

SEARCHLIGHT



The Monthly Newsletter of Southern California Yachting Association

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Sept. 23-25 Commodores'
Cruise**

**Oct. 8 Old Timers Meeting
LBYC**

From the Helm



Anne Eubanks
Commodore
SCYA

The SCYA Women's Boating Event scheduled for September 16th, 17th and 18th will open Sunday 8/14 for registration and we are anticipating a sold out event. In order to secure your preferred workshops please register early. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and register.

New this year is a **US Sailing International Offshore Safety at Sea Seminar**. At the end of the program all participants who pass the course will receive a US Sailing Sanctioned International (ISAF) Offshore Safety at Sea with Hands-on Certificate. This Boating Event is designed for sailors of all levels whether you are a beginner or old salt. I have never participated but will be doing so this year and am excited to learn about anchoring. Since this is the year of the female Commodores (33) I challenge each of you to stand with me and attend and please encourage your women members to attend with you. I would love to get a group pic of all the Commodores in attendance. It makes me think of the famous line from a Helen Reddy song, "I am woman

watch me roar". Let's roar ladies!

Last month we featured some of our SCYA Service Awards in order for you to start considering your nominations. Nominations will open in September so I would like to highlight a few more awards this month.

James M (Jim) Webster Perpetual Trophy The individual selected need not be actively engaged in sailing events or the winner of a number of races; nor a yacht owner; or be or have been a flag officer of a yacht club; but may be, among others, a race committee person, a member of the press, or someone who has displayed exceptional sportsmanship; or someone not directly associated with yachting who has made an outstanding contribution to yachting.

Sportsmanship Trophy The Sportsmanship Award shall be awarded annually by SCYA in recognition of the recipients outstanding display of sportsmanship on and off the water and should not be limited to sailing skippers and could include crew, support staff, judges, or other such worth individuals.

Mort Bloom Perpetual Trophy This award is presented to recognize excellence, commitment, and the duration of Judges, Umpires and Race Officers plying their skills in competitive sailing events. The Southern California Yachting Association presents this trophy in honor of Mort Bloom, an outstanding Judge who represented SCYA for many years in our area and many parts of the world.

On July 21st I attended the **SDAYC** monthly meeting which was held at Silver Gate Yacht Club. SGYC is celebrating its 70th anniversary and they had a very gala event planned for

this meeting. Specialty cocktails, gourmet food, a lovely setting, and a record crowd from San Diego area clubs made for a very fun and informative evening. I must compliment SDAYC for their outstanding job in managing their Association. They get participation and reports from all of their member clubs, and they do a great job collaborating. I wish they would share their playbook. We can all learn from this excellent organization.

On a final note, your SCYA Directors and Officers hope to see many of our member club Commodores in Santa Barbara next month for the 2022 Commodores' Cruise. It will be a fun event celebrating you!

In the meantime, enjoy the waning days of summer.

Anne Eubanks, 2022 SCYA Commodore



Commodores' Cruise to Santa Barbara & Los Olivos



Cruise Activities:

\$250

per person

*Included activities

CRUISE PLAN

Sept. 23-25

FRIDAY

Arrive in Santa Barbara via Amtrak or Car

Welcome Reception*

Dinner on State Street (on your own)

SATURDAY

Party Bus to Downtown Los Olivos*

Vintner's Tour & Dinner at Fess Parker*

SUNDAY

Brunch at Santa Barbara Yacht Club*

Depart for Home or Continue on Your Own

Group Rate Hotels:

- Quality Inn Santa Barbara
From \$250/Night
- Hotel Milo Santa Barbara
From \$459/Night

Hotels not included in Cruise Fee

Reservations are Open!



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INFORMATION
AT SCYA.ORG

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portcaptain.scya@scya.org or 949-436-2899

COMMITTEE REPORT - Kathy St. Amant Women's Boating Event Chair

2022 Women's Boating Event

SCYA WOMEN'S BOATING 3 DAY EVENT UPDATE
September 16, 17 and 18, 2022

The Women's Boating Event's Friday Safety at Sea Seminar is drawing lots of attention. Registration for this One Day All Women Safety at Sea is already open. [CLICK HERE](#). This event has national interest, so please register quickly

Registration will open Sunday August 14th for the Saturday and Sunday Seminars. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and register.

Coaches are signing up and ladies are prepared to donate boats for the two days of on the water seminars. Saturday's sail to King Harbor with instructions on cruising and navigation was very popular last year and will repeat on September 17th.

For Sunday, the workshops are being built around the most popular that we had last year with the addition of a super workshop on set up and sailing with a spinnaker.

We have a different style of venue for the Saturday dinner. Our festivities will be at Baja Cantina's outdoor sand lot patio. A true departure from round tables with tablecloths lined up around the room. A much easier location for networking and enjoying the summer weather.

Make sure you save the dates and plan on coming to the premiere Women's Boating Event of the west coast. More volunteers are needed if you have time to help complete the planning and especially on the day of the event. Please contact me if you have any questions or if you can be part of the event team.

Learn more about the Women's Boating Event and Register [HERE!](#)

Kathy St. Amant
2022 Rear Commodore, WBE Event Chair
SCYA kathy@scya.events

2022
SCYA's 32nd
WOMEN'S BOATING EVENT

September
16th, 17th & 18th

California
Yacht Club

SAVE THE DATES

100
A CENTURY OF SERVICE
1921-2021

PRESS RELEASE

LA28 Olympic Games Dates Announced



LA28 Announces Official Dates for the LA28 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Mark your calendar. The LA28 Olympic and Paralympic Games will be here in six short years. The LA28 Olympic Games Opening Ceremony is set for July 14, 2028, with the Games running through July 30, 2028, and the LA28 Paralympic Games will kick off August 15, 2028, and close August 27, 2028.

“Today marks the official countdown to the LA28 Olympic and Paralympic Games,” said five-time Olympic medalist and LA28 Chief Athlete Officer Janet Evans. “The LA28 Games will be unlike any other, showcasing the best of Southern California’s exceptional stadiums and world-class culture to athletes and fans alike. This milestone makes the Games real for every athlete actively training for their LA28 dream and the fans who follow the journey.”

The LA28 Games will be Los Angeles’ third time hosting the Olympic Games (previously 1984, 1932) and the first time hosting the Paralympic Games. The LA28 Games will represent the creativity, diversity and youthful energy of the Los Angeles region.

“Los Angeles is home to the most incredible competition venues and state-of-the-art training facilities,” said Paralympic swimmer and LA28 Athletes Commission member Ileana Rodriguez. “The LA28 Games will be amazing for every

athlete who comes to Los Angeles to pursue a lifelong dream. This will be our first Paralympic Games in Los Angeles and we have a major opportunity to show the world what's possible for people with disabilities. Southern California is one of the most inclusive and diverse places anywhere and I couldn't be more proud to help host the world's best athletes here in 2028."

The LA28 Games will use existing world-class stadiums and sports venues across the Los Angeles region, ensuring a sustainable and fiscally responsible event. The LA28 Games will feature more than 3,000 hours of live sport across 800 events in more than 40 sports. 15,000 athletes are expected to compete in the Olympic and Paralympic Games in Los Angeles.

"LA is an ambitious city of endless possibilities and the Games will reflect our community," said LA28 Chairperson Casey Wasserman. "Los Angeles will provide the perfect backdrop to host the biggest cultural, sporting and entertainment event in the world."

To read the full press release click [HERE](#).

FROM US SAILING

Celebrating



Disability Independence Day

July 26, 2022 marks the 32nd anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a civil rights law that promotes the inclusion of people with disabilities in every aspect of life. The ADA prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability just as other civil rights laws prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, age, and religion. The ADA guarantees that people with disabilities have the same opportunities as everyone else to pursue employment, purchase goods and services, and participate in state and local government programs.

Sailing is Inclusive

According to the 2019 US Census, approximately 41 million Americans, or 12.7% of the population, have a disability. Sailing is a sport of freedom – of the wind, water, body, and spirit – and can be an empowering recreational opportunity for all people. Sailing is also unique because the rules are consistent across classes – having a disability only means that adaptations may be necessary to maximize a sailor's ability; instruction and racing remain the same. In fact, racing can be incredibly inclusive. For example, the upcoming Independence Cup, the US Sailing Para Sailing Championship,

is a premier regatta for racing sailors with disabilities and will be held August 4-7, 2022.

Adaptive Sailing

Our philosophy at US Sailing is that everyone should have access to the sport of sailing. Sailing can accommodate a wide range of abilities and we support the development and promotion of sailing for all, regardless of skill level or physical ability. Adaptive sailing programs provide broadened access to the water and meaningful sailing experiences for persons with disabilities. With the use of adaptive equipment, individuals can function more independently and participate both recreationally and competitively. Adaptations can be pieces of equipment like chairs or benches with support, additional purchase on sheets and lines, or alternative cues for sailors like auditory or tactile indicators. They can be added to a boat, or modified, to facilitate safe and effective steering, sheeting and other sailing maneuvers on the water. Many kinds of adaptations have been designed, developed, and standardized to help sailors, and many more are being invented all the time.

To further provide support for sailors with disabilities, US Sailing created the Adaptive Center Accreditation Program. The accreditation recognizes programs that are offering high-quality adaptive programming throughout the United States. Programs of all types (i.e., both year-round and seasonal; junior and adult, etc.) are eligible, provided they meet the specific guidelines set forth by the Para Sailing Committee. The goal of the Adaptive Sailing Center network is to help

formalize the level of instruction throughout the United States and create more opportunities for individuals with all types of abilities. Information on current adaptive schools and the accreditation process can be found on our website:
<https://www.ussailing.org/education/adult/adaptive-sailing/accreditation/>

Adaptive Sailing Instructor

US Sailing also offers an Adaptive Sailing Instructor Workshop. While in the course, participants learn to identify different disabilities and to facilitate positive learning experiences for sailors with a disability. Participants practice adapting boats to bodies and simulate supporting differing abilities while in the classroom and on the water. The workshop also covers different teaching techniques when working with individuals with cognitive differences. The focus is placed on team building, with group exercises on how to work together and promote sailing for all. Details regarding upcoming courses can be found on our website:
<https://www.ussailing.org/education/adult/adaptive-sailing/instructor-workshop/>

Back the Bid

World Sailing, the global federation for the sport, has outlined a series of strategic priorities to support growth and to meet key criteria set by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) for inclusion of para sailing in the Los Angeles 2028 Paralympic Games. Focusing on diversity, inclusion, affordability, development, and increasing the number of

open and Para sailing events are all part of World Sailing's framework to build on the success of Para sailing. Goals include increasing worldwide participation to 45 nations on 6 continents, increasing youth participation (below the age of 30) to 20% of total athletes, and growing the number of female participants to 30% by 2023.

Click [HERE](#) to ;earn more about the Back the Bid campaign.

SCYA MARCOM UPDATE



Join the MarCom Committee

SCYA Marketing Communications (MarCom) Open Volunteer Positions

Committee Purpose and Objectives: MarCom is an internal SCYA resource, formed to ensure all SCYA communications, whether written or oral, are aligned with its mission and strategic objectives. The committee's key products include SCYA's annual membership survey, annual yearbook, Searchlight newsletter, social media Facebook page, and the future, new SCYA website. MarCom was formed in 2021 under S/C Bill McNamara.

Committee Chairperson: Jodi Masters-Gonzales, SCYA
Director and S/C PRYC

MarCom Committee Member

Who can apply?

All with the Corinthian spirit and a desire to improve the value of SCYA to its member organizations are eligible to apply. Our intent is to build a diverse committee. that represents all stakeholders of our member organizations equitably.

Application deadline?

Rolling, open-call until filled

When?

Currently meeting the first Monday of each month, from 6-7 pm PST. The next meeting is Monday, August 1, 2022.

Where? Virtual (Zoom)

What?

MarCom is seeking new committee members with diverse backgrounds, the Corinthian spirit, and a desire to improve the value of SCYA to its member organizations. We have many projects in the process of being transferred into our care, and other, exciting new projects currently in development or slated to begin sometime over the next 12 months. All of our projects create a valuable opportunity to communicate, coordinate, celebrate and share knowledge by and between SCYA and its member organizations.

Time commitment?

Is estimated to be 1+ hours per month (depending on project work and support requests from SCYA leadership you decide to take on.)

Got skills?

Any and all skills related to marketing, communications, publishing, writing, blogging, social media, website, creative design; technical skills working with the Google suite (eg docs, calendar, forms), Canva, Mailchimp, survey software, dropbox, photoshop, Adobe creative suite; other skills related to all or aspects of the end-to-end process of delivering education content, surveys & benchmarking, yacht club management, organizational change (modernization), project management, website redesign, and/or other skills you have that we don't know we need yet!

Other benefits?

Aside from making SCYA even more valuable to its member organizations with your magic, it's a great opportunity to network with our member organizations—about 90 of them—in our region, including Southern California, Arizona, and some parts of Mexico!

Searchlight Editor

Looking for editor to start in October. Background in Mailchimp or Constant Contact helpful. Most editorial material is supplied. Approximately five hours a month.

How to apply?

Please send an email to Jodi Masters-Gonzales, SCYA MarCom Chair, at jodi@webvoice.com, with the subject <SCYA MarCom Committee Member Interest> in the subject line, with a little bit about why you'd like to join MarCom, what you'd like to contribute, how you're connected to SCYA, your contact info, and best time to reach you.

FROM RBOC SUMMER "BOATER BRIEF"

Update from RBOC



*Excerpt article from RBOC Summer Boater Brief.
To read the full publication [CLICK HERE](#).*

Advocating for the Best Use of Boater Taxes & Fees

With the objective of enhancing the dedication of boater-paid fees and taxes, RBOC is participating along with other members of the boating community in the public stakeholder process that the Division of Boating and Waterways [DBW] and the Boating and Waterways Commission have undertaken.

This RBOC-encouraged process is providing stakeholders with

the opportunity to obtain information and provide input into recommendations that are being prepared for submission to the Legislature to address the deficiency in the Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund [HWRF] and an appropriate adjustment in vessel registration fees.

For the past several months, we have participated in the subcommittees and have reviewed the boater derived fees and taxes that boaters contribute to the state, the expenditure of those revenues, the objectives of current programs and services, and opportunities to enhance the value programs and services to recreational boating. As these activities continue into the summer, several recommendations are becoming clear and developing traction. They include:

- The preparation and publication of an economic impact report of boating on a regular, ongoing basis.
- A return of a significant amount of the motor vehicle fuel taxes attributable to recreational boaters to programs directly benefiting boaters.
- The enhanced participation and financial contribution of stakeholders and beneficiaries who benefit from current and future programs and services.
- The enhancement of the statutory authority and role of the Commission to provide not only advice, but also consent on the Division's loans and grants from the HWRF.
- The enhancement of the Division's administration of essential programs.
- The identification of efficiencies and improvements to programs that do not attract the desired number of recipients due to statutory requirements that may be out-of-date.

- Encouragement of Californians to take advantage of the unique and diverse on-the-water opportunities that exist throughout the state. The pandemic has confirmed the value of on-the-water experiences that provide physical and mental benefits to all Californians.
- The identification and commitment of other funds for grants for beach erosion control that is of increasing importance and value to the many coastal Californians as we endeavor to address climate change
- As appropriate, a vessel registration fee adjustment that is reasonable and that reflects the revenues and savings that are recommended above.

We anticipate that a final report and recommendations will be submitted to the Legislature this fall.



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PFAS in Vessels

There has been a push by environmental groups to ban certain "forever plastics" that are found in clothing, and other components (some of which are used in the manufacturing process of boats).

RBOC has supported the efforts of the National Marine Manufacturers Association to obtain amendments now incorporated into AB 1817 [Ting] to provide an accommodation on the proposed ban on intentionally

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SCYA INCLUSIVE BOATING COMMITTEE UPDATE

National Sailing



Hall of Fame Inductee

Interview with Gary Jobson by Baxter Smith, SCYA Inclusive Boating Journalist

Induction of Black Whaling Captain into Sailing Hall of Fame

According to Gary Jobson, when committee members were ruminating over whom to induct into the National Sailing Hall of Fame earlier this year, , it was practically a no-brainer.

“When we tallied the vote he was near the top. It might even have been unanimous,” he said.

Jobson, the sailing legend and former president of the Hall of Fame, was speaking of Absalom Boston, an American whaleship captain in the 1800s, who lived on Nantucket and who happened to be black.

“When you think of what he overcame,” Jobson added, the choice was clear.

Nominees into the Hall of Fame fall into three categories: racing, contributors and technicians. Boston “was pretty interesting technically at a tough time in our history with slavery and discrimination,” Jobson said. “We select a

historical figure in every induction.”

Boston was still in his teenage years when he began shipping out on whaleboats. Despite, and perhaps, because of its dangers, whaling came to be seen by African American males as a career that was not walled off to them, compared to many others. According to reports, about one-quarter of the crewmen working New England whaleboats were black.

Through his 20s Boston acquired the necessary skills needed in the lucrative industry where boats would sail to the ends of the earth in search of whales for their precious oil. In 1822, at age 37, Boston became the first black man to captain a whaleship, the “Industry,” with an all-black crew.

While it was common for whaling vessels to be at sea for a year or longer, Jobson noted that Boston was “creative, innovative and didn’t stay out as long as others.” His ship managed to fill all 70 of its oil barrels in three months, an indication, Jobson said, “that he had to be good at it.”

Through his whaling prowess, Boston grew in prominence not only on Nantucket, but across Massachusetts. He became a Nantucket property owner, shopkeeper and a leader of the New England abolitionist movement. “He didn’t like unfairness and he went to the Massachusetts legislature,” Jobson said. Through Boston’s efforts lawmakers became convinced to authorize equal schooling in the state.

Knowing about the struggles of figures like Boston offers lessons today in efforts to extend the sport of sailing to those

not typically exposed to it.

Just as Boston had to press for acceptance and full entry in his era, people of color, those in adaptive sailing and women say they sometimes have the same struggles today.

Jobson pointed to efforts of US Sailing, which is the sport's governing body, to broaden the sport. He mentioned its Diversity, Equity and Inclusion committee which provides yacht clubs and sailing organizations with ideas and examples of how other sailing organizations are extending their reach to communities and demographics not normally exposed to sailing. Please read more about DEI in the US Sailing article within this newsletter.

With its eye on the 2024 Paris Olympics, Jobson said US Sailing is actively promoting gender equity in the sport both in participation and, hopefully, medaling.

For more information:

Boston's Induction into National Sailing Hall of Fame

– <https://nshof.org/inductees/boston-absalom/>

US Sailing's DEI Committee

– <https://www.ussailing.org/diversity-equity-and-inclusion>



FROM CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION



Expired Flares?

Orange County marine collection event -August 27th
Orange County (August 27th 7 am to 1 pm) at Dana Point Harbor. Free marine flare collection event for all Orange county (OC) boaters or OC residents who keep their boat in another county. Additional information in flyer.

Los Angeles County Marine collection event-September 10

Calling all Los Angeles County boaters and businesses or boaters who keep their boat in LA County! Mark your calendars for a free Marine Flare Collection Event. Bring your unwanted marine flares for safe disposal to Newmark's Yacht Centre in Wilmington, CA, on Saturday, September 10, 2022, from 9 am-1 pm. Additional information is provided in the flyer attached. Pre-registration is required. Restrictions apply.

Please register for this Marine Flare Collection Event [HERE](#)



COUNTY OF ORANGE
OC Waste & Recycling
Our Community. Our Commitment.

AUGUST 27 DRIVE-THROUGH MARINE FLARE COLLECTION EVENT

DO YOU HAVE UNUSED MARINE FLARES?
 SAFELY DISPOSE OF THEM FOR FREE

WHEN: SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2022
 7 A.M. – 1 P.M.

WHERE: DANA POINT HARBOR
 34555 CASITAS PL DANA POINT, CA 92629
 CROSS STREETS: DANA POINT HARBOR DRIVE & CASITAS

DETAILS: Participants will need to bring expired flares to the event. Upon arrival, staff will retrieve items directly from the trunks of vehicles. OCWR will also welcome walk-up disposal near the restrooms by the marina. OC Health Care Agency will be onsite promoting their Free Bilge Pad Exchange Program. Participants will receive free boater kit and flare discount coupons courtesy of California State Parks & CA Coastal Commission.

WHY: Providing an essential public service, OC Waste & Recycling invites boaters to a free collection event. Marine flares are difficult to safely discard and opportunities for proper disposal are limited.

For information on the proper disposal of household hazardous waste visit OCLandfills.com/hazardous-waste.

For general recycling questions visit OCRecycleGuide.com.

ACCEPTED:

- HAND-HELD FLARES
- AERIAL FLARES
- SMOKE SIGNALS

NOT ACCEPTED:

- ELECTRONIC FLARES
- MILITARY FLARES
- ANY OTHER HAZARDOUS WASTE SUCH AS PAINT, OIL, E-WASTE OR BATTERIES



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Port of Los Angeles

Marine Flare Collection Event



Register here today!

Do you have unused or used marine flares?

Safely dispose them at this one-day collection event!

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 10, 2022
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

WHERE: Newmark's Yacht Centre
761 Peninsula Road
Wilmington, CA, 90744

This is a drive-through event.

Please place marine flares in trunk of vehicle. Maximum weight of flares per vehicle: 30 lbs

E-flare and West Marine coupons available while supplies last. Free CA Boater Kit vouchers are available to all who participate.

ELIGIBILITY

Residence, business, or berth boat must be within Los Angeles County. Proof of eligibility is required. (i.e., license, registration, or slip fee.)



✓ **ACCEPTED**

- Hand-held flares
- Aerial flares
- Smoke signals

✗ **NOT ACCEPTED**

- Electronic flares or electronics
- Military type flares
- Any other hazardous waste such as paint, batteries, and oil

For other electronic or hazardous waste, please call the City of L.A. Bureau of Sanitation Hotline number at (800) 773-2489 to get more information on local S.A.F.E. Centers.

Why should you dispose marine flares safely?

- Pyrotechnic flares are classified as 1.4 explosives by the DOT
- Unexploded expired marine flares are a health & safety hazard
- Many contain perchlorates, a known hazard to the environment



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FROM CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION

New Podcast Available

Check Out "DOCKSIDE" Podcasts

Ahoy Dear Boaters! Happy Summer. Check out and please share with you fellow boaters the new podcast, *Dockside*. <https://dockside.podbean.com/>

Dockside is the podcast that helps you save and enjoy the waters you love by sharing clean and safe boating practices. This podcast is brought to you by the California State Parks, the California Coastal Commission, and the San Francisco Estuary Partnership, and it is partially funded by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways Clean Vessel Act Education Program and the Federal Clean Vessel Grant Act Program.

Four episodes are currently being broadcast with the fifth scheduled to come out end of this month. Episode 1 - Meet your local harbormaster. Episode 2 - Caring about Oil Spills. Episode 3 - Rescue stories from lifeguard heroes. Episode 4 - Part of the Solution, not the Pollution.

Please take some time to listen to these and future episodes

and share it with other Yacht Club members.

This podcast is also available in all the following streaming platforms Spotify, Apple podcast, iHeartRadio, Amazon music, and Pandora.

**Episode 4:
Part of the
Solution, Not the
Pollution!**

**Dockside
PODCAST**

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