

Channel Islands Yacht Club

CIYC



CURRENTS

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CIYC warmly welcomes the 3rd Annual Channel Islands Harbor to Marina del Rey Race participants



CI2MDR: PHRF C Class at the start. OMG (Hobie 33, Mike Geer, CIYC) is 3rd from the camera. See: Racing Report page 6

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From the Quarterdeck

Commodore Lisa Marie Medlen



Hello, CIYC members!

Well, another month has gone by and September proved anything but dull.

We had our Labor Day Supper Club, and the Billfish Tournament kicked off on September 8.

On September 11 we started back to Monday Night Football!

On September 15 we had the Razzberry Jam Classic Jazz Band play for us and they were very entertaining.

On September 16th Epicurean Head Chef Judy Kay and crew served a lovely dinner with live entertainment by The Western Suns.



On September 17 we had our 'new member orientation' which had a very good turnout.

On September 22 CIYC hosted the kickoff dinner for the Channel Islands to Marina del Rey race for participating racers. We provided them with a great steak dinner, a good time, and, of course, - as always - our club's wonderful hospitality.



On Sunday, September 24, we had our last Dinghy Party of the year which was fantastic! Thank you, Tom and Leslie Webb, for letting us use your beautiful home and garden!

Thank you, Deborah, for putting this wonderful time together with games, good food, and good music.

On September 29 we held our General Meeting for the election of five members to serve on the Board of Directors for 2024 and 2025.

The following people were elected:

- ◆ Rene Aiu
- ◆ Dan Estabrook
- ◆ George Hornberger
- ◆ Gabe Soumakian
- ◆ Ann Marie Gross



Gabe Soumakian, George Hornberger, Rene Aiu, Ann Marie Gross, Dan Estabrook

Here is what is happening this month:

October 7 Beefeaters' dinner

October 14 CIYC Anniversary Dinner cooked by the Commodores

October 15 Caregivers' Sailathon

October 21 Epicurean Dinner with DJ

October 27 General Meeting and Election of the Bridge for 2024

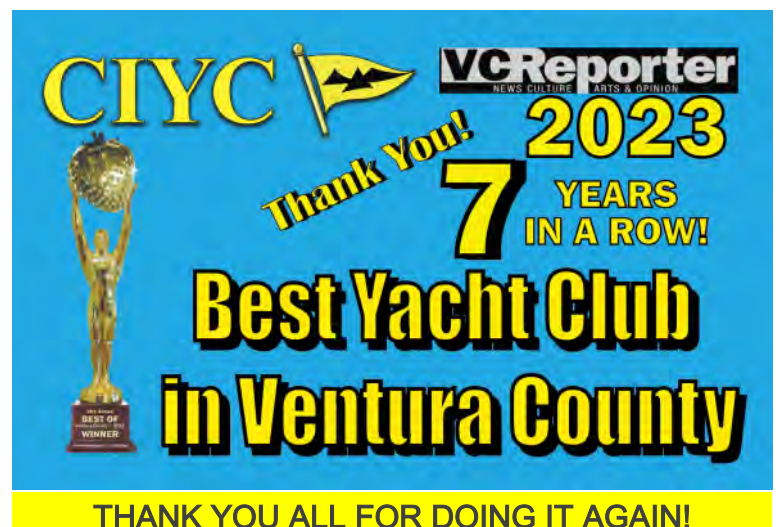
October 28 Halloween Social

**NOTICE!! THE CLUB IS CLOSED FROM
OCTOBER 29 - NOVEMBER 1
DUE TO TENTING THE BUILDING!**

We are hoping to be up and running by Thursday,
November 2.

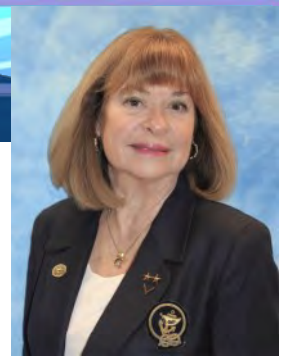
I look forward to seeing you all around the club!

Lisa Marie Medlen
Commodore 2023



From the Quarterdeck

Vice Commodore—Deborah Tyhurst ★ ★



Ahoy, Shipmates!

Winding up our amazing Summer of 2023...Our recently launched Cocktail Cruises have really been a hit: Thank you, **Burt Stillar**, for chairing these - and we're all watching for the next sail dates!

In September we had the opportunity to share our guest slip twice. On 9/13, David and Michele from Oakland Yacht Club stopped on their way to race in the Baja Ha Ha Race. They were instructed by their club that stopping by **CIYC** was a "MUST," as we're known for being "The Friendliest Yacht Club!" Next, on 9/16, we had former **CIYC** members Ray and Bette Wilson from Long Beach's Shoreline Yacht Club and Navy Yacht Club Long Beach. They were heading out to spend 2 weeks in the Channel Islands. In typical fashion, **CIYC** members showered both couples with warm welcomes! Way to go, **CIYC**!

September 22 was kickoff for the Channel Islands to Marina del Rey Race. **CIYC** and **DRYC** co-sponsor this race. A race this large could not be pulled off without a huge coordinated effort and the countless hours put in by **Jane Thomas**, our Race Chair. Our Transport/ Hospitality Chair **Dodie Duffy** stood by with her wonderful crew to welcome the racers, beginning Friday night for a steak dinner while the racers enjoyed great live music and dancing. Many thanks to **Sharon Sullivan** and her table-setting crew, along with **Linda Greenup** and her magnificent Sailboat centerpieces. Our amazing cooks were **Cary Verstynen**, **Dan** and **Gail Estabrook**, **Gabe** and **Patty Soumakian**, **Lisa Medlen**, **Maureen Fletcher**, and **Judy Guido**. **Paul Hatcher** attended and wished the racers well in their quest for winning a glory spot on his coveted trophy. The following morning, breakfast was skillfully prepared by our Islanders: **Carole Naylor**, **Evelina Arglen**, **Else Childs**, **Sherry Nolan**, **Eveline Paullin**, **Carol Simon** and **Sue Woolf**. Again, this is why we have our reputation as "The Friendliest Yacht Club." Thank you, all!

September 24th took us on a trip to the **Webb** Villa on Paradise Island. Thank you, **Tom & Leslie**, for hosting our last Dinghy party of the year! We enjoyed Bocce ball, Corn hole, Jenga, English/Italian Translation (winners **Team Blue Tomahawk**), and "Pin the Mustache on **Commodore Lisa Medlen**," (winner **Mike Greenup**). What a blast! The incredible Italian cuisine was spearheaded by **Joyce Sheridan** and her star-studded crew: **Pat and Judy Campea**, **Maureen Fletcher**, and **Patty Soumakian**. Thank you also to our many helpers: **Dodie Duffy**, **Jimmy Fillo**, **Marc** and **Eileen Gault**, **George Hornberger**, **Lisa Medlen**, **Gene Peck**, **Marlin Simpson**, **JT Medlen & friends band**, and bartender **Becka**. And this is why we are "The Most FUN Yacht Club!"

Local Upcoming Racing and Cruising Events:

- 10/1 PCYC TGIS Fall Series #1 More Info available from **Jane Thomas**
- 10/7 PBYC/AYC 2 Harbors Fall Series #1 More Info available from **Jane Thomas**
- 10/14 VYC Fall Regatta More Info available from **Jane Thomas**
- 10/15 Caregivers' Sailathon More Info available from **Jane Thomas**
- 10/28 AYC/PBYC 2 Harbors Fall Series 2 More Info available from **Jane Thomas**

Another big "Thank You Shout Out" to **Cruising Director Garry Kraft** for putting together a way overdue referral list for boat maintenance in our last issue and repeated this month on page 13!

That's a wrap...SEE YOU AT THE CLUB OR ON THE WATER, SHIPMATES!

From the Quarterdeck

Rear Commodore—Rocky Rockwell ★

Fall is upon us, and we have so much going on!

September was filled with excellent membership participation and also brought the return of Monday Night Football potlucks. We managed to get Jerry Wood to head up one more Holiday Supper Club on Labor Day. John Canavan backed him up at the grill and Linda Weisfuss did prep. Speaking of John Canavan, he lined up the September Wednesday dinners: Cris Rodriguez, Pat & Judy Campea, Eileen & Marc Gault, teamed up with Evelina Arglen, and for the last Wednesday of the month, the Law Dogs.

Dodie had us rockin' and rollin' at the Birthday and Anniversary Bash. We had a full month of DJ Trivia and Lite Bites. Carmen (backed by the Beefeaters) made his Grandma's pasta dish and build-your-own-everything salad.

Judy Kay & Epicureans prepared A Night for Nostalgia, with entertainment provided by the Western Suns.

Many of these events sold out early.



Please make sure to make your reservations early so our chefs can best prepare.

A special thank you to all our chefs, crews, and members behind the scenes, setting tables and decorating to make these events unique and enjoyable!

Looking forward to October: Director Shana Whitmore is organizing Wednesday night chefs and crews. If you've never cooked before, we invite you to cook with experienced chefs to become more familiar with the kitchen.

It's a fun way to meet other members, and you don't need to be a Michelin chef to contribute to a great meal!

Contact me at rocky.ciyc@gmail.com or text 805-220-8291.

We have a full October lineup of in-house events:

Oct 6th Birthday & Anniversary Bash theme

Oct 7th Beefeaters

Oct 14th "CIYC Anniversary Dinner" by the Commodores

Oct 20th Ventura British Brass Band concert & potluck

Oct 21st Epicurean Dinner with DJ

Oct 28th Halloween Social

We also have a whole month of Monday Night Football, DJ Trivia on Thursdays, and Lite Bites on most Fridays.



A special thank you to Linda Greenup for working so hard putting entertainment together.

I appreciate your feedback, and if anyone has ideas for in-house events, games or entertainment, please share them with me!

Housekeeping note: The club will be closed 10/29-11/02 for termite tenting. Volunteers needed on the 29th!

More details to come on how you can help!



Anglers' Corner

By Frank Sullivan



White Sea Bass Grow-out Pen Report:

The pens are empty right now. We will be receiving fish mid-October, so watch for emails asking for help preparing the pens. Jimmy Fillo has already done much work on the nets and they should need only a little prep before deploying. Divers cleaned the outside predator net and repaired a significant hole.

Big Fish of the Month:

No submissions for Big Fish of the Month have been turned in yet for September.

Channel Islands Billfish Tournament:

Everyone reported tough fishing this year due to poor weather and water conditions.

Only two boats caught Marlin!!

1st Place Marlin - Skol with 3

2nd Place Marlin - Bad Habit with 2

1st Marlin caught for the side pot - Skol

Tuna side pot - Eric Herman

Dorado side pot - Shameless

Mike DeSart on *Angler Management* fought an approximately 200-lb. Blue Fin Tuna for 4 hours and 40 minutes before the rod broke and the fish got off!



Determination



Heartbreak

Upcoming events:

November 11th Anglers' Awards Dinner

WORK PARTY

On Sept 30th we had a work party to install "Bird deterrent" devices on the fish pens. Janie Brockman is the young lady who was hanging on the side of the pens over the water!



Our newest CIYC Angler who did much of the installing was Nino Garrolini. Nino joined last Open House and is a Veterinarian and majored in Marine Biology in College. Of course, Jimmy Fillo was working as well as Leslie Webb, Randy Cabral, Dennis Van Daalwyk, Bob Deyling, Skip Miser, George Hornberger and I.

Rande Lance brought the Valkyrie to the pens so we could stand on it to reach the outside portion of the pens to attach the wood uprights and pendants.



Janie Brockman did her climbing stunt and while working on the last thing we had to attach, she fell into the water up to her waist thereby earning the "CIYC Dolphin" award! A non-CIYC member who was there was Pat Donlon he is a cousin of Jimmy Donlon, founding member of the project and CIYC member, who passed away some time ago.



CIYC CURRENTS Monthly Newsletter: Racing Report

September racing included PCYC's VCORC (September 9) and VSC's Prison Break (September 9-10), which were not attended by any CIYC racers.

The racing highlight this month was the 3rd Annual revival of the Channel Islands to Marina del Rey Race (CI2MdR), September 22-24, co-hosted by CIYC and Del Rey Yacht Club. This year's race drew more participants than last year (35 boats at the start, 24' to 78'), and for many racers this was their second or third year! Visiting racers came from Santa Barbara, Marina del Rey, King Harbor, Long Beach, and beyond.

We sincerely thank Channel Islands Harbor Marina, Vintage Marina, and Executive Yachts for donating Friday night slip space for reciprocal guest berthing for 29 visiting boats. The remaining 6 participants were 5 local boats and a 78' racer with 11' draft. As the boats arrived during the afternoon and evening, Dock Mates Mike Geer and new members Debbie and Tom Langley greeted the incoming boats and guided them to their guest berths. Luckily, there were enough open slips within 0.5mi of CIYC, including 6 slips in front of the club, so they didn't have to walk too far to greet each boat. In the past, at least 5 visiting boats were 50' or more and were around the harbor. This year, the 78-footer was the only boat over 50' and was docked at Peninsula Park due to depth limitations elsewhere, making it much easier to find berthing close to the club for the rest.

In 2022, we introduced the **CIYC "Land Taxi"** as a service for visiting boats and racers staying on the other side of the harbor. This year, **Dispatcher Dodie Duffy** recruited Water Taxi volunteers to ferry visiting racers to CIYC and back in E-boats and power boats with optional harbor tours *en route*, as well as Land Taxi volunteers in golf carts, cars, and vans. However, being docked so close to CIYC, most of the racers preferred to walk, and very few rides were given - by land or by sea. Burt Stillar delivered one passenger from the 78' boat to the club in his runabout. Debbie Mitchell and Bill Elswick stopped at the club and picked up 8 passengers for a harbor tour in their E-boat. Land Taxi service was limited to Saad Taha's single trip with 3 passengers from the club to the Hampton Inn and Shawn & Dodie Duffy's 2 round trips between the Hampton and the club with stops at Harbor Mart; in total, they transported 9 individuals to and/or fro. On standby were members with E-boats (Frank and Gayle Laza and Gary McFarland), golf carts (Stacy Wolf and Chuck Grethel for Gabe Soumakian), and conventional land vehicles (Melinda & Danny Irvin).



At the grill are Dan Estabrook and Gabe Soumakian.

On Friday night, Bartenders Tyler, Kimberly, and Capri handled the deluge of sailors with grace, and Mark and Eileen Gault handled racers' payments for dinner and breakfast. CIYC cooks rocked it again! Staff Commodore Cary Verstynen, Dan Estabrook, and Gabe Soumakian grilled about 100 steaks while Commodore Lisa Medlen, Vice Commodore Deborah



Friday night cooks and servers (L to R): Patty Soumakian, Maureen Fletcher, and Judy Guido.

Tyhurst, Patty Soumakian, Gayle Estabrook, and Ginny Johnson prepared the potatoes, salad, and stuffed eggplant (for the vegetarian requests). Maureen Fletcher, Judy Guido, and Patty plated the salads and served dinner from the steam tables.

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Photos courtesy of Bonnie Chaney.

The dining room popped with the colorful sails on Linda Greenup's simple sailboat centerpieces, and music by Guy and Dave was relaxing for dinner and great for dancing afterward!



CI2Mdr race co-founder Paul Hatcher and Vice Commodore Deborah Tyhurst shared some race history with the racers with Guy and Dave in the background.

Early Saturday morning, Carole Naylor led the breakfast team of Sherry Nolan, Carol Simon, Eveline Paullin, Elese Childs, and Sue Woolf. Scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, juice, etc, for 120 racers is no small feat! They persevered, and feedback from racers has been all positive!



Racers' Dinner CIYC attendees (L to R): Dennis West, Eric Taylor, Staff Commodore Tom Warden, and Penny Lipp.



Members of the CIYC hospitality team (L to R): Staff Commodore Mike Greenup, Linda Greenup, and Ginny Johnson.



Race Committee team members (L to R): Lisa Bronitt, Brendan Huffman, Steve Aronson, Alison Rowe, Dennis West, and Jane Thomas.

Rande Lance skippered VALKYRIE, the Race Committee boat, and brought friends Carol and Eric along to go fishing afterwards. On our way out to set the start line Rande tested the switch for the windlass, but nothing happened. We discussed it and decided that to start the race as scheduled, our only option was to manually set and retrieve the anchor. Thankfully, Steve Aronson and Brendan Huffman (DRYC Race Chair) were aboard and willing to do it! We continued on, Bill pumped up the mark buoy with his vacuum, and within minutes Alison Rowe (CIWSA) and Steve fed it over VALKYRIE's stern at the approximate location for course distance computation. We motored away from the mark on a line perpendicular to Platform Gina – the racers' only waypoint before Marina del Rey.

It's a big deal to manage such a big race! We're not used to starting this many boats, and the boats that sail distance races do so specifically to compete with other avid racers. They can be very critical of a Race Committee if the timing is off, the line is too short or not perpendicular, etc. It all worked like clockwork Saturday morning, and the feedback from racers has all been positive.

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Photos courtesy of Bonnie Chaney.

CIYC RACING REPORT

By Cap'n Jane Thomas

PRO Bill Brayton nailed it! The time gap between fleets was not typical for our area, but every class start sequence was spot on for timing. The sequence of horn blasts by Bill and flag raising and lowering by Alison Rowe and Dennis West were in synch. Wailani O'Herlihy checked each participant off her list as they sailed by before the first start and shot some videos and photos from her phone thereafter. Brendan recorded starting information for DRYC, and Steve watched the start line - from the blow-up buoy to the orange flag on the port aft quarter of the RC boat - for anyone who might cross the line early. Bonnie Chaney and Lisa Bronitt (DRYC) were perched in the flybridge with 360-degree visibility and took photos with their SLR cameras. Lisa is a professional photographer, specializing in sailing photos <https://www.lisabronitt.com>. I was onboard for the buoy drop GPS coordinates, CIYC log of start times, and back-up for the rest of the team.

Burt made another trip in his runabout Saturday morning with Sandy Rizk and Sally Brownlow (PCYC) aboard. Sandy is a new CIYC member who offered to help for the event and took photos with her phone; Sally's son Leonard was crew on one of the boats in the race. It was quite a spectacle to see so many performance boats so close!



Not only was this the 1st race for Jimmie Jewell on SQUARED AWAY, but it was also the 1st he sailed it! L to R Jimmie Jewell, Jon Lawson, Douglas Hoover, and Roger.

Most boats finished at the Marina del Rey entrance before 7:30PM. Among CIYC participants OMG (Hobie 33, Mike Geer) took 1st place in PHRF C. SQUARED AWAY (Beneteau 47.7, Jimmie Jewell) placed 3rd, and RAMPANT 2 (Cal 9.2, Eric Taylor) retired early in Cruiser B. Others from Ventura County were CHRONIC (Farr 400M, Lonnie Jarvis, PCYC) with 1st place in PHRF AA, CIRRUS (J/124, Mike Hopper, PBYC) with 4th in PHRF B, and JOY (J/70, Tom Direktor, VYC) with 4th in PHRF C.

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The fleet was divided into 6 classes based on their handicap ratings, and each class had its own start. Racing was competitive in all fleets, and the Race Committee witnessed numerous near-misses as leeward boats headed up (within their rights), and windward boats tried to sneak in between them and the RC boat. In PHRF B class 3 boats were OCS ("on course side"), ie, over early at the start. All 3 returned to the start line to exonerate themselves but lost time in doing so. One was behind the first place in his class by about 2.5min and probably would have won if he hadn't had to return to the start line as his penalty for being over early.



CIYC's Mike Geer (standing) in his recently purchased Hobie 33, OMG. OMG won 1st place in PHRF C class by 22sec (corrected time) over a 46nm race!

Photos courtesy of Bonnie Chaney.

CIYC RACING REPORT

By Cap'n Jane Thomas

Of note, my friend and SCYA Vice Commodore, Kathy St Amant, won 1st place in Cruiser B as well as overall PHRF corrected time. She and RASCAL (Hunter Legend 37.5, SCCYC) will be the first winner to be added to the Overall PHRF perpetual trophy since it was lost 36 years ago! It's only fitting that it's Kathy. She crewed on a J/22 and this race in the late 1970's, and as Vice Commodore she has been helping to trace and record the histories of many dusty trophies across SCYA clubs.

We're now past the autumnal equinox, and AYC's Wet Wednesday ends with Pirate Night, September 27. October brings the return of 2 long-standing racing series:

- PCYC TGIS #1,
Sunday, October 1
- PBYC/AYC 2 Harbors Fall #1,
Saturday, October 7
- AYC/PBYC 2 Harbors Fall #2,
Saturday, October 28

Save the date for the Caregivers' Sailathon and reception at CIYC on Sunday, October 15!

Happy Sailing!

Cap'n Jane

PS: I apologize if I overlooked any volunteers or misrepresented their contributions!

Below:

The smallest entry, 24ft JOY (J/70, Tom Direktor, VYC)



Photos courtesy of Bonnie Chaney.



SCYA Vice Commodore Kathy St Amant's team prepares RASCAL at the dock before the race. RASCAL took 1st place in Cruiser B fleet as well as 1st overall PHRF corrected finish time, earning a plaque on the recently recovered Channel Islands to Marina del Rey perpetual trophy!



Third-year participant JAVELIN (J/125, Dan Murphy, CYC) earned 2nd place in PHRF AA. CIYC member/pro sailor Shaun Plomteaux (right) joined the team for this race.



CIYC members Pat and Judy Campea, Maureen Fletcher, and Marc Gault enjoying their steaks.



Community Feedback on Plan for New Kids' Playground at Channel View Park

The Harbor Department asked the community for feedback on their design plan for a new children's playground at Harbor View Park. (Plans can be seen on the Harbor's website.) In response, the Harbor Department received a lot of positive comments and suggestions from the community.

Among the suggestions: provide some type of shade where parents and families can sit while watching their children play; an area for toddlers to play; a water bottle-filling station; secure-seat swings; handicap accessibility.

More fun, accessible, and activity-focused parks will bring new vitality to Channel Islands Harbor.

Harbor Development Moving Forward – An Update

The new Hyatt Place Hotel is awaiting the City of Oxnard's final approval of its soil report that will allow Brighton Management to proceed with the start of construction. If no changes or requirements are needed, then we hope the hotel can break ground in October. The Harbor Director is confident that the hotel will proceed once all City approvals have been given.

Harbor docks are also being renovated. Work is underway at Anacapa Isle Marina, next up will be the Bahia docks near Harbor Villa Apartment Complex, then the marina area around the Peninsula where the new hotel will be built.

Karls' Robert Dahl, Owner and CEO, and Axel Stelter, Project Manager, brought their team of project designers to the harbor during the last week of August. Frank Laza impressed them with his tour of the harbor from the water. They toured the buildings at Fisherman's Wharf to see which ones could be renovated. They also toured Ventura and Santa Barbara Harbors to see those facilities and operations. After this visit, I was told that Karls is even more excited about revitalizing the Fisherman's Wharf area. This is great news for the harbor.

County Board Approves Funding for Water Quality Issues at Channel Islands

On September 12th the Ventura County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved funding of up to \$1.3 million to match the City of Oxnard's \$1.3 million for the purposes of conducting water quality feasibility studies and mitigation actions at Channel Islands Harbor. This supports and reflects the efforts of MAC, the Marine Advisory Committee of the Channel Islands Neighborhood Council, an organization of volunteers from the community who have for five continuous years led and worked to monitor water quality in the harbor in a relentless pursuit to preserve, enhance, and restore water quality at the harbor.

A Successful United Fundraising Effort for Reel Guppy Outdoors

The combined effort and contributions of the Channel Islands Yacht Club (CIYC), the International Order of the Blue Gavel (IOBG), and the Harbor & Beach Community Alliance (HBCA) helped to make August a spectacular fundraising month for the Reel Guppy Outdoors. CIYC hosted the fundraising event dinner, the IOBG organized and cooked the event dinner, and HBCA raised enough monetary donations throughout the community to sponsor over 160 youths for the Reel Guppy program. Overall, these efforts raised over \$28,000 to support Reel Guppy programs into 2024.

Thank you to all who helped make "catching memories" possible for many youths!

Rene Aiu, Harbor Delegate



Hi, Everyone,



Our September meeting was highlighted by Linda Weisfuss showing us how to make an attractive flower arrangement. Thank you, Linda, for donating the seven arrangements you created. Linda was listening to our questions when I took this picture. I learned something very new – that the packet of the chemical that comes with the flowers is not supposed to be used all at once. You should use a ¼ teaspoon in the water but change the water every couple of days, adding more each time. The flowers should last a couple of weeks if they were fresh when you bought them.

Next month we will have all the pictures of the great time everyone had on our October 1st trip to the Santa Barbara Polo Club.

Our next meeting will be our election of officers for 2024. It will be on Tuesday, **October 10th**. Evelina Arglen is working on the menu so I will email you with further details. To encourage good attendance, this lunch is **FREE** to all Channel Islanders members. We will also start planning for all our holiday activities.

Although it was not a Channel Islanders' event, I thank everyone who helped me with the Channel Islands to Marina Del Rey Race Breakfast. This is a greater help to the club as we had to be at the club from about 6AM to around 11AM. I hope I haven't left out any names, but here goes: **HUGE THANKS** to Evelina Arglen, Elese Childs, Sherry Nolan (who did the greasy job of cooking the bacon), Eveline Paullin, Carol Watson, and Sue Woolf. I have a very bad feeling that I've left someone out. Please let me know so I can recognize you next month!

Carole Naylor

First Mate, Islanders, 2022 and 2023

Mark your calendars for our upcoming events:

- 11/24 We start decorating for the holidays and don't stop till it's done!
- 12/2 Christmas Tree Lighting and Caroling with a potluck.
- 12/17 Jingle Bell Brunch

Dates to take down our tree and decorations to be announced.

If you are interested in serving on our Board next year, please see/contact me.

Hope you can join us for many of these great events!

Carole Naylor, First Mate

LABOR DAY CRUISE

Generally, Labor Day is considered the end of summer and our CIYC destination was to rendezvous at Prisoners Cove. Well, I've been to Santa Cruz Island literally hundreds of times by now, starting with my first boat in 1992, a Ron Holland 43, cool boat, cutter rig sloop, looked like a Swan or Baltic of that vintage (mid - late 1980s), teak decks, and beautiful joinery down below. I then belonged to Pacific Currents Sailing Club, a local group that informally did a lot of sails, parties, and other activities. We would often have 10 -12 boats organized for a cruise.

Our protocol: I would have my crew, 4 - 6 intrepid souls, meet on my boat the evening prior to departure. We would get organized, food and sundries stowed, and set the alarm for 0300. Now - realizing the wind and swell are from the West/Northwest, coming from the direction we want to go and increasing in the afternoon - leaving prior to dawn allowed us to circumvent the prevailing weather. We would bundle up, run up the mainsail, turn on the radar and autopilot and proceed to motor at 7 knots to our designated anchorage. It takes about 3 - 4 hours at that speed to make our chosen cove on Santa Cruz Island.

We would be pulling into the anchorage right when the sun was coming up, drop the hook, make some coffee and then snooze until we started our weekend adventures. Coming home was just the opposite: leave about noon when the prevailing wind was cooking and have a nice broad reach back home.

For this cruise, had to get my engine's starter replaced, but luckily done in time for Labor Day. Removing myself from work Friday afternoons can be tough; I always have patients who hurt themselves about 2 weeks ago and absolutely have to come in Friday morning for treatment. Don't know why people always wait to the last minute to do these things - something about human nature. Anyway, took off about 1630, luckily benign conditions, 10 - 15 knots of wind with a 3 - 4-foot swell at 9- second interval. Arrived at Prisoners about 1750, anchoring next to Bill on Maverick. A bit roll-y that night, but the next evening was glorious: calm, smooth, bright moon - the best of all worlds! Sunday, small craft advisory, and Bill and I left the anchorage about the same time, nice trip home.

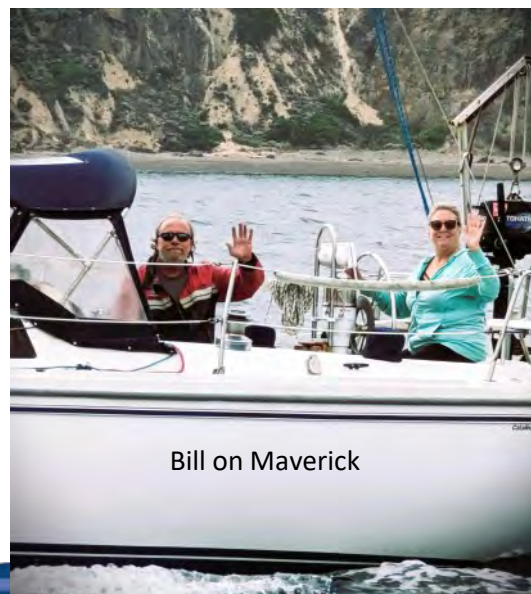
We are blessed to have Santa Cruz Island right off our doorstep, you need to take advantage of this!



CIYC LABOR DAY



DOS AMORES ABOVE
AND ANCHORED BELOW



Bill on Maverick

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS-REFERRALS

NOTICE: CIYC members who have expertise with boat maintenance and repairs please give me your information! docsails@gmail.com

Chris Panto, South Jetty Marine

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805-218-6614

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Brendan Catlett, Island Marine Diesel

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Tony Athens, Seaboard Marine

2947 West 5th St., Oxnard, CA 93030
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Outboard Engines

Specialty Marine

3151 W. 5th St., Oxnard, CA 93030
805-984-6538 specialty-marine.com

Electronics

Marine Solutions

2889 Bunsen Ave., Suite P, Ventura, Ca 93003
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2945 W. 5th St., Oxnard, CA 93030
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Canvas-Upholstery

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Bottom Cleaning

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anacapasurveyors@hotmail.com

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Yacht Maintenance/Servicing

Marc Gault Yacht Services & Restoration

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HAVES & WANTS

Do you have something you no longer need that another member may have a use for?

Is there something you want or need that another member may have?

Send an email to
currents.ciyc@roadrunner.com

Subject Line: Currents Haves and Wants

I HAVE (OR) I WANT: A (Whatever it is)

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Saturday, October 28, 2023

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DINNER SERVED AT 7 PM

Dinner prepared and presented by

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JIM AND LINDA PERRY

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Menu

Bountiful Bloody Beet Salad
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Dessert

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Lentini, Elise	Oct 02	Light, Andi	Oct 13	Sheridan, Joyce	Oct 25
Webb, Tom	Oct 03	Organ, Bill	Oct 13	Capra, Dana	Oct 27
DeFusco, John	Oct 04	Ireland, Rick	Oct 15	Farrell, Karen	Oct 27
Walters, Nick	Oct 04	Clements, Andrew	Oct 16	Gerdes, Ted	Oct 27
Gilbert, Gary	Oct 05	Gargan, Nancy	Oct 16	Maxwell, Dan	Oct 29
Lance, Rande	Oct 05	Kraft, Lina	Oct 16	West, Dennis	Oct 29
Dugan, Judy	Oct 06	Kudlac, Jeff	Oct 16	Crocket, Sandy	Oct 30
Hall, Pam	Oct 06	Lawson, Nga	Oct 16	Pulliam, Janis	Oct 30
Kraft, Garry	Oct 06	Ekeberg, Liz	Oct 17	Webb, Leslie	Oct 30
Morrisset, Wendell	Oct 06	Brauns, Barbara	Oct 18	Glass, James	Oct 31
Qualls, Linda	Oct 07	Szczurko, Jenny	Oct 18	Hargrove, Rick	Oct 31
Naylor, Carole	Oct 09	O'Herlihy, Wailani	Oct 21	Taylor, Eric	Oct 31
Jewell, Jimmie	Oct 12	Taha, Saad	Oct 21		

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Scott & Mary Wales Oct 09
Kenny & Jane Thomas Oct 12
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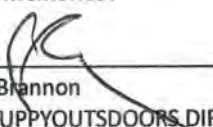
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Dear, CIYC

We want to specially thank you and appreciate your gift to our recent fundraiser dining. On August 27, 2023 the Reel Guppy Outdoors organization had its inaugural fundraiser at the Channel Island Yacht Club. This was a successful event which sold out in less than three weeks showing the outstanding community support. It was an exciting evening with live music provided by 'Vinyl Gypsies', raffle prizes, and silent auctions. A special part of the evening was giving out awards from presenting sponsors, McCormick's Metrology Co presented the Golden Guppy award to Uncle Dave, Port of Hueneme Anthony Anchovy award presented to Rubin Rodrigue (one of our youth volunteers), and the Ventura Credit Union presented an appreciation award to Marshall Neal. This event helped raise over \$28,000 which will provide us with the means to continue to serve the community into 2024.

Kevin Brannon and the board of directors would like to thank you for your support. This was an important event for the REEL GUPPY OUTDOORS organization. Your support will help us to continue to

'Catch Memories'.


Kevin Brannon
REELGUPPYOUTDOORS DIRECTOR

Name: Penelope Roberts
Date: 3-29-23

Reel Guppy Field Trip

Here are my memories about the Reel Guppy Field trip. First, I saw fish, crab, pigeon, pelican, dolphins, ducks, squid, seagulls. Next here are some of my best memories, I saw Mr. Kevin he is always really nice when I see him. Third, I learned how to cast the rod, we put the bait on the hook and threw the line out. I really wanted to catch a fish or crab. I had so much fun on the field trip I'm going to tell my parents to take me fishing more often.



Saturday, October 21, 2023

**Epicurean Head Chef Judy Campea and Crew
will tantalize your tastebuds...**

Menu

Charcuterie plate per table
Vegetable Stuffed Tomato Salad
Wild Rice and Blue Cheese stuffed Cornish Game Hens
Orange glazed Tri color carrots

Dessert

Macerated Strawberries on Pound Cake
with Whipped Cream

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**Bar opens at 5pm
Dinner served at 6:30pm**

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