

# Gal' Warnings

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## Commodore's Corner

by Susana Hernandez Araico



August began for WSA with a memorable evening of musical magic at the Hollywood Bowl, as a party of thirty-five members, family and friends enjoyed Gustavo Dudamel conducting the LA Phil under the stars. Though plans for picnic tables shrank to a cement bench, it proved a compact meeting point for a convivial variety of hors d'oeuvres before the concert.

As expected in life with absolute certainty, wonderful fun was surprisingly offset with deep sadness. On August 7th, fire broke out on board WSA's former Commodore Rosalie Green-Davis' and Gary Green's, *Green Dragon*. Fortunately, none of the charter crew was hurt. But the total loss of this Catalina 380 brought great sorrow to the Greens and their regular crew, which included me for the past four years. *Green Dragon* now lies at the bottom of the ocean, four miles off Point Vicente, storing silent memories of mirthful camaraderie.

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## This Month's Program: The WOW/WAH Regatta

by Kim Stuart, Education Chair

### WSA's September Meeting

Our September meeting features a panel of women racers who will talk about the WOW/WAH regatta — as in, what it takes to put a team together and win! This regatta has been ongoing in MdR for over 30 years and the best women racers in the area have all competed. If you've been wondering what all the buzz is about, here is your chance to learn about the spirited, fun racing and history of this event!



Christina Tarantola and Sue Service represent WSA at SMWYC's recent Chili Cook-off.



Another summer daysail with Wayne and "Agua Cheetah."

Photo credit John Nelson

## Meeting Agenda for September 14, 2010

6:30 pm — Social hour

7:30 pm — Dinner and business meeting

8:00 pm — WOW/WAH Panel of Experts



### **WSA members attend park concert featuring violin virtuoso who has a mohawk**

*By Patricia Rose, Secretary*

WSA members ventured into Burton Chace Park Thursday night, August 19,

for a glorious summer evening of classical music by the Marina del Rey Summer Symphony, led by Maestro Frank Fetta. The backdrop was a picture postcard Southern California day with boats under sail floating past in the glow of the evening sunset. At one point a one-design class of dinghy sailors filed past toward their finish line to

the beat of Ravel's Bolero.

This was no ordinary evening in Marina del Rey, as we were soon to find out from our host, Rich Capparella, of KUSC. The headliner of the night was Hahn-Bin (photo at left), a flamboyant, 22-year old violin virtuoso, born in Korea. Playing on a rare and old Stradivarius instrument, he effortlessly enchanted us all with some of the most difficult pieces of the violin repertoire - Legende by Wieniawski and the very familiar Carmen Fantasy by



Sarasate. The quality of his playing was truly amazing and a pleasure to see and hear up close and personal. We were wowed to say the least as he ran his fingers up the bridge to the highest notes on his instrument with serene clarity. Hahn-Bin is no ordinary player and it turns out he is quite the flamboyant showman as well. He had three costume changes throughout the evening and his costumes were flowing black and colorful smocks with leggings to match. His mohawk hairstyle fit right in with the most unlikely stage dressing I've seen for a classical musician. He wowed and entertained the audience throughout the evening in between the beautifully executed orchestral pieces, Samuel Barber's "Souvenirs", Maurice Ravel's "Bolero" and Igor Stravinsky's "Firebird." from the Marina del Rey Summer Symphony.

What a fun night! Too bad the summer concert series is over for this year. But make sure to put this impressive concert series on your calendar for 2011.

### **Last WOW Wednesday Winners**

*By Sue Service, ASMBYC Women's Sailing Coordinator*

The third and last WOW Wednesday was August 25 and we saw 11 women enter, and the winners were as follows:

- ◆ PHRF B (3 entrant) Helen McGanty on *Aqua Bella*
- ◆ PHRF C (2 entrants) Kathy St Amant on *Joker's Wild*
- ◆ PHRF D (2 entrant) Susie Taylor on *Take 5*

- ◆ Martin 242 (2 entrants) Ann Chamberlin on *Shirley and Earle*
- ◆ Cruising A (1 entrant) Andrea Makshanoff on *Prometheus*
- ◆ Cruising B (1 entrant) Jeannea Jordan on *Chekkerrs*

### **Volunteers needed to help with WOW/WAH**

*By Sue Service, ASMBYC Sailing Coordinator*

The annual WOW/WAH regatta is September 18-19. This regatta is great to sail in, and the parties are a blast, too. I am the regatta chairperson, and WSA is a co-sponsor of the regatta. I could really use a hand to make this a successful event. If you can help with ANY of the following, I'd really appreciate it!

- ◆ Race Committee Saturday and Sunday
- ◆ T-shirt and raffle ticket sales Saturday at PMYC and Sunday at MVYC
- ◆ Trophy set up on Sunday at PMYC
- ◆ Helping Noah with hospitality at MVYC on Sunday
- ◆ Help with clean-up and take down at MVYC on Sunday

**If you are not racing, please consider helping with one of the above. Y chromosomes welcome! Let's let MdR know that WSA can put on another terrific regatta.**

### **Opportunities to gain sailing experience on the Catalina 37 in Long Beach**

Judy-Rae Karlsen of the Long Beach/Los Angeles WSA is organizing a series of clinics of varying skill level on the Catalina 37s in Long Beach. These are the boats used for the Linda Elias Memorial Women's One Design Regatta. Contact Judy at: shesails00@yahoo.com

- ◆ **Event #10 Saturday, September 18**, Noon to 3:30pm (Intermediate/intro to racing)
- ◆ **TBD- Sunday, September 26**, CHARITY REGATTA (racing event)

### **Seeking Board Members for 2011**

*By Diane Larson, Jr. Staff Commodore*

WSA is looking for volunteers to serve on the Board during 2011. WSA can only run smoothly with the help of volunteers who are willing to donate some of their time, talent or skills. Serving on the Board is a very rewarding and fun way to get involved and meet people so hope you will consider. The slate of candidates for Board and Chair positions will be presented to the WSA Members in October. Go to <http://www.wsasmb.org/Officers.html> to see a listing of all positions and a description of the duties by clicking on the position. Please contact Diane at [jrstaffcommodore@wsasmb.org](mailto:jrstaffcommodore@wsasmb.org) with any questions or if you are interested in any of the positions for 2011.

GET YOUR GIRL ON!!!

# WOW/WAH Regatta September 18-19 2010

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The Golden Lion*



It's time to get your girl on—the helm! The Women on Water/Woman at the Helm Regatta is the largest women's regatta in Santa Monica Bay. The Robert S Wilson trophy for the WOW has been awarded to the top skipper in the all-female division for over 30 years!

- WOW is for all female teams
- WAH is for coed teams with a woman driver
- PHRF, one-design and cruising boats are welcome!
- Fabulous after race parties at PMYC on Saturday and MVYC on Sunday
- Go to [www.wsasmb.org/wow-wah.html](http://www.wsasmb.org/wow-wah.html) for more info or email [wowmdr@gmail.com](mailto:wowmdr@gmail.com)

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Of course we counter this passing with characteristic WSA upbeat spirit and take immense satisfaction in celebrating two of our members' healthy survival. On September 1, Sue Bonner and Bob Falisey cooked the SMWYC Wednesday night dinner to share with those of us present their joie de vivre in surviving—Sue a heart attack and Bob a brain aneurism. All of us at WSA are very happy to see these two back with their vibrant disposition, coupled now with a commitment to healthy living.

As September gets underway, WSA looks forward to another first very special group activity. Thanks to Secretary Patricia Rose's recommendation and Cruise co-Director Coco Leigh's enthusiastic organization, on September 11th, WSA members will race on the America's Cup *Stars and Stripes* vs. *Abracadabra* in San Diego—another adrenalin-driven day for WSA!

Most significantly, this month brings us the WOW/WAH Regatta September 18-19. We salute former Commodore Sue Service for her Herculean preparations for this outstanding regatta that WSA sponsors along with MVYC, PMYC and SBYRC. For those who cannot take part in the race, volunteering still offers the possibility of involvement. All of us certainly look forward to enjoying all the festivities around this annual regatta.

A happy end of summer/beginning to fall to everyone!

### **Join us for our last cruise to Avalon, October 1-3**

by Coco Leigh and Bob Falisey, Cruise Co-Chairs

Calling all Skippers and Crew! We are planning a Cruise to Avalon but we can't do it without you! Avalon on Catalina Island is a wonderful destination with a beautiful harbor, shopping, tours, water sports and lots of activities to appeal to everyone! So, come on out and support our club.

Please call or email Coco at 818-903-7685 or [co-leigh@sbcglobal.net](mailto:co-leigh@sbcglobal.net) and tell me if you are a Skipper or Crew and if you can sail on Friday or Saturday. Or, you can take the Catalina Express over and sail back on one of our boats.

The October 1-3 weekend also has special significance for two reasons:

- ◆ Fran Weber-Melville and John Melville are celebrating a Landmark Anniversary – 25 years of marriage!
- ◆ JazzTrax Festival - 10/1-10/3, 10/8-10/10, 10/15-10/17 This three weekend event features 30 different smooth jazz stars performing Unplugged Under the Stars on Thursdays and in the historic Casino Ballroom Friday, Saturday and Sundays. JazzTrax features the newest

### **Sail on the America's Cup Boat "Stars and Stripes"**

By Coco Leigh, Cruise Co-Chair



Sail on a World Class Racing Boat! WSA and Fairwind Yacht Club have teamed up for a once in a lifetime, "hands on" experience! Sailing World Class Rac-

ing Boats! Dennis Connor's "Stars & Stripes" and "Abracadabra" are in San Diego and available for public sailing. There is a professional crew on board but, you are welcomed to help sail her or you can just be a passenger and enjoy the ride! We have enough reservations now to man both boats for a race against one another! It will be a Blast! Make sure to bring your camera!

WSA is planning a sail on the America's Cup "Stars and Stripes" and "Abracadabra" in San Diego on Saturday Sept 11, 2010 at Noon. The cost to sail is only \$99. You provide your own transportation to San Diego. San Diego is a wonderful destination! So, come for the sail or go for the weekend! It's all good!

If you still want to go, contact Coco Leigh with your Phone Number and email at 818-903-7685 [co-leigh@sbcglobal.net](mailto:co-leigh@sbcglobal.net)

and best talent in the smooth jazz genre. For tickets and information call (866) 872-9849; [www.jazztrax.com](http://www.jazztrax.com)

We are hoping to join with some other clubs to enhance our cruises. So, if you belong to another yacht club or sailing group. Help us get in touch with the cruise chair.

We look forward to your input on how to make this the best Cruising Season for WSA.

**Let's get out there on the water and Go Cruisin'!**



## SMWYC's Chili Cookoff Review

By Sue Service, Staff Commodore

SMWYC held its annual chili cookoff on August 22nd, and WSA was there with an awesome recipe. On hand were Vice Commodore Christina Tarantola and her trusty sous chefs Susan French and Sue Service. There were 10 teams that set up their chili stands out on SMWYC's back porch.

All cooking had to be done on site, and SMWYC provided individual propane burners for each team. Prizes were awarded both for the best chili, and the best decorated chili stand. Sadly WSA won neither.

The best chili went to Marty Offerman of SMWYC, and the prize for the best decorated stand went to SMWYC Commodore Pat Salcedo. We still think our chili was best, and given we ran completely out by 5pm we think lots of people agreed with us. Here is the recipe:

- ◆ 2 poblano chilies (pasilla chilies are the same)
- ◆ 3 anaheim chilies (also called green chilies)
- ◆ 2 jalapenos
- ◆ 2 serranos

Place them on a grill and roast them until the skin is slightly black and blistered. Place in a bowl and cover to steam. when cool to the touch peel them and puree them in a food processor with 5 cloves of garlic. Paste consistency.

- ◆ 2# pork shoulder, cubed
- ◆ 2 medium onions, diced
- ◆ 3 cloves garlic, minced
- ◆ 1 box of chicken broth
- ◆ 2 jars of Herdez salsa verde
- ◆ 1 Negra Modelo beer
- ◆ 2 cans of cannellini beans
- ◆ 1 can of pinto beans
- ◆ 2 tsp of cumin
- ◆ 1 tbsp chili powder
- ◆ 1/4 cup chopped cilantro
- ◆ salt & pepper to taste.

Brown the pork in olive oil, then add the onions, cook until the onions are almost translucent. Next add the garlic and the cumin and chili powder, cook for 3 minutes. Next add the chicken stock and the beer, simmer for 10 minutes. Next add the salsa verde, reduce heat and simmer for another 10 minutes. Next add the beans, cilantro and 3 tbsp of the green chili puree you made earlier, adjust your seasonings and you should be good.



Top to bottom:  
Christina and Sue take a well-deserved break  
The best decorated chili stand  
Cowboys at the ready

Photo credit Susan French

## Star North Americans

By Mary Stuyvesant, Race Chair

I grew up as a junior sailor in Milford Connecticut. I team raced aggressively up and down the East Coast until I came west to college at 18. I was sailing crazy as a kid. My poor non-boating parents. There were three things I wanted to do as a young sailor.

1. Sail in the America's Cup
2. Go to the Naval Academy (now mind you – this was *just* when they been forced to accept women. It had nothing to do with joining the Navy or serving my country – my desire had everything to do with their sailing program.)
3. Race Star Boats.

Those Star Boats were the coolest thing in the yard – and well don't get me started on teenage hormones and Star sailors. Many years later – I still think those Star Boats are pretty cool . This past month I had the opportunity to have a fantastic front row seat to the Star North American Championships. The racing was spectacular and aggressive with Olympic Medalists, World Champions and racers from all over the world competing.

Many of you have heard me talk about Race Committee and that racers and non-racers should all do their part to participate. So for a week in August I gave up my time and became an unofficial – official measurer and launch driver for the international jury for the 2010 Star North Americans.

Why do you need a jury – and out on the water? This was fleet racing, not match racing. But you do. And the really great part – is that the jury boats go where ever they want to. So I had a first row seat for the starts, all of the mark roundings and finishes – as well as literally being surround by boats on the up and down wind legs. It was amazing to see how close and competitive the racing stayed throughout the regatta.

World Champions to my left and Olympians and a few Olympic Medal Winners to my right! Oh My! 2009 World Champion George Szabo seemed to be unbeatable in the light air, however on day two the air kicked up Brazilian Lars Schmidt Grael (World Champion and Olympic medal winner) launched ahead of Szabo taking the series lead.

Grael is particularly interesting to watch. He is part of a sailing family, his brother is Torben Grael – Volvo and America's Cup driver. Grael is particularly interesting to watch race as he lost one leg due to a boating accident in 1998. The Stars are very physical boats and to say they are unforgiving would be an understatement. It is amazing how graceful he is in the tacks and gybes.

OK, so why the jury boats? They are there to watch the races, be aware of conditions and of course sit on any protests. They do watch for infractions on the race course and can "flag" a racer causing him to have to execute two penalty turns. If you get a black flag – that race is over for you. The infractions they are looking for are

mostly related to kinetics. Rocking and Pumping. These are what they will call on the course.

So who won? George Szabo and his crew Frithjof Kleen from Germany. Szabo turned the last race of the series to a knock-down drag-out match racing battle between him and Grael. It was truly almost as if there were no other boats on the course. Szabo covered, covered, and covered to protect his lead coming in 21st, five spots ahead of Grael and secure his title as North American Champion.

So now, many, many years later. I still have the same funny tan on my face that I did as a teenager, I have not sailed an America's Cup (maybe Larry will call soon) , I did not go to the Naval Academy – I went into the music business instead and I don't race Star Boats (I am still too short and now much smarter ) But I still love to watch them race!



Above, 2009 World Champion George Szabo keeping an eye on the judges. Below, judges!



## This Month in History—From Gal' Warnings September 1995.



### HIJINKS ON THE HIGH SEAS FROM THE DAYSAILERS

by Chris Miller

I am happy to report that the WSA daysailers have been spotted in Long Beach, Marina del Rey and Ventura. All crew members and their respective skippers can report a return to harbor with high spirits and sights set on the horizon for future sails.

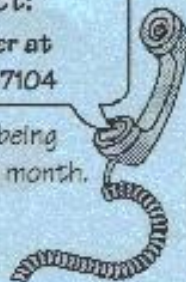
On April 22, Jim and Michelle VanSickle opened up their beautiful Fuji 45 *Wayward* to Diane Davis, Jim and Joan Stucker, and yours truly. Leaving from Los Alamitos late morning the winds were light but by early afternoon, the winds picked up nicely and we were able to enjoy a brisk sail back to home port. Jim and Michelle not only live aboard their boat, but are also planning to cruise for five years some time in the near future. You will have a chance to meet them on the Catalina weekend.

Sunday, April 23, proved to be another perfect WSA daysail. Can I order weather or what? Betsy Cox was our gracious skipper on board

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Daysails  
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Daysails are being  
planned each month.



her wonderful Norseman 447 *Aquila*. Her crew was Emily Allen, Nancy Wilding, Pat Riker and again, myself. I can only tell you that the conversation was extremely lively (you can use your imagination). Betsy will also be out at Catalina August 19 and 20, so be sure to drop by and say hello. (She also makes a wicked rum and coke). We decided we were having so much fun at the end of the sail, that we decided to take a motor tour of the Marina del Rey harbor.

Hallelujah!! The *Rusty Nail* finally made it out on a daysail on Saturday, August 5. Jerry and I welcomed aboard Donna Fiss, Nicola Lamb, Lorraine Shapiro and Beverly Godwin. Even though the morning fog tried to dampen our enthusiasm, we set sail and never looked back. We never dropped below 6 knots the whole trip back down to 'Ginny' and back. Once we got back inside the harbor, we decided to practice jibing and tacking at a brisk pace. We put on quite a show sailing up and down the harbor.

We hope to offer another daysail very soon - this time our goal is to leave very early in the morning and cruise completely around Anacapa.

Of course, the big daysail is the Catalina weekend. I look forward to seeing everyone there. Other daysails are imminent.

I'm not able to announce dates at this writing, but September is beginning to shape up. If you haven't been on a daysail yet, please sign up. It's a lot of fun. It's an inexpensive way to get sailing experience on different boats and it's the best way to meet other members. I'm considering writing a book entitled "Conversations on a Daysail" - a combination of X-rated, educational, inspiring and wonderful anecdotes.

I want to thank Jim and Michelle VanSickle and Betsy Cox for their hospitality, and of course my thanks to all of those crew members who participated.

See you on the next daysail!!

### AUGUST MEETING RECAP

The excitement has continued, with Doug Owen as speaker for our August meeting. Thanks, Doug, for an excellent presentation on "Discovering Catalina." We had over fifty members and guests in attendance, and learned a great deal from Doug's interesting and humorous presentation! Thanks, too, to Andrea Salter, who deftly showed the slides as we visited the hidden (and not so hidden) harbors of Catalina Island.



WSA	Tuesday
FUTURE	SEPT. 5
MEETING	OCT. 3
DATES	NOV. 7

### SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

#### WEATHER TO GO BOATING



The September WSA meeting will feature Bill Harmon, weather expert extraordinaire, discussing the topic "Weather to go Sailing." Bill is a very experienced blue water sailor, who has produced several video programs on cruising in the Virgin Islands. His topic was taken from one of his most popular video titles, "Weather to go Boating," which he will show during the September presentation. Bill is President of Marine America Group, which offers educational and employment opportunities to youth in marine service companies. He is also a staff officer and weather instructor for the US Coast Guard Auxiliary. Don't miss this exceptional presentation!!

## ***Jingle Bell, Jingle Bell, Jingle Bell Rock***

*By Christina Tarantola, Vice Commodore*

And are those bells I hear coming from elves dressed in skinny ties and slicked back hair? Why, yes! And are they playing backup for Santa in his pompadour hairdo and go-go boots? Why yes!

That's because it's going to be a Rock 'n Roll Christmas!

On December 11, WSA will set sail in the annual Marina del Rey Holiday Boat Parade and we are planning some serious rock 'n roll fun. The big day will be here before you know it, so get your rock 'n roll holiday thinking caps on and help us come up with an award-winning design.

The team needs planners, designers, decorators and rock stars to sail with us. Concept and design meetings will be scheduled in November. Work parties to create the decorations are tentatively set for Saturday and Sunday, December 4 and 5, and then we will decorate and boat and participate in the competition and parade on Saturday December 11.



WSA's 2009 award winner

If you're interested in getting involved in any or all of the activities, contact Vice Commodore Christina Tarantola at [vicecommodore@wsasmb.org](mailto:vicecommodore@wsasmb.org). Also—skippers—we need a boat to decorate. Contact Chris if you're willing to have us turn your boat into a rock and roll dream come true.

### ***And the award goes to ....***

*By the WSA Board of Directors*

Another ASMBYC award season is upon us, and it's our turn to choose! It's a difficult task, because there are so many who give so much to boating -- not just to WSA, but to the entire Santa Monica Bay boating community.

Each year, the Association of Santa Monica Bay Yacht Clubs recognizes five honorees for their contributions and achievements during the year. As a member organiza-

tion, WSA is invited to nominate one person for each award.

The WSA Board has already selected nominees for two of the awards, and three of the positions are still open for nominations. The Board must submit all nominations to ASMBYC by October 1 for consideration.

Yachtsman of the Year is awarded to a yachtsman who has made a great contribution to yachting in Santa Monica Bay; for a contribution to the yachting community, not primarily for winning races; and should include some creative contribution as opposed to merely spending a lot of time.

WSA is thrilled to be nominating Denise George for this award. As the woman in charge of the Wednesday night Sunset Series at California Yacht Club this season, Denise significantly improved communications to racers by starting the weekly Sunset Series recap email. And everyone who has raced on Wednesday nights and gone to CYC afterwards knows how much she's done to expand and improve the menu, give out great raffle prizes and keep the party going with a DJ, decorations and fun party themes. Denise has also encouraged and supported the WOW/WAH Wednesday events to help get women behind the wheel and at the tiller. She has also worked to get new people involved in race management. This is critical, because every well-run race starts with a well-trained and fully staffed race committee.

If you have thoughts or comments you would like included in Denise's nomination letter, please email them to Vice Commodore Christina Tarantola at [vicecommodore@wsasmb.org](mailto:vicecommodore@wsasmb.org) by Sept. 17.

The Competitive Yachting Achievement Award goes to a yachtsman who has distinguished him or herself in competitive yacht racing on a regional national or international level, in either sail, power or self-propelled boating.

WSA is thrilled to be nominating Kim Stuart for this award. A racer since college, Kim has been an avid racer in the area for years. With her Schock 35, *Voodoo Doll*, she built and trained a strong team, and promoted women in sailing whenever possible. In fact, *Voodoo Doll* raced her last three Newport to Ensenada races with all-woman crews. More recently, Kim has stopped campaigning the Doll so that she can travel and race locally, regionally, nationally and internationally. She can often be found during the week down in Cabrillo or Long Beach racing everything from Cal 20s to Farr 40s. She has participated in a full race calendar in San Francisco, where she's up against some of the top sailors on the West Coast.

Kim is also a versatile sailor, balancing fleet racing with match racing. She has traveled the country participating

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in match racing regattas from Texas to Buffalo, New York, to Hawaii. And she has traveled as far as Ireland, Australia and New Zealand to race. When she's at the helm, Kim usually races under the WSA or SMWYC burgee.

If you have thoughts or comments you would like included in Kim's nomination letter, please email them to Vice Commodore Christina Tarantola at [vicecommodore@wsasmb.org](mailto:vicecommodore@wsasmb.org) by Sept. 17.

The Junior and Senior Sportsman of the Year awards go to someone who exhibits exceptional and consistent fairness, courtesy, gracefulness and/or heroism in activities associated with Yachting, in either power or sail. Previous winners include Al Berg, Bill Webster, Wayne Brandow, Mike Leneman, Jack Mayer and Sherry Barone in the senior category, and Janel DeCurtis, Spencer Sterling, Stephen Pitts and Elliot Silver in the junior category.

WSA has not yet selected a Junior or Senior Sportsman of the Year nominee. If you would like to suggest a nominee, please email the information Vice Commodore Christina Tarantola at [vicecommodore@wsasmb.org](mailto:vicecommodore@wsasmb.org) by Sept. 17.

The David Poe Memorial Yachting Service Award goes to an individual or organization (business, boating group or governmental body) for outstanding service to yachting in areas other than as an active boater. Previous winners include George Etter, Fran Weber-Melville, Casie DeCurtis, Anne Sacks, Frank Glebberman and Lynne Hammett.

WSA has not yet selected a David Poe Memorial Yachting Service Award nominee. If you would like to suggest a nominee, please email the information Vice Commodore Christina Tarantola at [vicecommodore@wsasmb.org](mailto:vicecommodore@wsasmb.org) by Sept. 17.



Lars Schmidt Graef rounding with John Mac Causland and Rick Peters hot on his heels during Star Nationals.

Photo credit Mary Stuyvesant

## **Marina del Rey Historical Society**

**[www.marinadelreyhistoricalsociety.com](http://www.marinadelreyhistoricalsociety.com)**

The Marina del Rey Historical Society was founded in 2007 to collect and preserve historical documents, artifacts, publications, photographs, data and information relating to the development of Marina del Rey and its future.

As historical data is collected into exhibits and retrievable electronic outreach, the Marina del Rey Historical Society hopes to keep the past alive for community pride as well as create the data base for a continuing historical record of Marina del Rey and the surrounding area.

Currently MDRHS's collection includes Marina del Rey, Playa del Rey, the Howard Hughes Airfield (Playa Vista), Venice, Ocean Park, Santa Monica, LAX (Mines Field), and San Pedro.

Since MDRHS's collection is electronically filed, personal contributions (photographs, printed material, documents, etc.) can be scanned to their files and the originals returned to the donor. Credit for the contribution will be listed and included in the captions.



Membership information for MDRHS can be found at: <http://www.marinadelreyhistoricalsociety.com/MdRHS/Membership.html>

Or email: [info@marinadelreyhistoricalsociety.com](mailto:info@marinadelreyhistoricalsociety.com)

### Upcoming Calendar of Events

<i>September 2010</i>	
1st Wed	Last Sunset Series CYC
3-6 Fri-Sun	WSA Labor Day Channel Islands Cruise
4th Sat	MdR to Seal Beach Outlaw Regatta SMWYC
11th Sat	Sail on Stars and Stripes in San Diego
14th Tues	WSA General Meeting
15th Wed	After Sunset Series SMWYC
18-19 Sat/Sun	WOW/WAH Regatta WSA
28th Tues	WSA Board Meeting

<i>October 2010</i>	
1-3 Fri-Sun	WSA Cruise to Avalon
9th Sat	ASMBYC Inter harbor Challenge
12th Tues	WSA General Meeting
17-18 Sat/Sun	LEMWOD regatta in Long Beach
26th Tues	WSA Board Meeting

**Racers:** Be sure to review the 2010 ASMBYC calendar at [www.asmbyc.org](http://www.asmbyc.org)  
**Day Sails:** Day sails are usually on Saturdays and Sundays but they are NOT listed on this calendar. Contact Dianne Christman at [wsadaysails@gmail.com](mailto:wsadaysails@gmail.com) for up-to-date info!

**WSA Website:** [www.wsasmb.org](http://www.wsasmb.org)



Scenes from WOW/WAH 2009 — Don't miss out on this fun annual event!

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- To provide educational opportunities;
- To provide information on gaining access to races, cruises and other Santa Monica Bay activities;
- To support "Youth in Sailing" community service programs;
- To support established sailing programs for women;
- To enhance networking opportunities