



THE SHEETS

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Commodore's Comments by Chris Haro



I am writing this on May Day 2021. Do you know what May Day is? I did not and I looked up the meaning on the intra-web. What I found is there are various uses of the term "May Day" from a distress signal, changing of the seasons, dates of various festivals, to an international Workers Day, whew! I thought teaching you what May Day means would be easy and short. As this is not the case, I need to move on to what we did in April of 2021.

I felt normal (I am aware some of you will reply that I am not normal), for the first time in a long, long, long time during our in-person club events in April of 2021. Our Second Friday Dinner was held on April 9th. We had a great dinner with guests in attendance, potential members (who did sign up that night), and our SSYC members FRIENDS. The dinner felt like a PC (Pre-COVID-19) event! Great Job to Tina and all who made our newest members FRIENDS feel welcome to OUR club.

The following weekend, we had over 25 members cross the channel to Santa Catalina Island. As I write this, I am singing, "twenty-six miles across the sea, Santa Catalina is a-waitin' for me"... There were five different yachts that crossed the channel on Thursday the 15th and an additional yacht crossed the channel on Friday the 16th. Some of our members crossed the channel on either the Flyer or the Express. We had people sleeping on yachts, in hotel rooms, and in a home on the island. A BIG shout out the Marshalls, Russells, Kathy Abbott and Laurie Kasbar who opened their "hotel room" (house) to SSYC for Prayer Service, (Happy Hour), on Friday Night.

Saturday, we had dinner on the beach, as well as a golf cart outing, and a museum tour. On Sunday the 18th, the majority of the our peeps sailed/motored home and other members went back on the Flyer and or the Express. The stragglers visited the Botanical Gardens.



Commodore's Comments ((Continued))



I want to THANK our cruise department of Martha Gurwitz, Dean Russell, and Christopher Tadlock for planning a fabulous weekend. See this month's cruise article to see what is going in May and June.

On April 23rd the 73rd Annual Newport to Ensenada race started off the coast of Newport Beach California. I was not able to partake in the events of the day, but I was told that there were over 160 sail boats that started the race. What a sight that must have been, watching all those ships jockeying for position! A BIG shout out to the Nelsons for helping the N2E 2021 race get started! Why the shout out to the Nelsons? On Monday of race week, (race starts Friday), one of the N2E race organizers reached out to Mike Nelson and asked if "Shingdig" and SSYC will help with Race Committee duties. Mike and other SSYCers dropped their Friday plans and helped N2E 2021 start without a hitch. Please see the Race Report to find out which of your fellow members were in the race and what races are on the horizon.

PUBLIC POSTING ANNOUNCEMENT: YOUR BOARD MEETING CHANGED TO THE FIRST THURSDAY NIGHT OF THE MONTH 6:30PM, AT THE CLUB AND WE WILL ALSO ZOOM THE MEETING.

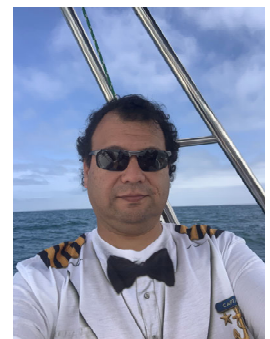
The BVI trip in October of 2021 is coming up fast. We are technically not going to the BVI, but to the US Virgin Islands. We are looking for one more couple or two singles who could bunk together. Please see me or Dean Russell, ASAP.

Your Bridge and Board need your help! We are looking for someone to help manage our calendars. This entails updating our calendar that is shown on our website, as well as updating the Editor of *The Sheets*.

I am also looking for members who want to help manage our club. Specifically, anyone who wants to become a Director or Rear Commodore. Please see or call me to chat.

Please let me know if you can help your club.

Your Humble Commodore,
Christopher V Haro



Vice Commodore's Comments by Gerry Holleger

Happy Memorial Day South Shore Yacht Club!

Hey, just a little reminder to please purchase official South Shore Yacht Club gear at our NEW SSYC Online Store. Go to <https://store.pirateslair.com/south-shore-yacht-club/>, provided by Pirates Lair, to get your swag on and be a hit at the next SSYC event.

As your South Shore Yacht Club Vice-Commodore, it is one of my duties to oversee the activities of the junior sailing program. Although, SSYC does not have a formal youth sailing program, we generously contribute monetarily to youth sailing programs in support of the Sea Scouts at Newport Sea Base. We strongly encourage our club's youth to get involved in the Sea Scouts as they have amazing programs for your youth.

I am highlighting this very worthwhile program in this issue of *The Sheets* to keep you, our members, informed about our alternative junior sailing program.

The Sea Scouts are associated with Boy Scouts of America and are divided into two age groups at Newport Sea Base: "Junior Sea Scouts" for ages 11-13 and "Sea Scouts" for ages 14-20. Junior Sea Scouts learn fundamentals of boating in four individual semester classes, and acquire knowledge, skills, and experience in subjects such as vessel types (paddle, sail & motor) and how to handle vessels in a safe manner. The Junior Sea Scouts interact and build friendships with older Sea Scouts.

The older Sea Scouts are assigned in groups or units called Ships and focus on sailing and cruising on sail or power boats. These Sea Scouts learn to operate and maintain their watercraft while always ensuring safety. They learn leadership skills on the water as they navigate and guide their vessels into winds and tides. These youth share their experiences with fellow scouts to become better helmsmen, navigators, and sail handlers.

The Newport Sea Base's early beginnings came out of public support in 1937 when the Boy Scouts of America, Orange County Council signed the initial 25-year lease for the property. The Newport Sea Base and the Sea Scouts have gone through many developments since its origination. In 1947, funds were collected to build the first facility that included a clubhouse with restrooms and showers. By 1961, the number of youths utilizing the facility daily increased to over 2,100 per year and by 1969 soared to 12,000.



Newport Sea Base in 1950s



Newport Sea Base in 2010!

Vice Commodore's Comments (Continued)

New buildings and programs were developed, with most still existing today. The old facility was showing its age and was torn down in 1979, but a new facility was dedicated by the end of 1980. The facility was once again modernized in 2002, by an over \$7M expansion project that provided for a contemporary education and aquatics center. The facility now has a modern conference center, library, classrooms and crew center with picnic area and boating equipment with over 15,000 youth in attendance each year.

Programs include Weekend and Summer Youth Schedules that are available in both morning and afternoon sessions, in single and multi-day courses for ages 11 to 17 at economical prices. Other programs include courses in Health & Safety, Junior Racing and Sea Scouts, and Scout Merit Badges.

Newport Sea Base has boat rentals and boats 4 Sail (For Sale). All proceeds go to Newport Sea Base to support an extraordinary level of boating and aquatic education and experiences for girls and boys.

Newport Sea Base generously takes gift donations in the form of cash, stocks, estates, and real estate with all contributions going to youth boating and aquatics education and resources such as classroom facilities, technology, and training programs.

To learn more about Sea Scouts and Newport Sea Base, just go to <https://www.newportseabase.org/sea-scouts> . You may also contact Gary Ruud, our South Shore Yacht Club Liaison to the Newport Sea Base at (714) 262-2872.

South Shore Yacht Club is “the friendliest yacht club in Newport Beach”.



Gerry

Gerry Holleger

Vice Commodore



Social by Jennifer Johns



Sip Sip Hooray....It's Rose All Day.

Another fantastic turn out to our Rose All Day themed party. It was a beautiful night with indoor/outdoor seating. We were able to have our traditional cocktail hour before dinner, giving us a chance to meet our new

members Tony and Shawn. Welcome to the club, we are so excited to have you! Commodore Haro was in the house for this dinner, which gave us the opportunity to thank him for everything he has done with SSYC over the past year. It was a doozie of a year and we are soooo grateful for his leadership through it all.



Editor's Note: Tina looks lovely in gray, don't you think?



What Next on the Calendar

May – Derby Day

Our Opening Day is moving to June....but instead put on your big hats and Giddy Up down to NBYC Friday May 14, 2021. We will be having a Derby Day theme which you won't want to miss. Oh and the Raffle is Back!

June – Opening Day

Yet again there has been some pivoting on timelines and dates. The good news is we should be able to "officially" open this year. Save the date for June 12, 2021 – SSYC Opening Day 2021. Details forthcoming on time and if guests are allowed to join us.

July – Tiki Time

Let's bring the Aloha Spirit to our July dinner. The Tiki Gods Request your presence Friday July 9, 2021 as we turn the Dockside Room into a Tropical Paradise.

Stay safe and Healthy.

Cheers,
Jen Johns,
Social Director



Cruise by Martha Gurwitz

On Thursday, April 15th, many of us headed out for Avalon for a wonderful SSYC weekend. Mike Fallon and Kathy Anderson were aboard *Molokai Girl* and traveled to and from the island with us. That night, we had a really delicious meal at Blue Water Grill.

The rest of the group came over on Friday in time to play miniature golf and we had a blast. It was a fun & challenging Par 3, 18 hole course. Clive ended up with the highest score even though he never plays golf and wasn't even sure he wanted to participate. I think he's glad he did because he had a really good time.

In all, 6 boats and 33 people joined us for the weekend. The evening ended with a terrific 'prayer circle' get together, called this because of the strict restrictions on no parties at the Air B&B. The party was hosted by Robin & John Marshall, Barbara & Dean Russell, Kathy Abbott and Laurie Kasbar. The food was plentiful, the drinks were flowing and the bonding of friends was terrific. We all had an amazing time.



Saturday we all headed to scout out the island on the golf cart tour. Lisa Cullinane was a terrific golf cart driver as she headed up and down the streets of Avalon. We really had fun keeping up with Lynn and Chris Tadlock's group in their cart. We discovered parts of the island that we didn't know before. Then, many of us headed to the exhibit at the museum and the Botanical Gardens.



During the weekend, there was fun partying on Mike & Penny Nelson's boat, *Shindig*, and Tom Noto's new sailboat, *Pearl*. We ended the night at the El Galleon with dinner on the sand by the ocean.



Bright and early Sunday morning, we woke up and headed back to Newport Beach. It was a little rough and the spray of the waves was reaching as high as the 2nd deck where Clive was driving. The Tadlock's had a Fin Whale breach right next to their sailboat during their trip back to the mainland! A fun way to end the weekend.

On May 8th, we had a terrific pasta & salad picnic at the Dunes in Newport Beach. The Pizza Bakery catered this event for the second time and the food was delicious, again. It was a wonderful time for all of us to get together by the side of the ocean and enjoy the camaraderie of great friends. Lynn Tadlock did an awesome job of putting this event together.

The first weekend in June, the 4th through the 6th, SSYC is headed to Alamitos Bay. Clive and I always have a really great time there.

Make sure to sign up when the evite goes out this week. Let us know if you are coming by boat and need to dock it so we can make reservations. Whether you join us by boat for the whole weekend, or just come for the day, join us for a really terrific time.

Martha Gurwitz

Martha Gurwitz,
Cruise Committee



Racing by John Marshall

THE SSYC/DPYC ENSENADA TUNE-UP RACE

The Ensenada Tune-Up Race was held on Saturday, April 10th. We had 29 entries which represents a high water mark for this annual race event. Mike and Penny Nelson's trawler, *Shindig*, was again pressed into service as SSYC's Race Committee Start boat. The Race Committee was comprised of eleven South Shore Yacht Club members. Staff Commodore Dean Russell volunteered to fire the cannon off the bow of *Shindig* half a dozen times. He's still waiting to get his hearing back! The Race Committee members were Mike and Penny Nelson, John and Robin Marshall, Dean and Barbara Russell, Lynn and Chris Tadlock, Scott and Kate Pearson and Lisa Cullinane. The Race Committee performed five 5-minute rolling start sequences flawlessly!

SSYC had three entries in the Ensenada Tune-Up Race. This is the 14.2 mile course starting off the Balboa Pier and finishing just off Dana Point. SSYC member Chris Bliss was sailing *Legato* to a 3rd Place finish in the PHRF Class C. Congratulations Chris and the crew of *Legato*! SSYC member John Hanscom and the crew of *Silk* finished in 4th place in PHRF D class, followed by Don Albrecht and the crew of *Valkyrie* in 5th place.

NEWPORT-TO-ENSENADA RACE EVENT-APRIL 23-25

SSYC's Border Run Race Event has been folded into the N2E International Race Event to offer multiple courses for sailors to choose, i.e. Ensenada, San Diego and Dana Point. This race is always scheduled to be on the last full weekend in April. Once again, SSYC was called upon to be the Inshore Race Committee boat on the starting line. Mike Nelson rose to the occasion and called upon me and SSYC Staff Commodore Tina Simmons to assist as crew. The Newport Ocean Sailing Association (NOSA) provided the race committee members to run the race starting sequences.

Wind conditions were good at 10-11 knots at the start. South Shore Yacht Club had three entries on the Newport-to-Ensenada course. Erik Waelput sailed *Brown Eyed Girl* in the PHRF A Class with an elapsed time of 21 hours, 46 minutes and 58 seconds. Mark Ashmore raced his Cal 40, *Nalu V*, to a 4th place finish in the PHRF C Class with an elapsed time of 26 hours, 21 minutes and 59 seconds. Brian Boyle raced *Tui* to an incredible 2nd place finish in the PHRF D Class in an elapsed time of 28 hours, 53 minutes and 10 seconds. It was one of our best showings in years!

Congratulations to all of our racers that participated in both Race Events!



John

John Marshall,
Club Race Chair



May 2021

Balboa Island Artwalk Possibly Moved to September Due to COVID Complications

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
					1	2
3	4 Board Meeting	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 2nd Friday Dinner- Derby Day	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Flower Moon Cruise 6:15 - 8:15 pm	27	28	29	30
31						

June 2021

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			Board Meeting		Cruise to Alamitos Bay Marina	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		Hibachi Sailing Series			SSYC Opening Day	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		Hibachi Sailing Series			Duffy Poker Run 2:30pm	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Hibachi Sailing Series	Strawberry Moon Cruise 6:15 - 8:15 pm			
28	29	30				
		Hibachi Sailing Series				

July 2021

Great American Raft Up July 17th

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
			1	2	3	4
			Board Meeting			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Hibachi Sailing Series		6:00pm SSYC Friday Dinner-Tiki Time	-----Crew of Two-----	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Hibachi Sailing Series			Great American Raft Up	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		Hibachi Sailing Series		Buck Moon Cruise 6:15 - 8:15 pm		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
		Hibachi Sailing Series		---Cruise---to---Long---Beach---		

August 2021

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Hibachi Sailing Series	Board Meeting			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Hibachi Sailing Series		6:00pm-2nd Friday Dinner		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Hibachi Sailing Series	-----Catalina-----Shrimptastic-----Cruise-----to-----Two-----Harbors-----			
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Hibachi Sailing Series				
30	31					

September 2021

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
		1	2	3	4	5
		Hibachi Sailing Series	Board Meeting			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
				6:00pm SSYC Friday Dinner		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
					Endless Beach Party	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Corn Moon Cruise 6:15 - 8:15 pm					La Jolla Day of Fun	
27	28	29	30			

October 2021

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1	2	3
					Lake Arrowhead Oktoberfest	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			Board Meeting	6:00pm SSYC Friday Dinner		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		Hunter's Moon Cruise 6:15 - 8:15 pm				
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
2021----Commodore's----Cruise----to----U. S.----Virgin----Islands						

November 2021

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			Board Meeting			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
				6:00pm SSYC Friday Dinner - Closing Ceremonies		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
				Beaver Moon Cruise 6:15 - 8:15 pm		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

December 2021

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
		1	2	3	4	5
			Board Meeting			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
					Duffy Lights Christmas Cruise	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
					Boat Parade Party	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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