I am looking forward to Opening Day. Junior Staff Commodore, Paul Konapelsky, is in charge of the event and he has many fun activities planned. Prime Rib Night is scheduled for Friday, May 8, along with the annual Poker Run and Closing Night. Our Opening Day festivities, May 9, will, as in past years, be one of the highlights of the year, so please come to your yacht club and join in the fun. Opening Day also starts our boating season. Whether or not you have a boat, you don’t want to miss the opportunity to participate in the great club cruises our outstanding Cruise Committee has planned.

Taco Tuesday kicks off May 12 and runs for 16 weeks. All members are encouraged to come enjoy the fabulous and inexpensive Mexican Buffet each Tuesday. The Columbia Room opens at 4 p.m.– come for the sailing and/or the buffet. You are sure to enjoy it!

The lower-level renovation and elevator project continue on schedule. The next milestone is operational lower-level restrooms and showers. We anticipate this step to be completed sometime in May. Removing some of the concrete and relocating the steps to the banquet room have opened up the lower level and will create a fantastic new area of the club. As a marina tenant, I am really looking forward to the great enhancements this project will create. The new layout for the restrooms is a much better utilization of the available space. Our own Allan Horowitz designed the restrooms and washer/dryer areas. The design and finish features in the entire renovated space is very impressive. The elevator will also open up the lower AND upper levels for dining and parties. As many of you know, the view of the harbor from the third floor is the best in the entire club. Check out the new vestibule on this level that has been created by the elevator installation.
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**2015 Newport to Ensenada Yacht Race Results**

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**DID YOU KNOW?**

The pool-area patio will have a ‘soft opening’ for the first few weeks after it is finished. We will then have a ‘grand opening’ with a formal ribbon-cutting ceremony!

It will take approximately one month after the elevator installation is complete before we get all of the final approvals from the various state agencies.

BCYC will begin selling raffle tickets in May with the winners receiving the first ride in the elevator. This inaugural ride will include champagne and more. The proceeds will benefit our Junior Sailing Program.

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Saturday, June 6  
PHRF Race  
Sunday, June 7  
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For more info, visit club website or call 949-644-9530
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More photo ops are in store as we begin Taco Tuesdays May 12. Members are invited to come out in their dinghies and cheer on the competitors each week. Or, better yet, take your sailboat out and race. We run PHRF and Harbor 20 races at the same time, so there’s lots of action. Join us on Emmi for a front row seat (hint: we like chocolate chip cookies). Of course, there’s the buffet, trophy presentation and raffle (another hint: really nice raffle items) at the club.

At the end of May, BCYC is teaming with Los Angeles Yacht Club to host the Tri-Island Race. The race, first run in 1935, starts off Point Fermin, rounds Santa Barbara, Catalina and San Clemente Islands, finishing off the Balboa Pier. It would be a great photo op if a BCYC racer won a trophy!

The 44th Annual Figawi Race, from Hyannis to Nantucket, Massachusetts, begins May 24. Its race committee uses a “pursuit” type of starting arrangement, where slower boats start first, followed by faster boats later in the day – the idea being that everyone will arrive at the entrance of Nantucket Harbor, 25 miles away, at about the same time; a great photo opportunity (photo op)!

This month, BCYC will run the final race of the 2015 Lorin Weiss Series. Racing in the harbor usually means an A-B-C start (boats in division A start first, then B, then C). The competitive group of Harbor 20s usually race close together. Tough, but fun! Mark roundings are particularly close, another great photo op.

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Taco Tuesday is a great evening for some of our newer members to come to a casual event that captures the spirit of BCYC. The food is excellent, the atmosphere warm and friendly and, when the race is over and the racers arrive at the club, the party becomes infectious. I look forward to seeing many of you on Tuesday evenings.

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Taco Tuesday Race Series
May 12—August 25
Lessons Learned

The Influence

of Sailing

Sailing for the BCYS Junior Sailing Team has helped shape the person I am today. While on the water, I notice many interesting things that I would not normally observe about my surroundings and myself. Sailing has taught me how to see the silver lining, especially sailing in the land of the light air! One of my favorite things is when my crew and I get to work on heavy wind position when there is good breeze. In light air, we work on light wind positions or getting to know each other, and having a good time no matter what comes next. Most importantly, I’ve created lasting friendships.

- Alec Lis, Junior Board member -

Dock Lines Done Correctly

Ahoy. It’s hard to believe Opening Day is already here. Summer will surf in before you know it – are you ready? Is your boat ready? As you prepare for the summer boating season, please note your slip and surroundings. The marina is an important part of BCYC, and we appreciate your comments on the marina’s condition and assisting us in keeping our docks ship-shape. Over the years, many yacht service providers and visiting boaters have expressed appreciation for the neat, clean docks at BCYC.

There is only one way to attach your dock line to a cleat, as shown in this picture. Also, please Flemish your extra line – it looks neat, allows the line to drain when wet, and stands ready for immediate use.

These pictures, taken in January, are a reminder to all regarding improper securing of dock lines. Lines in the condition shown are dangerous in any kind of weather since, when under pressure, they would have to be cut if there was a problem! In normal conditions it looks sloppy, and takes too long to unknot and be usable. Also, it shows disrespect for all of your neighbors in the marina. Inspect your dock lines and replace if frayed or worn. Thank you for your compliance and assistance for the safety of your vessel and the BCYC marina.

Sloppy, Messy, Disrespectful
Summer Approaches!

This May, the BCYC Junior Board of Directors will be working behind the scenes for the most part. We do not have any big events planned, besides our appearance at Opening Day, where, as junior commodore, I will deliver a short welcoming speech to all in attendance.

Preparations for our highly anticipated annual Bingo Night, rescheduled to June 5, continue. We changed the date due to spring break conflicts with many families, so we hope this June date will allow more people to attend this sure-to-be fun event. Make plans to join us with your friends and family – we would love to host a big crowd. The theme is space/science-fiction, and we invite everyone to dress to fit this theme.

As we navigate our way through May, summer is fast approaching, a time when the junior board becomes very involved in the Junior Sailing Program. However, we are going to be productive off the water and make Bingo Night awesome, so please join us!

Spelling Bee EXPERIENCE

The Orange County Spelling Bee was hard with lots of challenging words. Can you spell B-R-I-G-A-D-I-E-R correctly? I couldn’t, but now I can! To move forward, you needed 22 out of 25 words correct. I did my best, and for my first time out, got 17 out of 25 right. It was a very fun experience, and I hope I get to do it again.

- Abby Hampton, BCYC Junior Director -

Dog-gone FUN!

Thank you to all BCYC members and their furry friends who attended the April Dog Show – pictures tell the story!

Please come out and support the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at our Annual Poker Run on Closing Night, May 8, starting at 4:30 p.m. Hitch a ride on a Duffy for a fun evening on the water; a $40 tax deductible donation is payable to LLS at registration. Prime Rib Night follow this great event as BCYC tries to raise our millionth dollar for LLS!

The Progressive Luncheon, May 21 (members only), will be held at three different homes. This is always an amazing affair, something you definitely do not want to miss. Make your reservations now through the club office.

Anyone interested in joining an informal group of independent and foreign movie lovers, please email Kris Kasselman (kakasselman@att.net) to be added to the email distribution list. For a number of years, a BCYC “Ladies in Lavender” group gathered a handful of times a year for afternoon movie outings. Wanting no discriminatory bias here (Φ), we want it known that this event is open to all BCYC members! As in the past, outings will be planned for weekday afternoons. There will be no fixed schedule, so watch for occasional email announcements.
The luck of the Irish blessed us all at the March Huntington Harbour Yacht Club cruise, co-chaired by Sally and Roland Rapp. Cruisers came decked out in all manner of green-wear and were treated to a rip-roaring potato peeling contest before lunch. We had a terrific Irish feast prepared by HHYC’s chef, and Roland Rapp enlightened us about the wonders of the “water of life” during a very informative whiskey tasting. The fun didn’t end there as our hosts took us in Duffys for a scavenger hunt of Huntington Harbor looking for words to include in a limerick contest. Some tricky leprechauns tried to take the clues, but our cruisers were far more clever. Just beware when a limerick starts with, “There once was a man named…”

The April cruise was a time to relax mon, with a Reggae Raft-Up in the turning basin. Great food, drinks and music were enjoyed by all as Desmond Bedlow made a return visit to keep the party going with his island-style steel drum. Thanks so much to Teri and Stuart Leigh and Lori and Andy Everson for putting on an “irie” (Jamaican for all right) cruise.

Memorial Day weekend, we are waxing up our boards to enjoy an Endless Summer cruise to Del Rey Yacht Club. No cruise to Marina Del Rey would be complete without a seafood feast, a dinghy cruise to all the yacht clubs in the bay, a poolside barbecue and the amazing Sunday brunch at DRYC. The cruise is open to street cruisers as well – just be sure to sign up so we can count you in on the fun. To make reservations at the Jamaica Bay Inn, within walking distance of DRYC, call (310) 823-5333. Be sure to tell them you are with the BCYC event at Del Rey Yacht Club.
Excellent progress has been made on the lower-level renovation and elevator installation project: the patio concrete was poured just in time for access to the multipurpose room during Showboat; rough electrical, plumbing and air conditioning ducting have passed inspection; electrical wiring has been completed for the patio lighting; and drywall work is progressing, following the woodwork that started in late March.

As you read this edition of The Masthead, walls and ceilings are being painted. Tile work started during the second week of April, with the barbecue counter area to follow soon after. The elevator and elevator tower, plus cabinet installation on the second and third floors, are moving rapidly.

We are continuing with club improvements reflecting our need to become more energy efficient. Currently, we’re evaluating replacing the existing parking lot lights with LED fixtures. As in the past, we see the need to have these lights on at night for the benefit of marina tenants who park overnight. Additionally, we have cleaning crews on site five nights a week.

Bids are in for replacing the remaining original windows and doors that had not been replaced in the past – they are being evaluated by the Board of Directors.
Does your boat freak out the fish? Fish hear sounds and feel vibrations along their lateral line, the location of a series of special sensory organs called neuromasts that run along their flanks. Inside neuromasts are tiny hairs in a jelly-like medium – with those tiny hairs, a fish can sense movement and vibrations in the water. The distance their neuromasts sense is about as far as you can cast. If you drop a sinker on the deck or close a hatch with a bang, fish sense this and could leave the area. This is why commercial sword fishing boats have long bow sprits.

Engine noise is another factor in whether you catch fish, especially with two-stroke motors, since they make a lot of noise. A good remedy is it to turn the motor off and drift to your fishing spot. Oddly enough, some big diesel sport fishing boats create a sound with the swing of their large props that will bring fish to the boat. To certain types of game fish, the sound produced by large diesel engines emulates fish boiling on the surface. There are some boat manufacturers that brag about how good the harmonics are on their boat. There are even some gung-ho fishermen who will go so far as to paint their prop blades red, green and yellow because they think that will also attract fish.

Some species are attracted to certain electrical fields and are repelled by others. There are some fishing-tackle manufacturers that have capitalized on this phenomenon by building battery-powered marlin lures that when activated, will produce a sound that attract these fish – I have personal experience with this phenomenon.

You will still need to be in the right place at the right time! Good luck fishing.

A Note from our Chaplain . . .

Holding onto anger is like drinking poison and expecting the other person to die. Just let go.

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**Breakfast in the Columbia Room**

- Every Saturday 8 - 11 a.m.

**Omelet Express**

- Every Sunday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Sunday Night Supper Club**

- Every Sunday 5 - 8 p.m.

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