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Sailing Sabrina

by s/c Tom Corbett

Stockholm's archipelago, or sjögård, is a group of nearly three thousand islands, rocks and skerries that begins only moments from the city. Buffering Stockholm from the open Baltic Sea, its seemingly endless sweep of rocky isles are a wonderland of deep forests, fields of wildflowers, red wooden cottages and bobbing yachts. And for five years it was our happy cruising ground.

In 1996 I was offered a contract to work from Sweden. After pondering our life choices, Linda decided to take an early retirement; we leased out our Petaluma home; we took in partners to care for *Lightwave* (our Catalina 30) and we didn't let the door hit us in the rear. We felt blessed!

We arrived in Stockholm in late fall / early winter when the nights were long and the temperatures sank to a bone chilling -25C. To stay active and keep our blood flowing we learned to "long-blade" ice skate and cross-country ski. We also learned many Swedish drinking songs and learned to enjoy sil (pickled herring) and schnapps (aquavit aka white lightning). Finally, spring arrived and our thoughts turned to sailing.

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We first saw Sabrina, an International Folkboat (IF), in her winter digs at Stora Hundudden (The Big Dog Leg) Marina...a short bike ride from our downtown apartment. She was demasted, up on scaffolding and tented in a yard surrounded by hundreds of similarly treated power and sailing boats.

At 27 feet long with a steel trimmed full keel and ninefoot beam the IF's are sturdy in weather and, though a bit sluggish in light airs, are perfect for exploring the thousand of islands and inlets that make up the sjögård.



An International Folkboat

We soon learned how to reset the mast and launch her for the sailing season. The Swedes take the opportunity to party hardy for both the launch and the haul out of their boats each year.

The ritual spring always included the launching of old numerous wooden sail and power boats...all of which leaked profusely for before weeks the hull boards tightened up. The would owners have several sump-pumps going in each boat



until the threat of sinking was over. Lots of jokes came from the antics during those spring days...all in Swedish of course. Yaw sure, you betcha.

Sailing the sjögård is unique with its lack of tides and the rocky nature of the islands. Sweden is mostly granite and all the islands are dotted with submerged hazards, another reason for the IF's steel trimmed keel.

Arriving at a granite isle with its many submerged rocks requires posting a lookout on the bow and a veeeery slow approach. The technique is to drop a stern hook fifty feet or so before arrival. Then the lookout must signal the captain "before" one hits a rock. Often the boat would ride up on a rock before the signal was given.. Continued on page 3





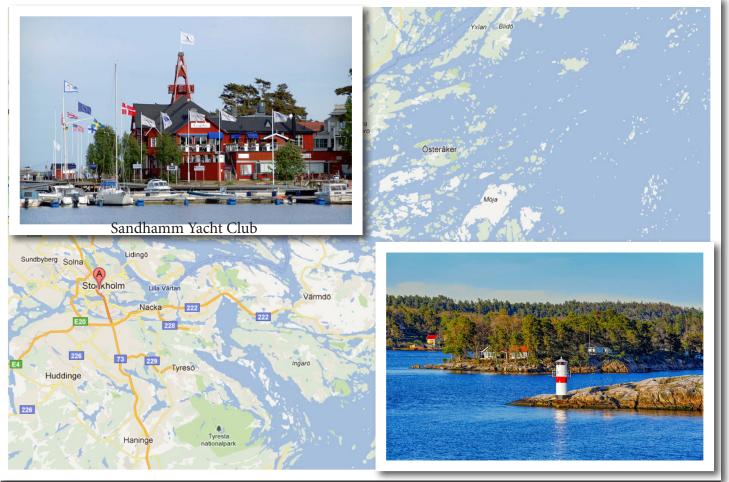
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resulting in a lively discussion as to who was at fault!? Then a grappling hook with a long docking line is hurled up the rocks and pulled back until it grabs a crack. This represents a temporary mooring and allows the crew to go forward (through the specially designed bowsprit pass-through) and hammer pitons with eye-rings into to the crack for a reliable mooring. One can always recognize a Scandinavian boat due to the bowsprit pass-through for bow-in mooring.

Most of our sailing during those five years was during the weekend and holidays but we did take one five-week cruise to explore the outer reaches of the sjögård. The Baltic winds are almost always fair and steady, requiring little use of our 11 horse Evinrude.

Many of our Swedish friends owned boats and/or homes on the islands and we had fantastic times rendezvousing with them in far off places. Sandhamn, a long day sail from Stockholm, is one of the more famous islands and a gathering spot for sailors from around the world. During the season we made many trips to Sandhamn. A mistake we made at times was to arrive just before a major race concluded in Sandhamn harbor. We would tie up, go into the 600-year-old town for lunch or dinner or a visit to our friend's summer home and return to our boat to find hundreds of others tied to us and around us! Oh well, we had to join their party no matter how many days it lasted. They asked what that strange thing was on our stern rail. We took the opportunity to introduce the Swedes to the only Kettle BBQ in the country. They loved it but were somewhat afraid of it. We gave several as gifts when we departed.

Sadly, Linda and I had to sell *Sabrina* to some American friends when we left Stockholm but hope that she is still cruising the sjögård ... truly a boaters paradise.







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Cruise In Calendar

by r/c Linda Lockwood

June

4-6 South Beach & Sierra YC's, Richmond Yacht Club 18 boats

July

1-5 Corinthian YC - 10 boats

30th - Aug 1 Club Nautique - 8 plus boats

August

6-8 San Francisco YC - 10 boats

13-15 San Jose Sailing club - 5-8 boats

20-21 Sausalito YC # of boats TBD

20-21 Solano YC - 6 boats

Sept

4-6 Master Mariners Benevolent Assoc. 12-20 boats

17-20 Caliente Isle YC - 10 boats

19-21 Stockton YC - 1 boat

29 - Oct 3 C_Ray Boat Club

Oct

15-17 Pt. San Pablo YC 5-7 boats

20-23 Sacramento YC - TBD

Great Loop Planning

by Mike Freeman

Undertaking the Great Loop entails addressing some navigation issues. As the trip is 6000 miles, we anticipate encountering many new situations and challenges. Recently, we have been working on our navigational skills.

Amy Marie has a Garmin based navigation, radar, and sonar system but we also use tablet and smartphone-based navigation programs as backup and companion. Navionics, which runs on tablets and smart phones, is a Garmin product, so way-points, routes, and tracks can be shared between systems, for example, a route can be planned on an iPad then be shared to the MFD wirelessly. This is handy as it allows planning of future trips to be decoupled from using the MFD to monitor your current travels.

Being cautious, I have come to rely upon Navionics and Aqua Maps for taking information from the various government agencies (US NOAA for ocean data, US Army Corps of Engineers for river and Intra-coastal data, and the Canadian Hydrographic Service for Canadian charts) and integrating in these into the navigation software.

An additional source of useful information comes from services which maintain and publish "safe" routes data for the Great Loop. This is formatted to load directly into your chart plotter and display as a "route". Theoretically, if you follow the most current downloaded route, you will have a safe path. However, as skipper you still have the final responsibility, so some form of route validation is a wise idea.



For information on where to anchor, moor, or berth for the night, Waterway Guide is a terrific resource. It is available online and they also publish cruising guides. The America's Great Loop Cruisers Association also maintains and shares a wealth of information to help boaters plan and enjoy a circumnavigation of the eastern United States.

Beth and I have been "trial running" the process described above by sitting together and planning a day's trip using these tools. We pick a segment of the Loop and use the tools described above to create a cruise plan. By practicing we are working out the kinks when we are not time constrained or otherwise troubled. We can take the time required to insure we understand the tools at our disposal and the information they provide to insure we minimize risk and maximize enjoyment. Between now and our departure for the east coast, we will test our proficiency by cruising the Pacific Northwest. This is a perfect testing ground to build needed skills due to the high density of cruising locations and situations.











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From Tom's Galley Mexican Sausage Frittatas



The flavors in this dish blend well and keep you coming back for more. You will need a 12 cup muffin tin to make this dish, but it is still quite easy to prepare. It can also be made in advance and reheated before serving. It also makes a great breakfast that will impress your guests.

I serve this with a cheese polenta. Purchase a tube of prepared polenta. Heat in a saucepan, breaking up with a fork. Add a little milk and grated cheddar cheese. Break up polenta and stir until cheese is melted and combined to a smooth consistency.

Ingredients:

- 北 1 pkg., 16 oz. sweet Italian sausage
- 步4 green onions, sliced
- ♣ 7 mushrooms, chopped
- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 3 large cloves garlic, minced
- ♣ 1/2 cup ricotta cheese
- ♣ 2 Tbsp. sour cream
- ♣ 1/2 cup grated Parmesan
- ₺ 1/2 cup grated sharp

cheddar cheese

- ♣ 1 4 oz. can diced green chilis
- ₺ 1-3.8 oz. can sliced black olives, drained
- ₺ 6 eggs
- ₺ 1/4 cup milk
- ♣ 1 4 oz. pkg taco seasoning
- ♣ 1/2 cup chopped cilantro leaves
- ♣ Salt and pepper
- ₺1 jar salsa

Preheat oven to 375°.

Lightly grease a 12 cup muffin tin.

Saute sausage in skillet until just done, breaking into small pieces.

With slotted spoon, transfer to bowl to cool.

Saute onion and mushrooms in the same skillet over medium high heat.

Cook until mushroom liquid has evaporated, add garlic and mix well.

Transfer to bowl with sausage to cool.

In a medium bowl combine ricotta cheese, sour cream, Parmesan, cheddar cheese, green chilies and olives. Mix well.

In second large bowl combine eggs, milk, taco seasoning and cilantro. Salt and pepper to taste. Mix well.

Stir sausage mixture into eggs. Stir cheese mixture into eggs.

Spoon mixture into prepared muffin tin.

Bake for 25 to 30 minutes or until set in center. Let stand 5 minutes.

To serve, spoon salsa on plate. Place two frittatas on salsa and serve.

Serves 6

These recipes have been created by staff commodore and chef Tom Griffith and are designed to be prepared on board your boat, land yacht or at home.





Motor sailing to Angel Island

by Debbie Powell

In April, the crew of "Freedom" & guests, the Johnston's & their two white fluffs, Petey & Belle, gathered their gear & headed out from the muddy depths of the Petaluma Marina to the lovely waters of Angel Island. About a 4 & 1/2 hour cruise.

Oh, by the way, don't assume the anchorage at the island has lots of water depth at almost low tide. They don't!! "Freedom" touched mud twice while rounding the anchorage to clip a mooring ball.



Once clipped into a stern & bow ball, the crew of 4 & two white fluffs, enjoyed steaks & macaroni and cheese with home made chocolate eclairs for dessert.

Playing Jenga while a bit of boat rocking & some glasses

of wine, make for a very interesting game.

As morning broke, the crew awoke to the captain's nice smell of coffee with hot chocolate mix.

Debbie broke out her fishing poles to catch fish except only crabs bit. Unfortunately it's illegal to keep Dungeness crab from the island.

The boys did their thing, which was a leisurely tender ride on the outside of the island for doggy potty time. Barbara relaxed with her tablet.

We headed out late on Sunday morning to catch a bit of a breeze. Got all three sails up, then down within the hour as the wind died down.



Smooth motoring up the river & a smooth docking at the slip.

Our next month's plan is Clipper Cove at Treasure Island on Mother's Day weekend, weather permitting.

Over & out.





Sunshine and Birthdays

by Sunshine Reporter Rosemary Hart



Ahoy! Oops I mean Aloha!

Has it been a little quiet on Friday nights at the PYC? While chatting at the PYC Soft Opening, we learned that several of us were soon on our way to the islands of Hawaii. Leland and Anne, plus Linda and Tom were headed to the sunny

island of Maui. Mike and Susy, Kevin and Rosemary, plus Bryant and Jill were headed to the garden island of Kauai. We officially dubbed ourselves PYC West. And what a vacation! It was so beautiful there with vibrant greens, blues, and exotic flowers everywhere – plus perfect weather. We even got to hear rain pattering on the landscape in the night.

Among our activities, our Maui PYC West group visited the Lahaina Yacht Club for drinks and lunch, and Leland and Anne went seafaring on a few dive trips while there. Several in the Kauai PYC West group opted for a lazy boat ride up the Wailua River to the Fern Grotto while being serenaded by ukulele music and hula dancing. And, we toured the amazing Allerton and McBryde Botanical Gardens – just when we thought Kauai couldn't get any prettier – it did!

(We talked a bit about all meeting up on Maui, but Hawaii has strict covid testing requirements for inter-island travel as well, so more testing didn't sound much like vacation.)

As of today, we have all touched back down in the mainland, so we'll be seeing you soon! Aloha!

What have you been up to? Doing anything fun or interesting? Drop me a line at rosyhart13@gmail.com and I'll share your stories. During the pandemic, we can live vicariously through you!



Leland, Anne, Tom and Linda at Lahaina Yacht Club, Maui



The Wahine's coconut drinks



Bryant, Jill, Mike, Susy, Kevin and Rosemary out for pizza, Poipu, Kauai



JUNE

3rd Larry Rosenfeld 7th Bunny Potter 9th Stacy Robert Horton 14th Gil Lucas 14th Colleen Mahoney

16th Michael Freeman20th Nancy Wolf26th Linda Corbett26th Maria Matthies28th Jeff Mayne



Flag Officer Reports



BRUCE STENDER - Commodore

Ahoy PYC!

Preparations are being made to ensure that PYC is fully operational when we break out of the Covid restrictions in June. I would like to thank all of our members that have stepped up to make this happen. The amazing skills and enthusiasm of our tal-

I am really looking forward to being able to say "YES! We can do that!" instead of "I would like to, but we can't"

Linda Lockwood is doing an excellent job of organizing the turning basin calendar, which is filling up with yacht clubs looking forward to visiting beautiful Petaluma.

Our most talented mixologist, Leanne Gallup, is making preparations to satisfy our thirsty members and guests with wonderful libations.

So, PYC get ready to have some FUN!

Let the adventure continue!

ented members is truly incredible.

Club House Bar Duty

June
Bar Manager: *TBD*Fri 4th & Sat 5th

David Quist & Janny van Aalderen

Fri 11th & Sat 12th Jill Olson & Bryant Moynihan

Fri 18th & Sat 19th

Kevin & Rosemary Hart

Fri 25th & Sat 26th Stacy Robert Horton & Linda

Lockwood

July Bar Manager: TBD

Fri 2nd & Sat 3rd

TBD

Fri 9th & Sat 10th

Nancy Wolf & John Wolthausen

Fri 16th & Sat 17th:

Frank & Patty Paula

Fri 23rd & Sat 24th

TBD

Fri 30th & Sat 31st

TBD

August
Bar Manager: TBD

Fri 6th & Sat 7th

TBD

Fri 13th & Sat 14th

TBD

Fri 20th & Sat 21st:

TBD

Fri 27th & Sat 28th

TBD

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LEANNE GALLUP - Vice Commodore

It's been nice seeing everyone at the club on Fridays. We are slowly getting closer to being in the yellow tier and fully opening up.

The credit card committee and the board have approved Square as our credit

card vendor. New Square equipment (register and card

reader) will be installed and training will be set up for all members in the next month or so (stay tuned). We will continue to use cash as well, so no worries. This will be great for the club and long anticipated.

And talking about the bar we have more than 20 open weekends with no-one signed up for bar duty. Look out for an email from me and sign up soon .. or else I may have to assign you myself!

I hope everyone is enjoying boat season as much as I am. See you all at the club!



LINDA LOCKWOOD - Rear Commodore

It's Summer and the Turning Basin in Petaluma is open for business!

We were in and out of Petaluma with our boat, "Outta Here" over the last few days - and the basin is definitely ready for a fabulous Memorial

Day Weekend! At current count the city and PYC have about 25 boats coming up the river to enjoy our little piece of paradise! There's definitely excitement in the yachting community about returning to Petaluma.

Looking forward, the weekend of June 4-6 promises as many as 18 boats in port if current reservations stand.



Outta Here in the Turning Basin

Other news includes the completion of the last few work party jobs including, the sanding and painting of the trim in the dining room and the inside and outside washing of all the club windows. A big thank you to Carol Anderson and Maureen Gotham & Houston and Andrea respectively.



General Meeting Minutes

May 7th, 2021

- 1) Call to order -6:12pm
- 2) Introduce Guests
- 3) Secretary's Report Kristy McDill No Report
- 4) Treasurer's Report Sherri Adams No Report
- 5) Commodore's Report Bruce Stender
 - a) "Save the Date" August 28 Petaluma River Festival
 - b) Planning the "8 Bells" ceremony for our members who have passed.
- 6) Vice Commodore Report Leanne Gallup
 - a) Bar update-yellow tier-open soon
 - b) Credit card machine One option of Square seem to be best and will order
 - c) Signature Cocktails for all members to enjoy
- 7) Rear Commodore Linda Lockwood
 - a) Work Party-30 participants!
 - b) Club rental-Nov. 25 & May 18-Al Alys
- 8) Building Report Al Alys- No Report
- 9) Events Survey planning

- 10) Advertising -No Report
- 11) Membership -Tom Corbett
 - a) Two new member applications will be submitted for board approval.
 - b) Everyone enjoyed the Bio's from Rivera's & Buhrer's.
- 12) Newsletter Stephen Hamilton -Wanted newsletter editor
- 13) Sunshine –No Report
- 14) Cruise Outs PYC will continue to plan
- 15) Coop
 - a) Memorial weekend PYC hospitality table 11-2pm
 - b) USCGA will be present for info & safety checks
- 16) PICYA Opening Day great success-Linda Blue to receive award for being farthest away participant.
- 17) New Business-
- 18) Good of the club -Boat for sale

Meeting adjourned – 6:57pm

June General Meeting

June 4th 2021

The next PYC General Meeting will be June 4, 2021 at 7 p.m. and will be in the Club. The dinner will be catered and reservations will be required. Zoom option may be available for those who prefer to maintain social distancing. Details coming soon.

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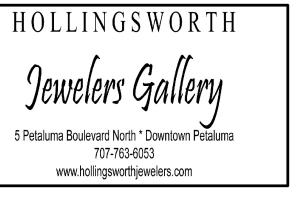
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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27	28	29	30			

