

Long Beach Singles Yacht Club
"The Single Sailors"

BOSUN'S PIPE

We're having fun at sea. No boat needed. We have the boats.
Married couples welcome



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Time to get out on the water ! SCUTTLEBUTT

March Has flown by like the wind. The first meeting of the month, we had a presentation from Capt Ron Grant of Grant Marine Surveys. He provided info. on some of what surveyors look for when assessing a vessel. From wiring, blisters and corrosion to being a detective and finding what is being hidden. The meeting was of special interest to Ron Warren, whose power boat had been hit and extensively damaged the day before in the slip in Newport. Ron got some tips on how to proceed with insurance and attorneys that specialize in that area.

Our meetings at the Crab Pot have not been as well attended as we would like. What is keeping many of you away? We'd like to know. Send me an email.

The March 27th Meeting, I showed video of scuba diving in the San Diego Area and Catalina east of the Isthmus. The San Diego dive off of Mission Bay in "Wreck Alley" where several vessels and a storm damaged weather research platform are sunk as reefs. The ship that was dived on was the former HMCS Yukon, a Canadian Destroyer Escort that is 366' long. It is laying on its side in about 100 feet of water about a mile and a half off Mission Bay. This is a technical dive and 5 divers have been lost there. The interesting part is that even though the ship was sunk in 2000, there is quite a bit of marine life growing and swimming around the wreck. The next place was a place called Fern Groto around the corner to the east below the USC compound at the Isthmus. The kelp there and

the underwater species are amazing. Even the colorful ever present protected Garibaldi got into the act.

This past Saturday, March 31st we had an Easter Dock Party. It was well attended and the church group that is usually is also there was out in force. That added up to about 40 people attending. Carl has had some health problems lately, but he was still able to oversee the party for a while. Until the breeze died, it was a bit cool. There was plenty of food and Deuce Coupe again played tunes.

COMING EVENTS:

We are looking at another dock party on April 28th.

PANTHERS @ SEA is getting in gear for the May 12th event. April 3rd, James will be at Seal Beach YC recruiting skippers. There will be a committee meeting at the US Sailing Center on Wednesday April 4th. We will have James at the April 24th meeting to recruit skippers, dock personnel, 1st Mates and fundraising. Currently, that is planned for the April 24th meeting.

OPENING DAY:

Is scheduled for May 19th at Holiday Harbor Marina in Wilmington. We will be looking for volunteers to help with setup and cleanup. This will be a pot luck, BYOB event. There will be a few spaces for boats. Boat parties afterwards. More on this as we get closer to the event.

VOLVO AROUND THE WORLD RACE

Monday, March 26th, John Fisher, 47, UK, was knocked overboard by the mainsheet system on the racing yacht Scallawag 1400 nautical miles west of Cape Horn in the Southern Ocean. The seas were about 15' with 40 knot winds. The crew searched for John for sometime. The nearest other yachts were about 200 miles away. It is feared he was knocked unconscious when hit in an unexpected jibe. Reportedly, he had unclipped his tether to go forward. His loss has affected not only that crew, but the whole of the competitors. The crew is sailing to the nearest land which is Chile. The Southern Ocean can be a very dangerous place !! The race is due to finish in England in June 2018.

NAUTICAL QUESTION:

WHAT ARE THE NECESSARY PERSONAL SAFETY DEVICES THAT SHOULD BE ON-BOARD AND USED.

PFD's or Personal Flotation Devices, i.e. Lifejackets are the first item that should be onboard and have enough for every person aboard. There are several types and sizes. From easily wearable vest type to the inflatable type with harness. The standard types of emergency PFD's (Usually Orange or red) should be stored in a dry, readily accessible area. In times of bad weather or emergency, they should be worn on the person. If you aren't a good swimmer, you may want to wear a PFD when normally onboard a vessel. Kids and animals should have PFD's on when on the water. Check the USCG Rating.

Seasoned sailors will often have an add-on pouch with their PFD that has items to help locate you should you go overboard. This can include a signal mirror, flashlight, smoke and flares. All PFD's should be equipped with a SOLAS grade Whistle which will operate in the water.

Sailors on the open ocean use harnesses and tethers, especially at night or in rough weather. The tether has clips that will allow the wearer to clip into a safety or "Jack Line". A Jack Line is usually tied between the bow and the stern on each side of the boat. Larger boats may have more than one on each side. Clipped into these lines allows the sailor to move fore and aft securely.

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

ARIES

- 2. Vicki Guy
- 5. Jack Garat
- 8. Dean Stroud
- 17. Bernard Brooks

TAURUS

- 30. Ted Lingle



FROM THE COMMODORE,

Ahoy Shipmates,

I hope you all are well. We had a very nice dock party for Easter. We didn't have a dinghy Easter Egg Hunt as we did not have enough dinghies. Maybe next year. The club is still in need for a membership chair. Please contact me ASAP. This position needs to get filled. If you want this club to continue, we need participation.



Carl K and our Rear Commodore Bruce S both just got out of the hospital. We wish them well in their recovery journey.

Julie and David have left Puerto Vallarta for Barr's Navidad, working their way to Costa Rica. This is an adventure of a life time. We wish them safe journey. You can follow them on Lawsonsailing.com.

Fair Winds,

Rhonda Rowley

FROM THE VICE-COMMODORE

Ahoy Mates,

Here are some interesting events to mark on your calendar.

Look out for the Long Beach Grand Prix from Friday April 13th to Sunday April 15th.

For those looking to get a US Coast Guard approved Captain's License, the next three weekend class begins Friday April 6th. The cost for the course is \$695.00 For info visit www.SmartCaptains.com or call (415) 798-7544.



We are Looking for boats to participate in the Panthers at Sea program and or you can adopt-a-student is available to help these students be able to go in May. Contact James Townes (562) 951-5810.

We are planning our Opening Day Ceremonies and I have been asked to MC the event. Captain Jack Sparrow did it last year but we didn't get enough people to come and he is shy about returning this year. We are looking at May 19th.

Lastly there is a Marine Boat Auction of impounded and abandoned vessels on May 19 at the Alamitos Bay Marine Office. Call Vilma Hernandez at (562) 670-3215.

We are looking for ideas on future programs for our club and suggestions are welcome.

Fair Winds and Following Seas,

William Anast

FROM THE FLEET CAPTAIN

Hello fellow skippers,

Now is the time to get your boat ready for 2018 sailing events.

Reminder - do all the usual maintenance and don't forget exercising the thru hull valves and check for correct wood plug for size. Also give the OB motor a little attention, fresh fuel, etc. Tentative 2018 Cruising Schedule.

Day Sail once a month

Following schedule of events.

1. Panthers @ Sea Saturday 5/12/18. Boats and Dock workers
2. Opening Day Saturday 5/19/18. Boat Party After

LBSYC

Member SCYA

Founded by Gary Severns, 1985

2018 Flag Officers, Directors, Committee Chairs

COMMODORE Rhonda Rowley 562-879-6573

VICE COMMODORE Bill Anast 714-235-4809

- Orientation Gordy Lords
- Greeters Doris Morrissey
- Birthday cards
- Ways & Means
- Programs

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Recruiting

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- Racing
- Training

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- Merchandise
- Maria Bogart

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3. Emerald Bay with Hurricane Gulch YC. Friday June 22-24 2018. Skippers we need a head count of boats that plan on going to event ASAP so the host club can plan accordingly.
4. More to follow including raftups.

This schedule is subject changes and additions and is updated as club members respond.

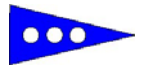
Fair Winds,

Rick Miller






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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 EASTER 	2	3	4	5	6 HAPPY HOUR 	7
8 	9	10 MEETING 	11	12	13 HAPPY HOUR LONG BEACH GRAND PRIX	14
15 LB GRAND PRIX 	16 TAX DAY 	17	18	19	20 HAPPY HOUR 	21
22 	23 BOARD MEETING 	24 MEETING 	25	26	27 HAPPY HOUR NEWPORT 2	28 DOCK PARTY ENSENADA RACE
29 N2E 	30				HAPPY HOUR 	

10, MEETING, 2ND TUESDAY
CRAB POT
 Members,
6:30 PM: Social hour,
7:30: Skipper's meeting
7:430 New people orientation
7:45 Meeting host, **RHONDA ROWLEY**
8:10, SPEAKER: TBA




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28, DOCK PARTY 5PM Carl's Boat, Dock 22 ABM.
 Bring food to share, BYOB, folding chair.

23, BOARD MEETING 7PM TBA

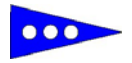










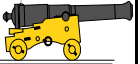





ANY FRI, HAPPY HOUR AT THE CRAB POT, 5 PM
 Alamitos Bay, Crab Pot Rest. Next to Dock 3.
 Discounted drinks and food. Buffet discontinued. Happy hour runs from 2:-7pm.





MAY 2018 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
●		1	2	3	4 HAPPY HOUR 	5 
6	7 ◐	8  MEETING	9  WET WEDNESDAYS & POP TOPS BEGIN	10 	11 HAPPY HOUR 	12  PANTHERS AT SEA
13	14	15 ●	16	17	18 HAPPY HOUR 	19  OPENING DAY
20	21  BOARD MEETING	22  MEETING	23	24	25 HAPPY HOUR 	26 
27	28	29 ●	30	31	HAPPY HOUR 	

8, MEETING, 2ND TUESDAY

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Members.

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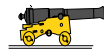


9, WET WEDNESDAYS— LBYC BEGIN

10, POP TOPS — SEAL BEACH YC BEGIN

12, **PANTHERS @ SEA, 8AM** Shoreline Marina, Boats, dock workers and 1st Mates needed.

19, **OPENING DAY 1PM** Holiday Harbor Marina, Wilmington. Bring Side dish; Burgers and hot dogs supplied, BYOB, Boat Parties after Ceremony.



21, **BOARD MEETING, 7 PM**, Location TBA



22, MEETING, 4TH TUESDAY

CRAB POT

Members.

6:30 PM: Social hour,

7:30: Skipper's meeting

7:30: New people orientation

7:45 Meeting; host, **RHONDA ROWLEY**

8:10, **SPEAKER: TBA**



ANY FRI, HAPPY HOUR AT THE

CRAB POT, 5 PM Alamitos Bay, Crab Pot Rest. Next to Dock 3. Discounted drinks and food. Happy hour runs from 2-7pm.



WE ARE LOOKING FOR PARTY HOMES. If you are interested in hosting a party at your home or party room that allows alcohol, Please contact Wendell 562-537-4973

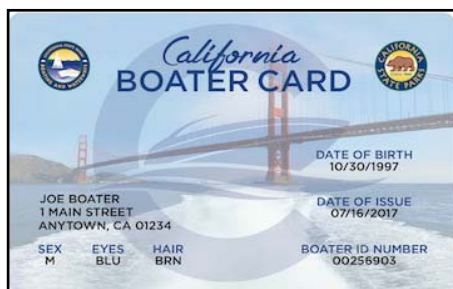
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The Jack lines must be made of either high strength line or webbing. If a person does go overboard wearing a tether that is clipped into the safety line, he/she can be recovered with some effort. That was not the case with the crewman on the Scallawag Volvo Race boat that had removed his tether to move forward around the mainsheet mechanism. He was knocked overboard by the mainsheet moving as he crossed the track. In some instances and safety line setups, it may be necessary or wise to have two tethers. This might be necessary if you have to move between two line sections or side to side of the vessel.

The Coast Guard requires PFD's, safety signally equipment including up to date flares and smoke devices and fire extinguishers. My personal experience is that anything larger than an outboard driven dinghy should have a minimum of one 5 lb extinguisher. The 2 3/4 lb extinguishers look nice, but are not effective on anything larger than a fire in a pan on the stove or an outboard. If the vessel has gasoline engines, it is better to have several 10-15 lb extinguishers. This should also be the rule if your engine(s) are diesel. Fires can start not only from the engine, but also overheated transmissions, electrical and stoves can do the same. The Coast Guard requires that all safety items be functional and up to date. Care for your PFD's and other equipment is necessary. If they have gotten wet or are in a damp compartment, dry them out. You don't want to have moldy, deteriorating PFD's in an emergency.

BOATER CARD

It appears that having the card on board can allow someone who is not yet qualified and falls under the age restrictions can allow them to take the helm. I urge everyone to consider getting the card, even though you may not be under the age requirements. Knowledge and using it is Safe Boating.



Coming Apr—June Raftup & Party Time Go Sailing !!



Easter Dock Party 3/31/18



WELCOME to LBSYC, Long Beach Singles Yacht Club (formerly LBSSA). Couples welcome. Our club is a volunteer organization to promote sailing and socializing. Membership is approximately **30% boat owners** (sail and power) and **70% crew**. Meetings are on the **2nd and 4th Tuesdays** of each month at **7 pm** (see map) Happy Hour 2:30-7pm.
New Members Welcome !

The Crab Pot

215 N. Marina Drive
 Long Beach, CA 90803
Social Hour: 7:00-8:00 pm
Newcomers Orientation, 7:45 pm
General Meeting, 8:00
Program, 8:15 pm
End of meeting, Approx. 9:00 pm

After the meeting we socialize in the bar. We encourage skippers to post "crew wanted" lists for day sails or club events. **All are welcome**

No experience needed.

No boat needed.

So what is needed?

Be over 21 and have a desire to sail and have fun.

Website: WWW.LBSYC.Org

This newsletter is always available on the website @ Events/Bosuns Box.

OVER THE SIDE

Joseph W. Rogers



No, I ain't never had any sailing lessons. Why?

NOTABLE QUOTES:

My Grandmother is over eighty and still doesn't need glasses. Drinks right out of the bottle.

— Henny Youngman

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