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ANCHORS A-WHERE?!

This monthly contest challenges you to find this anchor hidden within the pages of the Lines&Bits newsletter.



When you find it, email the page number and location description to editor@dwyc.org 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)

Anglers	2/1-4/30/21	Halibut Derby
Silver Stars	April	Raffle Basket
Race	4/3/21	Rookie Regatta
Port	4/4/21	Easter Brunch
Juniors	4/10/21	Rack & Walker Build
Islanders	4/18/21	Spring Luncheon
Fleet	4/23-4/25/21	Balboa Cruise
Race	4/23-4/25/21	Newport to Ensenada Race
Islanders	5/1/21	Kentucky Derby
Race	5/1/21	Jack & Jill Series #1
Port	5/8/21	Club Clean Up Day
Commodore	5/15/21	OPENING DAY

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



Photo: Julie D'Urso



COMMODORE'S REPORT

By HYDEE RIGGS

Spring has sprung, longer days are here and hopefully the warmer weather is coming soon!

We had a fun-filled month of March!! We were able to extend our club and kitchen hours, provide more indoor seating, including some bar seating to our members. We had music galore: a sing along with Lark Knowles, music on the patio with Carl Strazzulla, the Black Orchid Band playing 80's music and karaoke. We indulged in the Seamen's Tequila Tasting event where many enjoyed the tequila and lobster and Yeti and tequila raffle prizes were won. Fleet completed its' first fabulous Island Style Silver Stars raft-up where the members were able to relax and enjoy a steel drum performer. We had entertaining game nights on Mondays. F&B planned a courtesy wine tasting from Groth Wineries. I cannot thank all of our volunteers enough for their time, creativity and planning as without you these events would not be possible!

Our kitchen and bar staff have been working tirelessly to provide quality food and drinks to our members and create new specials. We are excited to now have fresh oysters every Fridayı! They really are excellent, so come on down and try them!

There are many more events planned for April including Easter specials, music on the patio, the Islanders Spring luncheon, the Balboa Yacht Club fleet cruise and the Newport to Ensenada race!

Okay--- who won the anchor raffle for March? The winner was.....Tom Reagan (or if you ask Patty, it was her!). Congratulations Tom and Patty --- come get your free drink on me!

Finally, please remember that until further notice is provided, our previous Temporary House Rules are still in effect, including masks in motion, social distancing and sitting only at designated areas, keeping the indoor windows open for ventilation, the 90 minute dining policy (if people are waiting) and only two guests per membership. We really do appreciate your helping us meet these guidelines.

As always, I appreciate your support and patience and look forward to seeing you at the club and on the water!



Happy Spring! I'm encouraged and hopeful as Orange County continues to open up a bit, allowing us to have additional seating, including our beloved bar seats!

Have you been in to try the fabulous fare that our kitchen staff is putting out lately? We are so excited to introduce our new Chef, Angel. He and the rest of the kitchen team have been hitting it out of the park and it's been great to have some new, fresh ideas (especially the Friday Oyster bar!). If you haven't been down to meet Chef Angel and enjoy a great lunch or dinner, you must make a plan to do so! As always, George and the rest of the bar staff have continued to ensure that we do not go thirsty! They've been creating delicious weekly drink specials lately. Keep your eyes peeled for some new updated menu items. And of course, if you have any suggestions, please feel free to drop a note in the suggestion box (reminder – please remember to sign your suggestions with name and member number).

I've really enjoyed meeting the new members who've been voted in so far this year. We've had great new folks join our already wonderful family. If you see a new face, please introduce yourself and welcome them. And, as always, if you have a boat neighbor or friends who are interested in membership, please send them my way! Cheers!

The following applicants have been approved as members at the March Board of Directors meeting:

- *Joe Harris & Loretta Williams* Boat-owner, 20' Bayliner
- Jay & Karen Styles Boat-owner, 27' Coastal Downeaster
- *Warren Belkin & Elycia Child* Boat-owner, 44'10" American Tug
- Greg & Carol Carlson Boat-owner, 21'6" Chris Craft Scorpion
- Jeremy & Megan Webb Boat-Owner, 51' Sea Ray Sundancer
- James & Allie Styles

Associate, boat-owner, 30' Pursuit





but due to deadlines of this publication may not be acknowledged nor their photographs printed here until

the following months.

Warren Belkin & Elycia Child



Greg & Carol Carlson



Terry & Wendy Converse



Cash McCloy



Jay & Karen Styles



Allie & James Styles



Loretta Williams & Joe Harrid

The following candidates for membership are posted for review prior to the April Board meeting:

Jerry Mensik & Joan Sanders Boat-Owner, 40' Beneteau



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.



I'm writing this article on Friday, March 12th. I went to the Anaheim Convention Center this morning to get my first COVID-196 vaccination shot (I was assigned to the Moderna vaccine). I have to say I was extremely impressed with how well run the whole operation was! I arrived a little early for my 8:00 am appointment and waited in the car until they opened the parking garage at 7:30. I was standing in a socially distanced line by 7:45, doors opened at 8:00 and my shot was administered at 8:06 am! Now that's efficient! I was on my way back to Dana Point by 8:30 am.

This date was especially significant to me since March 12th was the date I was sent to work from home from my Carlsbad office in 2020. I helped a co-worker load her equipment and monitors into her car, gave her a big hug (the audacity!) and then happily told her not to worry. "See you in two weeks!" I cheerfully called out as we drove away from the building. It all seems so naïve now!

We've all been through so much the past twelve months. I am so thankful we have had our fellow club members to lean on, talk to and to see through Zoom. As the clubhouse continues to open more and more, it's exciting to see people in person that I haven't seen since last March!

If you want to come see me in person in the Ship's Store, please keep an eye on Facebook and the weekly eBlast for hours. If you need something in particular, just call, text or email and I can meet you. In April we're looking forward to a brand-new supplier for our 14k yellow gold burgee pendants! Just in time for Mother's Day!

See you at the club!





FLEET LOG

By **MEGAN NOYES**

Hello fellow cruisers,

We kicked off our first cruise of the year with a sold out, "Island Style" raft-up with a toast to our fabulous Silver Stars to thank them for their service! A big thank you to the Prather's for hosting the steel band and to the Riddle's for hosting the Saturday "eye-openers"! What fun with amazing club members! Look for photos in the next issue!



Our next cruise is to Balboa Yacht Club scheduled for April 23-25th. I already have 10 boats signed-up, so sign-up at the club, via email or Facebook Please be on the lookout for further details!

Please remember safety is of upmost importance and a VESSEL SAFTEY CHECK (VSC) is always important to do. Because of the pandemic, there are new procedures and protocols. A VSC can be easily scheduled by emailing danapointuscgaux@gmail.com and write "I want a VSC" as the subject and they will contact you and set it up.

As always, there are many cruising opportunities, so feel free to contact me with any questions. I will be putting out information for each cruise as they approach with all the important details via our eBlasts and also on Facebook.

Hope to see you all on the water and at the club! Cheers!



PORT REPORT

By JAN CASTEEL & MARNIE FEELY

We have had some great events in March. We had a good time singing along with Lark Knowles. Our 80's party was also fun. We enjoyed listening to the Black Orchid Band with Kayla Kramer and Jason Brown. A big thank you to Michele and David Walsh for helping with the decorations and helping with scouting for the music. Thank you to Helen Hawkins for helping with the tablecloths. Also, we really appreciate the support that we have received from our wonderful Flag Officers Hydee Riggs, Molly Dearing and Nina McNeely!

We have scheduled the following events for April so please look for the weekly eBlast for more information:

April 4th – Easter Brunch 10:00 to 1:00

April 17th – Music on the Patio 6:30 to 9:30 Reggae Band – Entropy Rasta

The Social Committee will be meeting at the club on April

15th at 6 PM. Any member who is interested may join us. 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/virtual meeting. Your help and friendship are what makes DWYC the "Best Little Yacht Club on the West Coast"

Looking forward to a good time together.







Our Winter/Spring Junior Racing program is in session and now we are heavily involved in the planning for Summer Sailing Camps.

Our plan for Summer Sailing Camp is six single-week sessions, mid-June through July. Our US Sailing Certified Instructors will run camp Monday-Friday; our fleet consisting of RS Teras, CFJs and 420s. We will have discounts for multiple sessions and kids per household.

Camp is a combination of 'classroom' and on the water instruction. Beginners learn the basics of sailing, while experienced sailors continue to hone their skills on the water. No sailing experience is needed; kids 7-18 can participate. Lunch is included on Fridays!

2021 camps will follow CDC, California and OC COVID protocols. If restrictions are lessened, we can have two sailors per boat and more freely run the other activities. Last summer, over 90 kids participated, so spread the word with kids, grandkids and neighbors! For more information and registration, visit www.dwycjrs.org

We are building our fleet but need your help! Our program is now a year-round program and our sailor's skill levels improve into bigger boats. Our challenges include renting boats to run our program effectively and independently. Competing interests in the harbor delayed our Winter program start as we were unable to come to agreement on terms to rent boats. We continue moving towards expanding our fleet.

We cannot do it without your support! Registration fees cover our coaching fees and slip rent leaving us short on funds to expand the fleet. Two RS Teras were donated (THANK YOU!) we would like to add four Teras, two CFJs and two 420s to our fleet. This would make us independent and provide the boats needed to run our Summer Camps and year-round Racing Programs.

One boat costs between \$3,000-\$4,000. Please consider donating any amount today to help us continue to grow the fleet and build the skills of our sailors!

Volunteer to help us build racks and lockers! We are looking for volunteers for Saturday, April 10th to help us build Boat Racks and turn one of the storage areas below the club into lockers for the kids. Please email Mark at dwycjrs@dwyc.org to lend a hand with your skills.

As always, we are incredibly appreciative of the passionate and committed support given to the Juniors by the club members! We are developing the boaters, sailors and racers of the future and take great satisfaction in creating a sustainable program.







By HYDEE RIGGS

Nautical puzzle

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You can find the words in the grid by looking Diagonal, Forward, Backward, Up, and Down. Circle them with a pencil or use a marker to highlight the letters. Have fun!

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Members' Boats

Cruising season is here and we love seeing our members' boats! For a chance to have your boat included in the Lines and Bits, please submit your photo, the name of your boat and any background information to commodore@dwyc.org. (Our designer recommends submission of high resolution, think bigger file size, .jpg format photos.)

Whole Life



40-foot Riviera Convertible Members: Jim and Maggie McNamara Photo taken near Laguna Beach



Rock and Roll Bayliner Cierra 2655 Members: Greg and Lilian Cox Photo taken in Avalon

Stayin' Salty Bertram 38 Sport Fisher Getting' Salty 18-foot Robalo

Members: Greg Hickey and Judy Eckrote Photo taken at a secret spot near Cherry Cove

Maggie

Celestial 48 Members: Jim and Kathy Ferguson Photo taken on the SW Atlantic coast of France sailing from Loctudy to Concarneau.





Ellan Vanni (Manx Gaelic name for the Isle of Man) Back Cove 34 Members: Brad and Lisa Kelly Photo taken about 10 miles off shore of Dana Point, returning from Avalon.







Construction" t-shirts were sold and contests were held where members created artwork on walls that were going to be destroyed. During the closure, Club members were welcomed with discounts offered by restaurants in the harbor. These photos from before and during the remodel show the changes. How interesting to compare them to how the club presently looks!

DANA WEST YACHT CLUB REMODEL CLOSING PARTY! SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2012 MUSIC STARTS AT 2:00 P.M. "Beats Work" Piece Band that plays a variety of music th can dance to Lots of Food and Drink Specials Come on down and PARTY!















MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

DIRECTOR

DAVID L. McGUIRE Membership Number: 3331 Director

Did you have a nickname growing up or now? If so, what was it and where did it come from? Coworkers used to call me the "Senator" because of my diplomacy and my Nantucket red pants.

Current position at club and for how long: Director at Large – 2 years

Occupation (or previous occupation): Financial industry



Places you have lived: New York City, Palm Beach, Scottsdale, Atlanta, Boston.

Favorite food: Steak and anything Italian

Favorite alcoholic beverage: Classic cocktails, Old Fashioned and Manhattan

Favorite movies: Godfather series, LA Confidential, Magnum Force

Favorite actors/actresses: Robert Duval, Clint Eastwood, Reese Witherspoon

Favorite musical performers: Anything from the 1980's

Best vacation ever taken: 2019 trip to Prague, Vienna and Budapest

Hobbies: Golf, biking, politics, reading, travel

What is your secret talent? "I played piano and violin as a kid."

If you could choose a lifetime supply of something, what would it be? Good California red wine.

Tell us something we may not know about you: I make my bed the minute I get out of it.

STAFF COMMODORE

ED SICARD Membership Number 1833 Staff Commodore 2017

Your Commodore Theme: Celebrate Good Times

Occupation (or previous occupation): Chief Technology Officer

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



Favorite alcoholic beverage: Vodka or Jack

Favorite movies: Patton and any Batman movie (except that one)

Favorite musical performers: Country – Luke Bryan – Eric Church: Rock – BOC, Metallica

Hobbies: Yacht Clubs, Work, Fishing

Best vacation ever taken: Honeymoon



...something we may not know about you? "Yes, I met George."

Secret talent? Mixing my alcohol :)

Favorite memory of being Commodore: Balloon drops at all the parties

Tell us something we may not know about you: Help designed video games for Atari, Lucas Arts (Yes, I met George) and Electronic Arts

What is on your bucket list? Year long cruise around the world.

STAFF COMMODORE

RICHARD FERRELL Membership Number: 1073 Staff Commodore: 2000

Did you have a nickname growing up or now? If so, what was it and where did it come from? Yes. My mom would not allow anything but Richard. Cousins started calling me Richie (still do) and I went by Dick for many years. One day the young lady who collected my attendance sheets asked me if I liked people calling me "a Dick" – after that, I went back to Richard.

Year of being Commodore: 2000

Your Commodore Theme: Celebrate the Child Within You.

Occupation (or previous occupation): High school auto mechanic and cabinet making teacher for 37 years.

Do you own a boat and if so, what is her name: 36-foot California trawler, *Bella Luna*, 42-foot California *Regull Eagle*, 39-foot Bayliner *Seas Candy*. I am now a proud owner of 42-foot Land Yacht.

...something we may not know about you? Richard is one of "...the three silver foxes."

Favorite food: Having an Italian mother, Lasagna, Spaghetti and Meat Balls.

Favorite alcoholic beverage: Kendall Jackson Chardonnay and a good Cab.

Favorite movies: Moonstruck. Cher's grandpa reminded me of my Italian grandpa. Whenever he saw a full moon, he would point to it and say: "Que Bella Luna ". I named our first boat from that movie – *Bella Luna*.

Favorite musical performers: Neil Diamond and Zac Brown

Hobbies: Woodworking and RV'ing

Best vacation ever taken: Chartered boats with several of our DWYC buddies and toured the San Juan Islands. A must do for those who love boats and a very calm ocean (with strong currents). We actually had to use charts to navigate.



The Three Silver Foxes ~ Dave, Paul and Richard Dave & Linda Dempsey, Paul & Brenda Berkery, Richard & Candy Ferrell

Secret talent? As a young boy, with bad hay fever, I was great at blowing my nose really loudly and disrupting the whole class. They all thought it was funny, the teacher, not so much.

Favorite memory of being Commodore: Our Opening Day Ceremony. The year 2000 was also the Year of the Child. Our theme was celebrating the child within you, and we did. One big party with funny hats, clowns, balloons and kazoos. Never saw so many old people acting like children. So much fun.

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Tell us something we may not know about the history of the club: I think that most members either do not know or have forgotten how far the club has come in the past 20 years. When I was moving up the ladder, our primary goals were curtailing bar fights, enforcing a minimum dress code for dinner hours, no smoking at the bar, finally being able to use credit cards and having a system other than the chef shouting our names when our food was ready. And, oh yes, a big one: moving into chef prepared meals and away from cook your own steaks, burgers and hot dogs. We have come a long way BABY!

Tell us somethings we may not know about you: I pitched a no hitter while playing on the Glendale H.S. Varsity baseball team. My first boat was a very old 20-foot skipjack. I totally restored her and Jack Cole, the owner and creator of Skipjack boats, couldn't believe his eyes. Paul Berkery, Dave Dempsey and I were dubbed as the three silver foxes when we were Flag Officers.

What is on your bucket list? Continued good health so Candy and I can travel in our RV and visit every state in our wonderful country and be able to relish all that it has to offer.



ENZO SCOGNAMIGLIO Membership Number 3104

Did you have a nickname growing up or now? Fio – because my grandfather's name is Fioravante.

Favorite thing about the club: The Positive Vibe

Occupation(s) or previous occupation(s): Cruise Ship Dishwasher, Busser, Captain Private Butler, Hotel Food & Beverage Director, Restaurant Owner, Quick service Business Owner.

What is your favorite thing about your career: Meeting all kinds of people and hearing their stories.

Do you own a boat and if so, what is her name: Meridian 341. Her name is *Mare Tini Time*.

Places you have lived: Naples, Rome, Torino, Puerto Rico, Miami, Cuba, St. Thomas, California,

Favorite foods: Asian Food by far.

Favorite alcoholic beverage: Martini, & California wines.

What makes you laugh? Watching people at Costco.

Who is your hero/heroine? President Reagan & President Trump. First book I purchased in the US back in 1984 was "The art of the Deal".

Favorite actors/actresses: Al Pacino & Drew Barrymore

What would you sing at karaoke night? Absolutely nothing. I suck at it!!

Favorite Halloween costume ever: Fred Flintstone

Best vacation ever taken: RV trip through Yosemite and Alaska Cruise

What is your secret talent? My nickname now is "The Fixer", getting people together and helping them to get along.



Hobbies: Motorcycles, Scuba Diving, Boating, Guns, Traveling.

What is your favorite way to spend time with your family? On a Cruise Ship having dinner and telling stories.

If you could choose a lifetime supply of something, what would it be? Asian Foods.

If you could give your 16-year-old self advice, what would you tell yourself? Live and enjoy the moments.

What do you pride yourself at being really good at? Being a Parent.

Tell us something we may not know about you: SDI Force Marine Corps, Italy

What is on your bucket list? Visit all 61 National Parks



By TAMARA TATICH

CALLING ALL RACERS AND THOSE WANTING TO BE ONE!

We're kicking off the season on Saturday, April 3rd with the Rookie Regatta! This is an opportunity for those wanting to learn how to race a sailboat. DWYC member and national racing judge, Kim Kymlicka is going to start the morning at 9am to go over the 2021 US Sailing Racing Rules and the most popular offenses heard in protest hearings. Eric A. Gritzmacher, Flotilla Commander USCG Auxiliary and DWYC member, will also review the best practices for preparing a vessel before leaving the slip. But wait...that's not all! The learning will continue once we get on the water to do a few practice drills on the start line and then we'll start a race. The day promises to be a fun way to teach another reason to own a sailboat!

- Members with sailboats are asked to sign up and bring a few guests to learn the ropes.
- Seasoned juniors wanting to jump on big boats, this is your opportunity!
- Email race@dwyc.org or call 949-436-2899 to sign up for the day

On Saturday, May 1st, DWYC is hosting the first Jack & Jill double-handed race of the year. The Notice of Race (NOR) and Sailing Instructions (SI) are posted on the Race Board and on our Regatta Network webpage that is found with a click from our www.dwyc.org website.

Are you racing in Newport to Ensenada this year? Did you know you don't have to go all the way to Mexico? This was once the largest international race in the world back when there were over 700 participants on the start line. This year's race starts on Friday, April 23 in Newport Beach. There are both spinnaker and cruising classes and you have the option of a short sail to our home port if you are more the fair-weathered sailor. Those that want a longer adventure can continue to San Diego (Yachting Cup is the following weekend) or Ensenada, Mexico where the afterrace activities are hosted. I haven't done this race as many times as N2E veteran Jerry Wetzler (will be his 42nd - most ever for this race), but with 18 under my belt I can say it's an experience that is more often than not...epic! Dana Point sailors have a little edge against the competition because we are known for lighter winds – and this is a 33° 27'.56 N LATITUDE • 117° 42".01 LONGITUDE

race, that more often than not is won at night since the wind typically dies once the sun sets.

If you're racing – skipper or crew, please let me know so we can all support you!

NAUTICAL TERM: "Let the cat out of the bag" – to disclose a secret. This refers to the cat o' nine tails, a whip made of rope with nine unbraided strands at the end, used to flog sailors. The "cat" refers to the scratches and wounds the sailors would incur from the flogging. The "cat" was kept in a bag and when it was brought out there was obviously going to be trouble ahead.

RACE DATES

April 3 - Rookie Regatta April 23 - Newport to Ensenada Start May 1 - Jack & Jill DWYC





Rockfish fishing season opened March 1st in US Waters. Fishing for all species of rockfish, whitefish, sheepshead, cabezon and lingcod is open. For 2021, bottom fish regulations are changing again. This went into effect for our Southern zone when the season opened on March 1st. The depth limit will be extended out to 100 fathoms (from 75 fathoms last year), and we will have a 5-fish sub-limit on vermilion rockfish but no more sub-limits on canary rockfish or cabezon. For more info, see the CA Fish & Wildlife Press Release.



HALIBUT DERBY UPDATE:

There have been no halibut entered in the Derby yet, as of March 15th, so get your fish in the running and you could be a winner! Details on page 14.



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TURNING 65? MEDICARE OPTIONS?

Some milestones of growing older happen when people are in their 60's. In the U.S., full retirement age is between 66 and 67, depending on what year you were born. At that age, you qualify for full Social Security retirement benefits, though you may choose to start drawing on Social Security earlier or later than that.

You may also retire from full-time work, which means you can be losing your health insurance so it's time to enroll into Medicare. It is important to educate yourself on Medicare. You owe it to yourself to consult with an experienced "INSURANCE BROKER" that specializes in Medicare Insurance before making final decisions on your future Health Insurance needs.

Enrollment in Medicare has precise deadlines. You will need to enroll correctly in order to avoid paying a penalty. Medicare doesn't cover everything. Original Medicare A (Hospital) and B (Doctors and Outpatient Services) covers 80% of your medical bills. You could incur financial liability for the other 20%! Most folks enroll in Supplemental plans to help pay for the costs and benefits that are not covered.

Common Questions: When can I enroll without a penalty? Do I have to enroll if I am still working? If I'm on a retirement plan do I have to enroll? Does Medicare have deductibles and copays? How do I decide on a plan? Can I still see my favorite Doctor? How much will my Prescriptions Cost? Does Medicare cover me if I travel or move out of Town?

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Here are a few photos of past raft-ups to enjoy! Anyone else missing the days of the "horseshoe" configuration in the round? At this year's raft-up we toast and thank our Silver Stars!









New photo submitted by Glen Rogers. The fun begins for 2021! Watch next issue for photos from the Silver Stars Raft-Up!



We are excited to welcome all Islanders to our Spring Luncheon, on Sunday, April 18th, from 11:00am-2:00pm on the patio. We are encouraging all to wear a favorite spring hat! The cost is \$25.00, payable by check to DWYC Islanders or cash (just deposit in the Islanders' box) and please pay when you reserve your spot as no payments will be collected at the door. A delicious spring menu is planned with bottomless champagne. We will hold a 50/50 raffle and a raffle for two awesome gift baskets. You won't want to miss this first Islander event of this year!

Mark May 1st, on the calendar! It's the return of our annual Kentucky Derby party! It will be hosted, once again, by Mindy Sicard. So get ready to place your bets on your favorite ponies!



Our first "Ladies

Mixer" will be June 17th at 4:00pm on the outside patio. This is a great way to mix and mingle with other female members of the club, so please come join us.

Vice President, Linda Turner, has stepped down from her position on the board and expresses that, "Due to a family health issue, I feel I need to focus on that and won't be able to spend the time I would like to participate on the board and at Islander events." Linda was a great asset to our Islander board, and we will greatly miss her participation but understand and wish her and her family all our best.

Join us in welcoming Kathy Belanger to the board as Historian for the rest of this year. She enthusiastically accepted the position. Judy Rydburg will now move up to Secretary and Karen Blanco will become Vice President. Jan Pritchard remains our very capable Treasurer.

We are all so excited to once again be able to host, with precautions, Islander events. It is fun to feel social and see you all at the club!

Happy Easter and Happy April!



By KEVIN RIGGS

Thanks to all who attended the Seamen Tequila Tasting event! Despite the weather not cooperating with us, we

managed to do a lot of licking, sipping and sucking. We tasted some great tequilas and had some great prizes for our raffle. Congratulations to all those who won!

If anyone has any ideas for future events or would like to volunteer. we are looking for both.





By the time you see this article, the Seamen will have hosted the unveiling party of our first ever barrel purchase. Yes. it's true! Our Garrison Brothers bourbon barrel has arrived! The Seamen have donated a few bottles of bourbon to



crack open at this event and taste our wonderful nectar. Remember, "Open Wide and Taste Our Essence," if you bought some bottles, you will know what this is.

Let's look forward to a great 2021 and more Seamen events in the future.





By **CINDY SALWAY**

April brings Easter. A time of gratitude for all we've been given. April brings the Easter bunny who puts smiles on the little one's faces. April showers bring May flowers. April brings April Fools' Day.

"April in Paris, chestnuts in blossom, holiday tables under the trees."-*E. Y. Harburg*

Commodore Hydee and Kevin Riggs are excited to share that they became grandparents for the second time. Their grandson, Forest Gannon, weighed in at 7 pounds, 1 ounce. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Hydee, Kevin and their growing family.

After being fully vaccinated, Roger and Carolyn Williams and Roger and I decided to get out of Dodge...well, out of Mission Viejo. We spent three beautiful days in



Paseo Robles. We went with the intention of visiting a few vineyards which we easily accomplished. We visited Windward and Daou Vineyards, as well as Tobin James Cellars. The hills were so green, and the views were outstanding. Along with wine tasting, we spent some time strolling through Paseo Robles and Cambria. Walking along the coast of Moonstone Beach was a lovely way to spend a couple of hours. In all, it was a fun way to spend a few days with special friends.

Correction to the March Article: Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family and friends of Bill Hughes who recently passed away. I mistakenly wrote his name as Bob in this article last month. My sincerest apologies...

As things are opening up more, I'm sure that some of you are venturing a bit further from home. If you would like to share any of your day trips, boating experiences, camping adventures, family visits or anything else, please email me at happiness@dwyc.org.

Remember: If you'd like to share any health and happiness news in this column, please email me at happiness@dwyc. org or text me at 949-632-0807. Let me know if you have a birthday or anniversary you'd like to celebrate in our weekly DWYC eBlast.

WORD SEARCH ANSWERS Puzzle on page 7. Words are listed with their starting row and column.

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