

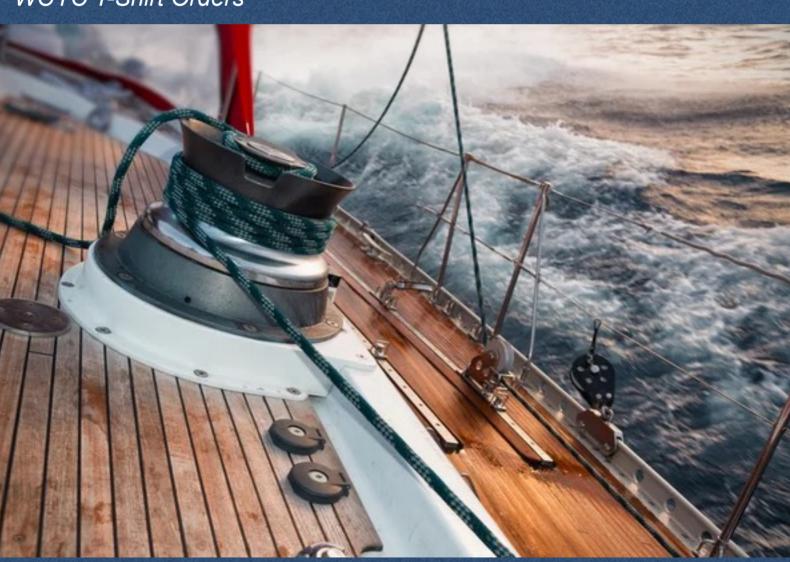
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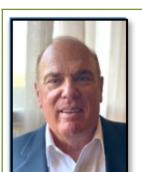
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# LETTER FROM COMMODORE TOM RASULO

# **Greetings WCYC Membership!**

So? How cool was that Valentines Day Dinner? It was very well attended by membership and our Ship's Store had a big night. A BIG Shout out to our lovely and talented Rear Commodore for this one! Nice going Margie!

Next up is St. Patrick's Day on March 8th at Pub Thirty Two in Mission Viejo. Don't worry, Margie's on a roll... this will be a great night to be Irish for a wee bit.

Our club is in ship shape. Our new board members are all actively engaged, we are healthy financially and the morale aboard this ship is great. As with any ship, we do have maintenance items to look after. We still have two cruises without captains and one of them is our Opening Day Danalina cruise May 2-4. We have so many members in Dana Harbor, won't one or two of you raise your hand? Your Flag Officers will be right by your side. Promise.

I'll close with a reminder to continue getting your boats ready for a smooth safe season as we look forward to another great year as a yacht club.

Tom Rasulo Commodore West Coast Yacht Club 949-350-3037





# LETTER FROM VICE COMMODORE BRIAN RANDALL

## **Greetings WCYC Family!**

The weather is starting to turn for the better and warmer days are ahead. As the boating season approaches, our cruises will soon be here! Here are some updates to our cruises:

April 5th - Poker Run - Dana Point Harbor - Get your dinghy ready! This is always a fantastic event. Great food, great drinks and well..... who doesn't love Poker! Nick Papageorges and Eric TenEyck are prepping for a fun filled day in the harbor. You will be traveling around the harbor in your dinghy visiting host boats to pull your poker cards and to sample a drink and appetizer prepared by the host boats. It is quite the day on the water! Those of you who keep your boats in Dana Point, please reach out to Nick and Eric if you are able to host or assist in the event. Evite coming soon!

April 11th - Lighthouse Marina in Newport: This is a sold-out event. You can reach out to the manager for any mooring availability; 949-270-8159 or at <a href="mailto:dockmaster@newportbeachca.gov">dockmaster@newportbeachca.gov</a>. Our Cruise captains have a wonderful weekend planned. The theme.... Vikings!! A reminder to check the Evite for updated information on the details of the cruise.

Cruise Captains needed! We are in need of a Cruise Captain for the July 18th Cruise to Two Harbors, Catalina. Please reach out if you are interested in Captaining or Co-Captaining the cruise.

As spring rolls out so do the Opening days for the Southern California Yacht Clubs. Commodore Rasulo, Rear Commodore Weber and myself will be attending numerous Yacht Club Opening Days, showing our support of their clubs. It is a great opportunity to meet new people, gain ideas and to promote our own club and spread the word of WCYC! In addition, for every Opening Day we attend we gain points for our club's quest to win Cruising Club of the Year for SCYA!

Marji and I will be attending an upcoming seminar for SCYA on Corinthian Leadership on March 16th 9:00 -2:00 at the Seal Beach Yacht Club. It is designed for Flags, Board of Directors, those in appointed positions or those getting ready to go into the leadership pipeline or anyone exploring leadership roles in the future. Please reach out to me if you are interested in attending. (Club of Year Points available for attendance)

You may have heard about The SCYA Club of the year competition among clubs! This year SCYA has set up a new category for Cruising clubs! Clubs participate and document their actions in 20 Categories. At the end of the year the club submits a yearbook documenting their efforts in the 20 categories. This is reviewed by the SCYA Club of the Yer committee and the club with the most points wins. It is a coveted recognition that all of the clubs strive for each year.



Now... the there is a Cruising Club division! We have a shot! To give you an idea of the categories, here they are:

- 1. Dues and Year Book Submission on Time
- 2. Club Coordinator Appointment
- 3. SCYA Participation
- 4. SCYA Seminar or Event Attendance
- 5. Club Opening Day Attendance
- 6. Junior Program Sponsorship
- 7. Model Yacht Program
- 8. Club Angling and Participation
- 9. Club Cruiser Navigation/Predicted Log Program
- 10. Club Cruising Program
- 11. Participation in the Mid-Winter Regatta
- 12. Championship Regatta Hosting
- 13. Club Racing Program
- 14. Charitable Activities
- 15. Community Service
- 16. Clean Boating Program
- 17. Yachting Association Memberships
- 18. Recreational Boaters of California(RBOC) Support
- 19. Adaptive Boating and Diversity, Equity and Incusiveness
- 20. SCYA Survey Participation

We are already off to a great start on many of these categories. However, It takes more than one person to oversee and document our clubs' efforts and to ensure we are participating in as many categories as possible. I am looking for a few volunteers to participate in a committee to help me this year with our COY efforts. Please reach out to me if you would like to assist. It's a great way to learn more about our club and to foster the great things WCYC already participates in.

Lastly, I wanted to celebrate some of the new clubs we have official reciprocals with for this year that we didn't have last year, they are still coming in as clubs send out their cards in early spring:

Mission Bay Yacht Club, Balboa Basin Yacht Club, Little Ships Fleet Yacht Club, Navy Yacht Club of Long Beach, and King Harbor Yacht Club!

Whew! That was a lot! I am really looking forward to seeing those of you who have RSVP'd to the St. Patrick's Dinner, a reminder that those who ordered shirts, the shirts will start to be delivered at this event!

See you all soon! Brian Randall Vice Commodore





# LETTER FROM REAR COMMODORE MARJI WEBER

## **Greetings WCYC Family!**

What a wonderful evening we had at our Valentine's Dinner! Delicious food, good music, a beautiful venue and great attendance! I'd like to thank everyone who came out and supported WCYC at my first dinner event this year! We had an amazing raffle basket thanks to Crezlun Kossa! Maureen brought some new items from the Ship Store which were in demand, and Brian Randall took pre-orders for our first annual cruising t-shirt.

I am now busy wrapping up the details for our St. Patrick's dinner at Pub Thirty Two, which will be on Saturday, March 8th. If you missed the last dinner, I hope you will join us for another fun evening! If you are attending, please Zelle your payment to <a href="mailto:treasurer@westcoastyachtclub.com">treasurer@westcoastyachtclub.com</a> and make sure you indicate that the payment is for the St Patrick's dinner. This will save a lot of time for Chip Riddle, our Treasurer, in recording payments and avoid him calling you to ask what your payment was for.

Regarding dinner reservations, or event reservations in general, I would like to remind everyone that if you make a reservation to attend a club event, and you need to cancel, you must do so before the event reservation deadline. Once the reservation deadline passes, and you cancel or do not attend the event, you will be charged. Generally, for dinner events we are required to provide a headcount by the reservation deadline date which we are then held accountable to pay for. As for the cruising events, our cruise captains rely on a headcount based on reservations to plan the event and purchase supplies. The charge for the event covers the cost of activities and supplies for the event. If you cancel after the reservation deadline, more than likely expenditures have already been made and would need to be covered. Thank you so much for your understanding about our cancellation policy.

Next month our cruising season begins! I'm really looking forward to all the fun cruises we have scheduled for this year! We will resume dinners again at the end of the year with our Commodore's Dinner and then our Change of Watch event.

Until next month, and in the spirit of the Irish, Slainte!

Rear Commodore – Marji Weber rear-commodore@westcoastyachtclub.com (714)272-7021





# LETTER FROM MEMBERSHIP SHERI MEEHLIES

Greetings all! Spring is in the air as we ready ourselves for this years cruising season! Don't forget to "spring forward" with the time change on Sunday, March 9th!

Our Club is off to a great start this year with 11 prospective memberships! I'm happy to announce that during the WCYC Board meeting conference call last month Greg and Vicki Eansor were voted in to full membership status. Please join me in congratulating them when you see them at our future events. Please continue to talk us up to make this year the biggest with new memberships.

Kudos to Vice-Commodore Brian Randall for all his enthusiasm and hard work creating opportunities for WCYC to compete in SCYC's "Cruising Club of the Year" contest! There are many events up and down the West Coast where members can participate to accrue points, even if you're as far south as I am in San Diego. On March 8th, my new boat partner Len Packett (retired United 787 Captain) and I will be competing in the Harbor Island Cup....a race put on by Safe Harbor Marinas in conjunction with the SCYA affiliated Cortez Racing Association. Joining us to crew the race are two DWYC big sailers you might know, former Commodore Steve White and Trivia whiz Paul Selecky. Also joining us is South Coast Yacht Broker Paul Briant who races year round. We'll be flying the WCYC burgee and looking forward to a big win in our category to bring home a trophy and points to help us close in on the Club of the Year award.

Looking forward to seeing all of you on the Newport Marina cruise next month!

Sheri Meehlies Membership Chair





# LETTER FROM THE EDITOR BRYAN CHALAIS

# Greetings to all!

I hope you enjoy this months Binnacle. There was so much going on with the club over the last month, it was exciting to compile everything together for this edition. As we go forward, and we participate in events as a group, or individually with other yacht club events, take a moment and snap a few pics of the event and send them to me so I can add them to future Binnacles. This will also help with our documentation for the Club of the Year award as discussed by Brian Randall.

And as always, if you think of something which could be added to this publication, let me know! I am always open to making improvements to the Binnacle.

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, Steve Fiorillo will add you in ASAP. Or you can send Steve your Facebook account and he will do it that way."

See you on the water!

Fair winds and following seas, Bryan Chalais

"You see a lot of foolish sailors and you see a lot of older sailors, but you seldom see any older foolish sailors"





# March Birthdays:

Monique Monk 13th Robin Levinson 29th Milton Stone 31st

# **UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS**



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Friday April 11 - Sunday April 13 - 2025

1600 West Balboa Boulevard



22 Blanchard GROVES 21 1 Riddle FIORILLO 20 2 Endresen Ten Eyck 19 3 Champlin 18 Rogers Papageorges HARTH 17 Pitkin MONK 16 Gottron 6 RASULO 15 Kossa RANDALL14 Kenny Hensley 13 LEVINSON Babcock 12 10 Meehleis Brinkis 11



Greetings WCYC Sailors,

After such a great Midwinter regatta, (Thank you Clare and Glenn for entering!) I am hoping that more of our sailboat owners will participate in future events. The DWYC Charity Regatta is coming up in June as well as our own WCYC Tikki Regatta in July. We would love to see more of the WCYC fleet enter these events as they are not just fun but your participation in the events gain us points for SCYA club of the year.

DWYC is hosting a free racing rules refresher course on March 11th! So if you would like to gain some basic knowledge on racing rules, tactics, and general sailing information, please attend!

Let me know if you have any questions.

Brian Randall Vice Commodore



DANA WEST YACHT CLUB PRESENTS

# RACING RULES SEMINAR

Tuesday March 11 6:00 - 8:00pm 24601 Dana Drive Dana Point, CA 92629

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# 2025



# WCYC Valentines Day Dinner Celebration Legends Seafood & Steakhouse





WCYC members Glenn & Astrid Ashworth aboard 'Bellissima' along with Clare Kenny and Walter Folsome aboard 'Clareboyant' participated In the 2025 Midwinters Regatta hosted by Dana West Yacht Club

Glenn and his crew took second place overall and Clare and her crew took eighth place overall! Nice finish to all!

Way to represent WCYC and carrying on great sailing traditions!





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# 2025 West Coast Yacht Club Cruise and Dinner Schedule

Plan your year! Please join us at our 2025 Cruises and Dinners. See you on the water!

Please note that dates may change, and changes will be communicated ASAP.

Please make sure your email accepts messages from Evite.com Members register for all events via "Evite.com".

All payments made via Zelle: Treasurer@westcoastyachtclub.com

January 4 New Year's Brunch Dock Party

February 8 Valentine's Dinner – Legends Steakhouse

March 8 St. Patrick's Day Dinner – Pub Thirty Two, Mission Viejo

April 5 Poker Run & BBQ

Host: Papageorges & Ten Eyck

11:30-3:30 BBQ On the dock, Dana Point Harbor @3:30

April 11-13 Opening Cruise to Newport Lighthouse Marina.

Cruise Captains: Hamilton/Blanchard

Co-Captains:

May 2-4 Danalina Raftup & Opening Day Ceremony

Cruise Captains:

May 30 – June 1 Cruise to Catalina Wine Mixer - Avalon

Cruise Captains: Randall/Webber

Co-Captains:

July 18-20 Cruise to Two Harbors

Cruise Captains:

Co-Captains:

July 26 The Famous Tiki Regatta

Race: Randall- Starts 12:00

Dinner: Kossa- Starts 5:00-Grassy Knoll, DP Harbor (Across from

DWYC)

August 1-3 Cruise to Avalon

Cruise Captains: Co-Captains:

August 22-24 Cruise to Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club

Cruise Captains: Sicard Co-Captains: Covarrubis

September 19-21 Cruise to Newport Beach Raft-Up

Cruise Captains: Brinkis Co-Captains: Babcock

October 10-12 Cruise to Long Beach - Navy Yacht Club

Cruise Captains: Kossa Co-Captains: Hepner

November 8 Commodore's Dinner – TBD

December 13 Holiday Brunch & Change of Watch – TB

Possible Pop-Up Cruises/Events: Mission Bay, San Diego, Fishing Tournament

<sup>\*\*</sup> Please note this indicates date/venue change from original schedule or new event.



## **USCG AUX Bulletin Board**

# - Vessel Safety Checks -



# 2025 USCG Auxiliary Vessel Safety Checks Flotilla 06-08 – Dana Point



Boating safety is an important part of being a vessel owner. As an owner it is your responsibility to ensure the safety of yourself, family, and friends that you have as guests on your vessel.

The best way to do this is to have your vessel examined by the Coast Guard Auxiliary on an annul basis, ensuring that your vessel and safety equipment meets the current Coast Guard, State, and Federal requirements.

The Auxiliary has several resources where you can conduct a virtual VSC and prepare your vessel for the safety check.....

- https://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=114-06-08&category=virtual-vsc
- Download a copy of the Current Exam Form to review at <a href="https://wow.uscgaux.info/">https://wow.uscgaux.info/</a>
   Uploads wowll/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 scan our QR code or go to the Dana Point CG Auxiliary VSC page to request a VSC, <a href="https://www.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=114-06-08&category=1336085599">https://www.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=114-06-08&category=1336085599</a>



## - Education -

# **Our Boating Education 2025 Courses Are Back!**



In-person training is now back.

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 2025 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

# The <u>Elective Officers</u> of the Club shall consist of Commodore, Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore

**Commodore** Tom Rasulo

Vice Commodore Brian Randall

Rear Commodore Marji Weber

## 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 Donna Groves

Sr Staff Commodore Mindy Sicard

## 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** Julie Zimmerer

Treasurer Chip Riddle

Membership Chairperson Sheri Meehleis

JAG / Parliamentarian Mark Babcock

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

Commodore Tom Rasulo

Vice Commodore Brian Randall

Rear Commodore Marji Weber

Jr Staff Commodore Donna Groves

Sr Staff Commodore Mindy Sicard

Active Member – Ship Store Maureen Hensley (2<sup>nd</sup> yr)

Active Member - Secretary Julie Zimmerer (1st yr)

Active Member - Membership Sheri Meehleis (2<sup>nd</sup> yr)

Active Member - Treasurer Chip Riddle (1st yr)

Active Member - JAG Mark Babcock (2<sup>nd</sup> yr)

Active Member - Fleet / Port Captain John Kossa (4th yr)

Active Member – Binnacle Bryan Chalais (1st yr)



## WCYC RECIPROCAL YACHT CLUBS

PLEASE NOTE THAT RECIPROCLE PRIVILEGES AT ANY OF THE BELOW CLUBS MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. PLEASE BE SURE TO CONTACT THE CLUB TO CONFIRM OUR RECIPROCAL PRIVILEGES BEFORE ARRIVAL.

**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

**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** 

**Balboa Basin YC** 

829 Harbor Island Drive #38

Newport Beach, CA. 92660

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 Harbor 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

Marina YC of Long Beach

233 Corsair Way

Long Beach YC

602 Appian Way Long Beach, CA. 90803

Marina Venice YC

4333 Admiralty Way Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

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 Rev. CA. 90292

**Port Royal YC** 

555 N. Harbor Dr. Redondo Beach, CA 90277 Redondo Beach YC

210 Yacht Club Wav Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Silver Gate YC

2091 Shelter Island Drive

Seal Beach YC

255 Marina Drive Long Beach, CA. 90803

**Shoreline Yacht Club** 

386 Shoreline Drive South Long Beach, CA. 90802

San Diego, CA. 92106

Ventura YC 1755 Spinnaker Drive Ventura, CA. 93001-4396 **South Coast Corinthian YC** 

13445 Mindanao Way Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Westlake YC 32123 Lindero Rd Westlake Village, CA 91361

**South Shore YC** 1099 Bayside Drive Newport Beach, CA 92660



# WCYC Membership Application Please Print Clearly

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Prospective members are re-	quired to attend two eve	nts and be introduced at that t	ime by their sponsors or a Club Officer.
The Membership Chairperso	n's recommendation, the	e signatures of two sponsoring	
Club Members and all dues v	will be presented to the E	Board of Directors at their next	scheduled meeting. Current dues are
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Sponsoring Member #1		Date	
Sponsoring Member #2		Date	
Please return your Members	hip Application together	with your check (made payable	e to West Coast Yacht Club) to the
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