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Breakfast at Tiffany's

for our

Mother's Day Celebration

at the

Navy Yacht Club Long Beach

Sunday, May 8th

11 am to 2 pm

Catered by The Crema Café

Menu includes: Quiches, breakfast burritos, mini sandwiches,
salads, muffins & croissants

\$15 per person

(sorry, no children's prices, as this is a catered event)

RSVP to Tommy by May 1st
cwowheel@aol.com
562.481.6355

There is a limit of 90 people so please RSVP early!
(Membership must be current by May 1st)

Yes, boys, this is a Tiffany box... every girl should have one, at least once in her life.



Commodore



Roy Queen



I would like to thank all the General Membership of Navy Yacht Club who worked so hard with the set up and tear down for our Opening Day ceremony and celebration. Without you we would not have come close to putting on this event. I would also like to salute our Jr. Staff Commodore Gary Halliburton and his wife Susan for an enormous amount of work and time spent planning our Opening Day. Without Gary's brilliant idea of a very large tent, we would have been rained out with no place to go.

If you have not been to the Club House in some time you might want to swing by and check out some of the upgrades we have been making. The new canopy over the front patio and the new wind breaks will make our time there more comfortable and enjoyable. In the near future we will move the back flow valve to the fence, and add a new electrical outlet in the back so we can heat water for the stainless steel sink. Additional concrete will be added to the patio to allow more room for our Friday night pot lucks.

We now have a sign-up sheet for your personal Navy Yacht Club business cards. One of the most important things you can do for our Club is to bring in new members. By giving your card to a qualified Veteran or active duty person, you can help. Tell them to visit our club on a Friday night, and by showing your card they can get two free drinks, meet good people, have something to eat, and watch a great sunset.

Commodore

Roy C. Queen



Vice Commodore



Tommy Wheeler



Hello Everybody,

Can you believe that it's already May? Where has the year gone? The good news is that the warmest part of the year is coming up fast. Got to get those boats ready to cruise, those grills ready to cook, those coolers ready to...well, you know what coolers do. I need not say more about that. We know that the harbor is open and ready for cruising, so I feel obligated to make sure that we put as many boats at the long dock as possible. So, I guess that means more parties.

Mother's Day is almost here and we have a very nice brunch scheduled. Crema café, from Main Street, Seal Beach, will be catering the event. We will also be having a raffle and from my understanding there are some nice prizes. I wasn't invited to help pick them out, so I'll be as surprised as you to see what the ladies come up with. This day will be in honor of the ladies that we all love so much. Please come on out and share it with us.

Next month, we will be celebrating the men in our lives. Father's Day plans are already starting to take shape and it looks like a real BBQ event might be in the cards. Stay tuned for further details.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention how well the Opening Day Ceremony went. Thank you Gary and Susan for a very special day. That tent sure was a life saver.

Friday night potlucks are still going strong. Come on out and meet the membership. Bring a dish to share and a good attitude and all will be okay. It's a great way to unwind from a stressful week at the office.

See you around,

Vice Commodore

Tommy Wheeler



Rear Commodore



Dale West



Hello, Happy May... We are quickly approaching my favorite part of the year and the best time for boating activities, spring and summer!!! I hope you are all looking forward to the season as much as I am.

Our membership renewal process is still continuing but at this point in the year we should have this behind us. Renewal forms are available at the club and/or on-line and the renewal fees are \$125 if you are local to LA and Orange Counties, or \$75 for those of you out of the LA – Orange County area. Send your check along with your renewal form, payable to Navy Yacht Club Long Beach, to:

Pam Padilla, Treasurer
18392 Gina Lane
Huntington Beach, CA 92646

Please remember, per club bylaws Section 6: No member in arrears for dues or other indebtedness to the Club shall be eligible to hold office, vote, or otherwise participate in any Club meeting or activity. A member shall be considered in arrears when dues or other indebtedness are outstanding sixty days after they are due.

Those unpaid are being contacted and will not be allowed to participate in upcoming club events.

Welcome aboard to the following New Members:

Charles Buckner and Diane Pennica
Former USMC
48' Beneteau - Cabernet Sky

Welcome Perspective Members:

Charles Cates and Dolores Vincent
Former US Navy
44" C&C – Fourth Quarter

Justin and Ann DeMello
Former USAF
22' Bayliner – Dolores

I hope to see the new and perspective members around the club house and at the events often!

Opening day was a fantastic day at the Club despite the inclement weather. Thanks to all who attended and to all who pitched in to configure the opening day tent from vacant to ceremonial to dinner club to dance floor and finally back to vacant. It took a ton of effort to keep things running smoothly and it was great to see it happen.

Finally, continue watch for flyers and emails concerning a special event for the club supporting Sidewalk CPR. Members from Memorial Hospital, Long Beach will be at the club instructing Navy Yacht Club members on the tools needed to possibly save a family member or fellow club members' life.



Jr. Staff Commodore



Gary Halliburton



Our 49th Opening Day ceremonies were a triumph, even with the rain. Thanks to our tent, all were able to stay dry. Thank you to all who volunteered their energy and talent behind the scenes to make this day a big success. Thanks go to my wife Susan who tirelessly wrote and rewrote the script. Thank you also to Norie and Jerry Martin, Grayce Hardy, and my wife Susan who welcomed members and guests at the Registration table. I thank all who helped to set up chairs, tables, and the bar inside the tent, to Tom Baker and Tripp Hardy for setting up and tending bar, to our wonderful members who brought their special appetizers, side dishes and desserts, and to Theresa Marino, Cindy Baker and Kathleen Collins for setting out the food and keeping the tables stocked and looking appetizing. Thanks also go to Sylvia Wheeler who passed out programs and to Joyce Jackson for her nautical table centerpieces.

The U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps from the U.S.S Coral Sea Association provided a superb flag ceremony and many thanks to their Liaison Chief, S/C Richard Satchell for arranging their appearance, and to Captain Alex Balian for providing trumpet accompaniment.

Chaplain Norie Martin gave our invocation and benediction, and her husband Jerry provided the 8 Bells memorial.

Elvira Hallinan, Manager of Long Beach Marine Operations, honored us with her presence and entertained us with a talk about her boating memories and love of the ocean.

Soloist Sara Lobato again graced us with moving renditions of our National Anthem, *God Bless America*, and finally, *God Bless the USA*. Long Beach Fire Station 21 provided a water salute on the bay. D.J. Tony B kept the rain away all afternoon with his music for dancing while accompanied by Captain Alex Balian on the trumpet to *Tequila* and many other tunes.

All in all, a terrific day to officially open the 2016 boating season. Plans are already underway for next year's 50th Opening Day! In the meantime, I hope to see you around the club and safe travels on the water.

Sincerely,

Gary



OPENING DAY









Race Committee Chair



Chris Mewes



The Armed Forces Day Regatta, hosted by Navy Yacht Club on May 7th is our first regatta of the year. Sign up now to race your boat in this regatta. We need volunteers for the race committee boat and the after regatta party. The Club's after race party is always great fun so stop by the club around 3 PM to join the party.

On April 16th the Club enlisted 7 members to participate in the Walt Elliot Harbor Challenge; we raced against CBYC, LBYC, ABYC, SBLYC and SYC. All of the clubs sailed Catalina 37s in the waters of the Long Beach Harbor with wind in the 18 to 20 knot range. Most of our crew had limited experience on the 37s, as a racing team we learned a lot, and had a great time on the water.

Two of our members competed in the 69th Newport to Ensenada International Yacht Race. Bob Siemon on Sundaze was 1st in the Curz-Gen-B class and Ben Smith on Renegade was 7th in PHRF-D. Congratulations to both skippers.

In first week of May, the summer Wednesday and Thursday evening regattas begin, if you're looking for a boat to crew on give me a call, I might be able to connect you with a skipper looking for crew.

The April Senior Salty Sailors pursuit race results are:

April 5th: 4 boats, course #10, an open water course outside of the breakwater, 7.4 miles, winds in the 6 to 9 range. We had a very exciting photo finish between Dos Amigos and Rosinante with Dos Amigos by a nose, followed by Rosinante, Macs and Bandit.

April 12th: 5 boats, course #8, a partial open water course, 7.4 miles, winds in the 6 to 16 range. In first place Windhaven, followed by Amelieden, Bandit, Shadowfax (looks like I need a refund on the bottom job) and Macs

April 19th: 5 boats, course #2, 6.5 miles, winds in 3.5 to 6 .5 in first place Windhaven, followed by Callisto II DNF Amelieden, Macs and Shadowfax

April 26th no sailing, gale force winds predicted.

See you on the water,

Chris





Fleet Captain



Becky Martinez



May Joint Cruise-Out

Navy Yacht Club and Marina Yacht Club

What's more fun than a Navy Yacht Club cruise-out? I'll tell you. A three-day—or longer--Memorial Day raft-up to Newport Beach that we share with Marina Yacht Club!

This year Marina Yacht Club has invited NYCLB to join them for their annual Memorial Day Cruise! So grab your dinghy and your bow and/or stern anchor, and come prepared for three days of fun activities, great eating, and meeting new people.

The cost of the weekend is \$10.00 per person to cover costs. Here is a run-down of the weekend's activities: Boats will be arriving on Thursday and Friday at the east end of Lido Isle where Doug and Susana Dworski will be coordinating things. Be sure to bring plenty of fenders, dock and spring lines and, of course, a bow or stern anchor. You should plan on arriving no later than 3:00 on Friday to get a good spot and set anchors, although you are welcome to come any time after that (just let the Port Captains know when you're coming). Hail on VHF 16, switch to 69.

Friday, early bird dinner is at Woody's Wharf at 5:00. If you will be coming from shore, the address for Woody's is 2318 Newport Blvd. (949-675-0474). The \$10.00 per person charge does not apply to those attending only the Friday dinner or the Sunday brunch. After dinner, there will be socializing and relaxing aboard the boats.

On Saturday, the Dworskis will be providing a breakfast burrito bar on their boat, *Meant To Be*, around 9:00 a.m. to include Bloody Marys, Tequila Sunrises, Mimosas and Champagne. Later, there will be a blindfolded dinghy race competition around the raft up; and then around 4:00 there will be a cookout and potluck feast. Meat will be provided; everyone is asked to bring a side dish to share.

On Sunday, the group will gather at the Bluewater Grill at 11:30 for brunch, 630 Lido Park Drive (949-675-3474), where you will order from their menu. Later on Sunday we will have a "theme cocktail party." The theme is "HOLIDAYS", so pick your favorite holiday and prepare a drink and appetizer that reflect that holiday. Each boat will host the serving of their drink and appetizer.

The raft up officially ends on Monday after breakfast, although you are welcome to stay for another day as the Port Captains plan to do. Assistance in retrieving anchors will be provided by the Port Captains.

You **must** RSVP and pay in advance for this event. Refer to the enclosed flyer for additional details. NYCLB thanks Marina Yacht Club's Port Captains for their generous hospitality: Doug and Susana Dworski, Larry and Heddy Codner, and Darrell Sausser and Debbie Neal.

See You Soon,

Becky Martinez

Fleet Captain





Navy Yacht Club Long Beach
MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND
CRUISE-OUT
MAY 27-30



Newport Beach Raft-Up
Joint Event with Marina Yacht Club
Newport Beach Harbor
Anchorage at East End of Lido Isle

Friday May 27

1200-1500 Boats arrive and join the raft-up. (Radio as you enter Newport Harbor. Hail on Channel 16, then switch to Channel 69)

1630 Depart by dinghy
1700 Dinner at Woody's Wharf

Saturday May 28

0900 Breakfast surprise from the port captains
1200 Blindfolded dinghy race
1600 Cookout and potluck dinner (location TBD). MYCLB to furnish the meat. Bring a dish to share. Dinner followed by coffee, drinks, and entertainment at the boats.

Sunday May 29

1130 Brunch at Bluewater Grill
1600 Theme Cocktail Party - Holidays

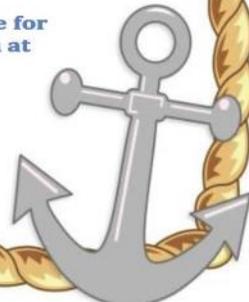
Monday May 30

Depart raft-up after breakfast (or stay another day)

\$10 fee for boating, breakfast, dinner, and cocktail party (no fee for those only attending the dinner at Woody's Wharf and brunch at Bluewater Grill)

Send in your reservation card now!
(Cards must be received no later than May 16.)

For further information contact
Fleet Captain Becky Martinez
rmart57979@aol.com



NAVY YACHT CLUB MAY CRUISE-OUT RESERVATION CARD

Cost: \$10 per person for boating, Saturday breakfast, Saturday cookout and potluck, and Sunday cocktail party; pay-as-you go for Friday dinner at Woody's Wharf and Sunday brunch at Bluewater Grill.

*Must be received no later than **MAY 16***

NAMES _____

GUEST NAMES _____

WILL ATTEND RAFT-UP Boat Name _____

Arrival Date _____ Estimated Arrival Time _____

WON'T ATTEND RAFT-UP

Either by land or sea, I will attend the following events:

Number

Friday Dinner (Woody's Wharf)

Saturday Breakfast

Saturday Cookout and Potluck

Sunday Brunch (Bluewater Grill)

Sunday Afternoon Cocktail Party

Return this card along with a check for \$10 per person, made out to MYCLB, to Doug and Susana Dworski, 3730 Oleander Street, Seal Beach, CA 90740.





Member's Corner

The American Cemetery in Luxembourg *By Frank Franco*

Lara and I have just returned from a 2 1/2 week cruise down the **Rhine & Mosel** rivers in northern Europe. The cruise started in the Netherlands then passed by (and stopped at) many towns in Germany, France, Luxembourg, and finally Switzerland. Although the weather was chilly, we had packed accordingly which allowed us to be in some comfort outdoors. The boat interior, of course, was warm and toasty.

After landing in **Brussels**, Belgium, we were bused to the major port of **Antwerp** where we picked up the boat *River Harmony*, a 140 passenger 300 ft. long narrow shallow draft vessel. After stowing away our bags in the compact but comfortable rooms, we mingled with some of the other passengers and then gathered with our guides for a short evening walk into the town.

The entirety of the cruise was the interesting and spectacular tours of the many cities, towns and villages along the majestic Rhine and Mosel Rivers. I will relate these adventures in the next issue of the Scuttlebutt.

However, at one point, the ship (while on the Mosel) stopped at the town of **Zell** (founded in the 1st century). Here, Lara and I took optional bus tour to The Grand Duchy of **Luxembourg**, land of much \$ and many banks. The highlight was a stirring tour of American Cemetery & Memorial where interred were 5,076 American troops lost in the Battle of the Bulge, the bloodiest battle of WWII.

Germany had launched its last major counteroffensive on Dec. 16, 1944. The attack had Antwerp as the objective. The assault pierced American lines on a 45 mile front. US troops' efforts contained the shoulders of the battle.

From then on, the battles raged on in Bastogne with help of the British XXX troops and the US 1st and 3rd Armies. On Jan 26, 1945 the 1st & 3rd Armies' offensives crossed into Germany. In Feb, the 3rd Army drove the enemy from Luxembourg and breached the Siegfried Line. After capturing the town of Trier, it crossed the Kyll River and reached the Rhine. On Mar 21, the 3rd Army had cleared the west bank of the Rhine in its sector. Its surprise assault on Mar 22 crossed the Rhine at Oppenheim, a prelude to the final offensive and VE Day,

Although one of many American cemeteries in Europe, this is the location where the grave of Gen George S. Patton Jr., the colorful and outspoken Commander 3rd Army lies at the head of the plot. Having listened to our guide's description of the circumstances leading up to and during the battle then later wandering through the plots with the white crosses inscribed with the names of the fallen brought forth many stirring emotions. For more info see links





AMERICAN CEMETERY IN LUXEMBOURG



GRAVE OF GENERAL PATTON



"The object of war is not to die for your country but to make the other bastard die for his." Gen George S. Patton, Jr





In Memorium

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of NYCLB member, Kent Childs. Kent had been battling pancreatic cancer for the past few years. Last year he bought and refurbished a home near Tulsa, Oklahoma, and was enjoying his new life. Rest easy, Kent.

A memory of Kent, from Phil Collins:

When Kent was a member of Seal Beach YC, he rented "garden space" along with Ski Novodvorsky.

Kent planted 6 tomato plants, not realizing how much fruit each produce.

Kent ended up with so many tomatoes, he had to give them away by the grocery bag full.

I ended up taking a couple of bags to work, where they all found a good home.



May 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Senior' Sailor's Salty Race	4	5	6 Pot-Luck - Burn Your Own - Share a dish	7 Armed Force's Day Race
8 Mother's Day Brunch	9	10 Senior Sailor's Salty Race	11 Board Mtg.	12	13 Pot-Luck	14
15	16	17 Senior Sailor's Salty Race	18	19	20 Pot-Luck - Perspective Members	21
22	23	24 Senior Sailor's Salty Race	25	26	27 Pot-Luck - Birthday Cruise-Out/Raft-Up Newport Beach Joint/	28 Cruise-Out/Raft-Up Newport Beach Joint/ Marina YC
29 Cruise-Out/Raft-Up Newport Beach Joint/ Marina YC	30 Cruise-Out/Raft-Up Newport Beach Joint/ Marina YC	31 Senior Sailor's Salty Race				

June 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Pot-Luck - Burn Your Own - Share a dish	4
5 IOBG Wine Tasting / Fund Raiser	6	7 Senior' Sailor's Salty Race	8 Board Mtg.	9	10 Pot-Luck Catalina Cruise-out	11 Catalina Cruise-out
12 Catalina Cruise-out	13	14 Senior' Sailor's Salty Race	15	16	17 Pot-Luck - Perspective Members	18
19 Father's Day Brunch	20	21 Senior' Sailor's Salty Race	22	23	24 Pot-Luck - Birthday	25
26	27	28 Senior' Sailor's Salty Race	29	30		





Join us for Wine Tasting FundRaiser hosted by
**District 10 IOBG and
The San Clemente Wine Company**

In support of 2016 IOBG Annual Meeting

Date: Sunday, June 5, 2016

Time: 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Where: Navy Yacht Club Long Beach

223 Marina Drive, Long Beach 90803

Reservations: \$15 per person

Event includes Winetasting,
Appetizers, 50/50 drawing, and more!

The San Clemente Wine Company
will provide wine for tasting with an
opportunity to purchase their wines.

Sheets will be available for
the purchase of their wine.

10% of all purchases will be donated back
to our fundraiser.

RSVP:
LaVon Plumlee
657 227 7164
Email: LaVon@NYCLB.com



Scuttlebutt

Navy Yacht Club Long Beach

Dates to Remember

- May 07 - Armed Force's Day Race
- May 08 - Mother's Day Brunch
- May 27 to 30 - Cruise-Out / Raft up to Newport Beach
- June 05 IOBG Wine Tasting / Fund Raiser Event
- June 10 - 12 Catalina Cruise-Out
- June 19 Father's Day Brunch



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