

## FROM THE BRIDGE

guided by your Commodore Bob Axel

GOOD EVENING MR. AND MRS. AMERICA AND ALL THE SHIPS AT SEA, this is your faithful reporter Walter Windshield with all the news that fit to print: Date line SeaGate Yacht Club Opening Day; For those of you that missed this great event, Mike and Sharon Courtway took command and put on a wonderful opening day event on April 7. A large number of member craft sailed the waters of Huntington Harbour, led by your Commodore on the Linda Si and the sheriff's patrol boat, sounding the siren and shooting the fire pump to quell all the sparks set off by the noise. At the end of the two hour parade, all the boats passed in review of your flag officers as well as staff Commodores, for salutes and acknowledgment of their presence. The boats were filled with members. You can see all assembled on our website, to get a feeling of the fun experienced by all. The parade was followed by formal ceremonies and the official announcement that "THE 2007 BOATING SEASON IS NOW OPEN" After that, a full dinner was enjoyed by all. A great opening for what is expected to be a active, enjoyable aquatic year.

Date line Avalon, May 18, 2007; twelve boats and forty seven members and guests collected in Avalon harbor for the annual Avalon cruise. Mike and Sheree Novak arranged a stellar weekend of activities and good food. Mike set out all the events, a list of all participants along with the boat names and skippers in a bound publication that set a new bench mark in program publication for the club. That was just the beginning, Friday was the day for most of the arrivals, with a cocktail party at Discanso Beach Club, followed by dinner at various restaurants in Avalon. Saturday started with a miniature golf contest, followed by lunch and a tour of the many tiles that adorn Avalon, with a guide telling the origin and significance of the many tiles. Saturday dinner was a steak, chicken, fish, and rib bar-bque under the stars on Descanso Beach. Departure was on Sunday morning, and the weather and seas cooperated to cap off a great weekend. Again I refer you to the website to share all the feeling of the trip.

This reporter would like to remind each reader or the upcoming activities.

June 4 will be the kick-off of Tuesday Cruzin. Each second and fourth Tuesdays you are invited to take your electric boat or dingy to Pelican Landing (the old JD's) at 5:30 in Peters Landing for dinner. It's great on a summer's evening. On June, Night at the Races will gallop off, followed by the Country & Western Night on July 21. Mark your calendars. As our time slot comes to an end, let me thank all the members and their crew for making these events so successful. This is Walter Windshield, signing off ......

#### Catalina Island 2007 Commodore Wins Dumb Bell Award By Mike Novak

The waters were calm, and the weather pleasant as the SGYC fleet headed to Catalina Island for our annual cruise. Twelve boats in all and 47 members and guests enjoyed the weekend.

Some of our members arrived Thursday night to make sure they secured a good mooring and to settle in for the weekend. On Friday the rest of the fleet arrived and by early afternoon everyone was on their moorings. The dingies were in the water, the burgees were up, and cocktails were being served. Tom Worden did the photography duties and started by visiting every boat for a photo session.

One of the weekend activities was the Second Annual Commodore's Miniature golf Tournament. Folks played at their leisure and according to their own weekend schedule. The scorecards were later reviewed by the event officials and Mary Lund was award the best golfer prize. Best male golfer was Commodore Bob Axel, with Ollie Clark winning the special cruise director award.

At 5PM it was off to the Descanso Bay Beach Club for evening cocktails. We had a great crowd with plenty of boat stories: Russel's broken water pump, Clark's water in his fuel, and many more. After a fun get-together everyone headed off for their favorite evening spot. SGYC members could be found at traditional spots such as The Channel House, Steve's Steak House, and El Galleon.

Saturday was another very pleasant day in Avalon. Some of us went on a Tile Walking Tour sponsored by the Catalina Museum that gave the history of tile manufacturing and art on the island. Others headed into the canyon for the Avalon's Second Annual Hoe Down which turned out to be a wonderful event.

On Saturday night we had our Catalina Island BBQ under the stars at the Descanso Bay Beach Club. Our members checked in and helped themselves to cocktails and joined in on the fun. We exchanged stories about our day and then settled in for our BBQ dinner. Our Commodore was the head chef and his cooking crew cooked up some very tasteful steaks, ribs, chicken and fish. The salad bar and accompaniments were great and added to an excellent meal. For dessert Mary Lund and Sheree Novak cut a delicious SGYC cake.

Following dinner the Commodore handed out the Cruise Plaques to participating boats and then decided to open nominations for the Dumb Bell Award. Interesting enough, however, there were only a couple of mild infractions of nautical rules, none of which were really serious to be a fit winner. But then our resident photographer, Tom Worden, came forward with new evidence. He showed us all a picture of one of our SGYC boats hitting the Harbor Master boat while getting on to the mooring. The SGYC boat was none other than the Linda Si', skippered by our Commodore himself. Following 5 minutes of laughter the Commodore was unanimously voted to receive the Dumb Bell Award.

Our BBQ was followed by many of our members strolling along Crescent Ave. before returning to their boat or room.

On Sunday morning our SGYC boats and members left for home with memories of Catalina 2007.



## Welcome to New Members by John Humphreys

The following new members have joined our club recently:

Nancy Ehlen & Dean Knupp – Windspun Drive Dale & Susan Giali – Bimini Lane Patricia Kirk – Bravata Drive Michael & Alice Reedy – Windspun Drive Katy Reynolds – Tortola Circle

#### Please join me in welcoming them to our club



## **NIGHT AT THE RACES**

Please join us this year for another fabulous night at the Los Alamitos race track. We have reservations for June 23rd . Last year's party was a blast, so don't miss out on the fun this year. We look forward to seeing all of you there. Some things to look forward to are preferred parking, designated seating for all SeaGate members and a special presentation by the Los Alamitos Trumpeter and Race Steward.. A savethe-date flyer is on our web site so be sure to check it out, an invitation will be mailed soon.



#### FROM THE REAR

by Ray Nagele, Rear Commodore



The boating events are lining up! We have just booked a cruise to King Harbor Yacht Club for June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>. Richard Kappes is the host for this cruise. This took contacts and a lot of work to get approved, KHYC's policy is to not allow cruise visits during the summer, but we persevered. Almost inked is a cruise to Dana West Yacht Club, a favorite yacht club for many. This will be on July 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>. Happy Sailing!

### **Safe Boating Course**

#### John Humphreys

On May 12<sup>th</sup> 14 of our members took part in the Safe Boating Course conducted by the US Coast Guard auxiliary at the Seagate Club House. This was an all day activity conducted by 4 different USCG aux. Instructors into boating safety, safety equipment, anchoring, docking & undocking, U.S. Aids to Navigation system, man overboard recovery, emergency radio calls etc. We also had some fun with tying different knots, bowline, stopper knot, clove hitch & fastening to a cleat. While learning sound signals to avoid collisions the instructors had the students play with small boats with whistles - we should have some good pictures including our Rear Commodore and Junior Staff Commodore. There was an exam at the end of the day and all of the participants were awarded the ABC Boating Certificate, which should earn them a discount on their marine insurance.

### **BOAT OWNERS** Save the dates...

#### June 29 through July 1

Two nights and three days at King Harbor Yacht Club in King Harbor. Wonderful opportunity to enjoy a great weekend with other SGYC members. More details to follow.

Contact: Richard Kappes (714) 840-8087



#### **SHIP'S STORE**

Visit the Ship's Store at the Bonaire Clubhouse events. There are many wonderful new Seagate Yacht Club articles for sale.

# BIRTHDAYS

Naulty	Dick	6/1
Huffman	Dennis	6/3
Stelle	Carole	6/3
Worden	Tom	6/5
Haas	Tina	6/7
McKnew	Tom	6/8
Ward	Barbara	6/8
Davydovits	Josef	6/10
Barnett	Don	6/10
Parada	Helena	6/12
Lipman	Marty	6/13
DeHeus	Michael	6/13
Kennedy	Ralph	6/26
Jenkes	Pat	6/27
Ward	Tom	6/29

#### JULY

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Bogert	Kay	7/2
Senske	Jim	7/10
Boryszewski	John	7/10
Runic	Radmila	7/10
Lundin	Herb	7/11

## ANNIVERSARIES

Mark & Jacons Dougharty	0.15
Mark & Joanne Daugherty	6/5
Tom & Barbara Ward	6/14
Eugene & Lucille Mascoli	6/15
Jerry & Linda Cassidy	6/17
Bob and Linda Axel	6/20
Joe & Barbara Siegel	6/21
Mark & Linda Stephan	6/22
Steve & Nancy Metro	6/24
Dwayne & Mary Lund	6/24
Ed & Georgette Davis	7/4
Greg & Kathy Lee	7/7
Radha & Prem Sharma	7/8
Morton & Susan La Pittus	7/8
Dewey & Sandy Rudolph	7/9
Larry & Carole Stelle	7/11
Herb & Mary Lundin	7/13
Richard & Judie Kappes	7/21
Marty & Susan Lipman	7/23
George & Jeanne Smith	7/24
Paul & Stephanie Thomas	7/28
A. Michael & Sharon Courtway	7/29

## **TUESDAY CRUZIN**

SECOND AND FOURTH <u>TUESDAYS</u> OF THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST





## Your 2007 Crew

Bob Axel, Commodore Cleve Sproule, Vice Commodore Ray Nagele, Rear Commodore Mike Courtway, Jr. Staff Commodore Marty Lipman, Treasurer Susan Lipman, Secretary John & Margaret Humphreys, Membership Jerry Cassidy, House Chair Bea Swanson & Ted Cohen, Ship's Store Tom Worden, Webmaster

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