



April 2016



Commodore

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



H ello all

Well it's April already, and we are starting into another busy time of the year. I hope everyone is surviving all of the spring rain! The first on the list of functions is Daffodil at the Tacoma Yacht Club April 15th thru the 17th. This is great event where they have good food, dancing and competition for all. The Olympia Yacht Club has a long tradition of doing very well in these competitions. Our enthusiasm at this event is off the charts. Let's keep our tradition going! Last year we had 21 boats in Tacoma. Let's see if we can beat it this year. This event is always a lot of fun.

The next event is Seattle Opening Day. It runs from May 5th to the 8th. I realize that it is a long trip, but it is well worth it. There is so much going on with all of the surrounding clubs getting into the act, with meals and activities i.e. dancing every night and lots of parties on the docks with friends. We do have an officer's boat in the parade, and we could use a decorated boat if someone is interested in volunteering their boat. So mark your calendars and join us in Seattle for their opening day.

Finally on May 13th and 14th it will be South Sound Opening Day. It will start off with a TGIF and decorating on Friday night. Saturday starts bright and early with a breakfast prepared by our Past Commodores. This is a long tradition we are bringing back as they do a fabulous job. Thanks to Past Commodore Matt Mills for organizing this. Then we have the opening ceremony and introductions. Next will be the boat parade and BBQ on the deck. This also is a long time tradition at OYC, where all of the local clubs get together to celebrate the South Sound Opening Day. So I would like to see everyone come out and join us and help celebrate our Opening day.

For now, we will see you at the functions and on the water.

Mike Phillips
Commodore
M/V Chaotic Too



Vice Commodore

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



April, May and Spring are here. The Tacoma Yacht Club Daffodil Event is scheduled from April 15 - 17. It has been reported we have 12 to 14 boats signed up, but we need more. Last year, we had about twenty, and we should be able to match that. It's a great event. They always have six plus dinghy's in their basin escorting and acting as tugboats to push all into place. Once in place there are dances, dinners and just great socializing. The parade on Sunday along with Tacoma's opening day ceremony is not to be missed. There is still time to sign up, but do it soon.

If you cannot make that event, than consider going to the Seattle Yacht Club's opening day weekend on May 6 - 8. OYC always has a mooring pad made available to us by Queen City Yacht Club, so if you go, we will all be in one place. It is the top of the opening day events on the West Coast, and an event not to be missed. As always, get on line

to Seattle Yacht Club's site and sign up.

This event is followed on May 14 and 15 by your own Olympia Yacht Club Opening Day complete with our own boat parade and on-deck BBQ thereafter. It's a great day, so please be part of it. Don't miss all of these first good boating days in the Spring.

That's about it for what's on the horizon. It is also a reminder that it is time to start looking over the old boat and going through the spring start up process. An excellent opportunity to spend money and three excellent opportunities to test the old boat for the summer cruising season.

On the subject of spending money, did you know that a new Rolls-Royce Wraith can be leased for \$3,999.00 a month for 48 months and only \$29,995 down? A few thousand on the old boat seems reasonable.

Speaking of cruising, we will have another Commodore's Cruise meeting on April 21 at 7 pm at the Clubhouse. This time we will have Gary Ball give us some pointers on "Cruising Into Canada" to discuss charting, laying charts, tides and currents. All things we will use on the cruise. For those who know these things, it can be a refresher. For those that are rusty, it is a great opportunity to listen in and ask questions. Hopefully we can refine our list of cruisers and answer questions. Remember the cruise officially leaves OYC on July 22, but any boater can leave earlier or later. If this meeting still bores you, I am told another member will be there to discuss how drive-through funeral homes work.

In any event, I hope to see all of you at one or all of these events. So that's about it for now. See you about.

VC Walt Schefter
First Mate Catherine
MV Rob Roy

Commodore's Cruise To Canada Leaving July 22

OYC summer cruise meetings will be held between now and then at the clubhouse. Watch for upcoming announcements

If you cannot attend the meetings, please email me at wschefter@comcast.net with your ideas.

You can participate in all or part of the cruise but we need to know your plans as we need to reserve moorage at the various marinas.

Walter Schefter, M/V Rob Roy



Rear Commodore

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



Our March Dinner Meeting's menu was a bit of a dud. I made a rookie mistake by deciding on a new dinner menu without sampling it. The seafood cannelloni was more like a seafood mush burrito. I received feedback from the membership – not popular. I'll make a note of it. This coming month, we are back to the traditional April menu, of Grilled salmon with honey butter, rice pilaf, asparagus spears, fresh pear and pecan salad and dinner rolls, with Chocolate Mousse Cake for dessert. I hope this is better received.

If you are not on the permanent reserve list for Dinner Meetings, please call the Reservation Line by 12 Noon on the Monday before the Wednesday dinner. I have to call Pellegrino's with a head count Monday afternoon. Thank you.

Of course what we serve at our monthly dinner meetings is not a reason to be a member of the Olympia Yacht Club. There are many, many other reasons. In fact the Top Ten

Reasons for belonging to the Olympia Yacht Club, in ascending order are:

- 10) You will still have a place to live when the sea level rises from global warming and floods downtown Olympia.
- 9) You can win valuable prizes at annual cruises to Island Home.....from anything from games of skill to wearing outrageous costumes in front of everyone.
- 8) You can enjoy the company of fellow boaters on the water and at social functions throughout the year, with good food and drink accompanying.
- 7) TGIF once a month lets you eat as much pizza, salad and ice cream as you want for \$6 and that includes as much beer and wine as you want as well.
- 6) The club is conveniently located next to a great food market that also serves excellent Batdorf & Bronson coffee.
- 5) Members can gain life skills such as First Response Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and ballroom dancing techniques in free classes offered by the club.
- 4) Our club hosts an awesome Opening Day ceremony to kick off the South Sound Boating Season.
- 3) Members can give back to the community through events like Foofaraw, Special People's Cruise and the other community events.
- 2) You can go on extended cruises with your fellow club members and have a rip roaring time at other marinas and beautiful island anchorages.

And the number one reason for belonging to the Olympia Yacht Club:

You become a better boater and a better person by sharing camaraderie and the knowledge of boating with your fellow OYC members.

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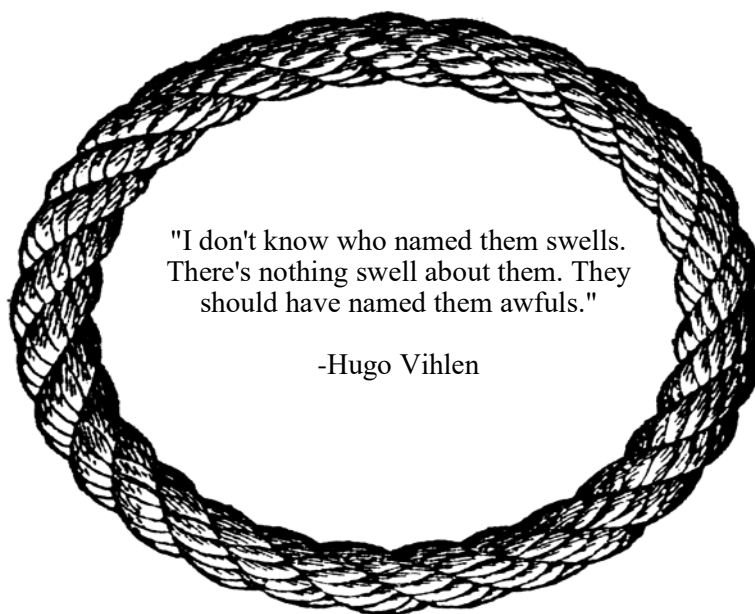
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**Check out the OYC Website**

- Photos of recent events
- Current Puget Sound fuel prices
- Club documents for download
- Past Beachcombers
- Classified ads
- History Corner

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"I don't know who named them swells.
There's nothing swell about them. They
should have named them awfuls."

-Hugo Vihlen

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Fleet Captain Sail

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S/V *Cygnat*



Spring is here!

Boating season is here. There is so much coming up in the sailing and boating world.

April 15 – 17 is Tacoma Yacht Club's **Daffodil Marine Festival**. There is so much to do at this event. Annette and I will be showing up on Thursday

night. Well at least I will. She'll join me on Friday after she gets off work.

Friday night, there is a kick off dinner buffet, with the Magician Jeff Evans. If you haven't seen him, he is pretty amazing. Very funny, especially after a couple of Daffy Drinks. After the show is dancing with DJ Chris Williamson. Always a good time. Saturday is the very popular Music Trivia Contest. After dinner there will be music and dancing by the Nines.

Finally, on Sunday, the boat parade. This year the Fife's again have volunteered their boat *Naida* to be in the parade representing OYC. If you haven't seen their boat, it's a beauty. It's a 1938 Grebe that has been beautifully restored. Last year, *Naida* took home the Commodore's Choice Award.

There are plenty of opportunities to pick up some of those valuable CSP Hours for helping to decorate the boat. If you haven't been to Daffodil, you really should think about coming. It's a lot of fun.

Don't forget that our opening day is just around the corner. Mark your calendars, **May 14th is Opening Day in Olympia**. More information forthcoming.

Lastly, **TGIF is on April 22nd**. The best mini pizza feast for only \$6. Remember that happy hour starts at 5:30 pm, and the first pie comes out of the oven at 6 pm! We're always looking for volunteers. So please come join the awesome TGIF Crew. If you're interested please contact me at FCS.OYC.Mark@outlook.com, or use our OYC Facebook page.

See you on the water!

Fleet Captain Sail
Mark & Annette Welpman
SV *Cygnat*



Fleet Captain Power

Fleet Captain Marty Graf
First Mate Jen Graf
M/V *William West*



Nothing new to report this month. Just looking forward to Tacoma's opening day and Daffodil... And the magic show.

Hope you all have recovered from daylight savings and are ready for Spring!

As many song writers have said over the years, "keep on keepin' on."

Marty and Jenifer Graf
Fleet Captains Power
M/V *William West*

TGIF

Thank Goodness it's **Friday!**

Good food, good times,
good music

April 22nd, 2016



Drinks and Socializing 5:30 PM

Pizza etc..... 6:00 PM

\$6.00/person

No reservations required

Quartermaster

Phyllis DeTray, Chair



Hi Fellow Yacht Clubbers

HAS SPRING FINALLY SPRUNG ?

We hope so because the Quartermaster store has some great Spring clothing

- Men's Gingham checked shirts as well as striped..
- Lots of cute Tee Shirts for the Gals

Stop by before dinner and check them out.

Quartermasters,
Phyllis and Judy



Board of Trustees

Bob VanSchoorl, Chair

M/V Amstel



Thank you to all of the committee chairs and members for the great work you are doing on behalf of all of us. Special thanks go out this month to Main Station Committee Chair Rick Antles and the committee members for their great work organizing and implementing the installation of the new docks. And we would also like to thank all of the members whose boats have been displaced or without power or access for a short time for your willing cooperation. As I write this report, the 500-600 connector dock is nearly complete. By the time you read this, the 200 dock should be in place. Go check them out.

Boating season is upon us. Get out on the water – safely. Take advantage of Island Home and our reciprocal moorage throughout Puget Sound. Explore new waters. Join us for the Commodore's Cruise in late July.

Remember, OYC has been designated as a Clean Marina. Do your part to keep it that way and also to keep our cruising waters healthy.

We are adding quite a few new members thanks to the Membership Committee's Boat Show participation. Take the time to meet and greet our new members. Help them learn about the great advantages of being an OYC member. Encourage them to join a committee and attend our great events.

The Board of Trustees meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6 pm at the Club House. Please join us and see what is happening in our Club.



Government Affairs

Gary Ball, Chair



Our Legislative Reception on February 24th was another very successful event. The state budget was released the day of the event, which limited the overall participation. Yet we still had a total of 63 attendees.

One of the better engagements of the night was the dedicated time with the Director of the WA State Department of Enterprise Services (DES), Chris Lui. The DES is tasked with establishing the management plan for Capital Lake. Having Chris involved in conversations for a number of hours was very helpful in providing insight to the benefits of maintaining and dredging Capital Lake. DES has established a working task force to determine the future direction of the plan and OYC members are attending and tracking this effort closely.

We were also able to get focused time from House Representative Chad Magendanz. He had never seen the marina nor the boat houses. Once he had a tour of the facility and the associated discussion, he stated that he has a new respect for the club and the value that it brings to the boating community. He will be a great ally in the future.

We all want to thank Carol Robinson and her team for the incredible annual effort to cater this event and the clean-up necessary to make this happen in such a profession manner. Thank you Carol and team!

On the Recreational Boaters Association (RBAW) front, we want to thank those that stepped forward with their \$20 to become individual members of RBAW. This is our boating lobby organization and we need to ensure they are funded properly to represent the club as political issues occur. A quick recap of what RBAW is doing for us:

1. Vessel Records Privacy Bill (HB 1409): This bill, which

passed into law will make your vessel ownership information private. Did you know it wasn't?

2. Recreation Resource Account (HB 6363) "Boating Facilities Program": When the new 11.9 cent gas tax was put into place, 1% was supposed to go to boating. Well... it hasn't been. The bill has passed and the result is a new \$4.85 million will quickly move to marine based facilities projects. Pretty good return for your \$20.
3. RBAW is strongly supporting OYC and our efforts to properly maintain Capital Lake.
4. No Discharge Zone: The Dept. of Ecology is determined to make the entire Puget Sound a No-Discharge Zone. RBAW is working with the American Waterways Organization to ensure the DOE is using sound science in making their decisions.
5. The Dept. of Natural Resources Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP), that you may have read about in the Feb Beachcomber, is officially on ice thanks to RBAW and the other political action groups. However, when listening to the visitors from the Longview Yacht Club, it appears that some of the HCP requirements are being added to new DNR lease renewals. RBAW is taking a proactive approach to making sure that this is not happening. The HCP would have a significant impact on our marina.

We are always looking for people who would be interested in joining our committee. We would especially like to add some women for better diversity. If you are interested, please feel free to contact me.

Fleet Surgeon

Richard Hurst, M.D ("Rich")



Congrats to the 20 new HeartSavers from the CPR class.

Life is good! It is not mosquito season and neither Chipotle nor a cruise line has poisoned anyone lately.

Now would be a good time to check your First Aid kit and toss anything from the Reagan era as well as tape that feels a bit gooey. Replace those Band-Aids you used during the sun season.

Get some exercise. Work on your balance.



Womens' Interclub Council

Kim Shann, Representative



As I type my WIC NEWS, our own OYC members of our Ladies group, (Anchoresses) are preparing for our Women's Interclub luncheon, MARCH 23RD, 2016.

Crab Louis is our menu, and "A WALK ON THE BOARDWALK" is our theme.

The next luncheon for our ladies to attend will be at the BREMERTON YACHT CLUB on APRIL 13th, 2016. Their theme will be "SCARLET ROAD". Celebrating Spring and the Beauty of Giving.

Please call Kim Shann, 491-3786 to attend. These are interesting luncheons to get acquainted with ladies from all these 14 yacht clubs, and interesting programs or entertainment.

Cordially,
Kim Shann WIC REP



Junior Sailing Program

Mary Fitzgerald, Chair



By the time you read this, we will already have had a very successful "It's the Water Regatta" at Swantown Marina on the 19th and 20th of March. Thanks to all you volunteers that helped us with our efforts in the care and feeding of over 150 High School Sailors, their parents, coaches, and chaperones.

As I look at the calendar for April and May, I'm realizing that things are heating up for all the sailors in the South Sound Area. We have an April **Intro to Keelboat sailing** class for beginning keelboat sailors on April 23rd and 24th. **The cost is \$189.00 and is scheduled for a weekend class time.** Saturday April 23rd from 9 am to 4pm with an hour break for lunch, and Sunday April 24th from 1 to 6 pm. **NO Experience is necessary.**

May starts out with a bang with the start of **South Sound Sailing Society sponsored races for Stars, dinghies and keelboats.** Check out South Sound Sailing Society's website for more information.

May also includes a **Women's Intro to Keelboat Sailing** class on May 9, 11, 16 and 18. **These are on Monday and Wednesday evenings, starting at 5:30 pm and going until dusk.** Both the April and May classes are geared towards students who would like to sail bigger boats, perhaps

someday cruising our beautiful NW waters. We will start with the basics of Sailing including rigging the boats, knots, finding the wind, points of sail, man-overboard drills and safety issues. These are both introductory classes with advanced keelboat classes scheduled throughout the summer. Please check the OYC website and the Olympia Parks and Recreation for more information on classes for both youth and adults.

Also in May is the **7th South Sound Women's Boating Seminar on May 21st.** This one-day seminar is an opportunity for women power boaters and sailors alike to gain useful information that will make their on-the-water experiences more personal, enjoyable and have them looking forward to any excuse to be on the water. Our instructors are all women experts and will offer you hands-on learning as well as meeting other women boaters that will coach you and inspire you. The cost is just \$35 for the day and that includes lunch. To register for the seminar, go to www.Brownpapertickets.com/browse. Type in South Sound Women's Boating Seminar and follow the resulting instructions.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to contact me for more information.

Capt. Mary Fitzgerald
Juniors Committee Chair
OYC Learn to Sail/Boating Safety and Education program
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Island Home

Earl Hughes, Chair

**Mark your calendars for our big Island Home****Spring Clean up Event Saturday April 23rd**

We'll punch in at 8AM. Hot coffee will be ready when you arrive. We have lots of tasks to be done big & small. You can sign up at the Main Station CSP board; also you can call me at 360-352-3748 or email me at ehughes416@comcast.net We'll need a good idea of how many are coming out so that we have lunch for everyone.

Ladies we now have installed a hair dryer in your rest room for your convenience .

Any time you are driving out to the Island please remember to park only on the right side of the driveway going down next to the logs. This way vehicles can always get through the road. The same is true for the lower parking area. Looking forward to seeing everyone Saturday the 23rd.

Earl Hughes
MV Lady BEE II
Island Home Chair
ehughes416@comcast.net



Island Home Committee meetings are on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Main Station.

Club Service Program

PC Les Thompson, Chair



Greetings and Happy Spring to everyone.

I hope by now the March "Lion" is gone and the "Lamb" will take over!!!

We are entering a busy time of the year for CSP with social events and the Main Station and Island Home clean up and maintenance approaching. I hope you will get involved and help the committee chairs and Bridge as well as get a good start or complete your hours for the year.

New members, this is the perfect way to meet members and have fun getting your hours. I will post the first quarter report at the end of the month before the dinner meeting for all of you to see. I hope to see you on the docks or at an event, and as always call me if you need help beyond the Bridge, BOT and committee chairs or just have questions.

PC Leslie Thompson

CSP guru

MV EcstaSea

Lunch Bunch

**WHEN: Weds April 13th, 2016
11:30 am to 12:30 pm**

WHERE? OYC Main Station

**WHO? Members and Guests
\$6.00 per Person and
No Reservations Needed**

**MENU**

**Mama's Meat Loaf
and Baked Spuds**

Join the Lunch Bunch!

Stop by for Lunch with us on Wednesday, 13 April 2016 from 11:30 till 12:30 at the OYC Clubhouse.

April Menu - Mama's Meat Loaf and Baked Spuds - Yes! It's the Blue Plate Special

Still Only \$6.00 which includes beverages and Dessert.

We have openings for Crew on this event....and its fun! If you are interested contact Kelly Thompson at kt2oly@gmail.com or 360.402.9999

New This Year! Test your skills with Table Top Trivia. Amaze your friends and astound your enemies!

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Bobby Brown busy redoing our beloved fire pit at the Island.

Main Station

Rick Antles, Chair



The Main Station Committee continues to monitor the new dock installation, and by the time you read this, the new 600 Connector Dock (old shed area) will be in place and ready to receive boats, but power hook up is still in the works. Dock pedestals were delayed, but I anticipate these will be ready for use about April 6 to 7. The 200 dock deconstruction is to have started March 28 and that new dock brought in mid to later in the week; probably floating in its new home, but it won't be walkable until the end of the week: the 200 Dock water and electrical connections completing into the second full week of April. The email chains for the residents of the affected docks will keep you informed as to when to return your boat to the marina.

Thanks to our members sharing attendance and monitoring of the construction: special thanks to Gene Testa, Tim Ridley and Jack Behrend. Thanks to all our members displaced by this proceeding, as your patience has been supportive.

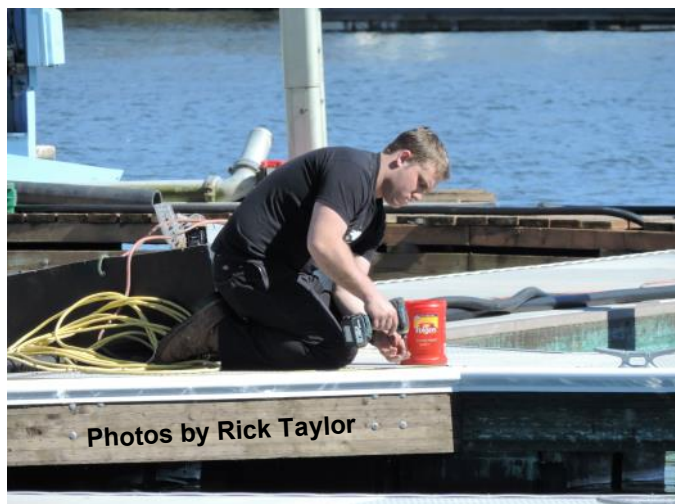
There are new grates in the ramps leading down into the marina, thanks to Bill Hamaker and his crew. It was quite rainy periodically, and they brought it to completion in a timely manner. Great work you guys.

Work crews will soon be needed for several projects such as to reinstall dock boxes, install safety ladders, Wi-Fi up-grade, and more. Please get in touch with me or Greg Whitaker, OYC Caretaker.



As spring warms up and dock reconstruction is coming to an end, the plan is to restart the Open Slip and Boat House inspections. This April 20 at 6 pm, there will be an instructional one to two-hour meeting on how to perform this function and to get it initiated. We need folks to help out. If you have done these inspections in the past, please come share your experience and learn about new procedures. If you have not been an inspector before and want to learn more about becoming an inspector or just learn about the process, please come. Our goal is to perform a thorough inspection of the marina this spring, so we can get a baseline and establish a regimen for future inspections. Inspectors will earn CSP hours. Give me a heads up that you will be attending this April 20 meeting, please; we're looking for a crew of 10 to 15 folks to get this done, but a few more wouldn't hurt. The Boat House/Open Slip inspection sub-chair is Jerry Budelman; you can also contact him for additional information.

Main Station Committee meeting will next be at the OYC Main Station on Thursday, April 7 at 6:00 p.m.



Work continues on the OYC docks. Here a worker secures the new walkways on the old covered dock areas.



Part of the new dock installation involves the cables and other connections under the walk way.

Contact me at mainstationchairfoyc@gmail.com or by phone at 360.701.8800.

Rick Antles, Main Station Chair
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S/V *White Raven*



The History Corner

Lisa Mighetto, OYC Historian



When walking down the 200 dock you might notice a distinctive sailboat – often covered – with fenders resting on close-to-the-waterline hull rails. This is “Willow,” a cat yawl owned by Art Johnson and Sheryl Baker. This vessel, which dates from 1990, first launched at West Bay and is what note-

worthy boat designer Philip C. Bolger refers to as a boat with an “Open Mind.”

Art and Sheryl cruise “Willow” mostly between Olympia and the B. C. Gulf Islands. “In the neighborhood we grew up in, there was a big willow tree

we both played in,” Art explained. “And we like the sound of the name.” In 1994 they spent more than three months cruising to Alaska, arriving as far as Glacier Bay and Sitka. The boat sleeps two forward and one in the main cabin. Their favorite memory is crossing Dixon Entrance to enter Alaskan waters. Prior to joining OYC in 2002, “Willow” was displayed at the Olympia Wooden Boat Show. The boat is made from Quinault reservation red cedar, Douglas fir, and spruce that Art and Sheryl stacked and seasoned while exchanging sketches and letters with Bolger. There is a portable toilet, foot pump for the galley sink, ice box, non-pressurized alcohol cook stove, gravity fed kerosene heater and manual anchor windlass aboard. They spent a few hours in person with Bolger in 1995 on his boat “Resolution,” which he lived on in Gloucester. Bolger is no longer with us but his spirit carries on today in Paul Bieker’s work. Bieker, a Seattle-based naval architect, stepped the mast of the boat that brought the America’s cup back to the USA. He also brought to life a Bolger preliminary design for last year’s Race to Alaska (the Proa). Art and his son Jack have brought four Bolger designs for small craft to life (see photos).

“Willow” represents an innovative design that defies a century of skepticism about shallow-draft cruisers in the USA. Before the first America’s Cup, US race boats were dangerous owing to their low freeboard and requirement that foils be placed on centerline. Low freeboard contributes to capsize and centerline foil placement is the worst place structurally on a wooden boat for a device meant to be stressed to keep the sailing boat from being pushed sideways (prevent leeway). Results from the first America’s Cup race fostered spirited debate regarding design rules in England versus those in use at the New York Yacht Club, which favored retractable foils, with the end result being the perception that retractable

foils were bad. Hence shallow-draft sailing cruisers (single and multi-hulled) were bad. Chapelle writes, “When it is possible for yachtsmen and designers to obtain a more complete knowledge of past experiments in hull-design and rig than is now available, an intelligent and natural development of yacht design, free of fads and the effects of badly constructed measurement rules, seems reasonable to expect.” (Howard I. Chapelle, *The History of American Sailing Ships*, 1935, p. 357).). This development is progressing, as evidenced by the radical vessels currently raced in the America’s cup. The evidence is also seen in the mono-hulled “Willow.”

“Willow’s” foils are not on centerline. They are not needed off the wind and Art and Sheryl usually have the foils (called leeboards) stowed. “Willow” has enough keel without them to beat to windward, and her three-cylinder Yanmar diesel engine is used to prevent leeway, instead of the leeboards, when needed. The boards are striking when mounted (see photo.) Because no opening in the hull is required and the wooden boat’s structure is not compromised with an appendage on centerline, “Willow” at launch was appreciated as both coastal and open ocean worthy. The boat was featured, for example, in an article in *Coastal Cruising* (May/June 1996, pages 14-16) on their trip to Alaska, which pointed out that similar small shallow-draft cruisers have crossed the Atlantic. Bolger’s book, *Boats with an Open Mind* includes many designs along the lines of “Willow.” The advantage of the hull form is that only two feet of water are needed to float the vessel. This opens up passages, destinations, moorages and short cut routes not possible for most 30-foot cruising sailboats.

While sailboat hull design progressed slowly (owing to design racing measurement rules since the first America’s Cup and subsequent closed minds), rig design moved forward somewhat faster. Bolger considers “Willow’s” unstayed rig the best all-around rig for cruising in crowded places. “The masts are out of the way of cabin and cockpit,” Bolger wrote. “And it has the quickest and simplest sheeting geometry of any rig that allows positive control of the boat without steerage-way” (Bolger, *103 Sailing Rigs: ‘Straight Talk,’* 1998, p. 108). There is an advantage afforded by the rig when wind strengthens. Art notes that the mizzen aft sail keeps the boat head to wind when reefing, making that chore of less effort. The mizzen sail also reduces sailing around her anchor. The rig requires no winches and an extra pair of hands are not needed when tacking.

Next time you’re on the new 200 dock check out this unique vessel.

For more information, see Philip C. Bolger, *Boats with an Open Mind*, 1994.

Photos courtesy of Sheryl Baker.



Nautical Notes

from out there.....



Ahoy and Aloha!

Our whale season seems to be winding down earlier than usual in Hawaii. And their behavior has been dramatically different than normal..... staying under the surface much more. This led to four national articles the first of January about where have Hawaii's whales gone? All sorts of pontifications were sighted but nothing conclusive. However, I knew there were lots of whales here---one just couldn't see them. Using a hydrophone I could hear zillions of them communicating (I don't speak Humpback, so don't know what they were saying) from early December on. Now not so many are heard. Clearly the ocean temperatures have been strange recently and the whales are different--is this related? Who knows?



When the blubberheads leave, I'm coming home. We are pretty firm on cruising to SE Alaska this year. Being the financial geniuses we are, we have decided to haul some appliances and other items up to our son in Craig, instead of barging them. Any excuse to cruise. We are curious if anyone else is heading beyond Vancouver Island this year. The Roy consortium are going up. Anyone else? Might be fun to hook up somewhere along the line.

Remember the unofficial OYC call sign, "Captain Oly"? Some of us have been using it for the last 3 or 4 years. You hail on 16 -- "Captain Oly, this is the (your boat name) on 16". If a friendly OYC'r hears the call, he responds "Captain Oly this is the *Just4US*, lets go (whatever frequency you wish)." Or you can just forget the club sign and respond directly. Disclaimer -- a literal reading of the FCC rules would declare the club call sign inappropriate. Fact is many do it all the time all over the world. But to be safe--after hearing the Cap'n Oly call, just go to your real names.

Lastly, due to family issues, I probably will do much of the trip up and back solo. Would love some company for all or just segments of the trip. Hoping to go outside Vancouver Island one direction (or the other) to do some fishing, if that is of interest. Let me know.....see you soon.

Chris Cheney
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Environmental Awareness

John Sherman, Chair



CELEBRATING OUR CLEAN (and SAFE) MARINA

April is the third anniversary of OYC becoming a certified “Clean Marina”. To achieve this recognition, OYC members adopted a set of Best Management Practices (BMP) for the maintenance and operation of our vessels and our shoreside facilities. These practices seek to minimize--really to *eliminate*--the introduction of pollutants into our waters in order to support public health and to restore and preserve the well-being of the environment in which we live.

The BMP are posted on the OYC bulletin board and on our website. But the essence of the BMP can be summarized as (to borrow from a familiar prescription):

“Put nothing into the water that you haven’t eaten first.”

(And that stuff should be put in your holding tank and pumped out at a shoreside station!)

This applies to fuel and oil, and toxic paints and solvents, of course. Naturally, it applies to sewage as well. But it also applies to less insidious pollutants such as wash-down water which may contain harmful detergents and sanding dust containing paint, varnish, or fiberglass particles. Discharge of these substances into marine waters is prohibited by a variety of international treaties, and by federal, state, and local laws and regulations--but rather than beat folks over the head with law books, a more practical approach to encourage good behavior is to summarize common sense as “best management practice”.

The OYC provides several facilities and services to help members observe the BMP. First of all, OYC has purchased developed procedures to manage inadvertent oil or fuel (or other toxic) spills and mitigate their effect on the environment. Please note the locations of spill cleanup materials on the docks and contact the caretaker, Greg, or other OYC officer should a spill occur or be observed.

Other facilities include the waste dumpster and recycling center in the northeast corner of the parking lot. This area is serviced by the City of Olympia Public Works Department whose policies determine what and how to recycle.

Facilities also include the harder-to-find Hazardous Waste disposal area behind the caretaker’s residence. Here you will find a large waste oil collection and recycle tank with a funnel platform for draining oil filters prior to disposal, and a large green plastic box to hold other toxic wastes. The OYC has contracted with Arcom Oil to pick up and recycle the used oil, and the Thurston County Health Department provides an invaluable service to OYC members by periodically picking up and transporting the contents of the green box to the Thurston County Hazo House.

Arcom and the Hazo House also have guidelines for hazardous waste-- what is acceptable and how to prepare it for recycling. Future articles will discuss these guidelines in more detail (and procedures will be posted on the OYC website for reference), but let me offer here a couple of suggestions that are particularly appropriate as we prepare for the upcoming annual Safety and Environmental Awareness Day:

1. Store Hazardous Waste in **SEALED CONTAINERS** for recycling.
The original container was designed to safely hold the stuff and should be re-used whenever possible.
2. Carefully **LABEL THE CONTENTS** of all containers.
Again, use the original container (e.g. paint can) whenever possible. Otherwise, tags with wire ties are available in the Recycle Box.
3. **KEEP WASTE SEPARATED** when possible. Used antifreeze can be recycled, but not if it is mixed with oily bilge water, for example.
4. **KEEP OYC SAFE.** While very small quantities of flammable waste may be disposed of in the Green Box (sealed and labelled appropriately, of course), please take any significant quantity to the Hazo House yourself. A gallon of last year’s outboard gasoline, for example, baking in the Green Box in the summer sun would pose a significant threat to the safety of OYC members and property.

John Sherman

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Environmental Awareness

Coming May 21st !

Seventh Annual South Sound Women's Boating Seminar

This year's South Sound Women's Boating Seminar will be held on:

**Saturday, May 21, from 8:00am to 5:00pm at the
Olympia Yacht Club in downtown Olympia
201 Simmons St NW, Olympia WA**

Admission: \$35 (plus small processing fee from Brown Paper Tickets)

Registration is Now Open:

You are invited to learn and strengthen fundamental boating skills at the Women's Boating Seminar, Saturday, May 21, from 8:00am to 5:00pm at the Olympia Yacht Club in downtown Olympia.

Online registration is now open for the South Sound Women's Boating Seminar. Make your reservations directly at southsoundwbs@brownpapertickets.com or learn more about the seminar and access the site through Women's Boating Seminar page at www.ssssclub.com/wbs.htm of the South Sound Sailing Society website.



Schedule of Events

- **Strategy vs Strength:** The day begins as Alison Mazon demonstrates how to use the principles of physics rather than just strength to accomplish Titanic tasks without injury or an extra hand.
- **Docking:** Even seasoned boaters experience tense moments docking amid currents, winds, neighboring boats and rising insurance costs. "Ace" Spragg tackles this issue head-on, guiding us with her vast experience.
- **Hands-on Fair:** After lunch, choose from a variety of activities including marine radio communication, knot tying, and line heaving. New this year is "Chart Reading 101" decoded by Barbara Emmons. Barbara explains the key information you need for safe navigation. A local representative of the United States Coast Guard will also be on hand to explain the requirements that every boat must meet before leaving the dock and how you can prepare your vessel for Coast Guard inspection.
- **Breakout Sessions:** In an afternoon breakout session, Lynne Reister examines what to consider when buying a boat. In another breakout session, Alison Mazon shows us the basics of the outboard engine and how to keep it working.
- **Sea/She stories:** The seminar closes with our speakers sharing their own experiences during a session. This is a chance to learn how you too can solve problems when things go wrong. You're encouraged to share your stories and ask questions for some surprising and creative problem solving.

So bring your stories and join us for our *seventh year* of women helping women to gain boating skills and build your confidence. Enjoy a great day of networking and laughter with other women boaters. Every participant has a chance to win valuable door prizes. In addition, we are offering raffles for wonderful merchandise and services to sponsor "Girls at the Helm" Scholarships. All this plus a sumptuous lunch is still only \$35 plus a small processing fee from Brown Paper Tickets. For registration information and a link to Brown Paper Tickets, check the South Sound Women's Boating Seminar Webpage at <http://www.ssssclub.com/wbs.htm> or register directly at <http://southsoundwbs.brownpapertickets.com/>



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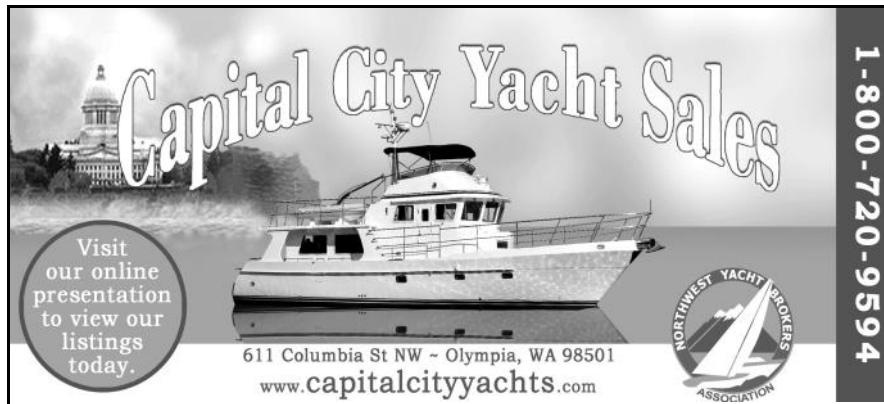
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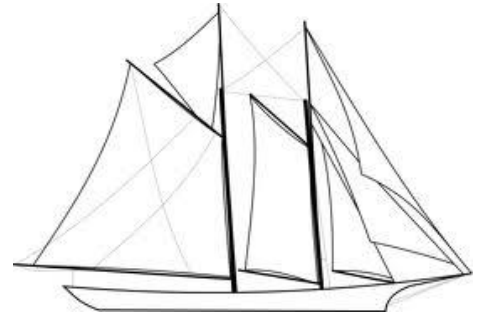
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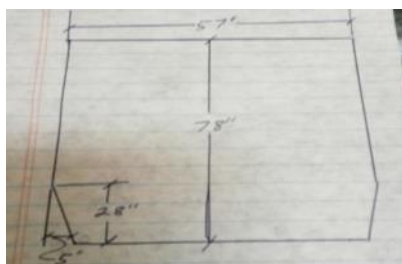
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FOR SALE**MEMORY FOAM MATTRESS
\$200.00**

Gently used Memory Foam Mattress

78" Long X 57" Wide X 12" Thickness

Just shy of a queen size home mattress,
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COMPLETE PAPER CHART SET
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For Sale: Boathouse #635Best Medium Size Boathouse in OYC
40'L X 16'W
Well is 37'L X 12' 8"W.
Full Upgrades
Meets all Specifications
\$33,500 OBO
Bron Lindgren 956-0706

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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
- \$89,950.00**
253-222-7711 or 360-709-0505

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For Sale: Boathouse #649Excellent condition and meets all
Specifications

Overall size 43' x 20' x 16' tall

Well is 36' x 14'

\$33,000 OBO

Larry Linn 360-280-2468

"Best Little Boathouse in the Basin"

#503 priced to sell quickly at

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- Well measures 35 feet by 11.5. Height of entry is 12 feet above water level, so will not accommodate a boat with a fly bridge.
- New curtain and new front siding in 2014.
- Floats scrapped in June 2015
- Call Theresa [503-799-4743](tel:503-799-4743)

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**FOR SALE
Boathouse #621**Well 38'L x 14'W
Meets all OYC specs.
Fit 3288 Bayliner comfortably
Has Work Bench, Storage loft
Shelving, WalkwaysVery Stable House
\$18,000.Call Dennis [253-377-1699](tel:253-377-1699)

April 2016

Date	Event	Time	Place	Organizer
4	Clubhouse Meeting	6PM	Main Station	Wells
4	Junior Sailing	6:00PM	Main Station	Fitzgerald
4	IH Meeting	7PM	Main Station	Hughes
5	Government Affairs	5:30PM	Main Station	Ball
5	Bridge Meeting	6PM	Main Station	Phillips
6	Dinner Meeting	6PM	Main Station	Phillips
7	Main Station Meeting	6PM	Main Station	Antles
9	Day Island Commodores Ball		DIYC	Phillips
12	South Sound Sailing Society	6:30PM	Main Station	Welpman
13	Lunch Bunch	11:30AM	Main Station	Thompson
13	Board Meeting	6PM	Main Station	VanSchoorl
15 to 17	Tacoma Daffdil		TYC	Zuelke
16	Long Range Planning	5:30PM	Main Station	Crawford
21	Anchoresses Auxiliary	6PM	Main Station	Zelis
22	TGIF	5PM	Main Station	Welpman
23	Poulsbo Commodores Ball		Poulsbo Yacht Club	Phillips
23	Island Home Spring Cleanup		Island Home	Hughes

May 2016

Date	Event	Time	Place	Organizer
2	Clubhouse Meeting	6PM	Main Station	Wells
2	IH Meeting	7PM	Main Station	Hughes
2	Junior Sailing	6PM	Main Station	Fitzgerald
3	Bridge Meeting	6PM	Off Site	Phillips
4	Dinner Meeting	6PM	Main Station	Phillips
5	Main Station Meeting	6PM	Main Station	Antles
6 to 8	Seattle YC Opening Day		SYC	Phillips
10	Government Affairs	5:30PM	Main Station	Ball
10	South Sound Sailing Society	6:30PM	Main Station	Sloane
11	Lunch Bunch	11:30AM	Main Station	Thompson
11	Board Meeting	6PM	Main Station	VanSchoorl
13 to 14	South Sound Opening Day		OYC	Graff/Welpman
19	Anchoresses Auxiliary	6PM	Main Station	Zelis
21	Gig Harbor YC Commodores Ball		GHYC	Phillips
23	Power Squadron	6:30PM	Main Station	Brower
26	Long Range Planning	5:30PM	Main Station	Crawford
27 to 30	Memorial Day Cruise Island Home		Island Home	Schefter

Join us for dinner
Wednesday, April 6th

MENU

- Grilled salmon with honey butter sauce
- Rice pilaf
- Asparagus spears
- Fresh pear and
pecan salad
- Dinner rolls
- Chocolate Mousse Cake for Dessert



April Dinner Meeting

April 6th, 2016

Membership Meeting dinners are held on the first Wednesday of each month except August and December

\$24.00 per person with reservation

Reservations must be made by 12 Noon on the Monday before the Wednesday dinner

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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