

Three Sheets in the Wind

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Commodore's Report

Moti Cohen-Doron



Happy summer Little Shippers...

Hopefully you are all enjoying the good weather we are having. Don't let this summer fly by! Come on down to the Shed and enjoy a relaxing Happy Hour by the Bay with other club members. Get to know our wonderful hosts, **Cindy Ramirez**, **Elena Yuasa** and **Al Bordallo** as well as other club members. You won't regret it!

Since the last 3 Sheets newsletter, the club has put on several fun events. First is the *Beat the Heat Race* and picnic. LSFYC hosted our last race (each participating yacht club hosts 2 races a season) in the High Point Harbor Series on July 17th. It was a successful race with 11 boats participating and our own **Ben Smith** (with crew **Paul Barbe**) winning his class! Afterwards the club hosted the racers at Navy Yacht Club grounds for a picnic. LSFYC members who are non-racers came as well. They enjoyed a picnic lunch and watching the sailors come in and receive their trophies. We held a raffle too! The proceeds will go to the *Ronald McDonald House* in Long Beach to help the families who are in need. Congratulations to our members **Dolores Grunigen** and **Lara Arambula** who won \$50 each! These events take a great deal of organizing and a great team to put it all together! Thank you to all who helped organize the race and picnic! You all did a great job!

Last weekend, our Vice Commodore, Cindy Ramirez organized a cruise out to *Huntington Harbor Yacht Club* for a delicious Sunday Brunch. There were about 21 Little Shippers in attendance and a great time was had by all. Jr. Staff Commodore **Frank Franco** took the long way to get there, he and several crew members motored over from Alamitos Bay on his boat, *CANTAMAR* and docked it at HHYC. At least he didn't have to feed the parking meter!

We've got several events scheduled for August, such as our bi-monthly joint potluck with Navy Yacht Club, which will be on **August 13th at 5:30pm**. Also Cindy Ramirez is organizing a cruise out to the Seal Beach Lion's Club Fish Fry on August 22.

June road trip...

In June, Maya, Jill and I took our Land Trawler on the longest trip we've taken yet! We went for 10 days and the highlight of the trip was definitely Zion National Park. We spent 3 nights there and it was amazing. We did several hikes but our absolute favorite was called the Narrows. If you are not familiar with this hike it is pretty unique. This hike takes you through a gorge and requires you to navigate each step because you are actually walking in a running river. Before we left home a friend

had recommended

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we rent special equipment for this hike and I am so glad we listened as we would not have been able to hike as long as we did without it. We wore water proof boots with rigid ankle support and neoprene socks. We were also provided with a walking stick that became an invaluable piece of equipment. That stick saved all of us from falling countless times during this trek!

The hike begins at the Riverwalk which is about a 30 minute easy hike that takes you to the beginning of the Narrows. Here you have a lot of people who are hanging out and just playing in the water. As you continue into the gorge for about an hour there are a lot of people making the trek, however the deeper you go the less people you see. We took our time and stopped for snacks and lunch as well as for enjoying the beautiful scenery. It is a very strenuous hike since you are walking on loose and slippery rocks plus you are hiking against the river flow. Most of the time the water is about calf deep however there are times where the water is waist to chest deep! It's really refreshing too! The whole



hike is a total of 10 miles. We were in the gorge for about 5 hours when we came across another hiker who was coming back. We asked him if he got to the end of the hike and he had. We then proceeded to ask him how much more until we got to the end and he said another 3 hours of hiking (mind you there is only one way in so you still have to go all the way back!) That's when Jill said, *"I am not going to the end... we're turning around now!"* I convinced her to go a little further and we ended up hiking around 7.5 hours altogether. Maya tracked our mileage and turns out we walked 6.5 miles in the Narrows. It was a lot of fun and probably one of the best hikes I have ever done! I highly recommend it, but definitely rent the equipment!

That's all for now!

Moti Cohen-Doron

LSFYC Commodore





Vice Commodore's Report

Cindy Ramirez



Happy August Birthday's LSFYC Members!

Hi Little Shippers:

Summer is here and the heat is on.... speaking of heat... Our "Beat The Heat" Race and Picnic on 7/16 was so much fun (see photos pg 5). Thank you to everyone on the committee boat, our BOD members, **Chris Layne, Elena Yuasa** and our friends from NYCLB Tony, Becky, Heinz and Ryan and all that attended. Congratulations to the race and raffle winners. Funds raised will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Long Beach).

Many of you joined us in a land cruise to Huntington Harbour YC for breakfast on 7/25. A special thank you to HHYC Commodore Rudy Lopez and his staff for their hospitality. We look forward to gathering again soon. The following LSFYC Members attended:

Jill, Moti, Maya
Frank & Lara Franco, guests Linn & Barbara
Al, Cindy, Irene S. Christina D. Dave E.
Diane N. Eric S. Lou A. Gary and Becky B.
Sharmone , guest Lisa
Eva, Silvino and Ida Maciel

Remember to check your LSFYC emails for future event dates and RSVP please.

Remember, the Shed is open :

Thursday's 5-7, Sat. and Sunday's 1-3

Please keep a lookout for future event dates for August - December

Local Just 4 Fun Event dates (on your own)

8/3 Taco Tuesday (and every Tuesday!) at HHYC 5pm

8/4 Seal Beach pier U2 (cover band) concert 6-8pm

8/13 LSFYC potluck at NYCLB, 5-8...Bring your own dish

8/22 Land Cruise to Seal Beach Pier Fish Fry 11-2 Fun, food, live music

Beer/wine garden (**see flyer last page**)

9/7 BOD meeting Shed 6:30 pm

TBD Wine Tasting Social

10/2 LSFYC delivers meal, dessert and donation of pantry items to Ronald McDonald House in Long Beach

12/5 Malainey's Holiday Brunch & gift exchange

1/30/22 Installation Dinner

We will add to this calendar of events when approved . Any questions, please contact me anytime. Remember to invite new boat owners to join LSFYC.

We look forward to seeing you all soon. Until then, smooth sailing and blessings

Cindy Ramirez
LSFYC Vice Commodore



Signals from the Fleet Captain

Nate Tucker



Here's some up-to-the-minute news folks: The results of our inter club Hi Point race on July 17 (see photos below). Winner in the class A fleet was *Dos Amigos Dos* with skipper Bob Hubbard aboard out of Seal Beach YC. 1st place Class B honors went to *Renegade* with **Ben Smith** in charge out of LSFYC (yea). Deb Kelly, of Shoreline YC sailed a near-perfect race, guiding her Cal 20 to a win in the non-spin group. Also racing in non-spin, **Tom Cornelius**. Congratulations to the winners and a big thank you to all who participated.

We had 12 boats out for the event on a picture perfect day. Also, thanks to the motley crew that served as the Race Committee under the watchful eye of PRO **Dick Martin**. (Committee boat and sandwiches courtesy of **Frank Franco** with crewmate **Larry Finley**). Note: We may be a little more active in the racing department in 2022. Watch this space.

By and large it was a great day, which brings me to my next subject - "*by and large*". Where did that phrase come from? Here's a little nautical etymology. In the olden days of yore sailing by the bye meant sailing close-hauled or close to the wind or up-wind. Sailing "large" meant you were under full sail and the sails were eased out. By and large came to mean how the day's sailing went *generally*. And now its come to mean things in general, by and large.

Here's an abbreviated update on the Hi Point Series overall standings with 32 boats participating:

1. <i>Dos Amigos Dos</i>	C&C	Bob Hubbard	Seal Beach YC
2. <i>Serenity</i>	Beneteau 36	Steve Lewis	Seal Beach YC
3. <i>Bullit Proof</i>	Cal 20	Deb Kelly	Shoreline YC
4. <i>Raptor</i>	J109	Heinz Butner.	Navy YC
5. <i>One More Time</i>	Cal 25	Art Melendres	Long Beach YC
6. <i>Renegade</i>	Beneteau 38	Ben Smith	LSFYC

Nate Tucker
LSFYC Fleet Captain



Rode Rage under sail



Dos Amigos Dos with full crew!



LSFYC's Ben Smith accepts 1st Place Class B trophy from Comm Moti and Nate Tucker.

LSFYC JULY event photos



LITTLE SHIPPERS
ENJOY BRUNCH
WHILE AT LSFYC
LAND CRUISE TO
HUNTINGTON HAR-
BOUR YC.



PHOTOS BELOW OF THE AFTER RACE TROPHY PRESENTATION
AND LSFYC PICNIC AT NYCLB FACILITY



LSFYC History Help
By Jeannie Vazquez

Ahoy Mates!!

Salutations to all and what a pleasure it has been to be part of LSFYC gatherings, I enjoy mingling and learning more about our Little Ships Fleet Yacht Club members.

I am thrilled to help facilitate and take on the role of Historian for LSFYC. My interest was inspired when I read stories about LSFYC in our BIG WOODEN History scrap book. (located in LSFYC shed). It took one person to realize that a BIG Yacht CLUB was not inclusive to all Sailors and Motor boat owners hence like a branch growing from a big tree THE LITTLE SHIP FLEET YACHT CLUB was born. The ocean is big enough for all to enjoy as a community with a sense of unity or individually, The humble beginnings of LSFYC is what inspired me to continue the legacy, noting the history of the past but most importantly with all that has happened in the past 2 years 2020-2021 we want to make sure we record and note our history for future generations.

I hope to display a Historical Timeline outside our LSFYC club house shed when it is complete. With a weather proof case outside the shed displaying this historical time line it will be viewed by everyone. As a semi-retired teacher I see the importance of the LITTLE SHIP FLEET YACHT CLUB to inform our future generations of LSFYC and the history behind sailing and boating.

I would like to request and encourage our members to submit historical events or experiences that might be of value to the project at hand, please email to salsa4jeannie@aol.com. I am lacking information from early twentieth century prior to 1937 when LSFYC was established. Also it would be helpful to site experiences or life as a LSFYC members during our pandemic, this is very important to the timeline.

Thank you so much for allowing me to facilitate this important documentation and remember this is your legacy as members.

Making History!!!

Jeannie Vazquez



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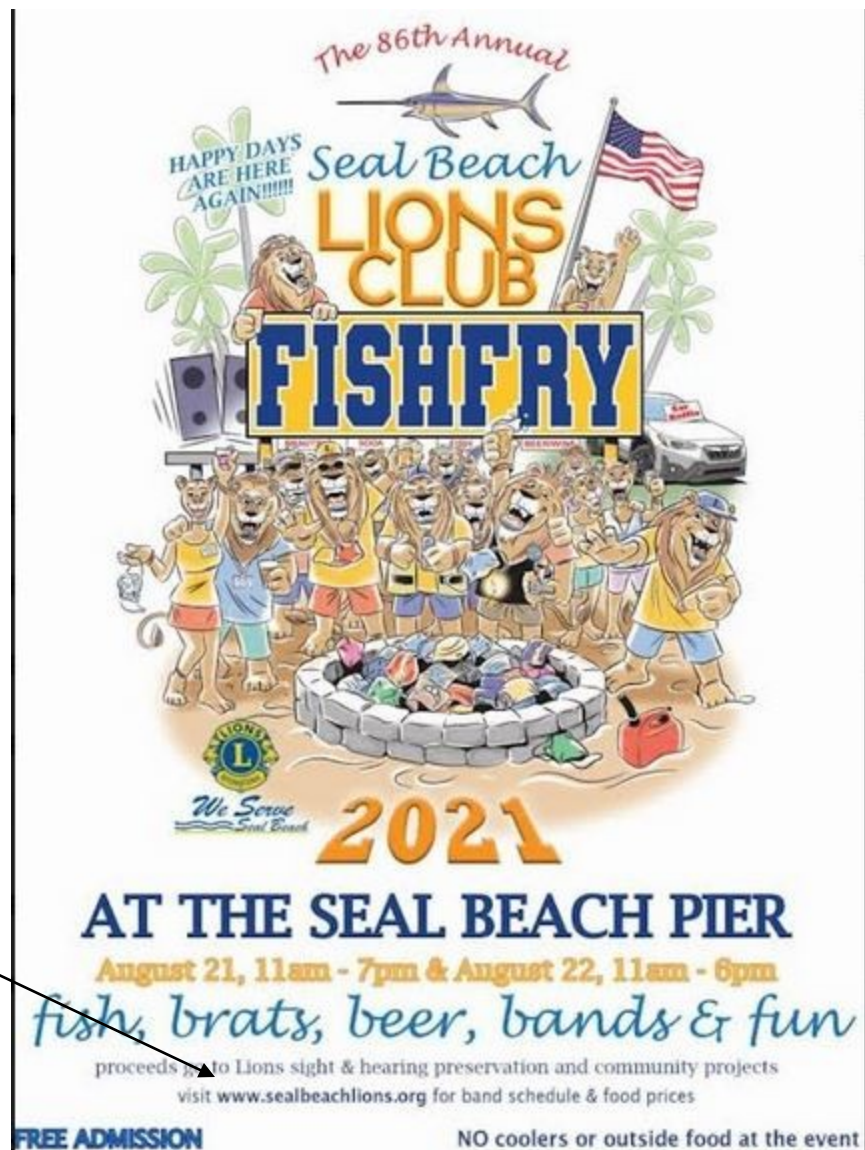
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 LSFYC SHED 1:00	2	3	4	5 LSFYC SHED 5:00 PM	6	7 LSFYC SHED 1:00
8 LSFYC SHED 1:00	9	10	11	12 LSFYC SHED 5:00 PM	13 POT LUCK W/ NYCLB	14 LSFYC SHED 1:00
15 LSFYC SHED 1:00	16	17	18	19 LSFYC SHED 5:00 PM	20	21 LSFYC SHED 1:00
22 LSFYC SHED 1:00 SB FISH FRY	23	24	25	26 LSFYC SHED 5:00 PM	27	28 LSFYC SHED 1:00
29 LSFYC SHED 1:00 PM	30	31				

Join LSFYC Land Cruise to The Lions Club Fish Fry to be held at Eisenhower Park by the Seal Beach Pier.

Sunday Aug 22, LSFYC VC **Cindy Ramirez** (located in front of the stage) will greet LSFYC members who arrive for the fun and festivities. **Be sure to visit Cindy.**

Hope to see you there!

For more information, goto.



2021 LSFYC Bridge

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