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LETTER FROM COMMODORE DONNA GROVES

Hi WCYC Boaters,

Hope you are all enjoying your boats in this beautiful weather. We had a great turnout in Cherry Cove at the July Cruise. Our Captains the Riddles and Threlkelds did an outstanding job, and we can't thank them enough for their hard work. You will read more in the Captain's report, but everything was top notch and so much fun.

Next cruise Mike and I will be hosting, along with Cindy and Steve Fiorillo. We have some fun things planned for you all. As of right now we have 13 boats attending, so it's going to be another great turn out. We will be celebrating the Summer Olympics so get your arm warmed up to lift your solo cup in Beer Pong, do some wrist exercises for Ping Pong, and do your lunges for Cornhole. Winners will receive medals and bragging rights. Saturday we will be having lunch and a float day behind our boats. The Olympic game for the day is a Bottle Race. Google how to make one. Super easy and you can be creative. The winner receives a gift card from West Marine. Afterwards, anyone can join us for an extended cruise hopping from harbor to harbor starting on Sunday.

The Tiki Regatta was a huge success again this year and is always one of our best land events. Five boats were in the race and the wind cooperated. I want to take this time to thank some wonderful people that make this event what it is. Staff Commodore Dave Monk and Monique for being the Race Committee Boat again this year. Rear Commodore Brian Randall for doing an outstanding job with the race, and he will give you all the details in his letter. He really upgraded the race to another level for the club. Maureen Hensley did a great raffle basket and set up the Ship Store. There was a lot of great things to purchase. A special thanks to Fleet/Port Captain John Kossa and Crezlun. They did a phenomenal job the entire day, and the Regatta would not be what it is without them. The food was excellent, the décor was "Tiki" fun, and the new racing trophies were beautiful. They make this event every year the BEST. It truly was a great day and it's all because of the hard work and dedication of these people.

Saturday, August 3rd, Staff Commodore Mindy Sicard will be hosting a fun Olympic Pub Crawl. For people who have not attended in the past it is a blast and Mindy always makes it so much fun. The Pub Crawl will start at 12 noon at Jimmy's Restaurant for lunch, and she will then guide us through the harbor from place to place. An eVite already went out and so far we have 24 people attending. You can go to one place or all of them, it is up to you. Members will pay at each location for their own food or drinks. This is a NO CHARGE event. Medals for the best costumes will be given out, and there will be a 50/50 raffle as well. Come join in on the fun. You don't want to miss the crowd cheering us on and honking their horns as while on our "Crawl" through the harbor!

On the business side, as a reminder per the club procedures that you have all received and have been discussed in prior Binnacles regarding RSVPs for events:

- When you RSVP "Yes" to an event, specifying how many will attend, that is considered a reservation for the event and payment for that that reservation is expected.
- The RSVP-By date is in place so that we can meet our headcount deadlines and/or ensure we have food for the event. If your reservation is NOT cancelled/changed prior to the RSVP-By date, you will be billed based on your RSVP, whether you attend or nor, or eat or not.
- If you cancel prior to the RSVP-By date you will not be charged.
- If you respond after the RSVP-By date, we can try to accommodate you, but as we grow in membership we are often limited on space.

As you all know we are a small club, and with our low membership dues we cannot absorb losses. If you receive an invoice after any event, it must be paid within 30 days of receipt. Not paying the invoice will result in a cancellation of your membership. If anyone would like to discuss this or have questions on this matter, you may reach out to me personally at Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com.

One final note... as mentioned in the June's Membership Letter, we have complied a Member Directory that will feature everyone's photo, boat, and information such as name, email, phone number(s), and boat name/location. This list WILL NOT be posted on our public website, but rather sent out to each member individually on a regular basis. The first issue will be coming out shortly, so if you haven't sent in your personal or boat photo or if you do not want your information posted at all, please contact Steve Fiorillo at admin@westcoastyachtclub.com

Donna Groves Commodore





LETTER FROM VICE COMMODORE TOM RASULO

Hello WCYC Members!

First, a heartfelt Well Done to John & Crez Kossa for another amazing Tiki Regatta party. Their work seems to get better every year. It's so easy to see how they enjoy doing the work for all our membership. Thanks you two! Outstanding Job. We are all lucky to count you as members of WCYC!

With our Rear Commodore leading the charge and managing the actual race it had a real professional feel to it this year. The start, the flags and the appropriate horns made it top notch. The nice trophies for top finishers were a nice touch. Margie, filling in for Brian's injured leg, sure made him look good. Thanks to you two as well.

Here's something new.... Soon you will see an Evite for our Cruise to Avalon on August 9th. This year it will be run by some pretty competent couples. Our Commodore Donna Groves and Mike as well as Steve and Cindy Fiorillo. They have an interesting and optional twist on this years event. The idea is to extend the cruise for anyone who wishes to go on to multiple ports of call. Here's the agenda. Peel off and head home when ever you wish. I know we are going to ALL of it!

8/9 or earlier: Arrive in Avalon

8/11: Depart Avalon for Two Harbors, ~12 nm 8/12: Depart Two Harbors for Emerald, ~2 nm

8/13: Depart Emerald Cove for Newport Harbor, ~34 nm

It will be cool to have so many experienced cruisers to help those with less experience. I love the idea of a line of WCYC boats headed for new destinations. That will make a great photo for the Binnacle. Hope to see your boat in that photo.

Tom Rasulo Vice Commodore





LETTER FROM REAR COMMODORE BRIAN RANDALL

Greetings Everyone!

We had a fantastic and fun Tiki Regatta this year. Please read my race report below to see who took the trophies this year, including photos from the after party.

Don't miss John's letter below about the Tiki event as well.

Brian Randall
Rear Commodore





LETTER FROM MEMBERSHIP SHERI MEEHLIES

Greetings!

I hope all of you have been having a fun-filled summer! I'd like to thank all of you who have attended our events the last few months. West Coast members constantly raise the bar on the fun-meter and set new records for attendance!

We still have three cruises and several land events to be held this year, so the fun continues. Hopefully we'll see you this weekend for our Summer Olympic Pub Crawl... if you haven't signed up yet, please RSVP Junior Commodore Mindy Sicard via your Evite invitation.

We're excited to have several new prospective members who we look forward to introducing at our remaining events and would like to thank all of you for spreading the word that we're the best Cruising Club on the West Coast!

We are affiliated with the Southern California Yachting Association, and they have invited our members to attend several of their upcoming events, so we hope you'll consider attending. You can view upcoming events at the <u>SCYA Event Calendar</u>

That's it for now! See you at the Pub Crawl!

Sheri Meehlies Membership Chair





LETTER FROM FLEET/PORT CAPTAIN JOHN KOSSA

Hi WCYC Members,

It was the 11th year for our Annual Tiki Regatta & my 3rd year hosting. This year was a team effort between myself, Fleet Captain Kossa & Rear Commodore Randall.

It's an early morning, getting to the grassy knoll at 5:30am... let the set up & saving the picnic spaces begin. We couldn't have done it without Crezlun Kossa & Marji Weber. Thank you for all your hard work in setting up, decorating, & tear down.

The Captains Meeting was ran by Brian Randall. It was great to have someone who knows all about racing take it over & make it a serious race. His friends Scott & Cindy Ryan, also prior members of WCYC, helped out with the official race flags at the meeting & on the committee boat.

The saving of the picnic spaces is an all day event & I would like to thank all the ladies that came over to take shifts to relieve Crezlun & Marji. A huge thanks to Christine Wagner, Donna Groves, & Cindy Fiorillo.

The Committee Boat was a blast! A huge thank you to David Monk for hosting myself, Ed Sicard, Michael Wagner, and the Ryans on Fluke. David Monk came up with a new term since we were all new to using the official race flags.... " Are you FLAG CHECKING me?!?"

Brian Randal was on Aquaholic, and after setting up the course & buoys, somehow Michael Wagner convinced Brian to take him fishing (Shocking, I know!) They found a tuna boil & threw in some lines, but unfortunately a boat that we won't mention the name of, drove into the boil & dispersed it. So no tuna were hooked, but they had a great time. Please see Brian's letter regarding the race details & winners.

The after party was a great success! Our Treasurer, Christie Threlkeld jumped in to help with checking in our members & their guests. We had over 50 people attend. Thank you to all our members who came, it was a fun event & it was great to see everyone. We hope everyone enjoyed the Tiki Punch Mocktail with the spirts on the side, the delicious taco cart, & desserts.

The Ship Store did a fantastic job designing & making this year's hats/visors. Thank you Maureen & Tom Hensley for setting up the ship store & the basket!

A bbbig thank you to Steve Fiorillo for being the official photographer including using the drone for our group shot.

Clean up was a breeze because so many of you stepped in to help. I want to thank Brian Randall, Marji Weber, Michael Christine Wagner, Chip & Christie Threlkeld, Richard & Susan Hepner, Donna Groves, & Cindy Fiorillo. The Tiki Regatta is a big event for our club, so if I forgot to name anyone else who helped, I'm sorry & thank you.

John Kossa Fleet/Port Captain





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



Cruise Captains: The Riddles & The Threlkelds Cruise Report by Chip Riddle

We had a great cruise with 11 WCYC boats in Cherry Cove. Beautiful calm, clear water which a few tested the 70 degree water!

Friday Brats and potato salad kicked off the weekend!

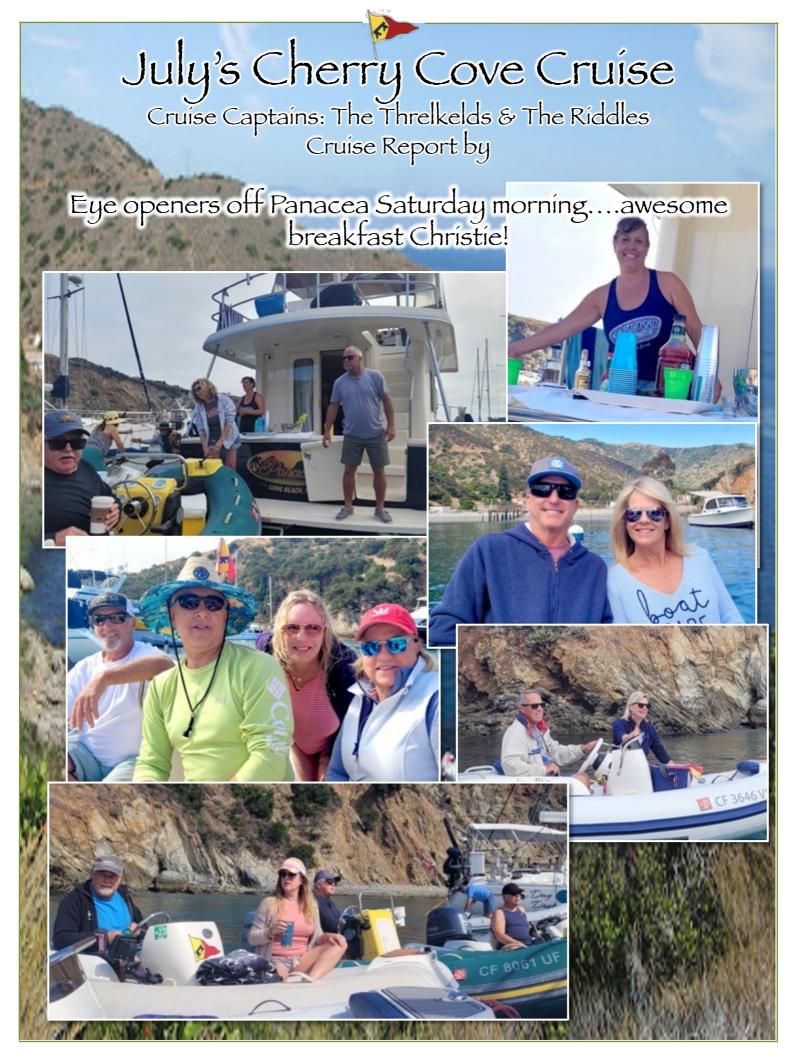














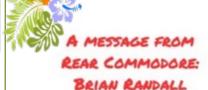
Cruise Captains: The Threlkelds & The Riddles Cruise Report by

Party all day Saturday culminated with a fabulous Progressive Dinner, with several boats participating, it made for a lot of fun... and a lot of great food!

- Gin & Juice and Mojitos-Christie & Chip
- ~ Homemade Meatballs and Pasta ~ Brian & Jean
 - ~ Pasta Salad ~ Gary & Estella
- Brisket and Christie's magnificent Mac n Cheese -Christie & Chip & Valerie
 - Crepes with Fresh Fruit & Cream -David & Monique











A big thank you to all who helped put together the 11th annual Tiki Regatta. This year we officially registered in Regatta Network and had 6 entries to the race. We were very excited to bring in 2 boats that had never raced before - Bryan Chalais and Nick Papageorges (way to go fellas!) After a wonderful Captains meeting (thank you John Kossa for the fantastic breakfast burritos, danish and coffee), the Race Committee Boat headed out to the open ocean. (Thank you to the Monk's and their beautiful yacht "Fluke" for taking on the Committee boat responsibilities.) We had 5 boats make it to the starting line; Running Water, Getting Off, Fortuity, Sea Salt, and Mermaid Trap. The wind was blowing close to 8 knots and we chose Course "9" a 5 mile loop (SF, A, G, W,A, Finish) Everyone started without penalty and the fun began: including cannon fire, pirate music, amazing decorations and well..... there was even some reports of fishing occurring on the mark set boat - Aquaholic (You're welcome Mike Wagner!) It was a beautiful day on the water and fun was had by all. A big shout out to our race committee; Ed Sicard, Scott Ryan, Cindy Ryan, John Kossa, Dave Monk, and Mike Wagner for running the flags, checking boats in and keeping the time. Your help was outstanding. The post race party touted over 50 members in attendance and the tacos were amazing! Thank you to everyone.... It certainly takes a village!!!

The final standings were as follows:

1st - Getting Off - Walter Folsom

2nd - Fortuity - Bryan Chalais

3rd - Sea Salt - Billy Hancock

4th - Running Water - Dino (Phil Bellafaire)

5th - Mermaid Trap - Nick Papageorges

Blondie Trophy:

Walter Folsom (1st place - WCYC Boat)























BIRTHDAYS



August Birthdays:

Maureen Hensley	6 th
Crezlun Kossa	8 th
Linus Brinkis	20 ^h
Suzanne Gehret	23 rd
Maggie McNamara	31st

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

West Coast Yacht Club invites you to join us for our

SUMMER CRAWL Saturday, August 3rd

Prizes for Best Couple and Individual Costumes Gold, Silver, & Bronze







12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Meet at Jimmy's Tavern
25001 Dana Point Harbor
2:15 p.m. Harpoon Henry's - Award Ceremony
3:30 p.m. Parade around the harbor: Follow the torch to
Wind and Sea
5:00 p.m. DWYC

50/50 Raffle \$10.00 per ticket

For questions, please contact: Mindy Sicard - melindasicard@gmail.com or 949-412-2276



Cruise to Avalon August 9 - 11

Cruise Captains: The Groves & The Fiorillos \$40.00 per person RSVP by August 4th

Arrive at your leisure - CH 71 for Assistance 5:30p - Join us at FLX Beer Garden (Across from Blue Water Grille) 6:30p - The WCYC Olympic Games

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11a – 3p – "Fun in the Sun" Olympic Themeed Float Party Noon-1p – Lunch: Hot Dogs, Brats, Sides, & Margs 1p – Bottle Boat Races Dinner - On your Own

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Depart home or Join the Extended Cruise

- EXTENDED CRUISE -

Option to go on your own or with others to Twin Harbors, Emerald Cove, and Newport Beach



UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

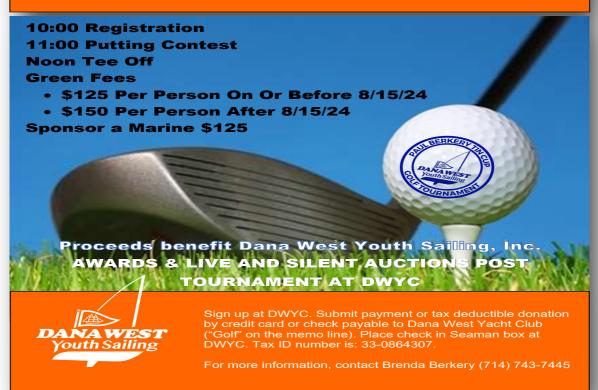


September WCYC Fishing Tournament September 28th

eVite Coming Soon!

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

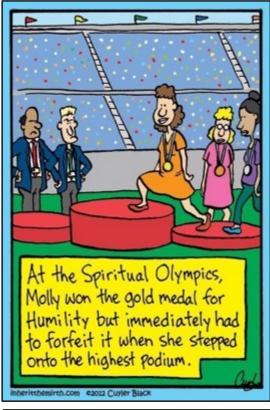
15TH ANNUAL
PAUL BERKERY
TIN CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT
Wednesday, September 18, 2024
San Juan Hills Golf Course



CLUB NEWS & INFO

No New Members

IN HONOR OF THE OLYMPICS.....

















'I HAD TO TAKE THREE BATHROOM BREAKS DURING MY 100-METER RACE, AND I STILL CAME IN SECOND! "







2024 West Coast Yacht Club Cruise and Dinner Schedule

Plan your year! Please join us at our 2024 Cruises and Dinners. See you on the water! Please note that dates may change, and changes will be communicated ASAP.

January 6 New Year's Brunch Dock Party – East Cove Gate 6-74

February 10 Valentine's Dinner – Jack's, Dana Point

March 9 St. Patrick's Day Dinner – Paddy's Station, San Juan Cap

April 5-7 Opening Cruise to Newport Lighthouse Marina

Cruise Captains: The Ashworths

Co-Captains: The Brinkis

April 20 Poker Run & BBQ

May 3-5 Danalina Raftup & First Annual Opening Day Boat Parade

Cruise Captains: Staff Officers & Membership

June 7-9 Cruise to Newport Beach - Raftup

Cruise Captains: Huntley / Covarrubias

Co-Captains: Monks / Sandlers

July 12-14 Cruise to Cherry Cove

Cruise Captains: The Riddles Co-Captains: The Threlkelds

July 27 The Famous Tiki Regatta

** Aug 3 Olympic Pub Crawl

August 9-11 Cruise to Avalon

Cruise Captains: The Groves Co-Captains: The Fiorillos

August 11-15 Optional Extended Cruise From Avalon:

8/11-12: Long Beach > 8/13 San Pedro > 8/14 Newport

September 28 Fishing Tournament

** October 18-20 4-6 Cruise to Long Beach YC

Cruise Captains: The Hepners Co-Captains: Champlin/Leon

** November 2 9 Commodore's Dinner – The Watering Hole, Nelle Gale Clubhouse

December 7 Holiday Brunch & Change of Watch – TBD

December 6,7,8 Dana Point Parade of Lights

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



USCG AUX Bulletin Board

- Vessel Safety Checks -



2024 USCG Auxiliary Vessel Safety Checks Flotilla 06-08 – Dana Point



The following are the current 2024 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.....

• https://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=114-06-08&category=virtual-vsc

If you're interested in a VSC or have any questions about the process, please contact scan our QR code or go to the Dana Point CG Auxiliary VSC page to request a VSC,

https://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=114-06-08&category=1336085599



- Education -

Our Boating Education 2024 Courses Are Back!



In-person training is now back.

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 2024 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The <u>Elective Officers</u> of the Club shall consist of Commodore, Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore		
Commodore	Donna Groves	
Vice Commodore	Tom Rasulo	
Rear Commodore	Brian Randall	

The <u>Flag Officers</u> of the Club shall consist of the three positions listed above PLUS the Senior Staff Commodore and Junior Staff Commodore		
Jr Staff Commodore	Mindy Sicard	
Sr Staff Commodore	Mike Sandler	

The <u>Appointive Officers</u> of the Club shall consist of Fleet Captain, Secretary, Treasurer, Port Captain, Membership Chairperson and JAG/Parliamentarian			
Fleet / Port Captain	John Kossa		
Secretary	Marji Weber		
Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld		
Membership Chairperson	Sheri Meehleis		
JAG / Parliamentarian	Mark Babcock		

The Board of Directors shall consist of the aforementioned Flag Officers, PLUS six additional Active Members (Consecutive Years of BOD Service)			
Commodore	Donna Groves		
Vice Commodore	Tom Rasulo		
Rear Commodore	Brian Randall		
Jr Staff Commodore	Mindy Sicard		
Sr Staff Commodore	Mike Sandler		
Active Member – Ship Store	Maureen Hensley (1st yr)		
Active Member - Secretary	Marji Weber (1 st yr)		
Active Member - Membership	Sheri Meehleis (1st yr)		
Active Member - Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld (4th yr)		
Active Member - JAG	Mark Babcock (1st yr)		
Active Member - Fleet / Port Captain	John Kossa (3 rd yr)		
Active Member – Website/Binnacle	Steve Fiorillo (7 th yr)		



WCYC RECIPROCAL YACHT CLUBS -

PLEASE NOTE THAT RECIPROCLE PRIVILEGES AT ANY OF THE BELOW CLUBS MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. PLEASE BE SURE TO CONTACT THE CLUB TO CONFIRM OUR RECIPROCAL PRIVILEGES BEFORE ARRIVAL.

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 Harbor 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

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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

Redondo Beach YC

210 Yacht Club Way

Pacific Mariners YC

13915 Panay Way Marina del Rey, CA. 90292

Seal Beach YC

255 Marina Drive

Long Beach, CA. 90803

Port Royal YC

555 N. Harbor Dr. Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Shoreline Yacht Club

386 Shoreline Drive South

Long Beach, CA. 90802

Redondo Beach, CA 90277

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			
Vessel Type Length	1		
Vessel Name			
Home Port	Basin (if in	DP harbor)	-
Slip Slip Size	Beam		
Reason for Joining WCYC:			
Prospective members are required t	o attend two events	and be introduced at that time b	by their sponsors or a Club Officer.
The Membership Chairperson's reco	ommendation, the sig	natures of two sponsoring	
Club Members and all dues will be p	resented to the Boar	d of Directors at their next sched	duled meeting. Current dues are
\$200 annually, plus a one time initia	tion fee of \$200.		
The undersigned hereby agrees to a	bide by the Club's By	-Law's, Policies and Protocols:	
Applicant #1		Date	
Applicant #2		Date	
Sponsoring Member #1		Date	
Sponsoring Member #2		Date	
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Membership Chair.		, z z zz (ac payazie to t	Table source of the state of th