



# The **BARNACLE**

June 2010

Three Tree Point Yacht Club is an affordable family boating club that promotes enjoyment, appreciation, and care of the waters of Puget Sound.

June	
3	Summer Series Race 2
5 - 6	Maritime Days Cruise-Gig Harbor
8	General Membership Dinner Social Meeting
10	Summer Series Race 3
17	Summer Series Race 4
19 - 20	Minot Mingle Cruise-Dockton
24	Summer Series Race 5
26	"Boats for Beds" Race and Party
July	
4	Fireworks Galore Cruise/Picnic
13	General Membership Dinner Social & Meeting
17	Double-Handed Race
8, 15, 22, 29	MidSound Summer Social
25	Cruise to Canada
August	
5, 12	MidSound Summer Social
4-6	Labor Day Cruise
9	Fall Series Race 1
11	Fall Series Race 2, 3
14	General Members Dinner Meeting
18-19	Sleep-N-Creep Cruise
25	Fall Series Race 4, 5



## THE COMMODORE'S CORNER

**Pat Waters**

*Commodore*

Hi fellow members, Sue and I had the distinct honor of representing Three Tree Point Yacht Club at the opening day ceremonies in Seattle this year. It was a fascinating experience, from the official opening ceremony to the end of the boat parade. We were treated as VIP's onboard BG, owned by

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kurtz and their daughter Ann. You can see a few of the many photos that Sue took during the day on our yacht club website, [www.ttpyc.org](http://www.ttpyc.org). What struck me during the day is that only one couple of the many guests on board have ever heard of TTPYC. They represented the South Sound Sailing Society and knew of us since they compete in our Duwamish Head race every year.

However, the people onboard recognized every yacht club on every boat participating in the opening day forty plus categories! That tells me we need to enter a boat from our yacht club each year. The recognition we would get from the thousands of spectators would be well worth it. Anyone interested? Let me know. Could be a fun thing to do, especially if you entered the category that includes decorated boats!

Our youth sailing committee, in cooperation with the City of Des Moines and the Poverty Bay Sail and Power Squadron is well on their way towards teaching sailing this summer! I am excited that they are in the process now of purchasing four used Lido's from the Olympia Yacht Club! Shelley Conti and her committee are really running full steam with this one!

The Mid Sound Social starts Thursday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Dave Garman and his team are well on their way towards another successful, fun series this summer. However, they could use some help! Please contact Dave and offer to help as race committee, set up, tear down help, helping with food serving, and helping with food collection.

**Boats for Beds** will take place Saturday, June 26. Jeanne Walker has done an amazing job of putting this event together and it should be fun!!! We have nine boats participating in the fund raiser for Hospitality House. If you will not be out on one of the boats, come on down and watch the fun race from the pier and join us afterwards on the fuel dock. (Details below)

Participation in club events has been incredible recently! We had around forty people at our May dinner meeting. They were entertained by our very own George and Daphne Thompson who gave us a slide show on our upcoming summer cruise to Desolation Sound. I understand he now has a list of ten boat owners interested in participating! The Memorial Day cruise to Bremerton has 18 boats on the list! Wow! As a real treat, we are going to

celebrate Betty Haines 90<sup>th</sup> birthday during the cruise! The summer series is a real hit with 14 boats signed up, 6 of them in the cruising class!

Finally, I want to urge you to go to our yacht club website ([www.ttpyc.org](http://www.ttpyc.org)) frequently and review the constantly updated Google calendar, race, cruise and social events. You will find the links to our donors (MidSound Summer Social), a great way to contact them. Just click on their logo and it will take you to their website. If you contact them directly, please be sure to thank them for their donations to our Mid Sound Summer Social.

Have fun!

Pat Waters

[frenchsailor@comcast.net](mailto:frenchsailor@comcast.net)

### **SOCIAL CORNER**

DEBRA & RAY VALPEY

*Co-Chair*

### **JUNE'S SOCIAL/DINNER MEETING**

Our meeting at the Mandarin Kitchen (on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month: June 8<sup>th</sup> - 6 PM for dinner, 7 PM for program) will feature guest speaker Rick Edel from the Poverty Bay Sail and Power Squadron. Rich will give us *3TreePointers* some pointers about new availability of boating educational courses for both members and non-members of the Sail & Power Squadron. See you there! (Raffle item(s) TBD)

### **BOATS FOR BEDS UPDATE**

Our newest event is almost upon us! Boats for Beds will be taking place on June 26<sup>th</sup> at Des Moines Marina. Our club, with Hospitality House joined forces to raise money for the women of the shelter and provide a unique opportunity for community members who graciously purchased crew seats on member sailboats for a fun race off of Des Moines Marina.

The race will take place off of the fishing pier at 1 p.m., ending at 3:30. Our race committee will be Rick Redfield, and Larry and Jamie Wheir. Theme of the race or any other details will be emailed to our Captains before the 26<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully with the wind that Larry has promised to provide, the crews will be able to experience what we love! Sailing!!! There may also be time to do a bit of extra sailing after the race, if Captains and crew so desire.

Dinner will be served on the guest dock around 4:30-5:00. I have confirmation from the staff at the marina, that we will be the only 'organized' group that night. Hopefully, there will be slips available for you to bring your boat to guest moorage after the race.

Two community businesses, *Collins Chiropractic* in Burien and *Pinnacle Massage* in Normandy Park and a couple other individuals have confirmed sponsorship of the dinner. Several members, friends of Hospitality House and others have agreed to help with the meal. We can always use more bodies for set up and serving. We are anticipating participation of about 80 people. If you are able to help with set up, serving, preparing food or just want to be involved please contact Jeanne Walker at 206 406 9673 or by email at [pmtwalker@hotmail.com](mailto:pmtwalker@hotmail.com).

**The Mid Sound Summer Social** will be held on six consecutive Thursdays beginning on July 8, and ending on August 12. This year we will again be fundraising for the Hospitality House and collecting food donations for the Des Moines Food Bank. We have secured sponsors for each night of the six week social. We have prize collectors out in the community securing valuable prizes and services from local businesses. The planning committee has found a TTPYC sponsor for each night of the social and helped to decide on a theme for the night and the participating boats. Please continue to follow the





The themes we have planned so far are:

July 8, Theme "Happy Birthday USA" boat crew to dress entirely in Red, White, or Blue.

July 15, Theme "Boat Flags Night" boat crew to dress in favorite Regatta Wear

July 22, Theme "Bell & Whistles" boat crew to wear shirt from Favorite Sail Maker

July 29, Theme TBD, boat theme in planning

August 5, Theme "Poker Run Night" boat crew to dress in loud Hawaiian shirts

August 12, Theme "still in planning" boat to wear crazy hats, and cigar night

David Garman, Vice Commodore [davidmgarman@hotmail.com](mailto:davidmgarman@hotmail.com)

### CRUISE CORNER

GEORGE & DAPHNE THOMPSON

*Co-Chairs*

Cruise to Gig Harbor Maritime Days Festival- If you loved the Bremerton Harbor Festival cruise, or if you missed that cruise-here's another opportunity. Paul and Carol Jones will be hosting a raft-up in Gig Harbor on Fri and Sat, June 4-5. See their flyer for more details about this always-entertaining festival in Puget Sound's picturesque harbor venue. The Jones have guaranteed participants warm and sunny weather (unlike certain other recent cruise hosts).

Minto Mingles Cruise to Dockton-Dave and Marilyn Jones, hosting the race activities of this ever-popular event, promise world-class competition in these state-of-art racing vessels. Steve and Dawn Puryear, hosting the social activities, are working on a very special (yet to be disclosed) event for Saturday night (assuming technical feasibility). Steve is planning another blind wine-tasting session, a regular pot-luck dinner on Saturday night, and an informal happy hour on Friday night. Participants are asked to bring a bottle of wine in a plain brown bag, something for the happy hour, an offering for the pot-luck and a log or two for the fire pit. Dave Jones says bring every Minto you can find. Remember, this event is scheduled for the weekend of June 19 and 20.

Desolation Sound Cruise Meeting- Daphne Mackey and George Thompson are going to hold a planning meeting in late June (most likely June 23) at their home in Federal Way for members interested in the Desolation Sound cruise. If you have already expressed an interest by signing the sheet passed around at the May 13 dinner meeting, they will contact you directly. If you are interested but were unable to sign-up at that time, let them know by e-mail and they will inform you of the meeting details. Their plan is to hold a second and final meeting of cruise participants in mid-July.

### RACE FLEET CORNER

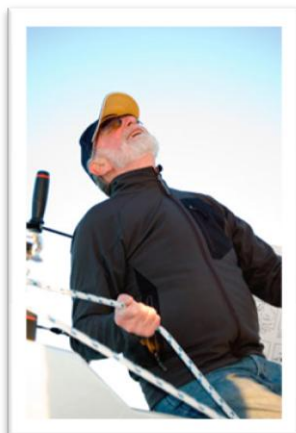
TOM DAVIS

*Race Fleet Captain*

SHELLIE CONTI

*Assistant Race Fleet Captain*

### GONE RACING ...



## COMMITTEE REPORTS

By the time this Barnacle comes out, Des Moines Marina will have bought four 14" Lidos for the Youth Sailing Program. We will have 4 classes this year, Monday through Friday in August, during the afternoon, with one week being in the evening.

The next big push for our Yacht Club is to get volunteer teachers. We will need to have two teachers for each class, with couple more for emergencies. We need to have volunteers as soon as possible, so that we can set up a Teacher Certification class through the Poverty Bay Sail and Power Squadron, towards the end of June.

Tentatively, the dates and times will be:

Aug 2-6 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Aug 9-13 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Aug 16-20 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Aug 23-27 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

We have an outline of our class program, but we are still working on the details. Please let me (Shelley) know as soon as possible if you can help teach any of these classes. My email is [shelley@alphapre.com](mailto:shelley@alphapre.com) and my cell phone is (253)569-4044.

Shelley

### By-Laws Review and Revision Team

Your Board mandated By-Laws Review and Revision Team would like you to know that we have, tentatively, completed our work and will have a proposal for your consideration at the next general membership meeting. Reviewing and revising the By-Laws has been an amazing adventure of integrating history, personality, and pragmatism. We will make sure that you have every opportunity to preview and compare our proposal with the last modified version of our By-Laws before it is time for your vote. In the meantime, if you have questions you can contact any of the following: Steve or Janet Sisson, Jean or Tom Spohn, Tom or Kirsten Hubbard, or me, Debra Valpey, who has been acting chair of this amazing task force.

**FYI-** Ron Moblo is recuperating from major shoulder surgery last week- I imagine that receiving a bit of good cheer from you all would help with the healing process. Good humor to you Ron –as you regain the strength and mobility in your shoulder. Sue, as you care for your patient, we send you best wishes for this to be a speedy recovery! Ron your presence on the Minto race course will be missed- hopefully you will be able to stand on the dock and cheer Sue on in her *Dynamite*.

## IN AND AROUND YOUR COMMUNITY

### **Leukemia Cup Regatta: Sail for A Cure Not too late to sign up!**

Now in its 16th year, the Leukemia Cup Regatta combines the joy of sailing with the important task of raising money to fight blood cancers. Every 10 minutes someone in the United States dies from blood cancer. So unfurl your sails and lend your support by sailing in the Regatta on Elliott Bay on Saturday June 12, 2010.

The Regatta is the first race in the Downtown Sailing Series which runs throughout the summer. Skippers register their **boats and recruit their friends and colleagues to help crew and to raise funds. The course starts in front of the Elliott Bay Marina** Breakwater to a mark at the Grain Elevators Pier 86, then to a mark off the Seattle Aquarium at Pier 59, then to a mark off the west end of the Elliott Bay Marina.

For more information or to register: [www.leukemicup.org/wa/2010](http://www.leukemicup.org/wa/2010)

### **The Fun Continues Under the Sea: Party and Auction**

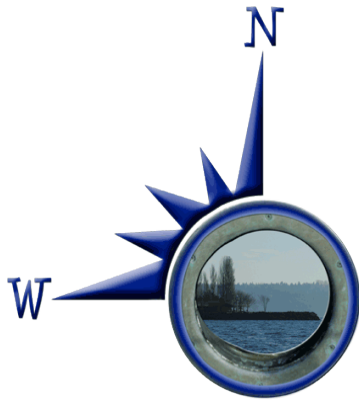
After playing all day out on the water, spend the evening partying "Under the Sea" at the Seattle Marriott Waterfront Hotel with participants from both events. Bring friends that couldn't be on the water, too – all are welcome to support our goal of raising funds to fight leukemia & lymphoma! There will be food, drinks and live music. Come bid on boating, wine and travel auction items, to name a few.

Reservations are requested to [hikepat@aol.com](mailto:hikepat@aol.com), or call Margaret at 206-878-4441. The public is welcome.

---

Three Tree Point Yacht Club  
P.O. Box 98700  
Des Moines, WA 98198  
[www.ttpyc.org](http://www.ttpyc.org)

---



The club with an emphasis on fun!

**2010 Officers and Trustees**

**COMMODORE** Pat Waters  
**VICE COMMODORE** Dave Garman  
**TREASURER** Caroline McShane  
**SECRETARY** Steve Sisson  
**PAST COMMODORE** Tom Spohn  
**RACE FLEET CAPTAIN** Tom Davis  
**ASSISTANT RACE FLEET CAPTAIN** Shelley Conti  
**APPOINTED OFFICERS**  
**CRUISE CHAIR/S** Daphne & George Thompson  
**REGISTRAR** Bob Post  
**SOCIAL CHAIR** Debra & Ray Valpey  
**RACE SCORER** Tom Davis  
**RACE HANDICAPPER** Pat Waters  
**MEMBERSHIP** Kristie & Don Brame  
**RECORDS & ROSTER** Tom Schacht  
**HISTORIAN** Rose Edmiston  
**SHIP'S STORE** Carol Jones  
**COMMUNICATIONS** Sue Waters  
**TRUSTEES** Liza Tewell, Marilyn Jones, Steve Foss,  
Gene Ellison and Tom Hubbard