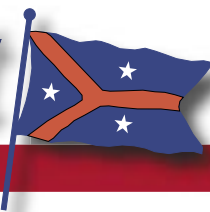


The PCYA Pennant



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PCYA Officers for 2006

Officers for 2006 were elected and installed at the PCYA annual meeting on January 14 at the Encinal Yacht Club in Alameda, CA. Officers come from our 12 member associations located in four major areas between Vancouver, Canada and San Diego, California.

Flag officers and areas of representation are as follows;

Commodore **Linda Newland**
– San Francisco Bay Area
Vice-Commodore **Jerry Downer**
– Pacific Northwest
Rear Commodore – **Cleve Hardaker** – San Diego
Sec-Treas. – **Anne Sacks** –
Los Angeles
Fleet Capt. – **Vern Bendsen** –
SF Bay

Appointed Officers:

Environmental Affairs –
PCYA S/C **Bill Lewis** – San Diego
Predicted Log Racing Coordinator – PCYA S/C **Haluk Akol** – SF
• Port Captain – S/C PICYA **Vern Bendsen**, Suisun, CA

Know PCYA and Your Officers

PCYA was formed in 1923 with the purpose of promoting yachting in all of its phases on the Pacific Coast. It strives to promote organized yachting, conducts championship events for both predicted log and sailboat racing, recognizes excellence with two major service awards. PCYA also works to advise and assist its member associations.

- **Commodore Newland** is a Staff Commodore of PICYA and is a Past President and Director of Recreational Boaters of California, a statewide legislative advocacy board to protect rights of boaters.

- **Vice-Commodore Downer** is Immediate Past Commodore of Int'l Power Boat Assn.

- **Rear Commodore Hardaker** is S/C of Silvergate Yacht Club in San Diego.

- **Sec-Treas. Sacks** is S/C of California YC and a RBOC Director.

- **Fleet Capt. Bendsen** is S/C of PICYA and S/C of Solano YC.

The Charles A. Langlais Award

Russ Robinson, yachting advocate nominated by PICYA, was selected as the winner of the Charles A. Langlais Award for 2005. A tireless advocate for recreational boaters, Russ is a Past



President and Director of RBOC. He represents boaters on the Bay Conservation & Development Commission (BCDC) citizen's advisory group and is a member of the Governor's advisory group on the implementation of the "Turn-In" program for abandoned vessels.

Garrett Horder Award goes to Del Rey Yacht Club



Paul Artof accepting the Award on behalf of DRYC's junior boating education program that has both sail and power components.

Upcoming Regattas

The 2006 PCYA Barusch/Castagna Predicted Log Racing Championship and the Jesse L. Carr Sailing Championship regattas will be held at Encinal YC in Alameda on SF Bay on June 22 through 24. Host organization is PICYA. Assisting is **Haluk Akol**, power boat regatta coordinator, and **Vern Bendsen**.

Please notify your respective chairs of your regatta committees by March 1st of the regatta dates. Official NOR information will be on the PCYA website by March 1. Regatta packets will follow mid-April. Check <http://pcya.info> or call Linda Newland at 510-521-7172.

PCYA Annual Meeting

Here are a few highlights:

- WA State incorporation is now completed. Draft bylaws to be sent with minutes with request for feedback. Final vote at June meeting.
- Bank account and CD changed to get better interest rates
- Drop 2007 D&O insurance due to undue cost with small exposure to risk.
- Drop US SAILING membership to help balance budget. Little benefit as no member discounts for our associations.
- Newsletters to go on pcya.info website.
- Drop regatta insurance. Put PCYA as additional insured on host association's coverage. Use hold harmless waiver for regatta participants.

See January 15 minutes for more details.

PCYA SEMI-ANNUAL
BOARD MEETING
Encinal Yacht Club
Sunday, June 25th

Member News PICYA

The annual Opening Day on the Bay boat parade sponsored by BoatUS is themed, "Mardi Gras Parade on SF Bay" and will be held on April 30.

YRASF

Exec. Director **Lynda Myers** is retiring and seeking a replacement to run the office. Check with her for an application if interested.

SCYA

The 17th Annual Women's Sailing Convention with 289 women attending was held on February 4 in Newport Harbor. Classes are taught exclusively by women, for women both on the water and shoreside. Founder S/C **Gail Hine**, continues to organize an outstanding event.

SCCA

S/C **Tom Collins** reports that Coastal Explorer Navigation software, used by NAI, is exceptionally accurate especially for turn-time predictions.

SDCA

Offers hints to observers some of which are:

1. If using a borrowed stop watch or other timing device, treat it gently and make sure to return it.
2. Promptly calculate results and

- give them to the proper person.
3. Be prompt in getting on the boat and being there for a briefing. Treat the boat with respect as if it were your own.
4. Be attentive and do more listening than talking.

Thank You, Members

Thanks to all PCYA member associations for your timely submission of dues and officer info. It is greatly appreciated!

RBOC Fights Ban on Copper-Based Bottom Paints

The State Water Resources Control Board approved an amendment to the basin plan to establish a total maximum daily load for dissolved copper for Shelter Island Yacht Basin.

A 17-year phase-out of copper-based paints is one step closer to implementation.

RBOC testified at the public hearings on this issue, urging that these actions be based upon clear science regarding the presence and sources of copper in the basin. Also, **Linda Newland**, on behalf of RBOC, requested that the California Dept. of Boating & Waterways undertake a scientific study which was unanimously approved by the DBW Commissioners.

Please send your newsletters, so that we can publicize important events to other member associations, to:

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