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- ♣ Channel 68 monitored for cruise-in groups at the Aeolian
- ♣ Website for the club: www.aeolianyc.com [includes directions, channel instructions, and links]
- ∔ Email for the Aeolian Office: aeolianyc@aol.com



We wish a very warm and very Happy Birthday
to Aeolians celebrating birthdays in May:
Shirley Clark, Laura Crawford, Susan Geiger,
Jerry Lopes, Jack Selvey, Janet Thau
(We did not have a Birthday Dinner last month but wanted to
recognize those members who were born in May!)

## **COMMODORE'S LOG**

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purchase the stove. We also received a donation of \$500.00 from Jeanne & Al McCaffery towards the stove purchase. Thank you to the Leonard Long Family and to Jeanne and Al from all Aeolians!

- 2) The Board approved two cats to become our "Club Cats" and hopefully all members will help to care for these little guys that will (hopefully) help to cut back on some of our "other" problems. They will be trained as outdoor cats and should not be in the Club House. Their names are Louie and Louise.
- 3) We still have 23 empty slips and need to fill our harbor. We have again submitted ads in *Latitude*. Please let your friends and neighbors know we have available slips and our reduced initiation fee has been extended.
- 4) Eight new members were approved for membership to Aeolian. They will be introduced at the next monthly Birthday Dinner by the Events Committee (date to be announced) please attend and meet our new members.
- 5) Approved by the Board is our Nominating Committee. These volunteers are Nancy Hill, Evelyn Poates & Diane Grant. For those interested in running for office 2011-2012, please contact one of the above committee members, and/or to nominate a fellow Aeolian.

If you have ideas or suggestions for fun events, please contact our Vice Commodore, Scott Saylor. We would appreciate any suggestions from the membership as to what events will bring you into your club more often. Small sailboat races, dinners, dancing, parties, BBQ's your input is important!

Now that spring has sprung, remember that your club house is always open for your pleasure and enjoyment! The back deck is soooooo enjoyable on a nice sunny day....hope to see you all here enjoying the newly decorated back deck!

Safe boating to all!

Jeanette Clark, Commodore

## **HUMAN-POWERED BOATS**

The Aeolian Club has a number of rowers, paddlers and other people who enjoy nature and physical exercise with small boats.

We are still trying to put an informal group together to look at storage options and other possible improvements to the facilities.

We had very few responses to our previous invitation but summer is here so interest may be rekindled.

Please send Diane Grant an email at sailgemini@aol.com with your contact information so you can be included in updates--and tell us about your interests!

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## **Notes from the Financial Secretary:**

As many of you may know, I am now the Chairman of the Membership Committee. I would like to acknowledge the following people who have assisted with the work of the committee. Without their help we would be very behind in the interview process. Hopefully I am not missing anyone. A big THANK YOU from me and the BOD should go to: Kim Arrivee, Tom Eelkema, Tom Charron, George Carmignani, Carl Babcock, Diane Grant, Kay Schardein, Keith Schardein, Jim Lamar, Jeanette Clark, Barbara Ohler, Gary Costigan.

Please remember that your Aeolian invoice is DUE on the 1st of the month, LATE on the 10th. You will notice a reminder about this on your next invoice. Members may have mistaken the 45-day suspension notice as a grace period, but that is not the case. Please help your club by paying promptly. We will also save on postage, phone calls and clerical costs. That money can be use to maintain your club.

#### **EASY MONEY**

Did you know that you could pay your Aeolian Yacht Club bill electronically through your bank's BILL PAY system? Although the club has not instituted electronic billing, many banks offer the online service of SENDING A CHECK IN THE MAIL to any payee of your choice. Wells Fargo, Citibank and Bank of America, for example, have various levels of accounts that qualify for free mailings. Some accounts are charged for this service, so check with your bank to see if you qualify. Try it--get your club invoice paid promptly and save a stamp!

## Thank you, Les Sutton -- Financial Secretary

#### 2011 MING-PERATA RACE SERIES

The race schedule is as follows: June 11, July 9, August 13, and September 17. All courses are South Bay courses and the first warning gun will be at 1300. The entry forms and sailing instructions are located on the Cube located on the back porch at the club. This series is governed by the 2005-2008 ISAF Racing Rules and the prescriptions of the USSA. The series is open to non-spinnaker monohulls of 20 feet LOA or greater. Scoring will be by the low point system with one throw-out for the series. Prizes will be awarded based on the number of entries in the Regatta. The award ceremony for place awards and participation will take place at the Change of Watch Dinner. Protests will be heard through mediation. Join in--- sign up your boat---sign up on the crew list---Great fun!!! Any questions, call Gary Barker at 522-6646

## "ANEMONE" WINS ALLINGER RACE....

Wind-west south west 6 to 10 knots with strong ebb tide all boats finished race. Thanks to Bob and Adair Jorgenson and Bob Frey for race management. Thanks to Shirley Ross and Ty Burkhart for committee boat. Results on back porch cube.

We had a great turnout for the BBQ after the race... Next race is June 11th followed by a BBQ on the back porch. Bring your own meat to BBQ, a dish to share and BYOB.

## **By-Laws Committee**

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Although the recent By-Law recommendation was narrowly defeated, by a lack of 2 votes, the By-Laws committee will make plans to meet again in the next 30 days to review and make recommendations for the next membership meeting.

We encourage all members to read the Aeolian Yacht Club By-laws and do your own review and to submit your recommendations to the committee. The By-Laws are a working document for the club that have not been changed or amended for several years. There are several grammatical problems with the document that need to be revised and edited. The membership will need to vote on these changes again at the next meeting. The committee has held several open meetings in which members have been invited to express themselves and their views, but few if any took advantage. We encourage you to do so.

## Commodore's Log



- Jeanette Clark I am sad to announce that our proposal for a Grievance Committee presented at the General Membership meeting failed by just two votes. How ever, with the help of Susan

Jeffries, the Bylaws committee will be reconvening again soon and once again all members will be invited to contribute their input and comments. The committee will review and revise, where necessary, the Grievance Procedure to fit our needs.

Another sad announcement at the General Membership meeting May 12<sup>th</sup> was the resignation of our Vice Commodore, Shirley Ross due to family emergency problems which require her full-time attention. Shirley will maintain her membership and her enthusiasm to continue to volunteer her service in and around the club house when she is free of family obligations. She did a fine job as our VC and will be dearly missed! It has been a pleasure for me as Commodore to have such a happy and fun right hand! Thank you Shirley for being there for me! I miss you as do all members!

At the regular board meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup> the board approved **Scott Saylor** to replace Shirley Ross. Scott will finish this term as our Vice Commodore. Scott and his lovely wife Mari are both great cooks having prepared a few dinners for us already, familiar with our galley, events calendar, the bar, and have been actively supporting our events and work parties. He and Mari are real go-getter's, never run away from work OR volunteering, have great people skills; not to leave out his acquired social skills (a must for this position).....Scott may be calling on you for support in the future so please help to support him and welcome him aboard.

Highlights from our Board meeting held May

1) The Board approved the purchase of a new galley stove to be delivered in approximately 3-5 weeks. Funds from Nancy Brandt's donation in honor of her father, Leonard Long, will be used to

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## Gone Fishin'

- Gene Covello

The salmon fishing as of date is very poor. The winds are blowing so conditions are very poor outside. Maybe after the seas turn to normal things

will change. Let us hope for the best.

My mind flashes back to the past – the year is 1947 and I had been recently discharged from the Navy. After spending 4 years on the water I felt the need to feel a ship's motion under me. Some enterprising young men bought surplus landing crafts, sealed up the bow landing ramps, built a cabin with benches on either side and a small table to place our lunches. We were happy with the arrangements. The trip cost five dollars and they supplied the bait which was large sardines about 7" long and the harness was flat bladed. The sinkers were cast iron that sold for 3 for \$1.00. The Payless Drug Store in those days was a popular place to buy a new style glass rod for \$12.00 and an Ocean City Salt Water Reel with a Star Drag for about \$10.00.

Everything was cheap and most jobs paid you about \$5.00 per day and they were hard to find. My first job as I recall was as a shoe salesman for the Gallen-Kamps Shoe Store. I worked 60 hours for \$27.00 per week. It was the most fun job I ever had and was the stepping stone to outside sales which I did for 34 years.

Getting back to fishing on that first trip I caught a 27 lb. Salmon and was hooked on fishing for life.

On May 7<sup>th</sup> my friend Tom Everett and I caught a limit of Stripped Bass and missed a Halibut of about 20 lbs. We were ready to net and the line broke.

With these strong winds and minus tides I haven't been out. When things get back to normal, try Oyster Point and the Naval Rock wall - fish in about 14 feet of water with a large shiner for bait. If any of you are interested in learning how to make a shiner fish trap, contact me and I'll show you how.

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Happy fishing – Keep a tight line!

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## **Nominating Committee Selected**

The Board of Directors of Aeolian Yacht Club has selected the following volunteer members to serve on the 2010-11 Nominating Committee:

Nancy Hill – 510-865-9526 Evelyn Poates – 510-769-7686 Diane Grant – 650-234-1299

The primary work of the Nominating Committee is to prepare a slate for next year's Board of Directors. The Committee's work will take place primarily during the next two months.

If you would like to serve on the Board of Directors for this coming year, or if you know of someone who might be interested in serving on the Board of Directors, please contact any member of the Nominating Committee as soon as possible.

The Nominating Committee will be soliciting names for key positions in order to present a slate to the membership for posting and inclusion in the September Newsletter (the deadline is the third Friday in August).

Thanks to those who have volunteered to be the Nominating Committee! And, thanks to all of you who will be considering running for the Board for this next year.

We need members to step up. You are all needed.

From an article written Karen McMullen



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At a party in his honor at the Corinthian Yacht Club on Saturday, Loran 'Doc" Mabens (right), who is about to turn 98 and is giving up sailing, said that he was a "country boy." until he discovered sailing. When I started to read those magazines about sailboats, it changed my life," he said. Mabens' son Bruce, (left) is following in his father's footsteps as skipper of the "Machree" (behind). Photo: Elliot Karlan

## **AYC Cruising INs & OUTs!**

We have three each confirmed, thanks to Lillan Nigro (the "out's") and Kay Schardein (the "in's"), 2011 Chairs. Please watch for more additions as we continue to confirm dates for both types of cruising, and mark your calendars so you can join the fun. Let Lillan know if you want to crew on someone's boat going "out", and inform Kay if you want to volunteer to help with the clubs coming "in".

Cruise Ins and Outs are the fun things we do to get to know each other better and to have a good time at different Yacht Clubs. Here are the cruises schedule for this year so far.

## **Cruise-Outs:**

June - Weekend at Mc Covey Cove, for baseball game and dinner ... October 22nd - Loch Lomond YC
September 23 - 25th Half Moon Bay - Labor Day Weekend
Lillan is continuing to work on the following dates and locations
July 9th - Richmond Yacht Club (not confirmed yet)

August - Point San Pablo Yacht Club

(If you have any suggestions or other interests notify Lillan Nigro, Cruise out Chair, 520-599-1203, or lillan.nigro@gmail.com)

#### **Cruise-Ins:**

June 11 - 12 - Richmond YC ... August 6 - 7 - Oyster Pt YC, Ericson Fleet One ... Sept 16 - 17 San Jose YC (Comments, Suggestions, Kay Schardein, Cruise-in Chair, 562-209-0093, or chamisa42@gmail.com)

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

### Cruise-In Chair Needed:

Our present cruise-in chair, Kay Schardein and her husband Keith will be leaving end of May to continue with their plans to cruise South. If there is a member interested in taking over this position as Cruise-In Chair, please contact our VC Scott Saylor at (510) 772-0892

## **SUNSHINE CORNER**

Our warm get well wishes to members. Bobby Gordon, Jerry Lopes and Helen Marcevich. We are thinking of you!

Board members, committee chairs and others: Please submit your articles for the Jib directly to Sue Roderick rodsroost@comcast.net and she will see that they get to the editor.

## **SHIPS SHORE BOUTIQUE**

T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, Carry Bags, Jackets, you name it, we have it! Come visit and "window- shop" in our Boutique - We have a nice selection of new items - If there is something not available in the boutique, we can order it..... If it is inconvenient to come to the club, feel free to call me @ 847-341-0000 or email me @ fly-high1979@sbcglobal.net.

## Prospective Members

## **Leroy Pyle**

A retired police Officer Living on his boat in Marina Bay, Richmond with his wife Chery Lynn Thompson-Pyle

## Jim Sherman

and his wife Charity – presently buying a boat in the marina and moving to Alameda from Washington and Utah.

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