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PORT ROYAL YACHT CLUB Redondo Beach, CA
A Friendly, Casual, Fun-loving Group Devoted to Social and Boating Activities

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

**Port Royal
Yacht Club**
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Redondo Beach
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Dear Members

Reprinted in this issue, are the 1994 4th Annual Opening Day Ceremony Invitation and Program. Look through the details and you will see some currently active members listed. The old timers will also recognize some friends of the past who are no longer with us. We lost one member that year Tom Beston who lived to be 102, he was born in 1891. This year we celebrate our 20th Anniversary with a special club party. Make sure to mark July 17th

in your calendars to join us for this special event. We will honor the people who have come before us. Every time I visit the club I am reminded that Port Royal was not always there, yachtsman got together, formed a club, and now we receive the benefits of their vision. Because of their work, we have a clubhouse in which to gather, socialize, and enjoy our beautiful harbor.

Our social calendar is very busy. The first quarter of the year was very successful, we had our Tri-club party, Superbowl Sunday Officer Installation, Whale Watching Cruise, IOBG Wine Tasting Fundraiser, Let's Go Fishing Foundation Fundraiser, and most recently, Larry Brown's fabulous fish fry. The International Order of the Blue Gavel (IOBG) Fundraiser was attended by many other yacht clubs and raised \$800 for that organization. The Let's Go Fishing Foundation was sponsored by Barry Anderson (Vice Commodore KHYC) and the Fishing Fleet. In memory of Bob Milligan, we raised over \$1,400; the money will be used to sponsor a trip to Catalina for mothers who have husband lost in the wars. We appreciate everyone who continues to support our club's community events.

I look forward to sailing the PRCY ship into the spring and summer. Some of the new things at the club- our member Dave Bette built a new name tag rack, we have new window coverings and soon to be at the club new PRYC glasses. Everyone I've shown the glasses to says - "they look great, but their going to walk right out of the club." I hope everyone will do their part to make sure that doesn't happen. Let's not forget about boating . . . one of my favorite events is the annual cruise to the Isthmus with Little Ships Fleet. For those of you who have attended in the past, you know this is a fun event. The event takes place May 21-23 the details of the event will be posted soon. Last year we had about 50 people from both clubs attend the event. Looking forward to a great year.

At Ease,

Kevin Herink,
Commodore PRYC



SUPER BOWL CHILI COOKOFF AND OFFICER INSTALLATION

Photos-clockwise from top left:

- Shawn and Dave
- Commodore Kevin with past commodores Shawn, Penny Sue and Andy
- Lou won the football pool
- Shawn got a stereo system for his dinghy as a gift for all the great work he did as Commodore
- 2010 Officer Installation
- Rear Commodore Mike, Junior Staff Commodore Shawn, Commodore Kevin
- Sue wins the chili cookoff
- Shawn and Dave

This is the first big event of the year. We had at least nine chili entries this year and thanks to all the chefs for our tasting treats. It was hard to choose. The Super Bowl was underway and at half time, we had the 2010 Officer Installation.

This is the 20th anniversary year for the club and we have accomplished much in this time. We now have a stellar reputation among clubs up and down the coast. Each year we gather more reciprocals and have gotten burgees from all over the world.

....and our new year is off to a very good start!



VALENTINE'S DAY WHALE WATCH & BRUNCH

We haven't broken our record for not finding a whale but the weather was gorgeous, the dolphins were cavorting all around us, the Mimosas were yummy. Thanks to Bob and Larry for taking us out .



IOBG WINE TASTING

PRYC has been hosting the IOBG wine tasting and fundraiser. It is always a fun event. Each person brings two bottles of wine and people vote for their favorite. It's always a very nice way to spend the afternoon and help a good cause as well.

Jim & Betse Tessman

Since they joined PRYC last year, Jim and Betse have jumped in with both feet helping out and hosting club events. I first met Jim and Betse last year when they were stuffing gift bags for Opening Day and they haven't stopped since! Recently they arranged and hosted the Oscar Party, complete with Red Carpet and formal attire, (that's beach style formal). Jim is also Club Manager. They truly have been a terrific asset to the club. They are fun, friendly and enthusiastic! Thanks Jim and Betse!!!



OSCAR PARTY

Photos clockwise from top:
*Shelia and Kevin on the red carpet
*Starlets at the "After Party"
*Cathy and Oscar winner (of the pool) Lobster Don wearing "Beach Formal".
*Past Commodore Sue with her star on the Walk of Fame

These are some shots from the Oscar Party hosted by Jim and Betse. We all brought appetizers, drank champagne, walked the Red Carpet and voted for our favorites to win Best Picture, best actor and actress etc. Everyone looked quite glamorous, especially Don, Jim and Jimmy Z who were wearing Tuxedo T-shirts.



Bob Milligan



Dear Members

We have lost a dear friend, Bob Milligan. We are all humbled by the thought of losing a loved one, it is something that we can never fully prepare for. On February 21, 2010 people came to Port Royal YC to support Celia, Shawn and Kevin and say farewell to Bob.

In true Irish fashion, a festive, happy, celebratory Irish Wake took place at the club, preceded by a beautiful ceremony with a traditional burial at sea. We had a beautiful send off for Bob. The Grand Slam hosted the family and ceremony while eight other vessels processed clockwise around her. Those who ventured out on the 7 foot seas and participated in the ceremony felt a wide variety of weather which proved to be a metaphor for life. Inside of 60 minutes on the sea, it was sometimes rainy, sometimes sunny, sometimes calm, and sometimes rocky.

Thank you to all who were able to attend and support the Milligan family. *Commodore Kevin*

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

Hi Members, your Rear Commodore here with a couple of things to report:

The bar seems to be doing great as usual. We're trying out a couple of new liquors to see how people like them. So, if you want to see them back, *drink up!!*

Premium wine sales are going great. Remember you can only buy it by the bottle. I like to keep the following in stock:

Under the bar:

Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Noir, Zinfandel, and Syrah

In the cooler in the back:

Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, and an occasional Viogner

As always any suggestions on a varietal you would like to see are appreciated.

Two last things, try and write your full name or at least your first name and last initial on your bar tab and remember you can always catch a cab at the Crown Plaza Hotel.

Larry Halvorsen
Rear Commodore
PRYC

A History of Our Opening Days:



*The Officers and Directors of
Port Royal Yacht Club
requests the honor of your presence
at our*

*Opening Day Ceremonies
Saturday, April 30, 1994
Ceremonies 1400 hours
Hors d'oeuvres 1500 hours
555 North Harbor Drive
Redondo Beach, California*

*RSVP prior to April 26th
(310) 372-3960*

1994 Invitation



20th Anniversary Logo*

This year we are celebrating our 20th year anniversary as Port Royal Yacht Club. (See original 4th Opening Day program next page). We started as a social club for folks that enjoyed boating. Since then we have increased our standing as a member of the SCYA. We have been hosting two races a year, attending other clubs' Opening Days up and down the coast, and do a sail to the Isthmus each year with our Sister club Little Ships. More importantly, we have a reputation for having one of the Best Opening Days due to our partying spirit, the friendliness of our members and the relaxed atmosphere of our club.....*Congratulations Port Royal Yacht Club!!*

**Burgees and hats will be on sale Opening day*

1994 OPENING DAY PROGRAM

FLAG RAISING and OPENING DAY CEREMONY

1300 *Hors D'oeuvres*

1345 *Cannon sounds First Call to Order - Please be seated in the patio area.*

1400 *Greeting by Commodore Lynn Hunter*

- Presentation of Colors U.S. Naval Sea Cadets
- Flag Raising Fleet Captain Mark Twyman and Port Captain Yves Goiset
- National Anthem led by Sarah Fandey
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Founding Commodore Tom Masters
- Invocation Chaplain Ann Irwin

Introduction of Flag Officers and Board Founding Commodore Tom Masters

Introduction of Honored Guests Vice Commodore Colin Vowles

Commodore's Remarks Lynn Hunter

Farewell to Arms

In Memory of the 37th United States President Richard Milhous Nixon

In Memory of PRYC's Youngest "102nd" Honorary Member Tom Boston (1851-1994)

Attendees please rise for the singing of "Amazing Grace" sung by Joanna Funaro and accompanied by Chaplain Ann Irwin.

Formal Commission of the Port Royal Yacht Club

1994 *Yachting Season* Cannoneer - Jr. Staff Commodore Steve Wesolowski
South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club

1500 *Champagne Toast and Cannon Salute honoring the memory of our past members, men and women in the United States services and all police force personnel who have lost their lives serving their country.*

Tom Boston (1994) and Roger Hames (1992)

1530 *Cake Cutting Ceremony in the Clubhouse*

Flag Officers and Board

Commodore and Director	Lynn Hunter	Director	Hal Davidson
Vice Commodore and Director	Colin Vowles	Director	Charla Twyman
Rear Commodore and Director	Mike Ludwig	Director and Club Manager	Penny Towne-Vowles
Founding Commodore and Director	Tom Masters	Director	Dennis Browne
Treasurer	Bill Miller	Fleet Captain	Mark Twyman
Secretary	Dianne Rear	Fleet Captain - Sail	Steve Miller
Chaplain	Ann Irwin	Port Captain	Yves Goiset
Judge Advocate	Dana Skulsky		

Welcome to PRYC's Opening Day Ceremonies. We are honored that you have joined us in celebrating the beginning of our 1994 yachting season. Our Club is not only open today, but throughout the year to our members, their guests, our friends from the Redondo Beach community and other yacht clubs. The Membership and I hope you enjoy todays festivities.

Lynn Hunter, Commodore

Sea Hunt Honored by Diving instructors

By [WALT BELCHER](#) | The Tampa Tribune

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TAMPA - It has been nearly 50 years since "Sea Hunt" went out of production, but the underwater adventure series was honored Saturday night for inspiring a generation of television viewers to take up scuba diving.

"Diving exploded in popularity because millions of kids grew up wanting to be like Mike Nelson," said Zale Parry, a pioneer diver and actor who worked on "Sea Hunt."

"It also helped create an appreciation of the undersea world that needs protection today," said Beau Bridges, actor and son of the late Lloyd Bridges, who starred as Nelson, an ex-Navy frogman, freelance diver and troubleshooter.

The series, which originally ran from 1958 to 1961, has ties to Florida because portions of the episodes were filmed at Silver Springs, [Cypress Gardens](#) and Tarpon Springs.

Parry and [Lloyd Bridges](#) were honored at the 50th [anniversary celebration](#) of the National Association of [Underwater Instructors](#) held at the [Hilton Garden Inn](#) in Riverview. Also honored was actor [Nicolas Coster](#) ("Santa Barbara" and other soap operas) for his work with teaching the disabled how to dive.

The association's international headquarters is in Riverview and more than 300 diving instructors from around the world attended the event. The group screened vintage "Sea Hunt" clips.

"The event was to celebrate our [50th anniversary](#) and dedicate our new world headquarters building so we brought in a lot of the pioneers who helped make scuba diving a sport," said association President Jim Bram. "Many of them are in their 80s now and they got a kick out of the 'Sea Hunt' clips."

"I can't tell you how many people over the years have come up to me and told me how much they loved 'Sea Hunt,'" Parry said. "It was an underwater Western with [Mike Nelson](#) fighting the bad guys and rescuing people."

Parry, who lives in Oregon, started diving in the 1940s as a young girl: "I was always a swimmer and I loved the water."

In 1953 she became a tester of [underwater equipment](#) for Scientific [Underwater Research Enterprises](#). Later, she helped design, build and market the first civilian hyperbaric chamber for divers. In 1954, she set a women's depth record of 209 feet and the next year was on the cover of Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Edition as the "sweetheart" of scuba diving. "I also was an actress and in 1954 I was in 'Kingdom of the Sea,' an underwater travel series," she says. "And then I was asked to help on 'Sea Hunt' by producer Ivan Tors. I helped with the diving, worked as a stunt double and appeared in several episodes

She and diver Courtney Brown (who was Bridges stunt double) taught the actor how to dive. "He was a swimmer and was in good shape," Parry said. "He learned fast and eventually did some of his own stunts."

[Beau Bridges](#) said he and his brother, Jeff, appeared in a few episodes.

"I remember playing a thief who got stuck in a storm drain and had to be rescued by Mike Nelson," he said.

"My father was proud of that show because it was one of the first to be syndicated and became a hit without being on a network," he said. "He also came away with an appreciation of the environment – the whole family did. At the end of each episode, my father would make a plea to protect the oceans.

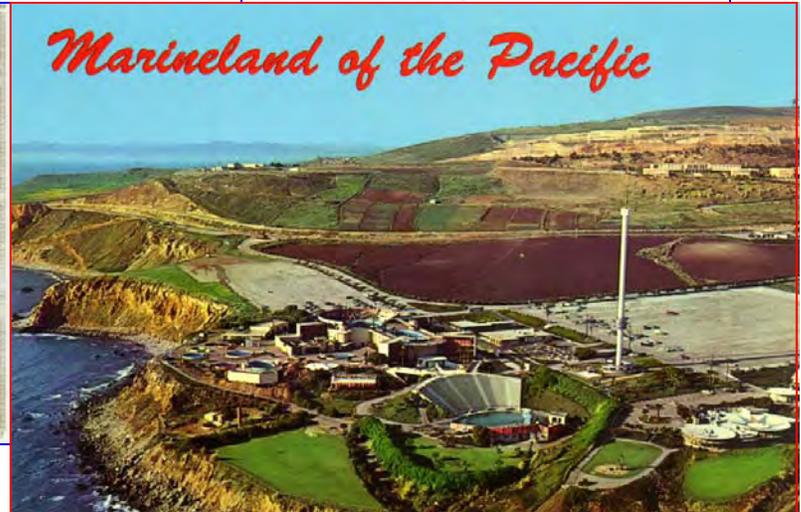
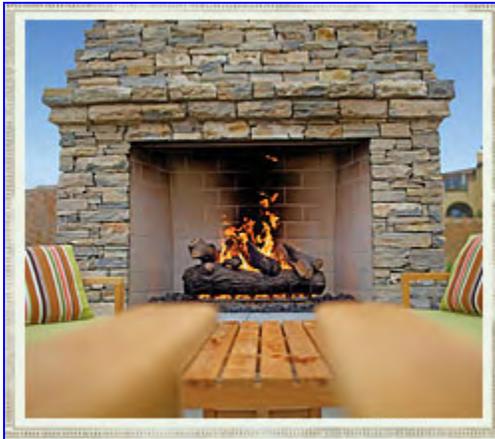
"A lot of the underwater close-ups were filmed at Marineland of the Pacific, which is now closed, but there is a new restaurant there now named Nelson's in honor of my father," Bridges said. "And it's an honor to be part of this [anniversary celebration](#) because dad was a teacher in many ways."

Bridges said he is active in ocean and shoreline preservation and conservation and supports the Oceana organization which works to reduce pollution and prevent the collapse of fish populations, marine mammals and other sea life.

Reporter Walt Belcher ca



Lloyd Bridges and his son, Jeff Bridges, in a publicity still from the TV series "Sea Hunt" (syndicated, Ziv Productions, 1957-1961).



Nelson's today at Terra Nea Resort at the site of the former Marineland