



# THE SHEETS

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## Vice Commodore's Comments by Chris Haro



WOW, where did June go? July 4<sup>th</sup> has passed, Happy Birthday to the USA, but we are still having June gloom. Personally, I am not complaining about still having cooler mornings.

Andrea and I have visited two countries in the last month. First, we went to Vancouver, Canada to start a 7-night Alaskan cruise. We had several people tell us that the cruise was awesome. I researched the definition of Awesome. Per Google, awesome means: "extremely impressive or daunting; inspiring great admiration, apprehension, or fear". Well, I can honestly say that this adventure was truly AWE-SOME as the definition sums up our trip perfectly! Our typical day was watching the scenery on the coastline scoot past the windows. Many hours were invested in looking for "critters", like killer whales, dolphins, bears, and bald eagles, to name a few. I did succeed in seeing a killer whale and a bald eagle from the ship. As a matter of fact, during our dinner, a bald eagle went fishing for its dinner right outside our window. What a show that was!

Andrea and I took a helicopter tour to the top of the Herbert Glacier, which is one of about 12 glaciers around Juneau, Alaska. On the glacier, we hopped on an Iditarod style sled pulled by a team of dogs for a small jaunt on the snow covered glacier. Andrea and I fell off the sled and had to chase the dogs to get back on. Apparently, 'whoa!' only works for horses. Fortunately, there are no photos of that little mishap.



After that ride, we took off in the helicopter to another part of the glacier where we walked on the ice, admired the sapphire blue coloring, jumped over crevasses, and drank freshly melted glacier water.

In Ketchikan, Alaska we witnessed "SoggyKru" finish in 18th place on 6/16/19 at 0941 local time for Second Stage of the Race to Alaska (R2AK), which is a two stage race of 750 miles from Port Townsend, Washington, to Ketchikan, Alaska. From their website: "R2AK is like the Iditarod, on a boat, with a chance of drowning, being run down by a freighter, or eaten by a grizzly bear. There are squalls, killer whales, tidal currents that run upwards of 20 miles an hour, and some of the most beautiful scenery on earth."



Vice Commodore's Comments by Chris Haro (Continued)

Next, Andrea and I were off to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico to warm up from the 50 degree, rain filled days of Alaska. The only thing to report back from Cabo is the days were 85 degrees, the skies were blue, and we drank a lot of cold beverages in the pool to keep cool from the sun.



Two days after returning from Cabo, we were off to the Great American Raft Up for more sun in Newport Harbor. Newport Beat played for several hours on the back of "Dickie Boy".



After the raft up, I spoke with several SSYC members who all said this was a GREAT DAY and great event. I would like to give special shout outs to Mike Schmitt, Dean Russell, and Chris Tadlock for their help in the Great American Raft Up! There are many others who helped make the event a success and I thank you all as well.



Fred, the drummer of Newport Beat, said they love our club and feel like they are "our" special club band. They feel like family. Tina Simmons says SSYC

has adopted them. Fred said thank you for everything and they look forward to participating in future events.

For July, we have a second Friday Dinner coming up, racing every Wednesday, and you need to start planning for Shrimptastic in August. Let the Cruise Director or the Bridge know if you are interested in going or need more information.

I would like to Thank SSYC and all for the condolences and heartfelt expressions that we received on the passing of my brother. It has been a difficult time, but we are uplifted by all the well wishes and support.

Your Vice Commodore,

*Chris Haro*



# Social by Jennifer Johns

SSYC kicked off summer with our 3rd Annual Seafood Bake. Hungry guests feasted on calamari, shrimp, clams, lobster, Louisiana sausage, corn on the cob, mac 'n' cheese, zucchini, Caesar salad, corn bread, and ice cream for dessert. It was necessary to wear bibs for this meal.



We got to meet two new members, who received their burgees: Sheila Owens and 'Smitty'. Thankfully, the burgees were held the correct way (with a little coaching), so no beer needs to be bought by our new members. Welcome to the club! We look forward to getting to know each of you better.

A burgee of a different kind was presented to Mark and Kathy Ashmore. John Marshall presented an SSYC burgee that has been embroidered with 'Transpac 2019 Nalu V South Shore Yacht Club'. The Ashmores will take the burgee along with them in the Transpac race to the Waikiki Yacht Club to replace our current one, which is completely white and weathered.



Herb Fischer had the great pleasure of announcing that we have exceeded the Sea Base fundraising goal of \$6,000, where we continue to support marine-oriented public education and recreation. Well done!

### What Next on the Calendar

Mangez bien, riez souvent, aimez beaucoup! Eat well, laugh often, love a lot! We are having a night out in Paris for our July 2nd Friday Dinner on July 12, 2019. Hope to see you there.



Cheers,  
*Jen Johns*  
Social Director



## Cruising by Dean Russell

The SSYC fleet departed for Avalon on the first weekend of summer, although it did not quite feel like summer. When we arrived at the island, the clouds were obscuring the tops of the mountains and at times the airport was closed due to lack of visibility since it is located on a mountain top.

There were plenty of moorings available. When we reached our assigned mooring ball, the harbor patrol was there to assist us. I thought that was nice. Of course, we were boarded and a dye tablet was forced into the heads to check for leaks.

Safely moored, we dinghied to shore, tied up at the dinghy dock and walked to the Sand Trap by the golf course. It was time for the happy hour with \$1 tacos. The sun shined on us there. Next stop was the Toyan Grill located in the new Catalina Conservancy building at the end of Crescent Ave. We enjoyed a glass of wine on the rooftop overlooking the harbor. Still thirsty, we stopped at the Marlin Club. No happy hour there, everyone was already happy. One of the customers told us about their drink, "mind eraser." We thought it would be best not to try it.



We relaxed on board Friday afternoon, amused by watching incoming boats struggling to pick up their mooring and watching the harbor patrol boats push and pull the boats into position so the crew can attach the housers. The Gurwitz's hosted a cocktail party on Molokai Girl. A perfect end of the day on Avalon harbor.

Then things started to go wrong. My outboard motor, that I borrowed, would not start. The pull cord mechanism was not engaging the fly wheel.

Then the harbor patrol yelled at us for not having the CF numbers on the dinghy. So the outboard went back on the sailboat. Not faring any better, the Gurwitz's electric outboard motor had a dead battery. At least we had oars and paddles that we used the rest of the weekend.

On Saturday, we played miniature golf. It was actually a very nice and very fun course. We were joined by Joshua, a fifth generation Catalinian and his nephew, Remy.



Then off to the Catalina Museum. SSYC was given 30 VIP tickets by the Museum for us to use. I have the balance for other members to use. The special exhibit was the Wrigley Centennial. It gave a good history of Catalina Island.

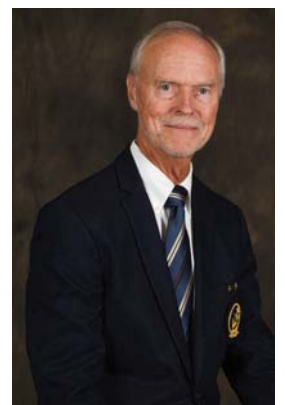
Thirsty after 18 holes and the museum, we headed back to the Sand Trap (of course). And the sun shined on us again. Dinner was at the Blue Water Grill. The Blue Water also operates the Toyan Grill. We had a great table at the water's edge with an unobstructed view of the harbor.

Overcast skies greeted us Sunday morning for our departure back to the mainland. We motored out and set our course. When the wind picked up and shifted westerly, we were able to hoist the sails, turn off the motor and sail the rest of the way to Newport Harbor.

Shrimpfest is August 23 -25 in Two Harbors. Make your plans to participate in this spectacular event. The weather will be good and the water warm.

**Dean Russell**

Cruise Director



# Racing by John Marshall

## SUMMER HIBACHI SERIES

SSYC's Summer Hibachi Series has completed Races 1-4 in the month of June. Below are the final standings for June:

2019 Summer Hibachi June Summary					PHRF A			
Overall	Point Summary	Yacht Name	Skipper	Yacht Club	4 Jun 26	3 Jun 19	2 Jun 12	1 Jun 5
1	5	Valhalla III	Scott Karlin	SSYC	2	2	T.O.	1
2	5	Valentine	Mary Longpre	BYC	3	1	1	T.O.
3	6	Nalu V	Mark Ashmore	SSYC	1	3	2	T.O.
4	8	Sea Scout	Derek Taylor	NSB	T.O.	3	3	2

2019 Summer Hibachi June Summary					PHRF B			
Overall	Point Summary	Yacht Name	Skipper	Yacht Club	4 Jun 26	3 Jun 19	2 Jun 12	1 Jun 5
1	3	Valkyrie	Don Albrecht	SSYC	1	T.O.	1	1
2	6	Hula Girl	Chris Hill	UCISA	3	1	T.O.	2
3	8	Celia	Jim O'Connor	ALYC	2	T.O.	3	3
4	9	Dilly Dally	Mike Nelson	SSYC	T.O.	2	3	4

Congratulations to the crew of Valhalla III in PHRF A and Valkyrie in PHRF B!



## Racing by John Marshall (Continued)

### 2019 TRANSPAC

There will be an opportunity to view the Transpac race start aboard Chris Tadlock's 36-foot sloop on Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>. Be on the lookout for information.

Let's get to know the intrepid crew of Nalu V! Mark and Kathy Ashmore have been married for 32 years and met after college at the YMCA in Monrovia, CA. Mark admits that Kathy has been a great sport and best first mate during the 4 year restoration on Nalu V in which they did 90% of the work themselves! Mark has been sailing since he was 8 years old and bought his Naples Sabot himself. Growing up, Mark's family has owned 4 sailboats and he was the motivating force for his family's sailing adventures. He's waited 37 years to sail to Hawaii on his own boat! Mark's father is 97 years young and lives in Newport Beach. Mark has promised his dad that he would call him every day during the race on the Satellite phone.

Mark and Kathy will be joined by Hugh Westermeyer as their navigator. Hugh is a Senior Vice President at City National Bank and has been a lifelong sailor with an extensive racing history in the San Francisco Bay Area. Hugh has always wanted to do one of the iconic West Coast races and this is his first Transpac.

Dr. Glenn Buttermen is an Orthopaedic Spine Surgeon with Midwest Spine & Brain Institute in Minnesota. Glenn, Hugh and Glenn's brother Mark Buttermen attended the University of California San Diego and lived together as roommates during their college years. That is where they learned how to party! They took many sailing trips together while in college. Mark's dad had an Irwin 37 and Glenn's dad had a Cal 34. Glenn's father was a member of Cal Yacht Club, so they were accustomed to dropping the hook at Cat Harbor in Catalina and using the facilities there. Glenn's brother, Mark Buttermen, is a sporting event promoter in Lucerne, Switzerland and has lived there for over 25 years!

We plan on seeing them off at the start, with John and Robin Marshall, Tina Simmons, Jen Johns, Patty Malone, Juli and Brian King meeting them at the dock in Waikiki!

Aloooooo-ha!

**John**



## Discounts & Donations by Herb Fischer



### South Shore Yacht Club/Newport Sea Base Fundraiser 2019

SSYC raises \$6,500 for the Newport Sea Base in 2019! 20  
SSYC members and friends help exceed Goal!

**Congratulations!** The South Shore Yacht Club has raised \$6,500 for the Newport Sea Base through the generosity of our donating members and others. The fundraiser ended June 30 with 7 first time donors joining 13 ongoing donors in exceeding our goal of \$6,000! With their support, the young sailors at the Newport Sea Base now have camper scholarships and additions to the sailing fleet. Fundraiser Co-chairs Gary Ruud and Herb Fischer thank all donating members for their generous contributions and support of the Newport Sea Base!

# July 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
30	1	2 Board Meeting	3 Hibachi Series	4	5	6 Great American Raft Up	
7	8	9	10 Hibachi Series	11	12 2nd Friday Dinner	13	
14	15	16	17 Hibachi Series	18	19	20	
21	22	23 Transpac-Honolulu	24 Hibachi Series Transpac-Honolulu	25 Transpac-Honolulu	26 Transpac-Honolulu	27	
28	29	30	31 Hibachi Series	1	2	3	
4	5	NOTES					
<p>Dates and Times Subject to Change</p>							



# August 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4 Sunday Sailing Series	5	6 Board Meeting	7 Hibachi Series	8	9 2nd Friday Dinner	10
11	12	13	14 Hibachi Series	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Hibachi Series	22	23 Shrimptastic	24 Shrimptastic
25 Shrimptastic	26	27	28 Hibachi Series	29	30	31

1	2	<p><b>NOTES</b></p> <p>Dates and Times Subject to Change</p> <p>Pageant of the Masters TBD in August</p>				
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# September 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 Board Meeting	4 Hibachi Series	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Endless Beach Party
15 Sunday Sailing Series	16	17	18	19	20	21 Crew of 2
22 Crew of 2	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	<b>NOTES</b> Dates and Times Subject to Change				

# October 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	1 Board Meeting	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 2nd Friday Dinner Avalon Jazz Festival	12 Avalon Jazz Festival
13 Sunday Sailing Series Avalon Jazz Festival	14	15	16	17	18 Carnival Cruise	19 Carnival Cruise
20 Carnival Cruise	21 Carnival Cruise	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

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# November 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5 Board Meeting	6	7	8 2nd Friday Dinner Las Vegas, Baby!	9 Las Vegas, Baby!
10 Las Vegas, Baby!	11 Las Vegas, Baby!	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

1	2	<p><b>NOTES</b></p> <p>Dates and Times Subject to Change</p> <p>Del Mar Racing- TBD in November</p>				
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# December 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 Board Meeting	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Keys on Main Dueling Pianos	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 Duffy Christmas Light Cruise	21 SSYC Boat Parade Party
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	<b>NOTES</b> Dates and Times Subject to Change				

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