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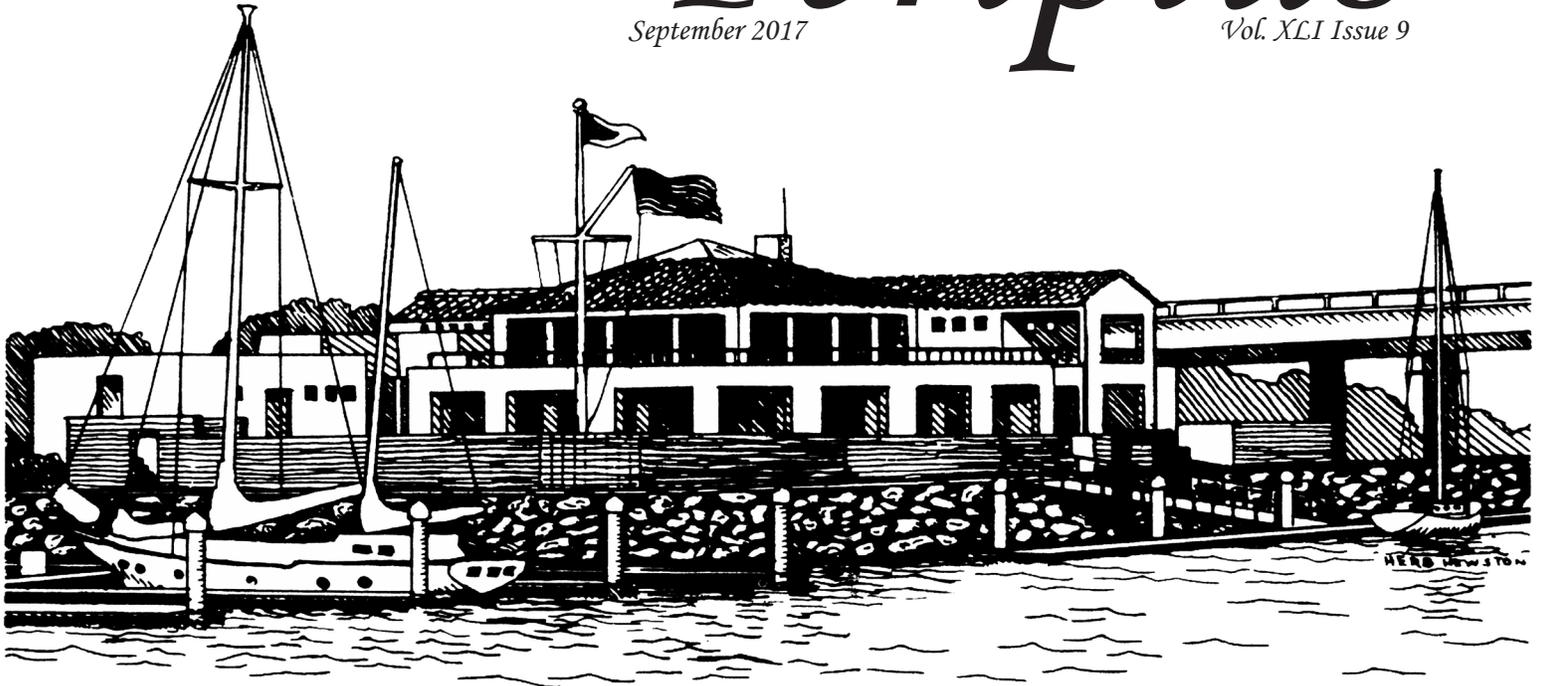


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“The purpose of this Club shall to be to encourage, foster and promote the interest of yachting and related activities involving nautical experience acquired through the love of sport rather than through necessity or the hope of gain.”

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Tom Shideler - Commodore



Commodore's Report

I cannot write about an exciting foreign boating experience this month, but we did take a 5,300-mile road trip to various points in the Midwest. I am so proud of Monica that she did not bail out somewhere along the way. The only boating experience was a brief ride on Lake Winnebago to go swimming. Finding a good place to swim is a challenge this time of the year because of the green algae that invades the lake. If you do not choose your site well, you may exit the lake frog colored.

We did have one little communication issue on the trip. On the trip east, we stopped overnight in the small town of Vega, Texas. The next morning when I went outside to take something to the car I was met with a very familiar Texas odor.

When I returned to our room, I told Monica that when she stepped outside she would be reminded that we were in Texas.

She said, "Why, because of the heat?"

I replied, "No, cow manure."

She questioned, "Commodore?"

I repeated, "No. Cow manure!!"

I will assume this was an honest misunderstanding and not some Freudian slip.

Being able to receive emails from PCYC while traveling kept me informed of the great service activities of our Club. Recent messages included the upcoming Ladies Who Do Lunch cancer charity fund raiser, our participation in the Chowderfest for the Maritime Museum, and the Sense the Wind fund raiser for PCYF. We are proud of the unselfish volunteer work our members do for the community.

Again, it is great to be back home.

See you at the Club!

*What: Poker Rally & Lunch
When: October 14th 2017 11AM
Where: PCYC Guest Dock, CI Harbor*

Sponsors: Electric Boat Fleet (Bruno Tonin, Tom Danza, Sparky Miller)

Saturday, October 14th 11AM will be our fall electric boat event. Come and enjoy a wonderful harbor cruise with the possibility to win prizes and then share a lunch with your boat mates.

We will meet at the PCYC guest dock at 11:00 AM. On the guest dock, boat crews will receive the game instructions and dealing will begin. Correctly follow the guided instructions and you may receive a winning hand, and if our judging panel agrees you may even get a nice prize. If you are just a boat full of losers, there will be time to drown your sorrows and eat at the poolside bar & grill, so all won't be lost.

The cruise part ends at PCYC guest dock and lunch poolside is planned for about 1:00 PM. The event is somewhat limited by how many boats fit on the guest dock, so captains please call the front desk and reserve a space for your boat. Crew (and landlubbers) should also call the desk to reserve a space. Let the desk know if you are on a boat or prefer the 'lunch only' list.

Call the front desk and make a reservation now! 805-985-7292

Jerry Kaufman - Vice Commodore



Vice Commodore's Report

House Committee: For almost four years, the House Committee has been planning, designing, financing and building the update for the Main Dining room. Many members have given time and expertise to complete this major project. The Committee has met its major goals of lowering the noise level, improving the lighting, and making the ambience more elegant. Many thanks to those folks whose efforts created our new beautiful dining room. They should all be very proud of what they have accomplished. Special thank you to Jack and the late Dottie Skidmore for managing the demanding project. Many thanks to Audrey Keller for managing the final stages of the project. Kudos to Cheryl Weber, whose "interior design" vision made our dining room so rich looking and yacht-club like, and to our Club's own Rudy Cerna who did oh-so-many different tasks that allowed the project to both stay on budget and schedule. And finally, thanks to Commodore

Shideler who had the courage to get the project off-the-ground. PCYC members, please take the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful dining room (and refurbished player piano) that truly enhances the pride we have in our Club. WELCOME ALL! (and please stay tuned for the special unveiling party that Brenda is planning for our dining room.)

Thanks so much to the LWDL for giving our Club such a sophisticated front gate. It truly enhances the Club's image. Thanks also, to Brenda and Rudy for preparing the hillside that supports the chain link fence next to the gate. Their efforts enabled us to salvage the fencing.

Membership: Saturday August 26th, the Membership Committee conducted an Open House for interested homeowners new to the area over the last 3 years. Personal invitations were mailed to over 200 prospects. Attendees were treated to a beverage, hors d'oeuvres, and an electric boat ride.

We have many wonderful new members. Please take the time to read the insert in the monthly bill that lists our new members. Please introduce yourself and consider inviting a new member to join your table at Bill's Bar or our new dining room. It can be daunting to be a new member so to all of you please be welcoming to our new PCYC members.

Gear Locker: The glass case in the front lobby of the Gear Locker has a display of the newest of the products they offer. I think you will like the wide variety of caps and sweatshirts with the PCYC logo or name, that give you a way to show you are PCYC proud. All the Gear Locker products make great gifts for family and friends. Many thanks to our Gear Locker team of Vikki Diaz and Audrey Keller.

Officer of the Day: To everyone who volunteers to be Officer of the Day on Friday night, you are participating in one of PCYC's more rewarding activities. Your greetings help make our members, both new and old, feel we come and confirm how special a place PCYC traditions and friendship can be. Thank you all.

Wine Wednesday: My favorite social Club event, Wine Wednesday, due to the Club being closed on the first Wednesday of the Month, this time only, is being moved to the second Wednesday of the month. A special wine tasting is being planned for the event. Of late, Wine Wednesday has suffered from poor attendance. This event, truly one of great camaraderie, needs your boost. Please plan to attend bringing a bottle of one of your favorite wines to share, grab a chair at any table, hang with Club members you haven't hung with before, enjoy new wine tastes and have a heck of a good time. Thanks so much. C U there.

Skip Harkson - Rear Commodore



Rear Commodore's Report

Hopefully sunshine will be with us for the remainder of summer. I don't know why, but it seems folks are a little happier with sun (and no wind).

Our upcoming Social will take us to the Port of Cape Hope, South Africa. There will be Dinner and Dancing! Cocktails at 6:00 pm and Dinner following at 7:00 PM, Saturday, September 2nd. Don't worry about any elephants in the room. We have had wonderful turnouts this year and a great deal of fun! Please make your reservations and join us!!

As a reminder to mark your calendars, Thursday, October 12th is our Ladies Who Do Lunch. This is a breast cancer fundraiser. All proceeds will go to St. John's Hospital for prosthetics.

The theme is "There Is No Place Like Home". Our speaker will be Dr. Torino, a local plastic surgeon. Joining him will be staff from Jamie's Massage and skin care at Architexture salon in Ventura.

Claudia Calig, chair for the Social Committee, asks for members to donate big ticket items for our auction. This is a very worthwhile event. Those donating are asked to contact Claudia at 818-314-2066.

I look forward to seeing you around the Club and at our wonderful events planned!

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Labor Day

Monday, September 4th, 2017
Club opens @ 9:00 AM
BBQ off the Menu Specials from 11:30 AM to 5:00 PM
Club will close @ 6:00 PM

Enjoy the pool
Kayaks
Electric Boat
Paddleboards

Reservations 805-985-7292

**Note Club will be closed on Tuesday, 9-5-17 and Wednesday, 9-6-17*

Brenda Dickmann - In General



Summer is quickly coming to a close and fall will be here before we know it! The club has been very busy with lots of visiting yacht clubs. We have seen Ventura Yacht Club, Santa Barbara Power and Sail, Santa Barbara Yacht Club, and the 40th McNish Classic sailors all in the course of just a couple short months. To see the PCYC Guest dock filled with so many happy visitors is quite the sight to behold. I always feel so fortunate to be a part of this great club and to visit with so many wonderful visitors. To share the stories of travel are a treasure to behold.

PCYF has been quite busy on the dock as well; it has been a challenge at times to manage the youth group, the visiting yacht clubs and the tremendous surge in use of all the On the Water Toys. Cutie and Sélavy have had their share of being on the water as well. To help make it easier for you as PCYC members, it is a good idea to call ahead of time if you plan to come to the club by boat, we would love to check visibly to verify dockage for you just call the Front Desk @ 805-985-PCYC (7292).

Listed below are a few important Club House rules during the busy summer months at PCYC. And of course you may review all the Club House rules in your 2017 Roster. We have had some very beautiful pool days at PCYC. In order for everyone to enjoy the great amenities we ask that you follow some very simple rules.

- Food – No foodstuffs or beverages, except those needed for infants and small children, may be brought into the Club from outside sources for sale or consumption within the Club without the express approval of the Club General Manager.
- All guests shall:
 - A. register at the front desk;
 - B. wear a guest badge while on the Clubhouse premises;
 - C. request and obtain from PCYC management, a guest card (for up to three days maximum) if the visit involves more than one Contiguous day;
 - D. comply with all Clubhouse Rules applicable to guests.
- Pool; No one under the age of fourteen (14) shall be allowed in the pool area unless accompanied by a parent or supervising adult member.
- Anyone under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult on the Stand Up Paddle Boards (SUP) and the Kayaks.
- Parents if you would please be so kind as to escort your children into the restrooms after swimming in the pool. We have had some near accidents waiting to happen with very wet and slippery floors.
- Please remember proper attire from pool to the bar. Shoes and cover-ups and no children under the age of 21 are allowed on their own.

We want everyone to enjoy this beautiful club and the wonderful amenities that we are so privileged to share.

Until next month,
Brenda

Upcoming Events at PCYC

Pacific Corinthian Youth Foundation Presents



Thursday, September 7th

**Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club
2600 South Harbor Blvd. Oxnard**

**6:00 Cocktails, 6:30 Film with Q&A
\$10 Suggested Ticket Donation**

**Contact: Kevin, kjdickmann@vcnet.com
For Film Trailers & Info: SenseTheWind.com**

Join us for Wine Wednesday September 13th at 6PM in the MDR *(Note special date)*

Enjoy Family, friends, good food and WINE!
(Corkage fee is only \$2)

Come early and taste the great Pinot Noir wines
from Windrun Wine of Santa Barbara
(www.windrunwine.com)

Windrun Wine was named Sta. Rita Hills Winery of the year!
Windrun Wine sells premium coastal California wines at
reasonable prices. The quality of our wine surpasses many selling
for twice as much.

Come taste – You are in for a treat.

Owner Scott Burns will be sharing his award winning
Pinot Noir 2013, 2014, and 2015 wines. Starting at 5:30 pm

Please RSVP to front desk
Tasting open to Wine Wednesday diners.



Port of Cape Hope, South Africa Saturday, September 2nd, 2017

Entertainment: Jazz Report featuring Paul Tafoya

Appetizers

Mild & Spicy Hummus

Salad

The Cape Salad

Entree: (Choice of One)

Cape Malaya Chicken Curry

Steak Pot Pie

Shrimp Kebabs



Dessert

Malva Pudding



No Host Bar Specials

\$34.95++

Reservations: 805-985-7292

September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Yoga 8:30AM Bridge 3PM Ice Breakers 5:30-7:00 PM OD: Jim & Mary Baldwin	2 Open House 1:00-4:00 PM
3 Breakfast 8:30AM -12:30 PM	4 Labor Day Special Holiday Hours	5 Club Closed	6 Club Closed	7 Book Club 12PM Bridge 7:00 PM Sense the Wind 6:00 PM	8 Yoga 8:30AM Bridge 3PM Ice Breakers 5:30-7:00 PM OD: Michael & Margaret Miller	9 Private Party 12:00 PM
10 Breakfast 8:30AM -12:30 PM	11 Club Closed	12 Club Closed	13 Yoga 8:30 AM Bridge 3:00 PM House Meeting 5PM Wine Wed. 6PM Private Party	14 Membership 4:30PM Bridge 7:00 PM	15 Yoga 8:30AM Bridge 3PM Ice Breakers 5:30-7:00 PM Private Party OD: John & Donna Gaddis	16 Private Party
17 Breakfast 8:30Am - 12:30 PM Jazz Club 1-4 PM Open House 1:00PM - 4:00 PM	18 Club Closed	19 Club Closed	20 Yoga 8:30 AM Bridge 3:00 PM House Meeting 5PM	21 Private Party 12PM Board Meeting 6PM Bridge 7:00 PM	22 Yoga 8:30AM Bridge 3PM Ice Breakers 5:30-7:00 PM OD: Marc & Marcia Charney	23 Private Party 11AM Electric Boat Event 4 PM
24 Breakfast 8:30AM -12:30 PM	25 Club Closed	26 Club Closed	27 Yoga 8:30 AM Bridge 3:00 PM Private Party	28 Bridge 7:00 PM Skipper's Meeting 6PM	29 Yoga 8:30AM Bridge 3PM Ice Breakers 5:30-7:00 PM OD: Ron & Trish Johnson	30 Cruise to San Diego

October 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Breakfast 8:30AM -12:30 PM TGIS Fall Series #2 Cruise to San Diego	2 Club Closed Cruise to San Diego	3 Club Closed Cruise to San Diego	4 Yoga 8:30 AM Bridge 3:00 PM Wine Wed. 6PM Cruise to San Diego	5 Book Club 12PM Bridge 7:00 PM Cruise to San Diego	6 Yoga 8:30AM Bridge 3PM Ice Breakers 5:30-7:00 PM OD: Ron & Trish Johnson Cruise to San Diego	7 Open House 1:00-4:00 PM Private Party Cruise to San Diego
8 Breakfast 8:30AM -12:30 PM	9 Club Closed	10 Club Closed	11 Yoga 8:30 AM Bridge 3:00 PM Private Party 3PM	12 LWDL 12PM Membership 5PM Bridge 7:00 PM	13 Yoga 8:30AM Bridge 3PM Ice Breakers 5:30-7:00 PM OD: Casey & Bill Schneberg	14
15 Breakfast 8:30Am - 12:30 PM Jazz Club 1-4 PM Open House 1:00PM - 4:00 PM	16 Club Closed	17 Club Closed	18 Yoga 8:30 AM Bridge 3:00 PM	19 Bridge 7:00 PM Private Party	20 Yoga 8:30AM Bridge 3PM Ice Breakers 5:30-7:00 PM OD: Jerry & Susan Kaufman	21
22 Breakfast 8:30Am - 12:30 PM Private Party	23 Club Closed	24 Club Closed	25 Yoga 8:30 AM Bridge 3:00 PM Private Party	26 Bridge 7:00 PM	27 Yoga 8:30AM Bridge 3PM Ice Breakers 5:30-7:00 PM OD: Mike & Roxy Gross	28 Halloween Party
29 Breakfast 8:30AM -12:30 PM TGIS Fall Series #3	30 Club Closed	31 Club Closed				

Catherine French - 40th McNish Classic



Cheerio II sails to victory in the 40th running of the McNish Classic, 90 is the new age for winning yacht races

Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club Member Dick McNish finally finished first overall in the 40th running of the McNish Classic Yacht Race.

“It only took 40 years,” quipped Dick as he crossed the finish line. At 90 years old, Dick is still at it. Dick has owned other sailboats, but for the past 38 years he has sailed and raced his 56-ft 1931 Fellows and Stewart yawl that was once owned by Errol Flynn. He purchased her in 1980 and is the sixth “owner.” McNish describes it, “You never really own a classic, you take care of it until the next person takes it over.”

In a recent conversation, Dick told the story about how in 1976 he was racing against a fleet of modern, lighter weight boats and he was so far behind, that the race committee chair, radioed him and said, “We’re heading back to the club house, so please record your own finish time!”

In 1977, with help from friends, Dick created the Corinthian Classic Yacht Race, which was renamed in 1989 the McNish Classic in honor of this man who lives the Corinthian spirit and has continued to promote classic yacht racing. The regatta has always been raced offshore Channel Islands Harbor and hosted by PCYC.

Forty years later, Dick is still racing and so is his longtime friend, Walter Russakoff, also 90, who has the distinction of never missing a McNish Classic, sailing in all 40 regattas on board Vignette II, that he built himself. It is a 39.8 foot cutter based on a William Atkin design that he modified. At the skippers meeting Walter was presented with a poster of this year’s shirt that features his yacht. Then during the toast honoring Walter, a cannon was fired.

Catherine French - 40th McNish Classic (Continued)

The Race—The regatta is specifically designed for these classic beauties with a 17-mile triangular race course starting offshore of the Channel Islands Harbor breakwall. The course includes rounding oil Platform Gina to starboard, a long reach to the number 2 red navigation buoy at Ventura Harbor and then a reach to round the spar buoy to port offshore of the Mandalay power station, and a downwind run to the finish inside the breakwall at Channel Islands Harbor.

“The race is a pursuit start with the slower boats starting first, this way most of the fleet crosses the finish line close together. And, with good wind we get a great downwind chute run,” stated McNish. “It also ensures a great time back at the club with everyone arriving so close together.” With about eight knots of wind at the start, just outside of the harbor breakwall and increasing further offshore to about 14 knots, it was a good day for these classics on the water.



The Results—Four classes raced—Sloops and Cutters Class A and B, Schooners, Split Rigs—competed for Best in Class, Best Elapsed time and First to Finish overall.

McNish at the helm of *Cheerio II* won First To Finish and beating out the other 5 yachts in class and earned the coveted Strathmore Cup and his weight in champagne, as well as first in class for Split Rigs. Taking second place was Dan Chepley on *Splinter* his 28-foot ketch and coming in third place was Jeffrey Woods at the helm of his 52-foot ketch *Spitfire*.

John Buser onboard his 50-foot sloop *Rendezvous*, finished first in sloops and cutters class A, with *Orient* a 64-foot cutter sailed by Kathy Roche, placing second, and C.F. Kohler at the helm of *Sally* his 59-foot sloop taking third place.

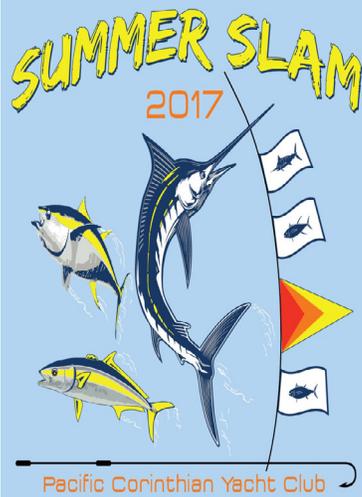
Walter Russokoff took first place in sloops and cutters B onboard his 43-foot cutter *Vingette II*, beating out *Senior Advantage* a 25-foot sloop sailed by John Thawley, and new to the regatta was John Peterson onboard his 38-foot cutter *Minke* who finished in third place. *Quascilla*, a 53 foot schooner raced by Dirk Langer took first in schooners.

This year's Bristol boat trophy was awarded to *Sally*. *Miramar* won best Elapsed time.

Why continue to race at the age of 90? Dick said, “Why not? I like it because you are on your own out there, we race but we don't go that fast so it is relaxing,” McNish stated.



Summer Slam 2017 Fishing Tournament



The Summer Slam 2017 is here!

July 16th thru August 4th 2017 fish caught, turned in, and placed on our PCYC Summer Slam Leader Board:



Hannah Schneider 25" Yellowtail,
caught aboard "Slaughterhouse" on 7.16.17



Pete White 31.75" Ling Cod,
caught aboard "Lauren Sea" on 7.19.17



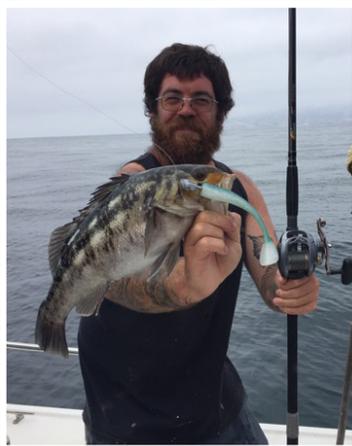
Pete White 42.50" White Sea Bass,
caught aboard "Lauren Sea" on 7.19.17



Hannah Schneider 16.5" Calico,
caught aboard "Slaughterhouse" on 7.23.17



Justin Lostutter 17" Calico,
caught aboard "Slaughterhouse" on 7.23.17



Cheyenne Haynes 17.5" Calico,
caught aboard "Slaughterhouse" on 7.28.17



Cheyenne Haynes 31.5" Yellowtail,
caught aboard "Slaughterhouse" on 7.28.17



Mike Haase 51" Yellowtail,
caught aboard "Tight Riv" on 7.16.17

We look forward to seeing all of your measured and submitted fish! Please do not hesitate to e-mail or call at any time should you have any questions.

Warm regards,

Mike & Gina Haase, "Tight Riv" c: 805.432.3006, e-mail:mike@westcoast-air.com
Phil & Adrienne Peck, "Bonza" c: 805.512.3733, e-mail: adriennewt@gmail.com

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Cruise to San Diego

PCYC's Cruise to San Diego September 30th thru October 7th

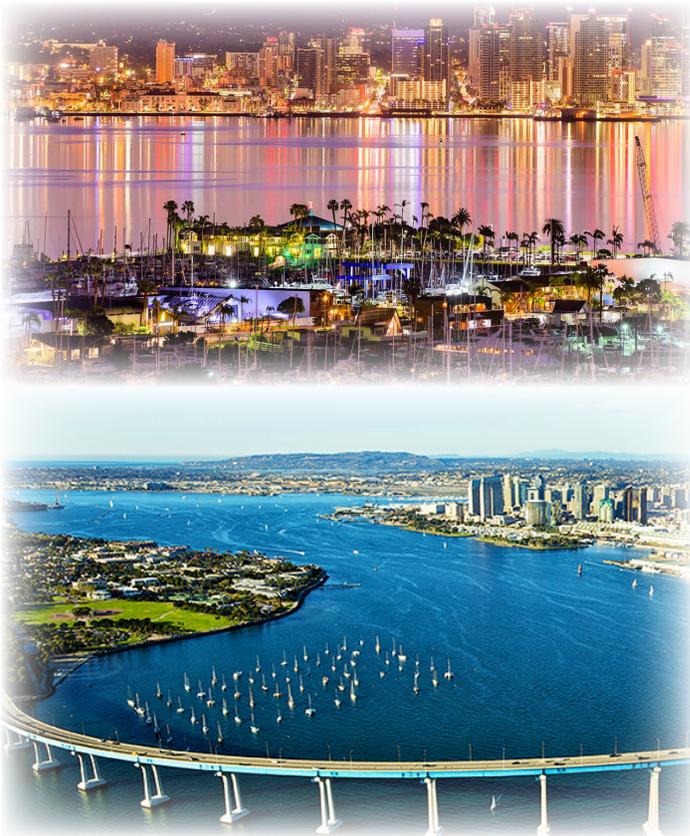
*Please join us for a week filled with fun, friends,
Parties and adventure!
Boaters and Land Lubbers invited*

*We will depart from the Channel Islands Harbor for
Avalon Bay overnight. We will then enjoy a peaceful
cruise to San Diego's beautiful harbor area. We plan to
stay in San Diego for four (4) days and kick up our heels
with fun activities.*

*Please respond back to Henry Goldman at
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*I'd like to know if you have room aboard your vessel for landlubbers
wanting to experience what cruising is all about.*

*Thank you,
Henry Goldman, Director*



Happy September Birthday

1 Luanne Cirillo	6 James Baldwin	11 Marge Curley	16 Madeline Hunsaker	24 Larry Spencer
1 Richard Sheldon	6 Teri Rehder	11 Kevin Miller	17 James McComb	25 Linda Beverson
2 Karen Moore	7 Charlene Virnig	11 Brittani Cherry	19 Gene Rink	26 Russell West
2 Terry Allen	7 Sharon Cahill	12 Myron Miller	20 Don Like	26 Tracy Van Fossen
3 Teri Ward	7 April Williams	14 Wendi Youngblood	20 Kathy Smith	27 Susan Bok-Stewart
4 Pamela Pasalaqua	8 Karen Hoover	15 Carole Barnett	22 Yolanda Romano	27 John Hahn
4 Bernard Kummer	9 Linda Milder	15 Sam Neftin	22 Christopher Calderon	27 Lisa Eichman
5 Frank Glazer	10 Nancy Green	15 Ross Henriksen	22 Vicky Fase	28 Robert Gordon
5 Russell Campbell	10 Eddie Van Fossen	16 Genevieve Ahlich	23 Lowell Easley	28 Kenneth Bashaw
5 Daniel Skidmore	10 Tong Sun	16 Maggie Russell	23 Ellen Walsh	29 Mary Lou Powers
5 Willard Shepherd	10 Richard Eberst	16 Mike Newton	24 Michelle Morris	29 Elizabeth Rusnak-Arizmendi
6 Malcolm Holdsworth	10 Pamela Andrews	16 Doc Bandy	24 Sam Peck	

Happy September Anniversary

1 Joseph & Helena Soler	9 Claudio & Gabriela Sandoval	18 Reed & Lynda Radke	26 Bert & Marilyn Potter
1 Brad & Teena Boeckmann	9 Matthew & Sarah Kelleher	19 Kim & Carla Andreatta	26 Robert & Ann Dalby
7 Robert & Sandy Snyders	10 Ralph & Judi Roussey	19 Steve & Therese Rice	28 Travis & Gracelyn Root
8 Neal & Andrea Lascoe	12 William & Angela Switzky	19 Phil & Adrienne Peck	
8 Nancy Fairchild & Greg Boheman	15 Daniel & Laura Skidmore	23 Michael & Tammy Becker	
8 George & Linda Milder	18 Gilbert & Judy Valdesuso	25 Larry & Marilyn Potter	

Happy September Birthday and Anniversary to you! Please cut this coupon and present to either your waiter or bartender for your special celebration House or Well drink during your birthday/anniversary month.

Name: _____ Member #: _____

Kevin Dickmann - Fleet Captain Sail



Join us Thursday, September 28th @ 6:00 PM for One More Time Presentation

Dick McNish and Crew will share their stories of winnings for the McNish Classic and the California Classic Yacht Series. Please join us for this informative evening.

Dick McNish wins his race after 40 years.

As I mentioned last month, by the time you would be reading the August Periplus the 40th McNish Classic would be in the record books. What a great story for the record books, the weekend brought. We had a small fleet this year with 15 boats registered and 14 starting. Friday night's Taco bar in Bill's Bar was packed with sailors from Santa Barbara to San Diego and PCYC members. Many members know the sailors and the conversation and PCYC hospitality was everywhere.

Race day started early in Bill's Bar, with all the skippers present and ready for a fun day on the water. The wind prediction was all over the place, so we just had to see what Mother Nature would provide. There were many things unique about this year's 40th Classic. Two of its famous sailors, Dick McNish and Walter Russakoff were celebrating their 90th. And Walter was celebrating the fact he and his yacht Vignette II was about to start in their 40th McNish, never missing one race. That is almost half his life, AMAZING! All of the skippers toasted Walter with a glass of Pink Zinfandel and a cannon salute. Then a group photo was taken. The photo captured the close knit wooden boat owners and their friendship.

It is now race time. Mother Nature did come though and provided us with a nice 10 to 14 knots of wind. 12 of the boats finished within 22 minutes of each other so the race committee was very busy at the end. Well after 40 years trying to win his own race, our own Dick McNish pulled it off. He was the 6th boat to start, so pretty much in the middle of the fleet. As he rounded Gina the first mark, he had passed one boat. On the leg from Gina to R2 at the Ventura harbor entrance he had pass another three boats. That left Splinter from Ventura Harbor to catch and pass. While looking back he saw the rest of the fleet sailing hard and moving up on Cheerio II. As we rounded the last mark, Mandalay, he was closing in on Splinter. The crew quickly got the spinnaker up which was the key to passing the only boat between them and victory. And off Cheerio flew heading to the finish. Dick fell down to the coast early so he would have a reach to the finish. Now in the lead he wisely sailed hard but cautiously so nothing would go wrong. The fleet was behind and coming up fast. But it did not matter, Cheerio II and Dick McNish was first to finish and won his weight in Champagne. The next boat Splinter finished 4 minutes 37 seconds behind him. As I mentioned, we sailed cautiously; however, after crossing the finish line, we did have some issues getting the spinnaker down, and so far I have not seen any pictures, thank goodness.



So here are the results of the 40th McNish Classic. The Strathmore Cup went to Dick McNish for being first to finish, Best elapse time went to Miramar, First in Sloops / Cutters "A" was Rendezvous and first in Sloops / Cutters "B" was Vignette II. The perpetual trophy for Sloops / Cutters went to Walter Russakoff and Vignette II. First in Split rigs was Cheerio II and first in Schooner was Quascilla. Sally was awarded Bristol boat for 2017.

Kevin Dickmann - Fleet Captain Sail (Continued)

This was a successful event and all the sailors raved about the warmth and open arms they received from PCYC and its members. And the common theme after the race was “see you next year”. So to put this on it does take many and I want to thank all those who helped. Handling the shirt sales was Jan Losey with the help of Sally Brownlow, Char Holliday, Dina Gaskins, Casey Schneberg, Flo Beck, Mary Baldwin and Lawna Jones. A unique feature of the McNish classic is our welcoming committee. Lead by Diane Landry with assistance by Catherine French and Maggie Russell, each visiting yacht is greeted by these great ladies with a smile and welcome to PCYC. How can you have a race with without the Race Committee Boat and Race Committee? Staff Commodore, Don Dusette, provided the Race Committee Boat. The Race Committee provided a great race experience for all was Gene Beville, Donna Gaddis, Catherine French and Lexie Gaddis. I hope I did not leave anyone out, if I did thank you. Then there is Brenda and her staff. She and her team make it look so easy. Big thanks to all.

Cheerio II wins the One More Time and CCYS Overall



Dick and his Cheerio II crew went to Marina Del Rey to race in the One More Time (OMT) the weekend of August 5th . There was a fleet of 11 boats with several of them just sailing in the McNish the weekend before. Being the 4th boat to start, it took until the third leg to pass the first boat Distant Star and again Cheerio II found herself in first place. Getting her spinnaker up quickly she pulled away from the fleet. Having a good take down and rounding of the last mark, Dick and crew started to pull away from the fleet. The last leg being a reach a little before the beam is Cheerio II's point of sail. When she crossed the finish line she had won First to Finish, First in split rigs, first in class and best elapse time.

The OMT was the last race of the California Classic Yacht series. We had five boats that sailed all three races. Cheerio II tied in points with Rendezvous from San Diego. Since Cheerio II had two first, she won the series. So she added two more trophies to her 2017 collection.

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Gina's Marlin was caught at the 175 which is off Santa Barbara Island on August 13th.