



OLYMPIA YACHT CLUB

October 2014



Commodore

Commodore Myra Downing
Captain Joe Downing
S/V Balder II



Hello my OYC Family.

Welcome to the fall after such a fabulous summer that ended with Foofaraw. Chair Chris Cheney with his mentor Bob Job, and his team of 43 skippers, and his committee, pulled off a very successful event that went off without any problems. If you didn't see it, OYC even got a special "yah" from the Olympian. Excellent job Chris and everyone who helped make this all work.

I'll be moving into my 5th month as your Commodore. PC Jeff told me the time would fly by, and it really has. It is amazing how much activity there is at OYC – from attending planning and business meetings, to moving boat houses, to participating in events and working with each other in strengthening and building relationships. Our club is electrified and the Bridge can't thank you enough for this!

There are many events coming up that will bring us indoors and give us the opportunity to dress in a variety of ways: costumes, gray pants, long pants, long gowns, and suits or tuxedos so you will be ready for the Commodore's Ball, TGIF, the Halloween Party, and the Anchorette's Women's Night Out. You'll find out more as you read the Beachcomber.

One of the events I was intimately involved with was Labor Day. We had 52 boats (a record number) and 138 people who participated over the 3 day event. I would be remiss though if I didn't call out the folks that made it happen. Gary Waldherr was the lead getting the meat and the cooks and overseeing the preparation and serving of the meat. Our meat smokers, including Gary Waldherr, were Dean Questi (who also won the contest), Bill Coughlin (who also made and shared his award winning chili on Friday night), Matt Mills (who also won at Horseshoe Golf), George Coffee, Christopher Heistand, PC Jeff Pape, and Gene Coakley (who donated his own meat). We can not thank them enough for getting their smokers to Island Home, to getting up as early as 1:00 AM to get their meat on, spending the day cooking, and still keeping a great sense of humor. And I think it is safe to say that the meat melted in your mouth. I also want to thank Deb Waldherr for her incredibly fun idea of an Ice Cream Social. She did all the shopping and along with her assistants, Mike and Patti Phillips and her buddy Debo, made some of the ice cream too. Then to top it off, Deb even took the lead in ensuring the clubhouse was decorated like an actual ice cream parlor. It was great! Special thanks go to Lolita Rosen for all her efforts in getting just the right prizes for our games. She works all year gathering and buying things and puts together very creative gift bags and baskets. As always, we counted on Bill and Gail Thomas and they delivered in managing the bocce ball tournament in challenging weather

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Vice Commodore

Captain Mike Phillips
First Mate Patti Phillips
M/V Chaotic Too



Hello, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the membership for the great job they have done during all of the improvements that have taken place recently. Your patience is remarkable. And special thanks to PC George Smith and his great crew for all of the work that they have done moving houses and working with the contractor to make their job easier during the pile driving operation. Thank You to everyone.

We had our first planning meeting for the OYC summer cruise to the Islands. What a great meeting. We had 21 boats sign up. There were over 40 people there. We were able to set the date in stone. The cruise will be starting after the barbeque on the deck on Friday 7-24 and run until Sunday 8-9. We will be going north thru the slough and into the San Juan's. We are in the process of putting the final ports of call together and then we will have the second meeting to talk about them. Thanks to everyone who was at the first meeting and if anyone thinks they might be interested, call me at (541) 912-8221 and I'll answer any questions you might have.

Great Energy.

We still need volunteers for the Christmas Party, so please call me at (541) 912-8221

And with that, we'll see you on the docks

Vice Commodore Mike Phillips
First Mate Patti Phillips
M/V Chaotic Too

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conditions. They were, and are, always wonderful. A couple I have grown to depend on for their hard work and incredible senses of humor are Eric and Paula Hetland. They helped last year and again this year and they were invaluable. Another couple, Lin and Maryke Hines put in an incredible number of hours from Friday through Sunday night and we couldn't have pulled it off without them. I would be remiss if I didn't get a special shout out to Joe Downing and Rick Antles (and Tony and Nancy Re for bringing the boats out) for the extremely successful sailboat regatta. There were 20 teams and at the end Jack DeMeyer and Michelle Aguilar Wells were the winners. Other helpers included Rich Wells, Steve Jones, PJ Peterson, Ed and Nancy Stolarik, Lee Rosen, Bill and Lorrie Sloane, and Tricia Jelcick – thanks to all of you. In closing though, I do want to call out my regular team who is always with me – my dear husband Joe, Susie Zuelke and Michelle Aguilar Wells (my other spouses), Rick Antles, Rich Wells, and Jack and JoAnn DeMeyer. Each of you know I hold you close.

Whew, now all I have to worry about are the dance lessons – which are really fun! Enough for now. Until next month, yours truly.

Commodore Myra Downing
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Rear Commodore

Captain Walter Schefter
First Mate Catherine Schefter
M/V Rob Roy



Catherine and I attended the Grand Fourteen Cruise In at the Bremerton Yacht Club a few weeks past. This was, I was told, a rite of passage so to speak for Rear Commodores. Never having been to that yacht club, or as a matter of fact to Bremerton itself, we looked upon the occasion as a grand adventure, both the event and the journey. While it is a rather long story I must admit we got a little lost on the way. It was, of course, not my fault that we found ourselves in this situation but again, that is another story.

Frankly, I must admit that I kind of like getting a little lost. At the first moment of recognition (or really non recognition) is the exciting possibility that I'll finally get to use my secret waterproof match case with compass and the charts safely stored somewhere on board.

Realizing our predicament, we floated about for a while as I struggled to connect our PC navigation system which we seldom use in South Sound. Giving up on this cutting edge technology, I finally dug out the appropriate paper chart, which is a billboard sized depiction of the area in question.

All in all the trip out of Quartermaster Harbor was rather enjoyable and on a purely educational level was well worth the time spent. It will be a new destination reached which I can discuss at dinner meetings while my more traveled tablemates are comparing more northern anchorages to which I have never been.

But enough of this. I am charged with persuading you to attend the dinner meeting upcoming on October 1st and I hope that will not require much persuasion. We will be serving Salmon Newberg which I am told is grilled salmon with a sauce in which float small shrimp. In addition, there will be other sides such as salad, dessert, and of course, your friends, both known and new friends yet to be made.

Please make a reservation for the October dinner meeting by calling the reservation line at 705-3767. We do need to reasonably predict the number of dinner guests for the caterer and the reservation system is the only way to do so. If we "guess" too high, your club loses the money paid for uneaten meals. Too low and those without reservations may not eat. Finally, please remember our food bank. We look forward to seeing you at the dinner meeting and all of the other OYC events.

Rear Commodore Walt Schefter
First Mate Catherine Schefter
M/V Rob Roy

"The lovely thing about cruising is that planning usually turns out to be of little use."

..... Dom Degnon

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Fleet Captain Sail

Fleet Captain Bill Sloane
First Mate Lorie Sloane
S/V *Endless Summer*



What did the signal flags on my boat say? Starting at the top of the mast and working down, the flags represented the following letters:

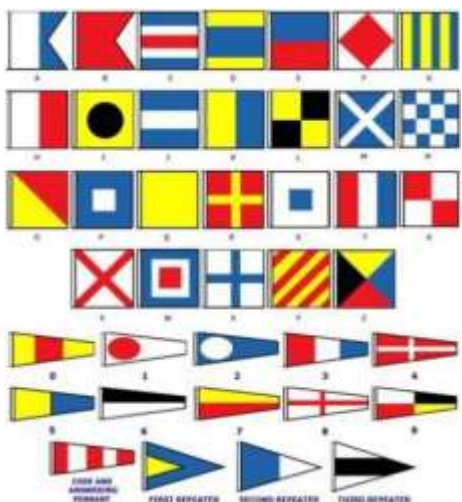
O Y C S A I L

Rick Antles guessed it right away and told me. Later at the September Dinner, John DeMeyer and Beth Connolly

both told me the correct message also. The prize was awarded at our September TGIF event. What a great event that was. The food, the music, the camaraderie, the beer. Things went great and an enormous Thank You goes out to everyone who helped make this event the success it was.

Speaking of which, our next TGIF is actually on Friday October 31 – All Hallows Eve. Everything will be the same as the September event, good times, good food, good music, but you (and I) will be in costume. I don't mean the clothes you wear around the yacht club or on your boat, yes those are costumes too. I am talking about a Halloween costume, like ARGG - a pirate, or a princess, or Luke Skywalker. Anyway you get the picture. Let's show our spirit(s)!

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S/V *Endless Summer*



Fleet Captain Power

Fleet Captain Dean Questi
First Mate Tammy Questi
M/V *Enterprise*



By the time you receive this issue of the Beachcomber the Fleet Captain Power committee will have held their first event, Oktoberfest, at Island Home on September 26-28. I am sure it was a huge success considering it included beer, beer tasting, brats, great fun, and did I mention BEER?

Our Halloween Cruise is scheduled for the weekend of October 24-26 at Island Home. This cruise is a favorite for the kids. Activities will include pumpkin carving, games, trick or treating on the dock, and a few spooky surprises! ***If you would like to help the committee re-create the famous "spook trail" PLEASE contact Dean ASAP.***

November 29th is the day all Cougars & Dawgs gather together for the annual Apple Cup. Details for this event will be in the next issue of the Beachcomber. And be sure to mark your calendars now for the Valentines Cruise, February 13-15 at Island Home.

All OYC members are welcome to join our committee to help plan these fun events! Send an email to dquesti@comcast.net for more information.

FCP Dean Questi – dquesti@comcast.net
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M/V *Enterprise*

TGIF

Thank Goodness it's Friday!

Good food..good times..good music

October 31 at 5:00 pm

\$5.00/person

No reservations required



Board of Trustees

George Smith, Chair

M/V Aventura



The Piling Project was a great success thanks to all the ready and willing to work volunteers. We had, at times, 16 very knowledgeable and hardworking members ready to work. In total we had 26 members give of their time and tools, lines, hand held CB's for communication and dinghys to get to get this job done. There were too many to list here and you know who you are and I want to THANK YOU! I know our members thank you as well for taking time out of your busy schedules to make our basin a better place.

American Construction has not completed their portion of the contract as they still have the caps to put in place and the rings on the pilings. This should be complete by the 24th of September. They have been excellent to work with and very accommodating. They pitched in when we needed help and we pitched in to help them when needed. We had an excellent working relationship and I would recommend them if we should need this type of work in the future. All in all the project was a success and we are ready to exhale and move on to other projects around the club such as cleaning up the grid now that it has been repaired, working on the rocky finger piers and possibly new docks.

The Board has approved a change to Rule 25. The current rule reads as follows:

A maximum of two card-keys will be issued to each member. Any card broken or damaged may be returned to the Caretaker for replacement at no charge. To replace a LOST card-key, a personal appearance before the Board of Trustees is REQUIRED along with a charge of \$5.00.

Revised Rule 25 will read as follows:

A maximum of two card-keys will be issued to each member. Any card broken or damaged may be returned to the Caretaker for replacement at no charge. In the event of a LOST card-key, a member shall contact the Main Station Caretaker for replacement along with a charge of \$10.00.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or attend a BOT meeting. My phone is always on.

PC George Smith
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Island Home

Gary Gronley, Chair



For many of our new members this will be your first fall season with the opportunity to visit Island Home. The months of September and October can be the best time to visit the island. You can have hot days and cool nights, a good time to spend an evening with a fire at the fire pit. The leaves are starting to turn to their fall colors, and soon will fall from the trees. The flower baskets and planting areas are dying and the caretaker will be tending them for the spring. Take the time to walk the island trail or cross the road to take a walk to the top of the hill on the trails there. There is a sign to mark the trail's entrance just to the north of our parking entry.

Remember the Island is open for your use all year around. Please sign-in at the registry on the corner of the clubhouse, even if you are just staying for a brief day cruise.

See you on the Island.

47° 14.084 N

122° 56.128 W

Gary Gronley

M/V *Our Adventure*

Main Station

Ron Vukonich, Chair



Fall has arrived!

After such a fabulous summer, it's time to prepare for cold weather and rain.

Watch for frost on the docks. There is "ice melt" at the marina for your use. If more is needed, contact the OYC caretaker.

Yellow safety paint has been applied to the front porch and the area in front of the porch.

The dredge is over and the pile project has been completed.

The process has started for repairs to the 600 finger piers, the 100, 200, and guest dock.

This next year will be another busy year for marina projects.

Enjoy fall cruising,

Ron Vukonich

Main Station Chair

Sunshine Committee

Barbara Narozonek-Neuhauser, Chair



- A card was sent to Randall Greggs.
- A donation was sent in memory of Doug Skinner.
- A card was sent to the Lloyd Stewart Family.
- A card was sent to the Scott Zellis Family

Quartermaster

Phyllis DeTray, Chair



Beginning again in September the Quartermaster Store is open before each dinner meeting.

We have many, many new items for you to purchase. Such as:

- Jackets for men and women
- Denim shirts in all sizes
- Long sleeve tee shirts
- Colorful sweaters
- Caps in many color combinations

All these have the **Yacht Club Logo**

See you in October.

Phyllis and Judy

Clubhouse

PC Carol Robinson, Chair

October Greetings!

Hope you are all settled in from a beautiful summer.

The committee is working hard on a major renovation to the inside of the clubhouse. We strive to bring it up to a modern look.... it is almost 2015. It will all rely on the finance Committee and the BOT approval. Let them know you want more improvements.

We are excited knowing the membership will be also.

PC Carol Robinson

m/v *Romancing the C's*

Club Service Program

PC Les Thompson, Chair



Greetings all of you. I truly hope you had a wonderful boating summer. This has been one of the best ever!! We have had many weekends out and many more dinghy rides after work and on the weekends.

We are starting to wind down the year for CSP hours to be completed. You only have about 2 1/2 months left to get your hours in. I have posted the current hours in the Clubhouse and will post at each dinner meeting until the end of the year. As we get into December I will post weekly. For any hours that are uncompleted for this year you will be billed by the Treasurer beginning in January of 2015.

There are still many projects and social events that can use your help as well as committees who need new members to participate. The chairs are listed in the Beachcomber and the meeting dates are on the calendar in the clubhouse.

New members, joining a committee or helping on a social event is a great way to meet others and get involved. I am always available as well to help out with suggestions or ideas. Give me a call if you need help.

Lets have a great fall. See you on the docks or at an event.

PC Leslie Thompson
CSP guru
M/V *EcstaSea*



Victory Tugs at Harbor Days (Rich Hurst photos)



Junior Sailing Program

PC Bob Connolly, Chair



On behalf of the Olympia Yacht Club's Junior Sailing Program I would like to thank both the South Sound Sailing Society and individual members for their generous donations in memory of Jan Visser. These funds will help support the sailing program that Jan started, which continues to operate with the help of many volunteers of the yacht club as well as a staff of certified instructors.

This past spring students from the Olympia, Lacey and Tumwater area had a great season participating in the high school sailing program, sailing in several regattas. The fall season is just starting and the program, which is open to the public, will have a record number of students learning race tactics, honing their sailing skills, and having fun. Thanks Mike Visser for coaching these great sailors!

OYC sincerely thanks the SSSS for their continuing support. This partnership is greatly appreciated by OYC as well as by the many hundreds of kids that have attended summer sailing over the years. Just this past summer nearly 200 kids were in the program. Planning is under way to increase this attendance next year.

It has taken a number of volunteers to fill Jan's shoes. Thanks go out to Michelle Ripple who picked up a lot of the work, with scheduling classes and instructors. Also, many thanks to Mary Fitzgerald, Mike Visser, Rick Antles and Susie Zuelke for all their help.

Thanks everyone, once again, for all you do to encourage Junior Sailing!

Bobby Connolly
OYC Junior Sailing Committee Chair



Labor Day Photos by Mike Contris



FOOFARAW Report 2014

The 52nd annual FOOFARAW was, by all accounts, a success. Our members provided 43 boats this year, 11 of which were first timers!! Our members are aging a bit and we have lost several "big boats" recently. We knew it was time to "expand the bench" for the future of the club and FOOFARAW. Our new members stepped up to the plate in a huge way---THANK YOU. Several more were unable to attend this year but are anxious for 2015. Being the new Chairman, I conducted some surveys and held two meetings to learn what our gang liked, disliked and wanted to tweak some, resulting in a few minor changes. By and large those worked well, like two lines of boats separated by desired cruise speed to minimize waking each other and a more efficient docking plan designed and performed by Rick and Patti Taylor with some dock runners assisting. They are the stars of the boat show and are to be commended for a job well done. Getting 43 boats in quickly to IH with a minus tide is not an easy feat. Except for one boat that was delayed, all attendees that wanted to were able to make it to the opening flag ceremony--a first.

As you may know the committee is run by Jedhi's. Don't ask--I don't know. My mentor, friend and chair for the previous 24 years, who constantly reminded me "I have your back" (I think he was back there laughing at the rookie mistakes I was making) PC Bob "Obie Won Kenobi" Job needs to be recognized again and again for his efforts. It was like he allowed me to babysit his first child--it is an honor. Cindy "The Force" Smith did a marvelous job creating and running the crew, coordinating the food procurement, cooking and ensuring our guests were greeted with a smile and thanking them for their service. Plus she had the idea we should add fresh sweet corn on the cob and arranged a donation and preparation. It was a hit. You may be thinking I don't know my Jedhi history--no one had the name --"The Force"---but recall the knights always said "May the Force be with you"---no explanation necessary---What I do know is, as long as I am allowed to chair my favorite event of the year, I want Cindy "The Force" on my team---we worked closely together for several months and it was thoroughly enjoyable. The only female Jedhi name was Princess Leah, the name bestowed with highest honors on the cookie lady in chief--Dene Hartman. Leah and her court baked around 1600 homemade cookies. Store bought ones get you thrown out of the court, for you have gone to the "Dark Side". The only complaint I have heard is from me, the Grand Exalted Chairman--I didn't get enough cookies.

Now we come to PC, BOT Chair, and construction project manager George Smith. The council has struggled with a Jedhi moniker for this all around nice and very knowledgeable man. R2D2 or C3PO were suggested. But George ain't no droid. And he is married to "The Force"--so we must be cautious or, well, it could be painful. I have decided that it is George "Master Yoda" Smith, there are some similarities, they are both relatively short but both have great memories and institutional knowledge--so does Obie Won, but he is too tall to be Yoda. There were so many members involved it is impossible to name them all in the space allotted. But we must not forget Main Station Chair Ron "Hans Solo" Vuckonich, and IH Chair Gary "Horatio" Gronley, both of these gents and their crew (The Whittaker twins, George and Greg) and others got everything in top notch condition. I have mentioned the Taylors, they need kudos again, as do the Thurston Chamber of Commerce, our partners in FOOFARAW and the Chehalis Tribe----it is unbelievable how much support we get from them. The head salmon chef, Don, did a fantastic job once again.

FOOFARAW for OYC is our passion, we love doing it and really savor the smiles on our guests' faces. One of our senior PCs told me the event is his Christmas. Our leader Commodore Myra wanted to be at IH first to greet all our guests personally, now that is a touch of class and she did it! My only worry was during our high speed run to get her there first, Myra and Captain Joe were constantly leaning one way or the other. I was informed later that when sailors are making good speed the boat is heeling---so I guess that explains it.

Once again, thanks to all that make FOOFARAW the great event it is. Note: We get to do it again September 11, 2015, low tide of + 0.94

Chris Cheney

Foofaraw photos from Mike Contris



**Foofaraw Cookie Ladies & Gents
ROCK**

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU for making this Foofaraw so special for so many.

We made over 150 'dozen' cookies and they ate them all.

The volunteers this year were: Rich Rocks, Bill Wilmovsky, Debe Anderson, Jinny Beekmann, Joyce Behrend, Joanne Borden, Char Brock, Dorrie Carr, Luellen Charneski, Alice Coakley, Lisa Cosmillo, Phyllis DeTray, Rhonda DeTray, Carol Erwin, Sherry Frailey, Peg Grady, Jen Graf, Paula Hetland, Dianne Hurst, Denise Lynch, Peri Maxey, Vicki McCray, Debra Pape, Tammy Questi, Bonnie Rancour, Arliss Siebert, Becky Minton, Cindy Smith, Gwen Sowray, Gail Thomas, Jane Vukonich, Jen Waugh, Janet Yeager, and Denise Zerner.

You all are the best of the best.

Sincerely,

Dene Hartman



Dene Hartman has been the cookie monster for years and still can't gain any weight.

Photos and captions by Rick Taylor



PC Tony Re and Patti Taylor discuss the magnetic board that helped Patti direct the 43 boats to their moorings



Matt Klueh was a stalwart beer pourer until disaster struck about 1:30: they ran out of beer!



Dan Martin and Matt Mills headed the chicken flipping Brigade.



PC Ted Shann was the self-appointed guardian of the cookies, valiantly ordering the ladies to fill the gaps when the troops over ran a plate



The Squaxin Tribe provided a boat load of salmon.



The bagpipe band serenaded the boats coming in from the point and then re-grouped by the wood shed where they drove out all the rats



There were a number of activities for the military folks including horse shoes, basketball and very fine cigars



Other events included potato race cars and chipping golf balls. The golf balls went straighter



The volleyball game never stopped even for food

.....more Foofaraw photos from Rick Taylor



Cindy Smith did a lot more than bread for the over 400 folks who ate that day.



Rich Hurst and Charlotte Brock were part of the serving line



Nancy Re and Jane Vukonich found something to laugh about in the coleslaw



Rebekah Minton and Gail Thomas doled out salmon still bubbling from the fire



OYC Foofaraw honcho Chris Cheney cruised the event to keep things moving.



The tug of war was a run-away until OYC again anchored their line and defeated the entire Armed Services



some soldiers found things that were better than beer, volleyball or salmon



The apple trees were a popular place to catch a breeze and meet other military folks



The line for food lasted for 45 minutes with two tables serving simultaneously



A nasty low tide saw the 43 boats churning up mud as they came in. More than one ran aground

Safety Committee

PC Richard Erwin, Chair



Sept. 30, 2014, Is The Due Date for completing this year's OYC Fire Prevention Checks. Please really do the check as you sign and attest you did the checks. Return it to our moorage master or place in our "communication" in-box. The forms are also in the form rack on the wall just inside the side door to the clubhouse. If you have had a recent boat house inspection YOU STILL ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE FIRE PREVENTION CHECK LIST -- WHY?? Our fire Prevention check list was developed at the request of our insurance underwriter years ago after all the marina fires. They approved our check list as an active fire prevention program. Our Main Station Committees recently developed new boat house inspection standards. These standards do not include open moorage boats or about 50% of our total moorage and yes, you may have completed a boathouse inspection recently - - - So you completed additional fire prevention checks - - - better to do more than none. We have a good fire prevention record at OYC - - - Lets Keep Up The Good Work.

Remember Fire Prevention is Only As Good As The Effort You Put Into It. Again, Please do a thorough actual check and work together on FIRE PREVENTION. Our checklist is a minimum annual requirement. Why only do the minimum? Consider checking your vessel more often, especially in the cold weather when we have a higher demand for A/C power and have more vessel movement placing extra strain on our vessels and A/C power connections. Don't forget a good post cruising season check of all your vessel systems and components like rudder & propeller shaft stuffing box, batteries & cables, fuel lines, control cables, etc. just to name a few. Developing a good system check list for your own vessel is a good way to include everything.

With all the good weather and heat we have had it's hard to think of cold weather and winter storms. By now, most everyone is home from summer cruising. September is a good time to repair or replace worn mooring lines, eyebolts, cleats etc., including boathouse chains. It's a lot safer and easier to make the corrections during good weather before the cold & wet weather.

If you see an unsafe condition let someone know. Our Mainstation Caretaker, Greg Whittaker is trying to stay on top of the electrical issues. If you see or know of a specific problem, let him know ASAP. We all need to work together to maintain our facilities and club safety.

If you're a new to the club or a long time member and keep your vessel at OYC and have any questions about the club's FIRE PREVENTION CHECK LIST requirements please call one of the Safety Committee members; Richard Erwin 507-4520, Jim Smith 491-1817, or George Smith 943-9549.

Remember Wake Courtesy other boats, West Bay and Boston Harbor.

OLYMPIA YACHT CLUB**FIRE PREVENTION CHECKLIST**

This check list is our insurance carrier's recommendations for OYC fire prevention and is **required to be completed and submitted to the OYC moorage master annually by September 30**. Any member (vessel) obtaining moorage at OYC (except reciprocal visitors) after Sept 30, shall complete and submit the checklist within **15 days** of arrival.

The fire prevention check list will only work with your active participation.

As a member, mooring my vessel at and/or boathouse at Olympia Yacht Club main station facilities, I am certifying I have completed or had someone acting on my behalf complete the fire prevention check list and am in compliance with the following requirements or will correct any deficiencies within five working days from the date completing check list. Mark an **X** for each item checked, **N/A** if item does not apply. All items must be indicated with an X or N/A.

1. I have inspected my boats to dock pedestal AC electrical system including boathouse if applicable:
 - ☐ a. My AC electrical power cord is a weatherproof power cord minimum 12 gauge for 20 AMP, 10 gauge for 30 AMP service with a ground and is not cracked, chafed and free of visible defects.
 - ☐ b. AC power cord plugs are a marine twist lock type, minimum 20 AMP, Maximum 30 AMP.
 - ☐ c. Male & female AC plugs have been checked for signs of burning/melting or other defects and replaced as needed. (at AC plug connections from pedestal to vessel)
 - ☐ d. AC cords passing through boathouse walls have permanently installed non-metallic chafe protection.
 - ☐ e. The AC plug connected to the vessel is secured by a locking ring.
- ☐ 2. Make sure electrical heaters are plugged directly to permanent receptacles. No extension cords.
- ☐ 3. AC heater cords are not tightly coiled or bundled. (it will cause them to get very hot)
- ☐ 4. No reflective type heat lamps are being used on the vessel.
- ☐ 5. No AC heat devices (heat lamps) with spring-type clip hangers are used on the vessel.
- ☐ 6. Hot water heaters are not energized when vessel is unattended.
- ☐ 7. No thermostat controlled electric heaters are being used in gas engine enclosures or tank area.
- ☐ 8. No unprotected light bulbs are being used in machinery and tank spaces.
- ☐ 9. No visible fuel leaks or seeping exists on engines, fuel lines or fuel tanks.
- ☐ 10. If the vessel boat has LP tanks, the valves are closed when the vessel is unattended.
- ☐ 11. Dual range electric heaters (800/1500 watts) are only set on the low range when unattended.
- ☐ 12. No AC electric heaters above 1500 watts are being used when the vessel is unattended.
- ☐ 13. All AC heaters are placed to insure no flammable materials may come in contact with heater.
- ☐ 14. All shore power and heater cords and plugs are not hot to the touch when under a service load.
- ☐ 15. All vessel fire extinguishers are proper USCG size & type, inspected annually and serviced as required
- ☐ 16. Boat houses will have a (5) five pound ABC fire extinguisher inspect annually and serviced as required.
- ☐ 17. Check dock A/C power pedestal GFI (1. Push test button - no power at vessel. 2. Reset - power restored)

I certify that the inspection was completed in compliance with the above standards.

OYC Member _____ Date Inspected _____

Slip # _____ or Boat house # _____ Boat Name _____

Person doing inspection (print) _____ Signature _____



Pickering Passage: Part I

OYC members who visited Island Home this summer might have noticed a parade of boats making their way through Pickering Passage. On a typical summer day, an assortment of kayaks, jet skis, powerboats of all sizes, and sailboats (those able to get under the Harstine Bridge) cruise past our outstation.

Pickering Passage has always been a busy waterway. For centuries, native peoples traveled it in canoes. In 1841 the U.S. Exploring Expedition led by Lieutenant Charles Wilkes ventured into this passage, naming it after Charles Pickering, a naturalist on the expedition (1838-1842). The Wilkes Expedition also named Budd Inlet, Dana Passage, Hope Island, and Harstine Island after crew members. Wilkes' description of southern Puget Sound in July 1841 emphasized soil and vegetation, perhaps suggesting the potential for farming and logging:

“These arms of Puget Sound bear very much the same character. The soil is light on a subsoil of sand stone & gravel. The banks in some places about 100 feet covered with spruce, pines, oaks, alders & arbutus great quantities of seringas in full blossom reminded us of home, and although not partial to its smell heretofore it was found by us all delicious it savored of civilisation” (*Diary of Wilkes in the Northwest*, edited by Edmond S. Meany, University of Washington Press, 1926, p. 86).

During the 19th century, the waterways of South Puget Sound served as transportation routes, as logging, farming, fishing, and oystering increased settlement in the region. Because there were few roads, many settlers traveled by boat, which was the only way to reach Harstine Island and other destinations from the mainland. The photo below shows a fleet of row boats that departed from Agate, north of Hope Island, in the early 20th century.

To facilitate travel, Mason County began operating a ferry across Pickering Passage in 1922, establishing a landing just north of Island Home. *Island Belle*, the first ferry, was a scow equipped with a 10 horsepower motor, which could transport three automobiles. Initially the ferry made three trips a day, three days a week. In 1929 Mason County replaced *Island Belle* with *Harstine I*. The photos below show the ferry in the early 20th century.

Next month's column will describe the ferry and the construction of the bridge, with additional historical photos.

Photos courtesy Mason County Historical Society, Shelton.



The Harstine Island Ferry in Early 1930s

Moorage Report

Bridget Shreve, Moorage Master



I will be sending out postcards to those members that need to replace their burgee or make sure it is visible on the boat.

I will also be getting in touch with a few members that need to show that their boat is able to run under its own power. There are some that also need to be cleaned up.

I appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you,

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Lunch Bunch

WHEN: October 8th, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm
WHERE? OYC Main Station
WHO? Members and Guests
\$5/Person No Reservations Needed



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ENU:

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Dessert**

**Oct 8
11:30 am to 12:30 pm
Main Station**

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Thanks to Dale and Kate Wetsig for the lemon-iced cake and for working at the Sep 10 lunch bunch. Thanks to John Looker, Terry Van Meter, Bob and Sandy Wolf, Pete Janni, and Art Johnson for being the September crew.

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Oct-14

Date	Event	Time	Place	Organizer
1-Oct	Dinner Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Downing
2-Oct	Dance Lessons	7PM	Mainstation	Downing
4-Oct	Queen City Commodores Ball		Queen City YC	Downing
6-Oct	Clubhouse Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Robinson
7-Oct	Government Affairs	5:30PM	Mainstation	Ball
8-Oct	Lunch Bunch	11:30AM	Mainstation	Lackey
8-Oct	Board of Trustees Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Smith
9-Oct	Practice Dance	7pm	Mainstation	Downing
13-Oct	Mainstation Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Vukonich
14-Oct	South Sound Sailingn Society	6:30PM	Mainstation	Sloane
9-Oct	Lunch Bunch	11:30AM	Mainstation	Lackey
9-Oct	Board Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Smith
10/11 to 13	Bremerton JO Ball		Bremerton YC	Phillips/Schefter
16-Oct	Anchorettes Auxiliary	6PM	Mainstation	Carr
16-Oct	Long Range Planning	5:30PM	Mainstation	Crawford
16-Oct	Junior Sailing	5:30PM	Mainstation	Connelly
18-Oct	Olympia Yacht Club Commodores Ball		Mainstation	Pape
20-Oct	Power Squadron	6:30PM	Mainstation	Brower
10/24 to 10/26	Halloween Cruise		Island Home	Questi
10/24 to 10/26	Everett YC JO Ball		Everett YC	Phillips/Schefter
28-Oct	Bridge Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Downing
31-Oct	TGIF Dinner	5PM	Mainstation	Sloane

Nov-14

Date	Event	Time	Place	Organizer
1-Nov	Meydenbauer YC Commodores Ball		Meydenbauer YC	Downing
3-Nov	Clubhouse Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Robinson
4-Nov	Government Affairs	5:30PM	Mainstation	Ball
5-Nov	Dinner Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Downing
10-Nov	Mainstation Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Vukonich
11-Nov	South Sound Sailing Society	6:30PM	Mainstation	Sloane
12-Nov	Lunch Bunch	11:30AM	Mainstation	Lackey
12-Nov	Board Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Smith
15-Nov	Tyee YC Commodores Ball		Tyee YC	Downing
17-Nov	Power Squadron	6:30PM	Mainstation	Brower
18-Nov	Bridge Meeting	6PM	Mainstation	Downing
20-Nov	Junior Sailor	5:30PM	Mainstation	Connelly
20-Nov	Anchorettes Auxiliary	6PM	Mainstation	Carr
20-Nov	Long Range Planning	5:30PM	Mainstation	Crawford
21-Nov	TGIF Dinner	5PM	Mainstation	Sloane
27-Nov	Thanksgiving			
29-Nov	Apple Cup Football	12:30PM	Mainstation	Questi

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