



# Alameda County Leather Corps Newsletter

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## Special ACLC Meetings Announced!

It's the end of our hiatus period, and three special ACLC Meetings have been scheduled at the Turf Club to wind up our year:

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At our 26th Anniversary event, we will either introduce the new Board or conduct our Final Meeting, per the vote of the membership on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

# State of the Club: Hiatus Year 2018-2019

Sean O'Banion

The feedback from the survey is very encouraging, including enough people willing to be on the next Board.

One of the first things a Director receives is a binder of seemingly endless and intense rules with the Table of Contents, as shown below.

Despite the fearsome appearance, it's actually a treasure trove of assistance from past Directors who have had to work through various types of issues and events, and put the resulting actions, policies, and procedures into writing to guide future Boards.

Not everything covered here *will* happen in a given Board year, but it *has* happened at some point, and the past Directors want to help you get through it. We know you can manage this because we did it by working with the other current and past Board.

We are also starting to draft some proposed changes to the Bylaws, like reducing the number of people on the board, and possibly changing the name of the club slightly to encompass more of Northern California, so look for dates of Special Meetings to review those proposals, and the soon to be announced 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting.

Sean



## Alameda County Leather Corps Board of Directors Binder – Table of Contents – 8/6/2017

(Items in yellow are suggested immediate reading for new board members.)

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 Agenda Format  
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 Leather Forum Membership  
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 Post Office Box  
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 Records  
 Sound Equipment Rental  
 Storage Locker  
 Titleholder Travel Fund  
 Travel Fund Fundraiser  
 Website and Domain Name

### Section 2 - TITLES

[Alameda County Leather](#)  
 Bear  
 Cheeks 'n Chaps

Drummer  
 Leather Boy  
 Leather Daddy

[List of Titleholders](#)

### Section 3 - FINANCE AND LEGAL

[Bank Account](#)  
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Meeting Space  
 Money (Income)  
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Patches  
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### Section 5 - EVENTS

Committee  
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### Section 6 – FORMS

ACLC Business Card  
 ACLC Letterhead  
 Ballot – Board  
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 Board Binder Cover  
 Cashier Worksheet  
 Change of Address  
 Donation Receipt Letter  
 Donation Request Letter

Dues Renewal Letter  
 Equipment Usage  
 Event Deposit Reconciliation  
 Event Summary Statement  
 Expense Reimbursement Form  
 IML Qualification Letter  
 Membership Acceptance Letter  
 Membership Application  
 Membership Denial Letter

Membership Pledge  
 Release of Individual Damages  
 Sec'y: BOD Minutes Template  
 Sec'y: GA Minutes Template  
 Sign-In Sheet for Board Mtg.  
 Sign-In Sheet for GA  
 Silent Auction Bid Sheet

### Section 7 - BYLAWS

[Bylaws 2017-07-13 \(Salmon\)](#)

### Section 8 – INSURANCE

Billing Statement  
 Certificate of Insurance

Directors & Officers Liability Policy  
 General Liability No Loss Statement

General Liability Policy  
 Non Profit Premises Application

## Secretary's Report

*Den Calkins*

I was in a car accident (in early July) and need to focus on recovery, and also on getting back to the Bay Area from Utah.

I am bruised, scratched and shaken up, no broken bones.

*Den Calkins*

# Treasurer's Report

Mistress Nyna

## 3Q Board April-June 2019 pending final results

Income .....	\$ 4,296.36
Expenses.....	\$ 1,344.00

**Budgeted Income: 3Q19 (April-June)**..... \$400.00

**Budgeted Expenses: 3Q19 (April-June)**..... \$1,350.00

## 2018-2019 charitable disbursements:

The Board will choose and announce



Thank You to Onyx (the person, not the club) for \$200 donation to ACLC, and to Jay and Michael for \$20 donation in lieu of membership dues.

The board approved Regular membership status to Catie Lynch upon her request to move from associate status to regular, she had met the requirements prior to her deployment to active duty but upon return home the club was in hiatus status. Congratulations, Catie!

## Inventory of Storage and Treasurer Stock:

We have small patches for regular and affiliate members (\$5) and large patches available for regular members (\$25), replacement member pins and replacement prior anniversary pins (\$5).

In the future we will make items from storage available for sale to members to reduce storage space.

Contact [treasurer@acleather.org](mailto:treasurer@acleather.org) if you are interested in purchasing a patch or pin.

Remember, you can designate ACLC on Amazon Smile (<https://smile.amazon.com>) as your choice for a charitable organization to receive money from each Amazon purchase.

## Education: First Aid

Lex McGowan

Dousing spring showers have turned to golden rays as Pride month has been upon us, and as always, we are out and about!<sup>1</sup> With major upcoming events in our community that will be happening this summer- Up Your Alley, Folsom Street Fair, Leather Realm in San Diego to name a few- we thought that it would be a good time to talk about First Aid. If you choose to engage in play activities, having some basic knowledge about First Aid is necessary and will serve you well throughout your journey.

Only you know where you have been in your journey, and where you are currently, so be willing to consider the health risks that involve yourself and others. Keeping healthy is a required pre-requisite to continue enjoying your journey (in fact, it is a must- as a wise saying goes, “You cannot serve from an empty vessel”)<sup>2</sup>. I want to share some information in the First Aid department, and I hope that these tips will serve you well in your play if you choose to engage in play activities (and certainly not limited to being during Up Your Alley, Leather Realm, and Folsom):



1. Know your HIV status and your partner(s) HIV status and if you or your partner have any other communicable diseases. Be upfront about your status. If you don't know, ask. Get tested for HIV and sexually transmitted infections before engaging in play.
2. Consider what supplies will be necessary for the type of play- i.e. gloves for fisting play; paramedic shears for rope bondage. Trust between you and your partner(s) is still essential.
3. Look at the environment to see that all supplies are appropriately present, arranged properly for the situation, and easily accessible- i.e. chucks, gloves, paper towels, corks, rubbing alcohol, sharps container at minimum for piercing
4. Have at least a basic knowledge of anatomy and what parts of the body are OK and what parts of the body that are off limits for different types of play; consider whether more training in this area is needed for you if you want to develop advanced play skills (The Anatomy Coloring book however you identify is a great place to start. If you desire more knowledge and have no medical training, find someone in our community who is willing to share some skills and knowledge with you in this area. Your local community college might offer a class in anatomy, too).
5. Make a list of your limitations and what you know about your body and how it might react to different types of play so you can share with your partner or be ready to discuss with your partner.

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<sup>1</sup> For the record, ACLC is a **Working Club**, for those of you who just might be getting to know some of its members.

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.eleanorbrown.com/blog2/self-care-in-not-selfish>

If you don't know, say that you don't know and tell your partner how you will communicate these limits when playing as you discover them.

6. If you are passing by other people playing, look around you and make sure that there is enough distance in between you and them.
7. Get formal training in First Aid and CPR.
8. Create a self-care toolbox or kit for your own First Aid, however that might look like for you to serve you in what you need to ensure your physical, mental, and emotional well-being. Keep adding to it as you continue in your Leather journey of self-discovery and growth!

Enjoy some fun under the sun! Remember, only *you* can make safe, sane, and fun decisions for yourself.

## Past Events Where ACLC Attended/Represented

[International Mr. Leather](https://www.imrl.com/) - <https://www.imrl.com/>

**May 23-27, 2019**

It's time for That Thing We Do Each Year In May, and it's the 25th year anniversary of Jeff Tucker as IML! *Best of luck to all the contestants from the Bay Area!*

[ACLC Board Meeting](#)



**June 16, 2019**

The Board meeting was held at Sean's house near Sacramento on Sunday, June 16, 2019.

[Word Pride/Stonewall 50 – New York, NY](https://2019-worldpride-stonewall50.nycpride.org/) - <https://2019-worldpride-stonewall50.nycpride.org/>

**June 26-July 1, 2019**

[San Francisco Pride](http://www.sfpride.org/) - <http://www.sfpride.org/>

**June 29-30, 2019**

We didn't staff a beverage booth this year, but Sean and Nyna served as Block Captains to augment ACLC's operating funds.

[Castro Valley Pride](https://www.castrovalleypride.com/) - <https://www.castrovalleypride.com/>

**July 13, 2019**

[ACLC Beer Bust at the SF Eagle!](#)



**July 14, 2019**

Come volunteer and help us raise operating funds for ACLC during our hiatus year!

[San Diego Leather Realm at San Diego Pride](http://sandiegoleatherrealm.com/) - <http://sandiegoleatherrealm.com/>

**July 12-14, 2019**

[Up Your Alley Fair](https://www.folsomstreetevents.org/up-your-alley/) - <https://www.folsomstreetevents.org/up-your-alley/>

**July 28, 2019**



## Upcoming Events

Special ACLC Meeting at the Turf Club to present updates to the Bylaws:

### “Mount Shasta Summer” Run with the Golden Gate Guards

**August 9-11, 2019**

<https://ggguards.org/events/annualrun.htm>

It's the Golden Gate Guards' annual run, this year to Dunsmuir!

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<https://oaklandpride.org/>

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## Thank you!

Thank you for reading this issue! The newsletter can be found on the website. Remember, all members are welcome to submit articles and photos!

Your Editor,

*Mr. Allan*

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## Club Information

### Alameda County Leather Corps – 2018-2019 Board of Directors

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Treasurer ..... Nyna Kaiser ..... treasurer@acleather.org

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