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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Easter Sunday April 5 • Easter Brunch & Easter Egg Hunt, 11:00 am
- Saturday, April 11 • Board Meeting, 9 am
- Saturday, April 11 • Frostbite Series Race # 4, 12:30 Start Time
- Saturday, April 25 • Quarterly Birthday Bash Potluck — 6 pm
- Saturday, April 25 • Frostbite Series Race # 5, 12:30 Start Time
- Every Wednesday • Breakfast & Sail, Moss Landing Café, 10 am
- Every Sunday • Casual Sailing, Hearth Room, 11 am

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## COMMODORE'S REPORT

Happy April Showers!

Well, perhaps that's how it works in New England after a long cold winter after a recent conversation with my sister-in-law, there was still deep snow on the ground in late March. After all, May is just around the corner and that brings us to EYC's opening day celebration. With each work party, the club is looking better and better. Come join in; be spontaneous; if you see something that needs fixing, then fix it.



The semiannual general membership meeting is on Friday, April 17th. We recommend all members turn out for this dinner-meeting. For most of our events, we request that you make reservations in advance. Without reservations it is difficult for us to anticipate how busy a meal service will be and this can cost the club way too many dollars in wasted food purchases and over preparation. You can email or phone to let us know that you will be attending. If we run out, there is always our home-made bar menu. Please review the Upcoming Events section, mark your calendar, and enjoy your club.

We openly welcome members with children. EYC is a Family Club. Our Fireplace Room is a multipurpose recreation room for use by all members, adults and children. As in many gyms and restaurants, the television can be switched to closed captioning, allowing continued enjoyment while permitting other concurrent activities. To quote, "Let's face it, if the club is to have a healthy future, it's going to need younger, enthusiastic members to carry the flag forward!" Bring in your kids of all ages.

Please review listings for Upcoming Events and Work Parties. For more information, visit our web site. Watch for Email blasts. Anticipate friendship, fun and a sense of satisfaction that comes with accomplishments at EYC whatever they may be. You choose.

### **A look at the future: The 17 April Semiannual General Membership Meeting**

What the future has in store for Elkhorn Yacht Club depends upon the goals and objectives of the you, the members. Your participation, thoughtful involvement in the decision making processes, commitment to be on the scene, to follow through in the implementation phase means that you can make a difference.

The Semiannual Membership Meeting is scheduled for Friday 17 April 2015 at 1900 hours. The election of directors and officers in October is only a few months away. I ask you to step forward at the April meeting and give your name to the nominating committee chair Howard Jones. Represent your fellow members with similar ideals as a voting member on your Board of Directors.

**Get on the water** - sail, power, drift, gaze aimlessly; admire the whales, dolphins, sharks, orcas, seals, otters, yourself; invite your loved ones, friends and neighbors; wear your safety gear because you are part of the food chain.

Stanley Jacques, Commodore

## Upcoming Events



### **Join the Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch at Elkhorn Yacht Club next Sunday!**

Kids egg hunt starts at 11.00 am. Please RSVP so we know how many kids to plan for.

Brunch is at noon. Menu includes quiche, ham, fruit, croissants, orange juice and salad. Cost is \$15 for adults, \$5 for children.

The ever popular eggs for adults will be on sale at the bar for \$2 or 3 for \$5. Prizes include Monday night dinner, Sunday burger and beer, bottles of wine, T-shirts plus a few surprises.

RSVP on the sign up sheet at the club or call to have your name added to the list.

Tell your friends and family! Shannon



Salvage Guy? Playing on Karen Turner's Kayak by Dianella Nunes © 2015



## Notes From All Over

**From: Laura Ashton's friend Joel**

Buenas Dias,

My task list is getting short and it looks very promising for a Wed departure. Today we will take the boat over to fill on fuel and start provisioning. Still have to un-pickle the water maker. The canvas guy still hasn't come by to make a Bimini cover but that is not critical.

Laura is wonderful, easy going, a great cook and always ready to help out. She is really excited about heading up to the islands and so am I.



Rob the diesel mechanic installed a new mixing elbow; the old one was almost totally clogged but you couldn't tell by looking at it. I just thought it was time to replace it as I've heard it can lead to a blown engine. Also after much time and head scratching, Will the electronics guy managed to get the AIS working. My chart plotter was not displaying the images although it was picking up dangerous targets. He fixed it finally by doing a soft ware update on my chart plotter, very weird. Rob will check out my old AIS and if it works, he will buy it from me by offsetting what I already owe him for his work. I even managed to install a new stereo yesterday I haven't fired up the SSB yet or tried Sail Mail while in the marina. I'll do all that while underway so if you don't hear from us it probably means it's still not working properly.

We'll be back up in Puerto Escondido at some point and we can email from there. Our plan at this point is just to leisurely work our way north up the Baja coast for the next month or so. At this point we plan to bring *Companera* back to La Paz sometime in May for the hurricane season.

Hopefully we can make a smooth transition from work mode to play mode very soon.....Joel and Laura

**From: Perry Olsen**

Dear Friends and Family:

Saturday, March 7, 2015, I have decided to sail back to KKMI so they can do and redo the repairs right, and leave for Hawaii from there. I have not had good luck with service down here. I started the engine early because the batteries needs charging. I needed to make water, and the wind was very low. After three hours, the alternator stopped charging the house batteries, It does good for short periods of time, That just leaves the wind generator and solar panels. I need to get to Cabo San Lucas fast. I should be there tomorrow morning.

Sunday, I got to the Cabo San Lucas fuel dock about 8:00 a.m.. They wanted an eighty dollar fee to get fuel. I did not pay it, but went to the other fuel dock with no fee, and got the best price I have gotten in Mexico this trip. The fellow even offered me a beer. He called a marine electrician

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# April 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	2	3 Free Appetizers 6 pm	4
5 Easter Brunch & Easter Egg Hunt \$15 for adults \$5 for kids 11am	6 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$10	7	8 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	9	10 Free Appetizers 6 pm	11 EYC Frostbite Series Race #4 12:30 Board Meeting
12 Burgers & Beer	13 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$10	14	15 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	16	17 Semiannual General Membership Meeting and Dinner 7 pm	18
19 Burgers & Beer  CABi Collection Fashion & Fun Noon to 3 .	20 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$10	21	22 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	23	24 Free Appetizers 6 pm	25 EYC Frostbite Series Race #5 12:30pm  Quarterly Birthday Bash Potluck Dinner 6pm
26 Burgers & Beer	27 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$10	28	29 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	30		

# May 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Free Appetizers 6 pm	2 Casual Sail 11am Hearth Room
3 Burgers & Beer	4 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$10	5	6 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	7	8 Free Appetizers 6 pm	9 Casual Sail 11am Hearth Room
10 Mother's Day High Tea 12 noon \$15/adult, \$5/child	11 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$10	12	13 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	14	15 Free Appetizers 6 pm	16 Otter Cup Moss to Monterey to Moss Landing 11 am start
17 Burgers & Beer	18 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$10	19	20 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	21	22 Free Appetizers 6 pm	23 Nautical/ Outdoor Sports Flea Market 7 am
24 Burgers & Beer	25 Monday Night Dinner 6:30 pm \$10	26	27 Breakfast & Sailing 10 am	28	29 Free Appetizers 6 pm	30/31 Casual Sail 11am Hearth Room

## FROSTBITE SERIES RACE REPORT

by Janice D'Arcy

The 2015 Frostbite carries forward. Three races have completed in a variety of wind conditions.

**Race #2** in mid month, provided to be a challenge to the most patient of sailors. The winds started out in the 2-4 knot range, dropped to almost nil, but ripples on the water ahead inspired the fleet to continue. Finally, nearing 2 p.m., winds started picking up to 4-6 knots and at end of the course it built in the 10-12 knot range. Race two included a new high of six vessels on the water. New to our group, Sea Dancer, Sarah and Basil Machado. They had the guidance of Rex Keyes for their first experience. Vessels completing the race included ARIEL in 1st place, Un Bel Di in 2nd place, Sea Dancer in 3rd place and the Gulf Star in 4th. Turning in before completing the course were Willow and Touché. A special guest crewman on ARIEL, was Member Bill Svoda, who has been away in Washington State.



**Race #3** took place on the 28th, delighting all with decent and consistent breeze. Four boats started and finished this race. The pursuit start placed the vessels in the order of Un Bel Di, Sans Souci, Touché and bringing up the rear ARIEL. The course took ran upwind to ML7, out to ML4, over to ML3 and finishing between MILA and the green can. The race became eventful as the vessels rounded ML4, Sans Souci rounded 1st, Un Bel Di and Ariel battled for 2nd around, with Ariel coming thru ahead, Touché following in 4th a bit behind. As the boats headed toward ML3 running wing and wing, main and jib only, Ariel took the lead from Sans Souci. None of the boats chose to fly spinnaker or Gennaker. The outcome of the race, saw Ariel in 1st place, Sans Souci in 2nd place a mere 40 seconds behind, Un Bel Di in 3rd and Touché finishing 4th, held a held high!



Two more races occur in April will complete the series. Race #4 scheduled for the 11th and Race #5 scheduled for the 25th. A reminder to all to refer to the EYC website for course information.

A bigger reminder is to consider participation in the 2015 Otter Cup which occurs in mid May, a lovely race down to Monterey and back. Sailing on Monterey Bay never fails to refresh and revive the magic in all sailors.

Fair winds and following seas! JD



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I have used here before for me. There were no slips available for me here, and I need electricity so I am meeting the electrician at Los Cabos Marina in Cabo San Jose at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow. I motored there and got a nice slip. I walked to town and got pesos and something to eat. My end tie is next to a Canadian couple I met in Ensenada. They came over for some wine and invited me to their boat for dinner of fresh tuna they caught, vegetables and pineapple all barbecued and brown rice. It was very good.

Monday, The electrician was here before eight, and fixed it before nine. A wire had broken. The boatyard was not very helpful. They could not do anything until tomorrow afternoon, and had no filters. They would get them next week from the U.S. I was just going to change the oil myself, but they did not have the right oil, so I checked out of the marina, and was under way at 11:15 a.m.

Tuesday, I am sailing as much as possible, even going just one knot or less until I have the oil changed. I also am tacking so going twice the distance slow will take more than twice the time.

Wednesday, a little more wind so a little faster, but still tacking.

Thursday, I have been seeing flying fish daily. This morning, there was one on the deck.

Friday, March 13, 2015, it was windy today. I spent most of the day inside for comfort. The main sail was reefed almost all day. I reefed the jib sail in the late afternoon. I cleaned the engine sea strainer. This is the first time I have been able to open it, and I did it by hand. I also started closing the bathroom sink's sea cocks to keep sea water out which otherwise comes in when Bobby McGee heels a lot. I have not done that before. Just after sunset, I laid back in the cockpit, and looking up saw one of the shrouds is coming apart, and is half unraveled. I took down the sails to relieve the pressure on it, and am motoring to Bahia Tortuga which is about eighty miles away. I hope to get the oil changed there, and maybe filters before motoring the rest of the way to Ensenada. I can't sail until the shroud is fixed. I might do that in San Diego.

Sincerely,

Perry Olsen

Bobby McGee



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Please feel free to forward along to others-Cheers-Krista!

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Jimmy Nunes	11
Chris Harter	17
Melissa Mitchell	17
Winnie Nishimine	17
Tom Mason	24
David Lucy	26
Paul Franks	28

Sorry if I missed listing your April Birthday!  
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still claim your free drink! Terry

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