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DOCKUP & RAFTUP

FROM THE BRIDGE

By Les Kelly,
Commodore



Just one year ago, as I wrote my first “From The Bridge,” I wondered how my tour as Commodore would go during the SeaGate Yacht Club’s 35th year. I knew that the SeaGate Yacht Club is all about its members and their desire to have fun while enjoying friendship and boating activities. Gracious Event Hosts had volunteered with the promise that we would have a great party year and enjoyable boating events.

The Event Hosts delivered great activities and events just as they promised. They put their talents to work and created some wonderful parties and great boating events. The members came and partied and had good times.

It has been a pleasure and a distinct privilege to have Dewey Rudolph and Sandy, who started the Club with co-founder Pat Kelley, join in the fun. Dewey continues to be a seriously fun guy. We will always remember his funny speech and his fake hairpiece at our 35th anniversary dinner party.

It has also been a privilege to serve with and to receive the full support the 2011 Flag Officers and members of the Board of Directors. SeaGate Yacht Club continues to be successful because of its fun loving members. Thanks to all SeaGate Yacht Club Members for your full support.

Dale Giali, supported by First Mate Susan Westover, will soon take over the role of Commodore. They have already created — and the board has approved — a club logo incorporating our Burgee. They have developed a full slate of activities for all to enjoy, both on and off the water. As I, along with Cathy, stand down and Dale begins his tour as Commodore, I know that he will guide the SeaGate Yacht Club through another successful year of friendship and boating activities.



FROM THE VICE

By Dale Giali,
Vice Commodore



“A politician needs the ability to foretell what is going to happen...[a]nd the ability afterwards to explain why it didn’t...”
Winston Churchill

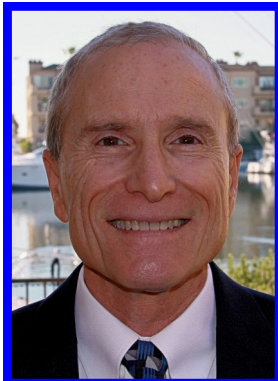
I am honored to be the commodore-elect of this great club and will try real hard to be worthy of the position. Running unopposed, I was never tested by the heat of a campaign. Thank goodness for that. That’s not to say I would have shied away from competition and don’t think I didn’t have my stump speech in the can in case a challenger materialized. Though I never had to make any campaign promises, I figured it’s safe to share a few I was prepared, on an as-needed basis, to announce:

1. On Revenue Sources: Members will have the option of rolling dice against the club for double-or-nothing on annual dues.
2. On Foreign Policy: One harbour, one people. Please.
3. On Transportation and the Environment: Blast a route through the Bolsa Chica wetlands to Huntington Harbour, so we don’t have to cruise all the way past Sunset Beach just to get home. Saves time. Saves fuel.
4. On Foreign Trade: Free trade with our distinguished neighbor to the south. HHYC provides its world class brunch free every Sunday and we provide our hungry members.
5. On Infrastructure: Fine tune our P.A. system and soundproof the clubhouse so that we actually can understand the person speaking into the microphone (I really would love to deliver on this one).
6. On Commodore Columns in the Burgee: Keep working on it – at some point, I hope to actually come up with something remotely funny. In the meantime, I promise not to write about things that already are well covered in the Burgee by others!

Looking forward to leaving port often!

FROM THE REAR

Jeff Specht
Rear Commodore



Hard to believe summer is over and we have already started working on the boat parade entry. This year the theme is “Island Paradise”. Our entry will be something different - creative and hopefully another winner for our club. Check your emails for all the work party dates; we need all the help we can get. What a great boating season for the Cruisers and Duffy’s. It was outstanding to see our Burgee flying at several new yacht clubs and the photos of our members exchanging burgees with yacht clubs both far and near.

This year it flew at Wild Bill’s Raft up and it was an event to be remembered by all. We worked closely with other clubs to make the raft up a success. SGYC Burgee also flew at 2 new local yacht clubs events. Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club and Dana Point Yacht Club, which was fun for all that attended. The Annual Avalon Cruise and Newport Harbor Cruise at BCYC were again our premier boating events and did not disappoint!

Our expanded Duffy schedule was fun for everyone. The annual Duffy Cruise was as popular as always and enjoyed by all. The 2 added Duffy Brunch cruises to HHYC were a big hit with over 40 attending each one. The event was a win-win for HHYC and SGYC. Tuesday Cruzin’ turned out to be as popular as ever with good turn-outs. Next year we will be adding to our water event schedule “Cruise with the Commodores”. This will be a no sign-up or deposit casual cruise to local destinations.

Bonnie and I have really enjoyed being Rear Commodore this year. Anytime we can get on the water is special for us. We are looking forward to our year as Vice Commodore and some great event/parties

Good Sailing,

Jeff Specht, Rear Commodore

Boating Tip: Exercising your boats engines at least once a month is important to keep them healthy (and exercising yourself is not a bad idea either). Condensation gets on engine components and can cause problems. Starting your engines and running them until they reach operating temperature is important. I run mine at approximately 1700rpm for gas and 1000rpm for diesels until they reach operating temperature. Also, don't forget the generator. Start it up and then turn on the fresh water pump and then the water heater to load the generator. I ran them for approximately 15 minutes. Then turn off the loads and let it cool a few minutes and then shut down.

DANA POINT CRUISE

Our Dana Point cruise was blessed with sunny weather and smooth seas. It was attended by 5 boats and 21 people. Friday night there was a cocktail party hosted by Bonnie and Jeff Specht on their boat.

Saturday night was a delicious buffet dinner at Dana West Yacht Club. We exchanged Burgees and fun was had by all!



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EVENT HOSTS
STAFF COMMODORE
CLEVE SPROULE
& MARK ARIZMENDI

DOCKUP & RAFTUP

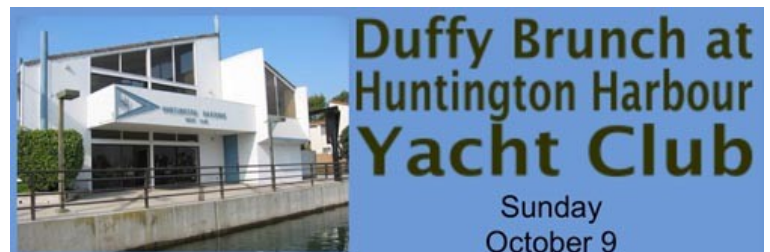
On Friday, September 23, a flotilla, of 7 SGYC boats anchored and rafted in the Lido Turning Basin and 8 of our club boats docked at Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club for the Annual Newport Harbor Raft-up of SGYC club members and guests. The event was hosted by Staff Commodore Cleve Sproule and Mark Arizmendi.

A special thanks to Clem and Linda Aime on board “La Fortuna II” as the lead anchor boat in our dockside Med-tie and to Floyd and Mira D’Angelo on board “RO III” for successfully securing our anchorage and assisting each boat onto the “line-up.”

Friday evening nearly 50 members and guests gathered around the guest dock at Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club for a hosted cocktail party, kicking off a great weekend. Following cocktails, our members and guests adjourned to the BCYC dining room and enjoyed a wonderful Italian buffet topped off by homemade tiramisu and cookies, prepared by BCYC’s Chief Georges. The evening was capped off with officer and guest recognition, followed by welcoming comments by our Commodore, Les Kelly, and Rear Commodore, Jeff Specht, then distributed yacht participation plaques and announced the winning recipients of beautiful rose centerpieces created by Cathy Kelly. It was a perfect evening! Many thanks to Rob Allen, House Captain and Cindy Allen, Secretary for transporting and organizing the SGYC bar!

A relaxing Saturday morning offered us time to climb into our tenders/dinghies and spend a leisurely day visiting other club members on their boats, time to choose our next boat at the Newport-Lido in-the-water boat show, or just enjoy some of the great restaurants and attractions of Newport Harbor. At 3 o’clock members and guests lined up at the BCYC dock to board Greg and Kathy Lee’s magnificent 28’ custom tugboat, “Traveler” as well as Mike and Sharon Courtway’s Wellcraft, “Gimme 5”, for a cruise out to the raft-up where a hosted cocktail party (with cocktails, appetizers, lively music and even dancing), was well underway. At 5:30 PM, some of our members and guests reboarded “Traveler”, “Gimme 5” and dinghies to return to BCYC to barbeque our steaks, chicken, etc., while others remained at the raft-up to continue the party.

Sunday morning, one by one, our skippers dropped lines and headed back to port on smooth seas with memories of another great weekend spent with our fellow SGYC members.



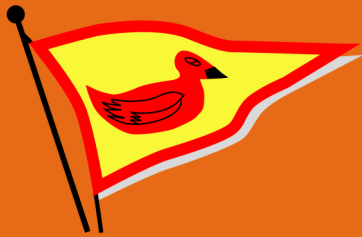
WILD WEST NIGHT

Gambling returned to our finest saloon (the Bonaire clubhouse) on Saturday, October 22. Our favorite bartender Rob Allen served shots of whiskey and the regular libations. Saloon girls Jan Nagele and Cindy Allen greeted ladies and gents at the door where they posed for pictures with John Wayne. There was tasty campfire grub served. The gambling was great fun and Sheriff Ray Nagele passed out lots of prizes at the end of the evening. Special thanks go to Cindy Shaw, Debra Wainer, Ship's Store, and Advanced Wellness Center for their generous donations. And thanks to our Commodore Les and Cathy Kelly for their help. It was a rootin' tootin' good time for all who attended.

Hosts: Rob n Cindy Allen & Ray n Jan Nagele

Best Costumes: Eliot n Debbie Wainer & Dick n Linda Scholl

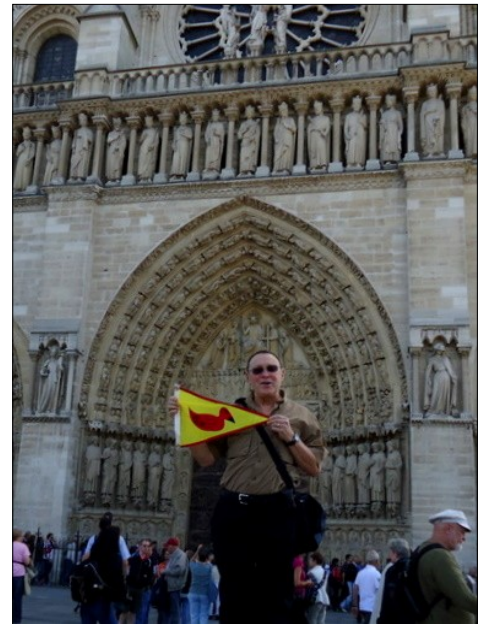




WHERE IN THE WORLD HAS OUR BURGEE BEEN?



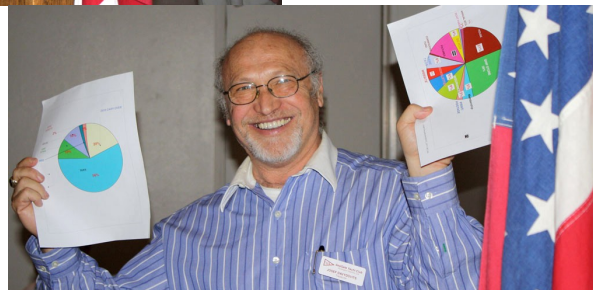
Our Burgee visited some notable Paris landmarks with the Landers on their recent trip to Europe



Annual



Meeting



Anniversaries

Parada / Brown	11/11
Shebell/McCormick	11/16
Cloud	11/18
Boryszewski	11/21
O'Brien	11/22
D'Angelo	11/25
Dixon	11/25
Brinket	11/27
Davydovits	11/30
Humphreys	12/6
Hoffman	12/12
Thornburg	12/20
Busby	12/22
Senske	12/23
Sands	12/26
Bayless	12/29
Platt	12/31

Birthdays

Rich Rector	11/1	John Arndt	11/29
Scott Mueller	11/4	Cathy Kelly	11/30
David Fell	11/7	Dean Knupp	12/1
Verna Smith	11/8	Gary Bartlett	12/5
Danette Weimurtz	11/11	Bea' Swanson	12/5
Kathy Bayless	11/12	Mona Jones	12/7
Caron Mount	11/12	Pam Jackson	12/11
Mike Kilbourn	11/13	Sharon Smith	12/11
Cathy Liddle	11/13	Dennis Kreil	12/12
Steve Pisano	11/16	Mary Kay Shelton	12/12
Tom Gallagher	11/17	Sherrie Ferns	12/13
Judie Kappes	11/17	Lucille Mascoli	12/13
Patrick Carter	11/18	Georgette Davis	12/16
Martha Fee	11/19	Ruth Ormsby	12/17
Richard Kappes	11/19	Nancy Ehlen	12/21
Robin Clark	11/21	Nat Pendleton	12/23
Michael Novak	11/24	Pat Reed	12/23
Francis Okino	11/24	Jan Nagele	12/24
Mary Louise Lund	11/27	Guy Fairon	12/27
Radha Sharma	11/27	Lynne Preslo	12/30
Tricia Pratto	11/28		

New Members



DONNA DEGELE

leads a busy life. She is retired seven years, now, from a career in sales of fine printing paper. She has lived in her very lovely SeaGate home at the end of Bimini – the one with the ga-

zebo- for 18 years. She stays active playing golf, going to aqua aerobics and pilates, traveling or taking a cruise, or just setting down with a good book. She loves non-fiction and especially those of historical matters. She is also a member of Dusty Wings, a club for ex-airline stewardess'.

She has a son in Tustin and a daughter in Surfside AND six grandchildren that keep her busy.

Donna is a native of Oregon, but has lived in California most of her life. She has a Duffy named "Current A'fare" and she has one pet, a cat named Kramer.

Donna is happy she joined SGYC with all its friendly members. Give Donna a hearty welcome when you see her.

New Members



PETER GREATBATCH

was born and raised in Birmingham, England. He has a mechanical engineer degree and was recruited to the United States in 1983 by Aluminum Precision Products. He still works for the company.

At this time Peter is recovering from a complete shoulder replacement and will soon return to the workforce.

Peter was married for thirty years and has three daughters: Angela, Rebecca and Jessica, and one grandson. They all live in the area. Peter has a passion for old British "classic" cars and motorcycles. His current project is a 1964 MGB. He also re-works their engines and transmissions. And buys and sells engine parts for them.

Peter has enjoyed SGYC events he has attended. He feels the club creates a good, friendly atmosphere where he feels "at ease".

Welcome to SeaGate Yacht Club, Peter.

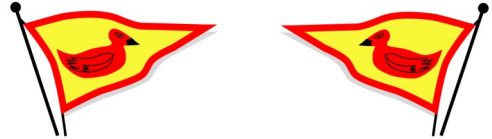
**SHIPS STORE
SHOWCASE**
IN THE UPSTAIRS BAR
NEW SGYC LOGO CLOTHING
FOR EVERYONE
KIM DAVYDOVITS, 714/840-8333

COMMODORE'S BALL
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

**HUNTINGTON HARBOR
BOAT PARADE**
SAT/SUN DECEMBER 10/11

NEW YEARS PARTY
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

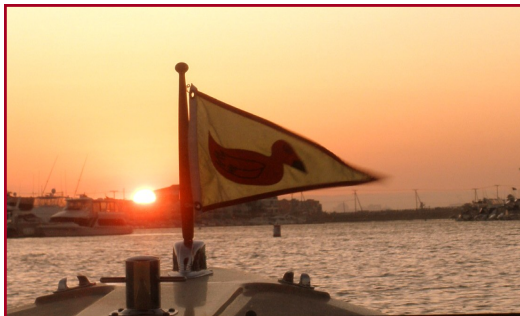
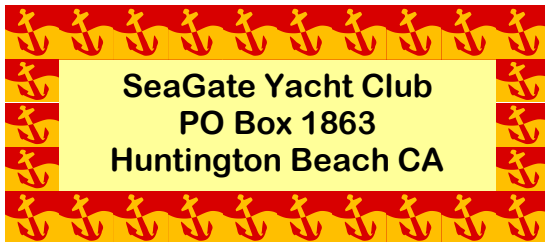
SUPERBOWL PARTY
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5



2011 CREW

Les Kelly	Commodore
Dale Giali	Vice-Commodore
Jeff Specht	Rear-Commodore
John Humphreys	Jr. Staff Commodore
Cindy Allen	Secretary
Josef Davydovits	Treasurer
Joanne McCormick	Membership
Rob Allen	House
Kim Davydovits	Ships Store
Bob McCormick	Roster
Tom Worden	Webmaster
Joel Lander	Communications

*Many thanks to those of you who contribute to the Burgee. Thanks to Mike Courtway for the biographies. Special recognition to our Webmaster Tom Worden, Secretary Cindy Allen & Commodore Les Kelly for our excellent website photos .
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