



WEST COAST YACHT CLUB

LETTER FROM COMMODORE

JIM MCNAMARA

Ahoy WCYC:

A big thank you to all of the Board members who attended our “kick off” 2017 Board Meeting. I am grateful to all who volunteer and continue to work to improve our club.

We covered a lot of ground in the first meeting, laying out our plans for the year. We want to continue to work in the Harbor and increase our visibility, streamline our donations to local boating organizations, increase membership, provide boating education, and offer our members opportunities for fun, relaxing cruises. Your Board of Directors and Flag officers are all committed to these goals, and I have no doubt that we will meet and exceed them.

We have already picked up a few new prospective members in 2017, and I hope that they can attend our next two events so they can be voted in prior to our opening cruise in April. Rear Commodore Campbell has the venues and menus picked out, and I know that all will be pleased.

As always, I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Commodore this year, and want to work to improve the membership experience for all. Please call me or email me thoughts, suggestions or criticisms. I welcome all.

Fair Winds and Following Seas,
Jim

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Board Meeting scheduled for Saturday, February 18 @ 17:15 @

February Club Dinner immediately following at 1800

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WCYC February Hearts Club Dinner

Host:

Blake & Tracey Phone: 949-683-3958

When:

Saturday, February 18 at 6:00 PM

Where:

Gemmell's Restaurant 34471 Street of the Golden Lantern Dana Point, CA 92629

Please join WCYC for a Valentine's Dinner at Gemmell's!

Your are invited to attend a three course meal including a starter Mixed Organic Baby Green Salad, your choice of Entree: Poached Salmon, Chicken Picatta, Prime Top Sirloin, or Pork Tenderloin, and a Dessert Souffle!

Beverages include: Coffee, Tea, soft drink and a No Host Bar! Cost per person \$40.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

February Board Meeting– Saturday, February 18 at 1715 at Gemmells, 34471 Golden Lantern St. Dana Point, CA 92629

February Hearts Club Dinner immediately following at 1800.

March Dinner to be Announced

CLUB NEWS

START THINKING ABOUT OPENING SEASON CRUISE

Due to a recent change in policy, Long Beach Yacht Club no longer has free access to the 400-foot section of the Long Dock that runs down the south side of the club's parking lot

LBYC will continue to offer the two 94-foot sections we have always had **for yacht clubs cruising to our club**, but no more than that. Conservatively speaking, we should be able to raft up 14-15 boats as long as they are all Med-tied (depending on total beam of all boats).

Be sure to let Ed and Mindy know early that you will be Attending April 21-23 so there will be room!

More info to follow.

Congratulations to the new boat owners last year. Please send me a short version of your story of purchase or delivery so that I can include it in the binnacle.

Jim McNamra, Milton Stone, David Monk and Steve VandenBerg



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY'S

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Danny Casteel.....12
Mary Schaefer.....16
Teri Bowen24

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WHOLE LIFE 'S JOURNEY TO DANA POINT

It all began one September day in 2015 when totally by accident, I stumbled upon a Riviera 40 for sale in Florida. In a weak moment, we made an offer, it was accepted and we began an incredible journey which went incredibly smoothly until January 27, 2016, just a mere 200 yards from our slip.

Although the boat we made the offer on in September did not pass mechanical, another identical boat popped up for sale and we made the offer. This time, we went to Florida, inspected and sea trialed the boat, and began finalizing the details of the sale. We closed in early December, and arranged for shipping...on a ship, through the Panama Canal, to be delivered to Ensenada, Mexico.

We travelled to the Hotel Coral in Ensenada on a Thursday, with the expectation of picking up the boat on Saturday. We figured that a few days in Mexico would be a nice short vacation, and we waited...and waited for the call. Finally, the call came that the offload would be Sunday, but then the weather turned and it was postponed until Monday. We got to see the boat on the ship on Sunday, which was really, really cool. Hotel Coral is quite nice; comfortable, good food and very pretty. I recommend it (perhaps for a WCYC Cruise??). She was splashed and we were told: "get on board." We did, and off we went to spend one night in the Coral marina. "Adios and vaya con Dios..."

The next day, off for a 5 hour or so trip to San Diego Yacht club where we were greeted by Junior Staff Commodore Jay and Cindy Gill for dinner and drinks, and a night on the boat. SDYC is really awesome, and I hope that we can reinstitute our reciprocal there.

Finally, off to Dana on Wednesday, January 27. Dolphin and Whales outside of Point Loma and La Jolla Bay, and a generally nice ride, overcast and cool but nice sea state. We swung by Del Mar and waved to Maggie's mom (who was sick with cancer at the time, but could see us as we went by her house) and headed up to Dana. All went well, until...

I was reporting in to Scuba Steve VandenBerg and Junior Staff Gill on our progress and as we entered the harbor, I turned to Maggie and said "almost there; let's not mess this up," which clearly was a mistake. As I turned to port at the bait dock, my starboard motor went CRASH, SPLAT, CLUNK, COUGH, SPUTTER, PUKE...shut down. Alarms are sounding, and I thought I blew the motor. Would not restart, the wind started blowing and so I called Harbor Patrol to tell them that I was having engine trouble and might need assistance. He instructed me to deploy the anchor, which would have been fine had Junior Staff Gill and I not played with some switches the night before and disabled the windlass...so no anchor. Eventually, I was able to reorient the boat and get her moving in the right direction and pulled into N35 East Cove (Sundancer's old slip), we were met by other WCYC members and all was well.

Turns out that the main computer on the starboard motor decided to quit at that very moment, just 200 yards from our slip. Through my incredible disappointment, I did recognize that it could have happened while we were 100 miles from home, and needless to say we were very grateful.

So after a new computer and some programming, we were back in business, and had a wonderful 2016 of cruising, many with our WCYC family.

So "The Journey," 99.99998% perfect, ended with a measure of imperfection some 200 yards from the perfect ending.

Welcome Home





WCYC Cruise Schedule 2017

April 21-23 - Long Beach Yacht Club
Chair – Ed and Mindy Sicard

May 19 – 21 - Avalon
Chair – Teri and Gene Bowen
Co-Chair – Mark and Suzanne Babcock

June 16-18 - Newport Beach
Chair – David and Monique Monk
Co-Chair – Kevin and Gina Bertrand

July 14-16 - Isthmus
Chair – Blake Campbell and Tracey Imsland
Co-Chair – Steve and Cindy Fiorillo

August 18-20 - Dana Point
Chair – Jim and Maggie McNamara
Co-Chair – Mike and Kathy Lindstrom

September 15-17 - Avalon
Chair – Kevin and Gina Bertrand
Co-Chair – Ron and Cindy Latin

October 13-15 - Long Beach Yacht Club
Chair – Donna and Mike Groves
Co-Chair – Crezlyn and John Kossa (Maybe)

WEST COAST YACHT CLUB RECIPROCAL YACHT CLUBS

			Alamitos Bay Yacht Club 7201 E. Ocean Blvd. Long Beach, CA. 90803-4551
American Legion Yacht Club 215 15th Street Newport Beach, CA. 92663	Anacapa Yacht Club 2810 S. Harbor Blvd. B-6 Oxnard, CA 93035	Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club 1601 Bayside Drive Corona del Mar, CA. 92625-1832	Balboa Basin Yacht Club 829 Harbor Island Drive #38 Newport Beach, CA. 92660
Buccaneer Yacht Club P.O. Box 76 San Pedro, CA. 90733	Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club 211 W 22nd Street San Pedro, CA. 90731-7207	Cerritos Bahia Yacht Club 6291 E. Pacific Coast Highway Long Beach, CA 90803	Channel Islands Yacht Club 4100 S Harbor Blvd. Oxnard, CA. 93035-4310
Chula Vista Yacht Club 642 Marina Parkway #83 Chula Vista, CA. 91910-4058	Convair Sailing Club P.O. Box 22981 San Diego, CA. 92192-2981	Coronado Cays Yacht Club 30 Caribe Cay Blvd. Coronado, CA. 92118	Dana West Yacht Club 24601 Dana Drive Dana Point, CA. 92629
Hollywood Yacht Club Holiday Harbor Marina Berth 201 Wilmington, CA 90744	Huntington Harbour Yacht club 3821 Warner Avenue Huntington Beach, CA. 92649	Lido Isle Yacht Club 701 Via Lido Soud Newport Beach, CA. 92663	Little Ships Fleet Yacht Club 233 Marina Dr. Long Beach, CA. 90803
Long Beach Yacht Club 602 Appian Way Long Beach, CA. 90803	Marina Venice Yacht Club 4333 Admiralty Way Marina Del Rey, CA 90292	Marina Yacht Club of Long Beach 233 Corsair Way Seal Beach, CA. 90740	Mission Bay Yacht Club 1215 El Carmel CT. San Diego, CA 92109
Morro Bay Yacht Club 541 Embarcadero Drive Morro Bay, CA. 93442	Navy Yacht Club Long Beach 223 Marina Drive Long Beach, CA. 90803	Navy Yacht Club San Diego Fiddlers Cove Marina POB 182111 San Diego, CA. 92187	Oceanside Yacht Club 1950 N. Harbor Dr. Oceanside, CA 92054
Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club 2600 Harbor Blvd Oxnard, CA 93035	Pacific Mariners Yacht Club 13915 Panay Way Marina del Rey, CA. 90292	Port Royal Yacht Club 555 N. Harbor Dr. Redondo Beach, CA 90277	Redondo Beach Yacht Club 210 Yacht Club Way Redondo Beach, CA. 90277
San Diego Yacht Club 1011 Anchorage Lane San Diego, CA 92106	Seal Beach Yacht Club 255 Marina Drive Long Beach, CA. 90803	Shoreline Yacht Club 386 Shoreline Drive South Long Beach, CA. 90802	Silver Gate Yacht Club 2091 Shelter Island Drive San Diego, CA. 92106
South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club 13445 Mindanao Way Marina del Rey, CA. 90292	South Shore Yacht Club 1099 Bayside Drive Newport Beach, CA. 92660	Ventura Yacht Club 1755 Spinnaker Drive Ventura, CA. 93001-4396	Westlake Yacht Club 32123 Lindero Rd Westlake Village, CA 91361



WCYC Membership Application

Please Print Clearly

Name _____ Occupation _____ Birthdate _____

Cell Phone _____ Email _____

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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 \$50.

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- Monique Carlson at moniquecarlson@outlook.com.