

## Easter Cruise

Friday – Sunday, April 2-4, 2010

We'll have dinner on Friday at the Harbor Reef Restaurant with a barbeque on the beach on Saturday. In the past, we have had planned several events for this weekend, such as egg decoration, Easter bonnet contest and sunrise service (that's tequila sunrise) on Sunday morning.

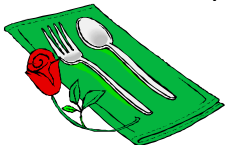


If you're interested in going to the Isthmus for this cruise or helping with it, please contact Matt Clark, Cruise Coordinator.

## Junior Sailing Fundraising Dinner

Saturday, April 10, 2010

Come and enjoy a festive evening of wonderful food and the Jim Altman Band for dancing to your favorite tunes. We are raising funds for our Junior Sailing Program and will offer raffle tickets for a cash prize plus other prizes this night.



Happy Hour – 6:30 p.m.  
Dinner – 7:30 p.m.  
Cost \$20.00

Reservations by Thursday, April 8. Call (310) 827-7692 or email [reservations@smwyc.org](mailto:reservations@smwyc.org).

## 10th Annual Crab Feast & Live Auction

SMWYC's Benefit for the City of Hope

Saturday, May 15, 2010

- Live & Silent Auctions.
- Opportunity Raffle
- All the crab you can eat.
- Guests and family welcome.
- Cost \$55.00 (payable to City of Hope) by May 1, After May 1, Cost \$60.00.



Cocktails and Opportunity Raffle 5:30 p.m.  
Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.

Reserve early – send your checks with the number in your party to SMWYC, Attention Crab Feast. Questions, contact Mary Anne Mendel, email: [mamendel@gmail.com](mailto:mamendel@gmail.com).

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## Celebration Night

Friday, April 23, 2010

Celebrating **January, February, March** and **April** special occasions. Featuring Champagne, Cake and Dancing to the music of the Painkillers Band.

Cocktails 6:30 – Dinner 7:30  
Dinner Cost, \$25.00



Please make your reservation before 9:00 a.m., Thursday, April 22 by email [reservations@smwyc.org](mailto:reservations@smwyc.org) or by phone (310) 827-7692. **Let us know if you are celebrating a special occasion at the time of your reservation.**

## Commodores' Corner

By Pat Salcedo, Commodore



The experience of being Commodore on Opening Day was so exciting; a day I will never forget! The sun was shining, the Mariachi's were playing and singing, and the Breezeway boys looked great in their blond wigs! I want to thank Jr. Staff Commodore **Paul DeLuca** again for organizing the Opening Day activities and women's Vice President, **Jackie Stern**, for organizing the Opening Day reception. They did an exceptional job! I was so proud to stand up there as the Commodore of this great club! The evening dinner carried out our Mexican theme with our Chef Jose who prepared a wonderful Mexican dinner and guitarist Ramon who entertained us with our Mexican favorite requests.

SMWYC will have lots of great cruises, races and social events, but it's our members who volunteer and work so hard that make us special and SMWYC unique. We have lots of work ahead of us as we look to our future. We need to work on increasing our membership, strengthening our junior program and focus on having fun in 2010. Please remember, I am always here for your suggestions and comments on anything, anytime.

## Commodore Bucks Mystery

By Paul DeLuca, Jr. Staff Commodore



You might have seen them floating around the Clubhouse. Someone walks up to the bar and hands over a Commodore Buck and they get a drink, or a meal. What's going on you say? Well, it is SMWYC's way of saying thank you to our valuable club volunteers. Commodore Bucks are coupons that are redeemable at the bar for food and drink. Each committee has the opportunity to hand out these coupons, good for complimentary food and drink. The Sail Committee is handing them out to the Officer of the Day who mans the desk the morning of race days. Other committees may hand them out to people who cook a meal, tend bar or provide another valuable service.

There are a few catches to these freebies. If you are going to run a tab, you must tell the bartender before you order, there is no cash given for change and they cannot be used to pay your Club dues. Other than that, they are pretty much like cash.

(Cont'd) So if you see someone using Commodore Bucks to pay for a drink or a meal, go up to them and say thank you for helping out SMWYC; they deserve it.

## Sunday BBQ's Starting April 11

Daylight savings is here and so are the



Sunday BBQ's. Enjoy a variety of BBQ meals at SMWYC each week between 3:00 and 8:00 p.m.

Photos Provided by Norm Perron, Lisa Cohen & Mary Anne Mendel



**Women of SMWYC**

By Vicki DeLuca, President



The Women of SMWYC again provided the gracious hospitality for the 70th Opening that the Marina Del Rey boating community has come to expect. And what a glorious day it was.

Reception Chair **Jackie Stern** organized a memorable event, setting the tone with a beautifully decorated club. Her choice of weather could not have been more perfect. Hospitality Chair **Ginny Lechler** choreographed all of the activity involved in serving our delicious brunch. Our many thanks to all of the Women of SMWYC volunteers who chopped, stuffed and served. Also, we extend a special thank you to the Catalina Fleet for their assistance with the food. **Marilyn Pierce** made sure our Opening Day dinner was a memorable one. However, the biggest star of the Opening Day show was our own chef extraordinaire, **Viki Clark**. She made that kitchen magic look so easy. Many thanks to all of you - what a team!

**Charlene Perron** and her Academy elves staged a wonderful SMWYC "Night at the Oscars", complete with statuettes and awards during the commercial breaks. The room was elegant and inviting, as was the ambiance. Thank you Charlene!

In April, we can look forward to our Women's Group excursion to the Will Rogers home and estate in Pacific Palisades. Chairwoman **Bonnie Berson** has organized another wonderful outing for us. Don't miss it! Our signature philanthropic event, the City of Hope Crab Feast and Auction, is being held on Saturday, May 15th. We still have lots of work to do for this special evening and that will be the primary focus at our next meeting. I'm hoping to see all of you at that meeting on **Tuesday, April 6th, at 6:00 p.m.** I'll bring the wine and appetizers.

**International Night**

**Wednesday, April 28, 2010**



Come and enjoy a special evening. **Jeanne Cronin, Ginny Lechter** and **Charlene Perron** will treat us to a hearty and delicious German dinner featuring *Bratwurst in Ale* plus other German side dishes and dessert.

**Cocktails at 6:30 - Dinner at 7:30**  
**Best bargain in town for only \$12.00**

Reservations by Monday, April 26 for this festive evening. Email to [reservations@smwyc.org](mailto:reservations@smwyc.org) or call (310) 827-7692.

Photos provided by Lisa Cohen & Mary Anne Mendel



## Race News

Paul DeLuca, Race Chair



Racing has been good so far. By the end of February, we have three days of racing under our belts and the weather can only improve.

On **February 20 and 21**, SMWYC hosted the SCYA Mid Winters for the PHRF and Cruiser Fleets. We were lucky enough to have a small window between two storms that allowed three races on Saturday and two on Sunday. Most of the racers dropped out of the last race on Sunday as conditions deteriorated. Twenty-five knot winds with gusts to twenty-seven and eight to twelve foot seas were recorded near the starting/finish line, just before the last race. Most racers threw in the towel early, put their boats away and headed to SMWYC for hot food, good drinks and a seat by the fireplace before trophies. Good thing, by 6:00 p.m. it was raining outside.

A very special thank you has to go out to all of the volunteers who put in lots of hours and days to make this the great weekend of racing it was. We pulled the Race Committee pretty thin and we were pulling volunteers from everywhere. Helping for two days on the committee boat scoring was former member **Sharon Taylor**. Four members from PMYC helped for two days and the nephew of the **Vasilion's** jumped in and helped. Those were just the non-members! We had another ten members or so who also worked on this event. All of this was headed up by **Al Berg** with **Besim Bilman** handling the waterside and **Vicki DeLuca** and **myself** on the landside. Like the cliché says, "...too many to mention..." but all must be thanked.

In March, no races were scheduled and we prepared for SMWYC's 70th Opening Day. No rain, bright sun and well, you had to be there.

**Sunday, April 18** is the start of SMWYC's infamous BBQ Series. **Vic Smith** is going to send you around the buoys for a fun race that ends in front of the Club and then on the SMWYC's patio for burgers. It is a great way to try and win a bottle of BBQ sauce.

On **May 8**, we put on the Point Dume Race along with DRYC and our big charity event is the City of Hope Regatta on **May 16**; event chair, **Norm Perron**.

I hope to see you all out there having fun.

## Education Night

Wednesday, April 14



Please join world traveler, **Wendy Windebank**, **Carole Walsh** and **Rick Shiffman** for an evening of cruising Croatia. This is a lovely part of the world, visitor friendly, loaded with history, beautiful islands and great anchorages. If you ever thought of going, you will appreciate the travel tips. Program is following the Wednesday Night Dinner.

Cocktails 6:30 p.m. - Dinner (\$10.00) 7:30 p.m.

Please make your reservations by phone (310) 827-7692 or by email to [reservations@smwyc.org](mailto:reservations@smwyc.org).

## City of Hope Regatta

Sunday, May 16

By Norm Perron



City of  
Hope™

This is a unique opportunity to crew aboard a comfortable 42 foot Catalina sailboat around the buoys of Santa Monica Bay! Both experienced and non-experienced crew personnel welcome. The race is also open to Cruiser and PHRF class boats. Enjoy a beautiful day on the water and help save lives!

The entry fee is a minimum tax-deductible donation of \$25.00 per person for all race participants. Observer seats are also available on our Committee Boat, a comfortable 58' luxury power yacht Odyssey for a minimum donation of \$30.00. Corporate sponsor donations of \$500.00 and up will have sponsor banners on boats racing.

For more information, to sign up or become a sponsor, send an email to [thecaptain101@gmail.com](mailto:thecaptain101@gmail.com) or phone **Norm Perron** at his Google telephone number, 424-222-9206. Watch for Race entry information on our web site under the Racing page.

We will award the **Lois Yudovin Perpetual Trophy** to the boat raising the most donations plus take-home trophies to the winners in each class. For information about the City of Hope, visit [www.cityofhope.org](http://www.cityofhope.org). Tax-exempt, Federal I.D. No. 95-3435919.

Please plan on joining us for this great cause!

## Officer of the Day Duty

April 2010

	A Shift 9-1:30	B Shift 1:30-6
Sat. Apr 3	Monica Chaban	Kathy St. Amant
Sun. Apr 4	Mary Anne Mendel	Jim Mendel
Sat. Apr 10	Ron Nickel	Monika Miller
Sun. Apr 11	Matt Clark	Viki Clark
Sat. Apr 17	Darrel Steffey	Kish Sadvani
Sun. Apr 18	Jovan Radic	Mark Danon
Sat. Apr 24	Gene Golling	Nora Golling
Sun. Apr 25	Warren Fox	Joyce Fox

**ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS:** In the event you cannot do O.D. on your day and you cannot find a replacement or you trade with another member, please contact **Pat Salcedo**, email [PatriciaSalc@aol.com](mailto:PatriciaSalc@aol.com). Also, make sure to fill in the log when you do O.D. as that is the best way to show that you were there to serve your shift. **Otherwise, you will be billed \$50.00 per shift.**

### LOOKING AHEAD:

	A Shift 9-1:30	B Shift 1:30-6
Sat. May 1	Rick Beauchemin	John Brooks
Sun. May 2	Judy Jensen	Linda Dippel Kramer
Sat. May 8	Bob Mimura	Lois Mimura
Sun. May 9	Horst Lechler	Ginny Lechler
Sat. May 15	Karon Larsen	EJ Montanez
Sun. May 16	Harold Ellis	Ellen Ellis
Sat. May 22	Shar Breitling	Herb Breitling
Sun. May 23	Gloria Jaroff	Margaret Orchard
Sat. May 29	Suzette DeAngelis	Robert Prisman
Sun. May 30	Victor Eysselein	Zoi Eysselein
Sat. Jun 5	Steve Potter	Kristina Potter
Sun. Jun 6	Rick Toomim	Grace Lim
Sat. Jun 12	Lee Rhoads	Cheryl Rhoads
Sun. Jun 13	Bea Via	Carole Walsh
Sat. Jun 19	Debbie Thomson	Bonnie Berson
Sun. Jun 20	Bob Falisey	Coco Leigh
Sat. Jun 26	Harold Ellis	Ellen Ellis
Sun. Jun 27	Gisele Reberio	Scott Kenning

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## Friday Night Rocks

By Pat Salcedo



Join us on Friday nights for a great dinner and musical entertainment.

April 9: US 99

April 16: Still Crazy

April 23: Painkillers

April 30: US 99

Cocktails 6:30 p.m. - Dinner at 7:30 p.m.  
Cost \$20.00

Reservations required. Call (310) 827-7692 or email [reservations@smwyc.org](mailto:reservations@smwyc.org). Watch for the menus in This Week. (A two-drink minimum is required if not having dinner.) **Don't miss out on lots of fun!**

### Ship's Store



**Big Sale**

### Giant Clearance Sale of all stock

Check out all the bargains 50% and 75% off

Open on Wednesday evenings & the weekend

See Quartermaster, Pat Salcedo or Assistant, Margaret Jean Orchard

**Volunteers needed for 2010 to take over the Ship's Store as Quartermaster and Assistant. This really would help our club. Call Pat (310) 578-9912 if interested.**



### Advertise in our Sea Sounds

For as little as \$75.00, you could have a card ad in our newsletter for 3 months telling the members of your special services. Ad forms available on the club lobby counter behind the extra copies of Sea Sounds. Pick up one today!

**Bar Opens**

Wed. 1700 Sat. 1500  
Fri. 1700 Sun. 1500

**Calendar****O.D. Watch**

A Watch 0900 – 1330  
B Watch 1330 - 1800

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
				<b>April 1</b>	<b>2</b> Easter Cruise Dinner	<b>3</b> Easter Cruise SBYRC Start Clinic Happy Hour 3:00
<b>4</b> Easter Cruise Rtrns Sunday BBQ 3-5	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Women's Brd 6:00 Gen Brd Mtg 7:30	<b>7</b> Wednesday Dinner	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Dinner & Live Music	<b>10</b> Happy Hour 3:00 Junior Program Fundraising Dinner
<b>11</b> Sunday BBQ 3-5	<b>12</b> PSSA Mtg	<b>13</b> Sail Com Mtg 7:30 WSA Gen Mtg	<b>14</b> Wednesday Dinner Education Night	<b>15</b> House Com 6:00 Cal 20 Group 7:00	<b>16</b> Wine Tasting Trip Dinner & Live Music	<b>17</b> Wine Tasting Trip Happy Hour 3:00 Private Party DRm
<b>18</b> BBQ Race #1 Sunday BBQ 3-5	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Catalina Fleet Mtg	<b>21</b> Wednesday Dinner	<b>22</b> Membership Com 7:00 Venture-MacGregor 7	<b>23</b> Celebration Night for Jan, Feb, Mar & Apr with Live Music	<b>24</b> Happy Hour 3:00
<b>25</b> Sunday BBQ 3-5	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Exec. Brd Mtg 7:00 WSA Board Mtg	<b>28</b> Wednesday Dinner International Night	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Dinner & Live Music	<b>May 1</b> Happy Hour 3:00
<b>2</b> Open House Sunday BBQ 3-5	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Women's Brd 6:00 Gen Brd Mtg 7:30	<b>5</b> Wednesday Dinner	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Dinner & Live Music	<b>8</b> MJ #1 Race Happy Hour 3:00 Private Party 5-10
<b>9</b> Mother's Day Brunch	<b>10</b> PSSA Mtg	<b>11</b> Sail Com Mtg 7:30 WSA Gen Mtg	<b>12</b> Wednesday Dinner Education Night	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Dinner & Live Music	<b>15</b> Happy Hour 3:00 City of Hope Crab Feast & Auction

**Sea Sounds Deadline: SMWYC Board Meeting**

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