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Yaquina Bay Yacht Club, established 1947

February 2020

February Notes

Wine-ing Allowed - This month only, at the Member Meeting on the 15th we'll be tasting to prepare for Seafood and Wine Fest the 20th –23

John Dougherty – A celebration of John's life will be held at the Rogue Brewery in South Beach on Sunday, February 16 at 2:00pm. John would want everyone to have a great time, so please dress casual and warm.

Newport Seafood and Wine Fest - needs you to sign up for a shift at the YBYC booth. Link is on the web site, look for the crab or go to Events

Membership Rules and Pricing - under review and new changes will be designed to increase membership, revenue, and enhance participation in Club events and work parties. A few of the fledgling ideas are outlined in this month's Commodore's Report inside.

Board Bits:

The YBYC board met on 2/4 and had a full agenda: We learned the Englund Marine is looking at plans to expand, and how that might affect our clubhouse; the Seafood and Wine committee has been very busy and that effort is in good shape; the board has researched membership structure and fees at other yacht clubs, and will recommend revisions to ours aimed at increasing membership numbers; 2 new members were approved; a memorial for John Dougherty will be held on 2/16 at the Rogue; fleet is updating safety equipment on the Whaler; ship's store has ordered new merchandise to offer at the S&W festival; HS sailing has its introductory meeting this week; HS sailing will be hosting a regatta here on 4/18 - lots of volunteers will be needed. The board meets again on 3/3. Interested members are welcome to attend.

Members may always get a copy of the full minutes by e-mailing alimc 77@mcn.com





Commodore's Report

Ahoy YBYC members and friends!

As we slog through the abundant Liquid Sunshine our region is famous for this time of year, it's a perfect time for indoor pursuits like introspection about where we are, where we're going, (or want to be going), and how we're going to get there. Of course I'm talking about the good ship YBYC, but it could apply to anything. :)

One thing your Board has been examining is the financial future of the club, and how we can make sure we can stay afloat with rising costs. We are the only Oregon club, and perhaps the only club anywhere, that has a membership system seemingly destined to create insolvency by terminating dues for long-time members with something called Lifetime Membership. I'm sure this made perfect sense to a past Board who envisioned an ever-increasing membership to make up for the lost income from these older members, but as it has continued, we could end up having more non-dues-paying members than others. An odd side-effect is that most Life Members seem to withdraw from club participation when they achieve the status. Since theoretically elders are in the most financially comfortable stage of life, perhaps we should think of another way to honor and reward long-term membership?

Another thing we're looking at is how to attract younger, less financially comfortable folks by offering a reduced dues rate for those under a certain age (to be determined, 30? 35?), and try to retain our youngest members by offering a very low cost membership class for those under 18 or 20 with no initiation fee, and none for upgrading as long as membership is uninterrupted.

Another idea proposed is to offer a "pay by the month" program with an incentive to pay all at

once. Many might find a monthly auto-payment of \$25 easier than a yearly payment of \$275, for example.

One more idea that is universal in every small, volunteer club like ours is a mandatory requirement for a certain number of "work" hours per year. This has the dual purpose of alleviating burn-out among the core group that always seems to carry the load; and helping everyone, especially new members, get to know each other and foster camaraderie as we work together for the benefit of our Club.

All these ideas are embryonic at this point, and your feedback and input would be great. Let's talk about them at the Feb. 15th Meeting I'm hosting. Hope to see you there!



- Jay Skoch, 2020 Commodore



February 15 Meeting is Seafood Stew

Hosted by Commodore Jay, who will be presenting his Dad's oyster and fish stew recipe, a very delicious dish indeed. A tasting session of the Bennett wines we'll be offering at the Seafood and Wine Fest will complete the evening, along with a refresher about how to pour correctly and other info for booth volunteers. This will be a fun evening; bring a side, salad, etc. for potluck, and we'll

"sea" you there about 6:00! BYO beverages and set-ups as always, bar will be open.

Welcome to New Members Ben and Michelle!

Michelle Jones and Ben Goodlad are new to the area and live in Gleneden Beach which is a middle ground between Michelle's work in Salem with ODFW and Ben's work in Waldport

with the Forest Service. They have been a part of the Island Sailing Club in Portland and are both certified to skipper up to 56 foot boats though their experience is in 27 foot boats and smaller. Michelle has 116 sea hours and Ben has 168 hours with sailboats and 1160 with powerboats! They haven't raced before, but would like to help as crew and to continue their own sailing with good mentors. They are interested in cruising, kayaking, regattas, potlucks, meetings, classes, photography, and possibly helping with the newsletter, education



classes and fleet maintenance. Welcome, Michelle and Ben! So glad to have you on board!

Newport Seafood & Wine Festival

"The Original and Still the Best"™ February 20-23, 2020

This is a very fun fundraiser for the club, and booth volunteers get the advantage of free admission, a safe place in the booth to observe the antics and merriment, and a free glass of wine after your shift. The other benefit is the opportunity to promote sailing and our club in particular and perhaps stir up some interest and find prospective members. There is a sign-up sheet at the club and online



All parade (February) Race and Cruise News

It won't be long until the days start getting longer, the weather starts getting nicer and spring sailing is upon us. The Race and Cruise Committee will have its first meeting for 2019 to start planning for main part of the sailing season on **Friday, March 20**. Topics on the agenda are how to structure racing series this year and what type of cruising or just plain fun events we want to hold. All are welcome to attend and it would be great if we can get representatives from every boat to help out and provide input. We will hold the meeting at Bier One on March 20 at 5:30 pm. This is your chance to start shaping our upcoming 2020 sailing season, so please plan to be there!

Remember, it's the Frostbite time of year. No, I don't mean time to go get frostbitten, I mean time for Frostbite Sailing. Although we have seen a bit of harsh weather with sideways rain and storms lately, we also get lovely days in the winter upon occasion. The Frostbite Sailing series is a great way to take advantage of good weather to get out on the water and sail. Frostbite Sailing is on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, weather permitting. It's an opportunity for inviting friends aboard to introduce them to sailing, getting together with an established crew, or just going out for a shorthanded venture with anyone you can round up at the last minute. Doesn't matter what you choose, it's all about getting out on the water. So mark your calendars for a noon time sail on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, keep a weather eye peeled and get out to there when the weather looks good. –Greg Krutzikowsky



High School Sailing Getting Underway!

Our high school sailing team starts this month and goes through mid May. We'll have the Parent/sailor meeting on Feb 12 at 7:30pm in the clubhouse. Practices start Feb 24 and will be on Mon & Wed from 4-6pm. YBYC will host a one day regatta on **April 18** and we'll need help with chase boats, race committee, providing lunch, etc. We also hope to take sailors to regattas in Portland, Hood River, and possibly Bellingham.



A Cruise on the Bay -Greg Krutzikowsky

It was a gorgeous New Year's Day. After one night of camping on the Big Sur coast, we were starting our return trip to Newport after a lovely time visiting family, surfing, and general fun in Santa Cruz over the Christmas holiday. A friend in Newport hooked us up with her brother who owns a 35 foot racing boat that he keeps in Sausalito. We were joining him for a cruise on the Bay.

The boat was amazing. Very tricked out and actively raced, she was a real beauty. It wasn't one of those howling days on San Francisco Bay, rather we saw a wide variety of wind conditions as we sailed out under the Golden Gate Bridge, down along the city front, past Alcatraz Island, around Angel Is-

land and back in the Sausalito. Good clean fun was had by all!

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Of course after the sail we needed a bite to eat before getting on the road to go home. Fortunately we were able to get some delicious seafood at a place that was open on New Year's Day!





Member to Member

Support your fellow YBYC members! You can contact Ed (Mike F) to get your business listed here too

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Slam Dunk Is For Sale!

This beautiful race-winning Santana 20 is available with a protected upwind slip at the Embarcadero for a Fantastic Price. Originally offered at close to \$5K, she's priced to sell for \$3500 including the slip. She's ready to race with great sails and everything works. Call Anne or Buzz at (541) 996-2483 for more info or a look.