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# *the Wind Word*

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## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

April showers bring May flowers—we certainly hope that is the case—we can always use the rain!

Spring is always a season of uncertainty, and boy are we in a doozy of an uncertain season this year. As you're aware, we closed the Club in mid-March due to the corona virus. By the time you read this, we hope we are through the worst and able to open again soon.

Opening Day on the Strait, scheduled for April 18, has been POSTPONED. We will advise you as soon as we are able to select a new date. We look forward to getting back to a normal routine, and hope to celebrate and welcome new members at that time (we could always use new members, just as we always need rain ...).

Meanwhile, please continue to stay safe and healthy. Happy Passover and Happy Easter!

Editors Vicki & John Garcia



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## *From the Helm*

These are unusual times and as I write this we are all making adjustments to our daily lives due to the coronavirus so this will be an unusually short message.

In mid-March, we temporarily closed BYC as a result of the Governor's orders about self-quarantining people aged 65 and older, sheltering in place, and, of course, the restaurant and bar aspects of our business. We developed a contingency plan to take care of our staff's financial needs and do appreciate everyone's help with this.

Opening Day on the Strait has been postponed, and all events at the Club through mid-April have been cancelled. As of this writing, we are not sure when we will re-open, but will keep you posted via e-blasts.

Prior to closing, we took many precautions at the BYC to prevent the spread of the virus—from people greeting each other with the “elbow bump” to postponing events and cancelling buffets and pot lucks. What goes unseen is all that our staff is doing to sanitize all surfaces that are touched—from the door knobs to the bar—throughout the BYC, using gloves, frequently washing hands, using disposable packets for condiments, etc. They are our first line of defense and they are working very hard to try to curb exposure to this virus.

Wherever we are in this situation, I pray that all of our members, staff, families and friends are faring well during this period, have taken precautions and are healthy. We are all in this together and appreciate your understanding during these trying times.

Hopefully next month's message will be a lot happier and we are well on our way to recovery.

Stay safe & stay well.



**Commodore Pat Bowers**

## **Hey Members! Have A Friend?**

We hope you do! Have a friend that might be interested in joining BYC, that is! Guess what! The Joining Incentives that are promoted on Opening Day are available the ENTIRE month of April. And your friends are eligible to use the Club on their own from the day their membership application and one quarter dues are received (\$258.50).

On any day in April, there will be NO application fee, a savings of \$75. Furthermore, the dues they pay with their application are applied to the 3 months of July, August and September. They pay NOTHING additional for the spring quarter in which they applied. And you, their dear friend, will receive an immediate \$50 credit to YOUR BYC ACCOUNT the day after they are voted into membership at the general meeting if your signature appears on the back of their application as their sponsor.

The Membership Committee is ready to help you with the application process if you have any questions (707-297-6606). We prefer we spread out member-sponsored applications throughout the month so that our team can focus on newcomers on Opening Day, but of course we take any and all applications whenever they arrive. The applications are at the guest sign-in table and in the office.

Please think about those in our community that YOU would like to talk to and sponsor! Promote your Club!

—Kathy Monroe, Membership Committee Chair



# Don't Miss APRIL Events at BYC

**EVERYTHING SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS.**

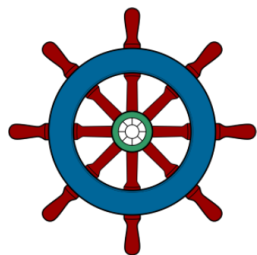
Watch for updates, times and/or changes at [Beniciayachtclub.org](http://Beniciayachtclub.org) and on e-Blasts

~~APRIL 2 – Thursday Nite Sail Boat Races Begin~~ **POSTPONED**

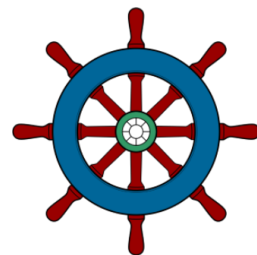
~~APRIL 3-5 – BYC Cruise Out: Richmond YC / Penny's~~ **POSTPONED**

~~APRIL 12 – EASTER BYC Brunch & Egg Hunt/ Easter Bunny~~ **CANCELLED**

~~APRIL 18 – BYC OPENING DAY – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC~~ **POSTPONED**



## Happy Birthday



BECKY	JOHNSON	4/1	JOE	MACHADO	4/9	PHIL	JOY	4/21
GREG	KENNEDY	4/2	BEVERLY	CONLEY	4/10	KEN	OXMAN	4/21
RICHARD	BOLTZ	4/3	JENNIFER	LARGAESPADA	4/10	JAMES	PETERSON	4/23
HERMAN	BRINKMAN	4/3	EDWARD	HEWITT	4/11	DAVID	GORMAN	4/26
SUSAN	CRAKOW	4/3	LIONEL	LARGAESPADA	4/14	GERALD	MARTIN	4/26
TIA	MCCORMICK	4/3	LARRY	MILLER	4/15	LISA	PENA	4/26
REGINA	NAGLE	4/3	JOSEPH	RIZZI	4/16	CINDY	REED	4/26
CHARLES	REED	4/3	PEPPER	MONAHAN	4/17	GETHSEMANE	MOSS	4/27
JUDITH	SOUZA	4/3	DON	MURRAY	4/18	ROBERT	CATES	4/29
MAUREEN	MC INTOSH	4/6	CONNIE	COUGHLIN	4/19	KALENE	HUMMEL	4/29
STEVE	MARLOWE	4/8	STACEY	CLANTON	4/21			



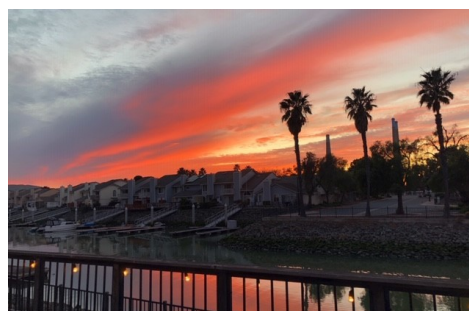
## New Bar Stools for the Norton Lounge

The Monday Night Football (MNF) gang has ordered 32 new bar stools for the Norton Lounge, enough for the high-top tables and the bar. One of our new members is in Interior Design and has generously arranged to purchase the bar stools at her discounted price! The color is charcoal and the frame is nickel. MNF is paying for most of the stools, but we still need your help.

You can donate \$325 for a bar stool, which will be identified by a plaque that says, "This stool was donated by (Your Name)." So far, we have 10 donations! Please donate at the Norton Lounge or online at [www.beniciayachtclub.org](http://www.beniciayachtclub.org).



## Pittsburg Cruise- Out Feb. 21-23



## Honoring Our Silver Members

—Kathy Monroe, Membership Chair

The Membership Committee would like to honor our "Silver Members," those current members who joined more than 25 years ago. The members on this list bring a wealth of knowledge to BYC, which includes a sense of history and a collective wisdom garnered from their experience. BYC is all the richer from their dedication over the years in the form of their time, talents and financial support. Thank you, Silver Members!

Member Number	Name	Member Number	Name	Member Number	Name
9	Lynne Sanders	138	Gerald Costa	306	Chris Autz
11	Joe & Susan Garske Jr.	146	Bill & Barbara Henretty	309	Cherie McCammon & Peggy Cribbs
25	Linda Dunlop & Matthew Bonfield	156	Merle & Cheryl Kleinschmidt	339	Kathleen Treese & Joey Leggit
44	Ron Jones	157	Wayne & Irma McIntosh	484	Jay & Sharon Stewart
46	Maria Saulsbury	160	John Ash	574	Paul & Pat Brighton
48	Bill & Delena Darnell	164	Julie Thomas	577	Henrietta & Antonio Ruiz, Sr.
82	Curtis & Kristine Hoffman	196	Robert Dubois	767	Bob & Judith Surratt
115	Gerald & Pam Martin	208	Ken & Kathy Vanstory	783	Noble & Monica Griswold
122	Stephen & Judy Gizzi	254	Mitchell Chernock & Durell Normandin	790	Roger Williams & Linda Purdy
135	Robert & Ellen Whitehead	270	Mike Mathews & Chris Bara		



## ~~Benicia Yacht Club Opening Day on the Strait 2020~~ ~~Saturday, April 18th~~ **POSTPONED**

Come join us for **Fun Days by the Bay**, a free event open to the community!

The Diablo Concert Band kicks off Opening Ceremonies at 11:30 am, followed by a 2:00 pm Blessing of the Fleet and Decorated Boat Parade. Vendors and arts and crafts booths are open along the Marina from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Kids activities will be running concurrently. Special lunch items and buffet dinner are available for purchase.

Signature drinks will be available from noon until 11:00 pm. Live dance bands will be performing from the afternoon until late evening. **Tell your friends and family—don't miss it!**

### BYC 2020 Cruise-OUT Schedule

DATE	YACHT CLUB
<del>April 3-5</del>	<del>Richmond</del> POSTPONED or cancelled
May 22-25	Marin
June 5-7	Emery Cove
July 10-12	St. Francis
July 31-August 9	Summer Cruise Out
September 4-7	Napa
October 9-18	Harvest Cruise
November 6-8	Corinthian

### BYC 2020 Cruise-IN Schedule

DATE	YACHT CLUB	BOATS
May 2-3	San Francisco	10
June 5-7	Solano	15
June 26-28	Richmond	10
July 3-5	Berkeley	6
July 3-5	Ballena	8
July 10-12	Sausalito	10
July 17-19	Marin	10
July 24-26	Emeryville	10
July 31-August 2	Sequoia	10
August 7-9	Discovery Bay	20
September 19	Stockton	10
October 9-11	Emeryville	10





**SAVE THESE DATES THIS YEAR!**



# BYC 2020 Don't Miss Events

May	2	BYC 1st Saturday Member Work Party
	2-3	Cruise In—San Francisco (10 boats)
	10	<b>Mother's Day Jazz Brunch</b>
	22-25	BYC Cruise Out—Marin YC/Sean Conner
	25	Memorial Day
June	6	BYC 1st Saturday Member Work Party
	5-7	BYC Cruise Out—Emery Cove/Penny's
	5-7	Cruise In—Solano (15 boats)
	21	<b>Father's Day BBQ &amp; Music</b>
	26-28	Cruise In—Richmond (10 boats)
	27	<b>Shipwreck Ball</b>
July	3	<b>OPEN HOUSE (Special Menu/Band)</b>
	3-5	Cruise In—Berkeley (6 boats) Cruise In—Ballena (8 boats)
	4	<b>BYC 4th of July Dock Party</b>
	10-12	BYC Cruise Out—St. Francis /Bob Bohnet ?
	10-12	Cruise In—Sausalito (10 boats)
	17-19	Cruise In—Marin (10 boats)
	24-26	Cruise In—Emeryville (10 boats)
Aug	1	Sail Benicia
	1	BYC 1st Saturday Member Work Party
	7-9	Cruise In—Discovery Bay (20 boats)

Aug	15	BYC HAWAIIAN LUAU
	16	<b>JAWS</b>
Sept	4-7	BYC Cruise Out—Napa
	5	<b>JAZZ CUP – OPEN TO PUBLIC</b>
	6	<b>JAZZ CUP BREAKFAST</b>
	19	CA Coastal Clean-Up Day
	19	Cruise In—Stockton (10 boats)
	25-26	<b>BYC Parking Lot Drop-Off &amp; Garage Sale</b>
Oct	3	BYC 1st Saturday Member Work Party
	9-18	BYC Harvest CRUISE-Pat Bowers/Paul Brighton
	9-11	Cruise In—Emeryville (10 boats)
	17	Sailors Award Banquet
	31	<b>HALLOWEEN PARTY</b>
Nov	6-8	BYC Cruise Out-Corinthian/Rusty&Kathy Mayes
	7	BYC 1st Saturday Member Work Party
	10	Marine's Memorial Birthday Breakfast
	11	<b>Veterans Day—BYC Spaghetti Feed</b>
	21	Change of Watch
	26	<b>THANKSGIVING—BYC Potluck Dinner</b>
Dec	3	<b>BYC Christmas Tree Decorating Party</b>
	5	BYC 1st Saturday Member Work Party
	13	<b>BYC Children's Christmas Party</b>
	19	<b>BYC CHRISTMAS PARTY</b>
	24-25	<b>Christmas—BYC CLOSED</b>
	31	<b>New Year's Eve PARTY</b>

## Trivia Bee Champions

BYC members Chris Bara, Mark Campbell, Susan and Joe Garske, Michael Mathews, Jim McPherson, Sharon McPherson, and Christine and Jon Walker won FIRST PLACE in the Benicia Library Trivia Bee Fundraiser February 22. This is the 28th year that a BYC team has participated in this fundraiser. Congratulations all! (Photo: Ok Kyong Hanrahan)





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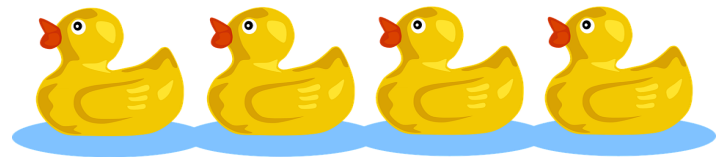


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