



# Puerto Galera Yacht Club Newsletter

October 2019

## Upcoming Events

May 13 - Oct 1  
LOW SEASON Club  
and Service boat  
schedule

Oct 1 – HIGH  
SEASON Schedule  
(see Newsletter  
Section)

Oct 5 1PM -  
Oktoberfest

November 1-3  
All Souls Regatta.

Every Friday Night  
BBQ Night

Every Wednesday @  
6:30PM  
Curry Night Buffet

With the “slow” season entering the home stretch, a timely reminder to all that the **All Souls Regatta** will be soon upon us. You can register online at:

<https://www.topyacht.com.au/db/kb/1165> or by contacting the PGYC office. Please note that moorings are limited and will be allocated to entrants on a first paid basis.

**PGYC**  
ALL SOULS REGATTA  
2019

**Royal Cargo**

**Philippine Retirement Authority**  
PHILIPPINES  
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**ALL SOULS REGATTA 2019**

**Puerto Galera Yacht Club**  
November 1st - 3rd

**Puerto Galera**  
**Oriental Mindoro**  
**Philippines**

**ALS**  
marine

**BROADWATER**  
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## 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

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**Garry Kingshott**

Marine Operations

**Mike Chetkowski**

Commercial/Legal

**John Mel Smit**

This low season has been very busy in terms of projects at the Club and to the broader hinterland, affectionately known as Puerto Galera. It takes a lot of time, patience, and effort to maintain the Club, which often goes unnoticed. A **sincere thank you, as always, to the staff** for a job well done!

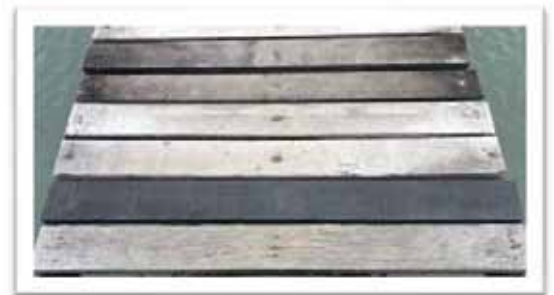
New **herb garden** area inside a retired service boat and by the outdoor BBQ area. Compost is



placed inside and currently waiting for it decompose prior to seeding.

### Walkway and pier repairs.

This is a continual process of man vs nature. The planks and materials unfortunately don't last long in these conditions. Composite decking would be a huge improvement and reduce the use of toxic chemicals, but a major capital investment. Generous donations are of course always welcome!



**Roofing and gutter repair.** Work was completed last month, but the jury is still out whether we have more or less leaks now.

## Staff

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

### Mooring balls and blocks.



Leo and team have been extremely busy building new 2T mooring blocks and repairs to existing mooring buoys. There are 4 buoys to be repaired, then he will be tackling building the new “prototype” mooring buoys.



### Kitchen ventilation, fire prevention

To assist with heating and ventilation in the kitchen, a new fan exhaust system was installed and is working excellent. We also had a fire inspection, which we passed with an addition of two fire suppression balls.





**Club Flooring** is not only nice and shiny, but rotted sections and large gaps have been replaced for safety reasons.



### **Water Dispenser**

The last water dispenser was on its "last legs" for seemingly the last year. Between the leaking and slow water output, I'm surprised it lasted as long as it did. It is now retired and a new one is installed.



### **WATER and INTERNET REMINDER**

The Club had a very challenging situation with water availability the last few months. This affected not only the members looking to fill jerrycans and use of the CR/showers, but internal use for the Club (washing dishes, laundry, etc.). We took steps to improve water availability, but remind everyone that water is 1) on an **as-available** basis and 2) a finite and shared resource, so be mindful of use and shut off completely when not using.

Likewise, we continue to work to improve availability of **WIFI** for all members. In order to accomplish this, remember it is a shared and **limited** resource; available capacity is intended to serve customer web browsing, email, and social media needs, **NOT** downloading movies, upgrading/downloading applications, or other data demanding uses.

### **Your input for Sailing/Cruising Activities is needed!**

The recommendation is a common one every year, but follow-through is spotty. If you are interested, we would be happy to organize a cruising sailing activity. Please email us the following information and we will create an email list to facilitate the planning:

- Boat name
- Preferred Month
- Preferred duration
  - Day sailing, overnight, two or more nights
- Are you interested in any of the following activities?
  - Raft-up, BBQ, meal ashore (if venue suits)
- Preferred destination(s)
- Can you accommodate guests on your vessel? If so. how many?

## Governor and Mayor Meeting

PGYC's F&B staff did a wonderful job catering a meeting of Mayors and the Governor. It was a surprisingly large event as it included dozens of staff, PNP, and bodyguards along with the local politicians. Prior to the lunch, they went on a chartered cruise that Vice Commodore Peter worked tirelessly to secure as requirements seemingly changed daily. The Governor was gracious with his time and met with PGYC members and local business representatives after the Mayor meeting. His intent was to share his vision for the local area and also hear from us directly in terms of thoughts, concerns, and challenges we face. While many issues are outstanding, it was refreshing to hear his vision and I think most would agree it was a productive meeting.



As always, we need your help with **Newsletter 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 it 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.

## New Look Muelle



Far more orderly bangka passenger drop off and pickup.

In front of the grandstand seating, they have been busy installing parquet-like tile for a stage.



A very large floating T shaped dock in front of the Bantay Dagat building.

The new ferry booking building and surrounding grounds is a huge improvements vs the prior is to the right. At the very least in terms of capacity to serve the volume of visitors, shelter from the elements, and a more orderly queuing area.



Last, but not least Genesis II is sitting nicely on the water, which was listing heavily to starboard prior. Now only if they can reduce their wake throughout the mooring field...



## Board Meeting and Committee Updates

Due to the low season and a few Directors away, it was a quiet and relatively uneventful Board meeting.

### **Moorings**

No issues or updates beyond the effort to repair and build mooring blocks and buoys.

### **Communications and Membership**

Improved network configuration for the office computers and PGYC routers moved to the office for protection from elements. Signal was boosted to allow for wireless reception in the entire F&B area from the office area. Please note the closer to the office, the better the signal.

### **F&B**

As pictured above, we have a new water dispenser, ventilation, and two fire suppressions balls stemming from the recent fire inspection, which we passed and have a certificate.

## **Small Boat Program (SBP)**

While we are still working on securing the remaining new dinghies, two were completed and are in regular use. There have been a few teething problems, but they are high-quality, robust and fun to sail. In addition, they will all be “spinnaker-ready” thereby adding an extra dimension to the young sailors’ skills. We eagerly await the arrival of two more new dinghies, with 4 more to follow. **PRINCESS ARIETA** has generously donated funds for an additional one, which we will start after the others arrive.

The Optimists are the most popular dinghy and we are trying to raise funds to buy a few of the SEA Games boats after the sailing event in November. The current fleet is desperately in need of new sails and we are looking at options. Contact the office if you are interested in helping. Our two top sailors are currently in Subic Bay, with the PSA, under the tutelage of an international coach in preparation for the games.

The **ALL SOULS’ DINGHY REGATTA** will be held the weekend preceding the main event.



## UPDATED 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.**

## High Season Schedule

Starting this Tuesday October, 1 2019, the High Season schedule. Please note the closing time and last order for the restaurant and bar:

### **Office: (12noon-1pm Lunch break)**

Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

Saturday 8am-12noon

### **Restaurant:**

Monday - Thursday 10 am-9pm **(KITCHEN WILL ACCEPT ORDERS UNTIL 8:45PM)**

Friday – Sunday 8am until 9pm **(KITCHEN WILL ACCEPT ORDER UNTIL 8:45PM)**

### **Bar:**

Monday - Thursday 10 am-9pm **(LAST ORDER AT 8:45PM)**

Friday 8- 11pm **(LAST ORDER AT 10:45PM)**

Saturday– Sunday 8am - 9pm **(LAST ORDER AT 8:45PM)**

### **Service boat:**

Monday-Thursday 8am to 10pm

Friday- 8am-11pm

Saturday-Sunday 8am to 10pm

If you have any questions, please contact us at: [clubhouse@pgyc.org](mailto:clubhouse@pgyc.org)



## Annual Membership Reminder

### **Membership Subscription for 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 2019 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

Dear Members,

We are approaching the end of the financial year at Puerto Galera Yacht Club. At this time of the year all Establishment are in "Low Season" mode, also our Club.

Unfortunately our Accounts show as well 'Low Season' figures and 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 functioning so 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.

Yours sincerely,

  
**Jurgen Langemeier**  
Commodore

**Annual Dues from Oct 1, 2019 –Sept. 30 2020**  
*(with 12% VAT)*

**11, 200.00**

## Cruising News from Region

**Palau** dramatically changes rules for visiting yachts with up to a 400% increase in fees.

"The new fees relate to all foreign-owned vessels entering Palau waters including private yachts, cruise ships, dive operators and charter yachts who provide cruises and accommodation on dive trips.

Previously private vessels paid a vessel entry permit fee of \$50 on arrival in Palau and \$50 for each subsequent extension. However, the new entry permit fees are substantially more than this:

- For example, a private yacht of less than 40 ft will pay an initial tax of US\$250 for 30 days, \$1000 for the second 30 days and \$2000 for the subsequent 30 days.
- For private yachts over 40 ft but less than 90 ft, the tax is US\$500 for the first 30 days, then \$1000 for the second 30 days and \$2000 for the subsequent 30 days.

- Private yachts 90ft or more, but less than 150 ft in length, shall pay an initial tax of \$750 for a visit lasting 30 days or less, the cost of the first renewal shall be \$500 and a second renewal shall be \$250.
- Private yachts 150ft or more in length shall pay an initial tax of \$1000 for a visit lasting 30 days or less, the cost of the first renewal shall be \$500 and a second renewal shall be \$250.

The Bill also states that the tax structure shall be incrementally implemented so that in the first year following the effective date of the new Act, the Republic will assess 50% of the tax amounts; in the second year the tax will be assessed at 75% and in the third year the Republic will assess the full tax amount.

<https://www.noonsite.com/news/north-pacific-palau-fees-increase-by-400-for-visiting-foreign-vessels/>

<https://www.palaugov.pw/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/RPPL-No.-10-38-re.-To-Amend-Section-1405-of-Title-40.pdf>

## Local Yacht Resources

If you know of a person for a given service – email me (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, mobile : 09178323447, sales@broadwatermarine.com

**Chetz Marine**, Puerto Galera – Bangka Pro Inflatables, kayaks, Rule/Jabsco Marine, Mares Scuba. Mike is a club member and if he can't help you, he can often point you in the right direction.  
<https://www.facebook.com/CHETZMarineSupplies/>, mobile: 09153796455

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

**Hyde Sails**, Lapu-lapu City, Cebu, Philippines (pictured above)  
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, Web Site: 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.



**Octoberfest**

**October 5, 2019 starts at 1pm**

\*Buffet side dishes: pretzels, bread, potato salad, rice and sauerkraut

<b>C.1 Good for two: Ham Hocks &amp; 2pcs sausage</b>	<b>P870</b>
<b>C.2 Ham Hock</b>	<b>P600</b>
<b>C.3 PGYC Famous BBQ Ribs</b>	<b>P560</b>
<b>C.4 Sausages</b>	<b>P430</b>
<b>Heineken Beer</b>	<b>P120</b>
<b>Mango or Banana Split</b>	<b>P185</b>
<b>Pineapple Pie with ice cream</b>	<b>P185</b>
<b>Chocolate Sundae</b>	<b>P125</b>

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