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BLACK CAT A-WHERE?!

This monthly contest challenges you to find this particular black cat, no others will do, hidden within the pages of the Lines&Bits newsletter.



When you find it, send an email to editor@dwyc.org with the page number and location description. Reply by the 10th of the month and you will be entered in a monthly random drawing to win a complimentary cocktail at the club, courtesy of the Commodore!

SAVE THE DATE!

(See articles for event details)

BNG	10/5/21	BNG Meeting
Commodore	10/9/21	Commodore's Ball
Commodore	10/10/21	Commodore's Brunch
Port	10/10/21	Sunday Music on the Patio
Port	10/14/21	Social Committee Meeting
Fleet	10/15-17/21	Avalon Cruise
Seamen	10/20/21	Whistle Pig Tasting
Silver Stars	10/23/21	Breakfast
Commodore	10/23/21	General Membership Meeting
Islanders	10/23/21	Election Social
Port	10/30/21	Halloween Party
BNG	11/2/21	BNG Meeting

**All dates are tentative. Check for latest in eBlasts!*

The By-Laws require that new applicants for membership be posted on the Bulletin Board for twenty one (21) days. Any regular member may place an objection against an applicant by submitting the objection in writing to the Board of Directors prior to the next Board meeting.

Dana West is a 501(c)(7), not for profit, mutual benefit corporation. In compliance with the California State Liquor Laws, we must have an Officer of the Day at the door, and all guests of DWYC members must be signed in by the member with our "Swipeon" system before entrance. All visiting yacht club members must present verification, sign in with "Swipeon" and must wear a guest badge, printed by the "Swipeon" system. The OD must verify individuals, by requesting them to present their current membership card. Most members have their cards ready as they enter.



Photo: Mike Metz



COMMODORE'S REPORT

By **HYDEE RIGGS**

Despite my steadfast efforts to try to hold on to summer and the cruising season, fall has arrived. At least we can still enjoy the warm weather and we have many fun events to keep us occupied this month including Halloween!

The Commodore's Ball is coming up quickly on Saturday, October 9, 2021, at El Adobe. While the event is sold out, we do have a wait list in case of last minute cancellations. It will be cocktail attire/black tie optional event. There will also be valet service available. I am super excited about this event as it is bound to be filled with lots of fun, music and libations! If you have any questions on the ball, give me or Nina a call.

As tradition has it, the Commodore's Brunch will be the following Sunday after the Ball (so we can recuperate from and reminisce about the previous night) and all members are invited to attend. We will have some brunch and drink specials and some live music in the afternoon on the patio. And of course, football games will be going on!

The weekend of October 15th will be the Avalon Fleet Cruise, the club's final cruise of the season. It is always very magical for me to be at Catalina, but then again, I am an admitted Island-aholic. There is always a big turn out for this cruise and even if you don't have a boat, come on over by ferry and stay at a hotel and you can join the festivities! Thank you to Fleet Captain Megan Noyes for all her time and dedication this season. You can see her with any questions or for further details about this cruise.

The Seamen are having their last event of the year on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 with special tastings of Whistle Pig Rye. I understand there may also be some extra special tastings involved! Please see Kevin Riggs with any questions on this event.

As we head into election season, I would like to personally thank the Board of Directors for their support and volunteerism and helping us keep our ship steady and on course during another challenging year. I want to also thank those of you who have reached out to run for the Board. As members, you have the privilege and duty to elect our newest directors. You should have already received information regarding the upcoming election and you will shortly be receiving biographies on the candidates, along with your ballot that you will want to return by the due

date. The candidates will also be present at the upcoming General Membership meeting on Saturday, October 23, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. to talk a little bit about themselves. So come on out to see them and also hear about the "state of the club". Before the General Membership meeting at 9:30 a.m., the Silver Stars will be out in force with their fundraiser breakfast and after the meeting, at approximately 1:00 p.m., the Islander's will be having their Election Social.

I hope you are thinking about costumes for the annual Halloween party set for Saturday, October 30, 2021! This is always a fun party with lots of music and prizes.



I would also like to remind those that are going on the Commodore's "cruise" to Akumal that the final payment for the trip is due November 2, 2021. We are also looking into a group excursion with more information to come. If you have any questions on the "cruise", please contact Tracey Breeden at 949-370-7854.

Finally, I would like to congratulate the September anchor raffle winner, Helen Hawkins! Congratulations Helen – find me for your free drink!

As always, thank you to everyone for their support. You are the ones who make this the best community ever! 



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VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

By **MOLLY DEARING**

Happy Fall! As a reminder, October is election season at the club! I would like to thank those of you who have reached out to run for the Board. As members, it is your duty to elect our newest directors! You should soon be receiving biographies on the candidates, along with your ballot which you will want to return by the due date. Please plan on attending the General Membership Meeting on October 23rd (11 am at the club) to hear from the candidates (and also hear about the state of the club).

The F&B committee continues to take your comments, suggestions and compliments to heart, and I hope that you are enjoying the weekly food and drink specials that our amazing staff have been cultivating.

Trivia night's on pause until next spring, but DWYC is a great place to watch football on Sundays and Monday night. Come on down to enjoy some tasty food and libations, hang out with friends and watch your favorite team!

The following applicants were approved as members at the September Board of Directors meeting:

Chris & Erin Herman (Laguna Hills) – *Boat Owner*
Thomas Thomson (Dana Point) – *Boat Owner*

The following applicants have been posted for approval at the October Board of Directors meeting:

Donna Albano & Charles Simonet
(Laguna Niguel) – *Non-Boat Owner*
Clare Kenney (San Clemente) – *Boat Owner*
Roger Lessard (San Juan Capistrano) – *Boat Owner*
Jeremy & Tina Ognau (Laguna Niguel) – *Boat Owner*

Correction to member approval name in September article:
Tom & Nenuca Spaeth (San Clemente) – *Boat Owner* 



NEW MEMBERS

Please note that pictured new members may have been approved at a prior Board of Director's meeting but due to deadlines of this publication may not be acknowledged nor their photographs printed here until the following months.



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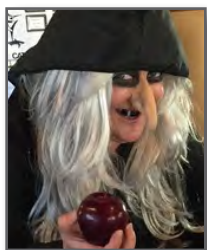


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REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

By **NINA McNEELY**

My favorite holiday is coming up soon – Halloween! Several years ago, I discovered what fun it was to embrace the macabre and really go all out with the costumes. In 2018, I was inspired by Ruth Rosen's amazing renderings of Disney villains to re-create the evil witch from Snow White with the basket of apples.

The evening of the party, I pulled up my Uber app and got a ride down to the club. I quickly added a note to the driver: "I need to warn you I am dressed as a witch." He pulled up, rolled down his window and said, "Lady, thank goodness you sent me that note because you look so scary I would have kept on driving!" In truth, all of Dana West embraces Halloween and every year it is exciting to see what creative costumes will come through the door!

I quickly added a note to the driver:

"I need to warn you I am dressed as a witch."

As we usher in October, we are getting cooler nights down on the docks. Come to the Ship's Store on Monday nights during football to stock up on your Dana West sweatshirts and jackets. Can't find what you want? Just let me know and you can custom order the DWYC gear of your dreams! See you at the club! 🚢



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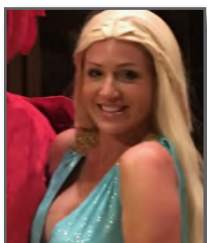


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FLEET LOG

By **MEGAN NOYES**

Hi Cruisers! This cruising season sure did fly by! I can't believe we will be having our last cruise of the season on October 15-17th to Avalon.

Our Isthmus cruise at the end of August was extra special! We were able to witness the renaming of our Commodore




and our Commodore-able's new boat! Jim McNamara held a fabulous ceremony and toast to welcome *Island Life*.

The cruise was also "special" in that we had a record of 7 "Rubber Ducky's" awarded! For those who don't know what that means, if someone falls into the water, they receive a "Rubber Ducky" award! We definitely had too much fun out at the island, and I kind of hate to report, yours truly, was the last recipient of said award!



We also gave out several fun awards at our beach party to top off a fun weekend!

As the season draws to a close, please feel free to email me or stop me at the club should you have any questions, or if you haven't cruised with us and want to know more! It's a great way to meet other boaters and fun members of our club! See you at the club or on the water. 





PORT REPORT

By **JAN CASTEEL
& MARNIE FEELY**

We had some great events in September. We also had fun singing and dancing to Karaoke with Roy Southerland. We had a fantastic time at the Jimmy Buffett Party listening to the Caribbean Dynamics. Thank you to everyone who dressed in their best Parrott Head attire. The winners of the hat contest were:



*Sophie Lentini
Barbara deFabry
Sherrie Meehleis
Stacy Mata
Rex Hall and Patty Markus*



We also had fun listening to Andrew Selecky on the patio after the Silver Stars Brunch!

We have scheduled the following events for October so please look for the weekly flyers for more information:

Sunday Music on the Patio - October 10th 1:00-4:00

Halloween Dance Party "Haunted Island"

October 30th 7:00 to 10:30 Don Ross Band

The Social Committee will be meeting at the club on October 14th at 6 PM. Any member who is interested may join us. for a drink, planning and fun. Our social committee is made up of members who want to help with our social events. We look forward to hearing from you as to what type of events you would like to see at the club. If you would like to help make that next event great or have special skills that you think will help, please join us in our club meeting. Your help and friendship are what makes DWYC the "Best Little Yacht Club on the West Coast".

Looking forward to a good times together. 

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NEVER FORGET


By **PATTY MARKUS**
Edit **STACEY BURNS**

On that tragic September morning in 2001, the United States was forever changed. Among the approximately 3000 lives lost that day were 343 Firefighters. This year as over the past 20 years, (save the pandemic year), local, National and International firefighters pay their respects where the World Trade Center once stood.

Our own DWYC members, Rex Hall, Ray Galaz, and Don Arbenz have been among those Anaheim FD firefighters. While Don Arbenz couldn't attend this year, he has gone multiple times. Rex Hall has made the trip every five years. Ray Galaz made his first trip this year, as did DWYC Member, and LAFD Firefighter/paramedic Tanya Crabbe.



Each trip is an honor to pay tribute to their fallen brothers, true heroes. Retired AFD Firefighter, Fernando Negrete, has organized the AFD trip every year, befriending several fire stations in NYC, including the Dean Street station in Brooklyn. Each year, a parade of uniformed firefighters start at Ground Zero, March across the Brooklyn Bridge, back to the Dean Street Station, (which lost seven of their own). Seven flags are carried across the bridge, representing those lost, and signifying bringing them "home".

No one can visit New York on 9/11, and leave unchanged. While there are somber moments, it is also a time of hope, brotherhood and renewed patriotism for this amazing country. The sense of belonging, of being part of a timeless tradition, friendship, history and shared experiences and goals, is not unlike being part of DWYC. Never Forget! 



RACE

By **TAMARA TATICH**

One can never be too safe on water and there are many coastal and offshore race events that require a percentage of crew members to have an SAS (Safety at Sea) certificate. It's a great time to take a class if you plan to participate in long distance races, including Newport to Ensenada.

Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA) is hosting a US Sailing Sanctioned International Offshore SAS Course with Hands-on Training, October 2 & 3 at California Yacht Club in Marina Del Rey. It may seem like a distance to travel, but this is one of the first opportunities to participate in an SAS class in over 18 months. This certificate can upgrade to an International certificate and is good for five years.


As a side note, if you took an Offshore Safety at Sea Course in 2019 or 2020 (either in-person or online) with the intention to upgrade to an International Offshore certificate but were not able to meet the 365 day requirement to complete the Hands-On Training course due to the COVID crisis, you have until the end of 2022 to take a Hands-On course.

Still looking to bang the corners on a race course? There are plenty of opportunities and the fall season is usually the perfect time of year to get out on the water. If you prefer to stay local, it's not too late to enter the Fall Series at DPYC on regatta network.

Mark Williams has won 1st Place, with *Buenos Aires* in the San Diego Yacht Club Beneteau Cup. Bravo!



If you prefer to go the distance, the 57th Little Ensenada Race, hosted by Southwestern Yacht Club, leaves San Diego harbor on October 1. That same weekend, Balboa Yacht Club is hosting the 14-Mile Bank Race, a fun, day-long event on October 2, if you prefer to be closer to home.

Thank you to all the skippers and their crews that came out to sail in a DWYC race this year, and a BIG shout-out to those that served on Race Committee: Michael Tatich, Nick & Tracy Ignerto, Jerry Wetzler, Julie D'Urso, Nancy May, Tom Rafferty, Roger Postolka, Scott Malone, Ron Hascall, Ed (Santa) Howie and Roger Salway. 



JUNIOR'S CORNER

By **DAWN RASMUSSEN**

The 2021 Paul Berkery Memorial Tin Cup Golf Tournament was an amazing success once again! While we are still waiting for the final tally, as I write this, the



tournament itself was sold out and participation in the raffles and auctions was fantastic! The winning team won with a score well below par.

We had a great turnout at the club afterward for dinner, live and silent auctions/raffles. Prizes included a wide variety of items: golf clubs, Leroy Neiman America's Cup painting, weekend of golf and rooms at The Ranch, a day of fishing for six, restaurant gift certificates, wine and much more. Thank you very much to those of you who donated items for the raffle.



We want to sincerely thank the Tin Cup Committee for their year-after-year commitment to organizing what has become the signature and #1 fundraising event!!

Special thanks first and foremost to Brenda Berkery for 10+ years of volunteering for this event.

Thanks to the rest of the committee for their dedication: Matt Dearing, Bobby De Jong, Ray and Nancy Galaz, Rex Hall, Jack McFadden, Dan Runnestrand and Carl Strazzulla.

Thank you, as well, to the volunteers who helped out at the golf course: Mike & Lisa Metz, Ruth Nastof, Mary Strazzulla, Sandra Serrano, Bob Gremel, Cindy Salway, Cheryl Kelly, Barb & Dell DeFabry, Molly Dearing, Jami Hensling and Marianne.

Our DWYC High Performance Team is stepping up and attending training this fall at San Diego Yacht Club to sail 29ers. For those of you who are not familiar, the 29er is a two-person, single trapeze dinghy with an asymmetric spinnaker and a lightweight hull. It's a smaller take on the 49er, which is used in Olympic competition. This boat has become the boat of choice for high performance youth sailing. It is the next step for the kids after they grow out of the RS Tera Sport, which is a single-handed boat and is perfect for beginner sailors. We're so proud that our sailors are advancing to these more challenging boats, in addition to the RS Tera program we are building.

Speaking of Teras, we currently now have 13 in the fleet, having added 5 through generous member donations this year. Thank you to Scott Whitmore & Bonnie Olsen, Patricia Whitmore & Janice Artinger for adding 2 more boats this past month!!

Fair winds and following seas,

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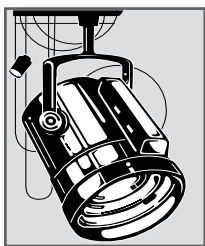


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KELLY RINDERKNECHT

Membership Number: 1680

Year Joined: 1998

Did you have a nickname growing up or now? If so, what was it and where did it come from? My grandpa called me 'Kelly Feet Smelly' in the most endearing way.

Favorite thing about the club: It's comfortable. We all know each other. It's a welcoming family...a circle of support...a safe place. My most favorite thing though is the way we all come together in times of celebration as well as in times of loss and tragedy. Specifically, for me as someone that joined at the age of 21...the members and leaders of this club through the years have been my mentors, my friends, my disciplinarians and my idols.

Occupation : Marina Manager

Do you own a boat and if so, what is her name:

We recently purchased a 2020 Robalo 18' named



Places you have lived: Newport Beach, Costa Mesa, Mission Viejo, and Dana Point

Favorite foods: Salads, soups, burritos, cheeseburgers, and pizza.

Favorite alcoholic beverage: Coors Light & Sauvignon Blanc

Favorite movies: Mostly anything on the Hallmark Channel. Also, Pretty Woman, League of Their Own & all the Fifty Shades of Grey movies.

Favorite actors/actresses: Young Richard Gere, mature Tom Selleck, and old James Spader

Favorite musical performers: Billy Joel, Elton John, Rod Stewart, Melissa Etheridge and Zac Brown Band.

Best vacation ever taken: It's a tie...Washington DC,

Alaskan cruise, Niagara Falls and regular trips playing on the Colorado River with my family.

What is your secret talent? I can juggle...but not at circus level.

Hobbies: Time off work with Jennifer, time with family, playing on & in the water, going to the movies, watching/playing sports, shopping, and exploring new places.

If you could choose a lifetime supply of something, what would it be? Time

If you could give your 16-year-old self advice, what would you tell yourself? Move through life with confidence...don't sell yourself short. It took me a little too long to learn this.



What do you pride yourself at being really good at? Celebrating.

Tell us something(s) we may not know about you (try to blow us away – LOL): I have closed all three rings on my Apple Watch for 1,250 days and counting

What is on your bucket list? Retiring & Travel to Scotland.

MEMBER

JULIE D'URSO

Member No.: 1295

Year Joined: 1997

Did you have a nickname growing up or now? If so, what was it and where did it come from? My given name is Amy Julia. I was named for both of my grandmothers. My parents had a friend named Amy Jefferies. She went by the name of Amy Jay. So that was what I was called until, at some time in grade school, I decided to drop the Jay. Then, after a group therapy session, I was told "Amy didn't suit me any longer", so at age 40 I changed my name to Julie. We considered Julia but felt it was too formal.

Year you joined the club: 1997

Favorite thing about the club: It was a safe place for me to come as a single woman after my husband died. It still is "family".

Previous occupations: Accounting, Finance/Administration, Computer Services, Personal Chef, International Regulatory and Legal (Patents). Either I couldn't decide what I wanted to be when I grew up. . . OR I never grew up.

Do you own a boat and if so, what is her name: We owned an Island Packet 29 named *Brezalina*, when we joined. We owned several others including a West Wight Potter 15 and a Catalina 28.

Favorite foods: I make a mean Chicken Piccata and Ranch Turkey Meatloaf.

Favorite alcoholic beverage: Vodka, Champagne and wine

Best vacation ever taken: I've been lucky to have traveled quite a bit. I can't really say which was my favorite. I enjoy exploring and I've been throughout North America, to South America (including rounding

Cape Horn), Europe (river cruising and 1-week cooking school in Tuscany), Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, Singapore and Iceland (Arctic Circle).

What is your secret talent? I've just started painting watercolors.

*"Either I couldn't decide what I wanted to be when I grew up. . .
OR I never grew up."*

Hobbies: Travel, reading, paper crafting and cooking. Especially trying new recipes – like Beef Wellington for the Charity Regatta Auction Dinner Party.

If you could choose a lifetime supply of something, what would it be? Only positive thoughts and actions.


If you could give your 16-year-old self-advice, what would you tell yourself? I would say "You can do anything you set your mind to and accomplish whatever



you want or dream of doing, and it will all be YOUR accomplishment and no one else's.

What do you pride yourself at being really good at? Listening and observing.

Tell us something(s) we may not know about you: My father was a minister, so I was a PK (and you know what they say about PKs!). I put myself through college working in a clothing factory, was co-founder of a software development startup. I was a Personal Chef and cover girl.

What is on your bucket list? Fall cruising New England, the Canadian Rockies by rail and an African Safari. 



HEALTH & HAPPINESS

By **CINDY SALWAY**

Fall brings slightly cooler weather, shorter days, pumpkin lattes, goblins and witches.

Bob and Cheryl Kelly took a road trip in September to Sequoia, Kings Canyon and Pinnacles National Parks. As they were headed toward the coast for the next half of their trip, they learned that lightning had started a wildfire near where they had just camped. They visited the Point Pinos Lighthouse in Monterey and the Piedras Blancas Light Station to see its Fresnel lens in Cambria.

Sharon and Steve Jensen are looking forward to their trip to Oahu. They will spend two weeks there with their son, daughter-in-law and two grandchildren. Their visit will give their son and daughter-in-law a chance for a second honeymoon while Sharon and Steve can enjoy being grandparents one-on-one for a few days with Deacon (seven years old) and Taylor (six years old). Sounds like everyone will have some special time.

Lisa and Mike Metz also got away for a week in Oahu. Both Lisa and Mike have visited the Hawaiian Islands several times and told me that their itinerary included relaxing and visiting yacht clubs.

Congratulations to Sue Griesbach and Bob Langan for a great finish in the Labor Day Weekend Race from Shoreline Yacht Club (SYC) to Dana Point. The annual race was hosted by SYC, DPYC and DWYC. *Tómol's* crew consisted of both DWYC and DPYC members. The above normal winds powered *Tómol* to finish in 2nd place in Class and 3rd place Overall out of 25 competing boats.

Eric Lucha recently passed away peacefully with Allison by his side. A Celebration of Life for Eric will be held at DWYC on Saturday, November 6. We send our deepest sympathy to Allison and family at this time.



If you have anything you'd like to share in this column, please email me at happiness@dwyc.org. Also, let me know if you have a birthday or anniversary you'd like to celebrate in our weekly DWYC email. 



ISLANDER'S UPDATE

By **NANCY MAY**

Blackjack was such a huge success in August, but since news articles are submitted mid month, I just now have the chance to once again thank Matt and Molly, and say



a big thank you to the Islander Board for always lending a hand setting up and running these events. Thank you to our terrific bar gals – Kathy Belanger, Tamara Tatich and Helen Hawkins, who kept the drinks coming and the games uninterrupted. Thank you to Jan Pritchard for super sales of our 50/50 tickets, and thank you to our proficient, fun dealers – Matt Dearing, Kevin Riggs, Marianne Sottile, Mindy Sicard, Karen Blanco, Skip Limoges, Ed Sicard and Steve Fiorello.



Prize winners included: Cindy Fiorello (50/50 \$534), Judy Brennan (1st place Blackjack \$100), C.J.Watson (2nd place Blackjack \$50), Char Jurkowski (3rd place Blackjack \$25), Don Belanger (Honorable Mention Blackjack). Bottles of wine were awarded by raffle to Nancy May, Thelma Johns and Rich Blanco.




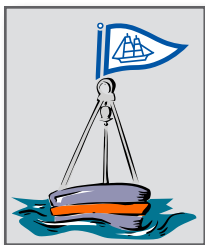
Our annual Islander Election Social will be October 23rd, immediately following the DWYC General Meeting. This year, the position of Historian is open as our board moves up positions on the ladder. If you are interested, please let me know ASAP so we can add your name to the ballot! (nancymay@cox.net). New or longtime DWYC member, the Islander's Board is definitely a fun way to meet new people and become involved in our club. We meet once a month to discuss Islander business and to plan our Islander events. We would love to have you join us!



During November, we will once again hold our popular See's candy sales. Look for our candy table at the club and pick up gifts for friends and family or just treat your sweet tooth to a delicious bite of irresistible candies!

Happy October and Happy Halloween!

P.S. Since this article went to press prior to September 22nd, in next month's article I will fill you in on "Who did it" from our Murder Mystery Dinner Night ! 



EXTRA BITS

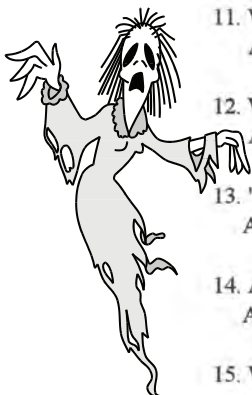
By **HYDEE RIGGS**

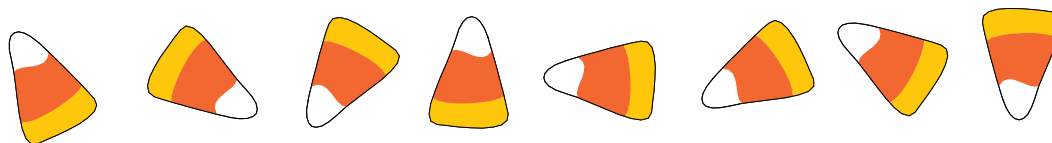
TEST YOUR SPOOKY TRIVIA KNOWLEDGE! Answers on page 16.



HALLOWEEN TRIVIA

1. The first Jack-o-Lanterns were made out of what?
A. Watermelons B. Cantaloupe C. Turnips D. Pumpkins
2. According to superstition, if you stare into a mirror at midnight on Halloween, who would you see?
A. Bloody Mary B. Your Future Spouse C. Your Death D. Dead Ancestors
3. Where did Halloween originate?
A. England B. America C. Scotland D. Ireland
4. Which is the top-selling candy for Halloween?
A. Snickers B. Candy Corn C. M&Ms D. Reese's
5. How many "witches" were burned at the stake in the Salem Witch Trials?
A. 13 B. 20 C. 33 D. None
6. The average American household spends how much on Halloween candy each year?
A. \$28 B. \$35 C. \$44 D. \$52
7. What was the first wrapped penny candy in America?
A. Necco Wafers B. Tootsie Rolls C. Sweethearts D. Hershey's Kisses
8. Which day of the year has the highest candy sales?
A. Oct. 28th B. Oct. 29th C. Oct. 30th D. Oct. 31st
9. Of the \$1.9 billion in candy sales, how much of it is from chocolate candy?
A. \$1 billion B. \$1.2 billion C. \$1.5 billion D. \$1.7 billion
10. The days leading up to Halloween account for what percentage of the year's candy sales?
A. 10% B. 15% C. 20% D. 23%
11. What does the English word "hallow" mean?
A. Sin B. Spirit C. Saint D. Spook
12. What phobia do you suffer from if you have an intense fear of Halloween?
A. Phasmophobia B. Samhainophobia C. Wiccaphobia D. Halloweenophobia
13. "Halloween," the movie was made in 1978 on a low budget in how many days?
A. 15 days B. 17 days C. 19 days D. 21 days
14. According to legend, a unibrow, tattoos, and a long middle finger, are all signs of which Halloween creature?
A. Werewolf B. Witch C. Vampire D. Golem
15. Which celebrity does not have a Halloween Birthday?
A. Vanilla Ice B. Dan Rather C. Peter Jackson D. Kevin Bacon





HALLOWEEN

Trivia Game

MATCH THE MOVIE CHARACTER TO THE DESCRIPTION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 7TH DAY AVENGER | A. JASON |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PRECIOUS OBSESSIVE | B. DEMENTOR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DECAPITATED EQUESTRIAN | C. CRYPT KEEPER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LONG HAIRD WAX FACE | D. CHUCKY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CORPSE PARTS UNIFIED | E. HEADLESS HORSEMAN |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> SOUL SUCKER | H. FRANKENSTEIN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VILLAIN ON ELM STREET | I. PENNYWISE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> HUNGRY BAT WINGED FREAK | J. SCREAM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CHAINSAW WIELDING MANIAC | K. FREDDY KRUEGER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PROM ENDED BADLY | L. GOLLUM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BLOOD SUCKER | M. GRIM REAPER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SPOOKY TALE TELLER | N. LEATHERFACE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SILENT WHITE FACED KILLER | O. CARRIE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOALIE MASKED CUTTER | P. MICHAEL MYERS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PSYCHOPATHIC CANNIBAL | Q. DRACULA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEATH PERSONIFIED | R. SAMARA |

UPDATED INFORMATION!
REVISED SUBMISSION AND GRANT DATES!



THE PATRICK WALSH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



The *Patrick Walsh Scholarship* (DWYC's Silver Stars' Scholarship) was established in the 1990's to help support the higher education of DWYC Members' Children and Grandchildren. This Annual Scholarship Award is dedicated to Patrick Walsh, who, as the teenage son of members John & Mary Walsh, volunteered at the club. Patrick was killed while serving in the military in Asia, in a non-combat related helicopter accident.

Club Member's Name: _____ Member #: _____

Student's Name: _____ Student's Age: _____

Student's Address: _____

Applicable School Year: (1st yr.) _____ (2nd yr.) _____ GPA: _____ Class Units This Year: _____

Relationship to Member: _____

NOTE: All materials should be submitted together and must be received by the deadline below.

HOW IT WORKS To be considered for a Scholarship Award, Students must submit all required materials by the deadline below. Qualifying Students may receive up to \$2,000.00. The Scholarship Committee will make every effort to distribute funds equitably while retaining a reserve. Award Recipients will be determined by December 31st and Awards distributed within 30 days. Decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.

WHERE DO THESE FUNDS COME FROM The Silver Stars (DWYC Staff Commodores) host a number of fundraising events throughout the year exclusively for this purpose. 100% of members' generous contributions from these events go into the DWYC Scholarship Fund.

Please ask your family to help promote and support these events!

CRITERIA

- Student must be a child or grandchild of a current Regular or Senior DWYC club member who has been a member in good standing for at least one year prior to the Application deadline
- Student must not have previously received a DWYC Scholarship Award
- Student must be entering or attending a trade school, junior college, college or university

DEADLINE – Student Applicants must provide the following no later than **December 1st:**

- Their completed Application
- A written Statement of 200 words or less stating why they should receive a DWYC Scholarship Award
- A copy of their current Student Card or school registration
- Applicable Receipts for required materials such as books and/or school tuition
(Gas, food and other personal expense receipts do not qualify)

The Application and supporting materials may be delivered to:

Dana West Yacht Club
c/o S.C., George Bloomfield
24601 Dana Drive, Dana Point, CA 92629
or sent by e-mail to: scholarship@DWYC.org

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SAILING FOR LIFE



By **CHERYL KELLY**

Thanks to all of you who made the 2021 Regatta a rousing success. From donations of cash or auction items, to participation in our first-ever (but returning) virtual auction! Building upon that success, the Sailing for Life Charity Regatta Committee has kicked off planning for 2022 in earnest. But we can't do it alone! Members have always stepped up to support the race, auctions, dinghy poker run, wine tastings and other fundraising activities to support American Cancer Society.

It's never too early to begin thinking about how you can help. In addition to donations, we need all types of volunteers, especially anyone with experience soliciting help from corporate sponsors or local businesses to donate products, services or cash. Contact Pam Northcott at 949-466-5732 if interested.


More information will be published in the coming months. In the meantime, the committee will be presenting the check from this year's event to American Cancer Society at the general membership meeting on October 23. We hope to see you there! 



ODYSSEY BOOK CLUB

By **NINA McNEELY**

In September we read "Code Name Hélène" by Ariel Lawhon. It's a fascinating tale based on the life of World War II spy, Nancy Wake. I went on to read Wake's autobiography "The White Mouse" as well. It's never too late to catch up to the book club!

For our next meeting on October 6th, we are reading "The Four Winds" by Kristin Hannah. It follows a young woman struggling to do all she can to help her children survive living through The Great Depression and America's Dust Bowl era. 



SILVER STARS



FRENCH TOAST BREAKFAST

Saturday, October 23, 2021

Before the General Membership Meeting

9:30-11:00am

Tickets Available that Day

(Please Sign up at the Door Prior)

Breakfast \$10 per person

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HALLOWEEN QUIZ ANSWERS

1. C - TURNIPS
2. B - YOUR FUTURE SPOUSE
3. D - IRELAND
4. B - CANDY CORN
5. D - NONE
6. C - \$44
7. B - TOOTSIE ROLLS
8. A - OCT. 28
9. B - \$1.2 BILLION
10. A - 10%
11. C - SAINT
12. B - Samhainophobia
13. D - 21 DAYS
14. A - WEREWOLF
15. D - KEVIN BACON



ANSWERS TO MOVIE CHARACTER TRIVIA:

- | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 7th Day Avenger | R - SAMARA |
| Precious Obsessive | L - GOLLUM |
| Decapitated Equestrian | E - HEADLESS HORSEMAN |
| Long Haired Wax Face | P - MICHAEL MYERS |
| Corpse Parts Unified | H - FRANKENSTEIN |
| Villainous Clown | I - PENNYWISE |
| Murderous Doll | D - CHUCKY |
| Soul Sucker | B - DEMENTOR |
| Villain on Elm Street | K - FREDDY KRUEGER |
| Hungry Bat Winged Freak | G - CREEPER |
| Chainsaw Welding Maniac | N - LEATHERFACE |
| Prom Ended Badly | O - CARRIE |
| Blood Sucker | Q - DRACULA |
| Spooky Tale Teller | C - CRYPT KEEPER |
| Silent White Faced Killer | J - SCREAM |
| Goalie Masked Cutter | A - JASON |
| Psychopathic Cannibal | F - HANNIBAL |
| Death Personified | M - GRIM REAPER |






SEAMEN UPDATE

By **KEVIN RIGGS**

The Seamen will be tasting through Whistlepig on October 20th. We will be tasting the 10 year, 12 year, 15 year and 18 year old pictured below. This is an exclusive lineup and we're excited to be offering it to our members.

Sign-ups filled up and we opened up additional seats, but may be sold out by the time you're reading this in print. Maybe we'll have a wait list going. If you've already signed up and paid, thank you. If you have not paid yet, please make sure to ASAP since at some point we will open any unpaid spots to other people. You can pay by Zelle to: seamen@dwyc.org. Keep an eye open for additional news to follow! 



BUSINESS NETWORK GROUP

By **PATRICIA CHIKU**

Our last BNG meeting was a huge success. Susie and Richard White did an outstanding job presenting Medicare 101. These wonderful DWYC members can be reached at 949-303-6783 or srwhite8686@gmail.com. Thank you all so very much for attending the September BNG meeting, another great meeting thanks to all of you!

A special thank you to Candy Babcock who always makes things happen and Helen for all she does behind the scenes to make the meeting great. Business cards of attendees have been posted on the BNG Facebook page. Feel free to use their expertise and services, as we are all here to support one another. Believe it or not, there are only 3 meetings left for the year, Tuesday, October 5th; Tuesday, November 2nd and Tuesday, December 7th. Mark your calendars stay tuned for the flyers.

Our next presenter for the October 5th BNG is Gisele Anderson, Mrs. Dave's Dolphin Safari. Come and learn more about Whale Watch with Capt. Dave's Dolphin and Whale Watching Safari in Dana Point. Experience high-tech sailing on their catamaran year-round, with two Eye-to-Eye Underwater Viewing Pods. Hope to see you all at the meeting. Bar Opens @ 5:00 p.m.



SILVER STARS

Hearty congratulations to the Winners of the Silver Stars Brunch 50/50 drawing. 



BNG is open to DWYC members and the public. If you know a local business or play a role in sales or business development for a company and would like to meet to exchange business awareness and opportunities, or just want to sit in to see what BNG all is about, please join us. Let's all participate in growing BNG, and I know you and I can make a difference. I will see you on October 5th, 2021. Enjoy the end of your summer my friends.

For more information about BNG, or to sign up as our next Featured Speaker, contact:

Pat Chiku (Chair) - 714-595-8672

Candy Babcock (Vice Chair) - 714-309-6447 

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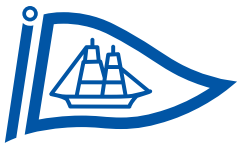


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