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Some really big things have taken place this month. Jr. S/C Jim Gould, R/C Peter Glick, S/C Pete Patman, Susan and I attended the SCYA Annual Installation where we walked off with the "Senior Club of the Year Trophy for 2012". A lot of work went into this achievement and special thanks go to Jr. S/C Gould and Lynne Glick who created and submitted our nomination and all of the Committee Chairs of the Club who made this possible. It is quite an achievement. By winning this award, we illustrate that the Racing Program, Hospitality, Cruising, Angling, Log Racing, Junior sailing, clean harbor activities and a host of additional activities that we do every year are the most complete of the 30-plus Senior Yacht Clubs that we competed against.

The next day, Sunday, January 13th, our **R/C Peter Glick** was installed as the Vice Commodore of the Association of Santa Monica Bay Yacht Clubs. In addition to **R/C Glick**, **S/C Peter Patman** and **Barbara**, **V/C IIona Fellows**, **Susan** and I were there to support **R/C Peter Glick** and our award winners. Virginia Howard was the presenter of the Diane Armstrong Award to **Mimi Paz** dedicated for achievement in junior sailing. I presented the ASMBYC Junior Sportsman award to Del Rey Junior Sydney Jacques. I was very proud of Del Rey Yacht Club that weekend. Without question, our junior program is one of the best and makes us look very good in the eyes of our fellow clubs.

The Berger/Stein race traditionally takes place on the first weekend of the year. Once again, we attracted over 100 boats. If you think about it, there are an average of 4 crew members on each boat and 100 or more boats. This means that over 400 yachting enthusiasts had a chance to see our Club in action. The DRYC Ham Radio club was out in force to help manage the race and provide critical communications between Race Committee boat, *DRY C* and the service boats that were assisting in the setting of the racing marks, photography and shortening the course if the wind dies off.

Yacht Club "Opening Day" celebrations begin this month with Los Angeles Yacht Club. Although the "Opening Day" began as a tradition with the East Coast Yacht Clubs; it is acknowledged in various ways all over the country. It's the celebration after a long winter and boats (in the East) have been out of the water and the Yacht Clubs essentially "close" for the winter months. When the ice has thawed, the Clubs open and boats go back in the water. Opening Day is a celebration of spring and the boating season. Of course, we don't have ice melting here in Southern California, but all Yacht Clubs on the West Coast still celebrate Opening Day and its long-standing tradition. It's always a special day for DRYC and the opportunity to show off to other Yacht Clubs our wonderful facility, membership and the joy we find in the camaraderie of each other! Your Bridge Officers will be on the road representing Del Rey Yacht Club at over 20 other Yacht Clubs for the next 5 months.

This is a good time to be getting your boat in condition to enjoy the yachting season. Something the Bridge Officers will not have time to do. **Susan** and I wish you a very Happy New Year and a wonderful boating season.



It takes a tremendous amount of volunteers to put on the Berger/Stein Race; over 100 sail boats entered the Berger/Stein #1 and what an amazing sight it was watching these graceful sailboats at the start of the race. **Walt** and I were very fortunate to be on **Don** and

REAR COMMODORE

PETER GLICK

Martina Smallwood's boat taking pictures. After the race, we had around 300 people enjoying drinks and food while waiting for the results of the race. Being behind the scenes, it is crazy how much work goes into these races and how many volunteers it takes to put these races on. There are committees *within* the Sail/Race Committee - DRYC Fleet Maintenance, before and after race publicity, Principal Race Officer, Scheduler, trophies, Race Crew (which includes registration desk, boat check-in, start boat, mark checkers, finish boat, photo boat), hospitality, computers, posting of results and much more. How awesome are our volunteers at our Club? If you would like to be a part of the Sail/Race Committee, please contact me and I will be more than happy to get you to the right place on a committee. Thank you, one and all; it makes me so proud to be part of this great Club. By the way, our Club had 26 boats that raced in Berger/Stein #1. Great job!

Speaking of a great job...our Juniors are at it again. They went to the Orange Bowl International Regatta, and I would like to say Congratulations to them! The results were very impressive. Please read **Virginia's** article, as she wants the right to brag about these wonderful Juniors.

On Friday evening, February 1st, we will be hosting a Rules & Tactics Seminar with Dave Perry for the Juniors. Dave Perry has been sailing most of his life, a collegiate All-American, two-time Congressional Cup Champion. In addition, we will be hosting the adult version of this class all day on Saturday, February 2nd.

Later this month is the SCYA Midwinter Regatta on February 16-17; we are hosting the Optimist Fleet. Please come down and join us.

The Cruise committee is looking for members to chair our 2013 cruises. This is your opportunity to plan and run a cruise you want to see happen. If you chair a cruise, not only do you get a free lunch on the Aft Deck, but your cruise fee is waived. Call **Dir. Russ Runnalls** or **S/C Bob Heintz** for more information on cruises.

Where is my Commodore? Why isn't he at the Club? How come I never see him?

How many times have I heard (and even said) this? But I have really been surprised (and pleasantly so) that your Commodore (and for that matter your

Bridge) has been found in his office or on the computer or at a meeting (or several meetings), planning and working on Club business virtually every day of the week.

But now as we progress into the spring and Opening Days, your Commodores will be spending virtually every Saturday and Sunday representing DRYC at over fifty-six yacht clubs along the Pacific Coast from Santa Barbara to Long Beach in addition to many monthly meetings of our local harbor association (ASMBYC), regional associations of yacht clubs (SCYA, YRUSC, PCYA) or occasionally a US Sailing reception. The person who usually suffers the most for their diligence is your Commodore's significant other who either gets dragged along to these affairs or has to wait at home. The next time you see the Commodore's parking stall empty or his door closed, reflect on how pleased and proud we are to know that he is representing us and the Club throughout the Southern California area.

A large thank-you to **Donna** and **Brian Johnson** and their great work on our DRYC New Year's Eve party. The international theme of various countries was clever and the execution of the table decorations was a sight to behold. The band was outstanding, pulling us all out onto the dance floor. The next day everyone chimed in to help **Dir. Mickey Scheinbaum** put on a Member's Only event at the New Year's Day Party. The food, fellowship and football were all fantastic. For those of you who thought the BCS Bowl was better at home, you missed out on ribs that were to die for. A hot thank-you to **Dir. Dan Howard** and all his work. Monday night football is over, but **Dir. Gary Mohilner's** crew was FANtastic and well organized, from purchasing food to cooking it and then delivering it to your tables. Even if you did not win the pool, the Godfreys kept us interested in the score, waking us with the whistle every quarter.

Friday, January 11th, Ed Smyth, and his rat pack era sounds filled the bar. The coolest place on the Westside is your Lounge. In spite of her broken foot, **P/P Paula Bertik** put on a great Bingo Bash.

Birdie Feldman (and her stick man, **Bob**) did an informative and easy to understand iPhone/iPad workshop. It was an electronically curious crowd with over 90 in attendance. We can't wait until her next one!

Still looking for something to do? Come to the Club on Fridays for our revolving musical entertainment, or eat in the dining room especially when we have specialty food nights. There's never a lack of things to do at DRYC. Valentines is coming up along with the Academy Awards. See the flyers in this newsletter.



AUXILIARY PRESIDENT SUSAN ARTOF

2013 is now off and running with an active schedule put together by **P/P Paula Bertik**. The Auxiliary is beginning our events with a trip to the Bowers Museum of Cultural Art in Orange County to view the amazing pin collection of United Nations Ambassador and Secretary of

State Madeleine Albright. On January 17th, we went to Dodger Stadium for a behind-the-scenes tour where the "Boys in Blue" play, and then over to San Antonio Winery for lunch. To finish off January, **Janet Bubar-Rich** set up a terrific Wednesday lunch speaker, Debbie Talbot, from the Marina del Rey Historical Society discussing the Marina and its past, present and future. Del Rey Yacht Club has been a major part of the Marina, and it is always great fun to peer through history to see how we influenced the Harbor. **Janet's** father, **Earl**, began the lunchtime speaker's series at DRYC, and it is an honor to have her continue his legacy.

Our next speaker is scheduled for February 17th at 4 PM. This is a Sunday, and we hope that it will bring both men and women out to get a little bit of culture and have some fun. The topic is certainly unique, "Warrior Women" presented by an anthropologist who has studied women in many cultures and has concluded that they have been the warriors in many contexts...maybe even on the sailboat racing course? I have noticed that the bar is filling up at 4 PM on Sundays, so plan on getting a seat early, having a drink, and listening to a very interesting conversation.

March is going to be a huge month for the Auxiliary beginning with Opening Day on March 10th; more about this in the next issue. On March 23rd, **Gail Friedman** and **Toni Appell** have planned a Day at the Races at Santa Anita, where we will be given a special behind-the-scenes tour and lunch. This is always a fun Saturday activity. Mark your calendars now and look for the promotion flyers and email blasts. Everyone will be lucky.

Finally, I hope you can join **Paul** and me on the Sapphire Princess, May 4th, for our first and, hopefully, annual President's Cruise from San Pedro up to San Francisco and back down the Coast. The plan is to be transported from DRYC to the ship and back so that we do not have to park at the terminal. As of this date, prices are about the same as they were a few months ago, but I am pretty sure that things will change after February as we get closer to departure. Please call **Sharlene London** for information. I know we have all gone to these ports at some time or another, but I think the fact that we are going on a beautiful ship with our friends that makes for a memory.

Reminder: Please continue dropping your food and other items into our SOVA basket in the lobby, as well as your gently used clothing in the boxes located in the Ship's Store for donations to OPCC. It is with great pride that I thank all who helped the Auxiliary with their generosity during the holidays.

SHIP'S STORE

We have lots of warm clothes for winter weather, including a new shipment of jackets with hoods. And for those going cruising in warmer climates, we have our special flip flops made with our own DRYC burgee.

Look for our inventory sale items – if we have your size and color, you'll save.

We offer very competitive prices on our logo merchandise and look forward to seeing you on Sunday between 12 and 3PM in the Ship's Store!

Joan Wilder, Dotte Antelman, and the Ship's Store Crew

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SEAVENTURERS

Our Club is fortunate to have many members with extensive long range cruising experience. One of the things that make our Club "special" is the recognition and awarding of the Briskin Trophy as part of our Opening Day celebration.

The S/C Jerry Briskin long range cruising award committee is now accepting applications.

The Charter: To recognize excellence in seamanship, commitment to duration and distance of annual cruising, either in sailing or power vessels. The Del Rey Yacht Club presents this trophy in honor of **S/C Jerry Briskin**, an outstanding sailor, who appreciated those who were, and are, dedicated cruisers. **Nominations**: Del Rey Yacht Club members who wish to compete for this award are to submit a log to Del Rey Yacht Club by the third Friday in January illustrating total distance traveled during the course of a calendar year. Resumes should include the number of miles traveled, a listing of anchorages visited, a brief summary of experiences and lessons learned. The Selection Committee will focus on distance traveled and consider other experiences to determine the winning candidate.

Tip of the Month:

To ensure you are getting the maximum amount of savings on your boat insurance, it is important that you understand how these variables can affect you and more importantly, what to ask for when receiving a <u>quote</u>. The following is a list of variable discounts that could be applied to your policy:

Automatic Fire Extinguisher System

Additional Safety Equipment – Having additional safety equipment such as EPIRBs, GPS systems, Depth Finders, Carbon Monoxide Detectors, or Radar on board can help you save.

Boating Education Course – If you hold a current boating safety course certificate from the US Power Squadron or the USCG Auxiliary, you are entitled to a five or ten percent discount.

Choice of Coverage – Opting for higher limits of coverage, such as higher liability coverage, will increase your rate. In contrast, choosing a high deductible will lower your rate.

Clean Driving Record – Safely operating an automobile translates into safely operating a boat. The ability to drive responsibly renders another potential discount.

Diesel Engines – If your boat is powered by diesel, you could save on the cost of your Physical Damage coverage.

Marital Status

Multi-Policy Discount

Navigation – Where you plan to use your boat greatly affects your insurance rate. Navigation limits are another variable that varies from company to company.

New Boat Discount – The newer the boat, the higher the discount.

No Prior Claims – Having a safe boating record is also important in getting the best rate.

Currently Insured – If your boat is currently insured, some companies will give you a credit for keeping it protected.

Owner's Age – Who says getting old doesn't have its advantages? With boat insurance, the older you are the better your rate!

Owning a Home – Home ownership can also be a positive factor and result in lower rates.

Previous Boats Owned - Being able to operate a 20 foot bow rider does not mean you can safely operate a 45 foot yacht. All boating experience aside, many companies actually require comparable boat ownership history before insuring your newest vessel. This is particularly applicable with larger vessels.

Speed of Vessel – While many companies surcharge or refuse to insure a boat that is too fast, others may give a credit for boats with the maximum speed of 25 to 35 mph.

Years of Boating Experience – Along with age, the years of actual boating experience you have can have a positive effect on your rate.

As you can see, there are numerous factors that go into rating a boat insurance policy. Furthermore, each carrier uses their own combination of these variables to calculate your rate. If you have questions, consult your insurance carrier. Remember, safety first...

Bob Godfrey & Sheldon Ferdman, Co-Chairs





February 2013

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

NEW MEMBERS

By: Lynne Silverstein, Manager

Hello, February, month of love. I'm not sure why our forbearers choose February as the official month of amour; maybe it had to do with trying to *heat* up the dead of winter. But hey, who are we to argue. For those of you who have a *burning desire* (pun intended) to know how it started, let me enlighten you.

Saint Valentine's Day, aka Valentine's Day, began as a liturgical celebration of one (or more) early Christian Saints named Valentinus, whose most popular martyrdom, among others, was that he was imprisoned for performing weddings for soldiers who were forbidden to marry. The first recorded association of Valentine's Day with romantic love is in *Parlement of Foules* by Geoffrey Chaucer. His poem was written to honor the first anniversary of the engagement of King Richard II of England and Anne of Bohemia in 1381 (and FYI, they were only 15 at the time of marriage).

Today, Valentine's Day is celebrated in many countries (but mostly in the West) in the months of February, June and July. The tradition of cards started in the late 1700's when a British publisher issued a journal to help lovers unable to compose their own prose. Since the 19th Century, handwritten notes have given way to massproduced greeting cards.

So, for those able, go handwrite your amour a personal note of affection. It doesn't have to be too flowery, just express yourself. And if that fails, a box of (dark) chocolates will do just fine!

We hope you can join us for February's fun events, including our annual Academy Awards party. Please be aware that the main dining room will be closed that Sunday, the 24th, for dinner. We will have a special Oscar menu in the bar.

Here are some tips and reminders...

Boat Insurance – Just a friendly reminder to make sure your insurance is up-to-date and that the Front Office has your insurance policy on file, listing Del Rey Yacht Club as an additional insured.

Gate Device Charges – February's statements should contain your charge and/or credit for your gate devices. Please review for accuracy and let us know if you believe there is an error.

Boat Smoke Detector Form – All boat owners should have received a form to confirm that you are equipped with an operational smoke detector onboard. Please return the form promptly.

As always, feel free to email me at <u>officemanager@dryc.org</u> with any suggestions or comments! Please continue to look to my weekly "Event Reminder" emails to keep up with all the current Club events and news, as well as local news and events that affect *YOU*.



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Saturday, February 2, 2013 Del Rey Yacht Club & Women's Sailing Association present:

Pricing:



US Sailing Members - \$95 Non-Members: Includes US Sailing Membership—\$135 Additional Crew: Includes US Sailing Membership—\$95 Juniors/Students—\$50 Lunch—\$10 per person

Instructor:





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For registration and seminar updates... WWW.northu.com 1-800-347-2457

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February 2013



Del Rey Yacht Club's 61st

 Mandatory for ALL boats on the E100, E150, D 200 and D 250 docks. Please contact your dock captain if you are not able to dress your boat. (Flags are available for purchase at the ship store or the office) BRISTOL BOAT INSPECTION best maintained power and sail boats awanded during ceremony. Sign up sheet on bulletin board inside DRYC.

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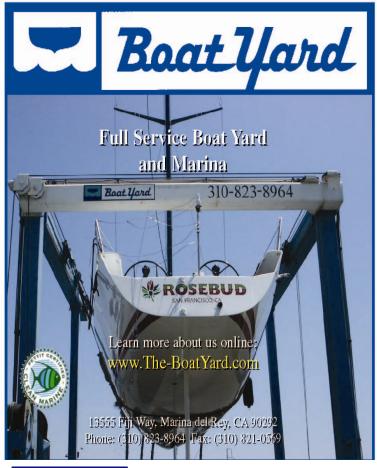
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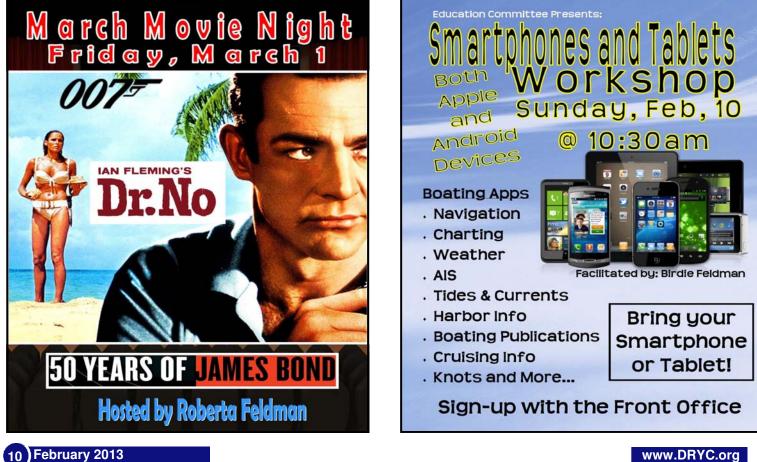
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February 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Dave Perry Seminar Jr. Racing 8PM Movie Night	2 Sail North U Seminar 10AM Pilates
3 Super Bowl Sunday Party 1:30pm	4	5	6 Book Clubs 6:30PM Pilates 7:00 Dart Night	7	8	9 10AM Pilates Hosp. Valentines Day Party
10 10:30AM iPhone/iPad Workshop 4PM Hospitality Mtg	11	12	13 10AM Auxiliary Mtg. 6:30 Pilates	14 Valentine's Day	15 8PM Game Night	16 SCYA Midwinter Regattas 10AM Pilates AUX Field Trip 8PM Roberto Cordero Quintet
17 SCYA Midwinter Regattas 4PM Auxiliary "Warrior Women"	18 President's Day	19 7:30PM SeaVenturers	20 6:30PM Pilates 6:30PM BOD Mtg.	21	22 8PM Michael Cladis & Willie Aron	23 10AM Pilates Bianchi Wine Maker Dinner
24 4PM Academy Awards Party	25	26	276:30 Pilates	28		



March 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 8PM Movie Night	2 Berger/Stein 2 10AM Pilates
3 10AM Club Slip List Education 3PM Hospitality Mtg.	4	5	6 Book Clubs 6:30PM Pilates 7:00 Dart Night	7 Ensenada Race Seminar	8	9 9AM Dock Captains Mtg 10AM Pilates
10 OPENING DAY	11	12	13 10AM Auxiliary Mtg. 6:30 General Membership Mtg. 6:30 Pilates	14	15 7:30PM St. Patrick's Day Show & Dinner Buffet	16 10AM Pilates UJF Dinner Dance
17	18	19 7:30PM SeaVenturers	206:30PM Pilates 6:30PM BOD Mtg.	21	22	23 10AM Pilates Aux. Santa Anita Race Track Trip
24 10:30AM Angler Surf Fishing Seminar 3PM Angler Planning Mtg	25 PASSOVER DINNER	26	27 6:30 Pilates	28	29 8PM Roberto Cordero Quintet	30 10AM Pilates
31 Easter Brunch Easter Dinner						



3	Book Clubs	
	Pilates	

- 5 Movie Night
- 6 Opti Clinic Pilates
- 7 Opti Clinic Cat Harbor Mooring Class Hospitality Mtg.
- 8 NCAA Basketball Finals
- 10 Auxiliary Mtg. Pilates
- 13 Pilates OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND
- 14 OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND 1040 Tax Dinner

- 16 Seaventurers
- 17 BOD Meeting Pilates
- 18 Aux. Griffith Park Observatory Trip
- 19 Italian Night Dinner Michael Cladis & Willie Aron
- 20 MDR to Newport Hbr. Race Pilates Aux. Women in Boating Seminar
- 21 Pets Aboard Seminar
- 24 Pilates
- 26 Roberto Cordero Quintet
- 27 Pilates Angler's Luncheon



Dear Readers,

I am just getting over a nasty bug and this is all the news for now:

Big news from **Sid** and **Sandi Lampert**. On the Winter Solstice date, 12/21/12, life started anew between their daughter, Gail Lampert, and Michael Thomas when they were married in Monterey during a spiritual wedding ceremony written by them. This was a romance that started 33 years ago. We wish them a Mazel Tov!!

Stanley and **Suzanne Kassap** are flying to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida with their Uncle Abe, Aunt Eileen and family for a cruise on the *Holland America Line* to the Southern Caribbean chasing the sun!

I am happy to announce that **Lucille Hirschman's** granddaughter and Ron Hirschman's niece, Heather Ritts, is engaged to be married to Josh Rapoze. They both live in Laguna and hope to be married in September. She is also the daughter of Cheryl Hirschman who was active here at the Club since she was a young girl.

"Attitude will always define who we are in life."



Santa Monica Bay Sailing Foundation Receives Record Equipment Donations during 2012

SMBSF received over \$30,000.00 in equipment donations during 2012. The donations of equipment were turned into cash to give grants to young sailors from Del Rey Yacht Club along with their fellow competitors from within Santa Monica Bay. Donors were able to claim tax credits in exchange for their generous contributions.

Thanks to your support and the generosity of the local sailing community, the Foundation awarded a record number of grants during the past year for scholarships to the DRYC Junior Sailing Summer Program, U.S. Sailing training for our Sailing Instructors and Coaches, sponsorship of the annual Opti Clinic, education and safety support, and financial assistance to enable youth sailors to travel and compete in regattas and workshops close to home and throughout the U.S. The Grants help qualifying youth sailors to learn to sail, advance their skills and to compete at every level. These monies and the dedication of our young athletes have raised the bar for youth sailing at DRYC and in the area. Again this year, the winners of all of the ASMBYC Junior Sailing Trophies benefitted from support from SMBSF and have expressed their gratitude to the Foundation and its donors for their successes.

We thank those DRYC members who joined fellow sailors in support of SMBSF, the 501c3 charitable foundation that makes sailing possible for any qualified youth who has the desire to sail. Area 51 was a top secret military base located 75 miles outside of Las Vegas in the Nevada Desert. What a setting for the development of the Cold War supersonic planes of the future and the implementation of the "need to know" doctrine.

According to history and recorded by our author, Annie Jacobsen, even our Presidents Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson were not privy to the goings on at this secret base. They could not pass the "need to know" test and were probably, by choice, excluded for their own political protection (as evidenced by the Gary Powers incident during the Eisenhower administration).

We, the Men's Book Club members, were privileged to be joined by the Women's Book Clubs, headed by **Sydell Winer** and **Eileen Schwartz**, for lunch and our speaker turned out to be a 94 year old physicist, Ed Lovick, who was responsible for creating anti-radar materials that prevented our super sonic planes from being detected by the Russian's radar and the radar of other countries. The Gary Powers incident occurred before this anti-radar application was developed. He is also considered to be the grandfather of the stealth bomber and the developer of the radar protection shield for our U-2 and SR 71 super sonic planes that were developed at Area 51.

I am grateful to both women's book clubs for their presence and participation. Many thanks to **Allan Bertik** for bringing Mr. Lovick, who was a major contributor to Jacobsen's book entitled *Area 51*, and has also authored his own volume entitled *Radar Man*, a personal history of stealth.

At 1:15 pm the men adjourned for their discussion of the book and comments were many and diverse. However, one observation was unanimous: the book was fascinating and frightening, scary and contained disturbing revelations. Hard to like a book, which most of us did, while being faced with the unbelievable myth about flying saucers to the reality of drones, which we read about in our daily newspapers.

Mel Small, Chair

Women's Book Club #1 March book: The Language of Flowers, by Vanessa Diffenbaugh. Women's Book Club #2 March book: Defending Jacob, by William Landay.



Among DRYC's most generous donors were **Bob** and **Birdie Feldman**, **Bob Kessler**, **Gary Green**, **Joseph O'Connor**, **Ken Raich**, and **Richard Bouley**. Every donation from expensive marine electronics to PFD's is gratefully accepted along with the DRYC annual members' contribution, individual cash contributions, and the registration of your Ralphs' card to benefit SMBSF.

The foundation is looking forward to an even more rewarding 2013 but needs members and friends to continue with their generosity.

If you have equipment you can donate, please contact **Barbara Patman**, President or **Ed Gold**, Vice-President to arrange the transfer of your gifts to the foundation.





ANGLER'S COMMITTEE

'Jumbo' Humboldt Squid are swarming off the U.S. West Coast



Scientists say the animals' northern migrations could endanger fisheries along the U.S. West Coast. Southern California has been invaded by hordes of Humboldt squid in recent years, a bizarre onslaught for a deep-sea creature that normally keeps a low profile.

And while surfers and beach-goers marvel at all the red, alien bodies littering the coast, fishermen have been reeling in live ones by the thousands.

"They're kind of everywhere, from the shore to the islands and anywhere in between."

Humboldt's live in the Eastern Pacific at depths of 660 to 2,300 feet and normally gravitate south of the equator. They're named after the Humboldt Current, located in their historic habitat off South America's west coast. They've been venturing farther and farther into the Northern Hemisphere, periodically swarming around California and even as far north as Sitka, Alaska.

This, according to the Smithsonian Zoo, is "raising alarm about ecological problems possibly underlying the northward migration."

What kind of ecological problems? Scientists aren't sure, because Humboldt squid are so elusive and mysterious that little is known about their biology or behavior. Their eggs have never been observed in the wild, for example, and we don't even have an estimate of their global population size. But because the northerly invasions are so unusual for these reclusive creatures, many experts believe some kind of environmental change has triggered the behavior.

Some oceanographers suggest that warming oceans are at fault, while others speculate that declining numbers of the squid's predators due to overfishing may have allowed Humboldt's to expand their range.

Scientists have also floated the possibility that these migrations are spurred by El Niño-related shifts in ocean currents, and may even represent "an attempt at permanent colonization.." What is clear is that the squid make themselves at home while vacationing up north, feasting on a wide array of native fish. Humboldt's do grow up to 6 feet long and can gain 100 pounds in a year, requiring voracious appetites that experts worry will cause long-term damage to West Coast fisheries. It is estimated their life cycle is 1-2 years. The Humboldt's can vanish as suddenly as they appear.

Surf Fishing Seminar-Sunday, March 24, 2013 at 10:30 AM

DRYC Weigh-Slips are available at the Angler's Bulletin Board or Download from the Angler's section of the DRYC website.

Next Angler's Planning Meeting Sunday, March 24, 2013 at 3:00 PM.

Vic Jedlicka, Chair







By: Bryan LaForte

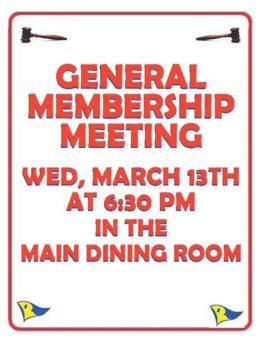


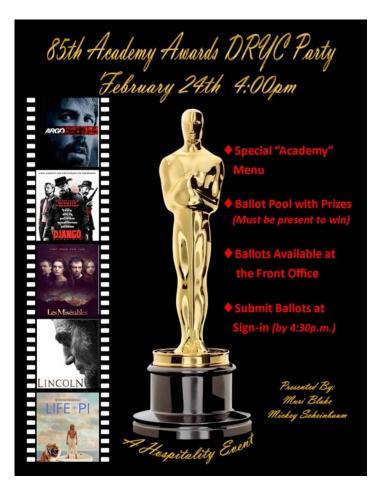
I hope everyone is enjoying their new year and I 've been told by a source that the summer weather is just around the corner. February will feature some very fun nights including the Super Bowl party on the 3rd, Valentine's Day dinner on the 9th, Winemaker's Dinner on the 23rd and the Academy Awards party on

the 24th.

No matter what teams are playing for the championship on Super Bowl Sunday, we can promise a great time with great food, friends, and drink specials during the game. For the Valentine's day dinner, bring your loved ones to the main dining room where **Donna Johnson** will provide fun and music while aboard the *Love Boat*. With our club so close to Hollywood, we invite you to come to our Academy Awards party, cheer on the winners and enjoy some great food and some Hollywood drink specials.

Our Winemaker's dinner on Saturday, the 23rd, will be a fun and educational evening where we will actually have the owner and winemaker from Bianchi Winery and Vineyard in attendance to talk about the wines and answer any questions that you may have about wine in general. The Bianchi family has a long history of involvement in the wine industry, dating back to 1974 when Glenn and his father, Joseph, invested in a Winery and Vineyard on the banks of the San Joaquin River in the Central Valley of California. Utilizing the most advanced farming and production technologies, the Bianchi family quickly grew to become an industry leader, producing award winning wines. We are excited to have the Bianchi family at Del Rey Yacht Club.





FLEET SURGEON

With Valentine's Day just around the corner, Dir. Vic Jedlicka suggested I take Jessica on a romantic ride around the marina on my dinghy. Great idea! So I went over to my trailer space to find that my dinghy, which had not been used in several months, was flaccid, soft and nearly deflated. Somehow Viagra came to mind.

Viagra has now been on the market for about the past 15 years. Because its primary mechanism is to increase blood flow by relaxing the muscle in artery walls. Viagra was originally investigated as a drug that could help patients with angina (chest pain caused by the blockage of blood flow in the coronary arteries of the heart). The early investigational studies showed that Viagra had little or no effect on angina, but a significant number of research patients got erections. The rest is history. Viagra, as well as Cialis and Levitra, have revolutionized the treatment of erectile dysfunction, defined as the inability to sustain a satisfactory erection. It works by increasing the blood flow in specific areas of the body. The most notable of these areas is in the penis. It's like putting more fluid into any confined space --- the more fluid (or blood) that is pumped in, the more engorged, harder and more erect that space (or penis) becomes. There is the mistaken belief that these medications increase libido or sexual interest. They may do so but in an indirect way - the anticipation that one has an enhanced physical capacity to sexually perform may give one greater confidence to "enter the arena."

Viagra, despite its notoriety for its sexual effects, has other uses as well. It is used to treat pulmonary hypertension where the right side of the heart is dysfunctional. It is now also used to prevent and treat altitude sickness - Jessica and I didn't take that dinghy ride but we did hike and bike in Quito, Ecuador at elevations above 10,000 ft. - and I functioned just fine. There are reports of other uses as well - when put into the water of a flower vase, the flowers stand erect for much longer than otherwise anticipated. If you are a hamster you're in luck because there is research that shows that Viagra will help with jet lag.

These medicines are not without potential side-effects. Headache is the most common. Blurry vision and dizziness can also occur. Some men report having a blue tinge to their vision - this is why pilots are not allowed to take Viagra within six hours of flying and may explain why there are so many flight delays. With certain medical conditions there are specific cautions which is why these medications require a prescription from your doctor.

In my thanks to Vic for inspiring this article I'll close with his customary valediction - "Stiff lines to all."

Peter B. Hirsch, M.D., Fleet Surgeon



JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAM

"Team Obel" was off to Miami for the Orange Bowl International Regatta on Christmas Eve. Held at the Coral Reef Yacht Club in Fort Lauderdale, this is the premiere junior sailing event of the year where three hundred and twenty-six junior competitors were in attendance for a spectacular 4 days of sailing. Junior sailors from the ages of 7 to 18 come from all regions of North and South America, the Caribbean, Bermuda and even Europe to participate in this renowned event, racing in the Optimist, Laser and 420 classes.

Our teams in the 420 consisted of Nikki Obel and Will LaDow, Cassie Obel and Annika Garrett, Samantha Obel (yes "Dot") and Christophe Killian plus our Christopher Weis sailing the Laser Radial. Attending is impressive; the outcome was absolutely WONDERFUL, FANTASTIC AND AWESOME! Results: Sailing in the 420 fleet of 74 boats, 1st Place Will LaDow and Nikki Obel, 7th Place Cassie Obel and Annika Garrett and 20th Place Christophe Killian and Dot Obel. Sailing in the Laser Radial in a fleet of 121 boats, Chris Weis placed 23rd; Chris was top finisher from the West Coast in the top 18%!

I would like to thank **Brigitte Obel** for organizing and getting these kids to this event and chaperoning; as we can acknowledge, this is an enormous responsibility. Doing this means families cutting short on their holidays to make it happen. A special thanks to **Rick Obel** for his support, too!

Virginia Howard, Junior Program Director

 Will LaDow & Nikki Obel

 Will Carrett & Cassie Obel

UJF ANNUAL DINNER DANCE



You've got 'em. I've got 'em. Young couples and those who've been married forever—they've got 'em. Yes--we've all got 'em, and now is the time to put them to use.

Thirty-nine years is a long

time. That's how many times Del Rey Yacht Club has put on its dancing shoes for the Jewish Federation. This will make the fortieth time. Forty years of dancing shoes. Forty years of helping. Helping the children. Helping the poor. Helping the sick. Helping the needy in all of our communities.

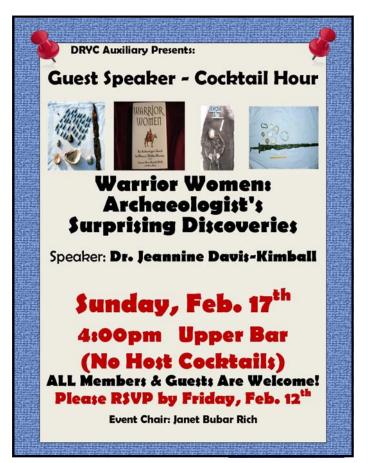
How fortunate we are to be able to be responsive to these cries for our help. How fortunate that we are not the ones in need. How fortunate that we are able to enjoy a wonderful meal, good company and the elegance of our surroundings.

Rob Eshman, our speaker, will be a special bright spot on our evening. He is the Editor/Publisher of the familiar Jewish Journal and Tribe magazines. He is stimulating, informative and the kind of person who makes you sit up and pay attention.

Make your evening complete by remembering--it is not what you receive nor what you have, but what you give back. You can make this your EVENING TO REMEMBER by your gift of giving.

Join us for the 40th time. Del Rey Yacht Club and the Jewish Federation on March 16th.

Janet Bubar Rich, Event Chair 2013 Jewish Federation Dinner Dance



HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Everybody's still talking about New Year's Eve. This year the tables looked the most beautiful of all celebrations. The theme was "Around the World," and each table featured a country of their choice. My table did China. Muri Blake's table chose South Africa, Lynn Morris's table was France, Arlene Mohilner and her friends showed the USA, and the Bertik's table displayed Greenland's attributes. Richard Schachter decorated Russia's table, Bonnie and Mike Blumenkrantz featured Israel, while Lynne and R/C Peter Glick did Japan. Vivian Callahan decorated a table for Thailand, while the **Johnsons** filled in with tables for Ghana, Kenya, Mexico, Canada, Singapore, Australia and Maldives. The flowers on Susie Schorr's table defied nature's rules the colors were so vibrant and unexpected and keyed into the colors of all the countries. But I think the most beautiful touch were the balloons decorated with the flags of all the countries hanging throughout the room. And I thought how unified all the countries looked having a party together. Bravo, members!

Super Bowl Sunday is February 3rd. Don't forget to come and bring a "White Elephant Gift" to re-gift or exchange. And who can resist the Hot Dog and Taco Buffet? Festivities start at 1:30 PM.

Valentine's Day is always fun at DRYC. Come cruise with us this year aboard the "LOVE BOAT" Valentine's Day Celebration. It's February 9th as we feature "Stormin' Norman and Suzy" in the ship's dining room. Each couple/ guest will receive a picture as a memento. The Romantic menu features a Buffet plus a Salad Bar and Dessert. Don't forget to bring your husband, wife and loved one to celebrate with.

Academy Awards on Sunday, February 24th, is hosted by **Muri Blake** and **Mickey Scheinbaum**. Ballots are available at the Front Office, do your homework and don't forget to mark your ballots. Of course there will be prizes for winners – it's the Academy Awards!

Movie Night on March 1st is hosted by **Roberta Feldman** and **Sheila Krasnoff** and always proves to be entertaining. Shown in the Lounge, members can sit around and talk, drink and watch the movie, not necessarily in that order. Even if I've seen the movie before, I don't remember it. Enjoying movies more than once is one of the benefits of not remembering the movies you've seen.

The wonderful Claddagh dancers are back for a repeat performance on St. Patrick's Day. Save the Date and wear green!

Friday Night Music at DRYC features Michael Cladis and Willie Aron on February 22nd. You can dance or just listen and relax.

Hospitality meeting again on February 10th at 4pm. Please come, enjoy the wine and cheese and bring your ideas with you!

Howard Katzman and Donna Johnson, Co-chairs





Education Committee Presents: Slips, Lists and More Sunday, March 11:00am Sit in for a better understanding of: Slip Priority Lists (A & B) Slip Subleases Don't miss this opportunity! Slip & Dock Rules And More Facilitat Port Captain S/C Pauline Dror

February 2013



SAIL COMMITTEE

OVER ONE HUNDRED BOATS COMPETE IN THE FIRST MAJOR SAIL RACE OF THE YEAR

Our first race of the year saw one hundred and three boats competing in the Berger/Stein #1. This is the largest single day sail race held on Santa Monica Bay and in Southern California. Racers came from as far south as Dana Point and as far north as Santa Barbara. This year saw the addition of a new class fleet of boats, the **West Coast 70s** which included *Holua, Taxi Dancer, Pyewacket, Maverick, Grand Illusion and Retro*.

Due to a lack of wind, the start scheduled for 12 noon was delayed 45 minutes; the wind filled in from the northwest and the racers were on their way. There were eight fleets that started. The Berger 1 is a PHRF race at a distance of 23 miles to the Malibu Pier and return. The Stein 1 is a Cruiser/Novice race of 11 miles to south Malibu and return.

Jamie Myer, skipper of *Wolfhound* reported, "There were many gorgeous visiting boats that were a delight to see on the water – a truly diverse collection of yachting glory! It was great fun to see a handful of 60' to 70' boats battling on the line in constantly shifting conditions."

DRYC boats racing included Green Dragon 2, Bravura, Timeshare, Transformer, By Design, Klexy, Traveler, In-Tenths, Wolfhound, Jungle Jim, Toon Town, MisQue, Redline, Hard Habit, Sea Scout, Bravado, Soo Blessed, G-Rated, Chutzpah, Diva, Krazy Kat, Lelani, Immigrator, Sea Diamond, Canuk V, and Makani II.

Results of the Berger/Stein #1 are available at www.dryc.org.

The second race of the Berger/Stein series, a series of five races, will be held Saturday, March 2nd.

Tucker Strasser and Sterling Tallman, Co-Chairs











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