



Commodore

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



Well, here we are one year later and just a week or so away from new Bridge Officers and new additions to the Board. The bell has rung, the T in the road is here and we're all done.

It has been my and Catherine's great honor to represent the Olympia Yacht Club as Commodore, and I

thank all of you for trusting us to do so. It could not have been done, however, without the support of the entire Bridge, VC Bill and Lorie Sloane, RC Marty and Jen Graf, our Fleet Captain Power, Mitch and Anne Marie Mitchell, Fleet Captain Sail Mark and Annette Welpman and Immediate Past Commodore Mike and Patti Phillips. To all of them our greatest thanks.

A special thank you to all of our Past Commodores and First Mates who have constantly stepped forward to help and thank you to all of the members who were Committee Chairs and members of those committees and to the many who just were there to help. That is the meaning of a Yacht Club and the reason we belong.

I expect this will be published just before the **Memorial Day Cruise at Island Home**, and I hope to see all of you there. For our newer members, this is our first of the year summer Island Home cruises and is a major event. Please join us since this is a great way to greet and meet your fellow members. Other than attending events such as these, it is very difficult to move into the club.

If you make only two **dinner meetings** a year the May meeting, now passed, and the June meeting upcoming are the best.

The May meeting is your opportunity to elect your Bridge, Secretary and two Board members. It is your chance to make your intent known. **The June meeting is one of our largest of the year and includes our Induction ceremony where the newly elected Bridge members, our Secretary and new Board members are inducted.** It is a steak dinner, so not to be missed. You do need to reserve a spot if you are not permanently reserved by calling the Club reservation line at 360-705-3767 and leaving the info on the recording.

As you may know the Olympia Yacht Club is and has been a founding member of the **Grand Fourteen Yacht Club** group. This is a group of fourteen of the select Yacht Clubs in the Salish Sea. The Seattle Yacht Club, Tacoma Yacht Club, Maydenbauer, Queen City, Day Island, Gig Harbor, Poulsbo, Port Orchard, Bremerton, Edmonds, Everett, Rainier and Tyee Yacht Clubs are the other members.

For the past three years, I have attended balls, events and opening day ceremonies at some and all of these clubs. Although there is no ranking of the fourteen clubs, it has been my view that the Olympia Yacht Club is held at the very top of this group in many ways. That you are a member of our club and to be held in such regard by the Grand Fourteen is something to be proud of. You have probably seen on some of our boats the black burgee with fourteen circled gold stars. That is the burgee of the Grand Fourteen and we have them at our Quartermasters shop. Consider displaying one on your boat as a proud member.

In closing, please take the time to meet our new members and for new members, please come to our activities and cruises to meet your club. Question or concerns — just go to any of our Board of Trustee members or any Bridge Officer. Support our new Bridge and Board and use your boats. After all the boat is the main reason we are in the club. Well, we will see you about.

Commodore Walt Scheffer
First Lady Catherine
M/V Rob Roy



Vice Commodore

Captain Bill Sloane
First Mate Lorie Sloane
S/V *Sweet Daze*



The Olympia Yacht Club has an accepted offer on the parcel of land immediately south of our present parking lot. Currently this land is used as a parking lot. Although there is not an immediate obvious use to this land, it makes a tremendous amount of sense to me for our

club to acquire this land. If this land is bought, it will more than double the footprint of land the club owns. Most of what we use on a regular basis at OYC, the main station clubhouse and the docks and boathouses, are all built over land (with water on top of it) that we lease from the Department of Natural Resources. The club has a multi-year lease for the right to use this land, but there could come a time in the future where our right to the use of this land might not be granted.

The Yacht Club has been in the same location for 113 years. We like where we are in the heart of downtown Olympia's waterfront. If OYC does not buy the parking lot south of our own parking lot, there may never be another opportunity to do so. Development of Olympia is happening at a pace faster than anything seen here in the last 40 years. Part of the reason for this is the rapid growth of Seattle and King County. The elevated cost of housing in Seattle and King County is causing more development here in Thurston County. If OYC ends up not buying this parcel of land, it won't be long before a residential structure is built there.

A few months ago, I went to meet the City of Olympia's Planning Director Keith Stahley, along with fellow OYC members Tom Skillings, Bob Beckman and Ed Crawford. Keith made it clear to us. We can maintain our main station clubhouse but cannot add to it in any way. It is illegal to do so. If we have other building needs for the club, more offices, meeting rooms, storage, parking, it can only be built on terra firma. That's why I think it makes so much sense to purchase the land south of us. It allows us to control our future destiny.

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Rear Commodore

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Opening day has come and gone, and boating season has been kicked off with some awesome weather...if you like the rain. As the judge boat for the opening day parade, Jen, the kids and I had the opportunity to hang out with the princesses as they voted on their favorite boats. Westley (aka Lu) was so excited to see the princesses that she asked to

get a new dress. A bit cold and wet, but she was too excited to be in the presence of royalty to notice. Will was initially a bit nervous. He wasn't sure how to act and asked what he should do if they talked to him. Kids can be cute sometimes. I was both shocked and impressed to see 16 brave souls venture out for the boat parade. We were a little sad we didn't participate in the parade, but having candy and crackers thrown at us as bribes and ducking the seagulls wanting our Ritz was almost as thrilling.



The sun is officially back in the forecast, it's time to get out on the water! I know we are excited to get the boat cleaned up and ready for summer and are looking forward to kicking the season off with the **Memorial day cruise**. Hopefully, some of our new members get the chance to tootle out to the island and check out the action. It is a family friendly cruise and our kids are looking forward to hanging out with some OYC kids and/or dogs. (Yes, dogs... anything fluffy will substitute if there are no suitable playmates.)

The **June dinner** meeting is just about here, which means the **change of watch**. Soon, my report will be moving up one Beachcomber page, my dinner meetings will not be restricted to the podium or galley, and I get a new flag for the boat. It's amazing how quick the first year has passed by, but I look forward to another year on the bridge. Gonna be great!

See you on the water!

Marty and Jen Graf

Rear Commodore

M/V *William West*



Fleet Captain Sail

Fleet Captain Mark Welpman
First Mate Annette Welpman
S/V Cygnet



Ahoy OYC!

Gratitude is the only word I can think of. I can't tell you all how big of an honor it has been to serve as your Fleet Captain Sail. I have to tell you, Annette and I have been overwhelmed with the support that we have received from all of you.

I'd like to thank the OYC Bridge and OYC Board for all their sup-

port with TGIF, Joint Cruise and Opening Day. Commodore Walt and Catherine you have been a wonderful source of guidance and support. PC Myra Downing and PC Jeff Pape, thank you for letting me bend your ear on more than one occasion. You both have been wonderful sources of inspiration and guidance. Vice Commodore Bill and Lorie, thanks for helping us keep our prospective, and Rear Commodore Marty and Jen for helping us keep things light and co-conspiring for the years to come.

Last but not least, I'd like to thank our partners in crime Fleet Captain Power Mitch and Anne Marie. Although he abandoned me to go, of all places Mexico, during the Joint Cruise. You more than made up for it throughout the year. I really appreciate the energy you two bring to FCP. I could not think of a better couple to navigate the year of club service with. For anyone out there who is thinking about serving on the Bridge, I say jump in. This group of people will support you and be there for you no matter what.

Now the best for last. TGIF, what can I say? You, the TGIF Crew have been AWESOME!!! This year you have served more than 225 pizzas (or 3,600 slices), more than 120 pounds of salad and fixings, 90 growlers of beer, 54 big bottles of wine, more than 36 cases of beer, nearly 20 cases of pop and nearly 63 gallons of ice cream. I get tired just thinking about it. This is truly your event. I find myself in awe of the hard work and dedication the TGIF Crew puts into these events.

I find it difficult to single out one or two people to thank, because there are so many who come to serve our club so unselfishly. In this group of outstanding people, I'd like to thank a few. Barb and Rick Bergholz, Scott Woodard, Jeff and Cindy Carpenter, Mark & Linda Peckler, John Zerner and Rhett and Maria Russell. And to the other unsung heroes of TGIF, especially our new members who have stepped up to help, I could not have done any of this without all of you! You are the ones who make this such a fun event, both to attend and to serve at. Let's not forget our TGIF Jam Band for all the great live music. I have been humbled to have served with all of you.

Thank you all OYC for allowing Annette and I to be your Fleet Captain Sail for 2015/2016. See you all on the dock and the water. Have a great Summer!

Mark S. Welpman
Fleet Captain Sail
S/V Cygnet



Fleet Captain Power

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



Ahoy OYC !

I think we can all finally say that boating season is officially open. It all started with that event AnneMarie and I have always loved, which was Daffodil at the Tacoma Yacht Club. Although we weren't able to boat up this year, we did manage to get a wet cold ride through Foss Waterway and even managed

to find a sweet pair of wire cutters on my way out.

Not to be outdone we were then welcomed on Steve and Judi Finney's boat along with the rest of the bridge to ride the bow through the Montlake Cut from Portage Bay into Lake Washington as part of the Seattle Opening Day festivities. This was a first for me, and I think I'm addicted, Release will have to make the Journey soon.

Not to be outdone our very own Olympia Yacht Club then celebrated Opening Day OYC style. Our PC's served up a scrumptious breakfast, our Commodore MC'd the ceremony beautifully.sorry about not warning you Governor Jay Inslee would be in the audience, we had a somewhat soggy parade but the fun wasn't dampened and then we relaxed with some grub put on by Kern's Catering to end the day.

I would really like to thank the American Legion Band, the Port of Olympia for use of the judging dock, PC Tim Ridley and the whole PC Breakfast crew, Rear Commodore Marty and Jen Graf for hosting the Lakefair Court on their boat, the entire committee from decorating tables to welcoming guests to cleaning up, the OYC Fleet Captain Sail Mark Welpman for being my battle and to my First Mate AnneMarie for enduring and supporting me.

Now that we have established boating season to be open we have some things on the calendar, which I'll let those chairpersons address. I do have a couple unofficial announcements, or does the fact I submit it to the Beachcomber make them official? Anyway, for those that know of them the Beatniks will be playing at Lakebay Marina & Resort on June 10. And keep in mind that we'll be having an **anchor cruise to McMicken Island the weekend of August 12.**

Happy and safe boating to all this summer!

Fleet Captain Jesse Mitchell "Mitch"
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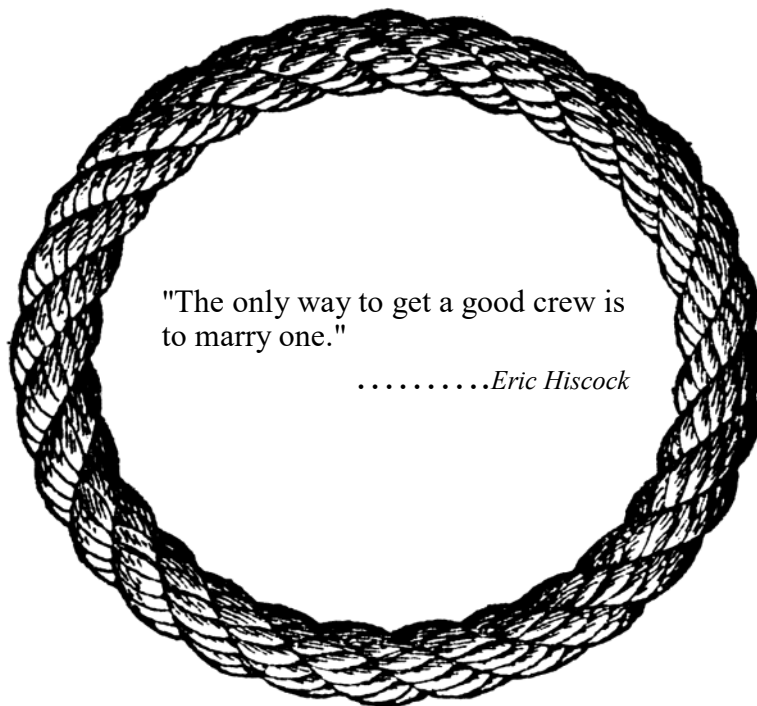
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- Photos of recent events
- Current Puget Sound fuel prices
- Club documents for download
- Past Beachcombers
- Classified ads
- History Corner

www.olympiayachtclub.org



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Property Purchase Update

As I write this article, we are engaged in an environmental survey of the property (the parking lot next to our parking) that we are intending to purchase. We should have test results in early June. These results will assist in determining how we move forward.

Recently an OYC member stepped forward and has offered a significant loan to the Club to acquire the property. With this support, and yours, we can avoid going to a financial institution for a mortgage. In order to achieve this end, we need a number of us to also step forward and purchase a loan note to support the purchase. If 30 of us loaned the Club \$10,000 each, we can entirely self-finance the acquisition. We will be offering interest rates above what you are currently receiving but less than what a bank would charge. More information to come on this program, but start giving some thought to being part of this important investment in the future of OYC.

Sailing Education and the OYC Racing Team

OYC has a very successful Youth Sailing Education program during the summer months that has put nearly 300 young sailors on the water each summer. In addition, we have a high school racing program that has become very successful and recognized as a team to be reckoned with on the racing circuit.

This program has become a big, growing part of OYC. Unfortunately, our bylaws, financing, infrastructure, and general Club support has not matured as rapidly. Consequently, the Board has established a temporary task force to examine the relationship and integration of these programs within the OYC family. This task force will make recommendations on changes necessary to fully integrate these two valuable programs within the OYC organizational structure.

We are actively seeking members for this task force. The task force is asked to report to the Board this Fall. If you are interested in being involved in how we integrate and support these programs, please send me an email expressing your interest to bvanschoorl@comcast.net or call me at 360 789 8810.

Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6 pm. at the Club House. Minutes of the meetings are posted on the bulletin board.

The next scheduled BOT meeting is on June 14, 2017.



Junior Sailing Program

Mary Fitzgerald, Chair



Juniors Spring Update OYC Sponsored teams place 2nd in Team Racing District Regatta!

Hello all and Happy Spring. Our High School Sailing Team's season finale ended with them taking 2nd place in the qualifying event for Nationals Team Sailing. Our Olympia High School team was tied with Orcas Island all weekend for first place. Only first place gets to attend the national event. So they had a sail off, and we won one race, they won one race and in the third race we lost! So we took a 2nd overall for our varsity team, and a 2nd overall for our junior varsity team with Capital High as well. Maybe we will get that first place next year, as we have a young team still gaining experience each time they head out!

In recognition, we will be adding two new trophies to the club trophy case from this event! Way to go Coach Sarah and Sailors!

Our summer sailing season started on the May 6 and 7 with two all-day adult keelboat classes. Both classes had full enrollment. We start the month of June with additional adult keelboat classes as well as classes for youth. After checking in with Olympia Parks and Recreation, we are on our way to another successful summer with very full enrollment. Our summer staff will be coming onboard for training in the next few weeks with a new summer race coach from the Portland area and a local McSwoosh racer helping out as well. Our classes are posted on the bulletin boards inside the clubhouse and also online with the Olympia Parks and Recreation. Registration is ONLY through Parks and Recreation. They provide us with advertising, registration, online class listings and a host of other things we could not do without their help.

Wanted: A mother-in-law apartment or house for our new summer race coach. We have hired a former employee of the Willamette Sailing club to come be our summer race coach and are looking for inexpensive housing for him. If you have any info about a place he can be for the summer, starting the first or second week of June, please let us know ASAP.

If you have any questions at all please don't hesitate to call me at 360-250-1230. Have a great summer!

Capt. Mary Fitzgerald
Chair – Juniors Committee



New sails purchased with the help of the November fundraiser (photo from Don Waterhouse)



.....High School Sailing..... Sarah Hanavan photos

Property Acquisition Vote Coming Soon

The Olympia Yacht Club has a far-reaching decision to make – whether or not to acquire the parking lot south of its facility and ensure the club's viability into the future.

As you may know, the OYC Board has offered to buy the lot and will need approval of its members to complete the purchase following satisfactory resolution of possible environmental concerns. A vote will be scheduled as soon as the environmental review is completed and any issues worked out with the seller and city.

Two thirds of those members who cast a vote will need to approve the purchase before the Board can purchase the property.



So far, member response to the potential purchase has been positive. They see the value of owning the property between our current parking lot and the street. They understand that the current clubhouse sits above state waters, and there is no guarantee that the Department of Natural Resources will continue to allow the club to use that space forever. Our current lease expires in 2027. Coupled with continuing city pressures to expand waterfront access, and limited ability to expand the current clubhouse, buying land adjoining our property makes sense and is an opportunity that won't be repeated.

The Board has offered \$1.1 million for the three-quarters of an acre, which may seem like a lot but is in line with other recent purchases of commercial property in the vicinity.

Members may ask how the club will pay for the property, and there the news is good. Fiscal analysis shows that the club is in such good shape financially that the acquisition can be financed with only inflationary increases in current assessments. We've even been approached by club members willing to loan the club money to make the purchase. As other members participate in this loan, financing won't be a problem. The purchase can be paid off in 10 years.

What you may ask would be done with the property once acquired? That's not a decision we need to make now or in the near future. Initially, we would manage it as a commercial parking lot as it is now being used and generate revenue.

At some point, we might entertain a joint venture with a developer to build a combination clubhouse and commercial facility. Or we might build our own standalone clubhouse. But the biggest advantage is acquiring this property gives us a greater say in the development of the Isthmus.

If we don't buy the property, someone else will, and then its development is out of our control and any future expansion of the club is foregone.

Let's think ahead, as our predecessors did in the 1970s when they purchased Island Home. Their vision and dedicated work has given us a place that we all value and enjoy. Today we have another opportunity to look into the future and preserve OYC for a second 100 years.

This issue of the Beachcomber includes a survey that we ask members to complete, so the Board can assess the level of support among all members and consider any concerns that may be raised. I encourage you to complete and mail in the survey or you can complete the online version of the survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SK5FDJD>

Please do not submit a printed survey if you've already taken the online poll

We will keep you posted on the results. Thank you.

Bob Van Schoorl — Board of Trustees



Parking Lot Acquisition Survey

As you may be aware, OYC has made an offer on the parking lot at the corner of 4th and Simmons. We're hoping you'll complete this survey to help us understand your views on this potential acquisition. Please mail your completed survey to 201 Simmons Street NW, Olympia, WA 98501 or put in the mailbox at the clubhouse.

1. Do you favor purchasing the parking lot if current assessments increase by no more than rate of inflation?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ On the fence

2. If you checked "Yes" can you briefly tell us why?

3. If you checked "No" or "On the Fence" briefly please tell us why.

4. Communication: In addition to the Beachcomber, what ways work best for you to get information about the potential purchase?

- ☐ OYC website
- ☐ OYC Facebook page
- ☐ Informational meetings
- ☐ Email updates

5. About how many years have you been an OYC member?

6. Type of boat?

- ☐ Motor
- ☐ Sail
- ☐ Social member

7. Age?

- ☐ Under 40
- ☐ 41 to 65
- ☐ 65+

8. Optional: Results are anonymous unless you wish to share your name below:

Fleet Surgeon

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



Stretching

Another "use it or lose it" pertains to our flexibility and that is both in a physical and mental sense. Remember how your kids could bend like pretzels and not even have difficulties getting out of bed the next morning? As we age, the cumulative effect of minor or major injuries, arthritis, day to day bumps, and couch-potato-ism makes us less and less flexible. Something as simple as leg, hip, back and arm stretching before and after even simple tasks goes a long way to preserving our function.

Consider Yoga. I have been doing yoga for 3 years now and highly recommend it to restore your joint flexibility and balance. I can't push the importance of balance too much considering that we all wander around tippy boats and falls can cause injuries. Try just standing on one leg at a time daily and see how you can increase your balance with time. There seem to be a zillion forms of yoga all with strange sounding Indian names. Find one that goes with your lifestyle or adapt their poses to your workouts. Remember to adjust your poses to your own limitations. Part of the exercise is a short period of meditation where you empty out the daily hassles and center yourself. Very refreshing.



Reciprocal Moorage

Gary Gronley, Chair



Before you slip your lines from the dock for your departure for your next extended cruise; or you just want to visit a new location, be sure to review your options with our reciprocal clubs. The Olympia Yacht Club currently has reciprocal agreements with 120+ Yacht clubs. To access the list of these clubs, their locations, and current rules, go to the web site YachtDestinations.org. You will need to sign-in and establish your account with your password. This will give you access to the most current information with our reciprocal clubs.

When you use your reciprocal privileges:

- Always fly your burgee and carry your OYC membership card. In Canada, fly a Canadian courtesy flag.
- Remember that you are liable for any loss of damage incurred while a guest and that boats must not be left unattended overnight without permission.
- Some clubs, especially in Canada, now require proof of insurance.
- Again check with the reciprocal club for details, holiday restrictions, etc.

Have a safe journey!

Gary Gronley
Reciprocal Chair

Women's Interclub Council

Kim Shann, Representative



ALL OYC LADIES;

The Women's Interclub just finished our last luncheon, (for the Summer months) held at Rainier Yacht Club with the theme of Hawaii. Delicious Hawaiian food, with pork and all the trimmings. Decorations were beautiful and great performances of Hawaiian dancers.

Then in the Fall, starting in October, there will be a luncheon at Port Orchard Yacht Club. I will have more details in the upcoming news letter.

For many of you, who have not participated in going to our other Grand 14 Yacht Clubs, this is a GREAT opportunity to meet our counter partners, and all these other "boaters" from around the Puget Sound, and LEARN many new ideas about what all our clubs do for their activities. In many cases.....we help each other.

Sincerely, your OYC WIC REP & WIC Vice President
Kim Shann
WIC REP 360-491-3786

Clubhouse

Michelle Aguilar-Wells, Chair

Greetings from the Clubhouse Committee. We hope you like the changes thus far, and we are not done yet. Thanks to the efforts and good work of the Anchorettes, new blinds will soon be selected.

The big ship's wheel is down and is in process for repair and restoration. It will be returned to the interior of the clubhouse where it can be enjoyed by all. We are now working on the floor upgrades, which will take place sometime over the summer months and will require the clubhouse to be closed for short periods. We'll let you know as that happens.

We hope you are all thinking about the Bar Design Contest and are feeling creative.

Here is hoping for sunshine and great days on the water for all of us.

Michelle Aguilar-Wells, Clubhouse Chair
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Main Station

Tim Ridley, Chair



By the time you read this, the guest dock should be done or very close to done. Main Station committee would like to thank all of you for your cooperation during the Club's replacement of the old docks to the new ones. I've heard from those of you mooring your boats in the slips, how nice they are and how much more stable the finger piers are. So, enjoy and if you have any questions about them call me or Matt.

Boat house and slip inspections are in the process and should be done by June 15. Thank you for your cooperation, odd number's this year and even next year. When you see Matt and Suzanne Kluh thank them and their committee for the great looking main station flowers, landscaping, trimming of trees and bushes. Looks great!

If you are looking for CSP hours contact me as we have projects that need attention.

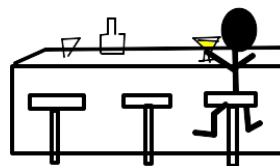
Last month, I thanked the wrong people on one of our projects. It was Gary and Brenda Nichols along with Jack Behrend that pressure washed all the dock boxes on the 100 dock. Also thank you PC Jim Sheerer for replacing wheels on our dock carts – next you'll offer us oil changes?

Main Station Chair

PC Tim Ridley

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Design the OYC Bar Contest

Prize: \$100 Gift Certificate to Anthony's

Starting today, the Clubhouse Committee will be accepting design concepts for the finalization of the bar in the next budget year. Think about what you would like to see. Be creative. Have fun with it. Some people have told us that they'd like a brass foot rail. Would you? Would your design include one? Would there be lights? Imagine what materials could be used. Would it be whimsical or sophisticated, classic or contemporary? Please give this some thought, we will be living with it for a while into the future.

Rules:

- This contest is only open to current OYC members. Your submittals don't have to be too professional-looking, as long as you can express your concepts well. Joint efforts are acceptable.
- All submissions must be in writing with as detailed description as possible. Please include your name and contact information. Submit to the Clubhouse Chair Michelle Aguilar-Wells.
- Drawings and/or pictures that simulate your ideas must be included and at least copied to an 8 x 10 size. Include sample materials and colors if possible.
- Concepts must include the wall behind the bar and the lower portion of the bar itself.

All ideas must be submitted by August 31, 2017.

In September 2017, the committee will select 2 to 3 designs for display and members will be able to vote for their favorite at the dinner meeting.

The winning design will be announced in the October 2017 Beachcomber.

Disclaimers:

1. If the cost is prohibitive and the board chooses not to approve the budget for a design, the next runner up will be selected.
2. Concepts are ideas and may not be executed in the exact detail as it was presented.
3. If selected, the Clubhouse Committee is not responsible for the level of enjoyment of the meal that you order at Anthony's.



Unlike the sun, the new guest dock traveled from West to east, to its new location. Who knew that we had that much guest dock. Will it fit???

Quartermaster

Margaret Snyder, Chair

**Last Meeting until September !!!**

This will be the last big Dinner Meeting opening of the Quartermaster until September, so if you want to have your new OYC items for the summer stop on by and do your shopping! If you are in need of a new burgee now would be the time to pick one up!



For the men we still have plenty of long and short-sleeved tees from Custom Colors! You will find these in several colors and sizes. They wash up great and do not shrink, so take that into account when choosing your size! You will find many new men's jackets, sweatshirts, and long, short and no-sleeved tees in an assortment of styles and colors. In addition, we have a **new selection of caps** if yours needs replacing! Look for the **men's sale rack** with lots of great items at slashed prices!

As for the women, we have some FDJ shirts two of which are reversible. The FDJ shirts are higher end with MSRP's of \$61 to \$81, and we can offer them to you for \$35 to \$48. We have added lots of cold weather gear to include hooded vests, hoodies of differing weights, sweatshirts, and various long and short-sleeved shirts. Look for the **women's sale table** where prices have been slashed! **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!

We are also offering bottle and can cozies with our yacht club logo!

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

See you at the Quartermaster Store in the June!

Margaret and Judy

Island Home

Earl Hughes, Chair



I would like to invite all of our new members to Island Home. It's like having your own Private resort. We encourage you to read the Island Home rules in the annual.

A big thank you goes out to the 25+ folks who came out to our spring clean up at the end of April. We are now all set for summer.

Also please pick up after yourselves at the Island. Our caretaker is just that, the caretaker. It's not his job to clean up your messes.

If you have any questions call me at 360-352-3748, or email ehughes416@comcast.net.

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**Foofaraw**

Chris Cheney, Chair

**FOOFARAW 2017****September 8**

If you have any questions, need information or wish to participate, please contact the committee at oycfoofaraw@gmail.com

TGIF

TGIF is on Summer Break
Next TGIF is not until September !

2017 Opening Day

Photos by Margaret Snyder





2017 OYC Flower Planting

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2017 Womens Boating Seminar

Photos by Denise Zerner





Boat Registration Renewal Frequently Asked Questions

Mary Hall
Auditor

When do boat registrations expire in Washington?

All boat registrations in Washington expire on June 30.

Why do boat registrations expire on the same day every year?

State law ([RCW Chapter 88.02](#)) and Department of Licensing (DOL) rules ([WAC 308-93-060](#)) determine the length and dates of the boat registration period, which begins on July 1 and ends on June 30 of the following year.

When can I renew my boat registration?

Boat registrations that are current can be renewed starting January 1 for the upcoming registration year (beginning July 1).

How can I renew my boat registration?

Renewing your boat registration has never been easier. Boat owners can renew their boat registrations online, at one of eight local licensing subagencies located across Thurston County or directly at the Thurston County Auditor's Office in Olympia.

If you renew online through DOL, there is no additional cost and you have the choice of receiving your registration through the mail or picking it up at the local Thurston County subagency of your choice.

You can also renew in-person at one of the eight local licensing subagencies or directly at the Thurston County Auditor's Office and receive your registration at the time of transaction.

What happens if my boat registration expires?

Boat owners caught driving a boat with an expired registration are subject to a \$125 ticket.

What if I didn't renew last year?

If your registration has expired, you must first renew for the current year (ending June 30) before renewing for the upcoming year (beginning July 1). For example, if your boat registration has expired and you renew in 2017, your renewal will only be valid through June 30, 2017. If you only want to renew for the upcoming year, you may wait until July 1 or afterward to renew.

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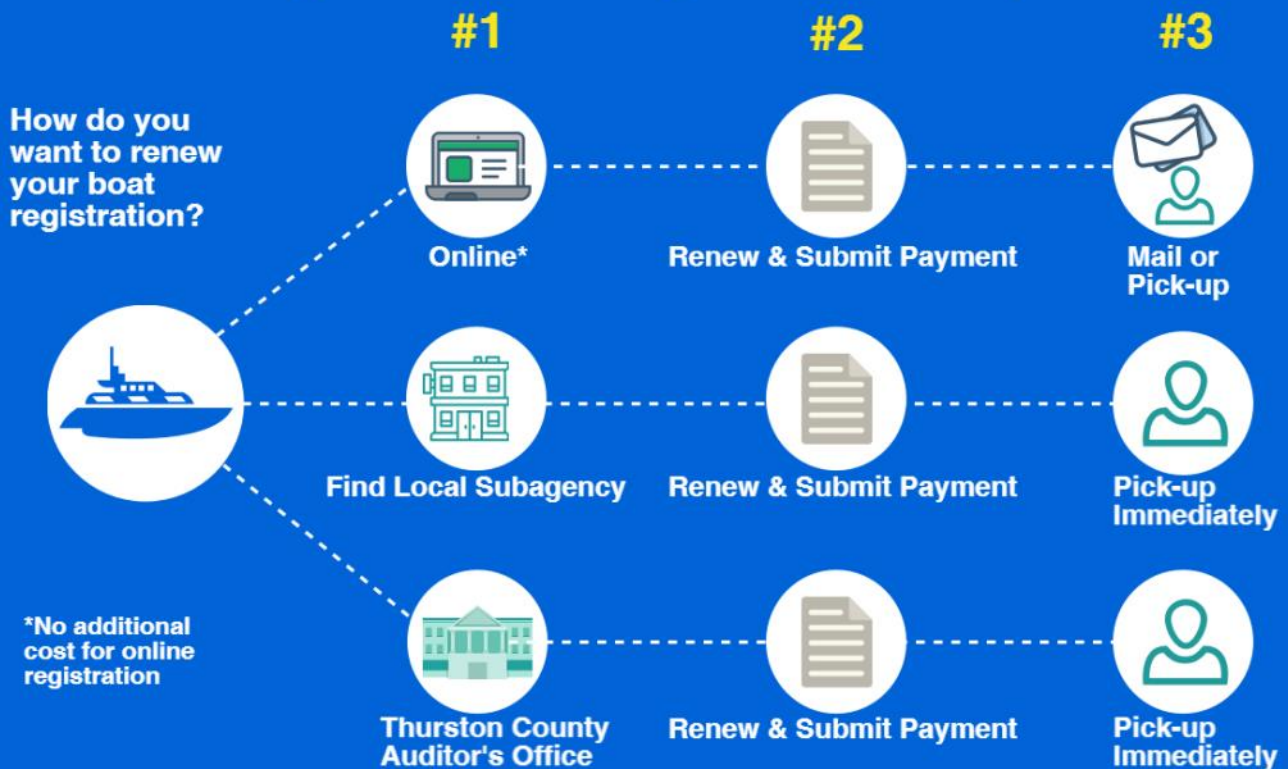
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Nautical Notes

from out there.....

FESTIVAL OF SAIL--TACOMA

Tall sailing ships arriving June 15 through June 18. Downtown near the glass museum. The final planning meeting is on April 20th, after which we will have an idea of any helper boats desired. In the meantime volunteers for a host of jobs are needed. The website has the details. The past two Tall Ships events in Tacoma were 2005 and 2008. They were successful from a tourist or spectator standpoint, but a financial disaster. This year's event is funded by private sponsors, and managed by a pro outfit that only does Tall Ship events, notably on both coasts, and seem to have a successful track record. In addition they bring the world's largest rubber ducky, which is a hit with the crowds. See it at <https://www.facebook.com/BigDuckUS/>

More info at <http://festofsailtacoma.com/>
Chris Cheney chrischeney@earthlink.net

New Rosario Marina docks open and ready for boaters

Many boaters who frequented Rosario Resort & Spa Marina over the years noticed that time was taking its toll on the well-used docks. Well, Rosario noticed, too, and the marina has recently finished a complete overhaul of its docks. Read more at <http://www.threesheetsnw.com/blog/2017/04/new-rosario-marina-docks-open-and-ready-for-boaters/>



Thanks to Bob and Beth Connolly for this notice from BoatUS

WARNING

Official-Looking Vessel Documentation Renewal Notices Can Lead to Confusion and Higher Costs

Read more at: <http://www.boatus.com/pressroom/release.asp?id=1280#.WSW9dGjyu00>

Charting Changes: NOAA's plans for the future of charts (Poll)

"We're at a major pivot point....." "The paper era is finished." For years, NOAA has focused on delivering accurate charts, ocean and wind forecasts to mariners. "We're already out of the chart publishing business." "Now we have to decide if we are publishing data, or supplying it, and to whom. And the form of that data is changing. The draft plan presented at the meeting heralds the end of feet and inches — depth will now be measured and displayed in meters." NOAA attempted to do this years ago. There was pushback. Now they declare, it's really happening. Read more at <http://www.threesheetsnw.com/blog/2017/05/charting-changes-noaas-plans-for-the-future-of-charts-poll/>

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All sign-ups for sailing classes are through Olympia Parks and Recreation. **360-753-8380**

2017 Adult Classes

Adult Keelboat Sailing Classes

Keelboats are generally 16 feet and up and have an attached keel that cannot be raised and lowered. Larger cockpits allow ease of movement for most adults and are looked upon favorably by those of us with stiff, creaky joints. Keelboat sailing is a class we offered last year using the club's new J 24 keelboat and because of its popularity, we enlisted the help of Olympia Yacht Club Skippers who provided a variety of their own boats for this class. This proved to be a great class model that we are repeating this year. If you are thinking of buying a sailboat, as new boat owners with little or no experience, you are encouraged to take these classes to gain knowledge and experience before heading off on your own excursions. These classes will introduce you to sailing terminology, and we will help you identify how they apply on different types of boats. You will become familiar with how to find wind, specific knots used on the boats, the concepts of points of sail and sail trim and hands-on experience in applying them to get you where **YOU** want to go. Our Basic classes include 12 hours of instruction, our Introductory classes include 6 hours of instruction.

We have set up our summer classes, so you can start with an intro or basic class and continue sailing through the summer by taking an advanced class or the Sailing to Hope Island class increasing your skills and experience as the summer progresses. Fair Winds!

Basic Keelboat Sailing

12 hours of Instruction

This class will cover the basics of sailing and incorporate more on-the-water hands-on practice for students to acquire confidence and experience. We will cover boat rigging, knots, points of sail, sail trim, finding wind and give each student time to learn the various roles that a skipper and crew fill.

We will also cover rules of the road and use of navigation aids for safely traveling from our moorage slips out into the harbor for our outings. This is a great beginning class for anyone who has the dream of someday owning their own boat and cruising in the Puget Sound area. You will get a full 12 hours of class with most of it being on the water.

For those wanting more practice and experience, this is a class that you can repeat.

The number of boats available for this class will be determined by the number of participants who sign up. I will try to keep our ratio of students to boat owners low, so everyone gets a chance to experience participating as a crew and helmsperson.

Cost \$225

June 20, 23, 27, 30 from 6 p.m. to dusk each day

July 1 and 2, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day

(bring a brown bag lunch)

Advanced Keelboat Sailing

12 hours of instruction per class

This is not a beginner class, so you need to have previous sailing experience either by attending an Intro or Basic class or from previous experience. This Advanced Keelboat Sailing class will include a review of the basics and introduction to the different systems that keelboats all use to get you from place to place.

Our review will include standing rigging, running rigging, points of sail, sail trim. You will have time for practicing skills learned in previous classes or prior experience on keelboats. We will practice tacking, gybing, reefing sails and overboard drills. We will also introduce you to Systems used for safety such as VHF radios, and anchoring. You will also be introduced to reading charts and shown how to plan a day-long trip. Our discussions will cover how to un-ground a boat, safety tips and knowledge that only comes from personal experience. This is a class designed to provide you with a step-up to cruising our local waters safely.

Cost \$225

- **Session 1**

July 20, 22, and 25

July 20 from 6 p.m. to dusk

July 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (bring brown bag lunch)

July 25 from 6 p.m. until dusk

- **Session 2**

August 5 and 6 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day

(bring a brown bag lunch)

(Continued on page 20)

Sailing to Hope Island or Island Home

This class is for students who have either personal experience or have attended our Advanced Keelboat Class. We will take your knowledge and apply it to actually going somewhere and getting home again. This class will include one three-hour session and one day-long session to historic Hope Island, 6 miles from Olympia just off the end of Steamboat Island. Hope Island is a beautiful water-access-only State Park whose history includes truck farming and is the original home of the Island Belle grape grown in the early part of the 1900s. Deer, otter, sea life, eagles and shell fish abound.

If the wind is favorable or the current next to Hope Island is too strong for anchoring, we will continue two miles farther North to OYC's beautiful outstation, Island Home. This small island is just south of the Hartstene Island bridge and North of Hammersly Inlet. It is owned and operated by the Olympia Yacht Club and open to OYC members year round.

We will plan and execute our trip using tide and current charts, hopefully with enough wind to sail. You will gain experience in anchoring, docking or picking up mooring buoys. We will tow an inflatable boat with us to provide shore access if we stop at Hope Island.

Cost \$225

- **August 8, classroom instruction at OYC**
6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- **August 12**
10 a.m. to return on the water

General Information - All Classes

Enrollment for sailing classes is through Olympia Parks and Recreation 360-753-8380

- We will be sailing in beautiful Budd Inlet, just outside of Olympia's commercial harbor.
- You should plan on having a comfortable life jacket, foul weather gear/rain gear with you in case it is needed.
- We will sail no matter what the weather unless the marine forecast includes small craft warnings.
- Please bring sunscreen, biking, sailing or gardening gloves, hats, sunglasses, shoes with toes (no bare feet or toeless shoes/sandals).

- Please meet at the Olympia Yacht Club next to the little Light House. The OYC Parking lot is restricted to members only. Students may park in the parking lot on the corner of 4th and Simmons (payment by cell phone), at Capital Lake Park (free) on the SE corner of 5th and Simmons or in public parking on the street.
- All students will be required to sign a waiver of liability for OYC, its employees, members helping with class, and all boats used.

If you have any questions regarding further instruction or sailing in general, please don't hesitate to call.

Capt. Mary Fitzgerald

360-250-1230

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Club Service Program

PC Les Thompson, Chair



Greetings all.

I hope you are all not too depressed from the lack of sunny days so far! Personally, I could sure use a bunch more!!! Even with that, many of you have been actively participating in club activities and getting your CSP requirements started or finished. Great job all of you. With Opening Day over and clubhouse and dock work winding down, the opportunities for CSP dwindle a bit for the next 3 boating months of summer. There are still some opportunities, so feel free to contact any Bridge, BOT, committee chair or one of the caretakers for ideas and help getting in some hours. I will be posting the next report at the end of the second quarter around July 1st or so. You will be able to check out how you are doing on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. Have a great summer boating....

See you on the water, soon I hope, or at an event.

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11	12	13 South Sound Sailing Mtg.	14 Flag Day Lunch Bunch Board of Trustees Mtg.	15 Womens Auxiliary Mtg. Long Range Planning Mtg.	16	17 Private Party, Clubhouse Closed
18 Father's Day	19	20	21 Summer Solstice	22	23 BBQ on the Deck	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	Notes:

July 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Canada Day 4 th of July Cruise at Island Home
2 4 th of July Cruise at Island Home	3 4 th of July Crusie at Island Home Junior Sailing Mtg. Clubhouse Meeting	4 Independence Day 4 th of July Cruise at Island Home Bridge Meeting Government Aff. Mtg.	5	6 Mainstation Mtg.	7	8
9	10	11 South Sound Sailing Mtg.	12 Lake Fair Board of Trustees Mtg.	13 Lake Fair	14 Lake Fair Pizza on the Deck	15 Lake Fair
16	17	18	19	20 BBQ on the Deck Long Range Planning Mtg.	21 Summer Cruise to Canada for next two weeks	22 Summer Cruise
23 Summer Cruise	24 Summer Cruise	25 Summer Cruise	26 Summer Cruise	27 Summer Cruise	28 Summer Cruise	29 Summer Cruise
30 Summer Cruise	31 Summer Cruise	Notes:				

Join us for dinner

Wednesday, June 7

MENU

Buffet: BBQ steak on the grill with:

- Baked potato with butter, sour cream, and green onions
- Roasted veggies
- Tossed green salad with side dressings
- Sour dough roll with butter



Dessert: Strawberry shortcake with whipped cream

We will accommodate food sensitivities

Vegetarian options: Lasagna roll with roasted veggies, Eggplant parmesan, Stuffed portabella mushroom cap

June Dinner Meeting

June 7

“Change of Watch”

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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