



OLYMPIA YACHT CLUB

January 2018



Commodore

Captain Bill Sloane
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S/V Endless Summer



own beautiful South Puget Sound, a bucolic place if there ever was one.

At our last Board of Trustees meeting, the board decided not to have OYC attend the Seattle Boat Show in January to recruit new members for the club. Our membership chair noted that while discounting the initiation fee as a 'Boat Show Special' during the month of January was still a good idea, the number of new members OYC actually attracted by manning a booth at the boat show was exactly one member. Yet, our club still has many new members joining throughout the year. Why is this? Well it turns out, it's word of mouth. Our members are happy belonging to OYC and tell others about how great it is to belong.and the next thing we know, we

Welcome to 2018 fellow OYC members. I think it's going to be a good year, as long as the pandemonium of our current culture, politics and environment stay in the background at a low hum. That way, we can enjoy our

have new members. I think that is about the most complimentary statement about the state of OYC that can be made. OYC attracts new members because the members that belong make it clear to others how great belonging is.

I wish I could take credit for this as your Commodore, but that is really not the case. The affairs of OYC's state rumble on at a pace and with a life that has seasoned over the years. As Commodore, I am a temporary title head, blessed to hold such a position, but knowing full well that the strength of the Olympia Yacht Club resides in the roll-up-our-sleeves-and-do-it attitude of many of our members. We are a do-it-yourself club. We have great events because the members put in the work for the mutual benefit of all of us. I think that's exactly as it should be and I look forward to all that 2018 has to offer. Coming right up is the joint cruise to Island Home between the Olympia Yacht Club and South Sound Sailing Society on January 26th to the 28th. What better time to boat than in January? Please join us. Lorie and I will be there.



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By the time you read this, Christmas will have passed, and I will have entered the sad time of the year, as my favorite holiday is now more than 11 months away. I will now have to find something to do while waiting for

Christmas 2018.

The Christmas Ball was a huge success and fun was had by all. The food was amazing and the band was incredible. Hopefully you were able to make it, but if not you can check out the photo booth pictures to see some of what you missed. Huge shout out to those that helped set up, bartend, and tear down.

I am writing this article from a hotel in Sacramento as we are having a Griswold family Christmas vacation and driving down to Disneyland. It has only been one day, and I'm now reminded why we have flown the last few trips. Apparently 12 hours in a car is boring and causes the kids to find alternate means of entertainment, which usually involves upsetting the adults. Who knew?! At least we still have Mickey to look forward to and a few days of fun 'til the dreaded drive home, where we will have to undecorate the boat, so it's ready for our G14 cruise in.

The Valentine's day cruise will be upon us soon, so get your boat ready and brush up and/or "clarify" your historical memories of couplehood just in case you get picked for the newlywed game. Its always a great cruise.

Hope to see you out on the water soon!

Marty and Jen Graf
Vice Commodore
M/V William West

**Happy New Year!**

We hope that you had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. We hope that you enjoyed the awesome Christmas Ball that our Vice Commodore Marty and Jen put on. They just upped the bar for next year. As I'm writing this before the New Year, I'm expecting that we pulled off a

really fun New Year's Eve party at the Club House.

I'd like to thank all the people who participated in the Lighted Boat Parade and the Special People's Cruise. A big shout out to the two people who were the backbone to these huge events, Thank you Tammy Questi and Curtis Dahlgren. Neither of these events would have happened without your hard work.

Things are about to get busy again at the club. Our first dinner meeting will be January 3rd, only two nights after New Year's. Dinner will be beef pot roast, garlic mashed potatoes, honey ginger carrots, spinach salad with cider vinaigrette, cashews, raisins and red onions, and rustic breads with butter. Dessert is lemon berry tini. Don't forget to call in your reservations before New Year's Eve!

Other OYC January events: TGIF on January 19th, OYC/SSSS Joint Cruise January 26th to the 28th. We hope that you all take advantage of the Joint Cruise. It's a great time to shake out the mooring lines, fire up the ironhorse or fill the sails with air, and have a little winter adventure. South Sound Sailing Society is a collection of really fun people. We hope that you all will attend. Oh yeah... I hear that SSSS members are lousy poker players...lol.

We look forward to the promise that the new year brings. We're excited to meet new friends and to build relationships with our new members and strengthen relationships with our old OYC friends. We're excited to

see what the new year brings to the club, and for all of you. Happy New Year and welcome to 2018.

We'll see you on the water!

Mark & Annette Welpman
OYC Rear Commodore
SV Cygnet





Fleet Captain Power

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



Ahoy OYC!

What the heck! It's another year, I'm another year older and deeper in debt. The good news is that it has been proven that celebrating the coming of a new year is good for your health because the more of them you celebrate, the longer

you live. Now, what is on your resolution list? I'm going all out this year and have completely and totally committed my resolve to consider making a resolution list.....heck I might even share it next year! There are actually two things on mine at the moment. First, I resolve to put a new roof on our boathouse.....you're welcome Travis. Second, and I hate to admit this, but apparently this summer we ever so lightly and gently tapped something below the water line during our travels.....and thank you Travis, a haul out is happening soon.

Enough about me, how about that Christmas Ball!!!!!! WOW! Vice Commodore Marty and First Mate Jen pulled that off wonderfully. Although we're all teams, I'm speculating Santa was extra generous to Jen this year.....you know, just a hunch. Well done you two! By the way, I was sporting my brand new Tux for the evening's festivities in case you hadn't noticed. See, I did manage to make that about me after all. As I'm not sure when this edition of the Beachcomber will be published, I will go out on a limb and say the New Year's Extravaganza was an awesome affair. Thanks Rear Commodore Mark!

As we start 2018, it's hard to believe that within 6 weeks, we'll have 2 more events out at Island Home. The first cruise of the year is the Joint Cruise with the South Sound Sailing Society. With that, I have to come clean once again....yep, I've never made it to one of these events. I know, very sad. This year I don't feel Fleet Captain Bill is going to buy the whole "we're going to Mexico" trick so, see ya there! Only a couple weeks later is our Valentine's Cruise to the Island and, as mentioned before, the caterer is booked and the plans are in the making for a sweetheart of a cruise! See this edition of the Beachcomber for the flyer and further details.

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



Fleet Captain Sail

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



Before The Mast

If you read my articles, you see that I weave in a Nautical Term of the Month, generally toward the middle or end of the article. This month I am changing it a bit and starting the article with the Nautical Term of The Month, "Before The Mast."

This term literally

means the position of the crew whose living quarters on board a ship was in the forecabin (the section of a ship forward of the foremast). The term is also used more generally to describe seamen as compared to officers, in phrases such as "he sailed before the mast."

If we think of OYC as the mast, or the community as the mast, we can see that we all serve before the mast in some way. As we enter a new year, let's think of the ways we serve before the mast. The Board, the Bridge, and all the officers serve for the good of the club. All the standing committees, Anchorettes, WIC, the sailing education program instructors, our caretakers, and individual members all serve before the mast in some way.

We also serve our community in many ways. We host Foofaraw for our service members, and organize Opening Day, Lighted Ship's Parade, and Special People's Cruise to name a few. We open our facility to the community for events, and our surrounding boating community volunteers as well through the Harbor Patrol, The Olympia Sail and Power Squadron, and South Sound Sailing Society. The SSSS hosts an annual Soldier's Sailing Day and a decorated wine bottle auction where 100% of the proceeds go to the Thurston County Food Bank..... this year well over \$10K. As individuals and club members we are all ambassadors to the community for what we love to do, boating.

Speaking of what we do, what a December we had! TGIF, followed by the Lighted Ship's Parade, followed by the Special People's Cruise, all in one weekend. And a great Christmas Ball as well shortly thereafter. For upcoming events in January we have the monthly dinner meeting on 3 January, TGIF on 19 January and the OYC/SSSS Joint Cruise-in to Island Home on 26/27/28 January. Expect to receive e-mail blasts as well as see flyers around the club regarding these events.

Well that's it for this month. Fair winds and following seas,

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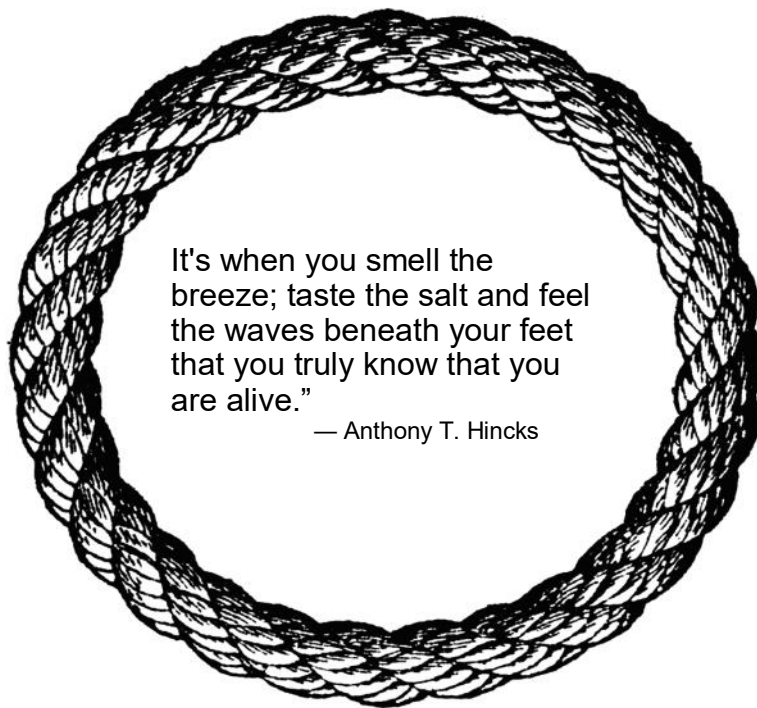
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The Board of Trustees wishes the best for you in the New Year 2018. Hope you enjoy being on the waters of Puget Sound and the Salish Sea during the year and continue to have safe boating experiences.

The BOT held an active meeting on December 13. First up was the proposed 2018 operating and capital budget. The Finance and Budget Committee provided us with an excellent recommendation package. There will be no increase in membership dues or moorage, however the capital assessment will once again increase by 1% as it did this year. The budget for the Club operations and social activities is \$548,500 against a budgeted revenue of just over \$633,000. The excess will be available to fund unanticipated expenses with the balance transferred to the reserve as it has been in previous years. Approximately \$200,000 is budgeted for capital projects in the Clubhouse and at Island Home. The Board will adopt the budgets during their January meeting.

The BOT created a task force to evaluate the OYC current youth and adult sailing education programs and the OYC youth racing program. The task force, chaired by BOT member Bill Wilmovsky, provided their report to the Board at our November meeting. The members of the task force did an excellent job and provided an excellent report on their findings. The report on the [Sailing Education Program](#) is posted on the OYC website. The Board heard a variety of recommendations from the members present, and other input, on the report. Based upon what we heard, the BOT will accept, reject or revise the report also during the January meeting.

The Board of Trustees meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Club House. Minutes of the meetings are posted on the bulletin board. The next scheduled BOT meeting is on January 10, 2018.

Membership Changes



From Board of Trustees Secretary, Andrea Sehmel:

Demit:

- John & Valerie Teters

Transition to Life Member:

- Brian Hoonan

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From Membership Committee Chairman, Ron Wertz

New Members

Michael and Sona McCoy

Boat Show Special

The Membership Committee recommended to the Board of Trustees that OYC not participate in the 2018 Seattle Boat Show, which they approved. OYC will continue to offer the Boat Show membership special of \$1,000 initiation fee from January 2 - February 1. Applications are available at the Main Station clubhouse and on the OYC website.



Letter from a satisfied member.....

Through the years we hear some folks say what a great club OYC is. I note many have an expression of "ya, ya, ya, all clubs say that; what's the big deal?; for me its all about cheap moorage." Pam and I had our boat at Swantown for 12 years, we knew of the yacht club, even had a tour of it in 1999. But saving a few bucks moorage wasn't a big draw for us, and the hype about some island the club had didn't do much for us either, we were always anchoring different places. We couldn't get excited about leaving a dock to travel for a short while to go to another dock.

Envisioning retirement coming, we thought about the social aspects of the club. We had been members of Gig Harbor for years; they even had to bend the rules to get us in because we lived outside of the radius allowed. It was a fun group of people. Monthly cruises, a large contingent of summer-time long distance cruisers, and of course a great drinking club. They have no moorage. Just fun. Then I called Inlet Diesel engine service and talked to the big boss about OYC. She said, "Hell, yes, you should join," and we were sworn in May 2007. We decided to get on the list for a slip. On May 1st, 2010 we got the call and moved onto the Guest Dock. We didn't know too many members even then as my work and play schedule had us missing most events, plus Pam's health had started failing rather dramatically, and we seldom could make it up to the clubhouse at IH. But she met a few great people and really enjoyed visiting. Of course, I got involved with FOO FARAW, a tremendously fulfilling endeavor, and Pam helped as she could.

Fast forward to January 6, 2017. Pam had complete respiratory failure (code blue), but was resuscitated as ER didn't know of her wish to not be brought back. Within seven hours she had a heart attack (her fourth since 2004) followed five days later with a brain stem stroke, but she was alive. The experts told us not to hope for any improvement and that the end was near. So many have prayed for Pam and her family, and while she's not improving, she continues to live, albeit in a very poor state. I have gotten her out several times on the boat; she loves it, even though she can't see well and can't move. It always takes a crew to lift her on the boat

into the salon and into her wheelchair. We have a hide-a-bed and a port-a-potty and off we go. Thank you to Michael and Dianna Fife for crewing a three-day trip, Michelle Ripple and her friend for another. Patrick Richmond for always assisting with the on/off the boat drill and our new caretaker Robert who insists on helping, and literally dozens who have come to see my bride on the boat at IH and the main station, and for the well wishes and queries as to her condition.

She loves the Lighted Ships Parade, and before we were members, we participated every year. Pam asked about the parade in November (we have been in Hawaii for November/December for many years) and said she would like to do it in 2017. It occurred to me that when you are in the parade, you can't see the parade, so I asked Tammi Q about being an observer boat, and she said "Neat idea". After consulting the Leader Bob W, it was a go. We got virtually our entire family on board, and I went ahead of the lead boat (now Bruce "Bubba" Snyder) and anchored off Gull Harbor. The lighted boats all came close in to us and Pam, sitting in the salon, was able to see them all. And then some members that know Pam well called her on the radio, and she did her best to respond. She had the biggest smile I have ever seen, and there wasn't a dry eye on the boat. There are no words to describe or explain the emotions we felt. Before everyone left the boat, Pam said in a clear voice "That was most enjoyable." It was the only time in 11 months she used the word enjoy. She was so "up" we did the Special People's Cruise the next day, joined by great friends Ron and Jane V. I wasn't sure the girls would ever stop talking, which was fine for sure.

So, I believe OYC is the greatest club ever, and of course it's all about its members. There can be no finer in my honest opinion. Thank you all so very much; you are helping make Pam's journey (and our family's journey) much better than it could have been. And we are back to the thought that cheap moorage is the least important part of our club.

Chris Cheney

Club Service Program

PC Les Thompson, Chair



Main Station

Tim Ridley, Chair



Happy New Year everyone. I hope your holidays were fun and filled with much joy. Yes, it is that time of the year, and 2017 is a wrap.....time to start thinking on ways to get your CSP started for 2018. The treasurer, Jon Bryant, will be sending out statements the early part of January, which will include CSP billings for the uncompleted hours for 2017. He will divide the amounts owing up over the year's billings. The final CSP report will be in the clubhouse on the bulletin board as usual.

There will be many opportunities to earn hours in 2018 from social events, work parties at the Mainstation and Island Home or by joining the BOT, Bridge, or a committee. I encourage you to get involved. You will be glad you did. New members, this is a great way to meet other members and have fun too.

I will post the first CSP report at the end of the first quarter for 2018 and quarterly after that until we get closer to the end of the year. at which time, I will post more frequently or as needed. Any questions..... call or e-mail me.

See you on the docks or at an event.

PC Les Thompson
CSP guru
MVEcstaSea

Well, I'm back. Bobby and Carol Brown kicked me out of their cabin saying I'd been there too long, I need to go home! If you haven't met the new caretaker, stop by and say hello. His name is Robert, and he is doing a great job. Thanks Robert.

It's budget time, and I turned the Main Station budget into Budget and Finance's Joe Downing. There are a couple of pending projects this year, along with the general maintenance. If you have questions, bring them to the January Board Meeting. I would like to thank all of you that helped make 2017 a great year around the Main Station. The next project will be building a storage shed next to the other two. If you have carpentry skills, give me a call. Also, to all of you who own a boat house, the Main Station had numbers made that would help on our inspections, and we need you to place them to the right side of your boat house entrance door. Please call me on the numbers and instructions. The next Main Station meeting is 6 pm on January 4, 2018.

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M/V Glouise

Island Home

Earl Hughes, Chair



Well 2018 is here, and I know one of your New Year's resolutions is to visit Island Home more this year. Come early and stay late. Remember the Island is open year 'round for your boating pleasure.

We are in need of someone, or a group, to step up to maintain the trail across the road that Bill Hartman spearheaded. Call me with your questions. Starting January 16th, the Washington Dept. of Fish & Wildlife will be at the Island transporting fish to the net pens. They will work around events planned at the Island during that time, like the joint OYC/SSSS cruise.

Just another reminder: when it's freezing, the water on the docks is off.

Earl Hughes
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TGIF

Thank Goodness it's **Friday!**

Good food

Good times

Good music




Coming up

January 19

Drinks and Socializing 5:30 pm


Pizza etc..... 6 pm

\$6/person No reservations required



Sailing Education Program

Mary Fitzgerald, Chair



Here's wishing you all a **Happy New Year** as the daylight starts getting longer, and we all start imagining ourselves on a nice beach somewhere, soaking up the sun.

December has been a busy month, with boats being winterized and stored for the winter months of rain and wind. Our middle school coach Peter Rummel is trying to do some epoxy repairs on our 8' Optis but is being hampered by the cold. If anyone has a heated workshop or garage that we could utilize, please let us know. These are the most popular boats for our summer classes and our middle school sailors, and they are in dire need of repairs from heavy use. Hopefully we will be bringing them out of their retirement after the winter months to again join the fleet.

We are into the planning months for our March 3 dinner and auction. Please **SAVE THE DATE, March 3, Dinner and Auction.... Boats, Beer and Barbeque.** This event raises funds to update our fleet, pay for much needed repairs and to add to our scholarship funds. We are looking for volunteers to help with the planning, the setup, clean-up and decorating for the event, and for extra hands in the kitchen. The high school sailors will again be serving our guests, and tickets will be available mid-February.

So far our auction items include Helley Hansen foul weather gear, tickets to see the play "Hamilton" in Seattle, a \$300 gift card to Great Wolf Lodge, and many other wonderful items. Please let us know if you have a time share you would donate, unused gift cards, or any other auction items you would love to donate to our ongoing fundraising efforts. Best wishes in the New Year.

Mary Fitzgerald
Chair of the Sailing Education Program
Olympia Yacht Club



Fleet Surgeon

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



Opioid Addiction

Every day the newspapers and TV blast us with the latest statistics on the growing opioid addiction in this country and around the world. People, more than 500,000 last year, are dying – many of them with the needles still sticking out of their arms.

Opioids are essentially derivatives of the opium poppy.... or they may be synthetic substances that have the same effects. Appropriate use is as a pain killer. "Pain" is a combination of nerve impulses such as pricking a finger and the brain's reaction to that impulse. The reaction can vary widely and that can be a problem as the total of a person's life situation – their depression, anxiety, financial situation, etc. – can affect their ability to cope. Along comes a medication that not only relieves the pain, but also stimulates the "happy" receptors in the brain. Those with more addictive personalities easily pick up on those effects and a new addict can be born after a short treatment of a painful event.... and nobody is immune from those effects.

Some opioids are "legal" such as the OxyContin and Vicodin. Your doctor prescribes them and you get them at the pharmacy. Legal. For you. Many of these pills are then given, sold, or stolen once they have done their job and hibernate in your medicine cupboard. Some are not legal such as heroin. Unfortunately, the quality of heroin has improved, so the street bag at \$10 looks good compared to the \$80 OxyContin. Some of the street drugs are adulterated with Fentanyl or one of its derivatives, which makes a very powerful drug that can kill before the injection is even done. All the opioids cause some depression of breathing. No breathing — No Living!

What can you do?

1. Don't let your doctor give you a prescription for 90 OxyContin if you might only need a few for that first night after surgery.
2. Get off pain pills as soon as reasonable.
3. If someone you love has an addiction problem, get them help. Or consider getting some Naloxone to keep on hand. This is a drug that virtually instantly reverses the effects of the opioids. It is a miracle worker!

The History Corner

Bill Sloane, Guest Writer



As Commodore, I often get emails from people I don't know. I generally try to answer the question(s) asked in the email, and often the sender is quite grateful. I received one such email about a month ago from a Mr. Grant Graessle:

Dear Commodore Sloane-

Back in the mid to late 70s, my grandparents were members of one of the Olympia area yacht clubs. The Olympia Yacht Club is the only yacht club I can find currently through Google.

Do you have any record of Arthur K. & Hope Amos?

The boat I am interested in is TUA III. Who was the maker?

The picture I have on my wall shows a big "S" on the mainsail. I remember my father saying it was a "sin-gwala" (phonetic). Does that make sound familiar?

I suspect the boat has long been scrapped or abandoned. But I would love to know the history of the maker. It appears that the maker is out of business too.

This email asked more than I could answer. I forwarded the email to our former Club Historian, Lisa Mighetto, and Lisa provided some well researched answers:

Dear Grant Graessle,

Responses to your questions appear below. Hope this helps. — Lisa Mighetto

Q: Do you have any record of Arthur K. & Hope Amos?

A: Arthur K. Amos is listed in the OYC 1978 Moorage Log with TUA III in slip 629. His name first appears in the 1971 Sailboat Roster of the OYC Annual with a 28-foot sloop called "TVA TV". Hope is listed with Arthur in the 1971 Membership Roster of the same annual. TUA III is listed as their boat the next year — 1972.

Q: The boat I am interested in is TUA III. Who was the maker?

A: TUA III is listed in the OYC Log as a CAL 34. These sloops were built in Costa Mesa California starting in 1968 by Jenson Marine. Note: Bangor Punta purchased Jensen Marine in 1965. Boats were still listed as being built by Jensen Marine for a number of years after this date. The CAL 34s were built until 1975. 347 were known to have been built. C. William Lapworth designed the vessel, and there is variation in the design. TUA III had a 4.6-foot draft, whereas 5-foot is more common. There is a lot of info. available online about the CAL line of boats.

Q: The picture I have on my wall shows a big "S" on the mainsail. I remember my father saying it was a "sin-gwala" (phonetic). Does that make sound familiar?

A: The CAL 34 sail plan was adjusted for balance based on variations. TUA III had a wheel helm, rather than a tiller, which is more common for racing boats in the 1970s. She also sported a high aspect ratio main sail during the 1975 Toliva Shoal Invitational Race. This means her boom was shorter than other CAL 34s. But there is no "sin-gwala". Perhaps the sail on the photo is from another boat like a Beneteau, which sometimes uses a seahorse as a logo (looks like an S).

OYC members from circa 1971 were well before my time, but I suspect there are perhaps a few members in the club that remember Arthur and Hope Amos. If you do, please let me know.

Commodore Bill

Like to write? Enjoy history? The Club is looking for a volunteer to serve as the club historian. Please contact Andrea Sehmel for details at asehmel@comcast.net or 360.999.0695.

Quartermaster

Margaret Snyder, Chair



We have done a roaring business this fall with the last dinner meeting of the year behind us. We will reopen officially at the January 3rd dinner meeting and hope to at least open the cupboards up at the December 1st TGIF. We still have lots of cold weather gear on hand to include hooded vests, hoodies of differing weights, several styles of sweatshirts. If you are boating this winter or spring, you will love our warm pajama bottoms! We have some tank tops to match to make a set of cute pajamas for the boat!



For the men, we have long- and short-sleeved shirts and a good selection of caps if yours needs replacing! We have several nice jackets in a variety of colors. If we don't have your size, we can order one just for you! We also have a few ties left from the stocking stuffer table.

Ladies, as well as the warm weather gear mentioned above, we have plenty of various long- and short-sleeved shirts. We still have some of those wonderful heavier weight Eddie Bauer long-sleeved tee shirts. We now have visors in a variety of colors. Look for the sale shelf where prices have been slashed!

If you are looking for some classy hand towels for your boat, we have several available with O Y C and the burgee embroidered on them. They are excellent quality Nautica towels. In addition, we have Koozies for cans and bottles as well as a few wine carriers!

Remember, we can usually order items for you in a different size if necessary.

Women's Interclub Council

Kim Shann, Representative



OYC Ladies,

All Yacht Club luncheons for the year 2017 are completed now with Day Island Yacht Club having their very festive Christmas Luncheon December 12th. Most all the OYC ladies wore Christmas attire, and two won prizes, earning the most votes. Everyone left that day with high Christmas spirits.

February 21, 2018 will be the next women's luncheon at the Seattle Yacht Club. All women from the Grand 14 are invited to attend these luncheons and enjoy programs and entertainment, prizes and gift baskets, delicious meals, comradeship with these friends.

Please try to attend some of these luncheons.

Also, our very own OYC Luncheon will be March 28, 2018. It's very important to attend our own yacht club luncheon and to welcome all the visiting ladies from the other clubs. Our theme will be:

"SPRING INTO SPRING"

We will offer CSP hours for those who help us decorate, and for all helpers, including the men, who will volunteer to be our food servers. (Phone calls please.)

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Joint OYC – SSSS Cruise January 26, 27, 28



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Saturday: spaghetti dinner, sauce, bread,
salad, ice cream bars
(beer, soda, water provided)
Sunday: grab and go breakfast
All this for \$10.00 per person

Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, January 10
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



Have the PHB (post holiday blues) got you down? Is there a hole in the living room where the Christmas tree used to be?

Cheer up my friends - The Lunch Bunch will brighten your cold winter's day.

January 10, we will defy the winter forces to serve up Homemade BBQ burgers off the deck. Our fearless crew will "person" the deck (BBQ) while you are safe and warm in the newly appointed OYC clubhouse.

But wait! These are not your frozen beef planks from Costco. These are hand crafted burgers from Mother Mary

Ann's secret recipe. Of course there will be dessert and salad and a robust selection of sauces and topping for the burgers.

Yep - at \$6 this is way cheaper than a therapist, and more filling.

Crew openings still available for this adventure. Join us, please - no experience necessary.

Questions?

Mary Ann and Kelly Thompson
360.402.9999
kt2oly@gmail.com

Special People's Cruise

Curtis Dahlgren



Wow.... What a day we had on Sunday, December 3, 2017 when the Olympia Yacht Club hosted more than 100 guests for a fun-filled annual Special People's Cruise event. Our guests were treated to a short cruise along the Olympia waterfront while talking to Santa on the VHF radio. After the cruise, they were greeted at the clubhouse by a host of members serving homemade cookies and hot chocolate while our guests anxiously awaited the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus. After pictures were taken with Santa, our guests continued to enjoy the company of the skipper and crew. As each guest left the party, they were given a small gift bag with items to enjoy upon their return home.

So, that is just a snapshot of how the Christmas season started for me and many of our members. To really enjoy the happiness on the water and in the clubhouse that day, you needed to be a part of this wonderful event. To get a more complete idea of what happened that day, you will want to talk to the many members and their family who participated. So, here they are.

- The skippers and first mates, many of whom have done this for many years, are: Bob and Meg VanSchoorl on *Amstel*, Eric Hurlburt, *Patina*; Gene and Alice Coakley, *Great Escape*; J. and Peg Grady, *Ceillidh*; Bill and Vicky Wilmovsky, *True North*; Bob and Sandy Wolf, *Wolf Gang II*; Gary and Judy Ball, *Voyageur*; Ernie Shaughnessy and Kevan Saunders, *Fleetwood*; Mark and Lindsey Fleischer, *Life of Reily*; Jim Sheerer and Kjersti Skinner, *Nimbus*; Mike and Vicki McKinnon, *Long Shot*; John Zermer and Bill Sloane, *Puget Star*; Mitch and AnneMarie Mitchell, *Release*; Chris Cheney and Pam Cheney, *Just 4 Us*; George and Eileen Soli, *Lone Star*; Greg Klueh and Alex Klueh, *Klueh Maru*; Charles and Dianne Main, *Shiloh*; Steve and Judi Finney, *North Star*; Tom and Bette Hulburt, *Phase II*; Bruce and Margaret Snyder, *Chasing Time*
- John and Val Teters as Santa and Mrs. Claus put a smile on everybody's face, including OYC members.
- Eileen and Mark Leingang took charge of putting together more than 130 gift bags. They have always answered my call for help and they are so dependable in what they do. I never worry.
- Mary Ann and Kelly Thompson took charge of the galley again this year and have been amazing to watch as they work with their team of helpers to assemble plates of homemade cookies, make batches of hot chocolate and then graciously serve them all to our guests. I stay out of their way and watch good things happen.
- Ron Wertz organized a dependable group of Santa voices who listened to every one of our guests' Christmas wishes.
- Matt Mills is that amazing person who has been my source of guidance and stress relief since I began coordinating this event. He loves this event as much as or more than I do, and this event

would not be what it is today without the support that he has provided me over the years.

- The following 36 OYC members, family members and Junior sailors escorted guests to and from the boats, served as Santa voices, baked dozens and dozens of cookies, served cookies and hot chocolate in the clubhouse, and set up and cleaned up the clubhouse. The enthusiasm and commitment to making this a memorable event for our guests was clearly evident as they welcomed, visited with and said their goodbyes to our guests. They are: Mike Contris, Vonnie Contris, Matt Herinckx, Dennis Royal, Patty O'Neil, John Looker, Ron Vukonich, Bob Beckman, John Sherman, Parker Teters, Claire Teters, Fran Williams, Leslie Thompson, Kathleen Davis, Bryan Davis, Virginia Beekmann, Spencer Beekmann, Pat Brower, Tami Dahlgren, Don Sloma, Jennifer Sloma, Olivia Sloma, Ric Torgerson, Scott Woodard, Bob Connolly, Jim Harden, Art Johnson, Sheryl Baker, Richard Hurst, Dianne Hurst, Marvin Young, Sarah Campbell, David Elliott, Claire Elliott and OYC Junior sailors Ann Li, Owen Timms and Max Miller.

The continued support of the Thurston County Recreation Services Department as our co-sponsor for this very popular community event has been essential in registering our guests, checking them in on the day of the event and providing OYC with support during the event. The assistance that Margaret Huff, Thurston County Recreation Supervisor, and her fellow co-workers has provided to OYC over the years has been invaluable and is a key reason why this event is one of the most popular Specialized Recreation Services events.

A highlight of the day is when our guests get their picture taken with Santa and Mrs. Claus. OYC is so fortunate to continue to receive the cheerful help from Debra Clintworth, with Clintworth Photography, and her assistant, Liz McGuire, in making sure that every guest leaves our clubhouse clutching a photo that will remind them of their day with us at OYC.

A special thank you goes to the generosity of the local businesses who support the Special People's Cruise event. For instance, Dr. Adam Cramer and the Burkhart Dental Supply contributed an assortment of items for the gift bags. And, the following local businesses contributed items of appreciation for our skippers: Acme Fuel, Boston Harbor Marina, Anthony's Hearthfire Grill, and Stottle Winery. I ask all members to extend their appreciation to these companies for the support they have provided for this community event. A simple "Thank You" the next time that you do business or have any interaction with them would be appreciated.

Our Olympia Special People's Cruise is part of the *76 Seafair Holiday Cruise* event. This year over 200 boats in Olympia, Tacoma, Bremerton and Seattle simultaneously took out over 1,500 guests. My brother's and my boat, Seeker, was a proud participant in the Seattle event. It is clear to me that the boating community can put on one heck of a meaningful community event.

THANK YOU ALL!

The 2017 Christmas Ball

Photos by Mike Contris



The 2017 Parade of Lighted Ships

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OYC New Year's Eve Disco Dance Party!

Party starts at 8:30 PM and goes to Midnight.

**DJ Eddie Kane will keep you on your feet, dancing into the New Year!
Music from the 70's, 80's, 90's and beyond.**

**Appetizers, Beer & Wine provided. Champaign toast at midnight!
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**Costume Contest for the best Disco outfit. Costumes encouraged, but
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**Event Cost is \$15 per person . Call the reservation line today
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RSVP cutoff is December 29th



Six FREE Classes for ALL Olympia Boaters

Jerry Budelman

Ahoy Boaters!

We're still in the grips of winter, but it's not too soon to think about the upcoming boating season, and this is a perfect time to hone your skills and "practice the science of good seamanship." To that end, we have now scheduled six boating courses for OYC members and their boating friends. The first is DC Marine Electrical Systems. This 4-hour course will teach the basics of your 12 (or 24) volt electrical system including all you need to know about batteries, charging, wiring, maintenance, safety, instrumentation and (limited) troubleshooting of this important ship-board structure. If terms like volts, amps, watts, ampere-hours and the like are Greek to you, this is the course you need! AC Marine Electrical Systems is the companion class that extends this knowledge into the 110 (and/or 240) volt electrical (shorepower) system and covers topics such as wiring, fuses, galvanic isolation, GFCI breakers, inverters, grounding, safety, appliance management, instrumentation and (limited) troubleshooting. The DC class is a useful, but not a mandatory, prerequisite.

The third offering is a 2-hour Introduction to Chart plotters. This class describes how these amazing instruments function, what to look for when purchasing a unit and how to use them. While there is no substitute for hands-on practice with your particular model, this class will get you started and acquaint you with the terminology and capabilities of a Chart plotter and discuss the various types of electronic charts that are available. We'll discuss terms such as waypoints, GPS technology, Speed Over Ground (SOG), Course Over Ground (COG) and the difference between course and heading. It will also discuss the limitations of this navigational tool.

Brand new this year is a 2-hour course on Solar Power for Boats. If you have ever wondered if solar power is practical for you, this class will cover what to expect, how much it might cost and what the installation "gotchas" will be. The short answer is: It really works! A tour of Jerry's solar equipped boat, the *KissIntel II* is also offered.

Also new is a class on Electrical Troubleshooting. There wasn't time to cover these topics adequately in the AC/DC classes, so this one is dedicated to finding and fixing problems with things like lighting, bilge pumps, outlets, chargers, inverters, GFCI breakers, radios and much more.

We'll cover what tools you need and a structured process for evicting the "gremlins".

The DC and AC classes will be presented on Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018 at the OYC mainstation clubhouse beginning at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. respectively. The Chart plotter course is presented on Sunday Feb 4, same location, at Noon followed by the RADAR class at 2:30. The Solar Power class is on Saturday Feb. 10 from 10 am to Noon and the Troubleshooting class follows at 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Please arrive a few minutes early especially if you want to copy the class slides. All classes are FREE, but please register by sending an email to Jerry Budelman:

JBLKB@Comcast.net stating which classes you will be attending and how many are coming. A flyer appears elsewhere in this issue, so feel free to invite anyone who would like to learn these key boating skills. If your non-member friends attend, paid parking is available in the Diamond lot, adjacent to the clubhouse.

In the past we have offered printed copies of the class, but it was a logistical (and cost) problem, so I will have copies of the class slides available in PDF format, on a memory stick. I strongly recommend you have a copy as a reference document. I can also send you a copy by email which might be the best way to store it on your smartphone or laptop.

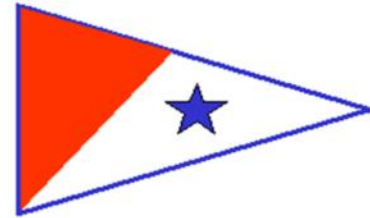
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PC Jerry Budelman

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MARINE 12 VOLT DC SYSTEMS: SATURDAY, FEB 3, 2018, 8-12AM

- ❖ Introduction & tutorial of 12 volt DC systems
- ❖ Batteries, charging, wiring, maintenance, safety
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MARINE AC ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS: SATURDAY, FEB 3, 2018. 1-5PM

- ❖ Introduction & tutorial of 110/220 volt AC systems
- ❖ Shore power, Ground Fault breakers, safety
- ❖ Galvanic isolation, Appliance management
- ❖ Boat wiring, tools & troubleshooting techniques
- ❖ DC class above is suggested prerequisite



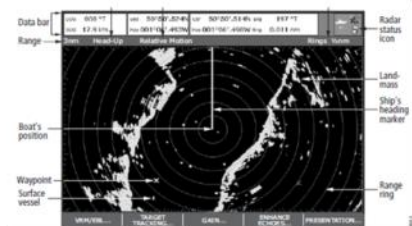
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- ❖ GPS & digital map technology
- ❖ Chartplotter hardware & configurations
- ❖ Common features, benefits & limitations
- ❖ Practical chartplotter usage & navigation



INTRODUCTION TO MARINE RADAR: SUNDAY, FEB 4, 2018, 2:30-4:30 PM

- ❖ RADAR technology & analogies
- ❖ RADAR hardware types & configurations
- ❖ Common features, benefits & limitations
- ❖ Practical usage, adjustment & navigation



SOLAR POWER FOR BOATS: SATURDAY FEB 10, 10:00-NOON

- ❖ Why Solar Power for Boats?
- ❖ System Components
- ❖ What Performance to Expect
- ❖ Installation Constraints & Costs



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- ❖ General Process for Troubleshooting
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- ❖ Hints & Flowcharts for Common Problems
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ALASKA FLOTILLA

Bill Hamaker

Join us on an adventure to Southeast Alaska this coming summer, with friends and family.

I am planning a slow journey to Alaska, although we might not make it all the way depending on how much fun we have going north.

We will be having planning sessions soon to decide what to visit and what it takes to make a safe journey.

We will scour the club for veteran Alaska cruisers for mini-seminars and much sage advice during the planning stage.

The journey is planned to begin around late April or early May, depending on the weather forecasts at the time.

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For Sale***Located at Olympia Yacht Club*

Well ~ 10½' X 36' wit Loft

Call Jerry @
(360) 866-1745

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	January 2018					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Clubhouse Committee Meeting	2 Bridge Meeting	3 OYC Dinner Meeting	4	5 Past Commodore's Cruise-In @Bainbridge Island	6 Past Commodore's Cruise-In @Bainbridge Island
7 Past Commodore's Cruise-In @Bainbridge Island	8	9 South Sound Sailing Society Monthly Meeting	10 Board of Trustees Meeting Lunch Bunch	11	12 Grand 14 Cruise-In @ QCYC Out Station, Bainbridge Island	13 Grand 14 Cruise-In @ QCYC Out Station, Bainbridge Island
14 Grand 14 Cruise-In @ QCYC Out Station, Bainbridge Island	15 MLK Day	16	17	18	19 TGIF Meydenbauer Bay YC JO Ball	20 Meydenbauer Bay YC JO Ball
21 Meydenbauer Bay YC JO Ball	22	23 Safety Committee Mtg	24	25	26 SSSS/OYC Joint Cruise to Island Home	27 SSSS/OYC Joint Cruise to Island Home
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	February 2018					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Tacoma YC Commodore's Ball
4	5 Clubhouse Committee Meeting	5 Bridge Meeting	6 OYC Dinner Meeting	8	9 Valentine's Day Cruise to Island Home	10 Valentine's Day Cruise to Island Home
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18	19	20	21	22	23 TGIF Gig Harbor YC JO Ball	24 Gig Harbor YC JO Ball
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Join us for dinner
Wednesday, January 3

MENU

- ♦Beef pot roast
- ♦Garlic mashed potatoes
- ♦Honey ginger carrots
- ♦Spinach salad with cider vinaigrette
- ♦Cashews
- ♦Raisins and red onions
- ♦Rustic breads with butter
- ♦Dessert—Lemon berry tini



Membership Dinner Meeting January 3

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

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

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

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

Social Hour: 6 p.m.

Dinner: 7 p.m.

Meeting: 8 p.m.

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