



## OLYMPIA YACHT CLUB

June 2013



### Commodore

Captain Mike Contris  
First Mate Yvonne Contris  
*M/V Maya*



What a lovely day for our South Sound Opening of Boating Season! And we had excellent participation in all events: 110+ at the TGIF the event before, 100+ at breakfast and another 100+ at the Deck BBQ after, plus 21 boats in the parade itself! Thanks so much to FCP Theresa Madden and FCS Susie Zuelke for the work that they and their committee members did for our club in bringing this event off so well! As to the winners:  
Best Wood = PC George & Cindy Smith's Aventura  
Best Glass = Glen & Ann Hellman's Midnight Blue  
Best Dressed Sail = PC Bob & Beth Connolly's Pandora  
Best Dressed Power = PC Tony & Nancy Re's Re-Treated  
Best Theme = VC Jeff & Debra Pape's Papa's Dream.

The June newsletter has become my traditional time and place to look back on the last year and thank all of you who have been of such help to me and our club. This one is a little bittersweet, though, since it's the last one I'll be providing as your Commodore. I've been very pleasantly surprised with how much I've enjoyed my time on the bridge – yes, it's been a lot of work, but the rewards in meeting the members of the Grand 14 and interacting with so many more of our own club members has more than made up for the effort!

So on to the thanks: this year's bridge has really stepped up to provide me with as much support as I could ever hope for. FCS Susie Zuelke worked diligently on our Opening Day event and included Vonnice and me in several sail-oriented events that we thoroughly enjoyed. Susie also helped with our joint cruise with South Sound Sailing at Island Home. FCP Theresa Madden stepped into her role very late in the bridge year, but did an excellent job of putting on the Sweetheart's Cruise and helping with Opening Day, along with Susie. RC Myra Downing has done a fine job of managing our dinner meetings and putting on a fun New Year's Eve party. VC Jeff Pape put on a wonderful Christmas Party and has always been ready to provide me with whatever extra help I've needed. PC Carol Robinson and IPC Leslie Thompson have provided an endless amount of advice and behind the scenes help, more than fulfilling their promises to me as I progressed thru the chairs. And, finally, I need to thank my long-suffering wife Vonnice – being on the bridge is very much a joint effort and she's really stepped up to support me on our journey thru the chairs.

And, as my last thank you: thanks so much to all of you, our fellow OYC club members, for the fantastic opportunity you've afforded Vonnice and me over the last three years to serve on the bridge. It has been one of the most wonderful and memorable experiences of our lives! Please, if you've ever considered serving, ask any Past Commodore – I believe they'll all tell you that serving on the bridge was an incredible experience that has left them with life-long memories and friends.

And, once more, 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*



June begins our year as Commodore at OYC. The last two years flew by and we are sincerely looking forward the final stretch. We have had the pleasure of following two of the nicest people in the club. Immediate Past Commodore Mike and Vonnice Contris have done a great job and will continue to serve OYC for years to come. We wish Mike all the best and know he is looking forward to his PC years.

Your new Bridge is excited and with VC Myra and Joe Downing, RC Mike and Patti Phillips, Fleet Captain Power Gary and Deb Waldherr, and Fleet Captain Sail Suzie Zuelke and Rick Antles, you can be assured that OYC is in good hands.

Our goals as a Bridge are clear, getting more members involved with focus on younger families, new and different cruises, bringing in new members, and keeping cost reasonable.

Remember, our summer barbeques are going to be on Thursdays this year, with the first being on June 20th. This will allow our many OYC sailboat racers the chance to attend.

Debra and I are honored to serve a club that has become such a big part of our life. When we moved our boat to OYC 7 years ago I admit it was mainly for the price and the conveniences. We had no idea how our lives would change for the better and the amazing friends we would gain.

Let's all have a great season of boating, enjoy the club cruises, and remember we are here to have fun!

See you all on the docks and the water,

Commodore Jeff Pape and 1st Mate Debra  
*M/V Papa's Dream*



## Past Commodore

IPC Les Thompson  
Captain Brian Thompson  
*M/V EcstaSea*



Greetings members and happy spring. Boy did I ever enjoy the great 2 weeks of sunny and warm days, which even included our own Opening Day. What a bonus to have on such a great day. FCP and FCS, what a great job. Congrats and thanks for all your hard work.

As I write this, I have to reflect on the last 4 years at OYC. This will be my last article as IPC since our Change of

Watch will occur shortly after you receive this and I will be relegated to being just a PC. First, I want to congratulate and welcome the new Bridge and Board. You will have challenges to face and I have all the confidence that you will all do a great job for the club.

Next, I would like to thank the current and previous Bridge members that I have had the pleasure of serving with for all their support and help while I have been going through the

chairs. I, as I am sure other PC's will say, couldn't have done it without you. It is a team effort for sure.

Thank you to all the PC's out there for your continued help and support. You are all a very valuable resource since you have "been there, done that" and your advice is priceless.

Lastly, thanks to Captain Brian for putting up with all the "stuff", multiple meetings, events, G-14, and all that is involved with an officers duties to the club while serving. He is back in North Carolina as I write this, enjoying the gift of seeing his family that I presented to him as I was outgoing as Commodore.

It has been a great 4 years and I have enjoyed every thing about the ride. I have zero regrets and would encourage any of you to try it. You will enjoy it, meet new members and gain new friends, as well as gain a better understanding of the club you belong to. Like I have said before "OYC rocks". You members make our club the best in the G-14 and I thank all of you for allowing me to serve you for the last 4 years. Of course I will not go away, as we say, and will continue to be there to help the club in whatever capacity I can. Again, thank you all for a fabulous ride. See you on the docks or at the club.

IPC Les Thompson  
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## Rear Commodore

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



Hello fellow OYCer's,

This is my last article as your Rear Commodore. It has been an exciting year. It started with hosting the annual 4th of July party and discovering that my fellow boaters would be right by my side to help me and give of their time and talents. The August deck party reminded me to do as I had learned as a child – make extra food because you are not sure how many will be

joining us for dinner. My role as dinner greeter provided me an opportunity to meet most of you and share a meal with you. Then, the New Year's Eve party. What can I say other than I learned that my Commodore and his lovely bride, do a wonderful rendition of "I've Got You Babe".

The transition from being the Chief Reservation Line Officer will provide me and my wonderful husband the opportunity to be out and about more often. We encourage you to join us. Our Island Home is a great spot and we would like to meet up with you out there. Also, did someone say poker? I think I know a couple who really pull off a good party. And then there is always TGIF and the lunch bunch for those of us who just like to eat and visit. So, even though you won't be hearing my voice on the reservation line, know that I am still calling to you to either stay involved or get involved with a fantastic Yacht Club – ours.

I have enjoyed serving as your Rear but am looking forward to becoming your Vice (is that a double entendre?). Whatever it is, it will be hard to beat this year. I look forward to supporting our new Commodore and his bridge and to be a support for our Board. With that, I say fair winds and hope to see you soon.

Respectfully,  
 Myra Downing  
 Rear Commodore  
 S/V *Vintage*

"A man never discloses his own character so clearly as when he describes another's".

- John Paul Richter

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## Fleet Captain Sail

Fleet Captain Susie Zuelke  
Captain Rick Antles  
S/V *Voyager*



Boating season has officially arrived in Olympia!. If you missed it we had gorgeous weather for Opening Day! Got a bit windy on Voyager during the parade as our streamers came close to flying away. We managed to hold it together and have a great time in the process. Thanks to the band that made this TGIF a rockin' good time! We had a great crowd.

My first year as Fleet Captain Sail is coming to a close, but I do have one more year to look forward to. It seemed to take half a year to figure this whole thing out and then the year is over. I am honored to continue as FCS and look forward to having much of it figured out! These events take a great number of volunteers and I would have been a crazy person without their guidance and faithful assistance. I do want to take a minute to thank all those who made my job easier and much more fun. Your wonderful and faithful TGIF crew have helped me so much this year. They are Rick and Judith Gleason at the ovens, salad bar crew Maryann Gamache, Trina Delaney, Steve and Joy Roth, Jack B. and Joyce Murphy, Skip and Sherry Frailey, Mike G. and Esther Baker, and Patti Collins. Thank you all so much! Special thanks also goes to Rick and Barb Bergholz who answered lots of my questions, helped with TGIF and covered me when I just could not get to the yacht club in time!! Theresa Madden was a great co-conspirator for Opening Day-Thanks! And Gary of course came through with the beer! I hope I did not forget anyone as there are many people in the background that pitch in -- and for that, a big thank-you! One final shout out to Matt Herinckx for being one of the first to set up for Opening Day and one of the last to leave after Opening Day clean-up.....also for the band you put together for TGIF. Thank you, Matt!

Wishing you all a safe and wonderful summer of boating.  
See you on the water!

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



Photo by Bill Hamaker

TGIF

Thank Goodness it's Friday!

The monthly TGIF party is over for the season

Please Check back in September



## Fleet Captain Power

Captain Theresa Madden  
M/V *Doctor's Orders*



Welcome Gary!

This will be my last article as Fleet Captain Power. It was an honor to step in last December to fill the vacancy. I thank Commodore Mike Contris and the Bridge for inviting me to serve. I sincerely hope that those of you attending the Sweet Heart Cruise and Opening Day, enjoyed yourselves. I would like to thank all my volunteers. Both events could not have possibly have succeeded without them. My next thanks goes to any of you who voted me in to serve on the Board. I promise to carry out my new duties responsibly and thoughtfully.

We are so lucky that the next Fleet Captain Power will be Gary Waldherr. As you already know, Gary and Deb are so devoted to the club. Their combination of creativity and volunteerism is really unsurpassed at OYC. We know that many fun times are in store for us, thanks to them.

## Club Service Program

Les Thompson, Chair



Hello all. I hope you are enjoying the great spring weather. Here it is, almost half way through the year. Many of you have completed your CSP requirements for the year.... congratulations. I know most of you will continue as well. For that, the club thanks you all.

There are still many projects upcoming as well as social events to get hours in. I know soon to be IPC Mike needs a good deal of volunteers to host the Commodores Ball in October. Please contact him to help. Also, our new caretaker will probably need some help while he transitions into the duties of the job. Please do not wait until the end of the year when projects get sparse to try to get the hours done. I will post the new update at the beginning of June. Please check your hours and get back to me if you have issues so we can get them corrected quickly.

Also on another note, PLEASE do not put your payments to OYC, or insurance updates in the CSP Box!! I do not check it every day and your information may not get to Jon in a timely fashion. The white box under the telephone is the place for all of the correspondence for the Club. CSP box is only for CSP.

Thank you and thanks for all the hours you members do. The club appreciates it.

CSP guru  
IPC Les Thompson  
m/v *EcstaSea*

# Opening Day 2013

Rick and Patti Taylor



*Re-Treat-Ed* (PC's Tony and Nancy Re) had a strong military flavor with flags from the services and a lot of uniforms on board. They won best power boat.



*Aventura* (PC's Erwin and PC's Smith) won Best Wooden Boat taking the crown from Vice Commodore who discovered his boat wasn't really made of wood after all.



*Pandora* won best sailboat with a host of flags. This is a repeat win for the PCs Connolly and Bob attributes it to the fact that Beth irons all 100 + flags and burgees.



It starts and ends with cooking. Tim Ridley and Rick Bergholz tended the fires while Theresa and Rich Rock commanded in the kitchen. They had lots of other sous chefs.



Opening Day started and ended in the kitchen. Several shifts of people worked behind the scenes starting with TGIF on Friday, Breakfast and BBQ on Saturday and cleanup as late as 6 PM on Saturday night.



Mike Gowrylow helped with the outside decorations that ran long on flags both horizontal and vertical.



The American Legion Band played for the opening Day ceremonies and blessing of the fleet but OYC/SSSS' own played for the TGIF.



A lively air band with featured dancers on Vice Commodores Jeff and Debra Pape's *Papa's Dream* won Best Theme Boat. No dancers fell off but they did lose their car keys.



Food was great both days even if our doctors didn't always approve and the sunshine held up well for the local dermatologists to put down payments on new cars.



Fleet Captain Sail Suzie and Rick went with a juke box theme in the parade. Note the record at the top and the juke box at the base of the mast.



The fairway was crowded as the parade boats came back to OYC after the parade. Here *Romancing the C's* shows her skipper's skills doing a 180 degree turn into her slip among wooden boats. (Yay, PC's Carol & Chuck Robinson!)



*Santorini* (the Waldherrs) used up all the pink and green streamers in Olympia.





## Board of Trustees

Walt Scheffer, Chair  
*M/V Rob Roy*



The Board of Trustees, recognizing that all financing options had been explored, reluctantly removed the rebuilding of the Shed as an OYC project. It was never a question of the value of the shed to OYC or the direction by the membership to rebuild the shed. As in most matters it turned upon the financial demands of our club and the prioritization of other approved projects to fit into those finances. There simply was no financially responsible method of proceeding with the shed in light of other priority commitments.

We have a new Main Station Chair, PC Jerry Budelman who takes over from our interim chair, George Baker. By the time this is published we will have a new main station caretaker and we will be settling into our cruising season.

I welcome as new Trustees to your Board, Dr. Theresa Madden and Bob Wolf, who will assume those positions in June. Both come with significant qualifications and experience and, along with the senior members of the Board, will maintain the club in excellent standing. Vice Commodore Jeff Pape, who will be on the Board as Commodore, has been a Trustee and Chair of the Board in the past and his council and experience will only add to the strength of the Board.

Concluding our terms on the Board will be I, Bruce Snyder and Commodore Mike Contris. Both Bruce and Mike have been invaluable members of this Board. Bruce, on many occasions, when the Mainstation Committee was in between Chairs and with the help of that committee, carried the Mainstation. The time and effort he has expended has been substantial and his council both to the board and me personally will be missed. Mike maintained the dual role of Trustee and Commodore. Mike had earlier served as a trustee and Board Chair and his contributions on both Board and Bridge will be missed.

In my three years on the Board I have had the pleasure of working with Board members, members of the Bridge, committee chairs and individual members, all who contributed positive service and support to this club. We have accomplished much on behalf of the club and those of us leaving our positions are leaving the club in a better condition than when we began.

We are leaving a club that is financially sound with, other than cost of living increases, no present need for increases in dues, assessments or moorage rates. All of the club's capital projects and operating expenses are fully funded or provided for with a sufficient emergency reserve set aside. Our future financial analysis shows a club that remains solvent.

Through the persistence of Rick Bergholz and his environmental committee, we have attained a "Clean Marina" classification with all of the positive environmental and public relations benefits that will bring. We continue to be a central and visible force in our community and, through the Anchorettes and their charities, continue to give back to that community. Our Juniors program run by PC Bob Connolly is insuring future sailors and members. Considering the contributions of these and many other members, it is with a sense of pride that you should look upon your club.

While there are always differing views and opinions, I have found no members who were not genuinely concerned with the club and its future. There have been disagreements over policy and decisions made but I was never of the opinion that the Board was not supported and the Board strived, even in areas of disagreement, to respect both the opinions and the individuals who appeared before us.

I would like to thank the membership of OYC for giving me, Bruce and Mike the opportunity to hold the positions to which we were elected. It has been an honor to serve as Chairman of your Board and it is something I will always look upon with pride and consider a significant personal accomplishment.

As I have always stated, no one joined OYC just to serve in the governance of the club or the Bridge. Please participate when you can, use your boats, enjoy the club and its facilities and your fellow members.

Walt Scheffer  
Board Chair



## Anchorettes

Catherine Schefter, President



I am pleased to announce the new Anchorette officers for 2013-14.

President -- Dorrie Carr  
Vice President – Barbara Hughes  
Treasurer – Catherine Schefter  
Secretary – Aileen Zelis  
WIC Representative – Kim Shann  
WIC Alternate – Phyllis DeTray

I would like to thank Joy Job for swearing in our officers.

As this years Luncheon Chair, Dorrie's leadership and organizational skills have resulted in highly successful WIC luncheons at OYC. She will be a terrific president and has the full support of a strong team to carry us through the year.

As I look back on the past two years as president, our accomplishments come to mind. Our hard work, coupled with the trust, support and generosity of our OYC members has led to club improvements as well as positive public relations thorough charitable giving.

We have delivered over 1000 pounds of food to the Thurston County Food Bank. \$665.00 has been donated to American Hero Quilts and \$400.00 to Concern for Animals. Our individual Anchorette members continue to donate time and materials to American Hero Quilts.

We hosted two First Mates Teas for OYC including a quilt show as well as two WIC luncheons for Grand Fourteen members of WIC. Other yacht clubs are always amazed that we do all of our own food preparation in house. This does not happen without the help of our great servers, chefs, our Anchorette membership and many of our OYC members.

We purchased two red leather chairs and a sectional for Island Home. We assisted the Clubhouse committee in the selection of the furniture for the clubhouse sitting area. We finished the year by purchasing, in partnership with the Clubhouse Committee, the new OYC Oneida flatware that you will be using at OYC special functions.

Other Anchorette highpoints stand out as well. The beautiful gift baskets donated by the Anchorette members for our WIC luncheons and Phyllis DeTrays artistry in fashioning many of these.

Kim Shann's tireless contacting of our members to remind them of the luncheons and events as well as her years of dedication to WIC, including hundreds of miles driven to these events.

Julie Gronley's generous contributions to the silent auction and Pat Brower's contributions to our rummage sale. PC Carol Robinson's hors d'oeuvres and PC Leslie Thompson as our Mad Hatter, Aileen Zelis as the White Rabbit, Pat Brower and Sue Wise as Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum at our WIC "Alice in Wonderland" Luncheon. There was Harriet Melhalf and Barbara Hughes as our greeters. PC Penny Cory baking our marshmallow filled cup cakes and Rear Commodore Myra Downing

helping with the food. Finally, Dorrie Carr's centerpieces! Oh My!

In closing I would again like to thank, not only the Anchorette crew but the many club members who purchased quilt tickets, donated food for the Food Bank and donated funds to our charities and goods for the rummage sale and silent auction. Thank you for your generous hand and a pat on our back.

Special thanks again to Bill and Victoria Wilmovsky for their donation of beautiful silver items and to PC Gary and Colleen Nelson for a donation of six large boxes of maritime items that we can use for our benefits.

Remember ladies that once you are an Anchorette member and keep your dues current you will always be an Anchorette even if you need to demit from OYC. So come join us!

Have a wonderful boating season.

Catherine Schefter

Past President

## Womens' Interclub Council

Kim Shann, Representative



There are no WIC lunches during the Summer.

The next one will be October 24th, at Port Orchard Yacht Club and there will be more details later in the Beachcomber.

However.....please come to our own yearly AFTERNOON TEA PARTY at OYC on May 30th.

This event is open to all lady members. Time is from 1:30 to 3:30 along with a quilt show.

Please call Phyllis DeTray 491-1188 or Kim Shann 491-3786.

## Yearbook

Steve Clark and Beth Branshaw  
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Last Call for Yearbook Updates! Dear Members, Please note that the Yearbook and OYC Website are NOT yet integrated! You still need to email me at [HarmonysBest10@gmail.com](mailto:HarmonysBest10@gmail.com) or edit the DRAFT copy of the Membership Directory which is posted at Main Station. You will also find extra Yearbooks by the fireplace if you need an extra copy. The Yearbook will go to print as soon as the Bridge pics are submitted.

## Quartermaster

Linda Bryant, Chair



Patti and Linda are retiring!

New Quartermasters are Phyllis DeTray, 360 491-1188 and Judy Ball, 360 413-7473

Wishing everyone a great boating season.

## Island Home

Gary Gronley, Chair



### WORK A PALOOZA

Spring has definitely arrived, and it appears that summer is not far off.

On April 27th we had our annual Island Home "Spring Clean and Improvement Cruise". The IH committee; PC Tom Skillings, Laura Skillings, PC Matt Mills, Tim Maxey, Earl Hughes, Mike Minton, Dan Martin, Rick and Barb Bergholz and Bill Thomas had a pretty ambitious program this year. The weather was good, and we were able to accomplish the following: spread 15 ton of driveway gravel (donated by the WDFW), spread and grade 15 ton of recycled asphalt (provided by PC Tim Ridley), spread 21 yards of beauty bark on the trails to the North point of the island, relocate and restack 6 cord of wood, cut-up split and stack an Alder tree that fell across the upland trail, plant some perennial flowers, put wood preservative on the swing set and the Bobby Brown fire pit, replace the swings and trapeze, repaint the bridge edge rails, till and rebuilt the planting area behind the clubhouse, super clean the clubhouse, build 3 oyster rafts and 20 grow bags.

I want to thank PC Tim Ridley, Bill Hamaker, Jeff Pape and Gene Coakley for providing tractors, plows, graders, chain saws, a gator and quad for the project. And everyone that brought wheel barrows, shovels and rakes. And all of our enthusiastic help for the day; Larry and Kathy Kirchoff, John Charles, Gary Robinson, Barbara Alger, Dave Belz, Ed and Dorlene Crawford, John Looker, Bob Van Schoorl, Jack Behrend, Becky Minton, Dianna Moyer-Fife and Michael Fife, Bob Wolf, Dave and Sandy Grout, Alice Coakley and grandson Austin Schroder, Jeff Carpenter, Steve Sabine, Barb Hughes, Ron Wertz, and Gwen Sowray. Our cooks for the lunch were PC Matt Mills and Dan Martin; and our Great Galley group were PC Georgia Rae, Sandy Wolf, Peri Maxey and Julee Gronley. And of course a special thanks to our caretakers George and Diane Whittaker.

Just a reminder that from time to time there will be some small projects that will qualify for CSP hours; so when you are on the island, check with George. If you have children on the island and you need something for bee stings, or need sun screen, or mosquito repellent see George. Also all shellfish harvest at the island is regulated by the WDFW regulations.



Inati's "utility trailer" loaded with equipment (Barb Bergholz photo).

See you on the docks,  
Gary Gronley

## Clubhouse

PC Carol Robinson, Chair

### Summer Greetings

I would like to take this opportunity to "thank" Matt and Suzanne Kluh for heading up the flower planting. I think Matt also has a knack for sprinkler systems. He had lots to repair after the winter months. Thanks again to you both and your crew.

Good news! Mike McKinnon and Dennis Backstrom are helping me work on the galley remodel plans. We will be replacing the existing sink areas with a new commercial sink arrangement, counter top and galley floor. Unfortunately, the other existing cabinets are not in the budget this year. We are making progress!

Janet Yeager is my new Clubhouse co-chair; email [yeager\\_janet@yahoo.com](mailto:yeager_janet@yahoo.com), mine is [crobjon@aol.com](mailto:crobjon@aol.com). Thanks Janet, for signing on!

Andy Paris, thank you for keeping all our bathrooms clean. It's a job most would not do. It is truly appreciated!

Reminder: Rental applications are on the board inside, fees etc. are self explanatory.

I'm looking forward to our new caretaker.

PC Carol  
M/V *Romancing the C's*

## Moorage Report

Bridget Shreve, Moorage Master



I have been sending out letters and photos to those members that have boats in extremely dirty condition. I am trying to get them cleaned up or at least get those members to explain why they are not getting it done to the BOT.

Next I will be trying to make arrangements with members so I can meet them and I can watch them move their boats under their own power in and out of their slips. This has been an issue for some time now, and as it is a safety issue, I am going to follow up on this.

Please check on your burgees to make sure they are not torn or tattered and in need of replacement.

**Reminder:** Registrations expire on June 30th! The licensing dept. does not necessarily send out reminders to owners, so hopefully this mention will help.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Bridget Shreve  
Moorage Master  
360-561-3289



## Main Station

PC Jerry Budelman, Chair



First of all, let's give a big round of thanks to George Baker who served as interim Mainstation Chair and led the effort to find our new Caretaker and also kept the Caretaker position filled with OYC volunteers. George stepped up and organized the hiring committee consisting of Bruce Snyder, George, Dean Questi and myself, processed over 40 resumes, interviewed 6 prospective candidates and hired Greg and Amy Whittaker. If the name sounds familiar, it is indeed the son of our Island Home Caretaker, George Whittaker. Greg is in his mid-20's, graduated from Centralia High School and has held several positions in the service industries, most recently at Jiffy Lube. Greg grew up with his dad as a mentor, learning the mechanical trades in George's auto repair workshop. Equally important, Greg has good computer skills, increasingly needed for things like our computer card-lock access system. Greg's wife Amy is VERY pregnant, and by the time you read this, they will have their first-born child! All you Grandmas out there have a mission to make our new mother feel welcome. On the more serious side, Greg and Amy will be facing a steep learning curve. While having a father who is an expert (and ready consultant) in this exact job is a huge plus, Greg and Amy need each and every member to be as supportive as possible and help them to feel welcome and appreciated. If you see Greg and Amy, introduce yourself.

## Sunshine Committee

Barbara Narozonek-Neuhauser, Chair



Sympathy card sent to Aileen Zelis.

Get well cards to Beth Connolly and Richard Erwin

If they do something especially good and/or helpful, tell them thanx! If you think they need to do something different or better, tell ME. Please, stow any negative dock talk.

This is my first article since (re)assuming the position of Mainstation Chair, so here are some quick nuggets: My home phone is 360-867-9880 and that is the best number to use. My cell phone is 360-402-4642 and email is JBLKB@Comcast.net. If you see something at the Mainstation that needs fixing or attention, your best bet is to write an email. If I have questions, I will get back with you, but generally these items go on a list for processing according to priority assigned by the Mainstation Committee. Folks are welcome at the Mainstation meeting (see the OYC calendar) but we have a tight schedule, so if you have an issue (vs. just listening), come prepared to make a specific request.

There are always LOTS of things that need doing, and I plan a return to the "old" way of organizing work parties for many of these ("Dialing for Do-ers"). Not only can you earn oodles of CSP hours, but work parties are a stellar way to meet your fellow sailor/cruiser and have a blast besides. Soon I will circulate a sign-up/Do Not Call list. There you will be able to express your interest in being called for a work party, or alternatively tell me that work parties are "not your thing" and I won't bother you. I truly understand some of you are just not able to participate and that's perfectly OK.

Things we're working on: The furnace at the clubhouse has been busted for a long time (too hot, can't turn it down). Should be fixed when you read this. Some of the clubhouse phones are not working; we're chasing it down. Siding on the cottage is being repaired and its bathroom has been completely remodeled. The card key system will be scrubbed soon and contractors without proper credentials will be barred from club access. Also some social members had their access rights reduced by mistake; that will be fixed.

Well, that's it for now. See you on the docks!  
Jerry

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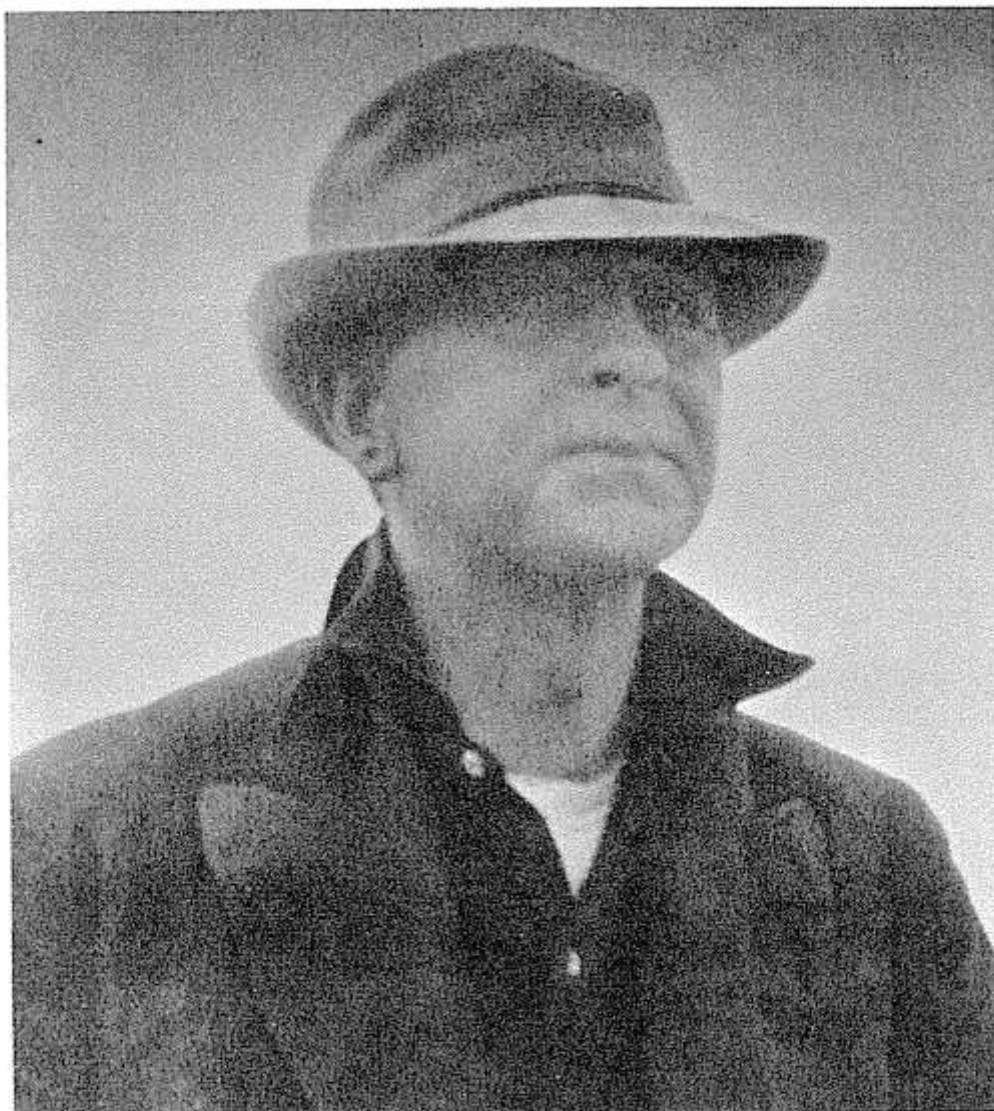


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## The History Corner

Lisa Mighetto, OYC Historian

*Our History*

W. J. "BILLIE" FOSTER, (1867-1952) *Olympia's First Commodore*

Bits of early history of the Olympia Yacht Club published in various Year Books of the Olympia Yacht Club over the past ten years have served to stir up more and even earlier memories among the few remaining who recall the true beginnings of boating in Olympia.

These stirrings have brought to light many hitherto obscure facts concerning events which occurred at or near the turn of the century. Bit by bit your editor has pieced together from conversations with Mrs. W. J. Foster and from information which she sent us in a letter several years ago the historic facts herewith presented.

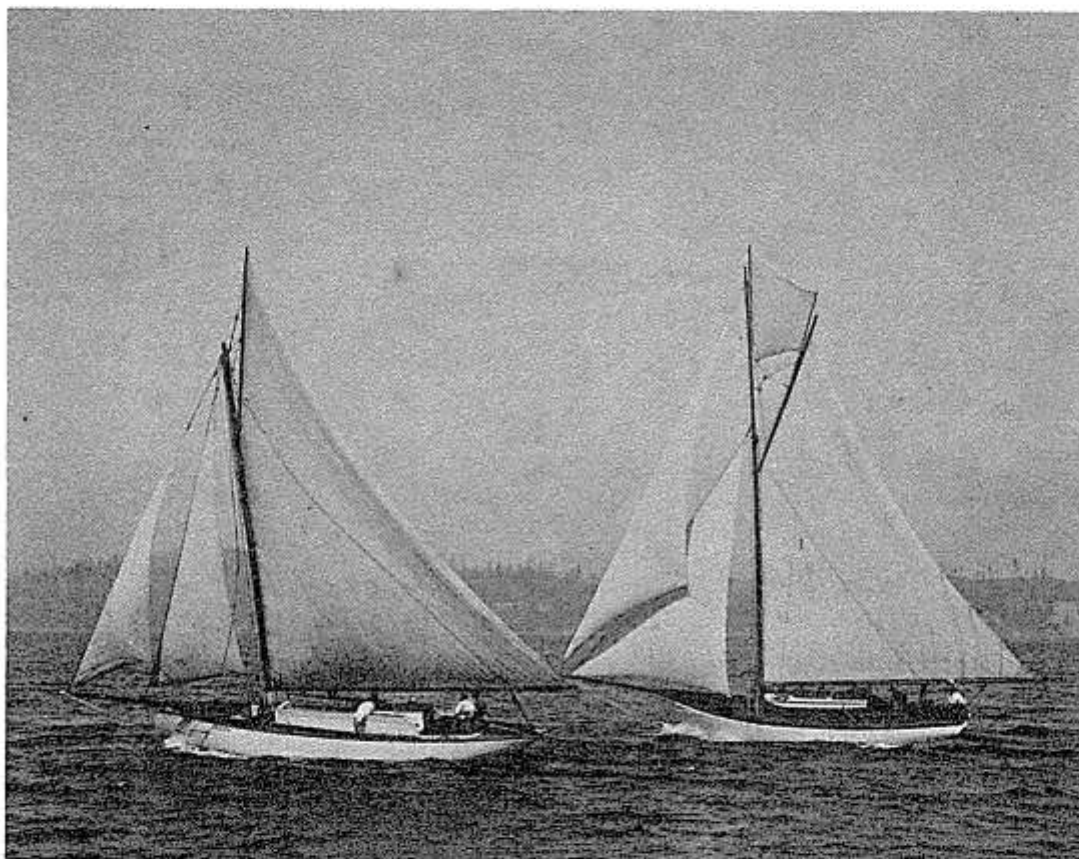
As a follow-up to last month's column, here is a reproduction of another OYC history written 60 years ago. It describes W.J. "Billie" Foster, the first commodore of the predecessor of the OYC, and the early days of "the Olympia boating fraternity."



W. J. "Billie" Foster was the first commodore of the predecessor of the Olympia Yacht Club and as nearly as we can trace the origin of that club it was organized about 1906 as the Olympia Boat Club. But even earlier than that—close to the turn of the century—Captain Billie Foster was busy with his beautiful 30-foot sailing sloop DAPHNE upholding and defending the racing honors of the South Sound area.

Mrs. Foster recalls that in those days, even as now, the Seattle Yacht Club was the "high and mighty" of Puget Sound yachting and held about all of the sailing titles—that is, until Captain Billie Foster and his crew came along with DAPHNE.

One day the mails from Seattle brought to Olympia a challenge from the Seattle Yacht Club for Captain Foster and his upstart crew to produce DAPHNE on the Seattle waterfront in answer to a challenge to meet SYC's 30-foot sailing champion.



Nothing could have given Captain Foster and his youthful crew greater pleasure, and at the appointed time DAPHNE was there. The race course is hazily recalled as a triangular one in Puget Sound off Elliott Bay. Anyway, the picture shown herewith gives you one leg of the course because the two vessels were on a northerly course midway between Magnolia Bluff which shows at the right background of the picture and West Point on the extreme left. The picture shows DAPHNE overhauling and about to pass her SYC challenger. Mrs. Foster recalls that DAPHNE took the lead a moment after this picture was taken and was never again headed.

Just added to the trophy case of the Olympia Yacht Club and quickly becoming its most historic piece is a silver mug presented to Captain W. J. "Billie" Foster by his crew and most of the names on the cup will be well remembered by early members of the Olympia boating fraternity. They were: First Officer, H. H. Cowles; Boatswain, D. A. Williams; Able-bodied Seaman, E. A. Graves; Cabin Boy, E. K. Reynolds; Ass't Cabin Boy, J. K. L. Mitchell; Musician, George G. Mills.



## Nautical Notes

*from out there.....*

## Out Cruising.....

**Bright Angel**

Bob and Linda Hargreaves  
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After a feverish three weeks in the yard, and another week at the dock, our list of boat projects is all but "ticked off" (as they say here in "N Zed"), and *Bright Angel* is almost ready to head back to the tropics for the winter - and none too soon, as the weather

here is turning cold and wet, much like a Pacific NW fall!

All in all, *Bright Angel* fared quite well on her 7000 nm voyage across the Pacific last year - most of the work was maintenance, although we also had the bow pulpit straightened (after we were hit when another boat drug anchor during a squall in Moorea) and we replaced the last two of the original 23 year-old stainless steel water tanks that were rusting apart at the seams (all five of our water tanks are now plastic). The marine trades industry here in NZ is top notch, as you might imagine, and right on the premises of the yard where we hauled out there is a general boat works shop, a stainless steel fabricator, a painter, an engine repair shop, and a well-stocked chandlery - "sweet as" - so it is easy to "get things sorted."

Linda is now busy provisioning for our passage back to the islands, which we have decided means going to Fiji instead of back to Tonga. That also means Linda will have to make me a "sulu" (a wraparound ankle length skirt) before she stows her sewing machine, so I will be properly attired for "sevusevu" - a traditional Fijian ceremony where visitors present kava root to the village chief before being given permission to stay and visit.

We are looking forward to a much slower pace this cruising season, with the only long passages being from here to Fiji (about 1200 nm) and back again in the spring (November). Next week we will start looking for a "weather window" to jump. Although for the start of the passage we will be dressed in foulies and long johns, the shorts and tee shirts will soon come out of hiding - temperatures in Fiji are now in the high 80's and low 90's!

Take care, and enjoy your summer.

Bob & Linda  
 S/V *Bright Angel*

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

**LIFESLING CLINIC**

The OYC/SSSS annual Lifesling clinic will be held at 0900 on Saturday, June 8th. Learn how, using a Lifesling, to get an overboard person back onboard unassisted.

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**An Invitation**

Greetings fellow Yacht Club,

I would like to introduce myself, I am Ed Howell, Vice Commodore of the Carver Cruisers Yacht Club. One of my duties this year is to chair the Carver Cruisers Rendezvous. This fun-filled event will take place at the Port Orchard Marina July 19-21. This event is open to all Carver Yachts along with boats built by the Carver Corporation to include some Californian and Trojan brands. I would like to invite your club members that own Carver built boats to joins us in the fun.

Ed Howell  
 Vice Commodore  
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[Editor—this email referenced an attached flyer, which was not received, however there is some info on their website [www.carvercruisers.com](http://www.carvercruisers.com)]

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## Environmental Awareness

Rick Bergholz, Chair



### WHAT'S IN YOUR DOCK BOX?

Last year my moorage spot at the club changed and along with it I had to move to a different dock box. I knew what was on top of my "storage stack." A hose and a bucket used to clean the boat. But as I started to dig deeper there were discarded boat parts for a previously owned boat as well as several containers of cleaners one of which had lost its label. This article is not about my hoarding habits but what we should do to keep our dock box safe. Let's review them:

- Inspect the box at least annually. A good time to do this when you complete the annual OYC Fire Prevention Check List.
- Line the bottom with a tarp. Adding an oil absorbing pads to contain any spills is a smart idea.
- Store all cleaners, paints, and chemicals safely in closed containers
- Label all containers
- Store only what you need for the job you're doing.

Have you gone through your dock box this spring?

*Please remember hazardous materials in vessels, dock boxes and boathouses must be in original containers in amounts appropriate for the intended use and not to exceed 1 gal. Fuel can exceed one gallon if in an approved marine container.*

*Jim Lengenfelder, Environmental Committee*



A friendly reminder  
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## **OLYMPIA POLICE DEPT. HARBOR PATROL**

**2013 boat decals expire June 30**

Summer boating is right around the corner, and so is the deadline for renewing boat and watercraft registration decals. In Washington State, all pleasure craft **registrations expire on June 30.**

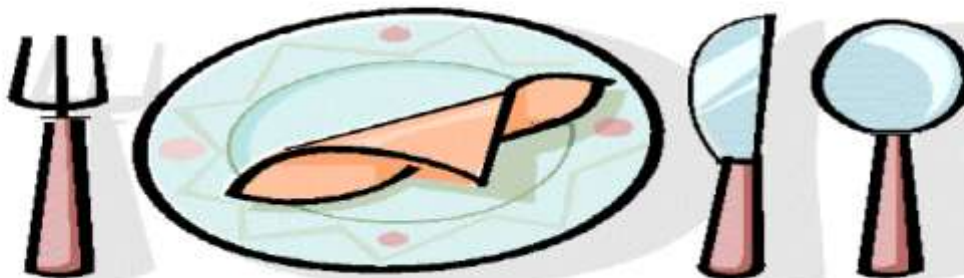
The Department of Licensing no longer mails paper renewal reminders to boat and watercraft owners. However, they will be sending out **email reminders** on June 9 to those who have signed up online.

**To sign up for the annual email reminder or to renew your registration online, go to:**

**dol.wa.gov**

**Have a safe boating season!  
See you on the water....**

## Next Lunch Bunch September 11, 2013



Chefs and helpers are always needed and earn CSP hours. Lunch bunch is the second Wednesday of the month. Members and their guests enjoy lunch and conversation. Contact Denise or Mike Lackey at (360) 280-2739 or [mlackey@q.com](mailto:mlackey@q.com). Or sign up on the Lunch Bunch help list located at the club service program area at the Main Station.

Thank you to the May crew: Art Johnson, Bob and Sandy Wolf, Dianna Moyer Fife, and John Looker. Thanks to all members for your support. See you in September!

## Safety Committee

PC Richard Erwin, Chair



**COUNTERFEIT PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS:** The U S Coast Guard has reported counterfeit portable dry chemical extinguishers with the labels of Amerex and Buckeye. Both companies are major producers of genuine approved fire extinguishers, however the counterfeit dry chemical extinguishers may not have fire retardant power, functioning gauges and are not DOT approved. They are size B-11 and have several distinguishing features such as duplicate serial numbers, Amerex sr. # 8740;V-65490 and Buckeye sr. # 8470;K-094927 with a red handle and sr. # 8470;YMU6222 with a black handle. The labels on the counterfeit extinguishers are simple printed labels, genuine extinguishers have security printed labels, Amerex with a series of scored circles and Buckeye with S scored in the labels. They are not date stamped or DOT stamped on the extinguishers. If you find suspected counterfeit extinguishers please take pictures of the front, side and bottom of the extinguisher and submit to: [mttypeapproval@uscg.mil](mailto:mttypeapproval@uscg.mil) with a copy to [anticounterfeiting@us.ul.com](mailto:anticounterfeiting@us.ul.com).

**SAFETY EQUIPMENT:** If you want a safety ladder or new improved CO detector please email me [Erwins11@juno.com](mailto:Erwins11@juno.com) and let me know. I don't always remember those who see me on the docks and say "OH – I want to get a - - - -" so I am working from the emails from those who request them. The billing is the Quarter-master procedure where I write up an order/receipt, you sign and I give it to Jon who bills you in your regular moorage billing. There is no profit or markup in the safety items, it is a straight pass-thru for safety equipment. We were able to get direct bulk purchase prices and save you about \$30.00 on the ladders and \$20.00 on the CO detectors. We only have 3 SS ladders left – 1st come 1st serve.

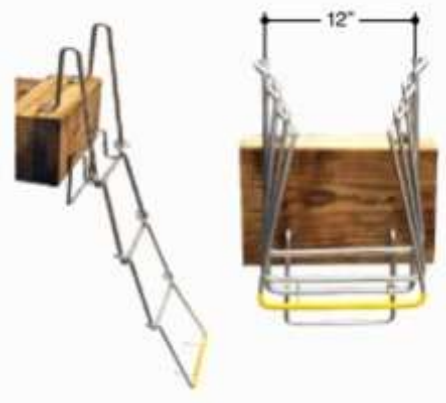
Ladders : Including sales tax \$ 190.59

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Marine Technologies new Model 65-541 CO detectors are packaged in boxes of 96. We need to have a commitment for most of them before the BOT wants to pay the up front cost. To date we only have 14 requests for CO detectors. If you are so inclined, please email me with your request so it can be added to list. IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT THAT YOU MUST HAVE a Safety Ladder or CO Detector. The value you put on your safety and others is your choice. The Safety Committee has worked diligently to save members money with bulk purchasing of items you have shown an interest in.

If you have a CO detector in your vessel and it is 5 years old or older it most likely non functional. The old style detectors had a 5 year life at best. Problem is they do not signal when they no longer work. The Marine Technologies #65-541 the same size as the old style for easy replacement however it has major technical improvements in CO detection & weight averaging, sealed electronics for use in saltwater environments. They are a direct replacement for the old marine CO detectors and are 12 to 16 volt direct wire .06 amp draw. All CO detectors have a life expectancy of about 5 years and include an end of life alarm so you know when to replace it.

**EMERGENCY CONTACT DATA.** Many slips have missing or non readable emergency contact and vessel data information. Make sure yours is current, easy to find and read. The Safety Committee will confer with Main-station Committee to have a standard for size and information on the contact forms.





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- Larger Westerbeke Diesel
- Swim platform

**\$51,000.00**

MUST SEE—Slip# 214

Gary Robinson (360)455 4370

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### FOR SALE

The 'HART TO HART' is for sale. She is a **42' Bertram** Motor Yacht, complete with 11' Boston Whaler tender. She is berthed in custom **boathouse #531**. (Also for sale)

Call or come by and let the owners show you this remarkable boat. This Bertram is an ocean cruiser and will calm the Puget Sound waters and beyond.

Contact: Bill Hartman @ 280-2232 days and 357-7346 evenings

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### FOR SALE "Shiloh"

a **1996 Commander 30**, boathouse kept since new and shows it. Perfect cosmetic and mechanical condition. 600 hours on twin Volvo Penta fuel injected 350's. Fully equipped with enclosed flybridge, electronics, autopilots, MMC throttles, Floscan, Lectrasan sanitation system, propane range w/ oven, SS props and spare set of aluminums, windlass with all chain rode, 9' Livingston on Weaver snap davits, 10 disc CD changer, micro, freezer, dishes, silverware, etc.

**New price \$99,900 OBO**

- **Boathouse 341** also available -

Excellent cosmetically & structurally. 20 X 46.5' with a 42 by 14'10" well. 16' entry height. **\$47,000**. Curtain end looks directly at the capitol Phone Mike at 360-561-3477 for more information.

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**For Sale: 32 ft 1949 Monk** classic bridgedeck sedan cruiser. Twin 350 Chev (gas) power. Recent engine work. Upgraded AC power, water pump, new steering system, new upholstery and more. Please call for more info. **\$25,000**.

Also **boat house #304** 40.5x17 ft with 25in well. Height is 16.5 at highest. Loft and work bench. Flood lights .

**\$23,000**

Allen and Emmy Sloan 971-219-8639.

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**Grand Finale is For Sale**

1970 NORD- LUND 53', boathouse kept. beautiful Ed Monk Sr. design. Volvo single diesel, new Garmin electronics, custom leather salon, new teak & holly sole, new granite galley, Force 10 gas stove, ice maker, two TV's w/ DVD & Stereo, new Zodiac inflatable hard bottom (tender w/35 hp.). **\$139,000**

- - - boathouse also available - - -

See [www.grandfinalenw.com](http://www.grandfinalenw.com).

John Teters (360) 239-9088

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**ANCHOR CHAIN**

200ft of 5/16" BBB CHAIN

....used only one time....

cost \$1200.—asking **\$700**

call Maryann 951-3083

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**10 ft Dolphin Dinghy**

- 2010 as new, never launched
- Lightweight fiberglass
- Lapstrake classic design

**\$1,950**

Contact Pete Janni 956-1992

**TWO FENDERS**

Polyform G-6 (10½"x30")

Very good condition

**\$35 for the pair**

Contact Gary Wilson

[gary@sailsidetrack.com](mailto:gary@sailsidetrack.com)

**FOR SALE: BOATHOUSE #512**

66' L x 22 W

WELL SIZE 58'L x 16'W x 16'6"H

LARGE LOFT, NEW CURTAIN.

**\$80,000.00.**

CONTACT LARRY

(360) 292-5567

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**Price Reduced**

**Boathouse 647**

**\$19,000.00**

Well size 36' by 11'6"

approx. 12' high.

Very clean and well kept. Lots of light, grab rails, hinged step to swim platform for easy access, otter fence, lots of storage, water and shore power both fore and aft. Protect your boat's investment of time and money from the elements in this clean and well kept boathouse.

Call Dale & Kate Wetsig **360-705-9242** 06/12

**Big Bay DIBM15 15" color daylight**

screen, works great, includes

Furuno GP 36 with antenna **\$550.00**

Richard Erwin 507-4520

**BOAT HOUSE  
FOR SALE OR RENT**

Boat house # 533 **\$49,500**

Well length 43.5 ft

Well width 14.5 ft

Loft 142 sq. ft.

Meets all current Boat House Standards.

Contact Pat: [tugcap@aol.com](mailto:tugcap@aol.com)

360-493-1678 or cell 360-918-1947 01/13

**FOR SALE****BOAT HOUSE #527**

Well maintained and clean.

15 x 44 well x 17 high

Call Paul Jones 520-251-1251

May consider renting.

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**Wanted: Paper Charts of the Queen**

**Charlotte Islands.** Planning a visit to them this summer and need to have back up paper charts. Willing to purchase, beg, borrow or steal them!

Please contact Mary Fitzgerald 754-1516

or write [olymfitz@hotmail.com](mailto:olymfitz@hotmail.com)

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**Boathouse #318 for sale.**

- 21' x 61' (including 3' porch)

- Well: 13' x 51' easily expandable to...

15' x 54' with 19' clearance

- 16' x 20' loft

- Boathouse in total OYC compliance

**\$99,500.00**

253-222-7711 or 360-709-0505 05/12

**BOATHOUSE # 535 for sale****Make Offer**

well 16.3

height 19.0

length 52.0

width 21.4

contact Matt Mills 360-701-7883 1/12

**Siri Sea For Sale**

- Hull Material—Fiberglass
- 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](mailto:rktee1@comcast.net)

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~Calendar June 2013 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Island Home Meeting 7:00 pm	4 Bridge Meeting 6:00 pm Government Affairs 5:30 pm	5 COW Dinner Meeting 6:00 pm	6	7	8 Bremerton Yacht Club Commodore's Ball
9	10 Mainstation Meeting 6:00 pm	11 SSSS Meeting 6:30 pm	12 Board Meeting 6:00 pm	13	14	15 Port Orchard Yacht Club Commodore's Ball Filiucy Bay Interclub
16 Father's Day	17 Power Squadron meeting 6:30 pm	18 Juniors Committee meeting 5:30 pm	19 Bridge BBQ 6:00 pm	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Membership meeting 5:30 pm	27	28	29 Queen City YC – Bremerton YC Big Bro Cruise
30	Notes:					

~Calendar July 2013 ~						
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	4 Fourth of July Holiday	5 Fourth of July Cruise - IH	6 Fourth of July Cruise - IH
7 Fourth of July Cruise - IH	8 Mainstation Meeting 6:00 pm	9	10 Board Meeting 6:00 pm	11	12	13
14	15	16 Lakfair Royalty Cruise	17	18 Lakfair Reception 7:00 pm	19	20 Lakfair parade 5:00 pm
21	22	23	24 Bridge BBQ 6:00 pm	25	26	27
28 Commodore's Cruise – IH Wine Tasting (tentative)	29	30	31 Membership meeting 5:30 pm	Notes:		

## Join us for dinner

Wednesday, June 5th

### Dinner Buffet – Steak Night

- Steaks on the Barbeque
- Baked Potatoes
- Warm Garlic Bread
- Decorated Garden Salad
- Sliced Watermelon
- Strawberry Shortcake



## June

### Membership Dinner Meeting June 5, 2013

#### Change of Watch

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.

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