

## Opening Day Activities

Saturday, March 12, 2011



### Schedule:

**S 0800** - Hospitality and registration of guests.

**0900** - Ceremonies outside with the reception following in the clubhouse.

**M 1730** - Cocktails and Dinner.

### Dress for morning event:

Blue blazers and white pants for the men. Blue blazers and white skirts or pants for the ladies. After the reception, casual dress is the order.

We ask members to dress their boats for the day by flying their code flags and burgee. Refer to **Ship Flag Protocol** by Alex Weir, posted at the club.

## Opening Day Dinner

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Join us for a wonderful buffet dinner followed by dancing to a live 16 piece Benny Goodman style Big Band music.

Don't worry if you don't know the steps, we will have an instructor that night to teach you how to swing!

Note the early time!

Cocktails at 5:30 p.m.  
Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Cost: \$30.00



### Dinner Menu:

- Seasonal Salad
- Prime Rib Au Jus
- Shrimp Scampi
- Garlic Mashed Potatoes
- Vegetables
- Berry Parfait with a Ladyfinger

Reservations required by March 9. Phone (310) 827-7692 or email [reservations@smwyc.org](mailto:reservations@smwyc.org).

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## Wii Game Night

Friday, March 4, 2011



Norm and Charlene Perron are organizing this fun night. They will have the overhead projector hooked up to play games and sports like tennis with four players including bowling and ping pong. Also available, the big dining room TV with the Wii games.

Cocktails 6:30 p.m.  
Taco Bar at 7:00 p.m.  
Games to follow  
Cost \$10.00 per person

Reservations please by email to [reservations@smwyc.org](mailto:reservations@smwyc.org) or call (310) 827-7692 by Wednesday, **March 2**.

## Commodores' Corner

By Fred Weinhart, Rear Commodore



Time does fly and our 2011 activities are well under way. The challenges of last year are still with us – membership attraction and retention, member participation, and most of all meeting members' needs to keep our club the thriving and fun

club we have always been. I am glad to see and say that through our members' hard work, dedication, and fresh ideas, we are again starting to grow and provide our members with better and even more frequent opportunities to participate in many enjoyable activities. As a result of open houses, Marinafest promotion, the Hunter Rendezvous event, and the Kayaking and Paddleboarding promotions in the Mariner and with the help our corporate member **Action Watersports**, twelve new enthusiastic members have joined our club in the last couple of months – that is great news!

Our open houses have been successful in bringing in new members and we will continue to schedule one at least monthly throughout the summer with day sails, paddle boarding and kayaking clinics, Cal 20 outings and much more. We had a very successful Open House on Sunday, February 13 with Art Fest (thanks to **Carole Walsh**, our Education and Cruise Chair) and Paddleboarding clinic (thanks to **Russ Carrington of Action Watersports**). There were over 100 visitors to the Art Fest and over 30 paddleboard enthusiasts participating.

Our Membership Committee (which by the way has lots of room for additional volunteers) is planning to staff a shared booth at the Los Angeles Boat Show March 17 – 20 and we can use lots of help. As we did last year, we hope to obtain contact information from show attendees and then have them join us the following Sunday, March 27, for the Open House and paddleboarding event.

The Membership Committee also still continues to work diligently to not only promote new memberships but also to assure that our club continues to meet the needs of all our current members by providing a multitude of events of interest to every segment of our membership, be it racing, cruising, or just enjoying the variety of dining and other events and the ambiance at our great club house – committee meetings will usually be held the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6 pm – that way we can make it to the bar by 7 pm and to dinner by 7:30!

Attendance at Wednesday night dinners is also improving since we resumed our after dinner **Education Programs**, thanks to our Education Chair, **Carole Walsh**. The next major program on Cruising and Travel to Mexico is on

Wednesday, March 16. Please see more information on this event elsewhere in this issue.

We are also making special efforts to grow and improve our **Juniors Programs** and to get more members (especially those new members without a boat) involved in learning to sail and get the benefit of using our Cal 20 boat more frequently. Thank you again for allowing me the privilege to serve you and I know, with all your help, this will turn out to be another great year!

## New Member Report

Fred Weinhart, Rear Commodore



On behalf of the Board of Directors, we welcome the following recently accepted new members:

**Charles Chi Chang – Flag Candidate (Kayaking)** – Charles owns a one-man outrigger Huki VI-X and is looking forward to joining our Kayaking and Paddleboarding group programs. He lives in West Los Angeles.

**William R. (Rod) Guice - Flag Member** - Rod is a resident of Bakersfield and his Catalina 42 sloop *Paradise* is now docked at Bay Club Marina in Marina del Rey. He is a petroleum engineering consultant and a member of the Astronomical Society, has two grown daughters, and enjoys mostly local coastal sailing.

**Pedro and Patricia Rodriguez – Flag Members** – Pedro and Patricia live in Santa Monica and just acquired *Antara* – a Beneteau 44.7 sloop after owning a Santana 24 for several years. Pedro operates a Latin America film distribution concern. They have 4 children and are looking forward to joining us in many activities.

**Richard & Wendy Windebank – Affiliate** - Richard is currently the Vice Commodore of Fairwind Yacht Club, they have been married for 37 years and have 2 grown sons. Rick is now retired, having previously been insurance broker, and enjoys sailing, golf, and travel. Wendy is a travel writer and photographer and occasionally does presentations at yacht clubs. They have previously owned a 28' sloop and a 23' ski boat. They were sponsored by Carole Walsh.



## Women of SMWYC

By Jackie Stern, President



We had a great Super Bowl Party and some happy winners of our Pools. I wish to thank the ladies who helped, **Pat Salcedo, Betty Coppin, Jeanne Cronin, Viki Clark, Rosemary DePauw, Charlene Perron** and **Margaret Orchard**. I

hope I did not miss anyone.

Valentine Wine Tasting - **Norm** and **Charlene Perron** were the chairs of this event and they had some really good wines. I will report more on this next month.

We are now preparing for Opening Day, **Charlene Perron** and **Patricia Bilman** have been busy cleaning closets and Charlene with a little help from me, have been washing chairs in the Bar and we have 27 more to do before we can put the finish on them. We could use lots of help with this project. It would be nice to finish before Opening Day.

**Mary Anne Mendel** has been getting all her committees organized and we should have a great Opening Day. I hope all of you will be there. We will have our first planned activity outside of the Club this month. We are looking at dates at this time and will let you know when and where we will go. I can promise it will be a fun day with a good lunch.

Future plans include a Mother's Day Tea Party on Saturday, May, 7th. Put this date on your calendar and plan on bringing your Mother or Daughter.

I attended the first meeting for The City of Hope, "Crab Feast" which is a fundraiser we hold each year for the City of Hope. **Mary Anne Mendel** is the chairperson again this year and **Charlene** and **Norm Perron** will be working with her. The date for the Crab Feast is May 14. I'll have more on this later.

I hope all of you had a great Valentine's Day and President's Day.

I have heard that it takes a village to raise a child, let's remember it takes *Member Participation* and *Volunteers* to have and run a Yacht Club. Hope to see some of you club ladies at our next meeting on March 1 at 6:00 p.m.



## Club Clean-up Day

Saturday, March 5 and 6, 2011

Time: 9:00 a.m. to Noon

We want to make our clubhouse into a showcase for our visitors on **Opening Day** but we need your help to do it.



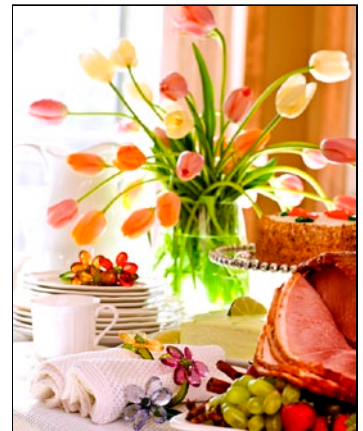
Here's your chance to give something back to your club and have fun in the process. All we need is your willing hands. We will provide the cleaning supplies and your lunch.

Please see the sign-up sheet at the club or contact **Ron Wood** by email [ronw7@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ronw7@sbcglobal.net) or phone (310) 821-5930 to sign up.

## Sunday Brunch

Sunday, March 20

Come and join us for delicious first day of spring brunch at the club between **11:00 a.m.** and **1:00 p.m.** We will serve a buffet of all the brunch favorites prepared by our cooks, **Pat Salcedo** and **Jeanne Cronin**.



Brunch Cost \$15.00

This was a very popular event at our last Sunday Brunch on Sunday, January 9. So mark your calendar and make your reservations for a real treat. Reservations by email to [reservations@smwyc.org](mailto:reservations@smwyc.org) or call (310) 827-7692 by Friday, March 18, 2011.

## Looking Ahead:

**Celebration Night, Friday April 15:** For those special occasions for Jan, Feb, March and April with live music for your dancing pleasure.

**Easter Cruise to Cat Harbor, Friday, April 22 to Sunday, April 24:** This is always a fun cruise to celebrate the holiday. Usually several fun events are planned for the weekend. Partners for cruising this year are SMWYC, WSA, FYC and MVYC.



## Race News

Paul DeLuca, Race Chair



On January 30, SMWYC threw a Super Bowl Regatta and over forty boats showed up. It didn't rain, most of the time and we had five fleets racing. We had ten Optimist (a type of boat, not a philosophy) joining in the fun. These new boats seem to be taking over for the sabot fleet that has been shrinking in the past several years and the manufacturer has stopped producing them. The this new fleet is active at one large yacht club in the marina and the other large yacht club has decided to use them in their Jr. Program this year. We can expect to see these boats a lot in the near future.

With forty-two competitors, the Sail Committee was stretched pretty thin, but we pulled it off. There was a bit of a problem in scoring, but we did get the results out and some of them had to be done by hand. **Larry Kolisnyk** was driving the primary chase boat with **Fleet Captain Themis Glatman** borrowing the junior's inflatable and running around helping on the water. On the Committee dock was **Steve Potter** (*Event Chair*), **Matt Clark**, **Sharon Taylor** and three volunteers from the Lido Fleet. They had their hands full putting on four races in their foul weather gear. **Joe Cowen**, our new Racing Member (who bought *Yassoo*), and I did the scoring with a new system we were trying out. Before Joe and I get ragged on too much about the scoring, I would like to point out that it is hard to keep track of boats that don't know their sail numbers, let friends borrow sails without changing the numbers and the computers that think they know what boat is racing when you type a person's name in; does slow things down. **Note:** Don't argue with a computer; it doesn't give a darn, it can sit there longer than you can and the results will be the same. You must lie. So John Smith is not going to race, but John Smith2 is. If this makes sense to you, we need your help with scoring.

**Vice Commodore Vicki DeLuca** (a close personal friend) knocked out chicken and beef fajitas for the hungry sailors. Of course, we had chicken and beef fajitas at our house three times that previous week, so it is safe to say we eat like this at home ALL the time.

The Lido Fleet had such a good time they wanted to know if we would be interested in doing another day of racing. Right now we are looking at September, but we'll see how it works out.

The Sail Committee doesn't have any races on the calendar in March, so we are concentrating on maintenance for the mark set boat, other race equipment and of course, Opening Day but we will be back at it in April with our first BBQ Race. In the meantime, make

sure you come to Opening Day March 12. I'll see you at the party.

## Race Start Clinic Sunday, March 20, 2011



Our annual clinic is a great introduction to racing or an opportunity to improve your skills. We will have a 2 hour chalk-talk plus a question and answer session in the morning at **10:00 a.m.** followed by starting practice near the SS mark and the flagpole just outside the MDR detached breakwater. Afterward, a recap will be held at SMWYC. If possible, we will show videos of the starts in the main dining room. Participants of all levels are encouraged. We will have mentors available to give on-the-water tips and extra crew to help with short-handed boats. Anyone who wishes to participate but does not have a boat we will place on a boat.

For further information, contact event chair, Fleet Captain Themis Glatman, email: [TladyManor1@aol.com](mailto:TladyManor1@aol.com) or assistant Sr. Race Officer Lee Rhoads, [mrleer@verizon.net](mailto:mrleer@verizon.net).

## Education Nights



### March 16, Mexican Cruising:

This event is being MC'd by S/C **Peter Patman** of Del Rey YC, presenting noted Mexico cruising authority and author, **Patricia Raines**, Director of Mexico Department of Tourism, **Jorge Gamboa Patron** and **Eloisa Valdez**, PR for Alaska Air lines. The program will run about two hours. Dinner this night is in the bar; cost \$12.00 with reservation, \$15.00 without (space permitting) or appetizers only, cost \$5.00.

### March 23 Row LA and Safety at Sea:

First Speaker, **Liz Greenberger** is the Founding Director of Row LA, a non-profit organization whose mission is to create a positive future for young girls in Los Angeles through rowing, academic tutoring and mentoring. Liz has rowed and coached master rowers in the Marina since 2004. She will cover rowing to college and rowing in Marina del Rey. Our next speaker is **Dr. Steven Mandel** who has a new program, *Partnership in Safety*. He will cover information about his program. This part of the program should interest wives or significant others of skippers who need to learn and participate in this new program. Dinner this night is in the dining room. The cost of dinner is \$12.00 with reservation or \$15.00 without (space permitting).

## Officer of the Day Duty

March 2011

	A Shift 9-1:30	B Shift 1:30-6
Sat. Mar 5	Bob Mimura	Lois Meiser-Mimura
Sun. Mar 6	Rick Little	Renee Little
Sat. Mar 12	James Hamill	Dennis M. Murphy
Sun. Mar 13	Kaleb Nelson	Suzanne K. Taix
Sat. Mar 19	Kathy St. Amant	Monica Chaban
Sun. Mar 20	John P O'Rourke	Cathy Quain
Sat. Mar 26	<b>Need Volunteer</b>	<b>Need Volunteer</b>
Sun. Mar 27	Dana Haynes	Cynthia Huffman

**ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS:** Please review this list each month to see if you have been assigned a date. In the event, you see you have been assigned a date and cannot do O.D. on that day, you should immediately find a replacement by trading with another member. If for some reason you are unable to make a trade, please contact Fred Weinhart, email, [FredSMWYC@aol.com](mailto:FredSMWYC@aol.com) as soon as possible. If you fail to do your duty when assigned, or you do not find a replacement or you do not contact us, you will be billed \$50.00 per shift.

### LOOKING AHEAD:

	A Shift 9-1:30	B Shift 1:30-6
Sat. Apr 2	Bob Hayward	Cheryl Hayward
Sun. Apr 3	Michael Parker	Mitzie Parker
Sat. Apr 9	Ken Liu	Pat Eastman
Sun. Apr 10	Staness Jonekos	Michael Becker
Sat. Apr 16	Brian Kennedy	Sarah Kennedy
Sun. Apr 17	Randall Krause	Elise Krause
Sat. Apr 23	Jay LaPlante	Julie Parrino
Sun. Apr 24	Dave Osborn	Joan Osborn
Sat. Apr 30	Ken Lee	<b>Need Volunteer</b>
Sun. May 1	Dave Angers	Steve Austin
Sat. May 7	Themis Glatman	Bruce Glatman
Sun. May 8	Jim Calfas	Eric Kirven
Sat. May 14	Joe Dervin	Donna Dervin
Sun. May 15	Warren Fox	Joyce Fox
Sat. May 21	Paul DeLuca	Vicki DeLuca
Sun. May 22	Eugene Golling	Nora Golling
Sat. May 28	Gene Levinthal	Joan Levinthal
Sun. May 29	Viktor Eysselein	Zoi Eysselein



### Advertise in our Sea Sounds

For as little as \$75.00, you could have a card ad in our newsletter for 3 months telling the members of your special services. Ad forms available on the club lobby counter behind the extra copies of Sea Sounds. Pick up one today! ,

## Friday Night Rocks

By Vicki DeLuca

**Join us on Friday nights for a great dinner and musical entertainment.**

**Mar 4th - Wii Game Night no music**

**Mar 11th – Opening Day preparation. No music**

**Mar 18th - The Twist Offs with a lively mix**

**Mar 25th - Guitar duo Zerimar and Fritz**

**Cocktails 6:30 p.m. - Dinner at 7:30 p.m.  
Cost \$20.00**

Reservations required. Call (310) 827-7692 or email [reservations@smwyc.org](mailto:reservations@smwyc.org). Watch for the menus in This Week. (A two-drink minimum is required if not having dinner.) **Don't miss out on lots of fun!**

## Club Cruises

Our cruise chair, **Carole Walsh**, is working together with cruise persons for Fairwind YC, Pacific Mariners YC, Marina Venice YC and the Women Sailing Association to set up a cruise schedule that all clubs could enjoy together. When we receive the finalized list, we will post that info.

Here is a list of SMWYC's cruise dates on the calendar so far this year:

Super Bowl Cruise – Feb 4 – Feb 6

Easter Cruise – Apr 22 to Apr 24

First Mates Cruise – May 28 to May 30

San Diego Race Return Cruise – July 4 to July 10

Cruise to Isthmus – July 8 to July 10

Commodore's Cruise – Sept 2 to Sept 5

Thanksgiving Cruise to Catalina – Nov 24 to Nov 27

**Bar Opens**Wed. 1700 Sat. 1500  
Fri. 1700 Sun. 1500**Calendar****O.D. Watch**A Watch 0900 – 1330  
B Watch 1330 - 1800

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
		<b>March 1</b> Private 8-5:30 Women's Brd 6:30 Gen Brd Mtg 7:30	<b>2</b> Private 8-5:30 Wednesday Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	<b>3</b> Private DRm 9-1 ASMBYC Mtg 7:00	<b>4</b> Wii Game Night Bar Opens 5:00	<b>5</b> Club Clean Up Day Bar Opens 3:00
<b>6</b> Club Clean Up Day Happy Hour 3-8	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Sail Com Mtg 7:30 WSA Gen Mtg	<b>9</b> Wednesday Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Opening Day Set-up Dinner in bar Bar Opens 5:00	<b>12</b> Opening Day Opening Day Dinner
<b>13</b> Day light Savings Happy Hour 3-8	<b>14</b> PSSA Mtg	<b>15</b> Catalina Fleet Mtg	<b>16</b> Wednesday Dinner Education Night Bar Opens 5:00 Membership Mtg 6	<b>17</b> Cal 20 Group 7:00	<b>18</b> Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	<b>19</b> Bar Opens 3:00 Private Party 6-12 p.m.
<b>20</b> Race Clinic 10-6 Sunday Brunch 11-2 Happy Hour 3-8	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> WSA Board Mtg	<b>23</b> Wednesday Dinner Education Night Bar Opens 5:00	<b>24</b> Fairwind YC 6-10	<b>25</b> Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	<b>26</b> Bar Opens 3:00
<b>27</b> Open House 11-4 Paddleboarding & Kayaking Clinic Happy Hour 3-8	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Exec. Brd Mtg 7:00	<b>30</b> Private 8-5 Wednesday Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	<b>31</b>	<b>April 1</b> Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	<b>2</b> Bar Opens 3:00
<b>3</b> Happy Hour 3-8	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Women's Brd 6:30 Gen Brd Mtg 7:30	<b>6</b> Wednesday Dinner Education Night Bar Opens 5:00	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	<b>9</b> Bar Opens 3:00
<b>10</b> Sunday BBQ 3-8	<b>11</b> PSSA Mtg	<b>12</b> Sail Com Mtg 7:30 WSA Gen Mtg	<b>13</b> Bar Opens 5:00 Wednesday Dinner	<b>14</b> ASMBYC Safety Seminar 7 p.m.	<b>15</b> Celebration Night Jan, Feb, Mar & Apr Bar Opens 5:00	<b>16</b> Bar Opens 3:00

**Sea Sounds Deadline: SMWYC Board Meeting**

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