

Three Sheets in the Wind

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Commodore's Report

Dominic Arcelin



Hello Little Shippers...

June was a busy month and we hope to keep up the pace of events all through the summer. The weather has been perfect, the sunsets at The Shed have been beautiful, and it's prime time to enjoy all that LSFYC has to offer!

Our first movie night at The Shed was a blast! Thank you to everyone that came and enjoyed our screening of *Splash*. I am planning on another movie night soon so keep an eye on your emails.

June also brought with it **Long Beach Race Week**. Team *Kowabunga* / the LSFYC Race Team had a great showing in the Catalina 37 fleet taking 4th overall. It was a hard fought weekend, and I want to say thank you to the crew. Representing LSFYC as **Allie Tsai**, Christina Arneson Cabrera, Sunny Santos, **Nick Santos**, **Mark Ryan**, and myself. Also along with us was Theresa Cornwell, Scott Scarborough, Tyler Webb, and Jack Jorgenson. (see photos, p.6) Considering the field we were competing against, I couldn't be more proud of our results.

I'd also like to highlight S/C and current webmaster **Ben Smith**. Ben and his crew on *Renegade* took home 4th place in the RL C Fleet. Last but not least LSFYC member **Mei Ling Cabral** was sailing aboard *Raven* in the RL B Fleet. *Raven* finished on the podium in 3rd place. It is wonderful to see the presence LSFYC has on the water and at the post race celebrations. All weekend I had the pleasure of meeting people who grew up sailing under the Little Ships burgee and they told me how excited they were to see us competing again. Thanks to all of you for the support of our racing program. I can't wait to see where we go from here!

Those of you that have been hanging out at The Shed may have noticed some new signage. One of our newest members, **Corey Wine**, volunteered to take our old weather worn signs down and make us some new ones. Thanks so much to Corey for donating the signage to keep The Shed looking sharp. Cory of **Carlos Vino Sign Installs** specializes in boat graphics, including removal of old lettering, design of new boat names and professional installation of high quality vinyl lettering to transoms. For info, goto: carlosvino2122@gmail.com

Lastly, I'd like to remind everyone that we have our very own LSFYC merchandise shopping now. It has been a long time coming, and I am proud and excited of the items we have on offer. While there is no inventory at The Shed, whatever you order will be shipped directly to you. You can access the site through this link... <https://lsfyclb.printify.me/> or by scanning the QR code in The Shed. If you have ideas for merchandise, please let me know and I'll see if it's something we can do.

Dominic Arcelin
Commodore, LSFYC



Vice Commodore's Report

Ruth DeRaddo



Good bye June, Hello July...

BIG 60TH SHOUTOUT TO BOB & ALYSSA — WHAT A NIGHT!

The Summer Solstice 60th Birthday Bash for **Bob and Alyssa Bond** were one for the books. These two are phenomenal party planners, and they transformed the clubhouse into a fullblown celebration on the water — great food, laughter, and a crowd ready to have fun. Karaoke was the star of the night. Members stepped up to the mic and proved we have some truly talented singers in our club. From powerhouse voices to fun duets, every performance brought cheers and smiles. It was the perfect touch to an already unforgettable evening. A heartfelt thank you to Bob and Alyssa for bringing joy, energy, and community spirit to this one you won't want to miss.

USA! USA! USA! — CHEERING ON OUR NATIONAL TEAM

Fans were fired up on Wednesday, July 1, celebrating a huge win over Bosnia, even after that tough red card penalty. The determination and grit made it a match worth cheering for. Local pubs and sports bars around Alamitos Bay were buzzing — packed rooms, loud cheers, and plenty of red, white, and blue. It's great to see everyone supporting local businesses while rallying behind Team USA. USA! USA! USA!

JULY 4TH UPDATE — FIREWORKS & FESTIVITIES

It's a bittersweet Fourth of July this year. Unfortunately, Los Alamitos Bay will not be hosting the traditional July 3rd Big Bang on the Bay. A big boohoo to the Coastal Commission — we'll miss that beloved tradition lighting up our waterfront. But the skies over Long Beach will still be spectacular.

ThreeSync Fireworks Celebration — 9 PM

- ☐ Queen Mary
- ☐ Cherry Beach / Junipero Beach
- ☐ Granada Beach near Belmont Shore

These synchronized shows will create amazing panoramic views across the coastline, a dazzling way to celebrate America's 250th birthday. As for me — I've already locked my venue. I'll be watching the fireworks from the beautiful Fairmont Breakers Hotel, enjoying a bay view room for the perfect vantage point.

May the skies shine bright, the flags fly high, and the spirit of our nation carry us forward as we celebrate America's 250th birthday. Happy Fourth of July!

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE

June reminded us why Little Ships Fleet Yacht Club is such a special place. We show up for one another, we celebrate together, and we keep our community strong both on the water and around Alamitos Bay. From milestone birthdays to unforgettable karaoke moments to cheering on Team USA, this month was filled with connection, laughter, and pride. As we head into the heart of summer, I want to thank every member who continues to bring their energy, kindness, and camaraderie to our club. Your involvement is what keeps LSFYC thriving. Whether you're out sailing, joining an event, or simply stopping by to say hello, you make this club feel like home.

Wishing you fair winds, smooth seas, and a joyful July ahead. See you around the docks.

Friendship is not one big thing: it's a lot of little things"

Ruth De Raddo

Vice Commodore LSFYC



Rear Commodore's Report

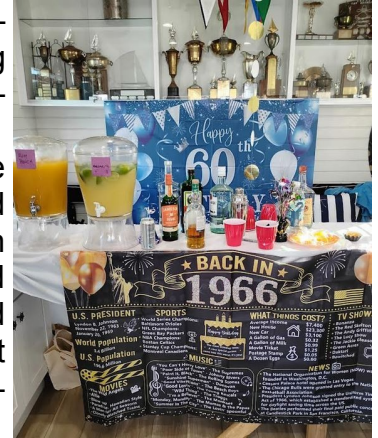
Bob Bond



Let the good times keep rolling!...

Summer, Summer, Summer...Summer Solstice Birthday Tailgate!
Wow...what a fun **LSFYC Birthday Tailgate Bash** on June 20th! Thank you very much to everyone who made it out to celebrate with all of the many June birthday-ites on the second longest day of the year. Thanks also for letting Alyssa and me steal the spotlight to celebrate our 60th birthdays with everyone with such a majestic setting and sunset.

We had great food thanks to all the many, many fun dishes everyone brought and the great taco guy...thanks El Cantarito Taco Bar! We had great music and karaoke thanks to Tony Pulcini...you definitely need to join LSFYC Tony! We had a great venue with the bar and food in and around LSFYC, eating and dancing at NYCLB (thank you very much NYCLB), and fun games in the parking lot area that was barricaded off for the event (thank you very much Alamitos Bay Marina)! I heard many people comment that we need an annual event like that, so we're going to plan for that.



We have lots of other great events and activities scheduled this summer, including our **LSFYC Beat the Heat Race** on July 11, the **2nd Annual Southern California Yachting Invitational** at Two Harbors, Catalina on July 17-19, and our **July Birthday Mid-Summer Celebration** at LSFYC on **July 25**.

Also, SCYA is offering a couple great educational events coming up in August:

Safety at Sea – International Offshore Certification Course on Sailing Safety at California Yacht Club in Marina Del Rey on August 22-23, 2026

Dockline Finish – 10 Easy Steps to Run a Successful Regatta at Alamitos Bay Yacht Club on August 22, 2026

What a great start to summer...let the good times keep rolling!

Cheers,

Bob Bond

Rear Commodore LSFYC





Membership Report

Dave and Gabby Bierman

Hello Little Shippers...

Summer has officially arrived, and our club's event calendar is in full swing! We've already enjoyed several fantastic gatherings and would like to recognize a few members who helped make them so memorable.

A sincere thank you to S/C **Frank Franco** for serving as the LSFYC committee boat host for last month's sailboat race. The post-race BBQ was outstanding, and we discovered that our Commodore, **Dominic Arcelin**, is not only an excellent leader but also a talented chef and bartender!

A special shout-out as well to R/C **Bob Bond** for hosting an unforgettable Summer Solstice birthday tailgate celebration. Great food, great company, and plenty of laughs made for a wonderful evening. We also learned that Bob is quite the karaoke performer—who knew!

Please welcome our newest member, **Penny Scholey**. Below is a photo with her daughter, Regina, Penny, her son Everett, and his girlfriend Morgan Luters:

I grew up in San Diego after my Coast Guard family eventually settled there and I've considered myself a California beach girl ever since. My career as an international flight attendant and later Chief Purser with Pan Am and United Airlines took me around the world, with home bases in New York, Miami, Honolulu, San Francisco and Los Angeles. Along the way, I also enjoyed competing in international airline ski races, proving my love for both the mountains and the ocean. My husband and I made our home in Newport Beach in 1990, where we raised our two children. In 2020, I discovered sailing through Oasis Sailing Club in Corona del Mar and soon joined South Shore Yacht Club and the Women's Sailing Association-Orange County, where I found an incredible group of friends who share my joy of being on the water. I'm looking forward to expanding my sailing community in the Long Beach area and getting to know all of you at Little Ships Fleet Yacht Club and sharing many great days-on off the water!



LSFYC Member news and Photos



LSFYC MEMBERS GATHER ABOARD DAVE AND GABBY BIERMAN'S BOAT TO PLAN A EVENT TO TWO HARBORS ON CATALINA

LSFYC Race photos

Below photos of the action during **Long Beach Race Week** entry of LSFYC teams.



LSFYC team Kowabunga (no. 9 boat)



Ben Smith team on *Renegade*

Steve Dunlap & Meghan Fabulous...the adventure continues!

Now after 7 months(!) of sailing from Marina Del Rey, intrepid Little Shippers **Steve Dunlap, Meghan** and the 2 pugs, have journeyed aboard on the Lagoon 450S catamaran *Some Tuesday* down Mexico, Central America and across the Southern Pacific Ocean. After reaching their first destination of **Nuku Hiva** in the Marquesas, they have continued on to other Atolls in the various archipelagos that are scattered in the Pacific region. Then reaching and spending time in **Ta-hiti**, they have moved on to **Moorea**.



Click on links below to follow the adventure...and click on the posts shown to the live stream pod cast of the daily happenings, view posted videos and read the extensive and detailed narratives of the trip:

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<https://www.predictwind.com/tracking/SV-SomeTuesday>





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JULY, 2026



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5	6	7	8	9	10	11 LSFYC BEAT THE HEAT RACE
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 LSFYC MID SUM- MER BASH
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through May 31, 2026



Online Registration WWW.SCYA.ORG/EVENT/2026-SCYA-US-SAILING-SAFETY-AT-SEA

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- ✓ Registration: 0900
- ✓ Seminar: 1000 - 1430
- ✓ \$60 Registration
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Facilitated by
SCYA Dir. Judi Glover

2026 LSFYC Bridge

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