



WEST COAST YACHT CLUB



May 2016 Newsletter

LETTER FROM COMMODORE, JAY GILL

I remember when I was very young I was afraid of the dark. Well, I can safely say that not much has changed. It has been decades since I sailed into an unfamiliar harbor at night. The April cruise to LBYC was the first time that I had ever entered Alamitos Bay. My arrival at 11:30 Thursday evening put me in an unfamiliar situation. Now, I have to say that I had been thinking about the approach for some time and I had anticipated that a nocturnal landing was going to be the way the trip would work out. So about six weeks ago I was up in the Long Beach area I went over to Alamitos Bay. I tried to familiarize myself with the approach, the harbor itself and how to get to LBYC. I also reviewed the So Cal Cruising Guide that has a detailed chart of the approach and the harbor itself. While I was in route I used the parallel rule of navigation to an almost ridiculous point. I was using the Raymarine chart plotter on board Victura, I also had CPN 4.0.0 which is an open source navigation software running, I had the Navionics app open on one iPhone and Marine Traffic open on another as well as the paper charts and cruising guide. At this point I should also mention that it was a full moon. And yet I was as nervous as could be. As you all know by now the approach and landing were uneventful. I am sure there would have been a sawhorse or two had there been some sort of mishap considering the reception party that was waiting for me (Jim McNamara and Scuba Steve Vandenberg). And yet, as prepared as I was and for all of the support equipment on board being accessed for a smooth arrival, it seems that no matter how old I get I am still afraid of the dark.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you as Commodore.

Jay Gill

Next Board Meeting:

June 8, 2016

Tiki Regatta Meeting: 5/18

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- MAY 20-22.....Avalon
- MAY 29.....Dock Party
- JUN 17-19.....Newport
- JUL 2.....Tiki Regatta
- AUG 19-21.....Mission Bay
- SEP 4.....Dock Party
- SEP 16-18.....Avalon
- OCT 14-16.....Long Beach YC
- NOV.....TBD
- DEC 10.....SJHills Golf Club

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LETTER FROM VICE COMMODORE, JIM MCNAMARA

Ahoy WCYC Members,

So our season is underway, and I want to Thank Commodore and Cindy Gill for a fantastic trip to Long Beach Yacht Club. LBYC always welcomes WCYC members and is grateful for our visit (and our business!). The turnout was great, and we welcomed Mark and Suzanne Babcock on their first cruise. Rumor has it that they enjoyed themselves and will join us on more cruises!

Thanks to Jill Nau for arranging the USCG inspections for our boats. The “coasties” were great and provided everyone with valuable information on vessel safety. I hope to make the inspections an annual event for our members. Thanks also to KC Wilson who hosted the LRC game. This could have been the largest pot in WCYC history...Kathy, don't spend it all in one place!

Avalon next, May 20-22, Gene and Teri Bowen Cruise Captains. Hopefully we get good weather and several boats. I am sure that some will depart Thursday (Whole Life for one, hopefully!).

I want to remind everyone to be on the lookout for new members. Share cruise stories with boat neighbors and friends, welcome folks to your boat and invite them to our events. Ours is a cordial and fun group, and let's grow!

See 'yall in Avalon

Fair Winds and Following seas,

Jim McNamara

WEST COAST YACHT CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

AVALON

May 20-22

Cruise Captains are Gene & Teri Bowen

Look for details coming soon

Dock Party

May 29th

Looking for a host



MAY BIRTHDAY'S

- HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**
- Dave Monk.....3
 - Mike Lindstrom.....5
 - Carl Printz.....10
 - Marguerite Gillespie.....13
 - Bob Gillespie.....20
 - Wanda Stone.....21
 - Debby Deutsch.....28

I apologize if I inadvertently left anyone out . Please contact Cindy Gill to get your birthday on the list.

Happy Birthday to everyone born in May

**Ship's Store has
30% off on all shirts &
sweatshirts**

April Cruise to Long Beach

The cruise started off with a few boats arriving on Thursday and the rest arriving Friday. I arrived Friday afternoon by land and was surprised when I saw Dave Monk pull in completely drenched. I guess it was pretty ruff at sea. He later commented that he probably should have closed his isinglass. As I watched a few other boats arrive I saw that they were a little frazzled as well.

Dan Dawes came down from San Pedro for the night. Thank you Dan for making the trip. It was nice to see a long time member but a new face to me.

We had a couple of dogs attend the cruise as well. We welcomed Lacy of Reel Nauti, Penny of Reel Therapy, Sandy of Tailwinds, Chuppie (aka taco bender) of Victura, & Sammy of Liquid Therapy. All the dogs got along nicely and it was fun to see them running up and down the dock having a good time.



This is Chuppie when he got home on Sunday

Friday night was all about relaxing, eating, drinking and having a good time. We had such an appetizer spread that no one wanted to cook dinner. Thanks everyone for your participation.

Saturday morning was a pot luck breakfast which turned out fantastic. We had all kinds of things to eat.

Late afternoon we went for a dinghy ride around the harbor. A little ruff in some areas and some of us were getting wet but oh well! All in good fun.

Early evening was our dip contest. It was based on taste as well as presentation. We had some great displays. A couple of them that I thought were outstanding was the margarita glass with shrimp made by Teri Bowen and Mike Medina's Pirate display of chips and salsa. Although all the dips were fantastic we could only choose the top three. Jill Nau took 3rd Place, Kathy Lindstrom took 2nd Place & The McNamara's took First Place with an amazing dip (secret recipe) with a side of grilled artichokes.

After all that, we had a great BBQ from Naples Rib Company.

We finished off the evening bombarding KC's quite evening on his boat with a game of LRC of which Kathy Lindstrom won the pot.

On Sunday we all slowly departed and set out for our home port. If I learned anything from this weekend it was (1) Keep better track of my stuff, (2) Never lay white carpet down for our crew & (3) It's a toss up as to who had more fun, us or the dogs.

Thank you to everyone who participated at this event!

Cindy Gill

CLUB NEWS

- We will be having a Race Committee meeting for the Tiki Regatta on Wednesday, May 18th at 6:00p at Round Table Pizza. Those of you on the Committee will be receiving an email soon with the agenda.
- **BRING IN NEW MEMBERS!.** A good way for them to meet us is at one of our dinners or dock parties. Be thinking about who would be a good fit. The Membership application can always be found on the last page of the Binnacle.
- If you have an item you'd like to put on the agenda at our next board meeting please contact Commodore Gill at jay.gill4@yahoo.com.
- **We're in need of a Host** for our Memorial Day Dock Party scheduled for Sunday, May 29th. If interested please let Jim McNamara know.
- We are also **looking for someone** to keep up our Website. Minimal work but we do need someone to help with this.

Please help with our opening tasks above. Buddy up with someone for extra help. If everyone helps out just a little then no one person has to do a lot.



CRUISE SCHEDULE 2016			
APRIL	22-24	LONG BEACH YC	Jay & Cindy Gill
MAY	20-22	AVALON	Teri & Gene Bowen
JUNE	17-19	NEWPORT	Mike Medina/Blake & Tracey Campbell
JULY	2	TIKI REGATTA	Fleet Captain- Blake C/Jay & Cindy Gill
JULY	15-17	ISTHMUS/CHERRY	Jim & Maggie McNamara
AUGUST	19-21	MISSION BAY	KC Wilson
SEPTEMBER	16-18	AVALON	Latin / Monk
OCTOBER	14-16	LONG BEACH YC	Lindstrom / VandenBerg



Other WCYC Events on the Horizon			
MONTH	DAY	EVENT	HOSTS
May	29th	Memorial Day Dock Party	
September	4th	Labor Day Dock Party	

WEST COAST YACHT CLUB RECIPROCAL YACHT CLUBS

			Alamitos Bay Yacht Club 7201 E. Ocean Blvd. Long Beach, CA. 90803-4551
American Legion Yacht Club 215 15th Street Newport Beach, CA. 92663	Anacapa Yacht Club 2810 S. Harbor Blvd. B-6 Oxnard, CA 93035	Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club 1601 Bayside Drive Corona del Mar, CA. 92625-1832	Balboa Basin Yacht Club 829 Harbor Island Drive #38 Newport Beach, CA. 92660
Buccaneer Yacht Club P.O. Box 76 San Pedro, CA. 90733	Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club 211 W 22nd Street San Pedro, CA. 90731-7207	Cerritos Bahia Yacht Club 6291 E. Pacific Coast Highway Long Beach, CA 90803	Channel Islands Yacht Club 4100 S Harbor Blvd. Oxnard, CA. 93035-4310
Chula Vista Yacht Club 642 Marina Parkway #83 Chula Vista, CA. 91910-4058	Convair Sailing Club P.O. Box 22981 San Diego, CA. 92192-2981	Coronado Cays Yacht Club 30 Caribe Cay Blvd. Coronado, CA. 92118	Dana West Yacht Club 24601 Dana Drive Dana Point, CA. 92629
Hollywood Yacht Club Holiday Harbor Marina Berth 201 Wilmington, CA 90744	Huntington Harbour Yacht club 3821 Warner Avenue Huntington Beach, CA. 92649	Lido Isle Yacht Club 701 Via Lido Soud Newport Beach, CA. 92663	Little Ships Fleet Yacht Club 233 Marina Dr. Long Beach, CA. 90803
Long Beach Yacht Club 602 Appian Way Long Beach, CA. 90803	Marina Venice Yacht Club 4333 Admiralty Way Marina Del Rey, CA 90292	Marina Yacht Club of Long Beach 233 Corsair Way Seal Beach, CA. 90740	Mission Bay Yacht Club 1215 El Carmel CT. San Diego, CA 92109
Morro Bay Yacht Club 541 Embarcadero Drive Morro Bay, CA. 93442	Navy Yacht Club Long Beach 223 Marina Drive Long Beach, CA. 90803	Navy Yacht Club San Diego Fiddlers Cove Marina POB 182111 San Diego, CA. 92187	Oceanside Yacht Club 1950 N. Harbor Dr. Oceanside, CA 92054
Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club 2600 Harbor Blvd Oxnard, CA 93035	Pacific Mariners Yacht Club 13915 Panay Way Marina del Rey, CA. 90292	Port Royal Yacht Club 555 N. Harbor Dr. Redondo Beach, CA 90277	Redondo Beach Yacht Club 210 Yacht Club Way Redondo Beach, CA. 90277
San Diego Yacht Club 1011 Anchorage Lane San Diego, CA 92106	Seal Beach Yacht Club 255 Marina Drive Long Beach, CA. 90803	Shoreline Yacht Club 386 Shoreline Drive South Long Beach, CA. 90802	Silver Gate Yacht Club 2091 Shelter Island Drive San Diego, CA. 92106
South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club 13445 Mindanao Way Marina del Rey, CA. 90292	South Shore Yacht Club 1099 Bayside Drive Newport Beach, CA. 92660	Ventura Yacht Club 1755 Spinnaker Drive Ventura, CA. 93001-4396	Westlake Yacht Club 32123 Lindero Rd Westlake Village, CA 91361



WCYC Membership Application

Name _____ Occupation _____ Birthdate _____

Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD) _____

Name _____ Occupation _____ Birthdate _____

Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Vessel Type _____ Length _____

Vessel Name _____

Home Port _____ Basin (if in DP harbor) _____

Slip _____ Slip Size _____ Beam _____

Reason for Joining WCYC:

Prospective members are required to attend two events and be introduced at that time by their sponsors or a Club Officer. The Membership Chairperson's recommendation, the signatures of two sponsoring Club Members and all dues will be presented to the Board of Directors at their next scheduled meeting. Current dues are \$150 annually plus a one time initiation fee of \$50.

The undersigned hereby agrees to abide by the Club's By-Law's, Policies and Protocols:

Applicant #1 _____ Date _____

Applicant #2 _____ Date _____

Sponsoring Member #1 _____ Date _____

Sponsoring Member #2 _____ Date _____

Please return your Membership Application together with your check (made payable to West Coast Yacht Club) to the Membership Chair- Monique Carlson at moniquecarlson@outlook.com.