

# BAJA HA-HA XXII – 2015

## **MEXICAN TIPS & VISAS**

We've been receiving lots of calls and emails about details associated with filling out online TIP applications and Visa applications.

While we understand the basics of what is required, as outlined in the *First Timer's Guide to Mexico* (<http://issuu.com/latitude38/docs/mexftg-2015>) and articles we've posted on *Lectronic Latitude*, we certainly are not experts on these issues. And, of course, we would hate to give out erroneous information.

So we suggest that rather than calling or emailing us, you do the best you can to fill out the online forms, and if you come to a question that you don't understand, simply leave that box blank, if allowable, or write "none."

Otherwise, a number of cruisers have had good luck contacting INM by email to ask specific questions, via the template on this page:

<http://www.inm.gob.mx/consultas/open.php>.

Or by emailing INM in Cabo: [bcs\\_cabosanlucas@inami.gob.mx](mailto:bcs_cabosanlucas@inami.gob.mx)

## **CLEARING IN AT CABO**

As in years past, most Baja Ha-Ha rally boats will clear in at Cabo, either by visiting the various offices in person, or by using a port agent, such as Victor Barreda, who will probably be set up at the end of the Cabo Marina fuel dock, as he has in years past. His fee will probably be between \$50 and \$100 USD. Mexican officials may be set up there also to stamp visa receipts.

## **ENSENADA STARTERS**

Boat owners intending to start from Ensenada are encouraged to attend the Skipper's Briefing at 11 a.m. October 25 and the Costume Kickoff Party at 1 p.m. that same day (West Marine complex, 1250 Rosecrans, San Diego, CA). Inquire at Ensenada's Marina Coral about organizing a bus to and from the venue. If you CANNOT attend the briefing and party, try to hail the Committee Boat via VHF 69 on the afternoon or evening of the start, October 26, or simply check in during the normal 7:30 a.m. roll call. (Details on this to follow.)

## **DROPOUTS**

If you need to drop out of the rally DURING the event, please inform the Committee Boat via VHF 69, or ask nearby boats to relay your message. If you drop out BEFORE the starting date, please email: [events@latitude38.com](mailto:events@latitude38.com)

Thanks. We're looking forward to a great cruise south of the border!

— The Baja Ha-Ha Rally Committee