

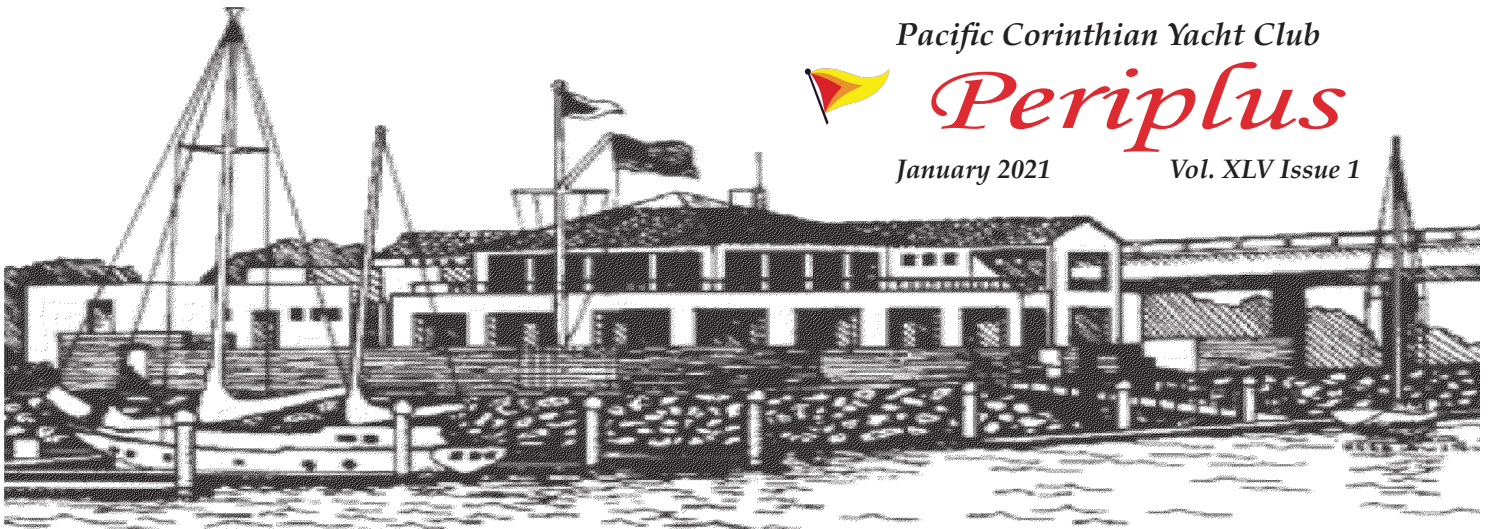
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# Periplus

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# Happy New Year 2021



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## Meaning of Periplus

The word periplus stems from Greek, meaning 'journey' and also means a circumnavigation or sea voyage around a coastline. The use of a periplus, or journal, dates back to the second century and was a document listing in order, the ports and coastal landmarks, with approximate intervening distances, that the captain of a vessel could expect to find along a shore. In that sense the periplus was a type of log, similar to the modern day ship's log.

We use the term for our Club newsletter since it is the documentation of our travels at the Club and offshore and provides a historical record for us to reminisce and share with others. It is our shared and unique history as club members.

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Happy New Year to the PCYC Family. In case you may have missed it, the annual Change of Watch ceremony occurred on December 12 via ZOOM. A special thanks to John Gaddis and Don Meyers for making the necessary arrangements.

This year our focus is to remain safe and comfortable at the Club.

Our objective for the year 2021 is to have FUN in and on the water. With the cooperation of the government personnel and the recent vaccine approvals we may be headed for more normal operations. The Club is in an envious position to promote "Fun in and on the water." The best start is our heated pool and hot tub.

For on the water, we have three Hydro Bikes which are regarded as a revolutionary concept in cycling. Owners consider the bikes very safe and a great way to exercise. Another opportunity for members is paddle boarding, a great way to experience the waters by using one of our six paddle boards. If it's your first time, consider taking a lesson with some plans that are available online. And for those comfortable with kayaks, the Club has 14 available for members and their families. Before taking advantage of the Club's equipment, it's a good idea to review the Coast Guard's safety guidelines.

Boating members have the additional benefit of using our Electric craft, Cutie. It's an excellent way to tour the harbor. Our more experienced sailors have the advantage of using our 26' Catalina, Selavy. These rentals require individuals to take a qualifying test that can be arranged with the front desk.

The Club's enjoyment and success is a reflection of its members. Your continued participation and involvement make PCYC the "home away from home." Your input and suggestions are a great start, but the best way to help our Club to further improve is to volunteer.

Please check with the front desk regarding current restrictions on the use of water equipment.

Please send your thoughts, recommendations, and how you can be of service, to the PCYC Front Desk or me.



Vice Commodore - Ilene Sheldon  
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I am writing this just after our ZOOM PCYC Change of Watch, so I am reflecting on what a year 2020 has been. As the one who sees the glass half full, I have been trying to stay optimistic this past year despite the fact that our world has been turned upside down and inside out.

So as I reflect on this past year, at first, it brings to mind all the events causing turmoil...the pandemic, not being able to go out to dinner, and remaining physically distant from friends and family. It makes it hard to stay optimistic.

But then all the good things life has to offer come to mind...good health, good friends, family, (for those of us who continue to work jobs), cleaner air, less traffic, the internet and a vaccine. Instacart and ZOOM have become really good friends as well as UPS since I can do all my shopping online.

We've had many ZOOM happy hours with good friends which enabled us to share a lot of laughs and stay connected with each other. While I miss not seeing everyone in person, especially at Ice Breakers in Bill's Bar, it's the next best thing.

The House Committee will be busy in the next few weeks getting ready for 2021. We'll will keep you up to date. Right now the project which we will need to tackle is the re-surfacing of the upper deck.

I'd also like to welcome all our new members to our PCYC family.

So as we close out 2020, I see light at the end of the tunnel even though it may take a few months. I am looking forward to seeing everyone again in Bill's Bar and at our many social events sharing a drink and definitely some laughs.

Thank you to everyone who has supported me during my year as Rear Commodore and now as Vice Commodore, especially to my husband Rick. I couldn't do it without you.

I hope you had a joyous holiday season. I wish everyone a HAPPY, HEALTHY NEW YEAR!!! Here's to 2021!!!

Ilene



Rear Commodore - Jack Schuler  
*jackschuler@aol.com*

*For my Report for this issue of the Periplus, I'd like to pass on this commentary on the Blessing of the Fleet tradition written by Past Commodore Jerry Goldberg.*

The Blessing of the Fleet is a tradition that began centuries ago in Mediterranean fishing communities. A blessing from the local priest was meant to ensure a safe and bountiful season.

Since then, the Blessing of the Fleet has become a well-established religious and civic tradition, kept alive throughout the world by descendants of the original Mediterranean fishing communities. The events that are part of the ritual vary by community and range from a simple ceremony to a multi-day festival including a Catholic mass, parades, pageantry, dancing, feasting and contests.

The honored and traditional ceremony of the Blessing of the Fleet precedes organized yacht clubs by hundreds of years. The first yacht clubs in the United States were organized in the 1800's, the most famous of which was the New York Yacht Club started in 1844.

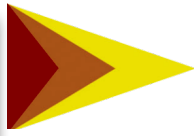
A large number of yacht clubs throughout the world now have an established tradition of the ceremonial Blessing of the Fleet. To yacht club boaters in other parts of the world, the "Blessing" is as much a sign of spring as is the Opening Day ceremony. Here in the beautiful Channel Islands Harbor, we don't have to wait for spring to arrive!

### **Traditional Prayer for Blessing the Fleet –**

*“May God in Heaven fulfill abundantly the prayers which are pronounced over you and your boats and equipment on the occasion of the Blessing of the Fleet. God bless your going out and coming in. The Lord be with you at home and on the water. May He accompany you when you start on your many jour-neys; May He fill your nets abundantly as a reward for your labor; and may He bring you all safely in, when you turn your boats homeward to shore. Amen”*

Our PCYC Blessing of the Fleet tradition begins with a gathering of boats - large or small, powered by fuel, wind or humans – which will cruise in parade in front of the PCYC dock and there receive a blessing written just for them.

All PCYC boaters – power, sail, electric, kayaks - are invited to participate in the event. Please make your reservations. Call 805-985-7292. We hope to see you there.



General Manager - Don Meyers  
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In General Happy Holidays!

On behalf of our entire team at PCYC I'd like to thank you all for your generosity towards the Employee Holiday Gratuity Fund. This has been an unprecedented year dealing with COVID-19 and all the challenges that come with it.

Of course, just like each of you, we are looking forward to getting back to "normal" sooner rather than later. Thank you for your patience and cooperation as the State and County restrictions are constantly changing.

We all sincerely appreciate the opportunity of serving you and will continue to strive to meet and exceed your expectations.

Stay safe, stay well and Happy Holidays to all!

Don Meyers  
General Manager



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## Membership Chair - S/C Patty McInnes

The Membership Committee is pleased to welcome all the new members who joined our Club in 2020! We are excited to have our new members become involved in the Club as our dining and activities reopen in 2021. We encourage all our members to join committees as the Club reopens during the year and become involved in the Club. It's the best way to make new friends and have the most fun at the Club.

Because of the continuing Covid virus conditions, we are extending our Limited Time Membership Offer with a reduced initiation fee of \$1000 until March 31, 2021. You can print the card at the bottom of the announcement flyer in this issue to give away as an easy reminder for your friends and neighbors to call for an appointment to tour the Club. When the Club returns to normal operation, the initiation fee will go back to \$3500.

NEW for 2021 is a program offering a FREE dessert to help you celebrate your Birthday at PCYC. Each month we will publish a list of Birthdays and remind you to make a reservation for dinner to receive your free dessert as a birthday gift from PCYC.

For our couples celebrating their Anniversaries, LaVella Consiglio and Linda Allen will be emailing animated Anniversary cards each month to wish you a Happy Anniversary on behalf of PCYC. Look for these ecards in your inbox!

The Membership Committee members, Doris Melillo, Karen Lorenzen, Ron Dreher and I, welcome our new members and wish all our members a Happy New Year.



# January 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				1 Happy New Year	2	3
4	5 Club Closed	6 Club Closed	7	8	9	10
11	12 Club Closed	13 Club Closed	14	15	16	17 Blessing of the Fleet
18	19 Club Closed	20 Club Closed	21	22	23	24
25	26 Club Closed	27 Club Closed	28	29	30	31

# February 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2 <b>Club Closed</b>	3 <b>Club Closed</b>	4	5	6	7
8	9 <b>Club Closed</b>	10 <b>Club Closed</b>	11	12	13	14
15	16 <b>Club Closed</b>	17 <b>Club Closed</b>	18	19	20	21
22	23 <b>Club Closed</b>	24 <b>Club Closed</b>	25	26	27	28

CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY

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## *Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club*

Beginning January 1, 2021, PCYC will be offering a special way to celebrate your birthday. Each Regular Member will receive a free dessert, of Chef's choice, during their birthday month with the purchase of a main course dinner entree.

When making your reservation, please state that it is your birthday month, so our staff can be ready to serve you. No substitutions please. You can have your dinner at the Club, as allowed, or to-go.

If your name is not on the January birthday or anniversary list below, please call the Club at 805-985-PCYC (7292) so we can update our records.

### **HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAY FROM PCYC!**

Elizabeth Acosta, Raymond Ahlich, Jerry Baggett, Joji Barris-Paster, James Baskerville, Shar Behrman, Patricia Boucher, John Bowers, Sandra Bowman, Leslie Braun, Dann Daggett, Annie Dalby, Natalie Dobkowski, Mimi Draves, Ron Dreher, Jon Drucker, Beth Freedman, Alexa Garfunkel, Dennis Genova, Karol Greysen, Scott Harrison, Jane Heagerty, Brendan Janisse, Robert Jurik, Alice Kearney, James Klein, Theodore Knowles, Sandy Koh, Greg Maas, Tom McDonald, Denise McLaughlan, Deborah Meschkat, Alexander Namikas, Jim Pensinger, Anita Petersen, Bert Potter, Ted Price, Tina Rink, Lisa Salvatore, Jack Skidmore, Betty Swift, Darrell Thompson, Stacy Von Lanken, James White, Randal Winter, Marlena Yokaitis,

### **WISHING YOU A VERY**

### **HAPPY JANUARY ANNIVERSARY FROM PCYC!**

Look for you animated ecard from PCYC in your inbox

Robert & Angie Alexander, Paul & Linda Bonds, Bernard & Parnian Kummer, Al & Karen Lorenzen, Ronald & Marjorie Tegland, Peter & Lyndsay Timpson, James & Katharine White, Kevin & Julie Williams

# PCYC Blessing of the Fleet 2021

Include Your Boat in this Time Honored Tradition!



The Blessing of the Fleet for 2021 will be held on January 17th. In order to have your boat included, you must make arrangements by calling the Front Desk.

**PLEASE NOTE: ALL BOATS ARE WELCOME - Power, Sail or Electric!**

We are also offering a pre-order to-go breakfast burrito.

AM Burrito \$10 - Applewood Smoked Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Shredded Jack Cheese, Potatoes and Salsa Picante Wrapped in a Warm Flour Tortilla, Paired with Fresh Fruit

Vegetarian Burrito \$10

Scrambled Eggs, Shredded Jack Cheese, Potatoes and Salsa Picante Wrapped in a Warm Flour Tortilla Paired with Fresh Fruit

Participating boats will meet at the Turning Basin at 9:00 AM on the day of the event. If you have any further questions, feel free to contact us at the Front Desk.

# *Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club*

## **LIMITED TIME MEMBERSHIP OFFER**

PCYC and the Membership Committee are offering a limited time initiation fee reduction for Regular Membership in one of the most prestigious private yacht clubs in Southern California.

Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to take advantage of this special limited time membership offer.

\$1000 Initiation Fee\* (formerly \$3,500)

Deadline for sign up is March 31, 2021

The Club is currently open for take-out from Wednesdays through Sundays. We will resume other dining options as soon as allowed.

If you know someone who may be interested, please give them the card below and have them contact the General Manager, Don Meyers at 805 985 7292 to arrange for a tour of our Club or pick up an application.

\*Conditions that apply:

This membership cannot be sold or transferred. If you were to resign from the Club, you would not be able to reinstate your membership without paying the initiation fee in effect at that time. The Regular Membership monthly dues are currently \$230. Once the Board reinstates the bi monthly membership minimums, you will be required to spend a determined amount for food and drinks.

Note: The initiation fee will return to \$3500 when we can resume more normal Club activities.

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**805-985-7292**

You are cordially invited to tour PCYC and  
find out about our limited time membership  
offer. Call for an appointment and enjoy a  
complementary drink!

**Invited By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Mask & temperature check required



Fleet Health Advocate - Jan Losey

## HEALTH NOTES

Welcome to 2021 from a new flag officer, and an old member of PCYC. I am the new Fleet Health Advocate (a new title for old offices) and will be presenting you with information on wellness and safety at intervals through the year. First I'd like to give you a brief bio on my background in healthcare. I'm a University of Florida (yes - a Ga-tor!) graduate in physical therapy a la 1969 and just retired this year. Approximately the first 20 years I worked in schools for children with disabilities, and the last 30 years were in physical rehabilitation, both out-patient and in-patient.

This is a strange and challenging year, to say the least! My goal and plan is to present you with information on health maintenance from a variety of perspectives. In that process I would like to hear from you about topics that would be of special interest to you. You can email me at [jmlosey71@gmail.com](mailto:jmlosey71@gmail.com). How these will be presented will depend on the status of the club with respect to all the Covid protocols.

As you know, we in Ventura County, as well as the rest of Southern California, are currently in the purple tier (the highest – or lowest depending on your perspective – of 4 tiers). As such we have mandated closure of many businesses, restricted meeting, as well as all the other infection-control measures (masks, frequent hand sanitation, physical distancing). Our current mandate began at midnight on Dec. 6th and goes for 3 weeks, at which point our status with respect to all the Covid stats will be re-assessed and a determination made as to what's next.

Our current numbers do NOT look good! Daily case counts are climbing and available ICU beds are currently at 0%. To come out of the purple tier one of the criteria is ICU beds at or above 15%. To help keep track of all this info, one of the best sites is the following: [www.venturacountyrecovers.org](http://www.venturacountyrecovers.org). You can sign up to receive daily posts that give you all sorts of information, such as all the Covid statistics for the county, location/type of testing sites and when open, latest vaccine info, criteria for the four tiers, what's closed/open, etc. I would recommend that site to keep up with things, as they change on a daily basis. I look forward to serving you in this capacity

– With you in Wellness!

# Welcome to our New Regular Members for 2020

Joe & Liz Acosta  
Craig & Tracy Adams  
Courtney Alexander  
Jim & Rosemary Allison  
Paula Ames-Axt & David Newman  
Jewels Avelar  
Kristine & Ed Boctor  
Chris & Scott Brown  
William Burton  
Bob & Jean Cacciarelli  
Steve Canyon  
Stephen & Pamela Christie  
Donald & Amy Clark  
Joel & Chrissa Clemons  
Michele Craft  
Jim & Sandy Dal Pazzo  
Tim & Christen Dayton  
David De Pinto & Beatrice Harendza-Harinxma  
Richard Dean & Andrea Jackson  
Gabriela Dena & Claudio Sandoval  
Tim & Mimi Draves  
Elle Ebiza  
Richard Figueroa & Carolyn Takahashi  
Bernie & Francine Francis  
Beth Freedman  
Cary Fukuoka & Laura Bensel-Fukuoka  
Alexa Garfunkel & Jim Klein  
Doha Ghor  
Shepard & Ronni Goodman  
Frank & Sheeza Gordon  
Ken & Sherry Gorelick  
Sandra Greenland  
Karol Greysen  
Bob & Shirley Hansen  
Brian & Marie Haase  
Ron & Susan Haase  
Eric & Delores Hermann  
Michael & Patricia Herson  
Lance & Nina Holt  
Richard & Tammy Hooper  
Ben & Sandra Hopps  
Dieter & Cecilia Huckestein  
Patricia Hurley  
Carl & Jan Jarrett  
Dennis & Margie Junker  
Bob & Brandi Jurik  
Barry & Sue Klein  
James Krauskopf & Dani Patrick  
Hal McDonald & Marilyn Miravete-Smith  
Randy McElvain  
Donna & Phil McGuire  
Alex Namikas & Melody O'Leary-Namikas  
April Nickerson  
Robert Olivas & Atty Castle-Olivas  
Georgie Olsen & Lori Rojas  
Logan Osland & Carla Lubig  
Jim & Cathy Perry  
Tom & Anita Petersen  
Doug & Andrea Rea,  
Jay & Nora Rohan  
Kristie Jo Salmen  
Lorraine & Lisa Salvatore  
Frank Saslow & Manya Faridani  
Nichole Saslow & George French  
Otto Schimmel  
Bob Schuit & Tish King  
Phil & Janet Shuman  
David & Donna Stewart  
Ralph & Naomi Stokes  
Aaron Straussner & Julie Sherman  
Janina Szczechowicz  
Mary Vasinda  
Scott & Stacy Von Lancken  
Bill & Shelila Warburton  
Randy & Gail Winter  
Marlena Yokaitis



Pacific Corinthian Youth Foundation - Tom Sheidler  
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*After considerable deliberation, the PCYF Board at our May meeting unanimously voted to cancel the summer sailing program for 2020. This was a tough decision to make. However, Sea Scout Ship 9201, due to creative leadership and flexibility, had a pretty decent year while safely complying with the COVID-19 requirements. The following report on activity was prepared by Sea Scout Executive Officer, Tom Danza.*

The year began with a wave of activity. In January, scouts completed a full day on-the-water "Boat Navigation & Piloting" class. Skills learned and practiced included boat safety, docking, rendezvous, towing, knots, and piloting, not to mention spending a full day on a power boat! To be sure our scouts are becoming quality boaters. A 2-day boating class was also completed where California Boating License requirements (and more) were taught. After the month of training, the scout progress was reviewed and the skills and knowledge were directly applied to their rank advancement. An incredibly special thank you goes to Coast Guard Auxiliary David Vadbunker and Paul Fielding for making the two courses possible, not to mention Paul bringing his boat and lifejackets for skills practice!

February found the scouts continuing "on-the-water" with a paddle around the harbor starting from the PCYC dock. The paddle covered about five miles total, rounding the peninsula and lunch at Sea Bridge Park. Paddle methods and water safety were presented during the voyage.

The Sea Scout Ship adds an option for youth to grow well beyond the PCYF summer sailing program. Before COVID arrived, plans for the coming year had included small boat sailing and paddle sports, an overnight on Santa Cruz Island, and a fishing excursion. Since COVID, group activities are limited and follow written guidelines. However, work continued. Ship mates met via Zoom and continued their education. Four shipmates earned elevation to "Ordinary" rank. In addition, Aaron Wolf, son of PCYC members Sun and David Wolf qualified as Eagle Scout. Shipmate Cole Edson made his Eagle scout requirements and will soon proceed for his board of review. They both plan to work on the Sea Scout equivalent of the rank, "Quartermaster."



Sienna Patterson, who grew up in the PCYF summer sailing program and is now an instructor, is an active member of our ship. This is good example of how PCYF contributes to developing youth into trained boaters through both the summer camp and Sea Scout ship.

To join Sea Scouts a youth must be 13 years of age and graduated from the eighth grade or be 14 years old. They may remain in the program until 21 years of age. Activities are in, on, under and around the water and provide challenging rank advancement, safe boating training, and marine education. Summer sailing is offered June through August.



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