



Sequoia Scope



Sequoia Yacht Club

July 2012

Redwood City, CA



The Potomac, F.D.R.'s "Floating White House", celebrated her 75th anniversary by visiting the Port of Redwood City and hosting tours throughout the day. Like the Potomac, the Port is also celebrating its 75th anniversary.

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This Month At A Glance

06/30 Cruise Out—Tin Cup

07/01 Cruise Out - Tin Cup
07/10 Board Meeting
07/13 Drop in Dinner & General Meeting
07/14 Cruise Out South Beach - Giants
07/21 Island Time Party
07/27 Drop in Dinner—Trash Talk
07/30 Delta Cruise Out
07/31 Delta Party

08/10 Drop in Dinner
08/18 Deck Party
08/24 Drop in Dinner

09/01 Labor Day Cruise Out - HMB

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07/08	David Oates
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07/21	Ron Howard
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08/05	David Payne
08/11	Fabian Pease
08/12	Ed Pedigo
08/18	Rich Pense
08/19	Tim Petersen
08/25	Jim Peterson
08/26	Stan Phillips



Commodore's Report

Kate Humphreys

Hello fellow Sequoian's,

Summer is in full swing and our wonderful deck is just the place to enjoy a lazy warm evening with libations and great conversations.

June was wonderful with a constant crowd on the 2nd visiting the Potomac and filling our club for cocktails and lunch. We also had an outside bar up by the boarding area for the Potomac that was busy all day! Thank you to all who lent a hand to make this an extra special day with an extra special thank you to the Port and Sims Metal for hosting your Commodores on the return cruise to Oakland. It was an extra special treat. We were entertained on June 16th by a host of our Past Commodores and their tall tales. Winston did a wonderful job serving as judge and awarding the Albert H. Davies trophy for the best tale. A big thank you to the Mariner Scouts who helped us throughout the evening with serving and clean up! We had a super incredible General Meeting on June 8th setting a new record (at least as far as recent memory goes) of first and second readings. The buzz in the house was fantastic! A warm welcome to all our new members!!

July begins with one of our favorite cruise outs for a wee bit of golfing on the weekend of June 30-July 1st. I hope you are able to join LuAnne and John Graves as they host another fantastic Tin Cup Cruise out to the San Leandro Yacht Club. We will cruise out yet again the weekend of July 14th to South Beach Yacht Club and thirty lucky Sequoian's will enjoy a day at Pac Bell Park cheering on the Giants. If that is not enough, we leave on July 30th (some of you will leave earlier) for our annual Delta Cruise Out. Winston and Carole will be hosting our annual Delta Party on Tuesday the 31st. Be sure to bring your best Parrot Head attire! What a month for cruising!! On July 21st the Holmstrom's will be hosting one of my all-time favorite parties, Island Time. Bring your best limbo moves and enjoy a hot summer night that will transport you to your favorite tropical island.

Our General Meeting for July will be held on Friday the 13th – cocktails at 5:30, dinner at 6:30 and the meeting beginning at 7:30. Our second DID of the month will be on Friday, July 27th. Come join us all before you leave for the Delta or join us to cheer on those who will be making the trip.

One last note, this will be the last SCOPE for a time, (we will break for the month of August). A huge thank you and shout out to Shelia and Deb who have worked tirelessly for many years bringing this wonderful newsletter to us all. We truly appreciate your dedication to bringing us the news each month. We are actively looking for some folks who would be willing to pick this up and run. We are open to new formats and ways of getting news out to the membership such as an online blog type format. Please let me know if you are interested in taking this on. Just think, you will be first to know the club news!!

Dan, Chris and I are looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Commodore, Kate



Vice Commodore's Report

Peter Blackmore

June began with a fantastic 75th anniversary for Redwood City Port and the SS Potomac, which was Franklin Delano Roosevelt's presidential yacht. The Potomac was with us from 10:00-16:00 on Saturday offering tours to all visitors. SYC members were the hosts for the day and the club did herself proud. We had a steady stream of visitors all day to the outside bar which we set up by the Potomac and also to the club to enjoy the burgers, the bar and the beautiful deck. My thanks again, for the exceptional help from all the volunteers led by Michele Hartmann, our social chairperson. It was great to see the club so busy with the visitors to the Potomac and also a junior sailing day and Summer Series #3.

We had a DID on June 22nd where we enjoyed a 2013 France Mega Cruise Out discussion following. We have huge interest in this and many boats are now booked. Time to begin planning the itinerary and other details!

On July 21st Steve and Laurie Holmstrom will host the Island Time Party - always a very popular and successful event. The theme this year is 'Fantasy Island'. Rumor has it that one of the Commodores will be appearing as Mr. Roarke to properly welcome the guests - just like Hollywood. Do we have any volunteers to be Tattoo - his loveable sidekick?

On Friday July 27th we have a special DID with a guest speaker - Vivian Matuk from the California Coastal Commission. She will discuss Marine Debris and how the yacht clubs can help. Very topical with the flotsam and jetsam arriving on our coasts from the tsunami last year in Japan!

We are enjoying a great social year - thank you all for your support to make this a fantastic year for the club

Notice of Special Meeting

Friday, July 13, 2012

***To be held in conjunction with the regularly scheduled
Sequoia Yacht Club***

General Meeting, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The Special Meeting will be held to discuss and vote on a proposal brought forth by the board to temporarily decrease initiation dues by an amount of \$150.00 effective as of September 1, 2012 through October 20th, 2012 in order to encourage membership application during the closing of Beer Can and our summer racing series. During this time the new member \$50.00 social credit shall be suspended.



Rear Commodore's Report

Winston Bumpus

Racing and cruising have been going great! David Elliot has done a fabulous job organizing the just completed race crew training class. He also has been helping to get the newly trained crew on boats for the Wednesday night Beer Can races. Skippers have been great as well and have taken lots of pick-ups. New records have been set as Mirth took seven pick-ups in one night and Iowa took five on another night. The crew class and everyone's efforts have really paid off as we have a ton of new members and a lot of great energy at the club.

The Memorial Day cruise-out to Sausalito was spectacular, organized again this year by Tod Klingler and Shannon Amerman. The beach party, the dinner at Cavallo Point and the amazing fireworks for the 75th Celebration of the Golden Gate Bridge was something we will remember for a long time. They also added a fun photo scavenger hunt, to make this an amazing weekend with perfect weather.

Photo scavenger hunt results:

1st—Robin Weber

2nd—Winston Bumpus

3rd—Steve Holmstrom

June saw the continuation of the Singlehanded series and the Tin Cup cruise-out to San Leandro, and July will also be fun packed month with over 100 miles of racing including the Moonlight Marathon and the Westpoint Regatta, plus the fun South Beach Giants Baseball cruise-out.

At the end of July we make our way up to the warm waters of the Delta. This year's Delta Cruise-Out will be again at the wonderful Delta Yacht Club from Monday July 30th until Friday August 3rd. The theme will be Jimmy Buffet's "Changes in Latitude, Changes in Attitude," which will include a Parrot-head costume party and a special dinner, Cheeseburgers in Paradise, on Tuesday night. We are looking forward to sharing the Delta Yacht Club with the Oakland Yacht Club once again and have been in contact with them to do more joint activities including meals, games and tournaments (think floating cocktail parties in our dinghies). We are planning other fun activities including a family movie night with the wonderful Jimmy Buffet film, Hoot, and the traditional super soaker fights. We will be sending more information soon, but wanted you to make your reservations early by contacting Carole or myself.

So enjoy this wonderful area and the great summer sailing adventures and I will look forward to seeing you on the water.



Membership Report

Jerry Jones

What a great general meeting we had in June. Six first readings and five second readings for membership! Keep up the recruiting efforts!.

First Readings:

- **Lorraine Campos** from Menlo Park. She has a 18 ft. Reinell power boat kept in the RWC Dry Storage Yard. Nominated by Peter Blackmore and Larry Mayne.
- **Ken & Jamie Gold** from San Jose. They ave many years of racing experience. Nominated by Larry Mayne and Peter Blackmore.

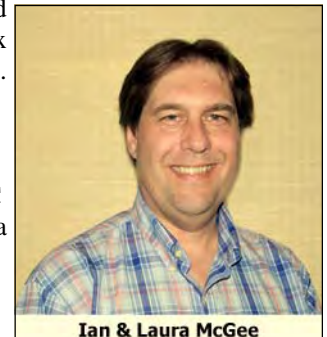


Ken Gold



Alex Eiser & Rachel Unger

- **Alex Eiser and Rachel Unger** from Mountain View. They have extensive racing experience. Nominated by Stan Phillips and Alex Huang.



Ian & Laura McGee

- **Ian & Laura McGee** from Half Moon Bay. They are Active in SYC beer can racing. Nominated by Petra Gilmore and Tod Klingler



Micky Alm

- **Micky Alm** from Burlingame. She has been active in SYC racing. Nominated by Brett Herr and Peter McCormick.



Linda Lovenbury

- **Linda Lovenbury** from San Carlos. She is taking sailing lessons at Spinnaker Sailing. Nominated by Larry Mayne and Peter Blackmore.

Junior Membership has been approved by the Board of Directors for Alex Appel.

Membership Report

Second Readings were held and membership was approved by the members for:

- **Tom & Teri Wikman** from Sunnyvale. They have *Morphizella*, a McGregor 26 berthed in Oakland. Nominated by Tim Petersen and Winston Bumpus.



Tom & Teri Wikman

- **Grace Carland** from Los Altos Hills. She has *Bait "n" Switch*, a Trophy Bayliner 23.5 kept in the RWC Dry Storage Yard. Nominated by Carole Bumpus and Kathryn Maxwell.



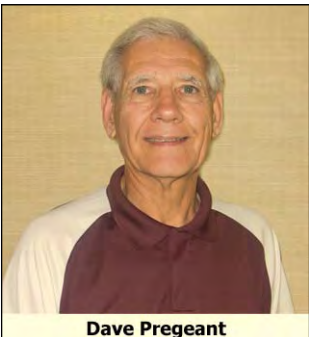
Grace Carland

- **Frank & Elizabeth Garcia** from Redwood City. They have *Frisky*, a Tartan 30 berthed in the RWC Marina. Nominated by Dan Doud and Peter Blackmore.



Frank & Elizabeth Garcia

- **David Pregeant** from Sunnyvale. He has been sailing for many years and is an instructor at Spinnaker Sailing. Nominated by Brett Herr and John Ryan.



Dave Pregeant

- **Sidney & Lynn Morris** from Redwood City. They have *Gratitude*, a Bayliner 45 berthed at Bair Island Marina. Nominated by Winston Bumpus and Joseph Curtis.



Sidney & Lynn Morris

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Racing Fleet News

Tim Petersen

July has arrived and it brings the opportunity to sail over 100 nautical miles in club races in a single month. This month there are 4 Beer Cans. Using a conservative estimate of 8 miles per race, you will log a total 32 nm in July if you sail every Wednesday night. So keep on coming out mid-week and be a part of what is turning out to be a phenomenal year of Beer Can racing at Sequoia.

The annual Sequoia Moonlight Marathon is also being run in July. The race starts at 16:00 on Saturday, July 7, and proceeds up the bay, around Blossom Rock buoy and then back to the entrance to Redwood Creek for a total of 39 nm. This is Sequoia's only (intentional) night race, so come on out and challenge your fellow Sequoia racers in navigating the bay under moonlight.

Then on Saturday, July 21, Sequoia Yacht Club and the Westpoint Harbor Marina are hosting the 4th running of the Westpoint Marina Regatta. This will be an event filled and fun weekend, starting on Friday night with a BBQ at the Treasure Island Yacht Club, continuing with the race on Saturday which logs another 25 nm of racing, followed by awards and the annual Sequoia Island Time party, and finishing up on Sunday with continental breakfast at the club. This will be a weekend not to be missed. Boats from clubs all around the bay have been invited to participate.

The July racing bonanza ends on Saturday, July 28th, with Summer #4. Most Summer Series races are 8+ miles in length, so at the end of the month our most dedicated racers will have logged 104 nm in club races. Watch for special recognition of these intrepid sailors.

Last month I thought that I was writing my last Scope article, but it looks like I was wrong and here we are again. As we move to a new format I once again want to thank Deb and Sheila for all their years of publishing the Scope. I hope to see a new direction in the very near future, so stay tuned for developments.

See you at the start line for an amazing month of racing in July.



Social Events

Michele Hartmann

We have wonderful events this month! Hope to see you all enjoying what we have in store!!



Saturday, July 21

Island Time Party - Welcome to Fantasy Island!

- Pupu Hour begins at 1830
- Dinner at 1900
- Live music from MARS at 1830
- "Tattoo" contest, games, delicious cocktails

Tuesday, July 31

Delta Cruise-Out Party – Jimmy Buffet is our theme!

- We won't be changing much in latitude, but attitudes will certainly be changing!
- "Shells sink, dreams float. Life's good on our boat"

Saturday, August 18

Deck Party and RC Laser Race

- RC Laser race begins at 1530
- Summer BBQ (including tri tip and watermelon) begins at 1700

Cruising Fleet News

Petra Gilmore



Annual Tin Cup Golf Tournament Saturday, June 30th

Attention all you golfers! It is time once again for the Annual Tin Cup Golf Tournament! This will be the 13th year that we sailors trade in our deck shoes for golf cleats and test our skills on Monarch Bay's 9-hole Marina course. Your cruise leaders, John and LuAnne Graves, will once again guide you toward our destination, **The San Leandro Yacht Club**. After you have docked and had a bite to eat, grab your clubs and take a short walk across the road to Monarch Bay for the Tee Off at 1300 (1pm, landlubbers). We will be playing "Best Ball," and the rules will be posted at the club, as well as handed out that Saturday. Some frequently asked questions regarding this cruise-out:

1. Do I have to be a golfer? NO
2. Can I rent clubs there? YES
3. What are the green fees? \$32.00, which includes cart.
4. Can I walk the course? NO, everyone uses a cart to keep the play moving
5. Where is dinner? At the SLYC. Cocktails around 5:30pm, dinner TBA
6. How 'bout Sunday breakfast? On the dock potluck brunch - TBA
7. Will there be prizes? Of course!

If some questions were not answered, feel free to contact your cruise leaders for more info. If you are interested, please sign up at the club before June 19th. Start figuring out how to cram your clubs onto your boat and join us June 30th for the best time ever.

South Beach "GIANTS" Cruise-Out July 14th & 15th



The weather is getting warm and the boys of summer are back! **San Francisco Giants Baseball !!!** The South Beach 2012 cruise-out is scheduled for July 14th and 15th, for the Saturday July 14th game against the Houston Astros!! Game starts at **6:05 pm**.

Good News ~ Bad News ~ The South Beach "GIANTS" Cruise-Out – is **SOLD OUT !!** You can add your name to the waiting list should there be a cancellation.

We have a great weekend planned with whalegating prior to the game and a game of BASEBALL BINGO during the game for prizes. If you have signed up for the cruise out Dennis & Grace will be contacting you to confirm you tickets and slip.

Grace and Dennis Lowe will host a Whale tail (Sailboats don't have tail gates) party prior to the game. So bring your ORANGE and BLACK, your Panda Hats, and your foam fingers to support the Giants!! Sail, blacktop up, or take the train for a GOOD time **will** be had by all!!

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This was the announcement in Union Square by the America's Cup team of a **Youth America's Cup** which is sponsored by Red Bull. The Youth America's Cup will be run in conjunction with the America's Cup races and will be sailed by youth ages 19-23 on the AC 45s. There will be 10 boats from 9 different countries. 1 boat will be manned by youth sailors from the SF Bay Area. We will also have a US team boat.



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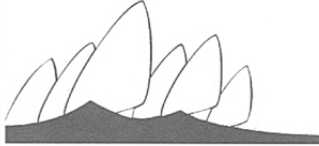
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Rick Gilmore

No Report: No news is good news.

Youth America's Cup Photos continued.....



Eric and Chris with Dan Brandt. He is the former Sequoia Race Team coach and now is the current Richmond Yacht Club Jr. Program Director.



Memorial Day weekend in Sausalito! Spending the holiday weekend at Schoonmaker Point Marina, offering prime water front access to downtown Sausalito.



Captain Robin Weber with the USS Nimitz in the background



A beach BBQ at Schoonmaker Point. ➡



Sausalito Cruise Out continued....



Crew of *Dolci Sogni* with the Golden Gate in background



Crew from *Mirth*, maybe a little tipsy



Mighty Payton holding up the Golden Gate Bridge



Upcoming SYC Club Events



Races:

Every Wednesday

Saturday July 7

Saturday June 16

Saturday July 28

Saturday August 18

Beer Can Races

Moonlight Marathon

Singlehanded #3

Summer #4

Summer #5

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

De plane! De plane!

You are invited by Mr. Roarke to Fantasy Island at Sequoia Yacht Club's Island Time party on **Saturday, July 21st**. Pupus (appetizers) and libations will start Island time (when you arrive)... probably about 1800, but if your early... great, if you're late, you'll miss the arrival of the plane! (or something fishy flying by... hint, hint)

We will be serving Island foods... arrive early and you can partake in island abalone and other appetizers, for the main dishes we will be huli huli chicken, island ribs, curried fish. Side dishes will be island rice and Laurie's healthy salads and for desert, pineapple upside down cake.

**Come to the
SYC
Island Time
Party**



We will have a live band – our own Mars starring Michele and Chris Hartman.

Mr. Roarke will be played by our Vice Commodore, Peter Blackmore. He assures us that he will view all 20 episodes of the second season to make sure he has the character down perfectly. ;-) Now we really, really need a Tattoo, Mr. Roarke's sidekick. As Hervé Villechaize is no longer available, we will need a replacement! And there will be a contest with prizes to fill that roll. We will also have our traditional limbo contest for our traditional prize – a Sequoia Yacht Club depth sounder!

The cost in the TV series to go to Fantasy Island was \$50,000! But, no, you will not be paying \$10,000, nor \$1,000!!!! If you sign up prior to July 10, your cost will only be \$20.00 per person! If you sign up after July 10th it will be \$25.00. Children under 12 are \$1/year.

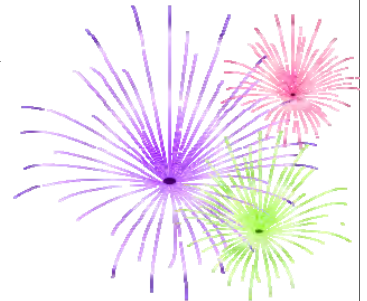
To sign up, go to:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/viewform?formkey=dDAwNTJSdIfc2MzTWFGNXXpQXc6MA>

(or sign up at the club!)

Steve & Laurie Holmstrom

Late breaking news...the Port will be hosting a fireworks show on 4th of July! Come down and enjoy the Beer Can, grab a bite of dinner (around 7:00) and some libations and stay for the fireworks!! Come early as parking will fill up fast. Show begins



We are rescheduling the Crew Overboard Training.



This is an excellent seminar that will help you get your crew back on board quickly and safely .

The Program will be conducted in two parts:
A 2-hour *lecture and discussion* on Thursday evening prior to the on the on-the-water activities.

- A full day *on-the-water* using Crew Overboard wands and in-the-water divers.

Available Dates

Lecture = Thursday, August 9th / On-The-Water = Saturday, August 11th

- Lecture = Thursday, August 23rd / On-The-Water = Saturday, August 25th

Note, we will conduct the Crew Overboard Training on just 1 set of dates ... either August 9th & 11th or August 23rd & 25th

Program Pricing:

- Lecture Only = \$25 (the lecture only portion is open to all members)

- Lecture and 1 Day On-The-Water = \$125

Please reply to me if you are interested, which date you prefer, and how many participants will join you.

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