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Yaquina Bay Yacht Club, established 1947

September 2022

Summer is winding down, but we carry on sailing

Annual YBYC dock walk and monthly member potluck September 17, hosted by Alice and Peggy. A fun opportunity to get to know YBYC members and visit their boats!

Wednesday night racing continues, with races beginning at 6 pm through October 4.

Mark your calendars for the Fall Regatta October 8-9. Get ready for a fun weekend of racing. We will need volunteers to put the event on. Contact the Race Chair if you're able to help out.

Adult sailing classes were a success! Many thanks to the YBYC members that pitched in to make it happen. We look forward to seeing more sailors on the bay.

Board Bits:

The YBYC board met on 9/6 for a long one.

Among items on their agenda were: Planning way ahead to host the Newport Marathon finish; Christmas party plan with outreach to OBF; planning the annual meeting; new members approved from the wooden boat show; Commodore Peggy has donated a new bar for the clubhouse; considering clubhouse roof repair options; adjustments to annual dues and payment options; new burgees are available; the Fall Regatta will be held in October.

The board meets again on 10/4

Board meeting minutes are available from our secretary. To receive a copy, please email: alimc 77@msn.com



Commodore's Report

Okay..... I want to celebrate... Volunteers !!!

We have an all-volunteer board that really cares about the club and they try their best to do right by the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club. Some board and operational committee members have more involvement than others. Special thanks go out to for our instructors Laurie Weitkamp, Terri Lettenmaier, Greg Krutzikowsky and many other volunteers who make lessons possible. It's through their skilled instructor volunteer work that we get new inspired sailors! Both adult and youth get opportunities to learn. We now have 70 members!

Our elections are coming up in November. If you would like to find out more about becoming more involved and serving on the board or an operational committee please contact myself or Vice Commodore Diane Henkels.

YBYC members support the club in many ways as well. Each month one of our members hosts the famous potluck themed parties. It is always a joy to see what's up at the monthly potluck. Don't be shy to host one. We are all here to support one another in our love of sailing and camaraderie. Last month was hosted by Alan, Kim and Raina. They had the BEST pulled pork with Raina's homemade buns! They provided pressed cider as well. The music was provided by Pacific Stand Time, a four piece jazz vibe band.

This September is our Dock Walk. Stop in the clubhouse to pick up your map to the docks. Captains and their boats will be providing appetizers and tours of their boats. We will gather at the club house for dessert and some home spun music by Mike Marshall on his guitar playing his original songs. This was organized by Alice McNamara. Check the web site for more info. I hear the October potluck will be a spooky one...stay tuned..

Another big thanks to the Wednesday night race and regatta coordinator Greg Krutzikowwsky. Again, volunteers make this club a success.

Our fall regatta is upcoming and you are cordially invited to participate. Racing will take place October 8 and 9, 2022 on Yaquina Bay, Newport, Oregon. Fall Regatta is open to centerboard boats, keel boats, catamarans and One-Design fleets which establish a class. You can find complete details on our website online at www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org or if you have additional questions please contact YBYC race chair via email: race@yaquinabayyachtclub.org,

Some additional work at the club house needs attention. We are looking for experienced interior painters or a painter to repaint the walls with the same color. Contact me if interested.

The club received a generous donation from Buzz Williams for youth sailing in Anne's memory. Her celebration of life was well attended and fun stories and pictures were shared. She was such a delight and will be missed.

Last months events went well. The Chamber after hours event received great comments about the club and the chamber attendees raved about the appetizers that were provided by Betsy and Kim! Another Volunteer shout out.

The Toledo wooden boat show was also a success. It brought in new members and ships stores sales. The weather was warm and the music was great. Thanks again to the wonderful volunteers who worked that weekend. Cindy, Jessica, Steven A, David R and Alice.

BURGEES are in, check the ships store to order yours!

Please welcome our newest members voted in at Septembers meeting: Steve Wendorff, George Marrazzo & Arry Higgins, Regina Leytern, Connie Hoffman, Jeff Gibford and Michelle Elpusan.

Just a reminder...YBYC wants to encourage everyone to get their Oregon Boaters Card. On line classes available at https://www.oregon.gov/OSMB/boater-info/Pages/Boater-Education-Cards.aspx

Cheers,

Commodore O'Callaghan

Peggy O'Callaghan, YBYC Commodore 2021-2022













Clockwise, starting top left: Jesse Smith and Gretchen Ammerman; Renee Johnson and Kristin Heitzler rigging a 420; The class rigging 420s in preparation for the evening sail; Playing follow the leader in the bay; Graham Shively and Rick Gutknecht

It takes a village to teach an adult sailing class!

By Laurie Weitkamp

One thing I really enjoy about belonging to YBYC is how willing my fellow members are to volunteer their time to do things for the club. Whether it's tending a booth at last month's Toledo Wooden Boat Show, hosting a monthly meeting, serving as a club officer, or the many tasks required to run our fall and spring regattas, we all generously volunteer our time. This spirit of volunteerism was on full display in August during the adult sailing class, which—through the efforts of many, many people—was a huge success!

It all started with those of us who typically teach sailing classes—myself, Terry Lettenmaier, Greg Krutzikowsky, Diane Henkels, Dan Van Calcar, and Eli Adam—trying to find a three week time slot between vacations and work trips when enough of us would be in town to teach the twice weekly class. Once the dates were set and the notices sent out, the class quickly filled and soon we had 12 students eager to learn to sail YBYC's 420 dinghies. Webmaster Rachel Cotton did an excellent job posting information to the website and making it possible for prospective students to pay by credit card, and then pulling everything back down once the class was full.

We quickly realized that having a dedicated whaler driver would allow the instructors to be in the boats with the students for one-on-one coaching, much like the late Mike Fulmor did with his 2- or 3 -person classes. Dan drove the whaler for our only Saturday lesson, and Tom McNamara was soon recruited to drive the whaler at all other sessions. This allowed all the instructors to sail with all the students multiple times, resulting in a great learning experience and rapid progression of sailing skills. Finally, since we only had the one whaler on the water to serve both as safety boat and a platform for students and instructors trading in and out of the 420s, Greg Heitzler agreed to bring out his keelboat for every session so we'd have a backup boat when needed (thankfully we never needed it). And if that wasn't enough, Venerable Imbi, a friend of Diane and Dan's who was a riverboat captain in the Central African Republic, volunteered to help Dan man the whaler on the Saturday sailing session. It was truly inspiring to consider the large number of people who happily volunteered their time for the class!

The adult sailing class covers the basics of sailing small boats, ranging from rigging the boats, to how sails work and points of sail, to weather and tides, to rules of the road. Most important, however, is spending time actually sailing, putting the lessons learned on land into practice on the water. For that we needed the weather to cooperate. The weather gods must have looked favorably upon us, because we were able to sail during every single session! All the evenings forecast to blow a bit too hard had less wind than expected, and the night it was supposed to be drifter (with a strong outgoing tide) ended up filling in with a nice 5-8 mph breeze, allowing lots of time for students to hone their sailing skills.

Two students, Alan Robson and Jesse Smith, have now been checked out to sail the 420s, and hopefully will take fellow students out to continue developing their skills. Overall a great class and a huge thanks for all the volunteers who contributed to making it the huge success it was! It really does take an entire club to teach a sailing class!









Clockwise, starting top left: Dominic Gerbo and Connie Hoffman;, Greg Heitzler after an evening providing an extra boat; Instructors Greg and Eli in the whale with Tom; Class portrait. Back row left to right: Dominic Gerbo, Jesse Smith, Gretchen Ammerman, Kristin Heitzler, Andrew Gause, Rick Gutknecht, Graham Shively, Alan Robson, and Nate Harris. Front row (L to R): Laurie Weitkamp and Terry Lettenmaier, Renee Johnson, Connie Hoffman. Not shown: Gianna Martels, Eli Adam, Tom McNamara, and Greg Krutzikowsky

September Race and Cruise News

Though the Fall Series is already underway on Wednesday evenings, Fall is still approaching as summer fades away. YBYC is starting to see some more boats on Wednesday evenings, both keel boats and dinghies, but some boats are still only sporadically participating and it would be great if they were out every week. Would also be great to some of those who have been recently checked out to sail the 420s start racing them on Wednesdays.

Fall Series will continue until October 4, just before the biggest racing event of the year, the YBYC Fall Regatta. We typically see somewhere on the order of 15-25 boats participate in this event, but it of course varies from year to year. Many, but not all of the visiting boats come from Eugene and have been coming for many years and look forward to what is always interesting racing on Yaquina Bay. The event will be held on Columbus Day weekend with racing on Saturday and Sunday, October 8th and 9th this year. The Notice of Race has been posted to our website and registration is now open.

To hold an event of this magnitude YBYC will need volunteers to help. That means you! There are many things that we will need help with both on the water and ashore. So, if you have an inclination to get out on the water to watch the racing up close or taking pictures, think about volunteering for Committee Boat or Chase Boat on either of both days. We will also need help ashore with hospitality, including setting up the clubhouse, checking racers in, managing sales of t-shirts, preparing food, and of course tidying up afterwards. Please contact the race chair at race@yaquinabayyachtclub.org if you are interested and available to help with this fun event.

—Greg Krutzikowsky, Race & Cruise chair







Seeking next year's YBYC board members!

If you'd like to help the YBYC pick its new board members for December 2022 through November 2023, please contact Vice Commodore Diane Henkels at vicecommodore@yaquinabayyachtclub.org or 541.270.6001 and let her know you'd like to help out!

Member to Member

Support your fellow YBYC members!

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