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Commodore

WOW! That was GREAT! Of course I'm referring to Tacoma's Very First Pinkboat Regatta. This was a huge success. 23 boats registered 19 raced. At last count over \$30,000 was raised by sailors to support Breast Cancer Research. 11 of the boats were CYCT. THANK YOU TEAMS AFK, Aleshanee, Asylum, Dos Ojos, Eleven (Pink Flamingos), Jeopardy, Namaste, Red (Pink) Splash, Slick and Special Purpose. My thanks to Rich and Angie Morales for being permitted to helm Team LaGitana around the course. We were a late entry; after a bit of libation the evening before.

A lot of work went in to making this event happen. Thanks to Jennifer Mathis and her team, PinkBoat, Tacoma Yacht Club for providing a Great venue, Stephanie Arnold, TYC/CYCT, Bill Jenks and Cindy Craig TYC/CYCT, John Coyne for racing logistics and scoring and of course Eric Nelson, Greg Sandwick and Brock Vanravenswaay; Team Romeo Charlie, for providing an excellent course. Planning is already afoot for a Bigger and Better PBR2019.

NOW for upcoming events. It's election time for CYCT positions. Open offices are Rear Commodore and Membership

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Vice Commodore

Fall is in the air! Always a bitter-sweet time for me as I love the changes in nature, but still long for warmer weather and (not working!).

Members, we have a lot of potential changes coming your way in the near future. Now, more than ever, both crew and active members, we need to hear your voice! Nominations for next year's board are just around the corner. Michael Stanford, Cindy Craig and Debbie Kimball are spearheading the nomination committee for next year's Rear Commodore. If you are interested, please reach out to them or to any member of the board. The wonderful Joe Salz is looking for someone to take care of our Romeo Charlie as well. He has been keeping great care of her but it is time to move on.

In addition, your board is proposing changes to the bylaws. Most of the include updating how we do elections in the future. The proposed changes will be shared before the next general meeting via email and I will have additional copies at the meeting as well. We are also still in debate about a new meeting location. At the top of the list is Johnny's Dock on the Tacoma waterfront.

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Janice VanRavenswaay

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Rear Commodore

As summer comes to a close, I hope everyone had a chance to enjoy our hot weather, albeit smoky at times. It's time to prepare our boats for the fall/winter racing and cruising seasons. I want to focus on one particular safety item which probably doesn't get the attention it should, our fire extinguishers. I'm hoping that you have at least the correct number and type of Coast Guard approved extinguishers for your particular boat. They should be placed in easily visible locations near the galley, engine compartment and all living spaces. A fire is most likely to be in the galley or engine compartment, but what if you're in the cockpit and can't get to an extinguisher down below? It is now advisable, as I read Practical Sailor by Captain Lanier, an accredited marine surveyor, to put one in the cockpit. Perhaps in a locker clearly marked "FIRE EXTINGUISHER". They also must be inspected and tagged yearly by a fire extinguisher specialist. It's also good practice to inspect them monthly, which I did not know, for loss of pressure, corrosion, damaged mounting brackets, clogged nozzles, Etc. Another useful device to have onboard is a fire blanket. A Fire blanket is designed to extinguish a fire just beginning, especially in the galley. It is made from a sheet of fire retardant material and when placed over a fire, smothers it by cutting off the oxygen supply. For further information, see United States Coast Guard website for a more detailed explanation of the various kinds of fire extinguishers required for our boats.

I also want to thank everyone who participated in the 1st Tacoma Pink Boat Regatta. The turnout was beyond what I expected. I'm very proud of you.

Don't forget there will be elections at the October General Meeting. Don't be shy, we need you! You can nominate yourself!

Angie Morales
Rear Commodore
S/V La Gitana



Commodore (continued)

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Chair. Your Nominating Committee is established. Please forward your nominations to the committee, Michael Stafford, slowrider856@comcast.net, Cindy Craig, canuck0721@yahoo.com, and Debbie Simmons, debiesimmons2006@comcast.net. Make sure your nominee is willing to serve. This committee will forward their recommendations. The election will be at the annual Membership Meeting November 12th.

Up coming is the Wine Cruise October 26-28. Several wineries have been enlisted for tastings. Eastern Washington's Prosser is in the middle of wine country. Debbie and I went last year and had a great time. Contact Eric Nelson for additional information and a great deal on lodging. Lets Go have fun! Don Kimball CYCT Commodore, SV Cool Kat

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Racing

It ain't over, until it's over. CYCT is still racing. Nineteen boats turned out for the point Robinson. All went well with goods; except for the issue of a geoduck diver working at the TTPYC "J" mark. Everyone finished including Asylum after recovering from a broken tiller. Up next is the Point Defiance Race. The winds look good promising another outstanding course.

The Memorial Singlehand Race is up coming. This is the race for skippers to test their mettle and skills. We look forward to seeing you all on the line.

Don Kimball Commodore CYCT

SV Cool Kat



Vice Commodore (continued)

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There are both pros and cons about this location, so please speak up and share your opinion!!

We have a few more cruises left in the calendar this year. Eric Nelson has many wineries lined up for private tastings in Eastern Washington on October 26-28. Email enelson@wamail.net for a link to a discounted price on the hotel. John Coyne wants to see all crew members at the Crews Cruise in Gig Harbor November 17-18. This is the same weekend as LeMans, so enjoy the race then join your competition for some great food and cold drinks! Boat owners must make their reservations at Arabella's SOON! Mention you are a part of the CYCT group.

Happy Sailing!

Janice VanRavenswaay

Vice Commodore

S/V Tatoosh

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Corinthian Yacht Club of Tacoma 2018 Race Calendar

Saturday	January 20	Quartermaster Harbor - Harbor Series #1
Saturday	February 3	Pt Ruston - Harbor Series #2
Saturday	February 24	Zenith Harbor - Harbor Series #3
Saturday	April 7	Spring Single / Double Handed Race
Saturday	April 7	CYCT Race Seminar
Wednesday	April 11	Spring Series #1
Wednesday	April 18	Spring Series ##2
Wednesday	April 25	Spring Series #3
Wednesday	May 2	Spring Series #4
Wednesday	May 9	Spring Series #5
Wednesday	May 16	Late Spring Series #1
Saturday/Sunday	May 19-20	Grudge Match 2018—CANCELLED
Wednesday	May 23	Late Spring Series #2
Wednesday	May 30	Late Spring Series #3
Wednesday	June 6	Late Spring Series #4
Wednesday	June 13	Late Spring Series #5
Wednesday	June 20	Summer Series #1
Saturday	June 23	Manzanita Margarita - Three Hr Tour #1
Wednesday	June 27	Summer Series #2
Wednesday	July 11	Summer Series #3
Saturday	July 14	Ruston Classic - Three Hr Tour #2
Wednesday	July 18	Summer Series #4
Wednesday	July 25	Summer Series #5
Wednesday	August 1	Late Summer Series #1
Saturday	August 4	RC Delight - Three Hr Tour #3
Wednesday	August 8	Late Summer Series #2
Wednesday	August 15	Late Summer Series #3
Saturday	August 18	Vashon Challenge
Wednesday	August 22	Late Summer Series #4
Wednesday	August 28	Late Summer Series #5
Saturday	September 1	CYCT Awards Race - Stand Alone
Saturday	September 22	Point Robinson - Point Series #1
Saturday	October 6	Point Defiance - Point Series #2
Saturday	October 13	Memorial Single Hand
Saturday	October 20	Neil Point - Point Series #3
Saturday	November 3	Browns Point - Point Series #4



Cruising

A Few More

Julie and I were on vacation and so we missed the Awards Race/Labor Day Cruise sponsored by Jeremy Bush and Stephanie Arnold. I haven't heard a lot about the cruise. I'm thinking "What happens on the Labor Day cruise, stays on the Labor Day cruise!" Then again, I've heard of no arrests or law suits either.

Julie and I were up in the islands. New discoveries included Russell Island outside of Fulford on Saltspring Island and Prevost Harbor. Prevost is not new to many, but it was to us.



At the end of this month is the third annual Wineseezers cruise to Central Washington sponsored by Eric and Aubrey Nelson. It's probably not too late but contact Eric right away if you're going! Following after in November is the Crews Cruise, November 17th and 18th. The cruise is at the always popular Arabella's in Gig Harbor and is sponsored by the Coyne's. Call Arabella's for reservations if you haven't yet. And don't forget the Un Cruise, New Year's eve at Tyee.

We are starting to put together next year's cruises. Memorial Day is covered but the rest is open! Think about signing up to host. We cruise almost every month and you can be creative or laid back. Let Ken and Julie know if you want to sponsor!

Remember to follow Facebook, the Mainsheet and CYCT.com for more information.

Happy Cruising
Ken and Julie St. John
S/V La Sirena

CYCT 2017 Cruising Schedule

Date	Cruise/Theme	Host	Location
February 24-25	Winter Cruise	St. Johns	Tacoma—Foss
March 23-25	St. Patrick's Day Cruise	Tenneys	Dockton
April 14-15	Daffodil Festival	No Host	Tacoma Yacht Club
May 4-6	Opening Day	VanRavensways	Seattle Yacht Club
May 26-28	Memorial Day	Bill Jenks and Cindy Craig	Penrose Pt. Raft Up
June 30-July 1	Bright Lights, Big City Cruise	St. Johns	Bell Harbor
August	Annual Summer Picnic		
September 1-3	Labor Day	Stephane Arnold and Jeremy Bush	Tacoma—Foss
October 26-28	Wine Seekers	Nelsons	Over the Mountains
November 17-18	Crew Cruise	John Coyne & Tim Garchow	Gig Harbor—Arabella's
December 31	UnCruise	Morales'	Tyee

"HAIR ON FIRE IN JARRELL'S COVE" or "Shakedown Cruise Extraordinaire"

After a date of cruising from Tyee to Jarrell's Cove on Hartstein Is. we arrived late afternoon. In time to get much needed fuel and a mooring ball.

Preparing to cook dinner we smelled propane in the cabin, we immediately shut down the gas. After entertaining the anchorage dumping buckets of "air" from the cabin sole over the side, we opted to use the BBQ. After cooking I turned off the propane and started unscrewing the cylinder when suddenly a huge amount of propane escaped the bottle immediately erupting in to a fireball. I rushed to quickly finish removing the errant bottle, when I felt warmth on the top of my head. That nasty burnt hair smell permeated the air, yep my hair was on fire! So going with the twin movements of twisting with one hand and patting with the other I succeeded extinguishing both fires. So I endured the loss of head and arm hair, with some slight burns. So went the first part of our shakedown cruise. And so it's true, there is a " Burning Man Festival" on Hartstein Island. At least this year. And yes there's more. That's for another time.

Don Kimball
SY Cool Kat.



Don't Forget—November 17-18—CYCT Inaugural "Crew Cruise"

Join your hosts John Coyne and Tim Garchow for the CYCT Inaugural Crew Cruise at Arabella's Landing in Gig Harbor!

This is an event for everyone, but it's our way of letting crew members and boating members socialize and get to know each other. Most often crew rides with 1 boat throughout the season, so here's the opportunity to get to know more about the CYCT crew members!

The theme for this year is "Paradise is somewhere" - meaning that since it's November, it will likely be cold and wet. We won't let that stop us, and will have summer fun things going on... dress up in your favorite tropical island wear, and come prepared to have fun.

For Saturday night, John Will furnish the Margarita/Daquiri mixer, and some libations, but please bring your own as well. We'll also have the fixins for hamburgers and hotdogs, so please bring a side dish, and some desserts to share. Sunday, all are on their own for breakfast... or we can potluck, if you'd like. (I'd imagine some will sleep in ;-))

If any of the crew members want to help, just drop me a line jcoyne@live.com, or call (206) 730-2572. This Cruise overlaps with the LeMans Race, so everyone should be over in Gig Harbor anyway! Either come over Friday night, or come over after the race on Saturday!

Don't forget—you need to register for space with Arabella's. (253) 851-1793 Rates are in offseason for moorage, so it's \$.75 per foot, 30' minimum (\$22.50), or you can get a whole 60' slip for \$45. Hope to see you all there!

John Coyne—Crew Member S/V Gardyloo

Tim Garchow—(not a crew member anymore) S/V Odin



FROM THE EDITOR

So I'm the guy you all have seen running around in the Pink Hat... with the Pink Shirt... Talking about the Pink Boat Regatta... Yeah, I'm THAT GUY... trying to do everything I can to separate you from your hard earned cash... I'm not done with that, either.

I was asked to join the Pink Boat Regatta's Board of Directors back in the summer... They wanted me for my Nerd talents, so someone could edit the website. Lord... it's so much more than that. It's a TON of work. But it's a labor of love.

For those who don't know, I've been supportive of efforts to raise awareness (and money) for Breast Cancer Research for some time... many years, in fact. I've had Breast Cancer touch my family. I've had it touch my friends. I know many of you have as well. I do this, because you don't often see men getting gung-ho about something like this... Women are all over the place "preaching pink", as it were... but Everyone needs to get behind it. Well, I'm that guy... and there are a few of us...

I do this because I have a Wife and daughter that I'd like to see outlive me.

Some numbers:

It's estimated that There will be **266,000+** new cases of Breast Cancer in Women just this year... that represents **15%** of all new cancer cases in the US. That number is STAGGERING.

It's estimated that over **40,920** women will die this year from Breast Cancer.

The current statistic shows an **89.7%** surviving 5 years, post diagnosis... (that's 2008-2014 data) but we need to find it. Get a Mammogram **EVERY YEAR**, ladies... Please.

So as sailors, we use an excuse to party, to also raise a lot of money. The numbers are still coming in, but the Tacoma Regatta alone is over **\$20,000 as we speak**. I'll be able to give that a more concrete number hopefully next month (we're literally getting more donations every day).— YOU ALL DID THIS.

So Keep donating. And **Thank you**. We put fun monikers on it like "Save the Ta-Ta's" and "Save 2nd Base" - but really—it's **Save Women's lives**. We men can't make it without you ladies... and why the hell would we want to?

Not everything went perfectly at the event, but I think we pulled it off... The Crack Team on Romeo Charlie did a fantastic job... to Quote Brock VanRavensway: "You guys are doing great!" - Too many others to thank, so I'll just say it again:

Thank you all... from the bottom of my heart for being a part of this.

We'll be back next year... bigger, bolder, better... Pinker!

- John Coyne (and the whole board of Pink Boat Regatta)



Thanks for the awesome pics,
Jan Anderson!

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Members Abroad

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members as they live the life we only
dream of!

Dennis and Becky Flannigan

S/V Kokomo



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keep in touch?
Email us! membership@cyct.com

October 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Pt Defiance (Point series #2)
7	8 General Meeting (Johnny's)	9	10	11	12	13 Memorial Single Hand
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Board Meeting	23	24	25	26 Wine Seekers Cruise (Eastern WA)	27 Wine Seekers Cruise (Eastern WA)
28 Wine Seekers Cruise (Eastern WA)	29	30	31			

November 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3 Brown's Pt. (Pt Series #4)
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 General Meeting (Johnny's)	13	14	15	16	17 GH LeMans Crew Cruise (Arabella's)
18 Crew Cruise (Arabella's)	19	20	21	22 	23	24
25	26 Board Meeting	27	28	29	30	

Check CYCT.com for additional information on meetings and races

Sunshine



August was a slow month for Sunshine. I didn't send out any cards.

If you know of anyone who needs a little sunshine, let me know you can text me at 253-640-7429 or send me an email at ddmac22@msn.com or tell me when you see me in person.

Deb McAdams
S/V Red Splash

Happy Birthday to our CYCT Members

Gary Ballentine	October 28
Kelly Bethards	October 16
Skip Broadhead	October 2
Billy Carter	October 25
John Coyne	October 4
Elizabeth Dwyer	October 29
Greg Fuller	October 30
David Iverson	October 21
Terry Paine	October 18
Tom Saul	October 4
Dick Seward	October 26
Joey Soller	October 20



On The Cover
Pink Purpose
By
Jan Anderson

Saw it on Facebook



Jennifer Ihlen
 September 11 at 10:37 PM

"Where's the salt?! Where's the gosh dam salt?! Lol

CALL JIMMY BUFFETT!
I found it!

You, Jennifer Madsen Tenney, Angie Morales and Donald Kimball
 Seen by 6

Haha
 Comment

Eric Nelson
 September 9 at 2:47 PM

Hey folks - time is not exactly running out, but you could help a member out here... If you are thinking of going on Wineseeekers, let me know. Only a few weeks out. Wineries on the list are Kestral, Thurston Wolfe, Fidelitas, Trevari, and Cultura..... So lets chime in!

4 Comments Seen by 8

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Julie St John Stupid work! 🤔 1
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Deb McAdams replied · 2 Replies

Angie Morales Morales's will not be attending 🤔 1



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 jmainsheet@cyct.com).
- **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).

contact mainsheet@cyct.com

SHOVING OFF

Chasing Bars



It all happened so fast! Yes, we bought La Sirena a year ago. Yes, the plan was to move aboard. Yes, I wrote all about rushing to get the house ready and on the market before our vacation last month. But still, it's happening so fast.

Our house went on the market on a Thursday when we were somewhere north of the border in the Gulf Islands. On Saturday – the day of the open house, we were anchored in Montague Bay between a 75 foot ketch and a 98 foot cruiser. That afternoon the phone rang, and it was Karis, one of the agents. “Great success! Out of the ballpark! Multiple offers!” she said. We quickly headed into the marina restaurant for some fish tacos and celebratory margaritas.

Sunday, the realtors collected the bids. By now we had relocated to Reid Harbor on Stewart Island. Karis called with the winning bid. We think. We had no bars. We couldn't tell. We climbed into the dinghy and headed out to open water. I steered while Julie navigated.

“One bar. Two bars. Three, no one bar.” She called out. We couldn't connect until we were bobbing in open water. There we learned the results of the bid. We chose a winner and headed back to the boat.

The next call came a few hours later. Forms to sign online. Over to shore for our first hike of our stay on Stewart. Up hill. Down hill. Looking for the elusive bars. We must have looked like some crazy nature lovers walking all around the state park holding our phones in a variety of positions. Julie had success! (I still claim that the iPhone is superior to the Moto). For me, it was back into the dinghy chasing bars. Back to open water to fill out the forms.

And on it goes. Many have followed this journey on Facebook. Our winning bidder got – well complicated. The final straw was wanting our 1955 flat roof re-sloped for drainage. We moved on to one of the other bidders and will close in a few weeks. This is a boating article though and not a house selling article.

As I wrote last month, when we got back to the marina we were home. No packing up stuff into the car and a full scrubbing of the boat. Naw! We joined the club picnic.

And we've been full time marina dwellers for a little more than two weeks. Mild weather sure has helped. Reverse cycle AC works great as well as long as you don't run too much else. I've heard others call it the “30 amp dance.” Electricity must be rationed! It helped me a lot the other day when I was talking to the commodore about my electrical woes.

“Are you tripping the breaker at the pole or at the end of the dock?” says Don.

“End of the dock? I said to myself. There's a breaker at the end of the dock! Well at least I'm not calling the marina staff anymore. I see about \$800 of 50-amp cord and a Y-connector in my future.

Then there's the wildlife! The first night found us yelling out the transom windows telling the seal to get out of the dinghy. Won't leave that there again. With the dinghy gone I had to close off the swim step with a fender on a line to keep the seals off. One did try mounting Julie's kayak. And by mounting I mean “boarding” – I think. Actually, we enjoy them, although they really do stink! I've counted as many as 19 waiting for me in the morning. I've also appointed myself dock hoser offer. Besides the seals we have otters and osprey.

We're enjoying sunsets. The still water in the mornings. The friends dropping by to chat. Taking Rylie for dinghy rows. Just now I am in the pilot house. Rain is falling (I'm finding the leaks.) There are various lights all around reflecting off of the water. It's is beautiful and peaceful.

And it's quiet! It's a bit strange at times. It's as if we live in a very compact neighborhood where every house is empty but ours. And I think it's going to be ok.

Ken St. John
S/V La Sirena