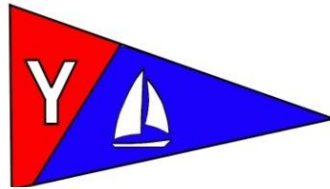


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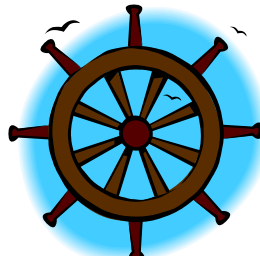
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## Commodores Log

Hi Allya'all,

Well here it is the middle of winter and the weather has allowed us to not only be outside and enjoy but for some to be able to enjoy the bay in their boats...good onya all that have been getting out on the "Frostbite" series, though it isn't living up to its namesake yet. Your board is looking into the addition of a 1200sq' additional building adjacent to the clubhouse, this will allow us to store our Kayaks for the classes, the JY Trainers, and the 420's which need repair as well as many other uses in a dry indoor facility. At present the conceptual drawings are being engineered so that we can present a comprehensive package to the port. Upon their approval we will present the plans and concept to the general membership for your approval prior to applying for a permit and commencing any construction. This will also present an opportunity to anyone in the club with money to invest to help out the club and make a tidy profit (Interest) while doing so. More details to come soon, this is just a heads up to stem any rumors that might be out there. This month is the Seafood and Wine extravaganza at the South Beach location where it is always held. There is a need for volunteer effort to man the booth, setup and teardown, if you have time to help out, it is a great fundraiser for the club *and* you get free entrance for your volunteer effort. Details on Yahoo Groups. We are going to undertake a remodel on the second boathouse sometime soon to make it a viable platform for the kayaks for use on the bay. It is in need of improved flotation and it is thought that we may make a new platform to improve the height for easier access and storage of the kayaks and equipment, the crab rings and Aluminum boat therein are for the use of members and before the spring gets here we hope to have 2 kayaks fully outfitted in there as well. This will be another volunteer opportunity if you have time and interest. Date to be set soon.

We will soon have carpet in the clubhouse, the carpet has been purchased, we got a screamin' deal on it at Habitat for Humanity thanks to the sharp lookout skills of Stephanie and the proximity of Mac to the source we were able to swoop in and get it for a song...

There will be some changes in the way we deploy our furniture but these concerns are being addressed. There may be need for some help with this project but just think about the reduction in sound transmission which should be achieved by this endeavor.

The High School Team is getting ready to get underway this month as well as classes on various aspects of our sport/hobby which will be happening starting on Feb. 22, at 4:30 p.m. so the kids can participate following their normal team meeting/class. This will be on Fiberglass repair presented by none other than our own Tom McNamara and he will be repairing one of our 420's and imparting years of hard earned knowledge on the subject, this is something all of us seem to have to deal with at some time or another.

There are other classes scheduled in the near future, decisions to be made about our race season format and soon we will be back on the water, I for one can't wait.

You can't change the wind but you can adjust your sails

Best Wishes, Paul



## **Helmets and High School Sailing**

Helmets???

What's up with that? The Americas Cup crews are wearing helmets. Now the question is "should we be wearing them too?" "?" A lot of discussion has been occurring around the use of helmets for

sailing. Several of the High School Sailing Team coaches attended a coaching clinic in Seattle this past weekend in which the helmet issue was brought up. The following is an excerpt from a handout at that clinic:

Common sense would suggest that helmets reduce the risk of concussion, and helmets are certainly encouraged by some specialists. However there is conflicting evidence about helmet effectiveness for moderate to heavy head bumps. Helmets protect against outer skull and scalp injuries and minor bumps, but do little to protect the brain from bouncing around inside the skull in a more forceful knock. Most of the research is focused on the sports like football, boxing, or soccer and although helmet technology improvement is underway, most of the effort is towards modifying athlete behaviors to avoid head hits. Concern is also voiced about a false sense of safety while using a helmet leading to heavier head hits, or greater risk taking among youth. There is a bit of a learning curve for experienced sailors new to a helmet and sailors who have used helmets have mentioned needing to learn to duck slightly lower to avoid the boom hitting the helmet during routine tacks, and occasional lines hanging up on the lower edge of a helmet.

It appears there is no definitive answer. The experts are unable to agree if wearing helmets makes our sport safer or if it causes more risk. So what are we going to do? As high school coaches we are not going to make any recommendations. We are going to share as much information about helmets as we have with parents and youth sailors and let them make an informed decision.

So why do the Americas Cup racers wear helmets? It may have something to do with expected speeds over 40 knots and the potential of falling forty feet from the hull of a capsized boat. —Joe Novello

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They say as we get older we get set in our ways, and any change or disturbance of the status quo can become something to fear and avoid. It may not be true of everyone, but I find myself often musing about the “good ‘ole days” when things were simpler and easier, at least in the fantasyland of my memory.

The problem with that way of thinking is that when we stop learning, experimenting, and embracing change, we also stop growing and evolving, and actually begin the process of dying. If you’re like me, not ready for that yet, one cure is to get out there and learn something new, improve on what’s already known, and not get complacent. As a lifelong sailor, if there is one thing I could tell you for sure, there will always be something more to learn. For that matter there is always something to unlearn as well, like lifelong bad habits or outmoded ways of doing things. So what does any of this have to do with the price of tea in China, you ask? The point I’m trying to make is that an organization, being made up of people, can act like an older person sometimes, easily getting stuck in a comfortable rut that appears to be the only way to go, thinking “if it ain’t broke, don’t fix it”, and forgetting that everything can always be improved upon. I’m about to head to SoCal to attend a two week intensive exam-preparation class as the final step to regaining my lapsed Captain’s license, regretfully missing the February meeting and Wine and Seafood fest. Regaining that credential will allow me to take passengers for hire and legally teach sailing on an auxiliary powered sailboat. Though I have done this same Captain’s class before, it was over 10 years ago and I admit the material isn’t as fresh in my mind as it needs to be. I also just returned from a one day seminar on Race Management held at the Vancouver Lake Sailing Club and taught by Bill Gage, the Area Race Manager for Northern Cal. The Race Management seminar was very informative, and though some of the material was geared for larger clubs racing larger fleets, it is my feeling that it would be good for us to adopt a more correct way of running our races to prepare us for hosting future regattas or to help those members who may plan to race in other venues. The whole reason we might want to slightly modify the way we do things is to try to achieve a higher level of Safety and Fairness to all racers, which in turn adds much to the Fun Factor. If we don’t like the changes after giving them a chance, we can always go back to our old ways, or try something else.

I’m sure the Commodore has written about the upcoming construction project, and again, I hope we can all get behind it and share the belief that it will be a great addition to our club and end up paying for itself just as the existing building has done. Here’s to bringing on the New.-Mike Fulmor; Vice-Commodore

## January Meeting Wine Tasting

When: February 18th Where: YBYC Clubhouse  
Time: 6:00 social 7:00 dinner  
Please bring your favorite finger food, Dessert, or salad'



**The February meeting featured our annual Chili cook-off. This year the judges and peoples first place award went to Mike Fulmor. Congratulations Vice Commodore!**

## Quote of the Month

**"The days pass happily with me wherever my ship sails."  
Joshua Slocum**

## Sailing News from 'Round the World



By C.W. Nevius, S .F. Chronicle Columnist

Hosting the America's Cup continues to be an education for the city of San Francisco. Like you, the city might have thought this was a sailboat race.

Actually, it is good old-fashioned hardball.

Larry Ellison's America's Cup Event Authority has already proved itself to be bare-knuckle negotiators, and they are not done. While both sides agree this will be a wonderful event, before we hang the banners and start cheering the leeward tacks, there are some serious hurdles.

One of them is development critic and former president of the Board of Supervisors Aaron Peskin, who is raising some awkward questions.

"I'm delighted that they want to have the race here," Peskin said. "And I think it will be a good event for San Francisco. But we just want it here on commercially reasonable terms."

This is where I have some grave concerns. I'm agreeing with Aaron Peskin.

I get the idea that everyone wants to cut the best possible deal. That's business. But there's real potential for a game of chicken that could sink or damage the event.

Read more: <http://tinyurl.com/SFC-020912>

## YBYC Education Classes



The first of the education classes that is going to happen this winter will take place at the clubhouse on February 22 starting at 4:30 pm. Tom McNamara is going to show us fiberglass boat repair on one of the 420s. We are having the event with the High School team so they can benefit from it also. It is expected that the class will last until 6 pm, so come when you can. Because it is part of the High School Program, no alcoholic beverages will be allowed.

The second class will be presented by Elliott Crowder on bare boat chartering. He'll be freshly returned from the BVI's and is sure to come back with great information, pictures, maps, etc.. We can all sail vicariously along while enjoying your BYO margaritas, cerveza, etc.. This one will be held on March 1 at 7 pm. at the clubhouse. See you all there!

## Board Bits



On Tuesday 2/7, the board met. Among agenda items were the revised plans for the proposed storage building, and fresh estimates of costs and possible revenue from same; the board approved paying for engineering study; VC Mike Fulmore reported on a race committee workshop he attended; additional plans for the race season were considered; New adult sailing lessons will be scheduled; Seafood and Wine Festival preparations are in full swing; Coach Joe Novello described the upcoming HS sailing season; plans were made for a clubhouse "spring tune-up"...watch for details.

The board meets again on 3/6.

## Funny Bonz



**Varnish**, n. High-fiction coating applied as a gloss over minor details in personal nautical recollections to improve their audience-holding capacity during frequent retellings.

**Wake**, n. 1. Horizontal track left in water by a passing boat. 2. Ceremony held if that track becomes vertical.

## High School/Youth Sailing Update



It is time to start up the high school sailing program. There will be an athlete/parent meeting on February 15th at 5pm in the clubhouse. We are going to step up the program to create an exciting and competitive season this year.

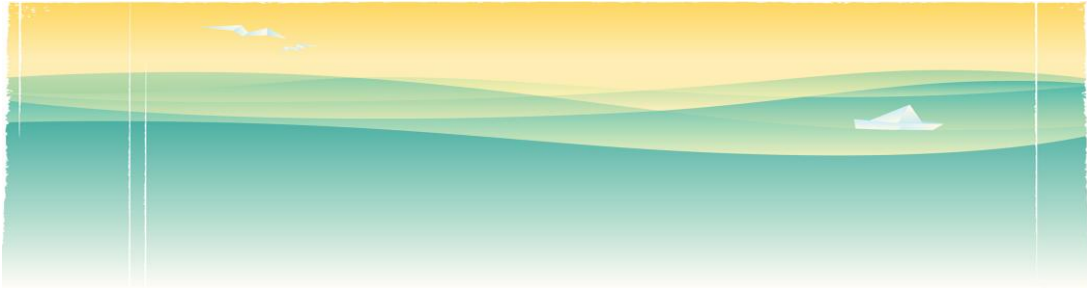
Coaching staff will be led this year by Coach Joe Novello, Asst Coaches Terry Lettenmaier, Laurie Weitkamp and Bruce Rasmussen, and support staff Dave Schmaltz and Bernie Stoll.

To be eligible to participate in the High School Sailing Program a student must be a club member enrolled in school in grades nine through twelve. Club membership for students is \$60 per year if students are not already a family club member. As with years past, the school district is waiving the \$100 participation fee for this sport because YBYC will be picking up all expenses for the program.

The season is from the first week in March through the last week in May. Practices are on Mondays and Wednesdays from (4 – 6pm). Recruiting will begin at the High Schools in the next few weeks. An email message will be sent out through the email list-serve and on the High School Team Facebook page announcing the details of the schedule. Please contact Joe Novello ([joenovello3@...](mailto:joenovello3@...)) if you have any questions.-Joe



## Flotsam and Jetsam



- ✚ 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. For monetary or other donations please contact OBF Chair Dan Van Calcar.
- ✚ The club has a fleet of sailboats available for club member use. These include Lidos, 420s and a small keel boat. These boats are fun to sail and explore Yaquina Bay. Check the Member's Handbook or with the YBYC Fleet Chair Tom Mcnamara at ; <mailto:mcntm@msn.com> for details on vessel use and to make reservations. Reservations are posted online on the club's website <http://www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org> under the 'Calendar' tab.

Wednesday 420 reservation website-

<https://spreadsheets0.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?hl=en&key=tZvTrAppsstef-nGGCMmWDA&hl=en#gid=12>

- ✚ Don't forget to use our Yahoo group site at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ybycgroup/> 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!



## Editors Corner

### Greetings:

I hope everyone is enjoying our relatively mild winter (so far). It would be nice if our weather holds up for the Seafood and Wine Festival, the 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are seldom turned away, so if you can help, get in touch with Stephanie.

The high school article is the one which was omitted last month, but is still timely with the first athlete/parent meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Thanks again to Joe and Laurie and Terry and all the other volunteers who share their time and expertise. For what it is worth, I vote for helmets. I find it interesting (if not surprising) that soon after San Francisco was awarded the America's Cup, competition has already begun. This of course is the competition over the dollar. Let us hope that petty squabbling over a few hundred million does not spoil what can be a great event. 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](mailto: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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