



**This Week At
Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club
March 24 through March 30, 2014**

More successful activities at our club!

Junior Program boat Shakedown – by Steve Potter, Junior Program Chair

Club members **Bidget Smith, Ron Orr and Norm Perron helped Rick, Gavin Abraham and Steve Potter** shake down three of our Junior fleet boats. Norm hopped into "Woody", a beautifully reconditioned Naples Sabot, settled in immediately and sailed away as two of the US Sabots and the Instructor's boat were still being rigged. Ron and Bridget tested the US Sabots and boat worked well. So we now have the rigging template established to which all the fleet boats will be set.

The winds were brisk and the little eight foot prams zoomed back and forth in the main channel. Bridget tested the Outer Channel and at one report was "racing the (UCLA) Capri 14s". Ron had a rudder pop loose which was quickly corrected but feels much more at home behind the wheel of the Hunter 50. Norm was having a great time until the wooden mast of "Woodie" snapped during a gybe. The instructor's boat functioned perfectly.

All in all it was a fun and productive afternoon. **Open Houses start April 6 from 10 to 1:30 for three weeks in a row.**

The 2014 SMWYC Poker Run was a great Success! 42 participants showed up on kayaks, paddle boards, canoes and unique floats. They paddled to 5 businesses in the Marina collecting a poker card at each stop. Prizes were given to the best poker hand and to the paddlers that picked up the most trash along the way. A celebration with food and drink followed at the dock and continued into the SMWYC for happy hour and live music. A great time was had by everyone! Thank you to Killer Shrimp, Tony P's, Phins, Marina Parasailing, Marina Paddle, Blue Pacific and Action Water Sports for sponsoring this event. Save the date on **June 8th for the The Paddle Scavenger Hunt.**

Once again our V/C Themis Z. Glatman wowed the brunch guests that came from **Northrop Grumman to celebrate their Social Day** with us this past Sunday with her gourmet cooking of "Sartu di Patate" and a delicious "Pasta Frittata" that she promised she will repeat in upcoming brunches on **April 6 and April 13th**, come hungry for these events which will help introduce our new **Juniors program** to the community.

Forward and onward – we're still getting better every day!

Fred Weinhart
Commodore

Now for this week's events:

Wednesday, March 26 – Wednesday Night Dinner

And now for you "No Cooking Wednesday" pleasure we will have a new series of food tastes, starting this week with "**The Taste of Texas**" a barbeque fare complete with ribs, chicken, corn, salads and corn muffins, prepare by our now almost resident chef, Rick Toomim, and as if that was not enough, we will be showing a movie to boot, dinner will be earlier at 7PM and the movie will start at 8 just in time for dessert and coffee. Come and enjoy your club, great drinks, great food and now a great new movie, still all for \$13.00 with reservations or \$15.00 at the door.

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

or 310-827-7692 ext. 3

Thursday, March 27 – 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.

Sunday, March 30 – Lee Rhoads ROAD GANG

Lovely Tori's male counter-part, James McVay, is touring the East Coast this week but we didn't want to disappoint our fans at Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club, so we've brought in Jimmy Brewster, a club favorite, to fill in **Sunday, March 30 4:00-7:30.**

For those of you who miss 50's Rock and Roll, Jimmy will satisfy the early rock fans! He will also venture in the 60's doing a Ray Charles' ***HIT THE ROAD JACK*** and for you swing fans, he does a killer ***JUMP JIVE AND WAIL!***

Since we won't have James McVay's slide guitar, I have hired the most incredible keyboard player since Floyd Kramer, Sterling Smith. You may recall him from last year when he opened our set with ***Green Onions!***

As usual, SMWYC is offering a Sunday open house, so there's no admission fee. If music sounds inspiring, show your appreciation by getting on the dance floor! We are also hoping for a couple of guest vocalists!

More upcoming events:

Saturday, April 5

"On-The-Water" Race Starting Clinic

Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club will host a starting clinic free of charge for both novice and experienced MDR sailors to improve starting skills.

[Register at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8156](http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8156)

Sunday, April 6 – Membership Promotion and Juniors Open Houses – 10 am to 8 pm

Volunteers are needed to meet potential members, provide hospitality, and give boat rides on club boats or on your own boats. Please contact R/C Mike Cross at rearcommodore@smwyc.org

Tuesday, April 7 – Friday April 10 – Club closed for private party

Access to all parts of the club except locker area may be limited or restricted during all hours of these 4 days. Will update you if schedule changes.

Sunday, April 13 - Brunch & Juniors Open House

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

Sunday, April 20 - Easter Brunch & Juniors Open House

Why fight the reservation lines at other restaurants which are so impersonal?

Come celebrate Easter with us at SMWYC and let us feed you and entertain you with the sounds of a Harp player and with a contest for the best Easter Dress, the best Hat Design and get prizes for it to boot.

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**.

Come yourself, bring your friend and tell others about it.

Start making your plans to bring your spouse, friend, co-worker, etc., to your club on Easter Sunday.

All of this for the price of \$25.00/person, \$15.00 for Juniors 16 and under as part of the 3rd Juniors Program Open house on the same day, tax and tip included, a great deal and a great time at our Yacht Club.

Officer of the Day Schedule

The **updated O.D. schedule** is now posted on our web site about a third of the way down in the right column 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