



Commodore's Log

New Boat, Elections At Sept. Meeting

By Michael Delaney

The next Board and General Membership meeting will be held on Sept. 20 in CIH. The meeting will be at the Paz Mar Apartment Clubhouse, 3400 Peninsula Road, Oxnard, CA 93035. The Board meeting will be at 10 a.m. and the General Membership meeting will be at 11 a.m.. This is the last General Membership meeting for the fiscal year and hence the election of Officers for the 2014/2015 year starting Oct. 1. Details are provided below.

In the General Membership meeting, there will be a brief presentation by the CIH Boat Selection Committee (BSC). They propose adding a Large Boat to the CIH fleet and moving the Catalina 30's down to Medium Boat level. All BSC documents, presentations, and reports are available at: <http://www.fairwind.org/members/BSC.html> Details are provided below.

The Treasurer has proposed moving the collection of dues and money, currently under the Vice Commodore, to the Treasurer. This would be more in line with Treasurer functions in yacht clubs and corporations. See the details and proposed motion below.

With the proposed change in Vice Commodore and motion to consolidate collection of dues under the Treasurer, the mailing address for dues will revert to the MDR Post Office Box for the Oct 1 dues payment.

Election of Officers Set For Sept. 20 Meeting in CIH

The next membership meeting will be Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Paz Mar Apts. Clubhouse, 3400 Peninsula Road, Oxnard.

The board meeting will be at 10 a.m. followed by the general membership meeting and will include the election of officers for the coming year and the report of the CIH Boat Selection Committee.

The location of the meeting is [here](#).

Candidates For Board	CIH Boat Committee	MDR Boat Committee
<i>Find the rundown candidates for offices beginning Oct. 1</i>	<i>Recommends new big Catalina boat.</i>	<i>Survey of membership going out soon.</i>
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Please mail checks to **new address:**

**Fairwind Yacht Club
PO Box 12684
Marina del Rey, CA 90295**

The CIH Fall BBQ has been scheduled for Oct. 25 in the Seabridge Clubhouse. Details will be provided in the October Newsletter.

Annual Election of Directors and Officers

The election of Fairwind Directors and Officers for the year from Oct. 1, 2014, to September 30, 2015, will be held at the Membership meeting to be held in Oxnard on Saturday, September 20. All positions are for a one year term. The positions are:

Commodore - overall leadership and preside over Board and Membership Meetings

Vice Commodore - In charge of membership (collect dues** and maintain Membership records)

Rear Commodore (MDR) - In charge of maintenance of the MDR Fleet

Rear Commodore (CIH) - In charge of maintenance of the CIH Fleet

Fleet Captain (MDR) - In charge of training in MDR

Fleet Captain (CIH) - In charge of training in CIH

Treasurer - In charge of Club finances

Secretary - Maintenance of Club Records, including the preparation of meeting Minutes

** See Treasurer's proposal below

Per the By-Laws I formed a nominations committee consisting of Marv Brown (MDR) and Alan MacGovern (CIH). The nominations committee developed a slate of candidates. The slate of candidates was sent out to the membership on August 20 to meet the one month distribution rule prior to the election as stated in the By-Laws. The Slate of Candidates is:

Commodore – Michael Delaney

Vice Commodore – Paul Aist

Rear Commodore (MDR) – George Westerdahl

Rear Commodore (CIH) – Harry Kane

Fleet Captain (MDR) - Sharlen Campbell

Fleet Captain (CIH) - Alan Howell

Treasurer – Adrienne ODonnell

Secretary – Mark Boykin

Nominations from the floor may be made by any member, at the Membership Election Meeting. If duly seconded, such nominations will be included in the voting at said meeting. Members must be present at the meeting to vote for Officers.

The Board will be discussing options for Electronic Voting for next years election during the Board meeting on Sept. 20.

CIH Boat Committee Recommends New Big Boat; Moving Cat 30s To Mid Boat Level

The Channel Islands Harbor Boat Selection Committee makes the following recommendations that have been approved by the Board and will now be presented to the membership:

- Purchase a 34-36 foot cruising sloop for CIH that would cost no more than \$80,000.
- Allow a maximum of \$25,000 in zero interest bonds to be collected for the purchase to the new boat. The repayment schedule would be 3 years or less.
- Move the Catalina 30's down to Medium Boat Level

The purchase would be funded by a combination for Floating Fund (\$40K), Member Bonds (\$25K) and excess Operating Funds (\$15K). Details of the motions related to the CIH BSC recommendations are provided below.

Motion #1: Accept the CIH BSC recommendations to purchase a new Large Boat with the following attributes:

- Length: 34 – 36 ft
- Cost: <\$80,000
- Class: Cruising

Background: All CIH BSC documents and presentations are on the website at: <http://www.fairwind.org/members/BSC.html>

Motion #2: Change the wording By-Laws: ARTICLE XXIV to allow electronic voting on borrowing.

Background: The By-Laws currently require 30% of the membership to be present for voting on borrowing moneys. With 437 members this requires 131 members be present at the meeting. Electronic voting will allow all interested members to vote without requiring attendance at the meeting.

Motion #3: Authorize the CIH BSC to collect zero interest member bonds for the purchase of a new Large Boat with in the following restrictions:

- \$25,000 maximum bonds
- 3 year or less repayment schedule

Motion #4: Change the definition of a Large Boat in the Standing Rules to be 31.5ft or greater. This motion would only take effect when the CIH Large Boat has been added to the fleet.

Background: CIH proposes to move the two Catalina 30's from Large Boat Class to Medium Boat Class. This increases the number of medium boats where the membership is currently approaching full. This is being done in conjunction with the planned purchase of a new Large Boat. The Large Boat fleet would then have two boats and be nearly full. There will be no impact to the MDR fleet.

--Michael Delaney

Proposal To Combine Board Financial Functions

The Treasurer has proposed that the financial functions of the Treasurer and Vice Commodore be combined under the Treasurer. This would bring Fairwind more in line with normal corporate and Yacht Club Treasurer functions.

Motion #5: Move the collections of dues and bonds function from the Vice Commodore to the Treasurer. Background: Fairwind has had the financial functions split between the Treasurer and Vice Commodore. The Vice Commodore collects dues and bonds whereas the Treasurer pays bills and keeps the books. In normal corporations and business both of these functions are under the Treasurer. The Treasurer will use an assistant to handle the collections of dues.

--Michael Delaney

MDR Boat Selection Committee Sees Membership Survey Soon

By Greg Little
MDR BSC Chair

The Boat Selection Committee process in MDR has moved more slowly than that of CIH, but we are making steady progress and expect to have a survey out to members in the next week or so, along with reports on the use and condition of the MDR fleet.

The slow pace stems in part from our desire to improve on the BSC process if we can, while staying within the rules of the club. In particular, we have focused on rethinking any part of the process that could be perceived as biased and finding the best possible data for our review.

Here's an example: Usage statistics normally come from reservation data but reservations sometimes don't get used or end early, so we're also comparing engine hours as another indication of actual use. Some changes have worked, some haven't, but we think the effort will result in survey data and recommendations that more accurately reflect members' wishes.

Frequensea Joins MDR Fleet

By Richard Windebank
MDR Port Captain

On Saturday, Sept, 6, we were delighted to commission the Catalina 270 called “Frequensea” that was graciously donated to the Boys & Girls Club of Venice, and will be managed by Fairwind in a similar manner to “Generosity.” That is to say, Fairwind will provide the slip and all the maintenance of the boat at Fairwind’s expense and Fairwind will be able to use the boat when it is not required for the BGCV “After School Program,” or any other



programs that BGCV and FYC might develop for at-risk youths that are members of BGCV or similar organizations. The agreement runs for a period of 10 years (with options to extend), but may be terminated by either side with 60 days notice.

The “Commissioning Ceremony” was a happy occasion, attended by about 60 Fairwind members, together with Mr. Don Beane, who donated the boat and Monique Brandon, the Executive Director of the BGCV.

Special thanks go to the Fairwind members who have worked tirelessly over the last two months to bring the boat up to the standards we require. Even Don Beane commented that he had never seen the boat look so good, in the 11 years that he owned her. The number of members who contributed is too long to list but includes Johnny Quickly, Sasha Tsapin, Uta Buschor, Charlie Repp, Preben Klug and many others.

The boat is now available for use for day sailing only at this stage. Members who are already checked out on other MDR Medium and Large Boats are required to get a single signature check out, before they can reserve or skipper the boat. There are still a few items we need to address before the boat can be cruised and we will complete those items shortly.

Those members who have already sailed the boat have asked me not to tell you how nice she is ☺. She handles extremely well, is equipped with a sweet purring diesel inboard, autopilot, hot and cold running water and a fine set of sails. You will not be disappointed when you sail this boat!

It is important that we stand up to our part of the deal. The programs we run with the Boys & Girls Club are an essential component of Fairwind's mission. If you are interested in participating, please let me know at richard@windebank.com

On a personal note, most of you are aware that I will be completing my term as a member of the Board and as MDR Port Captain, on Sept. 30. I will have been on the Board for five years and I am happy to be passing the baton to my successors. Marv Brown will take over as MDR Port Captain and I know he will do an excellent job.

I will continue to support the Club in every way I can and I will maintain a keen role in the BGCV programs and any other Community involvement we may enter into. I greatly appreciate all the support you have given me over the years and I look forward to participating in the health and prosperity of the Club for many years to come.



Fairwind Cruisers Conquer Santa Cruz Island



By Scott Kelly
CIH Cruise Chair

Here it is August already, and another report of a fun and memorable Channel Islands cruise! It's difficult to say which club cruise has been the best--they've all been so much fun.

This time around we had four boats, with skippers and crew totaling 17. We left Channel Islands Harbor early Friday morning, Aug.9 and sailed for Smuggler's Anchorage on Santa Cruz Island. We arrived at noon, a great time to stop and have lunch. Smuggler's was calm and beautiful, and after lunch we headed to Coches Prietos Anchorage, our planned evening anchorage, a couple of hours west.

Upon arriving at Coches Prietos, the wind and the swell surge conspired to make us reconsider our choice of anchorage. A small anchorage with boats already anchored inside and the wind and swell not favorable led us to try our luck with Willow's Anchorage, another 45 minutes west. But Willow's wasn't much better, so the decision was made to head back to Smuggler's.

A nice sail back, and all of the boats prepared and ate dinner en route. We all arrived about 6 p.m., and the anchoring conditions at Smuggler's were ideal.

That evening we had a great dessert potluck with everyone aboard Angelsea, with an abundance of sweet delectable treats. But the best part of the evening was a sing-a-long that was led by three members who took turns showing off their skills on the guitar. With the beautiful evening weather, the moon light shimmering on the water, and the strains of seventeen sailors harmonizing, it was a memory not soon to be forgotten.

Saturday afternoon our flotilla made it's way to Little Scorpion Anchorage where we spent the afternoon hiking, swimming, kayaking, or just lazing around. It was so nice at Scorpion that the skippers all agreed that relaxation was the order of the day and evening, and we would make Little Scorpion our night anchorage.

But idle hands are the Devil's workshop, and so it turned out that there were lots of hijinks, and a lot of laughs that were had that evening.

In the morning Angelsea left for surfing opportunities at Yellowbanks, and the rest of the flotilla stayed until early afternoon before returning back to Channel Islands Harbor with a beautiful wind delivering a great sail back!

Here are a couple of the skipper reports:

Skipper Mark Watkins:

Sorella promised our Marina Del Rey crew awesome wind and, at least on day one, totally let them down. We set some sort of record for glassy seas but managed to beat the fleet to Smugglers where we set the hook for lunch and gave the diesel a rest. It is fun to sail as a group and when everyone else caught up we sailed together for Coches Prietos, sailing being a synonym for motoring. Coches had a couple of boats in the prime spots and, ironically, an onshore wind and swell so we headed a couple miles to Willows and found a surprising surge and swell. We finally dropped anchor back in Smugglers where we had lunched and it was smooth as a parking lot.

Headed to Scorpion the next day about 1:00 as our crew had never been there, we intended to move on but it



was so nice we stayed the night. Shenanigans began after dinner when we decided that sprinkling bread on Angelsea and Mark III's fore decks would amuse the seagulls. We were right about the seagulls but were repelled with boat hooks and horns by the defending ships. Alas we ran out of ammunition and headed back to Sorella and took up a defensive position. We slept with one eye open and await retaliation on the next cruise...

This was my fourth club cruise this year, each time with an entire crew of folks I have never met. We have been a diverse group

politically, religiously, and economically, and yet each weekend has been a joy and Sunday afternoon is met with solemn good byes and the assurance that new friends have been made. Cheers to Fairwinds!

Skipper Chuck Wilson:

Many years ago an article in a recognized sailing publication argued that the sport of sailing is dying. It is my observation that members of Fairwind Yacht Club have not bought into that concept. On any given day you will notice the preponderance of sailboats on the water will have Fairwind Yacht Club stenciled under the CF numbers.

The recent CIH FYC cruise to Santa Cruz Island supports this notion. I had the pleasure and privilege to sail with a great group of individuals aboard Mark III. Our crew experience ranged from new to grizzled. One trait we did share was a passion for being on the water and having a lot of fun.

Our next Island Cruise of the 2014 season is slated for Friday Sept. 12 thru Sunday Aug. 14. The cruise leaves early Friday morning and arrives back in the afternoon on Sunday.

Again, we have five boats reserved for the weekend, with a total of 21 places available. Again we may find ourselves in anchorages at Santa Cruz Island, possibly Smuggler's, Scorpion, Prisoner's, or Pelican Harbors, depending on weather conditions.

This is a particularly good opportunity for our newer members, especially those who have not experienced a cruise to the islands, to cruise with an experienced skipper and crew. And a perfect opportunity for all involved to increase their sailing knowledge in a really fun social setting.

Our cruises are very popular. Sign up quickly for a berth--and don't miss the boat!

If you have any questions, comments, to sign up, or just say hello, please email me.

To sign up for this cruise, please email Scott Kelly, CIH Cruise Chair, at scottmkelly@aol.com.



MDR's Workday Heroes For September

By Carole Walsh

The weather was perfect. Approximately fifty members and guests showed up to work on the boats Saturday, Sept. 6. Our Work day starts at 9:00 a.m. We washed boats, filled out the monthly safety maintenance check off form, and welcomed the new Catalina 27 donated to B&G Club. See Richard Windebank's article.

All the small boats were filled with trainees wishing to improve their sailing skills. There was a waiting list to get training today.

The post work day sailing adventures were filled with enthusiastic mariners cruising around the Santa Monica Bay.

SMWYC offered a build your own burger BBQ from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

I'd like to give a special thanks to Carol and Paul Legge who have been so dedicated to the club volunteering every work day at MDR. I'm leaving town again and need volunteers to step up to cover work day at MDR.

Carole.lee.walshj@gmail.com Please Please contact me regarding this fun opportunity. You get to know the other members and greet prospective members.

Here is the list of our Work Day Heroes whose participation makes the club survive:

Small Boats:

Mea Ono -	Skip Korsgaard
Sundance -	Franck De Girolami
Seaweed -	Paul Legge and Peter Broadwell
Rambaley -	Chris Corey and John Lee
Generosity -	Coco Leigh and Steve Maynard
Collective Effort -	Hey folks, you did not put your name where I could find it? Mystery clean up ☹

Medium Boats:

Sandpiper-	George Westerdahl, Prebin Clug, Pam Murphy, Gerri Chabot
Calypso -	Peter Davidson
Slingshot-	Ami Schneiderman, Hali Kristjansson, Bob Hoffman

Large Boats

Imagine -	MG? It helps if you write the whole name ☹
Happy Ours -	Lennox Grasso, Steve Smith, Bruce Gale, Read Howarth, Rob Matheny
Osprey –	The most popular large boat in the MDR Fleet was again in Catalina having a great time.

A big shout out to all our volunteers who came to MDR's work day to make it a phenomenal day for all!

P.S. Please remember to contact me about volunteering for the next few months. It really is fun.

Channel Islands Harbor Workday Heroes Aug. 17

By Harry Kane
CIH Rear Commodore

Another great workday.

Angelsea

Alan MacGovern
John Perry
Pat Anderson
Jon Rock
Sorella

MK III

Dennis Derley
Jesse Lumsden

Island Side

Mike Ross
Jeff Paluga
Miles Detrixhe
Geri Chabot

Zephyr

Curt Allison
Jim Milstead

Freedom Too

Richard Canan
Tom Kelleher
Doug Batistic

Camp David

Mike Geer
Dave Arnoth

Sand

Carl Enson
Paul McMenamin

Desert Wind

Bob Chatenever
Brian Johnson

Companionship

John Staples
Talaat Elwan
Matt Ray
Paul Aist

Sweet Deal

Corey Chase

Turning Point

Carl Friedlander
Mike Hallahan

Driftwood

Jeff Warner
Kim Jones

Capri 14 (Bahia)

Dave Nichols

Capri 14 s(Pond)

Scott Hickman

Membership Guide: Where To Go For What

Update Contact Information for Membership Roster – Vice Commodore, Lynn Erickson.

Pay Dues – Fairwind Yacht Club, P O Box 12684, Marina del Rey, CA 90285

Training and checkout - Fleet Captain (Shar Campbell for MDR; Jim Guinn for CIH) Cruising: Cruise Chair (Mark Zierten for MDR; Scott Kelly for CIH)

Racing: Race Chair (Mark Arbing for MDR)

Report an Accident - Safety Officer/Rear Commodore (Marv Brown/ Glen Jagodzinski for MDR; Michael Adams/Harry Kane for CIH)

Gear broken on boat - Specific Boat Chief (from Fairwind Website) + Rear Commodore (Glen Jagodzinski for MDR; Harry Kane for CIH)

Submit Articles for Newsletter – Editor, Ken Hoover kenhoover@me.com

FYC Officers - www.fairwind.org

Coast Guard - Channel 16 or 310-732-2043

VHF Calling Channels – 9 and 12.

Membership interaction – Email: fairwindmembers@yahoogroups.com

Join Member’s interaction group - <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FairwindMembers/> and press the button to join

Updates to website: webcontent@fairwind.org

Fairwind on Facebook: www.facebook.com/Fairwindyc

September Club Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Workday MDR				MDR Open House Frequensea Commissioning
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		Workday MDR			CIH Santa Cruz Island Cruise	CIH Santa Cruz Island Cruise
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
CIH Santa Cruz Island Cruise		Workday MDR				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
CIH Workday		Workday MDR				
28	29	30				
		Workday MDR				