

# A Call to Action for all Voting Members

September is the month for our members to nominate next year's officers to the Executive Committee. All full members in good standing have a right and obligation to nominate or self nominate for the officer's position. Please give careful consideration to the duties of the positions and ensure you have obtained the acceptance of your nominee. Below is a reprint from previous Beacon articles of the officer positions and duties to assist you in your decisions. After the ratification of the nominees at the Annual September General Membership Meeting, certified ballots will be mailed to the voting members.

On the ballot this year will be a vote for an increase in the yearly dues. Please review the minutes from the July General Membership Meetings on the discussion for this increase.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE POSITIONS**

#### 2023 OFFICER NOMINATION FORM

THE OFFICERS OF THE CLUB SHALL BE A:

#### Commodore

Vice Commodore of Administration

Rear Commodore of Events

Port & Fleet Captain

Training & Safety Officer

**Parliamentarian** 

Treasurer

Secretary

Staff Commodore

This information can be found in the EBC By-Laws Page 6 article 7.6.1 - 7.6.9

General Membership Meeting General Membership Meeting Saturday, September 17, 2022 Saturday, September 17, 2022

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	Vice Commodore Vice Commodore
Rear Commodore Rear Commodore	Treasurer Treasurer
Safety & Training Officer Safety & Training Officer	Port & Fleet Officer Port & Fleet Officer
	Secretary Secretary

No Nomination Needed
No Nomination Needed
Staff Commodore

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#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DUTIES**

Commodore-The Commodore shall be the Chief Officer and Representative of the Club. He or she shall supervise the implementation of all policies and programs of the Club, subject to the orders, instructions and approval of the Executive Committee, shall preside at all meetings of the General Membership and the Executive Committee. The Commodore may delegate specific duties to other officers or the members of the Executive Committee. The Commodore shall be an ex- officio member of all Committees of the Club. Special committees and chairpersons of such committees shall submit an annual report showing the conditions of the affairs of the Committee, and make any recommendations relative thereto, to the Executive Committee. In addition to the above duties, the Commodore shall have full authority to act on matters that are required to comply with the laws of the State of California and the California Code.

#### Vice Commodore of Administration-

The Vice Commodore shall have the primary responsibility for operation and management of the Club bar, shall in the absence or disability of the Commodore perform the duties of the Commodore and shall have such other powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to him or her by the Executive Committee or the Commodore.

Rear Commodore of Events-The Rear Commodore shall serve on the Entertainment and Fund Raising Committee and coordinate the scheduling and execution of all club events. In absence or disability of the Commodore and the Vice Commodore, perform the duties of the Commodore, and shall have other powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to him or her by the Executive Committee or Commodore.

**Secretary-**The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all proceedings of General Membership and Executive Committee

meetings, see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws, be custodian of Club's records and correspondence, in general perform all duties related thereto to the office of the Secretary and other duties assigned from time to time by the Executive Committee or Commodore.

Treasurer-The Treasurer shall be the keeper of all Club funds. He or she shall Chair the Finance Committee, shall keep an accurate and full account of the receipts and disbursements of the Club in books belonging to the Club, shall deposit all money and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Club as may be ordered by the Executive Committee, shall render to the Executive Committee and the membership monthly the financial condition of the Club.

**Parliamentarian-**The Parliamentarian shall insure that proper procedures and "Roberts Rules of Order" are followed in conjunction with the By-Laws of the Club, and shall Chair the By-Laws Committee.

**Training & Safety Officer-**The Training & Safety Officer shall have the responsibility for all training programs, procedures and information services.

**Staff Commodore-**(Immediate Past Commodore) The Staff Commodore shall provide continuity from the prior year's Executive Committee to the new Executive Committee.

Port & Fleet Officer-The Port/Fleet Captain shall be in charge of the Club docks, berth assignments. Shall receive and record dock rental payments for transfer to the Treasurer. Shall be responsible for all Club property not specifically assigned to another Board Member and shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the Commodore or Executive Committee.

# A Message From : THE COMMODORE



**Jennifer Duhon** *Commodore* 



September is here again and fall will officially be with us in another week. In the past, September has been an eventful and important month for Ebony Boat Club. We have had the Coastal Clean Up, our Executive Board nominations for the next year and the Down Bay Cruise coinciding with the Margo Brown Wheelchair Regatta. This year, on September 17th, we will participate in cleaning up the area surrounding our clubhouse at the Stockton Marina. Immediately following will be the club meeting concluding with the nominations for Executive Board positions for 2023. If you are interested in self nomination or nominating someone else, please review the information and requirements on the front page for the qualifications.



Our Down Bay Cruise was canceled this year due to the Wheelchair Regatta being rescheduled late in October. The PICYA has now officially canceled the Wheelchair Regatta.



Frank and Carol Whitehead will not let the season end without a final cruise out. They will captain a cruise to Discovery Bay Yacht Club on the weekend of September 30 - October 02. This will be a 3 club cruise with members from EBC, Pittsburg and Carver Yacht Clubs. This will be a fun filled weekend. Details are on the flyer on page 12 or contact Carol Whitehead at 925-915-9549. Please come cruise with us or join by land.

"Its been a pleasure to "Its been a pleasure to "serve as Commodore" serve as Commodore"

It has been a pleasure to serve as Commodore this past year. I regret I do not plan to run for the 2023 season. I will take my place as Staff Commodore and continue to support the Executive Board and its membership.

"It is the province of knowledge to speak, and it is the privilege of wisdom to listen."

Oliver Wendell Holmes. Sr.

Jennifer Jo Duhon Commodore

# A Message From: THE SECRETARY



**Dolores Williams** Secretary

Ahoy EBC members,

Welcome to the *ber* months! These next four months will focus on preparation for the 2023 year. This includes nominations in September, elections in October, monthly club meeting in November, and the Change of Watch Luncheon in December.

Additionally, as I reminisce about last September, I remember returning to the Pittsburg Marina after a fun-filled six-day Down Bay cruise with EBC members Otis, Marilyn, Jim, Eddie Jo, Reggie, and Jennifer.



Aboard our boat Whip Lash, leaving the Pittsburg Marina.

Down Bay cruise as the following Earth, Wind & Fire lyrics keep ringing in my head:

Do you remember
The 21st night of September?
Love was changing the minds of pretenders
While chasing the clouds away
Hey, hey, hey
Ba-dee-ya, say, do you remember?
Ba-dee-ya, dancing in September



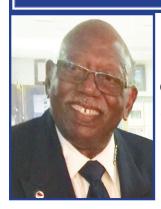
Earth Wind & Fire's "September" album cover.

Anchors aweigh,

Dolores Williams Secretary

Earth Wind & Fire's "September" album cover.

# A Message From: THE TREASURER



Otis Brock
Treasurer

Hello fellow Ebony Boat Club Members:



Our financial situation is moving in a positive direction. With the donations from our members, the negotiations to restructure our lease agreement with the City of Stockton and the possible increase in our membership dues. These items will be addressed at the September General Membership meeting on Saturday, September 17th at the EBC Clubhouse.

Again, I would like to thank all of the members that made a pledge. If you were not there at the July General Membership meeting and would like to make a pledge, you can still do that by sending your pledge to EBC and I will include it in our donations for this month. To expedite delivery of your pledge, Please mail it directly to my home address at 1253 Yuba Ave., San Pablo CA 94806.

Thanks and Safe Boating Treasurer, Otis Brock

# A Message From: THE PARLIAMENTARIAN

P/C Robert E. Willis Jr.

Parlimentarian



Hello Members,

Quite a few club members familiar or associated with PICYA (Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association) have asked me for insight regarding the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association Foundation. The PICYA Foundation has its annual meeting in June and usually holds a general meeting in October and another general meeting in February. The Foundation is a charitable service 501(C)(3) organization that funds scholarships and scholarship related expenses for PICYA qualified and vetted student recipients. The Foundation also financially supports the Annual Margot Brown PICYA sponsored Wheelchair Regatta that recognizes our Armed Forces Veterans by having them board PICYA members' boats and cruising them around the San Francisco Bay and ending with great food, entertainment and time together.

**Each PICYA sponsored scholarship is about \$2,700.00**. The Wheelchair Regatta funding is determined by the budget submitted by whoever is the WC Regatta chairperson for the event. If donations decrease, so do the number of scholarships awarded. **The Foundation does not solicit for funds**. The Foundation directs the funds where needed at the time. Any cash donations to the Foundation are eligible as tax deductible contributions to the extent allowed by law.

Robert Willis- Ebony Boat Club Parliamentarian- 2022 Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association Foundation Director- 2017 to present

# A Message From : SAFETY & TRAINING OFFICER

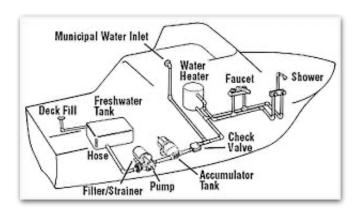


Glen Williams
Safety &
Trainning Officer

Care and Feeding of your Water System
By Glen Williams

Your water system is very critical to the operation of your boat. How often do you perform maintenance on your boat water system? This article will cover some essential care for your boat's water system. This information may not apply to all boat's water systems, but it will give you a little insight into performing essential maintenance to your boat's water system.

Fresh water on board is both a convenience and a necessity. The freshwater pump is at the heart of the delivery system, ensuring a constant supply to the galley, head, and shower fixtures. Do you want an on-demand water supply? If so, you need to keep your system in good working order.



#### When troubleshooting your boat water system:

The first and most obvious thing to check is to see
if you opened a freshwater fixture on your boat
and can hear the pump working but find that no
water is flowing. Make sure your water tank has

water. If you find the tank empty, fill it up and then try turning on the water (galley faucet, shower head, fresh water wash down, etc.) again.

- Second, ensure valves in the water line haven't been shut inadvertently. While you're there, check the filter for obstruction. If your water tank is full, and the valves are open, but you've still got no water flow, it's time to start working the problem from the water fixture back to the pump.
- Flip off the circuit breaker for the freshwater pump. Next, get underneath the fixture and remove the water supply hose by loosening the hose clamp(s) and pulling the hose off. Prepared for the possibility of a pressurized gush of water from the supply hose. Once you've got the hose off, put the end of it in a bucket. If water comes gushing out of the hose when you flip on the breaker for the water pump, you know that you've got a problem with the fixture.
- If no water flows out of the hose when you flip on the breaker. If this is the case, turn the breaker off and go back to the discharge end of the freshwater pressure pump. To ensure the pump is working and the hose is not simply blocked or kinked, remove the hose from the discharge end of the pump and place a bucket. Flip the breaker back on again. If the pump sprays water freely, you probably have a clog, kink, or break in the fixture supply hose. You can try to loosen clogs with your lung power by blowing on one end of the hose or attaching an air compressor or shop vacuum hose wrapped in duct tape. Abrasions or holes and kinks can generally be spotted by eye—examine the entire length of the hose. Replace the hose if you find any holes. Rotate the hose and remove any kinks. Check for water flow once you've addressed any supply hose problems.
- The worst-case scenario is that the fresh water pump does not spray any water after you've

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removed the hose from the pump's discharge end and turned on the pump at the breaker. But you can verify one more thing before throwing the towel and rebuilding the pump. Check the supply hose from the water tank by removing it from the pump. If water flows freely, you've ruled out a clog. You can also go as far as to inspect the hose for kinks as you did with the fixture supply hose. But if the supply hose from the freshwater tank checks out okay, it's most likely that your freshwater pump requires a rebuild.

- I rebuilt one of the pumps on my boat and saved about \$250.00. Source parts by taking pictures of your pump or by writing down any distinguishing characteristic or serial numbers, a brand name, or other numbers found on the pump, and then head to your local marine supply shop or go to the internet and search using any of the numbers or brand names on the pump. Pumps rebuild kits generally contain seals, a new diaphragm or impeller, inlet and outlet valves, and most essential rubber parts.
- Carefully removing the entire pump from the boat and taking it home to do the rebuild. You can disassemble it and keep track of all the parts and pieces as you take it apart. Once you've completed the rebuild, reinstall the pump and run it to check for proper operation. One part that is not included with most rebuild kits that can cause problems is the pressure switch. If your pump still has issues after a rebuild, you might want to try replacing its pressure switch, which regulates the maximum pressure at which the pump delivers water.



Source: Various Internet Articles and my experience rebuilding a water pump on my boat.

# A Message From : **DELTA WATER UPDATES**



**Delta Counties Respond to Governor's Water Supply Strategy to Prepare for Long-Term Climate Change Impacts** 

For Immediate Release August 11, 2022 Contact: Natasha Drane DraneN@SacCounty.Gov/916-956-4786

Today, Don Nottoli, Chair of the Delta Counties Coalition (DCC), which is comprised of Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano and Yolo Counties, responded to Governor Newsom's new water supply strategy to adapt to hotter, drier conditions caused by climate change:

"Many of the measures included in the Governor's climate change strategy are right on point and the DCC has advocated for and supported these for more than a decade. The DCC does have serious concerns, however, with the Administration's ongoing proposal to construct new isolated Delta conveyance. In addition, any "modernization" of water rights must respect water rights priorities in areas of origin, such as the Delta.

If tunnel proponents had focused efforts on sensible water solutions rather than a massive multi-billion dollar Delta tunnel project that would not provide a single drop of additional water, California would be better positioned to address the impacts of climate change.

In light of this new water strategy, the DCC strongly urges the Governor to permanently shelve the Delta tunnel proposal and concentrate all efforts on strategies, which will secure resilient, equitable, long-term water supplies while preserving natural resources for future generations.

The DCC is prepared to work together with the Administration on measures that will fix our existing infrastructure and expand water supply so that a Delta tunnel is no longer part of the equation."

## BOATER CARD REMINDER

The California Boater Card requirement is a mandatory requirement effective January 1, 2018, thru January 1, 2025. The California Boater Card requirement was designed to promote boater safety. Not all boaters are required to obtain the Boaters Card, however, I recommended that you and your friends consider taking the course to get your Boaters Card. I summarized the FAQ questions in this document for easy reading. You can go to FAQs — California Boater Card at <a href="https://californiaboatercard.com/faqs-2">https://californiaboatercard.com/faqs-2</a> to get more information about the Boaters Card.

#### Q: What is a California Boater Card?

A: The California Boater Card shows that its holder has successfully taken an approved boating safety course and passed the corresponding exam.

#### Q: Where did the idea of a California Boater Card come from?

A: Legislative bills requiring some form of boating education in the state have been authored over the years. On Sept. 18, 2014, Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. signed into law Senate Bill 941, which prohibits the operation of motorized vessels in California without a valid operator card developed and issued by the Division of Boating and Waterways.

#### Q: What are the benefits of taking a boater safety course?

A: Not only is mandatory education the law. The California Boater Card Program promotes boating safety on our waterways. U.S. Coast Guard accident data show that states with some form of boating safety education have fewer accidents and fatalities than states without any boater education requirements. In 2016, more than 800 California recreational vessels were involved in reported accidents, resulting in 50 deaths. More than 266 were injured in severity beyond first aid treatment. Only one of the boat operators involved in fatal accidents had taken an approved boating safety course. Increased numbers of boaters taking approved safety courses will benefit all California boaters.

#### Q: When can I apply for my California Boater Card and what will it cost?

A: You can apply now at www.CaliforniaBoaterCard.com. The lifetime card fee will be \$10. The lost card replacement fee will be \$5. By law, the California Boater Card fee can only cover the cost of the program. California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways cannot generate any profit from the card.

#### Q: How do I apply for a California Boater Card?

A: Instructions on how to apply for your California Boater Card are found at <a href="https://www.boaterexam.com/">https://www.boaterexam.com/</a> California Boater Card FAQ California BOATER CARD

#### Q: When will operators be required to have a Boater Card? \*

A: As of the dates shown below, these boaters will be required to carry a boater card issued by DBW, unless they meet certain exemptions. California Harbors and Navigation Code Section 678.11(b) contains the following phase-in schedule based on operator age:

- January 1, 2018, Persons 20 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2019, Persons 25 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2020, Persons 35 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2021, Persons 40 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2022, Persons 45 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2023, Persons 50 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2024, Persons 60 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2025, All persons regardless of age
- While this statute takes effect on January 1, 2018, DBW is in the process of promulgating regulations. Pending
  the adoption of the regulations, DBW will continue its education and outreach efforts regarding the California
  Boater Card Program.

#### Q: When can a person operate a boat without a Boater Card?

A: California age restrictions apply when operating a motorized vessel: According to California Harbors and Navigation Code Section 658.5, NO person under 16 years of age may operate a boat with a motor of more than 15 horsepower,

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except for a sailboat that does not exceed 30 feet in length, or a dinghy used directly between a moored boat and the shore (or between two moored boats). The law allows children 12-15 years of age to operate boats with a motor of more than 15 horsepower or sailboats over 30 feet if supervised on board by an adult at least 18 years of age who has a California Boater Card as required by California law. Boat operators ages 16 or 17 who do not have a California Boater Card, may operate a vessel if supervised by an adult at least 18 years of age who has a California Boater Card. Violating these provisions constitutes an infraction.

#### Q: What courses are approved in California, and how will I find them?

A: Boating safety courses must be approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) and DBW. The courses may be a classroom, home study, or online. A Spanish language course, Cursor de Navegacion, is offered by the U.S. Power Squadrons. The current list of approved courses can be found online at <a href="https://www.boaterexam.com/">https://www.boaterexam.com/</a>.

#### Q: How much time will it take to complete an approved boating safety course including the exam?

A: Approved online courses run a minimum of three hours to complete. Classroom and home study courses vary in length, with most classes no more than eight hours.

# Q: My boat is documented with the United States Coast Guard and not registered by the DMV. Do I need to get a California Boater Card?

A: All operators of motorized vessels, documented and undocumented, will need to have a California Boater Card to operate on state waterways.

#### Q: I am a California resident, but I boat outside of California. Do I need a California Boater Card?

A: If you boat outside of California, please contact that region's boating law administrator or harbor master to find out all requirements before going out on the water.

# Q: I am a California resident, and I have a Boater Card from another state or country; do I need to have a California Boater Card?

A: California does not accept reciprocity from other areas. If you are a California resident and have a boater card from outside of California, you will need to complete a California-approved boating safety course, pass the corresponding exam, and apply for your California Boater Card to operate on California waters. You can find a list of approved courses here: www.californiaboatercard.com/courses.

# Q: Do I need a California Boater Card if I am boating on a state-shared waterway (ex: Colorado River, Lake Havasu, Lake Tahoe)?

A: If California is your primary place of residency, you will need a California Boater Card. If your boat is registered in a different state and your primary place of residency is California, you will still need a California Boater Card. Vacation homes do not count as a primary place of residency. State-shared waterways are patrolled and enforced by joint law enforcement agencies.

#### Q: Who is exempt from needing a Boater Card?

A: According to California law the following persons are not required to have a boater card to operate a motorized vessel on California waterways:

- A person operating a rental vessel.
- A person operating a vessel while under the direct supervision of a person 18 years of age or older who has a California Boater Card.
- A person who is a resident of a state other than California who is temporarily operating a vessel in California for less than 60 days and meets the boating requirements, if any, of his/her state.
- A person who is a resident of a country other than the United States who is temporarily operating a vessel in California for less than 90 days and meets the boating requirements, if any, of his/her country.
- A person operating a vessel in an organized regatta or vessel race, or water ski race.
- A person who has a current commercial fishing license.

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- A person who has a valid marine operator license, for the waters upon which the licensee is operating, issued by
  the United States Coast Guard, or who has a valid certificate issued pursuant to the International Convention on
  Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, as amended.
- A person who has successfully completed a boating course approved by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training Post.

#### Q: What if I meet one of the exemptions but still want to get my California Boater Card?

A: If you still want to get your California Boater Card, you will have to complete one of the approved courses, pass the corresponding exam, and apply for your California Boater Card. Meeting one of the exemptions does not count toward the educational requirement.

#### Q: If I meet one of the exemptions, how do I show proof if I am stopped by law enforcement?

A: If you meet one of the exemptions, you will need to carry proof of exemption while operating at any time on state waterways.

#### Q: Why aren't people who rent motorboats in California required to have a Boater Card?

A: California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) is implementing the California Vessel Operator Card law as it is written. Many rental facilities provide basic boater safety information to operators. DBW encourages all boat operators to take an approved boating safety course and apply for a California Boater Card. The requirement for California boaters to obtain this card happened through the state legislative process. The bill that created the California Boater Card, SB 941 (Chapter 433, Statutes of 2014), went through a number of changes as it moved through the California Legislature. For example, earlier versions of the bill did include a requirement for a boater card for rentals. However, in June 2014, when the bill was heard in the Assembly Transportation Committee, the Committee analysis recommended removing the card requirement for rentals, and noted the following points:

- According to 2013 California Recreational Boating Accident Statistics, of all the vessel accidents that occurred in the state that year, only 9% involved rental vessels.
- The boating industry indicated that rental agents generally provide boater safety training as part of the rental process.
- The California Yacht Brokers Association, the Marina Recreation Association, the National Marine

Manufacturers Association, and the Western Boater's Safety Group, supported the bill stating, "The bill strikes a good balance between ensuring that vessel operators are sufficiently educated on boating safety and vessel operation without imposing an excessive burden that would serve as a barrier to operating a vessel. The author accepted this recommended amendment, and on June 18, 2014, the next version of the bill provided an exemption for individuals renting vessels.

#### Q: Is there a fine for violating the requirement to carry a California Boater Card?

A: Yes. A violation of this article (Harbors and Navigation Code Section 678.15) is an infraction. According to the person convicted of an infraction for a violation of this article shall be fined as follows:

- For an initial conviction, by a fine of not more than \$100
- For a second conviction, by a fine of not more than \$250.
- For a third or subsequent conviction, by a fine of not more than \$500
- A fine imposed on a vessel operator pursuant to subdivision (b) shall be waived if the vessel operator provides proof that he or she had a valid vessel operator card at the time of the citation.
- In addition to the fines imposed by subdivision (b), the court shall order a person convicted of violating this article to complete and pass a boating safety course approved by the division pursuant to Section 668.3.
- If a person who is ordered to complete and pass a boating safety course pursuant to paragraph (1) is 18 years of age or younger, the court may require that person to obtain the consent of a parent or guardian to enroll in that course.
- A person who has been ordered by a court to complete a boating safety course pursuant to paragraph

(1) shall submit to the court proof of completion and passage of the course within seven months of the date of his or her conviction. The proof shall be in a form that has been approved by the division and that is capable of being submitted to the court or a state or local agency approved by the division through the US Postal Service or another certified means of transmission.

# Messages From Our Members



**Ann Dukes**Past Commodore
PICYA Delegate

Good afternoon EBC,

It's good to be taking slow steps back into the clubhouse. Isn't it funny how we miss seeing each other in those once a month meetings. Just a touch is all it takes to know we, the family, are ok and intact.

As we start the slow slope into fall, we still have things to do. Carol Whitehead and I have reviewed and are preparing to submit the Club Of The Year chart to the PICYA committee for our 5 star status. Carol and Commodore Jennifer Duhon are preparing to submit the Beacon to the PICYA Newsletter Committee. This year our own delegate, Glen Williams, is on that committee. The committee has been redone with new members for the first time in a while. New voices and new ideas and insights. Carol, Jennifer and I, also submitted the paperwork for the Bay and Delta Yachtsman Public Service Award. This is for the scholarship program, the feeding program and the other public service activities we perform though-out the year. These are the three PICYA awards we are applying for this year. Praying we get them.





Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta - CANCELED!

The PICYA Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta has been canceled for 2022 due to COVID-19. The veteran facilities were not on board with bringing the veterans out at this time.

We are planning a cleanup day soon at the clubhouse. We would like to clean the storage room, and reorganize and box up the stuff in that room. We have clear storage containers available, for this work. We are also going to deep clean the kitchen including the stove, and refrigerator. We're hoping to coordinate our clean-up day with one of the men's work days. Just in case we need help in moving stuff around. Stay tuned for further information.

I want to take this time to publicly thank Carol Whitehead for all her hard work on the newsletter, flyers, announcements, organizing and all the other twenty-five dozen things she does to help keep Ebony Boat Club afloat. Yes, we ALL work hard and many of us are doing double and triple loads, but she goes above and beyond at times and I want her and the club to know her work is appreciated. THANK YOU CAROL.

STAY SAFE ON THE WATER, Ann Dukes, PICYA Delegate Past EBC Commodore

# Dates to Remember

# **EBONY BOAT CLUB**



## TO:

# Discovery Bay Yacht Club Friday, September 30 - Sunday, October 2, 2022

Cruise Leaders: Frank 925-219-5987 or Carol 925-915-9549

**Docking Cost:** - \$40 per night boats up to 35' - boats over 35' \$45 per night \$50 key deposit for boats over 35'

Friday, September 30th: - Social gathering 5pm to 6pm - Bilge Room Dinner & Dancing after 6pm - Cost: \$15 to \$30 (order from the menu)

Saturday, October 1: - Dinner in the Bilge Room \$15 to \$30 (order from the menu) EBC Horse Race or EBC Quarters Game

Invite a friend, cruise in by water or cruise in by land, just get there if you can!

# Dates to Remember





## PICYA FALL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

Saturday, October 22, 2022

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

**Richmond Yacht Club** 

351 Brickyard Cove Road

Richmond, California

Registration begins at 9:00 am. Opening remarks at 9:15 am. Conference speakers begin at 9:30 am. Conference materials will be provided for all pre-registered participants. A continental breakfast will be served in the morning and lunch will be served at 11:45 am. The cost will be \$25 per person for the conference, meals, and materials. Potential Topics Being Considered:

- Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC) Update
- Boating Clean and Green
- ABC Bartender and Bar Server Certification Update
- Paper Clubs 101: Cruise Planning (Docking/Anchoring Tips) and Meeting Management
- AB506 Child Abuse Law Implementation
- PICYA Safety Committee Chair Presentation
- · Live Aboard Issues/Implications
- PICYA Updates: Scholarship Updates; Annual Awards Luncheon, Opening Day 2023
- Possible Table Talk/Panel Discussion During Lunch

#### SPEAKERS TO BE ANNOUNCED AT A LATER DATE.

Please get this event on your calendar!

Conference Questions? Contact PICYA Rear Commodore Jan Lucas, (916) 276-5670 or jlucas\_searay\_sundancer@hotmail.com

Register Now! Scan QR Code to Register and Pay through PayPal



Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

# Cruise-In's Welcomed! Draito: Escape On y Batel M 58 M BER



# 2023 Annual Mardi Gras

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"New Orleans ain't got nu'tin on EBC"
"Le Bon Ton Roulet"

# SAVE THE DATE

Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>

Cruise-In's Highly Recommended!

mailto:EBC@ebonyboatclub1987.com



# **EBONY BOAT CLUB'S**

# 2023 WESTERN NIGHT

Meet Our

"Intoxi-colo-gist.....you'll never be the Same"

# SAVE THE DATE

Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

Cruise-In's Welcomed!

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# Dates to Remember



# **EBONY BOAT CLUB'S**



2023 Annual Jazz & Wine Festival Featuring
"Ain't No Party Like An EBC Party"

# SAVE THE DATE

Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup> - Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>
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# EBONY BOAT CLUB'S 2023 Annual White Party

"EBC Is Wearing White After September"

# SAVE THE DATE

Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

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## HEALTH AND SAFETY

# These Household Items Can Become Dangerous Once They Go Bad

Home is where the heart is. Where you live is a place where you unwind, rejuvenate, and relax. It's common to routinely clean your home and keep things tidy, as well as dig into the occasional deep clean. But one house chore that's probably not on your to-do list is checking the expiration dates on your household products. Skipping this step might mean that you're taking unnecessary risks you're not even aware of. Take a look at the household products that need to be tossed out once they've reached their lifespan. This can get tricky, as some don't even have a labeled expiration date.



**Bananas Belong in the Open** 

Bananas hold on to their nutrients better when they are kept out of the fridge. Cold temperatures actually slow down the ripening process (as we saw with the avocados). But there is also a lot of moisture in most refrigerators which can cause bananas to turn brown or even black. If you really want to keep bananas around for a long time, slice them into small pieces and store them in plastic bags in the freezer. Frozen bananas are perfect for smoothies.



Don't Dry Out Your Bread

Nothing dries out bread faster than leaving it in the refrigerator. At cold temperatures, bread will turn stale, dry, and tasteless. Also, bread acts as a kind of

sponge and it will soak up whatever odors are lingering around your fridge. To be safe, store leftover bread in a breadbox. This closed-off box will keep moisture from escaping from your delicious bread. If you don't have a breadbox, you can always store your bread in a microwave. Just make sure you don't accidentally turn it on.



Chocolate Doesn't Belong In The Fridge (Sorry)

I know a lot of people absolutely love cold chocolate, but the ideal temperature for chocolate is actually between 65 and 68°F, which is much warmer than the average refrigerator. Only store your chocolate in the fridge if you live in a very warm part of the world and your chocolate is at risk of melting completely. If you really love freezing cold chocolate though, I'm not going to stop you from eating it that way.



Don't Put Flour In The Fridge

I haven't met very many people who store wheat flour in the fridge (I don't think I've met any, actually), but just in case you were thinking about putting flour in the fridge, there is absolutely no reason to do so. Flour should be stored in a dry place and in an airtight container. You can put it in the fridge if you want, but it's just going to take up a lot of fridge space.

# RECIPES FROM THE GALLEY

### **Sheet Pan Patatas Bravas Dinner**

https://www.myrecipes.com/



Inspired by the crispy and satisfying Spanish potato dish (commonly served as tapas), this single-pan supper will make any weeknight feel like a special occasion. By Maddy Recipe Summary

#### Ingredients - Yield: Serves 4

(28-ounce) bag small, multicolored potatoes

1 tablespoon olive oil

1 ½ teaspoons salt, divided

½ teaspoon black pepper

1 (12-ounce) package chorizo links, or 4 sausages of any kind

2 bunches lacinato kale, washed

1/3 cup mayonnaise

2 tablespoons sriracha, plus more to taste

1 tablespoon apple cider vinegar

#### **Directions - Instructions Checklist**

Step 1 Preheat oven to 425°F. Cut potatoes into quarters, place in a large bowl; toss in olive oil, 1 teaspoon of the salt, and pepper. Transfer to a rimmed baking sheet. Cut sausages into ½-inch rounds, and place rounds on baking sheet. Transfer to oven and roast for 15-20 minutes until sausages are golden brown. Remove sausage, set aside, and use a spatula to flip potatoes. Return to oven and continue roasting until potatoes are crispy and golden, about 15 more minutes.

**Step 2** While the potatoes roast, prepare the kale: Remove the thick, center rib from kale leaves, and cut the leaves into ¼-inch strips. The easiest way to do this is to stack your deribbed kale leaves, then roll the stacked leaves and slice, creating ribbons. Set kale aside.

**Step 3** Prepare your sauce: In a small bowl, mix together mayonnaise and sriracha, and taste. Add more sriracha to your own spice preference and thin with a little water, if necessary, to make it easier to drizzle.

**Step 4** When potatoes are done, remove them from the oven, then transfer potatoes to a bowl. Place the kale on the baking sheet and use a pair of tongs to coat the kale ribbons in the oil leftover on the pan from the sausages and potatoes. Once coated, add remaining 1/2 teaspoon salt and the apple cider vinegar and continue mixing, using hands to squeeze and massage kale, until fully coated. Spread into an even layer, top with potatoes and sausage pieces, then drizzle with the mayonnaise mixture. Serve.



# Dates to Remember

September 15, 2022 @ 7:30 PM - Executive Board Meeting September 17, 2022 @ 9am - Coastal Clean-Up September 17, 2022 @ 12 PM - General Membership Meeting

The Executive Board Meetings are held via ZOOM. The General Membership Meetings are held at the EBC Clubhouse and are also available via ZOOM. The monthly agenda and reports along with the ZOOM connection information will be emailed to all EBC members prior to the meeting.

Commodore Jennifer Duhon

#### PICYA 2022 CALENDAR



Delegates Mtg. - Sept. 12th - via ZOOM Only!

Coastal Clean Up - Sept. 17th

Delegates Mtg. - Oct. 2nd - Elkhorn YC

Wheelchair Regatta - Oct. 15 - Encinal YC

Fall Mtg. Conference - Oct. 22 - Richmond YC

Awards Luncheon - Nov. 6 - **SAVE THE DATE** 

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# Advocating for the Best Use of Boater Taxes & Fees

With the objective of enhancing the dedication of boater-paid fees and taxes, RBOC is participating along with other members of the boating community in the public stakeholder process that the Division of Boating and Waterways [DBW] and the Boating and Waterways Commission have undertaken.

This RBOC-encouraged process is providing stakeholders with the opportunity to obtain information and provide input into recommendations that are being prepared for submission to the Legislature to address the deficiency in the Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund [HWRF] and an appropriate adjustment in vessel registration fees.

For the past several months, we have participated in the subcommittees and have reviewed the boater-derived fees and taxes that boaters contribute to the state, the expenditure of those revenues, the objectives of current programs and services, and opportunities to enhance the value programs and services to recreational boating.

As these activities continue into

# BUATER BRIEF

the summer, several recommendations are becoming clear and developing traction. They include:

- The preparation and publication of an economic impact report of boating on a regular, ongoing basis...
- A return of a significant amount of the motor vehicle fuel taxes attributable to recreational boaters to programs directly benefiting boaters.



- The enhanced participation and financial contribution of stakeholders and beneficiaries who benefit from current and future programs and services.
- The enhancement of the statutory authority and role of the Commission to provide not only advice, but also consent on the Division's loans and grants from the HWRF.
- The enhancement of the Division's administration of essential programs.
- The identification of efficiencies and improvements to programs that do not attract the desired number of recipients due to statutory requirements that may be out-of-date.

- Encouragement of Californians to take advantage of the unique and diverse on-the-water opportunities that exist throughout the state. The pandemic has confirmed the value of on-the-water experiences that provide physical and mental benefits to all Californians.
- The identification and commitment of other funds for grants for beach erosion control that is of increasing importance and value to the many coastal Californians as we endeavor to address climate change
- As appropriate, a vessel registration fee adjustment that is reasonable and that reflects the revenues and savings that are recommended above.

We anticipate that a final report and recommendations will be submitted to the Legislature this fall.

### **PFAS in Vessels**

There has been a push by environmental groups to ban certain "forever plastics" that are found in clothing, and other components (some of which are used in the manufacturing process of boats).

RBOC has supported the efforts of the National Marine Manufacturers Association to obtain amendments now incorporated into AB 1817 [Ting] to provide an accommodation on the proposed ban on intentionally

added PFAS in textiles for vessels and their components in acknowledgement of the importance of this chemical to provide waterproofing and water resistance. PFAS are per- and polyfluoroalky substances. The bill remains controversial and will be considered in the Legislature in August.

# Abandoned and Derelict Commercial Vessels

RBOC has obtained the agreement of Senator Eggman and the proponents of SB 1065 to include in the measure a specific prohibition against the boater-fee-supported DBW program for derelict and abandoned recreational vessels from being tapped to support the proposed commercial vessel program.



This measure would establish the California Abandoned and Derelict Commercial Vessel Program to identify, prioritize, and fund, the removal of abandoned and derelict commercial vessels from waters of the state.

# Outdoor Recreation and Preservation of Water

RBOC supports the expansion of sustainable outdoor recreation, the preservation of ocean and inland waterways, and the promotion of the economic development and job growth that can occur in this sector.

RBOC is advocating that, as these initiatives move forward through

legislation and administrative actions including the 30x30 and Outdoors for All efforts, and baselines are established to measure our progress. It is essential to acknowledge the significant progress that California has already achieved, the tremendous value that on-the-water recreation provides in sustaining our mental and physical health, and the importance of measures that consider and incorporate reasoned perspectives.

## **Vessel Waste Discharges**

RBOC has worked with Senator Nielsen to ensure that SB 995 would not have an unintended impact on discharges of waste in navigable waters incidental to the normal operation of a vessel.

The Senator later decided not to move forward with the measure that was intended to better protect clean drinking water, wildlife, and sensitive riparian areas by expanding current law to add hazardous, medical, or human waste to the list of items that cannot be dumped in or upon state waterways with a potential misdemeanor penalty.

# Delta

Due to the negative impacts the project would have on the navigation of recreational vessels, RBOC continues to oppose the proposed Delta Conveyance Project that would construct a single 44-mile-long tunnel bypassing the Sacramento – San Joaquin Delta with the stated goal of providing for a sustainable transport of water south through the California Aqueduct. The release of a draft environmental impact review is anticipated to occur this summer.



# **Floating Home Rent Control**

AB 252 would restrict the annual amount by which a marina could increase the rent for a floating home berth to three percent plus inflation up to a maximum of five percent.

RBOC has worked together with the marine industry to obtain the agreement of Assembly Member
Bonta to include a provision ensuring that the measure is clearly and appropriately restricted to floating homes, floating home marinas and floating home slips, and not to recreational marinas or recreational vessels with or without liveaboard privileges. The legislation is moving forward as revised and with a limitation on its application to Alameda, Contra Costa and Marin counties.

## **Please Contribute**

Your contribution helps RBOC continue our professional advocacy and grassroots efforts that ensures we are able to continue to enjoy boating. Please contribute \$20 or more and become a Friend of RBOC.www.

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Please note that, due to RBOC's extensive lobbying activities, contributions to our nonprofit advocacy organization are not tax deductible.



# EBONY'S MONTHLY THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

# **Thoughts & Prayers**

Recommended by Vice Commodore Eddie Jo Mack

# PEACE



Peace is having the mind of Christ within it's loving others and also loving Him It's feeling His presence all around Through all life's ups and downs And when anxieties sometimes appear Peace is calmness that takes away fear It's recalling the assurance in His Word And the sweet contentment of prayers being heard



Peace is calmness after trials
And it's the joy of smiles
It's having a contented mind
With harmony among all mankind

Peace is silence
From the cessation of violence
It's the stillness from a raging storm
And rest for the wearisome
Peace is feeling the presence of God
No matter where I trod
It's knowing I have been set free
By the blood of Jesus that was shed for me
Peace is quietly listening to the Lord
And being with Him on one accord
It's complete immersion in His Word
And then letting His spirit in me be stirred
Peace is knowing God on the throne
Promising to recompense every wrong
It's having the mind of Christ in me

Father, as we gingerly exit from the summer months, help us remember those who are not as fortunate as we are. Some have lost family, friends or associates recently. Some of us are still having health issues. There's a war going on that is affecting our financial world, yet we are all very blessed. As we pray for our club, our nation and the world we live in. Let us each pray for a better world, nation and for each other, as we continue to feed the homeless and share what we are blessed with. Amen



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# Ebony Boat Club BOATIQUE



Marilyn Brock
Past Commodore
Boatique Manager

Hello EBC,

I pray this newsletter finds you and your families doing well.

The boutique is still featuring its Summer and Fall Sale. Bundle three items and receive 50% off of your total purchase.



If you are looking to save money for Holiday Gifts. Then, EBC is the place to be shopping. Private shopping excursion, can be arranged just by calling me to set up an appointment.

I know some of you had your eyes on certain items. Don't let this opportunity slip by.

"You are allowed to be both a masterpiece and a work in progress, simultaneously!" ~ Sophia Bush

Stay safe healthy and safe boating to you all.

Marilyn Brock Boatique Manager Past Commodore As many of you know, my mother was diagnosed five years ago with Alzheimer's Dementia. There was a time I felt that I was at the end of my rope. Could not do it anymore. I had a conversation with my doctor and she put me in touch with a support group. It has made a tremendous impact in my life and my sisters.

Although every day is brand new with Alzheimer's Dementia. But we are able to cope and mother is much happier. Just know that you are not alone and there is help out there. I would like to share some information with you and I pray it may help.

Is Using Validation for Dementia Calming or Condescending?

<u>Carol Bradley Bursack</u> *Minding Our Elders* Updated February 21, 2022

# **Alzheimer's & Dementia Care**

Dementia is a group of cognitive and psychological symptoms affecting memory, thinking and social abilities. As changes in the brain progress, declines in thinking skills, reasoning and behavior affect a person's ability to function independently.

Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause of progressive dementia. A few conditions that cause symptoms of dementia are reversible, but most types of dementia, like Alzheimer's, cause permanent brain changes, and worsen over time.

Symptoms of dementia vary greatly. If you are noticing changes in thinking, behavior or memory, seek a professional evaluation. Early diagnosis allows for the best plan of care.

Whether you are providing hands-on care or participating in making care decisions, AgingCare has resources to help. Browse our collection of informative articles, Alzheimer's Q&A, and dementia discussions. Find the support of other dementia caregivers in AgingCare's online Caregiver Forum -a community of caregivers who truly understand.

Marilyn Brock Past Commodore

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