



THE SHEETS

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Commodore's Comments by Dean Russell



Our 2018 Commodore's Ball was a tremendous event. Even though the new Bridge and Directors have been in charge of SSYC since the first of the year, it's special to have a Change of Watch ceremony. And the Newport Beat Band really got the party started. A special thanks go to Jen Johns, Tina Simmons and Juli King for their hard work to make this a memorable evening. Of course there were others that volunteered, or were conscripted, that helped.

We had some special awards (and one not so special) to recognize members whose achievements, contributions and hard work benefited the club. The recipients were:

Commodore Appreciation:	Jennifer Johns
Crew Member of the Year:	Kathy Abbott
Cruise of the Year:	Robin Marshall
Goat Hill:	Brian King
Membership Drive:	Tina Simmons
Most Improved Skipper:	Chris Haro
Skipper of the Year:	Mike Nelson
Unsung Hero:	Mike Schmidt



William Shakespeare branded the phrase "Beware of the ides of March." It has a dark and gloomy connotation. It is a superstition that nothing goes well on march 15. Another unrelated superstition was that it was bad luck to have a woman aboard. That was because they were usually packing a knife. On the other hand, there was a superstition that a naked woman could calm a storm. Women are a mystery. Fortunately all that gloominess and superstition will be behind us when we sail to Avalon on St Patrick's Day weekend, March 16 to 18 for the first fun filled boat cruise of the year.

At the March Second Friday Dinner, John Marshall will be presenting the History of Avalon. John has been speaking to yacht clubs all over Southern California with rave reviews. This presentation will be entertaining and informative. Herb Fischer will be presenting the 2018 fundraising for the Newport Sea Base. This has been our major fundraiser for the community and we should be proud of the contributions that we have been able to give to the Sea Base. More information is included in the next article. See you all at the dinner.

Dean Russell,
Commodore



Discounts & Donations by Herb Fischer

SSYC COMMODORE AND BOARD APPROVE DINNER DISCOUNTS FOR NEWPORT SEA BASE DONATIONS

For the past nine years, the South Shore Yacht Club has supported the Newport Sea Base by an annual fundraiser. Funds generated by this fundraiser have enabled SSYC to donate over \$50,000 towards the purchase of various sailboats that have greatly enhanced the sailing program in all areas from beginning sailing to offshore racing for older youth.

This year the Sea Base staff has asked us to assist them in expanding their sail fleet by refurbishing a 30' Columbia Racing Sloop. Commodore Dean Russell, the Board and the SSYC fundraising sub-committee (Chair Herb Fischer, Jen Jones, Scott Karlin, Jay Lem, John Marshall and Gary Ruud) have set a minimum goal of \$6,000 to support this effort.

The Fundraiser will begin at the March 9th Dinner meeting with the following discounts as approved by the Board: *The first 22 contribution members will receive a discount on the April or May SSYC Dinner (500 Club 1 free dinner Admiral \$15 discount Commodore \$10 discount Captain \$8 discount)*



All SSYC members will receive a letter, remittance card and envelope to support the Newport Sea Base. You are encouraged to be a donor in one of the following levels: 500 Club \$500, Admiral \$250, Commodore \$150 and Captain \$100.

If you have questions contact Herb at herbfischer912@gmail.com or call 949 500 4928

Social by Jennifer Johns

February was a busy month on the social front. We kicked it off with a Super Bowl party on February 4th. The afternoon was beautiful and warm; so much so, that we opened the doors to the room and added some great viewing of that game from outside.



The night started and ended with live music from the Newport Beat Band. Almost all of the guests wee out on the dance floor as we shut the place down. Dean Russell and the new Bridge and Board have now been officially introduced for 2018.



Somehow, we all decided to trust Dean with our money and threw it in a pool. Congrats to the four winners!



The month's festivities continued with our annual Commodore's Ball on February 10th. This was one of the largest turnouts ever. At one point, there was talk about needing seating outside. Luckily, we were able to fit all in the room. Everyone looked smashing in their black-tie attire as they dined on a 4-course meal.

What Next on the Calendar



We will be having a Shamrockin' good time at the SSYC March Dinner on 3/9/18. John Marshall will be giving his History of Avalon talk leading up to the March SSYC trip to Catalina over St. Patrick's Day weekend. See you soon in green!

Cheers,

Jen Johns

Social Director



Cruising by Mike Nelson

The Club goes to

People have lived there for the last ten thousand years. When Europeans reached the coastal area in 1542, the Cahuilla, Tongva and Chumash natives lived in the area.



The Spanish settled there, founding Los Angeles in 1781. It was at that time that a trail was built to link the new town with the Pacific Ocean. It ran through ranches like “La Brea” and “Plummer”. This trail would later become “Sunset Strip”.

Mexico inherited the area when it won its independence from Spain in 1821, but lost it to the U.S. after the 1846-1848 war. The new territory became part of the state of California in 1850. As L.A. grew, founding its wealth on oil, the film-making industry moved to the Hollywood foothills from New York to take advantage of California’s sunny weather.

Season 1, Episode 1: The Walking Tour

Well, we may have not learned a lot about the extensive history of Hollywood similar to the facts above, but we did learn a lot about Sid Grauman, who created two of Hollywood’s most recognizable and visited landmarks, the Chinese Theatre and the Egyptian Theatre. Look up Sid on the WWW. We walked along the stars forever immortalized in the cement sidewalks and at the Chinese Theatre. We were reminded about the entertainers many of us have been fortunate enough to have enjoyed. When was the last time you thought about Abbott and Costello? 9 Famous Actors Without Stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame—Robert De Niro, Leonardo DiCaprio, Dame Judi Dench, Tina Fey, Diane Keaton, Brad Pitt, Julia Roberts, Jerry Seinfeld and Denzel Washington.



Season 1, Episode 2: The Bus Tour

It was a beautiful day in Hollywood with 15 beautiful people from SSYC and that made it a great day. We selected an enclosed bus due to those very cool days we had prior to our trip. I believe we would have seen so much more with an open top bus. We especially enjoyed the sights along Mulholland Drive, the many hiking trails and county parks just above the hustle and bustle streets of Hollywood and Vine. There is so much more to explore.

Season 1, Episode 3: We Lost Kathy. Again.



The tours met some, but not all, expectations. And I can assure you that with a bit more research, you will find some better tour companies. So please, don’t be discouraged. Go back and enjoy Hollywood at your own pace and know that your home is located about 50 minutes south, just past the Orange Curtain (605 FWY). Ok, with that out of my system, I’ll hold the rest for YELP. But before I do, RedLine Tours and StarLine Tours, I am pretty sure I got my —Line Tours mixed up—right?

The End

The tourists safe and sound back in Newport Beach at Muldoon’s Irish Pub. Can you find Le Anne, Gerry and Linda in this picture? I am so sorry. Happy Birthday Nikki. She ate CAKE.

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Cruising (Continued) by Mike Nelson

The St. Paddy's Day Cruise, Avalon Catalina **March 16, 17, and 18**

Unlike our land cruise to Hollywood, the Saint Paddy's Day cruise will be our first water cruise event for 2018. This year, we may be a little lean on boats or short on available space on the boats. However, don't let the lack of boats keep you from one of the premier SSYC events of the year! Last year, we had quite a few members hunker down in the crisp white sheets of their Villa bed overlooking beautiful Avalon.

Make your Avalon Hotel or Villa reservations now!!

Our own SSYC Staff Commodore and Catalina Historian, John Marshall has agreed to be our Host for the Avalon Catalina Cruise. Thank you, John. We couldn't be in better hands.

During the day, you might play a competitive game of mini golf, play the Par 3 golf course, or try the Glass Bottom Boat Tour. You can shop the boutiques along the shore or rent a golf cart and tour the city and nearby neighborhoods. Some members may tour the Casino and learn they don't gamble at the Casino.

I heard through the grapevine that John wants to include the Zip Line Eco Tour. "Propel down 5 separate zip lines dropping from 600 feet above sea level with one run that is 1,100 lineal feet long all on its own". Or, just sit on the beach or start your evening early with a Pain Killer or Buffalo Milk cocktail at one of the many bars.

Last year we dined and drank a bit much. Is that possible? Beginning in the late afternoon, you will find live music on the Plaza walk and in many of the restaurants and bars. Last year I witnessed our group take over the karaoke bar at the El Galleon. The ring leader below—Thanks Mike!



And if anyone finds my credit card in Luau Larry's, please let me know.

All I can say is—Don't miss this trip!!!!

Mike Nelson
Cruise Director



Racing by John Marshall

THE JIM WHITE MEMORIAL WINTER SERIES

There was a photo finish in the last race to conclude the Jim White Memorial Winter Series of February 24th! Tim Richley and the crew of Amante had to finish the series with four straight first place finishes in order to have a shot at winning the series in the PHRF A Class. Had Bill McKeever and the crew of Reliance finished first in Race 8, the series would have been tied with the tie-breaker being the first place finish in Race 8. How close was the finish? Tim Richley and Amante beat Reliance on corrected time by a mere 10 seconds! Eight races and the difference was 10 seconds!

give SSYC ample opportunity to expose more prospective members to the joys of boating on the Race Committee boat.

We would also like to encourage SSYC members to team up with the Newport Sea Base Youth Racing Team and sail 2-3 Olson 30 keel boats in the Summer Hibachi Series. If you're interested in racing or crewing on Wednesday nights starting May 2nd with first warning scheduled for 6:00 PM. The After Race party at the club features trophies, great food, drink, fun and dancing to live music. A great way to break up the work week! If you're interested in racing in the Olson 30s, please contact me at jmarshall@expeditor.com or call my cell at (678) 296-4970.

FINAL STANDINGS

2018 White Winter Memorial Series Summary PHRF A												
Overall	Point Summary	Yacht Name	Skipper	Yacht Club	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Race 5	Race 6	Race 7	Race 8
1	11	Amante	The Richley Family	LIYC	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
2	13	Reliance	Bill McKeever	BYC	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	2

2018 White Winter Memorial Series Summary PHRF B												
Overall	Point Summary	Yacht Name	Skipper	Yacht Club	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Race 5	Race 6	Race 7	Race 8
1	12	Valkyrie	Don Albrecht	SSYC	1	3	2	2	1	1	1	1
2	19	Valhalla III	Scott Karlin	SSYC	3	1	3	3	2	2	3	2
3	19	Kamikaze	John Hanscom	SSYC	2	4	1	1	3	3	2	3
4	33	Tui	Brian Boyle	SSYC	5	2	4	4	5	5	4	4
5	35	Grace Ann	Ron Constabile	ALYC	3	5	5	4	5	5	4	4
6	36	Celia	Jim O'Connor	ALYC	5	5	5	5	4	4	4	4

Don Albrecht and the crew of Valkyrie took first in the PHRF B class by finishing first in the last four races and took home the series trophy by 6 points over Scott Karlin and Chris Bliss.

Since the Border Run and the Newport-to-Ensenada race has merged, we've decided to start the Summer Hibachi Series in May, instead of June. That will

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	Thur 3	Fri 4	Sat 5 SSYC Opening Day
Sun 6	Mon 7	Tues 8	Wed 9	Thur 10	Fri 11	Sat 12
Sun 13	Mon 14	Tues 15	Wed 16	Thur 17	Fri 18	Sat 19
Sun 20	Mon 21	Tues 22	Wed 23	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	Thurs 31		

June 2018

					Fri 1	Sat 2
Sun 3	Mon 4	Tues 5 Board Meeting	Wed 6	Thur 7	Fri 8 2 nd Friday Dinner	Sat 9
Sun 10	Mon 11	Tues 12	Wed 13	Thur 14	Fri 15	Sat 16
Sun 17	Mon 18	Tues 19	Wed 20	Thurs 21	Fri 22	Sat 23 Harbor 20 Cruise
24	Mon 25	Tues 26	Wed 27	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	Thur 12	Fri 13 2 nd Friday Dinner	Sat 14 Crew of 2
Sun 15 Crew of 2	Mon 16	Tues 17	Wed 18	Thur 19	Fri 20	Sat 21
Sun 1822	Mon 23	Tues 24	Wed 25	Thurs 26	Fri 27	Sat 28
Sun 29	Mon 30	Tues 31				

August 2018

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