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**Update #2:**

**2024 CCA International Cruise to the Sea of Cortez – May 3-12, 2024**



We hope you all enjoyed the holidays, and as we enter the new year, we look forward to longer days, warmer weather, and sailing in the Sea of Cortez in early May.

You should have received the invitation to the cruise cocktail reception / informational meeting scheduled for January 25<sup>th</sup> at Balboa Yacht Club in Corona Del Mar. [Click here](#) for the invitation, and we look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. Please feel free to invite your crew. We realize that those cruise participants that live out of the area will probably not be able to make the event on January 25<sup>th</sup>. Consequently, we are scheduling a zoom meeting in February. This will be a presentation by the cruise co-chairs, with a question and answer period following. We expect to distribute a cruise check list to all participants within the next 3 weeks. This will remind you of things to bring / consider before you arrive in Baja California in early May.

Our current count for cruise yachts is 15, which includes both private and charter yachts. We checked with Dream Yacht Charters just a few days ago, and there are still a number of charter yachts available for those that are still considering joining us.

We will be traveling to Loreto January 18 – 21 to finalize details for the opening cruise party and confirm other planned activities. After returning from Loreto on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will finalize the budget for the opening, mid cruise, and end of cruise parties, as well as a few other incidental expenses. It is our goal to keep these expenses as economical as possible, while delivering fun events with good food/drink.

We have made good progress in developing the cruise swag/logo wear that will be available. All participants will receive a swag bag when they arrive for the opening party, and logo wear will be available to purchase directly through Team One Newport, Inc. They are the club store provider for CCA. More details on that to come.

For those of you flying into Mexico, if you haven't already made airline reservations, you should look into it ASAP. There are limited options flying into Loreto and La Paz and they tend to fill up quickly at this time of year.

Also, if you plan to stay an extra day or so after the cruise, please consider the Hotel Indigo at the Costa Baja Marina. They've offered a discounted rate for our participants and they too are filling up fast. See the attached flyer for the discount code.

Lastly, we have reports that marina slips in the area are also at a premium. If you haven't already arranged a slip for either end of the cruise, you may want to do it now.

We will continue to keep you updated with regular cruise communications until we meet in the Sea of Cortez in early May. However, feel free to reach out directly to either of us with questions or visit the cruise web page at <https://cruisingclub.org/event/sea-cortez-international-cruise>.

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