

## International Propeller Club PORT OF SAN DIEGO

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## Club Members,

It's a great time to be a part of the Port #95, the San Diego Chapter of the International Propeller Club! Your club is on a great trajectory because of the hard work of our Board of Governors and the tremendous support of our membership base.

This year has been an amazing year for the International Propeller Club Port of San Diego. In September we were recognized as the International Propeller Club Port of the Year for 2023 having demonstrated significant growth in membership and a steadfast commitment to ideals of the International Propeller Club - promoting the maritime industry, commerce and global trade. In December we were selected to host the International Propeller Club Convention in 2026 – an opportunity to showcase the uniqueness of the San Diego waterfront community and the men and women who support the economic engine of the working waterfront every day.

We are grateful for the support from our teaming partners – Sharp Health Plan and USS MIDWAY Museum as well as our corporate and induvial members. We could not accomplish our mission without your generous support!

We have some aggressive goals for 2024 but are confident in our ability to achieve them:

- 1. Increase our membership by 50%. In 2023 we nearly doubled our membership and we are confident we can continue to expand our membership reach to like-minded partners on the waterfront.
- 2. Continue to be a strong advocate for the maritime industry commercial, government, military, hotel and restaurants and all users of our waterways.
- 3. Invest in our working waterfront with scholarship and training opportunities for Maritime Academy students as well as the working waterfront. Our goal is to provide \$6000 in scholarships and financial assistance to the maritime industry in 2024.
- 4. Make "blue collar" cool the San Diego waterfront community offers a variety of living wage jobs in many different trades. We are committed to making the working waterfront vibrant and successful through job opportunities and workforce training.

There is no better time to join the Propeller Club (Port #95) and continue our commitment to excellence on the San Diego waterfront.

To our current members – your commitment is unparalleled and we appreciate your support of the club and our endeavors.

Thank you,

Tim Dernbach

President, Propeller Club of San Diego (#95)