



West Coast Yacht Club

BINNACLE

*April's Poker Run & Bonfire Photos
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May, 2023



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2023 Vessel Safety
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Photo of April's Bonfire



LETTER FROM COMMODORE MINDY SICARD

Dear Members,

Thank you to all who participated in the Poker Run and Bonfire.

I want to thank all the volunteers who contributed to the fun by treating everyone with their scrumptious snacks and delicious drinks for the Poker Run.... The Hepners, Natalie and "The Drew", The Groves, and Jan Casteel. We really appreciate your contributions and support.

In the evening, we gathered at Doheny State Beach for the perfect sunset, S'mores, and beautiful bonfire. We had new members, old members, prospective members, and guests join in the fun. It's definitely something we should do more often.

As we approach the summer season of boating, please be respectful of our reciprocal privileges with yacht clubs near and far. Dana West Yacht Club has implemented new policies for yacht clubs who have reciprocals with them. WCYC is allowed to visit DWYC twice a month and are asked not to bring guests. If you do find yourself wanting to visit a yacht club more than twice a month, you might want to consider joining their club.

Save-the-Date for the upcoming Commodore's Cruise July 24th – 28th. It will be here before you know it and lots of fun!

See you on the seas in 2023

Mindy Sicard
Commodore



LETTER FROM VICE COMMODORE DONNA GROVES

Ahoy fellow Boaters,

We are looking forward to a fun Cruising Season. Next month we are going to Avalon on May 6th & 7th. Cruise Captain's Groves and Fiorillo's will be celebrating Cinco de Mayo with all of you. So far, we have 16 people, and it is still open if you are interested. Lots of fun is in store with a Taco Bar Friday night, Breakfast Shots, and Breakfast Burritos by Chef Steve in the morning and a late afternoon of fun with an Appetizer Crawl through Avalon. Don't forget to join in and bring your favorite Salsa for the contest Friday night. Make it HOT or make it NOT. We have prizes for both.

I want to thank all the boaters for their participation in the Poker Run. We had such a great turnout along with fun, beautiful skies, lots of drinks and yummy appetizers. The 1st stop started with a Danish, Mimosa's, Screwdriver's and Bloody Mary's. Natalie and Drew served 7-layer dip which I heard was excellent along with Margaritas. The Hepner's had the music going and served sub sandwiches with Limoncello shots and Jan served Mindy's famous Mai Tai's. When everyone got back to my boat to open their hands, it was definitely leaning, and AquaHolic and Rasulo's boat looked about the same. They both had a great group of people on them which included our past Commodores Monk and Sandler, along with a few guests of Tom's. What a fun event. We made \$900.00 for charity, which our Commodore will pick the charity of her choice to donate to. Thank you all for participating and we are talking about doing this Poker Run annually. It's nice to give back to the community we all love. The bonfire was also fun, and I was so surprised how busy it was out there. People were roasting Hot Dogs, making S'mores and just enjoying their friends, new friends, and the fire. We definitely should make that an event all on its own.

Look forward to seeing all of you at the cruises we have lined up. Next cruise is in June at a raft up in Danalina and that is always a fun time.

Donna Groves
Rear Commodore



LETTER FROM MEMBERSHIP BRIAN RANDALL

Greetings Everyone!

Some fantastic news in the world of membership for our growing family! We have two new members to introduce!:

- Walter Folsom and Clare Kenney a two boat owner couple, owners of 2 sailboats; "Getting Off" and "Clarebuoyant " both boats kept in Dana Point
- Robin Levinson, the proud owner of a 25' powerboat called "Amenity" docked in Dana Point.

These fantastic folks attended the poker run last weekend which completed their 2-event requirement and were voted on by the board at the last Board Meeting.

We want to welcome them to the West Coast Family! We look forward to seeing them at the upcoming events.

A reminder, that if you know of anyone interested in joining the club, please send them my way. Events such as the Poker run are great events to bring people you know who may be thinking about joining the club and give them a taste of the experience being a member of West Coast can offer.

Also, if you are heading to Avalon on the next cruise and you know of someone who has a boat and is thinking of joining a club or you think may be a great candidate, invite them along and have them experience the West Coast Yacht Club Hospitality. The Groves and the Fiorillo's have a fantastic time planned!

Lastly, West Coast Yacht Club is a "cruising club".... We love our cruises and the destinations! Cruising season is here.....We have a good number of newer members that have not had the opportunity to go on a cruise as of yet. Well the time has come, the season is here, and I encourage all of the newer members of the club to sign up for the Avalon cruise as this is a great opportunity for you to meet new people and have a wonderful time bonding with West Coast members! Marji and I are even braving the seas and taking Aquaholic over (17' Invader) and staying at a hotel. We cant wait.... BTW if you pass us on the way over... we are probably broken down so stop and give us a tow! LOL!!!!

So, if you are a newer member this is what the club is all about... Great cruises and great times with friends - new and old! - Be sure to sign up..... See you all on the water..... May the seas be with you and the wind at your back.....

Brian Randall
Membership Chair



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

April's Poker Run & Bonfire



WINNERS:

Best Hand:



- Scott Ryan

Worse Hand:



- Milton Stone



April's Poker Run & Bonfire





BIRTHDAYS



May Birthdays:

Dave Monk	3 rd
Chip Threlkeld	5 th
Renee Hampton	12 th
Kevin Riggs	15 th
John Kossa	18 th
Wanda Stone	21 st
Chip Riddle	24 th
Ken Harth	28 th
Frank Pace	29 th

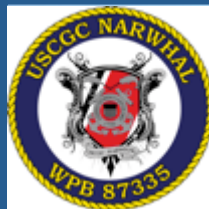
CLUB NEWS & INFO

• New Members:

- Welcome Walter Folsom & Clare Kenney
 - Sailboats “Clarevoyant” & “Getting Off”!
- Welcome Robin Levinson
 - 25’ SeaRay - “Amenity”!

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

COME SEE THE
**USCGC
NARWHAL**
AT THE OCEAN
INSTITUTE
**MAY 13,
2023**





UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

May's Cruise to Avalon



May 5th – 7th
Cruise Fee: \$20/person

Please RSVP by Mon, 5/1 via your Evite or contact Donna Groves

Hola! Welcome to WCYC Fiesta Time.

~ Friday ~

Upon Arrival

When you arrive to Avalon contact Harbor patrol for mooring assignment. Cruise captains Groves and Fiorillo's will be on channel 69. Please let us know you have arrived or if you need assistance

6:00 PM

Taco Bar and Margarita's provided for you on Liquid Therapy and Moist Obsession. Bring your own Salsa for the first ever Salsa Contest. Mike will be judging the HOT Salsa and Steve will judge the not so HOT Salsa. Prizes will be awarded for both. Please bring enough salsa to share with your fellow boaters

~ Saturday ~

9:30 AM

Breakfast Burritos and Pancake Shots will be available on Liquid Therapy and Moist Obsession.

At your leisure, walk to the Botanical Garden, join in on a Pickle Ball Game (\$10.00 pp) or relax and float behind your boat.

3:00 PM

Appetizer and Pub Crawl \$55/pp

Meet at the end of the pier at 3pm and we'll crawl from there... Coyote Joe's for Salsa, Chips and Guacamole along with a welcome drink of either a cold Beer, Margarita or soft drink. Pete's Cafe for Street Taco's and a bottle of water (we will need to hydrate). El Galleon for a choice of a Well Drink Cocktail, Glass of House Wine, Beer or soft drink. Antonio's for Pizza along with a choice of a Well Drink Cocktail, Glass of House Wine, Beer or soft drink. Any additional drinks at any location will need to be paid for by the boater and their guests.

On your own for Dinner

~ Sunday ~

Departure



UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

June 9th - 11th

DANALINA



West Coast Yacht Club
invites you to join us in our

Tiki Regatta

*This race is for anyone who loves boating
Power boaters will race on a sailboat*
Saturday, July 15th

9:30 Pre-Race Meeting - Captains meet
on the grassy knoll across from DWYC

13:00 Race Begins

16:00 Awards and Paella Dinner
On the grassy knoll

\$25.00 Taco Truck & Tiki Punch
\$15.00 Hat

Entry Forms due by July 1st
please send to:

John Kossa -
johnkossa@yahoo.com or
Crezlun Kossa -
ckossa@gmail.com

Wear your Hawaiian Apparel!

To register for the
race, please contact
John & Crezlun
Kossa at
[fleet_port-
captain@westcoastyachtclub.com](mailto:fleet_port-captain@westcoastyachtclub.com).

Registrations must be
submitted by July 8,
2023.

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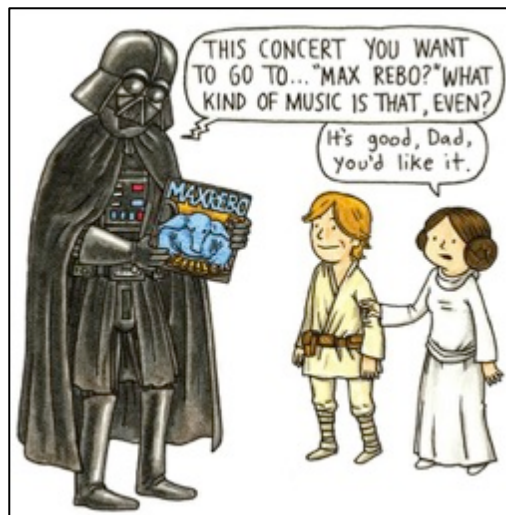
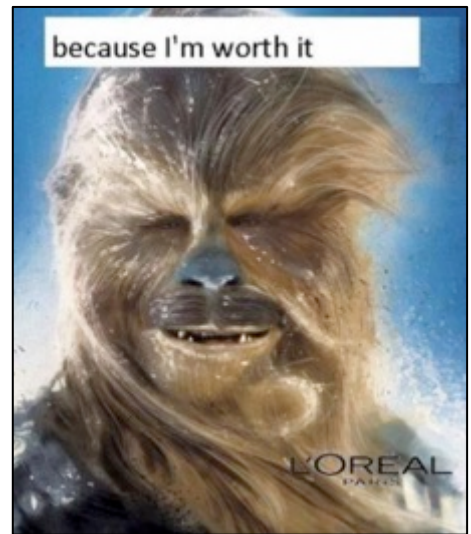
UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Come Join Us For Our
2nd Annual Commodore's Cruise
To
ENSENADA
On The Carnival Radiance
July 24th – 28th

Save The Date

More Information Will Be
Coming Soon!

IN HONOR OF MAY 4TH ...
 "MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU"





2023 West Coast Yacht Club Cruise and Dinner Schedule

Plan your year! Please join us at our 2023 Cruises and Dinners. See you on the water!
Please note that dates may change, and changes will be communicated ASAP.

February 11	Valentine's Dinner – Tannins, San Juan
** March 12 11	St. Patrick's Day Dinner – Dublin 4 Gastro Pub, Mission Viejo
** March 31–April 2	Opening Cruise to Cherry Cove – CANCELLED Cruise Captains: Brian Randall Co-Captains: The Sicards
** April 22	Poker Run & Bonfire
** May 5-7 12-14	Cruise to Avalon Gabrillo YC Cruise Captains: The Groves Co-Captains: The Fiorillos
June 9-11	Cruise to Danalina Cruise Captains: TBD Co-Captains: TBD
July 15	The Famous Tiki Regatta
July 24-28	Commodore's Cruise to Ensenada Cruise Captains: The Groves
** August 11-13	Cruise to Cherry Cove Avalon LBYC Cruise Captains: The Sicards Co-Captains: The Threlkelds
September 8-10	Cruise to Newport Beach at Marina Park Cruise Captains: The Rasulos Co-Captains: The Hepners
** Sep 29 – Oct 1	Cruise - TBD
** October 27-29 6-8	Cruise to Long Beach Avalon Cruise Captains: The Kossas Co-Captains: Covarrubias/Huntely
November 11	Commodore's Dinner
December 9	Holiday Brunch

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



USCG AUX Bulletin Board

- Vessel Safety Checks -



2023 USCG Auxiliary Vessel Safety Checks Flotilla 06-08 – Dana Point



The following are the current 2023 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.....

- <http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=130-07-12&category=virtual-vsc>
- Download sample VSC form...
http://wow.uscgaux.info/Uploads_wowII/114-06-08/2023_vsc_form_hglt_sample.pdf



If you're interested in a VSC or have any questions about the process, please contact Steve Fiorillo at (danapointuscgaux@gmail.com) or scan our QR code

- Education -

Our Boating Education 2023 Courses Are Back!



In-person training is now back at DPYC.

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 2023 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Commodore	Mindy Sicard
Vice Commodore	Donna Groves
Rear Commodore	Tom Rasulo

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

Jr Staff Commodore	Mike Sandler
Sr Staff Commodore	Dave Monk

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

Fleet / Port Captain	John Kossa
Secretary	Monique Monk
Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld
Membership Chairperson	Brian Randall
JAG / Parliamentarian	Richard Hepner

The Board of Directors shall consist of the aforementioned Flag Officers, PLUS six additional Active Members (*Consecutive Years of BOD Service*)

Commodore	Mindy Sicard
Vice Commodore	Donna Groves
Rear Commodore	Tom Rasulo
Jr Staff Commodore	Mike Sandler
Sr Staff Commodore	Dave Monk
Active Member – Ship Store	Tammy Huntley (2 nd yr)
Active Member - Secretary	Monique Monk (4 th yr)
Active Member - Membership	Brian Randall (1 st yr)
Active Member - Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld (3 rd yr)
Active Member - JAG	Richard Hepner (2 nd yr)
Active Member - Fleet / Port Captain	John Kossa (2 nd yr)
Active Member – Website/Binnacle	Steve Fiorillo (7 th yr)



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 \$150.

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.