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FLEET CAPTAIN'S LOG

WHALE WATCH CRUISE 2005.

We have room for 15 more people for the March 6th *Whale Watch Cruise*. Bring your family, bring your friends. This is a great opportunity to sail on boats that you may normally not be sailing on. Email our cruise chair *Elayne White* to reserve your space: peggles61@hotmail.com. Also, don't forget to mail your \$5 (per person) check to her.

TRAINING

Make sure you fax your completed checkout form to me. My fax number is (818) 337-7368. PRINT YOUR NAME ON THE FORM, so that I know who checked out!

We have a list of trainers on the website. If you need training, contact them individually. It should be fairly easy this time of the year to get trained. Once you are checked out on a boat, practice what you've learned. It's easy to "throw in" some tacks and jibes, figure eight sailing, etc. while out for fun. And don't forget the MOB. It's like your seatbelt: You never know when you need it!

WEATHER

This time of year makes for some interesting weather patterns.

Although we are used to docking upwind at our FYC slips (with a beam reach inside our "finger"), keep in mind that this can change. It can be different from when you leave the dock to when you come back in. Prior to hoisting the sails, make sure the boat is head to wind (as much as possible), and make sure you can sail out to the basin. If not, use your paddles! On the way back, one of the first indications for you is when you

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16 AT SHANGHAI RED'S

FYC's monthly board meeting will be 7 pm, Wednesday, February 16 in order to avoid conflict with the ASMBYC meeting. It will be at Shanghai Red's located at 13813 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey. A three-course dinner is \$16.95 plus tax and tip. Alcohol is extra. Please consider buying a meal (so that we'll keep getting to use this terrific space) but purchase is not required. As always, all members are welcome to attend! However, please do not bring your own meals or drinks into the restaurant. Thank you in advance.

Please note that next General and Board Meeting will be Wednesday, March 16 (again to avoid conflict with ASMBYC).

sail up the C-Basin to our dock. Do you have to tack, or are you on a reach or run? Watch not only your own masthead fly, but also the ones of the docked boats around you. Then decide if you have to dock upwind, downwind, or on a reach. Your plan of action is probably based on your experience, the experience of your crew, and the wind conditions. Consider dropping your sails inside the basin (head to wind) and then paddling inside the finger back to the slip. No one will look "funny" at you when you do that. It's the same as dropping the sails inside the basin and motoring into the slip with our larger boats.

Hartmut Eggert, FYC Fleet Captain

ASA 101 CHALLENGE ON JANUARY 22ND

The first ASA challenge of the year (ASA 101) was a great success. We (12 students and 4 ASA certified instructors) started gathering at the dock at 9:30 am on Saturday. Johan Sandstrom, Mitch Mandell, John Stephenson, and Jeff Spieker volunteered to administer the challenge. After everyone was done with the written test, each instructor took a group of 3 students out on various boats for the sailing examination. Jibing, tacking, MOB maneuvers, sailing backwards, etc. Not only did we have to perform these; we also needed to give the proper commands to the crew. FYI: "Here we go," although understood by most people, is not considered a proper command when jibing or tacking. It was a lot of fun and hopefully everyone learned something from it. Our next ASA challenge, ASA 103, is scheduled for Sunday, April 3rd. Hope to see lots of people for that one. Also, if you need some training in order to prepare for the test, contact any of the Fairwind instructors (a current list is online), or email me.

Thanks to all instructors and participants for being part of this. It makes my "job" more fun.

Hartmut Eggert

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RESCUERS HONORED

Captain Johan Sandstrom and Captain David Lumian received the prestigious US SAILING Arthur B. Hanson Safety at Sea Medal for rescuing local Marina del Rey sailor Adrian Ricks. The award was presented on January 15 at the Southern California Yachting Association annual Installation Dinner at Del Rey Yacht Club in Marina del Rey.

The incident took place on May 15, 2004 at the start line just outside the Marina del Rey entrance before the Point Dume Race. As the sailboats were preparing to start Adrian Ricks fell off the transom of his F-28 trimaran, "Trisha."

Sandstrom and Lumian were crewing aboard Trisha. When Ricks fell, the F-28 was 50 yards from the



L-R: Captain Johan Sandstrom, Adrian Ricks, and David Lumian receive the US SAILING Arthur B. Hanson Rescue at Sea medal.

committee boat. The area was swarming with racers preparing to start.

Lumian made a tight Quick Stop Man Overboard return maneuver stopping the F-28 under sail next to Ricks. Adrian had dislocated his arm. It took only a minute to get the boat back to the victim, but 15 minutes to get him aboard. Ricks was rushed to the hospital for treatment and has recovered.

WHALE WATCHING!!!

Thank you all for your interest in the Whale Watch Cruise on Sunday March 6, 2005. Boats are filling up fast and the following members and their guests have been reserved as either skipper or crew for this fun filled event:

Howard Staniloff	Skipper	Fairwind 1
Steve Smith	Skipper	Zephyr
Stan Pore	Skipper	Seawing
Mike Fuller	Skipper	Mk 111
Martin Epstein	Skipper	Collective Effort

Irene Wojek	Crew	Fairwind 1
Grace Hahn	Crew	Fairwind 1
Maya Borgman	Crew	Zephyr
Leif Borgman	Crew	Zephyr
Liz Stenton	Crew	Mk 111
Stephanie Clark	Crew	Mk 111
Mike Jackson	Guest	Mk 111
Elayne White	Crew	Seawing

Work day Attendees: Allan Mead, Ami Schnelderman, Bill Wagner, Chas Belknap, Cheryl Pepper, Chuck Orlin, Dave Bruadbent, David Lochman, Dick Gross, Dick Lunning, Eddie Nakano, Fred Taylor, Greg Doucette, Gus VanDriel, Hank Sure, Hartmut Eggart, Howard Staniloff, Jim Tuligloqski, Joe Seligson, Joel Newman, John Tabor, Katherine Conway, Lef Bogman, Liz Stenton, Lloyd Lewins, Margaret Pommert, Mark Thiel, Mark Zirtin, Maury Barth, Max Wolf, Michael Graham, Michael Stellatos, Mike Fuller, Mya Bogman, Nicholas Van Hove, Noel Belknap, Peter Grizwald, Peter Gonzalez, Elizabeth Kendall, Rob Matheny, Ron Judkins, Roy Niebuhr, Scott Rutherford, Stephannie Clarke, Steve Smith, Stu Meisner, Tim Guest, Tom Ruh, Vladmir Tuchiksky, and William Weber.

If your name is misspelled or isn't here, I couldn't read it—and if only your first name is there, I don't know who you are.

Jennifer Young	Crew	Seawing
Ron Judkins	Crew	Seawing

There is still plenty of room for those of you who would like to participate in this cruise!!!! We are planning a fun filled day with cocktails afterwards.

Please RSVP to: Elayne White at peggles61@hotmail.com or (310) 422-0805

UPCOMING CRUISES

- Whale Watch Sun. Mar. 6
- King Harbor Brunch Sun. Apr. 17
- Avalon Bay Fri.-Sun. May 13–15
- Isthmus Fri.-Sun. Jun. 24–26
- Long Beach Sat.-Sun. Jul. 16–17
- King Harbor Dinner Sat. Sept. 17
- Buccaneer Days Fri.-Sun. Sept. 30–Oct. 2



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Mail hard copy to the editor

Leave hard copy on the clipboard with the attendance list on workday.

CALENDAR

Date	Activity	Location
Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2005	Board Meeting 7:00 PM	Shanghai Red's 13813 Fiji Way Marina del Rey
Saturday, Mar. 5, 2005	Workday / Club Sail Day	Dockside 9:00 AM till ???
Sunday, Mar. 6, 2005	Whale Watch, 9 AM – 5 PM	Dockside 8:30 AM, leave 9:00 AM
Wednesday, Mar. 16, 2005	Board Meeting 6:30 PM General Membership Meeting 8:00 PM	Shanghai Red's 13813 Fiji Way Marina del Rey
Saturday, Apr. 2, 2005	Workday / Club Sail Day	Dockside 9:00 AM till ???
Sunday, Apr. 3, 2005	ASA 103 Examination	Dockside 9:30 AM

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