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2013 YBYC Columbus Day Hospice Regatta - Photo by Helen Moore



Commodore's Log By Mike Fulmor

As the end of my watch approaches, I'm feeling a bittersweet poignancy that reminds me of sailing away from many beautiful islands, ports and anchorages: enjoying the feeling of freedom associated with being underway, happy to be leaving land-based hassles and complications in our wake, but sad to no longer be part of that particular place, it's culture and the daily lives of our friends there.

I've learned lots in the last three years about how organizations function, hopefully without making too many enemies in the process, and, like all the volunteers past and present, I've done my best to leave office with this club in a little better shape than I found it.

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YBYC Officers

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

YBYC Calendar

Nov 16th Annual Meeting & Potluck – 6pm

Dec 7th Lighted Boat Parade – 5pm

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Commodore's Log, cont'd

I had three main goals at the outset to improve the physical aspect of the club: 1. Get a home for the youth program besides the clubhouse, even if it meant building a boathouse in the dead of winter, 2. Get a path from the parking lot down to the water that our small boats could dolly down and be launched from easily, and 3. Get a proper nautical flagpole for this club. With a huge help from our sister non-profit organization, Oregon Boating Foundation, a perfect float-house was procured and has been working out quite well. The pathway is going to take a few years to materialize, but I pledge to continue working on it with the Port, Oregon Marine Board, ODFW, Corps of Engineers, and whatever other agencies might want to be involved. Hopefully we can write some grant requests to pay for it whenever we get the OK. The final item, the flagpole, is on order and will arrive in the next month or so. I decided rather than try to get everyone to understand why a used mast (unless it was a mizzen from a tall ship) or some kind of homemade pole wouldn't cut the mustard, I would personally donate it to the club. If enough members love it and, as recently suggested by Mac, the club might want to reimburse me for any portion of it at a later time, that's fine, but also fine if that doesn't happen. I justified the ~\$2500 expenditure to my wife by saving the money came from teaching sailing lessons, so it's really not like I'm giving away our nest-egg. © It will be a proper nautical flagpole: heavy thick-walled aluminum. dutv tapered construction, engineered to withstand our weather, with a gaff for flying the Colors and a yard-arm for displaying officer's flags and/or race message flags. The club burgee will be flown from the peak. This is a nautical tradition from hundreds of years ago as you can read at this site.

usps.org/national/fecom/faq/flag/gaffpole.html



Undoubtedly some folks in the community will need to be educated about this from time to time, but as a yacht club, I believe it's our duty to preserve the old nautical traditions for posterity.

My main non-physical plant goal for the year was to start building (or rebuilding) a strong racing fleet by encouraging a non-spinnaker class, or at least a division of classes that allowed for less speedy boats to still have fun out there and not always be last. It seems to have been working well, with lots of participation; hopefully more will want to join the fun with the spinnaker class next year. To that end (of encouraging more racers), I also pushed hard for a zero collision rate, which we did achieve, partly perhaps from lower than average winds, partly from holding two Rules Education sessions which were pretty well attended, and partly from promoting a bit of official protesting instead of colliding. This allowed us to make fouls, or the perception of fouls, into a learning experience instead of a bunch of bad feelings and costly repairs.

Other than that, I wish I could have done more, but it's time to let somebody else have the fun of being Grand Poo Bah. I hope to see you all at the big annual meeting and of course I'll see you out on the water next year.

- Mike



Grinner-cam at sunset

Columbus Day Hospice Regatta 2013

The Columbus Day Regatta was a huge success! Thirty boats participated in five fleets: nine Santana 20s, six slower handicap boats, five 420s, four faster handicap boats, four JY trainers, and two i550s. A great time was had by all, and best of all – the event netted more than \$13,000 for Pacific Communities Health District Foundation hospice!















First Place Results

420s Terry Lettenmaier
i550s Brian Lockwood - *Boxed Wine*Santanas Gordon Mattatall - *H2O Boa*PY 1 Dean Mitchel – *Falcor*PY 2 Joe Novello – *Felicity*



Photos by Helen Moore

VICE COMMODORE LOG

By Elliott Crowder

As we wrap up this racing season I find myself looking back at it fondly, with the usual what if's, should have trimmed this, used that sail, that kind of stuff. I find racing is good for me, as it makes me think about each move on the boat and what effect it has on my speed (vmg), and even if you are not a racer at heart you are learning to sail better. Speaking of racing, what an end of season regatta we hade this year!!! A big thanks to all who helped put that thing together, a lot of work was put in to pull this off. I hope most of you came down to the club at some time over the weekend to see the show (dinner, music, racing, raffle, etc.) The racing was neck and neck all weekend. Congrats to Joe and his crew for squeezing that last point out to take the win over Ducky. We hade a blast!

It looks as though the club will be getting a very nice flagpole donated to us from Mike & Barb Fulmor. A big thanks goes out to them as I think it's something the club has needed for some time. I can't wait to help install it.

November is our annual meeting. Please try to attend as it's when we as a club choose our next board, then share some food and drink and have some laughs.

One last thing, thank you Cait for doing a great job on the Jib Sheet this year.

See ya on the water!

- Elliott

ANNUAL MEETING

November 16, 2013 6pm

Come one, come all to the YBYC Annual Meeting and Potluck! According to tradition, this special edition of the monthly meeting will feature prime rib, so bring a dish to share that will compliment this fancy feast. Awards will be given out for racing and other accomplishments from throughout the year, and we'll seat the new Plus, if you haven't Board. already paid your annual dues, this would be a great time to bring a check to the Treasurer. See vou there!



20th ANNUAL LIGHTED BOAT PARADE

Saturday, December 7th 5:00pm – 6:30pm Featuring "The Magic of the Music"

Participate in one of Newport's favorite holiday traditions by decorating your boat and joining in a festive parade of lights on Yaquina Bay! This YBYC and Marine Discovery Tours event raises money for CAN Cancer through donations, ticket sales and boat registrations. Registration for recreational boats (\$35) and charter boats (\$30) is due by 4pm on December 2nd. To sign up, call 541-265-6200 or email ybyc.email@gmail.com. If you're not on the water, be sure to view the parade from any spot on the Bayfront, and cheer for your favorite "floats".

LAST GASP SAILING

By Laurie Weitkamp

A dedicated group of 420-sailors took advantage of our wonderful October weather to continue Wednesday night sailing during the weeks between the Hospice Regatta and the end of daylight savings time. Although the wind failed to cooperate one evening (calm, foggy, and a strong outgoing tide), we had a good hour of quick races on two other Wednesdays, with all six 420s on the water on the first night (and several sailors waiting in the Whaler), and five boats on the final night. Although we drifted back to the dock in near-darkness both nights, it was smiles all around, especially after a spectacular sunset on first night.

The group included four members of our high school sailing team who have been active all summer and sailed the Hospice regatta: Jose Bravo, Matt Goschie, Ronan Krutzikowsky, and Tristan Scarborough; junior sailors Cortez Catalano and Marek Krutzikowsky; and adults Giovanni Catalano, Greg Krutzikowsky, Terry Lettenmaier, Cindy Milligan, Andy Nousen, Barry Semple, Kelly Stroh, and Laurie Weitkamp, with Guy and Donna Hadden running the Whaler and the races. Since there were no keelboats to steal our wind or get in the way, there was a lot of tiller swapping—people who had crewed all summer got to practice driving skills and vice versa.

Thanks to a first rate shore crew of Jennie Scarborough, Melissa Goschie, and Linda Johnson, we even had a tasty meal waiting for us by the time everyone was out of their wetsuits and the boats put away. Assuming October weather is as good next year as it was this year, perhaps the keelboats might want to join us for some last gasp sailing, as long as they don't steal our wind or get in our way.



MEMBERSHIP

By Carol Ozenberger

We have a new member, a student Becky Marbady. She used to belong to the Kaneohe Yacht Club, and also the San Francisco Yacht Club. Welcome Becky!

YBYC Classified

Moorage For Sale: Newport Embarcadero moorage "C". Dock slip M133. Accommodates up to a 30' boat. Ownership includes electricity, water, internet access, restrooms and showers, equipment locker and access to Embarcadero amenities swimming pool, hot tub, exercise and room, crab cooking area. \$6000 OBO. Contact Tom at

FALL PROGRAM FOR YOUTH SAILORS

Wednesdays 4-6pm

In order to keep the great momentum we've had this summer with our youth sailors, we will be having a weekly program this fall. On Wednesdays from 4-6pm in the new floathouse, will we be working on the dinghies and teaching basic



seamanship skills (knots, boat and sail repair, etc.). All youth sailors (and adults) are invited to come help get the boats ready for the spring sailing season, learn some new skills, and have fun in the process. Please contact Joe Novello for more information and to sign up.

Board Bits

The YBYC board met on 11/5, and some of the topics on their agenda were:

- Commodore Fulmor presided over the last meeting of his tenure
- Nominees are set for this month's elections
- Annual meeting this month
- A solar power demonstration project is planned for the floathouse
- User fees for club boats were discussed
- Three new members were approved, and
- The clubhouse is getting a flagpole.

The new board will meet on 12/3.

Check Out YBYC Online

Website:

www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org Yahoo Group:

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

Facebook:

http://www.facebook.com/Yaquina BayYachtClub

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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