Laguna Woods Yacht Club

September 2023



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LWYC

Organization Chart

- Commodore -Terry Kesinger
- Vice Commodore
 Glenn Brown
- Rear Commodore -Gaye Christoffersen
- Recording Secretary
 Sandi Marcus
- 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

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Our website home page

Commodore's Corner by Terry Kesinger

This month I'd like to recognize some of our members for their diligent work on our club website. Our current website was re-built in early 2022 by IT specialist David Raber, then expertly maintained by both David and Joel Sigman. For the last year or more David has been an invaluable consultant for us and Joel does all the heavy lifting of maintaining our beautiful website, with graphic/web designer Nancy-Chris Brown helping out by writing Social Committee eblasts and flyers, in addition to supplying graphics where needed. David and Joel also played key roles in following up on the recent website outage to ensure our internet host met its obligation to restore the certificates needed to get us back online. To provide Joel with additional support the club has started an IT Committee with Joel as Chair, and members Nancy-Chris Brown, Dave Johnson and Mike Bender. If you have any experience with Photoshop, digital graphics or doing website maintenance, please let Joel know!

It's a safe bet that club members most often access our website to register for social events and sailing - but since the heart of sailing is

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

Looking for a Membership Committee Volunteer

Would you like to do something to help the Club? The LWYC Membership Committee is looking for someone to help with administrative support for the Committee. Jack Dunnigan is the Chair of the Membership Committee, and organizes the Committees agenda and implements its decisions. He is looking for someone to work with him to help it run smoothly.

The Membership Committee performs the essential job of evaluating applicants to make sure that the Club gets the best new members possible. The exploration, I'd like to invite you to explore some hidden gems at wyc.us.

First, did you know you can use the website to print your very own official LWYC membership card? On your login page, click "View Profile" next to your name, then click the "Membership" tab at the top of your profile page to print out a handsome, wallet-sized personalized membership card.

Another click-worthy site is our \mathbf{x} video page. Scroll down the page to enjoy highlights of club activities over the years including a **verv** special presentation - Around the World: A Conversation with Charlie Bengal. You can also browse online photo albums of club activities including our August 2022 sunset happy hour, last year's annual picnic and this year's whale watching cruise aboard Dana Pride. For members who'd like to review lessons from the LWYC Sailing Academy (or those who are thinking of enrolling), the Sailing Academy page contains great educational clips and tutorials, You can learn about the heritage of the club courtesy of Staff Commodore Jan Badgley at L History.pdf

Also be sure to visit our <u>LWYC online store</u> for LWYC logo wear and merchandise.

Last but not least, I'd like to acknowledge and thank everyone on our Social Committee, including chair Anita Loos-Hannifan, team leaders Sharon Updike and Joy Beckstrom and all the volunteers who made our Doheny Beach Party and Annual Picnic so successful. One of the best things about being a Board member is the opportunity to see the amazing work that goes on behind the scenes to make these events so much fun. Please waitlist for Club membership has staved fairly steady at more than 40 for most of the past year. For the past two years, the waitlist has grown much faster than the Club's ability to add new members. The Committee evaluates each application to ensure that newly accepted members will contribute to the Club's main goal of providing great sailing opportunities to members.

Providing administrative support is not a technical challenge. It involves mainly watching the membership list for openings, organizing information for the committee, and implementing Committee decisions through email and Wild Apricot. If you would like to help, or would iust like more information, get in touch with Jack at: dunniganj@verizon.net.

Have a story

to share?

We're always looking for speakers for our monthly meetings. It doesn't have to be from a Club member, but it consider getting involved as a Committee member or event volunteer -- you'll have a great time.

Looking forward to seeing you at the next meeting!

"How inappropriate to call this planet 'Earth' when it is clearly 'Ocean'."

~ Arthur C. Clarke

IMPORTANT!!

The LWYC Store will be closing 12/31/23 unless someone volunteers to take it over. If anyone is interested, please contact Glenn Brown. The LWYC Store can be a fun & interesting experience! The items make great gifts, too!

Updates from the Social Committee

Monthly Meeting Reminders

When you enter Clubhouse 7, please go to the front table and sign in on the appropriate sheet. There will be two other tables nearby, one for guests to fill out their name tag with a Smiley face and the other for members to pick up their tags with the lanyard. *Please remember to turn in your lanyard at the end of the meeting.*

Guests attending our larger events will be charged \$10 more than members, like most other clubs here do. There will be no refunds for guests who sign up for the monthly meetings but are unable to attend.

Schedule is as follows:

4:30-5:15 Check-in and Happy Hour **Please note:** The food table will not be opened until 5:15. Please wait for the <u>bell to ring</u>.

5:15-6 Potluck dinner: (last call for food and drink at 6) **Please Note:** It's been noticed that those at the end of the food line have found could. Have <u>you</u> enjoyed a memorable sailing experience or vacation?

We have staff able to help you set it up.

Contact

Rear Commodore Gaye Christoffersen

Attn:

Social Committee Members

<u>Please</u> remember to register for the monthly meetings on Wild Apricot so we have enough copies of the agenda. Each month just go to the date on the calendar and click on the event. The next meeting is Oct. 18.

Thank you.

WELCOME

NEW MEMBERS!!

Tamra	Bickforc
Kim	Brown
Tony	Milano
Debbie	Milano

slim pickin's. Each member should bring a food item that would serve 10-12 people. Couples = 2 members. A larger portion would suffice.

6-7 General meeting: We hope you all stay for the meeting and not just out of courtesy. The presentations take time to prepare and have been quite interesting.

Another HOORAY for all those who worked on the Doheny Beach Party and the Annual Picnic, especially our leads, Sharon Updike, Joy Beckstrom and Glenn Brown. Kudos for a job well done!!!

**The Social Committee is looking for members who are interested in joining the committee. You would help plan and run new events. We only meet once a month, the 3rd Thursday at 9:30. How about some of our new members? Contact Anita or Kayli.



Annual Picnic 2023 Dana Point Harbor

Upcoming events

GET EXCITED NOW!!!

(Details to follow as finalized)

October 4 - The General Meeting and Social Hour is in Clubhouse 7. Check-in begins at 4:30. Our speakers will be Michael and Barbara Lawler who will present "Seven Continents in Four Months:The Victory Lap." It will feature their around-the-world sailing adventures, including an encounter with pirates in the Gulf of Aden. Sounds like a mustWanita Murphy

Amy Spragge

Please remember to say "Hi" at the next meeting.

How About a Smile!



On a Personal Note

My older granddaughter is trying to raise funds for her 8th grade school trip to Washington, DC and NY which costs \$2500. If you save recyclable bottles and

see event! *Registration is open on Wild Apricot. Note: There was an error in the Globe. This is NOT a Halloween event!! (See November)*

November 1 - The general meeting and potluck falls the day after Halloween and <u>on</u> Los Dias de Los Muertos (The Day of the Dead). Costumes are optional, but there will be prizes.

December - There will be NO general meeting!

December 2 - This will be 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 won't start until after that so we have plenty of time to boogie. Martinez is catering, but there will be minor changes to this year's menu. Watch for the details here in future issues. Anita and Sandi are looking for volunteers to help set up and clean up. Contact us at <u>anitahannifan@gmail.com</u> or <u>sandim25@hotmail.com</u>.

December 8, 9 and 10 - The latest Boat Parade meeting was Sept. 17. Costume ideas were discussed. We'll order a couple of tutus for the gals to try on. Guys will wear M&M tee shirts. Boat decor has been decided and the guys have big plans for the lighting. King Candy will be high in his throne on the mast. The next meeting is Monday, October 9, 4-5:30 in the 2400 Via Mariposa W rec room. Call Ed now at 224-231-8371 to join us and look for the upcoming e-blast in Wild Apricot to register.

Possible presentations to finish the year:

November 1 - "Old Salts" by Ernie Minnie who owned Josh Slocum's in Newport Beach is one possibility. He is very busy, so Gaye is also working on a back-up.

2024:

January 3- Gaye has a film about the schooner "The Goodwill," which won the TransPac in '53 and '55. Google it. It had a very interesting history both abroad and locally. cans to put into the recycling dumpster but don't bother to take them to a recycling center for the CRV, her family or I would be happy to pick them up. (We will continue until her younger sister is funded, too.) Just call me at 847-858-0520.

Thank you, Sandi

FEEDBACK??

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 <u>sandim25@hotmail.com</u>.

LOST & fOUND

Missing items from Picnic:

Knife and pie server with a green handle which belongs to a member

Serrated knife which belongs to the Club

Contact Sandi with info. TY

Terry Kesinger is focusing on a San Diego event in the Spring which will probably include a docent led tour of the Maritime Museum and a harbor tour.

Joel "was volunteered" to set up a Newport Harbor boat tour through Fun Zone Boat Company in July followed by an early dinner in the area.

These are other possible events. Your thoughts?

A ride on Capt. Dave's glass bottom boat

A trip to the Del Mar racetrack in August

A tour and dinner on the Queen Mary with an option to stay over night

We're still looking into other events. **If you have ideas, please contact Social Committee Chair Anita Loos-Hannifan at (949) 422-4454 with your ideas.**

Mini Happy Hours Need Hosts!!!

What happened to Mini Happy Hours?

We have a lot of new members who haven't tried to host. It's sooo easy! We are looking for 8-10 volunteers to host Mini Happy Hours in the October/November 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), food and beverage (BYOB+), venue, etc. If you'd like more than 6-8 people but don't have the space, consider outdoors during the nice weather or contact Jeff and Norma Sadler about reserving the 2400 building.

To begin the process of scheduling your MHH event, contact Gaye at (949) 291-9343 or <u>gaye christoffersen@yahoo.com</u> and say, "I want to host a Mini Happy Hour." The LWYC Social Committee will help you through this easy process.

Don't forget to regularly check the calendar on Wild Apricot for added Mini Happy Hours.

Remember, this should be a

"No fuss, no muss" fun evening!