



Seagate Yacht Club  
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# SUPER

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Hosts L-R: Bob & Sheila Osborn and Shri & Brad Goodrich





## **JOSEF DAVYDOVITS, COMMODORE**

As you are reading this article, we are already in full readiness for a busy 2014 year for boating and non-boating events. See the event schedule planned out on our website under "EVENTS". Our club is always looking for options and new ideas for our members. That is one reason we are very aggressively pursuing and recruiting new members to host events. Please see the article on the Event Hosts Brunch about this subject. New Event Hosts bring new ideas and excitement for our programs!

Speaking of the Event Hosts Brunch that took place in January, SGYC board provided a nice brunch & treats to our newest Event Hosts. This was a great opportunity for the hosts to meet the Board and be provided with additional information on each event.

Our club has grown steadily since its inception. This year we stand at 283 members strong, and another 23 applications are on the waiting list. Our by-laws limit membership of residents that do not live in the SeaGate Community. That is one reason we are encouraging and promoting membership from our community. Please talk to your neighbors and tell them what they are missing out on.

As our membership grows and events are getting more popular, we sometimes reach an attendance capacity on some popular events. That is why you will see on many event flyers a note regarding early sign up and limited capacity. Our clubhouse size limits the number of attendees per Fire Department rules. Please take all this into consideration and sign up early for events to avoid disappointments.

The Huntington Harbor Boat Parade is almost a year away, but our club is already in the preliminary planning stage for the SGYC entry. Our Rear Commodore, Mark Monroe, will lead this effort. We also have a member, Dan Torla, that has volunteered to help on the design and will organize the construction and installation of the boat decoration. It is a good early start.

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

Respectfully, your Commodore, Josef Davydovits



# **EVENT HOSTS' BRUNCH**

The 2014 Event Host Brunch held in January was well attended. The event was hosted by Commodore Josef Davydovits and Kim and the SGYC Board. Special thanks goes to all the Board Members for the wonderful prepared brunch. It was a casual event that allowed review of the 2014 scheduled events with all present event hosts. The questions and answer period was constructive

The backbone of the Seagate Yacht Club social calendar is the event hosts. These are the members of your club who volunteer to create, plan and host the events we all enjoy throughout the year.



Members, just like you, join with others to host an event for the enjoyment of the entire club. Your club, and I emphasize the words **YOUR CLUB**, is always in need of members to step up and help with putting on these events. Usually members who have not done this before team up with more experienced members to learn the ropes. Most "newbies" progress to hosting an event on their own (or with the help of their friends). All you need to do is let the Commodore or anyone on the SGYC board know that you are willing to help. You will then be guided on how best to do that.

Hosting not only helps the club succeed but enhances getting to better know and socialize with your fellow members. In no small measure you get the satisfaction of knowing that you contributed to your club's success. It's really more fun than you realize. So, come on, **STEP UP** this year and volunteer for the 2015 season



## ***GIL MORRIS, VICE COMMODORE***

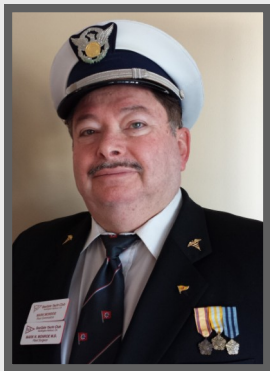
Ahoy fellow boaters and Yacht Club members. We started off the year with our Event Hosts Brunch. Board members provided a delicious brunch for the event hosts of our 2014 events as a thank you for volunteering their time and talent. Our next event was the New Member Brunch and I would like to thank our event hosts for the day, Les & Cathy Kelly and Jim & Lyn Senske. I would also like to thank all of the boat captains for transporting SGYC members and guest to the Acapulco Restaurant in Long Beach for the brunch.

Our next event was the Super Bowl Party. I would like to thank our event hosts Bob & Sheila Osborn and Brad & Sheri Goodrich. I would like to thank all the Event Hosts for doing a wonderful job.

Our Casino Road Trip to Harrah's Rincon Casino is on Sunday - Monday March 23 – 24. The event will be hosted by Rob & Cindy Allen and Diane Reeve and Jeff Ricketts. If you have been thinking about the Casino Road Trip there are a few seats left on the bus.

Opening Day and Parade of the Fleet for 2014 will be on Sunday, April 26, 2014. Power boats, sail boats, and electric boats are welcome. Please decorate with flags and burgees in support of SeaGate Yacht Club, and celebrate the opening of the 2014 yachting season. Please bring hors d'oeuvres to share on-board. Champagne will be provided by SGYC and is included in the cost of the event. The Harbor Patrol will escort the parade. For boat assignments or requests, contact Rear Commodore Mark Monroe at 714-562-4144 or [romida777@yahoo.com](mailto:romida777@yahoo.com). The parade of the Fleet will meet at mid channel at 1:45 pm sharp, and the parade will start at 2:00pm sharp; Cocktails in the Clubhouse at 4:00 pm; the program will be outdoors at 4:30 pm and Dinner at 5:00pm. The Event Hosts are Jr. Staff Commodore Jeff and Bonnie Specht.

Chris and I are looking forward to a fun year of boating and great events.



## ***DR. MARK MONROE, REAR COMMODORE***

SeaGate Yacht Club Opening Day is already around the corner on Saturday April 26, 2014. As your Rear Commodore, I will be in charge of the Fleet Parade starting at 2:00pm sharp (formation at 1:45 in the main channel ). Power boats, sail boats, and electric boats are welcome. No dinghies or human-powered boats please! I will assign the order of the boats from largest to smallest with the preference in each size will be on the first come basis. The deadline for the entry forms will be April 16. The forms will be mailed out shortly in the newsletter. Please dress your boat with signal flags and burgees.

Please make sure you read the newsletter and/or go on-line for the latest news about upcoming events and cruises. They are always a lot of fun and are a great way to stay in touch with fellow club members.

It seems like we just finished the holiday season, but I would like to encourage you to think about the 2014 boat parade. As you know no one person can accomplish such a great task as decorating the boat for the parade entry. Robin and Jean Clark were gracious enough in the past to volunteer their boat as the parade entry. We would love to have it again, as well as all the volunteers who did such a great job decorating Fin-Tastic.

Please feel free to contact me regarding any concerns, comments, and suggestions.

# SUPER SUNDAY

This year four new members of Seagate Yacht Club took on the task of hosting the Superbowl Party. Bob and Sheila Osborn and Brad and Sheri Goodrich took on the job after coaxing from their neighbor Josef Davydovits. They decided to try something different and had a taco cart for the main food item and then asked the members to bring desserts or appetizers.

Everyone did over and above and there was an abundance of food. Balloons decorated the clubhouse and Bob McCormick and Bob Osborn decided a compressor worked much better than the two balloon hand pumps. Bob McCormick also provided the poster for the football pool and was responsible for handing out the prizes to the happy winners. Linda Axel and Deborah Fairon opened the ship's store and many enjoyed shopping through the great selection they provided. Everyone enjoyed the group atmosphere, even though the game left a little to be desired for Bronco fans.

## Life Jackets for Dogs

By Chris Edmonston,  
BoatsU.S., June/July 2012



***The last thing we want is for Fido to fall overboard, creating panic onboard, and a potential safety nightmare. Fitting him for a life jacket is easy — really! — if you follow a few simple tips."***

Some of the most important safety items on any boat are the life jackets — for you, your passengers, and of course your "best friend." Since our last report on this topic 12 years ago, the canine life jacket market has taken off by leaps and bounds. Back in 2000, we came up with four viable canine life jacket models. This time, we were easily able to double the number of jackets tested. West Marine has many in regular stock, and so do some of the big-box stores.

While it might seem as if all dogs have an innate ability to swim, many dogs simply don't take well to water. Dogs with low body fat, such as Greyhounds, or dogs with age or health issues may have trouble. Jackets are a good idea even for dogs that love the water. A long day in the water can get tiring, even for the best swimmers — a fact that was proven on our day of testing. Most of our test jackets came in a variety of sizes, so we were able to try them out on a variety of dogs — from a 12-pound rat terrier, to a 130-pound Newfoundland, and six other dogs in between. There are also different types of foam and construction materials in use today, as well as an inflatable model. With prices ranging from about \$20 to more than \$100, there's a vibrant dog-PFD market, and a jacket for every budget

### **Some Things To Consider Before Purchasing**

Is the dog likely to jump in the water? Is the dog heavy? Will the dog want to lie down, or will it be active? If you can, take your dog to the store to try on the jacket, or at least make sure you can take it back. See how the jacket fits, and how hard it is to adjust for a good fit. Check where the straps hit — you don't want the straps or buckles rubbing sensitive parts. Also, you'll want to check the way the foam padding rides on the dog — too much foam in the wrong place will make it uncomfortable, if not impossible, for the dog to sit or lie comfortably.

One feature that testers found universally important: a lifting strap/handle. If you've ever tried to pick up a swimming dog, you'll agree that having a lifting handle makes getting the dog back into the boat much easier. If your pet needs to be on a leash, having a ring on the collar is another important feature. Safety features to consider include having reflective tape and a jacket made of bright colors to make it easier to spot the dog in the water in adverse conditions. And keep in mind, if the jacket has Velcro-style closures, your dog's shedding might clog it up, and necessitate frequent cleaning.

# New Members! . . .

Slight swells and bright sunshine made the New Member's Brunch cruise a delight on January 26. Five boats carried 91 Seagate Yacht Club members and potential new members to the Acapulco restaurant in Long Beach. The event was hosted by Staff Commodore Jim Senske and Lyn and Staff Commodore Les Kelly and Cathy. Commodore Josef Davydovits and Kim welcomed the assembled group and introduced other attending Staff Commodores and the Board. Captains and First Mates Robin & Jean Clark (Fin-Tastic), Clem & Linda Aime (La Fortuna II), Staff Commodore Dennis & Kathy Kreil (Tagged & Released), Dick & Judie Kappes (Lucky Change) and Dennis Huffman & Peggy Allison (Bad Habit) graciously provided the transportation for this year's fun event!

Highlights of the event included the introduction of potential new members Anthony & Michelle Salcido and David & Ming Dickinson, the special opportunity to wish Dewey Rudolph (Sandy), our club founder, an early Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday and the acknowledgement of Jim Senske's thirty years of service as founder and host of the yearly New Members' Brunch. Entertainment was provided by Staff Commodore Ed Davis (Georgette) when he suggested the return of the Dumb Bell Award and was promptly and unanimously awarded this "prestigious" award by the entire group!

## Tuesday Cruzin Reminder

**TUESDAY CRUZIN'** will begin June 10, 2014 and will continue through the months of June, July, August and September on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday. For those who are not familiar with it, or have not attended in the past, Tuesday Cruzin' is an informal meeting of SGYC members and guests at Pelican Isle restaurant over at Peter's Landing. For those that want to come by boat, bring neighbors or friends on a dingy of Duffy. Guest docks are limited. Or, you can drive or walk. We meet at 6 p.m. and Pelican Isle usually has the tables on the walkway reserved for us. They keep separate checks for you, too. Enjoy the lively conversation along with cocktails and dinner. Watch a spectacular sunset as you cruise back home. Mark your calendar.



NEW MEMBERS

**Brad and Sheri Goodrich** have an interesting story. They met through E-Harmony.com and married over 5 years ago. They spent the first two years selling the homes each had lived in, for years. Her's in Orange; his in Arcadia. They wanted to live in Huntington Harbour. Sheri and Brad are both SoCal natives. He grew up in South Pasadena and Sheri in Orange. They have five children between them; two grandkids and another due in April.

Brad is a retired Junior High School teacher (35 years!) in Baldwin Park. He taught wood shop and drafting. Sheri is a hospitality event coordinator for everything from concerts to weddings to graduations.

Brad has two projects going on: a thirty two foot, single engine, 1968 Grand Banks "woody", named **Scuttlebutt**, which he is restoring. And, a 1929 Model 'A' roadster-pickup, sitting in his garage, which he recently acquired.

The couple love the water and their beautiful SeaGate home where they have lived for over three years. Inside, they have "made it their own". They have also redone the patio with all the entertaining conveniences. They share their home with Chewy, a very cute dog they rescued from the pound.

Sheri and Brad love boating and especially the cruise events at SGYC such as Avalon and Newport. They find our membership very friendly and met a lot of members by co-hosting the recent Super Bowl Party at the clubhouse. (In case you didn't attend, it was one of the best! The Taco Bar was a big hit.)

# Brunch



Larry	Stelle	3/1	Dale	Giali	3/23	Debbie	Wood	4/13
Carolyn	Platt	3/1	Jeffrey	Ricketts	3/23	Gary	Pazornik	4/15
Sally	Wasserman	3/1	Ellen	Martin	3/24	Jim	Walton	4/17
Susie	Pendleton	3/2	Sue	Hermelin	3/25	Janet	Carone	4/17
Jim	Montano	3/4	Roger	Wilhelm	3/25	Jay	Ferns	4/18
Katy	Reynolds	3/4	Patrick	Smith	3/25	Bruce	Bayless	4/20
Maryann	Boryszewski	3/5	Clement	Aime	3/26	Linda	Cohen	4/22
Elliott	Wainer	3/6	Linda	Aime	3/27	B.J.	Mettle	4/23
David	Bobier	3/8	Margaret	Humphreys	3/27	Joanne	Daugherty	4/23
Mary	Ritter	3/13	Fed	Cohen	4/2	Jerry	Russell	4/24
Karon	Walstad	3/13	Cecilia	Pugh	4/2	Richard	Verry	4/26
Barry	Wasserman	3/14	Debra	Wainer	4/2	Regina	O'Brien	4/26
Sandy	Meier	3/15	Ed	Davis	4/8	Deborah	Edwards	4/27
Linda	Cassidy	3/16	Roy	Jarvis	4/11	Carol	Kirkwood	4/27
Arlene	Dixon	3/17	Robert	Osborn	4/11	Mary	Shebell	4/30
Sheri	Goodrich	3/22	Jackie	Sands	4/12			

<i>Dennis &amp; Kathy Kreil</i>	<i>3/6</i>
<i>John &amp; Tricia Pratto</i>	<i>3/9</i>
<i>Wayne Sawka &amp; Lynne Preslo</i>	<i>3/15</i>
<i>Doug &amp; Sharon Fuhrman</i>	<i>3/16</i>
<i>Robert &amp; Joanne McCormick</i>	<i>3/21</i>
<i>Guy &amp; Caron Mount</i>	<i>4/6</i>
<i>Joel &amp; Sherrill Lander</i>	<i>4/13</i>
<i>Steve &amp; Imelda Armstrong</i>	<i>4/16</i>
<i>James &amp; Lesley Herbold</i>	<i>4/28</i>
<i>Elliott &amp; Debra Wainer</i>	<i>4/28</i>

## SHIPS STORE

### SGYC LOGO CLOTHING

LINDA AXEL 714/840-1940

DEBORAH FAIRON 949/287-4353

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Casino Road Trip  
Sunday-Monday , March 23-24*

*Opening Day  
Saturday, April 26*

*Avalon Cruise  
Friday-Sunday, May 16-18*

*Duffy Brunch Cruise to HHYC  
Sunday, June 1*



## 2014 CREW



Josef Davydovits	Commodore
Gil Morris	Vice Commodore
Rear Commodore	Dr. Mark Monroe
Jeff Specht	Jr. Staff Commodore
Cindy Allen	Secretary
Lisa Zia	Treasurer
Aurelia Okino	Membership
Rob Allen	Port Captain
Linda Axel	Ships Store
Deborah Fairon	Ships Store
Bob McCormick	Roster
Tom Worden	Webmaster
Joel Lander	Communications

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