APRIL 2015 SPRING EDITION



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FROM THE COMMODORE Joe Ravitch

Greetings fellow PLYC members: I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of you who voted for your 2015 Board of Directors. I know I can speak on everyone's behalf when I say we will continue to work hard to ensure we bring you fun boating and land-based activities. We will also closely monitor the financial stability and overall healthfulness of our beloved club. So, again, thank you. We are so happy to report that the Final Friday Happy Hours have been very successful in bringing together our members. There has been a bit of confusion about the name so

BESIDE THE POINT



please allow me to explain that these are happy hour events that occur on "the final Friday" of each month. Some have understandably been confused, thinking it is the "final happy hour." Rest assured it is our distinct hope that everyone puts PLYC's happy hour onto their calendar as a recurring event on the last Friday of each month. I would like to personally thank all of you who participated in Woody's Whale Watching Adventure last month. The day started off meeting old and new friends at Red Sails, and then we carried on to gaze at some of the most spectacular creatures on earth. Special thanks go out to the members who took others out on their boats and especially John Neff and his boat Seafari. It was a true pleasure to be aboard,. Upcoming fun activities include Opening Day on Saturday, April 18. We also have races and raft-ups beginning in May, carrying through August. These activities will be advertised heavily in the coming months. We intend to bring you weekly email blasts, aimed at keeping you well informed of all things PLYC. I thank you for the honor of being your 2015 Commodore, and hope you feel free to contact me if there is anything I can do to enhance your experience at PLYC. Fair winds and following seas.

Joe Ravitch Commodore Point Loma Yacht Club APRIL 2015 SPRING EDITION





FROM THE VICE COMMODORE Mick Moore

Get ready for a spectacular lineup of spring events, PLYC! And read on to see just what's in store. But first, I would like to thank the 2014 Board of Directors for a spectacular 2014

Opening Day this year is on Saturday, April 18th. Registration and refreshments will start off at 12:00 pm. The ceremonies will commence at 1:00 pm with last years Opening Day catering being provided by Misha Cuisine, with an even more creative selection for your tasting pleasure.

We've had such a great response to her performances for the past two years, when it came to deciding who would cater this year there was no reason to look further. PLYC Opening Day is a day you won't want to miss.

If you have any questions or concerns about Opening Day 2015, please do not hesitate to contact us directly info@pointlomayachtclub.org

Of course the fun doesn't stop there. On May 16th we have our annual Fleet Captain's Race, also known as "The Four Buoy Fiasco." Where a yachtsman can choose to go around the marks in any order! It's best to know your rules of the road in this event. Please visit our website for the Sailing Instructions and more information.

With record setting membership signups in 2014 and 2015, there are many new faces with boating interests at PLYC. We hope you will join some of our new members and make some new friends. Saturday May 23rd through Monday, May 25th our annual Memorial Day Raft-Up in La Playa Cove kicks off so join us!

If you plan to go out, we encourage you to visit the Harbor Police's website ASAP to secure a permit. The only place you may obtain a permit is the Harbor Police website→Recreational Boating Parks and Cruises→Recreational Boating→Guest Slip Reservations→Check Availability and Make a Reservation ahead of time.

When you get to the site, you'll be asked to furnish your CF or Documentation number, your vessel type (power or sail), and paint type. The paint type refers to your bottom paint, as the Harbor Police are gathering data on this information. If you have any questions, or are having trouble reserving in La Playa, please contact your Cruising Fleet Chairman, John Neff. johnneff@gmail.com.

We truly look forward to seeing everyone at the above social events, and on the bay during our annual races.

Mick Moore Vice Commodore APRIL 2015 SPRING EDITION

NEW SECRETARY JAMES COULSON



James and Renee are enjoying PLYC gatherings this year and meeting other members of the club. Although major construction and remodeling of their Lakeside home consumes a large portion of their time, they will be out on the water with weekend trips from Mariners Cove down to San Diego harbor and the club raft ups this summer aboard Arrhythmia. Their 2 young dogs, Elle and Toby a pair of Dachshunds, will also be part of the crew.

James continues to operate his airplane charter and completing the remodel project on the house. Keeping work simple, he is set to do more racing and do longer cruises.

Renee is an accountant at a molecular diagnostics company in Carlsbad and enjoys spending downtime with their dogs, cooking, watching movies, yoga and running.

James and Renee love traveling, trying new places to eat, going to concerts, and socializing with friends, while sharing knowledge and stories of their love for boating. Their favorite spots for travel are tropical locations in Mexico and the Caribbean with white sand beaches and turquoise water.

NEW DIRECTOR KRISTAN KELSCH



Kristan is our newest member of the board. Kristan has lived in San Diego since January of 2012. Prior to moving to San Diego, Kristan lived in Northern California where she ran a successful business and estate planning law practice since 2004.

While attending UOP, McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, California, she frequently sat on the banks of the river watching with envy as boaters of the Delta river- ways would zoom by.

It has always been her life-long dream to live near the ocean and so in January 2013 she and all of her belongings moved to San Diego. She has since been working continually to re-build her law practice here and wanted again to become an integral part of the boating community in San Diego.

Kristan is looking forward to assisting PLYC remain a successful club and is eager to help PLYC members to enjoy all the waterways and experiences on the water San Diego has to offer as she currently does.

RACERS CORNER Sailing Tips & Tricks



Light Air Sailing Upwind 2-8 Knots

It doesn't matter if you are a world champion or a total beginner. We can all learn a little more about sail trim especially in San Diego.

We will start with light airs upwind sailing. Something that seems unlikely at the moment but with summer coming we will soon be drifting around evening racing and struggling to get back to the line.

The most important thing to remember is there are no hard and fast rules. Whatever works for you and your boat will not be the same for everyone. The only thing that remains the same is that boat speed makes you look good. We can all point straight up wind and not go anywhere but in light airs the people who move are the people who win.

Sail choice is the hardest part. We normally use the rule of thumb that it's the number one until you can hold crew on the windward rail.

Adjustments should be made gently, the aim is to improve the flow. Not to stop it and start it again once the sail is set. Keeping crew weight low and forward is the norm in these conditions but try to keep it compacted together as well.

Most hull designs will have a lower wetted area with this weight forward approach.

Many helms like to drive from the leeward side in these conditions. Try to limit the helms time to leeward to mark roundings. Sitting low by the water can mislead you into thinking you are going fast.

- 1. Backstay Eased. This allows the forestay to sag inducing more fullness in the headsail.
- 2. Luff tension eased allowing the sail to sit as full as possible to it's design shape. Typically some small creases may form in the luff. Don't worry, this is fast...
- 3. Jib car. The relationship between car and sheet is imperative. Moving the car forward makes the sail fuller in the lower section. The sheet tension will control the twist in the leech. In light airs you are looking for shape low and twist in the leech to keep air flowing onto the mainsail.
- 1. Backstay Eased. Mast as straight as possible making the main full.
- 2.Luff Tension Eased. Again some small creases are nothing to worry about.
- 3. Outhaul eased, typically you should be able to get your hand easily between the boom and the sail.
- 4.Leech. The aim is to keep the telltales flying to keep flow across the mainsail and therefore drive. Tensioning the leech will allow you to point but may lead to stalling the main. Keep it on the fast side of too tight is our advice.

By Sean Smith Ulman Sails

PLYC SPOTLIGHT – Manisha Moore



This Month's spotlight is on PLYC Member Manisha Moore, Chef Extraordinaire, and wife of Vice Commodore, Mick Moore. Manisha has been catering PLYC Opening Day Ceremonies and PLYC Club Functions for over three years and 2015 will be no different. This year's Opening Day Menu will consist of Spice Rub Cuban Pork w/ Mojo Sauce (orange/lime/garlic/chili pepper, olive oil), Caribbean Black Beans, Steamed White Rice w/ Mango Salsa, Green Bean Casserole w/ crispy Onion Rings, and Beef Stroganoff w/ Egg Noodles. When asked what makes her food so outstanding, this is what she had to say. "I love to have variety when I eat and who doesn't? I try to give my clients the Restaurant experience at home. My mission is to provide my Clients and PLYC with healthy,

Delicious Meals, with homemade flavors and the appeal of gourmet food, at an affordable price. I do my best to offer unique and varied meals, prepared with special attention to the smallest detail that makes my meals an experience to remember. I proudly offer the following services:

- Private Chef for daily meal preparation and service in your home
- Personal Chef for Weekly Meal Planning for Families or Busy Individuals
- Sit Down Dinner parties for up to 12
- Hors D'oeuvres Party Platters to go
- Catering events
- Personal Cooking Lessons
- How to create fantastic gourmet meals on a budget

CALENDAR of EVENTS

BOARD of DIRECTORS

Jan 17	Woody's Whale Watching Cruise
Jan 30	Happy Hour - Bay Club
Feb 27	Happy Hour - TBA
Mar 27	Happy Hour - TBA
Apr 18	PLYC Opening Day
Apr 24	Happy Hour - TBA
May 16	Fleet Captains Race
May 23-25	Memorial Day Raft Up
May 29	Happy Hour - TBA
Jun 26	Happy Hour - TBA
Jul 4-6	July 4 th Raft Up & Lubbers Party
Jul 25	Crew of 2 Ocean Race
Jul 31	Happy Hour - TBA
Aug 15	Big Boat Race Charity Bay Race
Aug 28	Happy Hour - TBA
Sep 05-07	Labor Day Raft Up
Sep25	Happy Hour – TBA
Oct 30	Happy Hour - TBA
Oct 11	Jimmy Rogers Memorial Race
Oct 30	Happy Hour - TBA
Nov 21	Commodore's Ball
13 Dec	Christmas Party, Introduction of
	2015 Officers & SD Parade of
	Lights and General Membership

Commodore: Joe Ravitch Vice Commodore: Mick Moore Rear Commodore: Sean Sims Treasurer: **Bob Kearns** Secretary: James Coulson Director: Mark Wyatt **Brian Wilkins** Director: Director: Kristan Kelsch Port Captain: Robby Hickethier Jr Staff Commodore: Dayle Reimer



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