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Hello Little Shippers...

I can't believe it's November already! This year has gone by so guickly! This past month we've had some great events for our LSFYC members.

I want to say a big thank you to all of the members that donated to the Ronald McDonald House either monetarily or by purchasing items for their pantry. Both types of donations are equally as important for this very worthy cause. VC AI Bordello, Jill and I delivered all of the items to the grateful staff there earlier this month. Altogether we had about \$500 in cash and pantry items thanks to all of you.

In October, several of our members shared a great evening at Navy Yacht Club for a joint potluck. There was plenty of good food and great conversations. LSFYC mem-

ber, Kevin McQuiston was there and shared with us some information about his upcoming non-stop solo sailing around the world. Everyone was busy asking him guestions regarding his trip so we thought it might be interesting to have him do a presentation for both clubs on what it takes to prepare for such a project. This is a huge endeavor as you can imagine, so much so that the Discovery Channel heard about it and decided to make a show about his journey. So please join us on **December 17th, 5pm** at Navy Yacht Club, where you can hear firsthand about this incredible upcoming voyage (see page 7).

Upcoming events for our members to look forward to are:

Friday, November 18th, at 5pm we will have a pre-Thanksgiving themed potluck at the Shed.

Sunday, December 4th, at 9:30am our famous holiday brunch and gift exchange at Acapulco Restaurant, Long Beach. (see last page)

Saturday, December 17th, at 5pm informative evening with our own, Captain Kevin McQuiston discussing the planning of his non-stop solo sailing around the world.

Sunday, January 29th, 4pm, 2023 Officer Installation Dinner at the Boat House Restaurant. Come out and support our new Flag.

As the year is coming to an end, we've got a new team shaping up to take the leadership of our 85-year-old club. I personally am very excited about this group. They are, Al Bordello- Commodore, Chris Layne-Vice Commodore/Fleet Captain, our newest Flag Officers Lara Arambula as Rear Commodore and Tracie Ichikawa as Port Captain. Thanking you all for volunteering for these important roles!

In the coming days you'll be receiving an email with the new slate of officers and directors on the 2023 ballot for your approval. Please respond to that email as directed.

As a special incentive this year for renewing your 2023 LSFYC membership at the Christmas Party, you will receive your new 2023 Long Beach Marina parking pass. I will have them ready for you at the party so don't forget to bring your payment.

Also please keep LSFYC member Gina Geiger in your thoughts and prayers. Unfortunately, Gina is going through some major health issues at this time.

Moti Cohen-Doron LSFYC Commodore

Three Sheets in the Wind



Vice Commodore's Report

Al Bordallo



Hi Fellow LSFYC ladies and gents...

As we approach the end of the year there are a few items to be aware of:

This November newsletter is the last for the year...the editor is taking a break! There will not be a December issue, but will return in January. In meantime, watch for any additional information via emails.

We want to welcome 2 new members to LSFYC: **JIII Ellis** and **Dominic Mehigan**. Jill is interested in the social activities and Dominic is eager to crew for racing or cruising. The BOD is currently reviewing for approval an additional application for membership...to be announced soon.

As mentioned previously, an email pertaining to the incoming 2023 slate of Officers and staff will be sent to you soon. Now, in the past, LSFYC The Five Old Salts were appointed to seek and select prospective individuals to submit to the BOD for these positions. Once approved, voting by the general membership would finalize the Flag positions for the incoming year. However, since the incoming Commodore and Vice Commodore positions are already accounted for due to the line of successtion, the position of Rear Commodore remains the sole role for membership consideration. The forthcoming email instructions will specify and clarify the procedure.

Below photo is from the McDonald House Long Beach where myself and Moti & Jill Cohen-Doron delivered your donated items to the facility. They thanked us for our contributions and we thank you for your interest and help in making this effort possible.

So now from the Board of Directors and Officers of LSFYC, we wish all of you a Happy and Wonderful Holiday Season.

See you at the LSFYC Holiday Brunch December 4th.

Al Bordallo LSFYC Vice Commodore



Rear Commodore Report





What's up Little Shippers!!!

Its hard to believe that its November already. Well I'm happy to report we have completed another successful sailing season in the Long Beach Yacht Club Wet Wednesday Series. A big shout out to team Kowabunga and team leader Allie Tsai. We attended the end of the year awards ceremony and tied one on. Check out the pictures below. Let me assure you we worked hard to get those cutting boards as trophies!

The last photo is a tribute to Blue Crush and their performance in the LBYC Catalina series! Great job!!!



Now lets get down to business. Long Beach Yacht Club and ASPBYC have set the date for the **2023 Walt Elliott Harbor Challenge** on Sunday, May 7, 2023. We are putting a LSFYC team together. Please email me ASAP. We are going to attempt at least one day of practice prior to the race. We need sailors of all skill level. We're not going out to win the whole thing. We're going out to have fun and get a LSFYC team out on the water to represent the club.

Here's the team so far:

- 1. Moti...our fearless leader
- 2. Dick Martin...not just the money man
- 3. Frank...off the computer and on the dock
- 4. Al...soon to be number 1 in the club and in our hearts
- 5. Chris...yours truly
- 6. Robert Hughes...he doesn't know yet but now he does

Crew #7-12...waiting for your response.

Get to me. Lets do this!! If you have any desire at all email me and I'll try to answer any and all of your questions.

Cheers,

Chris Layne LSFYC Rear Commodore



Treasurer's Report



Dues for 2023...

Yes, soon it's that time again...the LSFYC MEMBERSHIP DUES will be due for 2023. Your past membership has been greatly appreciated and will certainly be so for this coming new year. To ensure that you will be listed on the 2023 LSFYC Membership Roster, please send your check for \$145.00 to:

LSFYC, 3585 Tacoma Ave., Los Angeles, Cal 90065.

-OR-

See the LSFYC website [MEMBERSHIP] page for payment via PAYPAL.

To be sure the Roster will list your current information, please indicate current address, E-mail address, phone numbers, spouse name, boat type and name, slip location, and indicate if you are looking for crew or want to crew.

Thanks for your continued support...

Dick Martin Treasurer, LSFYC

Fish stories and more...

By Moti Cohen-Doron

In early October, A friend and I drove down to Bahia de Los Angeles in the Sea of Cortez for a fishing trip. I am not crazy about fishing but for me it was all about getting on a boat in a part of Mexico I have never been to before. It took us 11 hours to get to this sleepy little fishing town. There's one decent hotel and a couple of decent restaurants, that's about it. A father and son took us on their boat which was surprisingly in excellent condition, considering how poor everything else was in the village. We had a great time, fishing from sunrise to about noon and afterwards exploring isolated beaches. On the boat, the captain would create some kind of dish for us to eat with our catch, which was always fresh and delicious. The water was clear and the conditions were perfect. We had a great time on this 4 day trip. I can't say that I'm hooked on fishing now, but I'm definitely hooked on the beautiful Sea of Cortez.. I can't wait to go again.



I just returned from a great sailing trip on a beautiful and super Iuxo MOODY 54 sailing yacht *Brizo.* NYC Vice Commodore Charles Buckner invited me to join him in Dana Point for the sail up the coast to Shoreline Marina in Long Beach. The evening before Jill drove me down to Dana Point Yacht Club, where we met Charles and his wife Diane for dinner (we used our reciprocal privileges by the way). The next day we motored out of Dana Point into a perfectly smooth ocean and a beautiful morning sun. Even though we didn't have much luck with the (NO) wind and we motored the entire way, I still consider it as a sailing trip because first, it's a sailing yacht and second we did unfurl the sails with a hope that the boat will move more than 2 knots... she didn't. Nonetheless it was a great time out on the water, on a beautiful sunny day with great company.



Tracie on the Bay



A description for the blind...

A soft cool sky with hot warm blowing hair like clouds that meet a deep cold dark outline of homes that sit on the water far away. The water matches the sky but not as bold because the colors from the sky bounce off of the tops of water and other things like a large Pelican sitting on a railing or pole.

The hot warm colors also can be seen in the feathers and on the top of the pole it sits on. A pelican is about the size of a persons body without the arms and legs. It has a very long beak or mouth and when it's mouth is open it has a

skin like bag to scoop fish out of the water with. His head is small and he neck is the size of an arm from the elbow to the wrist. His head and arm are white/light like a cotton ball. His body is gray, a cool boring color and his wings are longer than a persons arms spread out.

They love to fly over waves with their friends in a line and hold their wings out for long minutes at a time as they glide over the ocean and waves. This pelican is sitting and enjoying it's color filled home.

One of the things I like most about the painting is how the lights in the painted homes bounce off of the water. There are palm trees that reflect in the water too. Not all palm trees look the same. In Long Beach California a typical palm tree looks like a stick that leans slightly with a slight bend or curve and at the top the leafs or palm fronds make the shape of an umbrella. They're funny looking things and I hadn't given much thought to them until recently as I began painting the bay where I spend most of my time.





November 2022



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20	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving	25	26
27	28	29	30			

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2022 LSFYC Bridge

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