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Comments from the Commodore

As I write this, it finally appears that winter is over and spring is upon us. What a winter! I hope everyone came through it unscathed. We have an abundance of events and activities to look forward to this spring and summer.

I want to thank our volunteer Activity Leads for all the organizational work they do for both on-water and on-land activities. Please see the club calendar for the many events and activities that are planned this year. Thank you to all the volunteers for the amazing First and Casual Fridays. The OTB powerboat series will be starting in June and the Trans Tahoe Regatta will be held in July. The Concours d'Elegance will again be at Obexer's in Homewood featuring Boats of the 60s.

Speaking of boats...this year will see the inaugural voyage of our new committee boat. A special thanks goes out to Mike Simmons, John Sakrison and Ray Landgraf for all the work they have put into getting the new boat ready for service. Our Fall B&T edition will have a feature story with photos of the new boat on the lake.

Please join me in thanking our amazing staff led by Andrew Casci, our General Manager. Cynthia Lewis, our Bar and Events Manager, oversees an incredible staff of bartenders.



Sol Gold, Commodore

Samantha Wolverton, our Communications and Media Manager, is our newest employee and is already doing a fantastic job. Our staff is the backbone of this wonderful club, and their efforts are to be commended.

Lauren Klemp, our Membership Committee Chair, and the committee members have done an exceptional job in improving and streamlining the application process.

We have reached our maximum membership cap and now have a waitlist. Please remember to introduce yourself and welcome our new members when you see them at the club.

Clubhouse improvements are continually occurring. Recently, new skylight shades were installed near the bar, and new flooring will soon be installed on the upper hallway and in the bathrooms.

Lastly, I would like to thank our Board of Directors. We are all volunteers, and they should be recognized for their dedication and the invaluable service they provide to the club. Good weather is now here, so get out and enjoy all that Lake Tahoe offers. Cheer!

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around the Clubhouse

FROM GENERAL MANAGER ANDREW CASCI

We have survived the biggest winter in more than 50 years and are looking forward to a full lake by this summer. The purchase of our new Boston Whaler could not have come at a better time. Member Mike Simmons, one of our Principal Race Officers, is preparing the boat for Monday and Wednesday night racing. Thanks to the Boat Committee for all they have done procuring the Boston Whaler that came all the way from Florida.

This is the first year we have stayed open seven days a week throughout the winter. Fun ideas like Trivia, Game, and Movie Nights, plus the fact that the Warriors and Kings made the NBA playoffs, kept the club hopping on most nights. I do think it was worthwhile, and I hear from many members that they appreciate having the club open all week, year-round. I hope this becomes a trend.

Staffing Update – New hire Samantha (Sam) Wolverton has filled the position of Communication Manager for three months. She is originally from the Bay Area, but has spent summers at the lake most of her life. She is a graduate of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and has lived full-time in Tahoe for the last three years. She is a welcome addition to the team and brings a strong positive attitude.

Cynthia Lewis is our Bar, Inventory, & Event Manager and in charge of the bar, retail and events. Sam is our Communication Manager and does the weekly newsletter, takes event reservations and is currently learning the process of producing the Block and Tackle magazine. The bartender team is made up of Chris, Kirsten, Ryan, and Janna, but you will also see Cynthia and Sam filling in on occasion. I feel we have a really good team and work well together. During an event you will see all hands on deck.

Volunteerism – I would like to thank Bruce and Lynn Fetter for their leadership of the Hospitality Committee. They are very organized and if they are not directly involved with an event, they have recruited others to help, which is much appreciated by the staff. Chef John Sakrison has outdone himself numerous times this year. He has prepared amazing offerings, such as brisket and jambalaya and is currently preparing roast pig in the parking lot. He is always helping out around the club, making



Andrew Casci, General Manager

improvements if he is not cooking. Bill Krivan has taken over the Block and Tackle Magazine for the last three years in the absence of a Communication Manager. Sam is now part of the B&T team, learning the process, with plans for her to take over in the future. The magazine would not have been possible without Bill: the magazine has won the PICYA best newsletter award for the last three years.

Roster – We are currently finishing work on the 2023 printed member roster, expected to be distributed in early June. During 2023, we will be surveying members' thinking regarding the roster: how many members want to continue having access to an annual printed roster, as has been the club tradition vs. members who would be happy with access to only the online roster from our website. The printed roster is an expense and is not environmentally friendly with the membership growing in size. More to come.

Housekeeping Issues – As always, just a reminder about several areas where we need your help.

- Please make sure to notify us when your credit card expires or is changed. It is particularly important if you charge your dues to your card. It is quite time-consuming for club staff to call individuals to get updates, when suddenly your account charges are not accepted.

- Toward the end of the year, we send out reminders to please spend your annual minimum. We make merchandise available on the website to make it easy. But we still have members with a considerable amount left to spend after the December 31 deadline. Please plan to come to the club and take advantage of many opportunities to spend your minimum before year's end.

- It is important to RSVP for events, so that we know the number of bartenders and staff on the floor, how much food to prepare, etc. We have made it very easy to click the RSVP tab on the weekly newsletter event announcement which lets us know the number of people in your party. Remember, generally each membership can bring two guests (so typically a maximum of four attendees per membership). You may also email or call the club to RSVP if you prefer.

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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: JAMIE ARNO, NANCY BARTON, TERRY KRIVAN, & ALEXIS TOSTI



Lauren Klemm



Jamie Arno



Nancy Barton



Terry Krivan



Alexis Tosti

The Membership Committee is committed to the recruitment, onboarding, retention, and satisfaction of our membership. The committee consists of Lauren Klemm, Jamie Arno, Nancy Barton, Terry Krivan, and Alexis Tosti. We recently onboarded 15 new memberships into the Tahoe Yacht Club. As of April, we are at our 450-membership capacity so any approved applicants will go to our waitlist until we have openings. Thank you for your recruitment and sponsorship efforts! As a reminder, applicants will be placed on the waitlist once the completed application is approved by the Board and the applicant submits their refundable \$500 deposit. Please have any prospects apply sooner than later to ensure their position on the list.

The Membership Committee is evaluating what additional events and activities we can add to further member satisfaction and engagement. This winter we tested out a weekly game night on Tuesdays and movie night on Thursdays. We are hosting an Activity Open House May 11, where members can learn more about the various club activities. We encourage you to participate in activity groups of interest, as they're a great way to meet other members. There will also be a Committee Open House in July where you can find more ways to be involved and volunteer, as the club is built on volunteerism. Please welcome our great new members when you see them at the club! 📍

Welcome to our Newest Members!



MARK & LIZ REARDON ORINDA / TRUCKEE

Mark and Liz have lived in Orinda for the last 24 years and have three children, Hayley (26), Connor (24), and Jack (19). The whole family loves everything about Lake Tahoe! They ski and snowboard

at Northstar every winter and love as much time on the lake as possible. Liz also enjoys golf, horseback riding, and art. Mark is an avid golfer and enjoys road biking, mountain biking, and swimming. One of their favorite activities to do together is paddle boarding on Lake Tahoe. Mark has worked in private and commercial banking for most of his career with the last 15 years at Morgan Stanley working on structured loans for ultra-high-net-worth clients.

Sponsors: Woodward, Estes

Membership: Regular



MIKE & CAROLINE BUCKLEY LAFAYETTE / CARNELIAN BAY

Mike and Caroline have been married for 30 years. They have three children, Brian (25), Will (22), and Maddie (18). Mike has a demanding occupation and is especially busy during the company's

accounting busy season. Caroline volunteers as a nurse once a week for a small pediatric office. In their spare time, they enjoy watching their daughter play competitive soccer. They also enjoy golf and travel with family.

Sponsors: Woodward, Bell

Membership: Regular



ERIC LYON TAHOMA

Eric is a proud father of a senior at San Diego State, Mason Elizabeth Lyon (21). Eric was born and raised in Arlington, Virginia, and moved to Vail, CO after graduating college. Selling luxury real estate communities has blessed him with the ability to travel to many special places: Vail, Aspen, Napa, Denver, Cabo San Lucas, and

now Homewood, Lake Tahoe. His interests include travel, live music, great food and wine, golf, boats, snowboarding, outdoor activities that include his daughter, and training for Ironman races—plus anything that makes him laugh. He can also cook a mean lasagna.

Sponsors: Vasquez, Knox

Membership: Regular



**DAVE & KELLEY GRANGER
DANVILLE / TAHOE CITY**

Dave and Kelley have been coming to Tahoe for the last 15 years and enjoy the ski slopes, the lake, hiking, exploring, boating, and being able to share all of this (and more) with friends and family.

They recently built the home of their dreams and love to entertain family and friends. They have five children and three grandchildren, and they LOVE sharing everything Tahoe with them.

Sponsors: Woodworth, Haley

Membership: Regular



**LIBBY & CAMERON DEATSCH
TAHOE CITY**

Libby and Cameron have been spending their summers in Tahoe since 2017, and as California natives, they grew up coming to the Tahoe area frequently.

When they had an opportunity to move

here full time in 2020, they jumped on it. Life in Tahoe has been amazing, and they couldn't be happier. They have two boys, Jackson (13) and Jameson (10). They spend their winters skiing and summers boating on the lake. Libby is a stay-at-home mom and was previously an accountant. She has served on the board of their co-op preschool and has volunteered extensively at their children's schools. Cameron is the Chief Revenue Officer for a large tech company and is also an avid skier, mountain biker, and triathlete and loves spending days on their boat in Skunk harbor.

Sponsors: Dahl, Poore

Membership: Regular



**CRAIG PFENT
& JENNIFER BRAMMER
INCLINE VILLAGE**

Jennifer and Craig met in January 2019. They moved to Incline Village in September 2019 and were married at the Chateau clubhouse in Incline Village

in August 2022. They both enjoy numerous activities that include skiing, snowshoeing, water skiing, surfing, hiking, biking, traveling, fishing, golfing, and pickleball, to just name a few. They live on the third tee of the Incline Village Championship golf course. They also have a second home at Lake Almanor. Craig has two sons, Joshua and Nichalous. They look forward to the many activities the club has to offer and the social events.

Sponsors: Krivan, Forte

Membership: Regular

**PETER HOOPES
RENO, NV**

Peter recently moved from California to Reno about a year and a half ago and loves going to Tahoe City. Peter has three wonderful children. He enjoys golf, skiing, hiking, boating, sailing, and socializing with friends. Peter has been a sales and marketing professional for 30+ years. He spent most of his career working in software and technology in the Bay Area. As a result, he has a large network of professionals that he enjoys entertaining and socializing with. He is currently a partner in a professional services and staffing firm. Peter is looking forward to participating in club activities.

Sponsors: Reynolds, Malone

Membership: Regular



**BRANDON & HANNI WALSH
TAHOE CITY**

Brandon and Hanni Walsh are full time residents of Tahoe City where they have lived and worked for the past 15 years.

The newest addition is their two-year-old son Ryder. Hanni is owner/partner in a

local design and engineering firm and Brandon is a realtor based in Tahoe City, is a member of the Palisades Tahoe Professional Ski Patrol. You can find Hanni sipping wine and Ryder slamming milk cups aboard their 28' Wellcraft Martinique, while Brandon chauffeurs them around in a constant state of frustration as to why something else is broken on the boat.

Sponsors: Parr, Mattson

Membership: Regular

**ANDY & BETH RUGGLES
SACRAMENTO / TAHOE CITY**

Andy is a partner at PwC, working with organizations around automation and analytics of data driven processes. He's passionate about being active in the outdoors and spending time with friends and family whenever possible. Beth is an advocate in the epilepsy community, with passions for the outdoors, cooking, spending time with friends, and traveling as much as possible. Beth and Andy have three children.

Sponsors: Galvez, Sarti

Membership: Regular



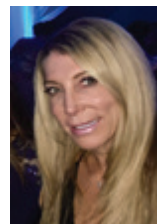
**JASON YU & BREANN ROBOWSKI
SAN JOSE / TAHOE CITY**

Jason, Bre, and their year-and-a-half-year-old, Olivia, live in San Jose and enjoy spending time in Tahoe City. Jason is originally from Arizona, and Bre is from San Jose. They met in law school

while attending USC and are now both lawyers in the Bay Area. Jason is an intellectual property litigator and Bre's practice focuses on state and local tax litigation. Together they enjoy exploring new restaurants and meeting new people. They love spending time on the lake and in the water. Bre is an avid baker, who also loves to cook, and Jason makes a mean gin and tonic. They love to entertain and regularly host gatherings of all sizes for family and friends.

Sponsors: Dresslar, Preble

Membership: Regular



**TRUDI CIARUFFOLI
TRUCKEE**

Trudi is a seasonal full-time racing coach at Palisades Tahoe, with a professional background in program management for software intensive communications technology projects. Outside of her work interests, she likes skiing, wakeboarding, water skiing, travel, and gardening. She is interested in becoming more involved in the local community and meeting new friends through the activities of the yacht club.

Sponsors: Conner, Raduziner

Membership: Regular

CAMERON & JENNIFER HEATH
ORINDA / HOMEWOOD

Sponsors: Ellis, Haley

Membership: Young Adult

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Erica on Accelerando


BY JOHN SIEGEL

Ocean racing on a sailboat can be a pretty miserable endeavor. It's cold, wet, terrifying, boring, nauseating, and a host of other negative adjectives. Why do we do it? Great question!

After my first TransPac, I left the boat after nine days and 19-1/2 hours and headed straight for the bar. I expressed that it was "time to make some new friends," and I wasn't really sure I wanted to sail again. But, after several mai tais, a very long shower, and 13 hours of sleep, I found myself out sailing off Waikiki the very next afternoon. How does one explain that paradox? That's the mystery of ocean racing. Despite all the discomfort, it's a compelling, addictive experience.

Only that can explain my wife's recent behavior. After Erica completed the 2022 Pacific Cup, spending 16 days at sea and 2,200+ nautical miles on a tiny Moore 24 (Accelerando), she expressed to me that she was very glad she did the race, but "enough was enough." She had no interest in doing another Hawaii race for all the reasons expressed above. However, in early April, after looking at initial entries in the 2024 race, she threw her hat in the mix, and officially entered. Glutton for punishment?

Bottom line: Erica Mattson Siegel is entered again with her stepfather in the doublehanded division of the 2024 Pacific Cup Race from San Francisco to Kaneohe. Unlike the 2022 race, this time she will have had more than a month to sail the boat before the race, and they'll have nearly a year to work out the electronics kinks that plagued them in 2022. And, we expect a more normal wind pattern, which should add the exhilaration of surfing down big waves in a 2,000 pound sailboat.

Stay tuned for updates as preparations continue. Their first practice will be the Spinnaker Cup race from San Francisco to Monterey on May 27th. 



Update from the Port Captain

Summer is here, and at this time the Tahoe Yacht Club's on-the-water activities are in full swing. The new TYC Committee boat is here and in the water. It was delivered from Florida in March and has been undergoing preparation for use with all of our on-the-water groups. The boat is a very high-quality Boston Whaler Vantage 2700. It has two 225 hp Mercury outboards and should give our staff and volunteers the safety they deserve on a lake that can turn nasty in the blink of an eye. Once the final preparations are complete and the TYC graphics are on, we will get pictures out. Thank you, Mike Simons, Andrew Casci, Ray Landgraf, and John Sakrison for all of your hard work on this project. Nothing has been finalized, but once the boat is ready, we hope to make it available for lake tours and rides for TYC members. More to follow on this.

The kayaks and SUPs are now back at the lake and available for check out and use by members. Email or call Andrew at the club for specifics and to reserve. Andrew's email is gm@tahoeYC.com.

Not to sound like a broken record or retired cop, but I would really recommend that our boaters who do not have an on-board marine radio, explore getting one. A good quality portable marine radio can be purchased for \$100.00 or less. West Marine or Boat US are both good places



Judd Holiday,
Port Captain

to research and purchase one. We have needed to call the Coast Guard and local law enforcement twice to report accidents on Lake Tahoe by using our cell phone. It was a mess to say the least. CHP 911 dispatchers were totally out of their element with emergencies on the lake. Marine radios on each boat are simply a good safety measure.

Last but not least, another quick reminder about the California and Nevada boat operator's certification requirements. I reached out to Placer County Deputy Sheriff Kevin Rose. Deputy Rose works on and coordinates the Placer County Lake Tahoe Marine Detail. Deputy Rose told me that the past few years they were simply advising boaters who they contacted about the requirements to obtain and

carry their boat operator's license. This off-season the State of California was adamant that they start enforcing and issuing citations for non-compliance. I asked Deputy Rose to send me an email regarding the requirements. I have included this below.

California law requires boat operators on California waterways to carry a California Boater Card unless they meet certain exemptions. The card serves as proof that the holder has taken and passed an approved boating safety course. As of January 1, 2023, all persons 50 years and younger are required to have the card in their possession while operating a vessel. A Nevada resident operating a boat in California is exempt, as long as they are in compliance with Nevada regulations and operate a boat in California less than 60 days. Currently, Nevada requires boaters born after January 1, 1983 to have a Boater Safety Card.

www.californiaboardercard.com is the best resource for your California residents. The site is maintained by CA State Parks, Department of Boating and Waterways. Nevada residents should look to the Nevada Department of Wildlife for more info: www.ndow.org California classes take a minimum of three hours and should take a maximum of eight hours to complete. California deadlines for obtaining a license are as follows:

- 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

Boat-ED.com and Boat US offer the online classes.

The requirements for a Nevada license are as follows: **All persons who operate vessels powered by a motor over 15 horsepower and who were born on or after January 1, 1983, must take and pass a boater education course or proficiency exam.** The course exam must be one that is approved by NDOW. A person operating a personal watercraft must be at least 14 years of age.

To simplify this, by January 1st, 2025, all California residents who operate a boat in Lake Tahoe will need to have passed and carry a boater safety license. Be safe and I hope to see you at the club. 📍

Judd Holiday, Port Captain



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News from the Vice Commodore



Lynn Mullen,
Vice Commodore

HELLO SUMMER and TYC members from your Vice Commodore. Put those shovels and snowblowers down, as we are finally headed to summer in Tahoe! It is finally time for boating, hiking, biking, swimming, and cruising on the lake.

Remember all the FUN EVENTS—let's start with the Fizz Fling/Blessing of the Fleet, which is always a fun event and one that marks the beginning of our TYC Tahoe summer. It looks like the lake will be way up from years past, and TYC staff and members will be ready to take advantage of that.

The beginning of June will be the Summer Kick-Off Party, and the following weekend is the Kick-Off Party for the Over-the-Bottom (OTB)

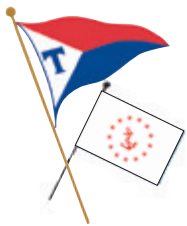
event, along with the first OTB event itself. We finish June with the second OTB, the widely popular Cornhole Tournament, and the start of our summer-long series of on-shore outdoor activities.

July ushers in the July 4th Party at TYC, more OTBs, the Commodore's Cruise, Big Kahuna Party, and sailing, sailing, sailing, including the Trans Tahoe, Laser racing and more.

August primarily consists of Concours d'Elegance and a week full of events such as the Opening Gala, the Wooden Boat Show at Obexer's, the Men's Grill, and Ladies Luncheon. Sign up for these events early. There will be more sailing, OTBs, and organized cruises planned.

So check your calendars, the TYC on-line calendar, and the club weekly newsletter announcements to plan your summer fun. You don't want to miss any of the summer events that we have been waiting for all winter. [📌](#)

Lynn Mullen, Vice Commodore



Report from the Rear Commodore

The snowmelt is on, the lake is filling, and here at the club we are getting ready for the summer. It looks to be one of those summers where you can snow ski in the morning and then hit the lake on your wakeboard in the afternoon.

Around the Clubhouse, activity is brisk. At the bar, you'll notice a new selection of wines being offered. A new sound system has been installed. We've installed blinds on the skylights. We will be replacing the flooring in the bathrooms and hallways to match the flooring in the prep kitchen area.

In the TYC boutique, Cynthia and Teresa have ordered new clothing and items that will arrive in May. These include men's and women's

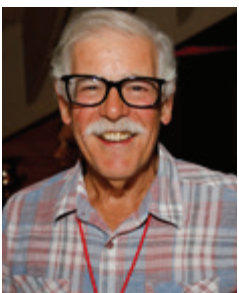
clothing with UV protection, Arntson marine hats in a variety of colors, Lake Girl clothing for women, and new Helly Hanson gear. And not forgetting Fido, there will be pet collars and leashes.

Plans for the new Clubhouse deck passed an informal review by Placer County. The deck plans are being included with Tahoe City Marina's expansion submittal package for permit approval. We expect that construction could start as early as Spring of 2024. We look forward to seeing old members and welcoming new members at the Club this summer. [📌](#)

Ray Landgraf, Rear Commodore



Ray Landgraf,
Rear Commodore



Vince Forte,
Treasurer

Treasurer Report

As Treasurer, I would like to thank Pam Holman, our accountant, Andrew Casci, our General Manager, Sol Gold, our current Commodore, and all the club members for the excellent current financial condition of the club. Club membership increased to over 425 members in 2022, creating both challenges and opportunities, and has now bumped up against our 450 membership cap in 2023. With the

increase in membership dues, which are collected in January, we have the reserves to undertake various capital improvements at the club. Addi-

tionally, with the challenge of increased membership comes the need to increase activities. We are financially well-positioned to prosper in a year now free of COVID restrictions. Our cash assets are allocated to reserve accounts that enable the club to save for future capital expenses, such as our new sound system, window shades and the future construction of a deck. Strong budget management, however, is still needed in the face of inflation in core expenses and our desire to fairly compensate our staff. The club is in a very sound financial picture, so look forward to a fun and exciting 2023! Finally, please remember to notify the club anytime the credit card information we have for your account on file changes. [📌](#)

Vince Forte, Treasurer

moments from the Social Scene

J A N U A R Y

FIRST FRIDAY

First Friday - Lynn & Bruce Fetter hosted another wonderful meal.
Another delicious, Italian-themed dinner.



Alex, Barbara, Randy, Linda



Kent, Betsy, Kristi, John, Lynn, Jim



James, Heidi, Nancy, Lynn, Bill



Margaret, Nan, & Pat



Lisa, Chuck, Meghan, Ralph

FONDUE PARTY



Dan & Teresa McNamara



Nileta, Lauren & Brad

For this TYC event, members enjoyed a variety of tasty fondue dishes, including meats, cheese, vegetables and of course chocolate. Thank you to everyone that participated.

CASUAL FRIDAY



The Cool Group



Chris, Suzanne, Joanne, Stacy - Love the glasses!

This Casual Friday we danced all night for our Disco Bash with DJ Courtney. Lynn Fetter, Amy Forte, and Linda Kahrs hosted. Costumes from the 70's were fab!! Most of the energetic dancing, also?



Ted, Ivy & Guests



Dancing - Look at the Great Moves!

moments from the Social Scene

JANUARY CONTINUED

RAM'S GATE WINE DINNER

Ram's Gate Winery brought us wine tastings organized by Sol Gold and Nan Brown. The dinner menu was prepared by Paul and Deb Selak and the pairings included rack of lamb, seared scallops, and Dungeness crab cakes.



Chef Paul & Deb Selak - Great paired offerings!!



Sara, Chris, Renae, Mo, Bob, Jim



Joe Ram's Gate Wine Rep, Nan, Sol



Maggie, Brian, Dan, Ken, Teresa, Shirley



Sue, Brian, Bill, Terry, Kelly



Annette, Fred, Tania, Bruce, John, Kristi



Chris, Dave, Joanna, Vanessa, Jennifer, Guest

FEBRUARY

FIRST FRIDAY



Enjoying First Friday

Kelly Luttrell did a wonderful job hosting this First Friday, with a Mexican theme dinner. Chile rellenos were the favorite dish of the evening.



Host Kelly Luttrell - Great job!



Tiffany & Tom MacLaughlin



Sara, Robert, Stacey



Pam, Joe, Fred, Linda, Bruce, Jim, Terry

PACIFIC CUP YACHT RACE PRESENTATION



Members watching Erica Present



Adventurer and Presenter, Erica Mattson & Lynn Mullen

TYC member Erica Mattson presented her extraordinary adventure, participating in the 2022 Pacific Cup Yacht Race from San Francisco to Hawaii. What an adventure! The presentation also helped raise funds for the Tahoe Yacht Club Junior Sailing Team.

moments from the Social Scene

FEB CON'T....CHINESE NEW YEAR POTLUCK



Carla & Julie



Nico, Andrew, Lisa, & Mia Casci



Nancy Cunningham, Nancy Black
and a friend



Ray Landgraf, Andree & Larry Benson



Pam & Joe Cunningham

Another delicious meal to celebrate the Year of the Rabbit! Thank you to Lisa Casci, who again was the primary host, preparing numerous delicious, authentic dishes, with additional potluck selections contributed by members. This event is an annual member favorite!

CRAB FEED

John Sakrison brought us another sold-out crab feed this year, with help from Lisa Casci and support staff!

Loads of luscious fresh-cracked crab - what an evening!



Jorge, Rodney, Nancy, Phillip, Lynn, Jim, Nancy, Tom



Pat, Andree, Ray, Larry



Joe Cunningham & Sam Wolverton



Pat Lucas & John Sakrison



Tanya, Bruce, Clay, Teresa



The Ladies

MARCH

MARDI GRAS/FIRST FRIDAY



John, Lynn, Cynthia, Patricia, Barbara and Randy

Mardi Gras/First Friday - After rescheduling several times due to snow storms, we finally celebrated Mardi Gras. Thank you to John Sakrison for his famous jambalaya and to our hosts: Cynthia Lewis, Lynn Fetter, Tricia Scarcia, Randy and Barbara Thomas.



Jamie with Mom Sandi Brown, Randy, Joanna, Alex, Dave, Barbara, Francis



Tricia, Joanna, Jamie, Ruth



Francis, Ruth, Heather

SNOWFEST PARADE

TYC members bravely walked through the falling snow to show support for the Lake Tahoe community.



Our Visitors, the Vulcans in Tahoe City for Snowfest



Members Celebrating SnowFest



Terra, Lynn, Nan, Chuck showing TYC Winter Spirit

moments from the **Social Scene**
MARCH CONTINUED
CASUAL FRIDAY/ST. PATRICK'S DAY



Sam, Cynthia, Nileta, Brian, Lynn, Tricia

This St. Patty's Day event was quite a party, with corned beef and cabbage catered by Brian Nelson and help from Cynthia Lewis, Lynn Mullen, Nileta Morton, Tricia Scarcia, and Sam Wolverton.



Lauren, Renae, Krista & friend, Eric, Chris



Annette and Fred



Greg, Greg, Ginger, Lisa, Carolina



Nileta, Nancy, Tom, Jamie, Nyna



Wes, Nancy, Margaret

ITALIAN DINNER

Ray & Pat Landgraf with Fred & Linda Greifenstein teamed up yet again, putting together another fantastic Italian feast, paired with excellent red and white Italian wines.



Chris Snider getting her burgee for RC Ray Landgraf



Dave, Janice, Teresa, Clay, Sophie, Pal



Displaying Their New TYC Burgees - Welcome Aboard!



Hosts Pat & Ray Landgraf, Linda & Fred Greifenstein



Ryan, Cynthia, Kirsten, Sam - Great Staff for the evening!



moments from the Social Scene

MARCH CONTINUED...

MOVIE NIGHT



Movie Nights - With significant snowfall this winter, we watched *Buried*, the documentary about the tragic 1982 Alpine Meadows avalanche. Our following movie was *Top Gun: Maverick*, with scenes filmed in our own backyard!



Vince, Tricia, Nancy, Trudi, & Amy



John & Carla Sakrison



Chilling at Movie Night - Clay & Teresa Prescott



A P R I L

SUSHI DINNER



Ed Sol, our host and Sushi Master - what masterpieces!



Chris, Renae, Guest, Guest, Lauren, Amy, Guest, Nancy

Sushi Chef Ed Sol returned to the Club again this year for a fabulous all-you-can-eat sushi and surf & turf dinner event. The food was excellent and the presentation fabulous.



Is this a group event - simultaneous sushi dining?



Members Enjoying Sushi



Nick & Travis



Spectacular Sushi Presentation - Hidden Delights



Stacey & Guests, Jo, Sol, Chris & Guest

moments from the Social Scene

TRIVIA NIGHT



Chris Hosting Trivia Night

Trivia nights are becoming popular weeknight events, with challenging questions created by our phenomenal host, Chris Werfel. What a nice way to spend a mid-week winter evening.



Ingrid, Chris our Host, Guest



First Place Winners: Wendy, Julie, Paul, Carla, Sara, Chris (our host), John, Greg, Stacy



Second Place Winners: Larry, Tricia, Chris (our host), Amy, Vince, Lynn, Bruce, Nancy



Hosts: Larry, Pat, Tricia, Lynn, Jen

FIRST FRIDAY

Tricia and Larry Scarcia, Pat Lucas, Jennifer Knox, and Nancy Barton all joined together to bring us a Spring has Sprung themed dinner - much needed after a record-setting winter. A wonderful menu with spring salads was featured.



Cameron & Jennifer Heath - Welcome Aboard!



Dave & Kelley Granger with their new burgee



Jen, David, Amy, Diane, Vince

APRIL CONTINUED . . .

GRGICH HILLS WINE DINNER



Grgich Hills Wine Representatives - presenting the evening's wines

We welcomed Grgich Hills Estate Winery, arranged by Commodore Sol Gold and Grgich Hills sales manager Nanette Tempest. Passed hors d'oeuvres presented by Chef Paul Selak and Deb Selak paired very nicely with the excellent wines served.



Linda, Alf & Guests



Pal, Sophie & Guests



Paul & Deb Selak and Commodore Sol



Robin Gold (the Birthday Girl) & Naomi Polite

Winds of Change Blow Over the Tahoe Basin

BY PAT BUTLER & RALPH PEER II

The highly successful and exciting July Regatta and a second one in August brought the 1938 racing and social season to a close. Stan Dollar Jr. won the coveted Lake Tahoe Championship Racing title for 1938 and would go on to win this title again in 1939.

Much of the rest of the world was bracing for the possibility of war in 1939, but the upcoming boat races and social events that accompany them were a welcome counterweight, bringing some normalcy to the basin. Club membership was growing, and new members actively sought. The initiation fee was still \$10, yearly dues were \$15, with a \$5 fee charged for each boat in each race. Mr. W.B. Jordan, Secretary, was still using a typewriter and making carbon copies as he managed all the club's correspondence. The '39 season later proved to be the calm before the storm that blew into the club in 1940.

First there was the case of the missing Commodore's Cup, so the Commodore and Mr. Jordan were quickly on it. Next, the Tahoe Yacht Club, after officially changing its name in 1938, remained affiliated with the American Power Boat Association, and in June 1940, Commodore Randolph C. Walker announced that officials from the American Power Boat Association would officiate at the Tahoe Tavern regatta that year, and that racing "will be done in accordance with APBA rules and regulations." Following the announcement, a floodgate of concerns, questions, and disagreements opened, and by race time had grown to a confrontational point. There were the other problems to juggle for the season, too, all of which caused large concerns for the success of the races. There was a dispute about the race judges, plus the case of the "cast iron" cannon, an inaccurate race clock, and what about loudspeakers for the races? Here are the details.

About those judges...at the conclusion of July's Regatta Handicap race, the confrontation turned into interference with the judging and the handling of the races from both the TYC and the APBA officials. The APBA officials cited in a letter to the Commodore that the "interference at the judge's stand" at the conclusion of the race stated, "it was impossible for the undersigned to give a correct decision." A letter from E.L. Oliver, TYC Club member and appointed race official, clearly stated the multiple

complaints of the decisions APBA officials made declaring, "that the handicap and the relay races were the worst races we have experienced in 15 years of racing," due, in part, to the APBA officials' "inability to distinguish the boats."

What could have been a virtual donnybrook was avoided, due to the calmer voice of Henry Kaiser and a plan by Dave Chambers, both aimed at saving the August Regatta. Meanwhile, the other problems still brewed, putting the entire season in jeopardy.

On the clock. The clock used to time the races had, inadvertently, been left outside during the winter weather, and questions about its functionality and accuracy for the races were asked. Finally, it was determined that the mechanisms were not functional; a new clock must be made. Thank goodness for Mr. Lindburg, who saved the day by procuring the necessary marine plywood. A new clock was commissioned by the Commodore and one more catastrophe was averted.

Firepower. A letter from Chamber's Lodge warned of a looming issue: after a visit by the Pacific Indemnity Company, who "will not permit the use of the cast iron cannon to start the boat races unless a heavy steel armored case surrounds the same and is also placed underneath." Apparently, the company agent had heard about "the cannon blowing a hole in a 2-inch plank on the dock at the races last year." The operator attending the



Chambers Lodge

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Place	Boat No.	Boat Name	Owner	Elapsed Time
Free-For-All (6 legs)				
First	1	Baby Skipalong	Stanley Dollar Jr.	9:07.0
Second	2	Horvath	Henry J. Kaiser	9:15.5
Third	42	So Long	Lou Fugels	10:18.5
Fourth	26	Sanjos III	E. C. Walker	10:22.5
Fifth	10	Tweele	E. L. Oliver	10:27.0
Sixth	24	Key There	E. L. Oliver	11:00.0
800 H.P. Class:				
First	1	Baby Skipalong	Stanley Dollar, Jr.	6:20.1
Second	26	Sanjos III	E. C. Walker	6:27.4
Third	10	Tweele	E. L. Oliver	6:44.1
Fourth	26	Key There IV	Henry J. Kaiser Jr.	6:47.1
Fifth	22	Limousine-first	Frank Fuller Jr.	7:18.2
Sixth	77	Water Wagon		8:05.4
Long-and-So-Back:				
First	71	Whooming	Wm. H. Towne	
Second	44	Jr. III	Henry J. Kaiser Jr.	
Third	20	T.E.A.	T. E. Anderson	
Relay:				
First		Blue Team	Anderson - Towne - Oliver	
Second		White Team	Boehdelt - Kaiser - Walker	
Third		Green Team	Lissar - Hendrick, Sr. - Mutsaers	
Fourth		Pink Team	Sargent - Townsend - Fuller	
Handicap:				
First	44	Jr. III	Henry J. Kaiser, Jr.	8:57
Second	77	Waterwagon	Frank Fuller	9:54
Third	20	T.E.A.	T. E. Anderson	10:21.4

DONATIONS:
We are very grateful to the Tahoe Tavern, to Mr. J. P. Chesser, to the Tahoe Realty Company, to Sherton's, to the Forest Inn, to Hammond Hotel and to Loyd's Truckee Drug Company for their generous donations of trophies awarded at the Tahoe Regatta.

The J. P. Chesser prize consisting of a very valuable stop-watch was awarded to Henry J. Kaiser, Jr. and his "Jr III" for the first Gun Wood to cross the finish line in the Handicap Race. There was considerable debate on the final decision of this race, however, the judges finally decided that the first three positions as shown on page #2 should stand as correct.

WARNING:

Of course, boat owners are aware of the high water level at the lake this year, so please be on the look-out for water-logged timbers, partly sunken rafts and other objects which could cause serious damage.

Race results



APBA Certificate

cannon at the time “put his foot on the cannon, preventing the recoil, and the blank 10-gauge shell went off through the plank, although no one was injured. There were a number of 14- or 15-year-old girls, millionaires’ daughters, in bathing suits, sitting within two feet of the cannon and who, when I asked them to move, refused. You know how millionaires’ daughters are, when spoken to by someone who has no authority over them.” Within days W.B. Jordan, TYC Secretary, came to the rescue with the assurance that the cannon did not blow a hole in the plank. He described the cannon as a Winchester of blue machined steel, not cast iron, with all working parts machined steel. He agreed that a fully-trained operator would be with the cannon at all times, and it would be absolutely safe on the wharf, as the cannon would be securely fastened down.

Chambers Lodge’s reply thanked the Secretary for the assurance that the cannon will be made of steel. However, when he visited the lodge the next time, they would “show you the hole in the plank.” The situation was witnessed by Mr. Chambers, who was standing within one foot of the cannon when it misfired. Problem number two averted but the infamous hole was still there.

Striving to be heard. The Commodore was on the case of the necessary loudspeakers, which were procured in time to let the races begin.

The 1941 Commodore, Gustav Knecht, finding the membership somewhat sluggish with planning for the year, developed a questionnaire framed as follows: “It has been suggested that with the National Defense Program making such demands on everyone’s time, it may be wise to

limit our summer activities for the season. We know that many of our members are actively engaged in defense work, so completing this questionnaire will give us an idea of participation.”

Regattas were held as usual, although the entrants and crowds were much smaller. The races were well received, but the excitement was lacking, as minds and hearts were often somewhere else. The season was wrapped up by late August. And of course, December 7, 1941 closely followed. [↓](#)

Editor’s note: Frank W. Fuller Jr., elected Commodore in 1941, in a letter sent from the U.S. Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida where Lt. Fuller was attending ground school to Members of the TYC stating, in essence, that in view of the fact that our country is at war, he was of the opinion that we should not carry out any of the usual activities, and I believe that we should not hold any other formal activities until the war is over. This was the most formal shutdown of TYC activities found to date.

Note: For those interested, there are two books with lots of pictures and information about pre-war boating on Lake Tahoe:

- *Lake Tahoe, A Maritime History The Images of America series* by Peter Goin 2012
- *Pre-war Wood; Speedboats of Lake Tahoe 1910-1941.* By Carol Van Etten

Centennial Committee Report

BY PAUL CUNHA
CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

The Centennial Committee has been working diligently in the last few months; planning events and gathering the history of the Club. Pat Butler and Ralph Peer have received board approval for the budget and are close to selecting a publisher for the centennial book that they have been planning. This will be a fabulous coffee table book about the Tahoe Yacht Club and its first 100 years.

With a publisher to guide the process, they can start assembling the structure, and the job of writing the book will begin. We already have several members starting to focus on various events and people. We are continuing the process of gathering artifacts and trophies for display at the Club in the coming months. We will be meeting with the Gatekeepers Museum and the Thunderbird Lodge, as they have let us know that they might have some things of interest.

Do you have a trophy, or some memorabilia that you could loan to the club? Do you have some vintage photos that you think might be of interest to Pat and Ralph for the centennial book? Please reach out to them or me, however you are most comfortable. Our contact info is in the membership roster. We will make sure that anything loaned is handled carefully and returned properly: Pat Butler - tahoebutler@sbcglobal.net or Ralph Peer II - ceo@peermusic.com

We are also looking for more volunteers to help with all phases of the centennial celebration. Please let me know if you’re interested, and I will make sure that you know when the next meeting is scheduled. You can email me at: paul.cunha@deacon.com [↓](#)

Get Involved

There are many opportunities to get involved, both to build club friendships and to help make our very active program work. Following are some opportunities to consider.



■ Host a First Friday or Casual Friday (3rd Friday of the month). Hosting is easy. Solo or join with some friends to spread the load. Come up with a theme, pick a Friday and, in keeping with the K.I.S.S. principle, serve small bites, appetizers, and snacks. The evening is not intended to be an evening meal for the attendees. Our illustrious bartending staff can also assist with theme-related cocktails. Check with Lynn Fetter (Hospitality) or Cynthia (Events) for openings.

■ Participate in one of our many outdoor activity groups, including bicycling (E-bikes or conventional bikes welcome), pickleball, golf, hiking, kayaking/standup paddle boarding, bocce and more. This is a great way to make new club friends and to really enjoy the great Tahoe outdoors. Watch the calendar and the weekly newsletters for details.

■ Volunteer to work a shift at the annual Concours d’Elegance to support this Tahoe Yacht Club Foundation event and get a free pass to enjoy the event when off duty.

■ Consider joining the team already working diligently on planning for the TYC Centennial in Summer 2025. Help is needed for:

- Developing plans for exhibits of memorabilia and historical items.
- Assisting in cataloging and protecting items to be displayed.
- Assisting with writing, editing, and image processing for production of a centennial book.

• Planning and executing events that will be part of the celebration.

See contact information in the Concours and the Centennial articles elsewhere in this edition. [↓](#)

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What's New at the TYC Boutique!!!

From Teresa and Cynthia!

NOW IN-STORE

The launching of UV cover-ups for the ladies and long-sleeve crew necks for the gentleman!! Multiple colors will be available. Perfect for summer activities on or around our beautiful Lake Tahoe!!!

Arntson Marine Tahoe brimmed Windsun hats and a new Helly Hansen collection will be here, with new jackets and vests for our members.

We will have some great men's swim trunks and some fun beach towels in several colors !!!

Lake Girl nautical quarter zips for the ladies and onesies for our TYC Babies (or Grand Babies?)!

We have a special new option for our boat captains and their crews - we can customize your TYC attire with your boat name. Stand out from the crowd!

Come in and check the Summer 2023 collection. Can't wait to see you at the Club! Anchors away!!!

Achieve Tahoe TYC Cruise Out

BY JOE CUNNINGHAM

If one doesn't succeed in a first try, then as the old saying goes, TRY AGAIN! It's been nine months since the first try, and a second "try again" is scheduled for Tuesday, June 27th. Hopefully, with the abundance of snow this winter plus an earlier date than last year, there will be no fires or smoke. The Achieve Tahoe Cruise Out will happen. The Cruise Out is still planned as a one-day event starting at the Club in Tahoe City and progressing along the west side of the Lake as far as Emerald Bay.

Achieve Tahoe, based out of Palisades Alpine Ski Area, works with people with disabilities to give them experiences they might never have imagined they could participate in or achieve successfully. In accomplishing a specific achievement, whether skiing down a trail unassisted or paddling a kayak, the sense of accomplishment can be very rewarding. A motto posted on the wall at the Achieve Tahoe Center says, "If I can do this, I can do anything." One never knows how one seed of accomplishment will sometimes grow.

In this specific cruise out event, the club will give Achieve Tahoe participants and a family member the experience of seeing a view of the lake from a boat. A script will give information on key points of interest as the cruise proceeds. Each boat skipper will give their guests a cruise tailored to their interests. Following the boat ride, everyone will enjoy a great lunch at the club. It is hoped that this initial event will become an annual event between Achieve Tahoe and the Tahoe Yacht Club. [📍](#)



Peterson Riva

FEATURED BOAT 1969 Riva Aquarama - Portofino

Riva Aquarama Hull #313 was originally delivered in 1969 to Colin Will in the city of Lausanne, Lake Geneva, Switzerland and was given the name Erue. Sometime after 1969, the boat was used extensively in the Mediterranean in Monaco. In 1982 this piece of Italian art was one of the early Rivas brought to the United States to Lake Tahoe by Dick Clark of Sierra Boat. At the special request of Nancy Mueller and her husband, Dick Clark was able to locate this very special Riva for the Muellers. The boat was restored and renamed Nancy and spent the past thirty plus years on Lake Tahoe. Mrs. Mueller in 2015 decided to part with Nancy and asked her long-time boat restorer Tony Brown to find her a good home. Tony contacted his friend and fellow Minnesotan who was looking for a Riva Aquarama. After a very brief phone call, the sale was completed, and Jeff and Linda commissioned Northwest Classic Boat to fully restore their newly named Riva, Portofino, in May of 2015. Per Jeff, her name was the easy part. Linda and Jeff had recently completed a trip to Monaco and Portofino to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. Given the boat's history on the Mediterranean, along with the majestic beauty of Portofino, her new name was a natural choice.

(Editor Note: This article is from the files of the 2022 Lake Tahoe Concours d' Elegance) [📍](#)

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ON THE SHORE



What a year Penguins!

BY DIANE & DAVE ASHLEY



SNOW SNOW and MORE SNOW would definitely define our 2022/23 season! Whether we were enjoying the steeps at Palisades, the powder at Alpine Meadows, the woods at Northstar, or the groomers at Diamond Peak, great fun was had by all. Attendance fluctuated, but we usually had about 10-20 of us with varying abilities. We started meeting every other Friday in January and went through April. Luckily, we only had to reschedule once due to weather, and on that Thursday we collectively decided



Penguins 2023@ Alpine Meadows

we actually preferred that day – less traffic, better parking, and fewer skiers on the mountain. So Thursday outings will be a permanent change for next year. In addition, any other suggestions to enhance next season are greatly appreciated! As for now, we can look back on this season as one of great fun, great skiing, and great company! Many thanks to all who participated. We truly enjoyed it! 📌



Diane and Dave Ashley



Bill Krivan and David Ashley comparing ski poles



Hoofers: Winter on the Trail

BY NANCY & MATT TAYLOR



Sugar Pine Pt Snowshoe

Winter of 2023 brought some of the biggest snowfall we've seen in Tahoe for a long time, and our efforts to snowshoe were impacted. However, we did get out to Picnic Rock, one of our favorite snowshoe hikes, and enjoyed a gorgeous view before the next dark cloud of moisture chased us off the rock. It was a grand adventure! We also snowshoed along the lake at beautiful Sugar Pine Point State Park, where the views were only surpassed by the comradery of the Hoofers.

This summer is looking to be a banner year for wildflowers, due to all this snow, so the Hoofers will enjoy some wildflower specific trails as soon as we know when the bloom is best. The selection of hikes this season will



Picnic Rock Snowshoe

include some of our old favorites, but as always a new surprising hike or two will be included to keep the Hoofers entertained. As soon as the list is finalized, we will post it in the weekly newsletters, but for now mark

your calendar with our tentative Hoofers Hiking Dates for 2023:

June 15 (TH), June 29 (TH), July 13 (TH), Aug 3 (TH), Aug 20 (SUN), Sept 7 (TH), Oct 1 (SUN), Oct 15 (SUN). Check our newsletters weekly for updates to hikes.

All of our trails can be found on the AllTrails app with descriptions and directions. All hikers welcome! Most hikes are three hours or shorter, and usually start at 10:00 am. We've picked a variety of locations in the Tahoe area, and a variety of terrain. On our more challenging trails we will have set turnarounds for those who want a shorter distance. Hike details can be obtained by emailing Nancy Taylor (casataylor@yahoo.com) and joining the Hoofers email group. Directions and trail instructions are emailed the week before each hike to the Hoofers email group. Join us! 📌



Eagles Golf

FROM BILL KRIVAN

I hope all you Eagles have been hitting the practice range in preparation for the summer 2023 season! For those who have not played with the Eagles previously, outings are scheduled about every two weeks on various courses around North Lake Tahoe. Most outings are on Fridays, although occasionally we play on other days mid-week. Weekends are just too crowded for enjoyable play. We will start the season at Old Brockway, then play other courses, typically including Ponderosa, the Incline Village Mountain Course, Northstar, and Schaffer's Mill. Tee times are generally mid-to-late morning, with two to five foursomes participating. Our scheduled outings are as noted below.:

June 2, 16, 30

July 14, 28

Aug 10, 25

Sept 8, 22

Do watch the weekly TYC newsletter and the Online calendar for changes, details, and RSVP information. Join us! Can we have another Hole-In-One on an outing this summer? Fore! [📌](#)



TYC Spokes

BY BILL & TERRY KRIVAN



Celebrating topping the Glenshire switchbacks!

Time to put away your ski equipment, check your bike mechanicals (and for us e-bikers, charge your battery), locate your helmet and padded shorts, and get ready for another summer of great biking around Lake Tahoe.

The Spokes ride about every two weeks on paved routes, typically 20-25 miles of rolling terrain, out-and-back, with 15 to 25 riders in the peloton. Some of our routes do involve elevation gains that are a challenge for conventional bike riders, but comfortable for those of us on e-bikes. Favorite routes include

our opener, riding from Tahoe City along the Truckee River to Palisades Tahoe; Tahoe City along the West Shore to Sugar Pine Point State Park or up Barker Pass Road; the Truckee River Heritage Trail (Truckee to Glenshire); the Fibreboard Freeway (Brockway Summit to Watson Lake); the East Shore Trail (Incline Village to Sand Harbor); and several options around South Lake Tahoe.

See the current planned ride dates below and watch the weekly TYC newsletter and our online calendar for details, changes, and RSVP information:

June 7, 20

July 6, 18

Aug 1, 15, 29

Sept 12, 26

Plan to join us, preferably wearing your classy TYC cycling jersey, available in our TYC retail store. See you in the saddle! [📌](#)



Paddle Dippers

BY SCOTT FITZGERRELL

The TYC Paddle Dippers will launch the new season in June, ready to enjoy the most beautiful lake in the world. We meet every two weeks and paddle from put-ins ranging from the West Shore through Tahoe City and over to the East Shore. We've enjoyed terrific spots such as Chambers Landing, Hurricane Bay, Lake Forest, Kings Beach, Speedboat Beach, and Sand Harbor. There's also a fun paddle from Lake Forest to the Tahoe City Farmers Market, where you can buy a goodie and then work it off paddling back. And here's a plug for the third annual TERC-CIRC adventure: a circumnavigation of the entire lake, stretching over seven days, June 19-25, sponsored by the UC Davis Tahoe Environmental Research Center. That event, and all Paddle Dipper events are open to anything that can be propelled by a paddle. Watch the newsletter for final dates. [📌](#)



Pickle Ball Players

BY ALICE WILSON

Despite its humble origins — invented in 1965 by three middle-aged fathers in Washington State, said to have named the game after the family dog Pickles — the sport now boasts 4.8 million players and has several national professional tournaments.

TYC isn't sponsoring any pro players yet, but we do have organized play! This summer we will use the (free) public courts at Kilner Park for drop-in play. Pickleball culture welcomes all ability levels, from the novice to the advanced player. Typically, the drop-in experience evolves to favor certain levels of play on certain days and times. So, for the month of June, we will play on Mondays, 9 am to 11 am. We'll adjust as needed for July and August depending on our collective experience. According to Tahoe City Parks & Recreation, and assuming adequate snowmelt, the courts should open mid to late May.

What: Drop in Pickleball

Who: anyone who would like to play, beginning to advanced

Where: Kilner Park, located at the intersection of Hwy 89 and Ward Ave, Tahoe City

When: 9 am on Mondays, starting June 5, 2023

I will send out a reminder to those who have asked to be included in the pickleball list. Please email Alice Wilson at: aadevine@sbcglobal.net if you would like to be added to the list. Make it a fun day and see you on the courts! [📌](#)



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Bocce Rollers

FROM JOHN DUNN

June 6th marks the beginning of this summer's Bocce Ball league at Tahoe City Golf Course. I'm looking forward to serving as Tahoe Yacht Club's Bocce Ball Activity Leader for this season. Two contests are held on game nights, one starting at 6:00 pm, the second at 7:15 pm. Last summer, we rolled on Thursdays, but with league registration scheduled for early May, watch the TYC weekly newsletter for schedule details.

All are welcome and encouraged to come join in the fun – no experience required. Please email me with your contact information and any questions you may have at Jdunn2157@gmail.com. Come Roll with Us! [👉](#)

Environmental Activities

BY TIFFANY MACLAUGHLIN



At the Tahoe Yacht Club, we believe in supporting the Lake Tahoe environment that provides restorative recreational activities for so many. In April of 2021, then Commodore Bill Krivan supported our proposal to establish an environmental program with a mission to share information

and create activities whereby our robust membership would coalesce efforts to help preserve Lake Tahoe for future generations.

Our environmental activities programming has incorporated a variety of programs, including

- Providing watercraft and captains for dives by Clean Up the Lake, where thousands of pounds of trash were removed from the lake over the past two years
- Equipping members with FireWise information during the terrifying Caldor Fire
- Operating our Blue Crew under the sponsorship of the Keep Tahoe Blue Foundation, where our members gather at least three times a year to remove trash from our cleanup zone in

Tahoe City.

Moving forward, we will continue to keep our membership informed of events held around the Lake Tahoe region, where our stewardship can support the Tahoe basin. As such, this summer our Blue Crew will

participate in another Keep Tahoe Red White & Blue trash cleanup in July, following the Independence Day celebrations.

As well, the Truckee River Watershed Council will train our Crew to be River Ambassadors, arming us with knowledge to help sustain the river by getting our boots on the ground to assist with feeder stream monitoring, as well as cleaning up the trash that litters the riverbanks.

Preserving the Lake for the future: it's the endgame, and it's our mission. Our Blue Crew welcomes participation from all members, families, and friends who want to share their time, knowledge, and energy. For more information, please contact Tiffany @ tmaclaughlin9@comcast.net. [👉](#)



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ON THE WATER

It's Time to Trade Shovels for Tillers!

Holy cow, what a winter! Mother Nature was kind to us this winter with the second biggest winter on record, so the lake should be close to full by the time you read this. We have a new committee boat and lots of fun sailing events planned. Here is the tentative schedule for this summer:

LASER RACING: MAY 29 – AUG. 28

The Laser season always gets under way on Memorial Day and offers two consecutive seven-week series every Monday night with a 6:00 pm start time. We have the ILCA "A" Fleet, the ILCA "B" fleet, and the Junior program will continue to run the Laser Pico fleet. The sum of our competitors in all three fleets makes us, to our knowledge, the largest Laser, I mean ILCA fleet during the summer in California. The Western Hemisphere Laser class is now called the International Laser Class Association, or ILCA. It's hard to get used to the name change, but there was a legal reason to do so. The ILCA/Laser class remains the largest one-design class in the world.

At the end of the Laser season, there will again be the super fun Laser Fleet Championships, which is a well-attended campout at Stampede Reservoir, this year set for September 9 and 10, and even if you are not sailing in it, you are welcome to be part of the action. Contact Rick Raduziner for more information.



Monday night lasers

Buddy Boat Program: As a member benefit, you can go sailing for free with one of our Buddy Boats. TYC has three Lasers, two Sunfishes and one Laser Pico. The Pico is easy to sail and is perfect for the novice/intermediate and adult/child or two-up adult sailing. The Sunfish is for the low intermediate/advanced sailor, and the Laser is for the advanced/expert sailor. You can check out the sail bags at the clubhouse. Thank you to our TYC members who have donated boats!



Rounding a buoy

DICK FERRIS WEDNESDAY NIGHT BEER CAN RACING SERIES – MAY 31 – AUG. 30

This well attended event got a name change last year in honor of Dick Ferris who contributed so much to TYC sailing and the junior sailing program. Rumor has it that even though Dick is no longer with us, his boat will be, and I look forward to seeing August Ice out there racing again. The Wednesday Night Beer Can Series will begin just two days after the start of the Laser Series, which hopefully means a start date of May 31. Like the Lasers, there will be both the spring and summer race series, with seven nights of racing per series. There are currently three classes of boats that will be racing. Division One consists of the biggest and fastest boats we have, typically in the 35 to 40+ foot range. Division 2 is for medium fast boats with PHRF ratings (handicaps to level the playing field) between 57 and 96. This is a sport boat division with boats in the 24-to-33-foot range. Division 3 is our largest division, consisting of boats with PHRF ratings of 97 or more. Wednesday evenings are all about good times and competitive fun on and off the water. There is nothing better than competitive sailing on Tahoe in the summer where the surroundings are peaceful but the competition is not! Plus, there will be lots of post-race camaraderie back at the club after racing.

TRANS TAHOE – JULY 14-15

This year will be the 60th running of the Trans Tahoe Regatta. This long running event has been one of TYC's main events during its tenure and we are proud to continue this legendary regatta. The format this year

will be the same as last year, with a two-day regatta consisting of buoy racing on Friday afternoon at 3 pm, followed by a long-distance race on Saturday. We are reserving Sunday as well in case we don't luck out with the wind conditions. The start time for the distance race on Saturday has been changed from Noon to 2 pm, hopefully allowing for better wind at start time. We invite you to boat out to watch some great racing and cheer on your favorites. There will be at least three different divisions racing this year with the slowest boats starting first and the fastest starting last, meaning the fast boats have to pass everyone, and this will make for more interesting competition. There will be an awards party at the club following the distance race on Saturday.

LET'S GO SAILING – FUN DAY FOR ALL – JULY 29

A few years ago, we had a fun sailing afternoon when a bunch of skippers volunteered their time and boats to take fellow yacht club members out for a pleasure sail. Everyone seemed to really enjoy it, so we are going to give it another try this summer. Mark your calendars now and sign up with Andrew to participate (timing to be determined). Pick up location is likely to be near the Tahoe City Marina, and depending on water depth, participants will either be shuttled out to the boats or hop on in the marina. We hope to see some of you there.

GAR WOOD'S REGATTA – JULY 30

The Gar Wood's Regatta is scheduled for Sunday, July 30th. It is normally on a Saturday, but we are trying something a little different this year by offering a "Let's Go Sailing" fun day on Saturday as described above. This regatta is one of my favorite sailing events of the summer. The course shape and location are not like anything else we offer. The course starts in front of Gar Wood's restaurant in Carnelian Bay, and then goes to Kings Beach, then up to Dollar Point, then back to Kings Beach and finally finishes in front of Gar Wood's. It is really fun racing in the mostly unfamiliar territory of Carnelian Bay that offers a nice change of pace and scenery for all the racers. Look for us racing in front of Gar Wood's that day from around 3pm to 6pm. The start and finish lines are directly in front of the restaurant. Afterwards, there is an awards gathering at Gar Wood's and if you are inclined to hold down a table or two for the racers while they locate buoys and venture in, you will surely be a hero!

A big thank you goes out to our awesome and committed race committee and support staff and volunteers. Without these fine folks none of this would be possible. Thanks again to the following:

PRO

Fred Greifenstein
Mike Simmons
Christina Shaw
John Siegel

Committee Boat

Linda Greifenstein
Chris Sidner
Nancy Barton
Tasha Hacker
Tina Delianedis
Miya Casci
John Sakrison


Markset

Norman Kitching
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Andrew Casci



Tight Quarters

If you have an interest in volunteering for the race committee, please reach out to Andrew at the club. It is a great way to have some fun on the water and support our sailing programs. We have an excellent training program too, thanks to TYC member John Siegel who serves as a US Sailing certified national race officer and national judge.

Lastly, none of this happens without a whole bunch of volunteers both on and off the water. In addition to the work of those running the races, I also want to thank all volunteers on our sail committee consisting of Jim Mullen, Gary Redelberger, Rick Raduziner, John Siegel, Stacy Conner, Bryce Griffith, John Utter, and myself, Dan Hauserman. 

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Over-the-Bottom Update

BY JOHN SAKRISON

First, I would like to thank Mike Simmons for over a decade of hard work and volunteering; he has truly made the OTB's an amazing club event. That said, there are two new sheriffs in town, Randall Thomas and John Sakrison. The judge and prosecutor remains the same, Greg Barraclough, returning again to bless us with his wisdom, wit, and ability to make us second guess ourselves. I have the names and numbers of marriage counselors and lawyers:

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■ L.L.C. Itolu Sooo... #530-584-0224 – Whoever calls him first, gets everything in the divorce except for the losing boat.

This year's grand party will be held at the beginning of the season, Friday, June 9; this will celebrate the kick-off to the season and to punish the winners of last season. This year's dates are:

June 10	OTB #1
June 24	OTB #2
July 9	OTB #3 (SUNDAY)
July 29	OTB #4
Aug. 5	OTB (MAKE-UP)
Aug. 19	OTB #5 & AWARDS



OTB Competitor Rounding a Buoy

Please remember that it is required to have a RADIO SET TO CHANNEL 68. Looking forward to spending mornings on the lake with friends, coming back to the club for Bloody Mary buffet and our new waffle machine. Hope for all to place second, "if you're NOT first, you're a winner!" 📶



Lasers on shore

BY BRYCE GRIFFITH
TCSF DIRECTOR & HEAD COACH

Summer 2023 is nearly here, and the Tahoe Community Sailing (TCS) program is in the preparation process. Most of our instructors/coaches are on board and excited about teaching our students. With the addition of the night paddleboard clinics, where students have lighted paddle boards to enjoy the moonlit evenings on the lake, we are also planning to expand our junior racing schedule. We are trying to purchase a drone to video classes and clinics, to enhance the learning experience of our students and racers.

We have also revised our program goals statement: Our TCS /TYC goal for the coming years is to provide a comprehensive sailing and leadership program for young sailors that focuses on enhancing character,

improving growth mindset, developing process-oriented learning, goal setting development, and total performance. With this, we aim to empower young sailors with the skills and tools they need to become effective leaders both on and off the water.

We have designed modules for each one of these areas to ensure that learning takes place effectively. In addition, we have expanded our Junior Sailing Assistant program, wherein young sailors become assistants to our instructors and coaches, and themselves potentially become U.S. Sailing Certified Instructors, which are paid positions with the Tahoe City Public Utility District (TCPUD) sailing program.

Our junior race team will participate in Monday afternoon clinics and evening races with the TYC Laser Fleet, starting June 26 through August 14. For out-of-area races, we will travel to Santa Cruz in August for the Northern California Laser Championship (TYC's Miya Casci won the youth division there last year), to the Laser Championships at Stampede Reservoir near Truckee and to the Totally Dinghy Regatta at Richmond Yacht Club in San Francisco, both in September.

We expect that our program weeks will fill up very quickly, so plan to go online at the TCPUD recreation website on the morning of May 9th at 10:00am to register your students. <https://www.tcpud.org/parks-recreation-department/recreation-program/youth-programs/tahoe-community-sailing>

Thank you to all the TYC members for the financial support of the Junior Sailing program. Without your help, we could not conduct this program for our next generation of sailors. Fair winds! 📶



TYC Foundation Update

BY WARD SPROAT

Planning is well under way for the 2023 Lake Tahoe Concours d'Elegance that is presented by your TYC Foundation. The Foundation was formed in 1994 to provide financial support to various non-profit organizations around the lake that work to preserve and promote maritime boating and sailing skills and the lake's environmental quality.

This year will mark the 49th anniversary of the premier wooden boat show in the country, to be held at Obexer's Boat Company on Friday and Saturday, August 11 & 12. Boats will be judged on Thursday August 10, and the show will be open to the public on Friday and Saturday. This year's show will feature Boats of the '60s as the Marque Class, which promises to bring back memories to those of us who were in our youth back in those days (remember cars and boats with fins?). There is also an opening night Gala dinner at Gar Woods on the lake Thursday evening and a Men's Grill and a Ladies' Luncheon on the lake Sunday afternoon to round out the weekend events.

TYC members have several ways to help support the Concours, the Foundation's only fund-raising event of the year. There are several levels

of personal sponsorships available that provide an enhanced experience at the show, including food, beverages, and VIP parking. There are also many volunteer opportunities, which are needed to make the show work. Volunteers get a free two-day pass to the show. Please consider becoming a personal sponsor and/or a volunteer. There is much more information at the show website www.laketahoeconcours.com, where you can purchase tickets for the opening night Gala at Gar Woods, the boat show, and the Sunday social events, as well as sign up to be a sponsor. Janice Lemak is the show's volunteer coordinator, and you can contact her at volunteersltcde@gmail.com.

Ticket sales and boat entries are way ahead of where they were for the last show at this time of year, so it should be a great show, of which you will want to be a part. Please mark your calendars now to reserve August 11-12 to attend and support our show that attracts boats and attendees from around the country. [↓](#)

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Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association News & Activities

BY RANDY THOMAS/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 five chartering clubs, today more than 100 member clubs in Northern California have a combined membership of approximately 15,600 boating families.

OPENING DAY ON THE BAY



Opening Day 2023

This year's Opening Day was April 30, 2023, with the theme Broadway on the Bay. The 2023 boating season was ushered in with over 100 decorated craft including historic workboats, fireboats, tow boats, classic and contemporary vessels decorated to the theme.

Opening Day goes back to 1917. A coalition of clubs called the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association had been around for a couple of decades.

But with the United States sliding into World War I that dark year, an association member got the idea for yachts properly dressed with signal flags to "cruise in squadron" along the city front from Crissy Field. Also back then, a bridge near Belvedere would open to let barge homes move from their winter anchorage to summer spots in Belvedere Cove and Richardson Bay. The Opening Day name stuck, and the parade tradition grew and is enjoyed today by thousands, boaters and non-boaters alike.

LIPTON CUP

PICYA presents the annual Lipton Cup Regatta pitting yacht club against yacht club in three days of one-design racing in J-22s. The fun begins on June 16, and social events follow racing on Friday and Saturday at the San Francisco Yacht Club and Sunday at the St. Francis Yacht Club. TYC has in the past participated, but this year is waitlisted for one of the limited available boats.



The Lipton Cup

MARGOT BROWN WHEELCHAIR REGATTA



The Lipton Cup

In the past, over 300 have participated to provide veterans, many confined to wheelchairs, with the rare opportunity to experience a power boat cruise on the Oakland Estuary and San Francisco Bay along the San Francisco City front. Upon

return, guests are treated to a picnic luncheon and entertainment on the grounds of Encinal Yacht Club. Most of the honored guests are U.S. veterans residing in Northern California Veterans' Homes and Hospitals. This year marks the first return after a three-year COVID break and is scheduled on September 30 at EYC. To help make this event successful, consider volunteering or donating through the PICYA Foundation (501c) website. Traditionally, TYC furnishes a box of TYC logo wear, to help stock goody bags provided to the guests.

RECREATIONAL BOATERS OF CALIFORNIA (RBOC)



RBOC is the boating community's voice in Sacramento and beyond working to protect boaters' interests before state and local legislative and regulatory branches for

over 50 years. PICYA created Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC) in 1968 as a governmental advocacy organization representing California boaters, committed to promoting the enjoyment, protection, and responsible use of our waterways. RBOC works on many issues with real importance to the recreational boating community. For current interest items, see <https://www.rbo.org/issues>. For a sample of some of the issues recently addressed by RBOC, here are some examples:

■ RBOC Advocating for the Best Use of Boater Taxes & Fees

- Prevented for now a February 8 budget proposal to increase boat registration fees 250%, from \$20 to \$70 every two years.

■ Beach Erosion & Replenishment, Shoreline Erosion Control

- This program is becoming increasingly important within the State's response to climate change and benefits all Californians.

■ Governor Vetoes New Program for Abandoned and Derelict Commercial Vessels

- Highlighting the difference between commercial and recreational vessels, RBOC is advocating that any new program does not impinge upon or create budget pressure on the existing surrendered and abandoned vessel exchange (SAVE) program, which successfully addresses negative envi-

SPRING/SUMMER CALENDAR

ronmental impacts related to abandoned or derelict recreational vessels.

■ Governor Signs Legislation Exempting Lifeguard Rescue Vessels from Speed Limits

- Rescue vessels with flashing blue lights are exempt from 5 mph speed limit

■ Boating and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta


- Opposition to the Delta Conveyance Project as planned. Even though revised to one tunnel, still would significantly harm Delta recreation, significantly and permanently increase transport of invasive species, exacerbate algal blooms, and likely become another 15-20 year project overrunning its budget.

■ RBOC Supports City of Newport Beach Dredging Application

■ Outdoor Recreation & Preservation of Water

- RBOC supports the expansion of sustainable outdoor recreation, preservation of waterways, and the promotion of economic development and job growth.

SUPPORT TO PICYA & RBOC PROGRAMS

As we do each year, TYC provided a check in 2023 for \$1,376 to support RBOC's efforts. Club members contribute add-on amounts designated for RBOC when renewing their membership. Make sure you click that option in your TYC membership renewal. "Thank you" to your Board of Directors and to you, our members, for continued support of PICYA's program. 



MAY

5/4/23	Tahoe XC Event
5/5/23	First Friday- Cinco De Mayo Party
5/6/23	Derby Hat Decorating
5/6/23	Kentucky Derby Party
5/7/23	Sail GP Watch Party
5/9/23	Trivia Night
5/11/23	Activity Open House
5/19/23	Casual Friday
5/20/23	Board Meeting
5/21/23	Horseback Riding
5/23/23	Blue Crew CleanUp
5/25/23	Movie Night
5/27/23	Blessing of the Fleet/Fizz Fling
5/28/23	Indy 500 Auto Race Potluck
5/29/23	Laser Racing
5/31/23	Sailing Night

JUNE

6/2/23	Eagles Golf Day
6/2/23	First Friday
6/3/23	Summer Kick Off
6/5/23	Laser Racing
6/7/23	Spokes Ride
6/7/23	Sailing Night
6/9/23	OTB Kick Off Party
6/10/23	OTB #1
6/12/23	Laser Racing
6/14/23	Sailing Night
6/16/23	Eagles Golf Day
6/16/23	Casual Friday
6/17/23	Board Meeting
6/19/23	Laser Racing
6/20/23	Spokes Ride
6/21/23	Sailing Night
6/24/23	OTB #2
6/26/23	Laser Racing
6/27/23	Cruise Out - Achieve Tahoe
6/28/23	Sailing Night
6/29/23	Hoofers Hike
6/30/23	Eagles Golf Day

JULY

7/2/23	Hoedown Party
7/3/23	Laser Racing
7/4/23	4th of July Lunch Party
7/5/23	Keep Tahoe Red, White and Blue Cleanup
7/5/23	Sailing Night
7/6/23	Spokes Ride
7/7/23	First Friday
7/9/23	OTB #3
7/10/23	Laser Racing
7/12/23	Sailing Night
7/13/23	Committee Open House
7/14/23	Eagles Golf Day
7/14/23	Trans Tahoe Regatta

JULY

7/15/23	Trans Tahoe Regatta
7/15/23	Trans Tahoe Award Dinner
7/16/23	Commodore's Cruise
7/17/23	Laser Racing
7/18/23	Spokes Ride
7/19/23	Sailing Night
7/21/23	Casual Friday
7/22/23	Board Meeting
7/22/23	Big Kahuna Party
7/24/23	Laser Racing
7/26/23	Sailing Night
7/28/23	Eagles Golf Day
7/29/23	Let's Go Sailing
7/29/23	OTB #4
7/30/23	Gar Wood's Regatta
7/31/23	Laser Racing

AUGUST

8/1/23	Spokes Ride
8/2/23	Sailing Night
8/4/23	First Friday
8/5/23	OTB Make up
8/6/23	Rowing Regatta
8/7/23	Laser Racing
8/9/23	Sailing Night
8/10/23	Eagles Golf Day
8/11/23	Concours d'Elegance
8/12/23	Concours d'Elegance
8/14/23	Laser Racing
8/15/23	Spokes Ride
8/16/23	Sailing Night
8/18/23	Casual Friday
8/19/23	OTB #5 and Awards Party
8/19/23	Wine Dinner
8/21/23	Laser Racing
8/23/23	Sailing Night
8/25/23	Eagles Golf Day
8/26/23	Board Meeting
8/28/23	Laser Racing
8/29/23	Spokes Ride
8/30/23	Sailing Night

SEPTEMBER

9/1/23	First Friday
9/2/23	Annual Meeting
9/2/23	End of Summer Barbeque
9/8/23	Eagles Golf Day
9/9/23	Laser Fleet Championship
9/10/23	Laser Fleet Championship
9/12/23	Spokes Ride
9/16/23	Board Meeting
9/22/23	Eagles Golf Day
9/22/23	Casual Friday
9/26/23	Spokes Ride

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