

OLYMPIA YACHT CLUB

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Commodore

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





ello everyone! My first article as Commodore and luckily my Commadorable reminded me that I needed to write it. It has been quite a few nights of little sleep to try and finish our parade boat which was a huge hit! As we were driving down the parade route I was think-

ing how quickly the parade was going by. Two months of work for about 15 minutes of fame. There were no rose petals or champagne at the finish line like I had hoped for, but it was still all worth it. We had a great time!



The Commodore's cruise is three weeks away (as I write this) and we have yet to finish gathering and installing the parts to put our dinghy on the boat. As usual, the parts from the old dinghy won't fit on the new one so I guess it's time to go into fabrication mode again. Thought I could relax a bit after the Lakefair boat but I guess not. It's always something, right?

Summer is in full swing but is going by extremely fast! Hard to believe that August is almost here (as of the time you read this it may very well be August). We'll soon be planning the Labor Day Cruise; aka meat fest. For all you pit masters who want a chance at the trophy, send me a message so I can get you on the list! We have lots of new members who I would love to see participate and see how much fun our island can be.

Before you know it, I will be MC'ing the first dinner meeting of this bridge year. I can hear it now..."will he go the cowbell route like IPC Bill? Maybe a triangle, harmonica or even a drum? I wanna know, the anticipation is excruciating!" I've got some ideas, but am still undecided. You all will just have to wait and see!

It's summer so I sure hope to see you on the water, or at least on the docks. If not, be safe and we'll see you in September.

Commodore Marty Graf First Mate Jen Graf M/V William West

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Vice Commodore

Captain Mark Welpman First Mate Annette Welpman S/V Cygnet



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Rear Commodore

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





Happy Summer!

Wow I can't believe that summer is almost over. It feels like it just started. A quick recap of the local cruises we've been on this summer so far. The weekend of June 22nd, we had

a Grand 14 Junior Officer Cruise In; June 30th the OYC 4th of July Cruise to Island Home. Awesome fireworks! Thanks PC Matt Mills and PC Tim Ridley for putting on an AWESOME show! Followed up by an Anchor Cruise on the weekend of July 7th to Lake Bay to see the Beatniks. Now, the Lake Bay Cruise is one that will go down in unofficial OYC History.

Cruises coming up for the rest of the summer are; The Commodore's Cruise August 3rd -August 10th. The Grand-14 Officer Cruise to Bremerton Yacht Club August 10th – 13th. Another unofficial, unsanctioned, not approved by the Board of Trustees (but they are invited and have shown up) cruise to another sort of secret spot. The hint is... it's not tropical, but it's very green. They have power and water great docks and are pet friendly. The latitude and longitude are 47.209590, -122.754771. Plug that into your Googleator and see what happens. The exact date of this cruise is on or about the weekend of August 24-26th. We'll have exact dates probably before this newsletter is sent out. And last but not least, the Labor Day Weekend Cruise to Island Home to celebrate a wonderful end of summer.

The awesome part of being in OYC, is that we are all boaters and love being on our boats. Annette and I both invite all OYC members to come join us on the great cruises. If you're a new member we want to personally invite you to join us. We have a very special Outstation that is surrounded by some of the most beautiful cruising grounds in the world. The Anchor Cruises are a way to see the truly special Southern Puget Sound Marine Parks and Marinas. Look for upcoming email blasts and Facebook Posts.

Oh ya... One more Deck BBQ on August 17th. And one more thing... Keep your eye out of impromptu dock parties. I hear that our Club's Secretary is planning a Dock Pub Crawl. This is going to be an epic Summer at OYC.

See you on the water!



Ahoy OYC!

Can you believe it? Those Beachcomber editors are after me already for my first article as Rear Commodore. All I could think was, is summer half over already? The answer is HECK YEAH and what a great summer it's been thus far!!! Ever since our Fleet Captain Bill shouted those infamous words of "Let's Use Our Boats!" I think I've done nothing but! Not long after the Change of Watch we

had our first Bridge BBQ on the deck. I was fairly useless to the rest of the Bridge that day as my First Mate had her new knees installed only a couple days earlier. Incidentally, she has done nothing but amaze me with her recovery. Just wait 'til you see her bounding up and down the docks in a few months. Just to add a little fun to my June, as I was preparing to bring said First Mate home for some convalescing our water heater took a dump in the garage. Anyway, as I was preparing and executing the logistics mission for the "4th of July in June" cruise I had nurses falling out of the trees to help. I must mention one in particular, our very own Fleet Captain Sail First Mate Cathy Velez....she didn't step up once, but twice so I could do the shopping and then so I could make my way to the Island for the cruise. At this very moment I am very undecided whether I should begin a new paragraph or not. Ok, let's transition.

Once I had the help of the marvelous FCS FM Cathy, I made my way to the Island for our 4th of July Cruise. It felt strange being in June but it was great nonetheless. As usual we had members step up to help First Mateless me. Here's the list; VC Mark, FCP Craig & Deb, PC Tim, PC Matt, Pat & Char Brock and others. We had impromptu beer pancakes, homemade coleslaw, burgers, dogs, cake, pie, ice cream and one of the best grab-n-go breakfasts ever. Then there was the fireworks display put on by "that" team! I do believe there was a little bit of blood sacrificed to the boom gods out on that raft. And yet, there's more to the story, oh so much more.....let's just say we lobbed the first shot across the enemy bow. Oh, remember that water heater that surrendered in my garage....well, just for fun our refrigerator at Island Home decided to be a refreezerator and killed all the weekend's vegetables. No big deal, VC Mark saved the day again with an emergency supply run after getting berated by said RC Mitch for freezing them. These are gunkholing stories for sure. Gunkholing? Yep, we did that too....and if you didn't go, you don't get to know the super secret destination.

Moving on. We had a couple "Let's Use Our Boats" cruises. One to that same undisclosed location as last year (47° 14′ 53" N, 122° 51′ 45" W) which I'm sure our FCS Bill will mention. We also had a contingent motor over to Lakebay for the Beatniks Concert. How would one describe Lakebay this time? Um...contorted faces, cigar drifting, Gangnam Style, stern ties, sunshine, mail ladies and "walk your dog!". Yep, that sums it up. We did find another open weekend for a "Use Your Boat" cruise but since that term is so over used we decided to go with an "It's Your Birthday" cruise this time. Whose birthday you may ask? Mine! Mark your calendar, we are headed to Longbranch on August 24th, 25th and 26th. My birthday is the 26th, if you know the significance of that date I have a little quip to be shared in private. Time to wrap this up, I just know the editors are going to choke me for my longwinded/pennededness.....I'll just say this; the reservation line is open for our dinner meeting on September 5th, come grab a steak and tell us about your summer boating exploits!



Fleet Captain Power

Captain Craig Brown First Mate Deb Brown M/V WINSOME





Fleet Captain Sail

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





Happy Summer everyone!

We hope you've been enjoying it as much as we have. Deb and I are thrilled to be new members of the bridge.

new members of the bridge. We really appreciate all of the encouragement, friendship and support we've received and are looking forward to a great

year.

Hard to believe that it's been twenty years since Deb and I were married in the OYC club house. We weren't members then, but had a friend who was, and he offered to arrange everything. We were very grateful to have a facility so perfect for the ceremony, and right on the water!

Twelve years later, we found the perfect boat at OYC and were honored to become members ourselves. We've had a blast ever since.

As a brief boating history, I've been on or under the water in Washington most of my life. Charter fishing starting at age six, and later working on commercial salmon trollers out of Westport.

Years later I learned to dive, and got so immersed in it (pun intended) that I became an instructor and opened a dive store in Olympia. (Deb took a class from us in 1994 and married me for extra credit!) In the twenty-three years we had the store, we've owned several dive boats and have done hundreds of trips locally, and to Vancouver Island and Alaska.

We love taking the boat out all year long and winter boating is a lot of fun thanks to our heater. Mostly weekend trips in South Sound, and a longer trip to the San Juan's and Gulf Islands.

This summer we'll join the Commodore's cruise to Bell Harbor August 4th, then on to Canada. If anyone else is going that direction, let us know. We have some favorite places to anchor there, and would love to learn some of yours also.

We're excited about our first event, Oktoberfest September 28-30 at Island Home. Look for the announcement in this Beachcomber and a full page flyer in September. Feel free to contact me by email, phone or text with questions or suggestions.

We love our boat, our OYC community, and look forward to serving as Fleet Captain Power.

Fleet Captain Power Craig Brown First Mate Deb Brown M/V Winsome



And so begins the second year of Fleet Captain Sail for Cathy and I.

Another year of service to the club with great friends and good times.

Cathy and I hope you've been enjoying the summer weather and outings on the water. For us, you know we're still working so outings are limited to

local affairs. The day is coming soon where we can enjoy the life of leisure and broaden our horizons. Speaking of local outings, FCP Mitch and Anne Marie had a great turnout for their weekend getaway to Lake Bay in July. Cathy and I had a good turnout for our getaway to McMicken Island in July as well. We've talked about more of these spontaneous outings throughout the year. Keep an eye out for flyers and e-mail blasts. Some official events coming soon are the August Commodore's Cruise, Aug BBQ on the deck, 7 Sept Foofaraw, Labor Day cruise to Island Home, and further out the first monthly TGIF on 21 September. A lot to look forward to.

So, do you notice that the more you use your boats the more you accumulate? I sure do. What to do with all this stuff. Well when I was a young sailor in the Navy I was instructed to "stick it in your ditty bag". That's the lead in to this month's nautical term of the month, Ditty Bag. You see back in the day each new Navy recruit was issued a small green bag called a ditty bag. You were supposed to place all your little odds and ends in this bag. You had one bag, about the size of a shoebox, that's it. Well, today I like to say the modern ditty bag inventory has grown from one small bag to many, if not dozens of bags, containers, drawers, etc. These bags seem to multiply on their own, and sometimes they seem to run away from home, never to be seen again. Maybe it would be simpler to have just one ditty bag. Mind you it would be the size of a steamer trunk, but think about it. So what to do with that butane powered curling iron you just took to the boat. You know what to do, stick it in your ditty bag.

We'll see you on the docks and on the water. Fair winds and following seas.

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Rose-colored glasses are never made in bifocals. Nobody wants to read the small print in dreams.

.....Landers

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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 big thanks to our Fleet Captains Bill Velez and Mitch Mitchell for organizing the unofficial cruise-ins at Mc Micken Island and Lake Bay Marina. Meg and I were at Lake Bay and had a great time. Hopefully more of this type of events will be planned in the future. They are great opportunities to get to know our fellow members while out on the water.

Following the dinner meeting on Wednesday, June 6th, the Board of Trustees met and by unanimous vote, elected Bob van Schoorl the Chairman of the BOT for the coming year i.e. June 2017 through June 2018.

Thanks to Bob for his willingness to serve the membership and for sharing his expertise.

Andrea Sehmel Secretary, OYC Board of Trustees

Our Club functions best because of our great volunteers. Every year we have openings for new committee chairs and, always, for new committee members. Our Club functions best through our committee process. Currently we are looking for a new Club House Committee chair and a few gifted writers to serve as our Club Historian or Historians. There is also renewed interest among members to expanding our reciprocal opportunities and possible new out stations. Please let me know if you are interested any of these opportunities, or if you would like to join other committees. A list of the Standing Committees is in your Member Directory, page 11.

Do you have a lot of extras on your boat, in your boat house or garage? OYC will give you a chance to dispose of them, and maybe gain a bit of cash. Bill Hamaker is organizing a First Annual Boat House-Garage sale for late September so start organizing your stuff. More information will be available in the September Beachcomber, or call Bill at (360) 481-1879.

No Board of Trustees meeting in August (we will all be out cruising). The BOT normally 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 September 13, 2018.



Membership Changes

Ron Wertz, Membership Committee Chair Andrea Sehmel, BOT Secretary



Lifetime membership (social member): Gerald Lukes.

Demits: Pat Brower, Brian Benson

New members: Gary & Trina Delaney, Chris & Kelly Levesque, Chris Welch & Judy Setina, Don & Patti Maltase, Paul & Sophia Donahue, Josh and Natalie McCoy.

OYC continues to grow. Over 300 members plus families. Thanks for making the OYC a popular boating community.!!!

Main Station
Tim Ridley, Chair



Have a great summer - see you on the water

2018 Moorage Inspections

The moorage inspections for 2018 have been completed (all even # open slips & boat houses) except for a couple who were out cruising and will be completed upon their return. Please take the time to call me when you have made corrections to any deficiencies noted so we can re-inspect and change your inspection status to passed. September 1, 2018 we will provide a list of all incomplete inspections to the Board of Trustees for them to take appropriate action. Historically that has been a fine of \$100.00 per month until all deficiencies have been corrected. So please review the copy of your inspection check list which was provided to you by email.

If you have any questions, please call me as I have all the inspection sheets with me. Thanks for everyone's efforts to complete this inspection process program which makes the OYC marina SAFE & Secure.

Bob Wolf - Inspection Chair, Ph 360-402-3408

Island Home

Earl Hughes, Chair



I'm writing this while setting in the co-pit of the Lady Bee II enjoying Puget Sound (old school). Having started from Island Home and will finish our trip there. What a wonderful relaxing place to spend time on our boats and be with friends.

You'll notice a gray pole on the main land dock. This is a test of our WiFi system. We have improved the signal strength form the club house and are testing out a repeater system for the docks.



Enjoy the rest of your Summer. See you at the Island.

Earl Hughes Island Home Chair MV *Lady Bee ll*

Quartermaster





Quartermaster Open in September!!!

For the men you will find jackets, reversible vests, sweatshirts, and long, short and no-sleeved tees in an assortment of styles and colors. In addition, we have lots of caps if yours needs replacing

As for the women, we have some of the high end FDJ shirts. We have added lots of cold weather gear to include hooded vests, hoodies of differing weights, sweatshirts, and various long and short-sleeved shirts. HINT: Take a peek in the men's department at the new men's long and short-sleeved tees as they will work great for us women as well!_Also in the men's department look for the ½ zip sweatshirts in several colors. Just go a size down or try them on to see what fits. Several women have also bought the men's reversible vests and say they love them.

We still have some PJs left. We are also offering bottle and can koozies with our yacht club logo on them.

Hope you all enjoy the rest of the summer on the water! See you at the Quartermaster Store in the Fall!

Margaret and Judy

Clubhouse

Michelle Aguilar-Wells, Chair

Dear members:

I write this final missive from my laptop, driving down I-90 with Rich; we're on our way to Montana. Our first road trip of the year. I just want to give you all a quick update and a shout out to all for the support, encouragement, and help I received over the last three years.

As many of you know when I took on the responsibility for Clubhouse Chair three years ago the committee and I developed a plan for a clubhouse cohesive update. We decided to take on some major projects spread over the three-year period. I hope I have not been remiss in making sure all of you who helped received your thanks, if I missed you please know how grateful I am. Almost everything we had on our list has been realized or is in the process of being completed. It couldn't have been accomplished without all the members of the committee, CSP volunteers, the Board, the Bridge, and especially Kim Shann, Kathy Beckman, and Sara Campbell. Special thanks to Jim Sheer for quietly and consistently keeping our chairs repaired and for fixing our rolling coolers.

The Bar and lighting project is nearly complete with many thanks to carpenters, John Irwin, Phil Smith, and Jack Behrend and lighting installers Dan Crowell and Rich Wells.

I hope you are happy with the final result. Please consider joining the committee and supporting whoever the board appoints as the next Chair. With CSP hours so much can be accomplished. Consider stepping up and joining a committee or volunteering for work projects. It's a great way to meet others and contribute.

It has been my pleasure, Michelle Aguilar-Wells Former Clubhouse Chair

Club Service Program

PC Les Thompson, Chair



Hello all,

As I write this I am in hot and humid North Carolina. Hope you all had a good Lakefair celebration.

I have posted the first half of the year report so check your hours when you can. There are still many opportunities to get hours for the year. Check with any board, bridge or committee chair for things to do.

There are still some social events that need more volunteers. Enjoy the rest of summer and see you on the dock or at an event.

PC Les Thompson CSP guru MV *EcstaSea*

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



Good News!

Cancers are often unpredictable and breast cancer has always been very capricious. I treated breast cancer for over 35 years. I remember one young woman with a small cancer who died within 2 years and my mother had her third breast cancer in a previously radiated breast at age 80. All the lymph nodes had an aggressive type cancer and I expected her not too last long. She died of "old age" just shy of 94.

We have learned so much about breast cancer over the years. When surgery was the only option, more surgery did not do better. Then less surgery seemed to do as well. Then just a large biopsy and radiation did well. Spread to the lymph gland in the armpit was an indicator of early spread or aggressive disease. Then we learned how to just biopsy the first nodes in the chain and avoid removing them all if those didn't have cancer. The key to success was finding the tumor as small as possible and in our quest for maximal "cure", we added chemotherapy. That caused a lot of patients to be sick, lose their hair, and we knew deep down that we treated a lot of women (men can get breast cancer, but not the 1 in 8 lifetime risk of women) in the hope for maximal cure. Hormone receptors have been around for

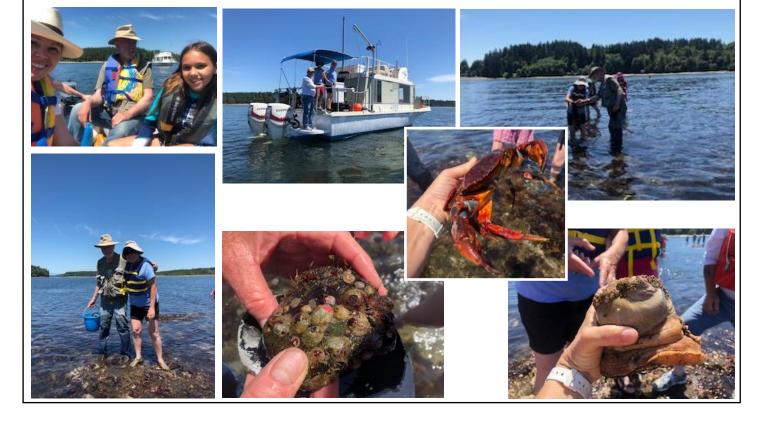
decades and have told us if the hormones in the body were accelerating the tumor growth. That was actually a good thing because we can readily block the hormones with medications such as Tamoxifen. Other receptors such as Her-2 have their own blocking meds. We have found genes such as the BRCA 1 and 2 that cause very high susceptibility to cancer in families. Each year, each day we find out more about the molecular and genetic basis of diseases.

The recently announced panel of genetic tests (Oncotype DX) has finally allowed us to separate out those who seem to benefit from chemo from those who don't. If 70% of the 100,000 women who are treated for early breast cancer can avoid chemo, that is 70,000 ladies! What a huge savings in money and misery! Remember that in doctor speak, that means those ladies will do "no worse" than those who had chemo. Some will still get their cancer back as will some of those who were treated. The test is reported to cost \$4,000. This a small number compared to the cost of treatment.

So good news? Hell no, GREAT NEWS!

Additional note. Did you know we have a first aid kit at Island Home? I have worked innumerable hours in the galley and never knew. We now have a bright red sign on the cabinet closest to the freezers where it lives. If you use its supplies, please replace or let George know. Thanks.

A couple of weeks ago was a low tide reef walk that was part of our sailing education program 's auction in March. The tide was a minus 3 point something and marine biologist Thomas Mumford donated a walk with himself on the reef off Hope Island. OYC members Bill and Vicki Sheldon won the bid and off they went at low tide with a group of friends young and oldMary Fitzgerald





Sailing Education Program Mary Fitzgerald, Chair



Hello fellow Beachcombers. I hope by the time you read this article you actually have gotten some beachcombing in, either here or far flung places.

We have Optimist sailors competing on weekends and youngsters from 7-16 learning how. Classes are in full swing with kids and adults having a great time on the water. We hope that we are instrumental in creating new boaters and future OYC members for years to come.

Please notice our new Optimist racks that member Steve Parrott constructed for us and our new laser racks that old time employee Erik Brown helped construct. They help keep the decks clear and safer when rigging and launching the boats. We are also trying to present a more organized and professional appearance as we have oodles of parents watching from the walkways as their kids learn to rig boats with high spirits and enthusiasm. Our mixed adult classes have been busy though enrollment is down a bit. Women's classes have been overflowing with Myra Downing and members from her women's race crew helping out upon several occasions.

CSP Hours Available for all help with the Sailing Education Program

Here is a list of some of the late summer projects we need to pursue to get ready for the fall racing season for our middle and high school sailors. If you have any of the skills needed to help out with these projects, please contact me or Sarah. You can get some of your CSP hours for the year by helping out and we appreciate any interest you may have in helping out.

Fundraising. Complete the Fleet. We are looking for ideas and volunteers in order to raise money to buy some brand-new boats this year. That way we don't need to raise so much money on a regular basis as newer boats retain their value for trade ins, break down less often, and keep our sailors on the same skill level as other clubs. We are constantly looking for ideas for small events like carwashes, garage sales, silent auctions etc. If you have an idea and are willing to help out let us know. We can't do everything ourselves and welcome any help.

Maintenance and repairs. Our fleet is in constant need of work, replacing parts, tuning up outboards, replacing fire extinguishers, trailers need bearings checked and lights checked. We have lots to do and not enough man and woman power in our committee. Help is always needed and appreciated.

Office and Administrative help. There is a lot of hours required to run our program, and both in the summer and racing season for the teams we could use some office help. Just answering emails regarding regattas when you have over a hundred parents involved takes a lot of energy that Sarah could better spend doing other things. Holli Lofgren has been helping out a bit this summer, but if we had a team of folks who enjoy organizing and helping in an office setting things could go a lot smoother. We could use someone who is very computer savvy to help with all kinds of record keeping projects. Insurance requires we keep accurate records of all our vessels and motors and equipment. I could use someone right now to do an inventory for our insurance company. Just give me a call

Bulletin Boards and Sailing on Puget Sound info. We could use a couple of sign boards to explain our program. We are constantly entertaining folks walking on the board walk with friends and family and they want to know what is going on. Our program is still considered small compared to other interscholastic sports so relatively unknown to most residents of the Olympia area. But people really enjoy watching the kids rig boats and get ready to go out or come in. It is great PR for the OYC and so we would love a couple of sign boards talking about the history of sailing in the Oly area as well as a bulletin board that lists classes, regattas and opportunities for residents and visitors to get out on the water. Can you build something for us and or come up with an idea similar to the signs that are already there?

We would like to thank a few people for helping to get things ready for summer classes this spring. John Sherman for starters, went above and beyond. He made and installed some beautiful consoles for the new baby whalers we purchased and some of our middle and high school sailors did a great job painting them and the floor in the boat house. Thanks to Bob Kuehlthau and Shari Buelt for helping me paint the Optimist racks. Bob also helped us get the whalers to Tacoma for installation of new Honda outboards. Thanks Holli Lofgren for helping out with emails and office correspondence. And of course thanks to all our great committee members for their ongoing support.

Fair Winds. Capt. Mary Fitzgerald Sailing Education Program Chair

Shots from the Women's Basic Keelboat Class







Foofaraw Chris Cheney, Chair



FOOFARAW and New Members

So, what is all this FOOFARAW stuff? Briefly, for 56 years your club and the Chamber of Commerce have partnered for one day a year, dedicated to honor and entertain our military personnel, giving them a day off to do absolutely nothing important, ride out to IH for fun, food, drinks and generally relax. The date is always the Friday after Labor Day. This years event is September 7th.

It is only slightly more than 3 months until the big day. The coordination of boats and crews, the docking team, food and drink acquisition and delivery, our staff that prepares much of the food and "recruiting" 300 or more military members makes for a busy time.

Typically we have 40 to 45 boats to carry our guests; each boat is allowed a Captain and First Mate...but it doesn't have to be a mate, can be a deckhand. This is not an OYC event per se, it is a function we do, thus no other guests or family members are allowed. As it is we will have close to 500 people on our Island that day. Coordinating the food and drinks is tough enough without having unexpected folks show up.

Our day starts at 0700 with our skippers reporting in at the Main Station clubhouse for any last minute information and getting a goodie box for the cruise. The Chamber staff has set up check-in tables for our military guests for boat assignment. It can be a bit of a zoo, but it's all good. There are ambassadors that direct our guests to their assigned boats. In addition to the military usually our Chamber partners have about 75 of the sponsors and members that are paying money to make this event work. It is no small undertaking. When all guests are on board our 40+ boats, we proceed out single file past the port docks where there is a large turnout of military, law enforcement, firefighters and the general public

showing their support for our guests. We have honed the procedures down so that we have minimum conflicts with that many boats in close proximity. Number one is safety. And number 2 is having a good time.

On the Island we have an opening ceremony, some speeches, some beer and wine, music, oyster eating, games and then a feast fit for kings. The Chehalis Tribe, a big supporter, cooks salmon over open fire, the traditional way, our crew cooks many other specialties; its just a real phenomenal event. After more games and fun we reload the boats and proceed back to OYC. Where we say goodbye to our guests and ponder the day we just had.

As you can guess, with all the new members we have, part of it is that the old guard is moving on. We need more volunteers. The last couple of years new members have stepped up and other long standing ones did for the first time. I have yet to hear anyone that was sorry that they participated in FOOFARAW, and I can't remember anyone that has dropped out. However, just because you did it in the past does not automatically put you on the list this year, you will have to "sign up".

Our record for women skippers is 5, the numbers have dropped the last two years for various reasons. I hope to achieve a good showing this year. All the help, assistance and training can be provided to anyone interested, male or female. All you have to do is ask. Several new members have lamented that maybe someday they can do F-Fraw, but they aren't comfortable driving their boat yet or haven't been to Island Home, that is all very fixable, once again... "ask". Contact info below.

The history of FOOFARAW can be found on our webpage http://olympiayachtclub.org/SitePage/history-of-foofaraw

Any questions or comments? Sing out Chris Cheney 360 790 6147 Just4us.cc@gmail.com

Sunshine Committee
Deb Waldher, Chair



Flowers were sent to Stacy Pizano, wishing her a speedy recovery. Cards were sent to Chris Budelman.



BULLETIN BOARD

FOOFARAW IS SHORT OF BOATS!

If you wish to participate this year and forgot to respond your interest to us--now would be an excellent time to do so.

Call or email: Chris Cheney 360 790 6147 just4us.cc@gmqil.com PC Bob Job 360 943 2000

June 6 email from Mathew and Jamie Dunning aboard *M/V Awesome......*

HELP WANTED

Club House Committee Chair

OYC Historian(s)

Lunch Bunch Chair

Committee members, All committees

Interested? Questions?

Contact Bob Van Schoorl

Bvanschoorl@comcast.net Phone 360 789 8810

We are currently tied up in Petersburg, Alaska as part of the OYC Alaska Flotilla. The Flotilla has actually turned into a distributed communication network for sharing notes, experiences, trials, and digitally tracking one another. I think only 2 boats have made it to Alaskan waters - Kevin & Beverly and ourselves. Anyway, our family has launched a blog to share our travels and experiences..........

https://awesomecatamaran.com/petersburg-alaskas-little-norway/

Advanced Piloting Class

The Tacoma Power Squadron will hold an Advanced Piloting (AP) class in the fall starting on Thursday, September 27, 2018 and continue for eight weeks ending on Thursday, November 15. Classes will run from 7pm to 9pm each evening. The class will be taught by OYC member, Gary Ball.

This is the second in the sequence of USPS courses on navigation. GPS is embraced as a primary navigation tool while adding radar, chart plotters and other navigation tools. We will cover positioning and avoidance techniques and well as dealing with tides and currents, which as you know, are prevalent in our local waters. The class will be held in the Orchard Park Health and Rehabilitation Center located at 4755 South 48th Street in Tacoma.

The cost of the class is \$55 (\$68 for non-PS members) and you must register by September 1 so that class materials can be ordered. If you have not taken the Piloting class recently, you will need the Weekend Navigator for an additional cost of \$26 (\$32 for non-PS members).

If anyone is interested but does not want to drive to Tacoma, you can carpool with Gary from Olympia.

For more information, contact Otto Rasmussen at (253) 921-3839 or email otto@ottorasmussen.com

BULLETIN BOARD

Passing on an awesome idea that was sadly not mine. But an awesome event none the less!!! Contact the idea bringers (listed below) if you wish to volunteer.

The Dog Days Dinghy Dash (like a progressive cocktail hour in small boats that lasts 3 hours) will be taking place on Saturday, August 18th, 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. The afternoon's theme is Dog Days of Summer!

We need folks willing to host the refreshments, coordinate the decorations and music and facilitate a little game or activity to get people up out of their dinghies and competing at one "dockstop" on every dock (that means you have to tie up at 6 different locations, you can't stay for a long time, just a good time). Karaoke and Pictionary, Hot Diggety Dogs and Giant Soft Pretzel Bones are in the works. Watch gate and clubhouse posters for updates! Cost is \$5/person, payable at the first "dockstop" which gets you a small specialty cocktail and an hors d'oeuvres at each stop.

Safety First: observe smart boating rules and the No Wake zone.

We would love for newer members, boat neighbors that don't know each other, and folks who haven't been active in a while to join in the fun as a Dog Days Dinghy Dash participant or as your dock's host/coordinator ("Pier Pressure Captain").

Volunteers are needed; please contact Andrea Sehmel, Denise Zermer or Nancy Stolarik

Remember – Saturday, August 18th, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Stay tuned for more details coming soon!

Marty Graf

Hi everyone! The Thompsons have decided to move on to other adventures so I am in need of someone to chair the Lunch Bunch committee. The Thompsons are willing to provide a bit of "training" to get the new chair up and running. I would like to get someone in the position soon to provide enough time to learn what is needed to keep things running smoothly.

I know there is someone out there who would not only like to earn their CSP hours, but also provide a nice social environment for people to gather and eat together. If you are even the slightest bit interested, please let me know. Thanks.

Commodore and Commodorable Graf.

Notice to Mariners

Reminder that we have Automatic Defibrillators at both clubhouses. At Island Home, it is on the wall across from the desk as you come in the door near the head. At the Main Station, it is above the CSP box near the TVs controls. Make a note of their locations. Take a CPR course while you are at it.

Rich Hurst

Bill Hamaker is organizing a First Annual Boat House-Parking Lot Sale for August and September. Call Bill at (360) 481-1879 for more info

Safety and Education Committee
Danny Wrye, Chair



Greetings OYCers!

OYC Safety and Education Committee Survey Results

Thank you to those who took the time to respond to our first Safety and Education Committee Survey last month. Using the Club's email system, 19% of you completed the survey! While that may seem low, in fact, survey senders often anticipate that amount or less. So overall, we are quite pleased with the response AND the many and excellent suggestions you made. Our Safety and Education Committee is using the survey results to organize trainings for late 2018 and into 2019.

In reviewing the membership survey, the top ranked training needs are:

- a. Using the VHF radio and Digital Select Calling (65% of all respondents)
- b. Maintaining diesel or gas engines advance (58% of all respondents)
- c. Dealing with emergencies onboard (56% of all respondents)
- d. Recovering crew overboard (56% of all respondents)
- e. First aid for boaters (52% of all respondents)
- f. Navigation using electronic charts (51% of all respondents)

The vast majority (77% of all respondents) prefer trainings during the weeknights. Most prefer training September through November or December through February (63% and 62%, respectively).

The vast majority of respondents were male (85%). 71% of respondent had no preference for women-only trainings, while those having a preference were equally split at 14% each yes or no.

13% of respondents are willing to help conduct trainings. Our plan is to schedule a couple trainings to meet some of the above needs by the end of 2018. Specifically, we are working on trainings regarding Advanced Engine Maintenance, Digital Select Calling, and First Aid for Boaters by the end of the year. We are also considering topics for next year's Annual Safety and Environmental Awareness Day (April 2019) and/or a separate "Training Day."

Island Home Safety Ladder Installed

In July, the Safety and Education Committee installed a Floatstep Safety Ladder at Island Home. Thanks to IH Chair Earl Hughes and Caretaker George Whittaker for guidance help in making this improvement. Thanks also to Paul DuPriest, Committee member, in helping me with the install (and for not knocking my tool box into the water!)





Thanks again for helping us to build our training plans by your input in the survey! Members are always welcome to attend our Committee meetings which are held on the fourth Wednesday of the Month at 5:30 pm in the Mainstation.





Dog Days Dinghy Dash

Saturday, August 18th 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

180 minutes ... 6 dock stops ... Go! Go! Go!

1 small specialty cocktail, 1 hors d'oeuvres at each stop



Suggested Donation: \$5/person, payable at your 1st dock stop. Each dock has a stop. Get in your dinghy, find your first dock stop, tie up safely, get your one small cocktail drink & one appetizer, do the special trick (game/entertainment/icebreaker) ... and get going to the next dock stop!

Safety First: Use your lifejacket, observe smart boating rules. Please observe the No Wake zone. This is a great time to get to know your boat's neighbors and include new members

Dock Stop "Pier Pressure" Captains will be posted as volunteers pitch in – contact your dock's Pier Pressure Captain to learn how to out-dog the competition with the hound-centered theme cocktails, tasty morsels, music and decorations

Sorry, no CSP hours for this event. Out-of-town guests here that day? You can bring 'em! Recommended adult only event; you must monitor your children carefully. Can you walk to the party? If you have to!

Contact Andrea Sehmel, Denise Zermer or Nancy Stolarik for further info & watch this space for updates

Dog Days Dinghy Dash

Where do I keep my boat? 100 Dock	Who is my Pier Pressure Captain (host and organizer) for our Dock Stop? (Contact them to offer your help at your dock stop) Tony (PC) &	Who else from my dock can I contact with questions? (4 helpers at each dock stop would be great to help the hosts, serve, turn the record over & assist with dinghy dashers loading/unloading)	What's our dock stop's small specialty cocktail, appetizer and entertainment?
200 Dock	Nancy Re (yay!)	Barb Bergholz	
& Guest Dock			
300 Dock & Social Members			
400 Dock & Swantowners	Chris & Beth Brombach (Happy Anniversary too!)	Myrą & Joe Downing ('help anywhere')	
500 Dock & other marinas		Theresa Madden ('help anywhere')	
600 Dock *to be confirmed	Chris & Andrea Sehmel	*Carol Robinson PC & Chuck Eich *Bron & Tuula Lindgren *Steve & Kathy Drew	Hot Diggety Dogs Mast Climbers – lime, vodka, beer, chilled Karaoke

Don't put any personal information on this poster please – use your Membership Directory ...take a photo with your phone to help you remember stuff (& submit a photo & any phone number/address changes to Denise Lynch – it's that time!)



Mark your calendar!

Join us for a traditional Oktoberfest at Island Home

Beer Tasting / Brats / Fun!

Look for more | September Beachcomber

ook for more details in the 2018

Friday Sept. 28 -Saturday Sept. 30

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Craig Brown at 360-789-1731



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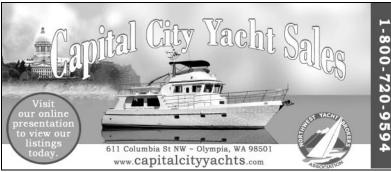
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FOR SALE

New Groco Paragon Jr. 12 volt water pump \$400.00. Current wholesale cost is \$1445.00.

Call Steve Treece at 360-491-3864 (H) or 360-280-6008 (C).

03/18

FOR SALE (or rent till sold) Boathouse #529

Outside dimensions 20'x50'
Well size 13'x43'(could possibly be enlarged)
Lots of cabinets and counter top area
Well lighted
Meets all OYC current requirements

\$40,000

360-491-3864 (H) 360-280-6008 (C) Steve Treece

05/18

Boathouse for Lease or Rent

House #518

Boathouse dim. 28' X 70'

Well size 18' X 60" L

Contact Dan @ 360 791-9652

05/18

FOR SALE

"Countess" 34' Tollycraft Sport Sedan 1988

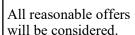
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08/14

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Email: chansonlaw@msn.com

05/16

For Sale

5 horse Mercury Outboard,

Newer two cycle in excellent condition.



Price \$550

Contact Pete at <u>360 956-1992</u> _{5/17}

Boat and Boathouse for Sale

Nice low Hour (360 hr.) 2000 Bayliner Ciera Express 2452 and nice 40 ft. x 15 ft. boathouse, slip # 647.

House has many upgrades and is OYC inspected and approved.

Will sell as package or separate. Many extras. Boat is ready to go.

Package price is \$32,500. For more information contact Pete at (360) 956-1992.

8/18

FOR SALE Boathouse #309 \$9.500

Close in location ~ Workbench ~ Great height for antennae/flybridge
Protect your boat from weather/UV ~
Free up space on your boat and store everything in the house
Some repairs will be made ~
per latest OYC inspection
Moorage is \$136.32/month

Call or Text: 360-280-0509

8/18

Boat and Boathouse For Sale

Boathouse

Dimensions 20' X 50' Well size 14' X 48'

Boat

1960 40' Chris Craft Conqueror Very comfortable boat in great condition

Many Many upgrades thru the years We are the third owners and have had it for 20 years

This a must see boat to appreciate all the updates

Contact

Dan at 360-791-9652 for more information

03/18



BOATHOUSE 330 FOR SALE OR LEASE

Boathouse Dimension: 17' X 52'

Well Size: 40'3" X 12'6" – Could be lengthened

Entrance height: 12'5"

- Roomy area in front of boathouse with workbench and cabinets.
- Loft area for storage.
- New curtain in 2016.
- Roof and siding in good shape.
- Passed OYC Inspection

\$30,000

Contact Dixie Ellis (360) 951-4210

01/18

Check your fire extinguishers, Kidde recalled 40 million of them......

More info on <u>Three Sheets</u> Northwest



For Sale

Boarding ladder	\$ 10
Electric motor: Minn Kota	
auto pilot with mount,	
battery & control	\$ 400
• 12 V pump	\$ 10
• Danforth 30# 8H anchor	\$ 80
Folding dog ladder (for dog	
up to 30 #)	\$ 60
Humming Bird depth	
sounder/fish finder w/gps	
model 597 ciHD w/battery	\$ 300
• Women's wet suit, medium,	
w/boots & gloves	\$ 40
Jack Behrend 360-491-5227	6/18



BOATHOUSE #327

Outside dimensions 18' X 40' Well size 13'-5" X 38' Meets OYC Boathouse Standards Inspected and passed 2017

Call Ted 360-491-3786 (H) 360-791-0945 (c)

04/18

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

09/17



- Keep your boat clean and protect it from weather/UV rays
- Store all of your boating and cleaning supplies OFF the boat (think of all the fuel you will save!)
- Extra height for antennae/flybridge ~ workbench ~ storage shelfs
- Close in location at OYC-right across from workshop too
 Well is 11.5'x 33' | Overall dimensions: 14.35'x 39.9'
 Moorage is \$136.32/month

Call/Text 360.280.0509

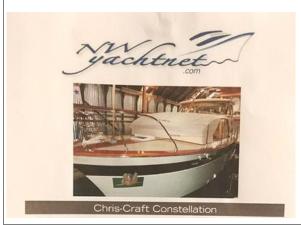
09/17



FOR SALE

If you love wooden boats, you'll love this 1963 37' Connie Tri-cabin! Character & quality. Always under cover. A true time capsule! Her sturdy big boat house #332 is for sale, also. Well approx. 16' × 48'. All reasonable offers will be considered. Owners: Errol V. Dye & Sue Haskin. Contact Mike Japhet, 8/18

360.352.3858 mike@nwyachtnet.com



Free to good home

Anchor chain and rode. Approx. 25' of 1/2" chain and approx. 150' of 1" rode. Rich Hurst 360-259-6343 or rehurst@comcast.net



8/18

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Accommodations: Sleeps 4 in two separate cabins

Galley & Systems: 2 burner ceramic electric cooktop (new 2014), microwave, hot/cold pressure water system, Norcold 110VAC/12VDC refrigerator (new 2012), TV w/ built in DVD player (boat is wired for cable), AM/FM radio with cabin and cockpit speakers, complete enclosed head with shower, new carpet (2017), new cockpit upholstery full enclosure (new 2007/2017), cockpit pressure water sink and ice chest, Red Dot cabin heater w/fan.

Navigation: Lowrance LCX 28C GPS/Depth Sounder/Sonar/Speed/ Fish Finder/Chart Plotter, Lowrance LRA 1500 Radar, Compass

Additional: Anchor with 30' chain and 150' rode, Hauled and professionally painted 2017, hauled with new zincs and outdrive painted 2018, all fenders and lines included, complete marine survey Sept. 2010, Boat is towable—no trailer included with sale

> Priced Reduced to \$17,600 C's Escape is moored at OYC

8/18







2018 AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	01	02	03 OYC Commodore's Cruise	OYC Commodore's Cruise
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12 G14 Cruise in @ Bremerton YC	13	14 Board of Trustees Meeting	15	16	17 BBQ on the Deck	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Labor Day Cruise to Island Home (Graf)	01
	03	04	05	06	07	08

2018 SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	01 Labor Day Cruise to Island Home (Graf)
02 Labor Day Cruise to Island Home	03 Labor Day Cruise to Island Home	04 Bridge Meeting	05 Dinner Meeting	06	07 Foofaraw	08
09	10	11 South Sound Sailing Society	12 Board of Trustees	13	14 Rainier YC Junior Officer Ball PC Cruise in to Is- land Home	Rainier YC Junior Officer Ball PC Cruise in to Is- land Home
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23 Tacoma YC Junior Officer Ball	24	25	26	27	28 OYC Oktoberfest Cruise	29 OYC Oktoberfest Cruise
30 OYC Oktoberfest Cruise	01	02	03	04	05	06

Join us for dinner In September



Membership Dinner Meeting No Dinner meeting in August

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

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