

September 2024 Edition



# The Lee Rail

Newsletter of the Elkhorn Yacht Club

**This Month's Look Ahead:  
Boat Hop & Monday Night Football Dinners!**

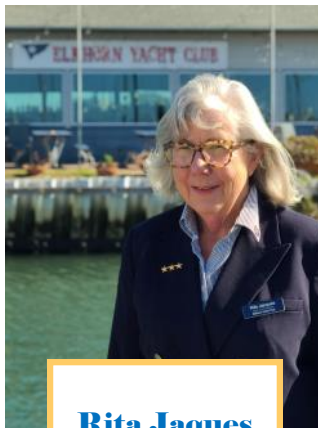
## Letter From the Commodore

We are approaching the finish line and I'm so excited. The women's bathroom in the annex has been completed and the seawall is approaching completion. The women's bathroom renovation had been on the list of capital improvements for many years, since our last survey of membership.

Speaking of surveys, we REALLY need your responses to the current survey in order to set direction for future boards. The response has been very disappointing, so we have made surveys available at the club. Because they are so important, don't be surprised if you get a phone call from a club volunteer asking for your input.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of this organization. We are so fortunate to have such a diverse membership with varying skill sets. I have yet to ask someone for help with a project and been turned down. Some of these are visible, but many are done in the background with very little recognition. Just this month, we have seen improvements in our in-house computer network, updating of our bar menus, removal and replacement of broken or damaged furniture, refill and replacement of propane bottles and water jugs for the bar. These are just a few of the things that happen spontaneously.

Don't forget to speak to Brian Ackerman if you are interested in being on the EYC Board. Elections are coming up in October!!



**Rita Jaques**

## Double Angle Crowd



Double Angle racers and supporters enjoyed a perfect evening on the Elkhorn Yacht Club patio. Members from Elkhorn, Monterey, and Santa Cruz Yacht clubs gathered here for the annual event.

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## WORD FROM THE CLUB MANAGER

### Are you ready for some Monday Night Football dinners?!

It's been a very busy year in the Elkhorn Yacht Club gally this year on Friday and Monday Nights! THANK YOU to all the members who have been stepping up to prepare Friday Night Appetizers and Monday Night Dinners for the club. Friday Night Appetizers are complimentary and Monday Night Dinners are only \$10! Where else can you find a delicious meal for only \$10?

Speaking of Monday nights... football season is upon us and Monday Night football dinners are always a fun and popular event here at EYC. You can be the MVP star by preparing and serving dinner for the Monday Night Football Dinner fans.

Volunteers have a budget and are reimbursed for providing meals for the Friday and Monday night events. Sign up on the calendar board in the foyer AND let me know what you have planned for the menu. I will include you in the "Look Ahead" email blasts.



**Melissa  
Raney**

## NEW MEMBERS - DELL & JULIE COOPER



Dell and Julie's passion for sailing began in Tampa Bay back in 1986, and even a move to landlocked Georgia couldn't dampen their love for the open water. They've enjoyed bareboat charters, honed their skills through sailing courses, and Dell is currently crewing with his dad on Jim Brady's boat with plans to race their own boat, Hera, next season.

Dell and Julie embarked on their adventure six years ago selling all assets in GA and becoming not homeless, but without an address. They spent 2 years exploring the US and Canada in a 40-foot super C motorhome and then embracing pet-sitting and short-term rentals for the last 4. They've now set their sights on joining flotillas to destinations like the San Juan Islands, Croatia, and Greece. This allows them to combine their love for sailing and travel with quality time alongside family.

When they're not on the water, you can find Dell indulging his passions for photography and IT. His professional background as Director of Engineering and Program Manager, leading a team of 40 engineers in the industrial automation sector, speaks to his leadership and technical expertise. Julie, a QuickBooks Pro advisor with over 30 years of accounting experience, continues to support a few of her business's clients. Their resumes also boast home building, with Dell taking the lead on electrical, plumbing, and trim work for their own home. Dell and Julie cherish spending time with their two-year-old grandson Ollie, his parents Morgan and Cory who live close to them in Salinas. Also having Dell & Barbara, Dell's parents in the area is an extra gift.

Dell and Julie are excited to dive into club life, eager to meet fellow members and join in on the fun. They're looking forward to lending a hand. For Dell and Julie, the club offers a fantastic opportunity to create lasting memories.

## PROPERTY UPKEEP



Crews have been back at work early mornings at low tide so that maintenance to reinforce the EYC seawall.

**Next board meeting is September 12 at  
6:30 in the EYC dining hall**

**A gentle reminder to please complete the 2024 Survey of the General Membership. You may submit digitally, online, or by paper. Forms are available in the Bar. Your ideas count and your Board of Directors count on you.**

**Club Manager (Mellisa) office hours: Wed - Sat 1pm to 6pm**

**Bookkeeper (Leslie) office hours: Mon, Wed, Fri 8am to 12 noon**

## EYC BULLETIN BOARD



### Small Craft, Big Fun

Bill zooms around the harbor in the EYC laser. The fun is waiting for you, too! Contact Diana Garrett for proper orientation on the club vessels.



### Kiss the Chef!

Betty & Biff recently served up Friday Night App's for club members and guests. Keep an eye out in the "EYC Look-ahead" for scheduled Friday & Monday servings.



### Lee Rail Input

As a reminder, YOUR Lee Rail is a collection of material submitted by YOU, the EYC community. Please submit your photos & stories to [leerail@elkhornyachtclub.org](mailto:leerail@elkhornyachtclub.org)



### Day Trippin'

Shane & Katie recently spent an afternoon at the Half Moon Bay Yacht Club.



### Bluegrass Night

Don't forget to visit the club on the final Friday of each month for good food & music.



### Dog Days of Summer

Kayaking in the EYC neighborhood is enjoyed by all walks of life!

# RECENT EVENTS

## DOUBLE ANGLE RACE & DINNER (AUG 24)



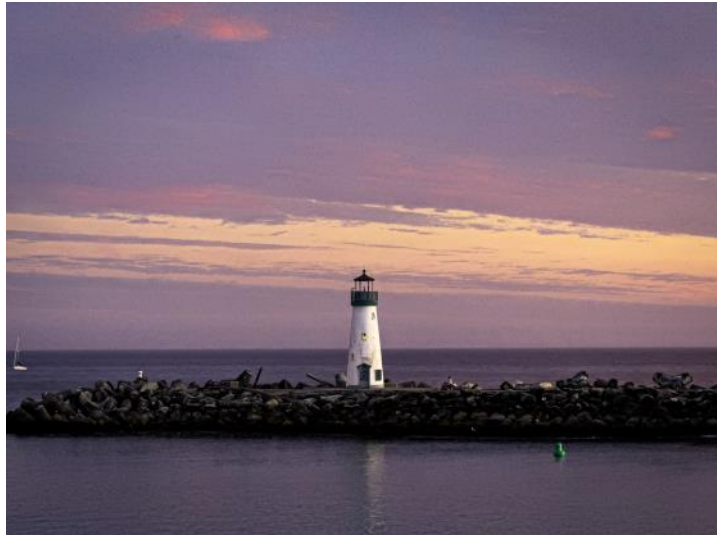
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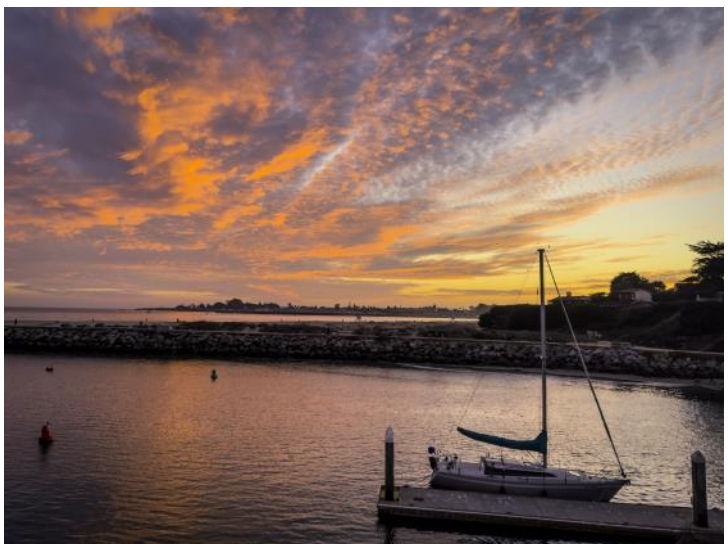
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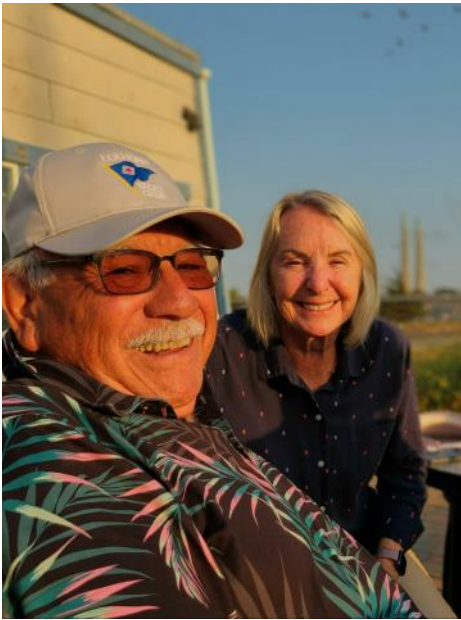
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# AROUND THE CLUB

## MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL DINNER

### BE PART OF THE MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL DINNER ALL-STAR TEAM!

It's the time of year when we all get football silly for some football, food, and fun at the Elkhorn Yacht Club. Give us all a reason to cheer and sign up to host a Monday Night Football Dinner. You'll walk away a winner! The sign-up board is in the club foyer & also let Melissa Rainey know.

SEP 9 WEEK 1			NOV 4 WEEK 9		
SEP 16 WEEK 2			NOV 11 WEEK 10		
SEP 23 WEEK 3			NOV 18 WEEK 11		
SEP 30 WEEK 4			NOV 25 WEEK 12		
	ABC EXCLUSIVE		DEC 2 WEEK 13		
			DEC 9 WEEK 14		
	ABC EXCLUSIVE		DEC 16 WEEK 15		
OCT 7 WEEK 5			DEC 23 WEEK 16		
OCT 14 WEEK 6			DEC 30 WEEK 17		
OCT 21 WEEK 7			DEC 30 WEEK 17		
			JAN 4 WEEK 18	TBD DOUBLEHEADER	
	ESPN+ EXCLUSIVE				
OCT 28 WEEK 8					



**AROUND THE CLUB****COMING EVENTS**

# the 2024 BOAT HOP

## SEPTEMBER 14th

***The Boat Hop is almost here. Set your clocks and your calendars for Sept 14th. We have 10 boats signed up to be host boats. Servings start at 5:30 and a new group starts every half hour for 4 services. Boat assignments start at 4:30. Your group needs to be present when you get your rotations so that you can start at your proper time. The time line is pretty tight on the appetizers and salad boats. It gets more relaxed after that for the entree which is served in the dining room and the dessert boats. We're going to cut off the number of people that we can serve at 75. Priority will be given to these members who signed up to attend the boat Hop.***

***We have a great team together to handle the boat assignments and they'll be able to help you with your choices. They'll be able to take cash, credit cards, or charge it to your club account. Like I've said before at \$30 it's a great deal and we hope that you can make it.***

***Scott and Howard***

**AROUND THE CLUB****COMING EVENTS**

# haunted harbor @ Elkhorn Yacht Club October 26, 2024

The EYC Halloween party is next month...

**SIGN UP TO DECORATE A ROOM IN THE HAUNTED HOUSE**  
email Pam and Jeff Lorek at [lorekcpa@gmail.com](mailto:lorekcpa@gmail.com)

- Cocktails at 5pm
- Haunted House walk-through tours and dinner 6-7
- Dinner will be provided
- Bring Halloween "Freaky Finger Food" (appetizer or dessert)
  - Prize for best Freaky Finger Food
- Prizes for best costume (Male/Female/Couple/Group)
- DJ will be playing your favorite dance tunes

**\$25/person RSVP REQUIRED BY 10/20**

\*\*\* this event is not appropriate for children \*\*\*

\*\*\* the galley will NOT be available for food prep this day \*\*\*

# ELKHORN YACH CLUB OFFICERS

## BOARD, COMMITTEE, & STAFF MEMBERS

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS & STAFF

Board of Directors		Committee Chairs		Committee Chairs	
<b>Commodore</b>	Rita Jacques	<b>Port Captain</b>	Brian Ackerman	<b>Property Maintenance</b>	Dan Piro
<b>Vice Commodore</b>	Hillary Thomas	<b>Fleet Captain</b>	Diana Garrett	<b>Club Safety</b>	Gary Skillet
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<b>Treasurer</b>	Stacy Hughes	<b>Bylaws</b>	Stan Jacques	<b>Race Co-Director</b>	Lara Jacques
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<b>Director</b>	Shane Dowling	<b>Workshop</b>	Jim Brady	<b>Work Party</b>	TBA
<b>Director</b>	Andrew Listl	<b>Garden</b>	Sheri Bugalski	<b>Webmaster</b>	Del Cooper, Jr.
<b>Director</b>	Sheri Bugalski	<b>HR</b>	Dan Garrett		
<b>Director</b>	Hans Thomas	<b>IT</b>	Shane Dowling		
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		<b>PICYA Representative</b>	Lara Jacques		
		<b>PICYA Representative</b>	Dan Garrett		
		<b>Property</b>	Frank Lewis		
				STAFF	
				<b>Bartender</b>	Anna Harris
				<b>Bartender</b>	Richard Levine
				<b>Bartender</b>	Guenter Hartman
				<b>Club Manager</b>	Melissa Raney
				<b>Bookkeeper</b>	Leslie Day



SV Ardent crew at the Coho Hoho kickoff party in Port Townsend enroute to San Francisco Bay

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