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**2021 Opening Day Has Been Postponed.**

See Commodore's Halyard.



*The Commodore and Officers of  
Navy Yacht Club  
San Diego  
Request the pleasure of your company at our  
Opening Day  
Ceremony  
Sunday, March 07, 2021*

**POSTPONED**

## COMMODORE'S HALYARD



**Commodore  
Robert Howdyshell**



As we enter this new year, it finally feels like we are rounding the corner headed toward some sense of our prior life. It still appears it will be a long haul until we return to fully opening our Marina and Club. However, it certainly brings to the forefront how great we had it before this pandemic and when we return to full operation, we will be very thankful and more grateful for what the Navy Yacht Club offers us all.

I had to make the tough decision to cancel Opening Day which was scheduled for March 7<sup>th</sup>. The Marina being closed to gatherings made considering any type of traditional Opening Day impossible. A virtual event seemed to not meet the spirit of Opening Day where we break bread with the membership and socialize with fellow Clubs and invited guests. A virtual event does not provide for this purpose. Therefore, we will make our plans for starting our race series with strict adherence to the restrictive guidelines in place at the time and look forward to a special event when restrictions are lifted.

I remain thankful for the dedicated volunteers that make our Club possible. Many continue to dedicate many hours, keeping things current and making improvements. Highlighting just a few, Jeni Lench and Mary Berube are the taskmasters keeping us all on point to keep communicating to the membership. Lisa Brewer continues to maintain our technical systems making continual improvements. JR Young has taken over the Ship Store and is doing a great job modernizing our inventory and offerings. Joe McFetridge processes all the membership applications and renewals. And certainly not least, Curt Snyder maintains our facility which is no small feat, when access is limited, and he is doing almost everything single handed. THANK YOU!

-- Robert Howdyshell

## VICE COMMODORE'S HALYARD



Vice Commodore  
Jerrod Jones



The Vice Commodore regrets that he was unable to provide a Halyard this quarter.....but is proud to announce the birth of Noah Lincoln Jones on January 6<sup>th</sup> 2021!

Noah arrived slightly ahead of prediction which bodes well for his racing career. His Mom, Emily, and Dad, Jerrod, are busy at home bringing up baby. Or is it vice versa....



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## REAR COMMODORE'S HALYARD

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**Rear Commodore  
Ty Keith**



Ahoy, NYCSD members!

I hope everyone continues to weather the pandemic and feel like I do...ready for our lives to return to some normalcy. As the COVID vaccine rolls out to more and more people, I am feeling confident that normalcy isn't too far away.

It's hard to believe that we're coming up on a year since the club has been closed. Like most local San Diego Yacht Clubs, our social activities for the past year were cancelled and at the time of writing this for the Spinnaker, our Opening Day for the 2021 season has been delayed from its regular spot on the calendar, early March. Delayed, but hopefully not for too long!

We continue to look to, and coordinate with various entities including the State, County, Navy and other San Diego Yacht Clubs to evaluate and determine when it will be safe to officially open for the season. For the latest on San Diego Bay Recreation, check here:

<https://www.portofsandiego.org/covid-19-port-san-diegos-response>.

I think I can speak for the whole board when I say we are all excited for the day when the club officially re-opens and we get the 2021 season underway! Once we do, you'll find me on *Sheldon* most Wednesday nights.

-- Rear Commodore  
Ty Keith



## NYCSD RACING

NYCSD will conduct our full series of scheduled races this racing season. We will operate according to Covid regulations that are in place at the time. Please check our webpage, [www.nycsd.club](http://www.nycsd.club), or our Facebook page for the most current information about skippers' meetings, or check in on the water if necessary

### NYCSD Spring Series

NAME	DATE	Day of the Week	Series
Quicker/ Tarantino Invitational	3 April	Saturday	1-3/3
Wed Night Regatta	21 April	Wednesday	1/18
Wed Night Regatta	28 April	Wednesday	2/18
Wed Night Regatta	5 May	Wednesday	3/18
Wed Night Regatta	12 May	Wednesday	4/18
Wed Night Regatta	26 May	Wednesday	5/18
Wed Night Regatta	2 June	Wednesday	6/18

### Racing Help Needed!

Can you help with NYCSD racing? We are in need of skippers who are willing to use their boat as a Race Committee boat. Please contact our Commodore or Vice Commodore if you can help! You do not need to be available for all of the races, it would be nice to have several skippers available to rotate.

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## STAFF COMMODORES PAGE

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*We are introducing a new feature to catch up with what our Staff Commodores have been doing since completing their service at NYCSD. This issue we have an article from Staff Commodore Clayton Corbin 2016.*

Greetings NYCSD!

The last time I wrote in the Spinnaker, I think I was in Tahiti! Needless to say, it's been a while. As you all know, there is rarely a dull moment in the life of a Sailor, and that surely holds true for Jill and I.

After cruising the South Pacific Ocean for two years, we decided to take on a couple different adventures. We spent the summer 2019 hiking the Pacific Crest trail. That fall we began searching in earnest for our next home, since we sold our Catalina 42 'Me Too' in Australia. We were able to locate and seal the deal on a Lagoon 380 before the C19 craziness started sweeping through. After spending the spring outfitting the 'new to us' catamaran, Jill thought it would be a good idea to spend a couple months on the water... so we kayaked a thousand miles of the upper Mississippi River from the source. No big deal, right?

Since November we have launched our new home and cruised from North Carolina, down the coast to the Florida Keys and back up to Tampa just in time for the Super Bowl. While here we were welcomed at the beautiful Davis Island Yacht Club for a couple days where we were able to watch some sailboat races and listen to the warm banter of "yachtees" "before and after the race!"

We are leaving for the Bahamas in February and intend to spend the summer in Granada. I am looking forward to some 'return to normalcy' for NYCSD, and encourage everyone to participate as you are able in this year's yacht racing season.

Staff Commodore,  
Clayton Corbin





**Bill Edwards**  
Vice Commodore, SDAYC  
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## SDAYC

### *WHAT MAKES AN ACTIVE MEMBER ACTIVE?*

Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed? Or are you just contented that your name is on the list. Do you attend the meetings and mingle with the flock?

Or do you just meet in private and criticize and knock.

Do you take an active part to help the work along? Or are you satisfied to be the kind that just belongs. Do you work on committees, to this there is no trick? Or leave the work to just a few, and talk about the clique?

Please come to the meetings often, and help with hand and heart.

Don't be just a member, but take an active part. Think this over members; you know what's right from wrong.

*Anonymous*

--Bill Edwards  
NYCSD Staff Commodore 2009  
Vice Commodore,  
San Diego Association of Yacht Clubs

Stay Connected With  
NYCSD!

Visit our website at:

**NYCSD.CLUB**

The most current information can be found on our NYCSD Facebook page. Make sure to “like” our page and stay up to date!

Questions regarding membership, such as renewals and change of address can be sent to:

[membership@nycsd.club](mailto:membership@nycsd.club)

Looking for activities for students and the family? Check out this link to the Birch Aquarium where you will find activities for kids and adults. Coloring pages, science activities and ocean crafts!

<https://aquarium.ucsd.edu/teachers/online-learning/activities>

## SHIP'S STORE

New year, time for new gear? Check out our online “Ship’s Store” for your shopping pleasure! Log on to [www.nycsd.club](http://www.nycsd.club) and select ‘Club Stuff.’ There you will find a complete selection of Navy Yacht Club gear.

Some of our most popular items include:

Burpees



Hats



Shirts



And our latest addition, License Plate Frames!





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## HELP WANTED!

Navy Yacht Club San Diego continues to be an “all volunteer” run organization. It takes many people to keep things running smoothly and we are grateful for those who have and continue to contribute to our club.

This year we are hoping to expand our communication with our membership, and YOU can help us. Do you have something you can contribute to our next issue of the Spinnaker? We are looking for member contributed articles about topics of your interest. Really anything you would like to write about and share with our membership.

Articles should run 200-300 words and if you can attach pictures, even better! Send submissions to Staff Commodore Jeni Lench @ [jenilench@gmail.com](mailto:jenilench@gmail.com) or Staff Commodore Mary Berube @ [mjberube1@gmail.com](mailto:mjberube1@gmail.com). Deadline for the next issue is April 23. We look forward to including your article in the May edition of the Spinnaker.

We are also looking for members who would like to join our volunteer editing team and help to produce this newsletter. The Spinnaker published 4 times a year. Again, contact Jeni or Mary for more information. No experience required! 😊

### *Treasurers Report*

Operating Funds - 33,947.51

Capital Funds - 8,108.65

Total Funds - 42,056.16

# Clean Regatta Certification

Despite the difficulties of the pandemic and its impact on the 2020 racing program, NYCS D was able to run two day- long regattas in a series called NYCS D Wednesday Races - Sort Of, But on a Saturday.” These two events, held in November 2020, were run under the Clean Regattas program as organized by Sailors for the Sea.

And NYCS D earned the Bronze certification for its efforts!



Clean Regattas is the world’s leading sustainability certification for all on-the-water, near-the-water, and water-loving events. Since the program’s inception in 2006, over 2,600 events have shown their commitments to sustainability by hosting Clean Regattas. This program has reached over 715,000 sailors and attendees in over 40 countries. Best Practices at our NYCS D regattas in 2021 will include Elimination of Single-Use Items, Community Involvement, Responsible Waste Management, Environmental Stewardship, and Green Boating. In 2019, we earned the Silver certification, and will be able to do so again when we have land events scheduled. The next race scheduled under the Clean Regattas program is the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron’s HARKEN Youth International Match Racing Cup starting March 10th!

For more information on the Clean Regattas program, please see our back issues of The Spinnaker online at [www.nycsd.club](http://www.nycsd.club) as well as at the Sailors for the Sea website: <https://www.sailorsforthesea.org/programs/clean-regattas>

## IN MEMORIAM

On behalf of the NYCSD, we extend our heartfelt condolences on the recent passing over the bar by two of our loyal club members.

Marge Robinson, a faithful NYCSD volunteer and wife to Staff Commodore, Roger Robinson, left us on Oct 12, 2020.



Cliff Miller, a former NYCSD Director, he was a WWII and Vietnam veteran, left us on Dec 31, 2020.



Fair winds and following seas.

# Membership Application / Renewal

*Navy Yacht Club San Diego*

Fiddler's Cove Marina  
PO Box 182111  
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New / Renewal	
___ Family \$40	___ Single \$30

Member:

Name: Last First MI rank/grade

Street Address

City State Zip Code

Email Phone Number

Dependent: Must have valid I.D. Card

Spouse

Total Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_

YES! Enclosed is my  
CAPITAL FUND Donation  
Of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

To join our renew by mail, attach your check for the correct membership category, and include a self- addressed stamped envelope for your new cards and mail to NYCSD. New members will be contacted to provide proof of eligibility. **DO NOT** send copies of your I.D.card. **(I.D. Cards may not be copied)** All members will receive the quarterly newsletter, *The Spinnaker*, via email.

**Renew online at [nycsd.club](http://nycsd.club) (easiest method)**

You will need to be a WEBSITE member, ( this is separate from being a member of NYCD) to complete payment. Please complete the "SIGN UP" form when it pops up and the system will automatically approve your request so you can proceed through the application process.

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