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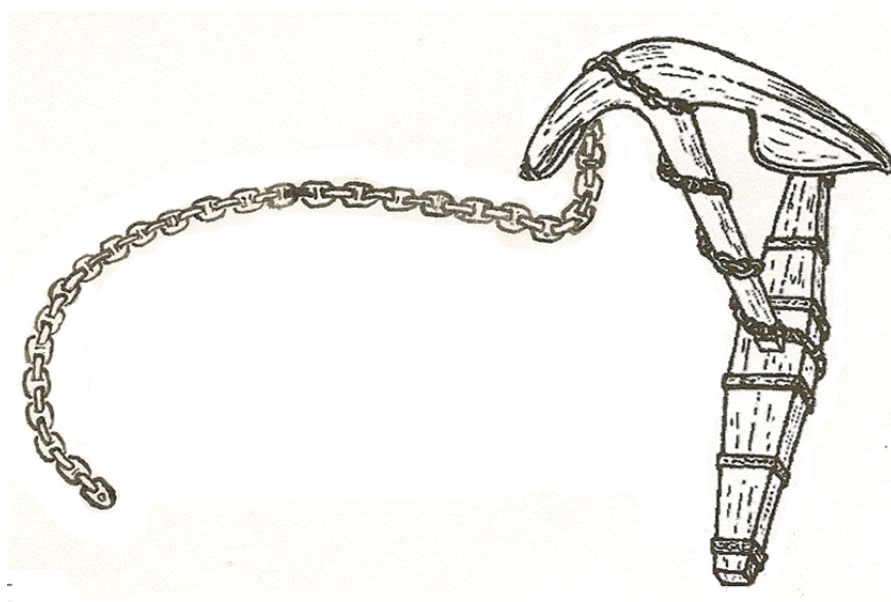
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October 2011

Redwood City, CA



Most of the volunteers for *California Coastal Cleanup Day* Photo from Winston Bumpus



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## This Month At A Glance

- 10/1 RWC Port-Fest  
10/4 Board Meeting  
10/5 Wednesday Lunch & Cards  
10/7 DID & General Meeting  
10/8 Fleetweek CruiseOut Aquatic Park  
10/15 Corkscrew Regatta, BAYS  
Regatta(s), Racer's Ribs Dinner  
10/19 Wednesday Lunch & Cards  
10/21 Sunset Cruise & DID  
10/28 DID & Halloween Party
- 11/2 Wednesday Lunch & Cards  
11/4 DID  
11/8 Board Meeting  
11/12 Installation Dinner  
11/16 Wednesday Lunch & Cards  
11/19 Big Game Regatta & Dinner  
11/20 Big Game Breakfast  
11/24 Thanksgiving Cruise Out:  
Angel Island

## Officer of the Day (OD)

- 10/1 James Bartlett  
10/2 Thomas Bantanides  
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## Commodore's Report



*Joseph Curtis*

The season of change is upon us. The evenings are drawing in so our sailing days are a little shorter. The warm September sunshine will give way to cooler days and nights. It catches us by surprise just about every year, but it's the natural course of things.



We will have our annual election at the **General Meeting on October 7<sup>th</sup>**. Every member should try to be at this meeting to cast their vote and welcome those elected to new positions.

We will install the new officers on **November 12<sup>th</sup>** at our annual **Installation Dinner**. We will have a new format this year: the Racing awards and trophies will be handed out at the **Racers Ribs Dinner on October 15<sup>th</sup>**, so the Installation Dinner ceremonies will be a little shorter. So you have no excuse for not coming down to the Club to enjoy an excellent dinner and celebrate the accomplishments of your fellow Club members over the past year.

I want to thank our Treasurer Winston Bumpus for heading up the pilot program for yacht clubs being involved in the California Coastal Cleanup. Winston has a report of the day's activities elsewhere in the Scope, but I want to give thanks to Winston for all of his hard work in making the day a great success and showing the rest of California what we already know: Sequoia is a great club filled with great people!

So take a look around the marina in front of the Club and along the creek between the fishing pier and Wharf 5. You won't see any trash and you can thank Winston and the rest of the volunteers!

## Vice Commodore's Report



*Kate Humphreys*

A big thank you to our wonderful hosts Robin and Larry Mayne for the Western BBQ and Carole and Winston Bumpus for our Oktoberfest. What wonderful evenings!!! Thank you for making Sequoia such a fun place to be!

Our lovely fall has arrived and we are starting off the season with the celebration of PortFest on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please come down and join Larry and his breakfast crew to kick off the festivities. Our galley will be dishn' out a delicious all you can eat pancake breakfast from 08:00-10:00. PortFest opening ceremonies will begin at 10:30. We will once again be treated to booths filled with wonderful artisans with their wares for sale for early Holiday shopping and informational booths provided by the Marine Science Institute, Redwood City Police and Fire and others.

Our Wednesday Lunch Bunch will be serving their wonderful fare on October 5 and 19<sup>th</sup>. Come on down and join the gang for one of the best (and affordable) lunches on the peninsula.

We will be closing out the summer racing season on Saturday, **October 15<sup>th</sup>** with our **Racer's Ribs Dinner and Annual Awards Ceremony**. Festivities will kick off at 18:00. If you think you might be in the running or if you just want to applaud your fellow competitors, this evening of good cheer, good food and lots of laughs will be just the place to be.

Our October Drop-in-Dinners will be held on **October 7<sup>th</sup>** (General Meeting), **October 21<sup>st</sup>** (Sunset Cruise) and **October 28<sup>th</sup>** (Halloween Party). Come and enjoy Lina's wonderful cooking and enjoy the special events this month followed by a good libation around the fire with great friends. Look for more information in this month's upcoming emails.

Grace has our Haberdasher's Cupboard well stocked with new goods. Please take a moment to browse and shop. Just let her know if you would like something specially embroidered with your boat name or SYC logo. *Embroidery Factory* has sold their business to *Pirates Lair*. Grace has worked out all the details with the new folks and we are assured of the same wonderful work at great prices.

## Rear Commodore's Report



*Peter Blackmore*

We have a great finish to the sailing season coming up. The Sequoia fleet just won the Barth Trophy in very convincing style - A credit to Tim and his team for a strong performance.

We started with the *Commodore's Cup* Single Handed Race on September 24th won by Paul McCarthy on *Lucky Duck*. Many congratulations.

We have several more weeks of Beer Can racing. It's all over on October 12. So come and participate while they last. It is a great event plus always fun to swap those "close call" stories in the bar afterwards!!

We'll finish the racing season with the *South Bay Championship* on **October 15<sup>th</sup>**. This is a big regatta day for SYC with many youth sailors as well as our traditional Corkscrew Slough Regatta for El Toro sailors.

At 18:00 we'll celebrate all the racing success of the season with a special *Racer's Ribs Dinner*. This new event was at the request of the Sequoia racers who asked for an event that they and their crews could enjoy together at the end of another great season. So we expect a great turn out for this day at the races and at the awards dinner afterwards.

We enjoyed an exciting cruise out to Half Moon Bay on Labor Day Weekend. We had the pleasure of moderate conditions that allowed relatively easy sailing. There was a warning of 20' swells but they did not materialize so sea sickness was not an issue afterall! We anchored out in the marina and had fun whizzing around in dinghies to the various parties on shore and on boat.

Our next cruise out is to Aquatic Park in October 8th to watch the Blue Angels perform for Fleet Week and we'll look forward to our traditional Angel Island Thanksgiving on the beach.

I would also like to thank Winston for his organization of the Coastal Clean Up event. It is just great to see the club support this environmental initiative as well as enjoy our days on the water.

## Coastal Clean-up Plans



*Winston Bumpus*

We had a beautiful day Saturday, September 17th for *California Coastal Cleanup Day*. We got together to talk trash and clean up our marina and creek. We had everything all set in front of the club by 09:00 and the crowd of folks that showed up was overwhelming.

We had over 40 volunteers, including members old and new, mothers and daughters, fathers and sons, grandchildren, and entire families came to volunteer. This also included a great crew from the Sea Scouts and Mariners.

The Sequoia Yacht Club was asked to participate in this pilot project, and were only one of two yacht clubs in all of California asked to join this year's statewide event. Vivian Matuk from the California Coastal Commission and Department of Boating and Waterways, was the visionary behind getting yacht clubs involved. She was thankfully with us all morning to help with all aspects of the clean-up process.



We picked up over **850 pounds** of trash and recyclables and awarded prizes for the most trash collected, which was won by the Sea Scouts.

Kristin Butler won for the most unusual item collected, which must have been part of a crime scene. After scraping the gunk and the mud from it, it appeared to be a coin collection box from a laundromat washing machine!

The Mariners won for the most recyclables. Ann McDonough donated a handmade sea-silk scarf for the most recyclables award.

Together we all rose to the challenge! Amid much mud raking, debris scavenging, scrub cleansing, and rock scouring, laughter and spirited banter could be heard across the now clean marina. This will keep all of this stuff from getting into our bay, our ocean and our raw water impellers. This worked out better than any of us hoped and will possibly spur on other yacht clubs around the state to get involved next year.

# Social Events



**Michele Hartman**

Our autumn social activities will be full of color and fun. Mark these events on your calendar so you won't miss a moment of what's happening at SYC.

## Saturday, October 1 Redwood City's Annual Portfest

Pancake Breakfast at SYC 08:00  
Various activities throughout the day.  
See <http://www.rwcportfest.org/index.html>  
for more information.

## Saturday, October 15 Racer's Ribs & Racing Awards

After a day of on-the-water racing (Corkscrew Regatta AND South Bay Championship), join us for a feast of Ribs and celebration of all the races from the past 12 months.

Cocktails at 17:30, Dinner at 18:30, Awards at 19:30

## Friday, October 28 Halloween at the DID

The club will be full of spookiness, and we'll be entertained with live music from MARS.

Cocktails at 18:00, Dinner at 19:00  
Come in costume -- watch your email for more details!

## Saturday, November 12th Annual Installation of Flag Officers Dinner

Hosts: Joseph and Oya Curtis

An elegant evening handover ceremony and show of appreciation for all of the volunteers who make SYC great.

Cocktails at 18:00, Dinner at 19:00

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## Membership News



*Jerry Jones*

The 2012 Membership Directory will be coming out soon. **Please help us to update your information to make it as accurate as possible.**

Our Membership Directory is a useful tool for us all and can really save the day when you need to quickly find a helping hand for a sailing date or project.

Take a few minutes to be sure that your information is correct and contact Sheila Jones on [sjustjones@gmail.com](mailto:sjustjones@gmail.com) or Jerry Jones on [jjjustjones@yahoo.com](mailto:jjjustjones@yahoo.com) with any changes. Thanks.

At the September General Meeting we had three First Readings for Membership:

-Marc & Marjorie McMorris from Atherton. They have a Santana 22 *Rhapsody* in the RWC Marina. Nominated by Charlie Watt and Don Inouye



Marc McMorris



Fadi Maajari

-Fadi Maajari & Deborah Garvey from San Jose. Fadi has been crewing in the Beer Can Races. Nominated by Brett Herr and Chris Owczarek.

-Przemyslaw and Aleksandra Karwasiecki from Sunnyvale. They have been crewing in the Beer Can Races. Nominated by Brett Herr and Chris Owczarek.



Przemyslaw Karwasiecki

All Membership Applications are posted in the hallway by the galley for your review.

## Racing Fleet News



*Tim Petersen*

October brings a close to our 2011 Sequoia Race Calendar. Our Beer Can series ends on Wednesday, October 12, so there are still a few weeks left to get out and sail and hopefully get the chance to fly the Beer Can Victory Flag from your boat's halyard one more time. It's been a great year for Beer Can racing and October should be no exception.

The final race of the 2011 season is the **South Bay Championship**. This year the race will be held on **Saturday, October 15** and we are going to run a series of windward leeward races. There will be at least two races that day, with an optional third race if time permits. All previous race results are wiped clean for this one-day regatta and the Championship is up for grabs.

If we have at least 5 non-spinnaker boats, the South Bay Championship will be run with both a spinnaker and non-spinnaker division. Otherwise the race will be run with a single division and an adjustment to the handicap will be given to non-spinnaker boats. We hope to get participation from other neighboring South Bay yacht clubs as well, so it should be a day that challenges the skills of all racers.

Saturday, October 15 will be a busy day. In addition to the South Bay Championship, the Corkscrew Regatta will be held for the El Toro Racing Fleet. This is a fun race held each year in the Corkscrew Slough.

After all the on-the-water activities have been completed, Sequoia will be celebrating the end of the season with the **Racer's Ribs Dinner**. The 2011 racing awards will be presented at the Racer's Ribs Dinner this year, so be sure to attend along with your crew. There are sure to be a lot of great stories and memories being shared. Watch for more details about this event as we get closer to the date.

As always, race schedules and results can be found on the SYC website. If you are out sailing on the bay, be sure to cruise by and check out the new 'Y' race mark. Winter racing is just around the corner, so be sure that your winter sails are in good repair and watch for details on the start of our 2012 season.

I'll be watching for your boat at the start line of the **South Bay Championship**.

# Cruising Fleet News



*Petra Gilmore*

## *Fleet Week Cruise: Aquatic Park, October 8-9*

Doug and Anne Murray will lead us on a patriotic salute to our nation's military. Join in for a "front row seat" as the Blue Angels swoop around the North Bay and the city's waterfront fleet put on a display.

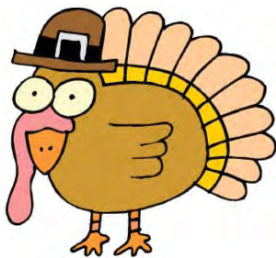
Of course, Fleet Week is also an excellent opportunity to visit the nearby National Maritime Museum for a peak at San Francisco's proud nautical history and future.



Contact Cruise Leader:  
Doug Murray on [sv\\_murmur@hotmail.com](mailto:sv_murmur@hotmail.com).

## *Thanksgiving Cruise Out: Angel Island, Thursday, November 24-26*

Traditions make us feel warm and happy inside. One of our favorite SYC traditions is to follow in the footsteps of our forefathers by conquering unknown lands by boat.



We deep fry turkeys and eat our shared Thanksgiving feast on the beach at Angel Island. No lie. Every year it just keeps getting better.

Why loll about at home feeling over-stuffed and sleepy when you could be hiking and sailing with SYC? Join us.

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## Flag Officers & Board

Please be on the look out for a new membership survey that will be sent out in October to all our members.

We have many positives about the club but the Flag and Board want to hear from all members about areas we can improve on and new ideas we can try out. We also want to increase membership to help sustain a vibrant club for all..

We shall be sending these out in good time both digitally and a paper alternative so you can give your input by end of October. The results will be presented to the members by early December and we do plan to take action on your input. It is *your* club so please help us with this !

Here's what's coming soon at SYC.

### Children's Holiday Tea Party

Sunday, December 11 13:00-17:00

Hosts: Peter & Deb Blackmore

Back by popular demand, we will have Magic Mike. Join us for crafts, show, snacks and Santa. Please rsvp to dkayblack@aol.com right away to tell us who you are planning to bring. \$10.00 per person.



### Holiday Spirit Pageant DID

Friday, December 16

Cocktails: 18:00 DID: 19:00

We're reviving Cal and Dot Rothenberg's musical evening. Come laugh and sing with us.

### Bi-Coastal New Year's Eve Celebration

Saturday, December 31st

Ring in the New Year with your Commodores from 19:00 to 24:00. Appetizers and desserts available all evening. Music by MARS from 21:00.



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**Ann McDonough**

There will be a new holiday celebrated at the Gilmore Residence -- it's the 4th Sunday of October. Mother-in-law Day. Barlow Gilmore married Hallie Sweetwater Leff in September.

LuAnne Graves celebrated a milestone birthday in August with a brisk dip in the Monterey Bay. Several friends, including Diane Stark, helped her celebrate her special weekend with lots of drinking, eating, shopping, storytelling and lots of laughter. And did I mention drinking?

Speaking of Diane, she flew home after Hurricane Irene swept through the Northeast. She reports that all is well, except for the beach that used to be across the street from her condo is now gone. Much of the beach can now be found right in front of her house. Power was finally restored last week.

After 2 months of enforced rest, our whirling dynamo, Jeanne Jacobs, is back on her feet and returned back to work! It's good to see Jeanne back at the club!

Sherry Warburton and Shannon Amerman sold *Relativity!* Shannon is now down to a one boat family -- as soon as the check clears, that is.

*Agave Azul* is tucked up in her new home in Ensenada, Mexico. Robin Weber, Kathryn Maxwell, Phil McFarland, Dan Lockwood, Peter Lieberman, Robin's son Mark did the trip in 75 non-stop hours.

Corinthian member, Richard Blackmore, moved to England over Labor Day Weekend. He will be "adrift" for at least a year while he studies at University of Leicester.

Rob Blackmore sailed his first Rolex Big Boat Series on an Archambault 35 called *MirthMaker*. Their team finished Third in the IRC-D class.

Barb Keegan's father passed away peacefully at home on August 24th. We send you our heartfelt condolences.

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# *Hot Shots* by Cheryl Jasper & Winston Bumpus

## *California Coastal Cleanup Day at Sequoia Yacht Club*



Early morning signups, Phaedra Fisher setting off on the water, Kristin Butler with her treasures and the total haul.



# *SYC Club Events for October 2011*

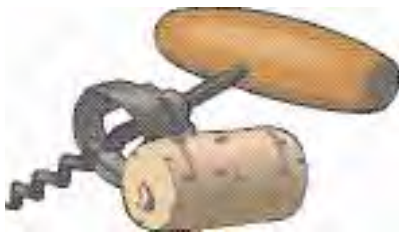
## *Upcoming Race Events:*



Last Beer Can  
Corkscrew Slough Regatta  
South Bay Championship  
Awards Night at SYC

Wednesday, October 12  
Saturday, October 15  
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*For more up-to-the-minute details, check [www.sequoiayc.org/racecalendar](http://www.sequoiayc.org/racecalendar).*



***Saturday,  
October  
15***

***Corkscrew Slough (El Toro) Regatta  
& South Bay Championship Regatta(s)  
& Racer's Ribs Dinner***

Who knew that there was so much on-the-water fun to be had all on one magnificent day?!!!

Come down to SYC for a try at the always unpredictable *Corkscrew Slough Regatta* through the marshes.

Or cheer on our Sequoia youth racers as they take on challengers from all our local clubs in the South Bay Championship Regatta.

Then stay one for a few drinks, a satisfying plateful of steaming ribs and the awards ceremony from 16:00.

This is a **BIG, BIG** day at SYC.

Come down and show you support for all of our intrepid sailors.

## More Halfmoon Bay CruiseOut

