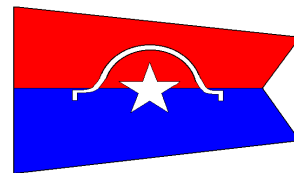


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From The Helm

Clayton Perry, Commodore

Howdy fellow HCYC members!

Spring has sprung and the weather has been absolutely gorgeous. I've had a lot of folks say it's going to be a hot one this summer based on what we've been having lately—I love hot weather.

Our last executive committee meeting went very well and I hope you get a chance to review the minutes. We've had a number of new members sign up over the last couple of months which is great. I encourage each of you to continue to reach out and bring others to our club, and explain what we do and offer to members. Hati is putting together a handout, "Why be a Member of the HCYC", that we can all use to help to promote the club. Be on the lookout for that

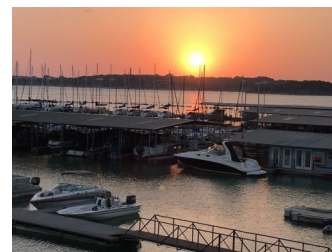
soon.

Roy and I had an excellent meeting with the marina staff the other day! We will be signing a new five year lease for our facility. The marina will be repairing the roof and replacing the damaged ceiling tiles. You will be seeing progress on upgrading our facility very quickly so bear with us when you see the work being done. Congratulations to Arnie as we had our first sailing event this last month! He has worked very hard in setting things up for our sailing community and it's coming together.

Last month's newsletter showed our approved budget for this year that Terry put together. Please go back and take a look at it. Let us know if you have any questions or

comments on it. He will also keep us updated in future newsletters regarding where our money is being spent. Joe is also putting our approved executive committee meeting minutes on the website. So if you're interested in the inner workings of what we do on the board, go check it out. I'm excited in our upcoming events and hope you will be participating! Fair Winds!!

Commodore Perry



Fair Weather afore the Mast

Arnie Wilenken, RC Sail

Our racing schedule will continue this month with our "Fiesta" Regatta on April 29th. Then, as we move into May, our "Jamaican-Me-Crazy" Regatta will be held on May 2th. This month's "Movie Nite", we'll feature "Capt Ron", starring Kurt Russell, a classic amongst boaters. For the time being, we're holding our "Movie Nite" activity the Friday evening before our sail races.

Also, as I'm ready to submit this to the press, we returned one of our Sunfish sailboats into operation. These sailboats are available to use at no charge for our club members and their family members. I'm working on putting together a short, hour to 90 minute presentation on sailing our Sunfish. YouTube has some excellent presentations on rigging and sailing the Sunfish. However, if you have any questions, please feel free to

contact me at (661) 492-6714.

As sailing conditions here on Canyon Lake are already excellent, for those of you who haven't had the time to get out on your sailboat, it's never too soon to tend to those ongoing tasks to keep your vessel in "ship shape" condition. Winches are a piece of equipment that typically gets ignored.



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Social Scene

Michelle Van Fleteren and Susan Hooper, Social Directors

Ahhhh, It's Spring time in South Texas! We are so excited for great new adventures on the lake & at clubhouse, this coming season. We're going to have a Good Time Before we talk about that we would like to say some "Huge Thank You's" to some members who have helped to Improve our cooking equipment as well as cookware at the Club House. We can now actually boil water! **THANK YOU: Steve Bishop, Robert & Melanie Marr , Tom & Cyndi Mann , Arnie & Teresa Wilenken, Susan & Terry Hooper, Michelle & Dennis Van Fleteren.** We also want to say a Huge "THANK YOU" to some folks who have worked hard on our Roof at the Club. Excited!! Repairs & Improvements are right around the corner.

Life is Good at the Lake!

THANK YOU: Bryan Lindsey, Philip Costa, Terry Hooper, Roy Cantu, Clayton Perry, Don & JP.

It's "Fiesta Time" Come Party with us on April 29, 2017, Social from 7:00 - 7:30 pm

We will be serving Chicken & Beef Fajitas, Fiesta Rice, Borracho Beans, Guacamole, Salsa, & Flour Tortillas.

"See you at the Lake "

Michelle

RC Sail continued from page 1

Winch manufacturers usually recommend "monthly" checks to ensure proper operation. This can be as simple as carefully removing the winch drum followed by checking the internal mechanism by connecting the winch handle and carefully cranking to check for smooth operation. For those of you who's vessel is stored in a slip, here's a tip to prevent loose parts from falling into the water. Find a small inexpensive plastic paint-type bucket or perhaps a parts cleaning pan. Measure the diameter of the winch drum base and carefully cut a hole in the item you chose for this such it will "snugly" fit over the winch drum base. Then, as you're disassembling the winch, any parts that accidentally are dropped will be retained instead of falling overboard.

Before closing, my "Thanks" to our St Patrick's Regatta volunteers,

Al and Vickie King,

Andrew Dempster, Randle Moore and Dirk Uys for their outstanding help on our Race Committee, as well as Canyon Lake Marina General Manager, **JP Schott**, for providing one of his Boston Whalers for the Chase Boat. The success of our regattas depends on Race Committee availability and our volunteers help make this happen.

"Behold, the power of the wind!"
(Skipper Chris Sheldon's quote from "While Squall")

Arnie Wilenken

Rear Commodore for Sail



Did You Know?

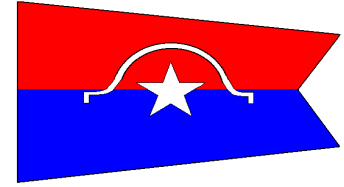
HCYC is quite fortunate to have club owned boats available for member use. Here's a brief reminder. When you have finished with a Sunfish for the day, pull in onto the sunfish dock. Be sure the spine of the boat, (reinforced ridge along the keel line) is centered on the dock roller. Pull the boat completely on the dock. Open the hull drain on the transom, lift the bow to allow seepage to drain from the hull. It is essential to do this EVERY TIME the boats are returned to the dock. If seepage is not allowed to drain, the boats increase in weight due to excess water in the hull and the boats are damaged when attempting to launch or recover.

Enjoy & Happy Sailing!

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23 World Immunization Week	24	25	26 Administrative Professionals	27	28 Arbor Day April Movie Night - "Capt. Ron" (PG-13)	29 <i>Fiesta Regatta</i> Fuel Fill Up at Marina Executive Comm. Meeting
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Rockin News!

Ahoy!

The fourth annual Rockin' The Balls is just around the corner! The July 15th event is free, open to the public and provides a great venue for music, food, sun and fun! We have four bands booked for a full day of fun. This year we will have a twist. Once everyone returns back to the dock safely, we will have a small intimate encore secession with Gary Glen and the 20X band.

Currently, we are seeking sponsors for the event. This is a great opportunity to promote your business. We also would like others to get involved and join in the fun to help with the event.

If you are interested in advertising your business or would like to help the event in any way please let me know.

See You On The Water

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