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UPCOMING EVENTS



June 9-10
South Beach Marina
Cruise-out



June 16th
Pirate Party &
Salmagundi Feed



...and AYC is in Full Bloom!

We have a full slate of activities planned in the coming summer months both on the water and in the clubhouse. So be sure to check the club calendar and then mark your's so that you don't miss any of these exciting events!



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COMMODORE John Dovano



The month of May came and went rather quickly this year but not without logging in two memorable Club events. Our annual Country-Western dinner dance on Saturday May 19 hosted by our Social Director Tess was great fun with Tess's home style cooking, costumes, door prizes and live music to dance to. Then on the Memorial Day weekend Dorothy & Kevin organized a great cruise-out to the San Rafael Yacht Club, one of our favorite destinations for insane fun. See their article on page 5.

Now on to June, probably my favorite month of the year although there are several close seconds. For one thing, it's my birthday month and for another, it's the month that AYC has it's **Pirate Party!** One of our premier events of the year, this year's party will, I'm sure, extend that reputation. Forrest "fire in the hole" Reed will be at the helm to insure that there is good food (salmagundi no less) and live entertainment (music of course but also all of you matey's dressed in your most creative pirate attire. We've got fifteen or so members from the Sea Breeze Yacht Club land cruising in specifically for this event. Forrest is also pursuing promoting the party at several other yacht clubs on the island so it should be quite a bash!

Consistent with our thrust of acquiring new members, we are holding two events designed to expose our club to more potential new members. On June 23rd AYC will host a Swap Meet and Open House. These type of events are always fun and are often effective in stimulating interest in our club. See page 9 for details.

And Saturday night, June 2nd, Past Commodore Nicole Drake will kick off AYC's Saturday Night at the Movies with all you can eat complimentary popcorn.

So come on out and join the fun!

Don't forget to check out our website at www.aycinc.org and our Facebook at www.facebook.com/alamedayc for more recent news, events & photos!



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VICE COMMODORE *Valerie Storm*



There are a lot of great events coming up. We hope to get members that have been away too long back to the club and attract new members by showing the local boating community what a great club we are. Below are just a few of the things happening in the next few months:

Beginning Saturday, June 2nd and continuing through the summer, Past Commodore, Nicole Drake, is presenting the Alameda Yacht Club Summer Movie Series. Movies start at 7:00 pm in the

clubhouse. Grab some complimentary popcorn and enjoy the evening. Snacks, chips, candy, and, of course, beverages will be available for purchase.

On June 9th, AYC and its members are invited to attend the grand opening of the West Marine store at the South Shore Center from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. AYC will have a table set up to promote the club, hand out some AYC SWAG, and attract new members. Thanks to Nicole for facilitating the introduction of the store manager. Nicole will also man the table. We could use a couple more volunteers, as well. Please let me or Nicole know if you would like to work the table for a bit.

Don't know what to do with all your Spring Cleaning swag? Is your boat looking like something out of the show Hoarders? How many extra lines, fenders, and life jackets do you really need? Set up a stand at the club during the AYC Swap Meet on Saturday, June 23rd from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We'll be advertising around town, at local marinas and stores, on social media, and word of mouth (tell a friend!) so expect great participation from sellers and buyers. Who knows, you may find some new treasures!

On the same day as the Swap Meet, from noon to 4:00 PM, AYC will have an Open House to showcase our club. Members spreading the word about our club is really the best advertisement so invite your friends, and your friends' friends! There will be food, music, and hopefully good weather!

AYC in the 4th of July Parade! In the past, AYC participated in the city's 4th of July parade. It would be great exposure and a lot of fun to participate again. Logistics to be ironed out. Please let me know if you would like to head and/or participate in the 4th of July Float Committee and the parade itself. More details to follow.



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STAFF COMMODORE Tom Tazelaar



... and, as always, volunteer cooks are sought (sometimes desperately). If you can cook for a Friday night, drop me an e-mail at tazelaar@yahoo.com, sign up on the board outside the galley or catch me at the club. Bon Appetit!

SOCIAL CHAIR Shirley Tess Huffman



Hello everyone! Well it looks like we are on our way to having some warm weather!

Before I go any further, I would like to thank each and every one who came out to support our annual Country & Western party we had a nice turn out!

Thanks to Pam Mitchell, Antonett, and Del Dovano, for all of their help and to Jimmy Laing who was our bartender for the evening,

Most of all we cannot forget Robert Coleman who we can always depend on to do a great job cleaning up the galley after our parties.

Robert you are the man!

So get ready mates- The Cowboys have left town and the Pirates are going to be sailing in for an evening of fun on June 16th.

So dress the part and come on out and have some fun. Looking forward in seeing you there!



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CRUISE-OUT CHAIR *Dorothy & Kevin Mueller*



Memorial Weekend 2018
at Loch Lomond and San Rafael Yacht Clubs

Another cruise out has come and gone, and 'oh what a fabulous one it was...a few days before setting sail we decided to stop at LLYC for Friday night before heading up the creek to SRYC. Friends from PSPYC joined us for dinner, which was a nice surprise! Then, with the tide we all left at the same time on Saturday up the creek to SRYC.

Gosh darn it, those San Rafael Yacht Club members did it again! They 'rocked it' with their hospitality! I'm not sure how we'll ever top this past weekend's shenanigans, but trying will be tempting! The following tidbit of trivia will sum things up nicely without giving too much away:

QUESTION: What do the following items have in common? Awesome people, steaks, dice, pantyhose, strong rope, fried eggs, spiced rum, prizes, new friends, belly shaving, singing, bucket of money, laughter, ear plugs, tumble, new life vest, corn hole, screwdrivers (not referring to the cocktail variety, although there was plenty), 'fire in the hole, a yard of ale, breakfast burritos, and a BOOM. ANSWER: All were present at one time or another during fabulous weekend making memories at SRYC. This was a well attended event with seven boats and about seven land-cruisers making an approximate headcount of 27 representatives of AYC including 2 prospective members who, joined in the festivities. Most who drove in stayed the night at a local hotel and kept the party going into the next day. Thanks to everyone who participated!

Our next Cruise-Out is coming up quick in a few short weeks to South Beach Harbor on Friday, June 8th through the 10th. We have a reservation for 10 boats total and 9 are signed up as of this last day in May. Please let either Kevin or myself know if you are able to join us ASAP. We will hold on to signups that exceed 10 in case someone cancels. Those who have signed up will get an email with detailed information about the weekend's festivities. Just a heads up, TIYC will host us for our July excursion to Clipper Cove on Friday, July 6th through the 8th; and then in August we are headed to Sequoia Yacht Club on the 19th for Hot August Nights. Sign up sheets will be put up in the club soon.



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COUNTRY-WESTERN PARTY MAY 19TH



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AYC CRUISE-OUT TO SAN RAFAEL YC MAY 26-27



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PIRATE PARTY & SALMAGUNDI FEED JUNE 16th



That's right you scurvy dogs! It's time for the Alameda Yacht Club's Pirates Party, so heave to and prepare to be boarded or we'll take you by force! OK then! **By Force IT IS!** Bring your best pirate look...and you'll need weapons if you plan to be around us for long... Boarders away on June 16, 2018: Then Stand By To Party. We'll have a good cover band to shiver your timbers! But before we get to that, we got to take care of the crew. So now, me harties, after a successful plundering you're gonna be fammished, ya are! We got a hogshead full of rum and salmagundi to drink and eat (yes pirates do it in that order)!

Now for the more dainty of you, here's the MENU:

Salmagundi Stew; Salmagundi Salad; If the cooks aren't too drunk, we'll see if they can rustle up some rolls. We might have to threaten them with a flogging, but there damn well better be some dessert!

Since all you lubers will be stinking drunk when this all comes down, the Cap'ten says you'll need to pony up \$20 to help pay for food, the clean-up, and to help pay for the band, which is a good one.

We'll have the hogshead of rum broke open at day break, but there will still be enough for you, if you come about 5 pm. The galley will serve about 6:30 pm.

The band will play from 8 till 11:30; we'll have to kick you out at 1:30! There will be cannon fire, for those of you that needs more gunnery practice. Be there, or be square!



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SWAP MEET & OPEN HOUSE



NEW MEMBERS



Let's welcome new members Chris Clifford and Dora Strehle to our Club. They are sponsored by member Mike Tosse. Chris & Dora have a 2000 Glastron eighteen foot power boat, "Luna Sea" and are interested in bartending and cooking. Please introduce yourself when you see them up at the club and make them feel welcome!



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BILGE WATER *Forrest Reed*



Yes campers, once again it's time to flip the pump switch to "ON"! It's been quite a while so there's plenty to pump over the side. Dare I speak of a Club Cruise-out to the San Rafael Yacht Club? Oh you thought what goes on in San Rafael, stays in San Rafael did you? Ah the group photo op! Now I'm not going to mention any names because she's one of our favorites, but I'm here to tell you that she made us all smile and we didn't even fly our SMYT's flag; lifted 'um right out she did. Now that's what I call hospitality! Ok, when they were here, they might have been drinking, but they did ask me to bring the cannon! So we cruised in by car and we brought it out on their deck. Had many of their members light it off and they were excited to participate (sorry dog owners, but Fire-In-The-Hole!) Now for the finally! The Porsche Man wants to fire; wear hearing protection we beg; Naw I'm too tough for that he retorts. The final effect is actually a paper towel tube filled with flower and gun powder under two 500 grain powder charges! Spectacular Boom! Rattled windows 500 feet away and knocked their club's liquor license off the wall! Dorothy yells "Ya, they'll know we were here!" I think the Porsche Man's ears are still ringing; "What's that you say?"



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2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2018 Calendar of Remaining Events			
DATE	EVENT	HOST	ENTERTAINMENT
June 16	Pirate Party	Forrest Reed	TBD
July 21	AYC Birthday Party	Past Commodores	TBD
August 25	Tropical Party	Ed & Debbie Zahariades	Pain Killers
September 15	Lobster Feed	Forrest Reed	TBD
October 20	General Membership Meeting	John Dovano	TBD
October 27	Halloween Party	Shirley (Tess) Huffman	TBD
November 10	Commodores' Ball	John Dovano	TBD
December 1	Christmas Tree Trimming Lighted Boat Parade	TBD	TBD
December 31	New Years Eve Party	TBD	TBD
The Board of Directors meets every third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. All members are invited to attend			

2018 Calendar of Remaining Cruise-outs		
DATE	VENUE	COMMENTS
Jun 9-10	South Beach Harbor	
Jul 7-8	TIYC (Clipper Cove)	
Aug 18-19	Sequoia YC	
Sep 1-2	Schoonmaker Pt. Marina	Sausalito Art Festival
Oct 6-7	Presidio YC	Fleet Week
Dec 8-9	Berkeley YC	Lighted Boat Parade



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