Three Sheets in the Wind

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Commodore's Report Chris Layne



Greetings LSFYC family!

I hope this message finds you all well.

"I am writing to extend our heartfelt congratulations on our member **Allie Tsai's** extraordinary achievement of winning back-to-back regattas (see below). Your dedication, skill, and unwavering commitment to the sport have truly set you apart.

Winning one event is a tremendous feat, but to clinch consecutive victories is a testament to your exceptional talent and determination. You have shown that with

hard work and perseverance, even the loftiest of goals can be reached. Your success not only brings immense pride to yourself but also serves as an inspiration to all aspiring sailors.

Your remarkable performances on the water are a reflection of your dedication to continuous improvement and your love for sailing. It is clear that you have not only mastered the technical aspects of the sport but also possess the mental fortitude and strategic acumen required to excel at the highest levels.

As you celebrate this well-deserved triumph, please know that your achievements have not gone unnoticed. You are a shining example of what can be accomplished with passion, hard work, and a never-give-up attitude.

Once again, congratulations on your back-to-back victories. I look forward to seeing what you will achieve next and wish you continued success in all your future endeavors."

This year has passed by so quickly and much has happened. Looking forward to next year and hope to see you at the LSFYC Holiday Brunch Dec. 8.

Cheers.

Chris LayneLSFYC Commodore
Fleet Captain





Vice Commodore's Report





As we sail into November, it's incredible to think how quickly this year has flown by! We hope you've enjoyed the events, camaraderie, and memories as much as we have. Here's what's on deck as we wrap up the year and look forward to 2025! Mark your calendars!

Friendsgiving Potluck - November 16

Join us for an evening of gratitude, good food, and great friends! Our annual Friendsgiving Potluck will be held on **Saturday, November 16 at The Shed from 5-8.** This is a time to celebrate the season and enjoy each other's favorite dishes.

Annual Holiday Brunch at Acapulco - December 8

Our holiday tradition continues with brunch at **Acapulco** restaurant in the Marina Pacifia center! Keep an eye out for the emails from RC Dominic soon with full details and to RSVP electronically (or email me at tkt2fly@yahoo.com) for this festive event. Space is limited. Let's toast to the season, reflect on a wonderful year, and enjoy a delicious all you can eat brunch with Champaign and Mimosas!

Naples Boat Parade - December 21

The Long Beach holiday tradition continues with the Naples Boat Parade through the Alamitos marina. Decorated boats will pass in review for all to enjoy and cheer on. Meet us at the shed to watch the show. Bring chairs and your camera.

2025 Officer Installation Meeting & Dinner - January 26

Mark your calendars for **Sunday**, **January 26**, from 4-7 for our 2025 Officer Installation Meeting & Dinner at the Boathouse on the Bay in Long Beach. This is an important night as we welcome our new officers and kick off the upcoming year. All members are invited and encouraged to attend this event and delicious dinner at The Boathouse Restaurant. More details and RSVP information will be sent via email as the date approaches.

Seeking Rear Commodore Candidates for 2025!

As we have enjoyed some success this year, we would like to continue the success for the next year 2025. So we are now soliciting candidates for the position of **Rear Commodore** for the 2025 term. If you are interested in contributing to the leadership and success of our club, or if you know someone who would be a great fit, please reach out to any of our current Flag officers including Chris Layne at layne83@gmail.com, Lara Arambula at tkt2fly@yahoo.com or Dominic Arcelin at do-marcelin@gmail.com. The sooner the better! Your involvement is crucial for the continued growth and vibrancy of our club. Contact me for further questions or info at tkt2fly2@msn.com or 714-813-1231cell.

Have pleasant Thankgiving and Christmas Holidays.

Lara Arambula
LSFYC Vice Commodore



Rear Commodore's Report



Ahoy Little Shippers!

Since this is our last newsletter of 2024 I wanted to take some time and look back on my year as the LSFYC Rear Commodore and my time as a member. I joined the club in 2023 and I am still surprised that I was offered the Rear Commodore position. I definitely wouldn't be here without the support of **Chris Layne** and **Lara Arambula**, as well as the rest of the Board of Directors. Also, I feel like I have received a lot of support from all of you Little Shippers as well. Being able

to help organize events, connect with other clubs, and represent LSFYC has been a privilege!

If I think about why I joined the club in the first place, it was for the opportunity to get involved in the sailing community. I'll admit that the first few months of being a member, I questioned if LSFYC was going to help with that. I'm sure I'm not the only person to feel this way. We are a unique club in the sense that we can't just show up to the bar and see who's there. We don't have the large number of members that guarantees a good turn out at events. There are definitely times when this can feel discouraging. Instead of feeling discouraged I decided to try and get more involved.

The more I've gotten involved, the more I've been able to find that community I was looking for. It's been much more encouraging than discouraging to see member involvement with our events grow over the last year, and it's even more rewarding to know that I had a hand in the collaborative effort to make our little community more active and inviting. This is a long winded way of saying that those of you who may feel like you'd like more out of your membership than a parking pass and a few barbecues here and there, get involved!

Your involvement doesn't have to be committing to a position on the board or the flag, though I would encourage everyone that may be interested to reach out and ask questions. Your involvement can be as little as suggesting an event you'd like the club to put on, or shedding light on a volunteer opportunity. Even if you can't attend, there might be LSFYC members that can. We have been working on ideas and events for 2025 and it's going to be an exciting year, but the more input we get from all of you, the better!

It's been a wonderful year at the Shed and on the water, and I can't wait to see what we all come up with in the future. That being said, the year isn't over! Don't forget about our Holiday Brunch on December 8th, as well as the gift exchange. Also, it's still warm enough for sunset drinks at the Shed! Bring a blanket and come enjoy the sunsets. As always, I would love to hear from all of you, about anything and everything. Reach out anytime.

Don't forget my survey on what you as a member would like to see happen at the club: https://forms.gle/2NDbUUcxLGCdQ3jP8

Happy Holidays to all and thanks for your membership.

Dominic Arcelin LSFYC Rear Commodore

Other news

Newsletter...

This newsletter is the last issue for this year...i.e. there will not be a December newsletter. But stay tuned for emails for other items that may happen before the end of the year. The newsletter will resume in January.

The production of the newsletter is a creative effort and brings some enjoyment to the task as it is interesting to take notice of the contributing Officer's input and relay this to the members. But while not an arduous task it can require some creativity to assemble and publish.

The current editor and publisher has been taken care of this role now for some years and is ready to move on to other things. Consequently, if any of the members are interested and would like to handle this effort for the 2025 year, please contact us at: lsfyclb@gmail.com.

Port Captain position...

We are looking a someone to fill the position of Port Captain. For this club, the role is to provide support for the shed with supplies, drinks, maintenance and any preparation for events. Ideally for someone living close by. If interested, please contact us at: lsfyclb@gmail.com.

Vendee Globe Race...

The VENDEE GLOBE is a sailing race, solo (single-handed) around the world, starting/finishing in France via the three capes, *non-stop and without assistance*. It is raced every four years. It is open exclusively to 50-60 ft monohulls that comply with the current rules of the IMOCA class (this includes foils!). The race will start on **Sunday 10th November 2024**. **The winner will complete the race in about 3 months!**

Got to the website and follow the racers daily: https://www.vendeeglobe.org/en





NOVEMBER, 2024



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3 DAYLITE SAVING 1HR BACK	4	5 VOTE!	6 LSFYC BOD MTG 6:30 SHED	7	8 FRIDAY AT THE SHED	9
10	11 VETERNS DAY	12	13	14	15 FRIDAY AT THE SHED	16 LSFYC FRIENDSGIV- ING AT SHED
17	18	19	20	21	22 FRIDAY AT THE SHED	23
24	25	26	27	28 THANKSGIV- ING	29	30



2024 LSFYC Bridge

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