

# NAPA VALLEY YACHT CLUB NEWS

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## NAPA VALLEY YACHT CLUB'S COMMODORE'S REPORT



NANCY MUELLER, COMMODORE

Great news NVYC members! We are growing in leaps and bounds and we now have more members than ever before with a growing fleet that are cruising together. We have had three cruise-outs so far, cruising to Benicia, Sausalito, and we have just completed the Delta Cruise which was a total blast, even with a heat spike of over 100 degrees, it made the water activities even more fun. Check out the NVYC.ORG to see the photos of the floatation train with Nick Courcoumelis being the tugboat.

Also check out your Commodore, Nancy Lee, the newest bartender.

Let's give thanks to Eric Henn, Fleet Captain, and Avi Strugo and Nick Courcoumelis for being our cruise-out Captains.

Our bar captains, Alan Montague and Mike Cromwell are doing a bang-up job at the bar and they are adding many Napa Valley wines and popular spirits to their venue. Be sure to contact them and be part of the bartender's club.

The kitchen, under command of our Vice Commodore, Stan Blough, with our own Caterer-Chef, Nancy L., has been working hard with finding new recipes and continuing the Weekend Brunches that have been very popular. If you have any favorite dishes, just let Stan know and he will work with Nancy L. to create them.

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# NVYC 2021 COMMODORE NANCY MUELLER (CONTINUED)

The COMMODORES CRUISE-OUT to Petaluma will be September 17, 18 and 19<sup>th</sup> and will have many activities including lunch and dinner. Please be sure to sign up for the cruise-out, all boaters and land cruisers are welcome.

The social committee, Lori Fultz, Carla Banning and Kim Nicol have gone over the top with three large Saturday events, Electric Boat Regatta, Open Day on the River, and 4<sup>th</sup> of July boat parade and barbecue. They actually had a wait list to attend the barbecues with Chris Fultz, Tom Atkinson, and Dave Sedeno at the grill. These events have been fund raisers for the club's social events.

New Events to look forward to this fall, Winemakers dinner, Members cooking dinners, and live music.

Be sure to watch out for the music theme nights, the last Friday of the month. July will be the Beach theme with the Beach Boys, and August we will have a Luau, these will be followed by Casino night with Frank Sinatra. Also, many other activities are planned, keep a watch out for emails and check your club calendar. We have one fun club!

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Our Chef, Nancy Lindaas, after four years of cooking for us, has found another venue and is no longer with us. We have found a promising new chef who we believe we will hire, but in the meantime we have exciting dinners planned.

The Port Captains, Bob Fowles and Tom Hildreth, have been busy with many cruise-ins from other clubs and many individual cruisers from all over California. Most recently, we had two boats from Newport Beach, with one large vessel, 85ft long, have visited us.

Bottle Rock event has created a full dock on Labor Day Weekend. Our Port Captains have been giving boaters Concierge Service and they are receiving many

compliments through individual notes, and through Dockwa (the company we use for reservations to reserve dock space at our club.

Our Building and Grounds team, lead by Alan Montague, our Rear Commodore, has done a great job keeping up the maintenance of our club house. The team has ordered new awnings and outdoor speakers to provide music inside and outside.

New member David Ryan has donated a large boat prop which the team will soon, place and secure, for more art pieces at our club.

Thank you David!

We have a new safety officer, Avi Strugo, who will be replacing Phillip Craig for health reasons.

We also want to thank Kathy Archer for all of her hard work with being the OD coordinator and Galley Captain, she had to step down and we are looking for someone to replace Kathy. Contact Stan Blough if you are interested in lending a hand and giving one of these jobs a try.

Available positions: OD Coordinator, Galley Captain and an Auditor for the club.

We appreciate and thank our entire team! They make our club great, and with your help, we can make our club extraordinary!!!

Enjoy the beautiful summer weather and happy cruising.

See you in Petaluma!

**Commodore,  
Nancy Mueller**

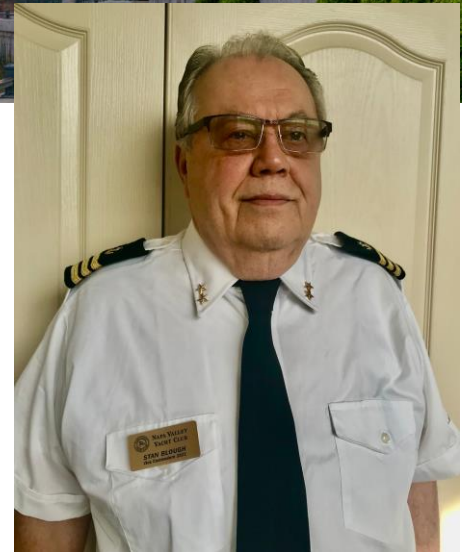


# 2021 NAPA VALLEY YACHT CLUB VICE COMMODORE REPORT



Happily, the Napa Valley Yacht Club has been coming back to life after an ugly year of COVID. Friday nights have been fun again with the bar open without barriers and having the ability to socialize without masks if you have been completely vaccinated.

Our club members have been having fun at cruise outs on their boats as have the land cruisers at various well attended lunches.



At our dock we have been seeing beautiful visiting boats in good numbers with Bob Fowles, Tom Hildreth our Port Captains, being aided by Greg Parker and Mike Gibson getting everyone tied up safely. We have been providing our visitors with great new packages from the Napa Visitor Center about fun things to do in Napa. Additionally, we now have at the Club for our members and guests the monthly copies of *Latitude 38*. Fun information about what is going on around the Bay & Delta.

On the slightly downside we continue to work with the Napa Police Department to keep the riverside homeless from being of concern to the club and our visiting boaters.

At our bar, Captains Alan & Mike have been doing a wonderful job upgrading the offerings available to our members. Great new hard liquors and we will soon see some great quality wines added to those presently available.

Finally, as all of you have been previously notified, our longtime Chef, Nancy Lindaas, has given notice that her last dinner will be July 23<sup>rd</sup>. We are now talking with prospective chefs and exploring ideas to provide great Friday night meals to our members.

We will look forward to seeing you at the Club.

Sincerely,

**Stan Bough**  
Vice Commodore



# 2021 NAPA VALLEY YACHT CLUB REAR COMMODORE REPORT

A quick update on activities from the great teams that I have responsibility for.

## **Fleet**

Eric our Fleet Captain has organized 3 Successful cruise outs so far this year, the last being on July 9-11. Sarah and I joined this one for our first cruise out and along with 6 other boats we had a great time in the Delta. Next up is the Commodore's cruise out, scheduled for 17-19 September. Keep posted for plans for a Fall cruise out in October or September.

## **Newsletter**

We are always looking for articles, so please send anything to Lorna our fantastic editor

## **Membership**

Memberships are growing and growing. The club has added over a dozen new memberships this year alone and more are coming in all the time. We are looking for ways to make renewals easier for all.

## **Building & Grounds**

I'm very pleased to say that Mark Nichol has agreed to take on role as Building & Maintenance manager. So if you notice things looking even better in the future, it's likely a result of Mark's Handiwork.

## **Advertising Manager**

We are always happy to add new advertisers in this newsletter. If you have anyone in mind, then get them to reach out to Sarah at NVYCmedia@gmail.com



## **Merchandise Manager**

Come check out our line of NYVC Merchandise any club night.

## **Public Relations**

We seem to be regularly featured in the Register. Articles on regattas and our July 4<sup>th</sup> parade are just recent successes.

## **Sunshine**

If you hear of anyone needing a little NVYC Sunshine then drop a not to Sharon ([sharonjeanphillips@gmail.com](mailto:sharonjeanphillips@gmail.com)) who will spread the sun.

## **Webmaster**

As you should have seen in a recent email, Craig is having to step down from this role and we are looking for someone, or a team, to take over here. New member Dave Ryan has started discussing with Craig if he might be able to do this but anyone else with the passion for tech, and ideally a knowledge of WordPress, would be welcome to pitch in.

**Alan Montague**  
**Rear Commodore**  
**& Bar Captain**



# Ahoy!

## *Commodore's Cruise Out*



*Join your commodore on September 17, 18, and 19th  
Cruise to Petaluma for lots of fun!!!  
Land cruisers also welcome!*

***Cocktails at the Petaluma Yacht Club  
Lunch at Brewster's Beer and Garden Saturday at 12:30  
Dinner at Cucina Paradiso on the Promenade at 7:30  
Scavenger Hunt with prizes!!!!***

Contact Eric Henn for boat reservations at 510-384-1698  
Or email [echenn1@yahoo.com](mailto:echenn1@yahoo.com)  
Text Lori Fultz at 707-486-9542 for lunch or dinner reservations

Lunch and Dinner payment will be made per table

# WELCOMING SOME OF OUR RECENT NEW MEMBERS

Sonja Abel & Matt Connoly  
Kent Kuhlmann & Jennifer Thomas  
Jim Treadway & Ann Yates  
Tim Parsons & Ellen Falcinelli  
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Melodie Durham  
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## MEMBER STORIES: LEAPING FOR MY LIFE

By Stan Blough

I was in the Army, in my early twenties, and stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky, not far from my home in Louisville. It was a beautiful spring weekend, but I was on duty at the base.

It happened to be the same weekend that the historic *Belle of Louisville*, the famous steam-powered paddle-wheeler, which had been completely refurbished, was about to inaugurate her maiden cruise on the Ohio river. I was particularly interested because the *Belle*, originally under a different name, had been purchased by the City of Louisville through the good offices of Marlow Cook, then a county judge and later a distinguished U.S. Senator, and I had helped in his election to the bench.

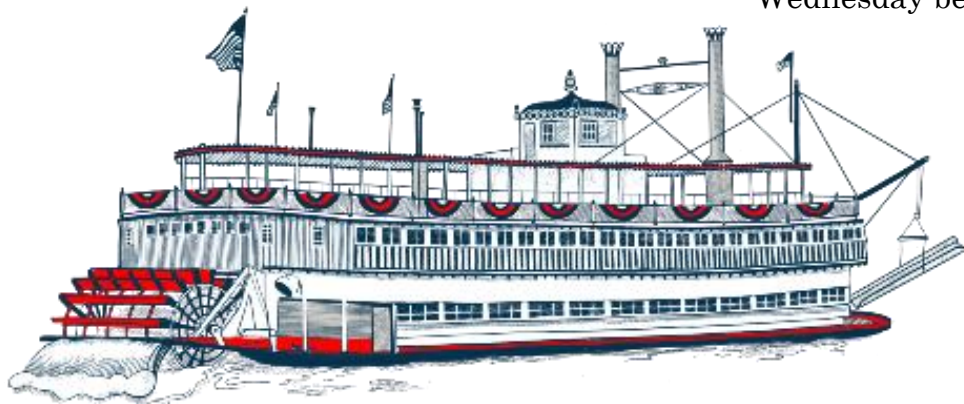
When two friends from Louisville invited me to join them in their small runabout to observe the festivities, I could not resist, and effect went AWOL.

We were in the middle of the river in our small boat when our motor conked out, just as the giant paddle-wheeler made a wide turn and headed directly toward us. Our frantic efforts to restart to motor were of no avail.

We waved frenetically to the *Belle*, and her passengers waived happily back. Meanwhile she was bearing down on us. We heard the captain of the *Belle* pull the engines into reverse, but it was too late. Just at the moment of impact, the three of us made a mighty leap and clambered aboard the main deck which – fortunately for us – was just a few feet above water level. Our boat was smashed to smithereens. We spent the rest of the afternoon with the now somewhat subdued merrymakers. We were celebrities of a sort, and our pictures were taken by the many photographers aboard.

The following Monday as I arrived at the base, I was immediately summoned to my company commander's office. As I entered, there he was holding a copy of the *Louisville Courier-Journal*, with a picture of myself and my buddies. I feared the worst, but he let me off with a mild reprimand and a chuckle. I like to think that he was relieved that I had survived, and that maybe he admired my agility.

I am happy to report that the *Louisville Belle* was unscathed, and for many years thereafter engaged in an annual race with the *Delta Queen*, held the Wednesday before the Kentucky Derby.



# Napa Valley Yacht Club Announces New Kayak Storage Program



We have a new storage container at the Club for members to store their kayaks in. It is only for members, and the monthly storage charge is \$10. Robert Fowles has keys to the padlock on the container and will issue one to each member that wants to store a kayak in there. The key deposit is \$20, which will be returned when the key is returned. Members store kayaks in the container at their own risk.

Members may launch kayaks from the public boat ramp or our dock. If they want to use our dock, they need a key to the gangway, which is keyed separately and also requires a \$20 key deposit, which will also be returned when that key is returned.

This program eliminates dragging your kayak in your car to get to someplace to launch. This program works well for all the members that don't have their own docks near home, or would just like to start their kayak trip closer to downtown and the northern parts of the river, which are very peaceful.

Thanks to Diane Fleury and Sally Craig for donating the Kayak racks.

Contact Robert Fowles ([rbfowles@gmail.com](mailto:rbfowles@gmail.com)) for further



# Club Rental Information

Since rates and rules have changed, as of July 1<sup>st</sup>., this article will clarify those changes and also inform new members of their rental possibilities.

## **Rates have changed as follows:**

Rental rates for members are now \$200, plus a cleaning fee of \$120 and a security deposit of \$150 (refundable).

Rental rates for member's affiliations (i.e., Spanish club, winetasters, etc.) are now \$400.00, plus \$120.00 cleaning fee and a security deposit of \$150.00 (refundable). The sponsoring member must be present for the event and is responsible for ensuring that all required procedures are followed, by signature.

A review of other facilities' rents show that our rates are still relatively reasonable. We are now allowed full indoor seating, which is 56 persons. Additional seating for another 40 or so on the deck is available.

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## Jimmy Buffet Night

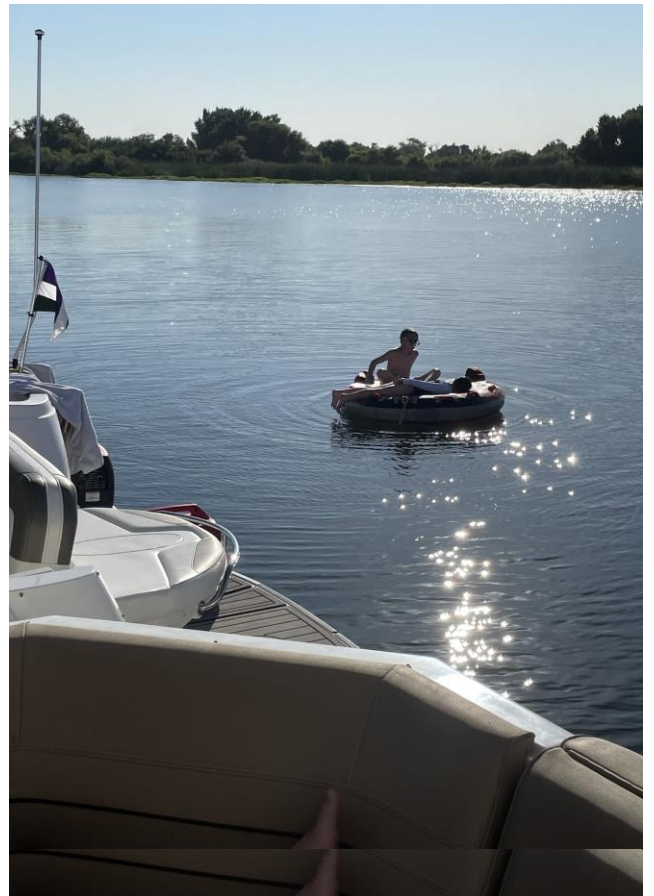


## Tiburon Cruise In and 50s Party



Email your NVYC photos to [nvycnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:nvycnewsletter@gmail.com).

# SCENES FROM THE DELTA CRUISE OUT



# JULY 4 AT NVYC



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## July 4 boat parade at NYVC



## NVYC in the Napa Register



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Eighth-graders from Stonebridge School went kayaking on the Napa River last month. The Napa Valley Yacht Club gave them free use of the club. Fun was had by all.

## BOCCE BALL AT NAPA VALLEY YACHT CLUB



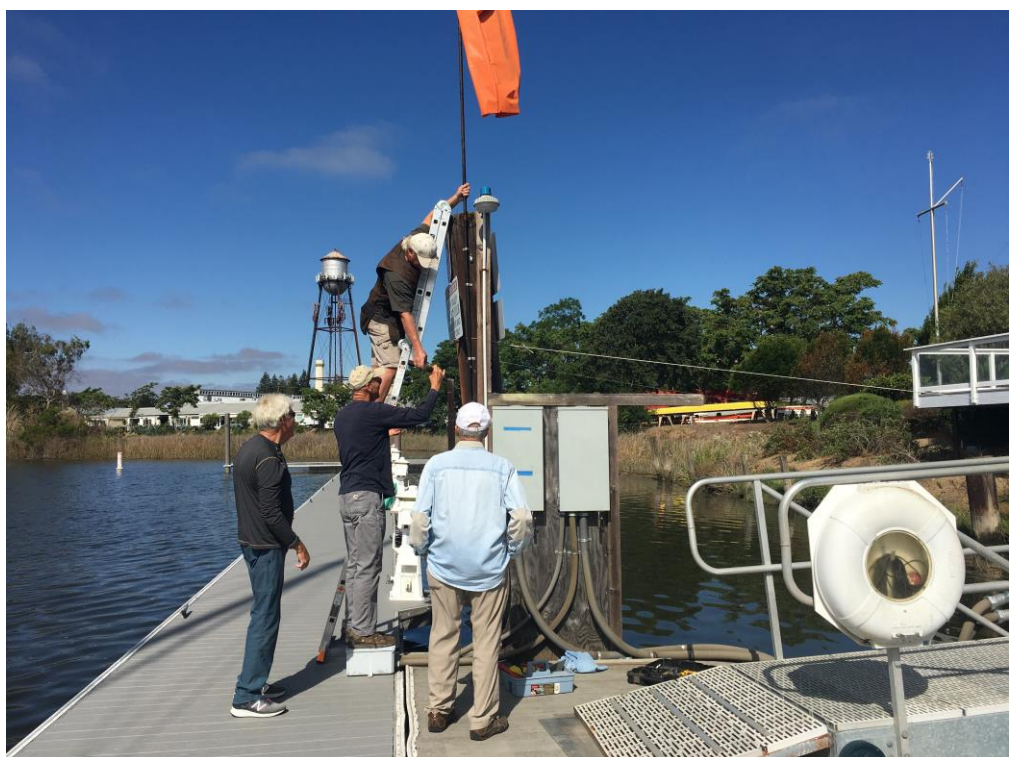
### **PICK-UP BOCCE ‘**

**Join us Fridays at 4:30 p.m. for bocce**

**Let's keep it casual so whoever shows up gets to play. See you on the eggshells,**

**Debbie Dean**

**Greg Parker,  
Kurt Stahr,  
Scott Brown  
and Tim  
Hildreth  
repairing the  
windsock on  
the dock to  
aid cruisers  
coming into  
our dock  
during high  
windy days.**



# NVYC enjoying cruise in visitors and welcoming new members



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# Thank you for PICYA for providing the following information:

September 25, 2021 – 24th Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta

## September 25

« September 13, 2021 Delegate Meeting / Sequoia YC Hybrid

October 16th – All Women Red Bra Regatta: SBYC »

PICYA is hosting its 24th Annual Wheelchair Regatta. This event will once again provide disabled veterans, many confined to wheelchairs, with the rare opportunity to experience a power boat cruise on the Oakland Estuary and San Francisco Bay along the San Francisco City front.

On their return, our guests will be treated to a picnic luncheon and entertainment on the grounds of Encinal Yacht Club. Most of our honored guests are U.S. Veterans residing in Northern California Veterans' Homes and Hospitals.

In order to make this event successful, powerboat skippers/owners are needed to donate their time and boats to host one or more guests aboard their vessel. Volunteers from each of our PICYA member clubs will make this a most memorable day for our guests, and for those donating their assistance as well. Many volunteers are also needed ashore to assist in welcoming, boarding, preparing and serving lunch, and entertainment. If you can assist with this rewarding community service project, please complete and return the form provided below for your convenience.

**\*ALL VOLUNTEERS, SKIPPER AND CREW MUST BE VACCINATED**

If you need additional information or have any questions, please call Linda Blue at (510) 851-4387 or e-mail [linda.a.blue@gmail.com](mailto:linda.a.blue@gmail.com)



June 7th  
PICYA meeting  
at Pittsburg  
YC. attended  
by Pat  
Scarcelli,  
Angela Lewis,  
Maxine Maas,  
and Sally Craig



# Upcoming Napa Valley Yacht Club Cruise Out Dates

Commodore's Cruise-out to Petaluma on September 17,18,and 19

Fleet week cruise-out to Sausalito on October 8,9 and 10

South Beach Cruise/out October 22, 23 and 24



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Coming soon					
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<b>In Escrow</b>					
13 Cove Ct	4 2 1/2	2144	\$1,077,000		
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			<b>Sold Price</b>		
124 N Newport Dr	3 / 2	1855	\$ 900,000	1.8.21	
101 S Newport Dr	3 / 2 1/2	2129	\$ 815,000	3.18.21	
37 N Newport Dr	1 / 2 1/2	2467	\$1,750,000	3.2.21	WF
1 N Newport Dr	4 / 2 1/2	2467	\$2,000,000	2.19.21	WF
21 Lighthouse Ct	4 / 2 1/2	2190	\$1,395,000	3.19.21	WF
33 Lighthouse Ct	4 / 3	2573	\$1,500,000	3.3.21	WF
39 S Newport Dr	4 / 2 1/2	2190	\$1,027,000	4.7.21	
17 Sea Breeze Ct	4 / 3 1/2	2450	\$1,599,000	5.9.21	WF
26 Regatta Way	4 / 2 1/2	2326	\$1,110,000	6.2.21	
33 Cove Ct	4 / 2 1/2	2159	\$1,200,000	7.2.21	
9 Peninsula Ct	3 / 2 1/2	2077	\$1,097,000	7.30.21	WF
691 Cabot Way	3 / 3	1920	\$1,202,500	1.8.21	WF
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# 2021 NVYC OFFICERS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS

Commodore – Nancy Mueller  
Vice Commodore – Stan Bough  
Rear Commodore – Alan Montague  
Treasurer – Diane Fluery  
Secretary – Bob Weeks  
Staff Commodore – Sally Craig

## **Board of Directors**

Tom Atkinson  
Robert Fowles  
Janie Salinger  
Avi Strugo  
Patricia Scarcelli  
Mike Cromwell

## **Committee Chairs – Vice Commodore**

Port Captain – Robert Fowles & Tom Hildreth  
Galley Captain – Kathy Archer  
Social Co-Chairs – Janie Salinger, Lori Fultz ,Carla Banning  
Bar Captain – Alan Montague & Donald Buresh  
OD Coordinators – Kathy Archer  
Supplies – Carl Gonzales & Nancy Schleicher

## **Committee Chairs – Rear Commodore**

Newsletter – Lorna Sheridan  
Advertising – Sarah Montague  
Merchandising – Debbie Dean  
Fleet Captain – Eric Henn  
Safety Office – Avi Strugo  
Building & Grounds – Nic Courcoumelis , Chris Fultz , Mark Nicol  
Public Relations -TBD  
Webmaster – TBD  
Membership – Evelyn Silveri

## **Other Committees**

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