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ENCINAL YACHT CLUB SOUNDINGS



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Kentucky Derby Party



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Fridays..... 11:30am-9:00pm
Saturdays 11:30am-8:30pm
Sundays.....10:30am-8:30pm

Summer Season Lounge Hours

Thursday..... 11:30-10:00pm
Friday..... 11:30am-11:00pm
Saturday 11:30am-10:00pm
Sunday 10:00am-9:00pm

From EYC Vice President Rodney Pimentel



Spring is here, the sun is out, and the rain has stopped for the most part. The club has been buzzing with activity as we ramp up for summer. As the days get longer and the weather gets warmer, we are looking forward to lots of pool activity.

I hope all of you have seen and been able to enjoy our new Tiki Bar. Thanks again to Kevin Clark for spearheading the project, and Mary McGrath for her design skills, and all the other member that helped with the construction. We are looking forward to several poolside celebrations this summer. Mother's Day was celebrated on May 12 with two full seatings. Chef Manny did a truly outstanding job with the food and has created a constant high-quality experience

in our dining room. All the mothers were treated to a complementary rose and lots of champagne.

We had a fantastic Luau on May 18th. The party was originally scheduled to be Pool side at our new Tiki Bar, but the last of polar vortex descended on Alameda just before the event. Not to worry, Stacy Paluch did a fabulous job shifting the event to the dining room where the Mia Tai's still flowed. We had a very special performance from the Halau Makana Polynesian dancers from Alameda.

Your Presidency has been busy this year updating the Employee Handbook and Standing Rules and Policies. The latest version of the Standing Rules and Policies has been posted to our web site. Our Goal is to also update the Bylaws and Club Roster before the end of the year.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Club!



**Tiki Bar
Opening!**

From EYC Commodore Theo Rohr



Encinal Yacht Club added another exciting chapter to its long tradition of offshore sailboat racing with this year's California Offshore Race Week. On and off the race course, EYC members participated in every leg of this 200 mile race from San Francisco to San

Diego and I couldn't be more impressed and proud of the commitment and spirit of Team EYC.

The California Offshore Race Week (CORW) is a multi-leg race down the California coast, requiring collaboration between four yacht clubs: EYC, Monterey Peninsula YC, Santa Barbara YC and San Diego YC. Over the last 4 years, it's evolved into a premier California offshore event, providing some of the most challenging racing on the west coast. Back in 2015, Staff Commodore Jim Vickers reimagined the race (on the back a napkin) with Santa Barbara YC Commodore, Bill Guilfoyle. Their ideas reinvigorated the race and each year, CORW has grown and refined. After years of co-hosting the Coastal Cup (leg #2 from Monterey to SB), this year EYC also co-hosted the Spinnaker Cup (leg #1 from SF to Monterey) along with MPYC.

Congratulations to our great hometown offshore skippers Rebecca Hinden (and Bombora crew: Ashley Hobson and Julia Paxton) and Rodney Pimentel (and Azure crew: Ted Floyd, Ellie Glenn, Tony Shaffer, Jim Vickers and Thad Wozniak) and also to EYC's John Hansen aboard Dave MacEwen's Lucky Duck. The Coastal Cup racers saw some

epic conditions and smashed previous elapsed time records on an exciting ride down the central coast of California. Read more about it here. (If you haven't been to the CORW site already go check it out for results and some really good stories about this event.)

Many thanks to our Spinnaker Cup Race Committee: PRO Charles Hodgkins (GGYC), Dave Blumhorst, Jean DuPreez (MPYC), Jens Jensen, George Bean, Ken Popplewell and Lisa Rohr for starting the regatta off smoothly, sending 40 boats out the Gate and down to Monterey. I also want to shout out to our EYC superfans, Kim and George Bean and Ken and Marianne Popplewell who drove all the way down the coast to cheer and support our EYC competitors from the Monterey and Santa Barbara Yacht Clubs. Cheers to all of you! Lastly, huge props to the true EYC star, Vice Commodore Teddy "GoodTime" Floyd, who not only worked tirelessly as our event chair for CORW but also worked tirelessly preparing and racing on Azure!



I want to salute and congratulate and Thank everyone who was involved this year and just say lets do it again next year!

From EYC General Manager Curtis Lew



We had a great **Easter event** with 125 attending this great event! A visit from the Easter bunny was a favorite with our juniors.

The **Kentucky Derby Fundraiser** event was a success! A

great thank you goes to Cindy Wondolleck, Jesse Cooke, & Stacy Paluch, who organized the event. Forty one participated in the wild Kentucky Derby finish and we cannot forget the Bourbon tasting along with Manny's food selections that were appropriate for the event. Proceeds go to our Lipton Cup team. Thanks to Dayna and Ivan who made delicious mint juleps who quenched everyone's thirst! Lastly, we cannot forget about the hat contest! Many women and even some men wore great looking hats for the occasion!



Mike Scheck and his Group with Tony Oliver performed live and WOWED the crowd on a recent Saturday night. Members were singing alongside the band with tunes such as "Sweet Caroline" and "Margaritaville." We look forward to having them back! Mike is always looking for musicians so if you play an instrument, please email Mike at: michaelscheck1@gmail.com

Mother's Day event could not have been better with 120 attending. All moms received a red rose. A great thank you to Manny and his staff for putting on a great meal and great service.

Luau – The Coastal Cup Race Transpac 2019 send off was a great event. Over 50 participated in this send off. Hawaiian dancers from Alameda called, "Halau Makana" performed and blessed two boats in this race: Azure and Highlander. Good luck!

Master Mariners

2019: Over 200 sailors enjoyed a great dinner buffet after the race. great thank you our own Chuck Wetteroth (Staff Commodore, Port Captain, etc) for helping with this event as well as Terry Klaus, former EYC member for 25 years, who organized this event for the past 20+ years...and still sailing for 42 years! By the way, Terry's daughter, Lindsey, went through our Junior Sailing program and now skippers the Brigadoon boat. Congratulations to the Big Schooner Division – Gaslight boat for winning! Music by Alameda's "And That's Jazz" band performed in the afternoon as boats were coming in. This band has played here for the past 17 years for this event! After dinner, sailors danced the night away to the live band, JD & Company, who has performed here the past 4 years.



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From EYC General Manager Curtis Lew

Save the Date: Friday, June 21st from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., **Furthermore Winery** will be here for a wine tasting event! These high end wines paired with some great cheeses and hors d'oeuvres (prepared by Manny) should not be missed. This complimentary event will be sold out quickly. Please reserve your space by emailing Omta at: admin@encinal.org with the subject line: Furthermore. Our weekly email updates (Signal Flag), membership statements, or any other club communications, please contact our Member Relations Coordinator Omta Toma at 510-522-3272 or admin@encinal.org. Omta will be happy to update your contact information.

Member Contact Information Needed:

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EYC SUMMER HOURS

Effective June 1st

Food Service Hours:

Thursdays	11:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Fridays	11:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Saturdays	11:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Sundays	10 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Bar Lounge Hours:

Thursdays	11:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Fridays	11:30 a.m. – 11 p.m.
Saturdays	11:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Sundays	10 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Office:

Wednesdays – Sundays 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

From EYC Vice Commodore Ted Floyd



Hello once again from the Flag Officers of the Encinal Yacht Club.

Jens, Theo and I have some exciting news for anyone in the club who has wanted to try their hand at sailing a club keelboat only to discover that the club didn't have a boat

available for member use. Well we're happy to let you now know that the club has a J22 Blue Jay that the Flag is able to make available for charter to qualified skippers.

The goals for Blue Jay are to provide a training platform for Encinal Lipton Cup Team members and to make the boat available to club members for entry in Estuary and some Bay races run by Encinal and other local clubs. Currently the boat has been chartered for the EYC Summer Twilight Series by Don Ahrens and is currently available for Gracie and George, Commodores Cup and Jack Frost Series. In addition to these Encinal run races the boat is entered in the OYC Sweet Sixteen race series and the Island Friday night series. If you would like to charter the boat for any of these races you should send an email to vicecommodore@encinal.org and I'll work with you to become one of our certified J22 skippers authorized to charter and race the club's boat.

How do I become a certified J22 skipper you

ask, well you will need to come out with two different flag officials who can check you out in the boat. You should be a capable skipper prepared to share your sailing resume (for our documentation) and go for two check out sails where the official will provide you some minor instruction and answer questions while documenting your ability to handle the boat in a variety of situations. We'll give you some feedback and work with you toward getting a certification. This is not a sailing school so the officials will expect you to be competent in general boat and sail handling. They will be able to help you with specific rigging questions and/or techniques which are particular to this specific boat but will be relying on your

experience as a sailor to manage the boat.

The current cost to charter the Blue Jay once you're certified is \$75 per race day and we will offer a discounted price of \$300 to charter the boat for each half of our Twilight Series. You don't need to charter the boat for the entire series so single race days/evenings would also be fine however we will give priority to skippers who want the boat for a full series. We are looking forward to getting more club members certified and out sailing the Blue Jay so

if you'd like more information or

have additional questions about the Blue Jay and becoming a certified skipper please reach out to me at the above email address or anyone of your other Flag officers.



SV: Blue Jay

From EYC Junior Sailing Mike Scott



Howdy folks!

It's been an incredible (although perhaps a bit wet) Spring here at Encinal YC and our youth sailors have been getting pumped getting ready for a summer full of sailing, racing, friends, and new adventure! Our summer

sailing registration is live and fills up very quickly every year, so don't miss your chance - we have classes appropriate for all skill levels between the ages of 6 and 18 ([click HERE for more information and registration](#)). Please also join us for our Welcome Back to Summer Barbecue on Friday, June 7 (6:00pm-8:30pm) where you can find out more, hang by the pool, or go for a boat ride! If you can't make that, we will be having Summer Sailing Barbeque's each Wednesday (5:00pm-8:00pm) from June 12-July 31.

Summer is nearly here, but during April and May we were still putting some of the finishing touches on a great high school sailing season. On April 13-14, Miramonte and Acalanes High School Sailing Teams traveled to Mission Bay YC in beautiful San Diego to compete in the High School Sailing Gold Fleet Pacific Coast Championship. Warm weather and fantastic racing made for a fun weekend with a ton of great takeaways - a special shoutout goes to Acalanes who competed hard in Silver all season, earning the invite to Gold at this penultimate event. On May 4, we celebrated the sailors from all 13 of our high school teams at our annual High School Sailing Banquet. A huge thank you goes out to all parents, volunteers, and staff



who made this evening a great success and a night to be remembered for all of our sailors.

Though spring marked the end of a long scholastic season, many of our sailors were already kicking their training into high gear - eager to get going in C420s, Lasers, and Optis to see how they stack up against sailors from other Bay Area clubs. Both "Development" and "Advanced" squads have been training hard almost every weekend on and off the water in an effort to propel Encinal YC youth sailing to the top of the Bay Area podium. Things got off to a great start at the Elvstrom Zellerbach regatta (hosted by StFYC) on May 11-12: EYC sailors Simon Boeger and Jasper Reid came away with a convincing win in the C420 fleet, in extremely breezy and lumpy conditions - congratulations! You may also see a group of sailors training on the Open 5.70 "Boaty" in preparation for the Sears Cup qualifier on June 15-16. All of our sailors are excited with this initial result but hungry for more, please

give them some words of encouragement if you see them at the club training!
Sail fast!



EYC Pool Info

BE CONSIDERATE OF OTHERS:



- No Smoking
- No Running
- No Diving
- No Rough play
- No Glass
- No Pets
- No Excessive Noise
- No Outside Food

Other Pool Info:

- Remember Your Wrist Band
- New Gate Code! See the office.



EYC Kentucky Derby



EYC Cruise Out To South Beach

Edie Herro



Perseverance and a certain degree of luck paid off when after being shut out of South Beach Marina for the last two years, our EYC

rain, and we returned to our home berths. The experience which included a couple of arguments with Harbor Seals, boat break downs, great food and drinks, and a lot of laughs was well worth it. Hopefully we'll be able to repeat the trip next year... with sunshine.

Cruisers were able to spend the weekend in one of San Francisco's central locations. Edie Herro and Lee Manter, who is a member of both EYC and South Beach Yacht Club, put their heads together and with the help of the SBYC arranged a long sought Cruise In. The marina had been undergoing construction which precluded clubs from enjoying the amenities along the Embarcadero. Thanks to Edie, Lee, the South Beach Yacht Club and the Harbor's municipal personnel 11 EYC cruising boats found berths in the marina.

Friday's weather was favorable and we all enjoyed appetizers on the docks Friday night and afterwards, everyone was free to choose where they wanted to go and what they wanted to do. Many of us wandered up the South Beach Yacht Club's Club house for drinks and socializing. Others went out for dinner at a wide variety of great restaurants in the city.

Saturday's weather was challenging. Wind and rain made it seem as if it was March rather than May. Luckily the deluge held off until after we enjoyed breakfast on South Beach Yacht Club's deck. Later, when the weather turned hostile, our members still enjoyed themselves thanks to San Francisco's activities, shops, bars and restaurants. That evening South Beach Yacht Club hosted a great dinner for the 27 EYC members and guests. Their hospitality made everyone of us feel right at home.

Sunday, there was a break in the wind and



EYC Ship's Store Edie Herro/Anita Mahoney

Would you like to purchase merchandise from EYC's ship store? Our showcase is located in the lobby of our club. Our fabulous office staff is always happy to assist you for your convenience. They are available during regular club hours.

We will give you additional shopping opportunities at pop-up sales or Anita & Edie can meet you for a "shopping appointment". All you need do is email or call us at denisma-honey@comcast.net, (925) 324-2917 or herro.edie@gmail.com, 307-690-5447.

The ship's store has received new jackets, vests and shirts from Helly Hansen and more is on the way. We also have a selection of hats, belts, and accessories for your dog.

EYC Ship's Store

Remember Dad

JUNE 16TH

FATHER'S DAY SPECIAL

10% off on all merchandise
Wednesday, June 12th - Sunday, June 16th
(sale items excluded)

Come by and browse our new Spring collection! All merchandise can be ordered.

Our store is open during regular club hours.
Our staff is always available to help you.

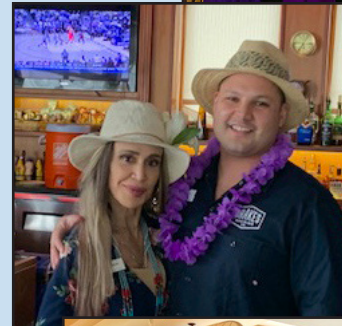
Hello From The House!

We had a really fun Month of May, starting with the fabulous **Kentucky Derby** party put on by Cindy Wondolleck and Jesse Cooke. Fabulous food and Bourbon tasting. A good time was had by all, I hope we make this an annual event.

I want to thank everyone who came out May 18th to our **Luau** that unfortunately we had to move indoors because of rainy weather. It was still very fun and Hawaiian dancers were awesome. It was a nice send-off for the crew on azure. Hopefully next year we'll get sunny weather and we'll have it out on the lawn area.

We have beautiful weather in a great turnout June 1st for the tiki bar grand opening. Thank you to our Commodore Theo for getting the band "recycle" to play out by the pool area a good time was had by all.

Please check your calendar for upcoming events June 8th is the tap takeover by Drake's and Lagunitas Beer companies. June 9th kicks off the first "Sunday funday" out by the pool. Food, drinks and music, lots of fun games. June 22nd is Summer Solstice Regatta on the club grounds.



EYC Friday Twilight Races

Photos Fred Fago



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EYC Where's The Burgee



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This Summer at EYC

YOGA

Thursdays

11:00 am - 12 noon

In the Regatta Room

**Encourage health and wellbeing through Yoga.
Grow, learn and have fun!**

**Cost: \$10.00 per class for members
15.00 per class for non-members**

**Everyone please bring his/her
own yoga mat and yoga strap to class.**

Offered by:



**Thursdays:
June 13, 20, 27
July 11, 18, 25
August 1**

***No class July 4th**