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Commodore's Report
By Ron Tvenstrup

To those I have not seen since last year, a belated "HAPPY NEW YEAR. I hope that you're all ready for a great season. Club members have been coming up with new ideas for different activities such as: a Mystery Night at one of our monthly dinners; speakers of all kinds; a game night (such as Bunco); a dinghy poker run; a powerboat race and many more. Some of these events are already in the planning stages as well as on a full racing and cruising calendar. If you have an idea for an activity at the Club, don't hesitate to let us know. If you are interested in helping out with any activity, contact our social chair at socialchair@sccyc.org. We can always use your help.

The Board of Directors meetings have been well attended, and we welcome your input. It is important that we stay in tune with our member's wants. If you can't attend a Board of Directors meeting, stop by the General Membership meeting held each month. We usually have a great dinner prepared by one or two of our adventurous cooks. The last dinner was prepared by Shelby and John Fischer (our Port Captain). We are always looking for volunteers to help at these events. Remember, even if you team up with somebody else, those that cook together stay together, or something like that.

Opening Day, Sunday March 21st, is fast approaching and we all need to help prepare our Clubhouse for the best Opening Day in the Marina. Cleanup Day is Saturday, March 13th, and I would love to see the entire Club membership show up for the painting, scrubbing, polishing and any other work that needs to be done. We also need to provide plenty of food and

other items for Opening Day. Start planning now and let our Opening Day coordinator, Jr. Staff Commodore Terry Stringfellow know what you can provide for Opening Day refreshments. Remember, this is an all-volunteer Club, and if we don't do it nobody will!

The weather is getting better and a lot of Race events are on the horizon. If you want to enter an event, our Race Chair, Christine Speck (racechair@sccyc.org) will be happy to answer your questions and help you find an entry form. Check our Web site www.sccyc.org for our race calendar. Nancy Werner, our Webmaster, has done a great job at keeping our website up to date and adds new information all the time. You'll be surprised at the information available.

The Board of Directors has appointed a "Bylaws and Rules" Committee and they are in the process of bringing us into the 21st century by updating the Bylaws and rules. A new set of each will be available soon. You'll also notice some changes in the Clubhouse from time to time as our House Chair, Rick Horner, is doing his best to keep the Club in shape.

I hope I can impress on you the importance of participation and what it means to the health and welfare of our Club. It's your Club so volunteer, participate, enjoy, and tell your friends. We are always looking for great members such as yourself.

SCCYC Racers

These are some of the SCCYC boats that have been spotted in races over the last month. If we've missed your boat or you plan to race in the next month, let us know at beacon@sccyc.org.

<i>Bella</i> , Ericson 32	Gary Speck	Stein Cruiser Triangle
<i>Camelot IV</i> , Islander 36	Jim Doherty	Stein Cruiser Triangle



**Vice Commodore's
Report**
By Carl Radusch



**Rear Commodore's
Report**
By Sandy Bartiromo

Sparta is back in the water complete with two new flush high tech thru-hull valves in the head and of course three coats of Pro-Line bottom paint. The crew (Paul, Steve, Becky and I) worked for a day and a half wet sanding with #60 and #80 sandpaper and found muscles that we had not tried out for years.

Oh yes, had two coats of barrier coat sprayed on before the bottom paint. Then, Becky and I wet sanded with #320, #400 and finally #600 sandpaper to smooth it all out. It was a wet, wet day. We had learned to wear our raincoats and foul-weather gear and boots. Still, we were wet when the day ended. Anyway, the boat is smooth, launched and back in Sandy Clark's old slip.

Sandy Clark had his boat out almost next to Sparta while single-handedly, he repaired big gouges in the keel from some unknown object that was found and dispatched properly by the big "Q". Just for good measure, Sandy put on yet another coat of green paint (some on the boat and some in the room where the paint shaker was located).

Sparta has a race schedule of about 50 races in 2004, including all of the Wed. night series. Please let me know if you have time to race. We may have a vacancy.

Our house in Lebec is getting closer to being a reality. Becky and I put in nearly 1000 feet of water pipe with the aid of a "ditch witch" and a lot of simple energy. It works! The bank has given the nod of approval and I think things will be getting started in earnest in February. We plan to have a nice house warming when we get everything working.

John Fisher did a super job, AGAIN, and changed the locks location on the liquor cabinet. I was simply tired of hunkering down, using a weak flashlight and finding the lock on upside down. Now I am a math teacher, but upside down numbers always fooled me and so I threatened to change it by myself. That was enough stimulus for John who got the whole thing properly straightened out in less than 30 minutes.

Opening day is coming up soon and we will need help to spruce up the Club. We want this one to be the best ever. Please give us your support.

The Club activities have been well attended. If you missed our Rosebowl Football event, we had over 15 people and lots of snacks. By the way USC won; you should have heard the hooting and hollering from all. I rooted for both teams and mostly enjoyed the tasty goodies. Who's playing in the Super bowl?

Our First Friday, Jan 2, 2004 dinner was hosted by Jude Gavin and more than 20 diners were treated to Chicken Maribel. I ate your portion if you weren't there. It was great to see all the Club members starting off the year with great anticipation for the upcoming events.

The future events are a "must" to attend. Christine Speck is organizing our Point Fermin Light House Tour after Gary treats us to his famous breakfast brunch. Check your email and the calendar for the details, Feb 8th. You can carpool from the Clubhouse so meet us there or at the lighthouse for the tour.

Have you ever attended a Murder Mystery Dinner? Well, Jude Gavin has one in store for us on Feb 27th. Check the SCCYC web page for the details. We will have a brochure and all the information for you to attend and become a character in the mystery...dress your part.

If you missed our Super Bowl Party then you missed the best hot dogs and chips ever made at the Club. The winner of our football pool donated 1/2 their winnings to the house bank account.

The Fleet Captain and I are planning a Power Boat Fleet Picture and Ceremony Day. Club power boaters will need to show up for this new addition to the Club fleet April 18th @ 1000hrs on the water. We will meet at the Clubhouse dock, our Fleet Captain will do a "Blessing of the Fleet" and then we are off to our picture parade. Sail boaters bring your dinghies to follow along. We plan to fill up our own wall of pictures in the Club.

And finally, a Call to all ODs. The Clubhouse is regularly filling up with lots of members and we need to have you man/woman your shift behind the bar. It's fun and there are a lot of lively discussions and often goodies and snack. See you on your day!



Race Chair Report
By Christine Speck



The 2004 racing season is underway and the new Association of Santa Monica Bay Yacht Clubs (ASMBYC) *Yearbook and ar* has been distributed. Stop by the Club to pick up your copy. The book lists the dates and sponsors of all the sailing and predicted log races in the Santa Monica Bay. It also lists the ASMBYC officers, active fleet representatives and the race chair for each Yacht Club in the association. Finally, it details the rules for the High Point Series. You can qualify for the High Point Series simply by entering your boat in seven of eight specific races highlighted in the book. There is also a bonus for entering a race outside of your home harbor. Check the book for the specific details if you are interested in the High Point Series.

The racing season started on a windy note. The Del Rey Berger and Stein Series held their first race on January 3rd. The rain cleared from the previous day, but the winds were blowing at 20 knots. The small craft warning flag was flying at the Harbor Office as we passed by on our way out of the Marina. I begged my captain and crew to heed the warning, but they ignored me (and rightfully so). Over 75 boats competed in the two events and the high winds made for a fast and exhilarating race. In fact, the race was so fast that the lead PHRF boats reached the finish line just before the Race Committee was on station. Unfortunately, the winds were at the other extreme for the Champagne Series the following weekend. Only one of the two scheduled races were completed.

This was supposed to be a picture of Jim's boat.

However, with the 15-20 knots winds, I never found a comfortable time to go below to get the camera.

So, we'll just have to imagine how nice *Camelot IV* looked.

Jim sailed to a third place finish in the race.
Congratulations.

Jim Doherty's Islander 36, Camelot IV, sporting new sails in the Stein Race

The ASMBYC Installation dinner was held at Del Rey Yacht Club on January 9th. SCCYC was well represented. We filled up a table with Rear Commodore Sandy Bartiromo, Staff Commodores Bob Kellock and Paul Muggleston, Secretary Tom Estlow, Fleet Captain Dana Hutton, Membership Chair Trish LaVay and myself. Dana kept very busy fulfilling her ASMBYC Trophy Chair duties during the awards presentations. The awards included the Sportsman of the Year

and the Yachtsman of the Year. The winners of these and other awards are also included in the ASMBYC *Yearbook*.



The next big race event is the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA) Mid Winters on February 14 & 15. Yacht Clubs throughout southern California hold races on this weekend with each Club sponsoring a different class of boats. The Santa Monica Bay will sponsor the following classes:

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| <i>California YC</i> | <i>Star, M242, Schock35</i> |
| <i>Del Rey YC</i> | <i>US Sabots</i> |
| <i>King Harbor YC</i> | <i>PHRF, Cruiser, Cal 20 (maybe)</i> |

A little further away, other Mid Winter Races of interest are:

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| <i>Alamitos Bay YC</i> | <i>Lido 14</i> |
| <i>Balboa YC</i> | <i>Santana 20</i> |
| <i>Cabrillo Beach YC</i> | <i>Cal 20</i> |

The SCYA Race Management clinic for Marina del Rey is scheduled for Sunday March 7th at Del Rey Yacht Club. The cost is \$30 if reserved in advance of March 1st, or \$35 after March 1st. The seminar is from 8 am to 5 pm with continental breakfast and lunch included. For the complete details, check the SCYA web site at <http://scya.org/2004racems.doc> or call or email me at raceChair@scyc.org. I, along with one or two other Club Members, plan to sign up for the seminar. Remember, the more the merrier, so please join us.

I hope to see you on the water!



**Cruise Chair
Report**
By Kay Miller



**Membership Chair
Report**
By Trish LaVay

The secret to a successful cruising season is to SIGN UP EARLY. I will keep a roster of skippers and also of boatless members who want to go. Please check your calendars and vacation availability and let me know ASAP. I am changing ISPs at the moment, so no e-mail. Please phone me at (310) 821-0142.

South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club 2004 Cruise Dates:

Saturday 4/3 & Sunday 4/4 – Queens Way Bay, Long Beach; anchor and dinghy to the Queen Mary for dinner on board this fabulous Art Deco liner. This cruise is being shared with us by the Women’s Sailing Association, a really neat bunch of people.

Saturday 5/1 & Sunday 5/2 – Paradise Cove, where we will anchor in the bay and visit other boats by dinghy. There are no on-shore activities, so it’ll be party time! Hope nobody brings up their anchor with a chimney clinging to it this time.

Saturday 5/29 & Sunday 5/30 – Our cruise/race to King Harbor, the Corinthian Cup

Friday 7/16 through Monday 7/19 – Dana Point. We will stop at Long Beach Friday night and also returning Sunday night, because of the distance to Dana Point. Dinner Saturday night on shore. All reports on Dana Point say it is absolutely delightful, and we will have nearly all day Saturday and Sunday to see for ourselves. This is also a shared cruise with WSA.

Saturday 8/28 & Sunday 8/29 – Twin Harbors. A BBQ on the beach is being planned.

Saturday 9/26 & Sunday 9/26 – Our cruise/race to Catalina, the Fletcher Cup.

Saturday 10/2 – Buccaneer Days at the Isthmus. We strongly advise planning to go over the day before and anchor (or moor) in Cat Harbor. This seems to be everybody’s favorite event.

More details to come

Changes are in the air for 2004. New membership application procedures for 2004 have been set by the new board and are as follows:

1. The sponsoring member presents new applicant at the Board Meeting.
2. Applicant’s name is posted in the following month’s *The Beacon* for all members to view.
3. The Board invites applicant back to the next Board Meeting for membership consideration.

<u>Membership Statistics (69 members)</u>	
Flag Members	56
Life Members	3
Non-resident Members	8
Cruising Members	2
<u>Member Resignations</u>	
Sam & Ruthe Wagner	
<u>Pending Applications</u>	
<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Sponsor[s]</u>
Gary Caltharp	Mark Tilford & Rick Horner
Bud Zucker	Sherry Barone & Nancy Werner

Social Chair Report
By Judy Gavin

On Sunday, Feb 8th, we are having Second Sunday Breakfast at the Club and then taking a tour of the Point Fermin Lighthouse. Gary & Christine Speck will serve breakfast at 10 am. We will be leaving the Club at noon to carpool to the Lighthouse. If you wish, you can meet us at the Lighthouse at 1 pm instead. The Lighthouse suggests a donation of at least \$2 per person for the tour.

Please RSVP to socialChair@sccyc.org and state if you will carpool from the Club or meet at the Lighthouse and if you will be attending the breakfast.



O.D. SCHEDULE



The following schedule will be in effect as shown

Friday 1800-2200 Hrs. (Year-Round Hours)		Saturday 1200-1600 Hrs. (Winter Hours)		Sunday 1200-1600 Hrs. (Winter Hours)	
01/30	Sherry Barone ¹	01/31	Terry Stringfellow	02/01	Mark Pinkerton
02/06	Dana Hutton*	02/07	Rick Horner	02/08	George Burke**
02/13	Peter Beale	02/14	Judy Gavin	02/15	Mark Tilford
02/20	Paul Muggleston	02/21	Sandy Bartiromo	02/22	Harry Johnson
02/27	Bob Tusler	02/28	Joanne Lehrman***	02/29	Frank Kronewitter
03/05	Kay Miller*	03/06	Dan Grabski	03/07	John Donahue
03/12	Patrick Hafer	03/13	Mike Oliveau	03/14	Mike Cheda**
03/19	Ron Tvenstrup	03/20	Steve Krug	03/21	Ren Oden
03/26	Mark Spector***	03/27	Carl Radusch	03/28	Steve Bragg

* 1st Friday Dinner @ the Club ** 2nd Sunday Breakfast @ the Club *** General Membership Meeting

If you cannot fulfill your duty on your assigned date, please get a replacement and notify Nancy Werner (beacon@sccyc.org) of your replacement. It is your responsibility to fulfill your duty or find a replacement; otherwise you may be assessed a donation of up to \$50.

Reminder: Please fill out the OD logbook, as it may be the only record that you fulfilled your duty.

NOTE: The sponsoring member introduces the new Member to O.D duty on the first tour.

¹ Modification from last published Beacon OD List

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MAILING ADDRESS

FEBRUARY		MARCH	
06	First Friday Dinner (7 pm)	05	First Friday Dinner (7 pm)
08	Second Sunday Brunch (10 am)	13	Club Cleanup Day
	Port Fermin Lighthouse Tour	14	Irish Breakfast (10 am)
	Board Meeting (4 pm)	21	SCCYC Opening Day
27	Murder Mystery Dinner (7 pm)	26	General Membership Meeting Dinner (7 pm)
28	General Membership Meeting Dinner (7 pm)	27-28	Les Storr's
29	March Board Meeting (4 pm)		