# THE JIBSHEET

Yaquina Bay Yacht Club, established 1947

# Winding Down the Season

**Only 4 more Wet Wednesday** Beercan races left in the season, and something tells me the last one, October 10, may not happen since it's after **Columbus Day**, the traditional end of our racing season.

**Speaking of Columbus Day Regatta**, please contact the Race Chair if you want to help with any aspect of this final YBYC event of the season. We need race committee help, food prep and clubhouse help, someone to ride shotgun with Paul Erskine in the whaler, and numerous other slots that need to be filled. Thanks and Mahalo for helping out.

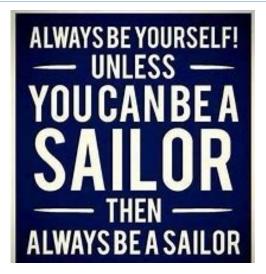
The **Toledo Wooden Boat Show** was a blast, thanks again to Bud Shoemake for the great exposure, we sold almost all the old regatta t-shirts for a nice bundle of cash. Thanks to all who volunteered.



# Board Bits:

The YBYC board didn't meet this month due to folks being out of town or unavailable, so we were short of a quorum. We have approved a couple of new members, however, who will be welcomed in this newsletter.

The board meets next on 10/2.



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# **COMMODORE'S LETTER...**

#### Preparing your Yacht for Winter Storage and Storms.

Hello YBYC Members and friends. I would like to take this time to talk about the coming winter season and some of my ideas that I have in regards to preparing your yacht for the coming winter. As well as some ideas about bad winter weather. As I watch Hurricane Florence approach the Caroline's, and as I prepare my tugboat for the approaching Tropical Storm that is in the Gulf of Mexico, I would like to share what I learned from Hurricane Harvey last year. This tug experienced a direct hit during that event. 50 & 60 mph winds are manageable in Oregon. However

something happens after about 75 mph. It seems that is the breakdown point for all services. The "hat trick" is to be ready before these events happen. Some other the obvious things you need. Fuel, bottled water, food, batteries is obvious. I found after the storm things impossible to get. Bug Spray, Paper products of any kind, canned food. BBO fuel. And cash. Parts for cars or boats. Basically all social services are gone. And if you wait until the TV tells you "the storms coming", it's already too late. I recommend two things. First, prepare a "ready bag". That is food and water for at least two weeks. Put it in a large piece of luggage so it can be grabbed quickly. What folks do in the south that have two vehicles like a work truck or RV, is to store these items there. Also the 2nd vehicle is the best place to store your extra fuel. Not in Plastic cans. Cars have been under water and the fuel was still useable. If you plan ahead to buy your supplies, you won't be hit as bad in the pocket book. But if you do nothing, you will be standing in a very long line begging for water that is not enough. Another area that no one talks about is security. The difference between Harvey and Katrina was Texas had a well-armed population which cut down on looting tremendously. And there is no ammo after a storm for a very long time. So in as far as storms go, make a plan, stock up, and stock up some more. Then don't eat the food guys! As far as our vachts are concern. For most storms in the winter my suggestion is to stern into your slip. Get the major part of the weight of the yacht in the slip with the bow out on the finger. At the Embarcadero, you may consider rapping the end of the finger of the dock with a 2nd bow line (storm line) in case the bow cleat on the dock fails in the surging waters. Splice all dock lines. And now is the time to pull out all the old lines and double up your dock lines. Six lines minimum. Next is to put a small heater inside. Not on full blast. Maybe halfway to keep the boat form getting to moldy. Next is to test bilge pumps and make sure your bilges are clean and dry with new oil diapers under the drip pans. Close all though hulls and log it. So as you don't forget. There is a debate as to empty or full fuel tanks. And there are good arguments on both sides. Well guys, I'm in the oil business. You know what I'm going to do. Top off tanks leaving 20% room in your tank. And use a fuel stabilizer. This is also the time to change filters and make sure you have extras. In short, make your yacht a "place of safety" in case your home gets messed up. I am NOT saying to store your guns and money aboard. I am saying to store water, food, and blankets, everything you would need to stay aboard for a week if it came to that. And a second stash at your home that can be used to evacuate. By preparing your yacht in this way, you will have two safe places to go after the emergency has passed. The real danger, in my option is after the storm. It will take weeks if not months to get back to normal. The goal here is to get your yacht though the storm damage free AND have enough resources to depart the area once the Storm has passed. Here on the M/T Miss Rachel-HW, we had 50 cases of bottled water and still had to ration as we had enough to help other vessel not as prepared. One last thought. Put your sails away. You're not going to need them over the winter. They are just going to get wet, put extra weight on the rigging, and if they come lose in the storm get damaged or cause damage. If you must tarp, put it as low as possible...

CJ Collins – Commodore, YBYC

# **Race and Cruise News**



**Wednesday Racing** has been very mellow and low key, mostly three or four keelboats and a 420 or two, but lots of fun despite recent light winds. Let's hope next season will be better attended and we can get back to more "serious" racing with your new Race Committee Chair!

**Columbus Day Regatta (October 6 & 7)** is in just a few weeks. We have a few entries coming in, t-shirts are ordered, as are trophies, and most oth-

er planning has happened as well. What we really need is for everyone who can help to declare themselves available so we know the various jobs have people to do them. Please contact Race Chair to throw your hat into the ring, so to speak, with your preferred area of contribution. Thanks in advance.

- Mike Fulmor

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# **Welcome New Members!**

**Dawn Barlow-** You might have seen her smiling face aboard Grinner on Wet Wednesdays, Dr. Dawn is a vivacious scientist working with Hatfield, has sailed the South Pacific, and has studied Blue whales in New Zealand. We are very fortunate to welcome her into the club!

**Jim Phelps** has a Montgomery 17 called *Seabiscuit* and a couple of sea kayaks, was at the last member meeting, and is sponsored by Eli Adams. I hope to be able to post a picture and more info next newsletter.

**Marie Tesch**– recently moved up from California and is anxious to be sailing and being involved with the club. She owns the Laser on the trailer in back of the club, and will soon have all the parts available so we can help her sell it. Let Tom McNamara the Fleet Chair know if you are interested in it.

Please say Hi when you see them at the club and help make them feel welcome!

#### Bar

1) Long, low-lying navigational hazard, usually awash, found at river mouths and harbor entrances, where it is composed of sand or mud, and ashore, where it is made of mahogany or some other dark wood. Sailors can be found in large numbers around both.

2) Land based nesting and pre-mating natural habitat frequented by sailors when they force themselves to go ashore.

# September 15 General Meeting will be hosted by Christine Collins



### Crab Casserole will be featured!

Social hour at 6:00, dinner at 7:00, **please bring setups (**or do your own dishes) Mahalo.

We'll have the basics, you are welcome to bring your favorite Potluck offerings of side dishes, appetizers, etc. and enjoy a nice evening at the club. The bar will

be open but BYO favorite beverage, especially if you want beer or wine, and we will look forward to seeing everyone, but RSVP's would be welcome.

# **Volunteering is Fun**

The best way to make friends and generally get to know your fellow members is to volunteer for our Club events and projects. There is always room for more helpers and it is the way to make yourself an integral part of YBYC.

The opportunities coming up include the Toledo Wooden Boat Show, a work party to preserve the wood on the south side and entry of the clubhouse to be announced soon, the Columbus Day Regatta, and the monthly meetings/potlucks.

Watch for announcements on the YBYC Yahoo group or the Facebook page and sign up for a chance to be an active participant in making our club events and projects a success, you'll be glad you did.





# Kayaks are Available

In case you didn't know, we have three kayaks available for member use, secured to the boat rack out back by the shed. You can talk to Tom McNamara if you are interested in using them, because they require some skill and ability. Unlike the past, however, members can take them off premises if desired, and the same policy of you break it you fix it applies as it does with all our club boats. Paddling time is here, but going away soon...

# Member to Member

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

	Alan Brown Tire Center ( Les Schwab)	Moore Accounting Solutions- Business Accounting
	155 SW Coast Hwy Newport, OR (541) 265-6604	Newport and surrounding areas (541) 541-7400
	Ask for Ken Brown, mgr	Helen Moore
	American Home and Stone- home improvement	Ocean Pulse- Custom Surf, Skate and Snowboards
	2707 Main St, Philomath, OR 97370 (541) 929-3100	428 SW Coast Hwy, Newport, OR (541) 265-7745
	Ask for Shane McConnell	Ask for Tom McNamara
	Amy Lynn Greer, CPA	True Cut Engraving– Trophies, plaques, laser engraving
	Phone (541) 961-6814 Fax (541) 867-3513	403 SW 10th St., Newport, OR (541) 265-9326
	<ul> <li>101 SPECIFICALLY PACIFIC -Coastal Lifestyle, Apparel, &amp; Accessories and Custom Design and screen-printing with non-toxic, water-based ink on American Made cloth- ing.</li> <li>3101 Ferry Slip Rd #412, Newport, OR 97365, (269)-599- 0850</li> </ul>	Your business here
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	Bike Newport	Visual Thinking Northwest– video production
	150 NW 6th St., Newport, OR (541) 265-9917	828 SE Crescent PI., Newport, OR, (541) 264-8343
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	Cindy Milligan LMT DBA Drift Away Massage	Wallace Kaufman- writing, editing, research & mediation
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