

# The Captain's Log



## LONG BEACH YACHT CLUB

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### From the Bridge

First, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kert Meyer, Past Commodore, the other Flag Officers and the Board Members for a job well done in 1990. The 1991 Flag Officers and Governing Board are looking forward to serving you, the members, this year and with your help we will move this club forward. I feel we are at the crossroads in the club's history and the direction we choose will determine the future of our organization. You have elected a well qualified diverse group of people to govern the operation of this club. With their guidance and your support, good things are on the horizon for LBVC in 1991.

Thanks to Kert and the '90 Board we are entering the New Year with a clean slate financially. At the Dec. meeting, the new board approved the tentative budget for the year and established the dues at \$275 less any discount, payable by Feb. 15th. After that date, the dues will be \$300. Initiation fees remain at \$250 for new members. No one likes an increase in dues, but realistically the Board had no other choice but to raise them to keep up with inflation. This is the first increase in three years and perhaps long overdue. I know you share with us the desire to see our club prosper and operate on a sound financial basis. This increase is a necessity.

The following Committee Chairpersons have been approved by the Governing Board for 1991.

House - Kay Barrett & Johnny Odom  
Entertainment - Anna Charlton & Lydia Rayner  
Power Boat - Mac Nelson  
Race & Sail - Randy Ladner

Secretary/Treasurer - Steve Bowman  
Building & Grounds - Howard Kapp  
Docks & Piers - Greg Burns  
Radio/Communications, Beach Master -  
Dunnie Green  
Club Parliamentarian - Ethyl Lawshe

The other committee posts will be filled at the earliest possible date. If you have an interest in serving on any of these committees, please contact me as soon as possible so we can hit the ground running early in January. Those who have committed to serve as chairpersons deserve our support. I know they will exceed all expectations.

I would like to share with you our goals for this year.

1. Sound financial operation and accountability
2. An informed membership
3. A profit from the House Committee
4. A club facelift both inside and outside
5. A return to the basic concepts of our club by making it family oriented
6. Increase membership to 300
7. Develop programmatically to ensure there is something for every member at LBVC
8. Budget to include restoration of funds for bond retirement in 1993
9. Continue to develop a strong Race & Sail Program
10. Make this year the best ever in the history of the club.

I realize this list is perhaps a bit ambitious but together every one of these is attainable through hard work and dedication.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	1 Happy New Year	2 Flag Officers Meeting	3	4 Friday Night Buffet 5:30pm	5
6	7	8	9 Board of Governors	10	11 Friday Night Buffet 5:30pm	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Friday Night Buffet 5:30pm	19 Commodore's Ball
20	21	22	23	24	25 Friday Night Buffet 5:30pm	26
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12pm - 8pm	Closed	Closed	4pm - 10pm	4pm - 10pm	4pm - Midnight	1pm - 10pm

Entertainment

Don't forget the New Years Eve Bash here at the Club. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend. Also coming up is the gala Commodore's Ball on Jan. 19th. It is the last function of the 1990 entertainment committee. A special thanks to Shelda Jones for this event and all the other "super" entertainment attractions held in 1990.

As we plan the activity calendar for the year, we would like to include the types of entertainment you wish, so let us know your interests. Better yet, come down and be a part of this important committee.

Lydia Rayner & Anna Charlton

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We can start off the New Year by participating in club activities and spending some time with your fellow members on Friday evenings and other times as well. In the coming months, We will present for your comments and support many ideas and plans to improve our club and its operations. Please take note that your interest in the affairs of the club are welcome and we invite your attendance at our monthly meeting of the Governing Board on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Best wishes for the Holiday Season.

Thomas E. Barrett  
Commodore

The Ladies Auxiliary hosted a combination Christmas Party & Meet the New Members on Dec. 8th at the club. The ladies decorated and did a super job. A large tree dominated the room with twinkling lights, topped with a huge gold bow with ribbon streamers cascading down its length. Each family brought an ornament with their name written on it to hang on the tree. The children made a Christmas ornament craft. I have one now sitting proudly on my tree at home. The highlight of the evening was a visit from old St. Nick himself! The children were so excited as they sat on Santa's knee and told them their fondest wishes. A buffet table was spread with goodies whipped up by the members that would tempt any palate.

Door prizes went to Tom Barrett, Holly Murray, Chuck Ramsey, Julie Byrne, Judy Schrock, Marion Parker & Merle Hammack. Lucky person was Charles Lawshe.

A good time was had by all and with this in mind, we can prepare our New Year's resolutions. We have many hard working people in the club that have brought us such a long way. We still have a long way to go and we really need to support our club and take it even further. Our thanks to Commodore Kert Meyer and his Board of Governors for their leadership & hard work. We need to get on down to the club and support the incoming officers and do all we can to attain our goals. It will take each and every member doing what he or she can to make it a success. Have a great and happy holiday and a safe one. See you next year.

Barbara Kimball

Membership Happenings

The strength of any organization is its membership. Each year the member-

ship chairperson works diligently to increase our rolls above what we lose through normal attrition. We wind up about the same each year. This year our goal is 300 members. Greg Burns suggested at the Dec. meeting we should work toward each member bringing in at least one new member during 1991. This would be great, but realistically it just doesn't work that way. Perhaps if 50% of the membership put forth a little effort we can attain our goal. We challenge each of you to contact a neighbor, friend or relative who might be interested in joining. Bring them to the club for a visit or better yet, to one of our outstanding functions. Very few members join as "walk-ins". They wait for someone to approach them and inquire if they are interested. Let's work together to swell our ranks. Remember, new members make a strong club and help us financially attain many of our other goals. Please do your share - let's break tradition in 1991.

House Committee

There is not to much to report about the House Committee this month. But hopefully, next month we'll all be in the swing of things at the club. We have changed the time of the Friday Night Buffet from 7:00 pm to 5:30 pm. We have an excellent cook, Mr. Roy Fits, who will be working closely with us to develop a club menu in keeping with what the members desire. Many changes are in the making to enhance the operation of the club and offer better service. If you have any suggestions that would improve our operation, please let us know. We are also looking for additional help on the House Committee, so volunteer your talents right away!

Kay Barrett and Johnny Odom

