



# Puerto Galera Yacht Club Newsletter

Oct 2020

## Events

All Souls Regatta  
Oct 30 – Nov 1st

QUIZ NIGHT  
Oct 21<sup>st</sup> Wens @  
6:30PM

Every Tuesday @  
6:30PM  
Pasta Night

Every Wednesday @  
6:30PM  
Curry Night

Every Thursday @  
2:00PM  
Billiards Social

Every Friday @  
6:30PM BBQ Night



Photo Credit: Mark Estabillo

## COVID-19 Puerto Galera

The Government status and actions change often, but are typically posted to:

<https://www.facebook.com/puertogaleragov/>

All visiting yachts need to obtain clearance prior to entering. Contact the local Coast Guard AND the Bantay Dagat for clearance requirements and submit requests. I would highly recommend doing so before embarking. In addition, local yachts need approval from the Coast Guard and Bantay Dagat before heading out for a sail.

If you have specific questions or looking for the most up-to-date information, please contact one of the following contacts depending on your inquiry:

Municipal Contacts:

Coast Guard: +63 927 707 7286 (Boat clearance)

Bantay Dagat: +63 915 617 1104 (Boat clearance)

Tourism Officer: +63 927 439 2001 (Requirements for incoming tourists)

**2020 Board of Directors**

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**Peter Stevens**

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**Marco Petrie**

Sailing Events

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**Garry Kingshott**

**NOTE: all yachts in Puerto Galera NOT destined for a PGYC mooring, should also contact the Bantay Dagat for regulations and fee information.** Currently, there is a Municipality fee of 2 peso/ft/day for all visiting yachts anchoring or moored in Puerto Galera.

At the Clubhouse, please note social distancing and limited capacity are basic COVID preventive measures in place. On the service boat, distancing and a face mask is required for all passengers.

### Service Boat Schedule

Starting Monday, October 19th the service boat schedule will be modified as follows:

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday :8AM-8PM

Wednesday and Friday: 8AM-10PM

Saturday and Sunday: 8AM-8PM

Every 30minutes interval (e.g. 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, etc)

Please call us at 09175205874 if you're at the Muelle Pier or yacht and can't contact our VHF radio channel 68.

### Commodore's Note

I would like to thank members for their generous donations earlier this year, which enabled distributing food during the COVID lock-down to our Staff, Barangay, and community.

When restrictions eased in June, the restaurant was reopened and we are trying to attract customers with special food days and additional events. We appreciate your patronage to help keep the Club running.

### All Souls '20 Green Light

This has been a quiet year as far as sailing events are concerned. The Chinese New Year Regatta was cancelled due to competing boat events. At that time, we did not anticipate that we would be forced to also cancel the Easter Regatta due to the COVID 19 lockdown.

When the lockdown eased, some individual owners have been taking their boats out for a day sail once obtaining the needed clearance from the Coastguard and Bantay Dagat, but there have been no club organized events. Until now...

We have the local coastguard's approval for the 2020 All Souls Regatta (ASR) with the agreement that all entries will consist of boats already moored or anchored in Puerto Galera waters. Although the authorities have not explicitly placed similar restrictions on crew members, in practice crews will also be local. As a result, some boats are likely to be shorthanded, so if you know anyone who would be interested in sailing invite them along.

The ASR will follow the usual format, pursuit racing over three days, Friday October 30th to Sunday November 1st with a race each day. Courses will be laid in the Verde Channel and we plan to add new ones to provide variety and to cater for the fact that, with a limited number of entries, all classes of boat will be sailing in a single division. There will be a special menu each evening, although this year we will not be engaging the Coco Band. We are looking at possible alternatives, so if you have any suggestions let us know. Since Saturday 31st is Halloween, participants will be encouraged to come in costume, the more gruesome the better.

### Pool Table Gets a Makeover



**Before**

The pool table sees regular use, but it's been quite a while since it has received needed TLC. Peter and Clive discussed needed repairs with a local craftsman and received a quote for the work. Peter mentioned a few members would be pitching in for a new table cloth and the Board agreed to pay for the other repairs included in the estimate. Lo and behold, once the work began, additional work surfaced and members stepped in generously donating to the cause. Thank you to everyone who contributed!



**After**

#### **Additional info from Clive (Pool Table)**

With the cushions being slow and couple “lumps” on the table, a group of pool players came to the conclusion that it was time for the table to be refurbished. An estimate of 3500PHP labor and 4000-6000PHP was provided that Peter Stevens proposed the Club pay for estimated labor and that members would cover the cost of the cloth – Board Approved.

The repair crew started Tuesday (13<sup>th</sup>) early by taking the side panels off, then the side rails, then the painstaking job of carefully removing the hundreds of small nails that held the cloth to the rails and table base. Russ and Peter arrived to check how things were going and offered some good advice that the pool man agreed with. This included sealing the slate with a stone sealer. The two small lumps in the table were caused by the concrete breaking below the slate top and pushing up the slate.

Peter also noticed that the edge of the rubber where the balls hit or run along the rails along was puckering up under the pressure of the cloth. The repairman agreed and mentioned that while the rubber was functional, it was soft due to age. We decided to include that in the repairs and ordered replacement rubber.

The rubber cushion arrived late Thursday and they started early Friday Oct 16<sup>th</sup> fitting the parts that had been refinished, painted, new rubber, and cloth. Lastly. They varnished the top of the side rails which was taped off to protect the cloth.

The table now looks great, almost like new! Our thanks go to the Club for approving this work and Members who generously donated. Total cost was 18,300PHP. Club paid 5500PHP, member donations totaled 12,800PHP.

## SBP

There has been no weekend sailing for our local young sailors since the lockdown began in March. It is unlikely that we will resume the program until schools are allowed to resume their regular schedule, with face-to-face teaching and full classes. We have also suspended sailing courses, but might be able to start again in the near future. Unfortunately, this also means that the ALL SOULS' DINGHY REGATTA will be cancelled.

Our program supervisor, Rosal, has been working hard under Commodore Jurgen's supervision (and tight purse-strings) building new racks for the Optimists and Lawins. This included the scaffolding poles left over from the construction of the town Galleon in the Muelle. The dinghy boat shed is also much better organized and user-friendly. Meanwhile, the plan to build a concrete ramp and boat-slip is still under review.

The remaining ROUND-TABLE HONG KONG sponsored LAWIN hulls (2) and associated bits and pieces are ready for collection from Tyler in Calapan. It's been a long and hard road, with many unpredicted problems and delays, but we will have a full fleet of 8 new boats to add to the ten existing ones, some of which will be refurbished and offered for sale in the near future.



## Maintenance Projects

There's been no shortage of staff projects during the slow season. The SBP area got a refresh with dinghy racks and concrete foundation, service boats that have seen better days are being restored, and the pier and walk way continually repaired. The pier, including supports and railings is always a work in progress. Please take note and always be mindful, esp. evenings.

Upcoming is a timely rebuild of the Operations Pontoon (for mooring inspections and laying blocks).



## Quiz Night

Wednesday October 7<sup>th</sup> saw the resurrection of the PGYC Quiz Night, the first since the departure of Trish. Peter took over the reins of Quiz Meister and presented 5-rounds of 20 questions on general subjects, plus a “Keeper paper” which the teams worked on between rounds. This included naming the Municipalities of Oriental Mindoro.

Players from Canada, USA, Germany, Australia, UK, Philippines, Pakistan, South Africa and China participated, comprising nine teams of two people each. Team monikers included 'Sour Kraut', '2 DOGS F..', 'TIGER BALM', 'DRAGON' and 'Two rabbits and a duck'. I will leave you to ponder on who was what.

After a challenging couple of hours, Two Rabbits and a Duck topped the others with a very creditable 78/120. Habrier and Tiger Balm followed up in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively. The winner was rewarded with a super bottle of house red, which the rest of us proceeded to quaff.

The next quiz is planned for this Wednesday (21<sup>st</sup>) with half the number of questions, more generic topics, and lots of multiple-choice questions so participants will have a least a 33% chance of getting it right!

## Membership Reminder

There are only 15 members paid members paid for the upcoming fiscal year as of October 10<sup>th</sup>.

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*September 10, 2020*

*Membership Subscription for Oct 2020 to September 2021*

*Dear Members,*

*We are approaching the end of the financial year at Puerto Galera Yacht Club. In connection with the 'Corona Crisis' we had to close down the Club for about 2 months and consequently scale down our operation.*

*We rely on you and your early payment of Annual Dues, to improve our Financial Situation.*

*We are at present doing only basic maintenance, but we would like to complete a few Projects, once sufficient funds are available.*

*It is a pleasure to see our Yacht Club at present functioning relatively well, where Members volunteer their time to plan, organize and work for Members. Our Club Manager and devoted Staff contribute to the Success of our Operation.*

*Thank you for your continued support.*

*Annual Dues from Oct 1, 2020 —Sept. 30 2021 11, 200.00*

*Method of Payment*

- 1. Cash*
- 2. Cheque — made payable to Puerto Galera Yacht Club Inc*
- 3. Wire Transfer*

*Account Name: Puerto Galera Yacht Club, Inc*

*Bank of the Philippine Islands*

*(Batangas Main Branch)*

*P.Burgos St, Batangas City*

*Peso Acct. # 0871-0097-59*

*Please advise office by phone or e—mail copy of deposit slip when you made the fund transfer.*

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## Content Submissions

As always, we need your help with **Newsletter contributions**, photos – old and new, articles on water activities, suggestions, etc. All input is valuable, so email us at **communications@pgyc.org**. With your help, this newsletter will be far more informative and interesting.

Thank you **Clive, Terence, and Peter** for your contributions this month!

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## Wine Tasting

The week following the quiz, Glen Bobo kindly organized a wine-tasting for 8 members at the club. Everybody brought a bottle of red wine disguised in a brown paper bag. After a briefing by Glen as to the procedure (“Remember, it is a *tasting* NOT a *drinking!*”), each was sampled and judged for color, nose, taste, length and drinkability. Barbara Leppan, who used to work on a winery in NZ, was on hand to lend her expert advice and opinion. It was such a good night that nobody remembers what came out tops, except that Clive’s home-made Cab Sauvignon (or Shiraz?) didn’t threaten the others.

## HOUSE RULES.

The objective of Puerto Galera Yacht Club is to provide a friendly, safe and family-oriented atmosphere. Club premises are for the use and enjoyment of members and restaurant guests. With this in mind, enjoying oneself while being respectful and courteous of all guests and staff is the guiding principle. The following rules are designed to support the objective:

- Disorderly conduct is prohibited. This includes loud, violent, offensive, or provocative language and/or behavior.
- **Smoking is prohibited inside the Club except for the designated smoking area.** Discard cigarettes in receptacles provided.
- Children must be supervised by a parent or guardian at all times while on Club premises.
- Clothing should be respectful of other guests and appropriate for a public venue and restaurant. **Footwear is required in the clubhouse. No swimwear.**
- **If a pet accompanies you to the Club, they should be under your control at all times.** If they are causing a disturbance or another guest objects to their presence, you will be asked to leash the pet outside or remove them from the premises. Owners are responsible for picking up and removing any waste from the grounds.
- The use of fireworks on club premises is strictly forbidden unless authorized by the Board.
- Firearms or any other weapons are prohibited anywhere within PGYC property. A breach of this rule may result in expulsion or suspension from the Club. Police officers and security / personnel on duty may carry their weapons.
- The Club is not responsible for the loss or damage of any property belonging to members or guests.

**Any issue arising from the above should be brought to the attention of the Commodore, Vice-Commodore, or to a Director for proper response.**

## Local Yacht Resources

If you know of a person for a given service – email me ([communications@pgyc.org](mailto:communications@pgyc.org)) with the name, mobile #, and service offered and I'll include it. As always, do your own due diligence.

### ***Retail - Chandlery***

**Broadwater Marine**, Subic Bay Freeport – Extensive Chandlery and Catalogue  
[www.broadwatermarine.com](http://www.broadwatermarine.com), mobile : 09178323447, [sales@broadwatermarine.com](mailto:sales@broadwatermarine.com)

**Als Marine**, Manila – Yamaha Outboard Agent  
mobile: 09178725688

**Hyde Sails**, Lapu-lapu City, Cebu, Philippines (pictured above)  
[orders@hydesails.com.ph](mailto:orders@hydesails.com.ph), +63 (0)3234 14611

**YHI (Philippines), Trojan Battery**, Manila. Trojan Battery *DISTRIBUTOR*. Telephone: +63 46 5129256, Email: [jason@yhi.com.ph](mailto:jason@yhi.com.ph), Web Site: [www.yhi.com.sg](http://www.yhi.com.sg)

**Arpa Energy (Patrick)**, Puerto Galera, Victron authorized dealer and solar panels. Has worked on many local yachts here and excellent resource!  
mobile: 09162919594, <http://www.facebook.com/ArpaEnergy>

### ***Boat yards/Haul Out***

**Watercraft Marine**, Subic Bay Freeport  
Sales Manager: Tony Mariano Mobile: 0917 835 2239, Fax: +6347 252 1738,  
[tonymariano@watercraftventure.com](mailto:tonymariano@watercraftventure.com)  
Asst Sales Manager: Thea Go Mobile: +63932 865 6857, Fax: +6347 252 1738,  
[theago@watercraftventure.com](mailto:theago@watercraftventure.com)

**Papaya Cove**, Nasugbu,  
Mobile: 0920 925-9023

**Holiday Oceanview Marina**, Samal Island, Davao. Has a lift and reportedly good service and value if in that area. [Holidaygroup.oceanviewmarina@gmail.com](mailto:Holidaygroup.oceanviewmarina@gmail.com), mobile: 09173262003,  
Manager: Ruth, mobile: 09435079051

For catamarans:

**Asia Pacific Marine** - Subic can haul catamarans.  
Ph: +63917 316 8705 Ph: +63939 638 6162 Email: [admin@apm.ph](mailto:admin@apm.ph)

## **Services**

### **Yacht surveyors**

There are only two accredited local surveyors for pleasure sailing yachts; Steve Warren and Ray Wolfe, both based in Subic Bay. Ray is excellent, but he is not allowed on the premises of Watercraft, but can survey elsewhere if available. Steve has a very good working relationship with Watercraft and both can provide project oversight service when having work done in Subic.

**Steve Warren:** shoremarinesurveyors@gmail.com, mobile: 09175222971

**Ray Wolfe:** kmwwolfe@yahoo.com, mobile: 09175123889

### **Marine Mechanics**

**Bhong**, Baletero, Diesel mechanic and generators, mobile: 09072301537.

Note: Any significant repairs or repairs requiring haul out, I would consider heading to Subic where parts availability is far better. Both Broadwater and Watercraft have mechanics on staff.

**Leo**, PGYC, Small engine/outboard repair, just inquire directly or with the service boat operator.

### **Stainless steel work**

**Rene**, Puerto Galera, mobile: 09173696571. Keep in mind 316 is not available locally. Rene (and anyone else here) uses 304 and sometimes of varying quality. 304 Stainless is **18% chromium and 8% nickel** (vs 316 w/ 16% chromium, 10% nickel and 2% molybdenum). The molybdenum is added to help resist corrosion to chlorides (like sea water).

### **Carpentry and Fiberglass**

**Luming**, Puerto Galera, go-to local resource for all carpentry and fiberglass needs. Has worked on many of the Club yachts and I consider him a trusted advisor, which is a rarity. **Mobile: 0919-735 2472**

**Arnold Santos:** Carpentry and general repairs. Based in Subic, but can travel. Also works as a contractor for Broadwater. **Mobile: 0915-317-2487**

**Broadwater** based in Subic can also quote the project if repairs are to be performed in Subic or work on a time and material basis if sending staff to Puerto Galera to perform work.

### **Electrical**

**Richmond**, Puerto Galera, can assist with all kinds of electrical project ranging from wiring, alternators, icemakers, mobile: 09159001171.

**Bottom Cleaning and Boatman related services:** ad-hoc requests can usually be accommodated by Club boatmen in their off time.