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SUMMER Patio Party

NYCSD Summer Patio Party

Fiesta 2023, July 15th



Please join us for our annual Summer Patio Party on July 15, 2023

R.S.V.P. and ticket purchase required at
www.nycsd.club – R.S.V.P no later than July 9th.

\$15.00 per person includes catered tacos and the fixings as well as chips and dips, and all of your beverages.

Patio will open at 2:00PM with tacos served at 4:00PM

We hope to see you on the patio!

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14th Annual Make-A-Wish Amazing Race 2023

On your mark, get set, GO! You say you want **FUN** and to support a great cause, well, here's your opportunity. One of our yacht club's goals is to give back to the community, so your Bridge and Board are proud to announce that NYCSD will again join our friends Coronado Cays Yacht Club and Coronado Yacht Club to co-present the **2023 Make-A-Wish Amazing Race on Sunday, September 10th**. The 14th annual event is sure to be a ton of fun as it has been in the past. We hope to be even more successful in fundraising than we were last year and have set a goal to raise \$100,000.

For those who may not be familiar with this event, it's an energy filled day where both bike riders (teams of ten) and boaters (typically teams of 6-8 people) compete in friendly challenges while raising money for **Make-A-Wish**. It is graciously hosted by Coronado Cays Yacht Club and includes a luncheon, raffle prizes, silent/live auction items, music, and amazing speakers. Make-A-Wish San Diego grants wishes to children diagnosed with critical illnesses in our community. There are currently over 300 local children in the process of receiving a wish and every dollar we raise helps make their wishes come true.

The planning committee has been meeting for the past few months and we already have commitments from 7 bike teams and 2 boat teams. As traditional, NYCSD will have the Navy Blue and Navy Gold bike teams again this year. There are multiple ways to participate in this event, and we are looking for more bike teams, boat teams, as well as volunteers, silent/live auction donations, and financial headline sponsors. **In support of our NYCSD bike teams, we will also host a mini-fundraiser on August 27th, with details to come.**

Please see the website [The 14th Annual Amazing Race For Children's Wishes: Learn More - Make-A-Wish Foundation](#) and/or contact Lisa Brenden at lbrendencyc@gmail.com or 619-865-3885 (cell) with questions and interest in participating in the event.



COMMODORE'S HALYARD

Commodore Ty Keith



As we head into Summer, I can't believe that I'm already half-way through my tenure as Commodore. It's been a great first six months and I'm looking forward to the next six! Last week we kicked off Summer with our first-ever "Trivia Night with the Commodore" on the patio. We had a great turnout (50+ people) and had a really fun time on the patio. I'm looking at hosting another one, probably in September when the summer activities die down.

If you're looking for something to do on the 4th of July, stop by the patio. It will be open at 11:00am for anyone that wants to use it.

Our Beer Cans races are going strong. If you haven't had a chance to join us on the NYCSD Patio yet, I highly encourage you to come by. You don't need to participate in the race, just bring your dinner and hang out with fellow members. If you want to race, be there by 1715 and we can find you a boat to sail on. We have one more series of Wednesday races that go through mid - August. Come on by!

On 15 July, we host our annual Navy Cup; our race in the 3-race South Bay Combine (SBC) Series. Following the race will be our annual Summer Patio Party/Fiesta. Tickets are \$15/per person which gets you catered tacos, all the fixings, chips and dip and all of your beverages. What a deal! RSVP by July 9, and buy tickets on our website.

We've already had our first two raft-ups of the year, a big-boat raft-up in Glorietta Bay and a dinghy raft-up at Fiddler's Cove. Both we're well-attended and fun was had by all. We have another dinghy raft-up on Saturday, 8 July at Fiddler's Cove and a big-boat raft-up at LA Playa the last weekend of July. It's a great way to get out on the water and meet fellow members; and don't forget to get your permit if you plan on overnighting at La Playa.

On Saturday 22 July, MWR at Fiddler's Cove is having their "Marina Day". It's an open house that invites people to learn more about sailing and what MWR offers. We're looking for qualified volunteers that can skipper one of the Marina's boats to take people on a short introductory sail. I did it last year and it was a great opportunity to expose people to sailing. Contact me or MWR directly if you are interested.

Looking ahead to August, we have two more raft-ups planned and we have our Make-a-Wish Fundraiser that will be held Sunday, 27 August at the Fleet Reserve Center in Imperial Beach. Come buy a spaghetti dinner, buy raffles tickets and bid on silent auction items to raise money for a great cause. If you have any items you'd like to donate for the auction or raffles, please let me know at commodore@nycsd.club.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events! - Ty Keith

VICE COMMODORE'S HALYARD

**Vice Commodore
Jeff McNicholl**



Vice Commodore Jeff McNicholl
and his beautiful wife, Penni.

Our usual summer weather is off to a slow start this year; however, our racing season is off to a strong start.

We are just over the halfway mark; I want to say thanks to all who come out and help. Lisa Brewer as the timekeeper; as she has done for many racing seasons, is doing a fantastic job. We have three new folks this year on our race committee who are donating their time every Wednesday as well, all are new to the sport: Joe Torres, Tim Stengel and Erin Dunlevy. Each have become a staple of the RC Team and work hard each week. It is great to have new volunteers and it is wonderful to see the participation; our patio is filled with members socializing and enjoying themselves. We have had some awesome donated potluck dinners to feed the RC team. A special shout out to Jeni Lench, Penni McNicholl, Aida Torres and Sherry Arnold, along with many others who have brought food and snacks. The team is well fed, and the food is such a warm welcome when getting back to the patio after a race.

One never knows exactly what to expect when coming into a new position; I must say, I am more than pleased with the level of supportive members we have in our club. I am grateful to our RC Team for making this racing season successful thus far, despite having one person fall overboard.

SBC NAVY CUP REGATTA

We are proud to again host the Navy Cup Regatta. July 15th, 1200 start in our beautiful South Bay waters. Registration is now open on our website. www.nycsd.club

Come out for the race and stay for the taco party and awards. **FIESTA Tickets are required** and available for purchase online. Party RSVP no later than July 9th.

REAR COMMODORE'S HALYARD

**Rear Commodore
Mike Lewis**



Hello Navy Yacht Club!

As your Rear Commodore, I am responsible for the parties, food and beverages.

I am pleased to report that I have adjusted the set up for our beer coolers. The CO2 is now on the outside of our system, not inside anymore. This will allow us to store 6 to 7 kegs of beer at a time. That should prevent ever running out of beer again.

We have our "Taco Guy" returning this year for our Patio Fiesta following the SBC Navy Cup Regatta. Both events are on July 15th. The patio will open for the Fiesta at 2:00PM. Chips, salsa and beverages will be available then. Tacos, with beans and rice will be served at 4:00PM. Make sure to go online at www.nycsd.club and get your tickets. This catered event is \$15.00 for everything and tickets are required. RSVP and ticket purchase by July 9th to make sure you are included in the fun! Don't wait, we sold this event out last year.

Finally, we had our first Dingy Raft Up on June 10th. It was well attended and lots of fun. Lots of good finger food was passed around and sea stories told. Don't miss the next one! It is on July 8th at 3pm in the Fiddler's Cove Basin. No dinghy required, anything that floats is welcome!

Stay Up to Date on Events!

For the most current information on what your club is doing, make sure to "like" and follow us on Facebook! We post lots of current pictures and notices of events.

Also frequently check out our webpage at www.nycsd.club. You can RSVP for events and keep your membership up to date.

NYCSD Racing

Wednesday Night Racing (Beer Cans) is upon us! It consists of three series (Spring, Summer, and Fall) with six races each for a total of eighteen races, and runs from April 19, 2023 through August 16, 2023. A final Wednesday Night race may be scheduled for August 23, 2023 if required as a tiebreaker for the full eighteen (18) race series. For additional information please go to: www.nycsd.club or <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/24535>

NAME	DATE	Day of the Week	Series
Wed Night Regatta	5 July	Wednesday	Summer 6/6
Wed Night Regatta	12 July	Wednesday	Fall 3/1
Navy Cup SBC	15 July	Saturday	Series 1-3/3
Wed Night Regatta	19 July	Wednesday	Fall 3/2
Wed Night Regatta	26 July	Wednesday	Fall 3/3
Wed Night Regatta	2 Aug	Wednesday	Fall 3/4
Wed Night Regatta	9 Aug	Wednesday	Fall 3/5
Wed Night Regatta	16 Aug	Wednesday	Fall 3/6
Wed Night Regatta	23 Aug	Wednesday	TBD

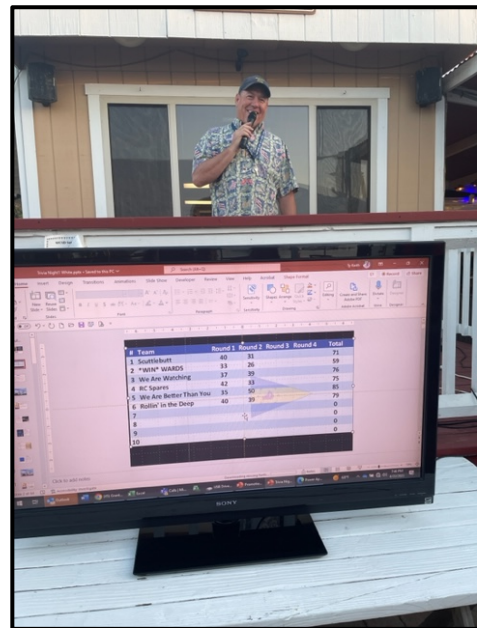


Treasurers Report

Operating Funds-	
Business Checking	\$9,118
Prepaid memberships	\$9,870
Certificate of Deposit	\$28,507
Capital Funds-	\$8,971
 Total Funds-	 \$56,467

FUN TIME ON THE PATIO WITH TRIVIA NIGHT

Thank you to Commodore Ty Keith for hosting a Friday night Trivia on a packed NYCSD patio! Competition was friendly but fierce, so Congratulations to team “Rolling in the Deep” for a first place win! There were six teams that competed, and a great time was had by all!



NYCSD Calendar

July

4 Tue Independence Day - Patio is open all day for members to enjoy

5 Wed Summer Series 6 - 5:15

8 Sat Dinghy Raft-Up #2

11 Tues Bridge and Board Meeting

12 Wed Fall Series 1 - 5:15pm

15 Sat Navy Cup SBC Races

**15 Sat Summer BBQ following Race
NYCSD Patio Tickets Required**

19 Wed Fall Series 2 - 5:15pm

22 Sat Fiddler's Cove Marina Day
(volunteers needed contact
Commodore)

26 Wed Fall Series 3 - 5:15pm

**28-30 Fri-Sun Big Boat Raft Up #2
La Playa**

August

1 Tue Bridge and Board Meeting

2 Wed Fall Series 4 - 5:15pm

9 Wed Fall Series 5 - 5:15pm

**12-14 Fri-Sun Big Boat Raft Up #3
La Playa**

16 Wed Fall Series 6 - 5:15pm

19 Sat 8 Dinghy Raft-Up #3

23 Wed Fun Race

27 Sun NYCSD MAW fundraiser
(watch your email for details soon)

September

4 Mon Labor Day

5 Tues Bridge and Board Meeting

10 Sun The 14th Annual Amazing Race for
Children's Wishes @ CCYC

The Bubbling Washing Machine

Walking the streets of “downtown” beyond the gate of Marina La Cruz, what does one see? Neon lights? No. Fancy store fronts? No. Signage that works in any language? Yes!

While wandering around the town of La Cruz - on Banderas Bay, but north of Puerto Vallarta - I was in search of a laundromat. Even when cruising on a sailboat, one cannot avoid the creation of dirty laundry or the need to wash it. Everywhere I looked down the streets, there were no signs that said “laundromat” either in English or Spanish. There’s gotta be one somewhere!

Here’s where one needs to be more observant. Look for painted signage that uses a “logo” (for lack of a better word). Look on the walls of buildings. Doing so, I discovered the “bubbling washing machine” --the answer to my need for clean clothes and other stuff.

As you can see in the photo, the simple sign painted above the sidewalk entrance to the “laundromat” said it all without the need for English or Spanish! Very creative.

Stepping up to the counter at the entrance, I saw the two ladies surrounded by their machines, tables, and laundry. My friendly smile and “Buenas dias” opened the transaction that went surprisingly well in spite of my rudimentary Spanish. Dropping off in the morning will likely result in it being ready for pick-up in the afternoon, unless they are very busy.

As for the cost for their services, I don’t remember exactly. However, like many local services provided in small coastal towns of Mexico, trust me when I say it would have still been a bargain at twice the price. I had no qualms about placing a generous “propina” (tip) in the can on the table.

Submitted by: Neal Doten s/v *No Moss*



NYCSD Big Boat Raft-Up 2023 #1 **Submitted by Port Captain Curt Snyder** **(Your Big Boat Raft-Up Coordinator):**

Navy Yacht Club San Diego held its first big boat raft up of the season June 2-4 in Glorietta Bay. It was a very good time although the weather only cooperated partly.

A summary of events follows, with all times approximate.

On 2 June:

1145 Rear Commodore Mike Lewis and lovely Lois anchored *Aurora*, their Jenneau 53.

1240 I brought *K.I.S.S.*, my Santana 25, alongside to *Aurora* starboard.

1300 Bram Arnold and lovely Sherry brought *Ran*, their Beneteau 431 alongside the port side of *Aurora*.

1310 I then moved *K.I.S.S.* outboard of *Ran* to make room for larger boats next the center boat *Aurora*.

1550 The last boat to arrive was *Family Affair*, a Rodman 44, as Chuck Vinson and lovely Joy dropped his anchor and backed to the raft up outboard *Aurora* starboard side. Their dogs Danni and Fin were along for the ride.

The afternoon was pretty nice with sun. In the evening Chuck Vinson regaled us with several of his death defying stories, one included an exploding PB&J sandwich. Hilarious!!!!

On 3 June: We woke up to a light mist. Thankfully it didn't last long and turned sunny in the afternoon.

1245 Greg Cotten and lovely Daniella arrived on *Champagne*, their Hunter 456, and went outboard *Family Affair*.

1415 Kurt Woyak and lovely Shanna arrived on their *Parker 23*, with dog Diego. They went outboard *Champagne*.

Another fine evening of fine food, fine beverage, fine conversation and fine comradery.

On 4 June:

0900 *K.I.S.S.* departed.

I have no information, positive or negative, of anything that happened after I departed.

In summary, it was another good raft up with 6 boats, 11 people and 3 dogs. Of course, we can always make room for more boats, people and, yes, dogs. Come on out and enjoy your boat, enjoy San Diego Bay, enjoy old friends and make new friends.

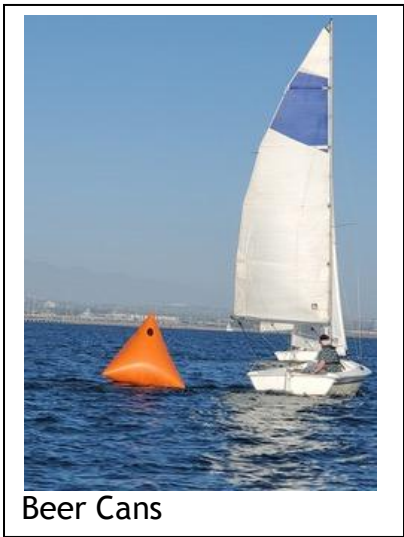
The next big boat raft up has been rescheduled for 28-30 July in La Playa anchorage. Note the change of dates and get your reservation through the Port of San Diego. Feel free to contact me with any questions

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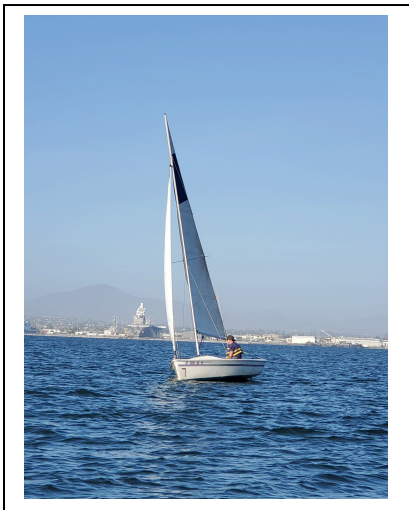
More fun with NYCSD!



Dinghy Raft-Up #1



Beer Cans



Thank you Race Committee!

