



May 2018



## Commodore

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*S/V Endless Summer*



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**T**he drawing says it all!

Join us, won't you, for Seattle Opening Day on May 5, Olympia Yacht Club's Opening Day on May 12, and our Memorial Day Island Home Cruise, May 25 – May 28. Bobby Brown will once again be in charge of barbequing for the Memorial Day Cruise, ably assisted by PC Matt Mills, PC Tim Ridley and Dan Martin.



**Vice Commodore**

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

**Rear Commodore**

Captain Mark Welpman  
First Mate Annette Welpman  
S/V Cygnet



Hard to believe summer is just around the corner. Time flies when your having fun, which is exactly how we would describe the Vice Commodore year. We'll be savoring the last few months before I have to step up my game.

**In Remembrance of those who choose the ultimate sacrifice.**

Memorial Day is a very solemn day for many of us who served. For me I am humbled by my Brothers in Arms' unselfish and supreme sacrifice of themselves. For most of those who gave their lives, there is little to remember them by. So in remembrance of someone who gave his all, an excerpt of a Medal of Honor Citation Awardee, and Submarine Hero – CDR

Howard Gilmore, Captain of the USS Growler (SS-215):

We had an awesome Daffodil cruise (except for the weather). We didn't come in last in the trivia contest which is always a bonus, but didn't come in first either. We all learned that the numeric markings on the side of a ship are called "plimsoll lines" which identify the submersion depth for loading cargo. Who knew? Definitely not many, as there were a lot of blank stares in the audience and in the contest area when we got the question. At least we won the Commodore's Choice award for decorated boat. Commodore Bill can now resume sleeping through the night knowing his vision was worth the grief he endured from all of us bloomer naysayers.

The 2018 Commodore's Cruise will be upon us soon. Just a reminder for those of you attending, you will need to make reservations directly with Bell Harbor Marina and Langley. Just be sure to tell them you're with OYC. Edmonds and Poulsbo require a formal list I provide to them, so I will take care of that. If you haven't let me know you will be attending, please do so as soon as possible (I've been saying it for a couple months, but this is for real this time. Please let me know ASAP!).

For now, we have Opening Day on the horizon, followed by the Memorial Day Cruise. New members, you do NOT want to miss the summer cruises, which start with Memorial Day! They are so much fun and a great way to get involved with the club and meet fellow members. I look forward to coming in last place in the bocce ball tournament (as usual) and the nice-ish weather that doesn't require heaters and rain gear. We hope to see you there!

Hopefully you all have had a chance to get out on your boat. Remember, boats are family too and they need our love and attention or they will lash out and overheat or maybe blow a gasket. Hate it when that happens. I finally changed my oil and got the bottom painted so I feel pretty good about things. Boat was definitely happy this weekend, even with the starboard side still being a light shade of green. Wish you all luck getting that maintenance done so we can see you out and about for the Opening Day Parade!

*Medal of Honor Citation for Commander Howard W. Gilmore. For distinguished gallantry and valor above and beyond the call of duty as Commanding Officer of the USS Growler during her Fourth War Patrol in the Southwest Pacific from 10 January to 7 February 1943. Boldly striking at the enemy in spite of continuous hostile air and antisubmarine patrols, CDR Gilmore sank one Japanese freighter and damaged another by torpedo fire, successfully evading severe depth charges following each attack. In the darkness of night on 7 February, an enemy gunboat closed range and prepared to ram the Growler. CDR Gilmore daringly maneuvered to avoid the crash and rammed the attacker instead, ripping into her port side at 11 knots and bursting wide her plates. In the terrific fire of the sinking gunboat's heavy machineguns, CDR Gilmore calmly gave the order to clear the bridge, and refusing safety for himself, remained on deck while his men preceded him below. Struck down by the fusillade of bullets and having done his utmost against the enemy, in his final living moments, CDR Gilmore gave his last order to the officer of the deck, "Take her down." The Growler dived; seriously damaged but under control, she was brought safely to port by her well-trained crew inspired by the courageous fighting spirit of their dead captain.*

*Signed by Franklin D. Roosevelt.*

For sacrificing his own life to save his ship, Commander Gilmore was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor. In September 1943, the submarine tender USS Howard W. Gilmore (AS-16) was named for him and sponsored by his widow. Even today, "Take her down!" remains one of the legendary phrases of the U.S. Submarine Force. Sixty six US Submarines have been lost to the deep and remain on Eternal Patrol. It is with reverent pride that I count them as my Brothers. I leave you with a Submarines Prayer:

*O Father, hear our prayer to Thee. For your humble servants, beneath the sea In the depths of oceans, as oft they stray. So far from night, so far from day. We would ask your Guiding Light to glow, To make their journey safe below. Please oft times grant them patient mind, Then 'ere the darkness won't them blind. They seek thy protection from the deep, Please grant them peace when 'ere they sleep. Of their homes and loved ones far away. We ask you care for them each day, Until they surface once again. To drink the air and feel the rain. We ask your guiding hand to show, A safe progression sure and slow. Dear Lord, please hear our prayer to thee, For your humble servants beneath the sea.*



## Fleet Captain Power

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



### Ahoy OYC!

It's official, Spring is here! I know many of you may be tossing an eye roll or two in my general direction for that bold proclamation of a season change considering the weather we have been experiencing. I say curse that weather because the Tacoma Yacht

Club Daffodil Marine Festival is complete. I will leave it to the better story tellers amongst us to share how that all transpired. The point I am chasing here is spring and the onset of fairer things weather wise is upon us. So back to this season thing.....as a "Junior" bridge member I have been informed to break out my white uniform pants for all things official after the aforementioned Daffodil deal. I have also been informed that the real first time for such attire is after the Seattle Opening Day of Boating Season event. There you have it, I have started a debate.....consider the pot stirred. I don't really have a dog in the fight because I keep both my gray and white pants in my garment bag at all times since I go with what the team decides anyway.

Since I mentioned the Seattle Opening Day, which is on the weekend of May 5th, I must volunteer that a couple of First Mates have decided that the Rear Commodore and Fleet Captain Power should attend this event via vessel. MV *Release* will be headed that way! Now, I have been through the Ballard Locks a time or two but only as a crew member on a larger vessel with thrusters, wish us luck.....or better yet venture up that way yourself armed with your igloo cooler and folding chairs to watch the carnage unfold! After I completely embarrass the yacht club with my amateur locksmanship, my word processor is arguing that "locksmanship" is not a word to which I vehemently disagree, there is much to be seen and participate in. If you've never experienced the festivities in Seattle, I highly encourage a visit. We will be moored at the Queen City Yacht Club, swing by and say hello should you find yourself in the neighborhood.

Given my locksmanship skills improve enough, and we are actually able to cruise home to Olympia, we have our very own South South Opening day festivities the very next weekend on May 12th. We have a great day planned and are looking forward to our PC Breakfast, Ceremony on the deck, Parade in the Bay and BBQ in the afternoon!

See You on the Water



## Fleet Captain Sail

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



### Traditions in May

The First Mate, Cathy, and I just returned from the Tacoma Yacht Club Daffodil Festival. We drove up on Sunday for the boat parade. What a festive traditional event this is for TYC. The boats were arranged in the basin quite snugly. OYC had quite a showing. A special thanks to Bill

and Charli Hamaker for the use of their trawler, *Nautilus*. She was all dressed up in her best Sunday Daffodil decorations. The bridge were dressed in their best Sunday bloomers as well. After all, our entry theme was "Traditions in Bloomers", a slight deviation from the Daffodil theme of "Traditions in Bloom". The weather was cold but dry for the boat parade down the Foss waterway. Our bloomers outfit was quite a hit with the spectators and especially the princess boat. We were awarded the Commodores Choice award for our theme boat! A special thanks to all those OYC members that braved the monsoon rains to attend this TYC event.

Our own traditional opening day is coming up quickly, May 12th. You'll see e-mail blasts as well as flyers around the club. Be sure to come out and celebrate as we kick off the boating season in style. The next TGIF is May 11th, the Friday immediately before our opening day on the 12th. So what of all this "yacht" club talk this month? What is a yacht? Well it's the nautical term of the month. A quick search of the internet will provide you with abounding information, as well as my complete hard bound 1935 edition of the Funk and Wagnall's New Standard Encyclopedia.

From the 1935 encyclopedia a yacht is a decked sailing, steam, or oil vessel, built for pleasure trips or racing. The name is Dutch by origin. Oil vessels back in the day must have been a PC term for stink pot. American yachting dates back to approximately 1844, the year in which the New York Yacht Club was formed. The first yacht club was the Water Club of the Harbor of Cork in Ireland, established in 1720. In the very early days of yachting, the steam, sail, and oil boats were only for the extremely wealthy. In 1850 there were only four or five live steam yachts. By the early 1930's Lloyd's Register showed a total afloat yacht count at about 5,000. Boy have we come a long way in 80 years. Well, that's it for May.

Fair winds and following seas.....



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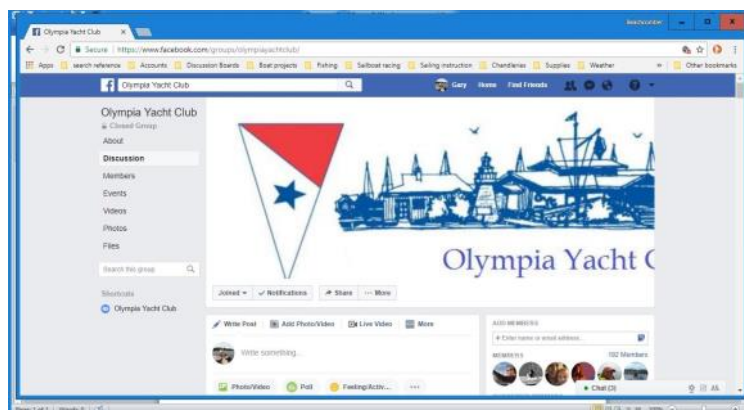
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## Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/olympiayachtclub/>



I always prefer to believe the  
best of everybody.....it saves  
so much trouble

..... Rudyard Kipling

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## Board of Trustees

Bob Van Schoorl, Chair

M/V Amstel



New Bridge Officers and two new Board of Trustees will be elected at the May 2nd dinner meeting. Please plan to attend and participate.

The Community and Government Affairs and the Long-Range Planning committees are developing a plan to build greater, positive community recognition and support of the Olympia Yacht Club. The plan will be available within the next couple of months. The goal is to create community support ahead of our lease renewal as well as be an active participant in our community. Our current 30-year lease will need to be renewed in 2027.

If you are planning to change the floatation on your boat house, check out the new rules before you begin. It appears that unwrapped and plastic wrapped Styrofoam floatation will no longer be allowed.

The Safety and Education Committee has received their order for safety ladders. Club members will begin installing them on the docks beginning April 22. If you are interested in helping and earning CSP hours, contact Committee Chair Dan Wyre or project lead Bill Hamaker.

The Department of Ecology has announced a new "No Discharge Zone" for Puget Sound. The Zone goes into effect on May 10, 2018. Starting that date, recreational boats will not be allowed to dump sewage (black water) whether treated or not. The Zone includes Lake Washington and Lake Union. As members of OYC with our Clean Marina designation we need to set an example. We have a pump out stations available only a few yards from our marina and at Swantown Marina.

There was an interesting article in the April 8 addition of the Seattle Times about a rescue of kayaker in Saratoga Passage. The kayaker and his companion in another kayak were caught by a shift in the weather. The young kayaker's kayak flipped. Fortunately, the crew on a 28-foot sailboat spotted him and were able to rescue him using a Lifesling. The other kayaker was still in his kayak and was picked up by another boat. All of us should consider having a Lifesling on board and know how to use it. Or at least have a plan on how you might use a throwable cushion and a line to pick up someone in the water, just like you would pick up your water skier.

Several OYC members have attended an excellent two-day course on Diesel Engines. The course was taught by an excellent young woman mechanic from Portland. The Safety and Education Committee sponsored three, two-day sessions with a dozen students in each. We disassembled a small engine and even put it back together. While I will never tear-down my 300 HP Volvo engine like that, it certainly is great to now have a much better understanding of how the engine and all its systems work together. Thanks to the Committee and Mary Campbell for putting this excellent training together.

Get out on the water. The Commodore's Cruise will be August 3-9. The cruise stops in Bell Harbor, Edmonds, Langleigh and Poulsbo. Please plan to join us.

The Board of Trustees meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Minutes of the meetings are posted on the bulletin board. The next scheduled BOT meeting is on May 9, 2018.



## Board of Trustees Candidate Statements

### John Zermer

#### Good Timing

Greetings fellow OYCers; Being a part of an organization like the Olympia Yacht Club is full of opportunities to have a good time! As it happens, it is also a good time for me to step up to offer to serve my fellow members as a board member, should I be chosen.

Having recently retired from a life of travel and unpredictable schedules, I can now fully commit to the tasks at hand, the meetings required, and devote my remaining brain power to a position on the board.

My desire would be to listen to, and carefully consider, all sides of the issues and contribute in a productive manner. I am willing to put the time into researching issues that I may not have current or past experience in, and allow input from all parties involved.

Please know that am very grateful to have become a welcomed member of this club and continue to benefit from the knowledge, experience and friendship offered to both Denise and I in our 4 years of membership.

I have come to realize that in order for this club to thrive, it takes effort on all of our parts to participate, volunteer and take on positions of responsibility. While it might not all be "good times" it certainly contributes to the "greater good" and ensures success for the Olympia Yacht Club as an organization in our fine community.

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## Board of Trustees Candidate Statements, *continued*

### **Patrick Richmond**

My 37 years as Patrick Richmond's wife has proved to me he could indeed sell ice to Eskimos! The important truth is they would thank him and praise him for his effort. I have come to know and appreciate the exceptionally high regard in which his friends, colleagues and his clients hold him. His engaging, friendly, considerate personality allows him to work with others in a constructive and positive manner. He is a great communicator and a person willing to put in the work to get to the root of an issue offering real solutions. A solid reputation for possessing great business savvy, history of working with large budgets and ability to use his managerial skills would be a great asset to our club.

### **Mark Peckler**

Linda and I joined the Olympia Yacht Club in 2014 in hopes of finding the camaraderie associated with a true boating community while also gaining moorage in a great location central to the downtown area. These goals have been achieved beyond our expectations.

Our club has particularly impressed me in the willingness of our members to participate so wholeheartedly in every project undertaken. I had the privilege of observing this first-hand while serving on the dock replacement committee. Every aspect of this huge project was meticulously investigated and I believe the result of that committee's hard work speaks for itself.

I am proud that our membership actively supports our local community in so many ways. Our support of the fuel dock initiative is an example of what can be accomplished when we act as a united force. My personal favorite is the recent formalization of the Sailing Education Program which will encourage our younger community members to pursue a passion in boating, ensuring future club members. No one can argue that this is a bad thing.

Aiming to preserve our waterfront while at the same time looking toward the future rather than being stalled in the past is truly admirable. Continuously moving forward is a critical step in preventing the further deterioration of our Downtown, while revitalizing this city that we call... Home.

Having honed my leadership skills while serving as the Medical Staff President at Providence St. Peter Hospital for two years I feel that in retirement it is time to give something back to the Olympia community which has provided me so much since my arrival in 1981. Supporting the Olympia Yacht Club as a member of the Board of Trustees strikes me as the perfect means by which to accomplish this goal. I ask for your support and vote.

### **Directory**

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## **Pictures - Pictures - Pictures!!!**

Please keep sending in your pictures from OYC Events. Thanks to the efforts of **Bev Kennedy**, we already have event pages for many of the events that have already taken place. We are still looking for photos from: **Halloween Festivities, Oktoberfest and the Sweetheart Cruise**. If you have them on your phone, please be sure to email the largest size image possible. On my phone that's the "actual size". This will result in a better reproduction if we use it for the Member Directory.

Bev could use some help, so if you're willing to pick through the photos for the best ones and make a wonderful collage page from them (easily accomplished with [www.collage.com](http://www.collage.com) - check it out), then you can get CSP hours for your efforts. Let me know if you'd be interested

in working with us on this committee.

There's about one box of the 2017-2018 Member Directories available in the Junior Sailing office. If you really need a second, please help yourself. If you live out of town, or for some other reason need your Member Directory mailed to you, please send me an email request at [oycyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:oycyearbook@gmail.com).

The Directory Team is still in need of a **Calendar Master** who will update the Annual Calendar to include events and committee meetings. This position will be completed from your home computer using Word, Excel and email, during the months of July to mid-September. Approximately 16 CSP hours are predicted, but actual hours will be awarded.

Come and join the team!

Keep those pictures coming!  
Denise Lynch



## Daffodil 2018

Photos from Bill Sloane, Mike Contris, Denise Zerner





## Womens' Interclub Council

Kim Shann, Representative



Our OYC Women's Interclub luncheon, March 28th, 2018 was a great success.

Over 30 women from our own yacht club, ladies from all other 13 yacht clubs represented here, 6 special ladies from "OYC YESTERYEAR" were invited, who use to be VERY involved in our own "Anchorette team." They are: Artie Martin, Donna Wiest, Corrine Adams, President in 1980, Cathy Connor, President in 1987, Harriet Melhaff, President 2000, and Linda Mason.

Each of these ladies were presented with a nice floral arrangement made by our special Olympia Garden Club designer, Debbie Spiller. (See photos)

Debbie was our program speaker, making floral arrangements from her own yard and garden, showing us how to make ourselves.

Olive Garden catered our meal, which was complimented by many ladies, even though the caterers were late---- we improvised, changed my agenda to work around their delivery.

Thank you's to our men servers, PC Mike Contris, PC Bob Job, PC Mike Phillips, PC Ted Shann, PC Jim Sheerer, Ed Stolarik, Tim Maxey, and Bill Melhaff, and the men also who helped set up the day before, John Sherman and Gene Coakley.

Also, "Thank You's" to all ladies, who helped, Phyllis DeTray, Kathy Beckman, Barbara Hughes, Aileen Zelis, Denise Shawe, Carol Erwin, Patty Phillips, Peg Grady, and all the ladies who put together all the beautiful baskets for our raffle.

OUR NEXT WOMEN'S INTERCLUB LUNCHEON WILL BE AT BREMERTON YC, MAY 9TH, 2018.

"A GARDEN PARTY THEME", and we can all wear any kind of hat! Fancy hat, Garden hat, Boaty hat, and we can dress accordingly. Prizes will be awarded in each category.

PLEASE CALL KIM SHANN 360-491-3786 to attend. Price for luncheon \$20.00. Rides available.





## Fleet Surgeon

Richard Hurst, M.D ("Rich")



It is pouring rain outside, but I have to believe that by the time you read this, the sun will have returned to our Northwest and we will be out on the water. And no, this is not the article where I remind you to use sunscreen (but please do), this is where I remind you that we are on the water, not in it. Our waterways are fed from snowmelt that slowly warms until it gets to the sound. In many areas, the water stays 45-55 degrees year round and our hot house bodies do not do well in it. The top few inches may warm, but below that only minimally.

If you go in unexpectedly, you may reflexly gasp and pull in water into your lungs and things will go rapidly downhill from there. Here is a link that I really recommend everyone who boats should view. It shows an experienced boater in 41 degree water and the effects and survival techniques he uses. He demonstrates how you rapidly lose function of your hands and how your ability to self-rescue quickly goes away. You might get back to the boat, then be unable to climb back on.

[https://www.soundingsonline.com/voices/cold-water-immersion?utm\\_source=soundings-ewsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=textlink&utm\\_campaign=ewsletter-030218](https://www.soundingsonline.com/voices/cold-water-immersion?utm_source=soundings-ewsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=textlink&utm_campaign=ewsletter-030218)

We carry a Lifesling retrieval system aboard our boat. We participated in a class through SSSS where we had the opportunity to use it to bring a Gumby-suited over-board volunteer back as if there were only one person left on board. It was great practice.

If you do go in, hope you are wearing a life jacket. If you get retrieved, get the wet clothes off and gently wrap in warm clothes or blankets. Stocking caps are great to help control heat loss. Because the body tries to protect the good stuff (heart and brain) by clamping down the blood vessels elsewhere, do not move the victim excessively and don't rub the extremities. That can force the cold deeper into the body. Rewarming, bare, under the covers, is recommended, but conjures up the scenario of someone's fat brother-in-law. If they are awake and coherent, give them warm liquids and never alcohol.

Always be mindful that we are "on" the water. Use extra care when conditions may kick up. Use life jackets while on deck.

Watch that [Soundings link](#).

## Quartermaster

Margaret Snyder & Judy Ball Co-Chairs



### Deck yourself out for opening day!

Another boating season is upon us and Opening Day is coming soon! You'll look great in your new shirt, jacket or hoody from the Quartermaster Store. Both our men's and women's cupboards are bulging with new stock.

In the men's cupboard you'll find a variety of colors of sweatshirts, long-sleeved tees, short-sleeved tees, jackets and vests. We have a new supply of hats, both structured and unstructured in several colors.

The women's cupboard is full of new FDJ shirts, vests, 1/4 zip sweatshirts, and a variety of hoodies. For the first time, we are offering capris with our burgee by the hem, in black, blue and tan. Keep the sun off your face with one of our new visors available in four different colors.



There will be a women's sale table with prices slashed as well.

Come visit us in the Quartermaster and "deck" yourself out for the summer. Only May and June dinner meetings left before the Quartermaster store closes for the summer so come see us soon!

Margaret and Judy



## Sunshine Committee

Barbara Narozonek-Neuhauser, Chair



Get well flowers were sent to Bobby Brown.

## TGIF

Thank Goodness it's **Friday!**



**Good food  
Good times  
Good music**

**May 11**

**Drinks and Socializing 5:30 pm  
Pizza etc..... 6 pm**

**\$6/person**

**No reservations required**

## Recreational Boaters Association of Washington Report

Steve Finney, RBAW VP Government Affairs



## Sailing Education Program

Mary Fitzgerald, Chair



### Summary Report to Olympia Yacht Club April 2018

**Aquatic Invasive Species – New Vessel Permit requirement for commercial carriers, out-of-state recreational boats, and seaplanes:** The AIS permits – which recreational boaters in the state are not required to have – technically have been required since last October. However, WDFW is now starting the education and awareness campaign on the requirement, timed to coincide with summer boating season. But, suffice to say that WDFW has a lot of work to do to get the word out and their online purchasing option for the permits (\$22) is not at all intuitive.

**No Discharge Zone:** A June 7 hearing before the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) is still queued up. That hearing will focus on whether the Department of Ecology should have gone through a certification process and in fact did not. The projected effective date of May 10th, announced recently, may not be implemented.

**National Electrical Code (NEC) Standard applying to ground protection standards for marinas:** L&I is now in the process of starting rule-making for a more permanent regulation to go into effect as soon as next year. A public hearing will be held on May 9th regarding their rule adoption.

**SHB 2634, addressing anti-fouling paints on recreational water vessels:** NMTA-led and RBAW-supported 2634 passed the Legislature and the Governor signed it into law on March 15. It takes effect June 7. The bill extends the date by which recreational boat manufacturers were to have phased out the use of copper-bottomed paint on vessels. Ecology is finding that alternatives to the copper-bottomed paint may be more toxic than copper, and needs more time to evaluate options.

**Governor's Executive Order 18-02:** Governor Jay Inslee issued an executive order regarding Southern Resident Killer Whale recovery and task force. The order directs select state agencies, in consultation with the appropriate local governments, federal agencies, and tribal governments, to conduct actions to further the purpose of the order. The order further creates a Southern Resident Killer Whale Task Force to identify, prioritize, and support the implementation of a longer term action plan needed for the recovery of Southern Residents and necessary to secure a healthy and sustained population for the future.

### Practice Makes Perfect and Equals Experience

OYC and SSSS both conduct many of their events, including races and cruises, on weekends, when most of us would normally be free to do many other things. The same thing is true for our middle school and high school sailors. Our OYC high school teams race on many weekends, and just like you, they are juggling sailing with school work, family commitments, and traveling to the regattas, often getting up before it's light to travel. We have mostly young teams, some of them have been sailing for several years, but many are just starting out. I am impressed that our teams are in the winning top 3 or 4 teams on a regular basis now. We even had teams go to national events this year. So last week someone asked me what has changed. Looking back I can say instruction, experience and a commitment to PRACTICE.

As adults we often forget about the importance of practice, relying on experience and hoping someone in a dock discussion may pass on a tidbit of knowledge. Two years ago when our teams were just starting out, we weren't placing in races or even getting close. But what has changed all that? Well, a lot of the credit, of course, goes to Sarah Hanavan and the commitment she asks for from these young athletes. If you are paying attention to our waterfront, you will see the high school team practicing three times per week, and the middle school teams practicing twice per week, in all types of weather. This is not a fair weather effort. Our coach Sarah and her sailors are out on the water practically every day no matter the weather. And what do they do with her guidance? They practice! They practice starts, they practice strategy, they practice changing roles as skipper or crew, they practice downwind legs, rounding marks – just to name a few... and they practice and they practice and they practice and that equals experience!

So if you are an OYC or SSSS member and you want to know how you can be a better boater, better racer or cruiser, the answer is Practice! Our kids were out there in the rain the week before the regatta last weekend practicing as they have been since the middle of February. They placed 2nd and 4th.

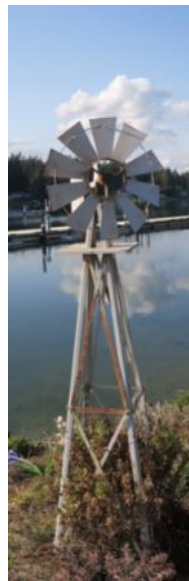
So as summer approaches, include Practice in your sunset cruises. Throw a cushion or fender overboard and then practice picking it up; time yourself. If you are a sailor; do it under sail. Practice flying your spinnaker; practice reefing your main sail; practice dropping your anchor under sail. Practice slowing your boat down alongside a marker to come to a complete stop. Practice anchoring or picking up mooring buoys. Practice docking, practice backing up, practice using hand signals with your mate, instead of yelling! .....the list goes on and on. And here's the good part, ..... if you don't know how to do something or want guidance from a more experienced person, both OYC and SSSS have members who can help you with that. Just ask. Someone will give you pointers, show you how it's done and then guide you into being a more experienced and successful boater. If the kids can practice and win, you can too! Honing your skills may make the difference in bad weather or dangerous situations. Practice means you have more tools in your belt to solve a problem.



Fair Winds to all



Around the Main Station & Island Home  
Photos from Margaret Snyder and Denise Zerner



**Main Station**

Tim Ridley, Chair



Just a reminder if your boathouse or slip number is a even number, you will need a inspection this year. Please sign up, as these inspections will go from months May, June, and July. Boathouse owners pickup your number's from our caretaker, Robert. These numbers must be present on your boat-house to pass inspections. Questions?... call me.

Thank you to those that purchased stickers for your vehicles. Remember the old square ones are no longer good to park in our lots.

If you are looking for CSP hours, contact Robert, our caretaker, as he has projects he needs help with.

Please help keep our walkways and finger piers clear of debris; that way there are no accidents and it looks nice. Thank you.

Again, if you see something you think is out of place, contact me or Robert.

Main Station Chair

PC Tim Ridley

253-320-9106

M/V *Glouise***Island Home**

Earl Hughes, Chair



While I am writing this article, we are in the final stages of planning our spring clean up of Island Home. When you come out this month you will be able to relax and enjoy our beautiful Island Paradise. Spring flowers, green lawns and trimmed trails. All you have to do is sit back and enjoy. "Ah the good life"

The Island's water well has been tested for coliform bacteria and no problems. You can fill your water tanks with good fresh water.

We have started the process of getting permits to work on our erosion problems around the island and by the bridge on the mainland. This could take quite awhile. We just started step one.

Earl Hughes  
Island Home Chair  
MV *Lady Bee II*



**Lunch Bunch**  
**Wednesday, May 9**  
**11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**Hello Mi Amigos**

You are invited to the May Lunch Bunch gathering on the 9th (Ninth!) of May from 11:30 - 12:30.

In deference to our Southern Neighbors, we will serve up two Enchilada varietals (chicken and cheese) - along with crispy green salad and ice cream. No cerveza before noon, but we will have a bunch of cold beverages and coffee if its raining .....Still!

By the Way - set up and clean up folks are always welcome - we can match you up with any skill set.

See you on the 9th at Lunch Bunch - Still only 6 bucks.

Questions?

Kelly Thompson 360.402.9999

**Club Service Program**

PC Les Thompson, Chair



Greetings all. I hope your Spring is going well and you are getting your boats ready after the long wet winter.

There are many projects happening around the club and Island Home this month and I hope you get onboard and get some hours in. This is such an easy way to get your hours in for the year. The committee chairs are also always looking for new members to participate in their meetings.

Reminder, all social members now need 10 hours of CSP regardless of marital status as per the by-laws changes. I am always here to help.... contact me if you need to.

See you on the docks or at an event.

PC Les Thompson  
CSP guru  
MV *EcstaSea*



## BULLETIN BOARD

### Cruise to Dockton—May 18-20

If you haven't spent time in Dockton in Quartermaster Harbor, May 18-20 is the perfect time to go. The picnic shelter is reserved from 1500 to 2000 on Saturday May 19 with the potluck dinner at 1800. For those who arrive on Friday evening, a hike Saturday morning beginning at 9000 will be a way to stretch your legs. The hike will be about four miles round trip, to the ridge looking over the abandoned gravel mine toward Brown's Point and Commencement Bay.

For folks who arrive by mid-afternoon Saturday, there will be a walk through the hamlet of Dockton, once the second largest ship-building center on the West Coast. Historic markers tell you about early times while you enjoy the quiet roads and gardens of today.

Part of the fun of Dockton is going through the Tacoma Narrows. Give extra attention to tides and currents, and your trip to the harbor between Maury and Vashon islands will be swift and easy.

At the King County park you can anchor out for free or tie up to the dock. Cost is \$20.00 for boats under 25 feet; \$25.00 for boats 26-32 feet; \$30 for boats longer than 32 feet. Moorage is first come, first served.

Details: Showers and restrooms are free, no power, no garbage pickup, and no services within walking distance. The park has play equipment, fire pits, and barbeque areas. There is a convenient place for dog walking.

Friends and families are encouraged to make Dockton your destination for this bonus cruise. Or come by car for the day! This event is under the aegis of the South Sound Women's Sailing Group, and is in lieu of the South Sound Women's Boating Seminar usually held at this time of year.

For further information, contact Emily Ray at [emilyrayjimlengenfelder@msn.com](mailto:emilyrayjimlengenfelder@msn.com).



Dressing for the red neck party at Daffodil (Myra Downing photo)

## Safety and Education Committee

Danny Wrye, Chair



Greetings, OYCers! Your Safety and Education Committee has had a busy first quarter of 2018. First, we took on the task and re-chartered our committee to add an education component. Next, we ordered and installed new "FloatStep" safety ladders at the Main Station. Finally, with the OYC Environmental Awareness Committee, we co-hosted OYC's Safety and Environmental Day. We had a great time with many of you who attended and/or volunteered for these events. Your participation is what makes the Olympia Yacht Club a "top cabin" organization!

One of our first educational opportunities was the recently completed Diesel Maintenance training. We are hearing excellent reviews of the weekend class in Marine Diesel Basics recently offered twice at OYC. The class is taught by Meredith Anderson, a diesel mechanic and engineer currently employed by Cummins diesel in Portland. Using a 2 cylinder Volvo marine diesel (donated by Bill Hamaker) as a prop, Meredith walks people through the various systems within a diesel engine: fuel, air, raw water, coolant, oil, and exhaust. Participants get their hands greasy taking the engine apart, and find out

what is inside that mysterious hunk of metal. One participant observed that he learned as much from his fellow students as he did from the class, because the class offered a venue to share tips and experiences.

We are working on an on-line survey of OYC members to help identify and focus additional training opportunities. More to come soon on that.

Finally, in previous Beachcombers, we have written articles pointing out the importance of planning for "man over board" events, and we have pointed out the disturbing national statistics issued by the Coast Guard on the increase of boating accidents involving human powered vessels. This month, we combine both of these messages by referring to an article recently published in the Seattle Times. Fortunately, the story has a happy ending. But that might be due as much to luck as to pre-planning. Click on the link and read on...

### Boaters be wary: Sometimes luck, and a Lifesling, can save a life

<https://www.seattletimes.com/life/outdoors/boaters-be-wary-sometimes-luck-and-a-lifesling-can-save-a-life/>

Danny Wrye, Chair  
OYC Safety & Education Committee  
*M/V SeaWryes*

## Moorage Report

Mark Fleischer, Moorage Master



and see if you need a replacement. Does it need a good cleaning to remove the winter green? While looking, take a look at your slip and make sure you do not have any items left on the dock or finger pier.

The Beachcomber has a form enclosed that will need to be filled out and sent to the moorage master. Please help me to get the form filled out, and copies attached, prior to the **1st of July 2018**.

The last item is for boathouse owners. If you make any modifications to a boathouse, please email me a copy of what you are doing prior to the start of work. I look forward to seeing you on the docks or on the water. My email is [oycmoorage@gmail.com](mailto:oycmoorage@gmail.com)

## Happy Spring 2018

With the arrival of spring it is time to inspect your boat for the upcoming season. Please take a look at your burgee

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This form must be completed annually and provided to the moorage master EVERY year if you want to maintain your moorage per state law. Every field must be completed. Form is due by July 1st annually.	
Legal Owner of Vessel	
Legal Owners Address	
Legal Owners Phone Number	
Legal Owner Email	
Local Contact Name - (If Different from Legal Owner)	
Local Contact Address - (If Different from Legal Owner)	
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Hull Identification Number (HIN)	
Coast Guard Documentation Number (If Applicable)	
HOME PORT	
Date Moorage Began	
State Registration Number	WN
Vessel Location	Olympia Yacht Club, 201 Simmons ST NW ,Olympia Wa, 98501
Slip Location	
Copy of Registration Included with this form	
Copy of Coast Guard Documentation (If Applicable)	



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Held at the Olympia Yacht Club, May 12th



## Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

6:00 PM Parade Registration, Setup (TGIF Too!!!)

## Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

8:00 - 9:30 AM Breakfast (\$6.00 per person)

10:00 - 11:00 AM Ceremony with the American Legion Band, the Tacoma Yacht Club Honor Guard and Distinguished Community Guests

11:15 AM Parade Skippers Meeting

12:00 - 1:30 PM Opening Day Boat Parade

2:30 - 4:30 PM Barbeque on the OYC Deck (\$10.00 per person)

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May 2018						
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		<b>1</b> Bridge Meeting	<b>2</b> OYC Dinner Meeting	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Opening Day Seattle Yacht Club	<b>5</b> Opening Day Seattle Yacht Club
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Clubhouse Committee Meeting	<b>8</b> South Sound Sailing Society Monthly Meeting	<b>9</b> Lunch Bunch Board of Trustees Meeting WIC Luncheon Bremerton YC	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Opening Day TGIF	<b>12</b> Opening Day Olympia Yacht Club
<b>13</b> Mother's Day	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Gig Harbor YC Commodore's Ball
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Safety Committee Mtg	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Memorial Day Cruise-In to Island Home	<b>26</b> Memorial Day Cruise In to Island Home
<b>27</b> Memorial Day Cruise In to Island Home	<b>28</b> Memorial Day Cruise In to Island Home	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		

June 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Bremerton YC Commodore's Ball
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Clubhouse Committee Meeting	<b>5</b> Bridge Meeting	<b>6</b> OYC Dinner Meeting and Change of Watch	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Port Orchard YC Commodore's Ball
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> South Sound Sailing Society Monthly Meeting	<b>13</b> Board of Trustees Meeting	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Queen City YC JO Ball	<b>16</b> Queen City YC JO Ball
<b>17</b> Queen City YC JO Ball	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> BBQ on the deck	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Safety Committee Mtg	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

## Join us for dinner

Wednesday, May 2

### MENU

♦Chicken fajitas with

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