



West Coast Yacht Club

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Updated Cruise & Dinner Schedule

April, 2023

March's Dinner Photos Inside....



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*Photo of Festival of The Whales Parade
by Richard Hepner*



LETTER FROM COMMODORE MINDY SICARD

Dear WCYC Members,

A big thank you to Rear Commodore, Tom Rasulo and his wife Karen for the fabulous and fun St. Patrick's Day dinner. The venue was the perfect spot. The chef certainly did spoil us with his gourmet dishes and the corned beef was the best ever, as well as some of the specialty cocktails.

Unfortunately, our first cruise of the season was cancelled due to low participation and unforeseen weather. We have another cruise to Cherry Cove planned in the near future. Hopefully, we will have more members interested in participating.

Be sure and mark your calendars for our upcoming Poker Run followed by a Bonfire at Doheny Beach on Saturday, April 22nd. Details will be sent via Evite. If you have friends or boating neighbors who might be interested in joining WCYC, please be sure and invite them. It's a great way to meet our members.

I want to give a big shout out to the WCYC Board of Directors who are consistently working to make our club better and better. We have an awesome group of dedicated people. Looking forward to seeing you at our next event.

See you on the seas in 2023

Mindy Sicard
Commodore



LETTER FROM VICE COMMODORE DONNA GROVES

Ahoy fellow Boaters,

Spring is in the air. Hopefully, the rain will stop, and April brings us all warmer weather. I am sure everyone will agree, it's time to move on from the cold. We have a great cruise coming up in May.

The Fiorillo's and Groves who are Captain's on the May Cruise took a road trip last week to San Pedro to visit the Cabrillo Marina and to introduce ourselves to the staff. We viewed the area along with scouting out what fun things we can do for the May cruise. Once there, we realized it was not up to par for our group. The docks and the staff were great but the surrounding area not so much. They have completely closed the Port of Call in preparation to renovate the whole area. Once it is done, it will be ready for us and can't wait to revisit it, so stay tuned.

In saying that, we had to change some of our cruise locations and or dates on the calendar, so please look at the revised cruising schedule. For May, we changed the dates to May 5th, 6th and 7th, which is the first weekend in May. Do I hear **FIESTA TIME** on the island!!!! Yes it is Cinco De Mayo and Avalon it is.

We have a lot of fun things planned. We are going to change it up a bit creating a **Taco Boat & Bar** on Friday night on the hosting boats which will be side tied. Margarita's will be flowing and we will have our first **Boater Member Salsa Contest**. Bring as hot as you want or as mild. There will be prizes for each category. That is just the start of our fun weekend and more to come. We will put an itinerary together for everyone to view our evite which is coming soon. Make sure to read the entire evite. There is always a second page which comes with all the eVites we send to you. It will give you the full itinerary for the weekend. Usually, on the right hand side of the eVite if you click the arrow, it will take you to the next page which has the itinerary. Lot's of fun things awaits you all. Another thing to mention is when you RSVP to attend, if the eVite comes to you, please count yourself on the number of guests who are attending. I made that mistake a few seasons ago and thought I was counted in the RSVP because it came to me. So if 2 of you are attending, put "2" on the evite. This will help the Captain's know how many people they need to account for.

We also changed the October cruise dates. We are still going to Long Beach, however the dates are now October 27th - 29th. Cannot wait to see what our veteran Captain's will have planned for us. I am sure it will be a "**SPOOKY**" good time.

Finally, I would like to mention again that these Captain's putting on these events whether a cruise or a dinner are volunteers. Please be courteous to them and know they do their best to accommodate everyone but can only do so much based on location and food. Costs for food have gone way up in the past months so we try our best to keep costs down and pick a menu that will work for the majority of the group. We cannot make everyone happy but they all try.

We welcome anyone who would like to be a Captain or Co-Captain in the future. Every December at the Brunch, the list goes around to sign up and we love new people with new fresh ideas. We are still looking for a few Captain's and Co-Captains for the 2023 cruise season. Please email me if you are interested at dcgultevent@aol.com. If it is your first time being a Captain we will always put you with someone that has experience and has already been a Captain on another cruise. It truly is rewarding and fun to put on these cruises. Hope everyone has a great Easter weekend. Look forward to seeing you all on the May Cruise to Avalon.

Donna Groves
Rear Commodore



LETTER FROM REAR COMMODORE TOM RASULO

Helloooooo Lassies & Laddies,

Our St. Patrick's Day dinner seems to have been a success. All the feedback was that the food was really delicious. The Salad and yummy Ruben Rolls at the beginning were a great start to the evening. The Corned Beef & Cabbage was described as "the best I've ever had" and dessert was decadent. The restaurant, Dublin 4, in Mission Viejo was appropriately decorated to make it a fun evening. We had 30 people attend so the comradery was easy to enjoy. To end the evening those interested got an Irish Coffee that is a work of art.

Cruise season is upon us so tune up your boats, keep an eye on the club calendar and do your best to get involved. Help with a dinner or co-chair a cruise. It's so much fun and many hands make light work.

Seas the day and your shore to be Dublin your fun! If it's drowning you're after, don't torment yourself with shallow water. May the sunshine warm upon your face. May there always be work for your hands to do. Irish boat puns are O'Fennsive.

Tom Rasulo
Rear Commodore





LETTER FROM MEMBERSHIP BRIAN RANDALL

Happy April Everyone!

I cannot believe that March is already over. What a wet month it was.... I am hoping that April brings well needed sunshine!!!!

We have a newly approved member in the club to announce!

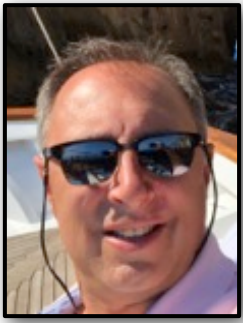
Please welcome Bill Zimmerer and Julie Zimmerer to the family! Bill and Julie own a 35' Power boat "Hall Pass". We look forward to having them join in on the great events we have planned for this year's season. Welcome Bill and Julie!

Other potential members who are still needing additional activities are:

- Walter Folsom and Claire Kenney who each have sailboats. They were ready to join us on the Catalina cruise this month and finalize their event completion however the weather and sign-ups for the cruise caused the cruise to be cancelled. We will get them out on the next cruise!
- Ryan and Natalie Lacher who have a 28' powerboat called "Lachertime" are also waiting for an upcoming cruise to finalize their application status.

If you know of anyone that is interested in joining the club, please send them my way. I'll be glad to answer any questions and guide them in the process. You can reach me at membership@westcoastyachtclub.com.

Brian Randall
Membership Chair



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR STEVE FIORILLO

Hello All:

I'm always looking for content for the Binnacle, 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 St. Patrick's Day Dinner





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CLUB NEWS & INFO

- **New Members:**

Welcome Bill & Julie Zimmerer – 35' Powerboat – “Hall Pass”!

- **WCYC Represented in the Festival Of Whales Parade**

Richard Hepner represented WCYC with his Jeep Club during the parade.....





BIRTHDAYS



April Birthdays:

Darren Blizzard	2 nd
Terri Dallape	7 th
Stacy Alderson	10 th
Michelle Hamilton	19 th
Cathy Bellafaire	24 th

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

April's Cruise to Cherry Cove

March 31 – April 2

Cancelled Due to Weather

Cruise Rescheduled for Sept 29 – Oct 1

Spring Poker Run & Bon Fire April 22

Enjoy the Poker Run around
the harbor!

Afterwards roast some
marshmallows on the beach!

Invitations Coming Soon



May's Cruise to Avalon



May 5th – 7th

Invitations Coming Soon!



UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Come Join Us For Our
2nd Annual Commodore's Cruise
To
ENSENADA
On The Carnival Radiance
July 24th – 28th

Save The Date

More Information Will Be
Coming Soon!



UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

2023 California Wine Festival – April 14 - 15



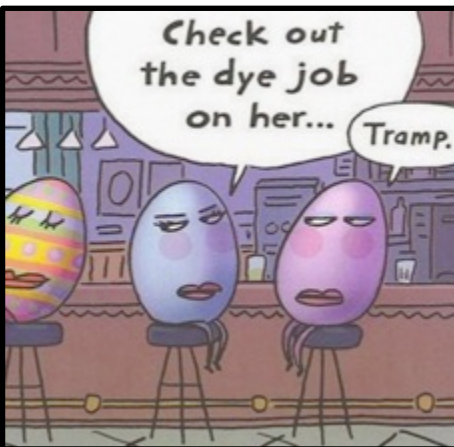
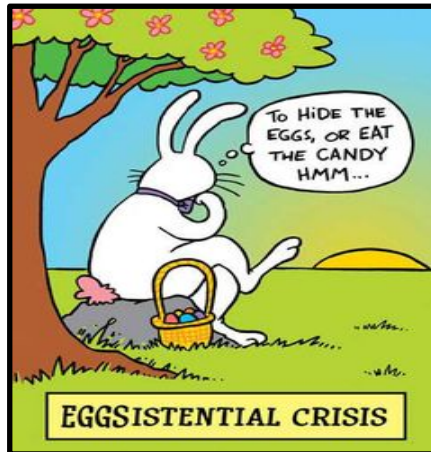
Sea Terrace Park – Dana Point



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MAY 13,
2023



IN HONOR OF EASTER...





2023 West Coast Yacht Club Cruise and Dinner Schedule

Plan your year! Please join us at our 2023 Cruises and Dinners. See you on the water!
Please note that dates may change, and changes will be communicated ASAP.

February 11	Valentine's Dinner – Tannins, San Juan
** March 12 11	St. Patrick's Day Dinner – Dublin 4 Gastro Pub, Mission Viejo
** March 31–April 2	Opening Cruise to Cherry Cove – CANCELLED Cruise Captains: Brian Randall Co-Captains: The Sicards
** April 22	Poker Run & Bonfire
** May 5-7 12-14	Cruise to Avalon Gabrillo YC Cruise Captains: The Groves Co-Captains: The Fiorillos
June 9-11	Cruise to Danalina Cruise Captains: TBD Co-Captains: TBD
July 15	The Famous Tiki Regatta
July 24-28	Commodore's Cruise to Ensenada Cruise Captains: The Groves
** August 11-13	Cruise to Cherry Cove Avalon LBYC Cruise Captains: The Sicards Co-Captains: The Threlkelds
September 8-10	Cruise to Newport Beach at Marina Park Cruise Captains: The Rasulos Co-Captains: The Hepners
** Sep 29 – Oct 1	Cruise - TBD
** October 27-29 6-8	Cruise to Long Beach Avalon Cruise Captains: The Kossas Co-Captains: Covarrubias/Huntely
November 11	Commodore's Dinner
December 9	Holiday Brunch

**** Please note this indicates date/venue change from original schedule.**



USCG AUX Bulletin Board

- Vessel Safety Checks -



2023 USCG Auxiliary Vessel Safety Checks Flotilla 06-08 – Dana Point



The following are the current 2023 guidelines 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:

- As much as possible the exam should take place in the open air, however per the owner's permission, the examiner can now board the vessel to examine those items that cannot be brought topside
- One examiner per vessel
- Upon request, the examiner can wear PPE

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=130-07-12&category=virtual-vsc>
- Download sample VSC form...
http://wow.uscgaux.info/Uploads_wow/114-06-08/2023_vsc_form_hglt_sample.pdf



If you're interested in a VSC or have any questions about the process, please contact Steve Fiorillo at (danapointuscgaux@gmail.com) or scan our QR code

- Education -

Our Boating Education 2023 Courses Are Back!



In-person training is now back at DPYC.

Please scan the QR code to the left to or click the link below check out our current offerings.

<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=114-06-08&category=boating-courses>



WCYC 2023 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Commodore	Mindy Sicard
Vice Commodore	Donna Groves
Rear Commodore	Tom Rasulo

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	Mike Sandler
Sr Staff Commodore	Dave Monk

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

Fleet / Port Captain	John Kossa
Secretary	Monique Monk
Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld
Membership Chairperson	Brian Randall
JAG / Parliamentarian	Richard Hepner

The Board of Directors shall consist of the aforementioned Flag Officers, PLUS six additional Active Members (*Consecutive Years of BOD Service*)

Commodore	Mindy Sicard
Vice Commodore	Donna Groves
Rear Commodore	Tom Rasulo
Jr Staff Commodore	Mike Sandler
Sr Staff Commodore	Dave Monk
Active Member – Ship Store	Tammy Huntley (2 nd yr)
Active Member - Secretary	Monique Monk (4 th yr)
Active Member - Membership	Brian Randall (1 st yr)
Active Member - Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld (3 rd yr)
Active Member - JAG	Richard Hepner (2 nd yr)
Active Member - Fleet / Port Captain	John Kossa (2 nd yr)
Active Member – Website/Binnacle	Steve Fiorillo (7 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.