



The Lee Rail

Newsletter of the Elkhorn Yacht Club

This Month's Look Ahead:

Firecracker Regatta & The Nautical Flea Market!

Jaws Movie Night





"Chief Cody" and "Mayor Mandy" converted the EYC into the Amity Island Cinema for "Jaws Night" on June 29th. There was not a bad seat in the house thanks to Mandy bringing in a large screen projector and sound system for the event.

Members played the parts of characters and tourists of Amity Island for the 4th of July weekend and brought in Jaws themed potluck items, including a "shark-uterie board," "shark pate," "Pippet the dog" cookies, "Capt. Quint's shark chum" ceviche, and many other shark themed dishes and treats. Meanwhile, bloody shark concoctions were being served up at the bar.

The fun didn't end there! A "half-assed autopsy" was performed on a shark pinata during intermission. And... the evening ended with the cinema house turning into the Amity Island Karaoke Bar. Thank you Mandy and Cody!

Memorial Day Celebration



Mariko's spinnaker is up and catching wind during June's Canyon Cup Series Race! (photo by L. Hudkins)

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Birthday in the Bar

A group of patrons on a Sunday afternoon surprised our bartender, Gunther, with a birthday celebration.



Sprinkler Upkeep

Steven and Stan (background) test out the sprinklers (foreground) around the Elkhorn Yacht Club lawns.



Sparrow Rescue

a swallow's nest fell down at the club, the local SPCA rep came by to put them in a new nest in the same spot - the mom came back!



Laser Flair!

Club member Bill Schlegemilch enjoying a beautiful day sailing one of our Lasers. If you want to get checked out to use our Lasers text Diana Garrett at 831-566-7230



Renovation Update

The Annex bathroom renovation is expected to be completed by the end of July.



Lee Rail Gratitude

So many members contributed photos for this Lee Rail edition.
Thank you very much!

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RS QUEST DINGHY ARRIVES AT EYC!

In a wonderful collaboration skillfully negotiated by Fleet Captain Diana Garrett, Elkhorn Yacht Club acquired a used RS Quest dinghy from the University of California, Santa Cruz Community Boating Center. Diana budgeted for dock construction in 2023 and for purchase of the boat in 2024. She has taken several classes with UCSC on rigging and operating this model and is ready to check out EYC members to take her out. Dock construction credit goes to Dan Garrett, Lara Jacques, and Kathy Arnold, with design consultation from Wayne Kelly, Brian Ackerman, and Dan Piro. Dock launching credit goes to Andrew Listl, Brian Ackerman, and other EYC members who should remain anonymous with adult (?) supervision by Jim Brady. The Quest was transported down to North Harbor on June 18, 2024 then rigged, launched, and sailed to her home by Dan G. and Greg Nitzsche. We are soliciting ideas for a name for the new vessel; send your suggestions to 4garretts@comcast.net. Contact Diana Garrett at diana.greene.garrett@gmail.com to arrange a check out. To learn more about the RS Quest, go to https://www.rssailing.com/manuals- guides/



Dan and Greg after a short uneventful sail to the new dock.

Submitted by Dan Garrett



The fabulous and capable Rivian R1T is ready to tow the new-to-EYC dinghy down to Moss Landing while Diana gives the thumb's up.



The Quest on her new dock home.

COMING EVENTS ON THE WATER

- The MBYRA Firecracker Regatta is now open for registration on the SCYC.org/regattas website. Please publicize it to prospective entrants in your area. The direct registration link is https://scyc.org/regatta/RAspCgUbMW
- The Elkhorn Yacht Club Cruise Out to Monterey is being scheduled for Labor Day Weekend. Start making plans to spend the holiday weekend with fellow EYC'ers at the Montery Harbor.

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LITTLE BOREAS A GREAT SUCCESS (JUNE 8)

Twenty Boats Race From Santa Cruz to Moss Landing

June 8th, 10 am in the dry storage area below Santa Cruz Yacht Club found a large group of sailors gathered for Little Boreas' skippers meeting. Winds were fresh and the smiles were large at 12:30 on the starting line. Stefan Berlinski and his team (SCYC) set the line at Schyler Buoy with a view of the Santa Cruz Boardwalk in the distance and all boats made a clear start. Each skipper chose their lane to tack the two mile upwind climb to Natural Bridges Buoy before turning for the 15 mile downwind sail to Moss Landing. Many boats took a coastal route and flew their spinnakers as long as they would hold while others chose the straight line and stayed farther offshore. Winds were 8-12 knots and the swell was 2-4 feet, making for a comfortable race to the finish line, just outside Moss Landing harbor entrance. Stan Jacques was communications manager for the race and kept everyone safe and in contact as needed. Port Captain Hans Thomas guided visitors to the EYC docks and ensured visiting boats had room to land at the dock. Bobbie and Robbi Cabrera cooked up a feast for the hungry sailors and club members who attended the after race celebration. Leah Hudkins managed the ticket sales and food line and helped with the galley cleanup. Diana Garrett sold the MBYRA Series race shirts she designed for this year's events and as racers complete each of the five events they can check off the boxes on the back of their shirts. Richard and Gunther ran the bar. Commodore Rita Jacques assisted with the trophy presentations. Brian Ackerman set out coffee and bagels for breakfast on Sunday morning for the sailors who camped on their boats before returning to their homeports.

Aquanaut, Mariko, Northern Light, Solace and Un Bel Di represented Elkhorn Yacht Club. The teams sailed their boats on Friday from Moss to Santa Cruz Harbor. Friday night fun included visits to Santa Cruz YC and the Crows Nest, as well as boat hopping on the docks. In the morning teams gathered at Aldo's for breakfast before the skippers meeting. Like a cruise out combined with a race - so much good fun it should be illegal! EYC knows how to enjoy a weekend!

Race results are available online and on the race board outside the office at the club. The next MBYRA events are July 6 Firecracker hosted by MPYC and SCYC, and August 24 Double Angle with the finish at EYC. Hope to see you on the water or in the clubhouse, keeping it fun!

Submitted by Lara Jacques

Thanks to Dell Cooper, Diane Garrett, Brain Ackerman, and Leah Hudkins for photos!

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CANYON SERIES #4 IN SUNSHINE AND SWELLS (JUNE 15)

Saturday June 15 greeted six sailboats with sunshine and swells, and breeze to boot! Jim Brady, PRO (Principal Race Officer), sent sailors on an 11.6 nm course using MLA, ML3 and ML2 as race marks. The windspeed ranged from 8-11 knots and the seas were fairly close and up to 6 feet, making for bumpy rides mixed in with some fun surfing. Mr. Crabs was spotted hiding in the towers and many fishing boats were dodged along the course. Aquanaut (Cody, Mandy and 2 crew) made a strong start and lead the way while the rest of the fleet gave spirited chase. Mariko (Keith) hosted new racer Leah who was all smiles back on the dock. When asked the question "would you do it again?" she gave an enthusiastic YES! Only one more race left in the series to determine the winner. Hard to know who it will be - the on-the-water competition has been fierce and the smack-talk-at-the-bar lots of fun! Want to place bets? Or maybe hop on a boat? The next race is Saturday, June 20. Skippers and crew meet at 11:00 am in the hearth room. Hope to see you there!

Current series points are Aquanaut-9, Un Bel Di-12, Solace-15, Cutlass-16, Northern Light-17, Mariko-24, Athena-25 Submitted by Lara Jaques



Jim Brady holds skippers meeting before the race. Cody studies the course with serious intent!



View of the fleet from Solace's starboard bow



Vice Commodore Hillary trimming the genoa with Brian at the helm



PRO Jim Brady sharing results back at the bar



"Does anybody else see Mr. Krabs in the towers?" -Hillary



Cutlass' post race "BarBCrew" Greg, Bobby and Diana

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JAWS MOVIE NIGHT (JUNE 29)















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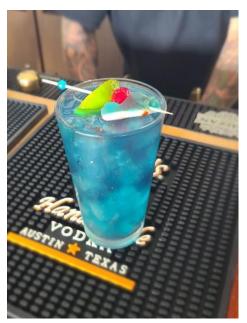
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AROUND THE CLUB

COMING EVENTS

Announcing the 2024 BOAT HOP SEPTEMPBER 14th

Scott Richert and Howard Jones will organize and conduct the Boat Hop for this year. As in years past, this is one of the major events for the Elkhorn Yacht Club. We anticipate and will be asking for a large club participation. The Boat Hop is a 4 course progressive dinner. 3 courses will be served on 12 different boats in the harbor and the entree will be served in the club dinning room. Once again Brian Ackerman has volunteered to prepare the entree.

Scott will be looking for 12 host boats and will be organizing them. We'll keep you appraised as to our progress in the Lee Rail. This takes a lot of organizing and will involve a lot of our members. Some to help and some to participate. We invite you bring your friends and family to participate in this event.

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