# THE JIBSHEET

#### Yaquina Bay Yacht Club, established 1947

#### déjà vu all over again

They say the more things change, the more they stay the same. I don't know about that, but until some journalistically inclined member wants to try their hand, y'all are stuck with Mike bringing you the news of our great little Club, and happy to do it. Please take lots of pictures between now and March send them to me, and they will appear here, along with any written material you would like to share with the membership and all those who are interested in YBYC doings. Thanks, Mike F.



Watching Alchemy sail away on the first Frostbite sail of the eason

#### Board Bits:

The YBYC board met on Feb. 6. Among items on their agenda were: The newsletter is coming back on line, submit items by 2/12; A 2018 budget was proposed and ratified; new members of the HS sailing team were approved; changes to the racing program for 2018 are coming, and "frostbite series" will continue into the summer weekends: the fleet of JY trainers is deteriorating and unused, so selling them is a possibility; The Boston Whaler has been serviced (thank you Paul E.) and is ready for HS sailing practice which is beginning!

The board meets again on 3/5.

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# **Commodore's Report**

Ahoy, YBYC

Here we are in February already.

How time flys.....youth sailboat racing started, if you can help with their coming regatta's on April 14th... May 13th, please let Laurie or Terry know.

Welcome to our new Vice Commodore Charles Collins (CJ).

A special Thank You to Mike Fulmor for stepping up and taken over as Web Master.

Let's not forget the general meeting on February 17th. Try to come for a good time.

THANKS to all members of the board for helping me, and having patience.

Sincerely

Commodore

Ruth Ann Morford



A Wednesday afternoon from long ago...

# **Race and Cruise News**

There will be a few changes to the Racing program this year, and more emphasis on the Cruising side of things for those who would rather just enjoy the sail without all the excitement (and stress) of racing..

All the changes are designed to make it more FUN for everyone and hopefully build participation as a result. Everyone's ideas and input are welcome anytime; the goal is to have a consensus we all can feel good about. Some of these things can be considered as experiments, and we can easily go back to the old ways if we want. You may have seen these ideas in the last newsletter, but since then we have held a meeting and after a few suggestions were discussed and added, all those who attended signed off, so here is the plan so far:

- Doing away with the three "fun races" and instead have an extra throw-out for each series
- Using Portsmouth Yardstick with the Beaufort scale adjustments and modification allowances,
- A general agreement about the other proposals I published in the December Newsletter.
- One idea was proposed that I really like, which is letting the "cruising class" boats, those that are not designed for racing and can't keep up with the fleet very well, start 5 minutes earlier, perhaps with the 420's, so the latter won't have to mix it up with the big boats at the start, and the former won't have to look at the fleet disappear over the horizon as much.
- We plan on starting Wednesday Rules and Tactics sessions at the clubhouse starting in February (21st?) (28th?) at the clubhouse, with an optional 5:30 pre-meeting social, drinking, and eating session, and begin the meeting at 6:00. These will last an hour, hour and a half maximum, and will include rules refreshers, a North U tactics seminar that reinforces Rules understanding, how to do weekly race committee duties properly, and discussions about the rating system, rules confusions, or anything you want to discuss. Five Wednesdays with a couple of possible make-up sessions is what I'm envisioning now. I'd really like to see everyone there; food and beverages will be provided as in years past.
- "Frostbite" will continue 'till October, but after it warms up we'll change the name to "sunburn Series" It will continue every other Sunday, with special destinations and raft-ups TBA
- There has been interest in reviving the Bridge to Bridge race, and the revised NOR is on the web site. We have put it on the calendar for the other clubs to see, and hopefully we will actually get the minimum number of boats to make it worthwhile.

Anyone who wants to volunteer for Race Committee member is welcome, we need lots of helpers to make this thing work! Thanks, Mike F.

#### February 17 Potluck-Bring Wine

Although we don't seem to have an actual host signed up for this meeting, it is traditionally the wine tasting and training new servers how to pour wine at the Wine and Seafood Festival party. We will have some



great fried chicken on offer, and whatever you bring for potluck, be it sides, salads, appetizers or desserts. We ask that you bring a bottle of Red Diamond wine from Fred Meyer, and/or maybe something around the same price range for a little comparison.. This is always a fun meeting, hope to see you there.

# **Days of Wine and Seafood are coming!**

YBYC is still signing up volunteers for shifts at the Seafood and Wine Festival, please get in touch with <u>Ken Brown</u> or <u>Stephanie Brown</u> at True Cut Engraving. Shifts available Thursday 2/22, Friday 2/23, Saturday 2/24, and Sunday 2/25. Volunteers are rewarded with festival access! Plus it's lots of fun people watching from inside the booth. (Ed)

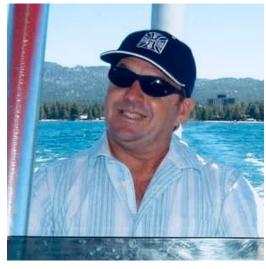
From the Seafood and Wine web site:

It wouldn't be winter on the coast without the Newport Seafood & Wine Festival. Showcasing over 150 premier Northwest wines, culinary professionals and regional artisans, the Newport Seafood & Wine Festival draws nearly 25,000 visitors each year.

The 2018 Festival theme is "Dungeness & Dragons" a medieval period inspired theme.

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### Welcome Vice Commodore Charles (CJ) Collins

CJ and Christine have rejoined the club after a short interlude, and CJ has volunteered to take on filling a muchneeded board position. When he's not here working on his Catalina 30 at the Embarcadero or out sailing, he's a working Captain driving big boats in tight places. Although his job does have him out of town for weeks at a time, Christine will help keep him informed of club doings.

#### **High School Sailing is Here!**

By Laurie Weitkamp

High School Sailing Season off and running!

The High School sailing season officially got underway with the first practice of of year on February 7, 2018, which followed the parent/student meeting the week before. It looks like we'll have about a dozen student sailors on the team, with a mix of returning sailors and new faces, including several new sailors from the middle school. We're looking forward to having another great season having fun sailing while developing strong and capable racers.

The first practice was a dedicated to learning/remembering how to rig boats, a swim test in the bay (brrr!), and capsize drills. However, a warm sunny afternoon lessened the pain of the cold water (all the sailors are required to wear wetsuits while sailing and during the swim test), and made it downright pleasant for the coaches instructing from the dock. This year's coach staff includes Head Coach Greg Krutzikowsky, assisted by Terry Lettenmaier, Laurie Weitkamp, Eli Adams, and Ron Yanichek.



The club is fortunate to have six new (to us) 420 dinghies that we purchased from the Hood River team, with the help of a grant from Oregon Youth Sailing Foundation. This allowed us to replace four of the boats we originally purchased from Orange County, California, to start the sailing program many years ago. Our boats have been sailed hard and were definitely showing their age so the newer boats are a great addition to the fleet. Despite their wear and tear, however, there is a strong demand for old 420s, allowing us to sell them (one to Salem, three to the Bay area) without too much problem and break even on finances.

This year's High School sailing season will once again be jam packed with one- and two-day regattas. We are currently the southern-most team in the Pacific Northwest District (we keep hoping Eugene will start a team), which stretches north to the San Juan Islands and Bellingham, Washington, to east to Hood River. However, most of our regattas will be in Oregon (Portland, Hood River, Newport), making getting to regattas a little easier. Last year a team of our sailors went to districts on Orcas Island in the San Juans, which took far more time to get there and back than



was spent on the water.

We are hosting two, one-day regattas on April 14 and May 5 (Oregon State Championship) here in Newport. We expect teams from Portland and Hood River, and perhaps a few sailors from Washington, since Newport is gaining a stellar reputation on the high school circuit for great wind, well-run races, and a great place to come for the weekend. We'll need help from club members ranging from serving on race committee (we typically run 20 races in a day), to helping feed the 50 some hungry sailors. Please contract Greg if you can help.

If you're interested in watching the action, we sail in front of the Embarcadero on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4-6 pm (4-7 once day light savings times begins). Come down and cheer on the next generation of sailors as they quickly learn the ropes for this great sport we call sailboat racing!

# Ed's Corner

#### A Great New Year

Lots of fun ahead this year, Seafood and Wine this month, frostbite sailing every other Sunday all year, the March St. Paddys feast at the club, April we'll be racing again with the Spring Regatta testing our strength and fortitude. This June we'll be having another big Sailstice party/fundraiser doing the free boat rides for the public in the afternoon, with dancing to the music of Lloyd Jones in the evening party, also open to the public. July will be the month we may bring back the Bridge to Bridge race, and so it goes, non-stop until the middle of October. I'm opti-



mistic this will be a great year for the club, As we all help to make it work, so it will work! MF



This looks like bath time to me, getting the winter mud off the rails?

Catmandu Grinner on Committee Boat Duty-photo by Eric Toy

# Member to Member

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