

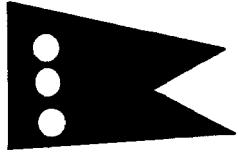


FAIRWIND YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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COMMODORE'S LOG

Ken Murray

As we head into winter, on-the-water activities always seem to slow down. Personally, it is one of my favorite times to sail. The traffic in the harbors is dramatically less, the boats seem more available, and I enjoy the "bite" in the air. Trainers seem more available for those wanting to get checkouts, as well.

We have some special opportunities coming up: In both harbors, they have Christmas Parades, which can be very enjoyable and joyous evening sails. It's fun to get out there with some hot drinks and look at the decorations on boats and businesses, alike.

I had a very enjoyable short motor on Desert Wind with Mike Strossman, where we went over to the Whale's Tail, made fast to the restaurant's dock, and running in for a light dinner at dusk. Wonderful. Boating at nite has it's own delights: often no wind, very quiet, often a totally different environment. Try it if you have a chance.

Please pay your dues, the notices have gone out!

We've had two social/educational events, and they were well attended and enjoyed by many. Look for more coming!

Our Annual Brunch and installation will be on November 8th, at Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club, tentatively starting at 10am. \$20. A yearly fun event with recognition of our many volunteers.

OCTOBER FIRST SATURDAY WORK DAY AT MARINA DEL REY:



33 People came to MdR for October Work Day. This is the largest turnout of documented members attending work day in MdR.

Attendees at Work day 10-3-09

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| 1. Brad Benam | 17. Guillermo Maynneto |
| 2. Susan Bonner | 18. Ken Murray |
| 3. Shar Breitling | 19. Roy Niebuhr |
| 4. Leonard Brownlow | 20. John Quickly |
| 5. Gerri Chabot | 21. Dan Romney |
| 6. Stephanie Clarke | 22. Jotham Schwartz |
| 7. Geoff Duckworth | 23. Josef Seligson |
| 8. Tom Green | 24. Chris Semper |
| 9. Peter Griswold | 25. Spyro Spyropoulos |
| 10. Bob Hoffman | 26. Howard Staniloff |
| 11. Ken Hoover | 27. John Stephenson |
| 12. Stanley Hormell | 28. Bill Tan |
| 13. Elizabeth Kunkie and
kids | 29. Ralf Tiede |
| 14. Gregory Little | 30. Bill Wagner |
| 15. Nancy Morina | 31. Carole Walsh |
| 16. Rob Mathney | 32. Travis Weber |
| | 33. Mark Ziartin |

REMEMBER: WE ALL HAVE TO DONATE A MINIMUM OF 2 HOURS A MONTH TO CLEAN/REPAIR SERVICE TO THE CLUB. Thanks to all who showed up to help. Carole Walsh, americawest2@ca.rr.com

CLEAN BOATS=HAPPY BOATS.



CAN YOU TIE OR UNTIE THIS?

FAIRWIND AND SANTA MONICA WINDJAMMERS SOCIAL/EDUCATION GATHERING OCTOBER 7TH WAS VERY INTERESTING – IF YOU LIKE TO SPLICE AND LEARN ABOUT LINES



Mike Leneman gave a very informative talk on sailcloth and lines.

Correct me if I'm wrong—and I am sure you all will—Dacron still is the primary material for sailcloth. He enlightened the audience on lines. He explained how lines are being used for standing rigging. They are lighter and markedly less expensive. My notes: Technora is OK and cheaper than Spectra. For those interested in learning more: Technora short fibers Available since 1987, Technora® is a very strong para-aramid fiber developed and produced exclusively by Teijin Limited.

www.teijinaramid.com/smartsite.dws?id=91

Spectra – Google it. There are lots of sites but none I could find that specifically provided the information appropriate for this review of our event.

Mike taught us to make a “BRUMMEL SPLICE”. I must say he made it look very easy. He stated that the most



important thing in working with a 12 string line is to be sure you are “exactly” in the center – 6 strips on each side of your insertion point. He said you could use a ballpoint pen instead of a “fib”.



I suggest you go to his web site: [multimarine.com](http://www.multimarine.com); click on Tricks and Tips. You can see exactly how to make the Brummel splice perfectly.



<http://www.multimarine.com/tipsntricks.php#>

Carole Lee Walsh



Channel Islands

Pablo Grabiell

Geology

Please Join Fairwind Yacht Club And Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club November 18th At Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club Lovely Club House For A Special Presentation By Pablo Grabiell On The Channel Islands Of Southern California.

**13589 Mindanao Way
Marina Del Rey, CA 90292-6950
(310) 827-7692**

**Happy Hour Starts At 6:30 P.M.
Dinner \$10.00 Starts At 7:30 P.M.**

Speaker To Follow

Please Make Reservations In Advance.

HEAR YE HEAR YE ALL FYC MEMBERS - JOIN IN THESE FUN PROJECTS

L. EDUCATION: SAILORS, RACERS, CRUISERS, PRESENT YOUR STUFF! SHOW US HOW TO FIX A DIESEL, AN OUTBOARD, TRIM A SAIL, WIRE A LIGHT, SWEDGE A LIFE LINE. INQUIRING MINDS NEED TO LEARN

PLEASE CONTACT OUR NEW VC, CAROLE WALSH
EMAIL: AMERICAWEST2@CARR.COM
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GET ON BOARD!

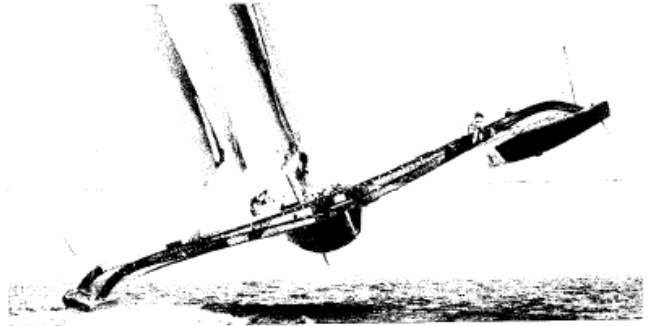
ARE YOU A BOOKKEEPER?
DO YOU KNOW QB PRO,
EXCEL, FILEMAKER PRO?
IF YOU HAVE ANY COMBINATION
OF THESE SKILLS, PLEASE
CONTACT CAROLE NOW!

WE WILL NOT OVER LOAD YOU
WE DO NEED HELP NOW!

THANKS FOR CARING AND SHARING YOUR SKILLS

Carole at the top of the mast.

Cupdate - The Multihulls



CALIFORNIA
YACHT CLUB

The California Yacht Club would like to invite all of your members and friends to what I truly believe will be a fascinating and insightful meeting about the next America's Cup in giant multihulls.

"Cupdate" is an evening focused on demystifying the current America's Cup situation. On Wednesday, November 18 at 7:30 p.m. Tom Ehman, who heads external affairs for BMW Oracle Racing, will be with us to clarify what has happened and why it happened - and provide an informed view as to what will happen. Armed with the sights and sounds of his team's preparation, Ehman will share his unique insight as his syndicate finishes their preparation for the 33rd

America's Cup. There is no admission charge for this meeting and the public is welcome.

Tom Leweck

Cupdate

**Wednesday, November 18
7:30 p.m.**

**4469 Admiralty Way,
Marina del Rey, CA 90292**

Free Admission & Beer

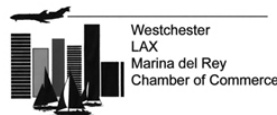
Staff Commodore

CALENDAR

Saturday, Nov. 7, 2009	MdR Workday / Club Sail Day	Dockside 9:00 AM till ???
Sunday, Nov. 8, 2009	Annual Brunch and installation, \$10. 10 A.M.	Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club 13589 Mindanao Way Marina Del Rey, CA 90292-6950
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