



# SDAYC Dinner Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2025 - 6:30PM at Coronado Yacht Club

1. **Call to Order:** 6:47 PM
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** SDAYC Staff Commodore, Wayne Strickland
3. **Toast by Senior SDAYC:** Staff Commodore SDAYC/CYC, Ralph Longfellow
4. **Introduction & Recognition of CYC Officers – Vice Commodore Mark Wallace**  
Introduction of the CYC Board of Directors and CYC Staff Commodores
5. **Introduction of SDAYC Staff Commodores present:**
  - a. Ralph Longfellow – 2009
  - b. Bill Edwards - 2022
  - c. Wayne Strickland - 2023

**Introduction of SDAYC Board Members present:**

- a. Peter Hunt- Treasurer
  - b. Mark Malaby- Vice Commodore
  - c. Jeffrey Laveson-Judge Advocate
  - d. Robert Howdyshell-Junior Director
  - e. Jenee' Gillam-Ray- Senior Director
6. **Call to approve the minutes of the March meeting:** Moved, seconded and approved unanimously.

**7. Commodore's message:**

- Lots of Opening Days still ahead in May. Each event has been amazing and reflective of how great all the Clubs in SDAYC are!
- Need Community/Fundraising information from our clubs. We have only heard from SMYC, MBYC to date. Harvey Denman will be collecting each clubs information regarding charities and fundraisers and who these events benefit. How much was raised in 2024, and over time. Please include other charitable events (non-fundraising) hosted by each club. Need this information before the June 16th SDAYC meeting at SDYC.
- At last month's SDAYC dinner meeting we discussed the Mission of SDAYC and how we would connect each monthly dinner meeting presentation to the themes of SDAYC's Mission.

**7. Speaker presentation:** SDAYC Clubs supporting the San Diego Environment:

- **Larry George – SWYC** – The White Seabass program in San Diego is part of the Ocean Resources Enhancement Program (OREHP). This is a research-based effort to enhance wild white seabass populations. The program relies heavily on volunteers who care for fish in the grow-out facilities. The program has a long history of success

with over 2.5 million juvenile white seabass released into our coastal waters. SWYC anglers provide the care associated with this program and have the highest survival rate of all the grow-out pens, 98%. The survival rate is associated with growing the fish in the sustained environment. SWYC has released 67,000 white seabass into the water. SWYC members fund this program with about \$3000.00 per year. The SWYC program uses automatic feeders and fish are fed 8 times per day. This program is open to any other yacht club that wishes to participate.

- **John Adriany – SDYC** – The project was started in 2022 by SDYC, SGYC, SWYC and a couple of other marina's in Shelter Island. The Bivalve water filter program is focused on using bivalves, like oysters, to filter water in the San Diego waterways. Oysters are known for their ability to filter large volumes of water daily and removing pollutants. Oyster shells in the water at the right times of the year, new oyster shells will grow if the water is healthy. This environmental initiative by our Shelter Island clubs helps to support our local ecosystem and provides valuable teaching opportunities (High Tech HS) for students to learn about the effects of humans on climate and health of our bays as well as the ability to do field research and collect data. This program received a \$10,000 grant. The Urban Oyster Project was initiated by John Adriany and focuses on research in the Shelter Island basin. By analyzing an oyster, you can tell what was in the water for at least the past 2 years due to their phenomenal filtering system.

## **8. Roll Call of Member, Associate, Affiliate and Liaison Clubs and announcements:**

### **Regular Member Clubs**

- a. **Coronado Cays Yacht Club** (Commodore Kevin Brenden)
  - Introduced the CCYC Board members present
  - The CCYC opening day is May 5th
- b. **Coronado Yacht Club** (Rear Commodore Bud McKay)
  - KMAC Regatta big sailing event coming up on April 25th
  - May 1st Monarch School Sailing Day
  - Memorial Weekend is CYC Opening Day
- c. **Mission Bay Yacht Club.** (Rear Commodore Carolyn Krebs)
  - Introduced board member present
  - Opening Day was well attended event
  - Preparing for big dredging project
- d. **Navy Yacht Club San Diego.** (Commodore Michael Lewis)
  - Introduced Board member present and his fiancé.
- e. **Oceanside Yacht Club.** (Commodore Mark Mallaby)
  - Thanked those who came to their OYC Opening Day
  - Coastal Cup end of May in collaboration with MBYC
- f. **San Diego Yacht Club.** (Director Greg Reynolds)

- Celebrated 140th Opening Day
  - North American Etchells coming up and SDYC hosting the 2026 Etchells Worlds
  - Men's Mayhem Race coming up.
  - The SDAYC race committee boat Corinthian undergoing refit, May - Oct.
- g. **Silver Gate Yacht Club.** (Commodore Damon Forney)
- Introduction of Board members present
  - Opening Day coming up on May 18th
  - **Wheelchair Regatta June 1st. Need Power Boats**
- h. **Southwestern Yacht Club.** (Commodore Mark Pearcy)
- Introduction of Board members present
  - Opening day May 18th following SGYC
  - Commodore's Regatta will be held in La Playa on J 24's
- Associate Member Clubs**
- i. **Cortez Racing Association** (Commodore Chuck Bowers)
- Opening Day Regatta on May 10th
  - Beer Can Regattas kick off on May 17th. Looking for a major beer sponsor. If you have contacts, please reach out.
- j. **Santa Margarita Yacht Club.** (Commodore Kiran Bisaccia)
- Introduction of current board present and staff commodore
- Affiliate Member Clubs**
- k. **San Diego Cruiser Association** (Rear Commodore Edward Denaci)
- No report
- l. **San Diego Mission Bay Boat & Ski Club** (Carly Chance)
- No report
- Liaison Members**
- m. **Challenged Sailors Association** (Vice Commodore Steve Bridge)
- No report
- n. **IOBG District 15** (Vice Commodore Susan Rodriguez)
- **No report**
- o. **NOSA** (Report)
- p. **PCYA** (Vice Commodore Anne Eubanks) AWARD
- Several up coming events: Pacific Coast Championship
  - St. Francis Yacht Club hosting Rolex Big Boat Regatta, Sept. 10-Sept. 14.
  - Presented special perpetual award from PCYA. The unique silver cup was given to the first place finisher in a PCYA regatta in 1923. Each year the PCYA Admiral considers a candidate who most exemplifies the purpose and qualification of the deed of gift. The candidate selected and approved by the 2024 PCYA Bridge has been an active member of the PCYA leadership and

serving as director for 10 plus years and is an active power boater. He has been a longtime supporter of predicted navigation rallies and competitions. The PCYA Burgee of Merit award was presented to Edward Denaci.

**q. RBOC.**

(Director Anne Sachs)

**6. New Business:**

- Bill Edwards, SC SDAYC, SGYC, NYCSD- Updates on July 4th Big Bang Boom. Coastal Commission is trying to end fireworks and move towards lighted drone shows. There is a temporary release for the next 2 years. The Big Bang Boom committee is in need of picket boats for the event this year. Please contact Bill if interested in volunteering.

**Opening Day Schedules**

19-Apr	Saturday	PLYC	TBD
3-May	Saturday	CCYC	11am
18-May	Sunday	SGYC	10am
18-May	Sunday	SWYC	2pm
25-May	Sunday	CYC	11am

**7. Next meeting:**

- May 15, 2025, hosted by Oceanside YC – Club Governance Round Tables  
Attire: Blue blazer, whites

**8. Adjourn: 8:50 PM**

**2025 SDAYC Meeting schedule & topics**

15 May	OYC	Governance Breakout
19 June	SDYC	Fundraising Panel
17 July	NYCSD – at SGYC	
18 September	SWYC	Communications panel
16 October	SGYC	
20 November	MBYC	Port Captain
11 December	SDYC	Awards