



# *Puerto Galera Yacht Club Newsletter*

February 2019

## **Upcoming Events All events @ PGYC Clubhouse**

Feb 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>  
**Chinese New Year  
Regatta**

February 14  
**Valentines Dinner**  
**BOOK NOW 1799p per  
couple**

April 19 - 21  
**Easter Regatta**

Every Wednesday @  
6:30PM  
**Curry Night Buffet**

Every Friday Night  
**BBQ Night**

## **Happy New Year to all members and guests**

The Club begins the New Year with a new Board of Directors, committee assignments, activity planning, and of course a Newsletter. As always, we need your help with contributions in the form of letters to the editor, photos – old and new, articles on water activities, suggestions, etc. All input is valuable so drop them off at the club office or email us at [communications@pgyc.org](mailto:communications@pgyc.org). With your help, this newsletter will be far more informative and interesting.

Enjoying the view from Neptunus New Year's Eve:



## 2019 Board of Directors

Commodore

**Jurgen Langemeier**

Vice Commodore

Small Boat Program

**Peter Stevens**

Communications

Moorings

**Marco Petrie**

Bar/Resto

**Ronald "Fitz" Fitzpatrick**

**Owen Stull**

Sailing Events

**Terence McManus**

Treasurer

**Garry Kingshott**

Marine Operations

**Mike Chetkowski**

Commercial/Legal

**John Mel Smit**

## New Members

Welcome aboard Shoji Kondo!

## Note from the Commodore



It is a privilege to be your Commodore for the year 2019. I need your support, not only by ladies in this photo... There are interesting events and challenging regattas coming up and we are counting on your participation. The directors are busy with their tasks and thankful for any help from members!

## Board Meeting Recap

Board members for 2019 and their respective role are as follows:

Treasurer: Garry Kingshott

F&B: Ronald Fitzpatrick/ Owen Stull

Small Boat Program and Vice Commodore: Peter Stevens

Marine Operations: Mike Chetkowski

Moorings: Marco Petrie

Sailing Events: Terence McManus

Clubhouse & Grounds and Commodore: Jurgen Langemeier

Communications and Membership: Mark Petrie

Commercial/ Legal: Mel Smit

### Activities?

Peter Stevens has suggested a monthly members' social activity. Ideas – trash disposal/cleanup around the club, Movie night? Casual BBQ? Billiards competition?

At the annual meeting, Brian Calvert proposed a cruising event (3-4 days) open to any vessel. Fantastic idea and would be a great opportunity for members to learn about different sailing areas in the Philippines while being an excellent social activity. While there is nothing in the works yet, if you would be interested in joining, email [communications@pgyc.org](mailto:communications@pgyc.org) and we can begin planning an event.

### Moorings

Our next inspections will be in February, performed by PGYC Staff, Marco Petrie, Mike Tucker, Manfred Decker, and Brian Richardson.

### Communications and Membership

Director Marco Petrie is in charge of Communication and Membership. He will also take a look on the club internet access and see how we can improve our system. In this role, he will check on ways to improve communication about the club and events (e.g., newsletter, Facebook group, and WWW). Two new email addresses are in place to improve feedback from members; [directors@pgyc.org](mailto:directors@pgyc.org) (club recommendations, issues, etc can now be sent to all board members) and [communications@pgyc.org](mailto:communications@pgyc.org) (WWW, newsletter, event related).

## Lead Staff

The staff work tirelessly every day without fanfare, so if you have any comments, suggestions, or **glowing reviews** – please let them know!

**Club Manager: Alma**

**Service Boat: Leo**

**Maintenance: Primo**

**Kitchen: Noriel**

**Sailing Instructor: Rosal**

## Club and Grounds

Commodore Jurgen Langemeier is still in charge of club and grounds. The only planned projects at this time is repairs to the walkway pier in sections.

## Commercial/ Legal

Director Mel Smit is in charge of the legal needs of our club and will take the lead in looking at existing issues and agreements for PGYC.

## Marine Operations

Director Mike Chetkowski is looking into the possibility of saving on fuel costs by converting at least one of the Service boats to run on Solar power with an electric outboard. Trials will be carried out hopefully within the next few weeks at no cost or obligation to the club.

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## News, Happenings, and other tidbits...

### Events

Alma Pollo has created a full calendar of Club activities and sailing events for 2019!

To recap the major events and dates:

<i>Chinese New Year Regatta</i>	<i>Feb. 9 &amp; 10</i>
<i>Valentines Dinner</i>	<i>Feb. 14</i>
<i>Easter Regatta</i>	<i>April 19-21</i>
<i>Oktoberfest</i>	<i>October 5</i>
<i>SBP Regatta</i>	<i>October 26-27</i>
<i>All Souls Regatta</i>	<i>November 1-3</i>
<i>Christmas Lunch</i>	<i>December 25</i>
<i>Christmas Regatta</i>	<i>December 28-29</i>
<i>Annual General Meeting</i>	<i>December 31</i>

These events depend on our member and local participation, we look forward to seeing you there and if you have any recommendations on how we can improve any event, please send us your feedback!

### Resto

The Club has a new oven and is excited about the potential opportunities in terms of new dishes, bread, etc. Director Ronald Fitzpatrick went to the El Galleon resort, which has the same type of oven, to brainstorm ideas for its use and discuss installation options. Fitz and his team are also in the process of updating the club menu. Stay tuned!



## Local Boat Resources:

### Sailing/Boat Resources?

As a sailor new to the area, I was a bit at a loss in terms of local contacts for yacht-related tasks (maintenance, repairs, boatmen, etc.). All of this information exists currently through word-of-mouth, but will be added to the "Local Boat Resources" section in the left column in the coming months.

If you know of a person for a given service – email me (svneptunus@outlook.com) with the name, mobile #, and service offered and I'll include it. As always, do your own due diligence – the list is intended as a starting point for potential resources.

### Welcome Back

S/V Changing Spots and S/V Puerto Galera and expecting S/V Princess Arietta soon!

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## Small Boat Program (SBP)

December and January brought lots of visitors to the yacht club for dinghy sailing courses with 8 basic courses for 10 customers and 56,259p revenue in the program.

The top news for the month was that Gabriel (Gambe) Fetizanan crewed a sexy racing boat in the SYDNEY - HOBART RACE in December. Gambe came up through our dinghy sailing program and had previously represented the Philippines in Mirror World Championships in Australia and Ireland. A fine example of the opportunities that the program offers local youngsters.



Two of our local youngsters are competing for places in the Philippine National Team for the South East Asian Games in November and are being coached by the Philippine Sailing Association and overseas coaches in the Optimist Class. They are off to Manila and Subic again in February for more advanced training

Ten new Lawin Dinghies are being built by a local builder in Calapan and will be an up-grade to the current fleet, with one-piece aluminum masts and booms, aluminum rudders and center-boards and improved deck-gear. The first five will be delivered in the next month. Round Table 10 in Hong Kong donated the majority of the cash, with members Michael Reuber, Rey Ordeveza, and Princess Arietta fronting up with funds for three more.



**Puerto Galera Yacht Club, Inc.**  
 Valentine's Dinner on Feb. 14 starts at 7pm  
 1 COUPLE Dine for 1,799pesos

Hearty Healthy Tortilla Wraps  
 Minestone Soup with Slice of Garlic Bread  
 Rib Eye Steak or Roast beef  
 with mashed potato or french fries and salad  
 Homemade cheesecake  
 Glass of Champagne for the couple

LIMITED SEATS  
 SO BOOK NOW!!!

E mail: [clubhouse@pgyc.org](mailto:clubhouse@pgyc.org)  
 or call +639175205874

**HAPPY AUSTRALIA DAY**  
 Saturday 26th January at 12nn.

Join us for Sausage sizzle,  
 Meat pies & dead horse  
 Cold Beers  
 Pool Comp

**Puerto Galera Yacht Club**  
**Chinese New Year Regatta**  
 Sat. 9 & Sun. 10 Feb. 2019

Join us for some fun on the water followed  
 by special Chinese food at the clubhouse.

Contact us at 09175205874 / [clubhouse@pgyc.org](mailto:clubhouse@pgyc.org)