Laguna Woods Yacht Club

February 2023



THE MAIN SHEET

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LWYC

Organization Chart

- Commodore -Terry Kesinger
- Vice Commodore
 Glenn Brown
- Rear Commodore -Gaye Christoffersen
- Recording Secretary - Kayli Offerle
- Treasurer Mary Longtin
- Staff
 Commodore Jan Badgely
- Staff
 Commodore Pat Rojek

Advisory Board

The Advisory Board is comprised of former LWYC commodores whose term as Staff Commodores have expired.

- Lloyd Chase
- Phil Foreman
- Jeff Sadler
- Darrell Vorderstrasse
- Wayne Carlson

Committee Chairs

- Communications-Gaye Christoffersen
- Finance Mary Longtin
- IT David Raber & Joel Sigman



The dimensions are 4 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 1 1/8" in leaded crystal. A real beauty!

Commodore's Corner

It was a real pleasure to see so many members and guests at our February meeting! We hope you enjoyed the program and the camaraderie, and we're looking forward to seeing you in March. For those of you who didn't have a chance to see it, here's the Dana Point Boat Parade 2022 Holiday Spirit award presented to Hiatus.

As part of our ongoing maintenance of Hiatus, the Board and the Skippers Committee will be evaluating the engine and transmission to determine if repair or replacement is

- Maintenance -Darrel Vorderstrasse
- Main SheetSandi Marcus
- Membership -Jack Dunnigan
- Program Gaye Christoffersen
- Sailing Academy
 Glenn Brown
- Social Anita Loos-Hannifan & Kayli Offerle

necessary. We will be performing dockside testing soon and will keep you informed of our progress.

Finally, whale season is here, and our club's whale watching cruise is right around the corner. Additionally, on February 28, 2023, at 7 p.m., Dana Wharf, the Ocean Institute and Captain Dave's Dolphin Safari will be presenting "Whale Watching, Success and Safety," a video session with helpful tips for observing our marine visitors. For more information go to:

https://www.youtube.com/live/4KnMqFfkrsg?feature=share

"Never a ship sails out of bay but carries my heart as a stowaway."

— Roselle Mercier Montgomery

Terry Kesinger, Commodore

LOST & FOUND

Potholder from Feb mtg



Beautiful shawl from 2022 Mardi Gras



Looks like our meetings in our new "home" in

Clubhouse 7 are a big success! Thanks to all

who helped make the transition go so

smoothly.

Upcoming events

GET EXCITED NOW!!!

(Details to follow as finalized)

February 21 - Per Judith Bacher, the Whale Watching event in Dana Point is closed. It will run from 2:30-4:30 with 80 members and guests from our club on board. (Whoo-hoo!!) Make plans with members to connect for a post-sail dinner or Happy Hour in the area.

March 1 - General meeting and Social Hour at our beautiful new location in Clubhouse 7. Check in at 4:45 and grab a glass of Prosecco. Don't forget that all attendees <u>must</u> wear their ID to be served at the bar, so check-in *first*. Members will be receiving ID

HELP

Desperately Needed!!

None of our events can be done and run smoothly without volunteers. We need people to sign up as regulars for the monthly meetings to help with check-in, and to set-up food and decor. We're looking for enough to cover absences, so people don't have to fret about taking a vacation or otherwise missing a meeting.

If you noted on your membership application that you'd help with social activities, we need you NOW. Please contact Kayli to sign on. You'll meet new members, help the Club and, most of all, <u>HAVE</u> FUN!

Have a story to share?

We're looking for speakers for our monthly meetings. It doesn't have to be from a Club member, but it could. Have <u>you</u> enjoyed memorable

badges on a lanyard. Guests will still wear paper badges. Look for guests with the smiley face sticker and make them feel welcome. **Reminder: Future meetings are the 1st Wednesday of the month.**

March 30 - We are already in the process of planning a Wine Tasting/Light Dinner/Karaoke event in CH 5. Anita Loos-Hannifan, Judith Bacher and Nancy Chris-Brown are leads. We have the room from 3-9 p.m. which includes set-up and clean-up. The cost is still TBD, but it will be \$10 more for guests. Details will be in a separate registration blast.

However, this can't happen without additional volunteers!

Please contact the named coordinator and let them know if you can commit to helping that night.

We can't hold these events without more help from membership!

(Contact info is in the Membership Directory.)

Check-in: Nancy Chris-Brown is lead and needs someone to monitor the ID badge table.

Set-up tables: Nancy Chris-Brown needs 3 people.

Set-up food: Judith Bacher needs 4 people.

September 12 - Save the date for our annual picnic at Dana Point. Plans are in the works. Joy is running point with Glenn B helping out. Fire will start at 10:30, check-in at 11 and eating at 11:30. It will end at 2:30. More details to follow as finalized.

December 2 - Save the date for our 3rd Annual Holiday Party. Last year's was a huge success but we've decided to tweak some things a bit to make it even more spectacular. DJ Cesar will handle the music for our dancing pleasure and play until 9. Clean-up will start after that. Martinez is catering, but there will be changes to the menu.

We're still looking into other events. Duffy boats, Del Mar Racing and Alamitos Bay will be discussed at future Social Committee meetings. sailing experiences or vacations?

We have staff able to help you set it up.

Contact Rear Commodore Gaye Christoffersen

Funny!

This is the actual (?) transcript of a radio conversation between a British Navy ship and the Irish Coastguard, off the coast of Kerry:

Irish. Please divert your course 15 degrees to the south, to avoid collision

British. Recommend you divert your course 15 degrees to the north, to avoid collision

Irish. Negative. You will have to divert your course 15 degrees to the south to avoid collision.

British. This is the Captain of a British Navy Ship. I say again, divert YOUR course.

Irish. Negative. I say again, you will have to divert YOUR course

If you have ideas for other events, please contact Anita Loos-Hannifan or Kayli Offerle with your ideas.

Mini Happy Hours Need Hosts!!!

After going dark for January and February, Mini Happy Hours will resume in March! We are looking for 8-10 volunteers to host Mini Happy Hours in the March and April time frame. If you have already hosted an MHH, please consider hosting another. If you have enjoyed attending an MHH event, why not host one of your own? If you have even thought about it, just do it! You will be glad you did. Each host sets the parameters for their own event such as number of attendees (6-12), vaccination, food and beverage (BYOB+), venue, etc.

To begin the process of scheduling your MHH event click <u>here</u> to send us an email saying, "I want to host a Mini Happy Hour," and the LWYC Social Committee will help you through this easy process.

This would be a great way to fill in your chilly winter evenings. No fuss, no muss.

We would appreciate any feedback you could give us not only about this newsletter, but on our Club in general. If you have any comments and/or suggestions, please email Sandi Marcus at sandim25@hotmail.com.

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Irish. THIS IS A LIGHTHOUSE YOUR CALL!









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