



Monte Carlo Night
Saturday, September 17, 2011
Casino Night Fundraiser

Help raise funds for house improvements while you enjoy an evening of Las Vegas style games like craps, poker, blackjack and roulette. Entertainment will feature the fantastic **Diana Drake** live singing all your favorites! We will serve light finger food in the bar at 5:30 and the gaming in the dining room from 6:30 until 10:30.

GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE: LG 32" FLAT SCREEN TV.

Exchange your winning chips for raffle tickets and you can win some fabulous prizes including the famous money hat and bids on silent auction items. *Bring your family and friends.*

For your \$50.00 entry fee, you will get:

- Appetizers
- 1 Hi-Roller drink ticket
- \$200 worth of gaming chips (You can buy more chips in increments of \$200 for an additional \$10.00 or \$500 for an additional \$20.00.)
- One ticket for the grand prize drawing

Please join us on this special night to help jump start our efforts for clubhouse improvements.

HI ROLLER - HI HEELS ATTIRE
DON'T MISS IT!

Make your reservations no later than **Monday, Sept. 12** by email reservations@smwyc.org or phone (310) 827-7692.

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Open House

Sunday, September 18, 2011

- 1. Open House 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**
Bring your friends and show them around our club and then stay for the BBQ & live music.
- 2. Kayak Tour of the Marina.**
- 3. Boat tour of the Marina.** Reservations required by phone (310) 827-7692 or email reservation@smwyc.org.

 **Sunday Music**

Join us for a cocktail or two, our Sunday BBQ and top notch blues bands for your listening pleasure in the bar each week until the end of summer. Bands for September:

- Sun, Sept 04 – The Last Sundays**
- Sun, Sept 11 – The Westside Band**
- Sun, Sept 18 – Steve McCormick Band**
- Sun, Sept 25 – The Westside Band**

Music Starting at 4:00 p.m.
BBQ Available 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Bring your friends and enjoy a glass of wine and some great food while watching the beautiful sunsets from SMWYC.

Commodores' Corner

By Fred Weinhart, Rear Commodore



Learn from the past, adjust to the present and plan for the future. Change is inevitable and will happen. The only question is how much we can influence it and how we adapt to maintaining the traditions of yachting while

adjusting to today's realities is not easy these days with all the turmoil in the world, in our country and in our own neighborhoods. So what to do?

First we must reaffirm our own traditions and beliefs in who we are and why we do what we do. A yacht club is a unique association of members with diverse backgrounds, life styles, habits and objectives. So what brings us together in this unique assembly of diverse people called a yacht club? There is no simple answer. Our mission as defined by our bylaws is to "enhance the boating experience of our members by sponsoring cruises, races, social and educational activities."

Other yacht clubs include generic statements such as:

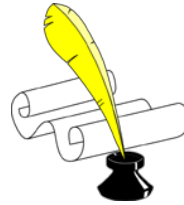
(1) To have a membership composed of yachting enthusiasts of good character and of all ages that is predominantly resident to the local area, represents a broad spectrum of the community, and is appropriate in size for our facilities. (2) To promote and encourage yachting and boating by providing our members and guests with a Clubhouse, harbor facilities, services and related activities. (3) To provide instruction in yachting and boating safety, an educational program in sailboat racing and handling, and an organized yacht racing program for our members and such. (4) To promote and encourage fellowship, friendship and camaraderie among our members and guests. (5) To maintain a standard of excellence in all aspects of our operations including maintenance and improvement of our facilities.

Sounds good and it is good. Our challenge is to assure that our club can fulfill these or similar objectives which are part of the honored traditions of yacht clubs while accommodating the ever changing life styles and priorities of our members. That is the challenge before us now - to take advantage of the new realities while reshaping and molding the traditional concepts without losing their intrinsic values. And guess what - we are doing all these things and our efforts will make us a stronger and better club in the long run.



Annual Election

By Pat Salcedo Jr. S/C



The Nominating Committee for the 2011 election has been formed. The Committee consists of S/C Warren Fox, S/C Ron Offerman, Rosemary DePauw, Matt Clark and Jr. S/C Pat Salcedo, as Chair.

If you would like to recommend any Flag or Senior Flag member in good standing, including yourself, for consideration to be nominated for any open position, please contact any member of the Nominating Committee or email your suggestions to: patriciasalc@aol.com.

The slate will be announced at the General Business Meeting on Friday, October 7. At that time, nominations from the floor may be made, with two seconds from members entitled to vote. All candidates must submit a statement of qualifications to the Chair by Tuesday, October 4, at 9:00 p.m., so give any one you intend to nominate time to prepare their statement. For additional information, see Part C. starting on Page 91 of the Bylaws.

Celebration Night

Friday, September 23, 2011

We are celebrating **August** and **September** special occasions, featuring salmon as the main entrée for dinner, champagne, cake and dancing to the music of the popular *Still Crazy Band*.

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



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

Cocktail Hour at SMWYC

**Wed
Fri at
5 p.m.**



**Sat
Sun at
3 p.m.**

Women of SMWYC

By Jackie Stern, President



September is a very busy month. We will have our Casino Night, a fundraiser to purchase new carpet for our clubhouse. I hope all our members will plan on being there for a fun night. We also have our trip to the Fireman's Museum that **Bonnie**

Berson has been working on. Please refer to Bonnie's article in this month Sea Sounds. Bonnie is one of our very valuable volunteers and has been planning our day trips for several years. Bonnie wears several hats and is a very busy volunteer. My special thanks to Bonnie for all her help this year.

It is time to appoint a nominating committee to select new officers for the year 2012. I will do this at our September 6th meeting. All Women who are Flag members in good standing may be nominated. We would like to see some of our new Flag members become active and serve on the women's board. As President, you will be a member of the club's General Board of Directors and represent all women members of the Club. The new women's board will set their own agenda for the year and put their foot print in the history of our Club.

This current year, we have tried to make our Club a fun place, and improve and purchase equipment for our galley. There are some other items we will purchase before the year end. We also help with the up keep of the equipment in the galley.

We put new tops on our bar tables last December in time for the Holidays, the chairs and bar stools were cleaned and polished for Opening Day by the cleaning committee. Our Jr. Past President, **Vicki DeLuca** (who happens to be our Vice Commodore) has been working very hard to bring lots of music to our Club for your enjoyment on the weekends. Thank you, Vicki for a job well done. **Pat Salcedo, Jr. Staff Commodore** is a very valuable volunteer. She not only sees that our members have a well-balanced meal on Wednesday night but now gives us a great Friday night dinner. I have cooked with Pat on some of the Wednesday nights and it is a great way to help the club by being a volunteer chef. Pat would love to hear from you. Give her a call and tell her you would like to either co-chef or be the chef for a Wednesday evening.

I have a wonderful board this year and have enjoyed working with each you. We still have a few months to go and more social events to plan, so let's give the Club our best and leave our foot print for the year 2011.

LA Fire Dept Museum Tour Saturday, September 24

We invite you to join us for brunch and a tour of the LA Fire Department Museum. The restaurant and the museum are located just a block south of Hollywood Blvd between Vine and Cahuenga Blvd. Brunch begins at 10:30 a.m. at *Off Vine Restaurant*. We will walk to the nearby museum after brunch and tour at 12:30 p.m. You'll see more than 30 fire engines and thousands of pieces of memorabilia dating from the 1880's. The museum is old Fire Station #27, once the largest fire station west of the Mississippi.



Admission and the tour are free
Reservations by September 16
reservations@smwyc.org or 310-827-7692

Space is limited so please make them before the deadline. Also, indicate whether you plan to carpool from the club or meet us at the restaurant. Any questions please contact **Bonnie Berson** at BButler125@gmail.com or telephone her at 310-821-8231.

Veterans Harbor Cruise

By Norm Perron



For about 8 years, SMWYC has taken patients from the West LA Veterans Hospital for a harbor cruise. This year it was on July 27. Twenty-two VA hospital patients and staff were transported to our club and boarded 5 boats. We then cruised for about 1.5 hours. Following the cruise, we all had lunch (provided by the VA) on the yacht club patio where the vets shared their experiences of the cruise and being a veteran. The following volunteered their boat and time for this event:

Greg Bloomfield 30' sail
John Brooks 28' power
Norm Perron, 42' sail
Rick BeauChemin, 34' sail (past SMWYC member)
Themis Glatman, 34' sail

Race News

Eric Kirven, Race Chair



CYC had a bye week August 3rd for the Wednesday evening Sunset Series. SMWYC stepped in with the Between Sunsets race. We had 19 boats show. At the bar after the race it appeared everyone had a great time. The Race Committee included **Steve Potter**, **Denise George**, **Al Berg**, **Sharon Taylor**, **Themis Glatman**, **Besim Bilman** and **me**. Scoring was **Eran Eliezer**. Did I mention that it was great just getting out on the water?

The next day members of your Sailing Race Committee ran our mark boat (Thursday to Sunday) for Cal YC while they were putting on the Laser U.S. National Championships. **Besim Bilman** on Thursday, **Larry Kolisnyk** on Friday, I got to play on Saturday with **Themis Glatman** finishing things on Sunday. Oh and did I mention I had yet another great day on the water? (Starting to see a pattern?) It was a pleasure to help Cal YC and watch some great competition on the water. (Volunteer. Come out and learn how to run the mark boat. Sure it's work, but it has its rewards.) Oh and we all had a great day....you know the rest.

Our biggest race event for September is the **Outlaw Regatta**. It takes place on Saturday, September 3rd. It is a nice way to spend part of the Labor Day weekend if you aren't going on the Commodore's Cruise. Last year there were 47 boats entered in our race from Marina Del Rey to Seal Beach Yacht Club. It is a great race and a lot of fun. Even the delivery back home can be very enjoyable.

On September 10th, we will be hosting the **Lido 14 Div 1 Championships**. Here is a great opportunity to learn what being on a race committee is all about. Volunteer some time. Contact **Steve Potter** and let him know you would like to help. We are also starting our **After Sunset Series** this month with two races, Wednesday, September 21st and Wednesday, September 28th. In between this series, we host the **Muddy Feet Regatta** on Saturday, September 24. Again I urge you come on down and lend a hand. Looking forward to October 2nd, we will have the last of this year's **BBQ races** (#5). Then our grand finale race is the **Glenn Thorpe Oktoberfest** on October 16.

Some race results (in class):

Al Berg in *Ghost* took 2nd in the Santa Barbara to King Harbor race. **Greg Rosenkrans** in *Scooter* had a 1st in the Sunset Series on August 10.

There is a lot more racing action left this year. I encourage you to please come out and lend a hand.

New Member Report

Fred Weinhart, Rear Commodore



We welcome the following applicants who the Board of Directors approved for membership effective Aug 1, 2011:

Gerald "Jerry" Frank –Flag Candidate: Jerry is a retired MDR yacht broker with interests in boating, skiing, tennis, bicycling and dancing. He resides in Santa Monica. His club interests include crewing on races as well as dining, meal preparation, field trips, and participation in social events.

Kenan "Ken" Gillet – Flag Member: Ken is a software engineer with OpenX. He resides in Pasadena and is interested in sailing, skiing and soccer. He has 5 years sailing experience and has previously owned a First 35 catamaran. His club interests include planning and organizing cruises and assisting in web site maintenance.

(Photos courtesy of Norm Perron)



Luau Cruise Aug 5-7 with PMYC



Greg Bloomfield shows how to do it without spilling drink



Gals & guys get hula lessons

Officer of the Day Duty September 2011

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS: Please review the OD List each month to see if you have been assigned a date or your date may have been changed.

	A Shift 9-1:30	B Shift 1:30-6
Sat. Sept 3	Bea Via	Carol Walsh
Sun. Sept 4	Ron Offerman	Marty Offerman
Sat. Sept 10	Robert Falisey	Coco Leigh
Sun. Sept 11	Byron Goldsmith	Sandy Goldsmith
Sat. Sept 17	James Baurley	Stephan Lenka
Sun. Sept 18	Sally Haft	Betty Coppin
Sat. Sept 24	Ron Wood	Marlene Wood
Sun. Sept 25	Matt Clark	Viki Clark

In the event, you see you have been assigned a date and cannot do O.D. on that day, you should immediately find a replacement by trading with another member. If for some reason you are unable to make a trade, please contact Fred Weinhart, email, FredSMWYC@aol.com as soon as possible. If you fail to do your duty when assigned, or you do not find a replacement or you do not contact us, you will be billed \$50.00 per shift.

LOOKING AHEAD:

	A Shift 9-1:30	B Shift 1:30-6
Sat. Oct 1	Patricia Salcedo	Jerry Frank
Sun. Oct 2	Steve Moses	Melinda Lerner
Sat. Oct 8	Greg Rosenkrans	Ginger Rosenkrans
Sun. Oct 9	Grant Roberts	Lori McCreary
Sat. Oct 15	Lizbeth Scordo	Joe O'Hara
Sun. Oct 16	Dick Bell	Tiffany Castro
Sat. Oct 22	Mark Fahrner	Mary Anne Fahrner
Sun. Oct 23	Michael George	Denise George
Sat. Oct 29	Lee Rhoads	Cheryl Rhoads
Sun. Oct 30	Jan Olson	Mariana Olson
Sat. Nov 5	Marti McKinley	Jim Brewster
Sun. Nov 6	Ryan Ellis	Steve Moses
Sat. Nov 12	Michelle Raff	Ken Gillet
Sun. Nov 13	Lenny Shabes	Cindy Shabes
Sat. Nov 19	Susie Giannini	Suzanne Taix
Sun. Nov 20	John O'Rourke	Cathy Quain
Sat. Nov 26	Mark Knight	Irene Zigler
Sun. Nov 27	Seth Seaberg	Claire Carey

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!

Commodore's Cruise Reminder Friday, Sept 2 – Monday, Sept 5



We anticipate that, as in past years, this will be one of the biggest cruises of the year. Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club is our destination for a fun-filled holiday weekend. Come by boat or land yacht for a great time.

Friday, Sept 2: Arrive, get settled and have dinner.

Saturday, Sept 3: Breakfast at Rex's café and visit the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. Potluck dinner during the evening on the dock. (Margaritas provided.)

Sunday, Sept 4: Early brunch at Ports O'Call followed by a 2-Hour Super Circle Cruise with Spirit Cruises at noon. We will cruise around Terminal Island, Long Beach and Los Angeles Harbors, under all four bridges and see over 150 points of interest in the busiest harbors in the nation. You'll see the Queen Mary, Old Navy Base, Federal Prison, "Love Boat" Cruise Terminal, tankers, cargo ships, sea lions and more. Cost \$18 Adults, \$10 Children (Ages 5-12). Sunday dinner is on your own.

Monday, Sept 5: Monday morning a continental breakfast and begin making your way back home.

See sign-up sheet at the club or call Commodore Besim Bilman (310) 391-6649 to sign-up.

Volunteers Make it Happen August 2011 Winner is Fred Weinhart



This month hats off goes to Rear Commodore **Fred Weinhart** who in addition to taking care of his regular duties, is now acting Treasurer and bookkeeper. He also coordinates officer of the day, open houses, publicity, race hospitality and many other tasks too numerous to name.

He is practically living at the club these days.

As Commodore, I tip my hat to his stellar commitment and invite all the members to offer kudos to Fred. I present him with a well-deserved dinner and drink compliments of Commodore Besim Bilman with my deepest gratitude.

Bar Opens

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

Calendar**O.D. Watch**

A Watch 0900 – 1330
B Watch 1330 - 1800

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Sept 1	2 Commodore's Cruise Bar Opens 5:00 Pre-race Dinner	3 Commodore's Cruise Bar Opens 3:00 MdR to Seal Beach
4 Commodore's Cruise Sunday BBQ 3-8 Live Music 4:00	5 Labor Day Commodore's Cruise	6 Women's Mtg 6:30 Gen Brd Mtg 7:30	7 Wednesday Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	8	9 Bar Opens 5:00 Dinner	10 Bar Opens 3:00 Lido 14 Div 1 Championships
11 Sunday BBQ 3-8 Live Music 4:00	12 PSSA Mtg 7-11	13 Sail Com Mtg 7:30 WSA Gen Mtg	14 Wednesday Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	15 Cal 20 Group 7:00	16 Bar Opens 5:00 Dinner	17 Coastal Cleanup 7-2 Bar Opens 3:00 Casino Night 5:30
18 Open House 11-4 Sunday BBQ 3-8 Live Music 4:00	19	20 Catalina Fleet Mtg	21 Wednesday Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	22	23 Celebration Night for Aug and Sept with Live Music	24 Muddy Feet Sabot Bar Opens 3:00
25 Sunday BBQ 3-8 Live Music 4:00	26	27 Exec. Brd Mtg 7:00 WSA Board Mtg	28 Wednesday Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	29	30 Bar Opens 5:00	Oct 1 Bar Opens 3:00
2 BBQ Race #4 Sunday BBQ 3-8	3	4 Women's Mtg 6:30 Gen Brd Mtg 7:30	5 Wednesday Dinner Bar Opens 5:00	6	7 Bar Opens 5:00	8 Bar Opens 3:00
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Sea Sounds Deadline: SMWYC Board Meeting

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