

Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club

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COMMODORE'S CORNER



We're going to have a *SUPER* 1996! On tap for the year is more of everything you've enjoyed in the past...more regattas, more seminars, more social events! Something for everyone! So it goes without saying, more fun!

Your club's board is developing a tentative 1996 calendar of events to be presented to the LMVA board for the master calendar. All of you are invited to come to the Association meeting on February 13th at 7 pm in the Board Room to represent the club. There is strength in numbers! Once approved, we'll distribute to our mailing list, along with membership materials for the season.

To those of you who gave me your vote of confidence during the recent election, let me simply say "Thank You" for the honor you've bestowed on me. We'll continue with past events that worked, and may also try some fresh new ideas...some will work, some may not. Let's work together as a team, putting individual egos aside, to strengthen our club. Let's make the *club's* continued success our top priority in 1996! I am asking for *your* help to make this a great year!

I want to personally say a special "Thank You!" to Bill Schwartz and the LMVA staff for their valuable assistance during previous years. We are counting on your continued support!

Commodore Davies

1996 OFFICER INSTALLATION



MILLY DAVIES INSTALLED AS COMMODORE

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Bud Nelson, Executive Board Member of Oceanside's Santa Margarita Sailing Club presided over the installation of LMVYC's 1996 Commodore, Milly Davies, at the January 6 gala dinner event. Other special guests were Sue Nelson, Tony and Carol Contino, and Jerry and Faye Carroll.

The group enjoyed a sumptuous dinner of salmon, ham, and all the fixings (including Vivienne's home-made "yummy" Snicker Bar Cheese Cake) in a room festively decorated in red, white and blue to showcase the champagne fountain centerpiece. The Commodore outlined her philosophy and plans for the coming year, and installed her new board consisting of Bob Milner, Don Schaffner, Willi Hugelshofer, Vivienne Savage, Len Savage, Jeff Wilson and Jeremy Kivlen. Then the group participated actively in a white elephant gift exchange! Chairman Vivienne Savage was assisted by Linda Schaffner, Tara Robison, Barbara Kivlen, and Jean Kanjanavaikoon.

SUPERBOWL PARTY!!

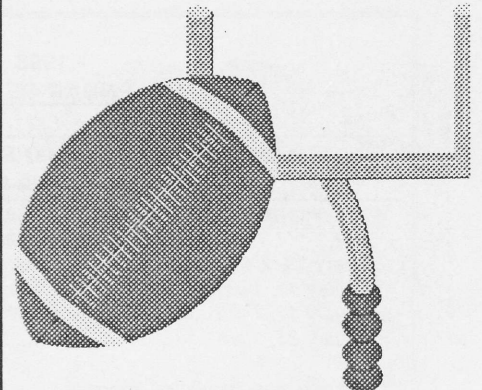
(Roundtable Pizza at LaPaz and Marguerite)

Pittsburgh Steelers vs. Dallas Cowboys

Sunday, January 28th

2:45 pm Pre-Game, 4 pm Kickoff

(All food and drinks at your cost)



RACE COMMITTEE SEMINAR KICKS OFF 19TH SAILING SEASON

1996 Race Committee Chairman Jeff Wilson will get us in the mood for sailing with a brush-up seminar on "Everything we need to know to run the Race Committee". During the Sunday afternoon event, Jeff will put us through the paces as we learn proper starting sequence procedures, how to operate the equipment, how to determine the appropriate course for the "wind of the day", and the meaning of the various colors and shapes of banners and number of horn blasts. In addition, we'll learn "over-early" procedures and how to handle a myriad of other "what-if" scenarios, such as how to delay a start, how to have multiple starts, etc.

The fun will begin at 1 pm on February 11. If your spouse or your child sails, if you are a member of the electric fleet, or a member of the Lake Association and just want to get in on the fun, here's your opportunity to be involved and stay high and dry on the lake. Jeff promises that one of the "ol' salts" will always be on board with you until everyone is comfortable, and you will not have to go it alone til you're ready! He promises to keep the seminar in easy to understand beginner-level language!

If your New Year's resolution was to spend more time with your family and friends, learn a new hobby, (or just understand the America's Cup better!) here's a ready made situation! Come on out and join in! Call Jeff Wilson or any officer if you have a question.

TUNE-UP REGATTA PLANNED

The Yacht Club Board is "rarin" to go this year, and decided to slip an extra regatta or two onto the schedule while no one was looking! In order to check out boats that have been collecting dust since Thanksgiving's "Turkey" regatta, the zealous new group of officers sneaked a match race onto the schedule that "doesn't count" for anything but bragging rights!

Even if you don't own your own boat, there's still plenty of action! Lake boat rentals are available at the for your enjoyment as usual! Try your skill in a different size for a change!

Whatever your reason to join in, Sunday, February 25, is YOUR day to begin a season of fun on beautiful Lake Mission Viejo! Skipper's meeting with explanation of rules and distribution of course charts begins at 12:30 sharp! White flag is at 1 PM! Plan ahead and save the day!

Horst's "Hint" for better sailing: "If sails are luffing - they're too loose -- pull 'em in; if sails are hooking, they're too tight - - let 'em out!"

THIS 'n THAT!

Perfect night under the stars, lots of good food, and perfect music (well, only if you like Dr. Demento)! That's how the Christmas parade was described by the happy group aboard the Grand Marshall's schooner leading the Christmas Parade of Lights! Curtis Morton was in charge of music, and just for fun brought along a Dr. Demento tape to play for the troops on board! (You call that "music", Curtis?)

We're going to miss this outgoing Junior Sailor, who has moved to Northern California. Curtis will be back for breaks and holiday we're told, and we all wish him happiness in his new home with his mother and family.

The lake sailors have definitely been bitten by the snow bug lately. Willi and family, Horst and family, Ray Turner, and Joe Sperber are just a few of those who have taken ski vacations recently. The snow was best at Sun Valley, according to Joe who got a birds eye view when his plane flew over both Tahoe and Mammoth enroute!

A 5 BR place in Incline Village (Tahoe) is available for \$250 a night. Call 855-9988 if you want more information. The owner is a co-worker of Linda Schaffner's. Anyone up to planning an outing for a large group?

Don Schaffner's radio-controlled boat group is growing fast, and they haven't even put the finished boats in the water! Don has 14 in his group, and is encouraging all his boat-builders to attend the Race Committee Seminar to learn more about the rules which apply to any size boat!

Horst recommends the large screen at the new Edwards 21 theater! He also suggests the movie "Jumanji" as an excellent choice to see there. Millys recommendation is it's a good movie; just don't plan to go there on a Saturday night - parking's horrendous!

Vivienne is feeling better these days, and is off to visit family in Australia for three weeks. She'll be missed! She entertains company often and seldom has time to be company, so we hope she comes back strong and rested. Len is busy keeping the home fires burning and filling the coffers for future travels!

Tony Contino and Carol attended the Officer Installation Dinner recently, and it was good to see them again. Tony is now a Junior Executive on the District staff of the Coast Guard Auxiliary! That keeps him out of Carol's hair quite a bit!

Vivienne won a piggy bank at the White Elephant gift exchange, and promptly announced it would be donated to the club to collect a quarter for each "undesirable" word uttered by frustrated sailors! She figures we can count on caviar next Christmas!

1996 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Remember : Save the last Sunday of each Month
for Yacht Club activities!**

Wednesdays, 8 pm....."Keep in Shape" Walk around Lake
7 : 15 pm:Roundtable Pizza, LaPaz/Marguerite
January 28, 2:45 pm.....Superbowl Party at Roundtable Pizza
February 11, 1 pm.*.....Race Committee Seminar
February 13, 7 pm.....LMVYC presentation to LMVA Board
February 25, 1 pm*.....Pre-Season "Tune-Up" Regatta

*Tentative, pending Board approval.



"The primary purpose of the Yacht Club is to provide social and competitive interaction opportunities for its members."

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