



**These Weeks At
Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club
April 7 through April 20, 2014**

This Week, Last Week, and Next Week....

Just when one thinks we can't get any busier.....then even more happens...

Since the last update of April 6, your **Commodore and Maria** managed to attend Opening Days at **Anacapa and Channel Islands Yacht Clubs in Oxnard** and at **Redondo, King Harbor, and Port Royal Yacht Clubs in Redondo Beach with Jr. S/C Charlene Perron and Norm**. Prior to that, our **V/C Themis Glatman** also attended the **Westlake Yacht Club** Opening Day as well. That makes it a total of 12 yacht club at which we were represented and our presence was not only well noticed but the compliments on our club's well organized, greatly decorated, and well executed Opening Day continued everywhere we went. Many thanks again to coordinators **Charlene and Mary Anne and all their elves** for the well done job! And we still have a couple more to go to...

The filming of a scene for an episode of the **Ray Donovan show** on April 7th and 8th, this time in our bar as well as at the exterior and at the docks, was a financial success for our club and actually fun. Our bar was temporarily renamed the "Rusty Knot." Thank you **Charlene, Norm, and Ron Orr** for babysitting the club during the filming. We also had rentals for 2 private parties, a private business meeting, ongoing Weight Watchers sessions on Thursdays, the Race Starting Clinic, an Open House, Junior Program Open Houses, and Sunday evening entertainment, with barbecues coming soon, and yes we are off to a great Summer. The **Easter Cruise** to the Isthmus with Corsair YC is underway this weekend as well.

A couple of business notes: 1) the key card readers have been changed out so please use your new gold key cards which were mailed out recently to all members in good standing. Please contact me if you did not receive one. 2) With the County's permission, we recently installed 2 One-Way and Children Playing speed limit signs in the parking lot so please obey them conscientiously and avoid being struck by the gate arm when we start closing it again soon. 3) New No Smoking signs are now posted throughout the club, including the bar, which also indicate and reaffirm our club's policy of disallowing e-cigarettes as well.

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

**Fred Weinhart
Commodore**

Now for this and next week's events:

Sunday, April 20 - Easter Brunch & 3rd Junior Program Open House

Still want to remind you that our **Easter Brunch** is happening on **this Sunday**, our **Musical Director S/C Pat Salcedo** arranged for a great **Harpist** to entertain us while we eat. Compete for the best Bonnet Hat design, the Best Easter Outfit and get prizes for your efforts.

Ladies, wear 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, and prepare to win prizes and share in the fun, pass the word around town, SMWYC will be **THE PLACE** to be for **Easter Brunch**.

Why fight the reservation lines at other restaurants which are so impersonal? Come celebrate Easter with us at SMWYC.

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 with Champagne, \$20 without, and \$15.00 for Juniors 16 and under** as part of the 3rd Juniors Program Open house on the same day, tax included, a great deal and a great time at our Yacht Club. And again proceeds will benefit our Junior Program.

Reservations are of course a must:

reservations@smwyc.org or 310-827-7692 ext. 3

Thursday, April 24 – 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.

Thursday, April 24 - Juniors Program Spring After School Sailing

After hours and hours of planning, fixing up our fleet of boats, and creating a new Instructor's Office by **Program Chair Steve Potter** and **Small Boat Fleet Coordinator Rick Griffin** under the leadership of **Rear Commodore Mike Cross**, our new community oriented Junior Sailing Program is coming to fruition. The Spring sessions of the **After School Sailing** are an open format where our new instructor, **Gavin Abraham**, will tailor the activities to get the young folks introduced to the joy of sailing. Our **Summer Sessions** will be more structured following the standard US Sailing curriculum which is the basis for most of the successful programs around the country.

Last Sunday, two families were waiting at the door at 10:00 am Sunday morning eager to learn more about our new Junior Program. Another one joined within minutes. After a brief tour and some talk about how the program will work and schedules. Gavin Abraham launched one of the fleet Sabots and took the smiling kids for a quick sail giving them ample opportunity to show off in front of their parents! Reaction to our program has been fantastic.

Here are a couple of things that you can do to help:

- **Pick up** some of our **brochures** and give them to friends or leave a stack at a friendly business.
- **Bring** us your **empty large plastic liquid laundry detergent containers**. Really, we'll make them into bailers! Simply drop them off in the display boat in the lobby.
- **Have some extra small line?** We have lots of running rigging to replace and can use all the good **3/16" to 3/8" line** we can get. This can be left for us in the display boat as well.
- **Volunteer** some time to help Rick and Steve rig boats, fix up our storage rack, decorate the instructor's office or any of the other various projects left to do.
- **Contribute a little cash!** Tax deductible donations may be made out to the Santa Monica Bay Sailing Foundation (note SMWYC Juniors in the memo section). If you don't need a deduction acknowledgement, write a check to SMWYC (again noting Juniors) and drop it off in the white Payments mail box next to the counter in the club lobby..

More upcoming events:

Saturday, May 10 - Celebration Night

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 10th. Come celebration your March, April or May special occasion; Swing Band sounds; menu, price and details TBD.

Saturday - May 17

Open House in conjunction with MarinaFest and Boat Show at Burton Chace Park.

Saturday & Sunday - May 17 & 18

The Marina del Rey CITY OF HOPE Chapter WEEKEND FUNDRAISER to Benefit City of Hope. Although being held at the Del Rey Yacht Club, it is still co-sponsored by our club and our members' participation is encouraged. See our web site for more information.

Monday – June 23

Santa Monica Wind Jammers Yacht Club is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on 6/23/2014. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.

Band Schedule

In addition to the master calendar and these reminders, the Band Schedule for the rest of April and for May is now also posted in the right column of all pages of our web site so please refer to it when in doubt!

Officer of the Day Schedule

The **updated O.D. schedule** is now posted on our web site. Use the link in the OFFICER OF THE DAY button 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 or see below:

Officer of the Day Schedule

A—Shift is from 9:00 am—1:30 pm

B—Shift is from 1:30 pm—6:00 pm

To make it a little more interesting, the names in bold indicate that there is an event or private party that day, so you may expect more activity which makes the day a little less boring, and we have music almost every Sunday at 4:30.

Plus we are offering a new incentive: after your shift, you are invited upstairs for beverage on the house (draft beer, house wine, well drink, or soft drink) as a 'thank you' for participating in the O.D. assignment. For those shifts that the bar is not yet open, just bring a copy of your **completed O.D. log page** to the bartender which shows that you did your shift, and he will honor the incentive.

	AM Shift 9am - 1:30pm	PM Shift 1:30pm - 6pm
5-Apr	Olson, Jan	Olson, Mariana
6-Apr	Vombaur, Jack	Wennberg, Christian
12-Apr	Kaufman, Al	Radmall, Lars
13-Apr	Holtz, Karen	Johnson, Kevin
19-Apr	Jensen, Judy	Orr, Ron
20-Apr	Hutton, Dana	Via, Bob
26-Apr	Brown, Bobbie	Brown, Chet
27-Apr	Burns, Sarah	Klink, Steve
3-May	Coppin, Betty	Fiske, Marion
4-May	French, Susan	Rowe, Tom
10-May	Matteson, Carmel	Hansen, Gordon
17-May	Parker, Mitzie	Parker, Michael
18-May	Fox, Warren	Fox, Joyce
24-May	Bach, Stacy	Bach, James
25-May	Lam, Vikki	Toomim, Rick
31-May	Thorso, Jason	Smith, Vic
1-Jun	Rodriguez, Pedro	Rodriguez, Patricia
7-Jun	Bernal, Luz	Steffey, Darrell
8-Jun	Berg, Al	McCormick, Mary

14-Jun	Brewster, Jimmy	Via, Bea
15-Jun	Page, Keith	Lentz, Blaine