



OLYMPIA YACHT CLUB

April 2013



Commodore

Captain Mike Contris
First Mate Yvonne Contris
M/V Maya



First, let me say how proud I was of our club and its support of the memorials for Bill Bigelow and Eng Ellis; it was very clear to me that their families appreciated the use of the clubhouse and the large member turnouts at both events. I still find it hard to believe that I won't bump into Bill or Eng around the marina or out at the Island. They've long been real icons of our club and mentors to myself and so many other members.

Vonnie and I are being prepped for the upcoming Daffodil Parade cruise to Tacoma Yacht Club. I, as the 'token' for the trivia contest, will be decorated in some way that I hope will at least allow me to breathe and walk (preferably at the same time). There will also be a Commodore Hypnosis event by 'Dr Feelgood' and then the parade itself. If you've not been to one of these events, I'd heartily encourage you to go. TYC really goes out of their way to make all feel welcome and provide a truly enjoyable event. Our club will be grouped together in their marina and there are numerous activities and meals provided for your enjoyment. Plus, if the weather is nice, stunning views of Commencement Bay and Vashon Island!

And I hope that those of you attending the JO Ball 'Pajama Party' had a wonderful time. Vonnie and I certainly had a great deal of fun planning and preparing it. We're so glad to have this opportunity to celebrate and honor our junior officers, VC Jeff & Deb and RC Myra and Joe; they've certainly made my job as Commodore much easier and a great deal more fun! Finally, Vonnie and I would like to thank all those who helped on the affair:

PC Les Thompson, PC Carol Robinson, PC J Grady and Peg, PC George Smith, PC Tim Ridley, Pat Brower, Deb Waldherr, Beth Connolly, Mark and Eileen Leingang, our bartenders Catherine Bander, Jack Behrend and Joyce Murphy, PC Tony and Nancy Re for offering their home for the Friday night get together, Bridget Shreve for help with providing moorage to the seven officers who brought their boats to the party, and our caretaker Patrick for helping with the boating attendees as well.

And, as always, I'm here to help.

Commodore Mike Contris
M/V Maya



Vice Commodore

Captain Jeff Pape
First Mate Debra Pape
M/V Papa's Dream



We just had the OYC Junior Officers Ball and it was a blast for those who attended. Our club had strong attendance and the other Grand 14 clubs were impressed by the showing. Huge thanks to all who worked on the JO Ball and thanks to those who attended.

One thing that you learn going through the chairs is that not all clubs are the same. Some of the other clubs have JO Balls where the Junior officers do all the work. At OYC we are lucky to have the JO Balls put on in honor of those officers.

When Debra and I were considering going through the bridge we were apprehensive about the costume Balls. Turns out after attending two years of them we are sad they are over! Oh well, on to the next chapter....our Commodore year.

Daffodil is around the corner and we hope you will attend either by boat or by car. OYC is always one of the premier clubs at Daffodil and we want that to continue.

Spring is here and we should all use our boats as much as we can. Your boat will appreciate it!

See you on the water,

VC Jeff
1st Mate Debra
M/V Papa's Dream



Past Commodore

IPC Les Thompson
Captain Brian Thompson
M/V EcstaSea



Hi There OYC: Holy crimonoly, I can't believe it is already the first day of Spring!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I am still waiting for some sunny weather though. By the time you read this I will have attended my very first OYC sponsored PC cruise-in. At this writing we have about 70 Grand 14 and OYC PC's attending. This is one of the only times OYC

outstation is open to boats outside our club. This is such a wonderful event for the G-14 and they very much look forward to it each year. This year it is a week early due to Easter being on the same weekend that it is traditionally held. Many thanks to PC Tim Ridley and Geri and PC Gary Nelson and Colleen for organizing the event in past years. Huge Thanks this year goes to PC Carol Robinson and Chuck, PC Tony and Nancy Re along with

Brian for helping along with myself on organizing and hosting the event. OYC will provide dinner on Friday night, dinner on Saturday night, and breakfast on Sunday morning. This event is entirely funded by the G-14 and uses NO OYC funds. It is a chance for the PC's to reconnect and share ideas and information, which has always been a valuable tool to any Bridge officer or PC to bring back to our respective clubs.

Now on another note, April will bring on the time for nominations of Officers and BOT. If you wish for the nominations committee to consider you for a position, now is the time to let us know before we make our recommendations to the Board and membership. We will be presenting our nominations at the April dinner meeting. So you are running out of time to be considered. Please let me know if you are interested in any position. See you all on the docks or on the water.

IPC Les Thompson
M/V EcstaSea

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Rear Commodore

Rear Commodore Myra Downing
 Captain Joe Downing
 S/V *Vintage*



Hello fellow boaters.....

I can't believe that one third of 2013 is behind us. The weather didn't give us many signs of winter so it felt a little like we missed it. I kept waiting but never saw that lovely white stuff.

I think the year is flying by partly because we have attended seven JO Balls. Again, I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent OYC. I also

want to thank the other yacht clubs in the Grand 14 for sharing so much information with me and providing the opportunity to discuss ideas that may be useful for our club. Please know that my intention is always to look for ways to enhance our already fantastic yacht club.

With that said, thanks to all of you who worked on and worked at our JO ball. It was fantastic! And, I got to wear my favorite outfit - my pajama's. We want to thank those of you who were able to attend the ball. It meant so much to Joe and me. I want to apologize first because I don't know everyone who worked on it so with that - thank you to all of you. Commodore Mike, thanks for taking the lead.

Also, kudos to Susie and Rick for another great TGIF. That event rocks!

Thanks to the Anchorettes for purchasing that wonderful silverware. It is beautiful! And, thanks to Catherine for letting us be a part of the meal tasting for the WIC luncheon our club is sponsoring. And thanks to Harold and Dorrie for preparing the food we got to taste. Women OYC'er's, you will not want to miss the luncheon.

Lastly, remember Daffodil is just around the corner. It is going to be really cool.

See you at the dinner meeting on the 3rd. Salmon, yummy.

Myra and Joe Downing
 Rear Commodore
 S/V *Vintage*

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Fleet Captain Sail

Fleet Captain Susie Zuelke
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S/V *Voyager*



Hey Fellow Boaters!
Spring has Sprung and it is almost time for OPENING DAY! So rev those engines, flake out the sails and join us for a weekend of fun!

The Theme for 2013 is SOUTH SOUND ROCKS! So, come on down for TGIF on May 10th, then the Opening Day Ceremonies on May

11th. Join the Opening Day Parade of Boats with a Theme or Dressed Boat. Great prizes for best decorated boat, best theme boat, best spinnaker, best dinghy and best wooden and glass boat.



We are hoping for lots of participation this year so start planning now! It is sure to be a rockin' good time! We can always use more volunteers, so call me if you would like to help!

Fair Winds,
Susie Zuelke and Rick Antles
Fleet Captain Sail
S/V *Voyager*

TGIF

Thank Goodness it's **Friday!**

Next one is April 26th

5-7 pm at the Main Station

\$5 per person

No Reservations Required



Fleet Captain Power

Captain Theresa Madden



You won't want to miss
Opening Day !



Club Service Program

Les Thompson, Chair



Greetings all, and as I write this it is the first day of Spring. Hoping better weather is upon us. I will post the March report in the clubhouse at the end of the month. Please check your hours and let me know ASAP if incorrect so that we can correct. I do not wish to wait until the end of the year for corrections for the entire year since committee chairs have to sign off as you perform hours. It is much easier to get them corrected before it gets too far along and their records get longer. There are many upcoming events that will be needing people to help with as well as Mainstation and Clubhouse help. Look to the sign up sheets for the upcoming events. Our caretaker, Patrick, will be leaving to return to help his mother by the time you receive this. Please contact Clubhouse chair Carol Robinson or Mainstation chair George Baker to see if they need assistance during the transition while we proceed to employ a new caretaker. As always I am here to help, call me if you need assistance finding a way to get in your CSP hours. All of the committees would be honored to have more members input and this is a great way to meet members and participate in club functions. Don't hesitate to volunteer. You will be glad you did.

CSP guru,
IPC Les Thompson



Board of Trustees

Walt Scheffer, Chair
M/V Rob Roy



At the March Board meeting we adopted the Clean Marina rules which form the basis of our application for a "Clean Marina" designation. This designation, once obtained, not only improves our basin's environment but holds OYC out to the public as a leader in environmental protection of our waters. Our club is uniquely in the public eye due to our location and this Clean Marina designation will not go unnoticed.



Photo by Rick Taylor

The Board also awarded the engineering, permitting and bid preparation work for our piling replacement project to Skillings Connolly. We hope the permits for this project will be in place so work can proceed at the same time as the dredge which is scheduled to commence in the fall of this year. If so, we anticipate a savings in construction costs. The replacement of deficient piling in our basin has long been a planned project and, once completed, will be a major upgrade to our facility. As previously reported the funding for both the dredge and the pile projects is in our reserve fund and no increased revenues will be necessary.

The Shed Committee reported and recommended that a condominium approach to a Shed not be adopted. Other clubs that have used that approach report unsatisfactory results. With both an unsecured and secured loan being rejected by the membership and Board the only remaining option would be to "pay in full" for a shed and related dock from our reserve funding. Although this has been explored and earlier rejected by the Board the delay in the commencement of the dredge and the additional reserve income generated due to that delay has initiated a request from the Shed committee to have a second look. The Budget and Finance committee will do so and issue a report at the April Board meeting at which point we can hopefully decide the matter.

I would like to welcome PC Carol Robinson as our Clubhouse Chair and George Baker as Mainstation Chair. We look forward to working with both and with their committees in these important positions. We have openings in our Quartermaster position which can be held by two members thereby easing somewhat the work involved. Please contact any Board or Bridge member if you have any interest in this position.

With elections for Board and Bridge positions upcoming in May please consider coming forward and contributing to the club in these positions. It is my opinion that joining OYC carries much more than enjoying comparatively inexpensive moorage and facilities. It carries a responsibility to give something back in addition to dues and moorage payments. That, of course, is the difference between a Club and a Marina.

I am fully employed and am acutely aware of time constraints and responsibilities outside of the club. Nonetheless, some commitment to OYC is a responsibility. The nature and extent is, of course, the issue. Each member brings their own unique experience and abilities to the club and whether on the Bridge, Board or a committee, your unique experience and ability is a major asset for our club. Please consider placing your name for consideration as a Board or Bridge member.

Walt Scheffer
Board Chair

Anchoresses

Catherine Schefter, President



Our special guest at the April 3rd dinner meeting will be Sarah Hannapel, executive assistant for Concern for Animals. Concern for Animals is the Anchoresses selected charity for 2012-13. This charity, among other activities, maintains a food bank to assist needy families in the care and feeding of their pets. This food bank asks for contributions of dog and puppy food, cat and kitten food, pet treats, cat litter and toys.

Please check your own pet supplies or buy an item or two that you can donate and bring it to the Clubhouse. We have a special container over by the Thurston County Food Bank container for these pet products. It would be nice to bring those items to the dinner meeting so Sarah can leave with our donations. Also remember our Thurston County Food Bank ongoing drive for donations.

Our normally scheduled Women's Interclub Council luncheon at which we host other Grand Fourteen Yacht Clubs will be held on Wednesday, April 24th. All OYC ladies are invited to attend. Bring a friend for good food, fellowship and fun. The cost is \$14.00 per person. This year's theme is Chinese New Year! The social hour starts at 11:00 am and lunch is served at noon. Please RSVP to Kim Shann at 360-491-3786 or Phyllis DeTray at 360-491-1188.

There will be a raffle for a number of great gift baskets including wine, chocolate and lots of unique goodies. Great value! We always can use help on April 22 and 23 for set up, food preparation, decorating and clean-up for this event. It's a good way to meet others and get your CSP hours. Please call Dorrie Carr at 360-515-1118 if you can help, or there are sign up sheets available in the Club House.

This luncheon is always a great opportunity for old and new members to meet other clubs' members as well as renew contacts with our own. We always have our "buddy" system to be with you in "mingling" with the crowd so do not feel as if you will be on your own at the lunch. If this is a new experience for you, please call me at 360-491-2313 and we will have someone greet you at the door.

Catherine Schefter
President

Lunch Bunch

Mike and Denise Lackey



Next Lunch Bunch is April 10th

Sunshine Committee

Barbara Narozonek-Neuhauser, Chair



- Flowers were sent to Lonnie Holt. A "Thinking of you and wishing you well."
- Flowers were sent to Bob Utter. Hospitalized, and wishing him well and thinking of him.

Quartermaster

Linda Bryant, Chair



Open before each monthly dinner meeting

Come see what's new!

Moorage Report

Bridget Shreve, Moorage Master



Just a heads-up to members! This spring I will be checking on boats that need to be cleaned up, ragged burgees, and boats that do not seem to have been moved due to barnacle growth on hulls, rudders, propellers etc.

— Thank you for your cooperation! —

Bridget Shreve, Moorage Master (360) 561-3289

Yearbook

Steve Clark and Beth Branshaw

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Greetings Everyone! If you would like an extra OYC Yearbook you will find them by the fireplace at Main Station. We posted a DRAFT Membership Directory at Mainstation for your review and edit. Attention! The DRAFT Directory seems to have walked off! We will leave another on the board. Please leave it posted and just check your listing and make any corrections.

We continue our quest for updated information!! If you would like an updated picture of yourself for the directory, just email it to Harmonysbest10@gmail.com

We need pictures to document the many activities of the club so send them in!

Thanks – Beth and Steve

Fleet Surgeon

Richard Hurst, M.D ("Rich")



The several days of sunshine and almost warm weather brings up the subject of cold water survival.

For those of you who are also lake boaters and fishermen, remember that most of our lakes are snow melt-fed and are barely above freezing this time of the year. The Sound is minimally warmer at a chilly 45 degrees.

If you go into water that cold, the first thing may be a gasp reflex that may suck cold water into your lungs and without a life jacket to hold you up, that might be your last breath. Shortly after that, you have your best time to do something – inflate your vest, pull out a knife to free yourself if trapped, call or whistle for help, pull down a ladder, or swim to a nearby float. Within minutes, your ability to do anything requiring dexterity will be lost and that includes the ability to assist in your own rescue. You won't be able to board your swim ladder, turn on a light or MOB device, grab a float, or don and buckle your PFD. Keep as much of your body out of the water as possible. Water will suck away vital heat much faster than even a cold wind. With a PFD on, you can assume a fetal position that covers your greatest heat loss zones. Thrashing around increases your heat loss as warm blood gets shunted to your muscles.

Re-boarding the boat will be incredibly difficult. Rescuers should count on no help from the victim. The clothing will be heavy and wet and their strength nil. The LifeSling is invaluable for sailboats which commonly have a high freeboard. The sling will work for powerboats as well, but they may not have a winch that can be used.

The victim needs a mindset for survival. Think ahead to being warm at the hospital. Many have seemed to muster all their resources to the rescue, then fail to leave enough left over for the recovery. They just collapse even as they are rescued.

Re-warming with warm liquids and skin to skin body contact under covers may be sufficient for lesser exposures, but EMT care is critical for the longer exposures which may frequently progress to a stage with no shivering (bad sign). Very slow heartbeat and breathing may be a sign of extreme cold, but CPR is frequently NOT indicated in these situations until the person has been warmed. People's brains and bodies have survived incredible periods of cold exposure intact with proper care.

The adage is: *No one is considered dead until they are warm and dead.*

So.....

- **Wear a PFD** either always or at least appropriately for the boat or the conditions.
- **Don't intentionally go into the water** or tempt fate...Guys, you know who you are!
- **Lifesling** – get one and sign up for a practice event.

Clubhouse

PC Carol Robinson, Chair

Greetings

Just letting you all know that I took over as Clubhouse Chair. I have rental packets on the board for those interested in renting the Clubhouse. I would personally like to 'thank' Dennis & Karen Gray for all their efforts.

I can be reached crobjon@aol.com or 360-239-2048.

PC Carol

M/V Romancing the C's

Board of Trustees Notice

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

It has been brought to the attention of the club that the Bylaws and Regulations printed in the most recent year book are not the most current edition. Because of the impending elections the following is the current Bylaw section dealing with Elections:

(B) Elections: Elections shall take place on the night of the regular meeting of the Club in May of each year. The Secretary shall furnish each Active Member in good standing present at the Club, a printed ballot containing the names of all nominees for each position. The election shall be a secret ballot. This printed ballot shall also contain a provision for write-in candidates. Members may vote for any eligible candidate for each open position. Ballots are to be collected and counted by the Trustees who are not running for office. If there are two open positions, such as with the Board of Trustees, and the two top candidates are in a tie, then they will both be elected. In the event of a tie in any other position, a runoff vote on such position shall be held immediately by secret ballot with only the tied nominees on the ballot.



Island Home

Gary Gronley, Chair



The Island Home committee has scheduled a work party for April 27th. We have several projects that need to be completed, and several that are more just annual maintenance. Trail repair and landscape alteration are high on the list for "need to get completed" projects. We have a need for additional wheelbarrows, shovels and rakes. We want to put a good coat of wood preservative on the kids gym set. There is a pile of wood that we want to relocate and re-stack. If we have enough people and time we can fabricate the floats that we will be using for our next oyster grow program. Our current plan is to start 2000 oyster seed annually, starting this May.

There will be a lunch served; with this in mind I need to have you pre-register that you plan on participating. You can register by calling me at 360-866-3974, or signing the Island Home work party sheet at the Main station. If you prefer you can email me.

For our new members, this is a great way to see your Island, meet other members, have a great lunch*, and get some CSP hours.

We want to start at 9:00am, consider the weather when you dress for the day.

See you on the Island, April 27th.

Gary Gronley

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* I've been informed by the lunch servers (Le' Julee~Peri) that if you don't pre-register..... the probability that you will be served vegetarian dog biscuits and dehydrated water is pretty good!

Membership Committee

Bill Wilmovsky, Chair

**Terry and Janet Yeager**

At the March Dinner Meeting the membership agreed that a Past OYC Commodore and his ex-Coast Guard radio operator wife would be good additions to the membership.

Actually it was only 12 years ago that 'new' member, Terry Yeager, was Commodore of the OYC and Jerry Budelman, his sponsor (along with Carol Robinson), was his Vice Commodore. Terry and his wife, Janet, lived aboard their 42 foot Ocean Alexander at OYC and took her to every Grand 14 event except one as they went through the chairs. Living at OYC, they became intimately familiar with marina issues. He was delighted to bring the USS Olympia to Lakefair during his tenure.

But it was life and family that took the Yeagers away about 2007 when they sold their boat and bought a house in Tumwater. Fortunately, life changes, and now they are back on the water in a 37 foot Puget Trawler named Destiny. They won't live aboard again soon ("My wife likes dirt.") as Janet, a noted artist in several mediums, is very attached to her garage sized studio in Tumwater. (You can see some of her work on display in the USS Olympia display at OYC.) She's also busy in the billing department at Olympia Orthopaedic and he is busy being a retired builder-consultant.

Speaking for them both Terry said, "We are glad to be back among old friends."



- Patti Taylor

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The History Corner

Lisa Mighetto, OYC Historian



The OYC has had its share of adventurous members who have cruised to exotic locations. Recent examples include Bob and Linda Hargreaves, who were in town last month and agreed to an interview to record their voyages for the archives. Bob and Linda joined the yacht club in 2003 as part of their preparation for long-distance cruising. They purchased their sailboat “Bright Angel” (a Mason 44) with blue water cruising in mind, and decided to move from Swantown Marina to the OYC, initially to save moorage costs. They quickly became engaged in OYC social activities. “Oh, man - I wish we’d joined years ago,” Bob commented as he reflected on the fun that he and Linda had at OYC activities.



Bob & Linda in Olympia



Birds on the bow

Soon after they joined, Bob became Fleet Captain Power. When asked how a sail boater achieved this position, Bob explained that after “copious quantities of margaritas” during one Cinco de Mayo dinner meeting, he humorously nominated his entire table – all sail boaters – for the position, thinking that a power boater would challenge him. None did - and Bob became “the figurehead” for an organizing committee that included the sail boaters at his table. “Sailboats have power,” they reasoned. Why not represent power boating in the club? “We spread the work around,” Bob recalled, “and we became the closest friends.” Linda agreed that their year organizing OYC cruises “was so much fun.”

Before leaving on their big voyage, Bob and Linda devoted years preparing. “We read, read, read and took courses,” Linda remembered. They attended the boat show university as well as workshops on diesel mechanics, boat electronics, and Safety at Sea. As Linda explained, “by the time we left, Bob knew the [boat’s] systems inside and out.” They also “did a fair amount of redoing systems and rigging” before leaving. This preparation came in handy at sea, where “something breaks every week” owing to the heavy weather and corrosive salt in the tropics. “If you’re used to weekend cruising, it’s difficult to realize how seriously you tax the boat with full-time ocean cruising,” Linda commented.



Hiking on Nuku Hiva, Marquesas

When asked if they have ever been frightened, Bob told the story of an anxious night in a very crowded anchorage surrounded by coral reefs in the South Pacific. “A big thunderhead blew through,” Bob remembered, hitting so quickly that there was no time to plan. “I scrambled out of bed in my skivvies,” and started the engine. Another boat t-boned into “Bright Angel’s” bow and Bob “ran up to help,” just as several boats converged and tangled. The incident was over in 10-15 minutes, but “Bright Angel” sustained a bent bow pulpit while other boats in the anchorage fared worse. “The adrenaline was really pumping,” Bob noted, “and I have consciously avoided crowded anchorages ever since.”



Minerva Reef

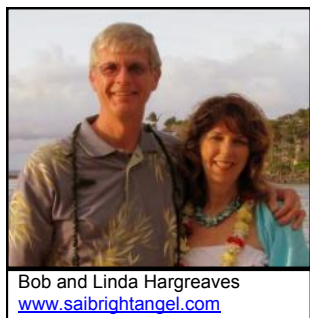
Linda had a “scary story” of a different sort, describing what it felt like to be the only boat anchored in the Minerva Reefs, located around 300 miles southwest of the Tongatapu Group. Yachts traveling from Tonga or Fiji to New Zealand often stop here, as there is an area of calm water protected by coral reefs. But Bob and Linda were alone. “We were anchored in the mid-

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Nautical Notes

from out there.....

Out Cruising.....

Bright Angel

Bob and Linda Hargreaves
www.sailbrightangel.com

We made it back to NZ on Thursday (Wednesday your time Feb 27th) at around 2300; two and a half hour flight from SEA to LAX, four hour layover,

14 hour flight to Melbourne, two hour layover and then another four hour mechanical delay, and finally a three hour flight to Auckland. We stayed the night at a hotel and then drove the 3 hours to Whangarei on Friday.

All is well here in New Zealand. Summer is coming to a close - and, along with it, the cyclone season further north - and cruisers (including us) are busy getting their boats ready to head back to the tropics in the next couple of months. We plan to haul out in mid-April, paint the bottom and take care of a few other projects, then splash in early May, start provisioning and watching the "weather windows." Our plan is to head back to Tonga for a couple of months and see some of the places we missed last year - mostly in the Ha'apai Group - before heading over to Fiji for a few months. We'll come back to New Zealand at the end of the cruising season - late October / early November - just in time for the start of another southern hemisphere summer. We are looking forward to a much slower pace in the islands this year, and when we get back to NZ, seeing some of the places we missed this year - like the south island!

Follow their journey at <http://www.sailblogs.com/member/sailbrightangel/>

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dle of the ocean," Linda explained, watching waves crash on the surrounding reefs. "It was spooky... It started getting dark and I felt like someone was going to pull the plug... I was happy to leave."

Much of their interview was devoted to the community of cruisers they have met along the way, from California to Mexico to the South Pacific to New Zealand. "It's an incredible international community," Linda pointed out. Yacht clubs have been especially welcoming to the couple.

Bob and Linda described more wondrous sights than we have space to print in this newsletter. Bob reflected on the awesome power of wind and water, for example, explaining that sometimes "the rain comes down so hard it flattens the sea and the waves disappear." Linda described the magical sight of dolphins shooting through the waves "like silver torpedoes" when the sea is luminescent.

When asked for advice for others considering long-distance cruising and ocean passages, Bob and Linda cited the need for preparation and for expecting the unexpected. "The sea is a very humbling environment," Bob reflected. "If there's something lacking in your boat or in your skills the sea will find it." At the same time Linda suggested that "if you try to prepare for everything you'll never go." As she concluded, "we're different sailors now than when we left."

Photos by
 Bob and Linda Hargreaves



Linda at the flower market in Papeete

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This article has appeared in previous Beachcombers and is only slightly updated for 2013

Spring Cleaning with the Environment in Mind

At a cruise one fall, Barb and I had the pleasure of being on the same finger pier as Al, Susan and their granddaughter. Al and Susan's granddaughter found a beautiful sea slug and as you may know some of these are beautifully colored, fascinating creatures to watch. This one was particularly beautiful being white with a purple line down its back. There were close to forty boats and over a hundred people on that dock; all of us enjoying, using and abusing the waters of Puget Sound. Therein lies the dilemma for those of use who boat and want to enjoy Puget Sound and yet pass a Sound worthy of love and wonder on to our children and grandchildren.

The South Puget Sound Ecosystem is predisposed to problems. It has large areas of tidelands exposed to sunlight and low water in the summer. These mudflat tidelands collect silt and nutrients and are a great place to be an algae for most of the year. Then in summer when the mud is exposed to extreme heat and drying during the midday low tides, much of the algae dies and is then decomposed by bacteria in the water. This process uses oxygen that was dissolved in the water. That same oxygen that larger marine life, like clams and fish need to survive. This silting, fertilizing, and dying is known as eutrophication, the natural aging of bodies of water. Along come humans and we log forests, adding soil nutrients; we fertilize fields adding fertilizer; we use septic tanks, build roads and contribute to LOTT sewer sludge. These factors and more add nutrients to South Puget Sound. Because of these nutrients, even more algae growth builds up on the mudflats and shallows. Along comes summer with high sun angles and low tides killing algae and decomposition raises the carbon dioxide levels and lowers the oxygen levels. Dissolved oxygen levels plummet to levels that cannot support life. In the words of an executive summary of the 2008 study of dissolved oxygen and nutrients done by the Dept. of Ecology "the results show that human-related sources of nitrogen must be reduced to keep the South Sound healthy" (W.A. Dept of Ecology 2008) A dead zone is a possibility. There are many of these dead zones along the east coast of the U.S. (Clyde Ford 2008) Dead zones have already been identified in Hood Canal. My point in all of this is because of the existing conditions; in South Puget Sound, a little is a lot when it comes to nutrients being added to our waters. It's already close to the edge, let's try not to push it over. With respect to our spring clean-up, what can we do?

I don't plan to chainsaw my boat and deliver it to a landfill in eastern Oregon. So I'm going to try to use practices and products that can at least lower the impact on Puget Sound's sensitive ecosystem. I hope you will try some of these things with me and report back to the environmental committee. We can use that holding tank. We can minimize gray water impact by reducing the use of dish soap, and use that sink strainer. We can choose products with fewer harmful substances in them and choose practices that minimize the amount of harmful substances that enter the water. We can keep an ongoing dialog about the products and practices we all try to use.

Spring Cleaning the Exterior

The Big Job. I plan to try the following.

1. Clean boat and decks with 1/2 cup vinegar to 1 gal hot water.
2. Spot clean with Simple Green solution (follow dilution directions)
3. Baking Soda and Boraxo for more stubborn stains
4. Wax with a cleaner wax. I like Sea Power.

Routine Maintenance I plan to try.

1. Fresh water wash
2. White vinegar wash
3. Spot cleaning with Simple Green in a spray bottle

Bright Work

1. Doing nothing is recommended in *Boat Green* by Clark Ford
2. Teak cleaners (Oxalic acid is an organic acid) Materials safety data sheet @ <http://www.epa.gov/oppsrrd1/REDs/factsheets/4070fact.pdf>
3. Sanding - Wet sand to touch up and have oil absorbent pads at the ready in case you get some in the water. If dry sanding, use a skirt and a dustless sander as recommended by *Boat Green*.
4. When varnishing, have oil absorbent pads ready. I'm going to wet sand and varnish with oil absorbent pads at the ready.

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Give some of these alternatives a try and let me know how it goes.

Item to Clean	Traditional Product	Alternative
Stains	Cleaners with Bleach	Hydrogen Peroxide
Counters & Deck stains	Soft Scrub Cleanser	Baking soda or Boraxo
Counters, decks, &	Dishwashing detergent	½ cup white vinegar in 1 gallon water
Windows	Windex	1 cup White Vinegar 1qt warm water
Brass polish	Brasso	Worcestershire sauce, or paste of salt vinegar & water
Stainless Steel	SS Polish	Baking Soda & water paste
Fiberglass Stains	Soft Scrub	Baking Soda paste
Mildew remover	Something with bleach	paste of vinegar & salt or paste of salt & lemon juice
Hand cleaner	Waterless hand cleaner	Baby oil
Drain cleaner	Drano liquid plumber	Put baking soda down drain, then vinegar, snake?
Dirty stern	Soft Scrub	Baking soda paste / cleaner wax
Sails and canvas	Laundry detergent	IOSSO http://www.zcare-cleaners.com
Rubber dingy	Inflatable Dingy Cleaner	Baking Soda, Baby Oil on the black smudges
Toilet	Cleanser	borax, allow to sit for couple of hours

I will not be perfect, but do I think about the environmental cost of what I do on my boat? Yes. I would love to discuss the choices I have made with you and if we all discuss what we are trying to do to minimize the impact of our boating activities on the Puget Sound environment, maybe we all can reduce our negative impact on the waters we love and want to share and pass on to our children and grandchildren.

Rick Bergholz, Chair of the Environmental Committee and skipper of the *Inati*

1. W.A. Dept. of Ecology 2008 <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/pubs/0203021.pdf>
2. Clyde Ford 2008 *Boat Green*, New Society Publishers, CA



Safety Committee

PC Richard Erwin, Chair



By now you may have heard that our loss of Eng Ellis was from carbon monoxide poisoning, a loss of a dear friend and OYC member that was preventable. A loss that could have been prevented with an operating carbon monoxide (CO) detector. CO is a colorless and odorless gas that produces initial symptoms of drowsiness, headaches, nausea, or dizziness that are not especially alarming. CO is measured in parts per million (ppm) to air.

Concentration of CO, Symptoms and Time

100 ppm .01%	Slight headache in 1 – 2 hours
400 ppm .04%	Frontal headache 1 – 2 hours widespread in 2.5 to 3.5 hours
800 ppm .08%	Dizziness, nausea, convulsions in 45 min Insensible in 2 hours
1,600 ppm min. 16%	Headache, dizziness, nausea in 20 min. Death within 30 min.
3,200 ppm .32%	Headache, dizziness, nausea in 5 min Death within 30 min
6,400 ppm .64%	Headache, dizziness within 1 – 2 min Death in less than 15 min

The common denominator in all carbon monoxide boating deaths? *NO operational CO Detector*

CO Concentrations at the Sources:

Gasoline engine 10,000 – 100,000 ppm

Diesel engine 1,000 ppm

Does this mean only gas engine boats should have CO detectors..... NO! - ALL boats with enclosed cabins should have a marine grade CO detector. It monitors your own vessel's exhaust and there are many documented cases where a gas engine (generator) CO drifted into another vessel. CO can drift into boathouses and linger. CO is about the

same weight as air and tends to spread throughout cabin and sleeping areas.

You always open your boathouse curtain when you run your engine, so you do not think you need a CO detector... WRONG – a little breeze and all the CO will stay in your boathouse and boat. Or maybe your neighbor is running his engines and his CO is drifting into your boat & boathouse. The only way you can be certain you are not breathing CO is to have a good operational CO detector.

The new style CO detectors will have a UL1524 listing and are much improved models. They time weight average and self-clean to reduce false alarms. The average life of a CO detector is 5 years. The new Marine Technologies Model 65-541 (\$70.0) will be out soon with a life end indicator. It is not recommended to use a household style CO detector. They are not designed for salt water environment and frequent exposure to CO and vibrations. Carole & I have 3 old inoperative CO detectors in our boat we will replace as soon as the new MT 65-541 are available.

How about CO detectors in every vessel moored at OYC?





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South Sound Women's Boating Seminar May 18

The South Sound Women's Boating Seminar, held Saturday, May 18, from 8:00am to 5:00pm at the Olympia Yacht Clubhouse, is an exceptional learning opportunity for women boaters both experienced and novice.

This year's presenters and topics include:

Alison Mazon – understanding your boat's electrical systems

Lynne Reister – using VHF radio properly

Judy Grable – 'reading' the weather

Ace Spragg – how tides and currents affect trip planning

Mary Campbell – electronic aids for safe navigation

Do you wish you could ask someone how to make cruising easier for Fido or Fluffy? *Table Topics*, new this year, is an open-forum discussion led by women with experience in cruising with pets, living aboard, single-handing and other topics of interest.

Also new this year is the *Hands-on Fair*. Reminiscent of exhibitions at the County Fair, each station presents an in-depth demonstration of a useful skill. Participants may visit each station or repeat stations at their own pace.

Great gear, one-on-one tutoring on your own boat, beautiful items by local artists and MORE will be raffled to fund scholarships for the "Girls at the Helm" program hosted by the *Adventuress*. Last year's scholarship recipients will be on hand to share their adventures, made possible by the generosity of 2012 seminar participants.

What could be better after such an exciting day than sharing dinner with your new friends and learning buddies? A barbecue on the Clubhouse deck overlooking beautiful Budd Inlet rounds out the day.

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Tickets are \$3.00 each or 6 for \$15.00 and can be purchased at the event. Children 5 and under are free. All proceeds from this event benefit local charities in the Tacoma area. Among the highlighted yachts is a 75' restored Canadian Military Training Vessel, the “Fellowship”. We also are featuring an antique fire truck, Tacoma fire boat, Captain's Gig (Verite) and a Sailboat kit (Scamp).

There will be award winning Classic Cars and Motorcycles to view. The public is welcome. Please wear soft soled shoes. Life vests will be available for youths 12 and under. This event is at the Tacoma Yacht Club located at 5401 N. Waterfront Drive, Tacoma, WA 98407. The boats for viewing will be in the water at the Club's Guest Dock.

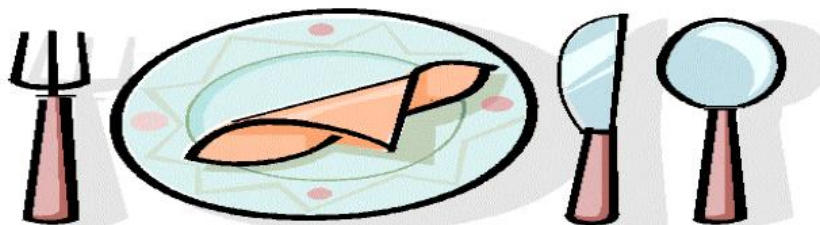
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- Hull Shape—Modified Vee
- Beam—13 ft 2 in
- Max Draft 3 ft 2 in
- Dry Weight—21800 lb

- Cabin Headroom—6 ft 5 in
- Max Bridge Clearance—17 ft 10 in
- Water Capacity—70 gal
- Holding Tank Size—36 gal
- Fuel Capacity—196 gal

- Engine make—Volvo
- Engine Model—8.1 L
- Number of Engines—2
- Engine Hours—125

This immaculate and fully equipped Carver 36 Motor Yacht features contemporary motor yacht styling and Carver's advanced, **raised walk-deck design** that creates the roomiest cabin in this size range. The impressive cabin is warm and inviting, created by the appeal of the **cherry wood cabinetry** with high-gloss finish, contemporary colors and plush **Ultraleather seating**. Large windows and Carver's signature two-tiered window design provides light throughout the salon. Sleeping accommodations include two **staterooms** with a private head compartment in the master stateroom (aft). Families will enjoy the space and comfort designed into the 36's **flybridge**. There's a **fully equipped control console** and ample seating. Boat comes complete with **dingy, out-board, all bedding, bar-b-q, and galley equipment**. Interior features **two TV/ DVD's** Sirius radio and AM/FM/CD stereo for dockside entertainment. Located in OYC slip 146 for easy viewing.

Reduced for quick sale - \$199,900.

Contact Harvey at (360) 866-0251 or email rktee1@comcast.net

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Island Home Meeting 7:00 pm	2 Bridge Meeting 6:00 pm Government Affairs 5:30 pm	3 Dinner Meeting 6:00 pm	4	5	6 Day Island Yacht Club Commodore's Ball Queen City YC Eagle Harbor IPBA
7	8 Mainstation Meeting 6:00 pm	9 SSSS Meeting 6:30 pm	10 Lunch Bunch 11:30 am Board Meeting 6:00 pm	11	12	13
14	15	16 Juniors Committee meeting 5:30 pm	17	18 Tacoma YC Daffodil Parade Anchorettes meeting 6:00 pm	19 Tacoma YC Daffodil Parade	20 Tacoma YC Daffodil Parade
21 Tacoma YC Daffodil Parade	22	23	24 Membership meeting 5:30 pm Clubhouse meeting 6:30 pm WIC Luncheon Olympia YC	25	26 TGIF Dinner 5:00 pm	27 Poulsbo Yacht Club Commodore's Ball Bremerton YC/Port Orchard YC IPBA
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Join us for dinner

Wednesday, April 3rd

- **Gourmet Salad Greens Cucumber Dill Dressing**
- **Dinner Rolls and Butter**
- **Grilled Salmon with Honey Butter**
- **White and Wild Rice Pilaf**
- **Asparagus Spears**
- **Chocolate Mousse Cake**

The evening begins at 6 pm by sharing a drink with your boating friends. Remember to call the reservation line and let us know how many will be in your party.



April

Membership Dinner Meeting April 3, 2013

Membership Meeting dinners are **\$22.00** per person with reservations.

If not on the reservation list, dinner is **\$27.00**.

Reservations are required if you are not on the permanent list.

CALL 360 705-3767

Social Hour: 6:00 P.M.

Dinner: 7:00 P.M.

Meeting: 8:00 P.M.

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