

# Three Sheets in the Wind

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## Commodore's Report

*Moti Cohen-Doron*



### Hello Little Shippers...

It's October already! - this year is moving way too fast. Which reminds me ... PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO DONATE TO THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE! We are still accepting monetary as well as pantry item donations (see list of items last page) up until Saturday a.m. **October 8<sup>th</sup>**. Again this is a wonderful organization that provides places for families with sick children to stay just steps from the hospitals where they are receiving critical medical care. The main goal of the Ronald McDonald House is to keep families close to each other and to help them get the care they need. Please drop off your donations at the shed, if you prefer a monetary donation please contact me at 714-383-1139 or [moticodo@gmail.com](mailto:moticodo@gmail.com)

Our fall **Clean The Bay Day** was held on September 17<sup>th</sup>. 13 members of our club (Including Phil Collins from NLBYC), participated in the cleanup. In just about three hours we collected approximately 184 pounds of trash, which about 70% of it was recyclable plastics. We had several members walking the docks and 2 dinghies on the water collecting trash.

Top prizes were won by the same Clean The Bay power couple, RC **Chris Layne** and his lovely partner Ginger for collecting the most unusual item, which was a shopping cart and collecting the most weight (see last page). They had the shopping cart as well as additional bags of trash that they had collected. They won IN N OUT gift cards. Vice Commodore, **Al Bordallo** did a great job organizing this event and was a huge help with the clean up afterwards. Thank you to all who participated in the cleanup.

Our Rear Commodore, Chris Layne, organized a fun evening cruise out (land cruise out) to Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club. It was a really fun evening. About a dozen of us attended and enjoyed the hospitality of CBYC. The food was great (and super cheap too) and the conversations were lively. Former LSFYC members, Jim and Karen Campbell, invited all of us back to their new boat for after dinner drinks. Thanks again to Chris (and Ginger too) for hosting such a great event! Let's do this again.

As the year is winding down it's also election time for the Board of Directors at LSFYC. If you are interested in joining the leadership on the board of directors please contact me. Being in the leadership opens doors for invitations from other clubs for their opening days as well as being an active participant in our club's decision making process. *(con't next page)*

## **Commodore's Report (con't)**

Looking ahead to our October events which are **Saturday, October 15th Sunset @ the Shed** and the **Potluck at 5:00pm, Friday, October 21** then the **Joint Potluck with Navy YC at Oct 28 5:00pm**.

Also **SAVE THE DATES** for these upcoming events too: **Saturday, November 19th Pre-Thanksgiving Potluck** ( last potluck of the year) and our annual **Holiday Brunch at Acapulco Restaurant on Sunday, December 4th at 9:30am**.

**Moti Cohen-Doron**  
LSFYC Commodore



Some of the food items donated for the Ronald Mc Donald House to be delivered Oct 8.

Many thanks and much appreciation to many of the LSFYC members for the food and monetary donations.



## **Vice Commodore's Report**

***Al Bordallo***



### **Hi Fellow LSFYC ladies and gents...**

Wow...the weather is finally cooling down. Hope you all have enjoyed the summer so far...hot as it has been.

Last month on the **17th** was the **LSFYC Clean the Bay Day** where we spent some time on the docks and in the water searching for and scooping up the odds and ends that had accumulated in the marina. We have done this in year's past and have had fun collecting, grading, comparing and awarding prizes for the most interesting items discovered!

Keep cool!

***Al Bordallo***

***LSFYC Vice Commodore***



Little Shippers signing up to scour the various basins in the marina for accumulated trash and plastic debris.

After final collection, stuff is graded and separated for weight and composition.

Paul and Debbie De Freitas scan the waters for stuff along with new puppy to chase away errant seagulls.





## **Rear Commodore Report**

**Chris Layne**



### **What's up Little Shippers!!!**

Can you believe it's already October?! You know what that means: OKTOBERFEST!!!! So let's break out the Lederhosen, practice your Chicken Dance, grab a beer stein, and pound some beers!

Here are the top 4 Oktoberfest celebrations in Southern California, in no particular order:

#### **1. ALPINE VILLAGE IN TORRANCE**

OK. this may not be for everyone. The venue is huge, the food is ok, but the crowd can get a little rowdy. That being said, the band is always prime. No need to dress up for this one, but I'd pack a pair of brass knuckles.

#### **2. OLD WORLD HUNTINGTON BEACH**

So let's say you're out on a Saturday night on main street HB. You're going to see some bros. Just expect the same at Old World. Now, this venue does have an inside facility, which is cool for the beer chugging and the loud cries from the accordion.

#### **3. 52nd ANNUAL BIG BEAR LAKE OKTOBERFEST**

This one is a real gem! Do yourself a favor and make the time to get up there. Close your eyes and imagine you're on the top of Snow Summit about to lay down an epic run. You take a deep breath and fill your lungs with that beautiful aroma of trees and mother nature. Now open your eyes and set your beer on the table and enjoy Big Bear Oktoberfest!

#### **4. LAKE ARROWHEAD OKTOBERFEST**

I thought about leaving this one on the honorable mentions list but I had to put it on the list. This one is way more family friendly. The atmosphere is nice and for some reason the riff raff stays away.

In other news, a great time was had by all (so great that photos were forgotten to be taken) this past September 24 Saturday at the *LSFYC Cruise to Cabrillo Beach* YC. Little Shippers met up in the upstairs bar and after cocktails and much chitchat ordered tasty meals from the variety of dishes provided by the Club's kitchen. In attendance were: **myself and Ginger, Frank & Lara Franco, Jill & Moti Cohen Doron, Dick Martin, Lara & Lou Arambula, Eric Stein and Sharmone La Rose.** Also joining the group was CBYC members Jim and Karen Campbell who had just acquired a new boat berthed in the CBYC marina. Jim is past Commodore LSFYC 2001.

So let's get out there and have some fun!! Stay safe and enjoy this fall weather. PROOST!!

**Chris Layne**

*LSFYC Rear Commodore*

## Tracie on the Bay



The first time we heard about Baby he was in the last egg shell...there were two in the nest! One fell off and people from all over were coming to see when the baby seagull would hatch. He was famous before he took his first breath of Alamitos Bay salt air. Each day he grew twice his size and so did his fans. The parking lot was full over the summer months and we all waited for him to take flight but he just wasn't flying. His legs were bound by fishing line so the animal rescue came to free him.

That following week he was seen on the fuel dock and then in the water. We all worried about his well being but look at him now! Mom still feeds him and Dad is always watching over them. People still come to see if they'll catch him on the wood dock and for those of us who are around a lot we think of him as our little guy.

He likes to be given treats and when he's done eating he turns his head so his eye is looking right at yours as if to say to do have anymore? I'm still hungry. Anyway, here he is (photo by Tracie) watching the film crew across the bay at the Marina office dock. A little birdie told us Carol Burnett was there today and Baby just might steal the spot light without even trying.



(Editor's note: The film crew in Alamitos Bay marina is in residence in the parking lots and the Marina Office dock to shoot an episode of the new comedy series "Mrs. American Pie" to be on Apple TV. Starring Kristen Wiig and other celebrities the series location is premised in Palm Beach, FLA. The above shoot was featuring Carol Burnett as witnessed by your editor as he was stopping by the Marina Office on Wednesday.)

## **Upcoming Club Officer Elections**

*By LSFYC Board of Directors*

As we slowly approach the end of the 2022 sailing season, one of the requisite functions that occurs at this time is the preparation for election of new Club Officers for the coming 2023 year. This begins by the consideration of potential candidates by the Nominating Committee (otherwise known as **The Five Old Salts**), then the subsequent posting of the selected nominees to be voted upon by the general membership. The Elections are open to **ALL** members. One or more members may be nominated for each office. Briefly, the elective officers and their duties are:

**Commodore**...Executive Officer of the club and presides at all club and board meetings. Represents the club at outside yacht club functions..

**Vice Commodore**...assists the Commodore in his duties and in his absence shall act in his stead.

**Rear Commodore**...assists the Commodore and Vice Commodore by organizing and executing the social functions of the club such as cruises, club parties and the Annual Installation Party.

**Fleet Captain**...presides over all of the club racing activities. Attends meetings with LB Harbor Assoc and PHRF to establish race calendar.

**Port Captain**...assists the Rear Commodore in dealing with dock parties, guest berths and duties of the Officer of the Day. Purchases supplies needed for club events. Chief BBQer.

**Secretary**...Records all proceedings of club meetings

**Treasurer**...collects and banks all monies, pays the bills

**Director**...helps determines the direction of the workings of the Club

In addition to the above duties, at Yacht Club functions, officers get to wear spiffy blue blazers with requisite pins of office and Yacht Club emblems to signify that this individual is someone to be reckoned with. Along with the office comes a **special burgee** to hang on your boat next to your club burgee. This alerts other boat owners that, you are not just a regular club member, but someone who wears a spiffy blue blazer with pins and emblems!

Another benefit of holding an office is the attending of the Annual **Opening Days** of the various Yacht Clubs of Southern Calif. Each club opens it's yachting season with a ceremony and celebration with visiting officers of other clubs in attendance. Following the pomp and circumstance of the introductions, declarations, announcements and requisite hand shaking and salutes comes the moment all have eagerly and patiently been waiting for...the big feed! In an attempt to impress the visiting yachtsmen, the host club will usually provide an vast spread from which to graze upon and allow visitors to test the stretch limits of the their spiffy blue blazers. Of course, the bar is usually not far away and is easily located by the cluster of blue blazered yachtsman and the recurrent echoing of: "*Gimme a rum and coke!*"

Seriously, these offices are not an exclusive domain and are open to **ALL** LSF members who wish to become involved with the workings and operation of a small yacht club. Although the efforts of the above positions held are strictly voluntary, a level of commitment and dedication may be required as the staff is small and each officer will be depending on the performance of each other to share the work load. Help will **always** be available from Staff Commodores to guide new electees through the operational process! So consider being a greater part of the Long Beach yachting community by participating in a fun and interesting group of fellow boaters and yachting enthusiasts. Please give us a call (see [lsfyc.org](http://lsfyc.org)) if any interest or questions.



The LSFYC gang of pickers displaying their treasures at the Clean the Bay Day: Moti & Jill, Al, Phil Collins, Sharmone, Kelly, Ginger, Chris, Tracie with Tootie, and Debbie and Paul with new puppy. Present but not shown were Dick Martin and Lara Arambula.

## October 2022



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9	10	11	12	13	14	15 LSFYC SUNSET AT THE SHED
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23	24	25	26	27	28 LSFYC POTLUCK AT NYCLB	29
30	31 Halloween					





Grand Prize (In-n-Out) winners of the most unusual item found in the LSFYC Clean the Bay event are RC Chris Layne and Ginger. Thanks also to Kelly Sonz for participating.

## **2022 LSFYC Bridge**

### **OPERATIONS STAFF**

**Commodore:** Moti Cohen-Doron  
**Vice Commodore:** Al Bordallo  
**Rear Commodore:** Chris Layne  
**Treasurer:** Dick Martin  
**Fleet Captain:** Nate Tucker  
**Port Captain :** Larry Finley  
**Secretary:** Sharmone La Rose

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Jr. Staff Comm:** Frank Franco  
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**Director:** S/C Rob Sonz  
**Director:** Jeff Potter  
**Director:** Elena Yuasa

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