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ENCINAL YACHT CLUB SOUNDINGS



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Saturday 11:30am-10:00pm
Sunday 10:00am-9:00pm

From EYC Sr. Vice President Fred Rutledge



It has been one heck of a spring for me. Two major operations and a fantastic opportunity to travel to Europe in celebration of D-Day and other WW II memorable events. At the end of July I will be a tour manager on a

Circumnavigation of Iceland. Be alert Penny McCullagh as I am taking an EYC burgee along for photos of “where’s the burgee!”

Your club officers and committees are working on several projects these days from audit, budget, the bar, the pool, the parking lot and much more. The summer months have not slowed things down. If you have constructive ideas or concerns, please let one of us know.

The clubhouse will be invaded by a few dozen Scots on Saturday, July 20th. Have no fear as this is only a Ceilidh (a Scottish party) with good food and a whiskey tasting. I have had this group of various Scottish clubs over each summer for a few years.

Please mark your calendars for Saturday,

September 28th. Encinal is hosting the 23rd Annual Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta. This amazing event was started by Margot Brown when she and husband Jay were members of Encinal. Hundreds of veterans from WW II to today, and from the various veterans’ homes and hospitals in the nine Bay Area counties participate. They are provided boat rides from the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association volunteers, with help from

Oakland firefighters Coast Guard Petty Officers, Navy Sea Cadets and a host of other volunteers. The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars put the BBQ together. If you haven’t participated before here is your chance. It has been my honor and pleasure to be a part of this event for 14 years! More details to follow.

And finally, it is nomination for club offices season, though near the end.

We are a club that depends on volunteers. If you are asked to stand for office, or have been asked, please give it careful consideration and say yes. We want new faces on the board not just the regulars!

Thank you.



From EYC Commodore Theo Rohr



Catch the Summer Wave at the Club



Our summer season is well underway with loads of events and activities at the club and on the bay. I hope you have enjoyed it as much as I have. The 4th of July parade was its usual success... the pool party back at the club

was enhanced this year by our new Tiki Bar... the docks were filled with member boats— if you missed it this year don't do that again! We've had Twilight racing under ideal conditions, Juniors Sailing Camps and Summer Splash Bays regatta, members racing across the ocean and cruising on the Bay and the YRA Encinal Regatta.

With all these activities there has been plenty to do for Staff and member volunteers and I would like to take a moment to thank everyone who contributes their time and effort to the Club.

This last weekend's Encinal Regatta is a great example of how, together, we put on a great weekend regatta that club members and racers from around the bay really enjoyed. It started with months of planning and ground work by the executive race committee lead by Don Ahrens. Our on the water race committee put on well executed races that really define what kind of club we are to all those serious sailors from around the Bay. Thank you to Charles and Kathryn Hodges, Damien and Cindy Rigby, Laura Fries, Michael Andrews and Lisa Rohr for their excellent work on the water. For all the prep work and after race party, thank you to Grant and Jeri Hayes, Sue and John Devlin, Bill and Susan Nork. T shirts sales stars Nancy Fadis and Gail Waldron and

fund raising beer tender Chuck Wetteroth went above and beyond the call of duty, as does Allison Sojka did such an amazing job of promoting membership and getting media content out to all of us. Also, huge shout outs to my lovely wife Lisa for putting together such fun paddling games on the water and to Rich Pipkin, Tom Rankin, Bill and Mitch for the spinnaker hoisting mayhem (and to Kame Richards and Pineapple Sails for providing the spinnakers).

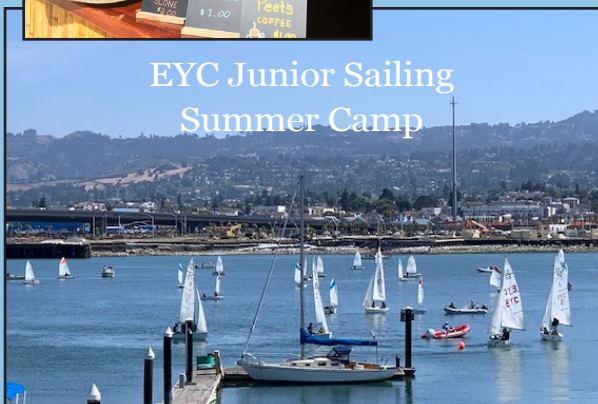
Over the years, I've gotten to know and really enjoy the company of member volunteers I've met and worked with at these club events. This is what our club is about: active members who come out and participate in boating, paddling, putting on social and competitive events, dining, maintaining our facility, swimming and much more all the while getting to know our fellow members. So turn off your glowing screen and catch the wave with us.



From EYC General Manager
Curtis Lew

OUR CLUB HAS BEEN HOPPING ALL SUMMER LONG!

Here are a few highlights from June & July Events at the club.



From EYC Rear Commodore Jens Jensen



Looking Back: 2019 Encinal Spring Twilights

Anyone of us who has sailed the Encinal Twilight races on the estuary knows that, what might start out as a sweet evening breeze at the start can turn into a frustrating last leg from the leeward mark to the finish an hour later. The

wind has died off for the slower boats while the fast handicappers were able to run away with the trophies in good wind. More likely, they had finished their first beers by the time you and your crew were approaching the home slip. What if the majority of boats could fight it out on the last quarter mile to the finish, wrapped into “equal opportunity” as far as tide and wind are concerned? How do you do that?

The solution is to start boats time delayed in reverse order of their handicap. If they all sail to their rating, they will likely converge in a big pile of boats ahead of the finish line presenting plenty new tactical challenges to all competitors. It's called a pursuit race and the last race of the 2019 Spring Twilights was just that. Dominic Marchal gave me the idea and he deserves credit for suggesting it. The overall winner of our first ever Encinal Estuary Pursuit Race is Encinal member Dan Pruzan, driving his Express 27 WILE E COYOTE to victory. He was closely followed by Greg Nelson with OUTSIDER (Azzura 310) and Steve McCarthy with RUBY (Moore 24). Congratulations to the winners! Can we find a retired trophy in the protest room and re-purpose it with a new plaque as the “Annual Encinal Estuary Pursuit Trophy”?

By the time you read this we are already into the summer part of the Twilight series, so

perhaps this is a good time to look back at the spring series. Dave Blumhorst, Ken and Marianne Popplewell as PRO and key race committee resources were available to run all races -- let's give them a hand for being there every Friday! Also, Fred and Margaret Fago were regulars, capturing pictures and race scores.

What about scores? Thirty boats were registered to race, eighteen of which were flying the Encinal burgee. One of the eighteen is our new member Zhenya Kirueshkin-Stepanoff, sailing his Martin 243 “Nice Rack”. To qualify as crew on his boat, you need to have demonstrated active time with Cirque de Soleil. Zhenya sails in the competitive Division Alpha. OUTSIDER again was the boat to beat in this fleet, followed by Kevin Clark with SMOKIN and Steve Berl on GOOD AND PLENTY. Fleet Charlie was dominated by a trio of Express 27s. Encinal's Rebecca Hinden with BOMBORA claimed first place on 5 points, followed by Dan Pruzan and George Lythcott sailing TAZ!.

Thirteen boats in Fleet Delta saw CARINA (Columbia 5.5) as the winner on 7 points. She is sailed by Scott McCoy who beat our own Don Ahrens by 1 point as the driver of the J 22 club boat BLUE JAY, followed by OSITUKI owned and sailed by Rodney Pimentel.

Club racing on the Estuary is alive and well. With the summer series just under way, we are closing in on forty boats total. Thank you to all Encinal members coming out sailing your boats. If you want to try out racing your boat for the first time, this is the Regatta you want to pick! For \$25 you can have a lot of fun and I will give you honorable and favorable mention at the awards. **Check it out!**

2019 Encinal Regatta



Hosted by EYC and YRA

ENCINAL REGATTA



JULY 27 & 28



From EYC Junior Sailing Mike Scott



Howdy folks!

I can't believe I'm saying this...summer is almost over! This year our nine weeks of summer sailing camp and racing has absolutely sped by at a blinding pace. We suspect that's because this summer

has been packed to the point of bursting with outrageous amounts of fun, competition, and learning.

We've had another year of massive enrollment (hitting our maximum class size limits on almost every class!), and thanks to our killer summer sailing staff we are having a year of massive learning! Sailors of all levels are excelling at sailing on all points of sail, rigging, learning the basics of racing - all while taking advantage of the warm weather and reasonable breeze of the Estuary which allows ample opportunity for tennis ball tag, popsicle raft-up parties, "accidental" capsizes, and limitless other varieties of on-the-water fun. Our weekly barbecues have been stronger and more enjoyable than ever as new and old friendships are formed while eating tasty food, hanging in the pool, or going for a boat ride or race. We hope to have seen many of you at this summer's barbecues, and next summer if not! While our summer sailing camp has been running along like a well-oiled machine, our various race teams (Opti, Laser, C420, and CFJ) have been very busy training harder and competing more than ever before. Encinal Yacht Club has been represented at the following events: Area G Sears Cup Qualifier (Open 5.70); Opti Heavy Weather Regatta (Opti); B.A.Y.S. #1 Regatta/Area G Bemis &

Smythe Qualifier (Opti, Laser, C420, CFJ); Leiter Cup Jr. Womens' Champ (Laser); C420 North American Championship (C420); B.A.Y.S. #2 Regatta (Opti, Laser, C420, CFJ); Ida Lewis Jr. Womens' Doublehanded Champ



(C420). This represents not only the events that have been completed as I write this update. We still have a handful of events left on the calendar before we jump right into winter racing!

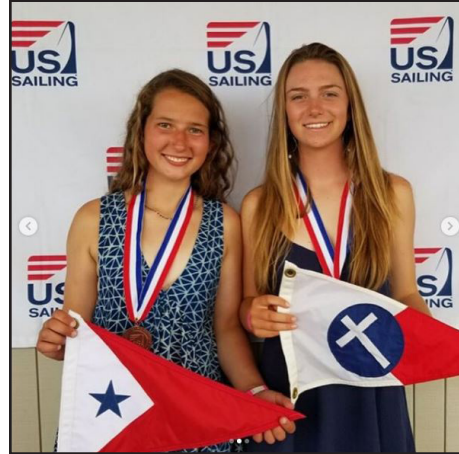
It is incredible to behold such a great group of kids dive into such intense training and competition this summer - especially since it represents a step up from the level of many recent summers in terms of number of events but also in terms of the caliber of competition.



From EYC Junior Sailing Mike Scott

Our C420 team has achieved national-level competitiveness and has served as both role model and inspiration for our Laser and Opti teams who are pushing harder than ever before to compete on the national level. The following race team sailors deserve special recognition for their achievements: Simon Boeger, Jasper Reid, and Jonathan Andrews - 2nd Place (of 9), Sears Cup Qualifier (Open 5.70); Simon Boeger and Jasper Reid - 11th Place (of 93), C420 North American Championship (C420); Kyra Phelan, Sophia Browne - 5th Place (of 32), Ida Lewis Jr. Womens' Doublehanded Champ (C420).

Although these are the highest placing sailors at the highest caliber events, I encourage all Encinal members to check the results from all of the events listed to see just how prolific our sailors are and how well our other teams are doing at the local level. It'll be just a short time before our development athletes are joining their older C420 teammates on the podium.



Our incredible summer program and race teams would absolutely not be possible without the support of our insanely generous and absurdly hard-working volunteer corps. Please thank them for their hard work when you see them next - perhaps at our Jr. Sailing Summer Luau and Awards Ceremony on August 8! Please see the Jr. Sailing webpage for information and a link to purchase your ticket (we run out of space every year, don't delay!).



EYC Pool Info Lipton Cup 2019



**EYC
3rd Place
Overall!**

Congratulations Enincal YC Sailing Crews!

Our Yacht Club was lucky enough to participated again this year in the **PICYC Lipton Cup Regatta** and after 3 days of great racing emerged in 3rd Place overall. It was a an exciting and tough series with EYC leading the standings on day 1 by the end of day 3 we had secured 3rd place overall. Again this year the competition from the 10 other clubs was stiff with one boat actually capsizing and sinking during racing on day 2. The boat was refloated and back in competition on day 3 a testament to the toughness of the J22 and determination of the support teams to keep all of the yacht club teams and sailors participating in the event. Special thanks goes out to Russ Silvestri of the StFYC and nameless others for their hard work to recover the swamped craft. Encinal Yacht Club was selected along with South Beach Yacht to host next years event so stay tuned for information on the 2020 Lipton Cup. There will be opportunities to participate and volunteer as we co-host this great intraclub sailing event with South Beach.

Friday Crew

Rebecca Hinden
John Hansen
Ben Rohr
Daniel Erisman

Saturday Crew

Brendan McNally
Ben Rohr
Liv Jensen
Daniel Erisman

Sunday Crew

Kame Richards
Aimee Daniel
Jean Rutledge
Ted Floyd

LIPTON CUP REGATTA
for the Lipton Pacific Coast Perpetual Challenge Trophy
June 14 - 16, 2019

OVERALL RESULTS

Pos	Yacht Club	Admirals Cup Friday	Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge (Double Points) Saturday	Larry Knight Sunday	Overall	Position
1	Richmond	6	2	3	11	1
2	San Francisco	4	6	2	12	2
3	Encinal	1	8	4	13	3
4	St. Francis	3	10	1	14	4
5	Inverness	8	4	5	17	5
6	Corinthian	2	12	6	20	6
7	Tahoe	5	14	7	26	7
8	South Beach	7	16	8	31	8
9	Sequoia	9	18	10	37	9
10	Berkeley	10	20	9	39	10

Updated: 6/16/2019

Encinal Sailing Foundation Mike Gorman

A little club history and lore.

As the years pass and members come and go it strikes me that a lot of club knowledge and history fails to get passed on. (Hopefully most members stay!) The “Carol Louise” our race committee vessel sits quietly at the club dock day after day dutifully awaiting service.

The photo is the vessel “Carol Louise” with the iconic San Francisco skyline in the background starting the Opti champ kids during the July 20-21 BAYS (Bay Area Youth Sailing) regatta sponsored by EYC. Represented here are a couple jewels of our club. The “Carol Louise” was made possible by a generous “Deed of Gift” from long time members Joe and Carol Molino. Owned by the Encinal Sailing Foundation and servicing club race events she is a very valuable asset of our vibrant club. Take a walk on the dock sometime, give her a little pat, and say “Thank you Joe and Carol.

The second even bigger jewel is the enthusiasm of our junior sailing parent volunteers and staff. This enthusiasm is such a valuable part of our club’s spirit and dedication to youth sailing. Our club’s award winning youth program is admired and looked up to by every club in California and afar. The volunteers and staff ran a two day junior racing regatta for Bay Area 93 junior sailors. Full days of racing, meals, fellowship, and awards. We should all tip our caps to Barbara Grove and her dedicated team who pull this off year round and year after year. Bless them all!

Oh and race committee and junior sailing are always awaiting new volunteers. You don’t even need a boat or a kid. Just say “How can I help?”

Mike Gorman
President
Encinal Sailing Foundation



EYC Cruise Outs

Cruise Out To Marin YC Holly & Curt

Thank you to all the members who joined us on the Marin Yacht Club Cruise out. With out all of you, it would not have been as fun. What a amazing way to bond with your fellow club members. It was a huge success and we had a lovely time from, wine tasting, bocce, bbq and tons of glorious views. Marin Yacht Club was so accommodating and they made it very easy for all of us cruiser. There grounds are breath taking with views of Mount Tam. We hope you all join us next year either by boat or by land.



Saulsalito Cruise Out Chuck & Edie

Good food, good drinks, and Fun all around!



Check out our newest Helly Hansen fashions!

We have everything from jackets and vests to shorts for both men and women. Look your yachting best and show your support for our club.

We also have a number of fantastic deals on select merchandise.

Our ship's store is open Thursday through Sunday during regular office hours. Just step into the office and Omta or Curtis can assist you or you can contact Edie or Anita for a shopping appointment.



EYC Membership

Michelle Shaffer

Ahoy to all our new members.

Welcome to Encinal Yacht Club!! All of these members have joined our fabulous club in 2019 as Regular Members. It is so nice to see some new faces at the club getting involved, hanging out at the pool, racing their sailboats, paddling around the estuary or just visiting the clubhouse.

Rick Duste & Linda Duste
Graham Ritchie & Andrea Ritchie
Kelly Mcconnell & Zac Mutrux
Greg Lockwood & Erin Murray
Cameron & Tony Giovinazzi
Sue & William Martin
Robert & Pamala Garant
Donald Bertucio
Megan & Jared Wilichinsky
Todd & Abby Farmer
Casey & Nicole Gray
Monte Ferguson
David Harry & Christine Hauser
Thomas & Mandi McCarthy
Patrick Hall & Michelle Hall
Susan Walsh & Valerie Storm
Philip & Jill Ziman
Laurence Boag & Anna Stevens
Grant & Renee Smith
Zhenya & Diane Stepanoff
Norm & Ellie Trondsen
Peter & Michelle Latson
Scott Dickey & Ana Recio
Jason Vanderwalker
& Lauren Walden
Holly & Chris Leeker
Don Smullin
Brad & Michelle Latson
Michael & Gaylan Skolnick
Kim Branciforte
Liv Jensen
Paul Abboud & Kristen Sidell

Christopher & Portia Whittome

Alicia Elphick

Anny & Robert Carson

Calin & Nicole Smith

Sonia Desai & Keith Jaslow

Graham & Andrea Ritchie

Peter & Shana Phelan

Gina Bignone

Mary & Mark Peterson

Bruce Richardson & Jenn Collins

Leigh Anne & Liam Gray

When you are around the club and you happen to see one of our new members donning one of our infamous "1st Year" tags attached to their name badge take a moment and shout out a big "WELCOME".

I also wanted to tell you a little about our other members. We currently have 358 members that belong to EYC. These are just the primary members, adding in the spouses/significant others our membership count is 634. These numbers comprise of our Life Time Members, Regular Members, Racing Members, Cruising Members, Non-Resident, Artemis Racing, Service, Corinthian and Corinthian Student Members.

Fun Facts About our Membership:

- 11% of our membership have been members for over 25 years! Wow, that is amazing!!
- 22% of our membership have been members between 10 - 24 years
- 41% of our members have been part of our -yacht club family between 2 – 9 years.
- Another fun fact is we have a member who has been with us for 74 years.

Enjoy what is left of summer and hope to see you at the club!



EYC Paddle Club
Lisa Rohr

EYC Paddle Club

1st Saturday of Each Month

We are coming into the most beautiful paddle months of the year, join us for our monthly group paddle

Thefts

We have had kayak thefts recently. If you store your own kayak or SUP at the club, please ensure your property is locked



Paddle Splash

September 15, 2019
7am-4pm

Paddle Splash is a paddleboarding festival for everyone – come and race or just paddle around with a bunch of fun people! The festival is being held at EYC. There will be a 1, 3, and 6 mile race, relay race for 4 people and a Red Dragon Race for 4 people as well! In the afternoon there'll be an island festival with drinks, food and

EYC Junior Sailing Racing Photos



C420 North Americans



Junior Sailing News

Congratulations to all the EYC Jr Sailors who competed at **National / North American** Level competition this summer! We are so proud of our sailors representing us in such big competitions!

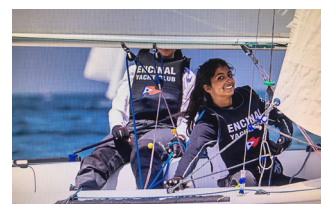
420 North Americans – Simon Boeger/ Jasper Reid, Kyra Phelan/Sophia Browne, Brendan Connelly/ Max Emilian Kluiwstra-Descalle, Dylan Wondolleck/Drake Hayes, Ethan Sargeant/Chase Latson

A special shout out goes to **Kyra Phelan / Sophia Browne**, for finishing 5th place in the Ida Lewis Competition. This is the highest place finish an EYC sailor has finished!

US Sailing Women's National
Single Handed Competition –
Leiter Cup Regatta- Carla



US Sailing Women's National Double
Handed Competition – **Ida Lewis
Regatta- Kyra Phelan/Sophia
Browne, Althea White/ Lola Rao**





2019 Transpac

Welcome Home Team Azure!
2nd Place In The Cal 40 Division

Owner: Rodney Pimentel

Crew: Jim Vickers, Tony Shaffer, Ted Floyd



EYC Junior Sailing Luau



2019 Awards Banquet

Hawaiian BBQ Dinner • Junior Sailing Awards

A fun island atmosphere for the whole family.

Thursday, August 8 at 530PM

Tickets \$15 per person

RSVP Required: [RSVP HERE](#)



Where's The Burgee



Where's The Burgee?

ENCINAL YACHT CLUB HOURS

Effective August 1st

Food Service Hours:

Thursdays	11:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Fridays	11:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturdays	11:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Sundays	11:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. (New Hours)

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Sundays	11:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. (New Hours)

Office:

Wednesdays – Sundays 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.