

Light Air

Newsletter of Lake Yosemite Sailing Association

October 2014



Commodore

Suzanne Johnson



*The sailing party was hopelessly lost on the ocean. The sun was going down and the waves were starting to build when one of the sailors growled, "I thought you said you were the best damn captain in **California**."*

*"Oh I am," replied the captain firmly, "but I'm pretty sure we're in **Mexico** by now."*

Well, speaking of Mexico, unfortunately some of the boat owner's in Cabo San Lucas sustained some damage as a result of the recent Hurricane (as seen by the attached photograph). Hopefully, our time share made it through the storm.

As I am sure that many can attest, we are so lucky to have such a great venue such as LYSA. We do not have to worry much about natural disasters. Of course our disaster this year (not much water due to the drought) is minor in comparison. Nevertheless, our "disaster" did not seem to slow us down much.

Well, speaking of slowing down, things are starting to wind down for the year. It is always a sad scene when all of the boats are either out of the water and/or on trailers. However, we still have other activities to keep us busy until the end of the year. For instance, we have our October 4, 2014 End of the Year Dinner/ Awards and Elections Party to look forward to. We have many LYSA members to recognize on that evening. Also, I want to thank everyone for stepping up to the plate in terms of Board Member positions, especially new member Chris Martin for stepping up as Secretary. Additionally, put down on your calendars Saturday, December 6th for our Christmas party. Both events should be a lot of fun for the entire family. Please join in! I LOVE Club participation!



For those of you who miss racing during the winter months, do not forget about the Sunday Brunch Race Series in Alameda, hosted by the Oakland Yacht Club. The 5 races begin in early January and continue through March of 2015. Past LYSA competitors have included Jerry Johnson, Peg Lawyer, Suzanne Johnson, Ian Cooke, Tim Harden, Jacob Harden, Mike Streatly, Steve Leonard, Lee Anderson, and Rich Kleitman, to name a few.

See you at the next General Meeting on Tuesday, October 14, 2014

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Vice Commodore

Peggy Larson



While we're all enjoying this beautiful weather I know we're missing our sailing. With that being said, at least we have some fun activities coming up. It would be great if everyone made it to the End of Year and Awards dinner this Saturday, October 4th. There's always some fun trophies to look forward to as well as the presentations. The new Board will be announced that evening as well although I think it's pretty well established at this point. Participation in the club is something the Board struggles with each year. We really need all hands on deck when putting on the Regatta and the Shrimp Feeds but it would be great to see at least the majority of the members out for the meetings and other social functions. Come on out and have some fun. Looking forward to seeing you at the lake.

End of Season Party!

Saturday, Oct 4th

5:00 pm (Appetizers/Cocktails)

6:00 pm Dinner

\$5.00 per person

Dinner is BBQ

Meat, Beans, Salad, Bread

**Members please bring appetizers
and dessert if you'd like.**

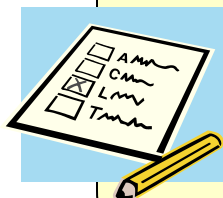
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Club Officer Elections!

Racing Trophies!

Matt & Ed Awards!

Door Prizes!





Past Commodore
Mike Strealay



Secretary
Ian Cooke



Thanks everyone for a smooth transition from the sailing season to winter storage. Looks like everyone is where they are supposed to be.

If you have a winter storage spot next to the house, please remember to keep your boat clean and free of tarps and dangly things. Also be sure and check your tires. If your boat is in front of the garage there may be a time when we have to temporarily move your boat for access, so keeping your trailer moveable is important.

I have to say that in spite of the early low water and fluctuating levels, and the limited number of boats that put in this year, we had an exceptional season! The race participation was really good and of course our Regatta and Shrimp Feed were outstanding. Everyone do your rain dances this year and hopefully next year we can have a normal, full season.

If you still have a bit of a sailing bug, stay tuned to the newsletter, your emails, and the facebook page. Throughout the winter, many of our members take their boats over to the bay for cruising out of Alameda, or to compete in the various races until Spring. It would be nice to plan a club get together at one of the events, possibly a OYC Sunday Brunch race.

Also on the Bay racing topic, Tim Harden is going to take his Merit 25 "Hard N Fast" over in a couple of weeks and he will be racing in Richmond YC's Great Pumpkin Regatta on October 25/26 with Jacob and myself. We have done this race before and I can say Richmond YC puts on a first class event. Gin fizzes served on the docks Sunday morning and a live band on a boat at the starting line (not kidding). I will try and give a great report in the next newsletter and hopefully some pictures.

Until next month . . .

Following is the ballot for next year's club officers.

2015 Commodore: Peggy Larson

2015 Past Commodore : Suzanne Johnson

Vice Commodore:

- Jay Sousa
- _____

Treasurer:

- Diane Sousa
- _____

Secretary:

- Chris Martin
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- John Larson
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- Thom Grimaldi
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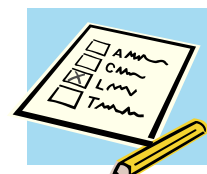
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Here are some great pictures of Huntington Lake last weekend taken by Debbie Harden.
Historic low water levels.



Debbie and Tim Harden



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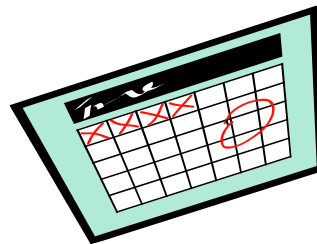
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SCHEDULE FOR 2014

(See the online calendar for updates throughout the year)

OCTOBER

- 4 Octoberfest/End of Season Awards & Election Dinner
- 25 Halloween Costume Theme Party

NOVEMBER

- 7-10 Cruise: Monterey Bay

DECEMBER

- 6 Lighted Sailboat Parade in the Bay
- 13 LYSA Christmas Party

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