmon, rice, salad bar  
New York strip, baked potato,  
Salad bar  
Pasta and salad bar  
Loaded fries, sour cream, bacon,  
and green onions  
Onion rings  
Dessert

### May 27th

Cook your own steak, burger,  
or hot dog  
Potato salad  
Jeff's famous baked beans  
Ice cream and strawberries

### May 28th

Memorial Day Service  
Continental Breakfast



### THE SHIP'S STORE

By the time you read this, the Great Vallejo Race will be over. So much work goes into making this race happen. Please think about helping next year and sign up early! I need a partner to help run the ships store; someone to help make decisions on what to buy and to help provide hours in the store so we can have it open more often. If this is something you think you might enjoy, please let me know.

I hope to see you all at the club now that restrictions have been lifted. Stop in the store to see what we have to offer, or just to say hello!

Respectfully Submitted, *Barbara Brown*, Ship's Store Chairperson

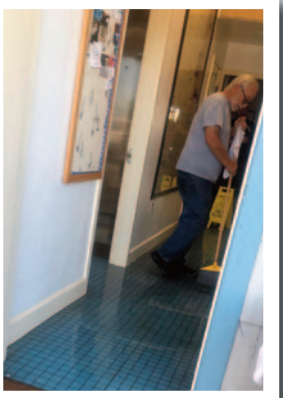
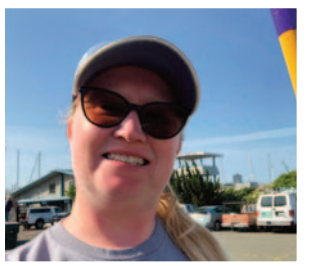


# Work Hard! Play Hard! Thank You Volunteers!

## April Cleaning Party

Thank you to everyone who pitched in during the month of April to clean up and beautify our club.

From trimming the landscaping, putting a fresh coat of paint on our sign, to cleaning the bar and deep cleaning our restrooms, the club is really looking good! Our facility is one that we can all be proud of.



## Dining for a Cause



Thank you to all the folks who worked so hard to put on the Ukrainian Benefit Dinner, and to all the club members who came and supported this very important cause. The decor was beautiful, the food incredibly delicious, and the support was heartwarming.

Joe Balocca wrote a very well worded letter to the editor for the *Times-Herald*, which was printed on April 10th about this event.

*Thank you, Joe!*



## Happy Birthday

Ken Leslie .....5/01	Valerie Suzawa .....5/11	Scott Green .....5/22
Jay Lund .....5/01	Wesley Eifert .....5/15	Cherry Pacheco .....5/22
Donna Seabrooks .....5/01	John Baldwin .....5/16	Chris Platzer .....5/23
Jeff Ellis .....5/01	Harold Helbock .....5/17	Jimmy Verrett .....5/23
Maurice Campbell .....5/02	Deborah Rocchild .....5/18	Cameron Kriens .....5/25
George Tsiopos .....5/08	William Pallas .....5/19	Josh Hunter .....5/25
Leon Garcia .....5/09	Julie Modenos .....5/20	Caroline Miller .....5/27
Adam Paul .....5/10	Richard 'Ricky' Bastien ...5/22	Jim Mueller .....5/28



# OPENING DAY



On April 16th, we held our traditional Opening Day ceremony at the club. The day started with a visit from the Easter Bunny, and then raising our new flag on the newly renovated flagpole while the Benicia High School Jazz band played the Star Spangled Banner. We dedicated the flagpole to Bruce Martens who did such an amazing job of renovation. Thank you, Bruce!



Bob Reeves performed our memorial ceremony for the shipmates lost during the past year, and taps were played. Matt Hendricksen performed the blessing of the fleet, and the Benicia Jazz Band treated us all to some nice jazz music on the patio. The Ducky Race made a comeback this year as well! We closed out the day with ome burgers on the grill. Thank you to everyone who made this day possible!



## 2021 - 2022 Elected & Appointed Officers

Commodore ..... Matt Hendricksen  
Vice Commodore ..... Jeremy Haydock  
Rear Commodore ..... Scott Green  
Staff Commodore ..... Kerry Scott  
Treasurer ..... Chris Mendonca  
Secretary ..... Samantha Fordyce  
Port Captains ..... Jeff Ruzler & John Van Vessem  
Fleet Captain-Sail ..... Mark Littlefield  
Fleet Captain Power ..... TBD  
Fleet Chaplain ..... Bob Reeves  
Fleet Surgeon ..... TBD  
Bar Manager ..... Dave Nadolne  
Club Manager ..... Arv Voss

## Board of Directors

Chairman ..... Bob Lockhart  
Director ..... Bill Sweitzer  
Director ..... Jeff Ruzler  
Director ..... Gail Ashworth  
Director ..... Tom Ochs  
Director ..... Matthew Mack

## Committee Chairpersons

Social Committee ..... Jim Glenn  
Safety ..... Deb Rocchild  
Learn To Sail ..... Dale Anderson  
Membership Chair ..... Mark Ashworth  
Grounds ..... Clare Harmon  
Ship's Store . . . . Barbara Brown, Tracy Verret, Jennifer Scott  
House Chair ..... Matthew Mack  
Binnacle ..... Amy Hendricksen  
Development ..... TBA  
Website/Social Media ..... Jean Bēkind  
Network Chair ..... TBA  
Galley Chair ..... Jim Glenn  
Community Liaison Officer ..... Julique Haydock

## Delegates

PICYA ..... Maggie Sabovich  
YRA ..... TBD



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First Class

