



West Coast Yacht Club

BINNACLE



***New Ship Store Announcement!
Read all about it inside!***

April, 2021

March's Dinner pictures inside.....



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***Don't forget to sign up
for your 2021 Vessel
Safety Check Today!***

Photo of Doheny Beach at Sunset



LETTER FROM COMMODORE DAVE MONK

Ahoy WCYC members,

So we are now getting into the full swing of the 2021 season with the first “Shake Down” cruise to Danalina all set for the weekend of April 16-18! I, for one, are ready to spend a weekend with you all catching up on the latest boat stories (what’s working and more likely, what’s not working) and all the clever modifications and upgrades made during the “off season”!

That does bring me to a topic we have discussed within the club and the board, and that is having a channel to discuss our experiences (both good and bad) working with the many services we call upon to “fettle”** our boats. There are several projects I have been working on that I would like to share those resources used and was pleased with the service or performance of the work. Also, I think we could share any experiences we have had getting to the root cause of a problem and the countermeasure we utilized to resolve those problems. Let us know your thoughts by chatting with us or by email. I personally would like to see articles in the Binnacle which share tips and tricks! As our club founders built their own boats I feel sure much of the discussion they had was on how to get the job done!

I am sure we will get a full report from the March dinner at the El Adobe which was a great success and an extremely enjoyable time! As always a lively crowd, excellent food and service, where our senior members (myself included) could share their vaccination stories! Another great job by Dave Stancil in organizing the event with help from our trusty board members.

Remember - make sure you sign up for the Danalina cruise!

“ Stay Safe & Healthy and Fair Winds & Following Seas”.

David Monk
Commodore

***Fettle “means to bring an item up into fine working order” - is the state or condition you're in, especially if it's positive. You might describe your bouncy, healthy puppy (or boat) as being in fine fettle. You'll almost always see the adjective "fine" describing the noun fettle. Being in fine fettle means feeling good, being healthy, or having an energetic approach to something.*



LETTER FROM REAR COMMODORE DAVE STANCIL

Hello All:

I want to start by thanking all that attended the March dinner at El Adobe in San Juan. We had a great time and celebrated the return of indoor dining in Orange County. Combined with the February dinner at Luciana's in Dana Point, our club met its 1st quarter goal of holding two social dinners. We were able to complete both dinners safely, and under COVID restrictions and protocols. Both venues did a great job, and we hope that you will support both of these restaurants as your individual dinner plans occur during the year.

On March 18th, Steve Fiorillo and I attended a CA Clean Boating Network Meeting (via Zoom) presented by the California State Parks. This very informative program covered topics such as Preventing Boat Sewage Pollution, Trash Management Entering the Ocean, California's Marine Protected Areas, and the California Boaters Card. I have downloaded copies of the individual presentations if anyone is interested.

On the topic of the California Boaters Card, the *Binnacle* has promoted the California Boaters Card in the past and my wife Tami studied and took the test in February (I got mine in 2019) and proudly received her card this month. Although most of us are not at the age requiring us to have this card, **it will be mandatory** for all by Jan 1, 2025, it is always good to refresh your safe boating skills, as Tami did. Regardless, I highly recommend that you, anyone operating your boat, or significant other take the test and get the card. Information on how to obtain this card, which does not expire, and implementation dates can be found at <https://californiaboaterscard.com>.



Relative to additional boater education, on March 27th I attended additional training (via Zoom) conducted by the California State Parks and the California Coastal Commission. This program creates "**DOCKWALKERS**" to conduct outreach to create and educate boaters about environmentally sound boating practices. The 3-hour training program allowed me to renew by DOCKWALKER certification from my original training in 2012. I have handouts and some nice give-aways coming that I can distribute later in the summer.

Dave Stancil
Rear Commodore



LETTER FROM MEMBERSHIP TOM RASULO

Heloooo Thrillseekers!

So good to feel the warm weather showing up. We all know what that means. I feel like there is something of a pent-up demand for cruising fun coming because of our atypical 2020 cruise year. As sad as it could have been, we managed and persevered even when we could only raft up two boats at times.

At our recent club dinner at El Adobe I handed out applications for each of you to keep handy, a WCYC business card and a window sticker for your car showing our WCYC Club burgee. Because I back our boat into its slip in Alamitos Bay and because it is the very first boat at the bottom of the gangway, I thought it might be a good idea to put a WCYC sticker on the door where we board our boat to see if I could get people to ask about us.



So far, the results have been good. I've had several conversations about who we are and what we do. I've also handed out three applications so far!

Do you have someone on your dock you think might be a good match for WCYC? If so, please email me at Trasulo@cox.net or text at 949-350-3037 to give me the contact information of those you would like me to follow up with. I will take it from there. I will likely invite them as our guest(s) to our next event so they can meet the friendliest Yacht Club membership on the West Coast.

"A ship in its harbor is safe.... but that is not what ships are built for"

Let us have our best year yet!... Tom

Tom Rasulo
Membership Chair



LETTER FROM SHIP STORE DONNA GROVES

Hello All:

We are excited to announce the Ship Store is now available to view our products on the W.C.Y.C. web site under About Us -> Ship Store

We will be updating it monthly as we buy new items to sell. Check out our monthly Specials and Sales and visit our store for gifts for your family and love ones.

In the next few months we will be presenting our 90 year Anniversary Logo so stay tuned.

As a special thank you to the past and future Commodores they can buy their 90 year Anniversary shirts and hats adding the year they were Commodore.

You can place your order via the website or email it to me at dcgultevent@aol.com.

Donna Groves
Ship Store



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR STEVE FIORILLO

Hello All:

I'm always looking for content for the Binnacle, including cover photos, so anything you'd like to share with the membership that's boating related please send it my way.

If you're not aware, we also have a Facebook group that's been active for several years, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/448832008534519>....

- This is a private group for members only, so if go to this page and request membership I'll add you in ASAP. Or you can send me your Facebook account and I'll do it that way.
- This group, as with the Binnacle, can be used to share your photos, trip journals, etc, but also any suggestions for contractors (upholsterers, boat cleaners, mechanics, etc), as we're all looking for "that guy".
- Any contribution to the membership that is more real-time should be posted to our FB group so we all see in a timely manner.

Please let me know if there's any questions or concerns.

Regards,
Steve Fiorillo



March's Dinner at El Adobe





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BIRTHDAYS



April Birthdays:

Stacy Mata	10 th
Tami Stancil	17 th
Cathy Bellafaire	24 th

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

As the health and safety of our membership is our top priority, all upcoming events are subject to the current COVID restrictions and may be canceled or rescheduled accordingly.



April's Shakedown Cruise
To
Danalina!
April 16th – 18th
Cruise Captains: The Sicards

Info & Invite Coming Soon!



May's Cruise
To
Avalon!
May 14th – 16th
Cruise Captains:
The McNamaras & The Vandenberges

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS



DPFAA Spring Art Festival 2021

Dana Point Harbor
Saturday, April 17th and Sunday, April 18th



CLUB NEWS & INFO

- **WCYC New Members**

WCYC welcomes one new member this month...



Sheri Meehleis
Boat Pending

- **Reminder to submit your 20-21 Lobster Report Card!**



CA LOBSTER SEASON HAS
ENDED OF 3/18/2021



Now that lobster season is over, don't forget to submit your Report Card by April 30, 2021.

You can submit online at

<https://www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales/CustomerSearch/Begin> or via mail to the address

listed on your report card.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

COMMON SENSE AIN'T SO COMMON!





2021 West Coast Yacht Club Cruise and Dinner Schedule

Plan your year! Please join us at our 2021 Cruises and Dinners. See you on the water!

NOTE: We still need Cruise Captains for this year's season, so if you are interested, please contact Mike Sandler.

February 20	Luncheon – Luciana's
March 20	Dinner – El Adobe (https://westcoastyachtclub.com/2021-march-dinner)
April 16-18	Shake Down Cruise to Danalina <i>Cruise Captains: Ed & Mindy Sicard</i> <i>Co-Captains: OPEN</i>
May 14-16	Cruise to Avalon <i>Cruise Captains: Jim & Maggie McNamara</i> <i>Co-Captains: Steve & Brenda Vandenberg</i>
June 11-13	Cruise to Oceanside <i>Cruise Captains: David & Monique Monk</i> <i>Co-Captains: Drew Von Grempe & Natalie Brown</i>
July 10	The Famous Tiki Regatta
July 16-18	Cruise to Cherry Cove <i>Cruise Captains: Ron & Cindy Latin</i> <i>Co-Captains: OPEN</i>
July 24	Summer Olympics Pub Crawl
August 13-15	Cruise to Newport Beach <i>Cruise Captains: Tom & Karen Rasulo</i> <i>Co-Captains: RJ Trevizo & Kevin Jones</i>
September 17-19	Cruise to Avalon <i>Cruise Captains: John & Creslun Kossa</i> <i>Co-Captains: Rod Covarrubias & Tammy Huntley</i>
October 8-10	Cruise to Long Beach - LBYC <i>Cruise Captains: Chip & Christie Threlkeld</i> <i>Co-Captains: Richard & Susan Hepner</i>
November 13 th	Commodore's Dinner
December 12 th	Christmas Brunch at San Juan Golf Club

NOTICE: Unfortunately due to the ever changing COVID restrictions, this schedule is subject to change. We will do our best to notify you of any changes as soon as possible.



USCG AUX Bulletin Board - Vessel Safety Checks -



USCG Auxiliary Vessel Safety Checks Flotilla 06-08 – Dana Point



The following are the current guidelines effective January 1, 2021, allowing the CG AUX to conduct VSCs while conforming with the current social distancing restrictions. However, as with all COVID restrictions they are subject to change.

The new VSC guidelines include:

- Each VSC must also have prior approval by the CG AUX approximately one week prior to the exam
- One examiner per vessel
- Exam to be completed in 30 minutes
- No boarding of the vessel
- Examiner and boat owner are to wear PPE and maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet
- All vessel safety equipment (PFDs, flares, fire extinguishers, holding tank seacock, sounding devices, etc) must be available for either physical or virtual(FaceTime/Skype/Zoom/Pictures) inspection

The CG AUX also have several resources where you can conduct a virtual VSC and prepare your vessel for the safety check.....

- <http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=V-DEPT&category=job-aid-kits>
- <http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=V-DEPT&category=virtual-safety-check>

If you're interested in a VSC or have any questions about the process, please contact Steve Fiorillo at (danapointuscgaux@gmail.com). You can also visit the [Dana Point Flotilla Website](#) or the WCYC VSC page.

- Education -

Due to the current COVID restrictions all in person classes for 2021 have not been scheduled. However the USCG AUX is developing on-line classes. Please stay tuned for more information.



WCYC 2021 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Elective officers of the Club shall consist of Commodore, Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore

Commodore	David Monk
Vice Commodore	Mike Sandler
Rear Commodore	Dave Stancil

The Flag officers of the Club shall consist of the three positions listed above PLUS the Senior Staff Commodore and Junior Staff Commodore

Jr Staff Commodore	Ed Sicard
Sr Staff Commodore	OPEN

The Appointive officers of the Club shall consist of Fleet Captain, Secretary, Treasurer, Port Captain, Membership Chairperson and JAG/Parliamentarian

Fleet / Port Captain	Mindy Sicard
Secretary	OPEN
Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld
Membership Chairperson	OPEN
JAG / Parliamentarian	Ron Latin

The Board of Directors shall consist of the Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Sr Staff Commodore, Jr Staff Commodore and six additional Active Members

Commodore	David Monk
Vice Commodore	Mike Sandler
Rear Commodore	Dave Stancil
Jr Staff Commodore	Ed Sicard
Sr Staff Commodore	OPEN
Active Member – Ship Store	Donna Groves (3 rd yr)
Active Member - Secretary	OPEN
Active Member - Membership	OPEN
Active Member - Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld (1 st yr)
Active Member - JAG	Ron Latin (2 nd yr)
Active Member - Fleet / Port Captain	Mindy Sicard (5 th yr)
Active Member – Website/Binnacle	Steve Fiorillo (5 th yr)



WCYC RECIPROCAL YACHT CLUBS

Alamitos Bay YC

7201 E. Ocean Blvd.
Long Beach, CA. 90803-4551

American Legion YC

215 15th Street
Newport Beach, CA. 92663

Anacapa YC

2810 S. Harbor Blvd.
B-6
Oxnard, CA 93035

Bahia Corinthian YC

1601 Bayside Drive
Corona del Mar, CA. 92625-1832

Balboa Basin YC

829 Harbor Island Drive #38
Newport Beach, CA. 92660

Buccaneer YC

P.O. Box 76
San Pedro, CA. 90733

Cabrillo Beach YC

211 W 22nd Street
San Pedro, CA. 90731-7207

Cerritos Bahia YC

6291 E. Pacific Coast Highway
Long Beach, CA 90803

Channel Islands YC

4100 S Harbor Blvd.
Oxnard, CA. 93035-4310

Chula Vista YC

642 Marina Parkway #83
Chula Vista, CA. 91910-4058

Convair Sailing Club

P.O. Box 22981
San Diego, CA. 92192-2981

Coronado Cays YC

30 Caribe Cay Blvd.
Coronado, CA. 92118

Dana West YC

24601 Dana Drive
Dana Point, CA. 92629

Hollywood YC

Holiday Harbor Marina
Berth 201
Wilmington, CA 90744

Huntington Harbour YC

3821 Warner Avenue
Huntington Beach, CA.
92649

Lido Isle YC

701 Via Lido Soud
Newport Beach, CA. 92663

Little Ships Fleet YC

233 Marina Dr.
Long Beach, CA. 90803

Long Beach YC

602 Appian Way
Long Beach, CA. 90803

Marina Venice YC

4333 Admiralty Way
Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

Marina YC of Long Beach

233 Corsair Way
Seal Beach, CA. 90740

Mission Bay YC

1215 El Carmel CT.
San Diego, CA 92109

Morro Bay YC

541 Embarcadero Drive
Morro Bay, CA 93442

Navy YC Long Beach

223 Marina Drive
Long Beach, CA. 90803

Navy YC San Diego

Fiddlers Cove Marina
POB 182111
San Diego, CA. 92187

Oceanside YC

1950 N. Harbor Dr.
Oceanside, CA 92054

Pacific Corinthian YC

2600 Harbor Blvd
Oxnard, CA 93035

Pacific Mariners YC

13915 Panay Way
Marina del Rey, CA. 90292

Port Royal YC

555 N. Harbor Dr.
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Redondo Beach YC

210 Yacht Club Way
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Seal Beach YC

255 Marina Drive
Long Beach, CA. 90803

Shoreline Yacht Club

386 Shoreline Drive South
Long Beach, CA. 90802

Silver Gate YC

2091 Shelter Island Drive
San Diego, CA. 92106

South Coast Corinthian YC

13445 Mindanao Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

South Shore YC

1099 Bayside Drive
Newport Beach, CA 92660

Ventura YC

1755 Spinnaker Drive
Ventura, CA. 93001-4396

Westlake YC

32123 Lindero Rd
Westlake Village, CA 91361



WCYC Membership Application

Please Print Clearly

Name _____ Occupation _____ Birthdate _____

Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Name _____ Occupation _____ Birthdate _____

Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Vessel Type _____ Length _____

Vessel Name _____

Home Port _____ Basin (if in DP harbor) _____

Slip _____ Slip Size _____ Beam _____

Reason for Joining WCYC:

Prospective members are required to attend two events and be introduced at that time by their sponsors or a Club Officer.

The Membership Chairperson's recommendation, the signatures of two sponsoring

Club Members and all dues will be presented to the Board of Directors at their next scheduled meeting. Current dues are \$150 annually, plus a one time initiation fee of \$150.

The undersigned hereby agrees to abide by the Club's By-Law's, Policies and Protocols:

Applicant #1 _____ Date _____

Applicant #2 _____ Date _____

Sponsoring Member #1 _____ Date _____

Sponsoring Member #2 _____ Date _____

Please return your Membership Application together with your check (made payable to West Coast Yacht Club) to the Membership Chair.