

# Gal' Warnings

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## Commodore's Corner

by Coco Leigh

*Commodore Leigh and her husband Bob Falisey recently hosted a day sail aboard their beautiful 50' catamaran "Coco Puff". WSA Treasurer Fred Fred Rossmeissl was on board and had the following report:*

It was a wonderful experience on this gorgeous catamaran and great camaraderie on a day that had actually some rain in the forecast. But, when the weather gods saw the amazing crew, they had mercy on us and the day turned into a breezy but sunny day sail dream with some good swell (8-10 feet) that made some in the crew a bit uncomfortable. Applause to Skipper Coco, Bob, and Day Sail Captain Diane Hubner for a successful day-cruise! The rest of the crew included: Jeanne Dominguez, Karen Gladstone, John Goebel, Nora Hipolito, Jen Huszcza, Ghislanie Lydon, Fritze Rodic, Patricia Rose, and Fred Rossmeissl.

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## March Speaker:

by Barbara Palmer, Education Chair

In March we will welcome back Santos Kreimann, Director of Beaches and Harbors, for an update on development projects for Marina del Rey. Come with questions about the future of our favorite harbor!

In April, travel writer and photographer Wendy Windebank returns to WSA to tell us about a sailing adventure in Belize with her family in December 2007.

From Belize City, they sailed an Athena 38 catamaran south, stopping at about ten different tropical islands, called "cayes", with exotic names like "Rendezvous," "Caulker" and "Tobacco." On the larger cayes they interacted with colorful locals and learned about their lifestyles. On others they had the idyllic experience of being the only ones there.

On their return to Belize City after a week on turquoise water, they visited the famous Lamanai Mayan ruins and had a unique day cave-tubing through 5-mile long caves. This is sure to be a fun and interesting session!



Coco Puff and its crew head out of the harbor to enjoy a day-sail on a sunny February day.

Photo credit: Fred Rossmeissl



It wouldn't be a successful day of sailing without some super-hot chips for the journey home

Photo credit: John Nelson

## Meeting Agenda for March 13, 2012

6:30 pm—Social Hour begins

7:30 pm—Business meeting and dinner

8:00 pm—Director of Beaches and Harbors Santos Kreimann

## **Recreational Boaters stand up for GPS**

(Courtesy of [www.BoatUS.com](http://www.BoatUS.com))

Exactly 15,009 recreational boaters showed up at the FCC headquarters in Washington DC on July 26 to tell the agency: "Don't mess with GPS!" Well, all those boaters didn't actually turn out in person, you understand, but in the form of eight large file boxes filled with their printed comments regarding an FCC ruling that could very well compromise the nation's Global Positioning System (GPS).

At issue is the agency's conditional approval for a new nationwide broadband wireless telephone network, which, tests have shown, could cause significant interference with most GPS signals. That's why BoatU.S. mounted a grassroots campaign that encouraged boaters to file official comments on the issue and offered to deliver their messages — quite literally — to FCC.

"Boaters expressed a wide variety of concerns about what interference with the GPS signal could mean in the areas where they use their boats, but the overall message came through loud and clear: 'Leave my GPS alone,'" reports BoatU.S. Vice President of Government Affairs, Margaret Podlich.

Last January 26, the FCC approved the proposal of a private company called LightSquared to use the radio frequency bandwidth adjacent to frequencies used by the relatively weak GPS signals for cell phone transmissions. That approval came subject to assurances the new service would not interfere with GPS signals and accuracy. A subsequent report released on June 20th, however, includes the statement that, "all phases of the LightSquared deployment plan will result in widespread harmful interference to GPS signals and service and that mitigation is not possible."

When FCC announced a public comment period on the report but for an unusually short thirty days, BoatU.S. undertook the grassroots alert campaign and subsequent in-person document delivery. Actually, Podlich said, three days after the initial delivery, BoatU.S. physically delivered another 1,700+ paper comments from boaters on the Friday before the weekend deadline. But wait! On paper? This is 2011, after all, in the electronic era, so why couldn't boaters file comments on-line?

"We found the formal FCC electronic filing process to be very complex and not particularly user-friendly," Podlich reports. "There wasn't a single fixed form that boaters could fill out automatically, so the simplest way — not the easiest, of course — was to take comments electronically ourselves, then print out and deliver the results. We had no idea what to expect but, obviously, this hit a nerve with boaters and if the FCC is listening, now they know how critical it is to have a reliable navigation system, not just for boaters and anglers, of course, but for pilots, drivers, outdoor adventurers, and first responders. It is unimaginable that the federal government — the guardian of the bandwidth — would consider approving a proposal

with so many problems and grave public safety consequences, she added."

BoatU.S. is a member of the Coalition to [Save Our GPS](#), which is working to resolve this serious threat to the GPS system.

## **RBOC Opposes AB 656**

On June 28, 2011, RBOC advised the Senate Committee on Governmental Organization that it opposes AB 656. This bill, sponsored by Assemblymember Alyson Huber (10th District), would eliminate the Boating and Waterways Commission effective January 1, 2014. RBOC pointed out that the Commission provides a vital and effective function.

The objective of this bill is to submit the Commission to the ongoing "sunset review process" that applies to several hundred boards and commissions. Prior to the statutory sunset, review is conducted and a bill extending the sunset is introduced and enacted if the entity passes scrutiny.

RBOC is emphasizing that the Commission does not receive any money from the General Fund. Its financial support is comprised entirely of boater monies, in the form of fuel tax dollars, registration fees, and repayment of state loans of boater monies.

## **Upcoming Cruises**

*By Jeannea Jordan, Cruise Chair*

WSA is planning an Easter weekend cruise to Cat Harbor, April 6-8, and a cruise to Avalon for the annual Avalon Ball, May 10-13. For more information contact: [cruising@wsasmb.org](mailto:cruising@wsasmb.org)

## **SMWYC Cool Jazz and Hot BBQ Sundays resume January 22!**

If you aren't spending your Sunday afternoons at SMWYC, you're missing out. Every Sunday, beginning Jan. 22, Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club presents top notch jazz groups in the lounge. There is no cover charge.

The barbecue is fired up with a menu that includes steaks, pork loin, chicken breast, Italian sausage, Bratwurst, hamburgers, hot dogs and veggie brochettes; with prices ranging from \$7.00 to \$14.00. Add in all the extras and you have excellent food at excellent prices. SMWYC provides the food and the BBQ grills and you cook for yourself (in rainy weather, the club will offer cooked hot dishes instead).

The cash bar opens and food is available beginning at 3:00 p.m. and music runs from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

View the sunset, listen to superb jazz musicians, have a couple of drinks and a great meal; what a perfect way to end a day of sailing. This is a standing invitation to all WSA members and their guests.

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Jen unfurls the flag prior to leaving dock...



On the bay, a moment for quiet reflection on the bow of *Coco Puff*...



**KING HARBOR YACHT CLUB  
SHE DEVIL REGATTA**

**Saturday - April 28th**

Mark your calendars and plan to participate in this "Women at the Helm" racing event. Our goal is to get as many women as possible at the helm. Mixed crews are welcome. Dads get your daughters, skippers get your female crew and join us for a fun day on the water. Martin 242 and Cal 20 one design racing along with PHRF and cruising classes.

For more information contact  
Julie Coll at 818.268.4740  
julie@moonrisedesigns.com or www.khyc.org

#### **MEMBERSHIP NOTE:**

If you know of someone interested in joining WSA, please direct them to [www.wsasmb.org](http://www.wsasmb.org) (click on Join WSA Today) for information on membership dues and easy instructions on how to join. New member discounts are available throughout the year!

#### *WSA Policies:*

- ◆ -Guests are allowed to attend up to 2 general meetings per year (excluding December due to paid event)
- ◆ -Only current WSA sailing members with a signed Waiver can participate in on-the-water events including day sails and cruises
- ◆ -Only current WSA sailing members can race under the WSA Burgee
- ◆ -Membership runs from January 1 – December 31 for current year. Memberships are valid until December 31, regardless of date you join
- ◆ -The membership renewal process begins each year on January 1. You can only join one year at a time – the current year
- ◆ -Membership Application and Waiver forms must be submitted every year

## HEY, SEA GALS... OUR SAILING SEASON OPENS IN MAY!

By Judy Rae Karlsen, Sea Gals Director

Yes, Sea Gals will be out on the Catalina 37's again this year... our season opens on **Sunday, May 13, Mother's Day!** We have a few changes this year...2 boats will be going out on every event... so, there will always be room for beginners! Introduce your girlfriends and family members to the sport of sailing this summer! One thing that will not change... Sea Gals invites all women to come sailing on the Long Beach Sailing Foundations Catalina 37's. That means all women sailors & all women coaches! Our program motto is, "**All girls on deck..**"

### "ON THE WATER" SAILING EVENTS FOR BEGINNER/ INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED SAILORS

These are non-competitive sailing events designed to introduce women to sailing as well as build confidence, increase knowledge, and sharpen your sailing skills in a safe and fun environment. Debrief and network at the post sailing dock party.

Events #1-10 / A=Beginner/Intermediate (Non Spinnaker) / B= Intermediate/Advanced (Spinnaker)

- ◆ 01 A & B - Sunday, May 13 Mother's Day/Season Opening Day (1 pm - 4:30 pm)
- ◆ 02 A & B - Friday, June 8 (4:30-7:30 pm)
- ◆ 03 A & B - Saturday, June 9 (12-4 pm)
- ◆ 04 A & B - Sunday, June 10 (12-4 pm)
- ◆ 05 A & B - Saturday, July 7 (12-4 pm)
- ◆ 06 A & B - Sunday, July 8 (12-4 pm)
- ◆ 07 A & B - Friday, Aug 10 (4:30-7:30 pm)
- ◆ 08 A & B - Saturday, Aug 11 (12-4 pm)
- ◆ 09 A & B - Saturday, Sept 15 (12-4 pm)
- ◆ 10 A & B - Sunday, Sept 16 (12-4 pm)

### **ON THE WATER "INTRO TO RACING" EVENTS**

This group will be competing in the One Design fleet races on Wednesday at LBYC for 6 weeks. This Intro to Racing course is a 6 week commitment. We ask that you have a minimum of 2 intermediate/advanced (spinnaker) classes or prior experience racing on the Catalina 37, a Sea Gals coach will help to determine if you have the experience and the necessary agility to be part of the race crew. There are 9 crew spots for this series

Event #11 R1-6 Intro to Racing (6 Wednesdays, 4:30-7:30pm)

- ◆ 11.R1.Wednesday, June 13
- ◆ 11.R2.Wednesday, June 20
- ◆ 11.R3.Wednesday, June 27
- ◆ 11.R4.Wednesday, July 11
- ◆ 11.R5.Wednesday, July 18
- ◆ 11.R6.Wednesday, July 25

The schedule for the Sea Gals advanced race team is TBD. I expect we will enter the following:

- ◆ Long Beach Race Week (June 22-24)

- ◆ Long Beach Charity Regatta (September 23)
- ◆ Linda Elias Memorial Women's One Design (October 20-21)

*Note: The Sea Gals advanced racing team will be selected on the basis of experience, performance, agility and availability.*

### **REGISTER NOW FOR SAILING TIME**

Registration is now open for all Sea Gals events. Space is limited and registration is on a first come basis.

### **HOW TO REGISTER?**

Send an email to [SEAGALS.SAILING@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SEAGALS.SAILING@GMAIL.COM) requesting the date(s) you want to sail. Payment information will be sent to you. Just return it. Upon receipt of your payment, you will receive a confirmation email with your sailing dates. The week of your sail, you will get a reminder.

Sea Gals events begin/end at Long Beach Yacht Club.. google for directions. Parking is free.

The sailing event fee is \$50 per person. Prepayment guarantees your spot on the boat. The Long Beach Sailing Foundation takes credit cards (Visa/Mastercard), checks, cash or paypal. Refunds are available or you can change event dates - if there are crew openings. We request a 48 hr. cancellation notice.

### **WANT A \$10 DISCOUNT?**

All members of WORSAs and Women's Sailing Associations (LB/LA/Santa Monica Bay/Channel Islands) get a one time \$10 discount. All returning Sea Gals sailors get a one time \$10 discount. Seniors (60+) and students (w/ current ID) receive a \$10 discount on every sail (no limit). Every time you introduce a new friend/family member to a Sea Gals sailing event, you will receive a \$10 discount on that event (no limit).

Sea Gals is the Long Beach Sailing Foundation's Women's Sailing Program. We are open to the public and all women interested in sailing on the Catalina 37 are invited to participate. There is no membership fee. No sailing experience is necessary to participate in Courses 1-10. Junior sailors (under 18) are invited to participate when their mothers are on the boat. There is no upper age limit. The Catalina 37 boat is not equipped for physically handicapped persons, but deaf and blind women are invited to participate.

If your women's group would like to charter a Catalina 37 on a day that Sea Gals is scheduled, I would be happy to help facilitate those arrangements.. you are welcome to join the fun! If you have questions or need more information.. feel free to contact me by email or by phone. I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you out on the water!

*Judy-Rae Karlsen*

Director, Sea Gals Women's Sailing  
Long Beach Sailing Foundation

*"All girls on deck...."*

562-355-8500, [Seagals.Sailing@gmail.com](mailto:Seagals.Sailing@gmail.com)

## **WSA is Recruiting Skippers for Linda Elias Memorial Women's One Design Regatta Entries**

WSA of Santa Monica Bay intends to promote Women's Sailing and the Linda Elias Memorial Women's One Design (sponsored by the Long Beach Yacht Club and the Long Beach WSA), through seeking to maximize opportunities for participation in this event, by both existing members and potential members that may choose to join the WSA. Further information about the regatta can be obtained from [www.lbyc.org](http://www.lbyc.org). This year the regatta will be held October 20-21.

The WSA of SMB plans to budget funding for up to 50% of the cost for up to 2 entries to include boat charter and entry fee, which will be open to any qualified skipper to apply. Final decision on funding will be at the sole discretion of the board. The skipper and/or crew will need to fund the remaining balance of the boat charter and entry fees, the damage deposit and any incidentals.

Should only 1 boat qualify for funding, at the discretion of the board, the balance of the budgeted funds may be donated to an organization or cause which promotes women's sailing such as the Linda Elias Scholarship fund, which provides funding to qualified women skippers to participate in other sailing events. Should more than 2 qualified boats apply for funding, it will be at the discretion of the board to define selection criteria and decide which entries will receive funding.

Interested skippers must submit a written request, including the skipper's racing resume, to the WSA board to qualify for consideration of funding. Requests will be accepted beginning 30 March; no requests will be considered after 15 August. Only applications from current WSA members will be considered. More information about the WSA of SMB, including a membership application, can be found at [www.wsasmb.org](http://www.wsasmb.org). Requests for funding can be mailed to The Women's Sailing Association of Santa Monica Bay, PO Box 10034, Marina del Rey CA, 90295.

The WSA board will evaluate requests based on the following factors: (a) The skipper's overall sailing experience. (b) The skipper's racing history in terms of number of races entered and overall record. (c) The skipper's ability to recruit and train crew.

Requests for funding will be reviewed at each month's board meeting (the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month), beginning with the April board meeting. Exceptional candidates may be accepted for funding at any board meeting. Skippers accepted for funding will be notified on the 30<sup>th</sup> of that month. Requests that are not accepted at a monthly board meeting are held over to be reviewed in upcoming board meetings, along with any newly received requests.

The last possible date to submit a request for funding is 15 August, and the last review of requests will occur at the August board meeting. Should 2 skippers be selected

for funding prior to 15 August, however, no further applications will be accepted after their acceptance. Final authorization for funding from the WSA is contingent upon approval of the skipper(s) by the Long Beach Yacht Club Sailing Foundation, the organization administering control of the boats used in this regatta.

The skipper is entirely in charge of who will be on her crew, with the sole proviso that all crew members be members of the WSA at the time of the regatta. Skippers who have been accepted for funding by the WSA board will be announced to the general membership by email announcement, in the following month's newsletter and at the following month's general meeting (the second Tuesday of each month). WSA members are encouraged to contact skippers in order to possibly obtain a crew position.

## **Giving Back to Sailing**

*By Sue Service, WSA Staff Commodore*

If you're like me, the sport of sailing and the MdR sailing community have become a huge part of your life. I'm sure you're also looking for ways to share your love of sailing with others. Below are some ways you can get more involved in the local sailing scene:

- ◆ Volunteer with the Boys and Girls Club of Venice. Capt Fran Weber Melville has been doing this for several years and they always need a hand. Contact Fran at [cptfran@aol.com](mailto:cptfran@aol.com) if you think you can help
- ◆ Volunteer to help with race committee. You don't have to know ANYTHING about racing to help – you'll receive all the training you need that day. It's a fun day on the water and you'll meet lots of new people. If you're interested in learning to race, it's a great way to meet skippers. Ask WSA Race Chair Mary Ho for suggestions or talk to the race chair of any of the area yacht clubs. you will be warmly welcomed!

If you're short on time, the Santa Monica Bay Sailing Foundation is a non-profit organization that supports local young sailors with grants to help them attend sailing events and participate in clinics. All donations are tax-deductible and SMBSF also accepts donations of sailing gear (or just about anything you don't need!), which they will sell on E-bay and then use the funds for their grant program. Visit [www.SMBSF.org](http://www.SMBSF.org) for more info.

### **A Special thanks to Overland Café**

Every month, the Overland Café caters WSA's dinner with a wonderful variety of menus. Serving great food since 1974. Visit their website at [www.overlandcafe.com](http://www.overlandcafe.com)

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
**UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY**  
*District 11sr - Division 12*  
**2012 Boating Education Schedule**  
*\*\*February - November\*\**

Dates	Day	Time	Location	Contact
<b>SUDDENLY IN COMMAND:</b> Would you know what to do if your skipper suddenly became incapacitated?				
Feb 01	1 Wed night no fee	5:30pm to 9:30pm	King Harbor Yacht Club, 280 Yacht Club Way, Redondo Beach 90277	Frank Coll, 310-629-0160
Feb 07	1 Tue night \$35 per person \$45 per couple	6:30pm to 9:30pm	California Yacht Club, 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey 90292	310-913-4535 or Classes@uscga1242.org www.uscga1242.org
May 22	1 Tue night \$35 per person \$45 per couple	6:30pm to 9:30pm	California Yacht Club, 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey 90292	310-913-4535 or Classes@uscga1242.org www.uscga1242.org
<b>ABOUT BOATING SAFELY:</b> An introduction to boating safety that covers more than just the basics.				
Mar 28 – Apr 18	4 Wed nights \$35 per person	7:00pm to 9:30pm	King Harbor Yacht Club, 280 Yacht Club Way, Redondo Beach 90277	Frank Coll, 310-629-0160
Feb 21 – Mar 13	4 Tues nights \$45 per person \$55 per couple	7:00pm to 9:30pm	California Yacht Club, 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey 90292	310-913-4535 or Classes@uscga1242.org www.uscga1242.org
Jun 05 - Jun 26	4 Tue nights \$45 per person \$55 per couple	7:00pm to 9:30pm	California Yacht Club, 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey 90292	310-913-4535 or Classes@uscga1242.org www.uscga1242.org
<b>HOW TO READ A NAUTICAL CHART (HRNC) and/or GPS FOR MARINERS (GPS)</b>				
Basics of navigation using nautical charts			Operation of your handheld GPS	
Feb 15 – Mar 14	5 Wed nights \$75 per person	<b>HRNC &amp; GPS</b> 7:00pm to 9:30 pm	King Harbor Yacht Club, 280 Yacht Club Way, Redondo Beach 90277	Frank Coll, 310-629-0160
Apr 24	1 Tue night \$35 per person \$45 per couple	<b>GPS</b> 6:30pm to 10:00pm	California Yacht Club, 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey 90292	310-913-4535 or Classes@uscga1242.org www.uscga1242.org
May 8 & May 15	2 Tue nights \$40 per person \$45 per couple	<b>HRNC</b> 6:30pm to 9:30pm	California Yacht Club, 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey 90292	310-913-4535 or Classes@uscga1242.org www.uscga1242.org
Jun 5 & Jun 12	2 Tue nights \$45 per person	<b>HRNC</b> 7:00pm to 9:30pm	Del Rey Yacht Club, 13900 Palawan Way, Marina del Rey 90292	909-284-1790 or Jonathan.smaby@gmail.com
Jun 14 – Jun 28	3 Thu nights \$45 per person	<b>GPS</b> 7:00pm to 9:30pm	Del Rey Yacht Club, 13900 Palawan Way, Marina del Rey 90292	714-317-4510 or abakalyar@socal.rr.com
Nov 13 & Nov 20	2 Tue nights \$45 per person	<b>HRNC</b> 7:00pm to 9:30pm	Del Rey Yacht Club, 13900 Palawan Way, Marina del Rey 90292	909-284-1790 or Jonathan.smaby@gmail.com
<b>WEEKEND NAVIGATOR:</b> Navigation, Trip planning, Tides/Currents, Radar, Routes, Dead Reckoning.				
Sep 6 – Nov 15	11 Thu nights \$70 per person	7:00pm to 9:30pm	Del Rey Yacht Club, 13900 Palawan Way, Marina del Rey 90292	714-317-4510 or abakalyar@socal.rr.com
<b>SAILING SKILLS &amp; SEAMANSHIP:</b> Classroom course of basic to intermediate skills for sailing and safety.				
Feb 16 – Apr 19	9 Thu nights \$70 per person	7:00pm to 9:30pm	Del Rey Yacht Club, 13900 Palawan Way, Marina del Rey 90292	714-317-4510 or abakalyar@socal.rr.com
<b>BOATING SKILLS &amp; SEAMANSHIP:</b> A thorough study of boat operation and safety on the water.				
Apr 3 – May 29	8 Tue nights \$80 per person	7:00pm to 9:30pm	Del Rey Yacht Club, 13900 Palawan Way, Marina del Rey 90292	909-284-1790 or Jonathan.smaby@gmail.com
Sep 4 – Oct 23	8 Tue nights \$80 per person	7:00pm to 9:30pm	Del Rey Yacht Club, 13900 Palawan Way, Marina del Rey 90292	909-284-1790 or Jonathan.smaby@gmail.com
Sep 12 - Nov 14	10 Wed nights \$60 per person	7:00pm to 9:30pm	King Harbor Yacht Club, 280 Yacht Club Way, Redondo Beach 90277	Frank Coll, 310-629-0160

### Upcoming Calendar of Events

<i>March 2012</i>	
3rd Sat	Santa Monica Bay Race—Berger/Stein 2 DRYC
4th Sun	WSA Lunch Cruise to King Harbor
7th Weds	ASMBYC Racer's Forum—ASMBYC/DRYC
8th Thurs	Ensenada Race Seminar—NOSA/DRYC
10-11 Sat/Sun	MdR Opening Days—all Yacht Clubs
13th Tues	WSA General Meeting
17th Sat	Les Stors Regatta—SCCYC
24th Sat	Race Crew Try-Out Seminar—SBYRC
27th Tues	WSA Board Meeting
<i>April 2012</i>	
4th Weds	Sunset Series Seminar CYC
6-8 Sat-Mon	WSA Cruise to Cat Harbor
7th Sat	Start Seminar and Practice—SMWYC
10th Tues	WSA General Meeting
11th Weds	Sunset Series Begins—CYC
12th Thurs	Safety and Sailing Seminar—ASMBYC/PMYC
14-15 Sat/Sun	Spring Keelboat Regatta—CYC
22nd Sun	Homeport Regatta SMWYC/ASMBYC
24th Tues	WSA Board Meeting
27-28 Fri/Sat	Newport to Ensenada
29th Sun	She Devil (Woman at the Helm event) KHYC

**Racers:** Be sure to review the 2012 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 information!

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



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### **MISSION STATEMENT**

To promote and support women's sailing based on the following principles:

- 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