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Commodore's Log By Mike Fulmor

February flew by, and March is marching madly towards April and the start of sailing season. Let's hope you are all more organized than your Commodore, getting your boats all prepped and ready for the racing next month. It occurs to me we've never held an Opening Day since I've been a member. I don't know



if anyone is interested, but if we wanted to hold a boat parade, perhaps judge the best maintained, best dressed, and/or most ship-shape boat in our fleet, and invite the community to an open house in April we could try it and see if it's fun? I would appreciate any feedback from the membership about this idea and will put a poll on the Yahoo group. Maybe you could Google the term to see what other clubs around the country do. Blue blazers and white pants (or skirts) would certainly not be necessary for our casual club, it could just be another way to bring the community in and perhaps find new members.

YBYC Calendar

Mar 13th Know Your Bay, 7pm

Mar 16th Blessing of the Fleet, 12:45pm Monthly Potluck, 6pm

Mar 17th Frostbite Sail, 12pm

Mar 27th Wildlife Matters, 7pm

Apr 7th Frostbite Sail, 12pm

The days of Wine and Seafood were quite lucrative, thanks to all the great volunteer help and Elliot's great job leading the effort. As well as bringing in near record revenue, it appeared the entire crew had fun running the booth.

Mac's education and entertainment programs have been going well, and I urge everyone to watch for the dates and show up for these fun Wednesday night events.

The Floathouse/Youth Clubhouse is already getting some use, even though not entirely set up yet, and the kids are benefiting from more time on the water as a result. Stay tuned for more opportunities to help with improvement projects in the coming weeks.

Don't miss the Saint Patrick's Day themed potluck aka general membership meeting this weekend, March 16, co-hosted by Mac and Elliot. The April meeting will feature an informal home brew judging, mostly Porter style beer if you have a batch, otherwise whatever you have to share. Tom and I are taking suggestions for Beer Food to serve, so far Pizza, Brats, meatballs, wings, and other such health foods are all we can think of, so please share your ideas in the next few weeks if you have some. Maybe a hearty beef stew?

Sorry this is brief, but I'm late, and the clocks are running early. See you soon.

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Blessing of the Fleet

By Stephanie Brown

March 16th is the Annual Blessing of the Fleet, put on by the <u>Newport Fishermen's Wives</u>. Join in the parade on the water and get your season started right. Decorate your vessel with flags and be part of this amazing tradition. Newport's commercial fleet leads the parade, and as each vessel passes the Coast Guard MLB Victory, the onboard clergy casts a benediction. If you can't join on the water, you can tune your radio and listen to the running commentary on the parade, which includes information on the participating vessels, their fisheries, and general history of the boating families that make Newport their Home Port.

Read more about the day's events at http://newportfishermenswives.com/

The Parade and Blessing begins at 12:45pm from the area near the Port's international terminal. Anyone wishing to participate can pick up a vessel registration form at Schiewe Marine or Englund Marine Supply stores on Newport's Bayfront. All registrations need to be returned to Schiewe's or Englund's by 11:00 AM on the morning of the event.



Monthly Potluck Meeting Saturday, March 16th 6:00pm





The tall ship **Alexander von Humboldt II** (it's green)

It's time to get our Irish on! Mac and I, two Irish boys from this side of the pond, are cooking up some corned beef and cabbage. I do love corned beef, so it just might be good!! We may even have a few adult beverages, so come on down to the clubhouse on Saturday the 16th at 6 pm with your green on of course and let's have some fun. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share, and don't forget your place settings!

-Elliott

Winter Education Series

The sun might set earlier than we'd like this time of year, but that doesn't mean we can't still have fun on Wednesday nights at the clubhouse! This winter's education series has alternated so far between informative talks and popcorn movie nights. The schedule for April might get changed around a bit from the original plan, but here's an announcement for the next two events:

Know Your Bay

Presenter: Joe Novello March 13th, 7pm

Joe shares general area knowledge: Tides, features of the Bay and near shore, winds, currents and obstructions. Everyone is welcome.

Wildlife Matters: Identifying the wildlife of the Oregon coast

Presenter: Dawn Grafe, USFWS March 27th, 7pm



The rocky coastline of Oregon provides habitat for 13 different species of seabirds. Four different species of seals and sea lions use the coastal islands for breeding and haulout areas. But did you know the coast is also an important wintering area for loons, grebes and sea ducks? Dawn Grafe is the Visitor Services Manager for Oregon Islands National Wildlife Refuge. Join her and learn more about the wildlife of the Oregon coast and how the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service works with others to conserve it.

Fundraiser Report

By Elliott Crowder

Whew!! Seafood and Wine is now behind us, but what a party! YBYC hade a great year in the tent: Our sales were up compared to last year and we made some money for the club. Of course, we could not have pulled it off without our great volunteers who staffed the booth and helped with set-up and take down. We even had one group of volunteers show up all in matching zebra costumes, which was a big hit with the swarm of winos. So, a big round of THANKS to all of you who helped!



Annie and Elliott staff the YBYC booth at the Seafood and Wine Festival (not pictured: zebras)

Quote of the Month

"No more expensive way of going slowly has been invented by man than sailing."

-Chris Caswell

Youth Sailing Update

By Joe Novello

The high school youth sailing program is off and running. We have eight sailors including Varsity team members Josh Viar, Austin Versteeg, Robert Pratt, Austin Ligon, Landon Reno, and Dakota Lager; Junior Varsity includes Tristan Scarborough and Ronan Krutzikowsky. Coaches this year include Joe Novello, Laurie Weitcamp and Terry Lettenmeier.





Our sailors hit the water on Wednesday, February 25th and quickly regained skills learned last year. Coach Terry developed a new and drill of racing unusual around one buoy. Skippers try to keep the boat moving, sailing up and downwind trying to maneuver inside the other boats. Other drills include tacking, jibing, 360/720 penalty turns and roll tacking. Practice usually ends with five to windward - leeward races that last three to five minutes each. With daylight savings time coming up in the next couple of weeks we looking forward to stretching our practices from two to three hours on Mondays and Wednesday. Look for us in front of the embarcadero in the area of the Coast Guard mooring buoy.



YBYC members help fix up the new Floathouse/Youth Clubhouse.

Many hands make light(er) work!

SPONSOR A CHAIR - Youth Sailing Fundraiser



The youth sailing program is looking for help furnishing the new float house. We are having a "Sponsor a Chair" fund raising project and hope to find sponsors for thirty plastic resin chairs to be used for youth sailing activities. For **fifteen dollars** you can sponsor a chair which will have your name permanently displayed on a donor plate on the back of the chair. In addition your name will be entered into a drawing for a sunset cruise and dinner for two aboard Felicity with Joe Novello. Since we only need thirty chairs, you will have a one in thirty chance of winning. **Donations can be sent to Dorothy Bogumil care of YBYC.** Our goal is to have the chairs purchased and in place on the float house for our May 11th youth regatta/open house.

Hospice Regatta Planned for Oct.

YAQUINA BAY YACHT CLUB IS SELECTED TO SPONSOR THE NEWPORT COLUMBUS DAY HOSPICE REGATTA AS A PART OF THE NATIONAL HOSPICE REGATTA ALLIANCE (NHRA)

Alliance Adds New Member Regatta

The Alliance is pleased to introduce the Columbus Day Hospice Regatta hosted by Yaquina Bay Yacht Club in Newport, OR, as our newest Provisional Member. The regatta's application was approved unanimously by the NHRA board of directors, and YBYC's first hospice regatta will take place October 12-13.

"The Alliance is delighted to welcome another group dedicated to raising funds and awareness for hospice through a charity sailing regatta," said NHRA president Jean Kluttz. "This is a positive step towards even more hospice regattas on the West Coast," she added.

Yaquina Bay YC has hosted a Columbus Day regatta for a number of years, and it decided to re-dedicate the event to hospice at the urging of club member Giovanni Catalano, DO.

Dr. Catalano competed in the Hospice Charity Cup when he lived in the Watertown, NY, area. "When he moved to Newport and began sailing and having patients in hospice, he saw a need and an opportunity to expand this great event and help his local hospice," the application explains.

The organizing committee also includes Greg Krutzikowsky, racing chair at Yaquina Bay YC; Mac McConnell, fundraising; and Cindy McConnell, social events and hospice representative.

The regatta will benefit <u>Samaritan</u> <u>Pacific Hospice</u>, which serves Newport, OR, and nearby communities on the central Oregon coast.



2013 YBYC Officers and Board Members

Board Bits

On March 5, the YBYC board met and here is some of what transpired: Heard a presentation on the Sea Scouts program; heard more plans for regatta weekend; heard results from the S&W festival; the coming racing season scheduled was revealed; new member applications were reviewed and approved; plans are being made for our St. Pat's day-themed meeting this month; high school sailing practice has begun; discussed the fee structure for dinghy and keelboat classes. The board meets again on April 2.

Kname This Knot →

(Answer on page 8)





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Website: www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org

Yahoo Group: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ybycgroup
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/YaquinaBayYachtClub

Membership

By Angela Sivers

Please welcome new members: Joe and Tina Qualls, Fred Wright, Colin Little and Lydia Munger-Little and son Henry, and student members Matthew Goschie and Garrett Sholty.

The new plastic membership cards are in and nearly all have been distributed to members. If you haven't received yours yet, you should get it soon. Not only does your card come in use when you travel to other ports, but this year's card also conveniently lists the new door code on it, so be sure to keep it handy!

YBYC Classified

Sailboat For Sale: Balboa 24 and trailer 1982: one full season on new sails, two seasons on running rigging, fixed lead keel, shallow draft, cabin cushions. For more information, contact Mike and Pat Blackburn 541-570-9109.

Flamingo is for sale

She is a J-24, 1978 vintage, in good condition, fully equipped, sails well, all running rigging has been replaced, New Load Path Vectran Sails X 1 season, OB motor, extra sails, depth finder (nice to have on the bay) 2 Axle Trailer \$6,500.00 OBO Call Paul at 541-765-4467 or (Cell) 541-961-3970 or email pmerskine@yahoo.com

Solution from pg. 7: Fisherman's Knot

Member-2-Member Network

Need a service but don't know who to call? Rather than calling a stranger or looking in the yellow pages, **call another YBYC member!** Every member who runs a business or performs a service is encouraged to sign up. It's totally FREE to members! Non-members pay a nominal fee. Want to get yourself listed? Email the YBYC newsletter editor at goodrice@earthlink.net with your listing information.

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