



Channel Islands Women's Sailing Association
February - April 2022

Ahoy, CIWSA Members!

Welcome to our newest member, Michael Hallahan! Thank all of you who have joined or renewed and paid your 2022 dues! We had a 38% jump in our January insurance bill this year and several annual expenses, so the cash flow was especially appreciated! If you are one of the few who haven't yet joined or renewed, here are the links to do so electronically.

- To Join:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfJ2HzTRxHdHYJVPDJcuIXPI6cPG4PCBiR4zyYHoUGSVRqPtA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>
- To Renew and Update your Personal Information:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScEIXadaP3dDPEqBtbC2F036xIw44GQsGL_PG-BTO02U_POsg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0
- To Pay your Dues, Mail your Check to CIWSA, 3600 Harbor Blvd PMB 268, Oxnard, CA 93035 or pay with PayPal:
https://paypal.me/CIWSA2022?country.x=US&locale.x=en_US

We're working on a full schedule of activities and educational programming for 2022. We're also making a little progress on the website rebuild. I soon hope to showcase the 2022 CIWSA Board Members and to add a link to the CIWSA Google Calendar and event signups.

Keep an eye out for emails from me with future updates and Google Form invitations to meetings, webinars, and daysails. And invite your like-minded friends! Non-members are welcome to attend a daysail and 2 shoreside events to get to know us before joining.

UPCOMING CIWSA ACTIVITIES

- **MONTHLY MEETINGS** - We meet on the 2nd Thursday of most months. Live attendees will congregate at Channel Islands Yacht Club (CIYC, 4100 Harbor Blvd, Oxnard) on the downstairs covered patio with propane heaters and a big-screen monitor. We usually bring in a dinner option from a local restaurant (RSVP for food thru the Google Form invitation). Zoom attendance will usually be available. You can access the meeting through www.zoom.us.com, select Join a Meeting, and when requested, enter Meeting ID: 399 613 4278 and Passcode: 9Lfakk - or via this link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3996134278?pwd=YIVJeENmNDc4S1hYOVFVWm11MkZKQT09>
- **Thursday, February 10 - 6:30PM to 8:30PM, CIYC patio** - Hybrid (Live + Zoom) - **Mike Parker, Executive Director of California Institute of Environment Studies** (<https://ciesresearch.org>) - CIES was established in 1976 as a 501 (c)(3) organization

as the founders recognized the need for independent research of breeding seabird populations that were affected by marine contaminants in the Southern California Bight. Over the last 40 years CIES has grown into a well-respected organization dedicated to seabird research, monitoring, restoration, and education, from Baja California to Humboldt County. Many current projects occur on the Channel Islands and focus on 4 species of seabirds: the California Brown Pelican, Scripps's Murrelet, Ashy Storm-petrel, and Cassin's Auklet - all have been affected to a large degree by human activities.

- **Thursday, March 10 - 6:30PM to 8:30PM, CIYC patio** - Hybrid (Live + Zoom) - **Onboard with Outboards** - **CIYC member Jeff Thomas** will share his knowledge about Outboard Engine Operation and Maintenance, with hands-on demonstration using 3.5hp 2-stroke and 9.8hp, 4-stroke outboards. Best viewing will be onsite, but we will also attempt to share on Zoom.
- **Thursday, April 14 - 6:30PM to 8:30PM, CIYC Patio** - Hybrid (Live + Zoom) - **Marlinespike: Knotwork for Art and Function** - **Marc Casebolt** will share his 50yr interest in knot-tying and marlinespike seamanship. Although he never lived near the ocean nor learned to sail, at age 12, Marc discovered a copy of "The Ashley Book Of Knots" on his father's book shelf and was immediately hooked on the illustrations. He started tying some of the less intimidating knots and soon learned to tie more difficult knots. At 18, he got a real marlinespike, which he still uses today.
- **DAYSAILS** - Sailors of all skills levels are welcome to attend our Keelboat Daysails, usually held the 2nd Thursday and 4th Sunday each month, weather-permitting. We rely on our members and friends to volunteer their boats and their time for daysails, and we try to assure that each boat has a capable skipper and first mate before they leave the dock.
 - **2nd Thursday Keelboat Daysails:** Thursdays, February 10, March 10, April 14, approximately 12:00pm - 4:00pm to align with CIWSA Meetings beginning at 6:30pm
 - **4th Sunday Keelboat Daysails:** Sundays, February 27, March 27, April 25, approximately 12:00pm - 4:00pm
 - **Shared Boats:** We share usage of 2 Laser sailboats (13') and 3 J24s (24') with Channel Islands Yacht Club (CIYC). Additionally, Board member, Lauren Copus is working on a small boat sailing program with Fairwind Yacht Club (FYC) and CIWSA members. Contact me about J24 or Laser usage and contact Lauren (lsmithcopus@hotmail.com) about small boat sailing.
- **OTHER CIWSA ACTIVITIES** - More details will follow, but save these dates:
 - **Visit the Sea Lion Rookery** - Carpinteria, **Sunday, March 20**, approx 10:00am-2:00pm, followed by a group lunch (optional)
 - **Coastal Delivery in April** - s/v WAILANI (33' sloop) plans to compete in the Newport to Ensenada Race again this year, and I'm looking for a few sailors who would be willing to spend a few days in April to help get her to Newport before the race (2-3 days between **April 15 & 19**) and back to Oxnard after finishing in Ensenada (up to 4 days between **Apr 25 & May 1**). The schedule and stopovers will be flexible for weather and crew changes. Contact me if you might be interested.
 - **"Earth Day" Harbor Cleanup** - **Saturday, April 23**, approximately 10:00am - 2:00pm, followed by a group lunch (optional)

- **Summer Splash Party & BBQ - Sunday, July 10** - approximately 2:00pm - 5:00pm - BYOB, a dish to share, and your PFD with a replacement cartridge! CIWSA will supply the BBQ, and Karen Branch will provide the pool and patio.
- **SAILING-RELATED TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**
 - **POSTPONED to Saturday, April 2! Sailing Convention for Women** (<https://www.sailingconventionforwomen.com>), co-hosted by Gail Hine and Lisa Cullinane (WSA-OC), at Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club (BCYC), Newport Beach - If you couldn't attend before, it might fit your calendar now! Go to the website to sign up. Contact me regarding CIWSA carpool & lodging options.
 - **Marine Weather University: Fundamentals Course - 8 Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30PM, CIYC Downstairs Patio (Live Attendance Only)** - This 8-part online training program is presented by Chris Bedford, who is a meteorologist with over 35yrs experience, a pro sailor, and a marine weather consultant respected by the world's most accomplished sailors for his marine meteorology expertise. I am sharing this series on the big screen at CIYC with interested CIWSA and CIYC members.

Be prepared for a college-level introductory meteorology course. Each lesson builds on the last, so it's important to see them in sequence and multiple times! In fact, I've added multiple repeats of each session over the next few months. No charge, but donations will be accepted for CIWSA's Youth Sailing Scholarship Fund and/or the CIYC/CIWSA J24 & Laser Expense Fund.

- Jan 30, Sunday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 1: Clouds & Marine Weather**
- Feb 5, Saturday, 4:00-5:30PM Session 1, 5:30-7:00PM Session 2**
- Feb 7, Monday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 1**
- Feb 9, Wednesday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 2**
- Feb 14, Monday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 3**
- Feb 16, Wednesday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 3**
- Feb 23, Wednesday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 3**
- Feb 26, Saturday, 4:00-5:30PM Session 4, 5:30-7:00PM Session 5**
- Feb 27, Sunday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 2: Clouds & Winds Around Them**
- Mar 2, Wednesday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 4**
- Mar 9, Wednesday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 5**
- Mar 20, Sunday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 3: Assessing the Wind**
- Mar 27, Sunday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 4: Mid-Latitude Weather**
- Mar 23, Wednesday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 5**
- Mar 24, Thursday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 6**
- Mar 30, Wednesday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 6**
- Mar 31, Thursday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 7**
- Apr 7, Thursday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 8**
- Apr 11, Monday, 6:30-8:00PM Session 8**
- May 15, Sunday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 5: Satellite & Radar Interpretation**
- Jun 5, Sunday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 6: Local & Regional Winds**
- Jun 26, Sunday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 7: Weather Models**
- Jul 24, Sunday, 5:00-6:30PM Session 8: Internet & Marine Weather**

Separately, Chris will soon present a 2-part live webinar on *Wind Shifts*. Completion of the first 3 sessions of the *Fundamentals* course (above) is recommended before viewing this course. We should have access to the recording to view again.

Feb 15, Tuesday, 5:00PM-6:30PM - Part 1

Feb 17, Thursday, 5:00PM-6:30PM - Part 2

- **Additional Webinars & Online Education**

I will share ASA's Marine Diesel Webinar at CIYC later this month. As more online courses become available, I will add them to the CIWSA Calendar.

Feb 22, Tuesday, 4:30PM-6:30PM - Part 1

Feb 24, Thursday, 4:30PM-6:30PM - Part 2

Happy Sailing!

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