

THE ANCHORLINE

Santa Margarita Yacht Club



As we wrap up a busy and memorable second quarter, I want to thank all of you for making this yachting season one to remember. We had a fantastic Opening Day in April to kick things off, and since then the momentum continues to grow. Our small boat racing series is officially underway thanks to the leadership of Kurt Bowen and the Race Committee, and Staff Commodore Robert Gonzales continues to keep our monthly day sails running smoothly. We've also enjoyed some great cruising—Bill Scafidel led a successful trip to Dana Point that included a memorable evening with Dana West Yacht Club, and our cruise to Catalina was another highlight of the season

Looking ahead, we have plenty of reasons to stay engaged and get out on the water. Mark your calendars for our 4th of July BBQ at the clubhouse starting at 4 pm, and don't miss the Winery Social at Adobe Hills on August 2nd. Our General Membership Meeting on August 24th will be a chance to help shape the future of the club as we take nominations for the 2026 Bridge and Board. We'll have continued monthly day sails on the third Thursday of each month, more small boat races, and a September cruise to Catalina. We're also working with Oceanside Yacht Club on a joint racing event—more on that soon.

See you on the water,

Kiran Bisaccia

Commodore, SMYC

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YOUR UPCOMING SMYC EVENTS:



SEE WEBPAGE FOR
FULL CALENDAR OF
EVENTS AND CONTACT
INFORMATION:

WWW.SANTAMARGARITAYACHTCLUB.COM

NEXT BRIDGE AND BOARD MEETING:
AUG 7TH, 7PM-8:30PM

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:
DEL MAR MARINA SUMMER RACE SERIES:
AUG 13TH AWARDS NIGHT BBQ BY SMYC

SAVE THE DATE:
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AUG 24TH
BBQ DINNER, NOMINATIONS FOR 2026.
BRING A DESSERT OR SIDE DISH TO SHARE.

JUL
4

4TH OF JULY BBQ
4PM-6:30PM
PARKING PASSES REQUIRED
SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

JUL
12

SMALL BOAT RACING SERIES #5
10AM-2PM
RACES BEGIN AT 10:45

JUL
17

MONTHLY KEELBOAT SAIL
9:30AM-2PM
WESTCOASTROCK1@YAHOO.COM

AUG
2

ADOBE HILL WINERY
1PM-4PM
FALLBROOK, CA

AUG
7

BRIDGE AND BOARD MEETING
7PM-8:30PM, DEL MAR MARINA
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

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50th Anniversary Opening Day!



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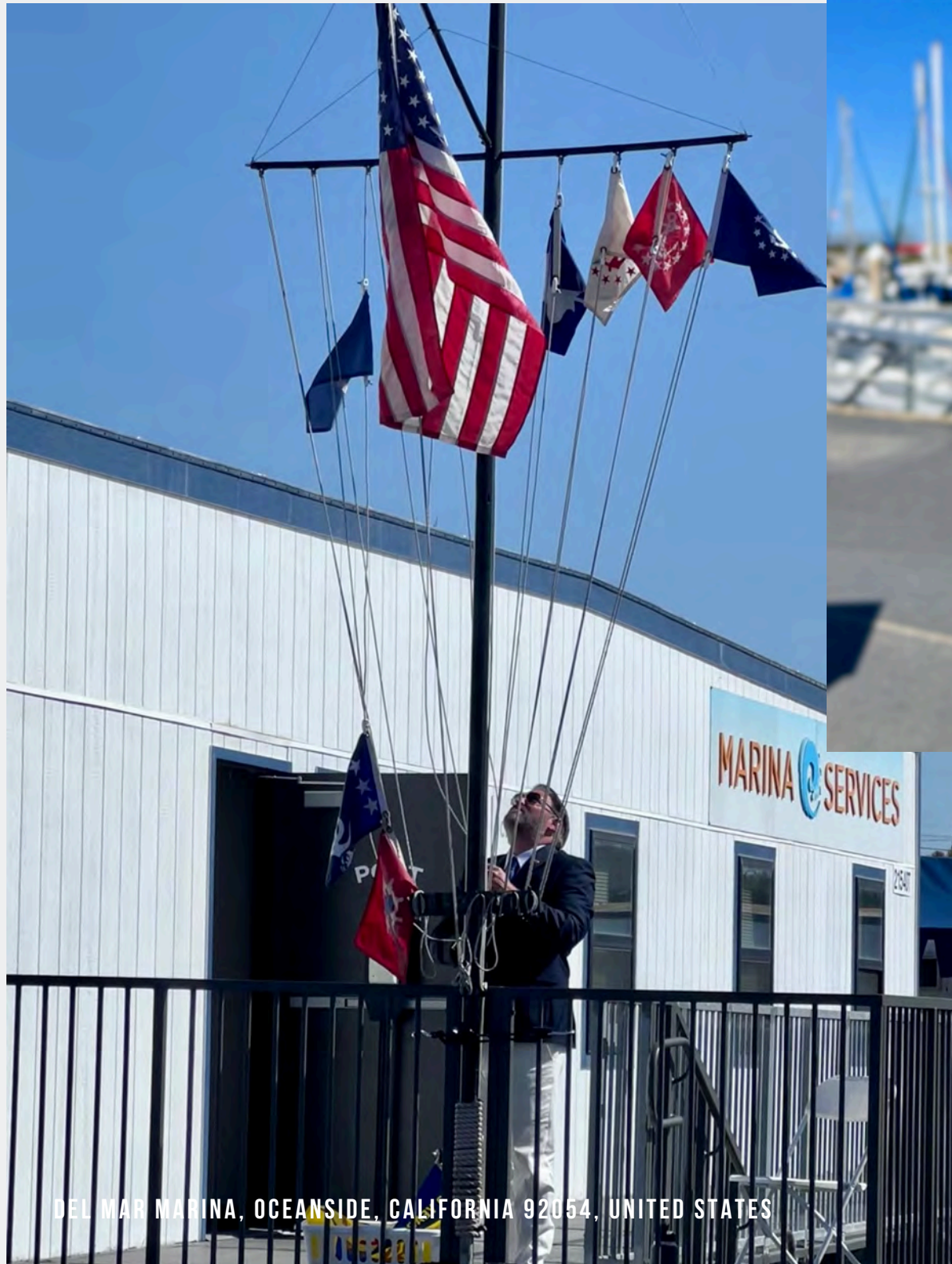
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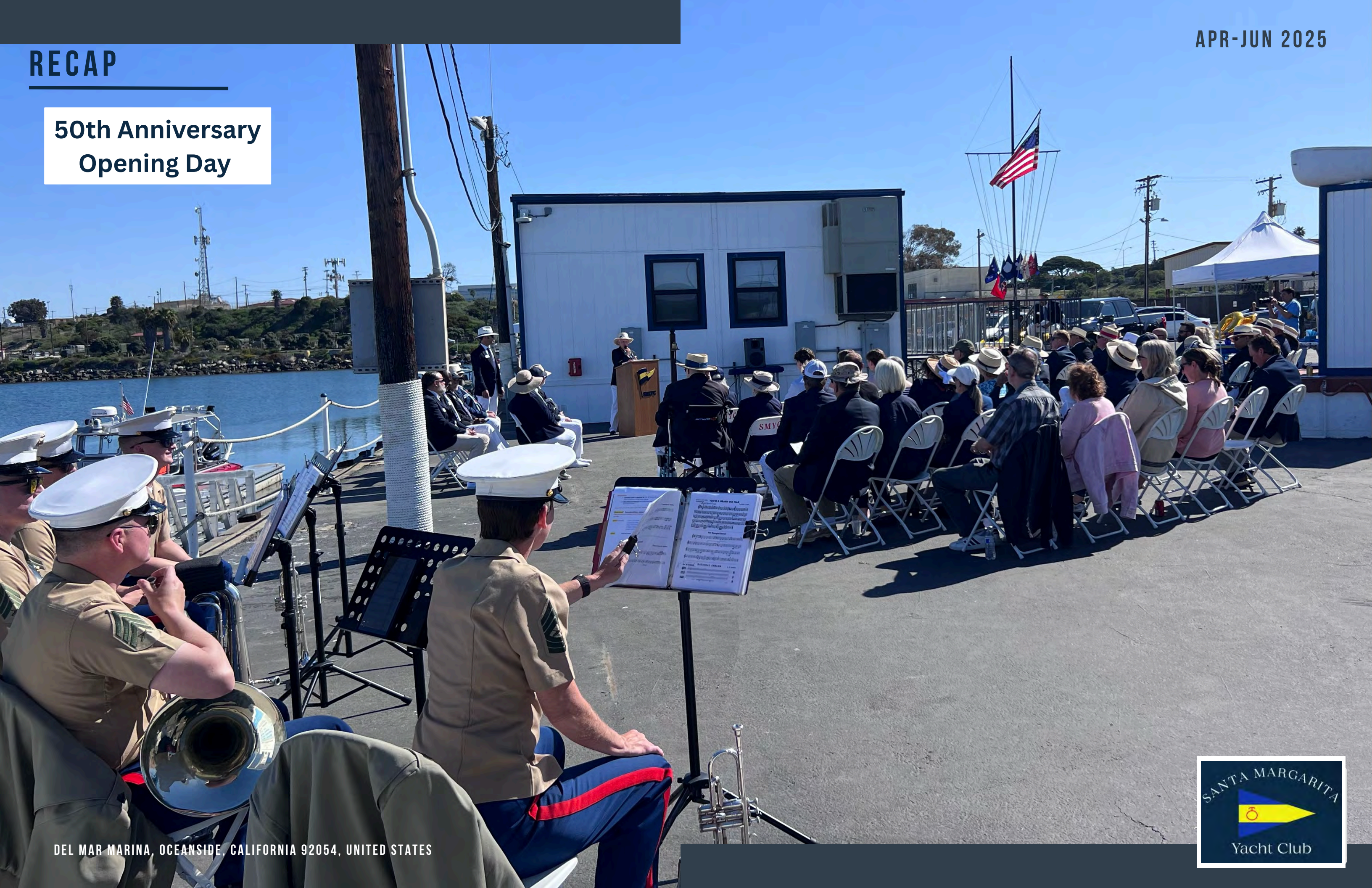
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SMYC Racing:
We're halfway through our
Small Boat Racing Series!
Come out for races #5-#8.
Next race - Saturday, July 12th





2025 SMYC Small Boat Racing Series

Eight Days, Forty Race Series at Del Mar Marina
Open to SMYC Members - 16.5 Capris and 9.5 RS Teras

RACING DATES:	
Race 1 of 8	Sat. 8 Mar
Race 2 of 8	Sat. 12 Apr
Race 3 of 8	Sat. 3 May
Race 4 of 8	Sat. 7 June
Race 5 of 8	Sat. 12 July
Race 6 of 8	Sat. 16 Aug
Race 7 of 8	Sat. 13 Sept
Race 8 of 8	Sat. 4 Oct

**Alternate - Sat. 25 Oct
(if case make-up race needed)*



RACING TIMES:
Registration - 10:00am
Skippers' Meeting - 10:30am
Races Start - 10:45am

Non-sailing members can join the assembly on the docks and cheer for our sailors.
For further information and to reserve a boat, please contact the SMYC racing organizer:
Kurt Bowen - cabowen@cox.net



RECAP Out and About with SMYC



Tinkerbell (Skipper Bill Scafidel)



Nocturne (Skipper Aidan O'Dea) & Moonshadow

On Saturday 24 May, SMYC cruisers departed Del Mar Marina en route to Dana Point for a weekend trip.

The boats that went on the cruise were: Tinkerbell (Skipper Bill Scafidel and crew Alicia Dill); Moonshadow (Skipper Andrew James Saucedo and crew Matt Piper and George Coleman); Whimsea (Skipper Tom Nelson and crew Jay Grove). Aidan O'Dea also accompanied the cruisers to Dana Point in his vessel Nocturne.

On the evening of Saturday 24 May, SMYC cruisers held a cruisers' social dinner event at Dana West Yacht Club. SMYC Cruise Leader Bill Scafidel presented SMYC coins to DWYC Commodore Roger Segway and Ms. Helen Hawkins as a way of showing thanks to DWYC for hosting SMYC cruisers. Dinner was amazing!

On Sunday 25 May, SMYC cruisers departed Dana Point and sailed down the coast back to Del Mar Marina.

-Kiran Bisaccia,
Commodore



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Burgee Spotted!

More from Dana Point Cruise, May 2025



Tinkerbelle (Skipper Bill Scafidel)



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Moonshadow (Skipper AJ Saucedo)



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Whimsea (Skipper Tom Nelson)



Tinkerbell (Skipper Bill Scafidel)



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Out and About with SMYC: Catalina Cruise



“The Mostly Catalina Crew”
-Leo Jankowski



“Happy Santa Margarita Sailors!”
-Leo Jankowski

Two SMYC boats made the trip to Catalina: Grant Wallace and Leo Jankowski. The cruise began from Oceanside with an enjoyable stopover in Newport, followed by some excitement in Avalon to include dinner at Steve’s Steakhouse. The trip wrapped up with a relaxing day at Hen Rock before heading back home.



Reminders of Upcoming Events:



General Membership Meeting & BBQ

August 24, 2025 at 4:00pm
SMYC Clubhouse, Del Mar Marina

NOMINATIONS for 2026 Bridge & Board of Directors

⚓ Bring your Nominations
⚓ Get Active in YOUR club ⚓ Have a Great Time

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share
Please RSVP to admin@santamargaritayachtclub.com

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Santa Margarita Yacht Club

4th of July BBQ

Friday, July 4, 2025 @ 4:00pm

Hamburgers / Hot Dogs / Brats will be provided by SMYC
Please bring your favorite summertime side dish or dessert to share
BYOB if you choose, beer available for normal donation

→ Parking Passes will be required ←
please RSVP to kab1260@gmail.com to request a pass

If you are able, please consider coming a little early to help set up,
or staying later to help clean up.

Monthly Keelboat Sail

Santa Margarita Yacht Club Members,

We are excited to invite you to join us for a fun and engaging 4-hour keel boat sail every third Thursday of the month, beginning on February 20, 2025! This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the beautiful waters, socialize, and meet fellow members who share your passion for sailing.

Event Details:

- When: Every third Thursday of the month starting February 20, 2025
- Duration: 2 hours out, 2 hours in
- Purpose: Social activities and networking with like-minded members

Whether you're a seasoned sailor or new to the sport, I welcome everyone to come aboard for an enjoyable day on the water!

For club members who would like to rent a sailboat for the day and earn hours for your Official Logbook call Del Mar Marina at (760) 725-7245.

For more information and to RSVP, please reach out to:
Robert Gonzales, Staff Commodore, Santa Margarita Yacht Club
Email: westcoastrock1@yahoo.com
Phone: (714) 809-3767

We look forward to sailing with you and making great memories together!



Come out for some fun in the sun and enjoy Adobe Hill estate-grown and produced wines with other members of the club

Saturday, August 2, 2025 - 1:00pm to 4:00pm
40740 Via Ranchitos, Fallbrook, CA 92028

santamargaritayachtclub.com

adobehill.com



EDUCATION AND SAFETY by Jon Coats

Have Your California Boater Card?

Did you know it is now required in order to operate motorized vessels in California?

Whether you're cruising the Pacific, fishing on a serene lake, or exploring California's many waterways, the California Boater Card is your ticket to safe and responsible boating. **As of Jan. 1, 2025, all boaters, regardless of age, are required to have a valid California Boater Card to operate motorized vessels in California.** It's the law—and it's all about keeping our waters safe and fun for everyone.

The Boater Card proves that you have completed one of California's approved boating safety education courses, ensuring you understand essential boating laws, safety protocols, and how to handle your vessel in any situation. Whether you're a seasoned boater or a first-time adventurer, the California Boater Card is designed to make you a more confident and capable waterway user.

The California Boater Card is more than just a requirement—it's your commitment to responsible boating. By earning your card, you're helping protect California's beautiful waterways and ensuring that everyone on the water has the knowledge to stay safe.

Boating accidents can happen quickly, but with proper education, you'll know how to respond in emergencies, avoid common hazards, and reduce your environmental impact. So, whether you're navigating a small dinghy or a powerful motorboat, the California Boater Card gives you the skills to enjoy your time on the water to the fullest—safely, confidently, and legally.

Applying for your card is quick and easy! Simply complete an approved course and apply for your card online. Once your application is complete, you'll receive your California Boater Card, which is good for life!

Head over to CaliforniaBoaterCard.com to apply, take the course, and find all the details you need. Get ready to cruise with confidence and safety—secure your California Boater Card today!"



Have a safety topic you'd like to see addressed?

Contact Jon Coats to request or submit updates to include here on our Safety and Education page.

Thank you, Jon!



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

It's been a delight to look through your beautiful photos this quarter. Opening day with 50th Anniversary festivities lended photos showcasing blue skies and marina fanfare. It was a lovely day to include USMC band, color guard, our historian presentation, awards and scholarship gifts, friends new and old, special guests, canon fire, celebratory drinks, and more. Cheers to all who worked behind the scenes to make such a memorable and meaningful event.

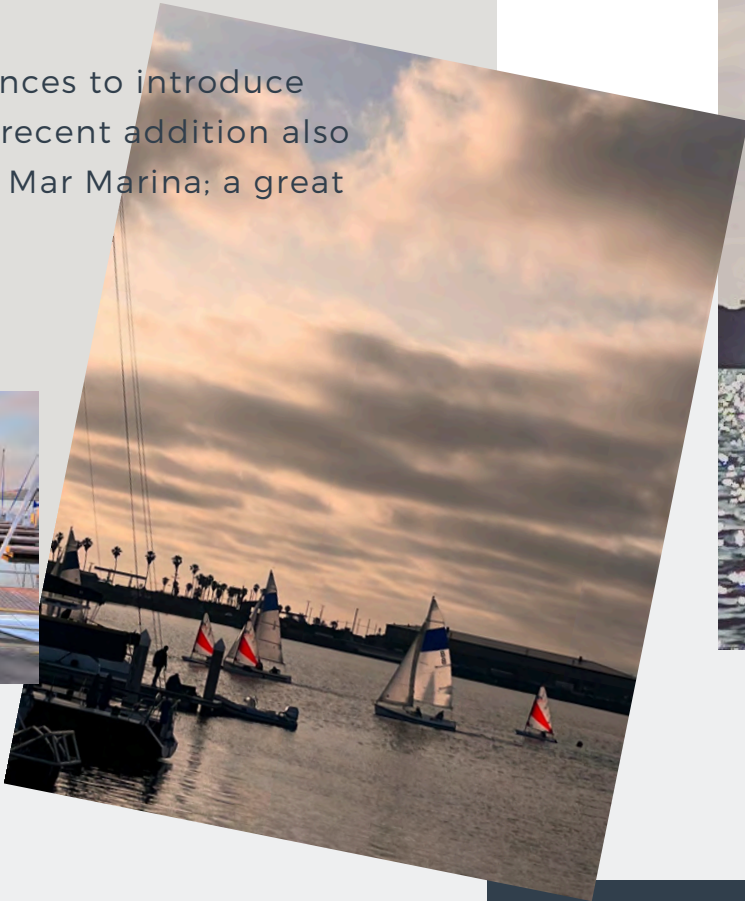
Thank you for the eye-catching contributions once again! I'm especially grateful for the write-ups and commentary accompanying the snapshots. We enjoy following along on member adventures and spotting that burgee - keep the inspiration coming!

The next few months will bring warm weather, late sunlight, and several club activities - check the website for up to date changes and details,

This summer our family has been enjoying a few chances to introduce more friends to fun on the water. We've enjoyed the recent addition also of the Wednesday evening race series, hosted by Del Mar Marina; a great excuse for a quick sunset spin around the basin.

Come out and join us!

Happy 4th of July,
Jessica & family



Have a submission for the Jul-Aug edition of our Anchorline? We'd love to hear from you.

Email Jessica Halfpap at: jhalfpap@gmail.com

<https://santamargaritayachtclub.com>
for additional club resources and information.

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