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### Yacht Club Calendar

21<sup>st</sup>-Monthly meeting and chili cook-off

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#### YBYC 2012 Officers-

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Frostbite is upon us, the first day of the year provided for some hearty folks a blustery day to enjoy our sport. At least 3 boats were out and it is a good omen that the weather would cooperate to the extent that it did to provide wind and conditions that lent themselves to sailing..Hoorah to all that participated and to the rest of us, Frostbite is the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, at noon at the CG Buoy...

The youth sailing program will be coached again this year by Joe Novello who is also on the board as the High School Chair which brings his expertise and enthusiasm to the program that he was instrumental in starting.

This year we will be likely expanding the participant ranks and the schedule of events will be challenging but if we work together we can succeed in this most important aspect of our club's growth. These kids are the future of this sport which we all love so let's get out there and support them.

In February the Seafood and Wine festival is going to be happening again. Tthis is a good source of exposure as well as funding for our club, there will be a signup sheet coming out soon and this year we have an extra day (Thursday) albeit a limited entrance (500 people) it is an opportunity to help out.

The racing season spring series will be starting in May this year following the Spring Regatta (April 28&29) which is a week before the Loyalty Days Parade. The week before the regatta is the Depot Bay Wooden Boat Show (April 21&22), so mark your calendars, and think about maybe spending some time in the booth helping out with imparting information on our club and selling our wares. We are looking into some additional storage at the club site and expanding our footprint by developing a storage building adjacent to our clubhouse in which to store our Kayaks and other assets as well as be able to do repairs and maintenance on our equipment. This expansion is needed and will require some effort on the part of our membership in order to keep the cost manageable, stay tuned for details.

I read this quote somewhere recently and thought I would share it...it is too true to be funny really... "We are involved in a sport where we spend obscene amounts of money to go about as fast as a little girl can ride a bicycle"

There are going to be some new boats and crews on the water come spring and I am looking forward to a great racing season, prior to the Spring Series and Regatta there will be some classes on aspects of sailing and racing put on at the club on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of March and April at 7 P.M.

As these dates approach the subjects will be announced and hopefully there will be something to attract your interest, stay tuned for more info.

All in all, there are some exiting times ahead for the club and the membership so lets continue to look for ways to improve and project our club's message.

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

## **Another Edition of Mac's Travels**

We picked-up with Irish Dave after three days merrymaking in Dublin heading south through Cork and then 28 km to the village of Kinsale. Many a skirmish was waged from the 1540's until 1601 when the Irish were pummeled by the British forcing their Spanish allies to leave Ireland's shores forevermore. There rests on the boardwalk, that protects the marina and magnificent yacht club and the myriad of Blue Water yachts, the Galleon Mast of the Spanish Armada



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Mac McConnell

# **More News You Can Use**



## A Few words from Vice

The New Year is like a gift we get to give ourselves, and hopefully we will all get what we wanted! As Barb and I roamed through the Portland Boat Show today looking at all the great toys, mainly power toys of course, we thought about how different people have different dreams. Whether it's a fishing machine or a scoot-around thrill rocket, somebody thinks it's the coolest thing they need to make their dream come true. There was one corner with mostly sailing related booths: sailing schools, sailmakers, boatyards, riggers, several yacht clubs and the 70 foot Wylie-designed *Rage* on display minus her keel and rig of course. It was a kick to be able to go below for a look at her somewhat Spartan but beautifully finished interior. Believe it or not, they removed her retrofitted wheel and replaced the original tiller steering system because she handles so easily. I'm not sure there's another70 footer with tiller steering out there anywhere. By the way, Barb thinks we need to invest in a pontoon party barge with comfy couches and a full enclosure for race committee duties and harbor cruises. I told her she'd need to rent the clubhouse pretty darnn often to pay for that one. ©

Due to tough times, many of the powerboat manufacturers have gone belly-up and the show now includes a hall full of RV's. They ease you in by displaying the big houseboats from Shasta right by the door, and next thing you know you're in there actually looking at land-yachts. The thing I noticed was that they all seemed to be built really cheap for how much they were asking, but a part of me whispered how cool it would be to tool around with a comfortable house-like environment wherever you went, just like a cruising boat. For traveling folks who don't like water, or just really like being very comfortable all the time, it would be the perfect dream. The latest must-have feature seemed to be an outside fold-out barbeque, fridge, and wet bar (and TV set) so you could actually enjoy the outdoors a bit while having everything you need at hand. Anyway, in talking to several yacht club representatives and reading about their clubs' different styles, emphasis, membership cost and physical plant and/or amenities, or lack thereof, it was clear there was a club for everyone in Puddle City. There are big clubs with fancy clubhouses and docks, (with extremely high dues), tiny clubs with no permanent address (and very low dues), a club just for women, clubs just for dinghy sailors, and everything in between. We decided one of the many good things about our club is the way we welcome everyone, try to accommodate everyone, thrive on our diversity, and hopefully make every member feel like it's the way they dreamed a club could be. And of course always having big fun on the water, racing, cruising, paddling, and yes, even motoring. Here's to a great new year for YBYC! Mike

## **January Meeting**

When: January 21st Where: YBYC Clubhouse



Time: 6:00 Social/Judging; 7:00 Dinner

January Monthly Potluck is our annual Chili Cook-Off. Make a pot of chili to share and you could win this trophy! Jan 21, bring chili between 6 and 630 to get in the judging, people's choice tasting starts at 7pm. If you're not a chili chef, feel free to bring a side, salad, or dessert to share. Guest Judges TBA

### Quote of the Month

"He that will not sail till all dangers are over must never put to sea." Thomas Fuller

### Sailing News from 'Round the World



Big, Big news! The world's largest sailing trimaran has sailed around the planet to achieve the most sought after of ocean records - the Jules Verne Trophy. Once again, history has been made, and once again the world record\* is back into the hands of the Peyron sailing dynasty. Under the command of Loick Peyron (brother of Bruno, who made the same record in 1994, 2002, and 2005), and through the skill and determination of a very talented crew including Brian Thompson (who earned the record with Steve Fossett in 2004), Banque Populaire V has conquered the world, and sailed non-stop around the globe in a total time of 45 days, 13 hours, 42 minutes and 53 seconds for a new world sailing record.



## **Board Bits**



Your YBYC board met on 1/3. Among the items on their agenda were plans for the upcoming Seafood and Wine Festival; a discussion about acquiring a keel boat for members' use; Larry Berg and Mac McConnell presented ideas for clubhouse expansion into a larger boat storage area; they also reported on ideas for upgrading the newly acquired boathouse; heard a summary of OBF plans for the coming year; a series of educational events leading up the the race season was outlined; and... the 300 lb. gorilla in the room was the annual budget. It was, however successfully executed, making for a very long meeting. The board is a group of hardworking club members, and we all owe them a "thank you".

Race and Cruise Committee



The 2012 sailing season started on New Years Day with lovely weather. Three YBYC boats sailed into the new year on Yaquina Bay and one even headed out onto the Pacific. The Frostbite Series will continue on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month until the Spring Regatta kicks off the competitive season.

As we mentioned last month, the 2012 Race Committee has been asked by several members to consider making changes to the Wednesday Night Race Series. The requests we were asked to consider include: splitting the PHRF fleet into two fleets; changing the structure of the season so that all Series count for perpetual trophies (currently the short Fall Series does not); and examining alternative scoring systems.

We talked with a few members to get some initial feedback and as you might expect opinions vary widely. While some thought that the PHRF ratings using the time on distance handicap system did not equalize the fleet, others thought there were not be enough boats participating in the PHRF fleet to split it. Some thought that we should eliminate Fall Series and have longer Spring and Summer Series. Some thought that Spring and Summer Series should be shortened and Fall Series made longer so that we could have three equal length Series. Others thought that we should leave well enough alone and Fall Series should be left short and not count for much in the way of overall results. Some wondered if there was a better way to score a long series so that a first place finish when few boats raced was rewarded less handsomely than a first place finish when many boats raced and that missing a race was not so costly to a boat's score. Others thought that the scoring system works just fine.

The YBYC Race Committee thought that it would be a good idea to examine what has happened in years past. How many boats raced and how often did they participate? What did the fleet look like in terms of their PHRF ratings? How many Portsmouth fleet boats sailed? How were the series structured? Did any of the race Series have a disproportional number of races that were not sailed or races in which there were a lot of boats that did not finish races they started (DNFs)? We had a look at the available information on past seasons to get some answers. YBYC has been holding races for many years. But the only data we were able to readily find were the race results posted on the YBYC website for 2008 through 2011. This at least gave us the most recent 4 years to look at. We also investigated other scoring systems for long series and found some interesting alternatives on the US Sailing web site.

We will be circulating a brief summary of what we found along with a survey to gather input on what changes if any members would like to try this year. We hope that you find the information useful and that you will take time to provide your opinion to help us shape the YBYC 2012 race season. We haven't forgotten those interested in cruise events this year. We are busy scheming up some interesting ways to engage in some leisurely sailing in our waters too. Stay tuned for opportunities as the season progresses.

## 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 ; <u>mailto:mcntm@msn.com</u> for details on vessel use and to make reservations. Reservations are posted online on the club's website <u>http://www.yaquinabayyachtcluborg</u> under the 'Calendar' tab.

#### Wednesday 420 reservation website-

https://spreadsheets0.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?hl=en&key=tZvTrAppsstefnGGCMmWDA&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!

#### January 21 NOAA Open House

Insider information reveals plan for another NOAA MOC-P Open House on Saturday, January 21, 2012. Stay tuned for more details as they are announced.

## **Editors Corner**



#### **Greetings:**

Happy 2012 to all. I apologize for not having a member of the month. I was negligent in asking our member in a timely fashion, so look for it next month.

I am looking forward to the Club's annual chili cook-off. It it always a very fun and competitive event. Paul went through all the events coming up, so please help out with any that you can. It is a busy time for YBYC members.

The weather finally appears to be taking a turn for the worse after a fabulous December. Please be safe out there members of the mighty YBYC! 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 <a href="mailto:jcressy@charter.net">jcressy@charter.net</a> 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**



### For Sale and Looking for a good home.

### S/V Vela, 1965 Mercator 30, Tall Rig with Sprit (Located on B Dock)

F/G hull, with wooden deck, house & spar; 4 cyl gas engine, rebuilt trans w/variable pitch prop; new standing rigging, mainsheet traveler, head & upholstery; rebuilt mast; many additional upgrades. Hauled out Fall, 2011. Electronics include a GPS, VHF, Depth and Stereo. Sail inventory is in good shape & extensive. The boat come fully equipped with gear, parts, tools, receipts and housekeeping items. There are several unsourced leaks in the house and the wiring should be upgraded. She performs beautifully in light air and has a responsive helm. She is a delight to sail and a beautiful vessel. We no longer have the time to maintain a wooden boat and believe that the price is reflective of on-going projects. Asking \$14,750.00 obo. Contact Ron at (541) 265-5900.