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Commodore's Log

MDR Dock Opening A Huge Success

By Michael Delaney
Commodore

Congratulations to Richard Windebank and all those who helped for orchestrating the fleet move to Beaches and Harbors Marina. I understand that the Slip Opening Ceremony June 7 for the new slips was a resounding success. Thanks to all the trainers who have given their time to train members on the down-wind slips. Richard will have more information in his MDR article that follows.

The Boat Selection Committee's (BSC) for MDR and CIH have been working hard and doing their home work. The MDR committee consists of Greg Little (Chair), John Stephenson, Spyro Spiropolous, Marc Levine, George



Photo by Ken Hoover

Ribbon cutter Adrienne O'Donnell celebrates the opening of MDR's new docks in Basin G. The June 7 event was well attended, and members enjoyed a fine afternoon of sailing.

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Westerdahl, Willy Maynetto, and Mark Zierten. The CIH committee is made up of Paut Aist (Chair), Barry Klein, Carl Enson, Miles Detrixhe, and Jon Rock. The BSCs have been reviewing boat usage, maintenance, club finances, membership levels, etc, and should soon be sending their surveys to the membership. Please respond to the survey's as your input is very important to the club.

While the CIH April and May cruises to Santa Cruz Island were canceled due to gale conditions, the June cruise, June 6-8, was a great success. Angelsea, Sorella, Mk III, Island Side, and Zephyr cruised to Prisoners and Smugglers Harbors on Santa Cruz Island with crews from both CIH and MDR. I am sure that there will be articles and photos in the next newsletter. Thanks to Scott Kelly for organizing the cruise. There were also six members that passed their ASA 104 during the cruise. I had a great time skippering Sorella (Catalina 30), which is why I missed the June 7 Slip Opening Ceremony in MDR.

The May 17 Board and Membership Meetings were held in CIH. Both motions in the General Membership meeting were passed by the large margin. Motion 1 was to eliminate the 50% dues discount for reciprocal members. Motion 2 was for approval of Fairwind move to Beaches and Harbors Marina on June 1. The complete minutes of the Board and General Membership meeting will be sent to the membership prior to the next meeting.

It has been brought to the Board's attention that some members are making a new day sail reservation before their current reservation has been completed. This is a violation of the reservation policy. I request that all members review the reservation policy in the Standing Rules which can be downloaded from the Documents page of the website.

The New Docks Aren't The Old Docks, But There's Plenty Of Advantages

By Richard Windebank

MDR Port Captain

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new home at Anchorage 47 just off from Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club.

The move seems to have gone smoothly and most members are happy with the new location. I very much hope that, in years to come, we will look back on this move as a significant milestone in the development and evolution of our Club.

I believe the move is very positive for us and will prove to be a major upgrade from where we have been for many years.

Please bear in mind that all of the slips are scheduled to be redeveloped in the relatively near future. I anticipate that our docks may get redeveloped in the winter of 2015/2016 but it could be delayed for a year or more from that date. In the meantime, I think you will find the slips to be in a comparable state of repair to our old slips, maybe a little better.



Photo by Geoff Warner

MDR Port Captain Richard Windebank addresses the assembled throng at the opening of our new docks.

All of our boats have been moved over and are located on docks G1600 and G1400. They are interspersed with other boats, but we plan to have them all together on one dock, once the redevelopment has been completed. We have requested 11 or 12 contiguous leeward slips on Dock G1400. The only boat that will not fit there is Happy Ours, which will likely need to be kept in the G800 dock because she is too big for G1400.

There are a number of advantages to our new home. It is more convenient for members coming off the Marina Del Rey freeway, we are closer to our friends and the facilities we use at Santa Monica Windjammers, we are closer to the fleet of Hobie Cats and kayaks, more accessible to West Marine and have better access to parking and to local restaurants. The one downside is that we have not been able to obtain individual dock keys, although we continue to work on that. The current system is workable, but less than ideal.

We have two storage rooms that we can access through the garage door at the left end of the SMWYC Club House. There will be a remote transmitter placed in each of our two Admin Dock boxes, each of which will open the garage door. The store rooms are numbered 13 and 14. 13 contains the dinghy outboards and various parts and supplies. 14 contains the inflatables and other supplies.

Members have gone out of their way to ensure we enter and leave the docks safely. We recognize there are significant differences between the new docks versus the old. Dick Gross produced a wonderful set of docking instructions for the new slips and we have done a lot of training for members who plan to take boats out from the downwind docks. Those boats are Collective Effort, Sandpiper, Calypso and Imagine. The rest of our boats are all in leeward slips.

Members planning to use any of these four boats need to go through on the water docking training. We have so far trained more than 75 members. For the other boats, you need to read and understand the docking instructions we have sent out.

Two of our dinghies, being the Portabote and the Watertender, are being kept in Slip G1629. The Boston Whaler is in G1431. The Boston Whaler Coach Boat is also in G1431 but will be used for the Boys & Girls Club Summer program for the next six weeks or so. So will the kayaks.

On a trial basis, we have moved one kayak and a paddle board to the dinghy rack. They have the Fairwind name on the stern. Members who are experienced in using these are welcome to do so. We will not use the reservation system for either of these. They can be used on a first come, first served basis. We may offer some training later in the summer, after the Boys & Girls Club Summer Program has ended on July 31.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the kids Summer program, and I will email MDR Members about this. It will run from June 17 thru the end of July and be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays out of Mother's Beach. We will use the Hobie cats and the kayaks. We have some paid staff, but would welcome a couple of volunteers for each session. Last year, we had about 400 kids go through this program and may have more this year. Fran Weber will be the program director and can be contacted at (310) 738-3205 or at cptfran@aol.com

I am delighted that 19 Fairwind Members have joined Santa Monica Windjammers. This is good for both Clubs and makes it a win win for everyone.

I want to thank everyone who helped make our move go so smoothly. And thanks for promoting the good name of Fairwind, as you move around the docks.

Perfect Conditions For 21 Sailors On CIH's First Island Cruise

By **Scott Kelly**
CIH Cruise Chair

After two false starts, that is, two cruises that were canceled due to high winds, Fairwinders had a flawless first cruise of the season.

The flotilla of five boats with a complement of skippers and crew totaling 21 sailors, left Channel Islands Harbor at 9 a.m. Friday June 6 for a really fun weekend cruise. Our first anchorage was Prisoner's Harbor on Santa Cruz Island. We had a great sail over with plenty of wind in the right direction to make for an outstanding first day. After anchoring, many hiked, kayaked, swam, or SUPed the rest of the afternoon away.

Friday night, Angelsea hosted a dessert potluck which was a resounding success. Every one brought a dessert to feed four or five and there were all the favorites-- home-made cookies, brownies, fudge, cake, pie, gingerbread, balaclava, you name it, it was there. Sweet!! There was plenty of dessert and everyone had a great time. We even had chess and backgammon games in Angelsea's salon!

Saturday morning, we all sailed to Scorpion Anchorage for lunch. Again, hiking and kayaking was the order of the day. We even had time to conduct ASA written exams! Then, off to Yellow Banks, our Saturday night anchorage. Another great sail with plenty of the afternoon to enjoy. The weather was beautiful, with lots of sun. A couple of my crew on Angelsea had fun surfing Yellowbanks, which we had to themselves, woo hoo!

Sunday was another fun day with the Angelsea watermen skin diving and spear fishing in the morning, then a great sail back to Channel Islands Harbor! An outstanding and memorable cruise--more to come this year!

Here are a few of the skipper reports:

Skipper Paul Aist:

I was aboard Island Side for the June 6-8, 2014 Santa Cruz club cruise with fellow CIH member Dan Beck, and MDR members Olof Hult and Tim Gilles. The lasting memories I'll take from the cruise are the laughter and smiling faces. The cruise enabled me to make new friends and strengthened existing friendships. Olof, who is new to the club, is originally from Sweden, and he entertained us with tall tale after tall tale from his homeland.



Overlooking Little Scorpion Anchorage, JoAnna LaForce, Spencer Kelly and Sarah Polk.

And then there was the actual voyage. We motored some in each of the mornings but we were also able to enjoy really nice sailing in the afternoons on all three days. On the way over to the island, we had two extremely good whale sightings in the area between the oil rig Gail and Prisoners Harbor. Of course, dolphins were also abound.

Both anchorages proved to be gentle with light winds. We swam and kayaked. The dessert party about Angelsea the first evening was spectacular with 18 people and as many desserts to choose from. After dinner on the final night, we boat hopped, enjoying the company of different members. Tim and Dan ended up in a sing-a-long on the Mark III with Matt Ray on guitar that serenaded me as I drifted off to sleep.

Skipper Alan MacGovern:



Scott Kelly and Scott Hickman

I had the pleasure of being skipper on Zephyr on the club cruise to Santa Cruz June 6-8. My worthy shipmates were Chuck Carter and John Meyer, a very compatible crew. We set out early Friday heading for Prisoner's Harbor. We motored for some time, but as we got closer to the island there was sufficient breeze to raise the sails and take us and the rest of the fleet into the harbor, where all five of the FYC fleet safely dropped hook. On Saturday morning, the fleet headed east to Little Scorpion for more kayaking, some hiking, and lunch. Wind and weather improved enough to allow us then to sail in sunshine to Yellow Banks, our anchorage for Saturday night. Lots of water taxiing between the fleet continued the

camaraderie.

Reluctantly, Zephyr and the others returned to civilization Sunday, sailing to a very nice breeze and accompanied for the most part by more groups of curious dolphins than many of us have ever experienced

Thanks to our cruise chairman, Scott Kelly, and to my two crew mates for another great cruise.

That's it for our first FWYC CIH Cruise for 2014! Hope you're with us on at least one of our future cruises!
FWYC Channel Islands Harbor: Santa Cruz Island Cruise.

Our next Island Cruise of the 2014 season is slated for Friday July 11th thru Sunday July 13th. 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.

Channel Islands Harbor Workday Heroes May 15

By Harry Kane
CIH Rear Commodore

We had our usual great turnout in Channel Islands this month. We didn't have our workday last month due to it falling on Easter Sunday, so this was a catch up workday, and the members responded.

Angelsea

Alan MacGovern
Bob Lee
Tom Marshall
Jon Rock
Greg Arnold

Sorella

Jeff Birdt
Ev Anderson

MK III

Robert Hample
Duwayne Kilbo
Jesse Lumsden

Island Side

Charlie Garcia
Miles Detrixhe
Manny Koch
Barry Bernbaum
Katarina Bernbaum
Michael Ross

Zephyr

Paul Aist
Scott Kelly

Freedom Too

Tom Kelleher
Rush Clark
Bryhn Ireson
Mark Watkins

Sand

Carl Enson
Ron White
Paul Mc Menamin
Joe Peixoto

Desert Wind

Bob Chatenever
Dave Payn
Bob Kelly

Companionship

John Staples
Talaat Elwan
Curt Allison

Sweet Deal

Corey Chase

Turning Point

Michael Hallahan
Carl Freidlander
John Perry
Mal Usher

Driftwood

Geoff Warner
Alan Howell
Aaron Shiah
Bob Meyer

Capri 14 (Bahia)

Dave Nichols

Capri 14 s(Pond)

Scott Hickman

MDR Workday Heroes, June 7

Osprey

Susan Bonner

Sandpiper

Luciano Blotta (sp?)

George Westerdahl

Fred Taylor

Seaweed

Gerri Chabot

Slingshot

Bruce Byall

Mea Ono

Mark Banyai (sp?)

Sundance

John Quickly

Bill Connor

Generosity

Frank Myers

Calypso

Alex Grib

Collective Effort

Geoff Warner

Rambaley

Atamos Georgia (Sp?)

Imagine

Tom Weese

Happy Hour-HUGE, big, DEEP cleaning!

Rob Matheny

--Judy Alfter

Volunteers Needed

We are seeking Volunteers for the following positions and tasks:

Voluntary help with the Boys & Girls Club Summer program. Maybe you can do one day per week. We need help at Mothers Beach 10 AM thru 2 PM Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from June 17-July 24.

Purchase and install concrete step pads for crossing the planter in the Santa Monica Windjammers Parking Lot. This will protect the landscape and not worsen the brownouts that are already there.

Boat Chief for Generosity

Please contact Richard Windebank at 310-454-2323 or Richard@windebank.com

Care And Pride In the Fairwind Fleet

Please make a special effort to leave the boat cleaner than you found it. It is very disheartening to Boat Chiefs and other Volunteers when they have to clean up after you. We are all owners of our boats. If you damage something, please report it and try to help fix it.

Thanks for your cooperation.

--Richard Windebank

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 627, Oak View, CA 93022

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

June Club Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 MDR Slip Relocation	2	3 MDR Workday	4	5	6	7 MDR Workday
8	9	10 MDR Workday	11	12	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day CIH Workday and Open House	16	17 MDR Workday	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 MDR Workday	25	26	27	28
29	30					