



West Coast Yacht Club

BINNACLE

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*Photo of The Latin's S/V Fantasea
Read The Latin's voyage log inside!*



LETTER FROM COMMODORE DAVE MONK

Ahoy WCYC:

Congratulations on wrapping up another month of Social Distancing, Stay at Home Isolation, Working from Home utilizing “Virtual Meetings” and missing our family and loved ones!

On a happier note the harbor is still open with unfettered access to our boats and dinghy's - sanctuaries to recharge the soul and refill the tank of mental health!

I have seen many of you on the weekends enjoying the weather and employing sensible social distancing which allows us to all enjoy the comradery and bon homie of our fabulous West Coast Yacht Club members. We have all been sharing our experiences, commiserating on the impact on our lives and there is for sure no shortage of political opinions and medical advice!

One major impact for us as a club has not being able to enjoy our cruises which are the linchpin and core essence of our club – we are a cruising club! I definitely miss spending time with you all and have resorted to revisiting Binnacles to relive past cruises – who can forget the Catalina Gilligan's Island cruise with all of the costumes, the trivia quiz and the exciting dinghy ride watching drinks being flung with gay abandon over fellow passengers! Not a single sawhorse has been awarded in the first four months of the year which must be a first for WCYC (and definitely a record for Jim)!

So we are canceling the May cruise to Avalon but we are still holding out hope for the June Mission Bay Cruise (12th-14th) and will let you know once we get closer to that date.

Stay safe, be well and we 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



Ron & Cindy's Epic East Coast Adventure

We have just returned from our year long sailing adventure along the historic East Coast of the USA. We rented our Laguna Niguel home for 12 months and flew to Miami in February 2019 to buy the Beneteau 46' sailing vessel, Fantasea.

This was our home for the next 12 months and 3,606 nautical miles as we began to make our way north from Miami to Boston and back. At times we plied the Intra Coastal Waterway (ICW) and at other times we sailed in

the Atlantic Ocean, much influenced by the weather forecasts. Every day was different as we had to consider not simply the route to take but where we would, at the end of day, anchor or moor, or take a slip in a marina along the ICW or tucked in the bays and coves off the large waterways.

Some of the most memorable experiences include sailing past the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor, tacking up the Potomoc River past Mt Vernon on our way to our nation's capital for Independence Day celebrations, cruising into Boston Harbor, walking the Freedom Trail and touring the USS Constitution, sailing past Ft Sumter in Charleston, South Carolina, and touring the many towns and villages along the historic East Coast.

Whether it was trying futilely to outrun a storm on the Atlantic coast north from Miami, anchoring in Skull Creek, west of Hilton Head Island, flying at 8 knots under sail from Plymouth to Scituate on a cold and windy nor'easter, or tucking into the cozy and sheltered Handley Harbor at Woods Hole on Buzzard's Bay, there was plenty of adventure to challenge us physically and emotionally and be inspired by God's creation.

You can read about our journey at www.ronandcindyodyssey.com





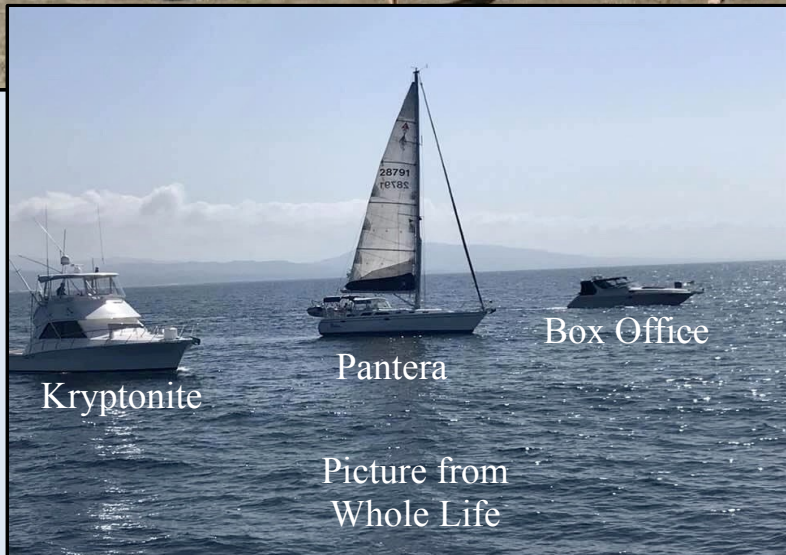
MAKING THE BEST OF QUARANTINE



Richard & Susan and the Capo Valley 4 Wheelers club join the Festival of Whales Parade



scored some Costco white gold!!



Kryptonite

Pantera

Box Office

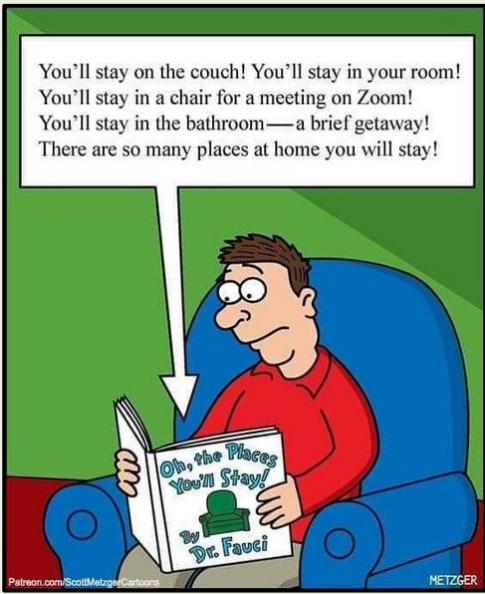
Picture from Whole Life



QUARANTINE HUMOR

THE WORLD HAS FLIPPED UPSIDE DOWN. OLD FOLKS ARE SNEAKING OUT OF THE HOUSE AND THEIR KIDS ARE YELLING AT THEM TO STAY INDOORS.

KitchenFunWithMy3Sons.com

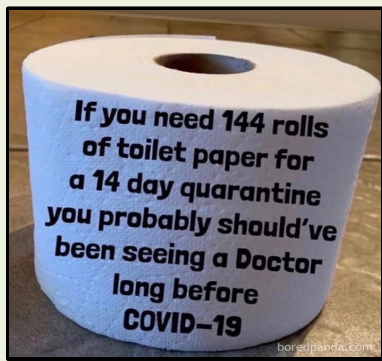


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Cindi Gibbs-Wilborn



In 8 weeks 88% of blondes will disappear from the earth.





BIRTHDAYS



May Birthdays:

Dave Monk	3rd
Chip Threlkeld	5th
Jim Priola	8th
John Koss	18th
Wanda Stone	21st

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Unfortunately due to the current CORVID-19 isolation restrictions and to keep all our members safe, the following events have been cancelled/postponed:

Avalon Cruise, May 15-17:

Canceled

CG Aux Vessel Safety Checks:

*Postponed until restrictions are lifted and
CGAUX resumes activities*

Social Distancing When Boating

- Only boat with those in your immediate household.
- No beaching your boat right next to someone else.
- Maintain your distance at the fuel dock – and remember to wash your hands.
- No rafting up – keep your distance on the water.
- No guests on your boat!** This includes family members not in your immediate household or your closest boating buddies.
- Go right from your house to the boat and back –** no unnecessary contact with anyone.

Enjoy your boat, the water and the fresh air; but enjoy it while boating responsibly.

Social distancing is the best way to stay safe. **SEA TOW**



BOATING EDUCATION



2020 Class Schedule

USCG Auxiliary Public Education Classes

Flotilla 68 – Dana Point

All classes are held at Dana Point Yacht Club

Cancelled until further notice

Sailing Skills & Seamanship (7 Weeks)

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)

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 8th	Dinner at Mozambique
March 14th	Dinner at Ciao Pasta
April 17-19	Shake Down Cruise to Oceanside - CANCELED <i>Cruise Captains: The Kosas</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Wagners</i>
May 15-17	Cruise to Avalon - CANCELED <i>Cruise Captains: TBD</i> <i>Co-Captains: TBD</i>
June 12-14	Cruise to Mission Bay <i>Cruise Captains: The Vandenberg</i> <i>Co-Captains: The McNamaras</i>
June 27th	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 14th	Commodore's Dinner at Vintage Steak House
December 5th	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 (2nd yr)
Active Member – Binnacle/Web Admin	Steve Fiorillo (3rd yr)
Active Member	Mindy Sicard (3rd yr)
Active Member	Suzanne Gehret-Babcock (3rd 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