

THE JIBSHEET

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A New Look- New Temp. Editor

You may notice a few changes to the format this month. Pat asked me to step in for March and April, and I decided to make a format, hopefully resulting in a smaller file. Hope it's OK with y'all. I'd like to see more member involvement, though:

A Wish List for More Cowbell-need input!

Monthly Maintenance tips, anyone want to write a fixit story?

Crew wanted/rides available

Your favorite sailing story

Your best racing story

How you learned to sail

The scariest or most fun time you ever had related to sailing

Crewing tips

Send in your questions about sailing or life in general, and we'll have an advice column? Dear Tugboat Annie? Could be fun...



In honor of St. Patrick, a couple of Irish jokes:

"Why does Irish stew call for exactly 239 beans? (Said in best Irish accent) Because if it had just one more, it would be too farty.

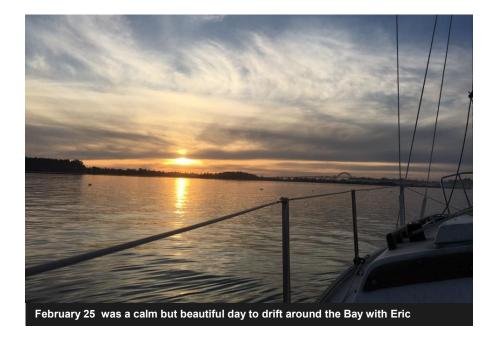
What kind of furniture stays out all night?

Paddy O'Furniture

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Eric, Pete, and Brittany out on a beautiful afternoon between storms last week



Rear Commodore

Report I want to thank everyone who made this years Seafood and Wine Festival a success (see schedule). We sold 211 bottles of wine and made \$2142 -Kelly Greer









Commodore's Log

Hi YBYC, For a short month, February had a lot going on - festivals, potlucks, HS sailing, even a Chamber of Commerce visit! March is no different, mark your calendars for Race Training on the 16th and 30th, and Saturday March 19th's potluck, which is also the Blessing of the Fleet - a parade of boats in the bay. Though primarily made up of Newport's commercial fleet, recreational boats can be blessed too - find more information on this at Englund Marine.

And thanks to Daylight Savings Time, we now have enough evening to think about race season! Mike has a pair of classes coming up to get the fleet tuned up and ready to go racing. Greg has all the instructions out for both Spring Regatta and Wednesday Racing - (Check website for your copies.) Guy and Tom are working on prepping our fleet of boats for the summer.

These hardworking committee chairs put in a lot of time and effort so our events and club run smoothly, and it's thanks to the volunteer efforts that we continue to grow as a club and are able to add events like the Sailstice Open House in June. If you have ideas for things we can improve and want to help, don't hesitate to chat with your friendly board members. See you all on the water. - Stephanie

Reciprocal Offer

We have received an offer from <u>Cathlamet Yacht Club</u> for a reciprocal relationship. They are located on the lower Columbia River, at the town of Cathlamet of all places, which would be a great place to stop over for the night when making a trip upriver to Portland. We'll be doing a burgee exchange soon.

The Days of Wine and Sea-food

Once again the Dynamic Duo of Blaine and Kevin stepped up to craft yet another beautiful booth for the Festival, and thanks to the alert work of Rear Commodore Kelly getting our entry in on the first day they accepted them, we got one of the best spots in the whole place.

Not sure who to give credit to for the final booth design, but I believe Kelly and Amy had the idea of making it look like a poker table with green felt, and it evolved from there.

Thanks to all the volunteers putting in their time at the booth, we sold a ton of that great Red Diamond Wine, and made almost a grand more profit than last year. This will come in very handy to defray the costs of operation and help keep your club alive for another year.

Once again, a huge thank you to all who volunteered, and hope you all had as much fun as we did running the booth on Friday!

~Ed



High School Sailing Report

Joe Novello is planning to retire as HS sailing coach at the end of this season. Joe started the program in 2010; this is his 6th year as coach. Laurie and I are willing to continue as assistant coaches, can run much of the practices and help take kids to regattas but do not want to take over Joe's responsibilities especially with the school district coordination and Newport HS Boosters.

Herman Ruddell, who is a new counselor at the high school, has been helping us run practices this year and wants to join the club.

We have 8 on the team this year and all have been reliably attending practices so far.

We are continuing to hold HS practices on Mon and Wed 4-6 PM, extending to 7 PM after daylights savings begins. We have had enough volunteers and boats for the practices.

The date for the one-day Newport HS regatta has been finalized for April 9.

The team will likely be travelling to Hood River a one day March 12 regatta. <Ed's Note: They won a solid second place, way to GO!

Race and Cruise Notes

Spring is in the air! We change to daylight savings time on March 13 and the vernal equinox, the official beginning of spring, is a week later on March 19. Daylight hours are already noticeably longer and increasing every day. While we may not have the spring transition to predominately northerly winds and sunnier skies happen this month, its coming.

There have been a few boats out on some Frostbite sails this year, but weather has been hit and miss on the slated 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month so far. March seems to have come in like the proverbial lion, at least in terms of rain and wind, so perhaps the lamb like weather is in store for the end of the month. Keep a weather eye out for opportunities to get out there.

The Notice of Race with the entry form for Spring Regatta has been sent to our Webmaster along with the entry form and sailing instructions for the Wednesday evening race series. Spring Regatta will be April 23 -24. Wednesday evening Spring Series races will start Wednesday April 27. Sailing season is not far off, so please get your entry in early.

Word has it that our Education Chair Mike Fulmor is organizing a couple of seminars on the Racing Rules. There will be copies of the <u>Sailor's Guide to the Racing Rules</u> available for all who attend. Mike will provide details on dates and times so stay tuned. <Ed's Note: We decided on the 16th and the 30th, see Ed's Corner below for more details> -Greg Krutzikowsky



High School Team racing at Hood River March 12

Hospitality- AKA Party Central

It's that time of year again when we all get a little Irish and start getting a hankering for some good Corned Beef and cabbage, and once again Elliot and Danielle will be serving it up for us March 19th!

Daniella says, "Elliott will be making his famous corned beef, cabbage & potatoes. Members are asked to bring a side dish or dessert & dress in green. Those interested in Irish whiskey tasting, please bring your favorite bottle of Irish whisky & we will do a taste testing! Elliott will bring his favorite Bushmill's. See you on Saturday, March 19th, kicking off at 6pm."

Don't miss this delicious evening at your Club, as usual we'll be socializing from 6-7 and digging in at 7:00, if you're lucky there will be some Irish Red Ale on tap to go with the whiskey. See ya there, Lads and Lassies!



Board Bits

We had a nice visit from the Chamber, thanks to all who made that happen.

We have sold some extra kayaks to OBF, check has been received.

We have some new members, Michael and Donna Barrett. They will be taking lessons from Mike and plan to be active in the club; welcome to YBYC!

We will be making an event out of Sailstice this year. It coincides with our June meeting on June 18. Hopefully those of us with bigger boats can take lots of folks out for quick sails during the day, maybe the high school gang can take out some kids on 420's, and we'll have a big open house party that night. Anyone who would like to be on a Sailstice Planning Committee please contact Mike Fulmor.



The little black boat is the 143' J Class *Topaz*, and the big one is Rupert Murdoch's *Rosehearty*. Photo by Richard Spindler in St. Barths

ED'S CORNER

Big news for this month is the special one hour Rules Sessions offered on two Wednesdays, March 16th and 30th, 6:30 pm at the clubhouse. Please try to arrive by 6:00 for socializing and setting up the room.

We'll be watching a two-DVD set (one each session) from **North U**, narrated by Dave Dellenbaugh, with great animated graphics as well as footage of actual races to illustrate each rule. He also goes into the whys and evolutions of the rules to make them easier to understand and remember. I think everyone will enjoy watching them and will find the whole process very painless and extremely informative

After a long winter off we can all use a Rules refresher, no matter how well we know them, or at least think we know them! One of the best things about this presentation is Dellenbaugh's emphasis on the Corinthian Sprit, and how our sport is rather unique in the premise that optimally we all take personal responsibility for our screw-ups and penalize ourselves, even if we're not 100% sure we screwed up. Coming in first with a cloud hanging over it should not be our goal, as much as we all like to win!

Since I can't make this mandatory, I will personally try to bribe everyone with the offer of free beverages, Coronas or soft drinks, some enticing snacks, plus Greg has some little Rules books to hand out to everyone for quick reference. Please mark your cal-



endars and try to remember this extremely important set of dates. Let's have a fun, safe season of racing, with no bruised feelings or boats!

Since I'm running a little long here so far, you only get a very short nautical trivia bit. First I want to add one thing to last month's offering, and that is the fact that when a large following wave breaks over the stern dowsing everyone it's called being "pooped", derived from that after deck on the tall ships called the poop deck, and it's fun to note how that expression got mainstreamed into common usage meaning tired, probably originally "soaked in sweat" tired.

This month I just want to say, to all the new sailors having trouble remembering which is which between starboard and port, that it used to be easier. Instead of port it used to be larboard. Larboard starts with an L just like left, so that made it a bit easier. Hope it does for you too!

-Mike Fulmor AKA Ed

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 HS Regatta Hood River
13	14	15	16 Rules Session 6:00	17	18	19 Potluck Meeting 6:00
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 Rules Session 6:00	31		

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