



THE SHEETS

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Commodore's Comments by Dean Russell



A question about reciprocity with other yacht clubs was asked. Some clubs require a letter of introduction to verify that the requesting member is in good standing. Some clubs only require a current membership card.

That is one reason our membership cards are valuable.

Some clubs will not reciprocate with other clubs within a certain radius, like 25 miles. Many yacht clubs have extended the privileges of its facilities to SSYC members. Every year, SSYC receives reciprocal invitation cards from other yacht clubs. Here is a short list of yacht clubs that will welcome you, just call the club to let them know that you intend to visit. For brevity, I have left off "Yacht Club" from the names. Explore and enjoy.

American Legion, Newport Beach
Cerritos Bahia, Long Beach
Los Angeles, San Pedro
Morro Bay, Morro Bay
Point Loma, San Diego
Silver Gate, San Diego
Ventura, Ventura

Balboa Basin, Newport Beach
King Harbor, Redondo Beach
Mission Bay, San Diego
Oceanside, Oceanside
Seal Beach, Long Beach
The Channel Islands, Oxnard
Westlake, Westlake Village

We have also been able to visit the Saint Francis and the Golden Gate Yacht Clubs in San Francisco. As you know, the Golden Gate Yacht Club was the Defending Club in the 34th and 35th America's Cup.



The Newport to Ensenada, N2E, started on April 27. We saw the start from the Bal-



boa Pier. There was wind and it was a great start. Saturday morning, we drove to the San Ysidro border and walked across into Mexico to the ABC Bus for the ride to Ensenada. The bus stopped downtown, so we could walk to Papas and Beer for refreshments. It was crazy there, then off to Hus-song's, the oldest bar in Ensenada.

SSYC hosted a hospitality suite at the Corral Hotel. Provisions were obtained from the super market across the highway. Unbelievable, the market did not have margarita mix. It was suggested to buy some other mixers. We decided that those were not good, in fact terrible. Now what were we going to do? Brad Brigante came to the rescue. He ran back to the market and picked up limes, Cointreau, salt and made the best margaritas.

The SSYC banner was placed proudly on the balcony overlooking the marina. We welcomed the tired crews from Eric Waelput's Brown Eyed Girl and Tim Richley's Amante. Several other yacht clubs stopped by and we all had a great time. You do not have to sail down to enjoy the festivities and excitement of this great race. Everyone is welcome at N2E.

Dean Russell,
Commodore



Discounts & Donations by Herb Fischer



Great news! Newport Sea Base
Donations reach \$7,300
Almost there!!

Congratulations to the 18 members who have donated to the Newport Sea Base as of this printing, they and our business sponsors have raised **\$7,300!!** These 18 members are all entitled to the dinner discounts they earned. There are **4 discounts left** for a free dinner for the 500 Club, ½ price for \$250, \$10 off for \$150 and \$8 for the Captain donation of \$100, speaking of donations if we receive a few more we will top last year's highest \$7,500!!.

Make your check out to Newport Sea Base.

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Social by Jennifer Johns

First and foremost, a BIG thank you to Andrea Haro, who took over Social duties for our April Closing Ceremonies dinner. Dean and Barbara Russell were a big help, along with those who volunteered for clean up duties and shared their pictures. Thank you!

The night could not have gone any better. Steve Baker gave us the honor of his prose as he recited the following poem with an accompanying slide show:



*Them South Shore folks got an odd tradition,
Commodore Dean swears it's not fiction
This man who pretends to be Thurston Howell
Has no fear at all of socks that smell very foul*

*This year we'll burn them on opening day
Which leaves time for this story for me to say
Remembering all the good times we had
Including behavior that some would call bad*

*There was that trip to the Channel Isles
With stories aplenty that brought many smiles
Rumors of Tina and some peep show
Made me terribly sorry that I didn't go*

*A three hour tour to Gilligan's Isle
To pay for a drone we use all of the while
Brings to mind board meetings where all would be groaning
Always hearing a member who's droning and droning*

*Great parties by Jen were always fab
Except perhaps for a visiting crab,
Notice the look the flamingo got
While being fondled closely by Scott*

*A non-sailing trip where we all drove
Was Groundhog Day at Crystal Cove
Halloween was fun which no one denies
Scott doggie and bone took home the first prize*

*The Kentucky Derby when Laurie turned fifty
A luau party that sure was nifty
Except for the pig, that poor fella
But a least in his head he got an umbrella*

*The 4th of July was fun in the sun
In the boat parade the first prize was won
In Dana Point we had the great luck
To catch Commodore Dean kissing the duck*

*Robin starred on The Price Is Right
The team in red was quite a sight
Skipper Mike did the great air show
Some goers got seasick and felt very low*

*Some people claim the Hibachi races
Always put smiles on committee faces
The toga party was sure a blast
Like Animal House it was all in the cast*

*I hope you'll come back on Opening Day
For the real sock burning as part of the fray
You'll not want to miss our South Shore docks
When we celebrate yachting by burning our socks*

-Steve Baker

Social=Continued

South Shore sure does know how to have a good time! We also know the importance of giving back. Thanks to the generous donations of two club members, a silent auction was held as a fundraiser for Newport Sea Base. Evelyn Hart donated an original painting “Morning Has Broken” of Point Lobos, Carmel-by-the-Sea.



Lee Ann and Tony McCarthy donated a luxurious Classic Plush Robe from their company The Robe Closet.



Congrats to the winning bidders: Scott Karlin took home the painting and Barbara Russell gets to relax in the robe. A BIG THANK YOU to Evelyn, Tony and Lee Ann.

What Next on the Calendar

We will be kicking off summer during our June Dinner with a Seafood Bake. This is definitely a feast you don't want to miss. Prices will be slightly higher for this dinner due to the menu. Details will be in the invitation to come. Hope to see you all June 8, 2018!

Cheers,

Jen Johns
Social Director



Cruising by Mike Nelson

Our Whale Watching event was a great success

Captain Mike Schmidt and his yacht Dickey Boy made it all possible. We all thank you Mike!!!!



Captain Mike set his course for Emerald Cove which is located near Laguna Beach. The sea was calm, the sun was shining and we were treated to a beautiful day.



Jennifer Johns SSYC Social Director takes a break from the extensive work she does for the club.

It was about 45 minutes before we spotted our first Gray Whale along the shore near Crystal Cove State Beach.



Shortly after we spotted the whale, several vessels joined in on the waiting game to see where the whale would break the water surface next.



At full size the gray whale is about 35 to 50 feet in length and weighs 20-40 tons. It needs 65 tons of food annually to be healthy and migrate. The small zooplanktonic crustaceans that make up most of the gray whale's diet are called amphipods, but the gray whale has been known to consume other crustaceans like shrimp, mysids, and krill.

Gray whales have the longest known migration of any mammal. The whales are heading north this time of year. They travel 10,000-12,000 miles round trip every year between their winter calving lagoons in the warm waters of Mexico and their summer (June, July and August) COLD WATER feeding grounds in the Bering Sea area between Alaska and Russia. A few even venture north into the Arctic Ocean.

Cruising (Continued)

Scientists who study whales believe the animals use a combination of senses to find their path, in a way that helps them "see" the ocean floor, spot landmarks along the way and navigate in the proper direction.

We all kept our eyes peeled, planted into binoculars, mobile phones and cameras poised and pointed at a spot on the water where we thought the whales might surface again.



We **WATCHED** and **TRIED** snapping pictures as we migrated north with various whales. After numerous sightings we left a crowd of boats just north of the Newport/Corona Del Mar Jetty and headed back to port and we were treated to frenzy of feeding dolphins.

Some crew even tried out their best Flipper noise impressions.

1963 film *Flipper* starring **Chuck Connors** and then a TV Series 1964 – 1967



DID YOU KNOW?

There are two species of common dolphins: the short-beaked common dolphin and the long-beaked common dolphin. The short-beaked common dolphin has a more rounded melon (forehead) while the long-beaked has a flatter melon. Short-beaked are usually found offshore while long-beaked common dolphins tend to be found in coastal waters and are the species most often seen off our coast.

These beautiful dolphins are mostly gray with a white belly and a distinctive tan and light gray hourglass pattern on each side.

These species also have the typical falcate dorsal fin characteristic of most oceanic dolphin species and a prominent beak. Adults reach lengths of 7.5 to 8.5 feet and weigh up to 300 pounds. Males are usually larger than females.

SSYC Cruise Event for May 26 and or stay the 27th

We're not sailing to San Diego

We're renting sailboats in San Diego

THIS EVENT IS DURING OUR MEMORIAL WEEKEND

Make it a 1 day or 2-day staycation with an overnight stay near west Mission Bay or your favorite hotel.

Day 1 Morning departure at 9AM from Orange County to San Diego's Mission Bay - arrival by 11AM. We will be renting as many Catalina Capri 22's as we need. The Capri 22 is known for its easy and sweet sailing performance and is quite comfortable with a crew of 4. Plan on \$25.00 each for your share of the boat rental.

Pack a lunch and your favorite beverage etc. to enjoy while we sail around the calm and typically warm Mission Bay for a couple of hours.

Day 1 Afternoon --- we head to nearby Old Town and visit a real neat model train museum (It's incredible! and it's not just for us boys) or feel free to stroll the various gift shops or sip Margaritas until we all meet for dinner at one of the many Mexican Restaurants.

We need your **YES/NO as soon as possible** to make the boat reservations. And if you are spending the night on the 26th we suggest you make your hotel reservations soon.

More about Old Town

<http://www.oldtownsandiegoguide.com/index.html>

SEA Ya in San Diego

Mike Nelson
Cruise Director



Racing by John Marshall

ENSENADA TUNE-UP RACE – IN THE BOOKS

The 24th Annual Ensenada Tune-Up Race was held in light wind on Saturday, April 14th with four starts off the Balboa Pier. We had 31 entries, so it was a great turn-out. Despite the light winds, the crew of “Brown Eyed Girl”, a Beneteau 44/7, with skipper/owner Erik Waelput and SSYC’s Snr. Staff Commodore, Don Albrecht on board, she finished in 5th place in the PHRF A Class. The Richley Family and “Amante” took a DNF as the wind just wasn’t there. Same can be said for Chris Bliss and Scott Karlin on “Legato”.

Brenda Highley scored two trophies by placing 3rd in PHRF C and 1st in the double-handed division. The big winner was DPYC’s Time Harmon and the crew of “Cirrus”. They took first place in PHRF A Class and had the best corrected time overall of 3 hours, 26 minutes and 33 seconds. Congratulations to all!



NEWPORT TO ENSENADA/BORDER RUN-APRIL 27TH

The N2E had 193 boats sailing on three courses – Dana Point, San Diego (The two Border Run Courses) and Ensenada, Mexico. The winds were much better on the Friday start and most boats were off of San Diego by night fall. It was the last 5 miles to Ensenada where the wind dropped down to almost nothing. “Amante” and “Brown Eyed Girl” were both in PHRF C Class and were pretty close to one another Friday night until the navigator on “Brown Eyed Girl” made a course correction that put them into doldrums earlier than the rest of the fleet. “Amante” reached Ensenada by 6:30 AM Saturday with “Brown Eyed Girl” finishing late Saturday afternoon.



Racing=Continued

The “Hospitality Team”, led by Commodore Dean Russell and Barbara, Staff Commodore John Marshall and Robin and SSYC member Lauri Natland, got an early morning start and drove to the border. We crossed the border on foot and bought \$11 bus tickets for the 1 hour, 45 minute bus ride to Ensenada. We arrived shortly after noon and quickly made our way to “Papas and Beer”, followed by another stop at “Hussongs”, where we met up with SSYC members Brad and Linda Brigante.



SSYC’s hospitality suite was sweet! It was 1200 square feet with two bedrooms, two bathrooms and a wrap-around balcony. Our trip to the store was successful as we purchased beer, cheese and crackers, wine and tequila for entertaining. We hosted the crews of “Amante”, “Brown Eyed Girl” and a few other sailors. We comfortably handled over 30 people in our suite. We had dinner downstairs, consisting of lamb, fish, pork, carne asada tacos, rice and beans. The band was fantastic and Robin, Kathy and Lauri danced up a storm.



SSYC’S SUMMER HIBACHI SERIES STARTS MAY 2ND

The demand for a regular weekly yacht club event pushed the organizers of SSYC’s Summer Hibachi Series to begin operations on the first Wednesday of May. So, beginning May 2nd, SSYC will getting the race committee together for the first warning every Wednesday evening at 6:00 PM. Following each Wednesday night race, all are encouraged to return to the yacht club for great company, great food, trophies, live music and dancing. The Association of Orange Coast Yacht Clubs has moved some racing marks around, so all race participants are encouraged to visit SSYC’s web site, www.southshoreyc.com, to pick up the 2018 Race Course chart. You can even enter the race and pay your \$40 on line for your convenience.

You can race on the Newport You can race on the Newport Sea Base Olson 30s. No experience required. We also offer “Dinner on the Bay”, a euphemism for race committee detail. Come on out and have fun with us or simply join us later at the club. Don’t miss out!

SSYC’S “Crew of 2 Around Catalina” July 14th, 2018!



We’ll see you on the water!

John



March 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 Avalon	Sat 17 Avalon
Sun 18 Avalon	Mon 19	Tues 20	Wed 21	Thurs 22	Fri 23	Sat 24
Sun 25	Mon 26	Tues 27	Wed 28	Thurs 29	Fri 30	Sat 31

April 2018

Sun 1	Mon 2	Tues 3 Board Meeting	Wed 4	Thur 5	Fri 6	Sat 7
Sun 8	Mon 9	Tues 10	Wed 11	Thur 12	Fri 13 2 nd Friday Dinner- Closing Ceremonies	Sat 14
Sun 15	Mon 16	Tues 17	Wed 18	Thur 19	Fri 20	Sat 21 Whale Watching
Sun 22	Mon 23	Tues 24	Wed 25	Thurs 26	Fri 27 N2E	Sat 28 N2E
Sun 29 N2E	Mon 30					

May 2018

		Tues 1 Board Meeting	Wed 2 Hibachi Series	Thur 3	Fri 4	Sat 5 SSYC Opening Day
Sun 6	Mon 7	Tues 8	Wed 9 Hibachi Series	Thur 10	Fri 11	Sat 12
Sun 13	Mon 14	Tues 15	Wed 16 Hibachi Series	Thur 17	Fri 18	Sat 19
Sun 20	Mon 21	Tues 22	Wed 23 Hibachi Series	Thurs 24	Fri 25 San Diego Cruise	Sat 26 San Diego Cruise
Sun 27 San Diego Cruise	Mon 28 San Diego Cruise	Tues 29	Wed 30 Hibachi Series	Thurs 31		

June 2018

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

July 2018

Sun 1	Mon 2	Tues 3 Board Meeting	Wed 4	Thur 5	Fri 6 Long Beach	Sat 7 Long Beach
Sun 8 Long Beach	Mon 9	Tues 10	Wed 11 Hibachi Series	Thur 12	Fri 13 2 nd Friday Dinner	Sat 14 Crew of 2
Sun 15 Crew of 2	Mon 16	Tues 17	Wed 18 Hibachi Series	Thur 19	Fri 20	Sat 21
Sun 1822	Mon 23	Tues 24	Wed 25 Hibachi Series	Thurs 26	Fri 27	Sat 28
Sun 29	Mon 30	Tues 31				

August 2018

			Wed 1 Hibachi Series	Thur 2	Fri 3	Sat 4
Sun 5	Mon 6	Tues 7 Board Meeting	Wed 8 Hibachi Series	Thur 9	Fri 10 2 nd Friday Dinner	Sat 11
Sun 12 Sunday Sailing	Mon 13	Tues 14	Wed 15 Hibachi Series	Thurs 16	Fri 17	Sat 18
Sun 19	Mon 20	Tues 21	Wed 22 Hibachi Series	Thurs 23 Shrimptastic	Fri 24 Shrimptastic	Sat 25 Shrimptastic
Sun 26 Shrimptastic	Mon 27	Tues 28	Wed 29 Hibachi Series	Thur 30	Fri 31	

September 2018

						Sat 1
Sun 2	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 Endless Beach Party
Sun 16 Sunday Sailing	Mon 17	Tues 18	Wed 19	Thurs 20	Fri 21	Sat 22 Food & Wine Festival
Sun 23	Mon 24	Tues 25	Wed 26	Thurs 27	Fri 28	Sat 29
Sun 30						

October 2018

	Mon 1	Tues 2 Board Meeting	Wed 3	Thur 4	Fri 5	Sat 6
Sun 7 Sunday Sailing	Mon 8	Tues 9	Wed 10	Thur 11	Fri 12 2 nd Friday Dinner	Sat 13
Sun 14	Mon 15	Tues 16	Wed 17	Thur 18	Fri 19 Carnival Cruise	Sat 20 Carnival Cruise
Sun 21 Carnival Cruise	Mon 22 Carnival Cruise	Tues 23	Wed 24	Thurs 25	Fri 26	Sat 27
Sun 28	Mon 29	Tues 30	Wed 31			

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	Fri 23	Sat 24
Sun 25	Mon 26	Tues 27	Wed 28	Thurs 29	Fri 30 Train-Santa Barbara	

December 2018

						Sat 1 Train-Santa Barbara
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

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