



# October, 2024



## **From The Helm** *Matthew Byers, Commodore*

Ahoy my fellow Loch Lomondians! Fall is here, and the weather has cooled off a bit, so come on down and enjoy your Club! We have a few fun events coming up, including now being open for select 49er games! Keep an eye out here for details, which will also be sent via email.

Last weekend, LLYC participated in the annual Friendship Cruise to Tinsley Island in The Delta, and a grand time was had by all. We left on the morning of Thursday the 3rd, and stopped halfway upriver at Pittsburg YC for the night. Then next morning we completed our journey, with our small but mighty fleet of three boats tied up by 3pm. Friday evening was spent socializing with the cruisers from other

yacht clubs, and Lowell Freeman prepared a delicious tri tip dinner for our group to go along with salad and other goodies prepared by Jeannie Amundsen and Anne Vrolyk. Each of the eight clubs that participate in this cruise has a task to perform. Our task was to run the Saturday morning Bloody Mary Bar along with San Francisco YC. Service started at 9am, and we kept the drinks flowing until 11 am. They were a smash hit and served in classic LLYC style! Saturday afternoon was very hot, so yours truly spent most of it in the pool along with what seemed like everyone else on the island. At 6pm, my fellow Commodores and I performed the evening Colors Ceremony, followed by the big cruise dinner hosted by St. Francis YC, then drinks and dancing. Sunday morning, the fleet reluctantly departed for San Rafael, already looking forward to next year's cruise! Those in attendance were **Jim Cole** and Jeane Anne Donnell aboard SEA SPIRIT, Dennis and Jeannie Amundsen aboard I DREAM OF JEANNIE, Lowell Freeman and I aboard MARY LEE, and land cruisers David Howe and Anne Vrolyk. A special thank you to Jeanne Anne for once again representing LLYC at the six months of planning meetings that go into preparing this fantastic event!

# 2024 Officers, Directors & Committee Chairs

COMMODORE: Matthew Byers VICE COMMODORE: David Tattersall **REAR COMMODORE: Alex Melgarejo** TREASURER: Dave Hansen SECRETARY: Jeff Moss **PORT CAPTAIN: Matthew Byers** FLEET CAPTAIN: Ed Cass **MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR: Vivian Malcy** ENTERTAINMENT DIRECTOR: David Grega **INCOMING CRUISE DIRECTOR: Dennis Amundsen** FACILITIES COORDINATOR: Julia Arno

**PUBLICITY CHAIR: Donna Borok Moss** BUDGET CHAIR: David Tattersall AUDIT CHAIR: David Tattersall **RECORDS CHAIR: Jeff Moss NOMINATING CHAIR: Dan Grubman GALLEY CHAIR: Stella Pereira** HOUSE CHAIR: Jeanne Amundsen VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Charlotte Ottley PIYCA DELEGATES: Matt Byers, Ed Cass, & **David Tattersall** 

SHIP'S STORE "ON BOARD": Matt Byers & Vivian Malcy

#### Incoming

Dennis Amundsen, **Cruise-in Director** 



As we now enter our Indian Summer, the water on the Bay is stunning and it is the best time to cruise. We had a great time with the Caliente Isle Yacht Club, aka CIYC, who cruised in on the weekend of Sept ember 27<sup>th</sup>— 29<sup>th</sup>. We entertained them with a delicious Italian Dinner on Friday Night prepared by Lowell Freeman who slaved in the kitchen for 3 days. Stella, Dan and the Galley team did a fabulous job putting out the rest of the spread.

After dinner, we had a lot of fun with Karaoke. Interesting to see how much talent we have in the Club (or not!). The Cruise-In Yacht Club enjoyed themselves and participated in the Karaoke. They will definitely be back and expressed what a great time they had and gave us some nice complements. They look forward to returning next year.

This was probably the last cruise-in for the season, but we will look forward to more visitors next year!

**Scribbles & Notes** Jeff Moss, Secretary

The Board of Directors has recommended several updates to our current Bylaws that will give the Club more flexibility in its operations. Those changes include provisions for calling Special Meetings, providing clearer Member discipline options, and simplifying the amendment process, among others.

The text of these amendments, along with some explanation, will be sent to the Membership by October 15th, providing the 30 day notice that is necessary before we meet to vote on them at our Annual Meeting. I will include details about submitting your comments. Save the date for our Annual Meeting on Saturday, November 16th. It is important for members to attend in order to vote!





October brings a noticeable change in the length of our days but also heralds the arrival of long cozy evenings at the Club bar. Now is the time to check the Club's event calendar on the LLYC website (lochlomondyachtclub.com) to peruse upcoming events and schedule your attendance at the Club's fun events. Do not delay and get left out in the cold.

It is also the time of year when the Board and committees get busy in preparing for the next year. The Nominating Committee has completed its work and submitted its nominations for the 2025 Board (See Page 6). Hot on the heels of that is the recruitment and organization of the various committees that help run things here at the club. Remember, everyone is a volunteer. If you enjoy the Club, that is because your fellow members put in the time and effort to make things happen.

Charlotte Ottley has volunteered as the new Volunteer Coordinator. Charlotte will be soliciting help from members to step up and join a committee. It is vitally important that all members participate in the operation of the Club. This can be done by volunteering to serve on a committee. It is a great way to give back to the Club, make new friends and be a part of something rather than sitting out there on the periphery.

The committees for which active recruitment is currently underway include:

The **Bar Committee** - handles all things to do with the bar including ordering, inventory control, tending bar, set up and clean up.

The Galley Committee—handles all things to do with the galley including planning meals, provisioning, set up, cooking and other food prep and clean up.

The *Entertainment Committee* - handles all things to do with Club events including planning events,

organizing, staffing, decorating, and attending Club events.

The House Committee—handles all things to do with Club maintenance, improvement, decorating, replacements and includes budgeting and fund raising as needed.

The *Membership Committee* - handles all things related to new membership including holding Open Houses, processing new member applications, advertising and recruitment of new members. Also includes orientations of the facilities and induction.

The Facilities Committee - handles all things related to private rentals of the Clubhouse, which is a very important source of income for the Club.

The Cruise Committee - handles all things related to cruise-ins and cruise-outs.

The Publicity Committee - handles all things related to publicity including managing the Club website, maintaining the Club's Google Calendar, preparing the monthly Salty Serpent, club announcements and communications, creating fliers for events, mailing/ monitoring Evites.

There are other committees as well, including the Budget Committee, the Audit Committee, the Records Committee and the Safety Committee.

# **Upcoming Events at LLYC**

Oct 12	Chicken & Bingo Night
Oct 25	NO Happy Hour
Oct 26	Halloween Party
Nov 1	New Member Mixer
Nov 8-10	Commodore's Cruise-out to Pt San Pablo YC
Nov 16	Annual Membership Mtg
Nov 23	Open House
Dec 7	San Rafael Canal Lighted Boat Parade



### Welcome Aboard Vivian Malcy, **Membership**

Our New Member Mixers continue to be an excellent way for new members to meet other members and enjoy the fabulous appetizers prepared by our Galley staff. Thank you to Stella, Dan and all of the other volunteers who assist them.

#### **New Members**

We have inducted the following new members since our last edition of The Salty.

Virginia Sargent and George McQuary Stephanie Newhall and Jen Buffalow Joseph (Joe) DeScala, Jr.

We are so pleased to have approved the following new members:

Kim Cheadle and Rick Brodersen Janet Ekberg Gus Richard and Deborah Munk

Please join me in welcoming all of these folks to LLYC! Our next New Member Mixer/Induction will be on Friday, November 1st. Hope to see you there.

#### Final 2024 Open House

Our last Open House of the year is scheduled for Sunday, November 23rd from Noon to 3:00pm. All members are welcome and encouraged to bring a friend who might even be interested in becoming a future member.

#### **On-Line Store**

New items are being added to the on-line store all the time so don't forget to visit our store at https:// www.lochlomondyachtclub.com/ship-s-store.

IMPORTANT: Lands End Business Outfitters is a separate entity from Lands End. The items must be purchased through this link https:// www.lochlomondyachtclub.com/ship-s-store



2024— what a great Summer. We partied together on the 4th of July, Corinthian YC and other cruisers came in and had a blast, the Brazilian Party was a success. Older members and a bunch of new members are making the best of our Loch Lomond Yacht Club. As the season changes, I want to remind you guys that we do serve hot drinks to warm you up such as Hot Toddies, Irish Coffees, Jalapeno Tequilas and others, so don't be shy and join us anytime for our Friday Happy Hours, New Members Mixers or any of our Special Events. I've been working hard with Christine, Matt, Stella, Ed, Chris, Denny, David G and a few others to keep us going. I want to again express my gratitude for having Christine with me in the Bar. She has been going above and beyond in every aspect to make our Bar a better place to be and drink. I also want to thank all 11 Club Members that attended our Bartender Training class; I believe that you all should be ready to start making and serving drinks behind the Bar. Still, we need more volunteers to keep this beautiful momentum that we created in the Club. So reach out and let's get trained and ready. I'm so proud to be part of the Loch Lomond family and I hope you guys are well.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

LLYC ANNUAL MEETING **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16** 

A very important meeting to attend as we will be voting on 2025 Slate of New Officers along with **Bylaws Amendments** 

## A Big Thank You to the "Chair Committee"

A huge THANK YOU goes to Jeff Moss and Dennis Evans as they took on the project of shoring up our poor, wobbly deck chairs. A shout out also to those Brave Men who volunteered to come out on a Saturday morning to assemble the bracing on these deck chairs.

They included Kevin Krick, Lowell Freeman, Dave Howe, Jeff Silberman John McKillop, Ken Malcy and Ted Griggs (apologies to anyone we may have missed).

They did a great job toward removing a liability due to the wobbly condition of those chairs. The next step was to clean the chairs so they look better....thank you, Dave Howe! And finally, they will be given a long overdue treatment with teak oil.

This effort is meant as a temporary, cost saving measure to hold us over until we can raise the funds to purchase new deck furniture in the future.

Our many thanks to Jeff and Dennis for organizing this project and helping to sponsor the costs.

## Volunteer of the Month



We wish to congratulate this month's Volunteer of the Month: Lowell Freeman. Since becoming part of the LLYC family, Lowell has been an extremely busy guy!

He spent nearly 3 days in the Galley preparing his

special homemade from scratch Lasagna for our Italian Night/Cruise-in guests. Needless to say, all three variations were beyond delicious!

Lowell also hooked up and installed the new Vanity in the Men's Room (just in time for our recent cruisein). He also personally sponsored the DJ for our Karaoke Night as well as the Friday night dinner at the Tinsley Island Friendship Cruise-out.

And if you missed Lowell singing his heart out on Karaoke Night, then you truly missed something special! He was awesome!

Lowell, we thank you for your service to the Club! Enjoy your next dinner on the House.



# Loch Lomond Yacht Club Slate of 2025 Nominations

Attached is the slate of the Nominating Committee listing the persons nominated for the 2025 Officers and Directors positions. These nominations will be presented to and voted on by the Members at our Annual Meeting scheduled for **Saturday, November 16**. *PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING THIS VERY IMPORTANT MEETING*.

Per the Bylaws, a Member or Members may nominate another person or persons for any of the listed positions. That nomination must be in writing and contain both the nominee's agreement to serve and the signatures of at least nine (9) voting memberships. Such written nominations must be presented (emailed or hand delivered) to the Secretary *no less than twenty (20) days prior to the Annual Meeting*.

#### Note that the Bylaws preclude any nominations made from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

Special thanks go to the Nominating Committee, including Chair **Dan Grubman, Jeanne Amundsen** and **Jim Cole** for their tremendous efforts in gathering these folks to serve in 2025.

Pursuant to the Loch Lomond Yacht Club By-Laws, Article IV, Section 2, we hereby present the slate of proposed Board of Directors for the year 2025.

Commodore	David Tattersall
Vice Commodore	Dan Grubman
Rear Commodore	Christine Adams/Alex Melgarejo
Secretary	Donna Borok-Moss
Treasurer	Dave Hansen
Fleet Captain	Matthew Byers
Port Captain	John McKillop
Incoming Cruise Director	Dennis Amundsen
Entertainment Director	David Grega
Membership Director	Kelly London

Respectfully submitted,

10/2/24 Dan Grubman

Chair-2025 Nominating Committee

10/2/24 annie Amundsen

2025 Nominating Committee

Jim Cole

2025 Nominating Committee

# **Coastal Clean Up Day**

The State of California recently hosted their annual Coastal Clean Up Day. We are extremely grateful to member Kurt Sund for taking the lead on this very important event. Thanks to Kurt and his crew, over 250 pounds of trash were picked up around the Loch Lomond Marina site. Wow! That is a lot of trash!

Again, many thanks to **Kurt** and his crew for making this quite the

successful event! John McKillop Roseann Borelli Alice Cochran David Hirzel Kim Cheadle **Rick Brodersen Emily Coe** Colby Ralls Tyler Right Doug Moler Shanna Moler Loni Tankoos - Logan and Ronan Billy Green - Tanagay and Tao





Thank You to our Olean Up Crew!







The cruise-out to Tinsley Island in the Delta was a huge success. It may have been a scorcher temperature wise, but the comradeship amongst the guests, along with the great food and drink made for a wonderful weekend. Thanks to all who made the trip! We'll do it again next year!













# PICYA Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta

### **By Virginia Sargent**

The annual Wheelchair Regatta is organized by PICYA and is the sailing community's annual event to get wheelchair and walker bound veterans out on the Bay. This year couldn't have been more perfect: clear skies, gentle wind, and mild temperatures. It was my first time volunteering for this event and to say it was heartwarming would be an understatement. Seeing the veterans with family members or caregivers lined up and being helped onto the boats was inspiring: such a gift for people who would normally not have access to get out on the water. The Oakland and Alameda Fire Departments had volunteers literally lift the wheelchairs onto the aft of each boat.

Veterans came from all over the Bay Area notably from Palo Alto and Napa Veteran communities. After several hours on the Bay, the veterans came back to a BBQ on the lawn of the Encinal Yacht Club. They were also given gift bags of toiletries and other useful items. My contribution was to bring a canopy to shade the hard working volunteers at the registration table. I also was a coffee runner and did whatever miscellaneous tasks were needed. I was proud to represent LLYC at this event of veteran appreciation.





