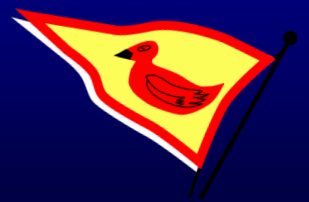
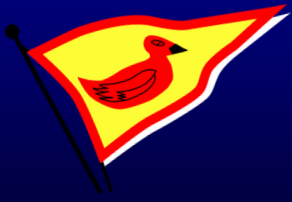


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OPENING DAY



Commodore Josef Davydovits & Kim



Vice Commodore Gil Morris & Chris



Rear Commodore Mark Monroe & Lena



Jr. Staff Commodore Jeff Specht & Bonnie

As we begin another yachting season at Seagate Yacht Club and continue to plan and enjoy our boating and social activities, we celebrate Opening Day. Besides the celebration of the start of the yachting season and the recognition of our leaders we also need to recognize the contribution of their spouses (endearingly called 1st mates). The SGYC events schedule is active, busy, full and demanding, especially for its leaders. It runs smoothly, in no small part, because of the participation and support of these gracious women. They aid in planning, organizing and also attend nearly every event throughout the year. They deserve our recognition and thanks for their support and major contributions. So, a sincere thanks from all of us to you, 1st mates, past and present. We couldn't do it without you.



JOSEF DAVYDOVITS, COMMODORE

Opening Day is behind us, and all of us are looking forward for a busy and happy boating season. We all enjoy this place here in Huntington Harbour where we are truly fortunate to live near our "playground". It is a special place to live that comes with lots of benefits for boaters and others alike. As homeowners we want to keep our homes without too much interference from government entities. I came across some articles that might be of interest and concern to all homeowners.

There is an active push to tax some Huntington Harbour waterfront homeowners now for "rent" to be paid to the State. The California State Land Commission is pushing to force property owners to pay rent to the State. The State is attempting to reverse a forty year policy in which the State had agreed not to assess rent on Huntington Harbour docks located on the main channel at the Harbour (mind you, this is just a start that could snowball to the other channels, such as Seagate). This agreement that these docks confer a public benefit for the entire community by offering refuge to swimmers, vessels and other users of the harbor. Homeowners built the docks saved the State millions of dollars to build similar structure at taxpayer expense. I have learned that the State now suddenly forces homeowners to sign a lease with the State. Many law firms successfully argue this new enforcement. In 2012 the State announced that it was reversing the policy that was intact for 40 years. SB122 proposed to require the State Land Commission to start to charge rent to owners of waterfront properties who have docks. The State now started undertaking a program of targeting homeowners in Huntington Harbour and filing trespassing lawsuits against them in order for the homeowners to sign the lease.

I am writing this summary to raise awareness of what could become the rule of the land. No homeowner can fight this alone! There are numerous law firms engaged in this issue, agencies and boat owner associations that are working on this subject matter. Please support all these organization to have a chance to benefit all of us. Imposing a charge for docks would be akin to paying another mortgage. The bill to impose a fee on water beneath certain docks in Huntington Harbour is making its way through the legislature. This SB152 would authorize the State Land Commission to charge rent for the water space underneath private piers and would repeal portions of Public Resource Code that provides rent-free use of water dock that occupy the channels in HH. It is estimated the about 25% of Huntington Harbour residents will be affected by the new fees. Similar cases are pending in Dana Point Harbor of these unfair tax issues

Please contact me with any comments. I am looking forward to the input from our membership.
Respectfully, your Commodore,



GIL MORRIS, VICE COMMODORE

Ahoy fellow boaters and Yacht Club members. I want to thank all who joined us at the Casino Road Trip to Harrah's Rincon Casino on Sunday - Monday, March 23-24 The event was hosted by Rob & Cindy Allen and Diane Reeve and Jeff Ricketts. We had two wonderfully beautiful March days enjoying 72 degree and sunny weather while we dined on a very nice buffet on Sunday and had a fun slot tournament. On Monday we had two cabanas poolside. We had a great time starting off with a Bus ride that had Bloody Marys, Mimosas and Bingo.

We started off the year with our Event Hosts Brunch the Board members provided a delicious brunch for the event hosts of our 2014 Hello SGYC! It is that time again. Seems like I just did my article for THE BURGEE and it is time for another. I can't believe we are a quarter of the way through 2014 already. Well fellow boaters and Yacht Club members are you ready to Avalon Cruise? Staff Commodore Dennis & Kathy Kreil and Brad & Sheri Goodrich will host this year's Avalon Cruise Friday - Sunday- May 16th - 18th. It will be a good time for all. If you are staying in a hotel, make sure you book your room as soon as possible.

The first event in June is Night at the Races, on Saturday, June 7th, hosted by Aurelia & Francis Okino and Eugene & Lucille Mascoli. Next is the Duffy Cruise to HHYC Brunch on Sunday, June 22nd, hosted by Jr. Staff Commodore Jeff Specht & Bonnie. The HHYC Brunch is very good and is usually well attended. and we had a big turnout last year, don't miss it. Our 2014 Roster looks great with our pictures in color. I want to thank Bob McCormick for a job well done. Chris and I are enjoying a fun year of boating and great events with all of you.



DR. MARK MONROE, REAR COMMODORE



Safe Boating

Q: Why are annual USCG Auxiliary Free Vessel Safety Exams advantageous?

A: Passing the annual official Vessel Safety Checks entitles the vessel a shield shaped annual decal that has to be posted on the vessel's port side. The decal indicates to the USCG and other law enforcement agencies that the vessel has already passed the current annual safety check and does not require boarding by those agencies while under weigh. This avoids the inconvenience and embarrassment to the boat owner of a boarding by those agencies and possibly not passing their safety check when guests are on board.

Murphy's Law states that if something is going to go wrong, it will happen at the worst possible time and in the worst possible place such as at sea in bad weather.

The safety check includes checking: the fire extinguishers and personal flotation devices for functionality and adequacy, registration/documentation/hull identification, visual distress signals, flares, and sound producing devices, night navigation lights, pollution and MARPOL trash placards, ventilation and backfire flame arrestor(s), electrical, gas, and marine sanitation systems, first aid kit, anchoring, and local/state/federal/navigational rules booklets. Even if you do not pass at first, there is a 24-hour grace period. If you can show to the examiner that the deficit has been corrected, he can still grant the decal and paperwork.

If you would like to schedule an official USCG Auxiliary Vessel Safety Check, please email me at romida777@yahoo.com. Remember, safe boating is no accident.

OPENING DAY

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It was 2:00 AM on the morning of Opening Day and the wind was howling and it was pouring rain...the weather was not promising. However, the Weather God came through and blessed us with a wonderful day even though we had gale force winds. Our captains showed amazing skill and exceptional seaman ship to navigate in those conditions. Thank you all captains! Commodore Josef Davydovits and Kim accompanied by the flag officers and their wives followed the Harbor Patrol on Robin and Jean Clark's the fantastic "Fintastic". We had 15 boats in our parade. The Flag Officers performed the traditional salute to each of the boats in the parade and the cannon fire was exceptional. Afterward the celebrants returned to the clubhouse for opening Day ceremonies and our traditional dinner.

This year, along with the traditional Opening Day Ceremony, we were pleased to have the Boy Scouts troop 1226 as our Color Guard. We would also like to thank Chicago Fire Fighter Adam Brand for leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Josef's daughter and granddaughter Heather and Kayde Brand led us in the Star Spangle Banner. We were honored to have Mayor Matthew Harper of Huntington Beach as a guest. We had members of HHYC, American Legion YC, SCYA and Lake Gregory YC joined us along with the US Coast Guard Auxiliary. We also presented the official burgee to our newest members, Anthony and Michelle Salcido and Marshall Wise. Once the formalities were over our 126 members and guests enjoyed another wonderful catered dinner of Prime Rib and Turkey with all the trimmings by Teak Catering. As always, Nina worked her magic and her staff did a wonderful job.

This day would not have been successful without a lot of very special people. A special thanks to Bonnie & Jeff Specht for organizing and hosting the event. Thanks to Mark Monroe for organizing the parade and providing everyone with a ride. We want to thank everyone who helped set-up and clean-up: Gil and Chris Morris, Bob McCormick, Joseph and Kim Davydovits, Jan Nagele, Cindy Allen, and Linda Axel. Many thanks to Rod & Suzanne Antiblan for the special effects provided (CANNON FIRE). As always, Rob Allen and Cindy for making sure all the vessels were refreshed and the bar was well fortified. Last but not least, Les Kelly, for the magnificent photography and Tom Worden posting them for all to see on our website.

It has been declared that the harbor is safe and free of Icebergs so let the fun begin!



EVERYONE WAS A WINNER ON THE CASINO ROAD TRIP!

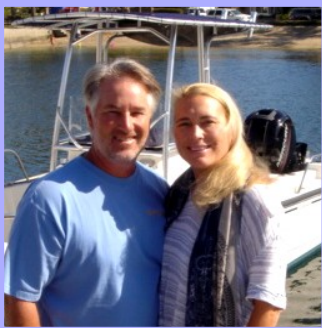
An enjoyable time was had by all who attended the bus trip to Harrah's Resort. On board the bus, the fun started with mimosas, Bloody Marys and mini muffins served by Cindy Allen, Sheila Osborn and Rob Allen. Jeff Ricketts and Diane Reeve got the gambling going with 5 rousing games of Bingo. Chris Morris, Maryann Boryszewski, Sue Westover, Sheila Osborn, Margaret Humphreys and Rich Maier were the big winners. Before we knew it, we were at Harrah's! The front desk staff at Harrah's helped us to check into our rooms easily. We were on our own until the Cocktail Party. Diane Kaplan and others tried their luck at the slot machines and gaming tables.

The Cocktail Party in the Bordeaux Room was pleasant, with people also enjoying the outdoor balcony. Our private Bordeaux Room was gorgeous, we had our own bar, dance floor, buffet area, cocktail and dining tables. We also had our own Slot Machines where we had our exciting SEAGATE YACHT CLUB SLOT TOURNAMENT! We each played two rounds with our total scores added up.

After the SGYC Slot Tournament, we had a wonderful Island Style Buffet. We had 3 delicious entrée choices, starters, vegetables, and a great desert selection. No one went hungry. We had a terrific food and bar staff, who catered to our needs. The winners of the Tournament were announced with prizes going to 5th place (Jean Clark), fourth place (Diane Kaplan), third place (Janet Littlejohn), second place (Sheila Osborn), and the grand prize to Judie Hagin. We also celebrated March and April Birthdays and Anniversaries and no one left empty handed, as everyone got a Harrah's chip to take with them. After the dinner, some people stayed to dance to great music such as "YMCA" and "Staying Alive", others gambled, and walked around the grounds.

Monday was a Free Day and the weather was perfect. Most of us slept in as we were able to get late check out for our rooms and ate a nice breakfast at the Cafe. Our group got the use of two cabanas with TVs by the Pools, Lazy River and Jacuzzis so we could watch the basketball games and other sporting events. Others tried their luck in the Casino. At 3 PM, we boarded the bus for home. All in all, it was great fun with a wonderful group of people!

New Members



Bob and Sheila Osborn moved to SeaGate, from Glendora, about 1 ½ years ago. Without major remodeling, they have made their waterfront home – special – from the walls to the flooring. Sheila loves to work with colors – both in home decorating and with flowers.

Sheila and Bob are natives of SoCal. Sheila grew up in the Los Feliz area, between Hollywood and Glendale. Bob grew up in Hacienda Heights and had to attend UC Redlands – a family tradition.

They have been married 16 years and, together, have three sons from prior marriages. Bob works in the landscape business his grandfather started – Whittier Fertilizer Co. in Pico Rivera.

The couple love to live on the water. They bought a new 21 ft. Boston Whaler and use it, a lot. Bob is learning to fish the local waters, and, they love to go to Avalon. Sheila also kayaks often. Bob likes to paddleboard. Bob has played golf since his college days. While at UC Redlands he won a NCAA Golf Tournament.

The Osborns want to travel more, in the future, both in the USA and Europe. Bob and Sheila have done something special for SGYC - they co-hosted the Super Bowl event for SGYC. And, they admit they enjoyed it. Please congratulate Bob and Sheila for a job well done and welcome them to SGYC.



Burgee Presentations

L: Anthony & Michelle Salcido

R: Marshall Wise



MURRAH FOR HARRAH'S

CASINO ROAD TRIP



Hosts: Rob & Cindy Allen and Diane Reeve & Jeff Ricketts



Opening



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<i>Ron</i>	<i>Jones</i>	<i>5/3</i>	<i>Lucille</i>	<i>Thornburg</i>	<i>5/31</i>
<i>Kathy</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>5/5</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Monroe</i>	<i>6/1</i>
<i>Ferry</i>	<i>Hayden</i>	<i>5/10</i>	<i>Dennis</i>	<i>Huffman</i>	<i>6/3</i>
<i>Lesley</i>	<i>Herbold</i>	<i>5/11</i>	<i>Carole</i>	<i>Stelle</i>	<i>6/3</i>
<i>Lolly</i>	<i>McHardy</i>	<i>5/13</i>	<i>Tom</i>	<i>Worden</i>	<i>6/5</i>
<i>Sandy</i>	<i>Gallaughher</i>	<i>5/13</i>	<i>Fina</i>	<i>Haas</i>	<i>6/7</i>
<i>Kevin</i>	<i>Cloud</i>	<i>5/14</i>	<i>Tom</i>	<i>McKnew</i>	<i>6/8</i>
<i>Ray</i>	<i>Nagele</i>	<i>5/18</i>	<i>Barbara</i>	<i>Ward *</i>	<i>6/8</i>
<i>Tim</i>	<i>O'Brien</i>	<i>5/19</i>	<i>Josef</i>	<i>Davydovits</i>	<i>6/10</i>
<i>John</i>	<i>Pratto</i>	<i>5/19</i>	<i>Helena</i>	<i>Parada</i>	<i>6/12</i>
<i>Deanna</i>	<i>Stingley</i>	<i>5/23</i>	<i>Marty</i>	<i>Lipman</i>	<i>6/13</i>
<i>Gail</i>	<i>Cyprus</i>	<i>5/24</i>	<i>Alice</i>	<i>Fetterman</i>	<i>6/19</i>
<i>Cindy</i>	<i>Allen</i>	<i>5/25</i>	<i>Kathleen</i>	<i>Reiland</i>	<i>6/26</i>
<i>Jeff</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>5/30</i>	<i>Vaughn</i>	<i>Jenkes</i>	<i>6/27</i>
<i>Sheila</i>	<i>Osborn</i>	<i>5/31</i>	<i>Tom</i>	<i>Ward</i>	<i>6/29</i>
<i>James</i>	<i>Woods</i>	<i>5/31</i>			

<i>Dick & Linda Scholl</i>	<i>5/4</i>	<i>Mark & Joanne Daugherty</i>	<i>6/5</i>
<i>Ray & Ellen Martin</i>	<i>5/11</i>	<i>Rho & Ping Chao</i>	<i>6/6</i>
<i>David & Bea' Swanson</i>	<i>5/13</i>	<i>Mark & Lina Monroe</i>	<i>6/11</i>
<i>Gary & Michelle Bartlett</i>	<i>5/17</i>	<i>Tom & Barbara Ward</i>	<i>6/14</i>
<i>Richard & Kaye Verry</i>	<i>5/24</i>	<i>James & Adrienne DeWolfe</i>	<i>6/15</i>
<i>Pat & Vaughn Jenkes</i>	<i>5/28</i>	<i>Eugene & Lucille Mascoli</i>	<i>6/15</i>
<i>Cheryl & John Arndt</i>	<i>5/29</i>	<i>Jerry & Linda Cassidy</i>	<i>6/17</i>
<i>Guy & Deborah Fairon</i>	<i>5/29</i>	<i>Bob and Linda Axel</i>	<i>6/20</i>
<i>David & Roni Fell</i>	<i>5/29</i>	<i>Dwayne & Mary Lund</i>	<i>6/20</i>
<i>Bonnie & Jeff Specht</i>	<i>6/1</i>		

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Avalon Cruise
Friday-Sunday, May 16-18

Night at the Races
Saturday, June 7

Duffy Brunch Cruise to HHYC
Sunday, June 22

Progressive Dinner
Saturday, July 12



2014 CREW



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