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Presidio Yacht Club / Travis Marina



Second Quarter 2015

News at the Club

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS

In April, we are going to have four special guest speakers. At 6 PM, before the Club dinner on Saturday, April 11th, we will have the Coxless Crew. Now the first thing you probably are wondering about is: what is a coxless? A coxless is a two or four person row boat without a coxswain. In this case it is a two place row boat. The crew itself are four women. They are going to row, in shifts of two, a 29 foot boat from San Francisco to Hawaii to Samoa to Australia. Besides doing it for the adventure, they will be doing it to raise money for two British charities: Walking with the Wounded and Breast Cancer Care. They will be launching from the Travis Marina here in Horseshoe Bay. This is a presentation you do not want to miss! Make your reservation now at:

<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07earebw5x9afe8da5>



We have another special guest speaker for the dinner in May. Vivian Matuk from the Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways will speak about the state's Boating Clean and Green Program.

MAIL

"The check is in the mail." How often have you heard that? We've been hearing it a lot lately from a few members. Apparently we've been having serious issues with the mail going to our post office box. We have seen mail from other people in our box, which means some of our mail may be going to other people. Also, based on when our members say they are sending their checks and when we've been getting them, it is taking several weeks to get our mail. This may also be effecting our outgoing mail. We have filed a complaint with the Postal Inspector, but there is no way to know if this will help. The important thing is: if you have paid your dues and have not yet received your membership card, please let us know! You can e-mail Lisa, the Membership Volunteer, at "membership@presidioyachtclub.org".

RACING

Last month was the first race for the Baxter-Judson series. We had eight boats on the starting line. Wind was light, but it was enough. It was one of the closest races we've ever had.

WELCOME ABOARD NEW MEMBERS!!!

Deborah Gathard
Terry and Morgan Grimm
Drew Rapoport
Kenneth Brewer
Robert (Bob) Simpson
Virginia Thackwell
Randy Garrett
Gregory Crabtree
Mark Hall
Scott Buerger
Peter Meier
Gregory Demetrulias
Brent Philips
Eric Jungemann
Brian Mickel
Angelo Dumanhog
Fredrick Pugh
Roger Gibson
Kevin Morris
Martin Montoya
Gary Pirkeg

CALENDAR

April

11 WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
GUEST SPEAKERS, CLUB DINNER. 6 PM.
19 BAXTER-JUDSON FIRST RACE. 11 AM.
26 OPENING DAY ON THE BAY.

May

7 CRAZY EIGHTS RACE. 6 PM.
9 WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
CLUB DINNER. 7 PM.
17 BAXTER-JUDSON SECOND RACE. 11 AM.
21 CRAZY EIGHTS RACE. 6 PM.

June

4 CRAZY EIGHTS RACE. 6 PM.
13 WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
CLUB DINNER. 7 PM.
18 CRAZY EIGHTS RACE. 6 PM.
21 BAXTER-JUDSON THIRD RACE. 11 AM

July

2 CRAZY EIGHTS RACE. 6 PM.
4 FOURTH OF JULY BBQ. 11 AM
19 BAXTER-JUDSON FOURTH RACE. 11 AM.
30 CRAZY EIGHTS RACE. 6 PM.

August

8 WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
CLUB DINNER. 7 PM.
13 CRAZY EIGHTS RACE. 6 PM.
16 BAXTER-JUDSON FIFTH RACE. 11 AM.
27 CRAZY EIGHTS RACE. 6 PM.

September

12 WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
CLUB DINNER. 7 PM.
13 BAXTER-JUDSON SIXTH RACE. 11 AM.

October

10 WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING. 6 PM.
WORKDAY SUPPER. 7 PM.
18 LADY SKIPPER'S RACE. 11 AM.

November

14 WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
AWARDS AND CHANGE OF WATCH. 6 PM.
CLUB DINNER. 7 PM.

December

5 CHRISTMAS DINNER. 7 PM.
12 WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
31 NEW YEAR'S EVE.

This is what we have planned, but the calendar is always subject to change. Visit the web site for the most current calendar.

The finishing order was:

1. INCONCEIVABLE, Steven Gordon
2. PHOENIX, Jon Rolien
3. ROADRUNNER, Steve Hocking
4. WILLIN, Mark Tishler
5. FREYJA, Matthew Duerst
6. GALINI, Jason Funk
7. STELLA MARIS, Lisa Theodoratus
8. CHLOE, Will Smith

The Baxter-Judson series is a very laid-back series. So, if you have been afraid to race your boat for fear of not being competitive, this is the race to join. You can sign-up on-line or if you are unfamiliar with racing, come to the Skipper's Meeting at 11 AM before the race and the Race Committee will set you up with an entry form, a map, and help you look up your rating.

And there is more racing to be had. The Thursday evening Crazy Eights race series will be starting up in May.

For more information go to our Racing page on our web site:
www.presidioyachtclub.com/racing.html

GET WELL SOON

Past Commodore Steve Peters and Council Member Ernie Filippo both made trips to the hospital a couple of months ago. The good news is that both are now back at home and recovering.

CRAB FEED

Last month's Crab Feed was a success! The price of crabs went way up, but they were delicious! And because the dinner fell on Valentine's day, Rear Commodore Steve Hocking and his wife Marika decorated the dining room to theme. (See cover photograph.) Steve and Marika tried something different this year. Instead of getting the crab cold, they cooked LIVE crabs at the Club and served them right after cooking and cleaning them.

- Jason Funk

More Racing

"Ohana" was entered last month in a race called the Jaws Race at the Sausalito Yacht Club. Jaws is a pursuit race where the slowest, highest rated boats go first and the faster ones last. The object of the game is to overtake everybody and get the gun and win, of course. The course was from Sausalito to Blossom, then to Blunt (#4), then to little Harding, and finish. Wind was pretty good - about a steady ten knots - and we could set our spinnaker just before Alcatraz. We were doing good, but battled back and forth with our nemesis Ron Anderson on "Streaker", a J boat. Ron is a very good sailor who wins most races and he was set to win this one. After several changes in the lead, close to the finish, Ron tried to bring us up hard as he was the lee boat and had



Markus holding up one of the crabs.

right of way, but that maneuver cost him the lead and "Ohana" sailed victoriously through the finish line. The old little cannon was fired and, voila, "Ohana" did it! Our crew consisted of skipper Steve Hocking, PYC Rear Commodore; Marika Edler, PYC Treasurer; Lisa Theodoratus PYC Membership; and Markus Ehart PYC member. So, the PYC was well represented in this win!

- Marika Edler

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