



February 2019



Commodore

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



Hello all!
We had our winter Grand 14 cruise-in this month in Winslow at Queen City's outstation and had a great time. This is the cruise-in where the Vice Commodore roasts the Commodore and I have to say V/C Welpman did an awesome job! Hope-

fully you will get to see it at a future dinner meeting.

The G-Pods (Rear Commodore Mitch's Grand 14 class) thought it would be funny to hang the class banners of the Commodore and V/C on the flag pole. The Nautilus (My class) had plans to retaliate, but got too tired and went to bed instead. Oh well. It's the thought that counts, right?

On our way back from the cruise-in, we ran into a pod of Orcas under the Narrows Bridge. They do exist! I counted at least 5 but it's possible there were up to 8. They came out of nowhere and were with us for about a half hour. Because we were fighting the current, we were trying to get closer to shore but every time I thought the Orcas had moved on, they would pop up, keeping us in the slow lane. We were trying to get home before dark, but due to fog and Whales, we were about a half hour too late. Still worth it.

We've had a little reprieve from commodore duties in January and it was nice to have some time to play. We took a trip to the coast, finished some house projects and got to play on the boat. But, now it's time to start up again. First up we have the joint cruise at island home with Shelton, January 25 - 27. If you haven't been to one of Craig and Deb Brown's events, you should. They don't disappoint! However, if you're unable to make it, you still have the Valentines Day cruise February 8 - 10. We're pretty excited to have two boat weekends planned at the island and seeing everyone.

I'm fortunate to have an awesome bridge that has made all of our events this year spectacular! If you've been to any of them, you know what I'm talking about! If you haven't, why not? While March is a few months away, I'd like you to block out March 16th for OYC's J.O. Ball. What is a J.O. Ball you ask? They're an opportunity for our club to celebrate our Junior Officers, specifically V/C Mark & Annette and R/C Mitch & AnneMarie (aka, your Junior Officers)! But don't let the thought of a ball scare you. This isn't your typical formal ball, you can leave the tux in the closet! J.O. balls are themed and more of a costume party and I promise you will love it. Stay tuned for details, they'll be coming soon! Did I mention it was March 16?

Well, I guess that's about it for now. Hope to see you on the water soon!

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

**Vice Commodore**

Captain Mark Welpman
First Mate Annette Welpman
S/V *Cygnat*

**Ahoy OCY!**

Wow, 2019 is in full swing. January is already behind us. In January we had the Grand 14 Cruise-In to Queen City Yacht Club's Outstation in Eagle Harbor, where our Commodore Marty was properly Roasted and Toasted. Thank You Little Miss Commadorable Jen Graf, for

supplying us with some Awesome photos and movie clips. We can't wait to share Marty's Roast with the club.

We had TGIF. And for those of you who missed it, our very own Fleet Captain Power Craig and Deb Brown with the help of the Shelton Yacht Club put on an outstanding Joint Cruise at the end of last month. The food and people were out of this world. This is a must do winter boating event.

What's to come for February? Besides the Dinner Meeting on the first Wednesday of the month, we have the Valentine's Cruise to Island Home on the 8th through the 10th. This is a must do OYC event. I hear that our Fleet Captain Power has a meal to die for, and some really fun games. Annette and I have a rematch with our Commodore and 1st Mate. We lost to them in the sudden death showdown last year in the Newly Wed Game. We're ready to take their crown!

We have Toliva Shoal Race dinner on Friday Feb 15th followed by the Race on Saturday the 16th. If you would like to volunteer your boat or to help out, contact Frank Mighetto.

Also on the same days as Toliva, the Club has been invited to attend Bremerton Yacht Club's IPBA Heavy Weather Predictive Log Race. The theme of the event is "Mariner's Mardi Gras". This is a great two day event. Pre-race party on Friday night, followed by the race on Saturday. Saturday night is a big shindig after race party. There are some really fun skits put on by various Yacht Clubs. We would like to win back the Skit Award, the Rubber Clam Gun, last won by OYC in 1974. Look for the flyer on the website and in the Beachcomber. Call me for more information. This is a wonderful event.

On the 22nd is our February TGIF. Salad, Pizza, Music and fun. All for the low, low price of six bucks! So there you have it. A quick run down on OYC events in February. If you are hungry or sober at any of these events... it's your fault.

Mark the calendar for Daffodil on April 12-14th, and Seattle Opening Day on May 3 -5th.

Again we would like to thank the membership for their wonderful support this year. With out all of you, we couldn't do any of this!

See you on the water!

Mark & Annette Welpman
OYC Vice Commodore
S/V *Cygnat* – M/V *Sea Ya*!

**Rear Commodore**

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

**Ahoy OYC!**

It has been quite the busy holiday season at the Olympia Yacht Club. I hope all of the members had a festive season and a great New Year change with the hopes of having an even better year in 2019. Speaking of the New Year, we held our first NYE Murder Mys-

tery evening with nearly 60 dirty rotten gangster and Hollywood mogul types. As usual, the vision of my First Mate AnneMarie transformed the club into the most gorgeous speakeasy this side of the Mississippi! We had some wonderful assistance with setup and cleanup which was much appreciated.....who in their right mind would build a champagne tower and then hand the filling duties over to Commodore Marty? It was so hard choosing the best costume as you all looked splendifabulous! And if you ever decide to black-mail the VC's First Mate Zeta Garbo make sure she's not a murderess. Again, we had an awesome time and hope the club enjoyed.

Our other boating excursion this month was to the Grand 14 Winter Cruise In at the QCYC out station on Bainbridge Island. What a contrast of weather to and from with gorgeous sun on the way up and pee soup fog coming back. Some of the shenanigans created an air of mystery there as well.....and for some reason your RC Mitch caught most of the blame.

On the horizon as I type this our Fleet Captain Power is working the Joint Cruise with Shelton Yacht Club and the Valentine's Cruise two weeks later. It's time to start thinking about winter ending and boating beginning. We have our Junior Office Ball in mid-March, the Daffodil Festivities at the Tacoma Yacht Club in April, the Seattle Opening Day in early-May followed by our very own OYC Opening Day. Get your boat ready now!

The March Dinner Meeting is traditionally in honor of our Past Commodores. It is amazing how much volunteerism happens in our yacht club and at times the tip of the spear for this is our Commodore or as some have mention the Chief of Listening. The job of the Commodore is tireless and unforgiving....but when they stop whining they always rejoice in how much fun it was. Come out and lend an ear to the stories of the glory days past, present and future! Our menu for this is: Chicken Cordon Bleu, Rice Pilaf, Veggie Medley, Fresh Fruit Salad, Fresh Baked Rolls and Vanilla Cupcake with Chocolate Frosting for dessert. Call the reservation line at 360-705-3767 or respond to the evite at (<http://evite.me/AJZj9qMDw3>).



See You on the Dinghy,

RC Mitch and Anne Marie
OYC Rear Commodore
MV *Release*



Fleet Captain Power

Captain Craig Brown
First Mate Deb Brown
M/V WINSOME



Hello Everyone,

Deb and I just got back from our annual cave diving trip to Akumal, Mexico. This was our 26th vacation there, and we had a great time. We've made some lifelong friends there over the years,

and it's nice to go to a region we're very familiar with. That said, it's probably time we tried something new.

We're thinking of doing a food and mezcal adventure to Oaxaca next time. If anyone has been there recently, we'd love to talk to you about it.

We've had a blast working with Danny and Jackie Wrye in planning our joint cruise with the Shelton Yacht Club on January 25th through 27th, and we're grateful to PC Bill Sheerer for serving as dock master for that.

We're also looking forward to our Valentine's Day cruise on February 8th & 9th at Island Home. We hope you had (have) a chance to join us for those.

Next up is Opening day on May 11th. FCS Bill and Cathy Velez and Deb & I are really excited to make it a great one! More details to come as we make them up.

By then we'll have been on the bridge for nearly a year. Wow, time flies when you're having fun, and we certainly have!

We look forward to seeing you,

Craig and Deb Brown
M/V WINSOME



Fleet Captain Sail

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



Full On Winter

Well here we are in February 2019, right smack in the middle of Winter. So far, knock on wood, it's been pretty mild I think. Oh, it's been cold at times and certainly wet at times as usual, but overall OK in my opinion. So what does Winter really mean to us boaters?

Well to me it means on those occasional clear days, a magnificent view of the snowy Olympic mountains. On such days it's worth a quick trip into Budd Inlet to just chill, literally, and take in the sights. Mid winter also brings several fun events here at OYC.

You may have attended the Joint OYC/SYC cruise at the Island on January 25, 26, and 27 and if so I'm certain it was a good time. What a special place the Island is for OYC. The Valentines cruise to the Island is also coming up on February 8, 9, and 10. Our Fleet Captain Power Craig and Deb Brown sure can host a party! The grand daddy of the Southern Sound Series races, Toliva Shoal, is coming up quickly on Saturday February 16th. What a ride I had last year on Finally Free with winds 25 - 40+ knots. What do the winds have in store for us this year, who knows?

And finally, my monthly signature event, TGIF is coming up on Friday February 22nd. Oh, and don't forget the monthly dinner meeting on February 6th. So there's a few events to consider for February as we find ourselves edging forward to spring. Edging forward, might that be the nautical term of month, well yes, it is. From the interweb, which is always right of course, this phrase describes an inch-by-inch progress and was first used in the 17th century, typically in nautical contexts and referring to slow advance by means of repeated small tacking movements. Sounds just like beating to windward against the current in Dana Passage. Well signing off for now, always learning.

Fair winds and following seas
Fleet Captain Sail Bill Velez
First Mate Cathy Velez
S/V Karen Ann

TGIF

Thank Goodness it's **Friday!**

Good food

Good times

Good music



February 22

Drinks and Socializing 5:30 pm

Pizza etc..... 6 pm

\$6/person No reservations required

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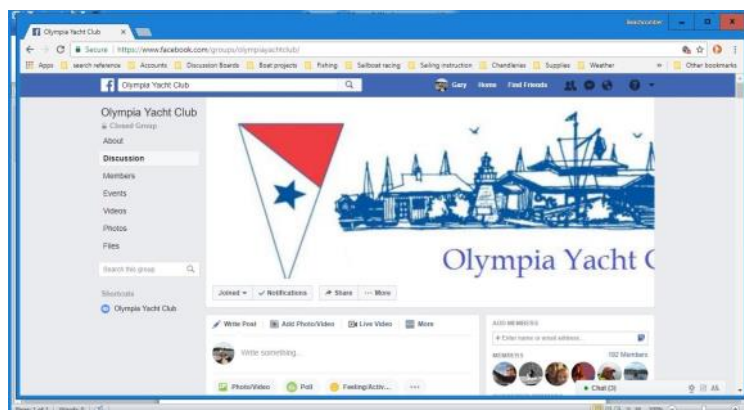
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In every piece of humor, there is a piece of truth.

.....Ed Crawford

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At our January meeting, the Board approved the 2019 OYC Community Grants program developed by the Community and Governmental Affairs Committee (CGAC). Under the program, OYC will award grants to eligible non-profit organizations for projects and events that inform and improve the community and are aligned with the OYC interests and values. These interests and values include “improving the strength and vitality of the waterfront, the downtown, the marine environment, water sports, relevant education and training and the greater community.” OYC has budgeted up to \$3,000 for these grants to build a greater positive awareness of our Club within our community.

The Committee is not doing outreach to non-profits. Instead they are turning to you, the membership. If you are aware of an organization you believe could be interested in a grant, please contact the organization. Applications and information on the grants will be available in the Club House and on the OYC website. For more information, contact any Board member, or the Co-chairs of the CGAC, Myra Downing or Kelly Thompson.

This month I would like to recognize and thank our Moorage Master, Mark Fleischer, for the tremendous work he is doing on behalf of the Club. Mark's job is to make certain that we have a safe, efficient operating environment in the marina. He also has the difficult task of optimizing the space available for moorage. That frequently means he must ask boats to relocate within marina. Many of you have been impacted by these moves over the past several months and we thank you for your cooperation. Mark is nearing the completion of the moves, but a few remain. If you are one of the remaining moves, we also thank you in advance for your cooperation. And mostly, we thank Mark for his extraordinary efforts as Moorage Master.

OYC is once again hosting a reception for Legislators and local and state government officials. The reception is on February 11 and is co-sponsored by OYC, the Northwest Marine Trade Association (NWMTA) and the Recreational Boaters' Association of Washington (RBAW). OYC will be emphasizing, among other issues, the importance of recreational boating in our community and throughout Puget Sound.



The BOT meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse. You are invited to attend and see how the business side of our Club functions. Minutes of the meetings are posted on the bulletin board.

Community & Government Affairs

Myra Downing and Kelly Thompson, Co-Chairs

Local Heroes Wanted - Apply Within!

The Community and Government Affairs Committee is busy building bridges with our Olympia neighbors. At the 09Jan19 meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the application forms for OYC Community Grants that included criteria for awarding the grants. Thanks to the leadership of the board, we are now ready to accept grant requests.

We hope that - through member connections - we will be able to place grants this Spring. We have \$3000 available, with the maximum grant of \$1000 per recipient. Look for the link to the application and criteria on the OYC website <https://olympiayachtclub.org/> - or contact Kelly Thompson or Myra Downing directly.

We are preparing for the annual Legislative Reception on 11Feb19. Legislators and local leaders are invited to meet, greet, and decompress from their legislative duties. Thanks to our partners at Recreational Boaters Association of Washington (RBAW) and the Northwest Marine Trade Association (NMTA) for their support. OYC provides (fabulous) venue and (friendly) staff for the event.

Working for a strong OYC!

Kelly Thompson and Myra Downing
Co-Chairs C&GAC



Quartermaster

Margaret Snyder & Judy Ball, Co-Chairs

**Get That Great Valentine's Day Gift for Your Sweetie!**

We reopened at the January 2nd dinner meeting with a great response to our new stemless wine glasses. They have a few rings around the bottom which make getting a good grip easy! We have sold 1/3 of them already, so if you're interested you may want to stop by and pick some up at the next dinner meeting.

We had some new women's FDJ shirts come in January, and more will be coming in the next two months. If you were one of the women hoping for more sizes in the black and navy capris, they will both be in by the February dinner meeting.

We still have lots of cold weather gear on hand to include hooded vests, hoodies of differing weights, and sweat-shirts. We also have plenty of various long and short sleeved shirts. There are even a few of the #12 Seahawks tee shirts in long and short sleeves, and they have been marked down. Pick one up and be ahead of the game for next season!

In addition, for the men, we have long and short sleeved shirts and a good selection of caps if yours needs replacing! We have plenty of cold weather gear on hand to include vests, Challenger jackets, and sweatshirts. Come by and see how classy you will look in your new OYC wear!

Remember, we can usually order items for you in a different size if necessary. You can also bring in your own items and we can have them embroidered for you. The cost is \$8.00.

Judy and I will both be enjoying the sunshine in sunny southern California at the time of the February dinner meeting. Patti Phillips and Phyliss DeTray have graciously offered to cover the store in our absence, for your benefit, so please give them a hardy thanks when you see them! A sincere thank you goes out to them both from Judy and me!

See you at the Quartermaster Store in March!

Margaret and Judy

**Club Service Program**

PC Les Thompson, Chair



Greetings all and Happy New Year.

We are starting a new year for CSP hour requirements and I can see some of you have already begun to earn hours. It is not too early to get these hours done and then not have to worry about it for the rest of the year. Contact or join a committee, a great way to get involved and meet members. The Bridge and caretakers can always use help as well. There are several social events upcoming. Last but not least you can contact me for help finding ways to get hours. See you on the docks or at an event.

See you at an event or on the docks.

PC Les Thompson
CSP guru
MV *EcstaSea*

Island Home

Earl Hughes, Chair



Mark your calendar! The annual Island Home work party is Saturday April 27th. The fun starts at 9 AM. Gourmet hamburgers will be served to all. All you need to bring is a pair of gloves and a strong back, aspirin will be provided.

Hood Canal TV our cable provider has switched to all digital. What that means is if you have an old TV on board you may not be able to get TV from the cable on the docks.

George and the Island survived the January wind storms with few problems.



Earl Hughes
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Fleet Surgeon

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



Single Payer

Insurance – that's where lots of people pay relatively small premiums in the hope that bad luck won't catch up with them, but if it does, the insurance company will handle the very large bills. To drive your car legally, the government says you have to have insurance. The "individual mandate" required you to have health insurance or pay a "fine." Thanks to Congress, that is gone and a person can decide to trust their good health or have the public pay for their bad fortune. Instead of going to see the doctor in an office, they go to the ER which is perceived as "free," while it is very much more expensive. The cost doesn't go away just because you don't have insurance.

Think of insurance like cars. You can go in luxury or drive a utilitarian model – both will get you there, but at different costs. Drive a "beater" (or maybe a Jaguar), and you may find yourself helpless alongside the road hoping a Good Samaritan or the government will rescue you. Most of health insurance comes through a few large, wealthy companies who sell their different "models" based on what you want to "drive." An actuary wearing a green eyeshade and housed in a mountain in Montana tells them to the fraction of a penny what they should bill for any given benefit. Want a mid-sized luxury SUV with a certain number of cup-holders, the price will be similar among the ma-

jor players. Employed people and young people don't use much in health care, so companies "cherry-pick" them with attractively low premiums. Sick or old, you will pay through the nose if they will insure you at all.

Sixty years ago, I was told by a neighbor doctor not to go into medicine because this new Medicare thing was going to ruin medicine. While it is not perfect, at least every old person has medical insurance now. Medicare tells providers what they will pay for a given "dent" in your body just as Safeco tells collision repair shops the same.

"Single Payer" insurance can be thought of as Medicare for all. Canada has had this since 1984. It will cover "essential" care. Taxes will pay for the basic policy and everyone will be covered. Won't my taxes skyrocket? You won't be paying all your present health insurance premiums and you won't be paying for St. Pete's "free" care. You won't have to "pay" for the large staff of insurance specialists in the back of every physician's office. Provided Big Pharma's hold on outrageous drug prices will be loosened, our drug costs will be decreased. You may buy a supplemental policy and a prescription coverage as I do for my Medicare (best health coverage I've ever had). Is "Single Payer" perfect – not by a longshot, but eventually an improvement over the present situation.

What about my friends at Premera and other companies? They may also locally administer some of the Medicare claims. There will still be extra insurance you can buy and many of those people may be absorbed by the government. Hope they get a paycheck!

Women's Interclub Council

Kim Shann, Representative



My Women's Interclub news is same as last month's....February 21st, 2019 is the INSTALLATION OF ALL NEW OFFICER POSITIONS, at QUEEN CITY YACHT CLUB.

Then March 21st, 2019 will be the next Interclub luncheon, at MEYDENBAUER BAY YACHT CLUB.

JOIN IN FOR WONDERFUL LUNCHESES, PROGRAMS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND GATHERING WITH OUR LADY FRIENDS FROM ALL AROUND PUGET SOUND.

PLEASE CONTACT KATHY BECKMAN 206-459-9669 or KIM SHANN (CELL) 36-791-4941.

Sunshine Committee

Deb Waldherr, Chair



Please be sure and text or call me regarding any member or members who should receive a card from the club.

I can be reached at 360-561-1947, a call or text would be great.

Clubhouse

Debe Andersen, Chair

Hi there; I would like to express my appreciation to everyone who has helped me to transition into the role of clubhouse chair.....especially our former clubhouse chair Michelle Aguilar-Wells. I have just a couple of things this month to remind everyone of. If you are interested in renting the clubhouse for personal use (i.e. wedding, birthday party, family reunion etc..) you just need to get ahold of me and clear the date.

However, if you are interested in renting the clubhouse for a non-personal activity first you need to call me and clear the date and then you need to come to a board meeting and present to the board the reason you are renting the clubhouse and have the board approve it.

The next meeting for the clubhouse committee is February 4th at 6:00 pm. I am always looking for people to join the committee and it is a easy and fun way to earn your CSP hours.

If you have any questions or suggestions on improving the clubhouse/galley please feel free to get ahold of me...I am always looking for new ideas.

Debe

Environmental Awareness

John Sherman, Chair

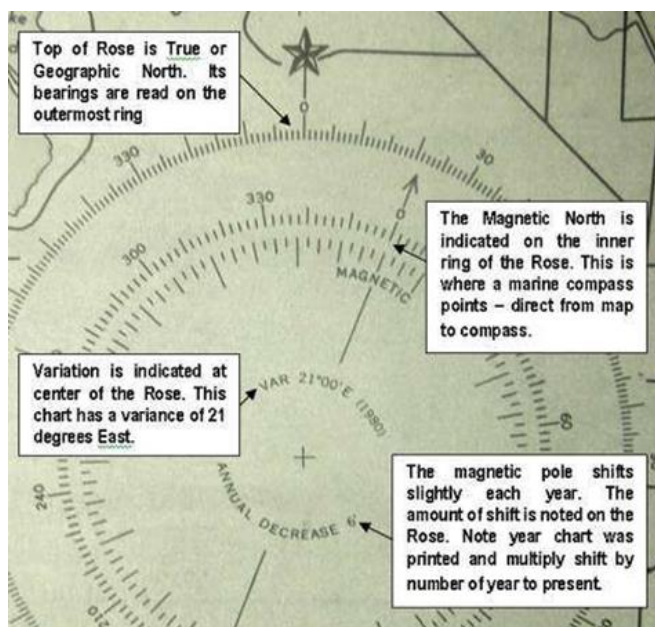


Feel the Earth Move under your Feet?

It may be just a heart throb. Or it may be the sloshing of liquid iron in the earth's core...a phenomenon that has recently affected magnetic compasses so much that it has given NOAA heartburn. NOAA is the federal agency responsible for environmental information and nautical charts, among other things.

Magnetic compasses have been central to successful vessel navigation for hundreds of years. The earliest navigators floated a piece of lodestone in a bowl of water to show the position of the magnetic north pole, and even today with all our GPS and electronic chart technology, electronic fluxgate compasses that detect magnetic north typically guide auto-pilots and properly orient our electronic charts.

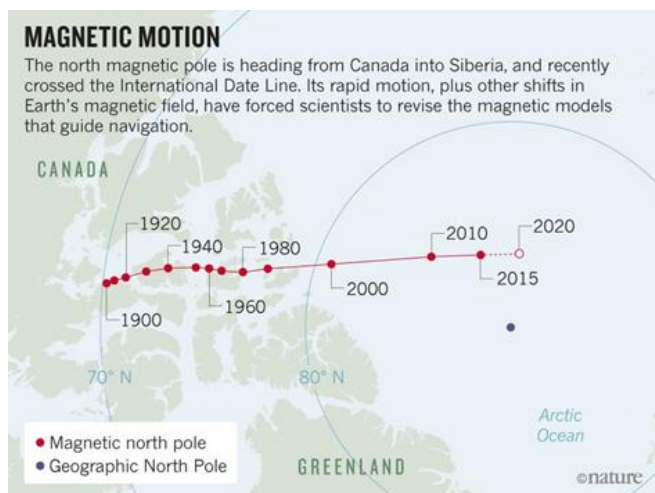
While "true north" (the north pole of the axis on which the earth spins) doesn't change, "magnetic north" (the place that magnetic compasses point to) is different than true north and changes over time. The difference in location is measured as compass variation which is traditionally published on the compass rose of nautical charts. The value of compass variation depends on where you are located on the earth, and on when you measure it.



On a nautical chart, the average variation for the geographical area covered is shown on the magnetic compass rose, and a forecast for the annual change is included (see Figure A). For electronic charts and equipment, information regarding magnetic variation is contained in a database (the World Magnetic Model [WMM]) which is typically updated and distributed every 5 years. This data is typically incorporated into marine electronic equipment, and WMM updates are distributed in periodic software updates.

(If this is all Greek to you, you really should get in touch with the OYC Safety and Education committee and enroll in a Piloting class!)

As it happens, the location of Magnetic North is changing much more rapidly than ever before, so much that the most recent WMM (2015) is now so inaccurate that it is about to exceed the acceptable limit for navigational errors (see Figure B). As a result, NOAA is planning an unprecedented move: to issue a revised WMM in January 2019, one year ahead of schedule.



Changes in the location of the North Magnetic Pole are driven by the churning of liquid iron in the earth's interior, and something weird has been happening lately causing the pole to make a beeline for Siberia. For more information, see the article in the 10 January 2019 issue of Nature here:

<https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-019-00007-1>

Due to the Federal government shutdown, release of the 2019 WMM has been delayed from January 15 to at least January 30, and only critical updates to nautical charts are being processed.

John Sherman
Chair, OYC Environmental Awareness Committee
SV *Grendel*

Safety and Education Committee

Danny Wrye, Chair



Main Station

Tim Ridley, Chair



Greetings OYCers!

Just in time after our Digital Selective Calling (DSC) training, the Coast Guard issued the following Notice to Mariners.....

WASHINGTON – PUGET SOUND – GPS testing

US Strategic Command has proposed GPS testing encompassing the majority of the Puget Sound area. The center point of the test will be at position 47-01-47.437N, 122-32-57.893W, near Fort Lewis, WA, with a radius of 52 NM. The GPS navigation signal may be unreliable due to testing on GPS frequencies used by shipboard navigation and handheld systems. Systems that rely on GPS, such as e-911, AIS and DSC, may be affected. The testing frequencies will be GPS L1 and L2. Testing dates and times are as listed below, using Pacific Standard Time as local time: 26 Feb 2019: 0700 – 1900 27 Feb 2019: 0700 – 1900 28 Feb 2019: 0700 – 1900 For additional information or to express concerns, contact the Coast Guard Navigation Center at (703) 313-5900 or at <https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=dgpsSiteInfo¤tOutages>.

Notice To Mariners, Week 01/19.

Thanks to Safety and Education Committee member Jim Harden for giving us a heads up on this!

Finally, pencil in on your calendars Saturday, April 20, 2019, for OYC's Annual Safety and Environmental Awareness Day! Look for details in the March Beachcomber.

Danny Wrye, Chair
OYC Safety and Education Committee
MV *SeaWryes*

Hope everybody had a great Christmas and has an even better 2019. Things are going great around the Club. Lots of projects for the new year, so remember if you are looking for CSP hours call myself or Robert. Thank you to all the members that helped out around the Club in 2018. We all appreciate your hard work.

Remember, if you see something that's out of place call Robert or me. Again, thank you to everyone who helps make this Club what it is..... a fun and active boating family.

See you on the docks.

Main Station Chair
PC Tim Ridley
PV G Louise
253-320-9106

Membership Changes

Ron Wertz, Membership Committee Chair
Andrea Sehmel, BOT Secretary

New Member: Jeffrey & Lorraine Hamilton

Demits: Ed and Patti McCarroll

Life Membership: John "Ernie" Shaughnessy
Jerry Budelman

Social Membership: Dixie Ellis

2019 Moorage Inspections

This being an odd year means all odd numbered moorage spaces (open slips and boathouses) will be inspected to ensure marina safety and compliance with established standards as noted in OYC's Agreements, Rules, and Policies. Inspections will start in April at the latest and hopefully completed by the end of May.

We will have probably five inspection teams and one of them will contact you by email or phone to schedule the inspection of your open slip or boathouse. We encourage you to be present, however, if you cannot, you can provide the team access to your moorage and permission to complete the inspection. Upon completion of the inspection you will receive a copy of inspection by email soon afterwards.

You can go to the OYC Web page and review the "SAFETY & COMPLIANCE CHECK LIST" for both Open Slips & Boathouses in the Download Section. Open slip inspections take approximately 30 minutes, while boathouse inspections take approximately 45 minutes. There will be a "water side inspection" completed prior to the dockside portion for all boathouses; deficiencies noted for waterside will be included on the inspection sheets when dockside is completed.

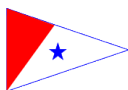
Boathouse standards are listed in the OYC 2018-2019 Directory for your review. Please assist us with this program by closely observing your property and ensuring standards are maintained and vessels are ready for safe cruising throughout 2019. Thanks for your assistance in keeping OYC a SAFE & SECURE MARINA.

Bob Wolf, Chair Inspection Program
360-402-3408
wgsllwrlw1@hotmail.com



Sailing Education Program

Mary Fitzgerald, Chair



Thanks to all our supporters of 2018.....we are looking forward to another sailing season. We now have a final count on the fundraising we saw this past year through wreath sales, our dinner auction, carwashes and the generosity of all our friends, family, and supporters. We raised about \$27,000 through these various endeavors and a lot of thanks need to go out to our members, the parents of our sailors, some who are members and some who are not, the sailors themselves, and friends and families who have been so generous in 2018. Thanks to all of you, our 6 new boats will be arriving this spring. Several of our old boats have already been purchased by other sailing programs and will be heading off to new homes in Port Angeles and other points in the Northwest this spring.

New Boat #6 needs a name - We still have one of our new boats that could use a name. So if you would like to see a boat you named out on the water almost every day for 10 months out of the year, let us know. The cost is \$1,000. We will have a naming ceremony this spring and will let you know when. Boat names will be revealed then. There are some very fun ones. Stay tuned.

The San Diego Rose Bowl Regatta - Coach Sarah Hanavan, parents, and OYC sailors representing Olympia High School and Capital High School attended the annual Rose Bowl regatta in January; they were quite successful in their endeavors. This regatta includes top sailors from all over the nation and our sailors had many impressive showings. We placed 8th overall in the silver fleet, in the top 20 out of 33 in the Gold (elite) fleet, and 2nd place in Bronze fleet. A great showing overall.

We have just finalized our contract with Olympia Parks and Recreation for our summer program and are starting small in offering some introductory classes for youth and adults through the Tumwater Parks and Recreation Program. We have seen very few sailors from the Tumwater area and are trying to reach out to establish partnerships within this part of our community in hopes of gathering new members and capturing interested middle and high school sailors from that area for future teams.

Again, thanks all for your continued support. We have many projects that would give you CSP hours, so if you have some time let us know. I will be posting a list of projects on the OYC clubhouse bulletin boards this month, so keep an eye out for that.

Fair winds to all,
Mary Fitzgerald

The OYC High School Team sent 3 teams to the annual Rose Bowl Regatta in Long Beach CA. The largest joint High School and Collegiate Regatta in the country with over 120 teams from all around the country.

Capital moved up from Bronze to Silver this year finishing 8th, a huge leap from winning Bronze last year. Olympia JV sailed in Bronze and easily won 2nd place, mere points from 1st as they were in the hunt all weekend trading 1st and 2nd place back and forth with a Chicago Yacht Club Team. Olympia Varsity had a challenging time sailing in the elite Gold fleet for the first time in 4 years, much was learned, and the sailors have taken away many lessons to digest.

All in all, sun, friends, and being on the water was a great way to spend a weekend before starting school again! Here's to one more trophy in the OYC display case!

.....Sarah

Photos from Sarah Hanavan





(rolling eyes)

They are still at it.....



Brian and Kim Hoonan suggested we put this 48 North item from March of last year in the *Beachcomber* to call attention to the deception. I received one of these MDC notices last month and I understand there are other "service providers" sending similar notices.

.....Editor

More info at <https://captnmike.com/2017/09/08/us-coast-guard-vessel-documentation-scam/>

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Letters

Dear 48° North,

I just received notice from the Maritime Documentation Center (MDC) that my renewal is coming due. The notice was not in the same form as previous ones from the National Vessel Documentation Center (NVDC). I went to MDC but did not complete the process as the site wanted to charge me a total of \$140.

What was once a free renewal jumped to \$26 from NVDC last year, and this year renewals are listed as \$70 from MDC. This was all confusing and concerning.

So, I called NVDC, and they clarified their vessel documentation procedure. First, they confirmed that my boat certificate does not actually expire until March 31 (which I knew and was what precipitated my call), and thus it is NOT expired as the Maritime Documentation Center (MDC) informed me by letter.

The NVDC stated that MDC is a third party agency (not USCG related) providing this service so it cannot be classified as a scam, per se, although I would disagree. In my case, MDC sent me my notice about 3-4 weeks prior to the one NVDC said they would send out, which is 45 days prior to expiration. Second, the NVDC fee is the same as last year (\$26), and not the MDC (service) charge of \$70.

It would be helpful to inform fellow readers that this is a case of someone making a business out of providing an unneeded service normally provided adequately by legal entities. I have come across this as well when renewing my FCC permits and HAM licenses. All boaters need to be made aware of third party attempts to obtain inflated fees; some owners may choose to no longer document their boat due to the much higher cost.

The bottom line is that we don't need these businesses misleading us or increasing our boat operating costs.

Best Regards,
Mike Hirko
Gig Harbor, WA
Destiny, Tayana Vancouver 42

Thanks for the message, Mike! This is the second time we've had a friend of the magazine point this out to us in recent weeks. It is indeed a concern, and hard to believe it's not illegal! The USCG Deputy for Operations Policy and Capabilities Third Party Awareness Alert says the following:

"The NVDC is aware that there are commercial entities that offer to manage the certification/renewal process on behalf of vessel owners for a fee. The Coast Guard does not endorse any of these companies, and the companies do not operate on behalf of the Coast Guard in any way. Any fees charged or agreements offered by such companies are in no way associated with the NVDC certification process. In addition, these companies are not authorized to issue any form of documentation, including travel letters and/or permits that authorize operation of ANY vessel. Customer complaints can be made through the Federal Trade Commission's (FTC) website at <https://www.ftc.gov/>"

BULLETIN BOARD

CPR and AED class scheduled for Tuesday February 26 at 7 PM.

Please register as there are a limited number of places.

rehurst@comcast.net

LOST AND FOUND

Lost ... a fleece blanket plaid on one side and Navajo Indian-style pattern on the other, dark reds, grey and black several months ago. Please call **Andrea Sehmel** 360-999-0695

Lost ... I somehow misplaced my gray sweater after the dinner meeting on October 3. It is an ORVIS brand with a 1/4 neck and collar. Please call **Ed Stolarik** (509) 654-0799



more SEP photos



HELP WANTED

Lunch Bunch Chair Committee members, All committees

Interested? Questions?

Contact Bob Van Schoorl

Bvanschoorl@comcast.net

Phone 360 789 8810

Dear OYC'ers,

This is a reminder for next month's "office hours" where I am available to discuss any electrical issues or questions that you may have. It will be held on Feb. 9th. These sessions are scheduled for the second Saturday of each month (probably not during the summer...) 😊 beginning at 9am. Last month we had a clubhouse conflict so we met at Thriftway, but normally we would gather in the main clubhouse. If conflicts arise in the future, I will post a sign on the door indicating the alternate location.

If no one shows up by, say 10:30, I reserve the right to do other stuff....but I can stay as long as there is a need. There is no charge for this, but remember, advice is worth what you pay for it....

PC Jerry,

The Salty Geek

BULLETIN BOARD

Hello everyone. As much as I have tried to get your Commodorable to do it, she doesn't have the time to head up the Daffodil committee. So, we are looking for a very creative someone who would like to head up a committee that will, most likely, create a winning boat this year.

Daffodil is April 11-13 and we need to get moving on a plan to be sure things go smoothly. If you are interested, please let me know as soon as you can and we will get a meeting set up. Thanks!

Marty

Power Boats Needed for Toliva Shoal Race

The OYC, a co-sponsor of the annual Toliva Shoal Race, provides power boats to assist during the day of the race. This is a fun event that attracts sailors – and approximately 80 boats – from all over the South Sound.

This year's race will take place on Saturday, February 16, 2019 – **and CSP hours are available.**

If you are interested, please contact Frank Mighetto at frank.mighetto@gmail.com or call him at 206-525-1458.





Bremerton Yacht Club

Heavy Weather 2019

February 15 – 17

Theme – “Mariner’s Mardi Gras”



Schedule of Events

Friday, February 15

1200 +	Arrival of Guest Boats
1800	Dinner and Social Hour (\$10.00)
1900 +	Dancing to “TBD?”

Saturday, February 16



0830	Contest Check In/ Continental Breakfast
0900	Observer Training
1030	Heavy Weather Navigation Rally
1330	Drawing for Order of Skits
1430	Post-Race Log Check-In
1600	Social
1700	Dinner (\$15.00)
1745	Rally Results and Awards
1815	Burgee Procession & Skits
1930	Dockettes
2000	Skit Results and Awards
2030	Music and Dancing to “TBD”



Sunday, February 17

0800 – 1000	Hosted Continental Breakfast
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WINTER CRUISE

Olympia // Shelton Winter Cruise



Casa dell'isola - A Trip to Italy Olympia and Shelton Yacht Club Winter Cruise



Fri., January 25 -- 6 p.m. Bring a heavy appetizer to share. Beer/wine provided.

Sat., January 26 -- 9 a.m. Breakfast (eggs, bacon, fruit, juice, coffee)

6 p.m. Dinner. Italian theme. More menu details to come. It's going to be good! Food and beer/wine provided. Prizes for best Italian-themed costume.

Sun., January 27-- 9 a.m. Continental breakfast and buon viaggio!

January 25 - 27

2019



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2019

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Saturday Evening

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Sunday Morning

9 a.m. Breakfast (eggs, bacon, fruit,
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8/18

FOR SALE Boathouse #309

7500.

- Well is approximately 33.5' long x 11.6' wide
- **New roof in 2018** with required skylights
- Passed OYC inspection in 2017-good until 2019
- Great close-in location, near workshop too
- Work bench, nice and bright inside
- Extra height-fly bridges/antennae: 13'4" deck to roof, about another 16" water to deck
- House measures 39'9" x 14'35" total
- Moorage is \$136.32/month
- **Contact: Missy Watts**

Phone/text (360)280-0509

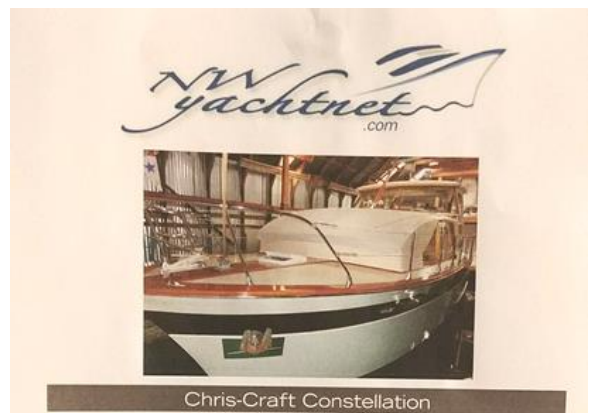
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8/18



Boat and Boathouse For Sale**Boathouse**

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Boat

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for more information

03/18

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5/17

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6/18

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44'x13' well

Good condition—meets OYC requirements.

\$30,000, terms available
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2/19

Boathouse For Sale

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10/18



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2019 FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	01	02 Tacoma YC Commodore's Ball
03	04	05 Bridge Meeting	06 Dinner Meeting	07	08 Valentine's Cruise	09 Valentine's Cruise
10 Valentine's Cruise	11	12 South Sound Sailing Society	13 Board of Trustees IPBA Annual Meeting/Award Dinner	14	15 Toliva Shoal	16 Toliva Shoal IPBA Heavy Weather
17	18	19	20	21	22 TGIF Seattle YC Junior Officer's Ball	23 Seattle YC Junior Officer's Ball
24 Seattle YC Junior Officer's Ball	25	26	27	28	01	02

2019 MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25	26	27	28	01	02 Rainier YC Commodore's Ball
03	04	05 Bridge Meeting	06 Dinner Meeting	07	08 OYC/SSSS Joint Cruise	09 Edmonds YC Commodore's Ball OYC/SSSS Joint Cruise
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Join us for dinner
Wednesday, February 6

- Steak
- Baked potato with butter, sour cream and green onions
- Honey ginger carrots
- Roasted corn medley
- Caesar salad
- Garlic bread
- Dessert: Chocolate mousse parfaits



Membership
Dinner Meeting
February 6

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