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Commodore

Captain Bill Sloane
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When a club has been around a very long time, one hundred and fifteen years and counting for the Olympia Yacht Club, one often hears from long time members, especially if you are Commodore, that certain activities aren't done the way they used to be done.....everyone knows that. That is true, everybody does know that, if you happen to have been a member back when that activity happened. I love that we have

so many members that have belonged to the club upwards of 30 years, in some cases 40 years, or longer. I was especially struck when long time OYC member Bob Selene died this past December, just how much history of the club and greater Olympia was contained in Bob's memory. I realized that much of the history of our club resides in the memories of many of our present members. To this end, I took it upon myself to interview our own Don Preston, a member for a mere 47 years and counting. Don told me so much in a short one hour interview that the stories of his that I relate in this issue's History Corner are just a small snippet of Don's life in Olympia and the Olympia Yacht Club.

The Olympia Yacht Club currently has about as many members today as we have ever had. We are at a high water mark of 294 members, which doing the math, since many members are a couple, equals about 580 people. The fact is, we have many new members who may not know the rich history of the Olympia Yacht Club. I believe it is the duty of every OYC member to befriend and welcome new members of our club, help them with boating knowledge and encour-

age them to participate in club activities, just like the new member oath states.

One of the best annual activities our club enjoys is participation in Tacoma Yacht Club's Daffodil Festival, being held this year April 13 – 15. The theme for this year's TYC Daffodil Festival is 'Traditions in Bloom'. Enthusiastic members of OYC, with a little encouragement from the Commodore, yours truly, and the brilliance of Rear Commodore Mitch Mitchell, are creating OYC's theme for this festival **'Traditions in Bloomers'**. What is a bloomer you may ask? A bloomer is very old fashioned lady's underwear..... think loose fitting capris with elastic below the knee. The OYC enthusiasts have a head of steam going and are creating awesome uniforms for the OYC participants in this singular annual event. We need you. OYC has had strong participation and large number of boats in this event in years past and this year we want to show our neighbors to the north that we have the spirit, the creativity and the stamina to bring home the hardware at this years Daffodil Festival. Join us, won't you? Friday April 13 through Sunday April 15 up at the beautiful Tacoma Yacht Club marina. First Mate Lorie and I have already made reservations for a large group at the new Fish Tale Brewing Pub and Eatery in Ruston, within walking distance of TYC, for Saturday night, April 14.



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As I write this I'm thinking about how it's already the middle of March. It feels like I just wrote my article for the last Beachcomber. How can it be time for the next one already? They say time goes faster when you're having fun but that can't be the case because by far the majority of my time is taken up by work. I know that I'm not having fun at work so it appears that I am caught in some sort of swirling vortex where time speeds up just because it can.

Anyway, enough about me how are you all doing? Daffodil is coming up and Jen and I are getting excited. We are hopeful that we have a big group attending this year, as it truly is more fun with more people embarrassing themselves. It's gonna be fun so you may as well come along for the ride and see what it's all about.

OYC and Seattle's opening days are coming up as well. Hopefully we can get a good group of OYC members to Seattle. It's even crazier than Daffodil. If you plan on bringing your boat up to Seattle's opening day, be sure to let me know as soon as you can as Queen City Yacht Club (they allow us to moor our boats there for the event) has asked for a count of attending boats from all of the clubs. We are thinking about bringing ours up so maybe you should as well!

The Commodore's Cruise is coming along nicely. I'm sure you have seen my email with information on the stops we will be making. Be sure to call Bell Harbor, Edmonds [Ed.—Edmonds deadline already passed], Langley and Poulsbo soon as I only reserved 20 slips at each stop. [It's filling up so get on it!]

I'm sitting in my Seattle hotel room getting ready for the day ahead. This weekend is the Tyee JO Ball where the theme is "a night at the zoo." We are actually heading to the zoo in a bit to get warmed up to all the animals as tonight's ball will surely be full of crazy animals. Not from my Grand 14 class (they will probably all be some kind of animal that hibernates by 9pm) but, R/C Welpman's class... They are party animals who all act a bit crazy for their age but are definitely fun to watch. Hopefully I don't get bit by a hippo or monkey.

Jen and I are going as giraffes. Get it?...Graf, Giraffe...yeah, you get it. To go with that I have an odd longish neck anyway which makes me look like one even without a costume. Without the spots of course. Oh, and the tail..... don't have one of those either. After tonight, we only have one more JO ball left and it's kinda sad. They have been so much fun! Now we'll have to find some crazy reason to re-use some of these costumes.

So, an update on my new boat...still don't have one. Maybe someday.....but we have been getting our current one all ready. She's ready for some boating, so we hope you are too! Bruce Snyder was thoughtful enough to point out that our burgee is a bit tattered. Kind of embarrassing for a flag officer to have a broken down burgee. I guess I need to take care if that. Now that I think about it, as the husband of a quartermaster, he should have taken the initiative and put a new one on for us. I'm a bit disappointed, Bruce, but am confident that you will do what's right.

Ok, now that I've bored you all, I'm going back to looking at boats before I run out of time. Take care and be safe on the water!



Ahoy! This month's topic is about dinner meetings. First I want to thank the Membership for doing a great job of getting your reservations in on time. Believe it or not, the last minute reservations and cancellation really put big a wrinkle in our set up and catering plans. So being on time is very helpful.

At our March dinner meeting, we had a faux pas with a special dinner. It was an honest mistake, but a preventable one. A person who is gluten intolerant received a dinner with gluten. Just so you know, I have a list of people who require special handling for their meal. The list is turned in to our Caterer with our final headcount. The Caterer in turn sets aside a substitute meal or entrée for those people who have special dietary needs. On the nights of our dinner meetings, we point out to the catering staff the people who need special meals. They in turn deliver the special meals to the members who have been identified. On this occasion they delivered a meal that was not gluten free to a gluten free member. The member was very upset and the Caterer and I received a ear full. The Caterer was mortified that they made a mistake and humbly apologized. I too apologized and insured that we would take action to keep this from happening again.

The Caterer and I sat down after the dinner and came up with a plan. So from now on, if you are a person with a special needs dinner, we will have a large brightly colored sheet with your name and "Special Dinner" printed on it at the check in podium. When you check in, please tell us that you have a special dinner and we will give you this sheet of paper. Please take this sheet of paper and place in on your table where you are sitting. This will help our Caterers identify who you are and where to take the special meal. I will remind everyone about this new procedure with an email blast closer to our next dinner meeting.

Lastly, we have had a couple of members who felt it necessary to vent their grievances directly with our Caterers. This is not the way to do business. If you have a problem with the Caterer, you really need to come talk to me or the Commodore. One of our Members went so far as to tell our Caterer that we were going to stop using them. I had to insure the Caterer that we were not cancelling our contract and that the member was not authorized to speak in behalf of the Club. Please, in the future if you feel like you want to say something, come talk to me or the Commodore first. We have the power to make change. We can't fix something, if we don't know about it. If you circumvent the Bridge or the Board, your actions can damage the club's reputation and good standing in the community. Please use the Chain of Command.

Oh Ya... On a happier note, please don't forget to sign up for Daffodil!



Fleet Captain Power

Captain Jesse Mitchell "Mitch"
First Mate Anne Marie Murdock
M/V Release



Ahoy OYC!

What has happened since I sat here, pen in hand? Ok, I don't literally have my pen in my hand as this operation is more like me dueling with that editing friend of mine known as the Backspace Key. I can nail that sucker with my pinky quicker than.....well, quicker than some-

thing that is very very fast. Really ye ol' Fleet Captain Power had a calm month duty wise. I'm currently operating under the calm-waters-run-deep plan. What plan you may ask? Well, I'm sure we all got a taste of that record setting heat the other weekend. That weather can mean only one thing or two things....ok, ok, it can mean a lot of things but the one that is most important is that it means boating season is upon us. We must celebrate and document this Opening Season. I propose we do that on Saturday, May the 12th right there at our very own OYC Main Station. I know the Seattle Opening Day festivities are the weekend before, but those guys are amateurs compared to us. We already have a few commitments such as the Lakefair Princesses, the Tacoma Yacht Club Honor Guard and the American Legion Band. If I'm as annoying as I was last year to the Governor's Office perhaps we'll have a repeat visit. Besides the great people joining us, we have the Past Commodores on tap to do up breakfast, a Parade judged by aforementioned Princesses and an afternoon BBQ to top it all off. From the vantage point of organizing this event, I can attest to the huge amount of effort it takes to pull it off. If you're interested in lending a hand, I'm definitely recruiting. Also, I am currently badgering someone to be the judge boat hosting the Lakefair Princesses.... should I push a little too hard and that person bails, I would love to have a backup or 2 or 6, please let me know if you're interested. Other than that, get your creative heads going on decorating your boat in some fashion along the Enchanted Garden theme.



Fleet Captain Power Jesse Mitchell "Mitch"
First mate Anne Marie Murdock
M/V Release



Fleet Captain Sail

Captain Bill Velez
First Mate Cathy Velez
S/V Karen Ann



Yes, Spring is Finally Here!

Is it just me or was this winter especially cold, wet, miserable, depressing, gloomy, and grey? You know, like every winter in the Great Northwest. And to think Cathy and I left San Diego 25 years ago for all this. We wouldn't have it any other way! Now if we can just tone down the "showers" in the phrase "April show-

ers bring May flowers" a bit, I wouldn't mind at all. The thing about onset of Spring is you get the odd teaser day now and then where the weather is absolutely beautiful, only to be followed by another round of cold rain. But we're getting close, aren't we? I can always tell we're close when the Northern Flickers just hammer away at our metal chimney cap. After a long winter the males are anxious for some lady friends I guess.

One thing I look forward to each spring is all the activity down at the docks. I love to see the boats being scrubbed, as well as all the little projects going on. New canvas appears, sails are bent on, engines are running, all good stuff. Try this on a nice weather weekend. Grab some scrap wood and simply start cutting and making noise in the wood shop. I tell you it's like cat nip for guys. All right, all right, for women too. So take advantage of the nicer weather and get your boats "Ship shape and Bristol fashion" for the May Opening Day. Whoa, Whoa, Whoa, back up! Ship shape and Bristol fashion you say? Well, it's the Nautical "Phrase" of the Month. The origin of "ship shape" can be traced back to Sir Henry Manwayring's The Sea-mans Dictionary, 1644. Bristol is traced to an English seaport over 1,000 years old. It is said the boat building skills in this seaport were some of the best the world had to offer. Although the exact origin of the term "Bristol fashion" cannot be directly traced to the geography surrounding the port of Bristol, the circumstantial evidence is very strong.

So, what's coming up with the club in April? Well our next TGIF is April 20th. Note you may have an older calendar that says April 27th. The date has been moved up a week to Friday April 20th. Also, be on the lookout for the OYC dinner meeting on April 4th and we cannot forget Dafodil up in Tacoma on 13,14, and 15 April. So now it's time to sign off and start thinking of next month's nautical term.

Fair winds and following seas.....

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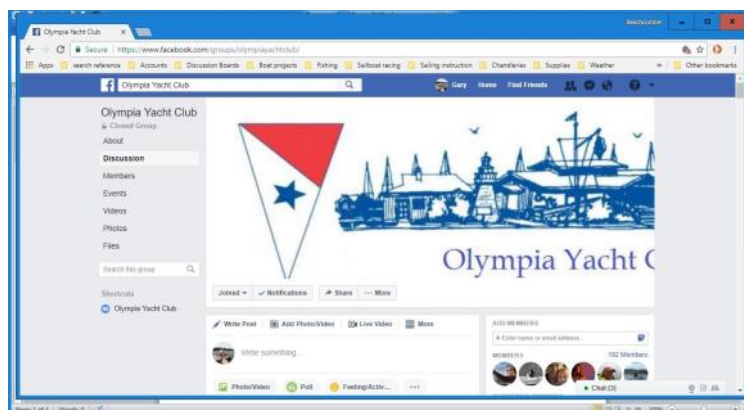
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the things we put first**

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Spring is here, and boating season is upon us. It is time to get out on the water.

- Do your preseason maintenance.
- Update your crew members on safety and the operation of your vessel, including VHF communications, and what to do in case of an emergency.
- Attend the OYC Boating Safety Day on April 21.
- Get your Vessel Safety Inspection.
- Sign up for the OYC flotilla to the Tacoma Daffodil Festival. April 13-15.
- Be a safe and courteous boater.

Bylaws: Thank you to the members who supported the amendment to the bylaws at the March membership meeting. The amendment received an 85% positive vote. The amendments will be incorporated into the bylaws that will appear in the 2018-2019 Member Directory and will also be posted on the OYC website in a format that you will be able to download.

The OYC Safety and Education Committee and the Environmental Committee are hosting the 2018 OYC Safety Day on April 21. You will be able to sign up for your annual safety inspection, get safety and environmental information and attend numerous table top educational seminars. More information is available elsewhere in this Beachcomber.

The Commodore's cruise will be August 3-9. The cruise stops in Bell Harbor, Edmonds, Langley and Poulsbo. Please plan to join us.

A special thank you to those who participated in the Sailing Education Program (SEP) dinner and auction. The SEP raised \$127,000 at the auction and will be purchasing replacement teaching, racing and chase boats. And congratulations to the OYC racing teams who continue to win, and place highly in, regattas while flying the OYC colors.



The Board of Trustees meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Club House. Minutes of the meetings are posted on the bulletin board. The next scheduled BOT meeting is on April 11, 2018.

Women's Interclub Council

Kim Shann, Representative



As I'm typing this, several OYC ladies are putting together our BIG WIC LUNCHEON for **March 28th**. Baskets are being made for the raffle, Olive Garden is preparing our meal, and our "guys" for helping serve will be dressed in their white shirts, bow ties, black pants, and black OYC aprons. Ladies coming from all 14 yacht clubs. Debbie Spiller is our program, doing a presentation of how to make arrangements from our own garden and yard.

Our next WIC LUNCHEON will be an "APRIL SHOW-ERS" theme at the Edmonds Yacht Club, **Thursday, April 12th, 2018**. All OYC lady members are invited, and there is always car pooling. Cost is \$20.00

Call Kim Shann (360) 491-3786
or Kathy Beckman (206) 459-9669

TGIF

Thank Goodness it's **Friday!**

Good food
Good times
Good music



April 20

Drinks and Socializing 5:30 pm
Pizza etc..... 6 pm
\$6/person No reservations required

Clubhouse

Michelle Aguilar-Wells, Chair

Membership ChangesRon Wertz, Committee Chair
Andrea Sehmel, BOT Secretary

Dear members;

A thank you to those who responded to our call for carpenters. The Bar Project is proceeding with their expert advice. The plan is to have it all completed by June.

New committee members are always welcome and needed. We generally meet the first Monday of each month at 6 pm in the clubhouse. I am making a list of those interested in becoming clubhouse chair and will forward it to the Board. If you would like to step into this position please let me know and know that I will be supportive in the transition.

Our next meeting is April 2 at 6 pm. Hope to see all interested folks there..... Happy boating!

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New members voted in, in March and to be sworn in at the April dinner meeting:

Mark and Valerie Holzmann
 Kurtis and Janice Noren
 Jeremy Watters
 Tom Iverson
 Mike and Chris Murphy – moorage request
 Nathan and Erin Birkliid
 Terry and Karen Jones
 Brodie and Cindi Wood – moorage request

Moved & approved:

- Demit - Tom Hulburt
- Life membership - Ron Morsette
- Live-aboard - Mark and Lindsey Fleischer (#8 of 13 permitted)

Main Station

Tim Ridley, Chair

**Island Home**

Earl Hughes, Chair



Well look – wearing shorts does bring good weather.

As many of you know its getting that time of year where we are using our boats more and taking friends out. Please look in your yacht club handbook and take a minute to read Article 9 Rule 22. This will save you time and our caretaker.

A reminder - the old square parking stickers are NO GOOD. You where given new oval ones about 2 to 3 years ago. If you need one see caretaker, they are \$1.50 each.

Another reminder if you let sothe front gate. Make sure they are a member. If they are meeting meone in a member – have them contact the member so they can escort them in. We have had a couple times that non-members have been wandering around. Please help control this.

Lots to remember in this article. Please if you do any remodel on your boat houses – submit plans to the Moorage Master and Main Station. If you sell your boat or boat house, notify Moorage Master and Main Station.

Also, as I walk the docks I noticed 5 boats without burgees and 13 boats with distressed burgees. Please see Quartermaster, Check your boat! Thanks.

Main Station Chair
 PC Tim Ridley
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 M/V *Glouise*



Everyone is invited to our annual work party April 28th. A fun way to meet other OYC members, earn CSP hours and have Island Burgers. I know George will have a list of jobs for us. Gloves on, tools in hand ready to start at 9 AM, with lunch around 1PM. See you there.



Just a reminder about Island Home Rule #2. The Island Home facilities are limited to OYC members, onboard guests or invited guests traveling to the Island by car to become onboard guests of an OYC member.

See you at the Island with a smile.

Earl Hughes
 Island Home Chair
 MV *Lady Bee II*



The History Corner

Bill Sloane



No one has stepped up to be the Club Historian and I have to admit, I might just volunteer. This Commodore's gig is almost done and I've grown accustomed to the monthly press deadline of the Beachcomber I've been meeting for the past four years. Yes, I will be Immediate Past Commodore, but that is actually light duty compared to being Commodore, or for that matter any position on the bridge.

During my Commodore year, I have become fascinated with how an old club like ours survives in this wild 21st Century world. I realized that history is merely things that have happened before we were around. My parents grew up in World War II London England, during the bombing blitzes of Nazi Germany, and that experience set their perspective on the world for the rest of their lives. It sure influenced how they raised us kids.

When I spoke at Bob Selene's memorial a few months ago, I realized that the knowledge that resided in Bob's memory was lost forever and I thought it a shame that no one in our club had taken the time to interview Bob about his past, the role he played in creating Olympia annual summer fair, Lakefair, and what Bob accomplished for our Olympia Yacht Club.

I know all the oldest members of our club, individuals who have been members for 30, 40, 50 years, 55 years. I decided to interview our own Don Preston, an OYC member since January 1971, a short 47 years and counting. I don't think Don will mind me saying that he is 89 years old. Don provided me with enough information about his life and OYC to perhaps fill three History Corner articles, but for this History Corner, I am going to try to stick to items of interest to boaters like you and me.

Long before satellites and GPS multi-function screens corrupted mariners navigation skills, the Puget Sound was a hot bed for Predicted Log Races, a power boat race where each skipper has to predict the exact time he will complete an establish distance course in the water. The closer a competitor comes to matching their predicted time in completing a prescribed course, the higher their score. The use of a boat's tachometer, compass, depth sounder, radar and auto pilot compass is allowed. A boat's GPS, which did not exist as a navigation device on boats before 1995, speedometer, Loran, and radio time keeper all have to be disabled. A racer is not allowed to pre-run the course. In the early 1970's when Don was participating in Predicted Log Races, an observer from the Power Squadron would ride aboard each racing boat to make sure that no cheating was going on. Don explained to me that when he raced, a variation of more than 3 RPM's of the engine's speed was not allowed. These races were all run with tides flooding and ebbing during the race. Don told me sometimes he would run hand calculations of his speed for more than three hours to determine where he would be at a certain time. Predicted Log Races running today prohibit the use of computers in analyzing where a boat will be in a race.

1974 was the year Captain Don Preston was named 'Power Boatman of the Year' by winning the most points in the Predicted Log Race series. Don and First Mate Jo's boat was a 36 foot Chris Craft named *OMEGA*. Races included the still occurring Bremerton Yacht Club's Heavy Weather Race. In 1974, Don won the Commodore's Race and OYC won the Day Island - Olympia trophy with OYC skippers Bill Griswold, Jim Cunningham and current OYC member Hal Wolfe participating.

Don built the first automobile dealership in what is today Olympia's Auto Mall, the Coachman for Mazda. Later, starting in 1985, Don started manufacturing power boats from 43' to 57', having the boat's hull designed here in the northwest and then having the boat hulls and interiors built in Taiwan and shipped back to the United States for sale. Don called the line of boats 'Angel' and manufactured 30 of them between 1985 and 1991. One of his print ads from that time period appears here.

The smiling person in the ad is our own Don Preston. A little while later, starting in 1991, Don started a new line of powerboats called Prima Yachts, that he had designed in the northwest and manufactured in mainland China. This was a time before the Internet and instant communication by email. Don explained to me how he had a 'plug' or full size hull of the 53' Prima Yacht shipped to Hong Kong from Bellingham Washington that got lost in the 13 mile long Hong Kong harbor. Eventually, Don found the hull and had it towed to the port city of Da Pong where the boats were manufactured.

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Building an Angel 50 Presents a Special Challenge that We're Prepared to Meet.

"Our yachtfisherman is a tribute to a few visionaries, sixteen dedicated craftsmen, and renowned naval architect Howard Appollonia, working in concert to create the ultimate 50' motor yacht. The goal was to build an impeccable seacraft that would take the pounding of the Pacific, yet accommodate her passengers in very high standards of luxury. The specifications had to include a spacious cockpit and truly exceptional performance. The technology was available. But the special challenge was to meet this objective at a realistic price."

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Fleet Surgeon

Richard Hurst, M.D. ("Rich")



Marcus Welby, MD is dead!

Don't know who that is? Google it or check the reruns at 3 in the morning. The tall grey haired, soft spoken general doctor wondrously touched his patients and got them through all manner of illness with hardly any tests (few were available at that time anyway). The nurse wore a starched white uniform and winged cap. The doctor was paid with chickens, not remote third party insurance. Forgedaboutit!

Today's doctors rush through a busy schedule and frequently use physician "extenders" such as physician assistants (PA's) and certified nurse practitioners. For much of your health needs, these "extenders" do a wonderful job and often have more time to do a thorough overall exam. Where you need the MDs is for the unusual problems where the doctor's RAM may ring a bell with some obscure factoid heard during years of training. Tests in the form of blood work and x-rays, CTs and MRIs now make physical exams and exploratory surgeries almost obsolete. In the past, it was estimated that 1/3 of treatments made patients better, 1/3 did nothing, and 1/3 did harm. The new and frightenly expensive drugs and biologic agents

probably push the curve to better outcomes – some. Then there is the Electronic Medical Record (EMR) frequently hated by many – especially older docs not used to diverting their attention to a keyboard from their patients. These records make your data more readily available to others assisting in your care, but may not be as comprehensive because all the positive information has to be typed in.

What to do? Ask around about your doc. I find nurses better judges of quality than golfing buddies. ER docs and nurses are probably the best source of information. If you think you know what the problem might be, check online through credible sources (NIH, Mayo Clinic, rather than Fox news) for facts. Write down the course of your problem. Patients usually tell a typical story that indicates what the problem may be. Write down your questions and see that they are all answered. Make sure the doc sits down and pays attention to you – the most important one in the room. No looking at watches and edging toward the door. Block their exit – verbally and nicely - until you are satisfied. Ask for alternatives. Be cognizant of your insurance coverage and ask about costs of procedures and medications. A thoughtful provider should have a ballpark guess. Bring an advocate with you – spouse or friend. Make sure the doc touches you even for just a handshake. And that they use the hand sanitizer.

Incidentally, I Googled Dr. Welby and Robert Young (actor) is truly gone along with the era.

Quartermaster

Margaret Snyder & Judy Ball Co-Chairs



The Quartermaster Store Welcomes Spring!

First of all, a huge thank you goes out to Patti Phillips and Linda Bryant for covering for us at the February dinner meeting! We see that many of you found the slashed prices on the women's sale table!

If you had visited the Quartermaster Store last month you'd have seen a men's cupboard ready to burst! Judy's been after me to stop ordering before the cupboard explodes! Yup, we put a huge order in during the month of January and I must admit I got a little carried away ordering new shirts, sweat-shirts, beanies, jackets and vests for the guys. Now is the time for the men to stop in and check out all the new items! We have a few of the new reversible vests available, but the women have spotted them so come by soon!!



As for the women, I assured Judy that many of the items we brought in for the men are also hits with the women. But, at the April dinner meeting the ladies will have their turn! You will find our shipment of the latest tops from the "French Dressing Jeans" line we import from Canada. Thus, the great prices because of the exchange difference! We've been getting requests from those who purchased them last year, so look for them on the lady's rack at the April dinner meeting! When it came to choosing the embroidery for these new tops we decided to change it up. We simply put OYC on the hem of the left sleeve in a color matching the shirt. With this subtle label your beautiful new top can be worn on any and all occasions making it more versatile.



In addition to all the new styles of tops we are trying several colors and styles of capris to go with them! You'll find a cute little burgee down by the bottom hem. They also have a comfortable stretch waist with no bulging zipper showing under your shirt. Your gonna love 'em!

See you at the April dinner meeting!

Margaret and Judy



RBAW Report to Olympia Yacht Club

March 2018

From Steve Finney

VP-Government Affairs, RBAW

Here is the latest news from the Recreational Boating Association of Washington. Many of you support the RBAW efforts via your annual membership dues, so you deserve an update.

2017-19 Capital Budget done – and now a Supplemental: The 2017-19 Capital Budget and the bonds to finance it (**ESSB 6090; ESHB 1080**) are now passed and signed into law – with over \$22 million in investments in the Boating Facilities Program, the vessel pump-out facilities, and Boating Infrastructure Grants (BIG). The Supplemental Capital Budget is much more austere, of course, but a big bonus in that measure is the inclusion of \$11.5 million+ in about 20 new Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA) projects. Since ALEA funds come from marina and geoduck leases and fund waterfront access and water-dependent uses, that's good stuff! Additionally, we are working on getting \$100,000 in the final budget for a Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO) analysis of outdoor recreation assets in Washington, where we have gaps in providing assets and access to the public, and what to do about it.

GREAT news on National Electrical Code (NEC) standard applying to ground protection standards for marinas: Following the Labor & Industries (L&I), decision in January to accept a rule petition from NMTA, RBAW, et al, L&I is now in the process of starting rule-making for a more permanent regulation to go into effect as soon as next year. The current standard we successfully promoted uses a 30 mA standard at pedestals and 100 mA at electrical feeders. Without intervention, LNI would have implemented a 30mA GFCI breaker for the entire marina, which would have been impossible to comply to. Thanks for the help from **Jerry Budelman**.

HB 2634/SSB 6333, addressing anti-fouling paints on recreational water vessels: At this writing, NMTA-led and RBAW-supported **2634** has passed the House, cleared a policy committee, and advanced to the Senate Rules Committee. It still needs to progress to, and be vot-

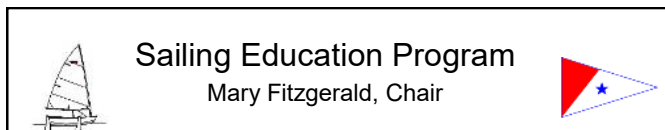
ed off of, the Senate Floor by the close of business Friday. The bill is jointly promoted by NMTA and the state Department of Ecology (DOE) and extends a date by which recreational boat manufacturers were to have phased out the use of copper-bottomed paint on vessels. Ecology is finding that alternatives to the copper-bottomed paint may be more toxic than copper, and needs more time to evaluate options;

Establishment of an “Outdoor Recreation Caucus” in Olympia: On Thursday, Jan. 11, this newly formed Outdoor Recreation Caucus had its first-ever meeting. The new Caucus that RBAW helped form has had several weekly meetings – the last of which is Thursday (March 1). It has been successful in bringing new attention to outdoor recreation issues and needs and we hope to see it continue and flourish in 2019 – hopefully with even more legislator participation from each of the four (4) Caucuses;

No-Discharge Zone (NDZ): At the state level, the news is encouraging: it appears a June 7 hearing before the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB), on whether the Department of Ecology should have gone through a certification process and in fact did not, is a “go.” It is also becoming clear that the Dept of Ecology is pushing the NDZ to obtain state level enforcement, which now only exists with the Coast Guard. The challenge will be the question of which department will do the enforcement. The Dept of Fish and Wildlife has enforcement ability, but they don't have extra budget to ramp up the effort to enforce new NDZ requirements.

Survey in partnership with Department of Natural Resources (DNR) on the Aquatic Lands Leasing Process: RBAW has been pushing for more transparency around the DNR leasing process and is pushing to have DNR run a survey to get feedback on the current process. In late December, RBAW created and sent a first draft of a survey document to the DNR. There is a meeting on 3/13 to review the survey and to discuss potential edits by DNR.

SB 5886, regarding marine enforcement of orca protection zones: We have been keeping an eye on this bill to ensure it doesn't pay for enhanced marine enforcement by charging recreational boaters new fees. It does not. **5886** increases by \$5 the initial and renewal fees for an endangered wildlife special vehicle license plate.



Rainy days are setting in and the cold weather will soon be heading to northern climes. At least that is the hope.

Our March 3rd Dinner Auction went so well. We raised over \$26k to go towards a replacement of our old fleet sail and chase boats, as well as some money for scholarships.

The dinner auction was truly inspiring in many ways. Some of our young sailors have formed an old time music band with two fiddles, one mandolin and a guitar. They were really good and added to the festive air. About 120 people crowded into the OYC Clubhouse that was decorated with signal flags, balloons and twinkle lights. Guests were greeted outside by enthusiastic sailors as well as one of our live auction items, a Monk design 12 foot Flat Iron Rowing dinghy donated by Jan Nix. This was one of our hotly contested live auction items bringing many smiles and much laughter as bidders tried to outdo each other and take home the prize. Finally selling for \$1,200, we were later informed that the boat would not go to a home on the water, but instead would go onto take part in another dinner auction. So, it is making its way to a new home via raising money for several worthy causes in the process. The food was great, thanks to Thera Black and kitchen crew, all served up by the young sailors themselves. Thanks to everyone who donated items, bid on items, bought tickets, helped out and supported us in the variety of ways that are needed to put on a successful event like this.

Wanted: used sails of all kinds. Big sails, little sails, Dacron sails, rip-stop spinnaker sails. We won't be doing another dinner auction for awhile, so we are planning some other types of events and fundraisers to take place throughout the next year. Part of our fundraising efforts will involve collecting old sails. We would like members of the local sailing community to donate any old sails you have to us so that we can send them to SeaBags. In return they give us credit towards their products that we can then use to raise funds for our program. All their products are made from old sails that they clean and then repurpose into totebags, day packs, ditty bags place mats, etc. Just take a look at their website to get an idea. www.SeaBags.com. So, if you have any old sails, sails that are just taking up room in your garage, attic, basement or even under your bed, please haul those out and drop them off at the next two TGIF Pizza nights at the OYC – the dates are April 27th and May 25th. Or you can call and we can make arrangements to pick up or drop off. Thanks.

The Sailing Education Program is looking for housing for our Summer Race team coach for June, July and August. If you have a mother-in-law apartment or studio, RV, or ?? you would like to rent for a reasonable amount. Please let Sarah Hanavan know at 206-931-8802. This position is a very busy one with mostly evening and weekend work. If you have any ideas for housing please let us know.



March 3 Dinner Auction
Photos by Shari Buelt



Environmental Awareness

John Sherman, Chair



OYC Safety and Environmental Awareness Day

Save the Date: April 23, 2018 0900-1300

OK, so you flunked PC Budelman's Chartplotter Course. Now you've run aground and the tide's gone out, leaving you high and dry. But you're an optimist, so why waste an opportunity? You grab your bucket and shovel, descend the boarding ladder, and dig out a passel o' clams for tasty chowder. Your stove's gimballed, right? But are those clams safe to eat?

To find out, stop by the OYC Clubhouse on April 23rd and chat with Audrey Coyne. Audrey is a Marine Biotoxin Coordinator for Washington State Department of Health (DOH). She helps coordinate the biotoxin program to ensure shellfish safety by working with partners to carry out biotoxin monitoring, conducting outreach, and closing areas when biotoxin levels exceed safety standards. DOH monitors for three naturally occurring marine biotoxins throughout all of Washington's marine waters and has been sampling Budd Inlet since 2000.

You might have seen Audrey last summer wading in the mud around our gangway. Samples are collected on a bi-weekly basis from the OYC to be tested for these biotoxins that can accumulate in shellfish. Stop by and find out why.

Now, if you wish to get up close and personal with

those clams--and with other denizens of our local tide-pools--check with the representative of our Puget Sound Estuary, who will also be at the clubhouse. An Estuary is a kind of critter-friendly natatorium (indoor swimming pool) where creatures of the estuary (a meeting place of fresh and salt water--like our OYC marina!) can hang out with their buds. And we have one right here in Olympia. You might think of it as a mollusk petting zoo.

Finally, we'll have a selection of bilge pads to keep your engine sump spotless (and help keep nasty oils out of our cold water-- and you out of hot water). We also have suggestions for environmentally-friendly boat cleaning agents. After all, anything that goes ON your boat eventually winds up in the water UNDER your boat. Beware of products that carry instructions such as "wear gloves when handling," as it goes without saying that any substance hazardous to your health is also hazardous to creatures that live under your hull. Instead, look for products that show the Environmental Protection Agency's Design for the Environment logo on many boat soaps.

Here are some useful links for environmentally-friendly cleaning products:

<https://asa.com/news/2016/03/08/green-secrets-clean-boat/#>

<https://www.epa.gov/saferchoice/design-environment-programs-initiatives-and-projects>

John Sherman

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Chair, OYC Environmental Awareness Committee

Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, April 11

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Pasta Festival Magnifico!

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- 3 kinds of dressing for a Crispy green salad
- Cookies and Milk for those who were good.

Yes - the first annual Pasta Festival Lunch Bunch is on!

**Wednesday 11 April in your OYC clubhouse
11:30 to 12:30- You are invited**

Feeling Creative?? - Join our crew for this event - we put the "fun" back in dysfunctional.

Kelly Thompson 360.402.9999

Club Service Program

PC Les Thompson, Chair



Happy Spring everyone. I for one am certainly glad to have some nicer and warmer days.

Heads up, there has been a big change for some of you after the BOT by-laws vote change. For all of you social members, you will all now be required to perform 10 hours of service. This means even the single member will have to do 10 hours. In the past a married couple did 10 hours and a single member did 5 hours. The BOT has changed that with the latest vote. Since many social members are not at all the events, you may want to start planning for getting the hours in.

Spring is here and between now and summer there are several events and work parties going on at the Main Station and IH. This is a great opportunity to get hours in and be done for the year. As always, you can contact a BOT, Bridge, or committee chair or either of the caretakers for help with things to do.

It's a great way to get involved, have fun and meet new members.

See you on the docks or at an event.

PC Les Thompson

CSP guru

MV *EcstaSea*

BULLETIN BOARD

The rechartered Safety and Education committee wasted no time in putting together a class in **Marine Diesel Basics**. The first class was held on March 17-18 in the Junior's Boathouse, and met with rave reviews. It was taught by Meredith Anderson, a diesel mechanic and engineer from Portland, using an engine donated by Bill Hamaker as a prop. The next class will be held on April 7-8, and is already full. Mary Campbell has about 5 people on a waiting list, and is hoping to offer another class sometime in April or early May. We may offer this as a one-day class to accommodate people who cannot do a week-end. We might also break the class up into BEGINNERS and people with some experience....not sure.

If you are interested in learning about the various systems in a diesel engine, and how to troubleshoot yours, email Mary at sailmaryc@gmail.com so she can add you to the list.

NOTICE

Nominations are being taken for **the Board of Trustee member position Fleet Captain Power**. If you are interested please contact PC Walt Scheffter at wscheffter@comcast.com or 360-491-2313.

You will be an active member of the Bridge and the work is rewarding. Contact me at any time if you want to talk further. We need to know by the end of this month.



Navy Luncheon at OYC March 19th

Bill Sloane photo

May 18, 19, 20—SSWG Cruise to Dockton in Quatermaster Harbor

Since the South Sound Women's Sailing Group is not having a Women's Boating Seminar this year, they are planning a cruise to Dockton County Park.

If you are interested, please let Emily Ray Lengenfelder know at emilyrayjim-lengenfelder@msn.com

Safety and Education Committee
Danny Wrye, Chair



Greetings, OYCers! Now that we have sprung forward to more daylight in the evening, did you follow the advice of fire officials nationwide to replace the batteries on your smoke alarms?

Use the semi-annual Spring forward, Fall back times as reminders to push the test button on your alarm. If your alarm does not sound, you should replace the battery. Or maybe even the entire alarm.

A smoke alarm with a dead or missing battery is the same as having no smoke alarm at all. Take care of the alarm according to its instructions. Follow these tips from the U.S. Fire Administration:

- * Smoke alarm powered by a nine-volt battery: Test the alarm each month. Replace the batteries every year. Replace the entire smoke alarm every 10 years.
- * Smoke alarm powered by a 10-year lithium battery: Test the alarm each month. Since you cannot replace the lithium battery, replace the entire smoke alarm according to the alarm instructions.
- * Smoke alarm hardwired into your home's electrical system: Test the alarm each month. Replace the

backup battery every year. Replace the entire smoke alarm every 10 years.

Check the expiration dates of your emergency supplies during Daylight Saving Time, too. Replace any stocked goods that will expire in the next six months. Use the old supplies before they expire. Some examples of items that can expire are:

- * Water
- * Food
- * Prescription medications
- * First-aid supplies
- * Batteries

Finally, a reminder to mark your calendar for the April 21, 2018 Environmental Awareness and Safety Day at OYC. There will be table top displays and mini-workshops, boat safety checks and discounts and giveaways for OYC members. This is a great time to reconnect with our passion for clean water and safe cruising. The event is free and runs from 9 am to 1 pm. Hope to see you there!

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08/14

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Boathouse For Sale**Boathouse #421** has been donated to the Olympia Yacht Club Foundation and is for Sale.Well size is 38 ft long and 13.5ft wide.
Good Condition. Current inspection approved.**Price is \$19,500**

May sublet until sold. Contact Pete for more information at (360) 956-1992

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**Boathouse
For Sale**

Located at Olympia Yacht Club

Well ~ 10½' X 36' wit Loft

**Call Jerry @
(360) 866-1745**

April 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Easter Sunday	2 Clubhouse Committee Meeting	3 Bridge Meeting	4 OYC Dinner Meeting	5	6	7 Day Island YC Commodore's Ball
8 OYC Sailing Regatta	9	10 South Sound Sailing Society Monthly Meet- ing	11 Lunch Bunch Board of Trus- tees Meeting	12	13 Daffodil Festival – Tacoma Yacht Club	14 Daffodil Festi- val – Tacoma Yacht Club
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22	23	24	25 Safety Commit- tee Mtg	26	27 Art Walk	28 Poulsbo YC Com- modore's Ball Island Home Work Day
29	30					

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13 Mother's Day	14	15	16	17	18	19 Gig Harbor YC Commodore's Ball
20	21	22	23 Safety Commit- tee Mtg	24	25 Memorial Day Cruise In to Island Home	26 Memorial Day Cruise In to Island Home
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Join us for dinner

Wednesday, April 4

MENU

- ♦ Potato crusted cod with mango salsa
- ♦ Rice pilaf
- ♦ Grilled asparagus
- ♦ Caprese salad
(mozzarella, basil and tomatoes)
- ♦ Fresh baked rolls with butter
- ♦ Dessert—carrot cake



Membership Dinner Meeting

April 4

Membership Meeting dinners are held on the first Wednesday of each month except August and December
\$24 per person with reservation

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

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

CALL 360-705-3767 to reserve and to alert of special dining needs or sensitivities.

Social Hour: 6 p.m.

Dinner: 7 p.m.

Meeting: 8 p.m.

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