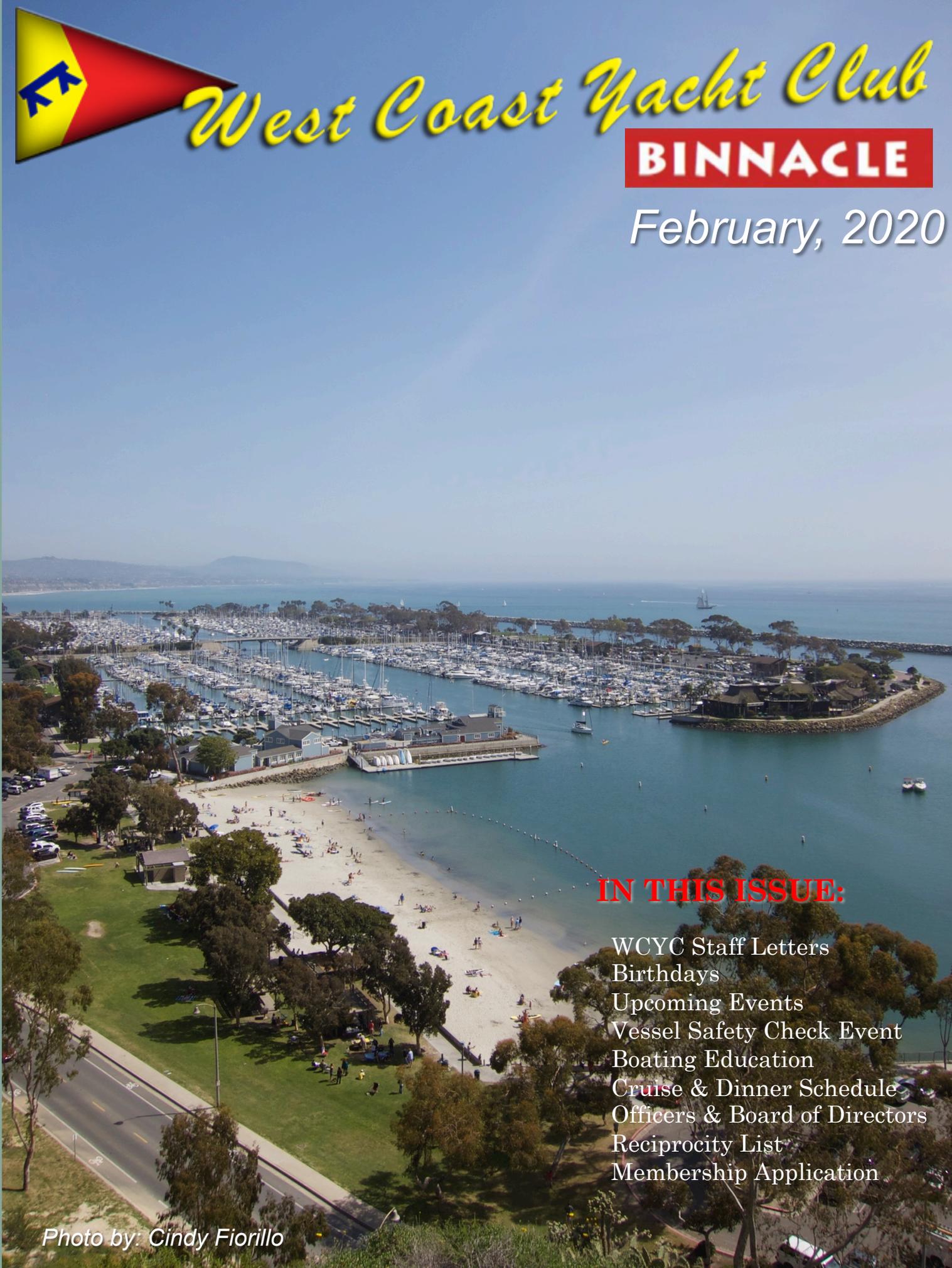




West Coast Yacht Club

BINNACLE

February, 2020



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Photo by: Cindy Fiorillo



LETTER FROM COMMODORE DAVE MONK

Ahoy WCYC:

Well, we are back into the swing of a new cruising season and I am sure, like you, I am getting my boat ready for the new season. Time to decide if your bottom needs a slap of new paint (if you excuse the cheeky reference), are your batteries holding a charge, how about all of the bilge pumps and then there's the hoses and maybe an oil change, oh yes the zincs and damn, when did I last change out those impellers?.....Hmm! Add to the fact I also need new fridges!

Aren't boats fun!

We also have a couple of changes to the events with the first being the February dinner which will be at the Mozambique on Saturday the 8th at 6pm. I am sorry to say I have a work commitment (what a drag) and both Monique and I cannot attend but I am sure you will all have great fun with your fellow boaters.

We had our first board meeting which went really well, and I am pleased to report that Steve Fiorillo has "hand crafted" some fabulous new sawhorses for the 2020 season. I am not sure we will have enough given the fact that some of our members are collecting them two at a time (mentioning no names Tom)!!

Hopefully I will see you all at the Marina as the weather continues to improve and our boats are all Shipshape and Bristol Fashion**!

David Monk, Commodore

***A phrase meaning in good and seamanlike order with reference to the condition of a **ship**. The expression had its origin when **Bristol** was the major west coast port of Britain at a time when all its **shipping** was maintained in good order.*



LETTER FROM BINNACLE EDITOR STEVE FIORILLO

Hello All:

Though I receive input from both the staff and the board for binnacle content every month, I'd like to hear from you, the membership.

Any contribution you would like to make that you think the club would be interested in hearing would be great. This could include general boating information, upcoming boating related meetings/events/classes, harbor information, sharing any of your cruising adventures, pictures for the cover, or even pictures of your latest whale watching cruise. Anything that you'd like to share with the club is welcomed.

If you would like to contribute, please send me your content at sfiorill@gmail.com by the 20th of each month for the following month's issue.

Regards,
Steve Fiorillo



BIRTHDAYS



February Birthdays:

Natalie Brown	
Danny Casteel	12 th
Mary Schaefer	16 th
Teri Bowen	24 th

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS



Valentine's Dinner
February 8 : 6:00p - 10:00p

Mozambique
1740 S. Coast Hwy, Laguna Beach

RSVP via eVite

It's Your
**LUCKY
MARCH
DINNER**



March Dinner
March 14 6:00-pm

Trevor's at the Tracks
26701 Verdugo St, San Juan Capistrano



UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

WCYC 2020 Vessel Safety Check Event

Hello All:

In previous years our club has invited the CG Auxiliary to our opening cruise in Long Beach to perform Vessel Safety Checks at the LBYC. Unfortunately this event hasn't occurred for the last two years since our opening cruise has been elsewhere.

I for one think this event is a great way to start our season and to ensure that our boats are not only up to CG standards, but are safe for all those we have onboard.

So on behalf of our commodore, and as a member of the CGA, I've arranged for the Auxiliary to perform Vessel Safety Checks(VSC) in Dana Point for whom ever would like one. The event will occur on either the first or second weekend in March and will be conducted in your slip.

If you haven't done it before, please don't feel intimidated by it. It is not legally required to obtain a VSC decal, nor is any deficit held against you or reported to anyone. A VSC is easy, free, takes about 30-45 minutes, and you may even learn a few things about your boat you didn't know, I know I have.

To understand what's required to obtain a decal, a copy of the checklist can be found at <http://www.usps.org/door/vsc/2018-vsc-form.pdf>. Only items 1-15 on the left side of the form are required, and some of those are LOA specific which may not apply to you(*check back for explanations & requirements*).

In the next few days I'll be sending out a sign up sheet so the Auxiliary can plan accordingly.

I encourage everyone who can to participate in this event.

Regards,
Steve Fiorillo



UPCOMING AREA EVENTS



USCG Auxiliary Public Education Classes Flotilla 68 – Dana Point

All classes are held at Dana Point Yacht Club

Boating Skills & Seamanship (7 weeks)

Cost \$65

WHEN: Every Wed from Jan 29th thru Mar 11th 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM – includes book

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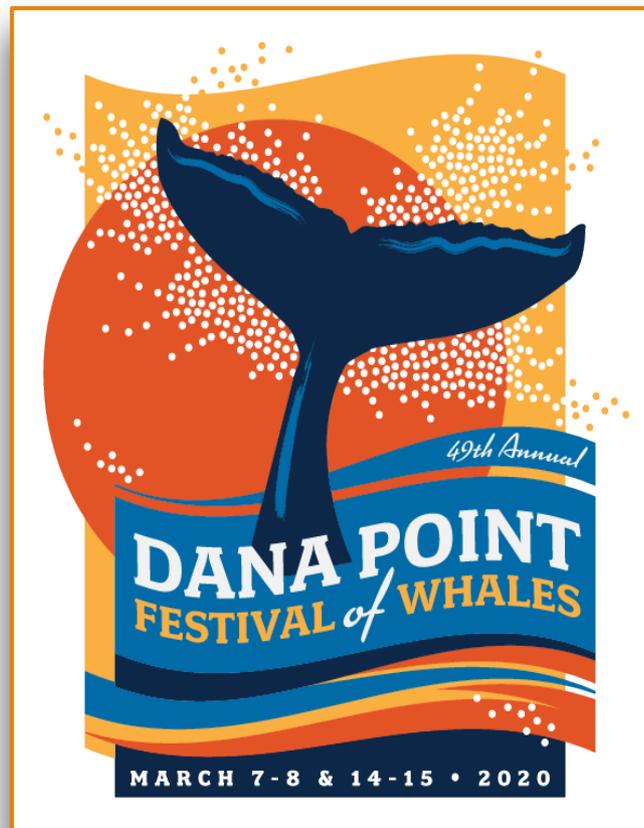
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Our Sailing Skills and Seamanship (SS&S) course is a comprehensive course designed for both the experienced and the novice sailor. Topics include safety, knots, radio, and aids to navigation, boat handling, rules of the road and many other valuable subjects.

Completion of either class will get you your California Boater Operator Card!

For more classes, please refer to the complete 2020 PE Class Schedule in the Boating Education section of this edition.





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How to Read a Nautical Chart (2 Nights)

Cost \$45

WHEN: Wed June 3rd, June 10th 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM – includes book, chart
How to Read a Nautical Chart are seminars that will help the student unravel the mystery of charts by providing the navigator with the knowledge to interpret a chart's contents to navigate safely to his or her destination and return to port. Suggested as intro to Basic Coastal Navigation.

Basic Coastal Navigation (6 weeks)

Cost \$65

WHEN: Every Wed from June 17th thru July 22nd 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM - includes book, chart
An introduction to the basics of coastal navigation designed to acquaint you with the tools and skills required to be a successful navigator – essential for novices or a great refresher course for experienced (rusty) sailors. Covers navigation theory, plotting and course determination, dead reckoning, (time/speed/distance), compass use, bearings and fixes, and tides.

Basics of Marine Radio (1 night)

Cost \$25

WHEN: Wed August 5th 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Learn how to operate one of the most important safety devices on your boat. Learn what DSC calling is and how to use it.

GPS for Mariners Class (3 weeks)

Cost \$45

WHEN: Wed August 12th thru Aug 26th 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM - includes book
This is a class that will enable you to get the most from your nautical navigation GPS. Learn how to use the menus and functions to determine position, set waypoints, plot a course, determine speed and heading, correlate to a chart, and more.

Boating Skills & Seamanship (7 classes)

Cost \$65

WHEN: Every Wed from Sep 16th thru Oct 28th 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM – includes book
Our Boating Skills and Seamanship (BS&S) course is a comprehensive course designed for both the experienced and the novice boater. Topics include safety, knots, radio, aids to navigation, boat handling, rules of the road and many other valuable subjects.

TO REGISTER: Email: ericgritzmacher@cox.net. Or call 949.632.2378 or Garry Nelson 714.234.0731 Visit our website at: danapointcgaux.org for more information



2020 West Coast Yacht Club Cruise and Dinner Schedule

Plan your year! Please join us at our 2020 Cruises and Dinners. See you on the water!

February 8 th	Dinner at Mozambique
March 14 th	Dinner at TBD (Trevor's at the Tracks)
April 17-19	Shake Down Cruise to Oceanside <i>Cruise Captains: The Kosas</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Wagners</i>
May 15-17	Cruise to Avalon <i>Cruise Captains: TBD</i> <i>Co-Captains: TBD</i>
June 12-14	Cruise to Danalina <i>Cruise Captains: The Vandenberg</i> <i>Co-Captains: The McNamaras</i>
June 27 th	The Famous Tiki Regatta
Jul7 17-19	Cruise to Cherry Cove <i>Cruise Captains: The Sandlers</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Babcocks</i>
August 14-16	Cruise to Newport Beach <i>Cruise Captains: The Monks</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Bertrands</i>
September 11-13	Cruise to Avalon <i>Cruise Captains: The Fiorillos</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Stones</i>
October 9-11	Cruise to Long Beach <i>Cruise Captains: The Threlkelds</i> <i>Co-Captains:</i>
November 14 th	Commodore's Dinner at Vintage Steak House
December 5 th	Christmas Brunch at SJHGC



WCYC 2020 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Commodore	David Monk
Vice Commodore	Kevin Bertrand
Rear Commodore	Mike Sandler

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

Sr Staff Commodore	Ed Sicard
Jr Staff Commodore	Blake Campbell

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

Fleet / Port Captain	Dave Stancil
Secretary	Ed Sicard
Treasurer	Suzanne Gehret-Babcock
Vice Membership Chairperson	Mindy Sicard
JAG / Parliamentarian	

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	Kevin Bertrand
Rear Commodore	Mike Sandler
Sr Staff Commodore	Ed Sicard
Jr Staff Commodore	Blake Campbell
Active Member – Ship Store	Donna Groves (2 nd yr)
Active Member – Binnacle/Web Admin	Steve Fiorillo (3 rd yr)
Active Member	Mindy Sicard (3 rd yr)
Active Member	Suzanne Gehret-Babcock (3 rd yr)
Active Member	
Active Member	



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 _____

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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.