

THE COYOTE'S BAY

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MESSAGE from the REAR COMMODORE/EDITOR

Wow, Mother Nature was a little bit on the schizophrenic side this last month! Just when we thought the rain season was over, SPLASH! In came another drenching storm. The crazy weather managed to wash-out Open House, and also alter our Memorial Day cruise plans, as it was too rough to head to Half Moon Bay, (and likely too cold as well). Whether it was gusty winds or pouring rain, we are certainly happy that the long winter weather is now behind us and that the summer boating season can begin.

Youth sailing is set to begin later this month, and we are pleased to say that it has been so popular that we have added another session, which will run from August 26-30. Our membership is growing, thanks to the efforts of Tricia, our membership chair, who helped organize Open House, and our next major public event is the South Bay Sailing Party (aka the "Crew List Party") on June 22 from 5-8. If you need crew for your boat, this is your event. Cruises are ever increasingly popular, with newbies joining up with the seasoned cruisers for a good time. Stay tuned to our website or Facebook page for more information.

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MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Tricia Fiorini, Membership Chair

CPYC's May membership drive has officially concluded. We would like to thank everyone who came out to support our efforts, despite the weather that nearly washed out Open House! Overall, the event was well attended; families, guests, and members alike shared conversation, enjoyed boat rides and a fabulous BBQ. Special thanks go out to John Pettigrew, the BBQ Grill Master; Mark Malcolm, who tirelessly gave tours to potential members; Jan Mendez, for helping where needed, and Harbor Master, Mark Bettis, who gave rides on the patrol boat. A special shout out also to the other members who "populated the bar" and took the time to speak with the Open House attendees. In total, we welcomed four new applicants that day: Gary Polsen and Tracie Davis; Mark and Mai Ramsbey; Tatiana Tahminajian; and Devon Philips. We also want to take the time to welcome back David Reed, a former member who has returned to the area with his boat. New members' profiles and photos are posted in the weekly blast, so stay tuned, and be sure to give these new faces a warm welcome!

Welcome, Bienvenue, Hoşgeldiniz, Fáilte, Bienvenido!

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Once again, we are pleased to be able to offer two Youth Sailing scholarships to underserved members of the community who might not otherwise be able to attend the program. The students were selected by the principal at LEAD Elementary school and will be recognized at a later date.

For boaters, we are once again hosting the South Bay Crew List Party, for people looking for crew and those looking to join a crew. Please spread the word to your fellow boaters and network with other members as well. Later in the summer, we will play host to the Half Moon Bay Pleine Air painters, who will be depicting some of the wonderful scenes around the harbor. Painters will arrive at the harbor in the morning to set up and engage in their artwork, and their work will be displayed by the anchor statue at the entrance to the marina. The date and time will be announced later.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Cruise out to Encinal Yacht Club
June 14-16, 2018

Docking fee: \$1 per foot per night

This Father's Day, treat your Dad to a cruise! Special goodies for the Dads in the group!

Register no later than June 8th



Coyote Point Y.C.  Presents:

SOUTH BAY SAILING PARTY

Find crew for your next race! Join a crew!

Saturday, June 22 ■ 5-8 p.m. ■ \$10 at door

Heavy hors d'oeuvres ■ No host bar ■ 21+

info: <http://www.cpyc.com>



CPYC PRESENTS

4TH OF JULY DOCK PARTY!

21 AND OLDER WITH PRO

AND FIREWORKS CRUISE

BOAT HOP COCKTAIL PARTY and BBQ
All boats welcome!

DRINKS & FOOD on the GUEST DOCK.

Depart for south of the bridge at dusk. LIMITED OVERNIGHT DOCKING available at SYC.

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MEMORIAL DAY CRUISE OUT RECAP

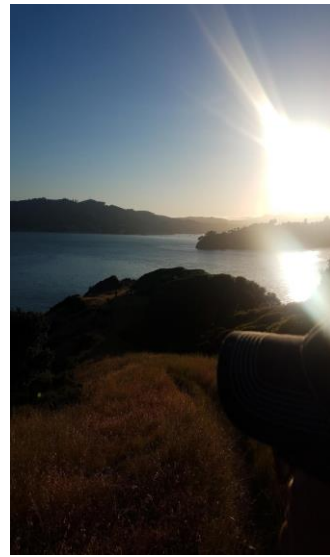
Emily Kimmel-Hoyt, Cruise Chair

Well, the Memorial Day cruise out to Half Moon Bay didn't pan out the way we hoped. With swells up to 12' at 11 seconds, the group decided to keep their lunches in the stomach and start fresh with a more comfortable ride to Angel Island. And what a good decision it was. The weather broke, and the initial 3 boats (*SeaDancer*, *Shannon* and *Sogno D'Oro*) headed out first thing to get a jump on the holiday crowds and secure mooring balls for the group. We settled in with some help from Mark Bettis and his quick work with the mooring lines, and began the boat jumping, hors d'oeuvres and cocktail party. We listened to the parties on shore and soaked up the rays in the quiet Ayala Cove and were thankful not to be headed out the gate. Once the crowds had left, we took to the island to do a little exploring and hiked up the Sunset Trail. We eventually made our way back to the boats, and all congregated on *Shannon* for some more libations--this part of the tale would be more detailed, but the funny thing about having a cocktails on *Shannon* is the lack of recognition about said cocktails after just one... but let me tell you they are delicious.

Day 2 was one of rest and relaxation (or recuperation for some), as we kicked back and enjoyed the flow of boats trying to traverse the ever strong currents of Raccoon Straits. Two more boats joined us: Greg Soydemir and family on *Pretty Woman*; Mark Shelley on *First Crush*, and soon-to-be- new member Ian on *Ventus*. The group went ashore to hike, play on the beach, or listen to the live music at the Cove Café. After the last ferry departed, we once again made our way back to *Shannon* for another party. That evening, though, a gale blew through the cove, with 40 knot plus winds; we all awoke around the same time with the same idea in mind—make sure we were still securely moored. (Or, as one member put it, 'it's not about how well you are moored, but how well the boat in front of you is!')

The next evening, we had cocktails and dinner aboard *Shannon*, with post-dinner entertainment by the guitar duo of Mark and Marc along with the vocals of the funky bunch crammed down below. We played and sang well into the night, much to the delight of every creature within earshot, I'm sure.

On Monday morning, the group quietly dispersed from the comfy Ayala cove to the perfect breeze and a Flood tide to carry them all the way home. A perfect end to a perfect weekend. *SeaDancer* stayed behind to see everyone off and we were so charmed by the quietness and stillness of the now empty cove we decided to stay another night. I know we really miss the fun of Half Moon Bay and the warm people at HMBYC but we couldn't have picked a better second choice. Thanks to all who participated and we're sorry it couldn't work out for some but don't worry, we're already planning the next cruise out. Look to the club calendar for details and sign ups to Encinal Yacht Club...



SOME LIGHT READING for SUMMER CRUISES

It's summer, and while the kids may be out of school, many of them still have to partake in the dreaded summer homework ritual known as summer reading. For those of us whose high school days are way in the past, reading during the summer can be pleasurable—even more pleasurable is reading about boats or boating while sitting on your boat. I remember back in high school, reading *Moby Dick*, and being the only person in the class (including the teacher!) who understood all the nautical terminology. Nautical Stories go far beyond just *Moby Dick* and *Billy Budd*; here are a few of my recommendations for light boat-themed reading. Most are available as e-book or hard copies from Amazon, or your favorite bookstore. If you have any other recommendations, feel free to post them on our Facebook page!

- *The Greatest Sailing Stories Ever Told: 27 Unforgettable Stories*
Edited by Christopher Caswell.

From the Publisher: "Here is Peter Goss's wrenching narrative of incredible courage in the world's most desolate ocean; Ernest Shackleton's understated and awesome account of one of the most daring small-boat journeys ever taken...You'll also find William F. Buckley Jr. on idyllic cruising; James Thurber on the arcane and often impenetrable language of sailors; the legendary Joshua Slocum on sailing alone around the world."

- *Tales of the Fish Patrol* by Jack London (1905)

Set in San Francisco Bay in very familiar waters, Jack London recounts his teenage years aboard various fishing vessels as they plied the waters from the Central Bay to the Delta. Appropriate for high schoolers studying American Literature.

- *Carry On, Mister Bowditch* by Jean Lee Latham (2003)

Appropriate for ages 10-14, (and sometimes on the summer reading lists) this book is a biography of mariner Nathaniel Bowditch, whose "American Practical Navigator" book is widely regarded as the sailor's Bible. Perfect for budding sailors or for kids enrolled in the youth sailing program.

- *Tara: The Terrier who Sailed Around the World* (2018) by Rosemary & Robert Forrester

The true story of a couple and their dog who sail around the world with their Jack Russel Terrier aboard. Available as an e-book or a self-published through Amazon, this is the perfect read for anyone who loves dogs and boating. Appropriate for all ages.

- *One Girl, One Dream* by Laura Dekker (2014)

The autobiography and memoir of the youngest ever person to sail solo around the world. Written by a teenager, the language is simple enough for teens to enjoy (and perhaps relate to), but with a gripping enough narrative to keep adults engrossed. Originally written in Dutch, this is the first ever English translation.

- *The Maggie B.* by Irene Haas (1975)

For the really young set (4-8), this classic picture book can't be beaten. The story of a young girl who "wishes for a boat named after her," may seem a bit dated to modern children, but is still an enjoyable read for parents or grandparents who may fondly remember this book from their childhood.

