



January 2024

Greetings LLYC Members!

As Publicity Chair, I would like to start off by saying, ***"WE'RE BAAAACCCCKK!"***

Yes, the Club is open and operational! Have you been to the Clubhouse recently? We have had some events already, such as the Friday Night BBQ on Friday, Jan 26th. What? You missed it? Well then, you missed out on some great fun and good eats. Many thanks to **Stella Pereira** and **Chris Poehlmann** for making an awesome dinner. Similar dinners will be held throughout the year, so make sure you come on down to the Clubhouse to meet up with your fellow members and enjoy some good fun.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

From time to time, we would like to recognize those members who have gone above and beyond the call of duty. If you know someone who has stepped up and would like them to be recognized, please email us at: lochlomond yachtclub@gmail.com. In this light, let's give our congratulations to our first Volunteer of the Month:

DAVID TATTERSALL

There have been a lot of things happening behind the scenes and we owe a lot of gratitude to those folks for making our Club operational again. First and foremost, we thank **David Tattersall**. Since finding out that the Club had lost its insurance coverage, **David** furiously worked on getting our Club insured again. It took a lot of wrangling but, after having been closed down for nearly a month, we are back in business at last! Many thanks, **David**!

David was also instrumental in getting the Club's many Committees back up and running. We have new Committee Chairs now, and we have met several times recently in order to determine our roles and work together for the betterment of LLYC. Again, kudos to **David**!

2024 OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

As you may know, the Club had its Annual General Meeting in January. At that meeting, a new slate of Officers & Directors was voted on and approved by the membership. Subsequently, the Board appointed **Jeff Moss** as Secretary. These folks will be formally installed at our Change of Watch, happening on **Friday, February 16th**. Please mark your calendars and make sure you come and support the new 2024 Board!

Your new Board includes:

Commodore – Matt Byers

Vice Commodore – David Tattersall

Rear Commodore – Alex Melgarejo

Fleet Captain – Ed Cass

Port Captain – *Vacant*

Secretary – Jeff Moss

Treasurer – Dave Hansen

Entertainment Director – William Marshall

Membership Director – Vivian Malcy

Incoming Cruise Director – Dennis Amundsen

FINANCES

One of the biggest challenges currently facing the Club is our financial situation. The Covid Pandemic took a huge bite out of our ability to make money. No rentals, no events, and so now, we have to catch up and refill the coffers. To that end, your Board had to make the painful decision to raise prices in all areas. That includes Dues, Facility Rentals, Meals and Bar pricing. We hope you understand the need for this and know that the increased revenue will help in improving the Club down the line.

As such, we ask you all to please pay your Dues as soon as possible. Dues are the lifeblood of our Club! You can also help by coming to the Club for Friday Night Happy Hours as well as the special events coming up. We are working on keeping the LLYC website up to date with Club events, so check it out for upcoming events. And of course, Evites will continue to be sent!

EVITES

Speaking of Evites.....we are working on a way for you to be able to pay in advance when you RSVP for an Evite event. This will make it easier for planning purposes, as well as making it easier for everyone all the way around! Stay tuned!

VOLUNTEER

And finally, have you volunteered yet? Volunteers are the most important people in our Club! We need you! We are an all volunteer club and, as such, your efforts are needed to help run things. There are so many areas where your talents can be put to good use: in the Galley (either cooking, cleaning, setting up, etc); Bartending (all you need is a short online course to get certified); Decorating for events (check with the Entertainment Committee), etc. When you joined, you made a promise to volunteer, so now's the time to step up! And remember, this is only January, and your help will be needed throughout the year!

In the future, the *Salty Serpent* will contain articles from the various Officers & Directors. If you have anything you would like to see in future editions of the *Salty*, just let me know! This is your newsletter and we want to keep these lines of communications open to all.

Many thanks,

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