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the Wind Word

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HERE WE GO!

It's already February—the Covid vaccine is being distributed—hopefully by the time you read this, we will be done with the lockdown! It is way past time for us all to get back to living our lives. We continue to grieve for those lives lost, and pray for those still fighting the virus.

Meanwhile, please remember: even when we are not able to use the building, the Club still has expenses—please continue paying your dues!

Lots of good things are still happening behind the scenes at BYC—so read on and please contribute your gifts and skills in the New Year!



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Submittals to Wind Word-due by 15th of month by 5:00 pm-will appear in one of the two following monthly issues.

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FROM THE HELM



Let's hope February greets us with more optimism and the re-opening the BYC. As with the rest of life so much is unpredictable but hoping that as solutions are found for stopping the spread of the Corona virus, we will once again be able to enjoy all that the BYC has to offer. We are very fortunate to have such wonderful members who have supported us through this pandemic and continue to support the BYC. Thank you so much, you are the reason we are still together as the Benicia Yacht Club.

While we are temporarily closed we are working on a few things to improve the Club. We have formed a By-Laws Committee with Christine Garske as Chairperson. Hopefully we will have some recommendations from this committee before the summer.

We are also working on a new website. Brian West is the Chairperson for this new endeavor and he is soliciting input from all members. Please contact Brian if you have any recommendations for changes/improvements to the website and/or if you would like to volunteer to work on this effort: (brian@westengineers.com).

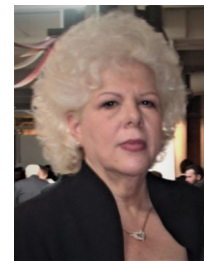
Kathy Berry, our Ship's Store Chairperson, has ordered new merchandise and we are planning to make it available through our website—more information to follow.

Thanks to Randy Norman, Andy Zinkevich, Steve Stults and Richard Boltz, we will have a new covering for the lower deck (code-compliant & fire-rated) so we can enjoy outside dining as soon as we are able to reopen. Thanks to everyone who contributed to this effort!!

Our team (Carlos, Jeannie & Mya) thanks all who contributed to the Christmas Bonus. They are most appreciative and look forward to continuing to be part of the BYC family.

Again, thanks to all who contribute in your own way to the BYC—look forward to seeing you soon!

—Pat Bowers, Commodore



??? Why Do We Pay Dues When BYC is Closed??? Because ...

1. We are not just a discounted dining place with a great view—we are a Club.
2. It is important for us to stay in touch with each other.
3. There are expenses which must be covered even when we are not using the building.
4. When this pandemic is all over, we want to have a Club which survived the hard times, a Club that still exists, a Club we can come back to.
5. We honor our commitments and are stronger together!

Thanks to you, everyone, our Club will not only survive, it will thrive!!

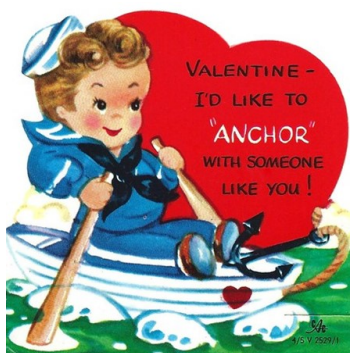
—Kathy Monroe, on behalf of the Membership Committee





CRAIG	RIDDLE	2/1	EDWARD	PERZ	2/17
ANDY	KLEIMAN	2/2	SUE	RITTER	2/18
MARK	KELLER	2/4	MARIA	SAULSBURY	2/18
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RANDY	TROMMER	2/10	PEGGY	CULLIVAN	2/21
ROBYN	BOLTZ	2/13	JEFF	SHAWSTAD	2/23
PATRICIA	BOWERS	2/14	RUSTY	MAYES	2/28
STEPHEN	STULTS	2/14			

ATTENTION MEMBERS—beniciayachtclub.org NEEDS YOUR HELP



The Benicia Yacht Club website at www.beniciayachtclub.org is getting a makeover! At its January meeting the BYC Board decided to begin the process of redesigning and upgrading our site. To assist in that effort we are soliciting the BYC Membership for any ideas and suggestions related to website improvement. If you haven't looked at the site lately, please take a minute to review it and tell us what you like and don't like.

Please send all comments by February 28 to brian@westengineers.com.

Thank you!

—Brian West, Director, BYC Board

Benicia Yacht Club Sailing

Sailing!

Sail with us! Feb 6, Mar 13



More information?
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THANK YOU SO MUCH!!!!



A huge **THANK YOU**
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	1	2	3	4	5	6  1st Saturday Work Party!!!! 
<u>FACILITY CLOSED PENDING FURTHER NOTICE</u>						
7 BYC CLOSED	8 BYC CLOSED	9 BYC BOD Meeting 7:00 pm 	10	11	12	13
14 Valentine's Day! 	15 BYC CLOSED	16 BYC CLOSED	17  BYC General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm	18	19	20
21 BYC CLOSED	22 BYC CLOSED	23 BYC CLOSED	24	25	26	27 
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