



### Commodore

I know that you don't want to hear it, but it is coming up on that time of year when the leaves start to turn, there's a bit of nip in the air, and we in the yacht club think about nominating next year's flag officers, board members, and standing committees. I've been blessed with some really good ones. Some new



folks have stepped up and really made a difference. Moving into 2018 though, a few important positions are becoming vacant. I have no doubt that Don Kimball will make a great commodore next year, but it will take great volunteers to help him be that great commodore.

I written more than once about the value of volunteering. First and foremost, it is how a club like ours is run. There are no paid positions in the CYCT! Everything that happens, happens because someone like you gave of their time and energy to make it happen. Second, it is one of the best ways to meet people in the club and know what is going on. You get to be part of the inner workings, a person in "the know". Also, you get to have your say in what we do as a club.

There are several types of positions; flag officers, board positions, standing committees, and representatives.

Flag officers are your Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Rear Commodore. With the addition of Past Commodore, these are voting positions. Generally, only the Rear Commodore is up for election. Yes, this one is a big commitment. Four years! And yes, it's really hard to predict what can happen in your life over four years. But it is also a great experience. This position takes you outside of our club and into the greater boating community. This is not a position for newbies!

Board Positions are also voting positions. Positions coming open are Recording Secretary, Membership Chair, Fleet Captain- Cruising, and Fleet-Captain of Racing. These positions are critical to the club's operations and aspirations.

Secretary is a two-year commitment and involves taking minutes at general and board meetings. The secretary often has to keep the commodore on track! Deb McAdams has ably served for a while now and is taking a deserved break.

Next available is the membership chair position. Like to meet new people? Passionate about the club? This is a great position for you. Often served as a couple, this position encourages others to join CYCT, collects applications and checks, and dissimilates membership clubs and burgees. Traditionally they also run the general meeting raffles.

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### 2017 CYCT Officers & Board Members

### **FLAG OFFICERS**

Commodore: Ken St. John

Vice Commodore: Don Kimball

**Rear Commodore:** 

Janice VanRavenswaay

### **BOARD POSITIONS**

**Recording Secretary:** Deb McAdams

**Treasurer:** Bill Jenks **Membership Chairs:** 

Tom and Jennifer Tenney

Fleet Captains-Cruising:

Rich and Angie Morales

Fleet Captain-Racing: Don Kimball

Past Commodore: Eric Nelson

### STANDING COMMITTEES

Club Merchandise: Jennifer Tenney

Mainsheet Editor: John Coyne

Sunshine: Julie St. John

Web Site: Greg Sandwick

**Floating Asset Chair:** Joe Salz

**Publicity:** Cindy Craig

**Trophies:** Steve Wagner

**Education:** Penny Shen

Social: Jennifer Ihlen

Long Range Planning: Jeremy Bush

Seeking Volunteers

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**PIYA Representative:** Eric

Nelson

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# Vice Commodore

Don's Excellent Sailing Adventure #4 - Ground Hog Day

This adventure finds Debbie delivering me to the Everett Marina on Friday August 4th. As you all recall the smoke was intense around here. We would have dinner at Anthony's, watch the blood red sun set. Debbie



would see me to my new home "Silver Wings", a Pearson 367C. I met up with her Skippers Risto and Liz Lappala and fellow crewman Ben. We visited briefly then I escorted Deb back to her car, we said our farewells. Debbie once again leaving her man to the care on Neptune and the sea. Excitement was building as I stowed my gear. Discussions of what our weather window looked like were good, so our early Saturday morning departure would proceed as scheduled.

Saturday morning we arise at 0400 by 0430 we are underway. The adventure Liz and Risto that has been years in the making is happening. Our slack tide embarking will aid us past west Whidbey Is and out Admiralty Inlet. We are able to set sail for awhile until dwindling wind takes us back to motor. This morning we are again greeted by the rising red fireball and the acrid smoke filled air. We make our way to Port Angeles. Our arrival to the Port Angeles Marina is too late for fuel so we will stretch our legs, rest a bit. Another early morning departure sets us on course out the Straits of Juan de Fuca for Neah Bay. This day we arrive with ample time for fuel. A benefit as we await in a line of fishing boats. Fueled up we are underway again at 1520. As we make our way westward we are greeted by small groups of Puffins. A first from me seeing these cute fowl. Then we are there; rounding the Dunze Rock buoy, we are now in the Pacific Ocean. Our course is set SSW. Our course plan is to intercept and proceed south along 127W. As night falls we have a close call with a couple crab pots. We alter course 30\* right, our goal being to bet to the 400' depth line and be clear of the prop traps.

The almanac says we will see a full moon; but alas, we can not. Fog and low clouds surround us. The moon above the clouds do help lighten the sky a bit allowing us to see a dark horizon. The next day would be the same. While you folks were sweltering in 90\* heat we would see 50's at night and 60's during the day. And so it would be the next day and the day after.. Ground Hog Day. With only the clock, night and day to mark the difference.

We have been sailing sense our turn southward. Winds are W - WNW 15 -20 knots. As we clear the Columbia shipping lanes the wind increase a bit and the seas become lumpier. One of the crew experience some

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# Rear Commodore

This summer, our oldest daughter was able to go to TYC junior sailing camp for two weeks in Wollochet Bay. She wanted to share her experience and what she learned on the Optis. We chose to put her in camp to get her more comfortable with sailing our boat, as well as learning sailing fundamentals. She had a great time! Here is her narrative of her camp:



This summer I went to TYC Junior Sailing Camp. I learned one knot, which is one of the strongest knots in the world according to my dad, called the square knot. One day I had excellent sail trim. One of the coaches came over on the chase boat and told me that. I was watching the wind and paying attention to my tell tails. There was a group of 420s, and I was on the Optis. I was able to rig them by myself, which involves putting in the rudder and dagger board. Also, I had to put the mast in and it was connected to the sail, and that is where I used a square knot to secure the mast to the boat.

One day we had a pirate competition, and I won for saying the phrase, "load the cannons and return fire you scallywags!" We did a treasure hunt on that day in the boats. We had to sail up the channel and back. There were clues on each buoy along the way. We also had the other races, like the "instructors Cup" where we raced the instructors. It wasn't great wind that day though.

The last day was really fun because there was a bunch of fun activities, like a rigging race, and my team won. There was also a race with the Optis and the 420s, and the instructors decided to throw buckets of salt water at us. I was able to sail away. One instructor was even throwing tennis balls at us and we had to sail to them to throw them

On the last day they also handed out certificates that said a little about each sailor. The phrase they said about me was "Brooke was a girl who knew about everything there was to know about sailing, but she still learned a lot!" I am excited to go again next year and sail on the 420s!

Janice VanRavenswaay Rear Commodore S/V Tatoosh



### Racing

## Commodore (Continued)

Here we are.. nearing the end of another great season. This year we actually had more races. I don't believe we had any cancellations due to lack of wind. I do recall one being cancelled by the USCG. On RC we've had a lot of fun. This years awards race will on September 9th. The same Saturday as



the Pink Regatta. (oops). These will be followed buy the Points series and the Memorial Singlehand. For the races of 9/16 and 9/30 RC will need assistance. I will be out of country out messing around having fun. Then on 11/4 we will need a race committee as both Cyndi and I will be gone. Please let us know if you can help. Race Committee is looking for a new Race Captain as well. Nominations are happening. Step up and share the load and fun. Soon on the CYCT web site you will be seeing a volunteer form for crews to man Romeo Charlie to conduct races. Details will be forth coming. Thus far that team will be scored as a ties for first in the race they are performing the duties of RC. We are open to suggestions. Let us know. On another subject we have had some complaints about sportsmanship. It is imperative that skippers conduct there selves and crew per the RRS. Lets keep it fun .

LET'S GO RACING.

Don Kimball CYCT RC, S/V Cool Kat.



Fleet Captain of Cruising is coming open as well. Another position often served by couples, the Cruising Captain is not responsible for hosting cruises, but for arranging the hosting of cruises. Cruises are one of the three legs of our club along with racing and education. Angie Morales has done a great job here. Perhaps you could as well.

Next – and this is a biggie – Fleet Captain – Racing. The most loved and sometimes hated person in the club and, I won't sugar coat it, the most demanding position. In my time in the club we've have some great ones and Don Kimball is no exception. Don's on to be commodore though and we need a replacement. There are some names in the works, but so far, next year is up in the air. We will race no doubt. How we pull it off?

We have at least one Standing Committee position coming open and that is Club Merchandise. This is an important role as it helps us to project the identity of our club.

To date, these are the openings that I know of. That should not prevent you from raising your hand on filled positions. Often there are folks who need a break but don't want to see the position go unfilled. I was sure happy to see John Coyne step forward and take on The Mainsheet. That is another big job and I didn't want to see it flounder – and it hasn't!

A few final words: I hear a lot about voting versus non-voting positions. In our board meetings, all have input before a vote. Even visitors speak their mind. Almost without exception, votes are unanimous. It is the discussion that really matters.

Second, it is a commitment. We have a board meeting and a general meeting monthly. That said, many folks in the committee positions attend more sporadically. And for other positions that really need to be there such as secretary – we arrange backups.

Are you interested? Serving in the club is a rewarding experience. Drop me a line – kenneth-stjohn@gmail.com. Or talk to Don Kimball or Eric Nelson.

Thanks for listening,

Ken St. John Commodore CYCT S/V Naughty By Nature

# Corinthian Yacht Club of Tacoma 2017 Race Calendar

Saturday September 9 Windseekers Awards Race

Saturday September 16 Point Series #1
Saturday September 30 Point Series #2

Saturday October 7 Sailor's Memorial Single-hand

Saturday October 21 Point Series #3
Saturday November 4 Point Series #4



### Cruising

Pacific Northwest 2017 Cruisers Bash Anacortes, Washington

This year PNW Cruisers Pirates took over C Dock at Cap Sante Marina from August 18-20. The event is sponsored by Cruising Outpost Magazine and the founder, Bob Bitchin' and his



wife Jodi. It's another way of getting power and sailboats together in the summer to dress as pirates and have fun. Boats are decorated with flags, banners and all things pirate. It's also a chance to meet new people and reconnect with people from past cruises.

Friday and Saturday afternoons / evenings Dave Calhoun entertained us with his "Jimmy Buffet" style music.

A memorial service was held in memory of Captain John, a long time friend of PNW Cruisers and, who along with his family, helped organize many cruises. A lunch was served on one of the two floating docks.

Saturday evening and into the night, a BBQ and potluck was held, along with live music. Best Pirate Costumes went to Rich Morales and a Pirate Woman whose name was not given. I do recall her winning last year at Port Townsend, however. There was a raffle in which many nice prizes were awarded. To round out the night, a prize for the Best Decorated Boat went to Je' T'aime for their skeletons and hammock swinging Pirate. Congratulations! Plenty of dancing followed into the night.

Sunday morning early departures for GLORY DAYS and SEVERANCE, set out for the Cohohoho. A ceremony of cutting the lines which bind them to the dock was performed and the two vessels set off on their adventures. That same day those boats who wished to accompany Bob Bitcnin' on a five day cruise throughout the San Juans made way to Cypress Island, Eagle Harbor. Went on a small hike up and around to a beach with plenty of driftwood.

Next stop Orcas Island, Rosario Resort where Joy Ballentine and I enjoyed a foot and hand massage while Gary and Rich were "male bonding." I'm sure it had something to do with beer?? Stuart Island, Reid Harbor was next and spent two days. Did some hiking and saw The Teacherage Museum and Turn Point Lighthouse. Had cocktails with Bob and his guests. On to Sucia Island, Echo Bay. Rich did crabbing. Dinner was crabby in a good way! Took a hike with the Ballentine's. The views are incredible. Saw the sunset and had final pictures with some of the cruisers. Friday Harbor our last stop before going home was spent doing laundry, shopping and going to Herb's for refreshments and lunch. Then a late supper at Downriggers.

Till we all meet again, perhaps next year! I encourage everyone to come along!

Fair winds,

Rich and Angie Morales

Fleet Captains Cruising

S/V LA GITANA

### **CYCT 2017 Cruising Schedule**

Date	Cruise	Host	Location
October 28-29	Windseekers Cruise	Eric and Aubre Nelson	Eastern Washington
November 18-19	Wacky Commodore's Cruise/LeMans	Gary and Joy Ballentine	Arabella's Landing
December 16	CYCT Christmas Party	CYCT Club	Brown's Pt. Improvement
December 31	UnCruise New Year's Eve Party	CYCT	TBD



## Vice Commodore

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Mal de Mer. To that persons credit, not a watch is missed. A couple days later all will be normal. We are sailing between 126.5W and 127W. Still sailing in that grey sock.

Off Cape Blanco the skipper consults with our weather router and find that the wind and waves will intensify off the coast of Cape Mendicino and Pt. Arena. The best course looks tike a lighter band of wind 15 - 25 kts is just off the coast. We jibe and proceed SSE on a course that will make landfall off Pt. Arena. We know that the Japanese current is the prevailing north -south current along the west coast. What we did not know is that west of Mendicino is a huge eddy current that set against us 1 - 2 knots. I'm sure we spent a day; in light air, trying to get clear. Commanders Weather proves to be accurate as we cleared that current the wind and waves increased. We were running under main and jib. As night came on we furled the jib. During the wee hours came the call to reef the main. We took out 30%. The skies were finally clearing so we could see the following seas. We would see 39 knot gust of wind. Later we furled more and the main jammed. In the mornings light we could see some of the batten pockets were torn. Not wanting to risk further damage we tied the main down and started motoring.

Now as we approached Pt. Arena the skies were clearing, we could see blue. The waves were 12 - 14 'occasionally bigger. It was one of the big ones that rose up astern, crested then broke on our starboard quarter. The boat was slewed sideways, heeling to 45\*. What was cool is the boat stood up just fine. We did; however, awake the off watch. The skippers head popped up wondering what the %&3\* was going on. We answered "we were just having fun". With the morning clouds clearing the waves took on varying colors of deep blue to aqua in the breaks. The clouds lifted and we called "land ho" 4 miles off our port is Pt. Arena. Finally Ground Hogs Day was over. So after 6 days of gray the sun was spectacular. We cruised down the coast our course set for SSE for Point Reyes. All day and into that evening we continued. Point of note is Risto had custom made the auto pilot hydraulic drive and rams with Raymarine controls. This "Otto" performed amazingly well in the big following seas. For the most part the helmsman would simply monitor "Otto's" progress. Occasionally he would "click out" on a big yaw. We would point him back on course and put him back to work.

It was late evening of our 8th day as I was called to watch. Pt. Reyes was on the horizon. The on deck watch said to come take at look. I went on deck to be met by a stunning sight. The Milkyway out in all her glory. It has been years since I'd witnessed this breath taking view. I had to wait a few minutes before taking watch, totally mesmerized by the sky.

Drakes Bay about five hours from the Golden Gate is a great place to anchor and await your tide window to enter. Last year when we anchored in the Bay we made a total of 3 boats. This year as we rounded Chimney Rock we see 20-30 anchor lights. On the VHF is chatter about one boat on the rocks and one on the Beach. Turns out this Saturday is the terminus of CYC's Drakes Bay Race. The wind is a constant 30 knots as we enter the anchorage. We see lot of boat moving around. We finally find an area we feel comfortable with and drop the anchor. The 44# Rocna proved up to the challenge and gives us a great set. It's 0100 and the skipper breaks out the spirits, a toast to a grand voyage and we all retire to rest for our final leg. Bonito Channel and the Golden Gate.

Sunday morning we awake to socked in fog. We may have to wait another day? Risto checks the weather, it will be the same scenario for the next few days. We think the fog is getting lighter, so we decide to go. We aweigh anchor and are underway at 0830. Our tide window is between noon and 1530. As we exit Drakes Bay we are greeted by a whale surfacing 20' to Port. As we pass Bolinas Bay the fog and clouds break. Its going to be a beautiful day. We enter the Bonito Channel its time to fulfill one of Risto and Liz's dream. We will sail under the Golden Gate. Its blowing around 10, so it worth the risk. So on our 9th day at sea at 1400 "Silver Wings" passes under the cloud shrouded towers of the Golden Gate Bridge. The champagne toast is made. "Silver Wings" has ably carried her owners and crew on one of her most challenging legs. 900 NM from Everett to San Francisco. Just the start of many more adventures.

For me this would be my first challenge of nine days at sea. I feel really good and look forward to my next Excellent Sailing Adventure. For now as we tie up at the Metropolitan Marina, it pack, SHOWER and get to the airport. My greatest thanks to Risto and Liz for allowing me to crew for them. I have made new friends. My crewmate Ben was a lot of fun. BTW Ben is an excellent ocean driver. OH YEAH.. As We said good bye Risto and Liz invited me to crew for my Excellent Sailing Adventure #6.. the Baja Ha Ha. Next up.. Don and Debbie do Greece.

Don Kimball Vice Commodore CYCT, S/V Cool Kat.

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# Other 2017 Goings on!

### **CYCT "Flappers and Gangsters" Picnic!**

It was a beautiful "NEW MORNING" to be "AFK" (Away from keyboards) at CYCT'S Flappers and Gangster's Picnic. "MERRIE LEE" was excited to drink some Bees Knees & Sidecar Cocktails in hopes she'd "WIND UP" and dance and feel free like "LA GITANA" (The Gypsy). When she received her goody bag filled with personalized tins of mints, chocolate cigars, beads & shot glasses she really got her "SECOND WIND" and started to feel "NAUGHTY BY NATURE." Everyone enjoyed the great food, music, drinks & laughter til they were completely "TATOOSHED."

On a serious note Eli and I would like to thank everyone who came out for the picnic!! We hope everyone had a blast!! We sure did!! Now to start planning our C.Y.C.T. Christmas Party on December 16th at the B.P.I.C. Hope to see yo all there!!

Jennifer Ihlen

S/V New Morning

# Plappers & Gangstary CYTC Picnic Gives the Bass St

For more pictures from the CYCT Picnic,

**GO HERE** 

### Zombies!

The 3<sup>rd</sup>Annual Zombie Cruise was August 19-20 at Des Moines Marina. Hosted again by Don and Debbie McAdams. Due to multiple conflicts with the solar eclipse, the Vashon Challenge and various vacations, work schedules, concerts or other obligations it was not as well attended as years past, but those who came by boat or land yacht all had a wonderful time and enjoyed great food and camaraderie. Red Splash, Jeopardy and Naughty by Nature came by water and Land yachters from Cool Kat and Wind Wizard joined the fun. The weather cooperated for the cruise, if not so much for the race, and the Farmer's market was great to browse and eat your way through. Next year we'll have to schedule a little better.

Deb McAdama S/V Red Splash





# **More Summer 2017 Pictures**





# **Meeting Minutes**

**CYCT General Meeting Minutes 2017** 

Month: August

The meeting was called to order at +/-7:00 pm by Our Commodore, Ken St John.

Guests- Denny Flannigan's mom, Joanne and niece Kaeje, Bill and Nancy from TYC and Roger Grayson from Second Wind, potential new crewmember were here tonight. A motion to approve the minutes from the July General Meeting was made by Don Kimball and seconded by Gary Sandwick.

Shining Light Award: Nominees- none

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centerpiece on tables.

Reports
Vice Commodore: Don Kimball- just got home from sailing to San Francisco. Special guests Bill and Nancy from TYC will report on Sail Ahead event that took veterans and families out sailing and has turned lives around. This year it was in honor of vets who have taken their lives from PTSD. 9 boats participated and all the participants were very thankful. 65 people showed up, crew, family and vets. Aug 24 is the Pointe du Hoc Foundation Ranger Regatta III – Sail the Sound with Special Operations Warriors and their families. Looking for volunteer sailboats to help with sailing and fundraising. Last year 5 yacht clubs participated, including CYCT. Guest dock is available from Wednesday-Friday. 9-11 am is a tour of the boats, followed by lunch, mimosas and a silent auction. Then go out sailing for a few hours returning around 6. Sign up online. Also needed are volunteers on the dock to help out. They are planning to do it again next year.
Rear Commodore: Janice Vanravenswaay- Great prime rib dinner on Saturday at TYC with \$5.00 daffy drinks. Club-house was cleaned out. Looking for ideas for speakers for next year.
Past Commodore: Eric Nelson- not present, nor report
Treasurer: Bill Jenks- Financial reports available, money in the bank. Up \$5000 above projections. Jen Tenney will be getting membership fees and getting cards out to members faster.
Secretary: Debbie McAdams Thank you to Debbie Kimball for doing general minutes last month.
Membership Chair: Jennifer Tenney— in Canada, no report
Fleet Captain Cruising: Angie and Rich Morales: not present, out cruising. Zombie Cruise this weekend hosted by Don and Deb McAdams. Brains, costumes, contests, prizes!!! Then the Labor Day Cruise Sept 1-4 in Eagle Harbor hosted by Fred and Ursula Ahrens. Bring your dinghy for a raft up. Winslow is a great place to go but be sure to read your charts! Follow the ferries to avoid rocks. Fun, games, prizes, food- potluck dinner on Sunday on Wild Oats. See FB, website and Mainsheet for more details.
Fleet Captain Racing: Don Kimball- Lots of racing happening! Guest race committee last week that included Greg Sandwick and Margaret Patterson. Single/Double handed Vashon Challenge is this weekend. Go to the race, and then go to the cruise.
Education: Penny Shen – no report
Social: Jennifer Ihlen- No Jen, but picnic was last weekend and really awesome. Deposit is paid for the Christmas party.
Club Merchandise: Jen Tenney- not present, no report
Mainsheet: John Coyne- not present, no report
Sunshine: Julie St. John- New grandson- Kenneth James, taking a break till September
Webmaster: Greg Sandwick- spent 8 hours with Jen Tenney putting together the updated membership list for the website.
Historian- Matt Thomas- is looking for photos of Past Commodores, and club events throughout the years with a little information about them. Include your name and address so he can return them to you. 3 past commodores are here tonight- Ed Pinkham, Gene Brown and Denny Flannigan.
Long Range Planning: Jeremy Bush—looking for a new meeting location for winter meetings. Maybe he will have the next board meeting at one of the potential locations.

\_\_\_\_ Floating Assets: Joe Salz— As of end of May we spent \$140 for the year on Romeo Charlie, not counting moorage. However he just spent \$600 on a new GPS and chart plotter. If someone wants the old nonfunctioning one to tinker with, they can have it. Joe also brought a bounty of lovely produce from one day's harvest from his garden that is a take home



# **Meeting Minutes**

Publicity: Cindy Craig- not present, no report
Women's Sailing: need to plan to go sailing.
Trophies: Steve Wagner-not present, no report
Racing Protests: Eric Nelson-not present, no report
PHRF Director: Eric Nelson— no report
PHRF Handicapper: Tom Tenney- soon to be starting as new handicapper.
NW Boating Council:
Commodore's Report: Ken St John— Everyone called in sick at his job today, Naughty boat may be up for sale soon. He and Julie just made an offer on a 52-foot center cockpit. If Raven is "The Condo" this is "A Small Apartment on the Water" with sails. Either the smartest or the dumbest thing they have ever done.
Dinghy dock- plenty of room for more kayaks.
Old Business—Cindy is still working with the Mountaineers for membership deals.
New Business—Denny Flannigan- Johnny's is not as bad as it may seem at first glance- great parking and you can order what you like. We approached them years ago about a trophy wall and signage that says CYCT. Not sure what happened with that. Jeremy is looking at parking, I-5 access, under 21 friendly, prices and more. Give Jeremy your input.
Don Kimball -Race committee for next year will need volunteers to run races, one person to do the permits and administrative stuff and a team that runs the actual races. The boat that volunteers to man the RC boat will get an automatic tie for first. People do need to get checked out on RC boat first.
Nominating committee- many terms are expiring this year- Racing, Cruising, Secretary, and more. The best way to meet people and get to know more about your club is to volunteer.
A new crewmember was inducted- LaDonna Barnswell who crews on Second Wind.
Speaker: No speaker for the summer meetings.
Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Jeremy Bush and seconded by Gary Sandwick.
The meeting was adjourned at 2001.
Respectfully Submitted,
Debbie McAdams
Recording Secretary
S/V Red Snlash



# Members Abroad

### Keep track of our non-resident members as they live the life we only dream of!







# September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Labor Day Cruise
3 Labor Day Cruise	4 Labor Day Cruise	5	6	7	8	9 Windseekers Awards Race
10	11 7 PM General Meeting (Johnny's)	12	13	14	15	16 Point Series Race #1
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 7 PM Board Meeting (Johnny's)	26	27	28	29	30 Point Series Race #2

# October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu .	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Sailors Memorial Single-Hand
8	9 7 PM General Meeting (Johnny's)	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	Point Series Race #3
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Windseekers Cruise Point Series Race #4
29 Windseekers Cruise	30 7 PM Board Meeting (Johnny's)	31				- 1

### Sunshine



The Sunshine Committee (me) has rather fallen down on her job this past month. My life has become rather complicated having full custody of a precious, but very active, 2 year old. I will be taking the rest of the summer off from sending cards and hope to resume in September. Thank you for all of your support and understanding.

Julie St. John S/V Naughty By Nature 253-632-3273 juliesgarden@gmail.com

# Happy Birthday to our CYCT Members

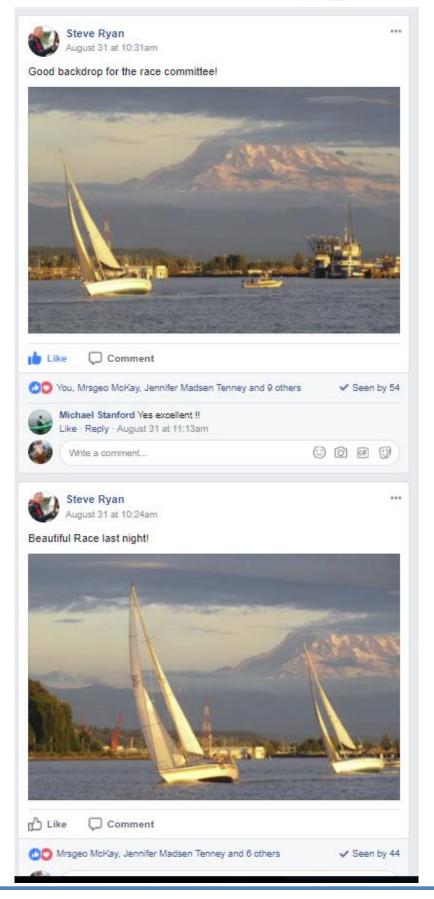
September 3 **Chris Wenderoth** September 6 **Daniel White** September 13 **Denny Flannigan** September 16 Jo Seward September 18 **Paul Case** September 20 **Lewis Channing** September 22 **Marvin Fritts** September 29 **Paul Morrison** September 29 **Mary Nye Myers** September 29 **Mel Serosky** 



On The Cover Sunset Runnin' Photo by Don Kimball

### Saw it on Facebook









### **Basic Rules**

- You must be a CYCT member or sponsored by a CYCT member to post an item.
- Each month the CYCT posting member must submit their items for sale before the 25th of the month (send your post to <a href="mainsheet@cyct.com"><u>imainsheet@cyct.com</u></a>).
- Items must be submitted each month or they will not be reposted.
- You are responsible to sell your item so you must include your contact information (items without contact information will not be posted).

# Post your items for sale here! Contact mainsheet@cyct.com for posting!

### The View From the Rear

(Musings of a Casual Racer)

#### The End of an Era?

When the lovely and gracious Mrs. St John and I got married, the intent was it be our last. When we bought our current house, the intent was it be our last. When we bought the Naughty boat, the intent was it be our last.



Our thinking on Naughty: We liked sailing. We figured we'd keep doing it. We wanted some comfort and some stability. We knew Sirena Gorda, our Cal 27, wasn't going to provide that for the long term and it didn't make lots of sense to pour a lot of money into a boat that we'd never get back but wouldn't own long enough to enjoy the investment.

Enter Naughty By Nature, our Catalina 38. Eleven feet longer, 2-1/2 times heavier, and a whole lot more comfortable! We lavished a below deck auto pilot on her. Added refrigeration. GPS, stereo, new counter tops, and LED lighting. And the crown jewel, Ruby Red, a brand spanking new, Beta Marine engine, replacing poor, worn out Ugly Betty. And if that wasn't enough — a new suit of sails as well (sound like an advertisement?)

Naughty has been as far south as Jerroll's Cove and as far north as Ganges in the Gulf Islands. She's spent weeks underway and a week in one place at Seattle Yacht Club. Boy she's been a good boat. Approaching 350 days underway and 100 overnights. And thousands and thousands of dollars. I track every one – and I've never added them up. I'm sure I'd be shocked.

Yes, Naughty By Nature - our last boat.

But things change. Maybe it was seeing the spaciousness of boats like The Condo (aka Raven). Maybe it's never standing up straight in the galley (I'm 6'-1".) That could be it. More likely it's our desire to not have to work forever just to support a mortgage, to go back to doing something fun with boats and my captain's license, and my desire to see some more of the world from the water while I can. (Surviving cancer reminds one of one's mortality.)

So – the L and G Mrs. S and I are in the middle of a purchase. I'm not good at keeping secrets so most of the world has heard. I fear putting it in writing though. The survey happens this Tuesday. And while I'm told – the boat loan prospects look "amazing" according to the banker – I still don't have official word.

The boat – it's huge. It really is a condo. It'd probably take 25 knots to race or a full paycheck to fill the tanks. More importantly, we can live on it. Comfortably. Without having to constantly be underway. It will absorb my entire family without having to sit on top of each other. And there are places where my 6'-6" and 6'-8" sons can stand below decks. They can't stand everywhere, but I can. Even in the galley. And she can go everywhere. She's come from Australia via Asia and the Aleutian Islands.

We're family folk. She likely won't stray that far afield with us. Alaska? Maybe Mexico and Hawaii. For now – Tacoma. Rent that forever house and see if we like this boat thing. Cut back on work and head to Seattle, the San Juan's, work part time. Who knows. Like it so much, we might sell that forever house.

Right now though, it's still up in the air. And if it all falls through, Naughty is still a great boat.

And our marriage - it's still our last.

Ken St. John

S/V Naughty By Nature



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Fair Winds!