



Heartbeat at the Santa Cruz Start
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, Sept 2 • Labor Day BBQ

Saturday, Sept 8 • Board Meeting

Saturday, Sept 15 • World Famous Boat Hop

Friday, Sept 28 • Quarterly Birthday Bash

Saturday Oct 20 • Chowder Cup Race #1

Monday Night Dinners, \$8 • Thursday Pasta Dinners, \$8

Friday Night Appetizers, Free

Saturday & Sundays • Burger & Tap Beer, \$6 starts at 3 pm

Every Wednesday • Breakfast & Sail, Moss Landing Café, 10 am

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***WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:** Steve & Jeanne Spittle, Mark Koitmaa & Sylvia Wanderaas, Ken Ellis Sarah Burkhart, Sheryal Bugalski and Ron Roderick*

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All articles for inclusion in THE LEE RAIL are welcome and will be considered for publication as time and space permit.

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Submit articles, pictures, etc. via email by sending them to

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COMMODORE'S REPORT

Commodore's Report

If you look back to the July Lee Rail, you can read that my first paragraph still applies this month! Again, thank you for your interest and your contributions which have allowed for best workable decisions to be made.

Due to your diligent efforts, as Committee heads or as generous club members, it is wonderful to see the changes being made to encourage others to become members and join the fray.



We have a new dining room roof and shining floor, new improving Hearth room, new ice machine, ever improving garden with a drip system, and great ideas on how the dogs can be appreciated. Wood has been donated (thank you Dale and friends) and our two office computers are up and working together. Our north lot is being improved thanks to Joonya Lopez (Whisper Charters), Hilary Thomas and their helpers. The events have been spectacular!

Our new Club Manager, Melissa Kelly will pass her 90 days probationary period on September 2, 2018. I feel she is doing great, but needs more than 20 hours a week to keep up and perform well.

I would like to remind all members that only two operating vehicles may be parked on EYC property as part of your membership privileges. If you own vehicles that you are storing or not using, please remove them. Towing will be expensive. We need the space.

I have been in contact with Mrs. Linda McIntyre of the Harbor District who sent me a current email which I shall post at the club. I am waiting momentarily for the final environmental test results, but so far it appears we are still on schedule for dredging this Fall. You will be notified if that changes.

We are evermore becoming a desirable location for boaters and people who are looking for places to rent for weddings, events, etc.

The Best to You From Me,
Lynn Kent

RACE REPORT

Double Angle Race Results

| 8/18/2018 | | Double Angle Race | | Final Results | | | 15 Boats | |
|------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| From | Boat Name | Boat Make/Size | Owner | Rating | Finish Time | Correction | Corrected Finish | Finish Position |
| Monterey | Ardea | Nelson Marek 50 | August Lewis | 27 | 3:33:09 PM | 0:09:54 | 3:23:15 PM | 1 |
| | Maverick | J 80 | Juan du Preez | 117 | 4:09:46 PM | 0:42:54 | 3:26:52 PM | 2 |
| | Skye | Capo 30 | George McKay | 126 | 4:14:09 PM | 0:46:12 | 3:27:57 PM | 3 |
| | Un Bel Di | Cal 2-25 | Sydney Drake | 228 | None | 1:23:36 | None | DNF |
| | Proteno | Catalina 34 | Christopher Light | 141 | None | 0:51:42 | None | DNF |
| | Gulfstar | Gulfstar 37 | Dan Piro | 144 | None | 0:52:48 | None | DNS |
| Santa Cruz | Buona Sera | SC 70 | Edward Marez | -78 | 3:08:41 PM | 0:34:11 | 3:42:52 PM | 1 |
| | Scarlett | Moore 24 | Beau Vrolyk | 150 | 4:48:53 PM | 1:05:45 | 3:43:08 PM | 2 |
| | Heartbeat | Wylie 46 | Lou Pambianco | 12 | 3:51:45 PM | 0:05:16 | 3:46:29 PM | 3 |
| | Sagittarius | Catalina 38 | Steve Murphey | 120 | 4:44:50 PM | 0:52:36 | 3:52:14 PM | 4 |
| | Your-X | SC27 | Gary Schwer | 135 | 4:56:09 PM | 0:59:11 | 3:56:58 PM | 5 |
| | Pro Motion | SC 40 | Randy Repass (Dan Estes) | 54 | 4:10:20 PM | 0:23:40 | 3:46:40 PM | 6 |
| | Shaman | Cal 40 | Tom Burden | 108 | 4:53:50 PM | 0:47:20 | 4:06:30 PM | 7 |
| | Encore | Freedom 40 | Maureen Huber | 168 | None | 1:13:38 | None | DNF |
| | Saline Solution | Gladiator 24 | Mark Pastick | 246 | None | 1:47:50 | None | DNF |
| | Buona Sera | SC 70 | Edward Marez | | | | "First to finish" (uncorrected) | |

Note: No PHRF Cert = -6 from Base Rating

The Race: This year's Double Angle had a total of 15 entries which included representation from the Elkhorn, Santa Cruz, Monterey clubs as well as the Singlehanded Sailing Society. The concurrent noon starts comprised 9 boats from Santa Cruz, and 6 from the Monterey divisions. Included were three 70', 50' & 46' boats vying for the coveted "First to Finish" trophy. There was also an opportunity available to break the race elapsed time record of 3 hours, 5 minutes and 48 seconds set by Merlin in 2017. Buona Sera came close but fell 2 minutes and 53 seconds short, so the old record still stands. Interestingly, the Santa Cruz division's corrected finish margin between 1st place (largest boat), and 2nd place (smallest boat) was just a mere 16 seconds. Newly imposed rules this year were an entry deadline of 5PM the day before, and a 6PM cut off time to finish the race. These changes helped improve Race Committee planning and execution for race control activities, pre-dinner provision requirements, timing for serving dinner as well as accounting of plates sold and fees collected.

The Volunteers: Special mention and big thank you goes out once again to Peggy Carroll for preparing and serving a fantastic Trip-Tip dinner for a reported 150 people. Her cooking and event planning skills are fantastic, and the EYC is lucky to have her on the Race Committee Team. Look for her to take over the Race Director position very soon. Thanks go out to David Clark and Chris Hoffman, MPYC & SCYC Race Chairpersons for their support starting the DAR divisions from the outlying harbors. Without their help, executing this race would be far more difficult. I would also like to thank Eric Eggert (non-member) for skippering and use of "In Balance" as the finish line race committee boat. This provided me with an excellent vantage point to view the boats crossing the line, and improve the accuracy of finish time monitoring. Brian Ackerman also did a tremendous job as Port Captain. He adeptly arranged dock space for all the visiting boats. He also convinced Buona Sera over the VHF there was sufficient water depth in the harbor so they could come in to collect their trophies and join the post-race party.

General Kudos: Following the race and for days afterwards, I received several positive comments from various entrants and attendees on the event management, and that the party was a whole lot of fun. Good job EYC!

John Herne

RACE REPORT



Above - Start of the Race from Santa Cruz - another photo courtesy of Toni Scarborough.

Side - Busy night at the bar, lots of fun to be had - photo courtesy of Melissa Ackerman.

Thank you to Dr. Thorton for providing the band - sorry no pics :(

2018 Chowder Cup

Join us on the water for a three race series. No entry fee.

First race for the series
Oct 20th

Skippers Meeting at 11AM
Start times between 12:30 - 1PM

CLUB HISTORY

Begin With the End in Mind

Begin with the end in mind may well have been the watchwords of the founding fathers of the Elkhorn Yacht Club who long ago stood on that street corner in Watsonville in 1946 and decided to establish a new yacht club on Monterey Bay. With limited resources, I am certain they completed each step before beginning the next one. Without a doubt, they knew what success looked like. After they wrote their mission statement, they laid out their vision, created the design, sought funding and completed each step. They took the time to enjoy each finished project. Simultaneously, they were attracting and recruiting new members growing from their original start-up group of eight.

To place costs into historical perspective, a member who wished to remain anonymous sent an email about the original clubhouse barge purchased in 1946 for \$2,400. That \$2,400 is the equivalent of \$31,000 in today's dollars! Then there is the 1952 \$100K bond issue for the North harbor dredging: \$70,000 in 1952 is now \$649,000! These guys were today's venture capitalists.

Interesting comments from pen name of Sailor Jerry: "The founders purchased the EYC lands from a family named Verria. I need to look but I recall it was in two purchases. Well, in reading on the history of Moss Landing, Charlie Moss built his pier at the then Elkhorn Slough entrance. It seems that Verria was his construction engineer and designed various slough crossings. Verria also started some salt ponds on lands he purchased. Some of those lands make up the EYC property. More research required."

Another member wrote: "Great history lesson----should go in the Lee Rail (it did in August). Maybe contribute to a history column each LR----I have one about the heritage tree and another about the sea wall ----Should be something on the Annex as it was first a boat storage. We can scout the Archives for information."

Several members were interested in the club history telling me personal excerpts from the archives of their aroused cerebral cortexes. I asked them politely and insistently for a written paragraph or two. I am still waiting...short term memory loss? Perhaps I will be creative while awaiting their verse.

We need to finish what we start. We always want to present our best face to our members, guests, and potential applicants. A finished look is always preferred. Marketing a "Work-in-Progress" may fare poorly. As Sailor Jerry's Grandfather always said, "If a task is once begun, never leave it 'till it's done. Be the labor great or small, do it well or not at all."

This September 2018, Elkhorn Yacht Club is in its 73rd year. Please join us in our venerable historic facility. Enjoy your club and the Pacific summer-fall weather. Respect the traditions of our founders, acquaint yourself with our heritage, and listen closely to the walls to learn from those who came before us. In all this, you may find wisdom.

Stan Jacques, Commodore 2014-2016

HALLOWEEN PARTY!

Please join us for a creepy evening of dread & fear...

OUR ANNUAL

HALLOWEEN

PARTY

IS DRAWING NEAR!

\$15.00

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6:00 PM

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BAND

7:00 PM

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Party

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October 27th

September 2018

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| | | | | | | 1 Burger & Tap Beer \$6 Every Saturday! |
| 2 Burger & Tap Beer \$6 Labor Day BBQ | 3 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$8 | 4 | 5 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am | 6 | 7 Free Appetizers 6 pm | 8 Board Meeting 9am |
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| 21 Burger & Tap Beer \$6 | 22 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$8 | 23 | 24 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am | 25 | 26 Free Appetizers 6 pm | 27 Halloween Party! |
| 28 Burger & Tap Beer \$6 | 29 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$8 | 30 | 31 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am  | | | |

CLUB NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS



Cruising Visitors! - From Left to right Brian Cooley, Dave Lyman, Toni Lyman and Mary Cooley from Oakland Yacht Club. They came down on Mers Douces, a Wauquiez 41 Pilot House



Pasta Night!

Every Thursday Evening

At 6:30PM

\$8.00 a plate

Host the next Pasta Night.

Sign ups are in the Hearth room.

Guest Policy Reminder

1. All Guests must be signed in under a member's number and must be accompanied by that member the entire visit. In addition, the guests conduct must reflect that of a member in good standing.
2. A repeated local guest will be encouraged to become a member of the Elkhorn Yacht Club.
3. Repeat guests of members who behave in a manner unbecoming of a Club member will result in permanent expulsion of that guest from the property.

BOAT HOP!



Boat Hop Report

Final preparations are under way for the World Famous Boat Hop in the North Harbor. Set your calendar for Saturday, September 15. As we do with every Boat Hop, we make some changes to see if we can improve this event. The details have yet to be finalized but this year we will have a sign up sheet posted at the entrance to the club and we will have an advanced reservation system in place. As always, first to make their reservations will get priority for that time slot and boat selection.

Appetizer boats will start serving at 6 PM. Each course will last the usual 30 minutes. At the end of each course you will move on to the next course on another boat. Those starting at 6 will finish their dessert course after 8 PM. The format will proceed as outlined in the August Lee Rail with one important revision; the entree portion of your meal will be served in the Dining Room. This will ensure your entree will be "hot off the grill" and will be served more like a restaurant style in the dining room. The menu is yet to be finalized. The bar will be open for your drink needs. Naturally, since you have your next course waiting at another location, you will need to move smartly between courses. There will be twelve boats participating---four boats will serve appetizers, four boats will serve the salad/soup, the entrée will be in the Dining Room and four boats will serve the dessert portion of the meal. Each boat can accept up to 6 guests per serving. Thus, there will be up to about 90 available slots for guests!

Since the reservation system will be a new system for the Boat Hop, we're still working out the details. At this point we're thinking that you can reserve your time slot in advance. In order to reserve your time slot and boat selections, you will need to pay in advance and will need to check in at least 20 minutes in advance of your reservation. An email notice will be sent out in a few days on the details of this program. There will be a cut off date for this program, and on Sat. Sept 15th we will do signups and boat assignments as per the old system where you come in to get your boat assignments right before the Boat Hop.

The World Famous EYC Boat Hop is a special event and not offered anywhere else in Monterey Bay. We do this only once a year and the price of \$25 is a bargain. This includes tax and tips are given only to the bartenders at the bar. Fulfill your social obligations. Bring your family, friends, curious neighbors, or co-workers. All participants are welcome.

See you there!
Scott and Howard

CLUB NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Nominating Committee

The election of officers for the next year will be held at our Annual General Membership Meeting on October 19th.

Nominations are open until September 21st and the slate is still a work in progress. If you want to run for an office just let the Nominating Committee (see below) know and we'll add your name on the slate. We're accepting names for all offices.

Of course nominations can be made from the floor at the night of the General Membership meeting. Just remember that the person being nominated must be present to accept or have a letter on file accepting the nomination. Voting will take place at the meeting. You must be present to vote, and only one vote per Flag Membership.

Nominating Committee— Scott Richert, Toni Scarborough and Howard Jones

August Work Party to Remove Ceiling in Dining Room

The early August work party to remove the ceiling in the dining room was a success. We had many people come and help out, making short work of the job. Thanks to Dale, Frank, Hans, Toni, Maureen, Ken, Scott, Stan, Rita, Len and Don (Sorry if I left someone out! - Jib)



Almost Done! - Photo courtesy of Rita

LABOR DAY BBQ



Menu:

Split Roasted Pig
Brian's Ackerman's Famous Chili and Beans
Corn on the Cob
Cole Slaw
Sourdough Garlic Bread

The start of food may be in the early afternoon, maybe 1:00 or 2:00. It all depends on when we catch the pig on Saturday — they are fast!! The corn will be cooked by Frank Lewis and will come from the top of the stalk where the ears get the most sun and develop sugar.

Sign up sheet is posted in the club — save the date!!

Thank you from the committee

Brian, Hans and Frank --- others can join in!

Work Party

9 AM - Noon Saturday 15th

Helping hands needed for the September Work Party. See Dale the day of the work party or around the club for more info.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday !

| | |
|--------------------|--------|
| Peggy Shainberg | 6-Sep |
| Roldano Guerra | 7-Sep |
| Melissa Ackerman | 8-Sep |
| Annette Green | 10-Sep |
| Robert Mann | 10-Sep |
| Mary Ellen Rusch | 11-Sep |
| Susan Osorio | 17-Sep |
| Fabienne Collier | 18-Sep |
| John Fairweather | 18-Sep |
| Alice Murphey | 20-Sep |
| David Nielsen | 21-Sep |
| Jessica Kahel | 22-Sep |
| Carla Miller | 24-Sep |
| Ron Miller | 24-Sep |
| Richard Richards | 25-Sep |
| Stephanie Chastain | 25-Sep |
| Meredith den Daas | 27-Sep |
| Derek Banks | 30-Sep |
| Robert Kennedy | 30-Sep |



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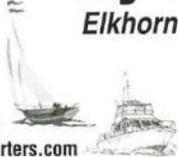
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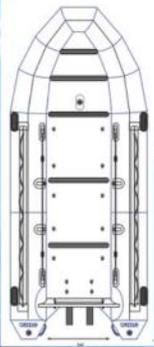

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