

The Jib Sheet



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Commodore's Log

By Mike Fulmor

The Dog Daze of August have wagged their tails down the road, and the Equinox ending Summer is coming in a few short weeks. I know lots of us have been doing some traveling, and others are about to go, but those of us who "stay-cation" here at the coast have been having a great time enjoying our beachin' lifestyle.



August was less busy this year due to the Bridge to Bridge race getting cancelled. It was unfortunate, and hopefully there will be more entries from our club and others next year to revive it, but it left only the Toledo Wooden Boat Show on that weekend, and gave our cast of volunteers a bit of a break. Instead of a pig roast for visiting sailors that few YBYC members ever enjoy, we had a nice Luau themed monthly meeting featuring Kalua Pork, Teriyaki Chicken, and the best Mai-Tai cocktails ever. They were so delicious, Dorothy went through 2 half gallons of rum and a fifth of orange liquor making enough for everyone. It was a great evening and many of us even got lei'ed. Thanks to Amy and Kelly Greer for hosting. **Cont'd p. 2**

YBYC Officers

Commodore.....Mike Fulmor
Vice Commodore... Elliott Crowder
Rear Commodore.....Kelly Greer
Secretary.....Alice McNamara
Treasurer.....Dorothy Bogumil

YBYC Calendar

Sept 21st **Monthly Meeting/Potluck**
5:45pm – Dock Walk
7:00pm – Clubhouse

Oct 12th/13th **Columbus Day Hospice Regatta**

Weds Night Races 6pm – Sept 11, 18, 25 & Oct 2, 9

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Commodore's Log, cont'd

The last day of the month we had an impromptu send-off party for Captain Mark and *Ocean Watch*, featuring fresh crab caught by Mac and his crew, teriyaki BBQ fresh tuna, salmon, and great side dishes. We presented Mark with a burgee and honorary membership and he was stoked, said he wasn't a member of any other yacht clubs and he would fly his burgee proudly. It was another fine evening of fun and camaraderie which some of us capped off dancing to the hot sounds of the Purple Cats at the Embarcadero.

By the way, yours truly has been really busy with sailing lessons and occasional whale-watching driver duties, and is looking forward to shorter days and less activity. Being "retired" takes lots of time and energy, but has great rewards when new members join the club and begin sailing!

The September monthly meeting will be the Dock Walk, a progressive party on the Embarcadero docks with different offerings of food and beverages at various YBYC boats. It's always lots of fun, and your hosts Mike and Pat Blackburn will have some great things planned I'm sure.

The next really big thing is the Hospice Regatta formerly known as Columbus Day in October, and I'm sure you'll be hearing lots about that from those intrepid volunteers who have taken it on. Your commodore will be absent, taking care of family obligations in California and Arkansas, but I'm sure it will be such a rousing success that nobody notices he's gone.

Sail safe, and see you on the water,

-Mike



Port Dock One: The boys are back! Now that breeding season is over, male California sea lions have returned to Yaquina Bay.

Dock Walk **September Potluck Meeting** **Saturday, September 21st**

5:45pm Appetizers and drinks
on Embarcadero Docks
7:00pm Salad Bar at the YBYC
Clubhouse

Celebrate the Fall Equinox by joining us for the annual YBYC Dock Walk! This is a great opportunity for members to socialize with one another outdoors among the boats, put a face to vessels, and gab knowingly about sailing equipment whilst having the benefit of looking and pointing at said equipment.

Several YBYC boats will be providing festive refreshments at their vessels beginning at 5:45pm. Walk around and introduce yourself! If you would like to be a host boat, call or text Mike or Pat Blackburn at 541-570-9109.

After the Dock Walk, meet back at the clubhouse for a Salad Bar meal beginning at 7pm. Please bring a salad bar item and the basic salad will be provided.

Race and Cruise News

By Greg Krutzikowsky

We are in the fading days of summer. As the fall equinox approaches the days are getting shorter. Wednesday races for the fall series start at 6 PM to take advantage of what light and wind there is in the shortened evenings.

The Notice of Race for the Columbus Day Hospice Regatta is posted. Momentum is building for a fantastic event that will involve sailors, community members, and out of town visitors. This event is one of 27 Hospice Regattas held in North America to raise awareness and funds for Hospice. Our regatta is listed on the limited edition poster of 2013 Hospice Regattas featuring the stunning artwork of the late Willard Bond that are for sale at ship's stores. We will be selecting one representative skipper and an alternate for eligibility to compete in the National Hospice Regatta held in Florida next April.

This year's event on October 12-13 should be spectacular. We will feature legendary racing on Yaquina Bay, as well as a scrumptious dinner, designer t-shirts, and a commemorative sail. A limited number of spectators can enjoy lunch aboard the Marine Discovery Tours vessel while watching the racing on Saturday with commentary provided by one of our past Commodores, Larry Beggs. We have a live band lined up for Saturday evening and plans for a raffle and silent auction. We have the good fortune to have the generous support from Bigfoot Beverages, Gerding Builders, Kahl Insurance Services, Marine Discovery Tours, Newport Rental Service, and OSU Federal Credit Union who have all made substantial donations to the Pacific Communities Health District Foundation to benefit Samaritan Pacific Hospice services in the Newport area.

YBYC members can help in many ways. Those that are planning to race should register as soon as possible. Skippers and crew can seek sponsorship for their boats from friends, family, and/or business associates in the form of tax deductible donations to benefit the Hospice. Members can also volunteer to help with race committee, hospitality, and fund raising. Please contact Race Co-Chairs to find out how you can help.

Download a Regatta events flyer and the NOR from the [YBYC Website](#).



SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS NEEDED

For the Columbus Day Hospice Regatta Dinner on Oct 12th. Sailing trips, artwork, or any services you provide will be welcome. Smaller items will be put together as theme baskets. Please contact Donna Cressy at dmcressy@charter.net if you can help. All donations are tax deductible and are for a very worthy cause. Thank you.

Changing Seasons

*Whether the weather be fine,
Or whether the weather be
not; ... We'll weather the
weather, Whatever the
weather, Whether we like it or
not!*

-Traditional British School
Rhyme

Hospice Regatta Pennants

By Joe Novello

Have you been wondering how you can contribute to the upcoming Hospice Regatta? Here is your chance. A group of folks from YBYC have joined with the regatta organizers to plan a memorial event. Organizers have yet to work out the details but we wanted to give you a jump start. Pennants will be available for people to decorate in memory of loved ones who have been able to use hospice during their lives. Skippers and crew are encouraged to gather as many as possible to fly on their boats during a procession down the bay front at some point, either Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning. The plans include a reading of the names of the loved ones by a minister as the boats parade past a predetermined location which is yet to be identified. We are working on getting some type of media coverage for the event as well.

Skippers may obtain the blank pennants from Mac McConnell. Each pennant will be available for a twenty-five dollar donation, decorated and given back to the skipper to fly on their boat. Pennants will also be available at local merchants with those banners distributed throughout the fleet. At the end of the regatta the pennants will be given back to the donors as a keepsake from the regatta.

All the funds will remain local, being distributed to hospice clients for the things they need to provide comfort during this important time of their lives. There is also some discussion about working towards bringing back a dedicated end of life comfort care room in the local hospital.

Rumor has it the sailors coming over from Eugene plan to shame the YBYC members with the amount of pennants they will be sponsoring at the regatta. Let's do our part to honor the memories of our local folks with hundreds of pennants flying from our rigging.



FRESHWATER CRUISING ON LAKE ONTARIO

By Tom and Alice McNamara

Lake Ontario is the easternmost of the Great Lakes, lying between upper New York State and the Province of Ontario. The east end of Lake Ontario, where my brother keeps his Beneteau 373 (S/V *Bella Serra*) is unique. This is where the St. Lawrence River begins, flowing through Quebec to the Atlantic near Newfoundland. At the beginning of the St. Lawrence is an area known as the Thousand Islands (actually 1,864 of them), part of which is a Canadian National Park.

The boat is very nice and comfy, and its luxury disguises its performance features. My brother's a cruiser, after all, and didn't have his rig adjusted for efficiency. Once we made few tweaks, she was making impressive speed, up to 7 kn.+.

FRESHWATER CRUISING, cont'd

Our cruise began on August 18 at Sacket's Harbor, NY, and we sailed NE into the islands. Sailing is a seasonal activity there, as most boats are hauled out during the winter freeze-up. So people seem to use their boats a lot in summer, and we enjoyed seeing all kinds of vessels, from kayaks to ore-carriers. Those big boys always have right-of-way, and only a fool would hesitate to get out of their way. Many of the islands are occupied by one or more homes, and some of those have the look and the price-tag of complete privacy, often with an appropriately big and beautiful boat moored our front. Given the number and variety of islands, finding good anchorage is just a matter of looking around and using local knowledge and experience.

We anchored for the night most nights, and each was a learning opportunity. Although there was no tide to allow for, secure anchorage still required skill and monitoring. The water was warm, and so clear, that we could see the bottom in about 15 feet or more. And then there was navigating. As racers in Yaquina Bay, we knew little about finding our way around. In the areas where we cruised, there are many shoals and rocks, so constant attention to the charts and chart plotter was necessary, and we were often visually searching for buoys and landmarks.

We spent one night at Kingston, a large city that claims to be a major center for yacht racing. Indeed, each time we passed through the area, it was crowded with racing fleets on different courses. Noteworthy was a fleet of at least 30 Club 420's, which we later found out was their national championships. It was cool to see 30 spinnakers heading right for us all at once.

We then sailed SW to Waupoos Island, where we spent 2 nights at a small, friendly marina. It's a laid-back, rural area and home to the Prince Edward Yacht Club. There, we felt more at home compared to Kingston. The locals claim it's the best part of the Lake for sailing, and we can see why. But it was hard to picture it with 10 ft. of snow on the ground.



Our final day was a 10 hr. transit across the open waters of the lake, back to home port. And part of it was the longest single tack of our sailing experience. For about 3.5 hr, we used the autopilot (!), and didn't even need a sail trim adjustment. I began to think the telltales were glued in place!

That was one of the best trips we have ever taken. We had 8 days of sailing in excellent weather on a beautiful boat in gorgeous settings. Who knew you could do all that in fresh water?

SUPPORT OUR BOOSTERS, SUPPORT OUR YOUTH

Again this year the Newport Boosters are holding the Booster Fall Banquet at the Newport Shilo Inn Friday October 11th. For the past two years our youth sailing program has benefitted from this event which includes both a silent and oral auction. We've received over \$1000 each year for youth uniforms and money for a dolly for our 420s. You can help in one of two ways. We are collecting items for our silent auction basket. This can include sailing gear, trinkets, gift certificates and similar items. Jennifer Novello will be collecting items through October 9th. She can be reached at Jenn_Novello@charter.net or by calling 503 320-0188.

Another way you can help support our program through the boosters is by attending the auction. A delicious sit down dinner is served. The highlight of the evening is the oral auction which is quite entertaining.

Tickets are available for \$50 each by contacting Dave Heater 541 961-3499. Please let him know you would like to sit with the Yacht Club group and coaches. Wouldn't it be great if we could fill at least one table with yacht club members?

Board Bits

The YBYC board met on 9/3. Among the issues and ideas discussed were:

- The Toledo Wooden Boat Show was a success;
- Educational issues with OBF are being resolved;
- Preparation for the Seafood and Wine Festival is beginning;
- Clubhouse rentals need to be promoted and marketed;
- One new membership was approved;
- Adult dinghy classes begin this week;
- Plans are moving quickly for the October Hospice Regatta.

Check Out YBYC Online

Website: www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org

Yahoo Group:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ybycgroup>

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YaquinaBayYachtClub](http://www.facebook.com/YaquinaBayYachtClub)

Ships Store

Coming soon... bumper stickers, men's t-shirts and women's pink fleece items. Show off your YBYC gear with pride at the Regatta!

YBYC Classified

Moorage For Sale: Newport Embarcadero moorage on Dock "C", slip M133. Accommodates up to a 30' boat. Ownership includes electricity, water, internet access, restrooms/showers, equipment locker and access to Embarcadero amenities – swimming pool, hot tub, exercise room, and crab cooking area. \$6000 OBO. Call Tom at 541-549-7431 or email: tsmcblust@bendcable.com

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.

Wanted: Catamaran trailer Nacra 5.2 Contact Captain Charles Collins (361) 563-4736.

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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