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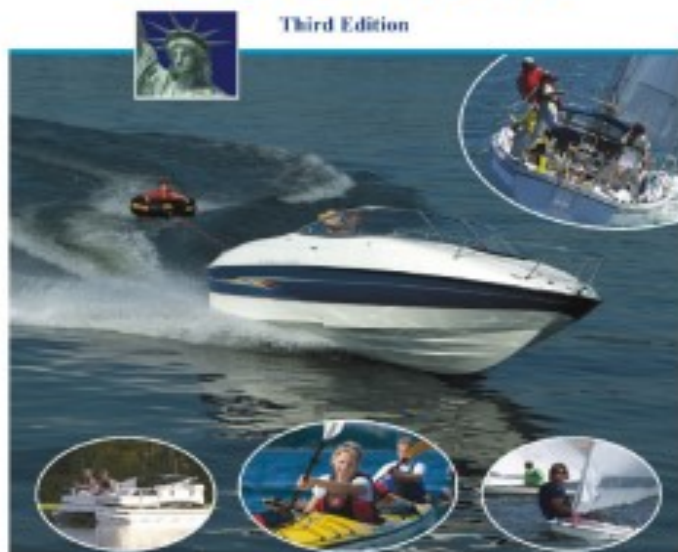


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## AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE®

Third Edition



## Make Your Boat A Safe Boat





# 2023

## 4 MONTH CALENDAR

### MARCH

- 15 **1830 ABC Oceanside Ice Cream Social—OYC**  
ABC Oceanside ExCom. Location OYC
- 25 **D28 Spring Conference.—SWYC San Diego. Special Guest Chief**  
**Commander Craig Fraser, SN-IN.**

### APRIL

- 2 0930 Santa Margarita Yacht Club Opening Day/Ceremony
- 2 1200 Oceanside Yacht Club Opening Day Boat Parade
- 1300 Oceanside Opening Day Ceremony
- 3 1830 ABC Oceanside ExCom—Location: Home of Cida Diehl.
- 12 **1830 All Member & Guest Event with potluck dinner**  
**(theme "Appetizers") - OYC Private Room.**

### MAY

- 1 1830 ABC Oceanside ExCom—Location TBD
- 20-26 **USPS National Safe Boating Week**
- TBA **Weaver PDF Giveaway, Oceanside Harbor with Hot Dog Roast**  
**on 'S' Dock after-party.**

### JUNE

- 5 1830 ABC Oceanside ExCom—Location TBD
- 16 **1800 Sundowner Dock Party—Dock TBA**
- 18-30 **ABC/USPS Alaska with Denali Cruise/Land Tour**

**Bold**—Our own club event and all members invited to attend.



## A Note From the Commander

Dear Members

**Jennifer** and I would like to extend a warm welcome aboard to everyone, and express our gratitude for the trust and confidence that has been placed in me as your new commander. It is an honor to lead such a dedicated and passionate team of members who share a common goal of promoting on-the-water activities and fostering a sense of community within our organization.

We are currently in **Florida** for the **National Meeting** and then enjoying the 80-degree weather out here for a couple of weeks while we wait for the rain at home to stop.

The National meeting was a success and the best part of it is, it's over. We had a few motions approved and one enormous one I feel. We voted that the squadron SEO's can now get free access to all teaching materials. I hope this helps to generate some interest in new classes and hopefully help us get some new members.

**Kayaking Class:** Our organization recognizes the growing popularity of kayaking as a recreational activity, and we plan to organize a kayaking class for members who are interested in learning more about the techniques and safety measures. I'm hoping that in the near future our squadron will be able to conduct the class. If any members would like or want to help and/or interested, please let either myself or Jennifer know.

**On the Water Activities:** In the month of **April**, we plan to have a **Hands-on-Training** class in conjunction with **ABC San Diego** and hopefully **Balboa** as well. At this session we plan to schedule some H.O.T classes for the upcoming year.

In conclusion, I would like to reiterate my commitment to the Club/Squadron and its members. I believe that with everyone's participation and enthusiasm, we can set some goals and make this organization a great success. I feel this is going to be a great upcoming year.

I look forward to working with all of you.

Sincerely,

*P/R/C Shawn Goit, JN-ON*



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## MARCH

**BRIAN INDUNI** 12

**JORGE ALONSO** 23

**TAWNYA RHOADES-PENNEY** 23

**SUZY COOPER** 29



**MARY SECKENDORF**

## TEXTING FOR AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB OCEANSIDE

By: Nancy Kangas, AP

### Please Accept My Texts

**804-336-3410**



We want to help you remember to have fun as a member of **America's Boating Club Oceanside**.

**So please accept texts by the number  
(804) 336-3410.**

You may opt-out at any point by typing the word  
"Stop".

I will be using the texts for reminders for monthly *get-togethers* and Executive Committee meetings.

Please save the number in your contacts as **ABClub Oceanside** so you will know the text is from "us".

The text will provide directions and a reminder about time and date of the event.

**FREE**

Vessel Safety Checks

Contact Shawn Goit

(760) 468-6212





America's Boating Club - Oceanside

# General Membership Meeting

*Sign-up Deadline: March 12th*

**Date:** 15 March, 2023,  
Wednesday

**Time:** 6:30 pm

**Where:** Oceanside Yacht Club

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**FREE to all who Sign-Up**

We need to know how much ice cream and toppings to buy - so please sign up via the link below (by March 12th):

[Ice Cream Social Sign-UP](#)

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**We will supply:**

- ★ Ice Cream
  - ★ Toppings
  - ★ Water
- 



## What To Bring:

You may bring sandwich/sub, or anything that you would like to eat in addition to the ice cream bar.

Members and  
guest event,  
Please join us.



# Marine Electrical Systems

## DATES

Thursdays, March 30, 2023

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 PM

## COST (includes book)

**\$70:** Members

**\$110:** Non-Members

Members include USPS and OYC

Limit 15 Students

## Instructor: Jorge Alonso



Don't get short circuited; learn how boat electrical systems work, how to diagnose problems, and how to do simple repairs and upgrades.

- Boat electrical wiring practices
- Galvanic and stray current corrosion
- Lightning protection
- How to use a multi-meter
- How to solder and crimp
- How to read electrical wiring diagrams



**All Classes Held at OYC**  
**Oceanside Yacht Club Classroom**  
 1950 Harbor Drive N, Oceanside, CA 92054

Enroll in either or both classes by  
 Scanning the QR code or clicking the link below

<https://americasboatingcluboceanside.org/classroom/>



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# Marine Navigation

Tuesdays, April 4, 2023

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 PM

## COST (includes book)

**\$80:** Members

**\$120:** Non-Members

Members include USPS and OYC

Limit 15 Students

## Instructor: Darryl Simmons



This course teaches you how to use the GPS along with traditional dead reckoning techniques for planning and laying out safe routes.

- Charts and their interpretation
- Landmarks and navigation aids (buoys, day marks, lights, etc.)
- Plotting courses and determining direction and distance
- Use of GPS - basic GPS displays and information they provide, setting up waypoints and routes, staying on a GPS course
- Pre-planning courses and entering them into the GPS



## Potluck

April 12th, 6:30 pm



**Bring an  
appetizer to  
Share**



## Speaker: Dennis Alba

### Topic: Safe Boating Tips: For Drivers & Divers



**POTLUCK & Speaker**

**Place: Oceanside Yacht Club**

**Date: April 12th, Wednesday, 6:30pm**



"Safe Boating Tips - for Drivers and Divers"  
given by Dennis Alba.

Bring your favorite appetizer to share and join us for an informative talk by Dennis Alba. He will share his experiences as both a seasoned boater and a Dive Instructor. Don't miss out on this fun and educational event! Please RSVP so we can plan accordingly.



Please RSVP: <https://americasboatingcluboceanside.org/event/member-and-guest-event/>



# S.E.O. EDUCATION UPDATE

We have a new, one year lease with OYC and we can now plan our classes again.

## Engine Maintenance Class

and **America's Boating Course** will be over on March 30 and March 28.

We will continue on with **Marine Electrical System** starting on **Thursday March 30, 2023** and a **Marine Navigation Class** (Piloting) class on **Tuesday, April 4, 2023**.

The Marine Electrical System class is a must for anyone re-wiring their boat. There is a reason why you should not use parts from the Home Depot. In class this will be explained. Instructor **Lt. Jorge Alanso, AP** will bring the right tools to use and show you in detail how to do the work. *See picture from last class.*



This Marine Navigation class will teach how to use a chart with confidence and understanding. True North and Magnetic North, use magnetic course, plot a DR on the course line, Fixes and Waypoints.



A handheld **Garmin GPSmap 76Cx** will be used to make waypoints. A waypoint uses signals from four satellites and how to convert the information to Latitude and Longitude. See picture of Garmin used.

Our lead instructor for this course is **Lt/C Darryel Simmons, AP** with other assisting instructors.

We can also use WEDNESDAYS for classes too. **D/Lt Cida Diehl, SN-CN** and I are willing to help other members with JN and N. *Let us know.*

A flyer for the two new classes has been given to the Harbor Master's office and also placed in OYC.

*Kindly,*

*SEO Jan Follestad, SN-CN*

## 2023 CLASSES

### CURRENT CLASSES:

- **ABC** Tuesdays January 10: 12 weeks
- **Engine Maintenance** Thursdays January 12: 12 weeks
- **Junior Navigation** Wednesdays January 18: 12 weeks
- **Piloting** Tuesdays April 4 to June 13: 10 weeks
- **Navigation** Wednesdays April 5 to 28: 12 weeks
- **On-the-Water courses**—CN-IN Skills April 6 to June 28

### FALL CLASSES:

- **ABC** Tuesdays: September 5 to November 21: 12 weeks
- **Piloting** Thursdays: September 7 to November 9: 10 weeks
- **Marine Navigation or Marine Electrical Systems** Thursdays September 7 to November 30: 12 weeks





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# MEMBERSHIP INVITATION

to join us



**America's Boating Club - Oceanside** offers you a fun membership at a low price. The club is run by people who love boating and the boating experience. You do not need to own a boat to join. You will have fun at social events, on the water events, educational classes, hands on boating activities, and so much more.

***Don't delay join TODAY!!!***

- **Website:** [AmericasBoatingClubOceanside.org](http://AmericasBoatingClubOceanside.org)
- **Members also get discounts on a variety of products, services and classes.**

Contact the Membership Administrator at 760-439-8929 for more information or simply go to our website to join.

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Membership Web Page



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**Boating  
Classes**

**2**

**Social  
Events**

**3**

**On-The-Water  
Events**

**Single Memberships** only  
\$102 for the year.

**Family Memberships** \$135  
(for three) add \$1 for each  
additional household  
member per year





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