1880 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego, CA 92101



## Beside The Point





## WOODY'S WHALE WATCHING CRUISE BY JR. STAFFCOMMODORE JIM TORIAN

Our first PLYC cruise takes us whale watching on Saturday, January 22, 2010. We gather at 9 AM for a hearty breakfast at The Red Sails Inn on Shelter Island. If you don't have a ride, just show up for the breakfast—someone will have room for you. After breakfast we'll head out in our boats by 11:30. Remember to dress warmly for the sail. For those who can't make the breakfast but will still be going out, we ask that everyone monitor VHF channel 68 to meet up offshore and pass along info on any sightings.

If you haven't participated in Woody's Whale Watching Cruise before, it's a great opportunity to spend some time with other members and friends, and best of all, to get out on the water! Don't forget that while you're taking pictures of the whales, you should take some pictures of each other and other member's boats to share. You can also send your pictures to our webmaster to share on our website—PointLomaYC.org.

We look forward to seeing you out there.



#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

# WOODY'S WHALE WATCHING CRUISE

**JANUARY 22, 2011** 

PLYC
AFTER HOURS
AT
POINT LOMA
SPORTS GRILL
AND PUB
FEBRUARY 4, 2011

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE MARCH 12, 2011



## THAR SHE BLOWS!

Commodore Lance Murphy and Janette spotted numerous whales while sailing on Sunday, January 9th. On January 22 one option may be to "Follow The Commodore". These are Lance's recent photos.



## PLYC AFTER HOURS BY REAR COMMODORE DEBBIE PEDERSEN

The holidays are over, guests have gone home and things have finally settled down. So let's get together and liven things up again! Please join fellow PLYC members Friday, February 4, at the Point Loma Sports Grill and Pub 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

Ronnie Hauptmann and Joe Ravitch are new members of PLYC and Ronnie is the General Manager at PLSG&P and is going to take good care of us. We'll have happy hour prices for our beverages and Ronnie will provide some snacks for us on the house. And, he's reserved one of their private rooms for us too. This is a really fun sports bar, loads of TVs, pool, games and we'll have our raffle drawing for some fun prizes as well. So, please mark your calendars and save the date!!

Meanwhile, if you want a great place to watch the playoffs, this is your place! There's not a bad seat in the house, the beer is nice and cold and they make a great Bloody Mary too! Don't miss Karaoke every Friday, Live Music Every Saturday, and their killer hot wings!!!

Point Loma Sports Grill & Pub 2750 Dewey Road (Next to Ace Hardware) 619-523-1940

Directions:

From Rosecrans St., turn onto Roosevelt Rd. and a left on Historic Decatur. The entrance is right on Historic Decatur just past Dewey Rd.

DO YOU HAVE A FAVOR-ITE WATERING HOLE YOU THINK WE SHOULD TRY?? If you have a bar or pub (or restaurant) that you think would be a fun place for our next happy hour, we'd love to hear from you. Please email Debbie Pedersen at <a href="mailto:dpedersen5@gmail.com">dpedersen5@gmail.com</a> or give me a call at 619.222.8150 See you all soon!



FROM THE COMMODORE... LANCE MURPHY

Welcome to the new year and what promises to be another great year for the Club.

As a quick wrap-up to 2010, we had some noteworthy accomplishments and events.

Most important is the strength of our membership and their participation in the Club. We had some great parties, races, raft-ups and get-togethers.

The Club continues to demonstrate that it is the best value yacht club in San Diego. In 2010 we had 28 new members joining us, up appreciably from prior years.

A couple of our newer members, Steve Stephens (chef at Fiddler's Green) and Debbie Pedersen (our new Rear Commodore), demonstrated at Opening Day that our Club has the best galley in the Bay. We continued to enjoy their culinary skills throughout the year. Participation in our Club races is also on the rise and we had 39 yachts participating in the "Crew of Two Race Around the Coronados" held in August. Our principle raft-ups on Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day were all well attended. The St. Patrick's Parade entry float was again a hit at the Park.

As a great finish to the year, one of our members, Peter Bolter (coowner of Kaiserhoff Restaurant), captured the trophy for best commercial entry in the 2010 Holiday Parade of Lights.

A major new event in the San Diego Bay this year will be the RC-44 races on March 2-6. This will be the first time the Russell Couttsdesigned racers have been to San Diego and only the second time racing in the U.S. PLYC Staff Commodore Linda Wood will head-up volunteers from all the yacht clubs in San Diego. You can find more at www.sea-sandiego.org www.rc44.com. It looks like our vantage point from the park across from the Clubhouse will be a prime location to view the races.

Your new Board for PLYC has committed to including even more participation and involvement by the membership in the committees and events held throughout the year.

To this end, I am asking that every member that has a desire to get involved, please contact me or one of the 2011 Board members. In this and every Newsletter, you will find a calendar of events please mark your calendars. As an introduction to member's participation, we have the following standing Committees:

Social Committee – Promotes and supports social events, including raft ups, happy hours, etc. Also on-site menu planning and decorations for various club events.

Race Committee – Organizes, promotes, supports and oversees the PLYC racing program.

Cruising Committee – Organizes discussions of cruising topics, promotes cruises to local destinations.

Fishing Committee – Organizes participation in local fishing events and tournaments.

Ship's Store Committee – Oversees Ship store; stock, inventory, sales, promotion of inventory.

Communications Committee – Web site, newsletter and other promotions. Announces club activities among members and community.

Membership Committee – Oversees all new member applicants, conducts interviews and makes recommendations to board on membership issues.

We believe that everyone joining the Club has an obligation to contribute in some way to the activities that make it function. With this in mind we will be soliciting members that have joined in the last few years to get involved. If someone has a particular skill or experience that will benefit the membership, please let us know. If you feel that the Club should develop new events or activities. please help organize and support those events. If you're interested in supporting an event and can't figure out how to get involved, just contact me.

Your Board members are all easily contacted by phone or email. Our phone numbers can be found in the Member Roster and email is available on the website under the link 'Bridge'.

Again, I welcome everyone to join in the operations of the Club and to help guide the Bridge to providing the best opportunities for enjoying the sport of yachting.

Fair winds, Commodore Lance Murphy

---- One reminder - If you have not sent in your annual dues (\$120) please do so today. They will be considered late after January 31st.

## MORE PHOTOS FROM LANCE AND JANNETTE'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE











# FROM THE VICE COMMODORE... PAMELA BENSIMON

Greetings for the New Year to each of you and I am happy to announce we have many exciting events planned for 2011, which we hope will be of interest to you. Participating in club events provides an opportunity to meet new people and experience new adventures. We will be very pro-active this year in solicitation of member participation in the various committees and events. So mark your calendars and we encourage you to volunteer!!

As we have several social and racing events planned for this year, I would love to find a member to help me lead the Social Committee. This person would assist in finding other volunteers to help with the different needs of each event. It will be a great way to get involved and have fun at the same time! Please contact me directly if you are interested. ViceCommodore@PointLomaYC.org



# PLYC NEW MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION PROGRAM BY MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON DEBBIE PEDERSEN

We always enjoy welcoming new members to the club and hope to welcome even more in 2011! Do you have a friend or family member that you think would enjoy being a member too? If so, our New Member Sponsorship Program is for you! If you sponsor three new members who join in 2011 (new members must be approved by the board and pay initiation fee and annual dues) your dues for 2012 will be FREE!! We have so many fun things planned for 2011; everything from our first (of many) happy hours coming up February 4th to our annual Crew of Two Race and Big Boat Race to our Christmas Party that we combine every year with the San Diego Bay Parade of Lights and lots, lots more! We try to plan something for everyone so if you know someone (or two or three) that would like to join us having a good time on (and off) the water, sign up three and your 2012 dues will be free!

We truly appreciate our members and we'd love to hear from you; are there are any activities or projects you think would be fun to add to our calendar of events this year? Or, is there a seminar or class you'd like to see us offer (Rigging 101, Cruising Hints for First Timers, The Best of Baja...you get the idea) If so, please let us know!!

Here's to a fun, happy and healthy new year!



# WELCOME NEW PLYC MEMBERS BY JR. STAFF COMMODORE JIM TORIAN

We would like to welcome our newest members to PLYC. We are looking forward to their participation in our activities and we hope you can meet them soon.

Steve Mann and Kathleen are from San Diego. Steve is a professional captain who also works for Pacific Offshore Rigging. He has circumnavigated the globe including the capes and has multiple Pacific crossings in his custom 38' sailboat "Tawodi". He is currently moored at Marina Cortez and looks forward to socializing and sailing in PLYC events.

Michelle Williams resides in San Diego and works for the Del Mar Union School District. She owns Beaunaris, a 28' Bristol Channel Cutter moored in America's Cup Harbor. Michelle has experience coastal cruising and offshore racing. She looks forward to racing and social events with PLYC.

Many members already know David Nelson who has been deep frying turkeys at our Christmas parties for some time now. David and Sam Devine are from San Diego. David is retired from the Navy. He and Sam have 2 boats moored at Marina Cortez. "Isleña" is a 38' Pearson sailboat and "Pura Vida" is a 39' CHB trawler. He brings with him 45 years boating experience and looks forward to socializing and weekend cruising.

David Hopkins is from San Diego and works in sales for Sail Technologies San Diego. He is very active campaigning "Trippin", his Tripp 40 racer which is moored at The Bay Club on Shelter Island. David has 45 years racing experience and we expect the competition to heat up for the PLYC High Point Trophy.

We encourage our members to get to know each other and share experiences. Old and new members bring boatloads of knowledge and business resources to the club. We hope you take advantage of this and create a win-win solution for all.



# CASTAWAY DREAM TAKES A 1ST PLACE IN THE SAN DIEGO PARADE OF LIGHTS BY PLYC MEMBER PETER BOLTER

I, Peter Bolter have been flying the Point Loma Yacht club burgee for three years. This year aboard my boat Castaway Dream, we won First Place Sail (commercial) in The Parade Of lights. Castaway Dream is a 43' French built center cockpit cruiser. I spent a few nights at the Bay Club Marina until 4am getting her ready. It's better to work at night so you can see how the lights are developing. There has to be balance with brightness. I got a new Yamaha generator that was very guiet and had plenty of power. We used a lot of LED lighting. The theme of this year's parade was "Sounds of Christmas". I have some large speakers in the cockpit that I moved to project to shore. My compass really spins when the speakers are moved. My nephew Gabriel Bolter played electric guitar on the bow. We had songs from Trans Siberian Orchestra, as well as Traditional favorites. At just 20 years old, Gabriel is guite musically gifted and has played in several local bands. On the back of the boat we had on open mike to sing along or just to yell "Merry Christmas" and " Feliz Navidad " .We did have some Trouble with some of the lights, but where able to rewire them while we were waiting for the parade to start. It's lucky for us that the parade viewers are all on the port side.





I am the Chef and partner at our Family owned Kaiserhof Restaurant on Sunset Cliffs Blvd. Most of my sailing is done on Mondays when we are closed. I always make a nice spread of food when we do Bay Sails and this December night was no exception. There were 10 of us on the boat, more wanted to go, but with the lights and wires it's better to not be too crowded. It takes a lot of work to get the boat ready, but once the parade gets going it all worth it. When you scream various seasonal greeting hundreds of times you can't help but get into the spirit. I just kind of makes all the rest of the month seem not hectic and more fun. I invite all of you to try our restaurant. We are just done celebrating of 30th anniversary, screaming some of the best German food in Southern California, come for dinner or just have a drink in our casual heated Beirgarten. Just ask for me, I'm always there, or perhaps you'll meet my parents Horst and Paula who have owned restaurants since the early 1970's.

# PLYC NEWSLETTER Published & Edited by Jim Torian

The newsletter is easy to produce and fun to create, but to be honest, I need material, both written and images to make this publication interesting and informative. I'm asking you, the members, to contribute articles about your sailing, cruising, racing, raft-ups, sea stories, boats, and images. Help make this YOUR newsletter and send me your articles and pictures to webmaster@pointlomayc.org. Thanks, Jim.

## 2011 PLYC CALENDAR

6 PM Board Meeting on the second Tuesday of each month...Members welcome.

Also check your email and the PLYC website for future "PLYC AFTER HOURS"

22Jan Woody's Whale **Watching Cruise** 12Mar St. Patrick's Day **Parade** 09Apr PLYC Opening Day 21May Fleet Captain's Race 27-30May Memorial Day Raft -up in La Plava Cove 01-04Jul July 4th Raft-up In Glorietta Bay 30Jul Crew of 2 Around The Coronados Race 20Aug The Big Boat Race 02-05Sep Labor Day Raft-up In Mission Bay 16Oct Jimmy Rogers **Memorial Race** 11Dec Christmas Partv. **Introduction of 2009** Officers. & SD Parade of Lights

#### 2010

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