

Catalina Island Yacht Club
Board Meeting
March 1, 2023
BCYC and Zoom Video Conference

Officers/Board Members Present: Commodore Gary Tolar, V/C John Wells, R/C Mary Haller, P/C Chris Wiltsey, Treasurer Randy Weaver, COB Roland Rapp, Larry Gottlieb, David Johndrow, House Chair Kirk MacInnis, J/A David Baker and Asst. Secretary David Austin **Via Zoom:** Secretary Bob Flaig, Louie Bozanich, Taylor Hunter, Jr. S/C Steve Shea

Members Present: Pete Compton, Karen Duncan, Gary Granbery, Robin Hobson, Bill Larkin, S/C Michael Levitt, Mitch Leyton, Tom Thacker, Dick Webben and S/C Rich Wray **Via Zoom:** Stephen Birch, Paul Bushaw, S/C Dave Horst, David Johnston, Jim Knox, Barry Levy, S/C Jim Wachtler, Don Willet

Guest Present via Zoom: Club Manager Jenny Armstrong

Call to Order – COB Roland Rapp

Roland called the meeting to order at 1715 hours. He stated that version 3 of the draft minutes of the February 1, 2023 Board Meeting had been distributed previously via email, and asked if there were any corrections, additions or deletions to the draft minutes. Hearing none, the minutes stand approved as distributed.

Commodore's Report – Gary Tolar

Celebrity Wall Update: Gary asked Dave Horst and Taylor Hunter for an update. Dave reported he and Taylor Hunter continue investigating. They have forwarded some photos to Paul Bushaw (with help from his Son) to look into correct resolution for reproduction and will then make up a couple plaque samples for BOD review and direction. Gary mentioned a few Directors have voiced concerns about the security of irreplaceable originals, and asked Dave for input. Dave stated they have no problem with suggestions while continuing work on the best solutions for quality reproduction, mounting and secure storage of both the originals and digital images. After a discussion regarding the most important aspects of this project Roland stated his understanding as 1) Security/Theft 2) Photo/Card Degradation and 3) Clarity of the Plaques, noting some are nearly

impossible to read and the BOD agreed. Larry Gottlieb pointed out the issue at this time is not Original vs. Copy but rather a secure mounting system, and we should proceed. The BOD concurred and asked the committee to move forward with the investigation process. Gary pointed out all the hard work they've done so far, continue to do, and thanked Dave, Taylor and committee.

Member Wallet Cards:

Following up on last meetings discussion, Gary stated while there is no direct benefit to membership cards, since CIYC does not have reciprocity with other Yacht Clubs, quite a few members would still like to have them and he had a laminated example card made up. Bob contacted the Club Printer (Minuteman Press) and they produce the cards at a cost of \$5.00 per card, can be provided by our Roster printer and suggested distribution with the roster. Randy indicated latest quote was \$5.50 per card and we can make up approximately 200-210. The BOD discussed and decided since this will be handled concurrent with Roster production it will fall under the Vice Commodore and Bob will work with the printer. **Gary Tolar moved and Mary Haller seconded making 1 card per member with an expiration date of 5 years to be distributed upon expiration with the Club Roster. The motion carried unanimously.**

Vice Commodore's Report – John Wells

Requests for use of the Club:

Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club, in order to finalize their 2024 Calendar is requesting use of the Clubhouse September 27th-29th, 2024 (the last weekend which is pretty light) for their annual end of Season Cruise. They will be doing cocktails Friday evening, a dinner Saturday and possibly something Sunday morning. John stated BCYC does a lot for our club, including the room we hold our mainland BOD meetings, Annual meeting and Holiday Party, which are set up and stocked with refreshments at no charge. **Gary Tolar moved and Larry Gottlieb seconded a motion to approve BCYC usage of the Club the last weekend 27, 28 and 29 September 2024 for their Avalon Cruise. The motion carried unanimously.**

A CIYC Club Member has requested the use of the Club facility for his wedding on Friday June 2nd from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., he will be paying normal fees and understands the club will remain open to members during the event. John stated the member has participated in a number of events. A discussion regarding advisability ensued considering the Pig Roast is the following evening Saturday

June 3rd. P/C Chris Wiltsey (sponsor of the Pig Roast) was asked if he was o.k. with an event the evening before his event and it was suggested it potentially could increase turn out at the Pig Roast. Chris stated he was fine with it, however, everyone needs to know there is an attendance limit for the Pig Roast. **David Johndrow moved and Mary Haller seconded a motion to approve the Wedding event Friday June 2nd. The motion carried with one against, all others in favor.**

John mentioned 2 additional events upcoming at the Club. The conservancy pre-ball party on April 21st (about 50-60 attending) and a wedding April 22nd for an Island Resident, sponsored by S/C Jim McCampbell (about 120 people).

Rear Commodore's Report – Mary Haller

Mary reported there is still not a lot of mooring activity in the Harbor. Her mooring drive continues with 58 received back of the 77 mooring cards mailed to owners. She asked for owners that have not received a card please let her know. She will be forwarding the cards to the Harbor Master the end of March. Mary also noted a trend toward larger boats within the Club and expects requests for 50-, 60-, and 70-foot moorings to be high. Her goal is to place everyone who requests a mooring into the harbor, however, the only real guarantee is to purchase a mooring. Currently she's aware of only 3 larger moorings for sale; 1–50', 1-60' and 1-120', anyone needing info is encouraged to contact her.

Port Captain's Report – Chris Wiltsey

The Commodore's Ball is this Saturday March 4th, at the Balboa Bay Club. The Ball is sold out at the 130-person limit (a hard number according to the Bay Club). There have been 4 cancellations so far and Chris asks anyone wishing to be added to the Waitlist use the function on the Club Website. There will be a Pre-Ball Hospitality Suite (# 365) with Hosted Bar and Hors D'oeuvres open from 5:00 to 6:30p.

The Commodore's Caribbean Cruise will depart Miami on Saturday March 11th and we have a new 6' x 10' lightweight but durable Club Burgee made of sail material to be flown on the Cruise Ship.

Work Weekend follows only 2 months away, on the first weekend in May, with workday Saturday the 6th.

Club Manager's Report – Jenny Armstrong

Jenny reported the current condition of the Island's Reservoir is at 800-acre feet (1,000-acre feet is full) with continued runoff. Currently there are no mud slides and other than a couple rocks on the road the conditions remain stable. She asked for a couple tri-fold 2023 Club Social Calendars to display in the office. Work will start in Club office with new paint along with wiring being re-routed in the desk area. Also, there have been some issues with the cameras lately that will be looked into. Otherwise all is quiet at this time.

Treasurer's Report – Randy Weaver

The Club's balance sheet is in good shape. Dues collections are on track, with 2 members still outstanding, down from 14 at last report. Current reserves are \$593,000, an increase of \$19,000 from January. P & L revenue is on budget at \$150,000 for the Quarter and expenses are \$1,000 over budget due to Attorney's fees for filing a trademark application. We have not received a billing from SoCal Edison since September, we've called and they have acknowledged the problem. The water meter is still reading zero usage, they don't know why and are working on the problem. Lance Ware is working with the Conservancy on what to do about the fire alarm phone lines if AT & T eliminates land-lines on the Island. He has assessed our situation and has estimated he could reduce the phone line cost to \$150 per month from the current \$750, for a \$2,000 cost for equipment. AT&T increased our rate at the anniversary date, claiming we failed to sign a new agreement to hold our existing rate. A new contract at \$250 a month has been negotiated with AT&T as a backup if Lance is unable to provide the service.

Secretary's Report – Bob Flaig

Bob reminded everyone that March 15th is the deadline to submit changes and/or updated photos for the Club roster. Photos from the Commodore's Ball will be ready in time for members wishing to use them to update the Roster. All approved 2023 Honorary Members have communicated acceptance for inclusion in the Roster except Avalon City Manager, David Maistros, as he is still awaiting approval from the City's Legal department.

House Chairman's Report – Kirk MacInnis

The microwave has been replaced in the galley. The Clubhouse Quarterdeck Plexiglass table tops are not holding up well and Kirk recommends replacement with glass. Gary was asked and recommended tempered glass only be used to

help minimize breakage and due to hot chaffing dishes being placed on them. Roland noted glass is difficult keep clean. Kirk estimated the cost for 5 table to be \$1,500 plus Tax (4 high and 1 low top). Jenny pointed out that there are actually only 4 tables on the quarterdeck (3 high & 1 low). Kirk stated he still will request 5 as timely replacement is difficult. **Kirk MacInnis moved and David Johndrow seconded a motion to replace 5 plexiglass tables with tempered glass with a rain pattern and rounded corners at a cost not to exceed \$1,500, plus Tax. The motion carried unanimously.**

Bylaws Committee Report - Tom Thacker

No report at this time as the committee is still in the formation/organization phase with a laundry list of items. Tom asked that the BOD submit any items and concerns to the committee while they work through the 1st phase.

Membership –Bob Flaig for Kathy Hamilton (traveling)

We are at 182 members including 3 that do not count in the 180 membership cap. There are 3 members that recently moved from Associate to Regular members. This gives us 179 regular members with one open Regular member slot. In Executive Session the membership committee will propose Robert Smith to fill this open slot. Kathy and Noel Hamilton met with Robert and his wife Kari for lunch a few weeks ago and reported that Robert and Kari would make very good probationary members. They own a 58' Viking Power boat called UNO MAS and a 90' Ocean Alexander boat that they keep in Cabo called LONE STAR. They do not own an Avalon mooring, but have been told that there are no guarantees for mooring availability.

If approved by the BOD, Robert Smith will fill the 1 open spot and we will then have 3 prospects on our waiting list with no openings, though we still have 2 regular members that have not paid their 2023 annual dues, so we may not be done with our membership duties for this year.

Bob welcomed 3 new members in attendance at today's meeting. Karen Duncan, Robin Hobson and Mitch Leyton.

New Business

The Clubs "Deck Telescope" which was previously mounted on the deck railing has been inoperable and was removed/stored pending potential refurbishment. Director Larry Gottlieb attempted repair/refurbish and suggests replacement would be the best option. A suitable replacement (different design) would cost approximately \$2,700, which may not include Tax and Shipping. Jenny expressed concern about having a large unit on the deck railing which blocks the view. Jenny suggests perhaps a "tripod telescope" could be kept up in the Bridge for use and if needed, movable to another location occasionally. Roland stated we need to determine what 1) the value added would be and 2) what location is most viable. It was suggested this is probably something the General Membership Interest be assessed, perhaps during Opening Weekend and/or an Article Included in the upcoming View newsletter. Larry will write an article for the View.

David Johndrow suggested we add the Tuna Club Web Cam to our Website. Mary indicated the Harbor Department already has a good one up high with a great view of the Harbor. Bob Flaig will add the Avalon Harbor webcam to the member portion of the CIYC website.

V/C John Wells reminded everyone that for anyone joining the Catalina Island Conservancy at a certain level, the Catalina Flyer is offering ½ price on their tickets for the year.

Executive Session

The Board entered Executive session at 1820hrs.

The Board exited Executive session at 1850hrs.

Mr. Robert Smith has been approved as a Regular member.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1850hrs.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Austin, Asst. Secretary

Roland Rapp, Chairman