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Yacht Club Calendar

19-Monthly meeting/St. Patrick's Day feast

Blessing of the Fleet

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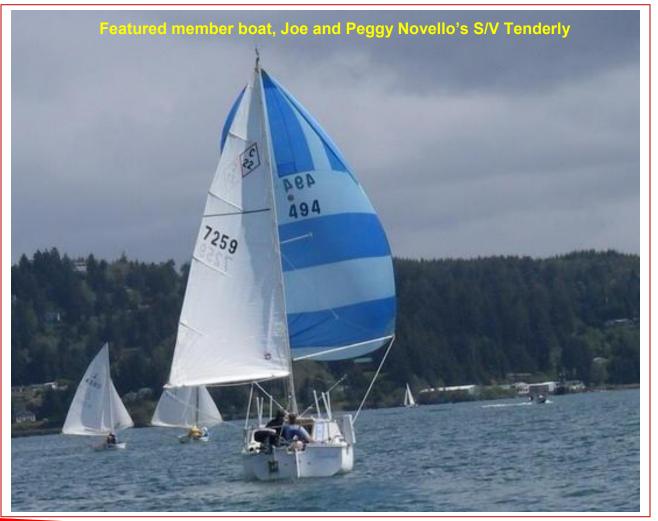
March roared in like a lion bending the aluminum frames and shredding the tents of the seasonally erected structure that a few days earlier sheltered thousands of visitors to Newport's Seafood and Wine Festival. Fortunately weather issues during the festival itself were more benign in nature with a bit of cold resulting in no need to ice the whites, many folks heating up their reds a bit, and some frozen rinse water pitchers found in the early morning hours at festival booths. By all accounts those who attended the Festival thoroughly enjoyed themselves as did the YBYC crew that volunteered to serve at our booth. Thanks to all who helped make this year's event a success!

By the time you read this the updated members handbook with the club's basic operating procedures will be posted in the files section of the YBYC Yahoo Group website. For those of you who may not be familiar with this document it is a great source of information about how things generally operate at YBYC. If you have a question about how to rent the clubhouse, sponsor use of the clubhouse by your favorite non-profit group, or check out one of the clubs sailboats or powerboats available for member use, this is where to get the answers. Check it out!

After being extended until March 9, the in-water work window for the Port of Newport's projects at the new NOAA Marine Operations Center on the south side of the bay and the International Terminal on the north side of the bay has now ended. The hose for the dredging operations that Joe Novello noted sailors should keep a watchful eye out for in last month's Jib Sheet should soon be out of the bay. The HS sailing teams sailed in the first regatta. They traveled to Seattle to sail on Lake Washington for a one day regatta. Word from the coach is that there are rock stars to be found in this young crop of YBYC sailors. The teams made very respectable showings in their first regatta and I'm told that all learned much about the way these regattas are run. Well done.

But the kids aren't the only ones that get to have fun. It was a lovely day for sailing on Frostbite Sunday, March 6. There were 6 boats taking full advantage of the beautiful weather and near perfect sailing conditions. There was some talk early on about venturing out onto the ocean which looked quite inviting, but they agreed to course kept boats in the bay. Of course one skipper, consulted with his crew about the call of the ocean he heard while approaching the mark at 7. The fact that he was his own crew helped make the consultation an easily reached consensus, and it was decided to keep on heading west for a while instead of rounding 7 and heading back into the bay to 12a. Regardless of their chosen course all who ventured out sailing had a great time in our wonderful winter weather. Let's hope the weather on the vernal equinox that marks the first day of spring and our next Frostbite March 20th is at least as nice!

Fair winds and following seas, Greg



More News You Can Use



Member Travels

On February 13, I was able to use our fine YBYC facility to show my pictures of the volunteer travel experience I had in Tanzania last Fall. The digital projector worked like a dream and thanks to Joe Novello who helped me set it up, I had a trouble free media show. About 30 people gathered, including a good representation of YBYC, and participated in a raffle that raised nearly \$400 for The Foundation for Tomorrow, an American non-profit that benefits orphanages in northern Tanzania, where I lived and worked in September-October 2010. I was overwhelmed with the generosity of everyone there.

My trip to Tanzania was the brainchild of my adventurous sister, Barbara. As she talked about wanting to try a volunteer travel program in Africa, I became interested in joining her. After gathering as much information about what this would entail, we decided to go for it--and we are so glad we did. We stayed in a volunteer home in a village called Tengeru, which is in the shadow of Mt. Meru. Tengeru is 12 km east of Arusha, Tanzania. Arusha is known for being the city where many Safaris leave from, as you can reach the most popular National Parks in a few hours. Every week day, Barbara and I would walk about 3/4 of a mile to the main road and catch a dala-dala to go the the village of Nkoaranga where the orphanage was. The ride on the dala-dalas was one of the real adventures of our trip. As many people, animals and packages as possible are squeezed onto vans that come very frequently along the main road. There is no such thing as "personal space" and the fumes from the vehicles were sometimes overwhelming. We worked at the orphanage, which housed 22 children infants-6 years old about 4 hours each day. The work was pretty intense, so these two grandma women were pretty tired by the time we headed back home. Our work was primarily hands on care of the children, both in the orphanage and in the pre-school the older children attended each day. They were so short staffed that they depended on volunteers to provide care. We worked there for one month, then we spent one week traveling and going on safari to see the wonderful animals in their natural habitat.

I would encourage any of you to consider a volunteer travel program. You can broaden your horizons while you are being of real help to the local people. There is a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. We were by far the oldest volunteers at the orphanage, and I think we were some of the most productive. It was truly an experience that I'll never forget--and I'll value forever the people I met and depended on while a guest in their country. If you'd like more information about how to get in touch with agencies that place volunteers abroad, please give me a call.

Mary Ann Beggs

Mary Ann Beggs with Mama Margaret, two other volunteers and children at Nkoaranga Orphanage in Tanzania.





Monthly Meeting Notice March 19



St. Patricks Day Theme for the March Meeting Dinner. Corned Beef and cabbage will be provided by the YBYC, bring your favorite Irish side dish or Dessert as well as your favorite beverage.

Social time begins and 6:30 and dinner starts at 7:00 pm. If anyone would like to help with the dinner please contact Pat Blackburn (541) 570-9109

Quote of the Month

"He who lets the sea lull him into a sense of security is in very grave danger." -Hammond Innes

Sailing News from 'Round the World



The 470 has been an Olympic class since the 1976 Games. The event was initially an open class, but since the 1988 Games there have been separate events for men and women. The current proposal for the 2016 Olympics is for the 470 to be used in a coed event.

There are some that question why the 470 is used at all. It is nearly a 50 year old design, and with high performance skiffs providing exciting doublehanded options, why do the Olympics continue to support this class? Perhaps because the boat is hard to sail.

Thirty-one year old Australian Nathan Wilmot is a five time 470 class World Champion, and he along with Malcolm Page dominated the 470 event at the 2008 Summer Olympics. Nathan has retired from the class, and is now more likely to be found at the elite keelboat events.

The value of the 470, according to Nathan, is in its complexity. "You need to understand how the rig works and how the sails set up and then adapt your sailing technique to get the most out of it - like when to be vanging and when not to be, when to drop the rig back or when to rake the centerboard. The fine-tune makes a difference all the way around the race course. The challenge is knowing the timing of that and being able to race at the same time - this is where that next step to be with the top guys is made. -- Complete interview: http://www.470.org/content.asp?id=2446

Race Committee Notes



It's March, finally. Frostbite series is continuing. Spring is around the corner and planning for our spring regatta is going to start up. In fact, planning starts right at the first of the year with application needing to be submitted well in advance for the permit. Watch for the notice of race and for a sign-up to help with all the activities that go into it. The regatta is on 23 and 24 April and it will be here before you know it.

We have a committee boat already: Hot Tub. Dorothy has volunteered to do breakfast again and Joe Novello is joining me on committee. As you can see, the planning starts early so if you want to get involved in your favorite way, sign up before the sign-up sheet gets posted or the good jobs will be taken. Whether it's starting and timing races on the committee boat or helping with dinner or any other job that you love to do, make sure you don't miss out.

This year we have something brand new: a High School Sailing Team that is sponsored by YBYC. The regatta coincides with the end of high school sail racing season so the high school racing team is going to compete for Lincoln County bragging rights.

This year's regatta also coincides with Easter on Sunday the 24th. This may create a conflict with some families so we are going to organize it as two, one day regattas so not everyone has to stay for both days. The details all need to be worked out so look for the forthcoming notice of race.

Mike Blackburn

Funny Bonz

Definitions from: <u>SAILING</u> (a pocket dictionary) by Henry Beard and Roy McKie, c. 2001 Workman Publishing, NY.



SAILING 1. n. the fine art of getting wet and becoming ill while slowly going nowhere at great expense.

KEEL n. Heavily weighted, finlike appendage on the bottom of a sailboat designed to keep it from tipping over until it is well out of sight of land.

FLOTSAM n. Anything floating in the water, from which there is no response when an offer of a cocktail is made.

-Tom Mcnamara

Member Renewal Time

It's time to renew your membership! If you didn't receive your notice - contact Membership Chair Mac McConnell at <u>:macmcconnell@peak.org</u> Do you know someone who has everything? This is a great time to gift a membership, too.

Bridge to Bridge August 19-21



It is my understanding that help is still needed for one of the Club's signature events. This 100NM race began in 1977 and last year our Club provided tremendous support and hospitality. Please call Stephanie at 541-961-1823 if you are able to lend a hand.

March Meeting

The March wine tasting went very well. Red Diamond wines were poured and enjoyed by all. Thanks to the Fulmor's for hosting. Cheers!



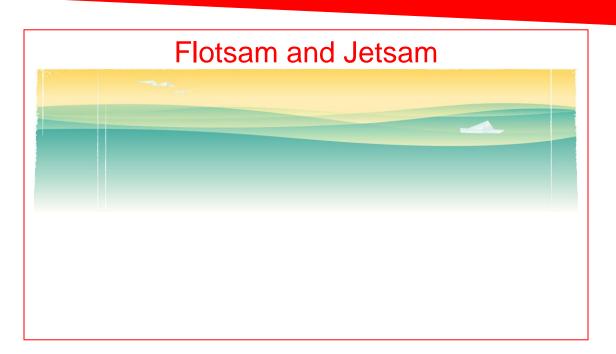
Blessing of the Fleet

The annual Blessing of the Fleet will be held on March 19th. Survival suit races and other activities will also take place. The actual Blessing begins at 1:00p.m. For more info please see http://www.newportfishermenswives.com/blessing_of_the_fleet



Member Handbook Posted

The member handbook is now posted on the Club's website. This should be read by all members. Thanks go out to the Board for its hard work. Board minutes are also listed so feel free to browse them at your leisure.-Jeff



- Remember you can make a *tax-deductible* donation through the Oregon Boating Foundation. The money is used to provide community boating education and all donations are greatly appreciated. Please contact Ron Cole for further information.
- The club has Lido 14 sailboats available for club member use. These 2 or 3 person dinghies are fun to sail and explore Yaquina Bay. They're conveniently located on the port dock near the clubhouse. To use the Lidos, check the online calendar for availability, and place your reservation by contacting Tom Mcnamara at ; mcntm@msn.com reservations are posted online on the club's website www.yaquinabayyachtcluborg under the 'Calendar' tab.
- Don't forget to use our Yahoo group site at <u>http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ybycgroup/</u> It's the best place to keep up on club and member activities, chat and exchange info with fellow members. You can also read Board minutes. The Club also has a Facebook page, check it out! It's updated frequently so you can be sure to keep abreast of club activities.
- Ships Store- Please do not forget to check out all the fine items at the ships store. Not only are you buying quality merchandise you can use, but it helps support the YBYC!

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<u>Editors Corner</u>



Greetings: One of the noblest things a person can do is to help the less fortunate. That is why I ran Mary Ann's tale. While not a sailing story, a Club such as ours is known for its character (as well as its characters). If you have any tales you would like published, please submit them.

Thank you to everyone who helped at the Festival. This was yet another of our successful Community efforts.

Our own Rear Commodore Cap'n Fulmor has a very good website I recommend you check out: <u>http://www.sailinglinks.com/</u>

Thanks to Pam Voss for all her hard work on our website, it looks great.

We were reminded once again this week of the Ocean's awesome might, once again we were lucky. But please remember the Boy Scouts mantra- Be Prepared! Be safe sailors. Cheers, Jeff

Member-2-Member Network

Have you ever needed a carpenter, cabinet maker, tile setter, tire company and didn't know who to call? Ever needed to have an item on your boat or home repaired, but had no idea where to call? Rather than calling a stranger or looking in the yellow pages, **call another YBYC member!** Every member who runs a business or performs a service is encouraged to signup. It's totally FREE to members! Non-members pay a nominal fee. Want to get yourself listed? Email the YBYC newsletter editor at jcressy@charter.net with your listing information. We need to support our own, especially in this economic climate. Please consider doing what you can.

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YBYC Classified



<u>For Sail</u>

Jib, condition Fair, hanks, Leech 33' Luff 35' Foot 15.5 \$75.00 Jib, condition Fair, hanks, 1 reef, Luff 32.5', Leech 30'3", Foot 16.5'

\$75.00

Mainsail off 42' Westsail, no slugs/slides, no battens (full pockets), Dutchman modified, 2 reef points, material & stitching good, batten pockets need stitching at leech, Luff 48'10" Leech 50' Foot 17'3", condition Poor overall due to missing hardware

\$75.00

Cascade 36 Main, plastic slide foot & luff, 3 reef points, missing battens, Luff 36' Leech 39'3" Foot 14.5', condition Fair/Poor

\$75.00

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