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Featured Dish!



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Yacht Clubs Cruising in to Aeolian...

All Yacht Clubs are welcome to enjoy the accommodations and amenities of the Aeolian Yacht Club.

Cruising Out with Pam Hipsley...

Keep an eye out on the calendar for future cruise out information. If you have a particular destination you and your friends might like to visit, contact me.

I can be reached at: Pam Hipsley - 925-954-1041 or hipsley396@gmail.com

— See Cruise Schedule [HERE](#) —

<http://aeolianyachtclub.info/CruiseOut.htm>



November Events

**The Aeolian Bar is Open
Every Friday @ 5:30 pm**

Take a look at these great events scheduled for November! We look forward to seeing you at your club and participating in our social events.

Friday Nov 2

Bar Open 5:30

Potluck 6:00

Saturday Nov 3

Work Party 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Complimentary Lunch

Change of Watch Dinner 5:30 PM

Wednesday Nov 7

Events Committee Meeting

10:30AM - 12:00PM

Friday Nov 9

Bar Open 5:30

\$10.00 Dinner 6:30

Friday Nov 16

Bar Open 5:30

Saturday Nov 17

Bar Open 5:30

Cioppino dinner, San Jose Sailing

Club cruise in 6:30

Sunday Nov 18

Brunch, SJ sailing club cruise in 9:00

Wednesday Nov 21

Board Meeting 6:30

Friday Nov 30

Bar Open 5:30

JUST A CLICK AWAY

Check out our AYC Web Site, aeolianyc.com it's easier and more informative than ever. Our Web Master, Stefan Hofmeyer is always making improvements. There are more external "quicklinks" now. Wondering what's on the menu for an upcoming dinner or TGIF?

Go to our web site

aeolianyc.com

Click on "general calendar" (you will see it in an agenda/list format).

If you click on "Month" you can get a one page calendar format just like your JIB copy.

If you click on the forward (or back) arrow, you can scroll through each month (or week), all the way through the entire year. You can even print it out.

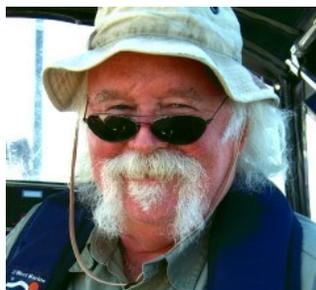


Commodore's Log

Ahoy Aeolians!!

Well, here we are at the end of my time as your Commodore! It's been a YEAR since I've started writing these little blurbs to all Ya'all in this newsletter!! I'm being replaced as of November 1st by your new Commodore Kim Arrivee. I've had a FUN AND INTERESTING (and EDUCATIONAL!!) year as the Aeolian Commodore! Thank you very much for entrusting me with our club!!

I haven't accomplished everything I wanted to this year, but I HAVE managed to get a few things done! I can't...and WON'T!!... take credit for all things done in and around the club either!! We had a concerned group working on the Board of Directors for you this last year. We didn't agree on



Brian Aylen

all things, but I believe we all had the good of the club and our members in our minds and hearts as we went through our duties during our tenure.

THANK YOU to all the members who VOLUNTEERED your time, money, and energy to help our club be a FUN and good place to be! I hope you'll

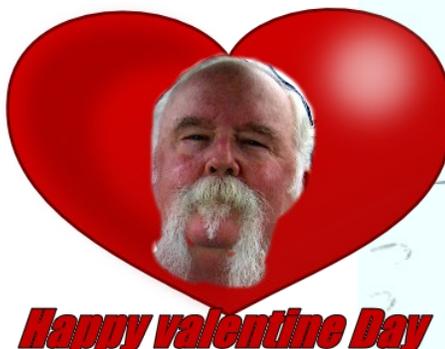
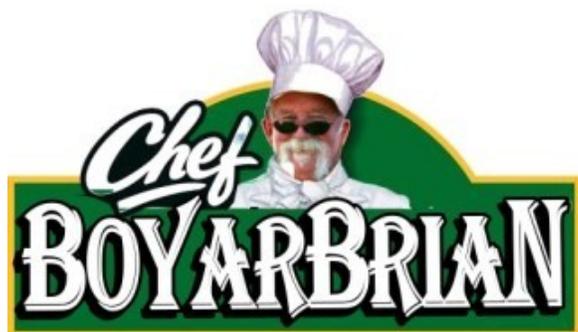
continue!! We've had some GREAT Friday night dinners lately, and some pretty good parties! I've even been able to get a little SAILING done during the in-between time!! Oh, by the way...the boat I was trying to deliver last month is now safely at home in her berth here in Alameda!!

Our Change-of-Watch / Past Commodore's Dinner is coming up VERY SOON!! Please come help honor all the past Commodores of the Aeolian Yacht Club, and welcome in the new Board of Directors for the upcoming year!! The food should be GREAT and the company SUPERIOR!! Be sure to sign up either at the club or on line through our Web Site, or call Sherri in the office and tell her you want to be there!! I look forward to seeing all of you !

Sincerely,
B the C



How To Tell You've
Been Really Bad.



Happy valentine Day

Wendell J. Stewart and Sonia Stewart:

Wendell is proposed by Tom Charron and Jack Sherwood. The Stewarts are also neighbors and friends with Don Keheler and other club members. They reside in Alameda with their 14 year old son Justin. They previously owned a Cal 227 and a Ranger 33 which was his home as a liveaboard for a time. They currently own a Hobie Cat, and he looks forward to enjoying the club's small boat fleet. He is interested to help maintain the dinghies. He is also available to do bottom cleanings. He has experience and interest in bartending. He reports he was considered an excellent bartender as he does not drink. They were Oakland Yacht Club members for 7 years.

Wendell is retired from a career as an engineer and math teacher. His skills and talents include Spanish fluency, electrical work, photo videography and computer skills. He is interested to participate and volunteer with all the club activities.

Joe Rivero and Judy Rivero:

Joe is proposed by Brian Aylen and William Murphy. Joe heard about the club from his son who is also a sailor. The Riveros reside nearby in Oakland. He owns a 1980 33' Morgan motor sailboat and he would like to move his boat into our harbor when he is approved to do so. (Berthing application and docs submitted). Joe is a retired engineer and business executive with a background in construction, including electrical work. He appreciates the volunteerism of the club and he looks forward to helping in many ways. He has 5 adult children including 2 sons who are sailors living in the Bay Area. Joe was born in Cuba and he has not returned since he left in '59. Judy enjoys food and cooking. We look forward to her participation with events. Joe will help with work parties and he is eager to volunteer with other projects. He enjoys the friendly atmosphere of the club.

Joe is also active with Habitat for Humanity, Rotary International, and SCORE, which is a volunteer organization supporting small business development. He is willing to assist our Financial Committee.

The club welcomes new members Aimee Cole Iriso and Jorge Iriso with their 2 sons, and John and Kathleen Derby who were all approved at the Annual Meeting on Oct. 11.



EDITOR'S NOTE: New member Aimee Iriso has volunteered to take over the duties of JIB Editor. Good luck, Aimee, and I hope you have as much fun with the publication as I did.
Leroy



Evelyn Poates (L) and Commodore Bryan (R) welcome new member Aimee Iriso

Membership and Financial Secretary Report



Evelyn Poates

I thank you all for the privilege as serving the club this past year as Financial Secretary and Membership Chair. I am delighted that Adair Jorgensen will assuming this role at the Change of Watch. Adair has been very active on the Membership Committee as well as on the Audit and Events committees. I am confident she will do a wonderful job. I also want to thank others who have regularly assisted on the Membership Committee and have interviewed prospective members: Brian Ayles, Shelley Reed, Kim Arrivee, and Tom Charron. I invite members to consider assisting Adair with interviews in the upcoming year. It is an interesting and rewarding way to volunteer and help your club.

Our membership has been holding steady this year near 200 memberships. We currently have 20 Life members, 1 Honorary member, plus 176 regular members and 2 prospective applicants. In the past year we have gained 25 new members, and lost 26 memberships with 21 of those departing in good standing. An attrition rate of 10-15% is considered normal for yacht clubs, and we are well within that norm. Of course we look forward to increasing our roster with active, involved members and filling our harbor. We are continuing our berthing special for the next year, offering the 3rd month free for boats new to the harbor (including boats of existing members). So bring a boat in, pay for 2 months and get the third month free. It's a great deal so let your boating friends know! We have the lowest berthing rates in the area.

At the Annual Meeting on Oct. 11 the club approved and welcomed new members John and Kathleen Derby and Jorge and Aimee Cole Iriso. Aimee Cole Iriso has graciously agreed to accept the task of editing the Jib and she will be beginning that next month.

We are so appreciative for all the hard work and patience of our amazing Leroy Pyle in handling this big job as our Jib Editor and "communicator" for quite a while. Thank you Leroy!

With the completion of A dock, the Board has approved the recommendation of the Audit committee to sunset the \$10 monthly A Dock assessment effective 10/31/12. The \$30 quarterly assessment fee is now discontinued. However more maintenance work will be needed in various areas of the docks and property, and we will be prioritizing where and how to best proceed with that.

We are planning lots of fun at the club for the next year, but we need your help to make it happen. Consider planning a Friday night dinner with a few friends, or a BBQ. If you have an idea for an event, please let us know. We can support you to make it happen, but this is a volunteer club and we need your support to have more great events like the fabulous oyster and chicken dinner on 10/19 brought to us by Ursula and Paul Turner, John Hanan and company.

PLANNING 2013 EVENTS; IT'S ALREADY UNDERWAY Submitted by Linda Kibler

The 2012 Vice Commodore (Shirley Ross) & the 2013 V.C. (Evelyn Poates) have already done a preliminary review of the General Events Calendar for the coming year. Tom Charron, our new Port Captain, is continuing work parties on the 1st Saturday of each month. Gary Barker from the Race Committee has reviewed the tides & designated the dates for the Ming-Perata Race series (April-September). Linda Kibler is continuing to post AYC events dates on our web site, so this information is available to you now, on-line at aeolianyc.com

The Vice Commodores' met to determine which Friday nights will be designated potlucks or dinners & to get our regular annual events like the Crab Feed, St. Patrick's Day dinner & the Tropical Party on the calendar. This helps facilitate organizing cruise-in's, cruise-out's, club rentals, committee meetings as well as your personal calendars. The events calendar is updated on a regular basis.

Now the real work begins. There will be an **Events Com-**

mittee Meeting on Wednesday November 7 at 10:30

am. We will attempt to alternate future meeting times so that some fall on Saturdays, evenings & afternoons. Anyone interested in volunteering to help out with our events, are invited to these meetings. There are many ways to volunteer & this is when we review those opportunities. Bring your new ideas. The more members involved, the more the fun!

In November we have potlucks to set-up for, a Friday & a Saturday (cruise-in) dinner. In December we have a galley training, more potlucks, a tree trim party & a dinner. Anything you can do is a huge help.

Saturday, December 1, 9:30am, there will be a fun orientation to the galley. Many of you have expressed hesitation to volunteer, not knowing your way around the galley. We will exercise our culinary skills & put together a lunch for the work party crew.

If you would like to be on the Events Committee list, please contact Evelyn Poates at epoates@att.net, or leave a message in the office with Sherri at 510-523-2586 or email at aeolianyc@aol.com

Round The Island

January 1, 2013



From Treasurer

Treasurer's Report - October 2012

Julie Cooper, Treasurer

Thank you all for allowing me to be your Treasurer this past year. I am pleased to handle the reins over to Judie Nelson, who will do a fabulous job.

I also would like to thank our Office Manager, Sheri Armijo. She has been great to work with, and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with her.

Recent updates include the completion of the Annual Audit, our Annual Membership Meeting and completion of the new computer installation. In conclusion – I want to remind all of you that our newly implemented credit card acceptance system. Please remember, this is not just for Slip and Dues – should you purchase something from the Boatique, or attend a birthday dinner, please feel free to have this put on your account and billed to your credit card at your request.

Enjoy your club – I hope to see you at the Change of Watch Dinner on November 3rd!



Sunshine Corner



Aeolians are sending good thoughts and well wishes to :

Greg Gibeson is recovering from heart surgery.

We are thinking of you!
Get Well Soon!

Annual Change of Watch AND Award Dinner



November 3rd

5: 30 PM No Host Bar

7:00 PM Dinner

Awards following dinner

Menu:

Chicken Piccata or Roasted Pork Loin
 Salad, Roasted Vegetables Bread and Dessert

\$25 per person

Reservations are required by October 31...no shows will be billed.
 Sign up on the back porch or call the club.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We wish a very warm and very Happy Birthday to Aeolians who are celebrating their birthdays in November:

If you are having a birthday and have not let the office know, do please call Sherri and let her know your birthday.

ENRICO	ADAMO	MAUREEN	LEITH
JENNIFER	ANDRE	DAVE	MCDALD
JASON	BARRETT	NICOLE	MERSCH
LEO	BRODEUR	MARI	MIYAKI
SAL	CORTEZ	SHELLEY	REED
MARGA-RET	CRAWFORD	JOHN	RODERICK
DONA	FULLER	SHIRLEY	ROSS
NANCY	HILL	DIANA	SURBER
SIEG-LINDE	HOFMEYER	TOM	THOMPSON
		LON	VOLBERDING

We hope members celebrating birthdays during the year will sign up and attend our monthly birthday dinners! It is a dinner especially for you and you get a gift! So let us hear from you and come enjoy a wonderful dinner and great fellowship.

My mind goes back to October, 1989, the time of the Big Earthquake. As I recall it was a beautiful day with a bright sun and a slight breeze. After a day of working on my boat, I was resting in the cockpit of the boat with a cold one in one hand and a magazine in the other. All of a sudden I stated shaking and I thought I was having a heart attack.

Then I realized it was an earthquake. I looked up at our club house and thought it was coming down. First it leaned to the right, came back up and stopped its motion. And all I could see for damage was the fireplace bricks were rearranged. whoever the architect was who designed the building knew what he was doing and the carpenters who put the building together knew about stress. I predict that with it being made of virgin redwood it will last another 100 years.

I was lucky that day. Normally I'd be the first one heading for the Bay Bridge at 6:15 PM, the time the Cypress Section collapsed. That was a close one in my life. What's the old saying, "what will be will be?"

Well, here it's Autumn again and the leaves on the trees are turning. The change of watch dinner is right around the corner. It's always a very upbeat ceremony and there will be several awards given that night and one of them will be for fishing. In this category Gary Barker won with a 5 1/2 lb striped bass and I won with a 19 1/2 lb salmon.



Gene Covello

With my hernia operation and my bad right knee I haven't done much fishing or boating this year. I did arrange to take my boat out to the ocean a couple of times and both times we caught fish. Those fish tasted great. Their flesh was a bright red, meaning the fish had been eating krill, not like the farm raised salmon you buy at the super market that are tasteless and have their color added so you'll buy it. For all you club members who would like to catch some salmon, remember that next July take your boat out to the Duxbury to Muir Beach area. Troll for salmon at about 3 miles and hour. Fish deep, about 41 feet and use a green colored salmon rotary killer. Now that you know some of my secrets, catch some fish!

Gene

Cruise-In by Ebony Boat Club - Four boats and six members of Ebony Boat Club visited Aeolian during their 12 day bay cruise.



**T.G.
I.F.**

**We're on the Web!
Go to www.aeolianyc.com
Click on "General Calendar"
Click on any item to expand!**



**Paul Turner has restored this fine Lapstrake Rowing Dory.
He and Mike Baldwin recently moved the vessel to the
guest dock for final pre launch preparation.**



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