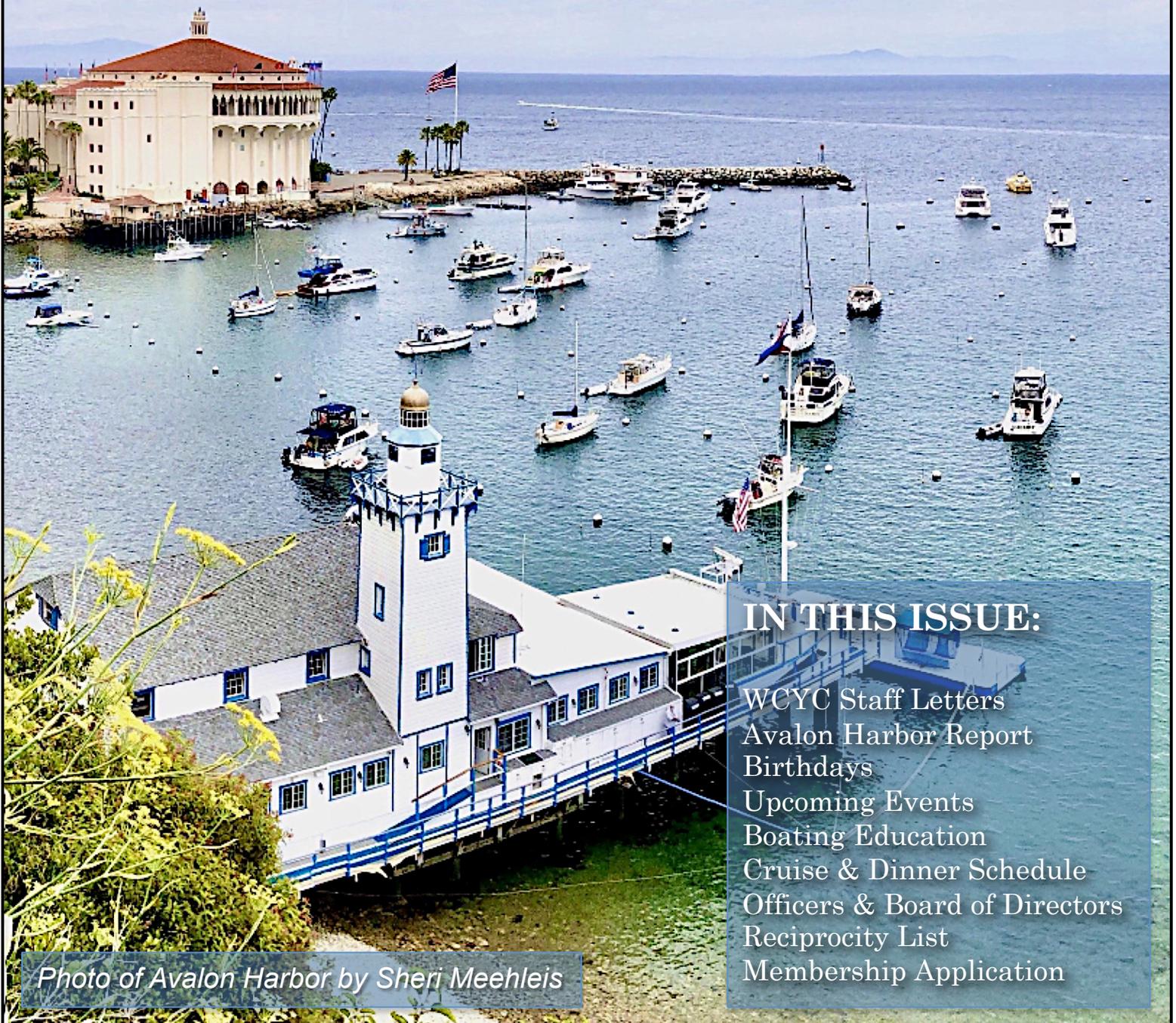


West Coast Yacht Club

BINNACLE

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Avalon Harbor is Opened!
Read the latest trip report inside.....



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Photo of Avalon Harbor by Sheri Meehleis



LETTER FROM COMMODORE DAVE MONK

Ahoy WCYC:

So what a difference from the last letter I penned to this June letter to you all. I sat at the Wind and Sea restaurant today and ate at a table for the first time in 10 weeks – hooray! We can at last see the harbor entrance lights (right red returning) through the fog!

Memorial weekend was also huge fun as we dropped a hook in Danalina and hosted (safely) many of our WCYC buddies with adult beverages and BBQ hotdogs! It was good to see so many of you enjoying the long weekend in Dana Point.

Some of our fellow WCYC shipmates also enjoyed an impromptu (non WCYC sanctioned but applauded) mini-cruise to Avalon this week (Wed through Sunday) so definitely looking forward to hearing how that went!

The board met this week to review the remaining cruises for this year and to salvage what we can. Given the current Corvid restrictions we have come up with some options and are working through the particulars (*See Upcoming Events*). Once the plans have been solidified, we will reach out to you all with confirmed dates and details.

Continue to stay safe, be well and enjoy as things open up and we all get back to the “actual (old) norm”! looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Fair Winds and Following Seas

David Monk, Commodore



LETTER FROM BINNACLE 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



Avalon's Opened!

By Steve Fiorillo



Photo by Sheri Meehleis

Well the island's opened, with the Isthmus and other anchorages opening a couple of weeks ago, and Avalon opening this past week. Several of us, Three Sheets, Big Wally, Moist Obsession, and Liquid Therapy made our way over last Wednesday and spent several days enjoying our home away from home! As you can see, the harbor's pretty empty, so we were able to get the cans we wanted and stay all together.

As with the harbor, the town was pretty ghostly as well. Vons is opened for business, with plenty availability of most items including meats and produce. Most restaurants were still closed, though a few staples like Pete's, the small Antonio's, Maggie's, and Scoops (*a necessity!*) were opened for take out. On Saturday, consistent with L.A. County rules, Pete's and the Sand Trap, opened for outdoor dining, though most were still take out only. As the weekend approached more eateries and shops slowly came to life.



Photo by Stacy Mata

The locals we spoke with were very happy to see us and excited to have their business opened. According to one shop keeper, the island at one point was at 95% unemployment, so we tried our best to support the local economy where we could... having lunch on the island, clothes shopping, and of course as many trips to scoops as we could handle (*bikini season is upon us after all*). Masks are still required at all stores and along the main thoroughfares which were patrolled by very friendly and appreciative law enforcement.

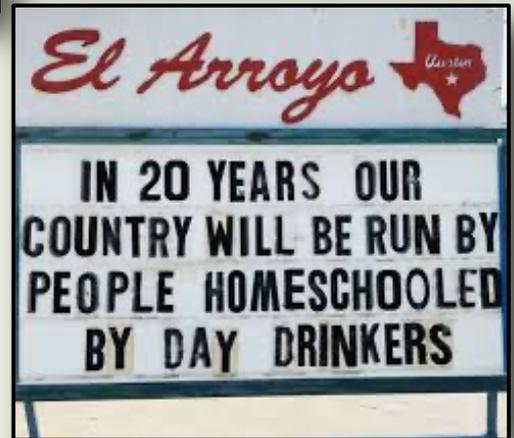


Photo by Cindy Fiorillo

The weather during our stay was typical May, morning clouds and late afternoon sun, with the exception of an entire day of rain! With rain gear at hand we were not deterred from walking to the Buffalo Nickel and enjoying their world famous Buffalo Milk. The water was probably the warmest I remember for this time of the year at 70°! Overall it was a great break from reality.

That said I encourage those who can to take advantage of the slow spin up and make your way out before the crowds return.

LET'S KEEP SMILING.....





BIRTHDAYS



June Birthdays:

Terry Young	11 th
Brenda Vandenberg	20 th
Mindy Sicard	22 nd
Barb DeFabry	23 rd

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Unfortunately due to the current CORVID-19 isolation restrictions and to keep all our members safe, the board has proposed the following changes to these upcoming events.

These are only proposed options and not yet approved.

Once approved, confirmation of these events/dates will be sent out to the membership.

Progressive Dingy Cruise, June 12 - TBD

Proposed as a minimal social gathering event between several boats as a supplement for the June cruise.

Mission Bay Cruise, June 12-14:

Proposed to move to June 26-28 to replace Tiki Regatta weekend. This is being proposed as a limited activity cruise so to align with current social gathering restrictions.

Tiki Regatta, June 26-26:

Proposed to move to later in the season once dock parties are allowed to resume.

CG Aux Vessel Safety Checks:

Postponed until restrictions are lifted and CGAUX resumes activities.



BOATING EDUCATION



2020 Class Schedule USCG Auxiliary Public Education Classes Flotilla 68 – Dana Point

All classes are held at Dana Point Yacht Club

Sailing Skills & Seamanship (7 Weeks) **Cancelled until further notice** **Cost \$65**

WHEN Every Wed from Mar 25th thru May 6th 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM – includes book

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. In addition, completion of the class will get you the California Boater Operator Card which is now required to operate a motorized vessel in the state.

How to Read a Nautical Chart (2 Nights) **Cancelled until further notice** **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) **Cancelled until further notice** **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 Ciao Pasta
April 17-19	Shake Down Cruise to Oceanside - CANCELLED <i>Cruise Captains: The Kosas</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Wagners</i>
May 15-17	Cruise to Avalon - CANCELLED <i>Cruise Captains: TBD</i> <i>Co-Captains: TBD</i>
June 12-14	Cruise to Mission Bay – Postponed/TBD <i>Cruise Captains: The Vandenberg</i> <i>Co-Captains: The McNamaras</i>
June 27 th	The Famous Tiki Regatta – Postponed/TBD
July 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 _____

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 \$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.