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Yaquina Bay Yacht Club, established 1947

May Be Time for Sailing!

Race and Cruise Report– Frostbite dates are Sunday the 23rd and June 5. Wednesday sailing has started, are you coming out? see Pg. 3

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BOARD BITS

The YBYC board met virtually via Zoom again on 5/4. Here is a synopsis of what we did:

Documents are being prepared to add Cindy Milligan as assistant treasurer in order to allow her to help manage club banking; a work party will be held this month for clubhouse and grounds maintenance; in April, our budget was in the black!; Clubhouse rentals have been more frequent, and promotions will be resumed; Todd and Greg completed replacement of the steering components on the Boston Whaler; moorage for the Capri 22 is still being worked out; Wednesday sailing has resumed, and participation is encouraged; the HS sailing team has graduated to the 420's. The board meets again on6/1.

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Commodore's Report



Happy May Everyone!

We are halfway between the beginning of spring and summer and that usually means the start of our sailing season. I didn't make it out last Wed, the 5th, but had a wonderful sail aboard Grinner the previous week for the season opener with Captain Mike Fulmor, Cindy Milligan and Tom McNamara. Boats on the water were few: us and two 420s with high school club sailors aboard. Joe Novello was out for his usual Wednesday sail and dinner at anchor. It would be great to see more boats on the water and now with the CDC relaxing masking restrictions outdoors and vaccines becoming available it might be more enticing.

I apologize for getting people excited about holding a BBQ after our season opener...It was premature and not in accordance with the state guidelines. Lincoln County remains in "high risk" through May 20th. We won't be organizing a club sponsored BBQ until that drops down one level however the clubhouse is open for club member use after sailing (and other times when unoccupied) and people are free to socialize at whatever level they feel comfortable. It's nice to have a presence at the club so please stop by and hang out when you can and within your comfort level. As Tom and Alice and Mike and Barb know, the club is a great place to meet friends for a drink and catch up when it's not being used for official business or rentals.

There is something on the horizon the club will be faced with. Englund Marine wants to expand the Newport shop and the only place for them to expand is over to our leased property. Dean Fleck, the manager at our local Englund Marine, came to a board meeting over a year ago to discuss the idea of moving our building over to make room for them to build an additional building at our current site. Then covid happened and discussions halted temporarily. Dean approached me again recently to say they were getting fired up again and wanting to know our thoughts. Initially, the board seemed receptive to the idea, especially if we could get a slip out of the deal or negotiate water access in front of the new club location. It has since become apparent the port of Newport does not want recreational boats at all on the north side of the bay associated with their commercial docks so this is unlikely to happen. And with the club already being "shut down" due to covid for the past year plus, it's hard to imagine shutting down again for a lengthy moving process. The timing is just plain bad for our club and without any improvements in location or other amenities it will seem like a large burden and will take a toll on the club. Englund Marine would of course pay for the relocation and costs of our move but we need to think about what else we want out of the deal if it comes to fruition. It is too early yet to get too excited about any of this but I wanted to inform club members that this is a reality. Please feel free to email or call your YBYC board members to discuss your concerns or great ideas about this issue.

One last note, we are having a socially distanced work party at the clubhouse next weekend May 16th at 10 AM. There is a fair amount of outdoor gardening, trimming, weeding etc to be done. Please bring garden tools, weed trimmers, and a good attitude and help spruce up the clubhouse.

Okay, be safe out there and I hope to see you on the water!

Todd

Todd Chandler

Commodore YBYC 2020-21



Happy Birthday Dorothy!



Our dear Treasurer has reached a milestone birthday this year turning 80! Please join us in wishing her a great 80th year, and at least 80 more to come!

We thank her for her many years of service to the club, and the history and wisdom she brings to the Board.



It's Work, It's a Party... Actually it's both!

Time for Spring Cleaning, some gardening, and a general spruce-up of the clubhouse.

Time: 10 am until we're done

Date: Saturday May 16

We might also be applying some bottom paint to the Capri

Bring: Gardening tools, weed whackers, rakes, tarps, etc. a utility trailer or truck?

Drinks, lunch, gloves, good attitude, lotsa energy, dogs, sensible shoes.

May Race and Cruise News

We seem to well on the way to summer weather, with one of the earliest spring transitions (the changeover from predominantly southerly winds to predominantly northerly winds) ever. But things may still change and spring is certainly not over yet. Spring Series on Wednesdays is underway though turnout has been light so far. Hopefully more boats will be out as the season progresses. The Spring Series is a very low key thing this year with no scored races, just a great time to get out on the water and sail a common course with your friends. Hope to see you out there soon. Warning signal (virtual like most things seem to be these days) is 6:15 PM.

No cruises are planned yet for this season, but it's time to start thinking about what we want to do on the cruise front this year. Trip to Yaquina Head, a venture up the river to Toledo? Let me know what you are up for and we can get a plan on the books. –Greg Krutzikowsky



High School Sailing Season Ends with a Great Regatta

By Laurie Weitkamp

The 2021 High School sailing season has officially come to a close, with lots of great sailing and huge accomplishments by our sailors despite Covid. This year was focused on building sailing skills, both by students new to sailing and by returning sailors who moved from crew to driving the boat. The single-handed Optimist dinghies provided a great way to learn to sail and also proved to be quite stable during the many practices when the wind was blowing hard (gusts > 20 mph). The winds were favorable (less than 20 mph) during the last several weeks of practice to begin sailing YBYC's 420 dinghies, in preparation for competition against other teams.

The highlight of season was taking two of our sailors, Everett Johnson and Sara Rash, to a regatta in Portland on May 1. The event was the Oregon Cup, the annual competition between the three Oregon sailing teams (Newport, Hood River, and Willamette). Conditions were typical for the Willamette Sailing Club just upstream of downtown Portland, with light winds that filled in from the west or northwest for a few minutes then slowly faded away, leaving boats drifting around in glassy water waiting for the next puff. While the wind came and went, the river provided a steady push downstream, resulting in boats occasionally going backwards when the wind faded. This led to considerable home court advantage for the Willamette sailors, who are used to sailing in these conditions and are well versed in roll tacking and gybing and maintaining sail shape when the winds fade. By contrast, sailors from Newport and Hood River don't normally experience these conditions and were challenged by the light and inconsistent winds. In addition, Covid restrictions meant that the normal round-robin boat exchange between races and the A and B fleets did not occur so all 22 boats were on the course at once, often heading in opposite directions as they sailed the many (6 or 7?) twice around courses.

Despite extremely challenging conditions due to the fickle winds and very crowded course, our inexperienced team did a great job at the regatta. This was Everett's first regatta ever, let alone one in which he drove the boat. Sara has crewed in a handful of regattas over the three years she's sailed on the team, and her experience helped the Newport team avoid any collisions and kept them pointed in the right direction. Although the Newport Team was last to finish in two races, they managed to beat boats across the line in the other 4 or 5 races they sailed. Their last race was their best race, when two

boats directly ahead of them were over early at the start, giving Everett and Sara a clear lane on the first leg and able to cross tacks with the top boats. While they were unable to stay at the front of the pack, they still managed to beat boats to the finish and returned to the dock with big grins.

Thanks as always to the club coaches, Greg Krutzikowsky (head coach), Laurie Weitkamp, Terry Lettenmaier, and Ron Yenchik. We have high hopes for the 2022 season!



Boat Ride?

The trip up the coast is on at this point, but I still need to get the non-members who have applied to join up. Other than that, I have crew who are ready to go, and the boat is way past ready. Hopefully by next newsletter there will be some good new sea stories to tell!

The next leg will be up the Columbia, and if all goes well, up the final stretch of the coast to the Salish Sea for some cruising. Wish us well, we wish you could come with us!

06/08/07 On to Tahiti

It turned out to be just over a week before we finally bid sad farewell to our "newest favorite place". There's something cool about being inside a hollow island, which is kind of what an atoll is, where you are protected from the sea, but you can see it all around you through spaces between the motus that surround you. There was some honkin' wind for several days, and we were glad to be safely stuck inside our island sanctuary while the seas kicked up outside.

On our last Sunday, the webcaptain went into town to see if the store might be open for a bit after church, but struck out. There were some locals sitting around under a tree playing music, though, who invited me over and offered a



around under a tree playing music, though, who invited me over and offered a few of them out to the boat for a curry dinfew Hinanos for a very enjoyable afternoon's entertainment. I invited a few of them out to the boat for a curry dinner the next night, and we had a great time sharing stories and enjoying more of their fantastic music.

Anyway, as we exited the pass, after the Blue Nui dive shop guys got our anchor loose for a mere \$80, we happened to be below when smoke-appearing stuff began billowing out around the engine room door. We were grateful Arabella waited until we were safely out before she blew out her exhaust riser. Oh well, says we, we be sailing folk, and this here's a sailing boat, so what's the problem? We'll figure something out before we need the engine again, no doubt. It did curtail our time in the Tuamotus, though, because we didn't figure it out until we were almost to Tahiti. Sailing in and out of atolls is for a braver, (or dumber?) guy than me! I found it hairy enough just motoring in and out of one, at the correct time of day, with the tide just right...

OK, back to the exhaust riser. For those who don't know about sailboat engines, there is a short length of pipe through which the HOT exhaust gasses exit the engine, before they get mixed with water and thence expelled through the hull just above the waterline. This vertical section of pipe is wrapped up mummy-style with asbestos cloth, which is why I never saw what must have begun as a small crack, finally becoming the complete break in the threaded nipple piece. Show me someone who unwraps their exhaust line periodically to check for cracks and I'll show you someone who doesn't look anything like me.

So we had a special repair problem. Whatever we used to patch the pipe had to be airtight and extremely heat re-



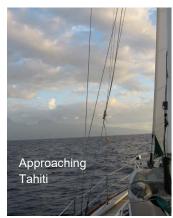
sistant, plus vibration resistant...and no, I don't carry muffler tape aboard, though I will from now on. I was hoping I had some epoxy putty aboard, but all I could find was Marine-Tex (an epoxy with filler, used mostly to patch fiberglass), which wasn't exactly the right stuff. I also had some self-amalgamating tape aboard that Buddy's old dad, Mike McNeal gave me for a new-boat present four years ago, and I remembered he said it was silicone, and heat resistant. My first repair attempt consisted of filling the break with marine-Tex, then wrapping up the area with the tape, and it lasted for a minute or two before failing. I thunk and thunk about it, and finally the next day a light-bulb exploded in my head and I visualized a sturdy Mexican can with both ends removed, split and wrapped around, secured with hose-clamps, and filled with Marine -Tex. By golly, that worked long enough for us to get inside the lagoon and anchored here at Ta-hiti. It was a bit scary since we had to sail as long as we could, so arrived an hour or two after twilight had turned into pitch-blackness. There were good lighted markers into the lagoon, though, and thankfully it was so dark we didn't see how featureless and

treacherous the entrance is, if you didn't have the markers.

By the way, the passage was a mixed bag, pretty good sailing in sunshine the first day, sun and squalls the second, then the third day really overcast, rainy and ugly, (with no wind) turning into a glorious afternoon and sunset as we beam-reached at 6 knots approaching Tahiti.

Today we'll try to get a slip somewhere and begin the process of getting Arabella back into shape. We'll have to find a good mechanic-plumber to fix the exhaust riser, an electronics guy to fix the auto-pilot, and send Lucy a list of stuff to bring when she flys in next month. (06/15 note: we found a spot at the Tahiti Yacht Club dock, a stern -to med style with 220 power, but we're loving the convenience of being dockside with water and power to spare (now that we solved the transformer problem) and the mechanic has taken our exhaust manifold and mixing elbow away to work on getting them right again.)

Meanwhile we think we're going to enjoy the Society of the Society Islands! Tune in later for more hilarity and hijinks from the good ship "Hairybelly".



Best to You,~Mike Fulmor



Sailstice Plan

So I've decided to throw a private party for Sailstice, limit guests to 50 @ \$20 each to make Lloyd's money, have guests show proof of vaccination, hire a caterer like PattyMacs, the BBQ guy who sells at Bier 1 sometimes, and try to raise some money from beer sales if we can get a couple of kegs donated. We can also sell t-shirts since we didn't put a date on them. If nobody has any objections, that's the plan. Boat rides are problematical since there are none, but any help from members for the evening will be appreciated!

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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	Alan Brown Tire Center (Les Schwab)	Jeff Schrantz - State Farm Insurance Agent
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	Newport, OR (541) 265-6604	Newport, OR 97365
	Ask for Ken Brown, mgr	(541) 265-2011
	Oregon Coast Painting, LLC CCB# 187567	Ocean Pulse Surfboards
	Interior/Exterior Brush and Roll Professionals, "Serving	Custom shapes by Tom McNamara
	all of the Oregon Coast"	541-961-1576 , tom@oceanpulsesurf.com
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	Cindy Milligan LMT DBA Drift Away Massage	True Cut Engraving– Trophies, plaques, laser engraving
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		Stephanie Brown
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