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03/21 Wednesday Lunch & Cards

03/24 Cruise Out: San Francisco YC

03/23 Drop in Dinner

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Commodore's Report



Kate Humphreys

Ahoy Sequoians... Happy Valentines wishes for February! Winter has finally arrived and just in time for January's "*Tropical Dreaming*" party, hosted by Rick and Petra Gilmore. Maybe it was the rum, but didn't you feel warm sand between your toes and palm fronds tickling your nose?

It wouldn't be February without a Super Bowl party on Sunday February 5th at 13:00. You can join the SYC football fans in the lounge from 11:00 for "tailgating" and stay until the bitter, or sweet, end. After the dazzling performance our 49er's gave us during the Pub Hop at South Beach, I can't wait to see if they'll be the victors in Indianapolis.

President's Weekend is our three-day sailing opportunity in February. Shake off those winter blues by joining our cruising fleet for our Jack London Square cruise out over Feb. 18th-20th. Winston and Carole Bumpus will once again be hosting a great time. Don't forget that you can now sign up online by logging into the Sequoia Website.

The tall ships, *Hawaiian Chieftan* and the *Lady Washington*, will be joining us in Redwood City this month arriving on February 24th and departing on March 8th. . The ships' calendar of events can be found online at http://www.historicalseaport.org/public-sails-schedule/2?view=calendar if you would like to go for a sail or bring others for a tour.

On February 25th Byron and Jeanne Jacobs will be hosting a "Golden Age of Sail" party where you will have a chance to tour the tall ships and then mingle with the crews sailing in the Cardinal Regatta at the club. Don't worry we won't be serving up hard tack and salt pork.

Come on down and enjoy the fun along with our racing events, Drop in Dinners, Card Days, Wednesday Lunch gatherings, we have a lot of good times to be had. Hope to see you at the club!



Vice Commodore's Report



Peter Blackmore

There is lots of energy around the Sequoia house this winter. We had over 80 guests for our first Drop in Dinner and General Meeting of the New Year. We're excited at the display of enthusiasm by all!

"Tropical Dreaming," hosted by Rick and Petra Gilmore, was an evening in paradise to dispel the chill of the winter evenings. Steel drum music and Hawaiian shirts always make such a fashion statement at this time of year. Thanks Rick and Petra for leading us to a better place.

We've started the ball rolling for the Mega Cruise to the South of France in 2013. There is a lot of interest in this so please let me, as cruise planner and leader, know that you are interested. We are taking onboard members preferences, pinning down some dates in May or June 2013, assessing available charters and determining how many members are interested. This will be a trip of a lifetime for Francophiles, Foodies and all your friends and family who would like to join in.

Our second event in the *Sequoia Speaker Series* will feature Robin Weber leading an *Americas Cup* discussion. Join us on February 17 following the Drop in Dinner to get up to date with all the preparations, competitions, promotions and palpitations happening behind the scenes. Just imagine in a little over a year this prestigious race will all be happening in our own North Bay. What could be better than that?

Our aim at the club this year is to get a lot of 'buzz' happening. Fun filled events, guest speakers at the DID's, great food and as always a great Sequoia turn out. Let's keep it up - we want you to have a great evening when you come to the club and part of that is ensuring each event is a lot of fun so more people spread the word and come along to enjoy!

Let us know how we can make it even better and if you have a topic you would like discussed at a DID, you have only to make that suggestion. We want our clubhouse to be humming with activity.

See you at the club.

Rear Commodore's Report



Winston Bumpus

Well the year is off to a great start with racing and cruising. The Redwood Cup and the Winter Series are in full swing guiding by Tim Petersen and Robin Weber. The Redwood Cup had a great race on January 8th with many boats, a great course, just enough wind and lots of sunshine.

The trip to South Beach for MLK weekend hosted by Rick and Petra Gilmore couldn't have been better. There were plenty of boats, friends, sunshine and nice winds as well. They planned and hosted a terrific series of events with the Pub Hop and they couldn't have planned the San Francisco 49er's win any better as it was during one of our stops. We also had a great Brunch hosted by Ted Hannig at the Four Season's with an amazing view of the city and the bay.

We are getting ready for another great cruise out to Jack London Square that will be hosted by Carole and myself. It should be great sailing, food, and music with the wine tasting bike tour scheduled again this year. More information on this exciting trip will be coming soon.

The South Bay Opening Day planning has started and although the theme has not been decided yet the date has been, so mark your calendar for May 19th. It's only twelve weeks until Beer Can season as well. We will be holding our Beer Can Meeting and Opening Dinner on April 11th so be sure to mark that down as well.

If you have a boat it is a great time to get out on the water; if you don't have a boat, it is a great time to ask someone for a ride. Feel free to use the Forum link on the Sequoia website to connect each other up.

Enjoy this wonderful California sailing weather and I will see you out on the water.

Junior Sailing



Peter McCormick

Classes start February 25th. Sign-ups have begun and some classes are already full. Still we have room and if you know someone that would benefit from the program send them our way.

For those of you that don't already know, our "Small Boats," Lasers and El Toros, are available to club members for use. We have a new policy in place which is being announced in this month's Scope. Find it, read it, come down and take advantage of the boats.

Sailing in "The Sloughs" is a wonderful time. There are seals, birds, rays, fish, and other boaters always wandering at their leisure. You cannot get these views just going out the channel on your way to the bay.



We are hard at work every weekend repairing *Max*, our safety boat. It's not free to fix *Max* up so when you sit at the bar, think about our skimpy repair budget and drop a buck in the cup. If you care to lend a hand let me know I can put you on the list and notify you of work days. We are fiber glass, sanding, and prepping each step of the way. Who knows you might learn something in the process.

As always you are welcome to join in with the Junior Sailing activities. There is always lots to do, so if you want to volunteer, we're a very welcoming bunch. Contact me at peter.mccormick@gmail.com.

Social Events



Michele Hartman

The Age of Sail Party Saturday, February 25th

Hosts: Big Wind Byron and Salty Jeanne Jacobs



Ahoy Mateys! Yer coming to ye olde SYC Tall Ships party, ain't ye? It be on February 25th!

The tall ships *Hawaiian* Chieftain and Lady Washington will be visitin' the dock right thar in Redwood City Harbor.

Come for a tour of the ships and stay for – wait for it – A PARTY!

We'll have the *Living Water Band* playing sea shanties, a pirate costume contest with pricey (looking) trinket prizes and lots of grog! No doubt some sorry lads will end up in the brig by the end of this here evening.

Our grub and grog served up by cooky will be:

Salmagundi (Piratey Beef Stew maybe some cats, rats or seagull thrown in) Fishy Bits (Almond Tilapia) & Jasmine Rice Caribe Black Bread 'n Butter Octopus's Garden Salad with lots 'o toppings "Hardtack" Cookies and Ice Cream All for a mere \$15 guineas per person.

Come for drinks as early as you like. Supper at 18:30 hours (that's 6:30 pm for you landlubbers). And don't forget to wear your piratey get-up!

Don't wait! Sign up at the club or online under Events on the club website (www.sequoiayc.org) for this swashbuckling spectacular.

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Membership News



Jerry Jones

At the January General Meeting a second reading was held for Andrew & Karen Rist from Menlo Park. They have an Open 5.7 called *Big Air* in the RWC dry storage. Nominated by Alex Huang and Larry Mayne.



Andrew & Karen Rist

The 2012 list of Honorary Members will be posted on the bulletin boards at the Sign-In desk and the galley hallway.

The 2012 Membership Directory has been printed and is available for pick up at the club. Thanks for the many updates to the member listings.

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is keeping you from getting out and sailing, the <u>Skipper Looking for Crew</u> Forum topic can be used to post the races for which your are looking for more hands. Similarly, if you are looking to crew for one of the skippers sailing in a Sequoia race, the <u>Crew Looking for Boat</u> Forum topic can be used to let skippers know. Hopefully we will get all our boats fully staffed and ready to race.

Don't break your New Year's resolution to get out and get involved in our racing program. Redwood Cup #4 takes place on Sunday Feb. 5 and Winter Series #4 takes place on Saturday Feb. 11. Our 2012 Single-handed Series starts on Saturday Feb. 25 with race #1. On behalf of all the race fleet captains, we invite you to come out and participate in our racing program. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or suggestions.

See you at the start line.

Racing Fleet News



Tim Petersen

It's February and we are well into our 2012 Sequoia winter racing season. The weather for the first half of the season, however, has been anything but winter-like and we have been sailing under sunny skies with light to moderate winds. Hopefully Mother Nature isn't going to remind us that winter is more apt to be wet and wild.

Your Sequoia staff has been working behind the scenes to line up interesting events for 2012. This month I want to talk about our plans for the Westpoint Marina Regatta, which is being held on Saturday July 21. Ron Brown laid the groundwork for a number of the events that will be held in conjunction with the Treasure Island Yacht Club for the weekend of the race and we intend to build on that this year.

The regatta weekend will start on Friday July 20, the night before the race. All racers are invited to bring their boats up to Clipper Cove and join the party at TIYC. They are going to host a Pirate Burger Dinner. So be sure to attend and get to know the people you will be racing against. If you haven't seen the TIYC Margarita Maker, you are in for quite an experience. Just be sure that you are ready for the race the next day.

The race starts around 12:00 on Saturday with TIYC providing the committee boat for the start. The race proceeds around Alcatraz Island and then downwind to the entrance of Redwood Creek for a total of 25 nautical miles. In addition to the racers, the TIYC is looking to organize a "Cruiser Division" that also will make its way down to the South Bay and Redwood City.

Results and awards will be presented at Sequoia Yacht Club after the race on Saturday night. This will be followed by the annual Sequoia Island Time Party, where racers, cruisers, Sequoia members and guests will start the party up once again. The Sequoia BBQ chefs have perfected the Huli-Huli Chicken and this alone is worth reserving the date for. No Sequoia racers are allowed to go on vacation that weekend. Be sure to mark your calendars and reserve July 20 and 21, as this will be one of the signature events of 2012.

The <u>Racing Pages</u> on the Sequoia web site are all up to date for 2012, so bookmark the link and be sure to check it often. Be sure to check the <u>Forums</u> tab before each race. If lack of a crew *Continued on page 6, column 1.*

Cruising Fleet News



Petra Gilmore

San Francisco Yacht Club Cruise Out: March 24-25, 2012

Hosts: Peter and Deborah Blackmore Contact: blackmorepeter@yahoo.com



Each year our club looks forward to visiting Belvedere Cove in Tiburon for a special treat. The facilities are top rate with new docks, decks, and member facilities which we can all enjoy. However, this year even more improvements are underway and the SFYC galley will be closed for the extension of the dining room during our visit. This means that our Saturday evening meal will be taken off site, which will make a pleasant change for those of us who have participated for many years.

We are investigating several locations for our Saturday group meal. Unfortunately the Corinthian Yacht Club dining room held a prior booking for Saturday evening, but there are Main Street restaurants and even the China Cabin (historical monument) which may be possibilities. We'll keep you posted on developments.

And, as always, there is **Sam's Anchor Cafe**, **The Boathouse** and other lively spots for a leisurely stroll and breakfast on Sunday morning. Every time we return our fond memories of this special place for boaters are renewed.

Look for a sign up sheet at the club or on the club website soon. We're looking forward to a great turnout for a great location.

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Jack London Square Cruise Out February 18-20, 2012

The cost of slip fees are \$1.50 per / foot with a \$45 minimum per day. More details will be coming. For black-toppers, the Bay Bridge will possibly be closed for west-going vehicles, so plan on returning home via the San Mateo Bridge.

After you arrive on Saturday, we will be hosting our traditional 'docktails'. This will be followed with dinner at Yoshi's. Dinner will be served 'family-style', as before, and at the reasonable cost of \$45.00 per person (not counting drinks). To check out the menu (which will be pre-selected), or have some unique dietary needs, go to www.yoshis.com/ oakland/dining to check it out.

After dinner we'll see the show at the Jazz Club. That weekend it's Poncho Sanchez Latin Band featuring Terence Blanchard with a tribute to conga drummer and composer Chano Pozo and trumpeter Dizzy Gillespie. The cost for the tickets is still \$30 per person. Check out the details on Yoshi's website: www.yoshis.com/oakland/jazzclub

On Sunday, back by popular demand, we'll take to the street for another East Bay Winery Bike Tour. The cost is \$70 per person which includes a bike (fit to size), helmet, gourmet lunch, personal winery tour and a personal (wine) bottle retrieval service (for those who can't drink, ride AND haul back their own booty.) More details to follow, but check out the website: www.eastbaywinerybiketours.com

Following the winery tour (or whatever your little heart desires during the day), we will meet back at Heingold's Tavern around 3 p.m. for—nope, not the Jack London Trivia Contest again—but, a book discussion of London's entertaining, charming (and mostly forgotten) Tales of the **Fish Patrol**. This is easily downloadable and quite readable. You can download it from here: http://www.gutenberg.org/ ebooks/911 Bring your favorite quotes.

On Sunday night, you are on your own for dinner. But, may we suggest Bocanovas, like last year: http://www. bocanova.com/food.shtml or Cocina Poblana's: http://www. cocinapoblana.com/oak/index.htm or perhaps, Miss Pearl's Jam House http://www.misspearlsjamhouse.com/contact. aspx.

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Rick Gilmore, the GO TO Guy

Ahoy Sequoia!

Remember to send me any and all of your GoTo stories! I would be happy to highlight all of your celebrations, announcements and achievements in the monthly Scope GoTo report and at the monthly General Meeting.



Remember to bring your conch shell to the general meeting where we will all honk our conchs in celebration after I announce the months birthdays and membership anniversaries.

Steve Higgs reports that he and Mary Ann Faue became engaged on Christmas Day! Now that's what I call efficient, he gets his girl two gifts in one and he'll never forget the date. Congratulations to the happy couple!



Past Commodore Bill Stark received the prestigious "Distinguished Eagle Scout Award" from the BSA. "It is awarded to an Eagle Scout for distinguished service in his profession and to his community for a period of at least 25 years after attaining the level of Eagle Scout. Great Job Bill! Congratulations!

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No Twitter, No tweet, no The Facebook, no IM (whatever that is)

$Hot\ Shots$ from Winston Bumpus & Steve Holmstrom



Group aboard *Dolci Sogni* sailing to South Beach for the Cruise out and the Pub Hop



A beautiful day on the bay for Redwood Cup #3



This photo was taken by Steve Holmstrom at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club. Rather than cloth burgee they laminate or otherwise copy the originals. But in this case they got a hold of the wrong tree!

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Hot Shots: by Doris Bliven

Ringing in the New Year at SYC









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Upcoming SYC Club Events

Race Events:



Saturday, February 11 Winter #4

Saturday, February 25 Single-Handed #1 Sunday, March 11 Redwood Cup #5

Saturday, March 17 Winter #5 - St. Patrick's Race

For more up-to-the-minute details, check www.sequoiayc.org/racecalendar.

Super Bowl Party Sunday, February 5 from 11:00 - 17:00



Host: Larry Mayne Cost: \$5 per person

Bring along your favorite snack and join your SYC friends. Munch hot dogs, chili and chips and limitless beer as you cheer or jeer.

Sequoia Speaker Series

Stop by on a Friday evening for a Drop in Dinner and an after dinner speaker.

February 17 Robin Weber offers

"America's Cup Update"
...the latest gossip and
greatest boats ever

March 23 Capt. Nancy Early on

"Couples' Captaincy"
...learning to share
roles and responsibilities
on board and on shore

JACK LONDON SQUARE CRUISE OUT February 18-20, 2012

Hosts: Winston and Carole Bumpus

SYC is heading back to Jack London Square!

We will dine and see a show at Yoshi's on Saturday. And we'll be taking another bicycle wine tour on Sunday followed by a mellow *Sequoia Reads* discussion of Jack London's <u>Tales of the Fish Patrol</u> at Heingold's Last Chance Saloon. You'll have President's Day, Monday, to sail the north bay and make your way home.

See the full cruise out itinerary on page 8 for details. Gather your crew and sign up soon for a great weekend.

Golden Age of Sail Party Saturday, February 25

Hosts: Byron & Jeanne Jacobs

Looking ahead to February, we're once again hosting the Cardinal Regatta at SYC.

Our theme for a sumptuous feast for members and guests will be The Golden Age of Sail. Never fear, we won't be serving hardtack and grog!

Save the date for a rousing evening on the high seas.

