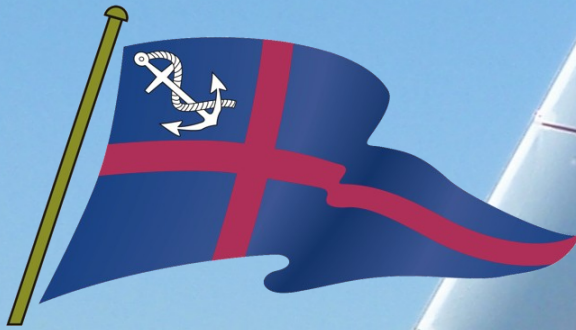


Spring Season Opener - the Les Storrs Series
Saturday, March 19th 2011
Open to PHRF and One-Design Boats
Race #2 on Saturday, March 19th is an ASMBYC Hi-Point Series Race



The BEACON



Jerome's and Nik's
new POGO 2
6.50 meter,
rocket ship

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Commodore's Report



Hi SCCYC Members & friends,

It is with great pride that I get to call South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club my home. We are the little club that could! SCCYC is known as the friendliest club in the marina for a good reason. The friendships, warm spirit and endless volunteerism make our club a wonderful place to be. For 2011, we have a terrific Cruising Schedule lead by Sandy Bartiromo, our 1st Friday and 3rd Saturday dinners, the best sunsets in town, dinghy racing every Thursday for the Sunstroke Series, and many other parties during the year. In addition, we were awarded the prestigious SCYA Yacht Club of the year trophy for the 3rd year in a row! I hope you take advantage of everything the "Friendliest Club in the Marina" has to offer. **March is a very active month at SCCYC, and provides lots of excuses to come enjoy the balcony & see friends!**

SCCYC's Opening Day countdown has begun!!! Please don't miss this

festive kick off for the 2011 yachting season at South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club.

First Friday Dinner: We begin this fun month with our SCCYC 1st Friday Dinner on ***Friday, March 4th***. As always, cocktails at 6:00 & dinner at 7:00. Be there!

Club Clean Up: We begin with our annual top to bottom Club Clean Up this weekend. Officially, the clean up is on ***Sunday, March 6th from 10:00 to 4:30 or 5:00***. Bring your grubbies, painting clothes, cleaning supplies & rags, and prepare to work hard. Please feel free to bring food to feed the hard working crowds! It is the one time a year we give the club a lot of love, so please do your best to be there. I will also be there ***Saturday, March 5th after 1:00*** to get a jump start on it. Let's show how proud we are of our little club.

Bristol Boat Contest: For all boat owners in dry storage at SCCYC and in the water near the club, we are having a Bristol Boat Contest! We are calling all Lidos, C15's, Stars, Santana 20's – It is time to buff that boat out & clean up the junk! For our Opening Day ceremony, we proudly display our dinghy fleet by surrounding the guest seating with the spiffiest boats in our club. For Paul May & any other boats in the water near the club, we would love to have you proudly show off your Bristol best on Opening Day, complete with flags. We will have prizes for the best Bristol boat in the water, and best Bristol dry storage boat! Come down & get your boat sparkling & decorated! You should try fly flags to ensure you are very festive!

Opening Day weekend!! There are a lot of events to join in over the course of the weekend. We need all hands on deck to help with set up & participate in the fun of welcoming guests from all over Southern California. Don't forget to clean and press your best white trousers or skirt, and shirts. Get your navy blazer cleaned & adorned with the SCCYC bulion on the chest & name tag ready to go.

- Friday, March 11th: Come join us for Sunset on the balcony. No official events, but SCCYC is the perfect place to enjoy the end of your busy week.
- Saturday, March 12th: During the day we need all hands on deck to do our floral arrangements, get tables set up, champagne glasses ready, etc.
- Saturday at sunset is the **Cannon Ceremony!** This is a really fun event

with every yacht club in Marina del Rey shooting cannons at the exact same time! It's fun to hear our cannons go boom!

Sunday, March 13th: The BIG day! Bring your yachtie best attire & welcome the guests & dignitaries! We serve lots of homemade food, Irish coffees and mimosas. It is the one day that the club puts on its best red white & blue, and a one day not to miss!!!

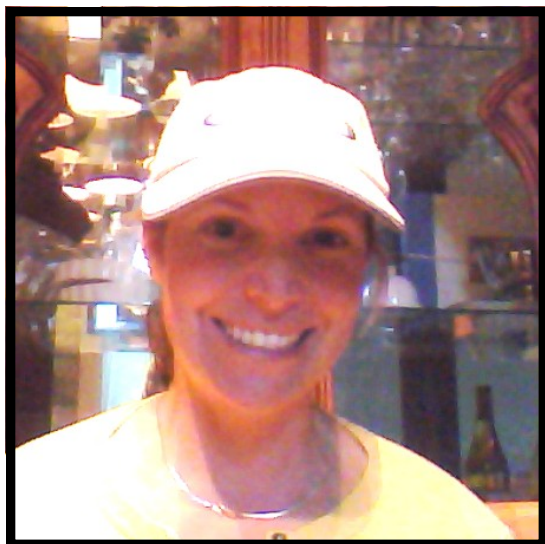
Saturday the following weekend is the ***Les Storrs Regatta on March 19th***, with our ***Membership Meeting & Dinner*** at 7:00 PM the same day. Les Storrs is a big regatta, where SCCYC hosts the kick off for racing in Marina del Rey.

2011 is just beginning for our little club! It is my goal that we include all members, including power boaters, sailors, and fishermen, chefs, paddlers, bicycling & hiking members, with everything we do. I am here to make it a wonderful year, so please talk to me! We have bantered around the idea of a poker run using bikes & dinghies, just as a start. The camaraderie begins with you right now!! Be there for March

If you are interested, inspired, willing, or just able to make a difference, please call or e-mail!!! Thank you for your friendship!

Warmest regards,

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Vice Commodore's Report



Welcome to March Madness. It's that time of year when we get ready to open our club for the 2011 season. While I have a few things to say about that, there are some thank-you acknowledgments that are long overdue. The first is to Robert Symer for stepping up for the first Friday of the year, cooking a fabulous turkey dinner. I was out of town but I hear it was on fire (literally, Trish tells me that it looked like the San Francisco Bay fog rolling out of the kitchen!). Though no one really knows why the stove chose that moment to exercise its right to protest good cooking, it was swiftly taken care of. The stove was reprimanded and has resigned itself to "cook nice" for the time being. Thanks to Robert for keeping that stove in line. It was tested at the January membership meeting where "Greek Night" served up stuffed pitas by yours truly and came out with flying colors. The second thank-you goes out to Bruce Fleck for cooking chicken curry for the First Friday in February. (And an award goes out to the person who can say that 10 times fast without stuttering). Though not as dramatic as January's first fog, from

what I hear, it was incredibly yummy. Larry Hoskinson had a Pizza party on his OD helping everyone to carb-load before Midwinters the next day. Our February general membership meeting just so happened to be the night after pizza night and during the stormiest day in the SCYA midwinters regatta. Hence it was a little quiet around the club but those who made it were rewarded with a warm bowl of beef stew and a little basketball entertainment (aka a slam dunk contest). A final thank-you to Paul May for his help in clean-up that night. Bob Kellock had the OD shift for the Sunday half of the Mid-winters regatta and celebrated amongst members and guests his official title of a "life member" of SCCYC. Congrats go out to Bob along with big thanks for the pizza, libations, and especially for my favorite, the chocolate dipped strawberries contributed in by Samantha Carlson. If you weren't there, you missed out. So now you're caught up on the past, let's talk about the future...



It turns out that anyone can cook for a First Friday or a General Membership meeting dinner. And if you like cooking, you're in luck because there are a few spots available for you to unleash the inner "cuisine artiste" in you. If you don't like cooking but like to eat, consider "take-out" and "take it" to a meeting.

Starting this month, there will be a sign



Rapt attention to the Slam Dunk Competition. Karyn, Jim, Nick, Matt.

up sheet at the club for anyone who would like to host a dinner. But you don't have to wait for me to put the sign-up

sheet at the club. You can email me at vicecommodore@sccyc.org and let me know when it is that you would like to cook. I know, it's a lot to process in one article but it's my first one of the year. Remember, this club belongs to all of us, is shared by all of us and reflects on all of us as a membership. So come on, step in and step up. Hope to see you soon!

This First Friday, March 4th will be



hosted by Mary Ho. If you haven't had a chance to look at the calendar on-line she will be presenting her trip to Easter Island so mark your calendar today. The following Sunday March 6th will be the first of our two annual club clean-up days. Yes it's that time of year again and I'm sure we all would like to have a clean club for our visiting friends and dignitaries. I'll be there starting around 10:30 am. We need as many people to help out as possible. The 12th will be the final clean-up day before the club officially opens. We can end this day with a sip of a refreshing beverage and sunset cannon at 18:00.

Burgee Bounty



Mike Quigley brought a Burgee back fro the Waikiki yacht Club. Nice smile Mike!

New?

Membership

Membership Count

Flag Members70

Life Members4

Non Resident5

Welcome Back to Carl Radusch and Becky. Carl is joining as a Staff Commodore.

Assuming Tiffany Becker gets voted in during the March Board meeting we have a 7 year high for Flag Members at 70.





Race Report

Todd Richard Buese

The Champagne Series was my first time to skipper my own boat in a race. Aboard General Lee -a Merit 25; was Amanda, Tiffany, Dave, Nick and myself. We raced in the cruiser class, since the crew was relatively new to racing and the boat does not yet have an official PHRF certificate. About eight boats involved. Wind was light. The tactician, Nick Sampson, an accomplished racer, guided the more inexperienced skipper and crew.

It was quite an exciting experience. The race was quite long and really ended up being a test of endurance. There were multiple other races going on and throughout the race there were times when the boats were in very close proximity. It was exciting trying to edge each other out, but we ended up losing the wind going around the last mark. I would have to say that no bad decisions were made, but our inexperience showed. We didn't finish first, but we didn't finish last, which was quite an impressive feat.

Skippering is an excellent opportunity to be a good leader. Inherently, your're put in a position of ultimate command. Skippering also requires confi-

dence. This comes from knowledge and experience and so the more learning you do about handling situations the more confident you'll be and the better leader you'll become.

One tip I would recommend for a newbie is don't be afraid to have someone on board who knows what they are doing. We relied on Nick's help and almost had a picture perfect race. The crew was patient and energetic, and that goes a long way to keeping the mood light, which is important especially for such a long race. I look forward to more races so I can build up my arsenal of knowledge.



PROPS



Tiffany Becker accepting Trophy for PHRF B Mid Winters, First Place. That's me holding the drink and grub.

Larry Hoskinson with Gigi aboard won the Super Bowl Regatta in Lido Bs. Larry gets kicked to the A fleet!



Jerome with Doug Weitz aboard won Mid Winters in the OPEN 5.70 Fleet

OD Schedule

March 2011					
3/4/2011	Trish La Vay	3/5/2011	Gary Magnuson	3/6/2011	Brian Mason
3/11/2011	Paul May	3/12/2011	Scott McKenney	3/13/2011	Steve Mullen
3/18/2011	Vincent Paternoster	3/19/2011	Gary Schaffel	3/20/2011	Nick Sampson
3/25/2011	Jerome Sammarcelli	3/26/2011	Matt Schulz	3/27/2011	Leonard Schusterman
April 2011					
Friday 1800-2000 (Summer Hours)		Saturday 1200-1700 (Summer Hours)		Sunday 1200 - 1700 Hrs (Summer Hours)	
4/1/2011	Mike Priest	4/2/2011	John O'donnell	4/3/2011	Michelle Shanks
4/8/2011	Mike Sikov	4/9/2011	Charles Smith	4/10/2011	Willie Smith
4/15/2011	Robert Symer	4/16/2011	John Thomas	4/17/2011	Mark Tilford
4/22/2011	Ryan Turner	4/23/2011	Nik Vale	4/24/2011	Steve Vincent
4/29/2011	Bert Whalley	4/30/2011	Mel Widowski		

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