July/August 2018 SOUNDINGS



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From EYC Sr. Vice President Charlie Thome



Welcome to Summer at Encinal Yacht Club. Our pool is warm, our bar is well-stocked and staffed and the dining room is awaiting diners. The Clubhouse is primed and ready for EYC Members and Guests to enjoy afternoons and evenings of music, merriment, food and drink. The Board of Directors and various committees have been working overtime to improve our Club. From last year's beautiful paint job through this year's grounds and dock upgrades, our Clubhouse, grounds and facilities are looking better and better.

Most of the recent improvements were by the hands of Volunteer Members who have donated substantial time and expertise to the Club. Encinal Yacht Club depends heavily on personal efforts of Members to create and maintain the level of excellence we've become accustom to.

Have you been to our 1890 Restaurant lately? By all accounts, Chef Tina



is preparing delicious snacks and meals from a highly varied menu. Our Club's Members are enjoying some of the best food we've seen in years. Upgrades to our extensive menu include hearty "small bites", burgers, sandwiches, salads, soup, seafood dishes and fine dining entrees.



Watch your E-mails for weekly dining and drink specials. Enthusiasm is building for our improved dining experience and it is highly recommended that Members make a reservation for dinner. This not only insures diners a table but gives Chef Tina notice so that we don't run out of her special offerings.

See you at the Club!

EYC Sunday Menu!



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Friday	
Saturday	
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From EYC Rear Commodore Ted Floyd





Hello once again from the Race Deck!

It's been a very busy couple of months on the water since I've had the opportunity to talk with all of you. Some of the highlights include competing in the **Lipton Cup**, we completed **Spring and started Summer Twilight o**n Friday evenings, **Bombora skippered by Rebecca Hinden** has started and finished her dash to Kaneohe and

some important maintenance was competed.

In the last Soundings Theo Rohr shared that the club would be competing against nine other club teams from around the bay area in a revitalized Lipton Cup hosted by Richmond and St. Francis Yacht Clubs. I'm happy to share with you that the race team fielded by Encinal Yacht Club did a fantastic job representing our club in this series with an overall finishing position of 2nd place after 3 days of racing. The format of the race pitted identically prepared J22's in both distance and round the buoy racing over a three day period. Our team was very competitive on all three days and within just a few points of first place throughout the regatta. Congratulations to all those who participated or volunteered and I know we are all looking forward to the rematch in 2019 to capture the top spot on the podium.

Moving on to Spring and Summer Twilight, the first half of the series is in the books and I'd like to begin by thanking all of the Race Committee(RC) volunteers who have come out to help run these races. I know the sailors appreciate all of our efforts and you have all done a fantastic job administering the racing. Congratulations to all of the individual race day and series winners so far as we see who will capture the second half of the season. There are plenty of Friday evening races remaining so please come out to join RC, sail or just watch I know you'll have a great evening.





From EYC Rear Commodore Ted Floyd



Rebecca Hinden & Crew

On to one of my favorite ocean events, the Pacific Cup and skipper Rebecca Hinden's Bombora; EYC's lone representative in this years race. The 2018 Pacific Cup will go down as one of the more challenging races due to light air from several small low pressure systems crossing the race course that slowed the progress of all of the boats heading for the islands. There were many position changes over the 13 day race for Bombora with the team locking in 2nd place within about 2 days of the islands. Over the last several months you could have witnessed the constant preperation going on in the yard and docks as Bombora was made ready for her just over 2000 mile sail. The work required to run a sailing program of this type shouldn't be under estimated and I know the team can take great satisfaction that their efforts have been rewarded. When you see Rebecca, Zac or Scott around the club congratulate them on a great 13 day race to Kaneohe keeping us all on the edge of our seats until the finish.

Recently there were some important improvements made to our club, the juniors ramp was rebuilt, a repair of a section of dock, and we've repaired our crane footing. These are a few more tangible improvements happening around your club due to the volunteer efforts of your fellow club members. There are many other important maintenance projects being under taken which may have gone unmentioned but I want to thank you if you have volunteered any of your time toward a club function or maintenance project this year. You are helping improve all of our member experiences here at the club. I'd also like to encourage you to choose a project or club function to come down and support. You'll have some fun working around the club. We can always use a little more help and welcome your participation.

Aloha, Ted Floyd Rear Commodore Encinal Yacht Club

From EYC Junior Sailing Mike Scott



Howdy Folks!

Summer is officially here, and we couldn't be having more of a blast! We are absolutely careening through our nine weeks of summer sailing and wish that it would never end. We're thrilled to see our highest summer sailing enrollment of all time this year and so grateful for the opportunity to introduce so many young people to the sport and lifestyle of sailing. We've been having a ball swimming, participating in sailing drills, playing group games on the lawn, capsizing, sailing around Coast Guard Island, sailing to Estuary Park, sailing to Marina Village (where we're

met by Tucker's Ice Cream for some tasty treats), and doing so much more! Don't forget to come down for our weekly, Wednesday night barbeques too - they've been well attended by sailors, parents, and guests and are full of tasty food, fun pool games, evening races, and keelboat rides

for families. Our race team sailors have hit the ground running as well this summer season - more training days in the South Bay and practicing team racing on Thursday evenings are some of the highlights of this year.

We've also been doing well in the local regatta series, sponsored by Bay Area Youth Sailing (**BAYS**). The first event was hosted by Richmond YC and featured strong, blustery wind with relatively

big, exciting waves! We hosted the second event in the Summer BAYS Series and it couldn't have gone better. We had over 100 sailors from Encinal and other visiting clubs come down for some great racing in beautiful weather on two different courses. This is the second regatta in the past year that we've been able to take our advanced fleets (C420, Laser Radial, Optimist Champ) out to the South Bay and set a larger course in more dynamic conditions - a move that has been



celebrated by all but especially by the sailors themselves who always prefer more wind and more challenge. This development would absolutely not have been possible without the help of the Flag Officers and other non-Jr. Sailing affiliated volunteers. We must give a huge shout out to Theo Rohr and Ted Floyd for their assistance with the Carol Louise and with setting marks and operating as safety officers. We've also got to thank Michael Andrews and T.J. Connelly for being PROs on the South Bay and Estuary courses, respectively. Finally,

we must thank the dozens of volunteers who always come down and sacrifice their weekends to help us run a very good event, from registration, to food prep and serving, to clothing sales, to scoring, to running safety boats on the water - if it weren't for you, this regatta would NOT exist and all of the competitors would never have had this positive experience at EYC. Finally, we must thank our title sponsor Svendsen's Marine for providing some great little prizes for the victors of each fleet.

From EYC Junior Sailing Mike Scott



Please come down to say hello and check out the summer sailing scene while it's still here! Don't forget to RSVP for our end of **Summer Luau** celebration which will be held on August 16th! We'll be feasting on a wide range of delicious, themed food as well as handing out end of summer awards. Please head on over to the Jr. Sailing page of encinal.org to reserve your spot!



Svensen's Memorial Perpetual Trophy Winners & Coaches

EYC Buildings And Grounds Project Up Date

EYC Dock Gets a New Facelift

If you walk down to the docks near the hoist, you'll find a pleasant surprise. The dock going from the bottom of the main ramp to the base of C/D dock has been repaired and updated.

Buildings and Grounds Chair Tim Eaker and his band of merry volunteers spent three days on July 16, 17 and 18 revamping the old dock. The Monday through Wednesday time frame was chosen so as to disrupt as few weekend activities as possible. Even so, as many as 8 to 10 EYC members turned out each day to toil in the July sun. It turns out that old docks are very dirty and also a bit more complicated than one might first imagine.

Tim began by placing orders for not only the usual stuff like lumber, nails and screws, but he also had to find suppliers for special marine dock materials. Things like mooring cleats, rub rails, flotation and the like are not readily available at Home Depot. Once the materials and people were in place, **Kevin Clark** served as chief engineer and got the project going, dividing the group of volunteers into separate teams to tackle the job. Some tore out the old planks and some worked on rebuilding the frames. Kevin (who is a Past President) also has a magic truck that seems to contain every tool ever invented. The electrical wiring for the docks had to be disconnected and then reconnected – but fear not -- **Mike Gorman** to the rescue! Mike is not only Club Treasurer, but is also an electrical engineer, he planned and did the hookups himself. **Theo Rohr** claims he's not a plumber, but he re-connected the pipes for the fire system as well as for the potable water line. **Eric Eschen** gets the Iron Man award, as he worked ALL three days from start to finish! The only relic which turned up in the old docks was a Budweiser can dug out by Rear Commodore **Ted Floyd**. The can was dated 1984, and was so old it had a poptop ring opening. (It was empty!)

My sincere thanks to everyone who contributed! In addition to those folks mentioned above, the following members were also a HUGE help:

TJ Connelly Jim Govert Grant Hayes Darin Jensen David Philipp Tom Shafer

Great work everyone, and especially to **Tim Eaker** for a job well done!

Tim will be arranging a few more work "parties" at the Club, so watch for his announcements.

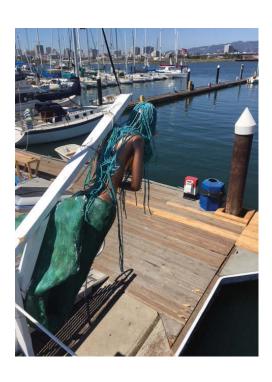


EYC Buildings And Grounds Project Up Date

Of course, no mention of the efforts involved in the project would be complete without also honoring Sue Devlin, also known as the "Human Crowbar". Thanks Sue!

P.S. Sue has also donated a beautiful figurehead to EYC which Sue has christened "Encinelly". Encinelly graced the bow of our 4th of July float in the Alameda parade, and she now has been mounted on the hoist platform, watching out over our docks!

Bill Nork EYC President







EYC Paddle Club



It's been a busy few months for the Encinal Paddle Club!

We continue to see new faces at each event and are super excited about the growing buzz and our new members!

On the morning of Summer Sailstice (6/23), the Paddle Club kicked off the festivities with a 5K around Coast Guard Island. Participants were a mix of EYC members, friends, family and community members. Across the 3 classes (single kayaks, double kayaks and stand up paddle boards) we had a total of 18 paddlers!

Vice Commodore Theo Rohr and Rear Commodore Ted Floyd ran an on the water Skipper's meeting just before the single and double kayaks started at 9 am. EYC Junior Sailing Coach Drake Hayes & Rudi Skowronski pulled away from the pack finishing first with an overall time of 29:32. Sue and John Devlin placed 2nd and Jeri and Grant Hayes came in 3rd. Damien Rigby won the single kayak fleet with a time of 37:36; Lisa Rohr finished 21 seconds later! 3rd place honors went to Flicka Gorman.

The stand up paddle boards had an exciting start 2 minutes after the kayaks. Not surprisingly, Mike Wang (of Mike's Paddles fame) crushed the 5K in 29:53. Community member Jeff Hanck came in 2nd and our own Hank Hernandez came in 3rd, edging out Jesse Woodward by 1 second. A special thanks to our safety kayakers Liddy Clark and Betsy for bringing up the rear and ensuring our event was as safe as it was fun.

July 4th was another big day for the Paddle Club as we "paddled" a kayak and SUP along the Alameda Parade route. We got a great workout with all the patriots encouraging us to "paddle faster!" Thanks to all the volunteers who built and decorated our incredible float. We want the community to know you don't need a yacht to belong to a yacht club. You can just seize the paddle!

The Paddle Club has a number of fun events coming up this summer and is open to paddlers of all levels. Come join us and see what the buzz is all about! The first Saturday of every month we meet in the boatyard at 10 am for a social paddle. On the afternoon of July 28th, we have short course fun races planned as part of the Encinal Regatta. EYC has also recently purchased 2 stand up paddle boards for the club and will be scheduling some on site lessons and activities throughout the summer.

Check out our website for up to date information.

Keep Calm and Paddle On, Lisa Rohr & Ashley Richardson eycpaddleclub@encinal.org

EYC Paddle Club





EYC Sausalito Cruise Out Update Neil & Carol Weinberg

I am often asked by perspective members what EYC offers if they join our yacht club. Since we are a boating club I usually respond with, we offer a great Jr sailing program, a good racing schedule for those who seek competitive sailing, but best of all we offer cruise outs to other yacht clubs, getting our boats out of their berths and out on the water to fun destinations.

This past weekend, the Sausalito EYC cruise out was a blast! 19 boats came to Schoonmaker Point Marina, ranging from 30' to 70'. I would like to thank Bill and Mike in the marina office for their great hospitality, it really is a special place on the waterfront.

Friday evening we had an impromptu appetizer and cocktail party on the dock, which turned into a full blown crazy sailors party. All I remember was going down into my cozy stateroom on Makin Waves at midnight, with at least 18 people still going strong up in my salon. Enough about that.....

Saturday was a relaxing day taking in the sights only Sausalito offers, good food, good drinks and great shopping. 48 EYC members came to Sausalito Yacht Club Saturday night for a great dinner of either Salmon or Filet Mignon by their top shelf Chef. I did not hear one complaint about the food or service! Thanks to SYC, we hope we can continue this annual cruise in.

I would like to end this with I hope all members, especially our new members join a cruise out, either by boat, or just drive in and enjoy what fun the cruise leaders have cooked up for the summer. Don't forget, the highlight of the cruise out is upcoming with Cruise Capt Ed Lecco and Delta Daze!

CYA at the club,

Neil and Carol



From EYC Cruise Captain Ed Lecco



June and July saw the Encinal Cruising Fleet visit two extremely popular destinations on the cruising calendar — Marin YC and Sausalito. The Marin cruiseout was led by Staff Commodore Jim Vickers. 10 Encinal boats made the trip just North of the Richmond bridge for a fun weekend. We enjoyed a Friday night dinner at the Marin Yacht Club with many of us enjoying the Warriors closing out the Cav's in

the NBA finals at the bar. On Saturday there was Bocce ball in the afternoon followed by a BBQ at the yacht clubs pool

The highlight of the Marin Cruise was the return trip home. Perfect sailing and cruising conditions on the water for both power and sail.

Neil Weinberg led a well-attended Sausalito cruise with 19 boats and over 50 Encinal members including two new members on their first cruiseout – Steve and Marilyn Amarino. The fleet stayed at Schoonmaker Point and visited the Sausalito Yacht Club for dinner Saturday night. See Neil's trip report in this Soundings for all the details of this awesome cruise.

August 4th through the 11th is Delta Daze. As of this writing we have 8 boats heading up to Potato Slough. If you want to go contact me (edlecco925@gmail.com) ASAP. On Monday August 6th we will have a BBQ for the cruisers at the Sand Bar, Willow Berm Marina. Land cruisers are welcome – again, contact me ASAP.

Mark your calendars for our annual Labor Day Cruise to Half Moon Bay August 31 to September 3rd. Encinal YC President Bill Nork will again be the Cruise Leader. Look for details on this cruise to be posted shortly.

See you on the water,





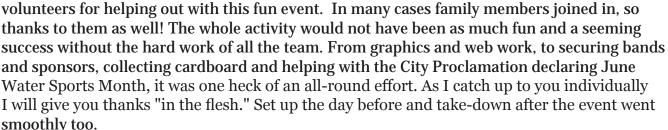


From EYC Junior Vice President Fred Rutledge

Greetings all!

The 2018 Summer Sailstice is now history. It was quite a day and I am pleased the weather did not overwhelm us. Hard to tell how many people attended, but the pool was full, as was the bounce house and the cardboard boat building activity — 11 boats this year!

I do wish to thank the club and non-club





Our club staff did yeoman work and need to be applauded for all the effort they put in. Naturally the food and our bar were big hits. We do have an amazing crew! And yes, I had my first (well three) Dark and Stormies that day. Goslings provided nice refreshment for sure. The Coast Guard demonstration was called off for an actual mission; Alameda Fire Departments fireboat made a "splash," and the kids in the pool decided to play in their new life jackets rather

than race each other. Thanks to the Boating and Waterways folks for donating the life jackets, safety booklets and a fantastic water safety banner. Boat rides were a big hit as was the small boat races and the paddleboard action. Many of our venders networked as well as chatted the public. Hopefully we got a few new members to boot! New to Summer Sailstice were the Save Alameda's Working Waterfront, Bay Keeper and the CAL Maritime folks. The USS Potomac sent a team over, but not the Potomac. The wooden boat Alma, as usual was a big hit. At the end of the day, we had 11 boats built for the cardboard race. The course went beyond the end of A dock, a turnabout, and included picking up a lay on the way back.

Some boats did very well. One sank right off (but we onlookers could tell would happen). One

young fellow had a leaking boat. When it got too waterlogged he got out and dragged it around the course. He was cheered all along. He received an award for tenacity!

So, many thanks to one and all once again.

Enjoy your summer - I can now!!!

Cheers, Fred



Summer Sailstice 2018













From EYC Sailing Foundation Mike Gorman

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Other EYC Activities! #McCOVEYCOVE ead an East Bay read cinal Yacht Meet Oakland A's President Dave Kaval

EYC Committees & Volunteer Opportunities

Race Committee

Come join the Encinal Flag Officers and help with running regattas on the water!

Contact the EYC office for more information.

House Committee

Interested in helping with fun events at the club. Sign up to help by contacting the House Chair.

Gary Stacherski gary.stacherski@gmail.com 415-793-4597.

Membership Committee

The Membership Committee is looking for individuals who have some expertise in marketing, to help develop a marketing plan for branding and advertising Encinal Yacht Club, review our collateral design and content, and select appropriate advertising venues.

Please Contact Anneke Dury 408-354-5739 anneke_dury@hotmail.com

EYC Where Is The Burgee!

Can you guess the location of this Burgee?

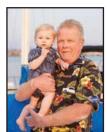
Hint: Somewhere on the East Coast!



Answer: Will let you know in the next Soundings!

EYC Eight Bells Memoriam

Niels Erik Glaser



Niels Erik Glaser, age 62, passed away on Sunday, July 22 at home with his family. Niels fought a courageous battle with Colorectal Cancer for over 3 years. Niels was born in San Francisco and spent his entire life in the Bay Area. He was a yachtsman his entire life. In his early 20's, Niels took over his grandfather's printing business and ran the company for more than 35 years. He also was a yacht broker in his 20's. In 2013, Niels joined The Men's Wearhouse as the NorCal Transportation Manager. Niels was also a lifetime member and Master Mason as well as a member of the Golden Gate Breakfast Club.

Niels was the epitome of a family man: from family vacations, sailing events, cub scouts, automobiles, moving and everything else. Everyone thought of Niels as bigger than life and a jack of all trades - on cars, trucks, big trucks, boats and home renovations. Niels would help anyone without limitations. Niels and his family got involved with Encinal Yacht Club Junior Sailing in 1997, and immediately became co-chair of the program, and has been involved ever since. In addition, Niels served on the Encinal Board of Directors, Buildings and Grounds and as Committee Chair in many capacities his entire EYC membership. If he wasn't running a committee, he was managing a large project, such as rebuilding of the Bar, helping on the swimming pool, Long Range Planning, Editor of the Soundings as well as a board position on the Encinal Sailing Foundation. Throughout his time at EYC, Niels initiated, maintained and improved many traditions. He was a pillar of the EYC community. His presence was recognized whenever he participated on a team project or event. The Mason's belief is that each man has a responsibility to help make the world a better place and indeed Niels exemplified that in every aspect of his life.

Tom Paluch



EYC member Tom Paluch passed away in the early morning of Wednesday August 8th, 2018. As our recent Port Captain, Tom was always very enthusiastic about the club and greeted everyone with a warm smile. Stacy and the Paluch Family express their sincerest thanks to all the friends at EYC for their support.

During this time, we ask our EYC Family to keep Stacy and the Paluch family in our thoughts. Celebration of Life details will be forthcoming

Tom, we will all miss your always smiling face around the club!

Karin Selbach



Longtime Encinal Yacht Club member Karin Selbach crossed the bar this past Sunday, July 1st, 2018 after a very difficult battle with cancer. Karin was very active in the local sailing and medical community with many friends that enjoyed her always welcoming presence.

The Selbach Family appreciates all the support during this time and would like to invite friends, family to Karin's Celebration of Life that will take place on Sunday August 26th, 2018 at 11:00 am @ Encinal Yacht Club.

Fair winds and following seas, Karin...We will miss you dearly.