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From the Helm

Commodore's Report

Jodi Masters-Gonzales

2026 SCYA Commodore

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We've had a clean start to the year. I am deeply grateful to the 2026 SCYA leadership team and our new Service Administrator, Mary Crandall Placencia—all of whom jumped straight in with enthusiasm and commitment.



SCYA is a representative body, made up mostly of Staff Commodores from SCYA

member clubs. This has been our tradition for 105 years. We stand on the shoulders of our founders and three generations of leaders who've come before us.

Collectively, SCYA member clubs have put Southern California on the world stage—but our legacy is one that must be maintained and nurtured in order to ensure that every aspect of recreational boating that we enjoy in our region is sustainable for future generations. My strategic agenda this year, is to strengthen SCYA toward this end.

My wide-eyed optimism is met with a clear-eyed realization that we face some of the same challenges that indeed, never seem to change. And what our history has taught us is that where there are challenges, there are also opportunities.

With six new SCYA Board of Directors and numerous new appointed officers, committee chairs and community liaisons, we realized the opportunity to hold a leadership orientation and team building day to make sure everyone has the information and resources to be effective in their new roles from the get-go.

Thank you to our Board of Directors and most of all, YOU—the numerous volunteers for taking on major committee assignments and stepping up to accomplish our strategic priorities for the year.

SCYA Installation and Awards Dinner 2026

Congratulations again to all of the SCYA 2025 Award winners! (For a complete list of all award winners, see our [January 2026 Searchlight newsletter](#).)



(a fun, end of the night photo with a few SCYA 2025 award recipients, SCYA & LAYC leadership)

A highlight of the evening was having the honor of meeting our Guest of Honor, SCYA S/C Gail Hine, who attended. As the most senior SCYA Staff Commodore in attendance, she gave the toast, saying a few words that has us cracking up, while feeling inspired.



In preparing [my speech for the evening](#), I learned that Gail was the first of three female Commodore in 1980, who assumed the role that year. For Gail, it was at Redondo Beach Yacht Club. She was followed by Adra Kober in 1982 at Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, and others, including Carolyn Nelson Hardy, who became the first female commodore of the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club in 1993. Gail was the first woman to win the SCYA Peggy Slater award in 1990, the first female President of Recreational Boaters of California in 1994, and the second female Commodore of the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA) in 1998. (It gives me pause to consider that there are still many clubs who have, only more recently, began electing women into key leadership positions within their clubs...)

Gail Hine has been a pioneering figure in women's sailing for over 30 years. Her model is now replicated nationally, creating a space to gather and meet many other women sailors, find out about existing women's sailing organizations, perhaps how to join a yacht club, local instructional sailing programs that may be available and many other areas of interest. Although there will never be a Gail Hine Women's Sailing Convention without her at the helm, she has become a cherished advisor and mentor to make the 2026 conference a success. Gail's legacy and DNA are baked into the upcoming conference and plans already underway to keep the tradition sustainable and alive in 2027 and beyond. **(Registration closes for the NWSA/SCYA Women's Conference on March 11, 2026—[REGISTER NOW](#) if you would like to attend.)**

Special thank you to Los Angeles Yacht Club volunteers, staff, Event Manager Thalia Hernandez, Jr. Staff Commodore Marjorie Irvin, and Commodore Susannah Beven who created a memorable night for all who attended. The food, drinks, and atmosphere were {Chef's Kiss}!

LAYC's recent renovations finished up just in time for our big night. It was a lot of fun attending their Opening Day just a week later and being a part of their official grand re-opening ceremony! Congratulations LAYC!!



Other highlights since the last newsletter...

The SCYA R/C Seminar was well attended. Congratulations SCYA R/C Herbert Brown and all of the speakers for sharing your expertise and wisdom with the 2026 SCYA cohort of Rear Commodores! We wish all of you a wonderful year ahead, as you help your clubs achieve its goals, while managing the eye-popping and hair-raising challenges of today with discernment and the Corinthian spirit.



(L-R: South Shore YC R/C Penny Scholey, Westlake YC R/C Daisy Flick, Port Royal YC R/C Julie Garza)

SCYA was honored to nominate two of PYCA's 2025 award winners Christine Gribben of Balboa Yacht Club (BYC) for the Charles A. Langlais Trophy, and Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club (SMWYC) Juniors Program (led by Steve Potter) for the Garrett Horder Memorial Trophy.

The Langlais trophy is awarded each year for “exceptional, outstanding, and meritorious service to the sport of yachting.” ([Read SCYA's letter of recommendation for Christine.](#))

The Horder trophy is awarded each year to a club who has distinguished itself for "quality and improvement of youth boating education by our member associations." ([Read SCYA's letter of recommendation for SMWYC.](#))

Congratulations Christine and SMWYC/Steve Potter!



(L-R: PCYA Jr. S/C Robert Willis, SCYA Commodore Jodi Masters-Gonzales, BYC V/C Christine Gribben and PCYA Director Ed Denaci)



(L-R: PCYA Jr. S/C Robert Willis, SMWYC Commodore Brian Simon, Steve Potter, and PCYA S/C Kimberley Milligan)

As a reminder, SCYA is honored to write letters of recommendation and support of member clubs for a variety of purposes. To request such a letter, reach out commodore@scya.org for more info.

A couple of early highlights from 2026 SCYA Midwinter Regatta. First, special recognition to SCYA Director Tom Noto for stepping in as the Chair. Thank you Sir—we could not have pulled it off without you!



A highlight is always meeting the year's DYRC Juniors, listening to their racing stories, and encouraging them to come back next year to accomplish goals unfinished. Our future.



LAYC brought back the Mercury class this year, in collaboration with CBYC! Thank you Marjorie and the entire Race Committee for making it happen!

Congratulations to all of this year's SCYA Midwinter Regatta winners! We will publish a wrap-up of this year's events in March.

Hope to see you all at our next General Membership Meeting at San Diego Yacht Club on March 14, 2026. [REGISTER HERE](#).

Much aloha and mahalo 🌺

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From the Bridge

V/C Report

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A Fresh Start to the Sailing Season

February brings a fresh start to the sailing season, and across SCYA clubs, the energy on the docks is unmistakable. From winter racing and predicted log events to planning calendars, training volunteers, and welcoming new members, this is the month when ideas turn into action. As we look ahead to a busy year on the water, February is also a time to reconnect, share best practices, and celebrate the dedication of the clubs and volunteers who keep Southern California sailing vibrant, inclusive, and thriving.

Strengthening Connections Beyond Our Waters



On January 24, I had the pleasure of attending the 34th PICYA Commodores Ball at the beautiful Marin Yacht Club in San Rafael. It was a wonderful celebration and a valuable opportunity to learn more about PICYA, the only organization in Northern California dedicated to promoting recreational boating by coordinating and disseminating information to benefit boaters.

I was especially delighted to hear how positively PICYA views SCYA's work on behalf of our member clubs. Colleen Stauss, Commodore of PICYA for 2026, expressed interest in reaching out to SCYA to explore collaborative initiatives that could benefit yacht club members throughout California. Building these relationships strengthens all of us and opens the door to shared ideas, resources, and advocacy.



Learning From Our Fellow Yacht Clubs

The evening also provided a chance to connect with the Commodores of Petaluma Yacht Club, Marin Yacht Club, San Rafael YC, Sequoia YC, and Oyster Point Yacht Club. Hearing about the races they conducted last year and their upcoming Opening Day schedule was both informative and inspiring, a reminder of the creativity, leadership, and dedication that exist within yacht clubs up and down the coast.

PCYA Annual Meeting and Awards February 2026



On Saturday, February 7th, I attended the Annual PCYA Board of Directors Meeting, which was followed by networking and brunch in the Beaumont room on the 4th floor of the legendary Jonathan Club in downtown Los Angeles.



After brunch, the PCYA Board held its 103rd Annual Meeting, where it voted in a new slate of officers and directors for 2026 and conducted the installation ceremony. Then they announced and presented the PCYA 2025 awards and trophies to the winners. At the event Shawn Milligan, was elected as one of the new 2026 PCYA Directors. Congrats to all!

The Charles A. Langlais Trophy was awarded to Christine Gribben, Balboa Yacht Club. And the Garrett Horder Memorial Trophy was awarded to Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club. Congratulations to both award recipients for their well-deserved recognition. Your efforts strengthen our community and inspire us all.

Advocacy That Matters: RBOC Engagement

Also in attendance were members of the Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC) Board of Directors, including President Anne Eubanks, Lobbyist Jerry Desmond, and Vice President Linda A. Blue. This was a valuable opportunity to learn more about RBOC's statewide outreach and advocacy efforts. I shared that SCYA will continue to support and distribute RBOC Calls to Action so that our

members remain informed, engaged, and empowered on issues affecting recreational boating.



What's Coming Up: Education, Safety, and Racing

Behind the scenes, I have been busy preparing for several upcoming events under my area of responsibility. Please watch for announcements and begin sharing this information within your respective clubs:



Regatta Seminar – From Dock to Finish Line Presented by Judi Glover

Judi has been working diligently to prepare this seminar. Location and times will be announced very soon.

Presented by Dr. Michael Hopp. Dr. Hopp has addressed sea and is currently important topic.



Medical Emergency at Sea

Michael Hopp submitted an informative article seasickness and medical situations at developing a seminar on this



Safety at Sea Weekend

Led by Jay Nager

Planning is underway for one of SCYA's most anticipated summer events. This program will include both classroom and hands-on offshore safety training, covering life raft use, firefighting,

emergency communications, and storm preparedness. In partnership with US Sailing, participants who complete the course will receive a US Sailing Safety at Sea certificate. More details to follow.

SCYA Midwinter Regatta

The 96th running of the SCYA Midwinter Regatta is set to take place over two exciting weekends. Many racers have already registered, and the races are now underway. SCYA Officers, Directors, and Staff Commodores will attend the races and present the SCYA trophies at those events.

Take lots of photos and share them with SCYA at service@scya.org so we can showcase how incredible sailing and racing are in Southern California.

For more information, visit www.scyamidwinterregatta.org or contact Midwinter Regatta Chair, Director Tom Noto at thomasnoto@outlook.com

SCYA: Your Resource and Partner

SCYA is here to help. This month alone, we received requests related to Deeds of Gift preparation, Opening Day registration, archive information, and Club of the Year information. Thanks to our extensive resource library and dedicated committee chairs, SCYA was able to step in and assist. I encourage all clubs to reach out and keep the requests coming. Our goal is to support our member clubs in both governance and Corinthian activities.



2026 Club of the Year:

Although we are just getting started in 2026, many clubs are already preparing to log activities for the prestigious Club of the Year award. The Club of the Year Seminar was conducted via Zoom on

January 31, 2026. If you missed it or would like guidance on how to participate, please get in touch with the co-chairs:

Sylvia Wheeler – ForSylviaW@aol.com

Dir. David Campagnari – KDavidCamp@gmail.com

SCYA S/C Commodore John Caldwell Celebration of Life



On February 15, 2026, members and friends gathered at 10:00 a.m. at Seal Beach Yacht Club for a beautiful Celebration of Life honoring John Caldwell.

The gathering was a heartfelt tribute to a man whose leadership, generosity, and dedication to SCYA left a lasting impact on our organization and on all who had the privilege of working with him. Stories were shared, memories were revisited, and the sailing community came together in unity and gratitude for the many ways John touched our lives.

I had the honor of serving under John as his Port Captain, and I remain deeply grateful for the trust he placed in me and the opportunities he provided throughout my years as an SCYA volunteer. His mentorship, steady guidance, and genuine care for our sailing community continue to inspire me.

As we reflected on John's life and service, it was clear that his legacy within SCYA and throughout the broader boating community will endure for years to come. His example of leadership and kindness will not be forgotten.

Do you want to advertise your event?

For more details on upcoming events or to share your club's happenings, please contact us at service@scya.org.

I encourage you to stay engaged, stay connected, and stay inspired. Our strength as an Association comes from the collective passion, volunteer spirit, and leadership of each yacht club member. Together, we are not just preserving traditions, we are shaping the future of sailing and boating in Southern California. Let's make this year one defined by collaboration, opportunity, and pride in the clubs we serve.

"Strong yachting communities are built when we listen, collaborate, and serve with purpose. Together, we move forward."

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From the Bridge

R/C Report

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I would like to take a moment to remember SCYA Staff Commodore John Caldwell, SIBYC, MCYLB, who served as Commodore in 2023. This article is dedicated in his honor.

I believe this quote beautifully captures his legacy:

"A leader takes people where they want to go. A great leader takes people where they don't necessarily want to go, but ought to be." — Rosalynn Carter

My sincere thanks to Seal Beach Yacht Club and its outstanding support staff for hosting a successful Rear Commodore Seminar. Special appreciation to Commodore Jodi Masters-Gonzales and Vice Commodore Elena Yuasa for their leadership. Also, to Mary Crandall Plasencia, our Service Administrator, for her support.

Thank you as well to our Staff Commodores and Directors—Judi Glover, Shawn Mulligan, David Campagari, and Themis Glatman—for sharing your time,

experience, and knowledge with the Rear Commodores of the SCYA Association. Your contributions made this seminar both meaningful and impactful.

If you missed this year's Rear Commodore Seminar, all are welcome to attend in 2027.

My final thoughts...

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So, throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor." — Mark Twain

Fair Winds and Following Seas,

Herbert J. Brown II

2026 SCYA Rear Commodore

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PORT CAPTAIN

Upcoming Events



SCYA BOD & General Meeting

Saturday, March 14, 2026

10:30 Board of Directors Meeting

12:00 Luncheon

12:30 General Meeting

Location: San Diego Yacht Club

[REGISTER HERE](#)



NWSA/SCYA Women's Conference

March 20-22, 2026

Long Beach Yacht Club

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Registration Closes Wednesday, March 11th!

SCYA Webinar: Governance of Mutual Benefit Corps.

Thursday, April 23, 2026

via Zoom, 7-9pm

[REGISTER HERE](#)

BOARD APPOINTMENT

Chris Johnson-Pasqua Appointed Interim Board Member



Per SCYA Bylaws, on February 21, 2026 the SCYA Board of Directors unanimously approved Chris Johnson-Pasqua as Interim Board Member following the January resignation of Director Bob Brown.

After conducting a search of qualified candidates, Chris was interviewed by SCYA Commodore on multiple occasions and found to be a qualified candidate, with the willingness and capacity to fulfill the responsibilities and obligations of this office.

Welcome aboard! SCYA is thrilled to have you on the team.

Message from Interim Director Johnson-Pasqua

My wife, Melinda, and I have been proud members of SeaGate Yacht Club for over a decade, both having had the distinct honor of serving as Commodore of the club. Three years ago, we expanded our community by joining the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club, where I currently chair both the Traditions and Trophy Committees.

The Southern California Yachting Association has become a part of our lives, and I enjoy the friendships we've made here. I am honored to serve as the Interim Director for 2026. I believe SCYA is the guardian of our region's yachting heritage, and I look forward to celebrating our history while ensuring our traditions thrive for years to come.

Chris can be reached at cmjpasqua@gmail.com.

MESSAGE TO MEMBERS

SCYA Policy Update



At the SCYA Board of Directors meeting on Saturday, February 21st, the following SCYA policies were approved unanimously by the board:

SCYA 8 Bells Policy (established)

The tradition of the SCYA 8 Bells Ceremony is a way of acknowledging dedicated service of those who have served SCYA in an elected or appointed leadership capacity, within the association and/or within SCYA member/affiliated organizations. The SCYA 8 Bells Ceremony bestows dignity by providing a final, high-honor salute equivalent to the respect shown to visiting dignitaries. In this way, SCYA publicly affirms that "all is well" because of their efforts and honors the leader's service and transition from active life to their final resting place, e.g. crossing the bar.

Part of the SCYA mission is to strengthen community bonds of its member organizations and the community-at-large. For those who remain, the SCYA 8 Bells ceremony is essential for collective remembrance, and an opportunity to bring the community together to keep the leader's memory alive. By practicing these "time-tested sea-going traditions" at the regional level, SCYA reinforces its role in maintaining shared history and values, ensuring they "ring true" for future SCYA

elected and appointed leadership, as well as members of the broader SCYA community.

Upon notification to SCYA Commodore of the passing of an elected or appointed Staff Commodore, within the Association and/or within SCYA member/affiliated organizations, SCYA will honor the S/C with an 8 Bells Ceremony at the next scheduled SCYA General Meeting. A notice will also be included in the next issue of the SCYA Searchlight newsletter.

SCYA Event Refund Policy (updated)

- All refunds are subject to a non-refundable, 10% processing fee on the original registration amount.
- Full refund (less 10% processing fee) until published registration deadline.
- NO REFUNDS after registration deadline, as we are obligated for registered headcount per the food/beverage contract with the host facility.
- There is a \$5.00 extra charge applied for walk-ins at the door, if food and space are available.
- To request a refund, please send an email to Mary Crandall Plasencia, SCYA Service Administrator at service@scya.org

In rare circumstances, the non-refundable, 10% processing fee on the original registration amount may be waived due to Acts of God, referring to an unavoidable, natural, and non-human event, e.g. death, natural disaster. Requests for refunds under such circumstances can be made to SCYA Commodore at commodore@scya.org within 15 days of such an occurrence. The SCYA Commodore may exercise discretion under such circumstances when given timely notice.

SCYA BOD/General Meeting Zoom Attendance (reminder)

At the SCYA Board of Directors meeting on Saturday, February 8, 2025, the board established meeting attendance by Zoom as follows, "SCYA General meetings provide virtual access via Zoom (or other platform) for member organizations to attend whose club geography is no less than 75 driving miles one-way from the meeting locations." **To further clarify this policy for SCYA Club of the Year**

points, only those clubs who meet the geography requirement for Zoom attendance will be eligible to earn COY points for said general meeting.

FINAL WATCH NOTICE

8 Bells for Capt. Jane Thomas



(Reprinted in part from [Wai'lani Facebook Page](#))

Captain Jane A. Thomas of Channel Islands Harbor, CA., beloved wife, dog mom, dear friend, and unparalleled leader in the Ventura County and Southern California sailing and racing communities, passed away unexpectedly on January 18, 2026. Jane was 74.

Jane was a board member of the Pacific Corinthian Youth Foundation from 2019-2021, and served three years as Commodore of the Association of Santa Barbara Channel Yacht Clubs (ASBCYC). In 2025, Jane was a member of the U.S. Adult National Championship Selection Committee for SCYA Area J, as well as the Steering Committee for the 2026 NWSA/SCYA Women's Sailing Conference. She was also a sailing coach for both the Sea Gals Sailing Program in Long Beach and the SCYA Women's Boating Event, which sponsor women-only sailing and racing clinics.

A longtime sailor and racer within the community, Jane led *Wai'lani* and her all-women crew in local Wet Wednesday races and countless local and regional competitions, including the Channel Islands to Marina del Rey and the Newport to Ensenada races. Jane's long list of racing victories include the CIYC Lady at the Helm, the VYC Commodores Classic, the John Larson Memorial, the Neil Underwood Memorial, and the Milt Ingram Woman Skipper Perpetual Trophy. In 2016, 2017, and 2019, Jane also skippered three Ventura County based teams that competed in the Linda Elias Memorial Women's One Design Challenge in Long Beach—considered to be the premier all-women yacht race on the Pacific Coast.

In 2022, Jane helped launch the Ventura County edition of the National Women's Sailing Association's AdventureSail Day, an annual two-day event that offers girls and young women the opportunity to get out on the water and learn sailing skills. Co-sponsored with CIWSA, the tall ship *Mystic Whaler*, and the Channel Islands Maritime Museum, Jane served as the event's chairperson through 2025.

In 2024, in recognition of her outstanding contributions to the furthering of women's participation in sailing and sailboat racing, the Southern California Yachting Association honored Jane with the Peggy Slater Memorial Trophy, one of

its most prestigious awards.



(L-R: Capt. Fran Weber, V/C Elena Yuasa, Capt. Jane Thomas, former SCYA Service Admin. Kim Bergeron, presenting Jane with Peggy Slater Trophy)

Through her leadership, advocacy, and fathomless passion for all things sailing and her sister sailors, Captain Jane Thomas shined as a steady and guiding beacon in the local sailing community. Jane shouldered numerous roles in a bevy of yacht clubs and sailing organizations, advocating for women's sailing and sharing her knowledge and expertise to empower women and help inspire the next generation of women sailboat racers. Jane championed care and concern for the ocean environment as well, actively supporting many ocean conservation efforts.

Jane's boundless energy, enthusiasm for the sport of sailing, and generous and kind spirit will be sorely missed by the myriad men and women whose lives she touched. Her devastating loss has left a gaping void and is a call to the Ventura County and broader Southern California sailing communities to step up and take over the many projects, duties and organizations that Jane so graciously and tirelessly helmed.

Jane was preceded in death by her parents, her brothers Thomas and George Hester, her sister-in-law Gail Hester, and her stepson Tim Thomas. She is survived

by her husband Kenny, stepson Dan Thomas, her brother and sister-in-law Bill and Bogda Hester, her brother-in-law and sister-in-law James and Sue Thomas, 5 step grandchildren, 6 nieces, 5 nephews, 13 grandnieces and nephews, and her beloved dog Doodle.

A Celebration of Life for Captain Jane Thomas will be held on March 15th, 2026, at Channel Islands Yacht Club. Please contact the CIYC business office or consult the Wai'lani Facebook page for more information. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the CIWSA Youth Scholarship Fund or the Pacific Corinthian Youth Foundation.

SCYA will honor Jane's end of watch with 8 bells at it's upcoming General Membership meeting on Saturday, March 14, 2026 at San Diego Yacht Club.

SCYA COMMITTEE REPORT

Membership Update



SCYA Membership Chair, S/C Rick Dinon, rickdinon@gmail.com

Upon the recommendation of the SCYA Membership Committee and a unanimous vote of the general membership on February 21, 2026, Horizon Yacht Club has advanced to Associate Member and Marina Del Rey Venture MacGregor Fleet has been accepted as a Special Member.

Representing [Horizon Yacht Club](#) was Bob Wyka, Rear Commodore and Jay Weinert, Membership Chair.

Representing [Marina Del Rey Venture MacGregor Fleet](#) was John Schallert, Commodore.

Congratulations to both! It is wonderful having your organizations part of the

growing SCYA community.



(L-R: Commodore Jodi Masters-Gonzales, Horizon R/C Bob Wyka, and S/C Rick Dinon)



(L-R: Commodore Jodi Masters-Gonzales, VM Fleet Commodore John Schallert, and S/C Rick Dinon)

SCYA COMMITTEE REPORT

Call for Nominations: Andy Graham Olympic Trophy



NOTE FROM COMMODORE: Nominations were held in Q4 2025 and received no applications. We are re-opening the nomination application window through Monday, March 9, 2026 to extend the search.

In order to honor the many years of dedicated service by Andy Gram to the Southern California Yachting Association and to promote participation in Olympic yachting activities in Southern California, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA YACHTING ASSOCIATION hereby offers a perpetual trophy under the following terms and conditions:

- The trophy is given to encourage Southern California yachtsmen and women to participate in Olympic yachting in all capacities, whether it be as skipper, crew, committeeman, fundraiser, or any other capacity.

- The trophy shall be awarded to that yachtsman who is a member of a yacht club affiliated with the Southern California Yachting Association who has distinguished himself in Olympic yachting activities.
- The trophy shall be awarded no more than once a year and at least once every four years.
- A selection committee shall be appointed annually by the then current Commodore of SCYA for the purpose of reviewing possible candidates for this award and if merited -- selecting a trophy recipient.
- The trophy shall be displayed during the year at the yacht club of the winner, providing the club has a suitable trophy case for such display as determined by the Trophy Chairman of the Southern California Yachting Association. If the winning club does not have an acceptable trophy case, the trophy shall be displayed at a yacht club selected by the Trophy Chairman.
- The Trophy shall never be displayed in a private home or business or at any location other than the selected yacht club.

This nomination recognizes distinguished service to Olympic yachting activities culminating through 2025.

[CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION APPLICATION](#)

PREVIOUS WINNERS

YEAR	CLUB
2022	Riley Gibbs (ABYC)
2016	Cakeb Paine (SWYC)

2015	Briana Provancha (MBYC)
2008	Nick Scandone (BYC)
2007	Mark Townsend & Sandy Toscan (ABYC/OCR)
2005	Lanee Butler (DPYC) & Nick Scandone (BYC)
2004	John ross Duggen (LIYC) & Jay Glaser (ABYC)
2003	Ted Hinshaw (LIYC)
2000	Mark Reynolds (SDYC)
1999	J.J. Isler (SDYC) & Pease Glaser (ABYC)
1997	Pease Glaser (ABYC)
1996	Mark Reynolds (SDYC) & Hal Haenel (CYC)
1994	Don Brown (ABYC) & Tom Shadden (ABYC)
1992	Mark Reynolds (SDYC) & Hal Haenel (CYC)
1991	Chuck & Adra Kober (ABYC)
1990	Mike Schoettle (LAYC)
1989	Carl Eichenlaub (SDYC) & Dave Ullman (NHYC)
1988	Allison Jolly (WLYC) & Lynne Jewell ((WLYC)
1984	Robert Haines (SDYC), Edward Trevelyan (SDYC) & Rod Davis (NHYC)
1981	Randy Smythe (HHYC) & Jay Glaser (HHYC)
1976	Carl Eichenlaub (SDYC) & Dennis Conner (SDYC)



FLEET SURGEON REPORT

Tips for Sea Sickness



SCYA Fleet Surgeon, Dr. Martin L.Hopp, marty@towerent.com



Seasickness: Sailing's Most Common On-Board Malady — and How to Beat It

Few things spoil a great day on the water faster than seasickness. Despite modern boats, advanced navigation systems, and experienced crews, seasickness remains the most common medical issue aboard sailing vessels. It affects beginners and salty veterans alike, and if left unmanaged, it can quickly become a safety risk, not just an inconvenience.

What Is Seasickness?

Seasickness is a form of motion sickness caused by conflicting signals to the brain. As the boat pitches and rolls, the inner ear senses motion while the eyes—especially below deck—may perceive relative stillness. This sensory mismatch triggers symptoms that range from mild discomfort to debilitating nausea.

Common Symptoms

- Nausea and vomiting
- Dizziness and headache
- Cold sweats and pale skin
- Fatigue and reduced concentration

While rarely dangerous on its own, seasickness can lead to dehydration, exhaustion, impaired judgment, and reduced situational awareness, all of which increase risk aboard.

Who Is Most at Risk?

- New sailors and first-time passengers
- Anyone sailing in rough or confused seas
- Crew who are fatigued, dehydrated, or anxious
- Sailors spending prolonged time below deck

And the important truth: no one is immune. Even highly experienced sailors can be affected under the right conditions.

Prevention: The Best Medicine

The good news? Seasickness is often preventable with a few smart habits.

Position & Visual Focus

- Stay on deck whenever possible
- Look toward the horizon or a fixed external reference
- Avoid reading or screen use below deck

Fresh Air & Hydration

- Maintain good ventilation—avoid going below
- Drink water regularly
- Eat light, bland foods before and during sailing

Rest & Readiness

- Get adequate sleep before sailing

- Avoid alcohol the night before
- Reduce anxiety through preparation and familiarity

Medication (When Appropriate)

- Motion sickness medications work best before symptoms begin
- Meclizine (Antivert) is highly effective for both prevention and treatment
- Available over the counter; 25 mg is the recommended dose
- A second 25 mg may be taken if symptoms persist after a couple of hours
- This medication should be standard in every boat's medical kit

Treatment: When Seasickness Strikes

If symptoms develop despite preventive measures:

1. Move the sailor on deck and have them focus on the horizon
2. Encourage small, frequent sips of water
3. Keep them warm and protected from wind and spray
4. Assign light, purposeful tasks if tolerated—helming often helps
5. Avoid forcing food until nausea subsides

In most cases, symptoms improve as the body adapts or sea conditions moderate.

Why This Matters

Seasickness isn't just uncomfortable; it directly affects crew performance and safety. A seasick sailor is more prone to fatigue, errors, and accidents. Recognizing and managing seasickness early helps ensure safer passages and more enjoyable sailing for everyone aboard.

With preparation, awareness, and prompt action, this most common onboard malady can usually be prevented or, at least, kept under control. Recognition and proper management can make the difference between a smooth passage and a compromised crew.

Want to Know More?

This is just one of the many real-world medical issues sailors face offshore. Watch for my upcoming meeting for all Sailors:

Join my upcoming presentation: Medical Emergencies at Sea

Practical guidance, real scenarios, and what every sailor should know before it becomes an emergency.

Details coming soon.



SCYA COMMITTEE REPORT

SCYA Webinar: Governance of Mutual Benefit Corporations



Programs Chair, Dir. Paul Artof, peartof@yahoo.com

Does your California Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Yacht Club adhere to its corporate responsibilities?

Are your board members aware of their fiduciary duties and fulfilling their legal and ethical responsibilities as directors of a nonprofit corporation?

Do you have or would like to have a tax-exempt charitable foundation to work in coordination with your sailing programs?

These issues will be discussed at a Zoom meeting on April 23rd at 7:00 – 9:00pm. [REGISTER HERE](#)

This presentation is focused on the responsibilities of your Board of Directors. All directors are encouraged to attend and will have an opportunity to ask specific questions regarding issues that concern their club. You also may hear about circumstances presented by other clubs and how they may be like your current activities.



Presenter

Kristen Anderson, Esq., Partner, [The Law Firm for Nonprofits P.C.](#)

Program Description

This program will provide an overview of California nonprofit corporate governance and federal tax exempt considerations for organizations that are exempt as 501(c)(7) social clubs, including common legal pitfalls for California nonprofit mutual benefit corporations, director fiduciary duties, legal and ethical responsibilities, member rights and requirements, permissible tax-exempt

activities, taxable income, and forming a related 501(c)(3) charitable organization

SCYA COMMITTEE REPORT

Mitigating Spoofing & Phishing Attacks



By V/C Elena Yuasa, vicecommodore@scya.org

How can you mitigate the risk to your club from spoofing and phishing attacks?

At different points each year, many yacht clubs see a spike in fraudulent emails and messages targeting officers and members. These messages often appear to come from a Commodore, Rear Commodore, Treasurer, or another trusted flag officer, but they are actually from scammers trying to steal money, information, or to gain access to your systems.

If you have ever received an email that looked like it came from one of your club's officers asking you to buy gift cards, send money, or "handle a discreet matter," you were very likely the target of a spoofing or phishing attack.

Common Scams Targeting Yacht Clubs

Scammers use publicly available information on your club website, such as officers' names, and titles to craft convincing messages. Typically, these messages claim to raise funds for distressed members, charities, or organizations your club supports, but instead direct money to the scammer. Emails that use a familiar officer's name as the "From" name, but a different or slightly altered email address.

Friendly Remember

Flag officers and club officers do not ask others to buy gift cards or send money via random email. Officers are very unlikely to say things like "I have a discrete

matter to discuss” or ask you not to talk to anyone else about the request. That is a red flag, not good seamanship.

In most cases, your club website or email system has not been hacked. The scammers are simply impersonating you using information they can see online.

If you ever receive a suspicious message that appears to be from a member or officer, do not reply or click on anything. If you are unsure, contact the person directly using a known phone number or email address from the membership roster—but know, there is typically nothing they can do to prevent these types of "spoofing" and "phishing" emails.

What is spoofing?

Spoofing is when a scammer pretends to be someone they are not often by:

- Faking the “From” email address.
- Manipulating a caller ID or text sender name.
- Creating fake websites that look like legitimate club or vendor sites.

The goal is to convince you that the message is genuine so you will send money, share sensitive information, or install malicious software.

What is phishing?

Phishing is a type of cyberattack that uses spoofed emails, texts, or websites to trick you into:

- Providing personal or financial information (such as Social Security number, Medicare number, or card details).
- Sending money via wire transfer, checks, or non-reversible payment apps (Zelle, Cash App, etc.).
- Entering your username and password on a fake login page for your email, bank, or club systems.
- Allowing access to your work or club network (Business Email Compromise).
- Granting remote access to your computer to a fake “tech support” person.

- Installing malware by clicking links or opening attachments.

In a yacht club context, this might look like:

- An email that appears to be from the Treasurer asking you to pay your statement to a “new” bank account.
- A message that looks like your club management system, asking you to “verify your account” by logging in through a link in the email.
- A supposed flag officer is asking you to update billing information through a link.

How to Protect Yourself

- Always check the actual email address, not just the display name.
- Compare it to known club addresses or personal addresses in your roster.
- If anything looks off, treat it as suspicious and verify it by phone or with a separate email you initiate.

Additional Resources

For members who want to learn more or need help understanding these scams, see list of resources below:

- [What is Phishing Email \(Microsoft\)](#)
- [Understanding and Preventing Phishing Attacks \(US DOJ\)](#)
- [How to Recognize and Avoid Phishing Scams \(FTC\)](#)
- [How We Can Help You: Spoofing & Phishing \(FBI\)](#)
- [Caller ID Spoofing \(FCC\)](#)



SCYA COMMITTEE REPORT

US Sailing Opens Applications for the 2026 David Storrs Match Racing Grant



Supporting the next generation of U.S. match racers while honoring a champion's legacy

[CLICK HERE FOR FULL GRANT INFORMATION](#)

[CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)

US Sailing has opened applications for the 2026 David Storrs Match Racing Grant Program, a competitive development grant offering financial support and mentorship to help young sailors advance their match racing careers. Established in memory of David Storrs, a former match racer once ranked No. 1 U.S. and No. 13 in the world, and the 2017 [Prince of Wales Bowl](#) winner at age 73, the grant is made possible through his generous legacy and continues his commitment to excellence and mentorship in the sport.

For the 2026 grant cycle, the David Storrs Match Racing Grant will award up to \$5,000 per selected team in reimbursable funding for a full calendar year, along with individualized mentorship support.

- Funding may be used for eligible expenses including entry fees, travel, and lodging.
- Grant recipients are paired with an experienced match racing mentor for guidance on campaign planning, crew development, logistics, and racing strategy.
- One male skipper and one female skipper may be selected for 2026; applicants are encouraged, but not required, to apply with a team in mind.

The program is open to sailors who:

- Are 22–29 years old before January 1, 2026
- Have prior match racing experience.

- Demonstrate a strong commitment to competing at a higher level and continuing in match racing long term.

The grant is designed to support young adult sailors who may be balancing school, work, or early career responsibilities with financial and structural support to pursue a competitive match racing campaign. Grant recipients are expected to participate in at least one match racing clinic and at least three graded match racing events, including one U.S. Match Racing Championship Qualifier, during the grant year. Additional events are encouraged, with preference given to competitions physically located in the United States.

Key Dates

January 15, 2026: Applications Open

April 1, 2026: Applications Close

April 1–15, 2026: Reference checks and interviews (as needed)

April 15, 2026: Grant recipients announced

Through the David Storrs Match Racing Grant Program, US Sailing continues to invest in the future of match racing by providing young sailors with the resources, mentorship, and opportunity to grow while honoring the lasting legacy of one of the sport's most respected champions.

For more information, visit <https://www.ussailing.org/news/us-sailing-opens-applications-for-the-2026-david-storrs-match-racing-grant/>

SCYA COMMITTEE REPORT

2026 US Sailing Reach Initiative - Youth Engagement Grant





PURPOSE

US Sailing's Reach Initiative Youth Engagement grants have been made available to provide financial support for program materials, transportation, and offset costs for students when implementing the Reach Initiative. This area of need was identified through the Reach mentoring sessions and educator surveys. The Reach Initiative does not make multi-year commitments, and grant support in one year does not imply continued support in future years.

CRITERIA

Must be a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization

Hold a current US Sailing Organizational Membership

Utilize US Sailing Small Boat Level 1 or Basic Keelboat certified instructors for all on-water activities.

TIMELINE

- Request For Proposal Due: FRIDAY March 6, 2026 - Midnight Hawaii Standard Time
- Notification of Award: April 3, 2026
- Signed Contract Due: May 1, 2026
- Grantee Report Due: October 3, 2026

SUBMISSION

[2026 REACH INITIATIVE YOUTH ENGAGEMENT GRANT - Request For Proposal](#)

More questions? Please email reach@ussailing.org

MEASURING THE IMPACT

See the impact of US Sailing Reach Initiative - [2025 Reach Initiative Impact Report](#).

Support from Rolex, donations from US Sailing Members, and other partners have made these youth engagement grants possible.



COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Two big ILCA (laser) regattas being held in San Diego Bay are now available for signups!



The **ILCA North America Masters Midwinters West** is being hosted at Coronado Yacht Club on March 6-8, 2026! All racers will receive a competition shirt, two dinners, and three days of great fun on the water! A full-day racing clinic will be held for \$100 and will be taught by National and North American Champion, Doug Hart on Thursday, March 5, 2026. Also, this regatta comes with a special surprise for the winners in each fleet, automatic qualification for the Masters World Championships! [Click here for more information and to register for Masters Midwinters West!](#)



The **ILCA North America Pacific Coast Championships (open division)** is also being hosted at Coronado Yacht Club on April 17-19, 2026. All racers will receive a competition shirt, two dinners, and three days of great fun on the water! Doug Hart will again teach a full-day racing clinic for \$100 on Thursday, April 16, 2026. This event has 25 ILCA-NA Grand Prix points and 50 World Sailing points available. [Click here for more information and to register for the Pacific Coast Championships!](#)

Best Regards,

Ken Wilson

Staff Commodore and ILCA Regattas Chair

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COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Join ALYC on 60th Anniversary Cruise to Alaska





JOIN THE AMERICAN LEGION YACHT CLUB ON THEIR 60th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION CRUISE IN ALASKA SEPTEMBER 14-21, 2026

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SEP 14, 2026 to SEP 21, 2026
INSIDE STATEROOM STARTING FROM \$855.48
NORWEGIAN JADE



DAY	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART *
Mon	Whittier, Alaska	-	4:00 PM
Tue	Hubbard Glacier, Alaska	-	-
Wed	Icy Strait Point, Alaska	7:00 AM	6:00 PM
Thu	Juneau, Alaska	7:00 AM	6:00 PM
Fri	Skagway, Alaska	7:00 AM	5:00 PM
Sat	Ketchikan (Ward Cove), Alaska	12:00 PM	8:00 PM
Sun	Cruise Inside Passage	-	-
Mon	Vancouver, British Columbia	7:00 AM	-

11-DAY FAIRBANKS DENALI EXPRESS - SOUTHBOUND CRUISETOUR
SEP 14, 2026 to SEP 21, 2026
INSIDE STATEROOM STARTING FROM \$2058
NORWEGIAN JADE



DAY	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART *
Sep 11	Air Arrival Day Into Fairbanks		
Fri			
Sep 12	Fairbanks		
Sat			
Sep 13	Fairbanks/Denali		
Sun			
Sep 14	Denali/Whittier		
Mon			
Mon	Whittier, Alaska	-	4:00 PM
Tue	Hubbard Glacier, Alaska	-	-



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COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

BoatUS New Life Jacket Loaner Pilot Program



For more information, contact alisha@boatus.com

BoatUS Foundation Accepting Applications for New Life Jacket Loaner Pilot Program Local organizations, businesses encouraged to apply to expand access to essential boating safety equipment in their communities



SPRINGFIELD, Va. – February 17, 2026 – The BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water announced that it is now accepting applications for new pilot program for their Life Jacket Loaner Program. The pilot will introduce digital check out technology to make borrowing life jackets for a day or weekend easier and more accessible for boaters. Organizations such as parks, marinas, campgrounds, fire departments, fuel docks, and waterfront businesses are encouraged to apply before March 27, 2026. The program removes cost and access barriers, helping more families, especially children, stay safe on the water. Organizations can apply to participate in one or more of the three pilot options:

- Unstaffed locations such as loaner boards and dock boxes where life jackets are available 24/7
- Staffed locations like marinas and boat shops where staff hand out the life jackets.
- Digital locker that use a secure, automated storage system equipped with electronic locks to store life jackets

“These pilot models represent the next evolution of our long-standing Life Jacket Loaner Program”, said Tiffany Gonzalez, BoatUS Foundation Program Manager. “They allow us to connect with sites and borrowers in smarter ways, helping us better understand community needs, best practices, and program impact.”

Insights collected during these pilots will help inform the industry with data driven best practices for increasing access to life jackets and improving proper wear. “BoatUS Foundation is committed to finding innovative ways to expand access while reducing potential loss to ensure programs like this have the greatest impact,” said Gonzalez.

This project is supported by a \$375,000 grant through the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, administered by the U.S. Coast Guard.

Originally piloted in 1996, BoatUS Foundation’s Life Jacket Loaner Program became the first national effort focused on keeping boaters, especially children, safe by providing properly fitted life jackets. On average, BoatUS Foundation loans 140,000 life jackets each year and has more than 600 loaner sites currently.

If you are interested in hosting a BoatUS Foundation Life Jacket Loaner Program pilot site, visit BoatUS.org/Life-Jacket-Loaner/Apply to apply. **The deadline to apply is March 27, 2026.**

About BoatUS Foundation

The BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water is a national leader promoting safe, clean and responsible boating. Funded primarily by donations from the more than 740,000 members of Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS), the nonprofit provides innovative educational outreach directly to

boaters and anglers with the aim of reducing accidents and fatalities, increasing stewardship of America's waterways, and keeping boating safe for all. A range of safe and clean boating courses – including the nation's only free online boating safety course – can be found at BoatUS.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

How To Stop the Spread of Freshwater Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)



Golden mussels (Department of Water Resources)

Everyone accessing California's waterways is invited to learn how to stop the spread of freshwater aquatic invasive species (AIS) into uninfected waterways. This free virtual workshop will help the public learn how they can recognize freshwater AIS in their region and how to take action to prevent them from spreading.

Workshop participants will:

- Gain an understanding of the impacts freshwater AIS have on the environment, recreation, and on our economy;
- Learn about the biology and how to recognize freshwater AIS, including: Quagga, Zebra, and Golden mussels; floating and submersed aquatic weeds, including Water hyacinth, South American sponge plant, and Uruguay water primrose, Brazilian waterweed, Curlyleaf pondweed, Eurasian watermilfoil, Coontail, and fanwort.
- Learn about the management and control methods being used in our State for these AIS.
- Learn how to take action and prevent spreading freshwater invasive species by inspecting and cleaning equipment and watercraft.

Advance registration is required [HERE](#)

(You must register to attend by March 26th, 2026)

WORKSHOP DATE: Thursday, March 26th, 2026

WORKSHOP TIME: 9 am - 12 pm

The workshop is being hosted by California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways, California Coastal Commission, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, California State Lands Commission, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service



Golden Mussel shells collected in October 2024 at a water quality station at Rough & Ready Island near Stockton in San Joaquin County, California, USA.
Photo: Elizabeth Wells, Ph. D. (Dept. of Water Resources))



Brazilian Waterweed (*Egeria densa*) in the California Delta. Photo by Trish Gilbert

and Michael Finnell CA State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways Aquatic
Invasive Plant Control Program

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

2026 Dockwalker Training



FREE DOCKWALKER TRAINING

2026 BOATINGCLEANANDGREEN.COM/DOCKWALKERS



Photo: Santa Cruz Harbor

California Boater Kit

This workshop trains partners or collaborators like you to become Dockwalkers, who conduct face-to-face boater education about environmentally-sound boating practices.

Receive free educational materials to distribute to boaters at marinas, boat launch ramps, boat shows, and special events. Dockwalkers' efforts increase boater awareness about clean and safe boating, thus improving the recreation experience in California while helping to preserve its precious wildlife habitat and water quality.

Anyone from 15 to 100 years young interested in water quality and sharing clean boating information (regardless of your background) can become a Dockwalker!

Southern California Trainings 2026

You Must Register To Attend. Click the hyperlinked dates below to register. Once you register, you will receive an email confirmation and we will send you the disclaimer you need to complete and send back to us via email and the training files.

Saturday, March 21 10 am to 12:45 pm
Virtual training

Saturday, April 4 10 am to 12:45 pm
In-person training in San Diego at the Silver Gate Yacht Club (2091 Shelter Island Dr., San Diego CA 92106.)

Friday, May 1 10 am to 1:45 pm
In-person training in Ventura West Marina (1198 Navigator Drive Ventura, CA 93001) Boaters Lounge

Saturday, May 2 9:50 am to 12:45 pm
In-person training in Marina Del Rey at Del Rey Yacht Club (13900 Palawan Way, Marina Del Rey, CA 90292 - Puerto Vallarta Room, first floor).

Thursday, May 28 10 am to 12:45 pm
Virtual training

If you have been trained in the last three years, you have the option to register for a refresher training:

Thursday, April 23 2 pm to 3:30 pm
Virtual training

Wednesday, May 27 2 pm to 3:30 pm
Virtual training

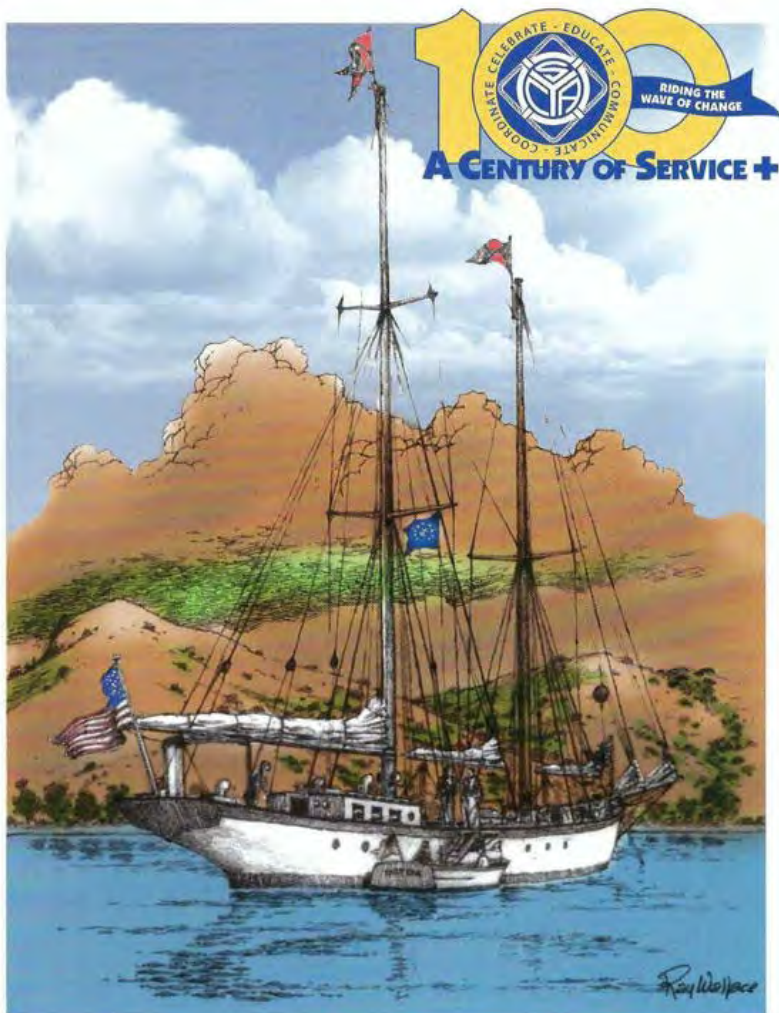


If you have any questions about the registration, please contact
Vivian Matuk at vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov or (916) 764-0989

SCYA SHIP STORE

Yachting Protocol Guidelines Book





Southern California Yachting Association's
**YACHTING PROTOCOL
GUIDELINES**

Yachting Protocol Guidelines

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Southern California Yachting Association's YACHTING PROTOCOL GUIDELINES, 6th edition 2024, is available for purchase online [at the SCYA Shop](#).

Free Ground shipping is available within the 48 contiguous states. We apologize, but Hawaii, Alaska, and international destinations are excluded.



SCYA SEARCHLIGHT NEWSLETTER

Submission Guidelines



SCYA sends two types of email messaging: Searchlight (monthly newsletter) and Spotlight (alerts and invitations).

The Searchlight is the monthly SCYA Newsletter.

It's intended for News and Announcements. Boater and community interest stories, event details, race results, awards, and member news and save-the-date. The Searchlight is sent to all subscribers.

The Spotlight is intended for Alerts and Invitations.

It is sent no more than 1x per day, Monday through Friday and can be sent to all subscribers or to member clubs by Harbor Association. Alerts are items of concern that could have an immediate impact on the boating community such as entangled whales or areas to avoid. Invitations include Opening Days, seminars and webinars, NOR, or any other item with a Who, What, When, Where, and How to register to attend.

Submission Guidelines

To submit articles to the Searchlight, send the text of your article in a copiable format such as Word or plain text along with a single related image preferably sized 400x400 pixels in jpg, gif, or png format. Searchlight submissions should be sent to the Searchlight Editor at scyanewsletter@scya.org.

You can submit to the Spotlight in one of two ways. You can submit the Who What When and Where text copiable format such as Word or plain text along with a single related image preferably sized 800x800 pixels in jpg, gif, or png format. Alternatively, you can submit your fully coded HTML with image assets that follow our general format in a .zip file. Spotlight submissions should be sent to the SCYA Service Administrator at service@scya.org.

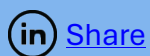
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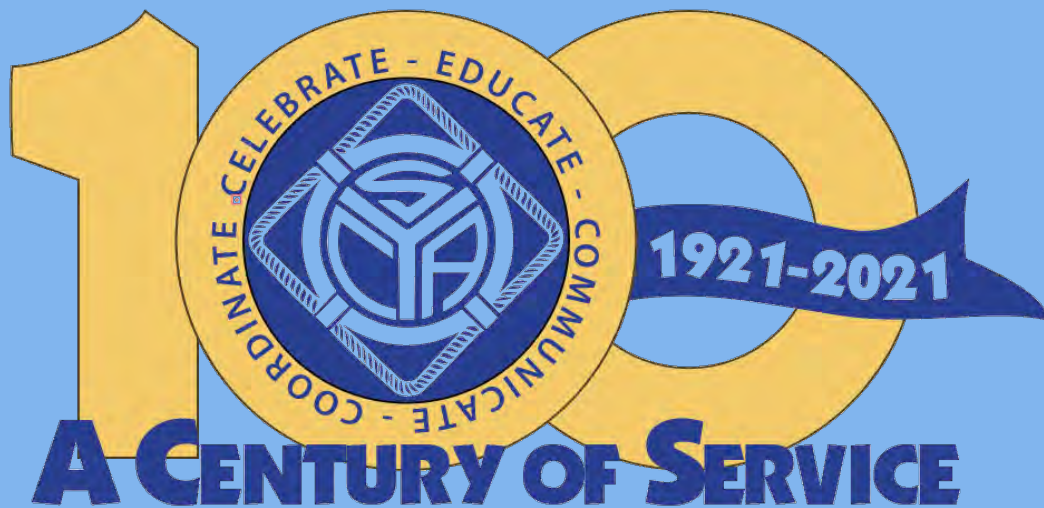
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