

June 2020

# SPLASH



## The Ventura Sailing Club Newsletter

Welcome to the June 2020 newsletter of our water sports and recreation club. This publication is issued when we have content, but approximately every two months.

The content is, as always, dependent on contributions from you, the members. We welcome all submissions.

**Officers:** Commodore  
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Content:

**Commodore's Corner**.....Will Yount  
**Special News**.....The Processional Committee



## VICE - COMMODORE'S CORNER

By Richard Sharpe

Sailing life with the virus is tough. Our club has basically been on hold since February because of our sponsor's Victoria Pub being closed. However, we as a club are in a better position than most yacht clubs, as we do not have to pay rent. Therefore, the bank account is still healthy, and we will be able to resume meetings when the time is right.

Meanwhile, we have just completed our first "Processional" .....see the report later in this edition.

Stay well, stay safe.

# RACING NEWS

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, racing in the channel has been cancelled for the foreseeable future. Therefore, in lieu of the Frenchy's Rum Run race normally held each year, this year we held a "Processional Sailing Event to Frenchy's Cove, Anacapa Island".

## Frenchy's Processional 2020

### Words and photos from Richard Sharpe

It was a cold and dreary day, but that could not wipe the smile off so many faces (even those wearing masks) that had not been to sea for such a long time.

Commodore Will Yount started the Processional at Mandalay Buoy at 12 noon, (an hour later, to allow the wind to kick in), with two non-spin monohulls, Halona and Velero,

followed by two spin monohulls, Camelot and Paradise Found,



and bringing up the rear (but not for long) no less than seven Beach Cats.



The wind gradually built over the next hour to approach 10 knots and all boats were able to make good progress.

The first boat to round Frenchy's Buoy in Frenchy's Cove was Elixer at 2:02 p.m. Meanwhile, the wind in the middle of the channel picking up to around 12 knots for a while. Two North bound container vessels went through the Channel, but were no danger to the fleet, even the leader. Will Yount watched carefully to ensure that the leading

beach cat did not get 5 blasts.

The reach back to Mandalay was perfect sailing for all concerned, only the Weta Trimaran decided not to complete the trip out to Frenchy's, and he informed the RIB shepherds that he was turning back to shore. The shepherds checked that all 7 beach cats were back in Ventura harbor before going home to get warm.



Your fearless leader



# CRUISING NEWS

**News from Alicia Stratton, our Fleet Captain,  
in conversation with Island Packers:**



Island Packers started running island trips on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

“Nothing new but at 40% capacity on vessels and going to Prisoners, Rosa and Anacapa.  
Wearing masks on board and people are cooperating.  
Blues have arrived and we have some whale watch trips planned.  
Scorpion pier news ..... we can expect to be open in late August or September... tba...  
Look forward to this pandemic to decrease and maybe by next year back up running the normal runs. Until then, being safe and careful.”

**..... And a big thanks to our sponsor**

**Victoria Pub and Grill**

**VSC Newsletter contributions....**

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# 2020 VSC RACE CALENDAR



**Prison Break  
August 29-30, 2020**



**Wild Turkey Classic Plastic  
November 28, 2020**



**See you on the water**



**Submit Contributions to:**

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We need content from you, the members, along with suggestions you may have for articles.

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Second Tuesday of every month  
6:30 PM...or approximately thereafter...or  
sometime after everyone finishes dinner

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