



**This Week At
Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club
February 17 through February 23, 2014**

Lots more food, frolicking, and fantastic music – and we sail and race too!

This weekend SMWYC participated in organizing the **SCYA Midwinter Regatta** for PHRF on Saturday and PHRF and Cruiser classes on Sunday. About 20 boats participated in these events which are held up and down the coast on the same weekend.

After-race hospitality food was prepared by V/C **Themis Glatman**, who by the way used her boat for Race Committee both days. Thank yous go to **Race Chair Denise George, Themis, PRO Gordon Hansen** and crew, and chase boat driver **Jerry Frank** and crew. Also, thank you to **Jr. S/C Charlene Perron, Lyly, and Viki Clark** who helped set up and serve food. Just after they cleaned up, some racers from **Port Royal YC in King Harbor** came up to the Club and kept Danny busy until after 11:00pm.

Sunday we entertained even more racers and guests and enjoyed music by **Unkle Monkey**. The trophy presentation for PHRF took place, and once again food was fabulous. We had a busy weekend with lots of activity friendly faces.

Jr. Staff Commodore Charlene Perron and **Opening Day Chair Mary Anne Mendel** are still busily heading up the Opening Day committee and still need lots of volunteers so please contact Charlene at cmperron@gmail.com if you can help on club cleaning days on March 8th & 9th, on Opening Day March 15, or sooner on many committee tasks.

I am also glad to see more extensive use of our Small Boat Fleet by more members certified to use our club boats. We are now keeping both Capri 22's and the Cal 20 in the water right in front of the club for easier access and use. Our new **Small Boat Fleet Coordinator Rick Griffin**, under the direction of **Fleet Captain Lee Rhoads**, is working to streamline the certification and checkout procedures. All three boats now have their boat names prominently displayed on their stern as well as SMWYC identifications on both sides of their hulls. Sail number are next! Thank you **Rick and Lee**.

Steve Potter has assumed the position of **Juniors Program Chair**, under the direction of **Rear Commodore Mike Cross**, and is busily setting up a full scale Spring and Summer Juniors Program with the assistance of **Director Jason Thorso**, **Small Boat Coordinator Rick Griffin**, and long time Juniors program coach **Steve Austin**. They are busily cleaning out and reorganizing the dinghy dock, the mechanical room, the Juniors storage container, disposing of derelict hulls, and converting the current race room into a Juniors classroom. There are numerous unidentified watercraft both at the dinghy dock and in the rear of the club house, none of which are paying any storage rent nor known to be owned by club members. All these watercraft will be either put into club use, sold off, or disposed of in the next few days. Please contact **Rick Griffin** if you own any of these or if you have any personal items stored in any of the aforementioned locations.

Your **Commodore** is also working on establishing a new **Communications Committee** in order to streamline the coordination and dissemination of information to club members as well as to prospective new members. He is also in ongoing close contact with the managers and planners at **Beaches & Harbors** to assure our club's interests and our future are properly identified and protected in the short and long term planning and implementation processes. We hope to have more specific dock replacement updates for you in the next couple of weeks.

Fred Weinhart
Commodore

Now for this week's events:

Wednesday, February 19 – Dinner

Do not miss this Wednesday's dinner by our newest chef, **Vice Commodore Themis Z. Glatman**.

After wowing the crowds on Saturday and Sunday with her chilly, she has decided to provide us with her now specialty of Persian Wheat Bread with olives, then we will dine in Chicken Caesar salad followed by her marinated and oven roasted Cornish Hens along with the newest trend in healthy foods, Cauliflower Puree accompanied by Chicken Sausage in baked beans which is always followed by dessert and coffee, once again all of these courses for just **\$13.00 with reservations and \$15 without reservations**, if any food still available..

Do not miss this chance to pass up on your cooking and to come together and meet your friends at your club.

Reservations are of course a must: reservations@smwyc.org

or 310-827-7692 ext. 3

Thursday, February 20 – Weight Watchers Meet 10am and 5:30pm

Weight Watchers are now meeting regularly on most Thursdays, except holidays, in our club house dining room. Registration and weigh ins are 30 minutes prior to meeting start times. Initial visits are free and special rates are being offered to our members. Please stop by the club at the above times to get more information from the program coordinators.

Friday, February 21 & All Third Fridays

Jr. Staff Commodore Charlene Perron is continuing the new event that we hope will attract members and their friends to the Club on the third Friday of every month. Why not start a tradition?

Come by the Club before a late dinner or movie and have a cocktail and enjoy FREE appetizers in the bar. Nothing fancy, but we will have a 'themed' bite to eat while relaxing with your friends and catching up on what's happening. This is a great way to wind down your hectic week and plan your weekend activities.

Discounted drinks too - well drinks, house wine, and draft beer will be \$1 off.

Saturday, February 22 – Bar Opens at 3 pm

Sunday, February 23 – Open House, Brunch, and Road Gang Band

First **Open House** of 2014 starts at 11 am. We need volunteers for brunch hospitality, boat rides, and membership promotion. Please contact:

R/C Mike Cross at rearcommodore@smwyc.org or **V/C Themis Glatman** at vicecommodore@smwyc.org to help.

Lee Rhoads' ROAD GANG 60's Retro Rock band will play from 4:00pm - 7:30pm the last Sundays of every month until further notice! As always...the admission is free, dancing is required! Be there or be square!

More upcoming events:

Sunday, March 2 – Academy Awards Party

Saturday & Sunday, March 8 & 9 – Club Cleanup Days

Saturday & Sunday, March 15 & 16 – Opening Days

Friday – Sunday, April 18 – April 20 – Easter Cruise

Sunday, April 20 - Easter Brunch

Our celebration for **Easter Brunch** is shaping up to be a great one. Start making your plans to bring your spouse, friend, co-worker, etc., to your club on Easter Sunday.

Ladies, start preparing your fanciest hats to be put on parade, we want you to WOW us with a look reminiscent of the 1940's with your fancy hats and colorful Easter clothes, so start preparing to win prizes and share in the fun, pass the word around town, SMWYC will be THE PLACE to be for Easter Brunch.

Officer of the Day Schedule

The updated O.D. schedule is now posted on our web site near the bottom of the Home page at www.smwyc.org so please check your assignments and if you have any questions, please contact **Rear Commodore Mike Cross** at rearcommodore@smwyc.org

Forward and Onward!