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Commodores Corner

By Pete Porter

. Hello to all sailors. I have been bad, procrastinating on writing this article – doing things like cruising the San Juan Islands and then working on the pictures we took. But more on that later, if you'll hang with me. First yacht club business. We are busily (as busy as WSCYC 'ers can be) preparing for the Christmas party/meeting. And we are really trying to emphasize the party aspect of this get together. Please mark you calendars for the evening of December 8th at the Port Orchard Yacht Club. My goal is to have good food, and drink and most importantly great friends to have a very relaxing evening with.

Other items the board is working on is web site improvements and possibly getting a new web service provider, next years board members, a club budget and of course, the endless work involved maintaining our membership, racing and reciprocal programs.

One thing we would like to see is better participation at our cruises. For next year we are going to try mailing hard copies of the cruise flyers. We think this may be more effective. Please let any board members know of any ideas you have to make this a better club. I cannot emphasize this enough.

So back to the San Juans. Another one of those memorable cruises. We had better weather that all of August it seems. (Remember the second week of September?). We met some interesting new people (one of the best benefits of cruising) We were thrilled when we saw a pod of Orcas. Great friends, great food – you know the drill. So email me if you want to see pictures. We put them on Kodak Gallery and I can invite anyone to view them if I have your email address. Have a great fall - lots of great cruising time left.

Words of Vice

By Greg Perkins

Items of Interest\Upcoming Events

Commodores Cup

20 October

Committee: Ole Hovland

Fowl Weather Regatta

17 November

Committee : Paul Prachyl

Christmas Party

8 December

Host : Porter\Jorgensen

Well ...I'll have to beg your forgiveness for being late, and having little to say. I had an article written and I misplaced it. The information I have to share is that we have three events left this year The Commodores Cup, The Fowl Weather Regatta and the Christmas party. I'll focus on the Christmas party as it puts a great year to sleep. Over the past year we have had several fun and successful events (Races and Cruises), and welcomed many new members. If you haven't been to one of the prior years Christmas Parties I encourage you to attend. This years party will held at the Port Orchard Yacht Club. The announcement should be out in a few weeks.

Each year at the Christmas Party aside from having a good time with friends and passing out trophies we have to conduct some club business (amending Bylaws and electing the Board of Trustees). This year will be no different.

For this years elections Pete Porter has indicated that he would like to vacate the Commodores' position this will be a great loss to us but he will remain active in the club. All other board members:
Greg Perkins: Vice Commodore,
Chris Jorgensen: Rear Commodore, Cathy Kornish :Secretary\Treasurer, Paul Prachyl: Trustee,

Bryan Massey: Trustee have all agreed that if elected would remain on the board.

If nominated and elected I am willing to assume the position as Commodore, and Paul has stated that he is willing to assume the position as Vice Commodore (this is all contingent on being nominated), but this will leave us with an open position.

All positions are available and anyone can volunteer for any position. If you would like to volunteer for any board position or would like to nominate anyone for a board position please let any two current board members know of your desire.

Oh yea. The final thing that happens at the Christmas Party is that we put names with events. If you are interested in hosting an event or committing a race please let me know. You can sign up at the party or send me an e-mail to volunteer for any event.

See you at the Party.

Greg

Cathy spoke with the Harbor Master at Dock Street Marina here are the answers to her questions:

- Bridge height is 64 feet and if you have a taller rig the bridge can be opened by calling the WSDOT a couple of hours in advance.
- Upon arrival at the marina, give us a call and we will come and check you in and give you the guest code. We change it monthly. We take a credit card to reserve, but don't run it until you arrive and use your card.
- We don't have a covered area at the marina, but we do have a club house across the water at our Delin Docks Marina. It has a full kitchen and all you have to do is call and reserve it. There is a \$50.00 refundable damage deposit on the off chance that something goes crazy.
- If you have a group coming down please call for availability, some weekends are booked. We will take reservations up to a year in advance.
- We are working with a number of restaurants within walking distance to get discounts. They have already agreed to help with larger group availability. The restaurants include Harmon Brewery, Indochine, El Gaucho, Cutters Point Coffee and an Ice Cream shop to name a few. There is also the light rail of Tacoma that is a five minute walk from the docks. We are literally 50 yards from the Museum of Glass, which is absolutely breath taking.

We look forward to hearing from you about a stay in the future. Bring the whole gang down and let's give them a view of Tacoma that they probably never thought existed!

Have a great rest of the summer.

Craig Perry

Manager, Dock Street Marina

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Secretary's Sentances

Put the shorts away and pull the sweaters out, Fall is on the way. I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer. I have no complaints except for that time has gone by way too fast. Well...that and now the spiders are making an appearance. What do they find to eat on a boat? inside a furled main or headsail? Has anyone else noticed that when the sails are first raised it rains spiders? ICK.

I want to extend the Club's welcome to several new members. First to Larry Lefebvre, who joined in May and I overlooked in writing for the past newsletter. My apologies. Larry sails a Catalina 36, "Hiaqua", moored in Port Orchard. Other boats moored in Port Orchard are; "Jabez" a Ranger 30 sailed by Gary and September Seibert, "Mokulea", a Tartan 30 sailed by Gary Souza, "Patricia Lynn", a Catalina 27 sailed by Thomas and Patricia Funk and "Cloud Nine", a Catalina 36 sailed by Bob Rowe and Dawn Wilcox. Brad and Gay Gibson sail "Ann Aerobic", an Island Packet 35 out of Seattle. Jim and Judy McGihon and their Island Packet 38, "Kind of Blue" are somewhere in Mexico, as are Evan and Jill Jacoby sailing "Avrio", a Globe 41. "Shamrockin" is a Pac Marine powerboat cruised out of Anacortes by Brenard and Kyra Bacheller.

Does anyone know the whereabouts of the Club's Bridge flags? Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer. Former BOT officers, please look in the bottom of the catch everything locker and see if you have one.

Events coming up are the Rum Run to Poulsbo, Commodore's Cup and Fowl Weather Regattas and the Christmas/Awards Banquet. I hope these are on your calendar and that I will see you there. The flyer for the Rum Run is posted on the website. If you are planning on coming by water or land yacht for dinner, please be sure to RSVP.

Cathy