



Commodore
Ron Orr

This Week At



SANTA MONICA WINDJAMMERS YACHT CLUB July 25th, 2016 - August 7th, 2016

As it usually happens, life throws you a curve and you have to adapt. Such is the case of "Last Week and This Week" bulletins. I have been on a boat delivery and was not able to get it out to the membership in time, but here is the newest version encompassing both weeks. We had a great event on the 24th which was our continuing series of Barbeque races that not only was well attended, but we heard a great singer in the bar for our entertainment. I hope you all had a chance to catch the action on the water and in the water in your drinks at the bar ☺

The big event that happened yesterday at the "Black Tot's Day," the last day the British Navy would disperse Rum rations aboard in their Navy, a sad day for the sailors, but a great day for us. What a great event was put together by our own FBO, Israel getting Pusser's rum to sponsor the event, provide drinks, free tasting, prizes and gifts to attendees, not to mention the really good food served, It was supposed to be British food (not very popular with my taste buds) but the way it was presented with all three combinations of "fish and chips", "Shepherd's pie" and "sausage and mashed potatoes" was awesome and VERY tasty, and for only \$18.00? What a great deal, and we enjoyed a great band in our patio.

Indeed, we are really rocking and you should try and keep up with the happenings and enjoy your club more often.



Also, we have started our Happy Hour **EVERY WEEK DAY** from 5-7pm. Just in time to beat the traffic before getting home. Come and enjoy \$4.00 drinks at the bar and see the best Sunset views in the entire Marina.

I said it once and I am saying it again, if you have not been at the club lately, you will be amazed by all the happenings and improvements being made along with all the programs we have been instituting to increase our membership benefits. Have you tried the new Kayaks we have? What about the new Stand Up Paddleboards we have recently acquired for our members? Try these programs and get on the water, it will help cool the heat.



The club and its members are what makes this **the** club to belong to as your Bridge and Board members are constantly thinking of ways to add value to your membership.

So make use of these various benefits and enjoy our clubhouse, come get a drink, bring some friends for dinner, enjoy our patio and get on the water with these many activities.

In other **Racing News**, we want to congratulate our very own **Denise George** and her team for getting a third place finish in the VERY contested Martin 242 Sunset Series. She is a super sailor, and she has a great women's group in her boat. We wish her all the luck in the upcoming WOW/WAH series of races (Women on the Water and Women At the Helm). the trophy presentations will actually take place in our clubhouse on August 28th.

So now let's see what else is coming up for you to enjoy your club ☺



Looking Forward

Tuesday, August 2nd -- Board Meeting 7-9pm (we hope)

The Executive session (closed to the members) will start at 6:30 pm and the members session start at 7, and we hope it will finish by 9pm (it never does ☺)

Come and hear all the exciting news we have for the membership, come find out about our lease negotiations, our new events and ask questions.

--Office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

Come check out a kayak or SUP, discuss any billing issues, give some input on the club operations and maybe get a word with your Commodore who is usually hard at work for our benefit.

-- Concert In The Park -- Ballet Folklorico de Los Angeles

This is going to be a BIG event and one not to be missed.

Another one of our many benefits, you get to park in our club, walk to the park, enjoy the concert, come back to the club, enjoy a get together with friends with drinks, food and the best views in the Marina.

--Summer Sail Camp

We are in the week 7 of the Summer Sail Camp with an extra large first time class this week. Come by Monday thru Friday and check out the instructors in their new shirts.

Do You Know A First Responder? Or and Active Duty Military Personnel?

This is your chance to show them that we care about their well being, we have new membership packages that have been instituted to give them a super low price for their membership.

Tell them about us and invite them to our club, we will do the rest...



Looking WAY Forward

Saturday, August 6th -- Dana Hutton Memorial

For those that knew Dana, this will be a great time to come together and help Bob Via Celebrate her life.

And what a well lived life it was with so many sailing trips, races, events, heading so many organizations, being in our board of Directors, President of the Women of SMWYC and SOOO many other things.

Come find out why she was so loved in all the Marina and Southern California Area.

So I am happy to put this notice in This Week about the "Celebration of Life" for Dana Hutton being held at SMWYC on Saturday, August 6 at 2 PM. PLEASE, I ask that those planning to attend, email Bob Via at bob_via@verizon.net so that he will have enough Food and Champagne for everyone.

Tuesday, August 9th - Veteran's Cruise In Harbor

You probably know about the annual veteran's tour we do for the Veterans hospital. We have done this for roughly 15 years, and it has always been at SMWYC.

The VA brings the Veterans around 1030 and park a few vans in the lot. We meet outside the club and assign people to boats, which mostly tie up at Burton Chace Park. We go out for about an hour, stay inside MdR and don't even put any sails up. Then, we have lunch in the park and take a few photos.

We need to get at least 5 boats to accommodate all the Veteran's coming into our club plus their caretakers. All the Veterans are ambulatory and very much fun to have aboard. In past years, those who served us so well have really appreciated the brief time on the water. You can contact Norm Perron who is our contact person for this at Thecaptain101@gmail.com



August 11th–14th --Scuba Diving Cruise to Catalina Island.

Many of our members have written in their application information that they are interested in Scuba Diving and snorkeling. We are planning a great time for members who want to join us at the island with an

experienced Scuba instructor to take us out to great locations we may never have seen before, and we can enjoy the coolness of the breezes in the City of Avalon.

Whether you have a boat, take the Ferry from want to fly there in style, join us for a great time in the islands while the weather is hot in LA.

For more info or questions, e-mail inquiries to TLadyManor1@aol.com

New Family Day Announced

August 14th 2016...

Since we have been having so much fun at these events, we plan to have them once a month for the Summer and maybe beyond. With the weather so hot in Los Angeles, this is the perfect time to come down to the water, use our boats, practice Stand Up Paddle, row our Kayaks, sail a laser or a Capri 22 or just enjoy a day at your club.

Saturday, August 18th -- Puccini's Madama Butterfly

Another chance to capture a great music Opera in the Park under the stars. Do not miss this one, it will be last of the series in the Saturday park events.

**I will not post OD duties for the month of July
while we try the new service to help better
promote the club, our Junior Program, sell our
merchandise and keep the doors open and the
club looking great. We have all gotten a free pass
on this, I will visit the names again when I get
the OK from your board. ☺**

**We will now have the gate working, so MAKE SURE you know the new code as the
GOLD CARDS DO NOT WORK IN IT ANY LONGER**

**Pay Attention to the new parking issues . We will soon be issuing parking passes for
the Club Parking lot, and then Parking Enforcement will give citations.**

AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST...

You need to check out the new color in the Office Room (still not quite finished), which now also houses:

“The New Ship Store”



Come and see the new décor, the new clothes, the new merchandise and browse through the club items and help us become more visible in the marina.

Wear our shirts with pride, check out our items now and keep checking for more inventory in coming weeks, Polo Shirts, T-Shirts, Jackets, Sweaters, Vests and the super glamorous Hats.

P.S. Have you sponsored a member lately? ☺