

Yaquina Bay Yacht Club Newsletter

January 2008

A publication for the Members and Friends of the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club

Commodore's Log



Welcome to the New Year, and what a great year this promises to be for members of the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club. Your new board members met for the first time in December to plan many activities for the coming year. We are all excited about the number and variety of events to come. The unusually blustery weather this winter has dampened our ideas about getting out on the water year 'round for the frostbite series. But that has allowed us more time to plan the Offshore Sailing class that will begin on Wednesday, March 4th and continue for at least four weeks. This will get sailors into the weekly routine of our Wednesday evening gatherings and ease us into the Spring Series.

Next month is the Wine and Seafood Festival and many opportunities exist for those who would like to participate. Be sure to contact Vice Commodore Ken Brown for more information on that. We will get a sneak preview of our wines at the February 16th monthly potluck.

We are looking for a way to allow the racers in the club to participate in all the weekly races during each of the spring, summer and fall series. This would require a crew for the chase boat and a second boat and crew for race committee. When I was in high school I had an El Toro sailboat and was unable to participate in the 'big boat' races except as crew. I discovered the need for the race committee and chase boat crews and was able to double my time on the water on the sailing club's dime running either of those crews. It would be wonderful if some of our members, perhaps those who do not have their own boats, could step forward and fulfill that need.

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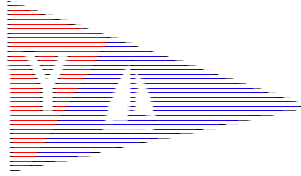
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January Monthly Meeting and Potluck



Where: YBYC Clubhouse

When: 6 p.m. Saturday January 19

Theme: Chili Cook-off

Bring: Chili or Salad or Side to share, Beverages, and your Place Settings.

Dan Van Calcar and Diane Henkels invite you to simmer up your best chili and Let 'er Buck at the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club Chili Roundup!

YBYC Website

The YBYC website is currently under construction. Please visit the Google group for current news and discussions.

The Google group is the interim location for Newsletters, Meeting Minutes, and other information.

<http://groups.google.com/group/ybyc>

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Members' Center

The newsletter is open for all members to submit Articles, Announcements or Classified Ads. You can email your newsletter items to YBYC.email@gmail.com or to me directly at alaskamissy_2000@yahoo.com

Don't forget to check out the bulletin board at the clubhouse...there's boats for sale, people looking for crew, crew looking for boats, newsletters from other yacht clubs, racing news, results and more.



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It has been weeks since I've been on the water due to weather and work commitments. When the weather was at least a bit amenable for sailing, I was at work. All the rest of the time the weather has just been too nasty to go out. I've been spending the winter helping people build boats. We finished one last weekend and I'm hoping to get another complete today.

Ron and I will be going to Yachats tomorrow (Sunday Jan 13) to follow up with Doug's efforts to form a youth sailing club. They are going to be constructing a boathouse and their own boats during the next year. Helping hands are always welcome and I'm sure Doug would love to hear from you if you are willing.

I hope you are having as much fun with water related activities as I while we wait through this long winter. We look forward to a great year of fun and camaraderie.

See you on the water!

- Joe



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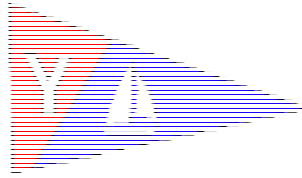
I am currently updating the YBYC Membership Roster and preparing new Membership cards. As careful as I try to be, I still seem to make a few typos every year. If you notice any, please let me know so I can make the corrections.

In an effort to keep club costs down, I will attach your membership card to your name tag at the club house and ask members with computer access to print the updated roster from the web (see below). For those of you without email addresses, I will mail your card and roster to you. If someone with a computer would rather receive the card and roster through the mail, let me know and I will be happy to do so.

We have new permanent name tags thanks to the efforts of Stephanie Brown. They are attached to the board in the hall across from the bathrooms. Please remember to wear them at the meetings and return them to the board afterwards. The first name tag is free to club members but you will be asked to pay \$5 (our cost) for a replacement. With all the new (and renewing) members we have, it's nice to have a name tag on as we get to know one another. – *Donita Cole, Membership Chair*

To find the most recent roster information, log on to the YBYC Google Group. *To access the YBYC's discussion group on Google, use this web address:*

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I'm sitting here in looking out the window at the pouring down rain. Not much chance I'll be out for the frostbite race tomorrow which so far has only had one participant – way to go Stephanie, Ken and Annabelle and Becka. This is the time of year we think about upgrading our boats or even purchasing new, bigger boats. Thank goodness for patient spouses. It has been almost six weeks since I've been out on the water and I'm going through withdrawals. The twelve-step method is not working for me. Some coworkers got together and redecorated my office with many pictures, charts, models and memorabilia of all types of boats. What a huge boost. Now all I want to do is sit in my office and dream. Not much work getting done there.

One good thing all this sitting around is doing is allowing me to help plan the many upcoming events. Ken has the Wine and Seafood festival under control; you can still sign up if you would like to help. In March, Ron and I will be teaching an offshore class. As part of the class each person will receive a notebook with all sorts of great information about safety, navigation, and seamanship. We are working out the details of the program and I really excited about all the things preparing for the class has done to help me be better prepared at sea.

I hope you are using this down time to prepare yourself for the upcoming season and are as excited as I am about getting back on the water.

See you on the water: Joe



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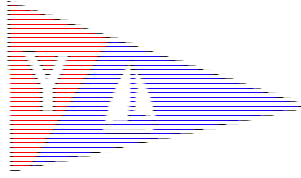
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When: 6 p.m. Saturday February 19

Theme: Italian food and Red Diamond Wine Tasting

Bring: Appetizers, Salad or Side to share, Beverages, and your Place Settings.



Wine aficionado Bruce Durkee will be guiding us through this year's wines for our festival booth. YBYC will provide lasagna, please bring your favorite Italian or other food to go with the wine.

The Joy We Bring Others

It is always a great feeling to share our sailing experience with family, friends, and new acquaintances. I always remember the first time I went for a sail. I was fifteen years old and had been reading, watching, and dreaming about sailing for many years. Although I had never been out on a sailboat, I convinced my mother to drive me to Lake Merced in the middle of San Francisco to look at an eight foot El Toro that I was hoping to purchase for a mighty \$200.

When I arrived at the lake a kind elderly gentleman, Paul Dissing, the owner and builder of the boat asked me if I knew how to sail. Even though I said "no, but I've read a lot", he said get in and then pushed me away from the dock. I sheeted in the sail, and a gentle breeze took hold of the sail. In the span of thirty seconds I experienced sheer terror, confusion, then the most incredible excitement my young mind, body and soul ever knew. The boat began to heel over – panic; the boat stabilized at a slight angle but did not move forward – confusion; then ever so slowly it started moving forward until it hit hull speed – excitement!

Over the years I've never forgotten that feeling and try at every chance to share those wonderful emotions with anyone who has the desire. The secret is to minimize the terror, keeping it to just a fraction of a second if at all, then balance confusion and excitement in such a way to create the desire for more.

It is not just those out on the water who share our pleasure. While at a business meeting in Salem and associate mentioned she had been to the coast the previous weekend and took some great pictures of the visiting tall ships with a smaller sailboat in the foreground. Sure enough, there was Tenderly with another new friend out for their first sailing experience. The picture now adorns her office walls as a reminder of a special moment – watching, relaxing and dreaming.

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A few months later a colleague told me she thought there was another picture of Tenderly hanging in the gallery at the Oregon Coast Aquarium. Indeed not only was there a picture of Tenderly, there were also greeting cards in the gift shop with the same image. I had an "ah-ha" moment in the gift shop as I watched people browse the greeting cards and every so often pick up a card with Tenderly's figure stirring their mind and emotions.

Every time we go sailing we experience joy, excitement, and a sense of serenity. Although there are others who are not on the water with us, they share similar feelings watching, relaxing and dreaming. The next time you are out, double your pleasure and remember the joy we bring others. - Joe



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February 16 – Monthly Potluck
February 29 – Rented
March 5 – Class - Evening
March 8 – Rented
March 10 – Board Meeting
March 12 – Class – Evening
March 15 – Monthly Potluck
March 19 – Class – Evening
March 26 – Class - Evening

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WhoDunIt?

Desperately seeking the missing Chili Cookoff Trophy. The trophy hasn't been seen in a few years, if you know of its whereabouts please bring it to the clubhouse or let a board member know.



Weekend Cruises

Join us for sailing excursions on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Upcoming dates are February 3, and February 17, March 2 and March 16. Rally begins at noon near the CG buoy outside the Embarcadero Marina. All boats are encouraged to get out and enjoy our beautiful bay.

Members' Corner

Please welcome new members Jerry Davis and Jennifer Smith. Jerry is an avid sea and surf Kayaker and is interested in learning to sail. Please introduce yourself to them.

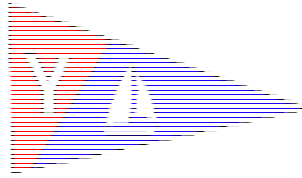
The 2008 YBYC Membership Roster has been posted on the Google Group and mailed to those members without email. Please let me, Donita Cole, know if the information isn't correct so I can make needed changes. Your new membership cards are attached to your name tags at the club house. If you would like, I can mail them to you. Just let me know.

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My last commodore's log must have broken the curse – the very next day after I wrote the article, even before it was published, I was out on the water. The weather gods must have felt sorry for me, and all the other sailors left high and dry by all the wet weather we've had this long winter. Since that day I've been able to get out four more times and it has felt wonderful. It has been nice to see some of you out on water as well.

As I have mentioned in previous communications, Ron Cole and I have been working on developing the offshore class. I have spent many hours reading and researching information on the Internet. I am amazed at how technology has changed our sport over the past thirty years. Prior to planning for the class I thought my boat was pretty well equipped for our waters based on my experience in the Coast Guard – back in the seventies (yeah, I know I'm old).

Each week I get a newsletter from Sailnet with great articles (<http://www.sailnet.com/forums/featured-articles/>). I've been especially interested in the many segments pertinent to our upcoming class including crew overboard (<http://www.sailnet.com/forums/seamanship-articles/19193-modern-crew-overboard-rescues.html>) and preparing to go offshore (<http://www.sailnet.com/forums/cruising-articles/20474-preparing-sail-offshore-part-one.html>).

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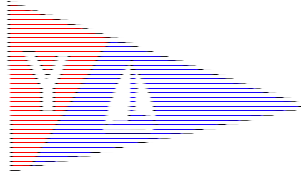
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March Monthly Meeting and Potluck

Where: YBYC Clubhouse

When: 6 p.m. Saturday March 15

Theme: St. Patrick's Day

Bring: Appetizers, Salad or Side to share, Beverages, and your Place Settings.



Come celebrate St. Paddy's Day at YBYC! The club will provide corned beef so bring your favorite cabbage (or other) dish to share. Green attire is encouraged as are green beverages.

Education Spotlight

Yaquina Bay Yacht Club, in partnership with the Oregon Coast Boating Safety and Education Foundation, is offering a boating class for those who are interested in venturing beyond the jetty. If you would like to boat along the coastline, but feel that your skills might not be up to the challenge, this class is for you!

We will be covering the topics of vessel safety equipment, how to determine and effectively communicate your position, dealing with difficulties at sea and crew over board (COB) recoveries. This five week course will include classroom time and water drills on your own boat. Skippers/owners are encouraged to bring their entire crew.

The cost of the class is \$40.00 for the skipper/owner or for those who would like the course materials. There is no charge for crew or spouses. This class will include multimedia presentations, discussions, and many hands on activities. Any person who sails with you, whether crew or guest, will benefit from this class. We encourage you to invite anyone who enjoys being on the water with you to participate.

Schedule

Wednesdays March 19 through April 16,

6:00 - 6:30 Dinner (Donations gratefully accepted)

6:30 - 8:00 Classroom

Topics

Session 1: Vessel Safety Equipment and Communication

Session 2: Navigation I: Basic Navigation Skills

Session 3: Navigation II: Local Knowledge and Tips

Session 4: When Things Go Wrong

Session 5: Crew Overboard

Sunday April 20

12:00p.m. Noon Crew Overboard, Water Drills (Weather Permitting)

Advance registration is requested for preparation of materials. Please leave a message for Joe Novello at (541) 574-4461 or email JoeNovello3@gmail.com.

Please meet at the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club for all classes. The Club is located just west of the Embarcadero and Englund Marine on the bay front. The address is 750 SE Bay Blvd. in Newport.



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As a result, I've purchased a life sling, updated my visual signal devices otherwise known as flares, and reconfigured the storage on my boat for many of the other pieces of emergency equipment.

I hope you will join us on Wednesday evenings beginning March 19th as we learn about and discuss safety in our local waters. Please see the related article for more details.

See you on the water,

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Loyalty Days Regatta, April 26-27

Loyalty Days Regatta is just a few weeks away. The entry form and Notice of Race are attached to this month's Newsletter. Early entries save \$10.00 before April 19. Race Chair Terry Lettenmaier is organizing this year's Race Events. To Volunteer or if you need any more information please contact Terry 541-867-4603 lett@peak.org or email YBYC Race Chair at ybyc.email@gmail.com

There's always room for more people to help out with all the different things that make a regatta happen: Committee Boat, Chase Boat, Hospitality, Clubhouse Set-up and Clean-up, Ship's Store, and Clubhouse Host.



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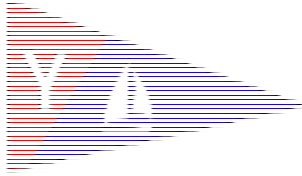
Education Spotlight *Sneak Preview*

Coming in May....

Adult Beginning Sailing Class – May 8, 10, 15, 17, 18, 22, 24, 25. The class is open to everyone regardless of skill level and is designed for the novice who wants to learn the basic skills of sailing. The class will focus on sailboat parts and rigging, boating safety, weather and tide considerations, and navigational aids and rules.

Complementing the classroom training will be 5 on-the-water, hands-on, sailing sessions to practice your skills in the club's Lido 14' sailboats. Classroom sessions begin May 8 and run through May 22 (Thursdays) from 7-9 p.m. at the YBYC Clubhouse. On the water sailing sessions take place on weekends, May 10 through May 25 (Saturdays and/or Sundays, excluding Mother's Day) from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. The exact times may vary.

Students are asked to provide their own personal flotation devices, to be worn at all times when on the water. Cost of the instruction, classroom materials, and training is \$175. Space is limited to ensure the best learning environment. For more Registration see us on the web at www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org



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This is such an exciting time of the year. The sun is shining, at least today, people are working on all those projects that waited all winter for decent weather, and folks are preparing for the upcoming sailing season. More than one crew is out on the water honing skills for the next race season, which looks like it may be quite competitive.

The offshore sailing class has been well attended with over twenty folks participating each of the past four weeks. We only have one more classroom session next Wednesday evening followed up by on-the-water practice of Crew Overboard Skills on Sunday at noon. If you have not been able to make any other classes, you can still come for this critical lesson on how to recover and treat your crew after a fall overboard. We will have a potluck on Sunday about 3:00 after the on the water practice session. I'll be cooking up burgers - bring your favorite side dish and join us.

Remember the end of this month brings our season kick-off: Loyalty Days Regatta. Contact Terry Lettenmaier if you would like to participate or help out.

On the administrative note, your board is working very hard with many programs. We should be finished putting together the operating procedures for the club and will have those posted for all to see on the club website. Ron and the Education folks are finalizing the class schedule for the year and the Yachats Youth Sailing program is gaining momentum.

These are very exciting times for our club. I am pleased to be a part of all the wonderful activities that support our sport. There are lots of opportunities for you to participate in many capacities and I hope you join in the fun.

See you on the Water

-Joe



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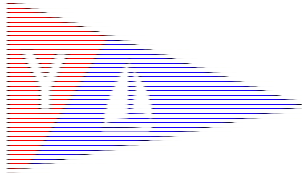
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April Monthly Meeting and Potluck

Where: YBYC Clubhouse

When: 6 p.m. Saturday April 19

Theme: Indian Country, Buffalo Burgers and Salmon provided

Bring: Appetizers, Salad or Side to share, Beverages, and Place Settings.



What do the Coast Guard Auxiliary and American Indian dancing have in common? The Ponca Tribal Warrior, Tom Murphy

Celebrate an evening of Native American music and American Indian dances from the great plains and the southwest with Tom Murphy, our esteemed Coast Guard Auxiliary member. Tom has been a Native American dancer since 1954, exhibiting and lecturing through the USA. He has won dance contests at the Pendleton Roundup and many other pow wows. He studied Native American music at the Library of Congress and sang with the Scissortail Singers. On April 19, in full regalia, he will strut his stuff.

Grab your regalia and what might ale ya. It's time to celebrate with our dancing mate.

Members' Corner

Join us on the web and keep in the loop. We have a great tool that allows all members to post messages to the group as a whole. It's a great way to find crew members, make plans for outings, exchange information about boats, boat repairs, techniques, stories. You can post pictures and files to share with everyone. The group fills in the gaps between newsletters since you can log in any time of day or night.

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You can find the club roster under the 'Pages' tab on the right. From there you can choose the roster, or read the limericks from the March meeting, view pictures from last year's Toledo Wooden Boat show, or catch up on past newsletters! Or build your own page with your own pictures and information.



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Education Spotlight

With the sailing season just getting started, you might not have noticed it yet, but 25 to 30 people are getting it. They are getting it, education that is, at the Wednesday night off shore sailing class. Each night stomachs and minds are filled. If you are not attending the off shore class, you are missing some mighty fine food from Peggy and some great information from Joe that will increase your skill level for sailing beyond the jetty. It is not too late to join us! Next week is the crew overboard lecture and the on-the-water practicum.

Next month, Terry will be leading the Adult Learn-To-Sail class. This class is not just for total novices. We have had people take this class more than once because they like it so much! It would also be helpful for crew members who would like a review in order to be more comfortable on their own boats. If you doubt this, just ask any top notch sailor. They all say that they really learned to sail in little boats.

In June, YBYC and Terry will be hosting the second annual US Sailing Instructor Candidate Course. This class was noticed by almost every sailing organization in Oregon last year. If you have an interest in teaching students how to sail, this is the class for you. It is intense, but you will feel up to the challenge to teach when you complete this class.

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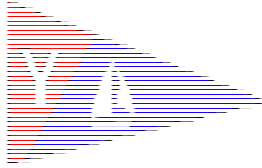
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The first race of the spring series is on April 30 at 6:15 PM. Sailing instructions and liability waiver forms are now posted on the web site and club bulletin board. Please see Terry Lettenmaier, race chair (lett@peak.org or 867-4603) during April club meeting, Loyalty Days regatta, or before the spring series begins to submit liability form and sign up for race committee/dinner host duties.



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June also kicks off Merry's and Doug's summer adventures with Youth Sailing. There are class offerings in Lincoln City, Depoe Bay, Newport/Toledo and Waldport/Yachats. Through sailing, they are teaching leadership and self-reliance skills to the kids of Lincoln County. Can you think of any future sailors who would like to have fun?

In September, there will be a Keel-Boat class. This is an introductory class to keel boats (meaning no spinnakers). To register, you need to have passed the learn-to-sail class or be able to demonstrate sufficient skills to test out of the requirement. In addition there will be an adult learn-to-sail class, which will be the last class offering for the year.

We are in need of support staff to help the instructors. Those with or without sailing skills are needed. Please contact me if you would like to help. The rewards will be worth it!

*Ron Cole
Education Chair*



The Lido's are looking good!

Over the winter, some of our more industrious members have been tuning up our Lidos. From mast head to trailer, they have been checked and repaired. All of this is in preparation for this year's sailing season.

While these boats get a pretty good workout during the classes, please remember that they are also available for club members' use. We hope to have at least two of them on the docks ready to go at all times. Please call ahead if you would like to use them.

Special thanks, goes to the following people:

George Benton for coordinating the repairs and reviewing the rigging,

Tom McNamara for all of the fiberglass repair work,

Ken Brown for making sure that the trailers are road worthy,

Dave Schmaltz for towing the boats/trailers and reviewing at rigging, and

Tim Myrick for checking the rigging and ordering supplies

Thanks guys. The club members and the students really appreciate it!

*Ron Cole
Fleet Chair*



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Ron Cole, Education Chair

Clubhouse Update

April 2 - Class –Evening	May 7 – Spring Series, Evening
April 4 – Rented	May 8 – Adult Class, Evening
April 5 – Rented	May 10 – Adult Class, Evening
April 9 – Class – Evening	May 13 – Rented All Day
April 14 - Board Meeting	May 14 – Spring Series, Evening
April 16 - Class – Evening	May 15 – Adult Class, Evening
April 19 – Monthly Potluck	May 17-18 – Adult Class
April 20 – Class – Daytime	May 20 - Rented
April 26-27 – Loyalty Days Regatta	May 21 – Spring Series, Evening
	May 22 – Adult Class, Evening
	May 24-25 – Adult Class
	May 31 – Rented All Day

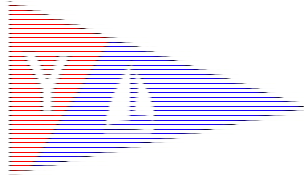
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More Education Spotlight

Adult Beginning Sailing Class – May 8, 10, 15, 17, 18, 22, 24, 25. The class is open to everyone regardless of skill level and is designed for the novice who wants to learn the basic skills of sailing. The class will focus on sailboat parts and rigging, boating safety, weather and tide considerations, and navigational aids and rules.

Complementing the classroom training will be 5 on-the-water, hands-on, sailing sessions to practice your skills in the club's Lido 14' sailboats. Classroom sessions begin May 8 and run through May 22 (Thursdays) from 7-9 p.m. at the YBYC Clubhouse. On the water sailing sessions take place on weekends, May 10 through May 25 (Saturdays and/or Sundays, excluding Mother's Day) from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. The exact times may vary.

Students are asked to provide their own personal flotation devices and wetsuits, to be worn at all times when on the water. Cost of the instruction, classroom materials, and training is \$175. Space is limited to ensure the best learning environment. For Registration see us on the web at www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org



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Commodore's Log



I just got home from the April General meeting overwhelmed with thoughts, ideas, and excitement. Rear Commodore Mac McConnell hosted an evening of Native American food, dance and music. Our own Tom Murphy shared with us the culture, explaining the traditions and meaning of the songs, dances and regalia. We thank Tom for this moving experience.

Now that I'm home and reflecting on the event, I wonder - what about our club. What is it that we value, talk about, and celebrate? At different events we seem to focus on different things. I wonder, what is the unifying theme that brings us together as a group? When people come to our house, what is the message they get about us? Is there a vision that is clear in everything we do, be it a regatta, Wednesday night race, or monthly meeting?

I looked for the answer in our bylaws, which state our purpose as:

1. To establish and maintain a yacht club on Yaquina Bay in Lincoln County Oregon, for the promotion and enjoyment of aquatic sports of every nature, particularly yachting and the science of seamanship and navigation and for civic benefit of the communities now or hereafter established on and in the vicinity of Yaquina Bay.
2. To serve the social needs of its membership. To promote good fellowship, good will, and to encourage the spirit of hospitality between the members of this club and the members of other similar clubs and groups, wherever situated and to exchange club courtesies with such organizations.

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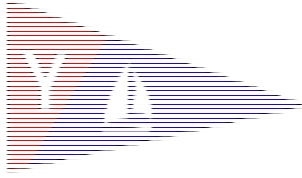
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May Monthly Meeting and Potluck

Where: YBYC Clubhouse

When: 6 p.m. Saturday May 17

Theme: Cinco De Mayo

Bring: Mexican Style dish to share, Beverages, and Place Settings.

Please bring your favorite Mexican style dish to share. Chips, Salsa, and Cerveza are provided by the club.

Members' Corner

At the April general meeting, the club members were introduced to visitors and potential new members Charles and Christine Collins, and their sons Kevin and Kemo. Charles, or CJ as he likes to be called, has extensive sailing experience and has been a member at various west coast sailing clubs. Their main reason for wanting to join our club is to provide sailing education and opportunities for their sons.

Remember when you were a new member at the club? You didn't know anyone, it was hard to get "started" and how appreciative you felt when someone introduced themselves to you. Please remember this the next time you see someone you don't know at the next club event. Even if you are unsure of how to start a conversation, just start and help them out. If you see someone sitting or standing by themselves, please join them or include them with "your" group. No one likes to be alone in social situations. We have a lot of new (and old) members who want to feel included and welcomed into YBYC. There have been many discussions about retaining club members in YBYC. Welcoming and including others at YBYC events is probably the single most important tool for club growth. It really is easy and there's a good chance you'll make a great new friend.

The 2008 YBYC Membership Roster is on G-mail and updated regularly. Please let me, Donita Cole, know if any of your contact information has changed so club members know how to reach you. To find the most recent roster information, log on to the YBYC Google Group. To access YBYC's discussion group on Google, use this web address: <http://groups.google.com/group/ybyc> You will be prompted to Log In or Apply for Membership (new log ons only).



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Generations of YBYC members have clearly established and maintained a yacht club. How well are we promoting aquatic sports of every nature, and the science of seamanship and navigation? The recent offshore class and the rigorous sailing class schedule indicate we are on the right track. It is clear there is a need for such courses as over 20 folks attended classes for five weeks, and many folks asked for more. Can we reach deeper?

Your board has been working for the past two months on developing operating procedures which should be completed in May. We are going to spend the majority of our next board meeting in May focusing on part two of the club's purpose stated above, which is basically figuring out how we can do a better job meeting the social needs of our club members.

I'm feeling a renewed sense of camaraderie and excitement in the club and I'm honored to be at the helm with such a hard working crew.

See you on the water.

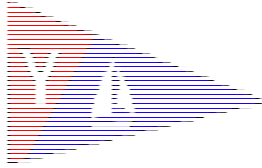
-Joe

YBYC Worldwide

Club member Larry Sharpless is currently en route to Tahiti aboard S/V Syren. This beautiful boat is owned by past club member Joe Christian. From Larry's latest email: **"Our trip will take us from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico to the Marquesas Islands thru the Tuamotus to Tahiti. It is a distance of about 3700 miles. As a reference, Transpac -LA to Honolulu is 2100 miles. The boat is a J 160 - 53 ft. We will have a crew of 5. I leave LA on Saturday, May 3rd we plan to leave PV on Monday, May 5. Hopefully we can cross the Marquesas in 14 days-3000 miles. The last 700 to Tahiti is a 3-4 day trip. I am "scheduled" home on June 1."**



Follow Syren's progress on the web at http://www.pangolin.co.nz/yotreps/reporter_list.php



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I'm starting a discussion on the Google Group, please use the forum to check on cruise plans. It's open for us all to post messages, too. Your input is needed! -Stephanie

Upcoming Cruise Directors

May 18 –Vacant! Please help!
June 1 - Chey Breeze
June 15
July 6
July 20

Sailboat Racing News

The first race Regatta of the year is behind us, and the spring series of races is underway. Racing continues each Wednesday now through October 8. Sailing instructions and liability waiver forms are now posted on the web site and club bulletin board. Please see Terry Lettenmaier, race chair (lett@peak.org or 867-4603) during a club meeting to submit liability form and sign up for race committee/dinner host duties.

Upcoming Committee Boat/Dinner Schedule:

May 7 Full Monty CB/Cole Dinner
May 14 Tenderly CB/ Novello Dinner
May 21 Cheap Sunglasses CB/ open
May 28 open/ open
June 4 open/ open
June 11 open/open
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June 25 open/open

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May 13 – Rented All Day	June 9 Board Meeting 7 p.m.
May 14 – Spring Series, Evening	June 11 Spring Series, Evening
May 15 – Adult Class, Evening	June 12-15 USSA Instructor Class
May 17-18 – Adult Class	June 18 Spring Series, Evening
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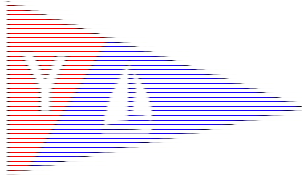
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Loyalty Days Regatta

Loyalty Days regatta was full of good weather, good racing, good food, and good fun! Thanks to everyone who helped make this year a success. Cliff Adams, Alice McNamara, Larry Davisson, Terry Lettenmaier on Committee Boat. Dorothy Bogumil, Donita and Ron Cole, Sarah Myrick and Laurie Weitkamp for the great food. Paul Erskine, Steve Leonard and Jerry Davis on chase boat. Barb Schmaltz for t-shirts and trophies. Thanks to everyone who helped clean up the clubhouse, and to anyone I may have missed. Without such a total club effort, these events wouldn't happen.

The Committee boat ran 10 races for the Portsmouth Fleet, and 7 for the PHRF fleet. We had 2 boats visit from our sister clubs on Fern Ridge, and Dan and Diane came down from Pendleton. Also racing in the Portsmouth fleet was Tanya Haddad, who was checking out our venue as possible site to host a Regional or National event for the Europe Dinghy fleet.

See the YBYC website for full race details at www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org



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Our Wednesday evening racing must be getting pretty serious. Two weeks prior to writing this we had six boats out in nasty misty weather, the kind that gets you soaked, more so than actual rain. It was so wet we just put all the gear, sails, fowlies, and gloves away still dripping. Thursday was spent drying the boat and gear as well as a much needed scrubbing of the deck. I went to the boat on Saturday to continue cleaning the interior, but got sidetracked talking to many different people on the dock.

Enter Jeff and Bernie. They are preparing their Wilderness 21 for an epic journey – from Vancouver BC to Mexico. Any time they are on the dock it is worth a visit to learn about their progress. Yesterday they installed the rebuilt mainsail, cut eight inches shorter to give more head clearance in the cockpit and bat cars installed so the sail can raise and lower faster. Future plans include lifeline netting, radar, roller furling, and heavier standing rigging. If you would like an up close and personal look, it is the red nameless boat moored about halfway down the E Dock at the Embarcadero. Bernie and Jeff plan to make the trip during the summer of 2009. Stay tuned as this is certainly a story worth following.

On Sunday I made another attempt at cleaning the boat. I was almost successful... but then I met Mac and his son Shane on the docks. Lucky for us, we ended up going for a sail, and what a sail it was. With winds from the North-Northwest blowing at 8– 12 we were able to sail from the CG buoy all the way to number buoy 1 on one tack. We noticed a solid black wall of a rain squall several miles offshore moving in our direction.

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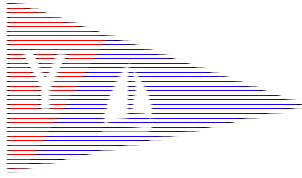
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June Monthly Meeting and Potluck

Where: YBYC Clubhouse

When: 6 p.m. Saturday, June 21

Theme: Summer Solstice Picnic

Provided: The Club will provide pulled pork and buns for sandwiches.

Bring: Please bring your favorite side dish, salad or dessert to share.

Don't forget your picnic basket full of Beverages and Place Settings!



Summer Kayak Classes – Register Now

Learn to enjoy the pleasures of kayaking safely by enrolling in the “Basic Coastal Kayak Strokes and Rescues” class taught by Tom Murphy, an American Canoe Association Certified Coastal Kayak Instructor. As part of its community boater education program, the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club is offering this course to the public as a way to encourage the safe and enjoyable use of kayaks at the coast.

The class is 1-1/2 days and will begin on Saturday, June 28, from 12:00-3:00 pm. Class participants will meet at the YBYC Clubhouse (750 SE Bay Blvd.) for classroom instruction followed by a 3:30-5:30 pm session at a local lake for safety and rescue practice.

On Sunday, June 29, the class will start with on-the-water instruction on the Yaquina Bay/Estuary, or a more protected area if needed. This experience will allow practicing the knowledge and skills learned the previous day. Additional topics will include launching and landing, various strokes and maneuvers, boat control, as well as opportunities for sampling a variety of experiences related to kayaking at the coast.

Cost for the course is \$100, which includes the use of a sea kayak, spray deck, paddles and safety equipment. Participants will need to furnish their own wetsuits and Coast Guard approved life jackets which can be rented from local surf/dive shops or borrowed from a friend.

For a registration packet or further information, please contact Tom Murphy at 541.265-9648 or e-mail: coastalkayak@msn.com. Class size is limited to 5 students, and the registration deadline is June 18, 2008.



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Members' Corner

Please welcome new members Gary and Vicki Mines, and the Germaneri family, Steve, Ellen, Nathaniel and Alison. They are graduates of the May Adult Sailing class and are looking forward to more time on the water. You can find their contact information on the G-mail site or contact me. The 2008 YBYC Membership Roster is on G-mail and updated regularly. Please let me, Donita Cole, know if any of your contact information has changed so club members know how to reach you. To access YBYC's discussion group on Google, use this web address: <http://groups.google.com/group/ybyc> You will be prompted to Log In or Apply for Membership (new log ons only)

Please remember to wear your new name tags at the meetings to help new (and old members) get to know you. Following the meeting, please return name tags to the name board in the hallway. The first name tag is free to club members but you will be asked to pay \$5 (cost) for a replacement. A note on nametags; they use strong magnets as fasteners, do not use if you have a pacemaker device! We'll get you another tag, instead.

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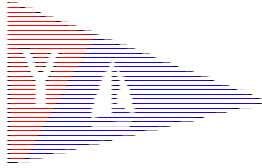
We decided the head in. After a little discussion about whether or not to motor-sail, I was outvoted and we continued under sail alone. Right after tacking onto a course to bring us to the jaws, we noticed something weird in the water about 400 yards south of our location. The water was churning and boiling in an area about the size of a football field. Curiosity got the better of us and we set a new course for the middle of the phenomenon. As we arrived we realized we were in the middle of a fish boil – millions of herring size fish jumping and swimming, churning the water in a most unusual way. We speculated they must be schooling up to protect themselves from some type of a predator. Without saying it out loud, I wondered if that predator had a taste for Catalina 22s. We were sorry we did not have a camera to capture the experience. It was very cool!

The sail to the dock was as pleasant as the leg going out. The squall did not catch us before we were safely tucked in our berth.

One never knows what to expect when out on the wild blue yonder. I hope you take advantage of every chance to get out on the water to experience your own adventures. I guess cleaning the boat will have to wait for another day...

See you on the water,

Joe



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Stephanie

Upcoming Cruise Directors

June 15
July 6
July 20 –Doug Mecham

See Joe's *Commodore's Log* for his tale from a Sunday Cruise



Independence Day at YBYC!

Come to the clubhouse to watch the fireworks on the 4th of July. Fireworks begin at dusk. Bring your food and beverages, the grill's open!

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Spring Series

June 11 Little Annie's Fannie/open

June 18 open/open

June 25 open/open

July 2 Fun Race –TBA

Summer Series

July 9 open/open

July 16 open/open

July 23 open/open

July 30 open/open

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Nautical Trivia

On old war ships it was necessary to keep a good supply of cannon balls near the cannon. But how to prevent them from rolling about the deck? The best storage method devised was to stack them as a square based pyramid, with one ball on top, resting on four, resting on nine, which rested on sixteen. Thus, a supply of 30 cannon balls could be stacked in a small area right next to the cannon.

There was only one problem -- how to prevent the bottom layer from sliding and rolling from under the others. The solution was a metal plate with 16 round indentations, called a Monkey. But if this plate were made of iron, the iron balls would quickly rust to it. The solution to the rusting problem was to make Brass Monkeys. Few landlubbers realize that brass shrinks much more and much faster than iron when chilled.

Consequently, when the temperature dropped too far, the brass indentations would shrink so much that the iron cannon balls would come right off the monkey. Thus, it was quite literally, cold enough to freeze the balls off a brass monkey.

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"What's a shipboard "henway"?"
Answer: About the same as she does ashore!

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"What is the nautical name for the same knot commonly used to tie a necktie (traditional, not Windsor)?"
Answer: Buntline Hitch or Studdingsail Tack Bend

YBYC Worldwide

Update!!

Larry, Joe and the rest of the Crew on S/V Syren arrived at Nuku Hiva, the largest island in the Marquesas, on June 3. Larry is back at home in California, but the rest of the crew still has a few hundred miles to go before their final destination of Tahiti. Track their progress online at http://www.pangolin.co.nz/yotreps/reporter_list.php

Emerald Cup in Eugene, June 27-29

Just a little note to let you know that the registrations were mailed for Emerald Cup and I just didn't have very many addresses from Newport at all and I wanted to make sure that there was ample opportunity for y'all to make it over.

We have eight fleets lined out – the standard Lido, Thistle, PHRF, Portsmouth, Multi and Wavelength/Olsen fleets plus a fun little fleet called the Pacific NW fleet that will have Holder 20's, Ultimate 20's and an Open 5.70. Our PHRF will be racing a Laser 28, Capri 22, San Juan 21, Thunderbird and a Santana 23, so far. There is a Catalina 25 that's been skulking about lately as well. I seem to remember a few boats out there in Newport that might have a good time kicking our lake-sailing tails!

The registration sheets and schedule of events and so on are available on the website for anyone interested; www.tritonyachtclub.org

Let me know if you have any questions!!

Carrie Harrington –TYC Emerald Cup Chair



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Club member Laurie Weitkamp

For information on how to participate with the Sea-Fest, please email seafest@oregonstate.edu or call (541) 867-0219. Read more online at hmsc.oregonstate.edu/seafest/



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Adult Sailing Class

The YBYC adult sailing class held May 10-25 was a real success! Eight students took the course, with classroom sessions at the clubhouse and on-the-water practice in the club's four Lido 14s on Yaquina Bay. We had two great weekends of sailing on the bay with sunshine and 6-12 mph winds. It was impressive to see how quickly all the students picked up sailing. Thanks to George Benton for his work maintaining the Lidos, and Joe Novello, Ken Brown, and Paul Erskine for driving the chase boat during the on-the-water sessions.

-Terry Lettenmaier and Laurie Weitkamp

Dock work party on June 14

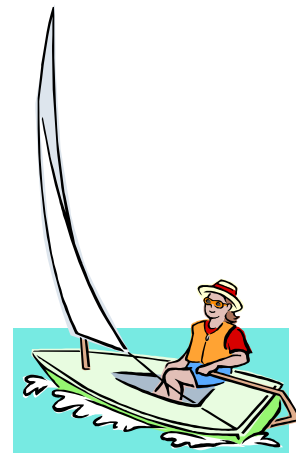
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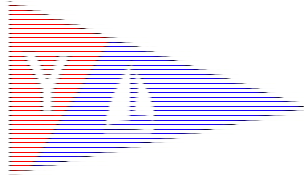
Clubhouse Update

<p>June 7 Rented All Day June 9 Board Meeting 7 p.m. June 11 Spring Series, Evening June 14 Rented All Day June 18 Spring Series, Evening June 21 Monthly Potluck, 6 p.m. June 25 Spring Series, Evening June 27 Rented All Day June 28 Kayak Class, Afternoon</p>	<p>July 2 – Fun Race, Evening July 4 – Reserved for club member use July 9 – Summer Series, Evening July 14 – Board Meeting, 7 p.m. July 16 – Summer Series, Evening July 19 – Monthly Potluck, 6 p.m. July 23 – Summer Series, Evening July 24-25 – Rented Daytime July 26 – Kayak Class, Afternoon July 30 – Summer Series, Evening</p>
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Please respect the privacy of our renters, their return business keeps the club going! Your ongoing help is appreciated in keeping our clubhouse neat and ready to rent, Thanks!
 Contact Stephanie for rental or calendar information or go on the website.

Wednesday Night Race Results, Spring Series

PHRF	4-30	5-7	5-14	5-21	5-28	6-4	6-11	6-18	6-25	Total
Full Monty	(1)	(1) RC	1	1	1	1				4
Cheap Sunglasses	(3)	1	(2)	2 RC	2	2				7
Annie's Fannie	2	2	(3)	3	3	(5)				10
Tenderly	(9) DNC	3	(4.4) RC	2	4	4				13
Chey Breeze	(4.2) RC	4	4	4	(6) DNF	3				15
Son O Beech	5 DNF	5	(9) DNC	(9) DNC	9 DNC	9 DNC				28
Crystal Echo	(9)DNC	(9) DNC	9 DNC	5	9 DNC	7 DNF				30
El Coyote	(9) DNC	(9) DNC	9 DNC	9 DNC	9 RC	9 DNC				36
Portsmouth										
Terry	(1)	(1)	1	1	1	1 RC				4
Laurie	(3) DNC	(3) DNC	2	2	2	3 DNC				9



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Commodore's Log



I hope you are all enjoying your summer. So many activities are happening with our club I am not able to participate in them all. Many of our members are working very hard to enhance our youth activities. July 19 these activities will culminate with a day-long celebration including racing, demonstrations, barbeque and more. The event promises to be great fun for all – drop by if you are in town.

One of the kids who will be at the fiesta is Asher Doyle. Asher is building his own eight foot sailboat. He has been working on the boat for just over a month and is just about finished. Asher will be at the fiesta, sailing his boat and sharing his experience building the boat with all who are interested.

Last night, July 9, was the first race of the summer season. The wind was 20 – 25 knots. Going out we knew this would be a test for boats and crew alike. Unfortunately El Coyote was the first to fall victim on their first race outing of the season with a broken halyard. Terry and Laurie took students from the sailing class out on the Lidos, and one broke a halyard. They both headed back to the docks for repairs.

The race was short, but it took teamwork for the crews to get to the finish line. It was nice to see Tim, Sarah, and Jane together on The Full Monte. The contest was hot between them and Cheap Sunglasses – the results are yet to be determined. The fleet was rounded out with Slam Dunk and Little Annie's Fannie.



Asher working on his boat

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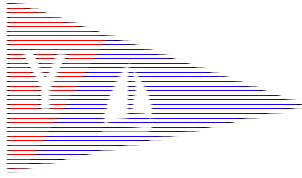
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July Monthly Meeting and Potluck

Where: YBYC Clubhouse

When: 1-5 p.m. Saturday, July 19

Theme: Sail Fest Youth Celebration

What's new about this upcoming YBYC general meeting? Lots! As you know, YBYC is busy this summer providing adult and youth learn to sail classes. The July 19th meeting will be highlighting the youth sailing classes with these kids racing in the club Lidos. Additionally, we will be providing rides in the Lidos to anyone else interested. Tom Murphy will be providing a kayak demonstration and the Coast Guard will be providing a helicopter and boat show. The festivities are open to the public so invite all your friends and neighbors. The day begins at 1 PM and culminates with a club sponsored barbeque at 5 PM. **That's right! No need to bring a dish this month.** And, since this is a youth oriented day, we are requesting you limit alcoholic beverages on the club house grounds. Just come enjoy a day at the clubhouse, rooting the kids on in their races and showing your support of the YBYC instructors.

Summer Kayak Classes – Register Now

Learn to enjoy the pleasures of kayaking safely by enrolling in the “Basic Coastal Kayak Strokes and Rescues” class taught by Tom Murphy, an American Canoe Association Certified Coastal Kayak Instructor. As part of its community boater education program, the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club is offering this course to the public as a way to encourage the safe and enjoyable use of kayaks at the coast.

The class is 1-1/2 days, held on Saturdays and Sundays . Saturday sessions are classroom instruction from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 pm, followed by a 3:30-5:30 pm session at a local lake for safety and rescue practice. Sunday's sessions start with on-the-water instruction on the Yaquina Bay/Estuary, or a more protected area if needed. This experience will allow practicing the knowledge and skills learned the previous day. Additional topics will include launching and landing, various strokes and maneuvers, boat control, as well as opportunities for sampling a variety of experiences related to kayaking at the coast.

Cost for the course is \$100, which includes the use of a sea kayak, spray deck, paddles and safety equipment. Participants will need to furnish their own wetsuits and Coast Guard approved life jackets which can be rented from local surf/diving shops or borrowed from a friend. July's classes are full already, but please contact Tom for availability of other classes coming up this summer and fall.

For a registration packet or further information, please contact Tom Murphy at 541.265-9648 or e-mail: coastalkayak@msn.com. Class size is limited to 5 students, and the registration deadline is coming fast. More classes may be offered if needed to meet demands of the students.



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The 2008 YBYC Membership Roster is on G-mail and updated regularly. Please let me, Donita Cole, know if any of your contact information has changed so club members know how to reach you. To access YBYC's discussion group on Google, use this web address: <http://groups.google.com/group/ybyc> You will be prompted to Log In or Apply for Membership (new log ons only)

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4th Annual Toledo Wooden Boat Show August 23-24

Join us at the Port of Toledo to celebrate wooden boats of all shapes and sizes. This festival is growing fast and features live music, sailboat rides on our lidos, boat building and restoration, kayak demonstrations, non-motorized boat race, rowing competitions, beer garden by Rogue Ales, log rolling, and a Puddle Duck race. **We need volunteers to staff the booth and talk to people about boating.** Call Stephanie (265-4575) to help on this weekend, we need folks to help on both days at the booth for a couple of hours at a time, and to help transport Lidos.

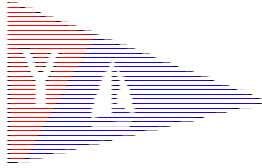
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After the PHRF fleet finished their race, the Lidos came back out for their own race. I was especially impressed when I heard Terry and Laurie explaining race starts and strategies to our new members.

Great things are happening in our club and I hope you are enjoying the activities as much as I am.

See you on the water.
-Joe





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Weekend Cruises

Join us for sailing excursions on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Upcoming dates are and July 20, August 3 and August 17. Rally begins at noon near the CG buoy outside the Embarcadero Marina. All boats are encouraged to get out and enjoy our beautiful bay.

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There's a discussion open on the Google Group, please use the forum to check on cruise plans and add your own ideas. It's open for us all to post messages. Your input is needed! -
Stephanie

Upcoming Cruise Directors

July 20 –Doug Mecham
August 3
August 17

Independence Day at YBYC!

4th of July saw many of the club's members enjoying our clubhouse and it's front-row view of the fireworks. George and Dave had a barbecue-in-a-box known as a Caja China, and were cooking up some fine pork. Max and Dorothy Blust even made the trip from Albany to say hello.



Sailboat Racing News

Spring series is in the books, and Summer series has just begun. Racing continues each Wednesday now through October 8. Sailing instructions and liability waiver forms are now posted on the web site and club bulletin board. Please see Terry Lettenmaier, race chair (lett@peak.org or 867-4603) during a club meeting to submit liability form and sign up for race committee/dinner host duties.

Race results can be found on the Club's website and at the clubhouse.



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Sailing Education Progress Report

The 2008 sailing education program has grown by leaps and bounds. Our new instructors are enthusiastically offering additional classes. There are new classes to take, such as Joe's offshore class. To support the classes the club's boats have been improved due to intensive maintenance. We even have a new boat.

A big congratulation to Terry on teaching his first adult learn-to-sail class with Laurie's assistance. If you will recall Terry took the US Sailing instructor training course last year. The class had eight students and two families have become members. Great job Terry and Laurie. A big welcome to new members Steve, Ellen, Nathaniel and Alison Germaneri and to Gary and Vicki Mines!

Merry (who was also a graduate of last year's US Sailing instructor's class) and Doug have recently completed a very successful youth class in Lincoln City. I hope you saw the newspaper article covering the class. If not, it is posted at the club house. The article was impressive and our sister yacht clubs, EYC and TYC, are taking note of YBYC's efforts.

In addition, Merry and Doug have youth classes at Waldport, Depoe Bay and Toledo. Please see our website for dates and sign-up sheets. A big round of thanks goes to Merry for her commitment to the youth program. She has committed almost every weekend of her summer to the kid's program.

Doug has also made huge strides for the youth program this year. He and Debbie Jackson (Yachats Youth & Family Activities Program) have taken our once a year youth Lincoln City class and have expanded it into a countywide four class program. In addition, Doug has received a grant from the Oregon State Marine Board and YBYC is now the recipient of a new inflatable and outboard motor. In addition, Doug has also secured a substantial donation for the purchase of a new Club 420 sailboat. Thank you, Doug and Debbie.

While it is easy to recognize the efforts of the sailing instructors, we also need to remember those who support the instructor's activities. George, Dave, Tom, Ken and Tim have put a lot of effort into the boats and trailers. Terry, Laurie, Larry D., George, Paul and Ken have put a lot of time into our new floating dock. Thank you one and all.

As you can see for yourself, a large percentage of our club members are contributing their time and energy to the education program. I would like to personally invite all club members to become involved in this worthwhile endeavor. Everyone in the club has something to offer. If you would consider volunteering your time, I would assure you that the rewards far exceed the investment.

Ron Cole, Education Chair



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YBYC Has a Non-Profit!

That's right. We now have the ability to accept tax deductible donations! We can do that through the newly formed Oregon Coast Boating Safety and Education Foundation (OCBSEF). This Corporation has been formed for the purposes of community boating education and, as such, is eligible for 501(c) (3) tax exempt status. So, please keep us in mind if you are thinking about making a charitable donation. We are looking for items that can be resold that have significant value.

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Club member Laurie Weitkamp



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Adult Sailing Classes

September may seem a long time off, but the next round of Adult Sailing courses are just around the bend. Be sure to spread the news to your friends, family and co-workers. Space is limited so sign up soon. Registration information is available on the YBYC website at

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Adult Small Boat Beginning Sailing -
September 20-21, 27-28

Adult Keel Boat Beginning Sailing -
September 13-14, 20-21, 27-28



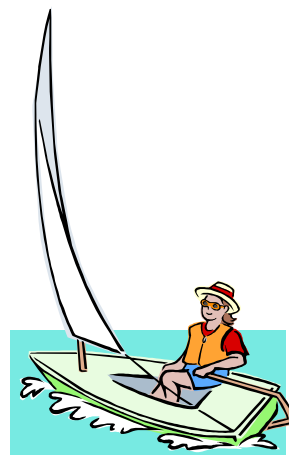
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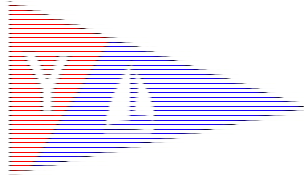
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Other upcoming events include the Columbus Day Regatta and the annual November General meeting. The Wednesday night sailors are out in force, preparing for the upcoming regatta. Be sure to contact our Race Chair, Terry, if you are interested in participating, either as a competitor or support staff. Club Board members will be out recruiting in the next few weeks for new crew to take the helm of our club. Please contact Ken Brown or Mac McConnell if you would like to help out in that area.

Take advantage of these beautiful fall days and we will see you on the water.

--Joe

Calendar in Brief

September

15 – Board Meeting
20 – General Meeting

October

11-12 – Columbus Day
Regatta

13 – Board Meeting
18 – General Meeting

November

10 – Board Meeting
15 – Annual Meeting

December

8 – Board Meeting
20 – General Meeting

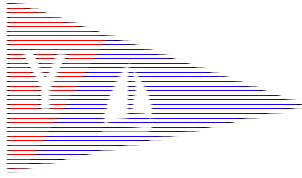
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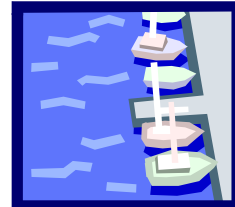
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Where: Clubhouse

When: 6 p.m. Saturday, September 20

Theme: Back to School Picnic



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Bring: Bring along all the fix'ns, your favorite beverage and desserts. We will have a trivia game with lots of fun a prizes.

Rear Commodore's Log

ACCOLADES in lore were given to persons for Personal Merit by touching them on their shoulders with a sword and declaring their knighthood. Yaquina Bay Yacht Club Accolades those who have given so selflessly as **VOLUNTEERS** with **HEARTFELT** thanks in lieu of the sword. Our club wouldn't be what it is and what it is becoming without you.

ACCOLADES TO OUR FIRST MATES

George Benton—Coordination of sailing fleet repairs and rigging of our Lido fleet, Pig roast master

Dave Schmaltz—Rigging and repairs of our Lido fleet, Master of meals and roasts

Barbara Schmaltz—Designs of clothing and trophies for the YBYC club and Regattas, Meals extraordinaire

Tim Myrick—Acquisition of parts for rigging repairs, sailboat mentor, chase boat operator

Dorothy Bogumil— Bookkeeping, and keeping us balanced.

Dick Schwartz—Ships stores

Tom McNamara—Repair of the Lido fleet, fiber-glassing, good humor

Alice McNamara—Clubhouse gardens and Ships Stores

Ken Brown—Servicing trailers and Whaler, Liaison with the Port, Chase boat and Sailboat mentor

John Dougherty— Servicing of the Whaler, chase boat, master of good cheer

Stephanie Brown— Creativity with Newsletter, Publicity and Outstanding work keeping the Club building ship-shape and rented

Doug Mecham—Youth Sailing Instructor developed the countywide youth program, Wrote and received grants for chase boat and program development, Participated in continuing education classes, Sailboat mentor, and Mission development idea guy

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Members' Corner

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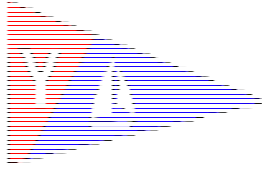
--Donita

Columbus Day Regatta October 11-12

On October 11-12 YBYC hosts our largest regatta of the year. With 30-40 boats on the water, we need lots of volunteers to help with Committee Boat, Chase boat, Shore-side Hospitality and more. Notice of Race and Entry forms are available on the YBYC website. Contact Terry Lettenmaier, Race Chair, for information on Racing or Volunteering lett@peak.org or 867-4603



If you're racing, don't forget to enter early- it saves you money and helps planning!



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Stephanie

Upcoming Cruise Directors

September 7 - Open
September 21 - Open
October 5 - Open
October 19 - Open

The November Annual Meeting needs your help!

We need volunteers to organize the meeting, bake prime rib, provide side dishes, decorate, and clean up afterwards. Please help make the annual meeting the pleasant evening we've all come to expect by lending a hand--if you don't do it, who will? Contact Laurie Weitkamp by email at laurie3665@hotmail.com or phone 867-4603 if you can help in any way.

Fall River Cleanup

September 27 is the Fall River Clean-up. This is your chance to give back to the community and clean up our bay at the same time. Once again, the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club is the west end start point. Come by the clubhouse in the morning between 8 and 9 a.m. For information contact Thompson Sanitary Service at (541) 265-7249.

Sailboat Racing News

Racing continues each Wednesday now through October 8. Sailing instructions and liability waiver forms are now posted on the web site and club bulletin board. Please see Terry Lettenmaier, race chair (lett@peak.org or 867-4603) during a club meeting to submit liability form and sign up for race committee or dinner host duties.

The starting sequence (with the fleet flags identified) is available on the website! Get ready for racing by learning the flags and audible signals.

Race results can be found on the Club's website and at the clubhouse.



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YBYC Has a Non-Profit!

That's right. We now have the ability to accept tax deductible donations! We can do that through the newly formed Oregon Coast Boating Safety and Education Foundation (OCBSEF). This Corporation has been formed for the purposes of community boating education and, as such, is eligible for 501(c) (3) tax exempt status. So, please keep us in mind if you are thinking about making a charitable donation. We are looking for items that can be resold that have significant value.

Ron Cole, Education Chair

.....Accolades, Cont from Page 2

Merry Petitclair-Youth sailing Instruction---Gave her whole summer to the youth program, repaired and sold Lido 14 for the club's benefit

Terry Lettenmaier- Racing Chair, Adult sailing, Mentoring

Laurie Weitkamp-Adult sailing, Mentoring, Grub and grog

Steve Leonard-Keeping the club grounds magnificent

Paul Erskine—Dock repairs, cradles for Lidos, Chase boat

Jerry Davis—Dock repairs

Donita Cole-Enlisting and mentoring new members, Keeping the Clubhouse and grounds looking great, Sail-fest and being a special friend to all.

Ron Cole—Endless and Ongoing work in Continuing education, Mission development, Chase boat operation, Sailboat mentoring and support of everything else the club does.

Joe Novello—Continuing education, Mission development and Sailboat mentoring

Peggy Novello-Club secretary, keeping the goings on of the Board in front of all

Dan Van Calcar—Adult sailing instruction

Diane Henkels-Adult sailing instruction, Legal counsel

Tom Murphy- Coast guard liaison, Tribal dancer, Chase boat operator and Kayak instructor

Heartfelt thanks to you from your YBYC crew!

There are many more people whose names are not mentioned but we do honor for their works and deeds to make the YBYC what it is and is becoming. If you know of persons who deserve our heartfelt thanks contact Rear Commodore Mac at Macmccconnell@peak.org.

From the YBYC Vessel whose charted course is fun and excitement on and around the water, may our celebrations be many, may we honor those deserving and sail well into the wind of our charted future with jib and main unfurled.



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4th Annual Toledo Wooden Boat Show a Success

Thanks to all those club members and friends who helped promote YBYC and boating at the Toledo Wooden Boat Show. Dick Schwartz, Mac McConnell, Alice McNamara for their time at the booth, Stephanie Brown, Steve Swan for set-up and tear down of the booth, Doug Mecham, Diane Henkels, Dan VanCalcar, Tom McNamara for their time on the water demonstrating sailing and transporting the boats. In addition, there were club members that participated in the boat show in other capacities: Tom Murphy gave kayak safety demonstrations, Karel Murphy worked hard all weekend at the Port Booth. Thanks again to you and to everyone who helped make this event a continued success for the YBYC and the Port of Toledo! YBYC's Ship's Store had \$165 in sales over the weekend!

YBYC Education Program Goes for the Record Books!

This year has been and continues to be a record breaking year for the club's education program. Tom broke a YBYC record by teaching four kayaking classes. Doug and Merry are tied for the gold by having also broken a Club record with four youth classes. The adult sailing classes was/is more like a four person relay race. There was the Off-Shore class (Joe) and the Beginning Sailing – Spring (Terry). The Beginning Sailing – Fall (Dan & Diane) and the Keel Boat class (Ron) are currently being offered this month.

There is an additional opportunity for gold, via the club's attempt to hold the second annual US Sailing Instructor's class. We currently have six sign-ups and we need eight. Please let me know if you, or someone you know, would like to be an instructor.

To support all of this activity and training, George coordinated the Fleet Maintenance Team which brought our dingy fleet back up to operating condition. Joe coordinated the Shed Building Team for much needed storage. Terry coordinated the Dock Rehab Team which expanded and improved our floating dock facilities. All of these teams are eligible for gold in my book.

Everyone involved, named or not, are true Olympians. Your dedication to our sport and your willingness to volunteer your time, for the benefit of others, deserves many laurels. All of you are going to look mighty good on the podium. Go Team YBYC!

-Ron Cole, Education Chair



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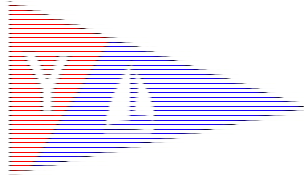
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Adult Sailing Classes

The next round of Adult Sailing courses are here. Be sure to spread the news to your friends, family and co-workers. Space is limited so sign up now. Registration information is available on the YBYC website at www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org

Adult Small Boat Beginning Sailing -
September 20-21, 27-28

Adult Keel Boat Beginning Sailing -
September 13-14, 20-21



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Commodore's Log



It seems like the sailing season should be drawing to a close. You would think that with the unsettled wet weather moving in, but I've had several wonderful days on the water in the past few weeks. The crabbing has been great in the bay, and the salmon are just beginning to make a presence.

This coming weekend we have one of our biggest events – the Columbus Day Regatta, and the weather looks like it will cooperate nicely. Englund Marine is also sponsoring the “You Da Man” fishing tournament on Saturday. Luckily, the fishermen should be off the water or upriver by the time we get our races under way.

The preparations for the regatta are just about completed all we need to do is just add sailors. I hope to see you on the water, or if you are not sailing, at the tuna dinner on Saturday night.

In the wake of the Columbus Day Regatta we have our annual membership meeting on November 15th. Along with the election of new officers, the board will propose some changes to the club by-laws. I hope you plan to attend this meeting to participate in the voting and hear about plans for 2009.

The board has worked hard this year to standardize procedures and practices. We've put together Operating Procedures so future officers will be consistent in the application of rules and processes involving club resources and activities. Several members of the education committee have been working on a strategic plan document to help formalize and guide the educational component of the club.

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October

11-12 – Columbus Day
Regatta

13 – Board Meeting
18 – General Meeting

November

10 – Board Meeting
15 – Annual Meeting

December

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20 – General Meeting

January

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17 – General Meeting

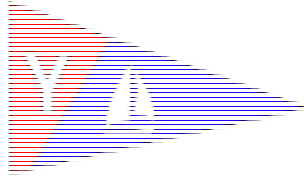
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October Monthly Meeting and Potluck

Where: Clubhouse
When: 6 p.m. Saturday, October 18
Theme: Pirate's Banquet



Ahoy mateys! Get yer eye-patch, parrot and peg leg out of the closet. Come to this month's Pirate Banquet in costume. Any landlubbers not in proper pirate attire will be dressed by the captain and crew, so come as you are --- if you dare!

YBYC will provide Pirate Stew, bring along your favorite side, salad or desserts to share, your place setting. And don't forget the yer GROG!

2009 Proposed Slate of Officers and Board Members

2009 Proposed Nominees, to be voted into office at the November 15 annual meeting of the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club membership.

#*	Commodore	Ken Brown
#*	Vice Commodore	Mac McConnell
#*	Rear Commodore	Open for Nominations
#*	Secretary	Alice McNamara
#*	Treasurer	Dorothy Bogumil
*	Fleet Chair	Tom McNamara
*	Race Chair	Terry Lettenmaier
*	Education Chair	Ron Cole
*	Membership Chair	Open for Nominations
*	House Chair	Stephanie Brown
*	Hospitality	Open for Nominations
*	Publicity Chair	Donita Cole
*	Newsletter and Web	Stephanie Brown
@	Ship's Store	Alice McNamara
@	Historical Committee	Open for Nominations

Denotes Club Officers *Denotes Board Members

@ Denotes Support Committees



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I will be resigning as Membership Chair at the end of this year. I have enjoyed working in this important position for the past four years. My plan is to help with the administrative duties of the club's Educational and Non Profit activities. Please consider stepping forward to help the club as Membership Chair in this rewarding and necessary position. If you would like help learning the duties of this position, I am willing to help you.

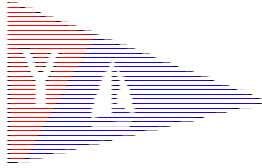
--Donita

Columbus Day Regatta October 11-12

On October 11-12 YBYC hosts our largest regatta of the year. With 30-40 boats on the water, we need lots of volunteers to help with Committee Boat, Chase boat, Shore-side Hospitality and more. Notice of Race and Entry forms are available on the YBYC website. Contact Terry Lettenmaier, Race Chair, for information on Racing or Volunteering lett@peak.org or 867-4603

We are offering a Fresh Grilled Tuna dinner on Saturday night, you can purchase your dinner tickets at the clubhouse on Saturday morning for \$15.00. And you don't even have to race!





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Weekend Cruises

Join us for sailing excursions on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Upcoming dates are October 5 and 19 and November 2 and 16. Rally begins at noon near the CG buoy outside the Embarcadero Marina. All boats are encouraged to get out and enjoy our beautiful bay.

To really get these cruises going, we need skippers to choose dates that they'd like to be the Cruise Director. As Cruise Director, you can plan what sort of adventure we embark on. It's as easy as telling us, "We're going to picnic at Riverbend on Sunday." Or "I'm heading to the Lighthouse at 11am." Or whatever else you might like to do on the water on your day as Cruise Director.

There's a discussion open on the Google Group, please use the forum to check on cruise plans and add your own ideas. It's open for us all to post messages. Your input is needed! -
Stephanie

Upcoming Cruise Directors

October 5 – Open
October 19 – Open
November 2 – Open
November 16 - Open

The November Annual Meeting needs your help!

The YBYC's Annual Election of Officers and prime rib dinner is here. We need volunteers help this meeting go smoothly. Please help make the annual meeting the wonderful evening we've all come to expect by lending a hand--if you don't do it, who will? See list below for the sort of assistance we're looking for.

Bake Scalloped Potatoes – 2 needed
Set-up, Decorate – 4 needed
Carve and Serve Dinner – 2 needed
Clean-up – 4 needed

Contact Stephanie Brown to help 541-265-4575 alaskamissy_2000@yahoo.com

Your invitation will arrive in the mail with your 2009 Dues Notice. Please RSVP early so we can plan the best event possible!

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2009 promises to be a year full of activities and growth for our club. In the meantime, we have several activities to keep us busy. Remember there are still great sailing days between storms. Be sure to take advantage when you can.

See you on the water.

-Joe



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Ron Cole, Education Chair

Club and Community Involvement

More and more people are getting involved in the club and the education program. Here are two examples:

Last month, Dan and Diane taught an Adult Beginning Sailing class. They had a full class with 10 students, 4 of which are interested in assisting with future classes. (Nice Job, you two!)

Terry will be overseeing the US Sailing Instructor class that is being held this month. I believe that 7 students are signed-up, with many of them being club members who are interested in teaching future classes. (Well done, Terry!)

Club and community involvement are what is making the club and the education program so strong. For those of you who are not yet involved, please consider joining us for next year. It is a gratifying way of giving back.

I can't thank the instructors, the maintenance team, and all of the students enough. The education program has grown by leaps and bounds this year due to your contributions. None of this would have happened if it were not for your efforts. Thank you one and all!

-Ron Cole, Education Chair

Sailboat Racing News

Wednesday racing is all done for the year, but we can still have fun on the water. We have scheduled sailing excursions twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Sundays. See the article about Weekend Cruises for information (Page 4). There may not be scoring or trophies, but everyone always has a good time!

Now is a great time to join the Race Committee and get prepared for next year. We have opportunities for volunteers to help Terry with race planning, learning about racing strategy and tactics, learning to operate the chase boat, and learning how to be part of the Committee Boat's crew.

2008 Race and Regatta results can be found on the Club's website and at the clubhouse.



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Proposed Change to YBYC Bylaws

At November's general meeting, we will be asking the general membership to vote on the following proposed addition to the YBYC Bylaws:

“The approval of a memorandum of agreement of memorandum of understanding requires a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a Board Meeting.”

Q: What is a memorandum of agreement?

A: “A memorandum of agreement is basically a contract among entities where each will do/give something(s) to the other.” Diane Henkels

Q: What is a memorandum of understanding?

A: “A memorandum of understanding is more a reflection of aspiration of where the two or more entities would [like] their relationship to take them.” Diane Henkels

Q: Who are the Board of Directors members?

A: “Members: the Board of Directors is Composed of the Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Chairpersons of the eight Operational Committees.” (Bylaws of YBYC, Article VI(A))

Q: Why do we want to change the Bylaws?

A: Our current Bylaws are silent as to who can approve either of the above memorandums on behalf of the club. This proposed change would define the approval process of such agreements. Requiring a majority vote of the Board of Directors has value because these agreements could have ramifications that could affect the whole club.

Q: Has the Club ever entered into such an agreement?

A: Yes. A memorandum of understanding was entered into for the benefit of this year's youth sailing program.

Q: Does the Club expect to enter into these agreements in the future?

A: Yes. One expected use of a memorandum would be for an annual educational agreement with outside organizations and/or the Oregon Coast Boating Safety and Education Foundation. Another helpful use could be for documenting agreements between the Club and the Winery as it relates to the Seafood and Wine Festival.

If there are any unanswered questions, please feel free to contact me or any board member.

-Ron Cole, Education Chair



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Clubhouse Update

October 1 - Fall Series – Evening
 October 2 – Skills Class – 5:30 p.m.
 October 8 – Fall Series – Evening
 October 9 – Skills Class – 5:30 p.m.
 October 10 – Rented Daytime
 October 11-12 – Columbus Day Regatta
 October 13 – Board Meeting 7 p.m.
 October 16-19 – Instructor Training
 October 18 – Monthly Potluck, 6 p.m.
 October 21 – Rented all Day

November 10 – Board Meeting 7pm
 November 15 – Annual Meeting and
 Election of Officers
 November 16 – Rented All Day



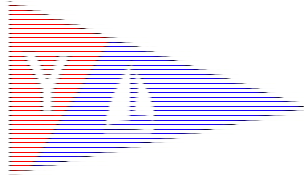
Please respect the privacy of our renters, their return business keeps the club going! Your ongoing help is appreciated in keeping our clubhouse neat and ready to rent, Thanks!
 Contact Stephanie for rental or calendar information or go on the website.

Did you know? Members can use the clubhouse for small informal gatherings anytime it's not reserved or rented, with the understanding that other club members may use it also. And, you can have one no-charge, exclusive use of the clubhouse per year, with board approval. Check with the house chair before scheduling your event. In the case of informal member use, you may be bumped by a paying renter. For guaranteed exclusive use of the club, use your one annually allowed use, or you can always take advantage of the deeply discounted member-rental rates and rent the club as often as you like!

Wednesday Night Race Results, Fall Series

Unofficial Results

PHRF	9-17	9-24	10-1	10-8	Total
Cheap Sunglasses	(4)	1	1		
Annie's Fannie	2.0	(8 DNC)	5 RC		
Chey Breeze	3.0	5 RC	(7 DNF)		
Full Monty	1.0	(8DNC)	7 DNS		
Son O Beech	7 DNF	(8 DNC)	7 DNF		
Tenderly	(8 DNC)	8 DNC	7 DNF		
Kai Mu	7 DNF	(8 DNC)	7 DNF		



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Commodore's Log



The election is over and we have a new President and a Commodore, too. While I didn't spend the money for campaigning that the president-elect did, I hope that the board and I can do all that we can to survive the economic downturn and make this club grow.

We all need to thank Joe and Peggy for their hard work over the last year; the tools and plans that Joe has guided us in are going to be instrumental in the planning and operation of the club for years to come. All members of this club should be proud of the hard work that Joe put forth, not only as commodore but as instructor in our 1st (annual? Joe) offshore sailing class.

This year's annual meeting was organized by the best person ever, she did the best job that I have ever been a witness to. Ok she is my wife but she is also the best sailor and mother that I know- THANK YOU honey, err... I mean house chair, newsletter chair, webmaster chair, and winner of most of the trophies, Stephanie Brown. She could not have done it without the help of Gary and Vicki Mines, and all the wonderful Chefs and sous' Chefs.

This year all of the board members will be looking for help with their position from the membership, as I have requested that they have a committee of three for every board position to help them guide us through this next year. So, expect to hear from a board member about volunteering to help.

The lighted boat parade was a tremendous success this year as we had six members' boats showing everything that they had. We even had the moon on one boat (BLAINE, you did WHAT!) with Blaine winning Honorable Mention.

This month's meeting will be on Sat the 20th at 10:00 am for a Brunch, hosted by the Myricks featuring the Batemans' famous omelets in a bag.

Annabelle Steph and I will see you there.

-- Ken

Calendar in Brief

December

8 – Board Meeting
20 – General Meeting

January

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20-22 - Seafood and Wine Festival

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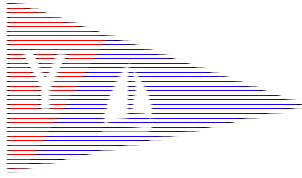
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14 – Board Meeting
25 – General Meeting
25-26 – Loyalty Days Regatta

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December Monthly Meeting

Where: Clubhouse

When: 10a.m Saturday, December 20

Theme: Holiday Brunch, an Omelet in a Bag

Provided: Farm Fresh Eggs & Shredded Cheese for Omelet Bar, Hash Browns, Coffee & Orange Juice (Mimosas while supply lasts)

Please Bring:

An omelet ingredient to share with everyone and/or side dish to go with above, and your place setting.



If you would like to participate in a small gift exchange (optional), please bring a wrapped gift that you might like to receive.

What a treat . . . We'll be enjoying Farm Fresh Free Range Eggs, from Amy at Lasting Legacy Ranch in Corvallis! (amyjoandco@msn.com)

Reminder: Annual Membership Dues Must Be Paid By December 31

Members of YBYC receive reciprocal rights at many yacht clubs around the world, free entry in the club's weeknight sailboat racing, free and/or discounted use of the clubhouse, free use of select club sailboats and powerboats, free and/or discounted boat-handling classes, and invitation to all the club's social activities and volunteer opportunities. Besides all these things, you also get camaraderie and good times for all.

15th Annual Lighted Boat Parade

Congratulations to Blaine Crichton for his award of Honorable Mention for his lighted boat decorations. Other club members participating this year were the Browns, the Murphy's, the Coles, the Novellos, Jeff and Merry, the McNamaras, new member Nairne Dickey, and the McConnells, in addition to prospective club members Kevin and Dawn and family, and Elliott and Daniella Crowder and family. The weather was perfect and the event drew an amazing crowd to the piers and docks on shore. Make your plans now to participate in next year's parade!



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Please welcome Mike and Claire Magee and their children Graham, Nathan, and Carlie as new members to YBYC. They are long time friends of Blaine Crichton, who invited them to join our club. Way to go Blaine! Also welcome new member Nairne Dickey, Nairne has been racing aboard Chey-Breeze this year and is excited about being an active member in YBYC. Please introduce yourselves to our newest members and help make them feel welcome.

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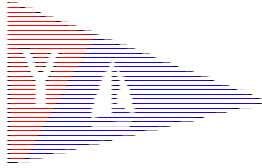
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Newsletter and Web	Stephanie Brown
Ship's Store	Alice McNamara
Historical Committee	Joe Novello & Bob Meyer





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Thanks!

I have enjoyed being the Membership Chair these past 4 years. Thanks to the many members who have helped me with computer skills, ideas, printing needs, etc. I always had help when I asked for it. Thank you all so very much.

-Donita

Weekend Cruises

November had some great sailing days. We were out on the 2nd, the 16th, and a bonus sunny day on the 23rd.

Join us for sailing excursions on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Upcoming dates are December 21, January 1, January 4, January 18. Rally begins at noon near the CG buoy outside the Embarcadero Marina. All boats are encouraged to get out and enjoy our beautiful bay.

There's a discussion open on the Google Group, let's use the forum to check on cruise plans and add cruising ideas. It's open for us all to post messages.

-Stephanie

Upcoming Cruise Directors

December 7 – Open
December 21 – Open
January 4 – Open
January 18 - Open

The November Annual Meeting

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the various pieces of the Annual Meeting.

Thanks to Dorothy, Paul, Gary, and Karel, the prime rib chefs, and Peggy, Laurie, Donita the scalloped potato queens. Set-up was courtesy of Becka, Nairne, Gary and Vicki, with table linens provided by Hector and Affordable Burial and Cremation. Prime rib carving and service by Gary and Tim, with back up from Becka and Nairne.

Thanks to all of the members for bringing your wonderful side dishes, salads, and deserts.

Lots of people helped clean up and do dishes, and it was thoroughly appreciated.

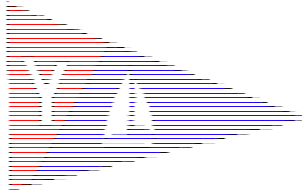
- Stephanie

Club Lido 14s on the dock

Two of YBYC's Lido 14s are on the dinghy dock and available for club member use. These 2 or 3 person dinghies are fun to sail and explore Yaquina Bay.

To use the Lidos, check the online calendar for availability, and place your reservation by contacting Stephanie Brown at alaskamissy_2000@yahoo.com or 541-265-4575; reservations are posted online on the club's website www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org under the 'Calendar' tab.

Lido sails, rudders/tillers, and safety equipment are kept in the shed along with a sign-out sheet: indicate when and where you're headed and whether the boat needs repair once you return. Lido users must have a signed club waiver on file (available on the YBYC website). Happy sailing!



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2009 Calendar

Pencil in the meetings and circle the regattas! Loyalty Days Regatta will be held April 25-26, Bridge to Bridge will be held August 8-9, Sailfest Youth Day will be held August 22, Columbus Day Regatta will be on October 10-11. Board Meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, though some may be rescheduled to accommodate board member needs. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month, though this year has three exceptions: February's meeting is on Sunday February 15, April's meeting is on Saturday April 25 following the regatta's racing, and August's meeting is on Saturday August 22 as part of the Sailfest.

For complete schedule, including classes, clubhouse rentals and any changes to the usual events, see the YBYC website at www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org

PHRF Certificates: a Change for the 2009 Season

Since taking over race chair responsibilities last year, the most difficult issue I've dealt with is enforcing our requirement that keelboats have PHRF certificates. For those in the club that don't race, we use the PHRF (Performance Handicap Racing Fleet) handicap system to score our keelboat fleet. Handicaps are determined by the organization PHRF-NW; each year, boat owners send in \$40 fee with their boat measurements and PHRF-NW provides a certificate with the handicap. Our policy has been to require a current certificate for a boat to have a rating; we score boats without certificates with a handicap of zero, a very undesirable rating. For both our Wednesday night races and our two regattas last year, about half of the boats participating didn't have PHRF certificates. At the regattas, most of the boats from outside of our club did not have PHRF certificates. To avoid mutiny at the fall regatta, I changed the sailing instructions at the last minute and assigned handicaps to the boats that didn't have PHRF certificates.

For all races during the 2009 sailing season, I want to change our policy and use the system that I used at the Columbus Day regatta. If a boat doesn't have a PHRF certificate, the race chair will assign a provisional rating. The provisional ratings will not be contestable, and most likely they will not be as favorable as the ratings provided by PHRF-NW. There were no complaints about this system at the Columbus Day regatta and I think it can work well for our other races as well. Sailors are still encouraged to get a certificate from PHRF-NW in order to get the best handicap for their boat and to support the PHRF-NW organization, but they can participate and be scored if they don't.

I'll write the sailing instructions for our Wednesday night racing next March or April. I plan to include this change, but of course if you have strong feelings otherwise let me know. I'm open to other ideas.

-Terry Lettenmaier, Race Chair



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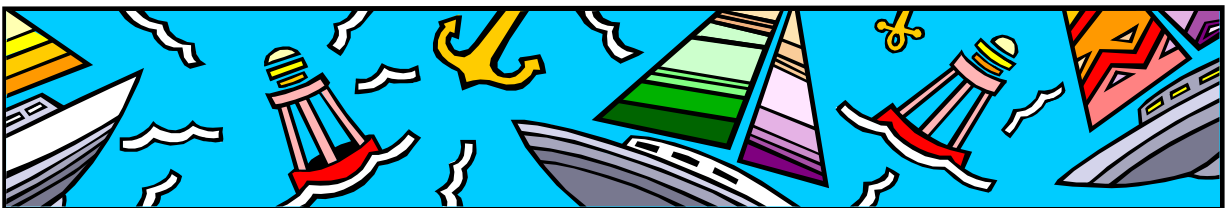
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Seeking Publicity Ideas

I am looking forward to my new position as Publicity Chair and believe it is a great opportunity for me to help our club. However, this is brand new territory for me and I could use your help.

Do you have any ideas about groups to target, people to contact, how to go about this? Do you have any experience in publicity - flyers, newspaper article writing, whatever? Do you have marketing ideas to promote our club to the community? Do you have a club activity that you need covered? Please contact me, Donita Cole, with any ideas you might have on this topic. Thanks! - *Donita*



Clubhouse Update

December 3-7 Rented – Holiday House

December 8 – Board Meeting 7 p.m.

December 12 – Rented All Day

December 13 – Rented All Day

December 19 – Rented Evening

December 20 – Monthly Meeting and Potluck

December 21 – Rented Daytime

January Board Meeting 7 p.m.

January 14 – Rented All Day

January 17 – Monthly Meeting & Potluck

Please respect the privacy of our renters; their return business keeps the club going! Your ongoing help is appreciated in keeping our clubhouse neat and ready to rent, Thanks!
Contact Stephanie for rental or calendar information or go on the website.

Did you know? Members can use the clubhouse for small informal gatherings anytime it's not reserved or rented, with the understanding that other club members may use it also. And, each membership can have one no-charge, exclusive use of the clubhouse per year, with board approval. Check with the house chair before scheduling your event. In the case of informal member use, you may be bumped by a paying renter.



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Volunteer opportunities

YBYC has opportunities for you to contribute. As a non-profit organization, our success depends on the strength of you, our members, and your involvement. Ways you can help include gardening, cleaning, teaching, joining the board, towing trailered boats to or from classes, representing the club at community events, work parties to maintain our buildings, docks, and boats, helping with races, hosting a meeting, sharing your experiences at meetings, mentoring new members and the list goes on. Many of the board chairpersons need a member or two to help on their committees.

Current positions available for 2009 term:

Boat Show Coordinator
Planning Committee
Audit Committee

Talk to any Board Member about how you can get more involved in **your** yacht club's activities or join a committee.

Pre-Departure Checklists

Before you cast off, use a checklist and be prepared for your outing. Below are some suggestions. This is not a complete list and may not be right for each boat.

- Float Plan prepared and shared with someone
- Charts, Compass, GPS, etc
- Weather and Tide Check
- Radio, cell phone
- 1 PFD per person
- Throwable Flotation Device and Line
- Sound Producing Device
- Visual Signaling Device
- Anchor and rode
- Fuel and Oil and Batteries
- Bailing Device
- First Aid Kit
- Fire Extinguisher(s)
- Necessary Tools
- Spare Parts
- Spare Line
- Extra Clothing or Blankets
- Fenders and Docklines
- Registration and Insurance Cards
- Provisions, beverages (beer, water)

Want to Make a Tax Deductible Donation?

That's right. We now have the ability to accept tax-deductible donations! We can do that through the newly formed Oregon Coast Boating Safety and Education Foundation (OCBSEF). This Corporation has been formed for the purposes of community boating education and, as such, is eligible for 501(c) (3) tax-exempt status. So, please keep us in mind if you are thinking about making a charitable donation. We are looking for items that can be resold that have significant value, though your cash donation is always graciously appreciated.

Ron Cole, Education Chair