



West Coast Yacht Club

BINNACLE

*September's Commodore's Cruise
Report & Photos Review inside.....*

September, 2022



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*Photo of September's Ensenada
Commodore's Cruise*



LETTER FROM COMMODORE MIKE SANDLER

Greetings WCYC Members,

Or should I say “Hola”? Our first ever WCYC commodore’s cruise on a cruise-ship to Mexico last month was incredible, and we had a very good turnout. Our rear commodore Donna Groves did a fantastic job putting the entire cruise package together. There were several members that had never been on a cruise ship before and had no idea what to expect. Our JAG, Richard Hepner, was at it again and put together another wonderful video of the cruise, which you can find on YouTube at the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YkRew9-VeNQ> . I guess “what happens on a cruise ship, stays on the cruise ship” doesn’t apply. I am sure everyone will enjoy the cruise captains report and pictures below as well. Has anyone seen Bob?

Next up, we all go back to the island, to the beautiful clear waters of Avalon. This looks like it is going to be the largest attended cruise by our club members this year. Our cruise captains Rod Covarrubias & Tammy Huntley, and co-captains, John and Crezlun Kossa, have a great weekend planned as well as a special dinner at M Restaurant on Saturday night. Make sure you bring CASH, as only cash will be accepted for dinner and drinks.

Our last cruise of the 2022 season is to Long Beach, on the last weekend of the month, and promises to be very “Spooky and Scary” for Halloween. Ed and Mindy Sicard are the cruise captains for this one, so you know it’s going to be a BLAST. Bubble machine or Fog machine??? Watch for the haunted evite coming soon.

Let’s all keep our fingers crossed for two WCYC members that have been having major boat engine troubles. It seems Eric and Caroline TenEyck are back up and running on Remedy! He kind of joined us at the Newport Beach raft up and both have been spotted tooling around Dana Point harbor. So far, so good on Remedy. Then there’s Brian Randal, and Anchors Aweigh! Let’s all hope and pray we see him in Avalon on his maiden voyage with engine #4 (or 5, or 3, or 6, honestly, I lost count).

Finally, I would like to give three shout-outs to people that work hard behind the scenes for WCYC. Our secretary Monique Monk, our treasurer Christie Threlkeld, and our social director Steve Fiorillo. Thank you all for doing an amazing job and supporting this club. You all make my job much easier. And don’t worry Steve, I don’t think anyone noticed you spelled your last name wrong in the birthday section in September’s binnacle.

Well, that’s all for now. Please be safe out there on the water and I hope to see everyone at both October cruises.

Mike Sandler
Commodore

Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com





LETTER FROM VICE COMMODORE MINDY SICARD

Hello All:

West Coast Yacht Club had an exciting time cruising to Ensenada on the Carnival, Radiance cruise ship. A big thank you and shout out to Donna for making all the arrangements and for creating life long memories.

On October 7th, WCYC will cruise to Avalon, Catalina. Currently, we have 48 people who plan to attend the weekend fun-filled event. Thank you to Tammy Huntley, Rod Covarrubias, and John and Crezlun Kossa for hosting the cruise. Everyone should have received an Evite to the cruise. If you did not receive the Evite, please let me know. Please see the cruise flyer in Upcoming Events for more details.

Save-the-Date: October 28th – 30th, WCYC will have their last cruise of the year. We will celebrate the end-of-the cruising season at Long Beach Yacht Club. Evite with details will follow. I am sure it will be a “Spooky” weekend.

Mindy Sicard

Vice Commodore

Vice-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com



LETTER FROM REAR COMMODORE DONNA GROVES

Ahoy,

Now that the summer is slowly ending, there is still time to enjoy your boat. Weather is beautiful and the docks are still full of boaters. Watching the sailboats has been exciting with the storms giving them some necessary wind.

The cruise to Ensenada was so much fun. I think everyone that wants to get away for a couple of days should try this 3-day Cruise. Mike and I figured it cost us the exact same price in gas to take our own boat to Catalina and we did not have to cook, buy groceries, clean the boat, etc. Very relaxing. Food was good, company was great, activities were so much fun. The best part was roasting Sandler, our fearless leader. Richard singing Karaoke was a sight to see and GREAT. Who knew our Jag had such a great voice. We really had such a fun time. We had a few people who never have been on a cruise before, and they are now Cruisers. You will see more pictures and fun activities in our cruise report. You can also go on Facebook and there is an entertaining slide show put together by Richard Hepner.

Hope to see you all in Avalon at our next cruise.

Donna Groves
Rear Commodore
Rear-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com



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

TheBinnacle@westcoastyachtclub.com



September's Commodore's Cruise To Ensenada

Captains: Mindy Sicard & Donna Groves
Cruise Report by Donna Groves



This year we added a new unique way of Cruising at WCYC. We actually let someone else drive the boat!

Some Captains were unhappy until there was a Hurricane watch but we all boarded the Cruise Ship and realized all we had to do was sit back and enjoy the view, friends, good food and nothing broke down or needed to be fixed.

No one was fighting for a Mooring Ball or a Slip.

We were the biggest boat in Ensenada, so everyone moved out of the way, and they welcomed us with open arms.

Fun is an understatement. Who has more fun than we do?

WE DO and it was true!



September's Commodore's Cruise To Ensenada

We boarded with ease and no hassles about Covid or long lines. Just bright smiling faces to greet us....



Rooms were nice and clean and no complaints. We were even treated to a special "Mindy Welcome Gift"...

I had a fun time with Cindy Fiorillo decorating Commodore Sandler's room while he was in his room, until I accidentally butt dialed Cindy.

Her phone said, "Donna Groves Calling" as loud as you can imagine. Cindy and I without hesitation dropped and rolled and ran down the hallway in opposite directions.

Mike did not even here us. It was his nap time!





September's Commodore's Cruise To Ensenada

First night we had wind and a little drizzle left over from the Hurricane but nothing that disrupted our fun.

We went to one of the specialty restaurants on the ship where we ate, drank, and roasted Sandler. Boy there were some funny stories. Some a bit of a stretch but that is the point of a roasting, RIGHT! We all laughed a lot and definitely at the expense of Sandler. He took it in great fun and humor



After dinner we all headed to the dance parties, casino, and bars to finish out the night.



September's Commodore's Cruise To Ensenada

Second day we were at Sea which led to eating and drinking a lot. Do not think any of us missed a meal. The 5 pounds I put on says it all. With all the great restaurants throughout the boat you had quite a few choices. I was hoping Shaq or Guy Fieri were on the ship taking pictures and flipping burgers but apparently they missed this cruise. Maybe next time. Bingo was a hit. Several of us went and Mike Groves one the final Bingo. \$500.00 Cash. Whoo Hoo.

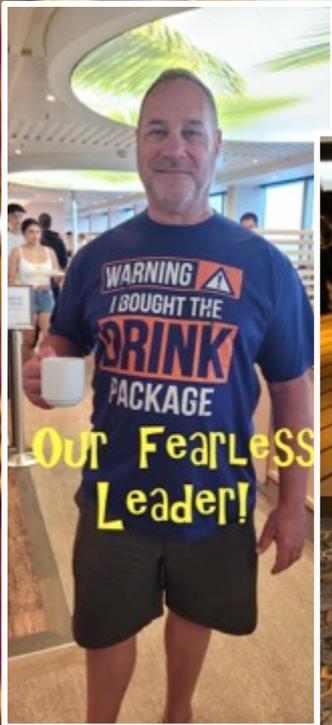
Saturday night everyone was on their own and some people went to the buffet, some to the Captain's dinner while others went to the Steak House on the ship. EXCELLENT and would recommend it to everyone. Best Watermelon Martini I have ever had.

Then it was off to the dance party. The ship did not miss a beat with fun entertainment at night. The girls were dancing, the drinks were flowing, pictures were being taken and it was FUN FUN FUN.



September's Commodore's Cruise To Ensenada

I was with one of our members, not mentioning any names, talking about if they had any drinks left on their drink package. Someone, well maybe a few members, made the quota of 15 drinks per day. What we do on the Radiance Cruise Ship, STAYS ON THE CRUISE SHIP (but it always makes the Binnacle)....



Sunday, we docked right in Ensenada which was nice. No tender boats needed. Who would think Mexico would be able to manage not just one cruise ship but two. Royal Caribbean was right near us. Everyone was accommodating. Some people landed at Papas and Beers, while others went and ate street Tacos and shopped.

Nothing better then watching Tom with all his moves on the dance floor. We were all impressed.





September's Commodore's Cruise To Ensenada

The ship left at 5 pm so off we went for our final night home. Dinner, partying, watching football, casino, dancing. We did it ALL.



Thanks to everyone who attended. You can go online to our <https://www.facebook.com/groups/westcoastyachtclub> to view pictures, Tom dancing, Richard singing, etc. Richard also produced a great video posted YouTube....<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YkRew9-VeNQ>.



There is talk of this being an annual Commodore Cruise and I would tell everyone you have to GO. It was a BLAST. Hopefully BOB will make it. LOL.



BIRTHDAYS



October Birthdays:

Jan Casteel	17 th
Richard Hepner	19 th
Tom Rasulo	28 th
Sheri Sandler	29 th
Blake Campbell	30 th

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS



Avalon Cruise Oct 7-9

Hosted by John and Crezlun Kossa, Rod Covarrubias and Tammy Huntley

RSVP with your favorite SONGS, those that when you hear you cannot help but sing along and those that when you hear you have to get up and dance.

Cruise Fee: \$10 pp

Friday

11:00 am: Arrivals: Use channel 71 for WCYC assistance

5:00 pm: Happy Hour on "Diadem", BYOB and an appetizer to share. Ship Store will be open

Saturday

9:00 am: Eye Openers on "The Box Office" Breakfast, Bloody Mary's, and Mimosas via dinghy

12:00 pm: Boat and Float on "Diadem"... bring your floaties.
Lunch and Cocktails provided while custom WCYC playlist played

6:00 pm: Dinner at "M" 205 Crescent Ave., Avalon Pasta Buffet \$45.00 pp cash preferred

8:00-10:00 pm: Desserts and Dance Party on "Diadem"

Sunday

9:00 am: Ciao



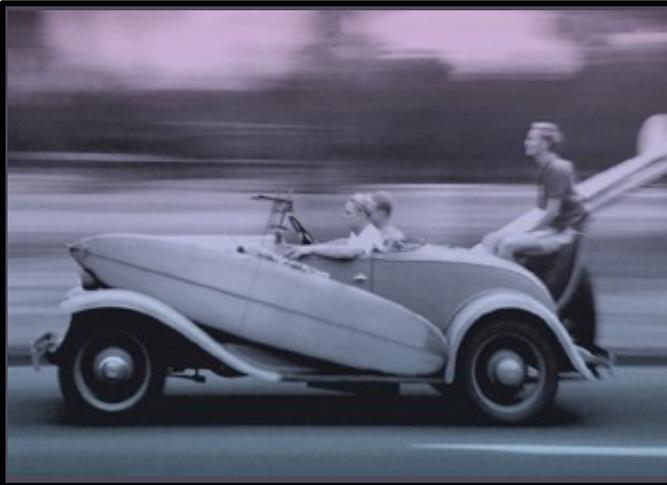
LBYC Cruise Oct 28-30

Cruise Captains: *The Sicards*
Co-Captains: *TBD*



West Coast Yacht Club Commodore's Dinner November 12th Venue: *TBD*

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS



REDO MARKET

October 30th 10a-4p
Del Prado Street, Dana Point

Stroll and explore our curated collection of Vintage and an authentic assortment of Makers. Live music, hands on experiences and a selection of food trucks will make it a day for all to enjoy.

For More Info Visit...

<https://visitdanapoint.com/event/re-do-market/>

CLUB NEWS & INFO

- **No New Members This Month**



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE.....

how to advertise to men

buy this boat!

super mega engine 9000!

sexy babel!

you! (aka badass)

beers!

explosion!

“gunmetal” black!

ladder for inviting up hot mermaids!

next stop, boob island!

“I’m glad you quit complaining about how this boat is too small for shark fishing. Frank?”

how to advertise to women

buy this boat!

super quiet engine 9000!

you! (aka adorable)

committed boyfriend!

activia yogurt!

rainbows n’ kitties!

“prom dress” pink!

ladder so you can swim with dolphins!

next stop, shoe island!

liboats.com

“Let’s go eat and come back when he’s finished.”

liboats.com

“What do you say we stay here for the next 10 years, and tell our bosses that we were shipwrecked on a deserted island?”

“You’re mad because I didn’t tell you that I bought a new boat? What about that time when you didn’t tell me you bought shoes?”

Are you completely covered in case you get hit by a coconut?

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2022 West Coast Yacht Club Cruise and Dinner Schedule

Plan your year! Please join us at our 2022 Cruises and Dinners. See you on the water!

NOTE: We still need Cruise Captains for this year's season, so if you are interested, please contact Mindy Sicard.

February 5	Winter Olympic Pub Crawl
February 12	Valentine's Dinner - Brio
March 12	St. Patrick's Day Dinner – Hennessey's Tavern
** April 1-3	<i>Shake Down Cruise to Danalina</i> <i>Cruise Captains: The Monks</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Sandlers</i>
May 13-15	Cruise to Avalon <i>Cruise Captains: The Sicards</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Babcocks</i>
** June 10-12	<i>Cruise to Two Harbors</i> <i>Cruise Captains: The Hepners</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Rasulos</i>
June 25	The Famous Tiki Regatta
July 8-10	Cruise to Cherry Cove <i>Wine Festival Tickets for Sunday July 10 go on sale May 1!</i> <i>Cruise Captains: The Riddles</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Harrisons</i>
August 12-14	Cruise to Newport Beach <i>Cruise Captains: The Rasulos</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Threlkelds</i>
** September 9-11	<i>Commodore's Cruise to Ensenada</i> <i>Cruise Ship Radiance</i>
October 7-9	Cruise to Avalon <i>Cruise Captains: Covarrubias/Huntely</i> <i>Co-Captains: The Kossas</i>
** October 28-30	<i>Bonus Cruise to LBYC</i> <i>Cruise Captains: The Sicards</i> <i>Co-Captains:</i>
November 12 th	Commodore's Dinner
December 10 th	Holiday Brunch

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



USCG AUX Bulletin Board

- Vessel Safety Checks -



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



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>

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 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 and to register for a class.

<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=114-06-08&category=boating-courses>

Upcoming Classes:

Basics of Marine Radio

\$25/pp

Wednesday Aug 3 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Location: Dana Point Yacht Club

Learn how to operate one of the most important safety devices on your boat. Learn what DCS calling is and how to use it.



WCYC 2022 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Commodore	Mike Sandler	Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com
Vice Commodore	Mindy Sicard	Vice-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com
Rear Commodore	Donna Groves	Rear-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com

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	Dave Monk	Jr-Staff-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com
Sr Staff Commodore	Ed Sicard	Sr-Staff-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com

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	Fleet_Port-Captain@westcoastyachtclub.com
Secretary	Monique Monk	Secretary@westcoastyachtclub.com
Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld	Treasurer@westcoastyachtclub.com
Membership Chairperson	Tom Rasulo	Membership@westcoastyachtclub.com
JAG / Parliamentarian	Richard Hepner	JAG@westcoastyachtclub.com

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

Commodore	Mike Sandler	Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com
Vice Commodore	Mindy Sicard	Vice-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com
Rear Commodore	Donna Groves	Rear-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com
Jr Staff Commodore	Dave Monk	Jr-Staff-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com
Sr Staff Commodore	Ed Sicard	Sr-Staff-Commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com
Active Member – Ship Store	Tammy Huntley (1 st yr)	Ship-Store@westcoastyachtclub.com
Active Member - Secretary	Monique Monk (3 rd yr)	Secretary@westcoastyachtclub.com
Active Member - Membership	Tom Rasulo (2 nd yr)	Membership@westcoastyachtclub.com
Active Member - Treasurer	Christie Threlkeld (2 nd yr)	Treasurer@westcoastyachtclub.com
Active Member - JAG	Richard Hepner (1 st yr)	JAG@westcoastyachtclub.com
Active Member - Fleet / Port Captain	John Kossa (1 st yr)	Fleet_Port-Captain@westcoastyachtclub.com
Active Member – Website/ Binnacle	Steve Fiorillo (6 th yr)	TheBinnacle@westcoastyachtclub.com



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.