



THE SHEETS

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Commodore's Comments by Michael Schmidt



Commodore Report: It's been a very quick year. It seems like the older we get, the quicker the days. I came into this club four years ago to have some fun, get away from everyday life, and meet some new friends. Every bit of that happened, and then some. Becoming commodore was never a goal, neither personally nor socially, but since it was my turn, I thought I would try to make a few changes. Since we are a non-profit club, we could do some kind of philanthropic services as a club in the community.

I did not achieve what I had set out to do. I wanted to give us opportunities to give of our time and spirit as generously as we give our dollars to Sea Base. I know there are many in the club who would welcome this addition to our philanthropic activities. Between work and family duties, I was not able to be present with the club as much as I would have liked in order to guide us in this direction. I hope we can still make this a priority in the future. I would like us to become known for our work in the community.

I love our club and I enjoy that it is a Safe Haven in our divided world. Let's re-commit ourselves to being patient and kind with each other no matter what food is provided, what invocations are spoken, or what someone's sexual preferences are. Let's strive to leave politics and religion and other divisive subjects outside the club whenever possible. We can regain more of our welcoming, carefree atmosphere if we put our minds and hearts to it.

In our last issue of The Sheets, we provided a copy of our Harassment Policy, which you all should also receive at the dinner Friday or by mail. Harassment by any club member will not be tolerated. Please do not hesitate to contact us if there is ever an issue.

Finally, we have the most unbelievable situation with Newport Beach Yacht Club and the use of their facilities just like they were our own. Other clubs come to one of our sponsored events and can't believe we have a 7 day a week club we can call our own. If you do not know, this is very rare. I hope our relationship continues to grow and get better with the next Bridge and Board.

I hope you all understand where I am coming from, I have been a very humble commodore this past year and wish I had it to do all over again. It has always been about the club and our standing in the community.

I wish Chris Haro good luck next year and would love to see many more members get involved and really make the most of our club.

I would have liked to attend the dinner Friday, but unfortunately, I had a family member pass away and will be taking my mom back to Chicago. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Humbly,

Michael F. Schmidt

Commodore



Social by Jennifer Johns

This past October, SSYC celebrated the Day of the Dead a little early at our 2nd Friday Dinner. Quite a few dressed for the occasion, which was fantastic to see. Thanks to Laurie Natland who did a presentation on the history of Day of the Dead and Chris Haro who hosted the night. Steve Baker also presented some well-deserved awards to all of those who helped with the Crew of Two. Thanks to all for another fun 2nd Friday Dinner.



Editor's Notes: Evelyn and Milledge Hart have moved to Texas and are adjusting to the cold winters. Herb and Cheryl Fischer are leaving our club due to increased responsibilities in other areas. We will miss them all and wish them well in their next adventures. We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Herb for all his work with his efforts in fundraising for the Newport Sea Base. Whoever takes over will have big shoes to fill!

What's Next on the Calendar

We have a couple of date changes and exciting events coming up you will want to make sure to note on your calendars:

November's 2nd Friday Dinner (on the 15th) is our 2019 Closing Ceremonies and General Meeting. Those in attendance will have the opportunity to turn in the 2020 Ballot for Bridge and Board. If you are not in attendance, you can do that by mail. As this is Closing Ceremonies, traditional uniform is encouraged, but not necessary. Chris Bliss will also be present with a photo station for portraits.

January, we have our 2020 Commodore's Ball on 1/18/2020. A formal invitation will be mailed in December.

Save the Date for the 2020 Super Bowl. We will be having a party down in the Island room on 2/2/2020.

February, we have another date change with the 2nd Friday Dinner being the 3rd Friday 2/21/2020.



Cheers,

Jen Johns

Social Director



Cruising by Lynn Tadlock

October has come and gone, and with it was some of the best weather we've had in a while. Lake Arrowhead was a perfect location for Oktoberfest. Dean & Barbara Russell graciously opened their beautiful home to the club and hosted 17 overnight guests the weekend of October 18th. We played cards, pool & ping pong to our hearts delight. Others came up for the day on Saturday and some stayed overnight at various Air B n B's in the area. A fun time was had by all, starting with a great breakfast at the Russell's, followed by a brisk walk to the Lake Arrowhead Village where we enjoyed the festivities. There was music, dancing, food and contests, not to mention lots of German beer! In the late afternoon, 20 of us loaded onto the Lake Arrowhead Queen paddleboat and took a tour of the shoreline. Our very knowledgeable tour guide gave us the lowdown on all the celebrities that live or have lived in Lake Arrowhead. We even saw Olympic Ice Skater Michelle Kwan out on her dock and she waved to us as we went by. Our cruise was followed by Margaritas and Mexican food at Papaguyos Restaurant in the Village. A wonderful time was had by all. Thank you so much to Dean & Barbara for hosting such a great weekend!



Now that the Summer Hibachi Series has ended, the cruise team thought it would be fun to continue to get together once on month on a Wednesday night, so SSYC Game Night was created. Our first gathering was on October 23rd. About a dozen attendees enjoyed

appetizers, pizza, drinks and games at the Bayside Village clubhouse, hosted by Chris & Lynn Tadlock. We will break for the holidays, but mark your calendars for the fourth Wednesday of the month starting in January and continuing through May. The clubhouse is located at 300 E. Coast Hwy, Newport Beach, and can hold up to 80 people, so the more the merrier. Invite your friends and plan on joining us for some fun games.

Our next cruise event is a Duffy Day and Scavenger Hunt on Newport Harbor. SSYC will rent Duffy boats on Saturday November 16th and will pick up participants at the dock behind Sol Mexican Cucina Restaurant at 2:00 pm. Sol is located at the corner of Coast Hwy and Bayside Drive. We will spend time on the water taking pictures and looking for our scavenger hunt items, then will return to Sol for drinks and appetizers at 5:00, followed by dinner at 6:00. The Evite for this event went out earlier this week so check your e-mail. Hope you can join us!

On Friday December 13th we are planning a night out at "Keys on Main" dueling piano bar, located at Triangle Square in Costa Mesa.

Saturday December 14th will be a Duffy Christmas Lights Cruise on the Harbor.

Starting times for the December events are to be determined – mark your calendar and keep your eye out for the Evites which will have more information.

The cruise committee met in October and has put together a great calendar of events for 2020. More info to come in future editions of the Sheets.

Lynn Tadlock

Cruise Committee



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 11th, January 25th, February 8th and February 29th. 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 15th and 16th. 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. 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 racing opportunities coming up in 2020.

John



November 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5 Board Meeting	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 2nd Friday Dinner	16 Duffy Day & Scavenger Hunt
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

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Del Mar Racing- TBD in November

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1	2	3 Board Meeting	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Keys on Main Dueling Pianos	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 Duffy Christmas Light Cruise	21 SSYC Boat Parade Party
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

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