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Comments from the Commodore

Welcome to a new Tahoe Yacht Club program year, with a new Board of Directors and new calendar of events for 2020/2021.

I am honored to be your elected Commodore and am delighted to work with our talented, committed staff and Board of Directors to continue making the Tahoe Yacht Club an inviting, active and friendly place. We commend Commodore Ross Arno and his team for the thoughtfulness and energy with which they managed the club through the unexpected COVID-19 challenge. We also appreciate the many years of superb service by outgoing Sr. Staff Commodore Ray Landgraf, who has served in all board positions, as well as Chair of the Nominating Committee this past year.

I am pleased to welcome new Board members Bob Horvath and Vince Forte. We anticipate adding their talents and ideas to the operation of the Board and the TYC over the next year. Welcome Aboard, Bob and Vince!

Elsewhere in this issue you will find short bios of all of this year's board members.

Our staff is an important part of making TYC work. Thank you to our General Manager Andrew Casci, Communications & Media Manager Erika Leone (working remotely), Bar & Inventory Manager Cynthia Lewis, and our bartenders Geno Gastelum, James Lichtenstein and Alicia Gallagher for all they have done to help the club through this unprecedented period.

Thanks also to our on-water staff; Greg Barraclough for challenging OTB events, our markset team Eric Holman, Nick Feige, Nick Burkhart and Mackenzie Burwick. These individuals, in combination with sailors too numerous to list, made our water program happen. I also must highlight the amazing commitment and knowledge of Fred and Linda Grefenstein, who



William Krivan, Commodore

week after week are the Race Committee for our sail racing events.

Finally, let's congratulate the member volunteers who were leaders of our activity groups, the Eagles, Hoofers, Spokes, and Kayak/SUP Meetups. Others organized virtual events, such as wine tastings, casual Friday meetups, the Tahoe environmental presentation, America's Cup presentation and the enjoyable "Paint & Sip Under the Pines" afternoon. Thanks to Margot Woodward who advocated working with the Mountain Metro Church, whose West Shore facility became our "go to" venue for a number of in-person events during the summer, including the popular Bagz Cornhole tournaments. The Board and the members of the club thank you ALL for keeping the Tahoe Yacht Club an engaging place, even in these COVID times.

Despite the difficulties of the COVID era, the club remains financially healthy, as you can see in the Treasurer's report elsewhere in this edition. Critical to that health is continuing to attract new members (thanks Margot and the Membership Committee) and to retain existing members, even

during this time of restricted access to the club. Thank you all for continuing your support of the TYC.

To see our plans for the year, refer to the schedule cards available from Andrew, review the calendar wall board in the club entryway or check out the TYC website calendar. We are planning for the best, but will continue to be flexible as pandemic guidance evolves.

I encourage our members to consider ways to help with club events. We are reestablishing the Hospitality Committee, under the leadership of Lynn Fetter, to provide a structure for event volunteers. Please contact Andrew or Lynn to get your name on the list for a particular event or to join Lynn on the Hospitality Committee.

Important goals for my year as Commodore include:

- Building on the success of our summer outdoor "active life" program.
- Broaden member involvement with our social events through the Hospitality Committee.
- Establishing a working committee to begin planning for our Centennial Year in 2025.
- Developing a formal emergency/evacuation plan.
- Restarting an active, in-club event schedule – First Fridays, wine dinners, special occasion parties and such.

Thank you ALL – Staff, Board and members – for all you do for the club. Terry & I are looking forward to an exciting year, hopefully slowly returning to more normal times, but no matter the pace of the trend, providing ways for members to enjoy their club.

BILL KRIVAN
Commodore

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around the Clubhouse

FROM GENERAL MANAGER ANDREW CASCI



Andrew Casci,
General Manager

and get some exercise. Hiking, biking and paddleboard events were planned and executed by the board as well as members.

There were also many events held at Metro Mountain Church just past Tahoe City on the West Shore. Pastor Mike Boals of the Church has blessed our membership many times and has been an extremely helpful asset in running and arranging our events. Metro Mountain Church is the site of the old Camp Noel Porter which features a stone building dating back to 1908. They have church pews that convert into picnic tables which has worked wonders for ensuring social distancing. This has made it possible for us to have safe gatherings.

I have to give a big shout out to Moe's BBQ! We are very grateful to the team at Moe's for installing a POS machine at our bar. This allows us a direct line to their kitchen, and we are able to charge the meals directly to our members account and then settle up with Moe's at the end of the month. They were also kind enough to open early for the OTB Awards and close late for the Sailing Awards. It was a rare occasion when the power boaters and sailors got to see each other off the water this summer.

The Race Committee was spectacular this year. On Wednesday nights, Fred and Linda Griefenstien had their goal of setting every single course in the arsenal and have managed to do it at least 2 years in a row. On Monday nights, Michael Simmons has gotten race starts off so fast that we have been able to fit in more races each night than we have previously. The sailors love it! We had some great markset drivers this year. Eric Holman and Nick Feige started the season and Nick Burkhart and Mackenzie Burwick finished off. Nick and Mackenzie learned markset and sailing in our very own Tahoe Community Sailing Foundation where they were instructors. They are both accomplished sailors.

Speaking of the Tahoe Community Sailing Foundation it is more important than ever to support them. Even with Covid happening this summer they were able to run limited camps using single-handed boats and social distancing. The location was changed to a small beach next to the Lake Forest boat ramp to be away from people as much as possible.

Our retail store is looking strong due to the efforts by Teresa Prescott (member) and Cynthia Lewis (Bar Manager). We are currently working on a section of our website to view our merchandise online and then make purchases via telephone or email. We are hoping to have this up within a few weeks.

Into the future we are optimistic but realize the restrictions the county has in place for Covid may delay any clubhouse events / private parties. I would like to thank the staff for hanging in there during this strange time. We have managed to keep everyone on and have successfully restructured our schedule to accommodate the changing times. I would like to announce the promotion of Cynthia Lewis to Bar and Inventory Manager. If you have tasted her creative cocktail it is no surprise that she moved up in the organization. Erika Leone was also rehired and does our marketing and communications remotely from New Orleans. Look forward to bi-weekly newsletters from her. We will follow the guidelines and continue to be the safest place in town to visit. We look forward to seeing you at the club and to catch up. 📍



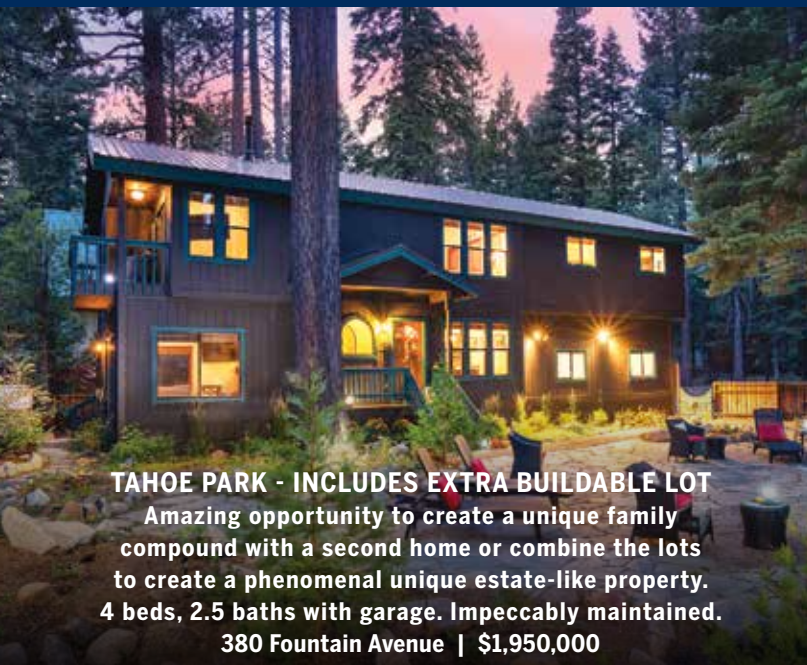
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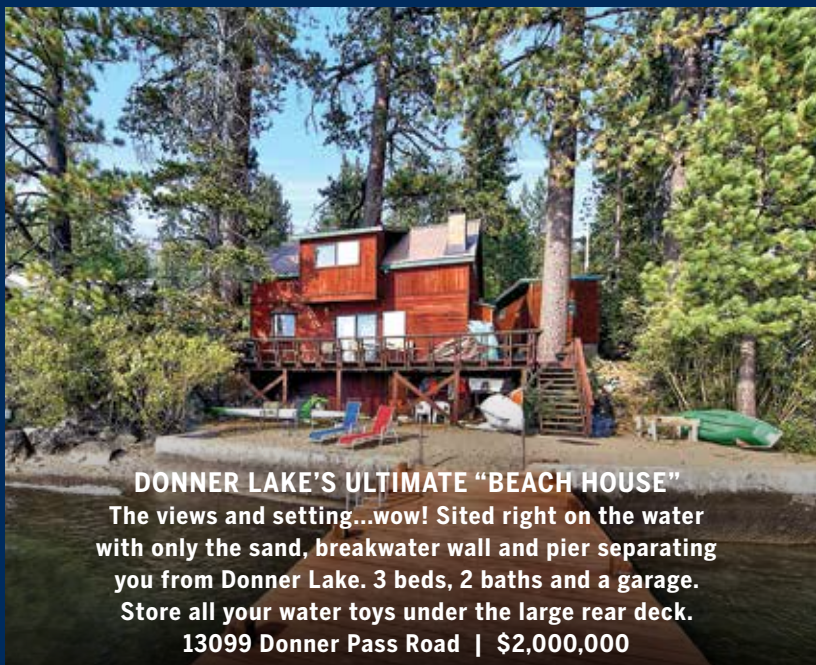


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Membership Update

MARGOT WOODWARD,
MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

The Tahoe Yacht Club currently has more than 380 members. Thank you to our members who have stepped up and sponsored new members - 2019 was a record breaking year for Membership. In the recent past, we have had successful Spring Mailer campaigns targeting relatively recent homebuyers in the area and inviting them to our June First Friday. Due to our unprecedented times, this spring, we opted to not send the mailers but are happy to report that we have already gained 29 new members (special thanks to the Holidays and Steve Galvez for their multiple sponsorships).

With a focus on onboarding and member experiences, our retention numbers were very strong in 2020. We hope with all the additional programs and value added to our memberships, that we will realize the same in 2021. Please help us to do so. Many are fleeing urban environments, moving to Tahoe and looking for a social connection here. This Spring, we revamped and streamlined our New Member Application (easily available on our website under "Membership") such that applicants may complete it online, save as PDF and email to either Andrew or the Membership Committee. Please reach out to your new neighbors and friends and sponsor them for membership to our club. In the absence of sponsors, the Membership Committee is happy to step into that role.

Unlike many other YCs around the country, TYC is uniquely situated in beautiful environs with year round activities for all and has been able to effectively pivot and reprogram our calendar to take advantage of what our trails, lake and mountains have to offer. These programs will continue for years to come as they have afforded us a great opportunity to share activities we love with like minded members of the club (hiking, biking, paddling, painting, cornhole, golf) and really get to know each other. In other words, our TYC community is strong and even with our clubhouse temporarily closed or having limited usage, we offer a lot to prospective members.

As our club gradually reopens we will continue to focus on what value we may add to our members. With or without restrictions in place, our clubhouse may be able to provide a safe remote working environment for our members. We will continue to strictly follow guidelines so that all members choosing to either work or socialize at the club will feel safe.

Applicants are interested in our club for its incredible sailing program, fun power boating activities, our clubhouse with its incredible views and location, and the camaraderie that we have attained both on and off the water. We are a family and will continue to be so. We have demonstrated this during difficult times, and have even become stronger, forging friendships and new connections on our hikes, picnics and other adventures. I hope that as members, we will share this message with many.

Special Shout Out and Thank You to our Membership Committee: Nan Brown, Terry Krivan, Lynn Mullen, Carmel DeWies, Dick and Susan Holm, Amy Forte, and Joan McGee. If you would like to join us, we would love to have you.

Welcome to our Newest Members!

The Membership Committee and the BOD are happy to introduce you to the following New Members:

DAVID AND ERICA WEHR

SAN FRANCISCO/TAHOE DONNER

David and Erica and their new baby boy live in downtown San Francisco where they have lived for 4-5 years after spending time in Sweden, Chicago and Atlanta. They purchased a home in Tahoe Donner about 18 months ago and spent quite a bit of time up here: holidays, several weeks over the summer, along with frequent 4-day weekends. David grew up in Annapolis, Maryland where his parents were members of the Annapolis Yacht Club and he is hopeful that he will be able to be involved with TYC sailing. In researching Tahoe/Truckee they came across TYC and are very interested in meeting more people in the area. They are active skiers trying Sugar Bowl, Northstar, Tahoe Donner and Squaw and also enjoy snowshoeing and hiking.

Sponsor: Membership Regular Membership



DAVID AND JANICE LEMAK

RENO/CARNELIAN BAY

David and Janice hail from Michigan where they were members of the Leland Yacht Club and Leland Country Club. They currently reside in Reno with both of them practicing in the medical field. For decades, David's family has had a home in Kings Beach and they have

spent much of their time there and even got married on the beach at Incline. Last September, they bought their own place in Carnelian Bay which they are in the process of fixing up. When at the lake, they spend time skiing, hiking, paddleboarding, and kayaking and they would love to get back into sailing.

Sponsor: Membership Regular Membership



KRISTA SARTI AND ERIK CROWDER

SACRAMENTO/CARNELIAN BAY

Krista grew up coming to her grandparent's cabin in the Rubicon and later the Tahoe Keys but she has always had a fondness for the West Shore! For several years, she and Erik have had a ski lease and used it often. Just a few months ago, they decided to move to the mountains

full time and after looking at 50 plus homes, they landed in Carnelian Bay. They have volunteered at the Concours for several years and look forward to continuing to do so. On summer afternoons, you are likely to find them anchored off Sugar Pine Point.

Sponsor: Galvez Regular Membership

A Special Welcome Back to our TYC Old Friends:

Mark Dressler

Jeff and Catherine Thornton

Dave Bardelli

**LAUREN KLEMP
CARNELIAN BAY**

Lauren has recently moved from Nob Hill in San Francisco to work remotely from Carnelian Bay. Lauren spends a lot of time hiking near Carnelian Bay, skiing in the winter and is already an accomplished paddle boarder. Several of her friends are currently members or are applying at the same time, and she is looking forward to connecting socially in her new community.

Sponsor: Galvez Young Adult Membership



**JAMES SHANNON
CARNELIAN BAY**

James is currently an engineer for Google, who like many others during the Pandemic, has made the decision to live and work full time from Tahoe. He has some interest in sailing and powerboating and has been a long time passholder at Homewood

Mountain Resort. With his computer skills, he was able to get the Pioneer Cocktail Club up and running with an online grocery business that many members have used and has also joined the TYC IT Committee. He is interested in making social connections at TYC.

Sponsor: Galvez Regular Membership

**SCOTT AND REBECCA STAFFORD
LAFAYETTE/ OLYMPIC VALLEY**

Scott and Rebecca hail from Lafayette with a second home in Squaw Valley. They are raising their two girls aged 12 and 13 who ski on the Squaw Valley Ski Team. Until recently, they were members of the Orinda Country Club in Orinda. With COVID, they are planning on spending a lot more time at Tahoe and would like to connect with the local community. They are interested in paddleboarding, kayaking and potentially purchasing a boat. They are fans of the Concours and when it returns, will be interested in volunteering.

Sponsor: Membership Regular Membership



**TJERK DERUITER
AND CAROLINA ROMAN
LAKE FOREST**

Tjerk and Carolina have recently moved fulltime to Lake Tahoe having lived in multiple places around the world such as Connecticut, England, Amsterdam, New York, and San Francisco. Tjerk worked in biotech

and Carolina has been very involved with the Olympics (Los Angeles Olympic Committee and also in Amsterdam). They bought their home in Lake Forest five years ago but are now retired here. They have two classic boats: a Dragon and a Woody Runabout which took them to the Concours where they learned about TYC. They look forward to our activities both in and off the water and on the slopes.

Sponsor: Membership Regular Membership

**JAMES AND HEIDI WILCOX
TAHOE PINES**

Jim has owned his cabin in Tahoe Pines since 1993. Working as a Merchant Marine, while on land, he has always preferred being at the lake though he has lived in the Bay Area and Oregon over the years. In college, Jim sailed and later has been a member of the San Francisco Yacht Club and a yacht club in Portland. His new wife, Heidi, much enjoys social activities and the Yacht Club should provide a great source of social activities and new friends. She has already joined our new Events Committee!

Sponsor: Church Regular Membership



**ALEXIS TOSTI AND JAMES
BROOMAN
SAN FRANCISCO/CARNELIAN
BAY**

Alexis grew up on the East Coast before heading to Stanford and currently has a home on Old County Road. Having spent some years in New York and Chicago for graduate

school, she landed back in San Francisco. James grew up in the UK and has his own start-up business. Alexis has had a year round "ski lease" and has been learning to ski at Homewood and Squaw/Alpine. They were up here when the COVID pandemic hit and really haven't left. They are active hiking, paddleboarding and look forward to skiing with the Penguins and are considering purchasing a boat. She was introduced to TYC by other new members and is excited about making social connections at Tahoe.

Sponsor: Klemp Regular Membership



**DAVE HILDEBRANDT
AND JAYNE WILLIAMS
REDWOOD CITY/SOUTH LAKE
TAHOE**

Dave and Jayne live in Redwood City with a second home in Tahoe Keys. An avid wooden boat owner, Dave has attended the Concours and

Mahogany Magic and "competed" in this year's virtual Wood Boat show with his Hacker Craft "Sapphire". He additionally owns a Tiara which is ported at the South Beach Yacht Club. After spending 32 years in tech, Dave currently spends much of his time volunteering for Meals on Wheels. In addition to boating, he is an avid hiker, biker and concert-goer. They are excited to meet and spend time with like-minded people at Lake Tahoe.

Sponsor: Krivan Regular Membership

**BLAKE SMITH
RENO/HOMEWOOD**

Blake grew up in Reno spending his summer months at Lake Tahoe. He has had homes in Tahoe for fifty years. His current home is in the Hurricane Bay area and he keeps his boat at Sunnyside. Blake has enjoyed participating in our Over the Bottom events and will continue to do so. His son, Blake Jr, is a member of the St. Francis Yacht Club. In addition to boating, Blake enjoys skiing, biking, golf and will be an active participant in our social events.

Sponsor: Kanwetz Regular Membership



ALAN AND SUE ROSENBERG DANVILLE/TAHOE CITY

Alan and Sue live in Danville but have had a condominium in Tahoe City/Lake Tahoe for many years. They are friends with several current members of the club and are excited to get to know more of our members. They are active boaters, skiers, hikers

and more and will find many with like interests within the club. Perhaps you have seen their Cobalt “R” Pleasure around the lake?

Sponsors: Edwards Regular Membership

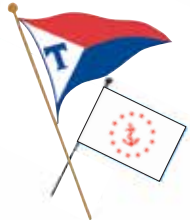


ALICE AND JOHN WILSON HILLSBOROUGH/DOLLAR POINT

Alice and John have raised their family in Hillsborough but spent most summers at their family home in Dollar Point such that it is an integral part of their lives. They are 6th generation Californian. Having recently

become empty nesters, their plan is to spend a lot more time at the lake. They are active golfers, tennis (Alice), bikers, kayakers, skiers and hikers and are excited about making more connections at Lake Tahoe. They are power boaters and quite interested in participating in our OTBs. They have been members of the Burlingame Country Club for many years.

Sponsor: Woodward Regular Membership



Report from the Rear Commodore

It is a privilege serving as your Rear Commodore this year. I want to thank the staff, Board of Directors, volunteers and members for making the most of this past year in the face of the challenges that the COVID-19 Pandemic produced. Let's all hope for a wonderful year ahead.

We just came off Placer County's watch list, which enabled us to re-open the club with some restrictions. The Board approved extending our hours through October; Wednesday through Sunday, 12pm - 8pm. Maximum occupancy is set at 30 people—members may bring up to two (2) guests with them (children count as guests) and food from Moe's BBQ must be ordered while visiting the club.

TYC's new security cameras have been installed and we are currently working on a policy to review footage when deemed necessary. We are also working on an Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for the club; including direction for employees and members as well as protection for important historical documents. Recent devastating fires, community unrest and other potential emergencies have necessitated such a plan.

Our staff is an integral part of making TYC work, starting with our General Manager Andrew Casci, who redefines multi-tasking in keeping

the club running smoothly. Erika Leone, who previously was our resident Club Manager, is now our Communications and Media Manager, operating remotely from her home in New Orleans while keeping our website, Facebook pages, member communications and on-line club calendar current and engaging. Cynthia Lewis is not only our creative lead bartender, presenting signature cocktails for our events, but serves as our Bar and Inventory Manager. She is responsible for managing bar inventory and in conjunction with member Teresa Prescott, does inventory for our retail operations. Rounding out our in-club staff, we have our stalwart bartenders Geno Gastelum, James Lichtenstein and Alicia Gallagher. Further, as the club is able to move to a more active social event schedule, we will be restarting the search for an Events Manager, an effort that was delayed as the COVID-19 restrictions took hold.

As we enter the shoulder season and navigate these challenging waters, be sure to visit the club to see old members and meet new members alike.



*Sol Gold,
Rear Commodore/Treasurer*

Treasurer Report

First, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Pam Holman, our Accountant and Andrew Casci, our General Manager. They make my job easier and together we form a great team.

Obviously, it has been a tough year due to the COVID-19 Pandemic with its restrictions on our club. However, we are very fortunate to collect the lion's share of our revenue from annual club dues during the month of January. Rest assured, we are well positioned to weather this storm through years of good fiscal management and have close to \$600,000 in cash assets spread out over low-risk money market and CD accounts.

As we project out through the month of December, we anticipate our budgeted revenue will be down by approximately \$60,000. However, we also project our budgeted expenses will be down by nearly the same amount.

There are some high points to mention — \$175,000 was diverted from low-yield money market accounts and invested in four (4) higher-yielding CD's laddered from 2 months to 10 months. We have also exercised strong

budget management in the face of club closures and restrictions, including numerous meetings with the principals.

To say this year has been challenging is an understatement and we want to show appreciation for your continued and unwavering support. Part of our recent budget projection meetings was to explore the possibility of giving our membership a “thank you” for enduring our club closures and restrictions due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. As a result, I am pleased to inform you that the Board has voted to give something back to the membership. For those memberships that have yet to meet their annual minimum spend, we will only require that the 50% threshold be met. For those memberships that have already met or exceeded the annual minimum spend this year, the minimum spend threshold will be reduced by 50% for 2021.

Again, we want to thank you again for your continued support and eagerly look forward to the upcoming year. Finally, please remember to notify the club anytime the credit card information we have for your account on file changes.

Sol Gold, Rear Commodore/Treasurer



News from the Vice Commodore



John Sakrison,
Vice Commodore

Summer is gone and what a summer it was; I think we would all love to forget 2020. The one beauty of this year is we all found ways to participate in the club in new ways. Whether it was tossing a bag of corn through a hole, or enjoying virtual drinks at home, we found our way.

I would love to thank our previous First Friday hosts, those that could participate and those that were denied. That said, I would encourage members to sign up for the few remaining First Fridays left, keeping these tips in mind:

1. Don't serve roast turkey and pumpkin pie the FF of December.
2. Take the subway wrappers off in your car.
3. A whole side of cow or six bone-in prime ribs will do (if you can't decide).
4. If prepared properly, creamed spinach is not a vegetable.
5. Don't pick a Tuesday.

Besides First Fridays, we have a full calendar coming up with a lot planned for both in the club and outside. I would like to thank Lynn Fetter and the Hospitality Committee ahead of time for what should help make us forget 2020. The beginning of this fall and winter could start off as tricky as the past six months, but I know that when the green flag is flown we will all come out racing!

I would like to reach out and ask for volunteers to assist with upcoming events by finding a dinner, a party or something that catches your fancy and jump in... it's twice the fun! We are also looking for volunteers for several other TYC committees. Please contact Lynn Fetter, Andrew or myself for what interests you.

When all is safe, I personally can't wait to full throttle it and wake the past (sailors Google 'throttle'). I know for myself, being back in the club enjoying both old and new members will be something special, and will not be taken for granted for a long time. In the words of Bill Murry "It's time to party - Yacht Club style!" 🚢

John Sakrison, Vice Commodore



Update from the Port Captain

Although our summer was different from other summers, our boats had a busy schedule with summer sailing in full swing, and the Over-the-Bottom program shortened but well-attended.

Now as we head into Fall and Winter, the winterization and storage of our fleet begins. The Bayliner (Committee Boat) is scheduled to be winterized on September 23, and the Cobia (launch) on September 24, at A&M Marine.

The kayaks (three single-seats, one double-seat) are scheduled for transport to Beckwourth on September 29th, as are the two rigid stand-up paddle boards, the three Lasers, the two Sunfish, and the one Pico sailboat.

Great News! We have two new inflatable stand-up paddle boards which will remain at the Club. They are portable and come with their own backpacks for easy transport. Fall has some of our loveliest weather, so you may wish to use one of these boards on the Lake or at some other alpine lake. Just call the Club to reserve and pick up.



Reminder: The California Boater Card is required by 2025 for all age groups. We hope to have a group course at the TYC this Fall/Winter but you can find more information at www.californiaboatercard.com.

Thank you, John, and Andrew, for transporting this fleet to Beckwourth, which requires a great deal of coordination and hard work.. 🚢



Lynn Mullen,
Port Captain

Lynn Mullen, Port Captain



Summer Wrap Up!

BY ERIKA LEONE

It is safe to say that this summer was unlike any other at the Tahoe Yacht Club. As COVID-19 continued to rear its ugly head across the state of California, here at the club, we had to make adjustments to every aspect of our social experiences. A normal summer day at TYC would consist of many groups of friends and family waltzing in and out of the clubhouse, stopping by the bar to say hi to Cynthia or Geno and to grab a signature drink, and maybe some relaxation on the observation deck overlooking Lake Tahoe. This summer was quite the opposite, yet we were able to make the best of it!

Members were able to attend events at the wonderful outdoor venue of the Mountain Metro Church in Tahoe City. There we had barbecues, cornhole tournaments, and the blessing of our fleet! Other members took initiatives to lead outdoor physical activities, like golfing, hiking, biking, and paddle-boarding. Although we couldn't utilize our clubhouse space, we were still able to have a fun-filled, memorable summer. As the months continue on and we navigate our new normal, we look forward to seeing what we accomplish as a club and a community.

VIRTUAL EVENTS

FRIDAY COCKTAIL PARTIES

At the start of summer, we weren't completely prepared to begin utilizing the clubhouse again, so with the help of some of our board members and technology, we were able to host virtual First Friday cocktail parties. Bill & Terry Krivan graciously hosted our virtual get togethers, where we got to chat, catch up, and watch our bartender Cynthia demonstrate how to make some delicious cocktails in the comforts of our own homes. We had a blast getting to see everyone from a safe social distance!

BINGO

Virtual Bingo was one of the highest-attended online events we had! We had over 50 members join in to play to win bingo and win amazing prizes during our multiple rounds. Our inexperienced but enthusiastic host Erika guided everything through getting bingo by forming a 'T', a 'Y', or a 'C' on their bingo board (not easy to do!), which made the game last pretty long! On the first night of bingo, members played 6 rounds and some won merchandise, free drinks, bottles of wine, and other fun TYC items. When we progressed to the next bingo event, the stakes got larger, with the ultimate prize being bottles of wine donated by the Bagget's from their winery, Alpha Omega. Some winners included:

Nancy Barton • Shannon Madison • Michelle Jezycki

Robin Baggett • Stacy Conner • Joe Horn

Jim Mullen • Fred Greifenstein • John Coronna

And a few more! We look forward to hosting an event like this in the future!

moments from the Social Scene



The Croshaws enjoy the Summer Kick Off.



The Thorntons and Linda Schwoob

SUMMER KICK OFF - BLESSING OF THE FLEET

The summer kick-off party at Mountain Metro Church was one of the first of the the COVID-era gatherings TYC was able to have. The event sold out within a day because of the excitement of members getting to see their friends again. All enjoyed a lovely outdoor event, with Pastor Ed officiating for our start-of-summer traditional Blessing of the Fleet, in anticipation of a safe, successful, fun-filled summer of boating. Pastor Ed led everyone in a blessing for a safe, successful, joy-filled summer. The bell was rung for those TYC members we lost this last year and we presented TYC burgees to our newest members. Everyone enjoyed delicious fare provided by Deb and Paul Selak, long-time TYC members and caterers, who delighted the guests with their great appetizers. Dan Copeland played music in the background as well. We all enjoyed an excellent evening out, while still safely social-distancing.



The Liegingers, Nancy Cunningham, and Wes Schimmelpfennig



Pat Landgraf and Andree Benson



The Mullens



Randall Thomas and Daryl Garcia



The Kanwets



The Pierces

4TH OF JULY

To celebrate Independence Day this year, members and their families gathered at the Mountain Metro Church in Tahoe City to enjoy a safe, socially distant barbeque. Over 50 attendees gathered to enjoy the warm summer breeze and listen to the lovely music of Dan Copeland. Members enjoyed food catered by Mountain Magic Catering and had spectacular drink specials prepared by Cynthia. One of her features was a Watermelon Basil Spritzer. All of our members did a fine job with adhering to our protocol regarding the wearing of masks when moving about, even adapting to the idea of briefly lowering the mask for a quick sip of their cocktail, then replacing it.



Bruce Gray and Tania Modic



Pat Butler and Bill Means



The Bensleys



The Masons share a COVID-friendly kiss!



The Fettes

moments from the Social Scene

OTB KICKOFF

Participants of the Over-The-Bottom powerboat races gathered together at Mountain Metro Church to learn about the new rules, regulations, and safety measures they needed to know for the upcoming race season! After reviewing all the new information and signing all the necessary forms,

members and their crews got to dive into delicious homemade Jambalaya prepared by John & Carla Sakrison. The season was set up for success with the help and leadership of Michael Simmons, Greg Barraclough, John Sakrison, and Andrew Casci.



John Sakrison and Greg Barraclough go over the rules for the upcoming races



Freddie Lee's co-captains Darryl and Randall



Members gather for the OTB Kickoff gathering



Laura Weeks and David Shaw at the OTB kickoff!

RUMGATTA

Although we had to combine two of our amazing events, we think the turn out was double the fun! We had a great Rumgata & Commodore's Cruise Rendezvous. We have to give a big thank you to Jodi & Steve Nash for letting us use their yacht, "Paradise Found", as our host boat. With their aid, we were able to safely gather and enjoy the sights of the Edgewood Celebrity Golf Tournament in South Lake Tahoe. Another thank you goes out to the Cobia Crew for mixing & serving our delicious drinks. We were beyond lucky to have great weather, great friends, and a wonderful day!



Ross Arno at the Rumgatta



Our view from the lake!



Steve and Jodi Nash



Our members link up to enjoy the celebrity golf tournament



The Briners at the Rumgatta



Finished products by some of the participants

Members got to spend a wonderful afternoon exploring their inner artist at a Paint-N-Sip led by Carmel DeWies in her beautiful wooded Tahoma backyard. Carmel guided us through a step-by-step painting of a spring scene of Meeks Bay looking out to the snow-capped mountains of the South Shore. All the participants created beautiful versions of the image, utilizing the techniques Carmel demonstrated. It was a super fun experience that felt safe and productive!

PAINT 'N SIP UNDER THE PINES



Members get a painting lesson from Carmel Dewies

SALUTE TO SUMMER

As the summer has come to a close, we gathered together at the Mountain Metro Church in Tahoe City to bid farewell to an interesting few months. At the start of COVID, we were uncertain what our summer would look like and had no true idea of how we would adapt to the situations ahead. What unfolded ended up being a wonderful summer, filled with fun and the opportunities to get together safely to enjoy what events we could. The Salute to Summer party was a culmination of all that and more! We got to enjoy great food catered by Melanie Jackson that featured marinated prawns, grilled sliced flank steak with chimichurri sauce, Caesar salad, Orzo salad, Waldorf salad, and brownies! Dan Copeland played music in the background. It was a great way to spend one of the last warm days of the season together! 📌



The Hammonds



The Flanders and the Barkers



Ward and Heidi Sproat



The Fettes



Kent Lieginger and Bruce Ells



The Shinns



The Fortes

ON THE SHORE



Hoofers Hiking Group Making Tracks!

New this year to TYC is the hiking group affectionately called the “Hoofers”. We’ve hiked along the upper Blackwood Creek, smelled the flowers at Meiss Meadows, learned the Train Tunnel history, explored the geology of Tahoe along Ophir Creek in the Meadows, and toured both Independence Lake and Carpenter Valley. Our hikes generally range from three to eight miles of trekking, which provides a range of experience for newcomers as well as seasoned hikers. Living in and around the Tahoe Basin has provided us with a plethora of wonderful views, terrains, and experiences.

We look forward to continuing on through the winter with snowshoe hikes all over the Tahoe basin. You do not need any experience to come out on our excursions, and we hope you will give it a try as the seasons change. Join us! And...many thanks to Nancy Taylor for organizing our hikes this season! 🍷



Our guide showing us through the Truckee Tunnels



Frances Pierce giving an informative lecture on the local geography of Lake Tahoe

TYC Eagles Golf Group



The TYC Eagles were flying again this summer, with six outings involving typically ten golfers. We played three outings at Old Brockway GC, one at Ponderosa GC, one at Northstar GC, and finished the season with an outing at lovely Old Greenwood GC, the Jack Nickolas Signature course in Truckee. The rounds were low-key, very enjoyable and we were treated to excellent weather, except for our day at smoky North Star. For those who are golfers, plan to come play with the Eagles in 2021.

"Bagz" Tournament

Over 50 TYC bean-bag tossers found themselves at Mountain Metro Church on August 7th, throwing custom TYC bean-bags toward a hole in a board over 23 feet away.

The tournament was organized with five flights of five teams per flight, allowing players to maintain safe distance while competing. Each initial round was played with traditional scoring (first to 21) limited to ten minutes per round, after which pairs changed for the next round, till all five teams had played one another. Teams secured spots in the "playoffs" by either winning their flight or being one of the three wild card entries due to their total scores during the initial round.

After a quick and delicious dinner catered by Mountain Magic Catering, the Finals began; this time, with "cancellation" scoring (each round was....a score of 21). The tension was palpable and it was exhilarating to watch as the awarding of the TYC Cornhole Trophy was at stake. Our members surrounded the finals round cheering them on. Everyone exhibited a different style of throwing, using a little leg or a twist of the wrist but it was all in good fun. At the end, the trophy was awarded to Matt and Bobby Taylor. Way to go, Team!" 📌



The Winners Matt and Bobby Taylor



Jamie Arno does it with one arm!



Heidi Bensley



A great toss for Woody Woodward



ON THE SHORE

The TYC Paddlers

BY MARGOT WOODWARD



TYC PADDLERS had some gorgeous meetups during the summer of 2020. Our first paddle began in gentle Hurricane Bay on a near perfect July 21st morning with 23 kayakers and paddleboarders heading north towards Sunnyside. The water was flat and the air was warm, without a breath of wind. Paddlers chatted and even introduced themselves

as they went, some sat on their boards and others scooted ahead. One of the spectacular events was watching Scott and Debi Fitzgerald paddle in their incredible homecrafted kayaks. They are works of art!

Luck was with the Paddlers again as 15 of us met at Speedboat Beach in Brockway at 8 am on August 10th. This beach is notorious for being crowded but we all were able to find parking, help each other to carry equipment to the beach and get an early start. Once again, the weather was near-perfect and there is a reason they call it Crystal Bay. The water was crystal clear. Frances Pierce taught us about the rock formations easily viewed below the surface off Brockway before we headed around the peninsula past Cal Neva and into Crystal Bay. As we rounded the point, there was a gorgeous eagle watching over us, sporadically spreading its expansive wings. The locals said they couldn't have imagined a better day to paddle as they pointed out Howard Hughes' estate, Maui Jim's home currently for sale and other incredible estates, old and new, along the shore. It is easy to see them from a boat, but paddling? It was a day to remember—pure magic! The Paddlers are looking forward to their next journey down the East Shore from Sand Harbor State Park to the Thunderbird Lodge for a picnic. 🚣



TYC Spokes Biking Group

BY BILL & TERRY KRIVAN

In Summer 2020, TYC tried a new interest group for those who enjoy cycling. What a nice summer we had, with a total of seven rides scheduled, one of which was cancelled due to poor air quality. We typically had 10-15 riders participating, a few of whom were hard-core conventional bike riders. But as the summer wore on, e-bikes became the rides of choice for most of the group. Our typical itinerary was a nice brisk ride to a scenic place for our individual picnic lunches then retrace our path, for rides of around 12 to 17 miles. We rode from the TYC parking lot to Sugar Pine Point State Park, to Squaw Valley, to Chambers Landing and to a lunch spot four miles up Barker Pass Rd. We rode from Incline Village to Sand Harbor using the incredible East Shore Trail and finished the season with a ride along bike paths in South Lake Tahoe. Our thanks to all who chose to join in the rides. What a great way to meet new members and make new friends, while enjoying the fabulous Lake Tahoe environment. Join us next summer!



Penguin Ski Group Update



FROM HEAD PENGUIN AMY FORTE

With the winter months quickly approaching, we are all ready to get some skiing done! Unfortunately, due to COVID19, many unknowns are still surrounding the ski season ahead. We chatted with a few of the ski areas and these are the current rules in place, which are always subject to change. We hope that we can have a fun, safe, and successful Penguin season!

SQUAW VALLEY & ALPINE MEADOWS

1. The icon pass is available for purchase and will be given priority for reservations to ski.
2. If you do not use your icon pass this season you can defer it to next year (2021 to 22) anytime between September 10, 2020 till April 11, 2021.
3. There will be no "day of" ticket sales.
4. There will be advanced day ticket sales online but very limited numbers will be sold.
5. Alpine Meadows and Squaw Valley (or whatever the new name will be) is scheduled to open on 25 November at this time.
6. Skiers will have to make advance reservations for the day they want to ski. I could call in advance and make a reservation for the Penguins but I would need an RSVP before so I can tell them how many people will be in our group.
7. At this point the policy for the Funitel is for family members only in each car. The tram is planning to run and have limited numbers in each car.



8. Squaw 1 chair will be running which takes you up to the top of the mountain.

9. Alpine Meadows will have the same policy on ticket sales.

10. At this point they do not know how the chairlift or the chairlift lines will be handled.

DIAMOND PEAK

1. Diamond Peak is planning to open on December 10.
2. They are encouraging pre-order of ticket sales but not eliminating "day of" ticket sales.
3. Numbers on the mountain will be limited by parking - so basically the earlier you get to the mountain the better chance you have of being able to ski that day.
4. They are following all the protocols of the COVID mandates but have nothing more specific at this time.
5. If you subscribe to their email alerts you will get more information when they have more information. [📧](#)

Hospitality Committee News

The club plans an interesting and varied program of social events over the program year. These include such events as a Halloween Party, an Easter Brunch, a Christmas Party with a visit from Santa, a Crab Feed, and an Italian Dinner. The Hospitality Committee, headed by HC Chair Lynn Fetter, is responsible for organizing small teams to plan and execute these events, working with TYC staff and some cases with members who have already volunteered to take the lead in an event. As with our plans for First Friday events, state and local guidance will determine at what point we will again be able to hold these events in the club. However, we want to organize such that when guidance permits, we are ready to move forward with events, either in the club or in some other venue, as we did during the summer of 2020.



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ON THE WATER

Under Sail

BY DAN HAUSERMAN

WE DID IT! A seemingly normal summer of sailing is in the books.

TRANS TAHOE

I believe this was the 57th Trans Tahoe. Wow! One of the things we got right this year was moving the Trans Tahoe date from June to mid July. The winds in June have proven to be highly unpredictable and gave us fits for a few years. Mid July produced nice steady breeze this year and we even got to try out a new course from Tahoe City to Eagle Rock to Kings Beach to a UC Davis research buoy to finish at Tahoe City. Very fun.

The Regatta featured multiple PHRF divisions starting Friday, July 10th with afternoon buoy races followed by the long distance race on Saturday, July 11th. Due to COVID concerns there was not any after racing party this year but rather a low key awards ceremony in conjunction with the Wednesday night Spring series to give out awards for both.

The Trans Tahoe has been one of the club's main events since 1963 and has hosted skippers and their yachts from as far away as San Diego and Seattle, Washington. Here are the results:

DIVISION ONE: First was Dick Ferris and "August Ice" with a combined total of 7 points for 2 days and 5 races. Second place was Richard Courcier and "Wicked Sister" with 11 points.

DIVISION TWO: First was Dan Hauserman and "Personal Puff" with 8 total points for the 2 days. Second Place went to Krak Arnston and "Nikita" with 17 points and Third Place went to Brian Mullen and "Orange You Glad" with 22 points.

DIVISION THREE: First was Rick Raduziner and "Lickety Split" with 14 total points. Second Place went to Jason Roach and "Poopsie" with 15 points and Third Place went to John Morrison and "Fired Up" with 16 Points. Wow! Talk about close racing. Only 2 points separated first through 3rd places.

SUMMER BEER CAN SAILING SERIES

The club's Summer Beer Can Series concluded on September 2nd. Conditions could not have been much better this year with steady afternoon breeze. There was a little smoke in the late going but that didn't stop any of us from grinning and bearing it. Here are the results for the Summer Series:

DIVISION ONE: Dick Ferris and "August Ice" narrowly edged out the competition with a 1 point victory total of 20 points. Richard Courcier and "Wicked Sister" crew were second place by 1 with a total of 21 and Gary Redelberger and the "Racer X" crew who were third with 22 points. Super close. Nice job everyone.

DIVISION TWO: Dan Hauserman and the "Personal Puff" crew, captured first with 22 points. Bryce Griffith and his "Arch Angel" crew were second with 32 points and third place belonged to Krak Arnston and the "Nikita" crew with 34.5 points.

DIVISION THREE: John Siegel and the "Moorigami" crew captured the win by winning a tie breaker with 26.5 points. Also with 26.5 points but losing the tie-breaker taking Second Place was Ben Tallarigo and crew of "Sunshine Express". Rick Raduziner and the "Lickety Split" crew were Third Place with 36 points.

GARWOODS REGATTA

We also held the annual Garwoods Regatta, a roughly 11 mile course that starts and finishes in front of Garwoods. This years' event was slightly shortened due a delayed start. In any case, Congratulations to the winners. First Place was John Siegel and "Moorigami", Second was Gary Redelberger and "Racer X" and Third Place went to Jason Roach and "Poopsie"

It was a fantastic summer with good conditions nearly every night. For full results visit TahoeYC.com.

FALL SAILING SERIES

New this year was a two-night fall series, taking place on mid-September Wednesdays. This series gave sailors the option of a full-crew Division or a short-handed Division, with no more than a two-person crew. The series just concluded as of this writing. Winning the Full Crew Division was Dan Hauserman and "Personal Puff". Second was Richard Courcier and "Wicked Sister" and Third was Nick Pullen and "Aero". In the Short Handed Division, it was John Morrison and "Fired Up" taking top honors. Second was John Siegel and "Moorigami" and Third was Rick Raduziner and "Lickety Split".

Congratulations to all the sailors. It was truly another great year! Also, a huge thanks needs to go out to all those that help put racing together. Thank you volunteers and especially: Fred Griffenstein for being the race officer for most of the Wednesday races; Mike Simmons for filling in all over the place on Mondays, Wednesdays and the Garwoods Regatta; Rick Raduziner for the Laser Fleet; Gary and Lynn Redelberger for the Beer Can series; John Siegel again for all the great work on notice of race and sailing instructions and successfully recruiting numerous volunteers from out of town to help run races. Also, thanks to Andrew Casci for always filling in and making things happen and to the entire sail committee (Dan Hauserman, Bryce Griffith, Stacy Conner, John Siegel, Gary Redelberger, Rick Raduziner, Jim Mullen and John Utter). ⚓



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ON THE WATER

Over-the-Bottom Another Series in the Bag!

BY MIKE SIMMONS



Greg times the races for OTB.

Back in a time, long ago—somewhere in mid-winter 2020—would we even have thought that there might not have been an OTB 2020 Season Series? As Spring sprung and May flowers never seemed to really bloom, the idea of any on the water events was both far from our thoughts and seriously in-doubt. In past years, we have had wind, rain and fire, but never a pandemic to slow us down.

Somehow, we pull it off. We did it with class, with quality and with quantity. The 2020 OTB Series may go down in history as our most successful. Not only did we have 30 boats participating and 22 completing at least three events for series scoring, we had ten end the series with Top 3 scores under one minute – a record for any year.

Luciana, Randall and Daryl's new boat achieved a never before record of times off the mark from 1 second to a high of 5 seconds. This boat was on the water late this year; next year we will carefully inspect Luciana prior to the first race. John Sakrison has agreed to supervise a team that includes historic winners to assure that they have not installed secret technology. The full crew has agreed to voluntary testing for the use of steroids, Russian Covid-19 vaccines and any other performance improving supplements that could lead to a repeat of these low times. If nothing else, we will secretly plan to stash our old anchors on their boat to weight it down.



Mike Simmons did a phenomenal job organizing the OTB races this season!



Team Freddie Lee - The winners!



That's It at the Woody OTB



Wendy Poore and her crew enjoy the fruits of this season!.



Oh Danny Boy participates in the Woody OTB



Getting Race Ready!



The Birthday Bills - Yundt and Krivan!



Stacy Conner passes out instructions at the Woody OTB.



Shore Amore!



Greg hands directions to participants

TYC O.T.B. 2020 SERIES RESULTS

Owner	BOAT	OTB #1	OTB #2	OTB #3	OTB #4	OTB #5	Combined Time	Place
Randall Thomas & Darly Garcia	Luciana	0:01	0:02	0:03			0:06	1st
Wendy Poore & Tim Crowell	New Canoe		0:01	0:18	0:03		0:22	2nd
Diane Shore	Shore Amor	0:15		0:03		0:09	0:27	3rd
Ross & Jamie Arno	Olympic Lady	0:09			0:12	0:07	0:28	4th
John & Carla Sakrison	Miss Moneypenny	0:06		0:12	0:23		0:41	5th
Jeanne Eber	Formula 24' (Riser)		0:08	0:28	0:10		0:46	6th
Ray & Pat Landgraf	Blue Sky	0:10	0:16	0:22			0:48	7th
Dan Hauserman	Pretty Woman		0:15	0:02	0:31		0:48	8th
Bill Yundt	Color Of Money			0:15	0:04	0:31	0:50	9th
John Dunn	SeaRay 24	0:17	0:21	0:19			0:57	10th

We not only pulled off a great season, we held five fine races will properly social distancing and still having too much fun.

Thanks to Greg Barraclough for his challenging courses and unique trivia opportunities that entertained us on Lake Tahoe. The year 2020 will go down in history as the year of much-too-much. But when it comes to the Tahoe Yacht Club OTB participants, 2020 is declared the year of much-too-much fun. See you on the water again in 2021. 📍

ON THE WATER

Virtual Lake Tahoe Concours d'Elegance

The 2020 Virtual Lake Tahoe Concours d'Elegance was a huge success. The historic show exhibited 50 boats plus a special showcase of the legendary Thunderbird on its 80th anniversary. Thousands of people from all over the world logged on to experience the show, learn the history of the boats, and vote for their favorite.

All boat registrations and donations made during the show will go directly back into the Tahoe community and allows the Tahoe Yacht Club Foundation to realize its mission to preserve the environment and history of the Lake Tahoe Basin. And a special thank you to the show's presenting sponsor, Tahoe Luxury Properties.

The People's Choice Award Winner for the 2020 Virtual Lake Tahoe Concours d'Elegance is Nezzie, a 1948 F.S. Crate. It was a photo finish. Eleven boats all received more than a hundred votes apiece. In no particular order, the finalists are:

Bikini Bottom - 1955 Chris-Craft Capri
Thunderball - 1959 Riva Tritone
Knotty - 1937 Chris-Craft Runabout
Golden 21 - 2017 IMX Composites
Slumber - 1967 Lyman Cruisette
Valhalla - 1948 Chris-Craft Sedan Deluxe
Smitty - 1953 Fritz Tars
Mint Julep 2 - 1950 Chris-Craft Runabout
Eugene Marie - 1960 Home Built Utility
Sweet Pea - 1968 Rice Marine

ABOUT NEZZIE

Exhibitors: John & Michele Donley of Stratford, Connecticut

Make: 1948 F.S. Crate

Model: Custom Runabout

Length: 24'

Engine: Chris-Craft WB 6cyl - 200hp

Hull #: N/A

Concours Category: Post-War Runabouts

BOAT HISTORY FROM THE EXHIBITORS: The boat was named Robbie II after the original owner's grandson. She was custom built in 1947-48 for the family of Saul Farb, a prominent Toronto entrepreneur who created the city's first automated car wash business. The contracted builder was F.S. Crate & Sons of Lake Simcoe, located in Keswick, Ontario. Fred Crate started his boat building business in 1930, building small fishing craft and ultimately custom runabouts and cruisers. After a fire in the 1950's (that destroyed all boatbuilding records) the Crate family shifted their focus towards marinas and sales operations. To the Crate family's knowledge, this runabout is one of only three F.S. Crate vessels known to exist today.

In the summer of 2011, my wife and I were driving from Boulder to Denver, Colorado while traveling the country on our honeymoon road trip. Out of the corner of my eye, I spotted what looked like a 'wooden boat' sitting in cornfield. After claiming to my wife "this will only take a second", we pulled a u-turn and drove up the dirt road towards the boat. I pulled up



the cover at the transom and poked my head inside, completely surprised to find a large, unfamiliar triple cockpit runabout. The boat looked operational but clearly in need of a full restoration. After some research and conversations with her owners, we secured her purchase and transport back to New England.

After an extensive restoration, she is now lovingly named Nezzie. She floats on a new bottom but retains most of her original woodwork above the waterline. Her original power was reportedly a 6 cylinder Kermath but was replaced in the early 1950s with a Chris-Craft WB 200HP engine. She is decorated in plenty of chromed brass hardware, most of which is original. A very unique and striking design feature that sets her apart from virtually every other classic wooden boat is the overhanging aft deck and side plank-ing which extend beyond the flat transom. This truly rare and one-of-a-kind runabout now spends her summers cruising Lake Michigan. 📍

Volunteer for First Fridays

Traditionally, TYC has hosted early evening events at the club on the First Friday of every month. Members volunteer to host (on your own or team up with friends), providing hors d'oeuvres and simple decor to accompany the no-host bar. Staff provides guidance regarding typical attendance. The club provides reimbursement, up to \$300 during the winter months and \$500 during the summer months (June through September). First Friday events provide a wonderful opportunity for members, new and long-standing, to mingle with old friends and make new ones.

Although current guidance related to COVID-19 does not allow us to hold these events, we do want to plan for when we again can gather at the club, with appropriate constraints. Please help us fill out the host list, realizing that some of these events may be cancelled due to state and local guidance.

Annual Meeting Report

The TYC Annual Meeting was quite a challenge to the Board of Directors in 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic constraints. Since a large gathering in the clubhouse was not an option, we were forced to try something none of us had experienced before – running a virtual meeting, with presentation material, member interaction and member voting, using the Zoom platform. The end result was quite good – business moved along briskly, the presentations were clean and the interaction with members was good, both in terms of asking questions using the chat function, and in voting using the polling function. To help members prepare, all materials to be used during the meeting had been distributed electronically prior to the meeting. After a 30-minute check-in and orientation period to ensure all attendees were ready, Commodore Arno called the meeting to order at 10:30. The agenda was reviewed and approved, as were the minutes from the 2019 Annual Meeting.

Reports were provided by various members of the Board of Directors.

- **Commodore's Report** – Commodore Arno thanked the club staff for their support throughout the challenging year. He reviewed the activities conducted early in the year and then after COVID constraints were imposed, the many outdoor activities along with numerous of virtual events.

- **Vice Commodore's Report** – The club had started the year with typical mix of social, outdoor and water-related events, only to replan in mid-year, moving to a mix of virtual and outdoor activities, with minimal use of the clubhouse. The Concours d'Elegance and associated Mahogany Magic events were both cancelled, much to everyone's dismay.

- **Rear Commodore's Report** – Vice Commodore Krivan presented the report for John Sakrison, who was unable to attend the meeting. The year was productive including refinishing the club bar top, painting all of the overhead conduits and installing a new video security monitoring system. The security system will not go live until the Board approves a policy document. He thanked the TYC Staff Commodores for their contributions to the Staff Commodore Fund, which provides funding for selected club improvements, including this year the new Mr. Frosty drink mixing machine. This machine will come into much use once the club returns to social events in the clubhouse.

- **Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer Sol Gold presented the club's balance sheet as of July 31, 2020 (the last full month financials available) compared to the same data as of July 31, 2019. The club finances are quite healthy, despite the impact of the pandemic, with a net growth in equity from \$605K in 2019 to \$672K in 2020.

- **Membership Committee** – Chair Margot Woodward reported a very successful year, despite the impact of the pandemic on club operations, with 29 new members to date and four months left in the year.

- **Sailing Programs** – Director at Large Erica Mattson Siegel summarized the very active sailing program, with the Monday Night Laser series, the Wednesday Night Keel Boat series, the Trans Tahoe Regatta and the Garwood's Regatta. The season-ending Laser Fleet Championship is scheduled for mid-September at Stampede Lake, as in past years. Erica ended her presentation by thanking the many people that make all this racing happen – Principal Race Officers (PRO's), US Sailing Judges, markset and signal boat personnel. She summarized the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in the various racing series over the summer then ended with information about the Junior Race Team Youth Sailing program. These youth racers represent the future of sailing and deserve club support.

- **Port Captain Report** – Commodore Arno provided this report in the absence of John Sakrison. He summarized the TYC floating stock, highlighted the increasing need for boaters to secure the California Boater Card, then presented a summary of the OTB results for the year. Luciana placing 1st, with a net time off-mark over the entire series of only 6 seconds. He thanked Greg Barraclough and Mike Simmons for their efforts throughout the season.

- **Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association** – TYC Delegate Jerry Landers summarized the founding and purpose of both the PICYA and the PICYA advocacy arm, the Recreational Boats of California (RBOC). He also highlighted TYC being recognized as a Three Star club, in the top 6% of the 100+ clubs in the PICYA, along with noting that our Block & Tackle publication received the Wilder Award as the best yacht club newsletter in 2019. Congratulations to Shannon Madison and her team.

- **Trophies and Recognition** – Commodore Arno announced the Red Buoy Award, this year to Mike Simmons for his guidance regarding club insurance needs, for his work on planning and execution of the OTB program, his work as PRO for our Laser race program and for working as one of our markset boaters.

- **Thank You to the Staff Commodores** – Commodore Arno thanked the Staff Commodores who have contributed to the Staff Commodore Fund, each year from which the club funds selected improvement projects. He asked the Staff Commodores to maintain that support in the coming year, in light of the continuing COVID-19 challenges.

- **Penguins** – The Penguins had an active early season, with six ski outings averaging 15-20 skiers, a snowshoe outing and a group of ten, led by Penguin Pat Lucas, spending a week skiing in Zurs Austria. Then COVID effectively ended the season. Due to this truncation, the decision was made to not recognize a Penguin of the Year for 2020.

- **Unfinished Business** – There was no unfinished business for this meeting.

- **New Business** – Sr. Staff Commodore Ray Landgraf, representing the full Nominating Committee (Rick Raduziner, Donna Block, Robert Farac, Heidi Bensley) presented the list of candidates for the 2020/2021 Board of Directors. The slate as presented was approved by acclamation.

- **Closing Comments** – After again thanking the outgoing Board, the staff and the many volunteers who make the club work, Commodore Krivan expressed the expectation that near-term relaxation of Placer County guidelines may again allow in-club operation on a limited basis. Jamie Arno was asked to the front to receive personal thanks and a bottle of champagne from Terry Krivan. Then Ross was asked to the front for final thanks for his dedicated work during the past year and to receive a bottle of "fine Sicilian lemon soda" (Ross is not a champagne man), along with by a shadow box containing a TYC burgee, a Commodore's flag and a graphic featuring the International signal flag hoist "BZ" (Bravo Zulu), a widely-used hoist meaning "Well Done", in recognition of his accomplishments during a very challenging year.

- **Adjournment** – The meeting was then adjourned. 📌



The Krivans in front of our social calendar!

HISTORY

Tahoe City Marina (current site of the TYC)

BY JIM PHELAN

We will start our story in the late 1800's when Tahoe was a relative unknown to the general public. Back then most commerce in areas where there were deep waterways, were conducted by boat and or barge.

Much of the forest surrounding the lake was logged for use in and around the mines in Nevada between 1858 and 1890. Tahoe City was founded in 1864 and soon became a resort community and recreational destination, primarily for miners from Virginia City. It was the beginning of Lake Tahoe development which continues apace today.

A vessel named the "Iron Duke" hauled hay and other commodities from Tahoe City to Glenbrook for maintaining the mines in Virginia City. It was stated that Tahoe City was a major source of Timothy Hay to the mules that worked the mines and mule trains.

The Meteor launched in 1878 and the SS Tahoe launched in 1896 were both passenger carrying vessels which called the Commons Harbor, (current site of the Tahoe City Marina), home port.

July 4th 1901, the Lake Tahoe Railroad and Transportation Company was dedicated which started the world renown tourism trade in the Tahoe City area. The TCM site was the end of the line for the LTR&T rail system and the railroad continued to be a major part of the cross lake commerce. Some famous vessels such as the Steamer Nevada and George Whittel's Thunderbird, were launched and hauled out on the ways located at the TCM site, today a portion of the ways can still be observed from the marina entrance channel.

Tahoe Boat Company had its beginnings about 1930 when Norman Mayfield purchased part of the property from Southern Pacific which had acquired the property from the Bliss family.

Mayfield saw the need to build a protective structure, so between 1932 and 1935 he built a 300' structure out into the lake and another 300' arm that was roughly perpendicular and slightly curved. As pile driving at the time was not a feasible activity, rock cribs were built, then launched and sunk in place with rock much of which had been brought over from the East shore. Similar crib construction can be observed at the current marina behind the sheet pile wall that was driven in 1997. During this time the Tahoe Boat Company became a Chris Craft dealer and also launched a few new Hacker Craft.

In 1942 Fred Main joined Mayfield as a working partner, Fred had been the chief mechanic for Jake Obexer on the west shore. Early Chris Crafts were delivered by rail to Tahoe Boat where they were commissioned by Fred.

During the next few years the property was combined with the Standard Oil property and the rest of the property to the creek. A house was built for Fred on the north side of the creek. A rock wall near the waters edge is all that remains of that structure and is now an observation stop on the current Lakeside trail.



In 1947 Tahoe Boat hired Dick Clark and Joe Frey to help out with boat maintenance and refinishing work which was substantial winter work at the time. Fred Main announced his retirement in the late 1960s therefore patrons of the marina/boatyard, Dick Walker and Albie Miller purchased the entire 6.8 acres and operated it until Miller's death in the early 1970's.

In 1973 Moana revealed plans to tear everything down and build a 70 unit condo development. This attempt was faced with strong public opposition and the project ended up with a split where Moana kept the northern half of the property and John Kearns acquired the southern portion. Unfortunately (for some) the machine shop was torn down along with the attached storage building (Building 2) to create what is now the Boatworks Mall.

From 1975 to 1977 both properties were developed with Moana creating the Boatworks mall that you see today with only 2 of it's original tenants one of which is Jakes on the Lake. Mr. Kearns who had also retained the harbor portion of the marina redeveloped the old railroad buildings into the Roundhouse Mall, though there was never a roundhouse located on the property. Much of the original structures were retained. Also during this time the harbor was converted from fixed slips(which many had structures for canvas covered slips) to a redesigned floating slip marina. This project was financed through the sale of the slips using a dockominium scenario.

From about 1974 to 1994 the marina was operated and owned by Mr. Kearns until 1995-96 when it was then taken over by the current property owner the Gibb Trust or Thunderbird properties. Some of the items addressed were contaminant cleanup from the old railroad and Standard oil days, rebuilding all the slips, fortifying the breakwater, reroofing the mall building, finding replacement tenants ie Charthouse, remodeling building 6 and upgrading equipment and infrastructure.

1996 to present the property is now owned by Tahoe Yacht Harbor LLC and in about 1998 the effort was undertaken to expand the marina, which was completed in 2012. The Tahoe Yacht Club is now a tenant of the Tahoe City Marina in what was the upstairs portion of the Charthouse. The building that the TYC occupies was the old railroad maintenance building for the LTR&T (See below). The engine in the photo has been completely restored and can be viewed at the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City.



Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association News & Activities

BY JIM MULLEN/JERRY LANDERS/BILL KRIVAN
TYC PICYA DELEGATES

TYC is a long-time member of the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association (PICYA), formed in San Francisco in 1896 to improve communication between yacht clubs, provide uniform racing rules, and encourage yachting. From the 5 chartering clubs, today over 100 member clubs in Northern California have a combined membership of approximately 15,600 boating families.

PICYA EVENTS CONTINUE TO BE CANCELLED

With the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic, PICYA has had to cancel numbers events, including the Lipton Cup Regatta and the Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta.. Both the upcoming Lipton Cup Regatta and the Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta have been cancelled. The monthly delegate meetings continue to be virtual via Zoom, as well as the upcoming Management Conference. Member clubs continue to think of creative ways to keep their members engaged.

OTHER FUTURE PICYA EVENTS

We will keep you posted in the event that PICYA is able to sponsor any future events. At this time, PICYA has decided to move forward with the Leadership/Management Conference, on October 3rd. This will be virtual conference via ZOOM (October).

RECREATIONAL BOATERS OF CALIFORNIA (RBOC)



PICYA created Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC) in 1968 as a governmental advocacy organization representing California boaters, committed to promoting the enjoy-

ment, protection, and responsible use of our waterways. RBOC continues to work a number of issues with importance to the recreational boating community, currently including;

- There is a look to move the tunnels to east and not have them go through the Delta.
- AB2809, limits the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Develop-

ment Commission of some of their activities.

- A company has purchased the 5G network which will affect GPS equipment. This is a hot issue right now.
- AB3030 wants to protect 30% of our water by 2030
- Not sure what protection means – does it mean restriction?
- Call to action – Oppose this bill unless amended.
- SB217 is a well-meaning bill to improve policies around summer camps (ie. Youth sailing camps)
- Nurses on staff
- Additional equipment
- More restrictions
- Clubs may be included in upcoming 501c7
- This would provide salary relief and treat our employees like a restaurant employees.

For details about these and other issues, please see: <https://www.rbo.org/boater-brief>


CALIFORNIA VESSEL OPERATOR CARD

As a reminder, as of January 1, 2020, California boaters 35 years of age or younger must have a California Vessel Operator Card (CVOC). Requirements for others will be phased in as follows:

- January 1, 2021 – Persons 40 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2022 – Persons 45 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2023 – Persons 50 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2024 – Persons 60 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2025 – All persons regardless of age

The BoatUS Foundation provides a free on-line Boating Safety Course approved by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways that provides the certificate required by California to obtain a CVOC.

SUPPORT TO PICYA & RBOC PROGRAMS

RBOC has a lack of donations right now. Please consider going to 'Friends of RBOC' and donate \$50. You will receive a neck gaiter that can be used as a face mask. A donation of \$200 gets TYC, Club of the Year points. 



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The Story of Loki: The Stoic Tugboat

BY BOB HORVATH

Bob and Mo Horvath have a 32' Nordic Tug named Loki. One very unique feature about Loki is that she has wheels! Bob, equipped with his commercial driver's license and a wide load permit, hauls Loki everywhere. The whole rig weighs 32,846 pounds; boat, truck and trailer going down the road. Loki (built in 1996) was purchased by the Horvath's in Southern California during 2014. She did not have a trailer at that time. After touring the So Cal waters, Bob and a buddy spent a leisurely 10 days sailing her up the coast.



The Tugboat, Loki

The seas were as expected; Point Conception had 5+ foot wind waves, 12 seconds apart. They were 2 hrs from the Golden Gate Bridge when the wind waves went from 6' to 10' @ 14 seconds and were full abeam when they rounded the point near the Mavericks. Swells were 6' which meant that most of the time they were in a 16' trough. They experienced a constant 40 degree starboard list, so the decision was made to head back out to sea in an effort to move the waves from full beam, back to quartering on the bow. 2 hours later they were able to turn inbound on the shipping lane under the Golden Gate. The decision was made, right then and there, to have a custom 5th wheel trailer built to avoid sea conditions like they had just experienced. They soon settled into a peaceful slip in the San Joaquin Delta, (Willow Berm Marina). A transport was designed and built which enabled Loki to visit Lake Tahoe, Lake Oroville, Shasta and eventually the Northwest.



Bob and his son Justin and grandson Hudson at the base of La Conte Glacier

Marina. He eventually repositioned Loki to Anacortes for 3 months, taking in 4 seminars on planning a trip to Alaska. On June 4, 2017, he began the first of 7 legs of travel logging 3,000 miles in three months.

For each leg he had a fresh crew, one of which included his son Justin and his son Hudson.. They chartered a twin jet boat complete with captain. Here is Huddy next to the control station. The three met up with Mo in Juneau and made some great memories including Justin's gift



Mo Horvath enjoys a drink in Juneau

of glacier ice cubes in a "welcome aboard scotch" for his mother. Hudson was only 2-3/4 years old but with help from photos he just might be able

to remember his Alaskan adventure with his dad and Papa Bob. Here he is, bright eyed and bushy tailed at 5am headed to the airport for the plane ride home:

Mo has spent 42 years of her marriage to Bob boating everywhere, like France, Mexico, Canada and western Florida. She has seen it all and now she prefers to jet in and join one of Bob's adventures in progress. She gets to pick her desired port and this time she choose Glacier

Bay. They had to make a rather specific reservation exactly 60 days, to the minute, of their intended arrival as the federal government only allows 26 vessels in the bay during any one given time. Mo pressed the input button one second after the allowable period thus becoming eligible, for only 14 vessels allowed to make advanced reservations. On the Fourth of July they entered the bay, came up on park ranger's radar and were guided to the park headquarters in Bartlett Bay for their two hour orientation. The Glacier Bay Hotel served as a great celebration lunch venue after passing the test for admission.



Loki at the Margerie Glacier

Since they had planned a day or two to allow for weather delays prior to park access, they hung out in Hoonah near the mouth of the bay. First Nation owned, Hoonah residents have erected the world's longest zip line, 1-1/2 miles in length and 1500' above sea level... Guess who enjoyed the 65mph ride the most? Their first night was spent in Sandy Bay, 10:30 at night, land of the midnight sun: They



A view of the Sandy Bay sunset

hardly saw another boat for all of the days spent in the 70 mile long bay and here they are at the trip's most northern point, the Margerie Glacier. They reported that the cracking sound the Glacier made was absolutely deafening. They spent one night in Blue Mouse Cove where they witnessed a breaching whale from their small rubber boat, what a sight!

Two days later Bob returned to Blue Mouse Cove with a 5th crew member and met up with Walter a 155 pound Halibut caught on a 30# test line with this lure...TRIP OF A LIFETIME! I HIGHLY RECOMMEND IT!!! 🎣



Hudson, the captain

Thank You Mountain Metro Church!

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The Tahoe Yacht Club would like to thank Mountain Metro Church for allowing our club to safely host several outdoor social events this summer including our Kick-Off Summer Celebration, 3rd of July Event, OTB launch Party, End of Summer Soiree and our first “Bagz” tournament. Kicking off each event with a blessing, empathy and often a sense of humor, we rang the bell for members passed, blessed our fleet, our friendships and our competitions and were grateful for our friendships at TYC. Our club was able to enjoy each other’s company while wearing masks and social distancing even while dining. Amazingly, each outdoor pew actually converted to a 10 foot long half-wide picnic table that could be strategically spaced around the property.

Located in a small forest just south of Tahoe City, the MMC simple but unusual Outdoor Chapel was previously St Nicholas Episcopal Church/Camp Noel Porter. It is constructed entirely out of rough hewn granite. Many of our members have driven by the site for years without knowing its



Mountain Metro Church



Pastor Mike Boals

rich history or even visiting the site.

Church services were first held at the site in 1900 with the blessing and baptizing of two children. The construction of the Outdoor Chapel was completed in 1909 and was built on 2 acres of land donated by the Bliss family who

were also the owners and managers of the nearby hotel, The Tahoe Tavern. Bliss was an architect from San Francisco who ensured that the bishop paid the building cost of \$2200. On September 5th of that year, Bishop Moreland noted in his diary, ‘At Tahoe, I held my first service in the unique and impressive outdoor Chapel of the Transfiguration just completed. Celebrated Holy communion, also read evening service and preached. About twenty were at the Holy Sacrament, and sixty at the evening service. Confirmed one, a young man – a bellboy at the Tahoe Tavern. The Outdoor Chapel is currently registered in the National Registry of Historic Building. It was fondly referred to as “the Summer Cathedral” by the Episcopal bishop. With all the summer visitors, it was the only Protestant church at the lake with the congregation comprised not only of the rich and famous as well as by the common folk who gathered there each Sunday. It was once described as “situated in a forest of pines half a mile south of Tahoe Tavern. A trail and road through the woods leads to it and the narrow-gauge railway passes rustic style, with massive rubble walls, the stones being dug out of the mountain sides; long framework for the roof and covering of shakes. The congregation is seated under the canopy of heaven, the seats being placed in a grove of pines facing the broad opening of the channel.’

In 1948, local residents requested a year round church to worship. In 1958, the current church was purchased for \$14 from the Southern Pacific Railroad which had used the facility as a train crewman’s dormitory.

No longer viable as an Episcopal Church, the current owners purchased the property in 2019 with the goal of providing Sunday nondenominational church services, Christian youth summer camps, providing a conference and meeting facility and also a new wedding venue in Tahoe City. Today’s property contains the Outdoor Chapel, main church, dorm rooms, commercial kitchen, a home and more. Many of our TYC members actually attended church ski retreats and summer camps at the venue while growing up. They are investing monies to renovate the venue anticipating an updated outdoor chapel, volleyball and basketball courts, a dance floor, small cottages and more all nestled within the gorgeous forest floor. Thank you MMC, we truly enjoyed the Tahoe history and tradition. 📍

2020-21 Fall to Winter Calendar

OCTOBER

- 10/2/20 - First Friday
- 10/16/20 - Casual Friday
- 10/17/20 - Board Meeting
- 10/17/20 - Oktoberfest: Brats & Brews
- 10.23.20 - BOD Budget Planning
- 10.24.20 - Halloween Party

NOVEMBER

- 11.06.20 - First Friday
- 11.14.20 - Board Meeting
- 11.14.20 - Turkey Comp. Dinner
- 11.20.20 - Casual Friday
- 11.21.20 - Winet Event
- 11.26.20 - Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER

- 12.4.20 - First Friday
- 12.12.20 - Caroling Party
- 12.18.20 - Casual Friday
- 12.19.20 - Board Meeting
- 12.19.20 - Santa Party
- 12.24.20 - Christmas Eve
- 12.25.20 - Christmas Day
- 12.31.20 - New Year’s Eve Party

JANUARY

- 1.1.21 - New Years Day Football
- 1.1.21 - First Friday
- 1.8.21 - Penguins Ski
- 1.15.21 - Casual Friday
- 1.16.21 - Board Meeting
- 1.16.21 - Fondue Potluck Party
- 1.22.21 - Penguin Ski
- 1.30.21 - Winter Wine Dinner



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