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Navy Yacht Club San Diego held its 56th Opening Day on March 1st.

NYCSD is the first club in the San Diego area to open the yachting season - quite possibly it might be the only Opening Day held this year due to the extraordinary advent of the Coronavirus pandemic. But to get back to Opening Day, over 130 members and friends of NYCSD came to hear the anticipated words of Director Curt Snyder who reported that the harbor and surrounding waters were free of icebergs and floes.

The cannon boomed, the NYCSD burgee unfurled and the yachting season was underway.

Not so fast. On April 3, the Port of San Diego closed the bay to recreational boating and that public health order remains as of this writing. There's been ample time to get boats ready for racing and motoring though - reports of new sails and refinished teak have surfaced. Your NYCSD will be back with a full slate of activities as allowed! In the meantime, check out our website: www.nycsd.club for posted webinars from US Sailing, Ullman Sails and the State of California Dockwalkers program.

NOTE: As of publishing time, information is continuously updated on Bay Access. For the latest information you can refer to the San Diego County health order.

This is found at www.sandiegocounty.gov

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COMMODORE'S CUP 2020 WAS AWARDED TO LISA BREWER 9 (L.) FOR HER SUPPORT WITH THE WEBSITE, COMMODORE'S BALL AND RACE COMMITTEE TIMING WITH AND REGATTA NETWORK! PICTURED IS JR. STAFF COMMODORE MARY BERUBE AND COMMODORE MAUREEN SYLVESTER(R.).



SECRETARY JOE MCFETRIDGE AND DYLAN PAINE, AIRMAN who gave the Invocation





COMMODORE'S HALYARD

Hello Members!

I hope this edition of the Spinnaker finds you healthy, as everyone has been hunkered down due to COVID-19. We have unfortunately had to cancel a list of events, to include the Spring Racing Series and several monthly board meetings. We must also postpone the upcoming General Membership meeting, as we know that gathering would exceed the current limit 10 people.

This time has been particularly tough on morale here in San Diego because recreational boating has been prohibited - we can't even work out our anxieties with a pleasant sail on the water! However, as of this writing, it appears that may be changing soon. If so, we hope to see our members returning in force to enjoy the gentle breezes of San Diego Bay.

One of the great aspects of NYCSD membership is the reciprocal privileges we enjoy with other yacht clubs. In this time of reduced business, I encourage you to support local yacht clubs by ordering take-out meals if they offer them. This helps keep club employees on the roster and the clubs' open during this challenging time.

Please keep yourselves healthy and active until we see each other again on the waterfront!

--Commodore
Maureen Sylvester



Fargo Cup Tiny Bubbles
Racing Class

VICE COMMODORE'S HALYARD

Hello Members,

We are certainly ready to get things rescheduled for the race calendar once the many restrictions are lifted. Depending on when that occurs we will determine the race series changes. At this point it is too early to tell what sailing window we will have to maximize the number of events and minimize risk to all concerned.



Sunset South Bay

The US Sailing, One Day Race Management Seminar scheduled for April 11, 2020 had to be cancelled. As a result of the cancellation and the many efforts to continue valuable training, US Sailing developed a hosted online course and I was invited to be in attendance as the beta platform was rolled out. The individuals taking the course were about half real students and the other half were certified instructors. The course was a Zoom meeting and conducted three days in a row for 2 hours a night. I found it extremely valuable even though at times some of the other attendees asked questions from their extensive experience running international events which were way over my head.



After the Storm Silver
Strand State Beach

I expect to see US Sailing rolling out many of their courses online, it would allow attendance to be easier and courses to be offered more often.

Looking forward to getting back on the water, it will really be a treat. Stay Safe!

-- Vice Commodore
Bob Howdysell

Joe Mcfetridge's
Mask Fashion Show



FOUNDER'S DAY 2020

The annual tribute to the founders of Navy Yacht Club San Diego took place this year on January 25, 2020. In 1969, a group of dedicated sailors got together to create what was then called the San Diego Naval Sailing Club. After a few years, the membership mushroomed from a handful to 1,500 members and a stable of 43 club owned boats.

Much has changed since that time, but we still do what sailors do and get together for food and sea stories. This year, our Rear Commodore, David Ray, treated us to his secret homemade BBQ chicken, homemade cole slaw and baked beans. All had a good time, we welcomed some new members, the weather was San Diego fine, and the club is looking forward to doing it again!



RADM (ret) Ray Berube, with Staff Commodore Mary Berube, and Staff Commodore and 2020 Sailor of the Year Finalist, Calder Epes.



Rear Commodore David Ray working his magic! Yumm!

NYCSD members enjoying the day

NYCSD
Members,

Currently there is no access to NYCSD due to Coronavirus.

Because of this, we are unable to take orders for our “Ship’s Store” at this time.

We look forward to accepting your orders in the future.

R/

Director Jerrod
Jones

NYCSD Ship’s
Store

Sailors for the Sea

“Sailors for the Sea Powered by Oceana’s [Kids Environmental Lesson Plans \(KELP\)](#) program features free, downloadable, educational activities that teach students the importance of preserving healthy and abundant oceans. With many schools closed and students confined to home because of the COVID-19 pandemic, Sailors for the Sea is highlighting some of our [most popular KELP activities](#) that can be done from the safety of your home.”

Paige Myatt – Sailors For the Sea Program Manager



Information For Sailors Available Online

US Sailing

The Starboard Portal is US Sailing’s Live and Recorded video channel. Here you can find sailing workouts, tips, tactics, performance boat reviews, and even a children’s sailing series.

<https://www.ussailing.org/starboard-portal/>

Ullman Sails San Diego

Ullman Sails has a series of webinars that are pretty interesting. The one on Gate Tactics was pretty helpful to a non gate racer! You can also access these events through their Facebook page.

<https://sandiego.ullmansails.com/events/>

North Sails

North Sails has a more national/international outlook on sailing: take a look!

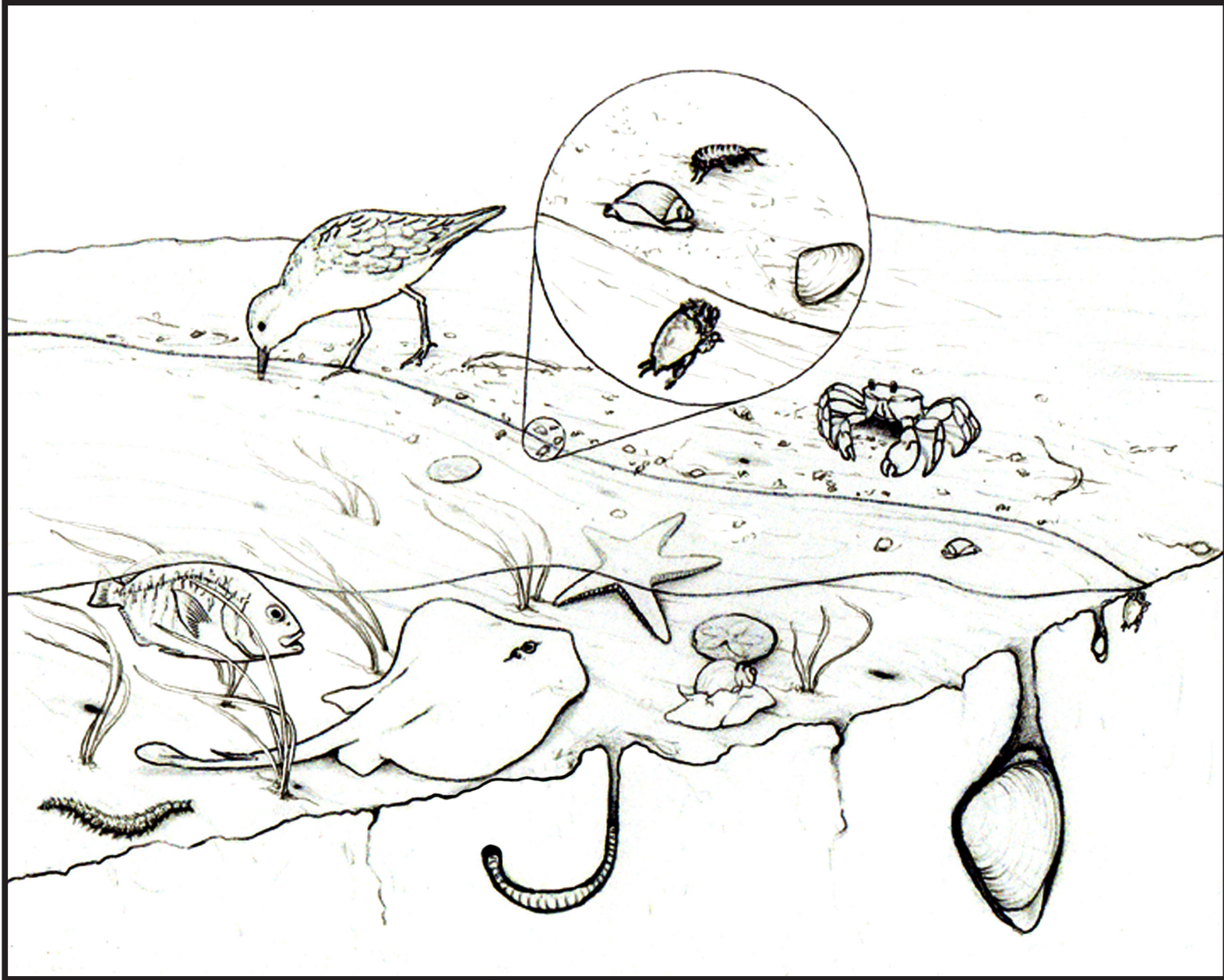
<https://www.northsails.com/sailing/en/2020/04/your-north-sails-team-is-live-expert-webinar-schedule>

Cruising World

Then there’s this: <https://www.cruisingworld.com/story/how-to/sailing-totem-old-school-skills-sailors-confinement/>

Coloring Page

Sandy Shore Ecosystem



Missing the Boat! – April 2020

We finally got down to the boat today to see if she was still floating, and if the motor remembered what to do! With this current Corona virus situation, it has been 6 weeks since we last saw her!

The bay was beautiful, although eerily quiet, and our boat, “Ship Happens” was sitting peacefully in her slip. A quick check of some systems, and a beer on the deck, all seemed almost normal! She seemed to be coaxing us to go on another adventure. Oh, we have certainly had many over the last 12 years or so! Sadly, all we could do was lock her up and think back to our many fun times aboard!

Beer Cans, both racing, and for 2 years as the race committee boat while the “Bunce” was being refurbished. Raft ups, Parade of Lights, both as contestants and picket boats. Amazing dock parties and many wild 4th of July evenings trying to convince much bigger boats that they were too close to the fireworks barges. One notorious night, the bull horn had to be forcibly removed from my hands apparently...but that is another story!

With all of those memories, I think my all-time favorite was when Rick brought my daughter’s wedding party to the Coronado Cays YC for her wedding 4 years ago! Ship Happens was all dressed up in wedding flora and spit shined for the event. Rick had the groomsmen aboard on deck, and the bridesmaids below deck trying to keep their newly coiffed hairstyles presentable for the big event. Onboard was SC Pete Kover ready to help dock.

Beverages in hand, all were excited for the grand entrance. At CCYC, guests were lined up on the rail, waiting to see the wedding party emerge. As the boat rounded the corner and came into view, they were quite a beautiful site! Steamers and flags flying, perfect breeze and no worries. That is until SC Kover leaned over to Rick and said, “Don’t mess this one up, see everyone looking at you?” (if you know SC Pete Kover, you know he did not say “mess”.) At this point, Rick silently said Alan Shepard’s prayer, and continued to approach the dock.

It ended up being a perfect docking. Helped by NYCSD members, Kevin Cain, and SC Peter Hunt. A beautiful wedding followed, and now 4 years later, we wait patiently, (not really), for the go ahead to get back on the bay and enjoy!

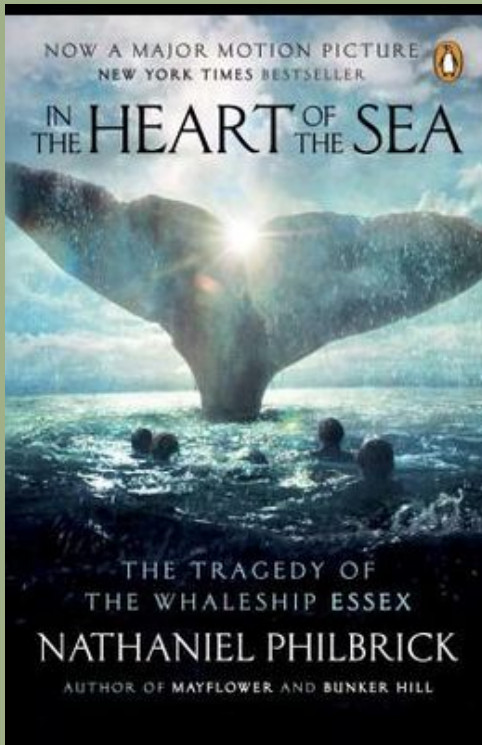
-- SCJeni Lench



Note May 1st: The waiting is over! Bay is open for sailing for folks living in same household!



Book Review



I love a book which tells a true story but reads like fiction. One of my favorites is “In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whaleship Essex” by Nathaniel Philbrick.

Many of you probably know that the sinking of the whale ship Essex by a massive whale was one of the inspirations for Herman Melville's great novel "Moby Dick". Philbrick tells you the real story, providing a fascinating account of the dramatic and incredible event that actually happened. He skillfully describes the 19th century whaling industry, immersing the reader in the lives of whaling fishermen and fully building the characters involved in the story. He builds the story with graphic details of life at sea on a whaling ship, including both the hunt for and processing of their catch.

I could not put this book down and highly recommend it for anyone interested in maritime history.

-- Commodore
Maureen Sylvester



Members,

Do you have a book that you really enjoyed and would like to share with fellow NYCSD members?

Write your short review and submit it via email to Director AnnaLauren Dean, the Spinnaker editor, at annalaurendean@gmail.com

Membership Application / Renewal

Navy Yacht Club San Diego

Fiddler's Cove Marina
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Renew online at nycsd.org (easiest method)

You will need to be a WEBSITE member, (this is separate from being a member of NYCD) to complete payment. Please complete the "SIGN UP" form when it pops up and the system will automatically approve your request so you can proceed through the application process.

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