



THE SHEETS

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Commodore's Comments by Dean Russell



This will be my last article as my term as Commodore is ending and the Watch at SSYC is changing. I appreciate having the opportunity to serve on the Bridge and to work with the Bridge and Board of Directors to help lead SSYC this year. Barbara and I have enjoyed this year and we have all tried to offer different events and activities that would interest you. The new Bridge will be receptive to any new ideas.

The election results have been tabulated and fortunately there will not be any recounts required. The 2019 Bridge and Board of Directors are:

Commodore: Mike Schmidt	Two year term:
Vice Commodore: Chris Haro	Director: Milledge Hart
Rear Commodore: Gerry Holleger	Director: Mike Nelson
Staff Commodore: Tina Simmons	Director: Jennifer Johns
Secretary: Nikki Corona	
Treasurer: Don Albrecht	

Next up is the Newport Beach 110th Annual Christmas Boat Parade December 19 – 23. SSYC is having our boat parade party at the club on Saturday December 22. This is a great casual event and details will be in the evite that you will receive. The location of the club is ideal for watching the parade. You can even see it twice as it approaches the east side of the Balboa Bridge. Warning, you may want to dress warm.

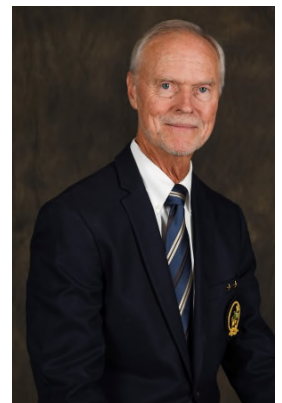
The Change of Watch will be held at the Commodore's Ball on January 26, 2019. This anticipated event is one of our highlight events and is often "sold out." You will be receiving an invitation in

the mail. Please respond quickly to reserve your place.

Several members have asked about the status of the American Legion Yacht club. The court ordered mediation between ALYC and AL Post291. The mediation took place on Monday December 3. The details of the mediation cannot be released, however it was disclosed that a final resolution could not be met. That means the matter goes back to the court. A meeting of the AL Post Executive Board will be held on December 6 and will decide on terminating the ALYC. I will try to keep everyone informed as information is released.

You may have heard about the collision on October 26, 2018 between the 65-foot Prowler and the 332-foot Attessa IV approximately nine miles off San Diego. How did this unfortunate accident that resulted in a death occur? The investigation continues. Both boats should have AIS and radar, but were they on? And who was on watch? All boats large or small should have two crew on watch at all times. Be vigilant and be safe during the 2019 boating season. Fair Winds.

Dean Russell,
Commodore



Social by Jennifer Johns



We Sipped, Swirled and Savored at our November Dinner. All who attended got to sample four different wines, which were each paired with a chocolate. The tasting started with Listel Rose paired with Milk Chocolate Strawberry, then on to Hess Chardonnay paired with Milk Chocolate Caramel. Next up was Fetzer Pinot Noir paired with

Dark Chocolate Espresso, and finishing up with Donna Paula Malbec paired with Chili Dark Chocolate. The pairing must have been meant to be as Don Albrecht's favorite wine choice was Marty Albrecht's favorite chocolate choice; the two just happened to be paired together.



A big thank you to the world-renowned photographer and SSYC member, Chris Bliss, for setting up shop during the dinner and taking photos of all members who wanted to participate. All the pictures were stunning!



The night ended with our annual elections of the Bridge and Board. Congrats to everyone who won (full list in the Commodore's Comments section) and a huge thank you to those who served this year.

What Next on the Calendar

Come celebrate the holiday season at the 2018 Newport Beach Boat Parade Saturday December 22nd. This party will be in lieu of our traditional 2nd Friday Dinner. Bundle up, put on a bit of sparkle, you will have one of the best views of the parade.

January starts a new year and we have a new Bridge and Board. There will be no 2nd Friday Dinner in January as we will be having our Commodore's Ball Saturday 26, 2019. A formal invitation will be sent out; mark your calendar and watch your mail.



Cheers,

Jen Johns

Social Director



Cruising by Mike Nelson

2018 Cruise Event Re-Cap

Will 2019 include a Clothing Optional Cruise event?

These cruise events are truly a group effort and without your help, time and dedication, they just don't happen. Cheers to our SSYC Cruise Events Hosts, Members and Friends who helped make 2018 an extraordinary year. Thank you – Thank You

I hope this (short as possible) Cruise Event Re-Cap provides you with many fond memories.

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| February | Hollywood Behind-the-Scenes Walking and Bus Tour and Dinner at Muldoon's in NB. |
| March | St. Patty's Day Cruise weekend to AVA-LON - Trip Cancelled. Red Flag Warning Saturday reconfirmed that many sailors made the safe decision to stay at home. |
| April | Whale Watching, Host and Captain Mike Schmidt and his yacht Dickey Boy made it all possible. We all thank you Mike! and Dickey Boy! |
| May | It be a perfect weekend in San Diego (Argh) for many of our SSYC members. We rented Catalina Capri 22s and sailed the tranquil waters of Mission Bay. Toured Old Town and enjoyed a Mexican food dinner. |
| June | We sailed Harbor 20 (H20) sailboats in NB. Thank you skippers for donating your boat. Boat 1 Herb Fisher, Boat 2 Chris Hill, Boat 3 Berkeley Green, Boat 4 Penny Nelson |
| July | Cruise to Shoreline Village, Thank you John Marshall for being our Host. Fabio was off of Mexico and was expected to be a full-fledged major hurricane with winds of 115 mph. On top of the Fabio threat, sunny S.CA sizzled with record-breaking heat. But that didn't stop our boats and our fearless crews from beating straight into 26 miles of toasty wind to Shoreline Village from Newport Beach. We spent the morning at the Aquarium of the Pacific, the afternoon at the Queen Mary and topped it off with dinner & drinking at Tequila Jacks. |

August

SSYC Shrimptastic, Isthmus Cove, Catalina **Thank you Tina Simmons for being our Host.**

And thank you to Tina's Sous Chefs Penny Nelson and SSYC friend Chris Hill.

Friday Reception aboard Molokai Girl. **Thank you so much Clive and Martha. We also want to thank everyone who brought delicious side dishes to Saturdays Shrimptastic.** I am still thinking we should make a Shrimptastic Cook Book.

September

Endless Beach Party. Wow – it was the anticipated event of the year and exceeded all possible expectations.

Thank you so much Barb and Dean for opening your home and hearts to SSYC. I'll bet you're still resting up from all of your hard work. Not to mention finding sand in places you didn't know was possible.

October

21 SSYC members went on the Carnival cruise from Long Beach to Ensenada. **Thank you again Dean for being our organizer and HOST.** Baja Wine & Dine Tours provided a beautiful tour of Guadalupe Valley with stops at wineries, an amazing cheese shop, Casa Frida to view her famous art and a Tequila tasting. What a spectacular trip.

November

Sideways Wine Tasting Trip, San Ynez Valley, Thank you Hosts Scott and Kate Pearson for all your time and effort! The event was kicked off with a Wine and Food Soiree at the Hitching Post in Buellton. Saturday included Private Wine Tasting Tours, Gourmet lunch, and Dinner at Firestone Walker Taproom.

Mike Nelson

Cruise Director



December Cruising by Dean Russell



The Wine Cruise was truly a “December to Remember” with many thanks to the planning and organizing done by Scott and Kate Pearson. Scott negotiated a great rate at the newly remodeled and beautiful Buellton Marriott. The Marriott was in the perfect spot to explore the Santa Ynez area.



The cruise started with a casual lunch at the Los Olivos Café for those who could arrive early. Lunch was followed by, what else, wine tasting at the Refugio, a perfect way to spend the afternoon. But then we had to hustle to make it to happy hour then dinner at The Hitching Post II, which was highlighted in the movie *Sideways*.

On Saturday, leaving the hotel at the crack of 11:00AM, the Grapeline Wine Tour guided us through the wineries starting at Babcock with the tasting room as large as a warehouse filled with fun antiques. The second stop was Lincourt. We had lunch next to the 1926 Sears Craftsman kit home overlooking the vineyards. Yes, you could actually buy a home from Sears, the original Amazon.

Our final stop was at Roblar with comfortable lodge style tasting rooms with wood on the walls and ceilings. We met our new friends there celebrating a birthday. They were all wearing 80’s clothing and work out gear. No they were not from San Francisco, they were from Santa Ynez. I think also Brokeback Mountain.



After lunch we went to Vincent Vineyards for a wine tour and tasting throughout the tour. We actually met Mr. Vincent who hung out with the Rat Pack. Vincent spent some time visiting with us making this a special stop.

After a day of wine tasting, what could have been better than a beer at the Firestone Tap Room. And we had dinner there also. Then finally the girls had a “night out” at Mavericks, a country western (what else) in the town of Santa Ynez. No beer but lots of champagne.

Thank you Scott and Kate for making all the arrangements. You made the last cruise of the year one of the best.

Dean Russell,
Commodore



Racing by John Marshall

THE JIM WHITE MEMORIAL WINTER SERIES

Because of Southern California's year-round temperate climate, it affords us the opportunity to "mess around in boats" all year! The Jim White Memorial Winter Series offers two races back-to-back on a blustery Saturday beginning January 12th, 2019. This is a series of 8 races continuing with 2 races on January 26th, February 2nd and 23rd. The first warning is scheduled for 12:00 PM for the first race and the second race's first warning is shortly after the last boat finishes from Race 1. You can find the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions on South Shore Yacht Club's web site at www.southshoreyc.com!

So, it's time to get your crew together and practice your racing techniques. We'll send out a notification to all the PHRF sailors in the Newport Beach area and encourage them to enter this fun series.



SCYA MIDWINTER REGATTA

Don't forget that Southern California Yachting Association's Midwinter Regatta is coming to Newport Beach on February 16th and 17th. The SCYA Midwinter Regatta is one of the largest in the United States, involving over 2500 sailors and motor yacht captains in California, Arizona and Nevada. Over 600 boats compete in a variety of venues sponsored by approximately 25 SCYA member clubs in two weekends of competition.

Typically, American Legion Yacht Club is the venue for the PHRF fleet for the Midwinter Regatta. South Shore Yacht Club may be asked to participate as the organizing authority for this event or perhaps help to promote it. Remember, it's the mid-West and East Coast Yacht Clubs that go dormant in the winter months, but not us! There will be lots of fun sailing opportunities coming up in 2019.



We'll see you on the water!

John





**Saturday
September 7, 2019
Los Angeles Yacht Club
San Pedro**



All Women Boaters SCYA Women's Boating Clinic

On the water and classroom instruction on sail and power boat topics will be provided. Taught by the best women coaches in Southern California.



Los Angeles Yacht Club
285 Whalers Walk
San Pedro, CA 90731
8:30AM to 5PM

For further information see SCYA.org or
contact Kathy St. Amant at asmbyc2018commodore@gmail.com
ATTENTION FABULOUS LADY COACHES.. contact Kathy, we need you!

November 2018

				Thur 1	Fri 2	Sat 3
Sun 4	Mon 5	Tues 6 Board Meeting	Wed 7	Thur 8	Fri 9 2 nd Friday Dinner	Sat 10
Sun 11	Mon 12	Tues 13	Wed 14	Thur 15	Fri 16	Sat 17
Sun 18	Mon 19	Tues 20	Wed 21	Thurs 22 Gobble- Gobble!	Fri 23	Sat 24
Sun 25	Mon 26	Tues 27	Wed 28	Thurs 29	Fri 30 Train-Santa Barbara	

December 2018

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Sun 2 Train-Santa Barbara	Mon 3	Tues 4 Board Meeting	Wed 5	Thur 6	Fri 7	Sat 8
Sun 9	Mon 10	Tues 11	Wed 12	Thur 13	Fri 14	Sat 15
Sun 16	Mon 17	Tues 18	Wed 19 Boat Parade Begins	Thurs 20 Boat Parade	Fri 21 Boat Parade	Sat 22 SSYC Boat Parade
Sun 23 Last Boat Parade	Mon 24	Tues 25	Wed 26	Thurs 27	Fri 28	Sat 29
Sun 30	Mon 31					

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Any members with children who are interested in heading up a **Kids Learn to Sail Program**, please call Don Albrecht at 714-501-7520 or email him at hb_sailor@yahoo.com

New Members:

Nothing to see here. Blame Tina.



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