Laguna Woods Yacht Club

April 2022



THE MAIN SHEET

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Member Information

LWYC

Organization Chart

- Commodore -Jan Badgely
- Vice Commodore
 Tarry Kasingar
 - Terry Kesinger
- Rear Commodore -Glenn Brown
- Secretary Tracy Rich
- Treasurer Mary Longtin
- Staff
 Commodore Pat Rojek
- Staff Commodore -Wayne Carlson

The Commodore's Corner

by Jan Badgley

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

Committee Chairs

- Communications-Sandi Marcus
- Finance Mary Longtin
- Maintenance
 Darrel
 Vorderstrasse
- Membership-Vacant
- Sailing AcademyTammy Rones
- Social Anita Loos-Hannifan and Terry Kesinger



Please reply to this email if you have any ideas for articles you might like to see in this newsletter. I know our members have done some extensive traveling. I, for one, would love to hear their stories.



Seventy enthusiastic Whale Watchers climbed aboard the Dana Pride on February 8th. We had calm seas, light wind, sunshine and never saw a migrating gray whale. We found ourselves instead entertained by the local pod of hundreds of dolphins. Skipper Tom told us these dolphins live to age 45 and never leave the area where they are born. They trailed us in chevrons and maneuvered back and forth, joined by young brown pelicans diving into the circle and feasting on sardines. We were entertained and content. About 30 minutes into our search, Hiatus caught up to our nearly stationary location. Skipper Wayne Carlson and his crew circled in salute, then departed for their afternoon sail.

Just where were the whales?

Later in February I departed by bus from San Diego with Andiamo Tours for an in-depth Whale Expedition in the northern lagoons of Baja California. A total of 23 passengers plus guide and driver, we traveled as far south as Laguna San Ignacio, 567 miles from the Tijuana border. Our first night was spent in San Quintin which included a welcome Margarita, name games, Mexican buffet and walks on the beach. The six-day tour was all inclusive. But it was the three consecutive days of donning life vests, boarding open air boats and plowing through crisp morning air to the viewing areas of the lagoon to pet gray whales that is the heart of the tour. Amazing is inadequate to describe an approaching, curious gray whale that voluntarily nudges our craft to be petted by

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humans. Within ten minutes at our first destination, I had touched a whale. Each day in a different area or lagoon we experienced behaviors close up, such as breaching, spy hoping, or being pushed in play by a whale. The second day we had a mother present her baby to be petted, scratched or cooed over. Touching and being touched. Many of our club's members have taken this trip, some twice. I hope to take my two grown sons next year, it's that much fun and bucket-list worthy.

This was where the whales were.

Upcoming events

GET EXCITED NOW!!!

(Details to follow as finalized)

April 20 - Duffy Boats (FILLED) Time to have fun!!

April 25 - New member recognition at monthly meeting

N.B. Please logon to the website and register for the meeting.

July - Catalina event July 19 & 20 Terry K, Pat R and Martha are handling that.

August 19 - Los Alamitos dinner has been planned by Violet. We need someone from the Social Committee to connect with the skippers and organize the sails.

September - Emerald Bay day TBD. Darrel is running point.

September 21 -Picnic

December 7 - Holiday Party

Wayne is still working on a date for the outing to the track at Del Mar.

Mini Happy Hours Have Restarted!!!

We are now recruiting volunteers to host events for May and June. 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. The weather is getting

warmer, and the restrictions are getting looser. 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.

(Side note. Ed & I attended our first MHH at the Millers the 4th. What a bunch of laughs! We just hosted our first the 6th and will happily do more. Get on board!! You won't be sorry.)

Our new URL is LWYC.US. Please use that going forward. LWYC.US will take you to the same Wild Apricot web page you have been using.

Nothing on the website has changed; it just has a new address on the web that works on both desktop and mobile.

Please use the following email addresses to reach the club officers:

(Just copy and paste if the links aren't live.)

membership@lwyc.us for all membership related questions

info@lwyc.us for general questions

treasurer@lwyc.us for invoice and receipt questions

it@lwyc.us for any website performance or content issues

BASIC SAILING TERMS

by Melissa Gorchynsky in Fun for All Ages

Sailing has a language all its own, and if you're thinking about taking up sailing (and we hope you are), it helps to be able to talk the talk. Before you set sail, it's a good idea to have a basic understanding of standard terms associated with the boat's positions and directions. Knowing basic terms will make it easier to communicate with people aboard the boat and ensure that you have the best experience possible on your sailing adventure.

Here are a few to know for your first time on the Hiatus:

- Aft: Toward the stern of the boat. The aft of a ship is toward the rear of the ship or the back of a boat. When are you moving towards the rear end of the boat, this is called going "aft."
- Stern: The stern of a boat is the back portion of the vessel. It is the opposite of the bow of a boat, which is the front.
- Bow: The forward part of a boat. The bow of a boat can also be referred to as the front. It's the opposite of the stern of a boat in sailing terms.
- Ahead: As the general meaning of the word, this is used to describe the boat moving in a forward direction.
- **Astern:** The opposite of ahead, in the back of the boat.
- Forward: When you move toward the front end or bow of a boat, this is called going "forward." This is the opposite of moving "aft."
- **Starboard:** The right side of a boat when looking forward.
- **Port:** The left side of a boat looking forward.

And that's enough confusion for Lesson 1.