



# The Barnacle

September 2007

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## COMMODORE'S CORNER



*Barnacle Greeting*

## Event Calendar

### September 2007

- 1-2 Filucy Fling at Longbranch
- 6 Fall Series Race (1)
- 8 Fall Series Race (2,3)
- 11 General Membership Mtng
- 14-15 Sleep 'n Creep at Docton
- 22 Fall Series Race (4,5)
- 29 Commodore's Trophy Race

### October 2007

- 6 Winter Series Race (1,2)
- 20 Change of Watch Banquet
- 27 Winter Series Race (3,4)

### November 2007

- 10 Winter Series Race (5)

King salmon is one of the great gourmet treats. I really enjoy the way salmon is marketed because now I know I have eaten salmon from Skeena, Yakutat, Eureka, Columbia River, Yukon, Campbell River, Copper River, Frazier River, Elliot Bay and Rosario Strait, "I've been everywhere man". (*hum to the Johnny Cash tune*)

Thank you to all who participated in the Mid-Sound Social. Everyone had a great time, even though there was more current than wind on some evenings. Boats, skippers and crew from our club included *French Silk, Cal 34, Eagle, Sloe Tango, Abracadabra, CCRyder, Cherokee, Liberty Call, ZZZap, Last Tuesday, Too Fat To Fly, and Brigadoon*, Pat & Sue Waters, Rich Marks, Tom Brown, Ray & Debra Valpey, Kathy McNeal, Chris Osborn, Pat Stewart, Raney Wright, Greg & Vanessa Zaputil, Barry Warren, Joe & Dorothy Fry, Paul Jones and Tim McShane.

Mark your calendars for our annual Change of Watch dinner/dance, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Larry and Jamie Wheir, social chairs have been diligently working with the Fairwood Golf and Country Club to make this a memorable event for us.

I am looking forward to good friends and excellent food at the Mandarin Kitchen at the General Membership meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>. The restaurant has historic roots with the club so check out the articles and pictures on the wall. Come prepared to make your nomination(s) for officers and trustees. If you are interested in getting more involved in the club, let me know. Remember members have more fun!

--Commodore Tim

## *Membership Meeting*

September 11th is the day to meet with your fellow boaters to plan our next year of fun. The Fall General Membership Meeting is when we look back at the great time we had racing, cruising & socializing & then figure out how to have an even better time next year. This is an all-volunteer club and getting involved is the best way to get to know folks & get the most out of your time on the water. Come & nominate your favorite member, meet new members, volunteer to help out with a project or just share your thoughts with other members. We love to reminisce about days past, but we also look forward to hearing the stories & experiences of our new members. The Mandarin Kitchen will be providing a Banquet Room for the meeting & the club will provide some appetizers to get the social time started at 6:30pm. This is a NO HOST BAR & DINNER event. Mike Chang, the owner puts an emphasis on fresh ingredients & really aims to please. Also check out the news clipping written by our own Liza Tewell & the pictures of club yachts on the walls. There is ample parking on the street, or it's a short walk from the Marina. Meeting will start at 7pm & finish up by 9pm. We hope to see you there! One last favor, if possible e-mail us to let us know you are coming so Mike will know how many to set up for. Thank You!

*-Larry and Jamie Wheir, Social Chairs*

## **Race Corner**

Our Mid-Sound Sailing Social in Des Moines, co-sponsored by The Des Moines Marina and Three Tree Point Yacht Club was a great success this year! The six week Thursday evening events had 34 different boats participating, with an average of 18-20 boats out each evening. The food and awards ceremony after each race averaged 50-70 persons attending. Please thank 48 degrees North, West Marine, CSR Marine, North Sails, Clear Ahead Sails, UK Halsey sails and Gig Harbor Yacht Sales who donated very generous prizes! Our last evening was a charity event for Easter Seals "Camp Stand By Me", a summer camp for handicap children

and their families located North of Gig Harbor. In this first ever charity event, we raised \$3,725 for this good cause!

Fall Series will start September 6<sup>th</sup> and, as always, Performance class is FREE! For those of you new to racing who enjoyed the Mid Sound Social, this is a good way to continue the fun. Applications are in the race handbook or can be found, on line, at [www.ttpyc.org](http://www.ttpyc.org).

The application for the Commodore's Trophy Race on September 29 is included in this Barnacle and application for the Winter Series, starting October 6<sup>th</sup> will be on our web site.

For further information give me a call.

Pat Waters, 253-529-2873

*The Annual Change of Watch Dinner and Dance*

**October 20, 2007**

**6:00pm-11:00pm**

**Fairwood Country Club**

***More information will be provided in  
the October Barnacle***

## **CRUISE CORNER**

The weather was better than predicted and the Labor Day cruise to Filucy Bay was a great success. On Friday evening, Aug. 31, a raft quickly congealed after the currents became favorable at The Narrows. The raft initially consisted of *Sloe Tango, Andromeda, Prime Meridian, Cherokee, Crystal Morning* and *Amadeus* (on loan to Steve & Janet Sisson). Saturday morning, *Rhumb Runner* joined the fold, then Orv and Rose Marie Edmiston came by car instead of by *Cheers* which was having mechanical problems. Finally, *Blue Moon* (new to Peter & Amy & Paul & Lily Gelinas) arrived in time for Saturday night pupus.

Many agreed that a highlight was the blindfolded dingy races. There were 3 heats of the mayhem, with the Orv'nRose team winning the day. The happy hour was punctuated by awards for the most colorful appetizer (Rose & Orv Edmiston), the most "TTPYC-ish" (Jean & Tom Spohn) and the most LABOR-intensive (Dawn & Steve Puryear).

To top it off, EVERYONE had a story to share in the "Tell of the most LABORious job you

ever had” fest. The prize went to Jim Redmond who recounted his ordeal jack-hammering while prostrate, (under the jack-hammer) in a 16” crawl space. If the prize had been for the drama of presentation it might have gone to Rose Edmiston who demonstrated the frustration of deploying those little paper umbrellas “and the airplane hits turbulence and everything goes flying and the passenger didn’t really want a Mai-Tai anyway”.

Most participants took advantage of the dance at the Longbranch Improvement Club where The Daily Flash cranked out some good ole rock’n roll.

For a change of pace, on Sunday the group motored through Pitt Pass (except Amadeus which took advantage of the only sailing day and followed the wind the long way around) to raft at Penrose Point State Park for a more nature-loving venue. We’re so glad that the lightning and storm didn’t hit until Monday night after we were all back home.

- Hosts Ray & Debra Valpey, (& Chloe)

## **MEMBERSHIP**

### *Introducing Sue and Wayne Norris*

Growing up on the Great Lakes, boating was second nature, at least to Wayne. My summers were spent at a cottage in Amherstburg, Ontario on Lake Erie. I guess you could say I started boating at the age of 5, fishing with my father.

Sue came into my life as a senior in high school. We went off to the cottage for boating fun. At that time I had a 10’ hydro plane. Sometime on the dock ask us about our first adventure where we flipped the hydro in the main shipping channel on the Detroit River, thus starting our boating adventures together in 1963.

In 1973 Wayne learned to sail at the Portofino Sailing School in Redondo Beach California and bought his first sailboat, a 22’ Catalina and

proceeded to sail it to Catalina Island, another adventure to be told at the dock after a couple of beverages. A move to Anchorage AK temporarily ended my deep water sailing adventures and turned me back into a fisherman on the Kenai River with a jet boat.

The next move took us to Seattle where we learned about the San Juan islands. Too much to see and too little time, so I bought a Sea Ray and adventured out among the islands. Several moves later we landed in Anacortes, where we lived for 10 years, Sea Ray and all. We have a lot of local knowledge about the San Juan Islands that we would love to share.

In 2005 we finally realized our dream of owning a 30’ Newport sailboat, Ragamuffin, and we brought her from Anacortes to Des Moines (slip B-8) in 2006, just in time for my knee surgery that kept us off the water all last winter.

We are glad to be back on the water. Our off the water interests include music (we owned a music store in Anacortes for 7 years), things Scottish, good food, (we are avid barbecue cooks), travel, and our grandchildren.

Check the homepage we created for Ragamuffin in our Bio for the club.

Its: [http://360.yahoo.com/wdn\\_2000](http://360.yahoo.com/wdn_2000)

Please also note a link to the International Yacht Club, to which we belong. It is internet based and included people from all around the world. Quite an interesting group.

If you have the opportunity, stop by B-8, we love to share adventures,

### **Note From the Editor**

Please watch for your ballot, dues statement and your membership information sheet. You may choose to stop receiving paper Barnacles and instead receive notification as soon as it is on our web site where the Barnacle is beautiful in color. And you save the club 6 bucks.

# Sleep N Creep September 21-23

Plan to attend the “blanknd” annual Three Tree Point Yacht Club Sleep ‘N’ Creep Cruise. Boating is the best way to get to Dockton County Park, but wheeled vehicles work too.

## **SCHEDULE**

### Saturday

1 to 3 p.m. Frisbee golf, Bocce ball, children’s games

**WE NEED KIDS!**

5:30 p.m. **No-host** Potluck on the dock

7:52 p.m. Sunset, possible campfire sing along, mystery readings, storytelling, s’mores

### Sunday

9 a.m. Guy-cooked Pancake Breakfast (Hosted by Orv and Rose Edmiston) plus Sleep ‘N’ Creep Historical (hysterical) Quiz at the NEW shelter.

**Please bring a potluck item, your beverages of choice, firewood, beach chairs, smores stick, lost and found items from previous cruises, paperbacks to exchange, plates and silverware and other Creeping stuff.** Also, bring your sneakers, as there may be walks through the neighborhood vegetable gardens.

Please let us know you are coming. Any questions please call or email: Steve and Janet Sisson at 206.824.6437, [stevenjanet@gmail.com](mailto:stevenjanet@gmail.com) or Rose and Orv Edmiston at 253.862.1677, roseschoice@comcast.net.

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Send to: Steve Sisson  
1113 South 249th Place  
Des Moines, WA 98198

By: September 13<sup>th</sup> please

Name of Boat: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost is \$5 per boat. Please make check payable to TTPYC.



*Three Tree Point Yacht Club*  
*Presents*  
**2007 Commodore's Trophy Race**  
*September 29<sup>th</sup>*

Courses and class breaks will be displayed on the Committee Boat

Entry fee: \$15.00

**FREE PERFORMANCE CLASS!**

We will have a performance class with off the cuff handicaps with a separate start.  
Please review the 2007 Race Book for Updated and New Details, Rules and Information.

**THREE TREE POINT YACHT CLUB**  
**Race Registration Form**

Sailboat Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sail # \_\_\_\_\_  
LOA \_\_\_\_\_ ft.  
Manufacturer/Model \_\_\_\_\_  
Hull Color \_\_\_\_\_  
Race or Series Entering \_\_\_\_\_ Entry Fee Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ PHRF Rating \_\_\_\_\_ sec./mi. Rating Code \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Performance Class Rating \_\_\_\_\_ sec./mi. **(Call Pat Waters on 253-529-2873 for handicap)**  
\_\_\_\_ One Design -- Boat Type \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE REFER TO THE TTPYC RACE HANDBOOK FOR ADDITIONAL RACE INFORMATION.

I, as skipper, acknowledge that I have sole responsibility for my boat and crew.

I acknowledge that it is my chose to race in this event.

I certify the above boat meets current PIYA Category IV requirements or better and agree to abide by the racing rules as stated in the TTPYC Racing Handbook.

I release the Three Tree Point Yacht Club, its officers, trustees, and race committee with respect to any and all claims resulting from the participation of my boat in this race.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

A copy of the TTPYC Race Book can be found at the club web site. [www.ttpyc.org](http://www.ttpyc.org)

Send the registration form and any race fee to: TTPYC Race Fleet  
Attn: Registrar  
P.O. Box 98700 / Des Moines, WA 98198

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