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Commodore



March is the month we are to prepare for our Membership Drive which kicks off April to June. I'm hoping most if not all know that current membership has declined. Racing has always been a great income for us, unfortunately it is down. The last time an operating budget was put together was 2017. At the time of this publication, it is my hope that a 2020 Budget can be presented to the Committee Chairs and the General Membership at the March 9 General Meeting.

Bottom line is, without more members we will be forced to reduce our expenses in the future. The Board has a few ideas which have the probability of getting us new members. By partnering with the Mountaineers and TWISA we would be better able to have access to the graduates for Windseekers and the distance races. I would love to see more Active Boat Owners in the club, but we all know boat ownership is expensive, and most people starting out can not afford to buy and maintain a sailboat.

Greg Greene, Cruise Chair, has put on the Cruise Calendar a few Day Sails leaving from Rock The Dock. If you have questions please contact him.

This is your club. Your ideas are important. Let us know.

Angie Morales
Commodore
S/V La Gitana



Vice Commodore



Wow, what an awesome February! We had three races in three weeks on Goes to 11. We had the last two races of the CYCT Harbor Series and Toliva Shoals in between. And Toliva did not disappoint this year. For the first time, we got to race Goes to 11 in breeze! And Goes to 11 went to 14 knots that day. We started out with our shy kite at the start not knowing what the boat could handle, and it was a breeze to sail. A few small hiccups with our start, but nothing that set us back too far. Lots of lessons learned for sure, but the main thing is that I learned what the boat can do, and how to recover from a broach quickly. I can't wait to get that thing on plane again! What a rush! Don't forget to check out the video I posted to Facebook, or just search for it on youtube - "Toliva Shoals on Goes to 11."

At the last general and board meetings, we have been discussing options for our general meetings. My goal, and the main reason I got into leadership in the club, was to make sure we are sustainable in the long run. I want the club to be around into the future - that starts with growing and maintaining our membership. It is no surprise that yacht clubs are changing with the times as less people own boats. But this is a club that I think can be accessible to many more sailors and people looking for an adventure than most clubs. To me though, that starts with our meetings. These should be our recruiting point to get members in the club. I think the club needs to take a good hard look at what people would find of value in these meetings.

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2019 CYCT Officers & Board Members

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Commodore: Angie Morales
Vice Commodore: Jeremy Bush
Rear Commodore: Michael Stanford

BOARD POSITIONS

Secretary (Pro Tem): Michelle Miles
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Rear Commodore



Wow, That was a really brisk month. An abbreviated month, with plenty of great sailing weather. With lots of great racing so far this season, it looks to even get better as we roll in to the spring series of racing.

At the club house the "firewood" will be stacked, and covered nicely, to keep it dry and be on the ready for days and/or nights that you may want to have a little extra heat.

In addition, the fence, the colored fence, will be reinstalled to the original position.

Thank you Ken St. John for keeping the fence safe after being overpowered by Mother Nature. This will be installed to help everyone to be safe while visiting the club house.

In addition the club house will have a dedicated recycling can for your containers of water, beer, wine. And small pieces of card board. Thank you for helping to recycle.

Isn't the month of May a great month! When the grass is growing, and flowers are blooming. So nice. This would be a great time to gather as a team and help to make "your" club house even better. We can collectively come up with a date and time to work together. And of course it will be labeled as pizza party, with a little bit of work done on the side. I would not expect the "party" to last more 2, max 3 hours

Let's go out and have a great month.

Michael Stanford
Rear Commodore
S/V Lycian



Vice Commodore (continued)

As I stated at the general meeting, before things like Facebook, the website, and email blasts, I believe the general meetings were valuable monthly as a place to learn the happenings of the month for the club. However, with the advancement in technologies and interconnectedness electronically, I believe the general meeting value has diminished. I'm not saying it doesn't have its merits, but what I am saying is that we need to make sure that when we do host a meeting, it brings value to those that attend. With that, I proposed an alternative to the board this past month that we are hoping to bring to the general membership via a bylaw change. I'm giving early notice before the meeting to hopefully bring any outstanding issues people may have up before we make any changes or request a vote of the membership. So please take a look at my proposal and provide me feedback via email at vicecommodore@cyct.com. One very important thing to note is that I'm not proposing reducing our get-togethers as a club, but just the administrative portion of the meetings. Locations are mainly TBD at this point, but Johnny's at Fife is likely to be our landing spot for now.

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Vice Commodore (continued)



Guest Speakers!

My proposal is the following:

Month	Topic/Meeting Coverage	Hosts	Location
January	General Mtg.	Commodores	
February	Educational Mtg	Education Chair	
March	Social Mtg/Event	Social Chair	
April	General Mtg	Commodores	
May	Educational Mtg	Education Chair	
June	Social Mtg/Event	Social Chair	
July	General Mtg	Commodores	Tyee
August	Social Mtg/Event (BBQ>)	Social Chair	Tyee
September	Educational Mtg	Education Chair	
October	General Mtg (Nominations)	Commodore	
November	Special General Mtg (Elections)	Commodores	
December	Christmas Party	Social Chair	

3/9/2020	Bill Foulk—Ranger Regatta, Sail Ahead
4/13/2020	RBAW or Racing Rules
5/11/2020	Jan and Skip Anderson
6/8/2020	RBAW or Racing Rules
7/2020	TYEE—No Speaker
8/2020	TYEE—No Speaker
9/14/2020	Alex Semanis—Ballard Sails (Tentative)
10/12/2020	Open
11/9/2020	No Speaker—Elections

As you can see, we still maintain much of a similar scheduling format, however, our focus in the two other months of the quarter are about education and social events. These kinds of meetings would be easier to recruit potential members, and be of specific value to existing club members. Social events could be as simple as meeting at 7 Seas for drinks, Johnny’s at Fife for dinner, bbq at the clubhouse, etc.

Please stay tuned, and I hope to have the bylaw amendment completed before our next general meeting for your review. If all goes well, my hope is to hold a vote on the proposed bylaw change at the April meeting.

Jeremy Bush
Vice Commodore
R/V Goes to Eleven



Racing

Editor's note:

Due to the Arrival of a new Grand Baby, Melissa has been a little distracted.

The full Harbor Series Results are on the Facebook Page, if anyone's interested!

Meantime, here's proof of said Grand-Baby :-) Congratulations!





Corinthian Yacht Club of Tacoma 2020 Race Calendar— PRELIMINARY

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>
1/25/2020	Harbor Series #1
2/8/2020	Harbor Series #2
2/22/2020	Harbor Series #3
4/4/2020	Spring Single / Double Handed Race
4/4/2020	CYCT Race Seminar - Early Evening
4/15/2020	Spring Series #1
4/22/2020	Spring Series #2
4/29/2020	Spring Series #3
5/6/2020	Spring Series #4
5/13/2020	Spring Series #5
5/20/2020	Late Spring Series #1
5/27/2020	Late Spring Series #2
6/3/2020	Late Spring Series #3
6/10/2020	Late Spring Series #4
6/13/2020	Three Hour Tour #1
6/17/2020	Late Spring Series #5
6/24/2020	Summer Series #1
7/1/2020	Summer Series #2
7/8/2020	Summer Series #3
7/15/2020	Summer Series #4
7/22/2020	Summer Series #5
7/25/2020	Three Hour Tour #2
7/29/2020	Late Summer Series #1
8/5/2020	Late Summer Series #2
8/12/2020	Late Summer Series #3
8/15/2020	Three Hour Tour #3
8/19/2020	Late Summer Series #4
8/22/2020	Vashon Challenge
8/26/2020	Late Summer Series #5
8/29/2020	CYCT Awards Race
9/12/2020	Point Series #1
9/19/2020	Pink Boat Regatta - Tacoma
9/26/2020	Point Series #2
10/10/2020	Memorial Single Hand
10/24/2020	Point Series #3
11/7/2020	Point Series #4



Cruising

“Spring is the time of plans and projects.”

— *Leo Tolstoy, Anna Karenina*

I don't know about all of you, but I am done with old man Winter, though a few more days of late Winter skiing would not be so bad! That being said, Spring is on the way and so we will soon be kicking off the new 2020 CYCT cruising season. Are you and your boats ready?!

We have exciting news for the cruising fleet. We have added 'Cruising Day Sails' to the Spring and Summer schedule. The purpose of these day sail is threefold:

1. To have fun sailing with friends and CYCT Crew Members!
2. To promote sailing and CYCT to the new sailor students such as The Mountaineers, Tacoma Womens Sailing Association (TWSA), Puget Sound Sailing Institute (PSSI), and the Meet-Up website!
3. To have fun sailing!

The below dates in RED are tentative and more details will be forthcoming as we get closer to the dates, so be sure to check the CYCT website, Facebook, or drop me an email.

I am still looking for cruise hosts for the July 4th and Labor Day weekends, so if you are interested please contact me via email or in person.

Remember, Check Facebook and CYCT.com for updates.

Happy Cruising,

Greg Greene
Cruising Fleet Captain
S/V Whisper
cruising@cyct.com



Send us your Cruising Pics... we want to see you out and about!

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CYCT 2020 Cruising Schedule

Dates	Theme	Location	Host(s)
April 18-19	Daffodil Marine Festival	Tacoma Yacht Club	Rich & Angie Morales (Flagship: SV La Gitana)
April 18	Daffodil Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No Host - Watch the Parade and then go sailing
May 2-3	Opening Day "Rock Around the Dock"	Seattle Yacht Club	Ken & Karen Walker (MV Tehilla) Co-Hosts: Greg Greene, Eve Engnoth, Rebekah Foelker
May 23-25	Memorial Day	Penrose Point	Clay & Shari Anderson (SV Namaste)
May 29-31	TYC/CYCT Sail Rally	Wollochet Bay	Co-hosted with Tacoma Yacht Club
June 5-7	Gig Harbor Maritime Festival & Raft-up	Gig Harbor	Brock & Janice VanRavenswaay (SV Tatoosh), &
June 27	CYCT Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No host
July 4-5	Fourth of July	Quartermaster 7/4	
July 18	CYCT Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No host
August 7-8	Hillbilly Barbeque	Longbranch	Ed & Sue Pinkham (SV Jeopardy)
August 22	CYCT Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No host
Sep 5 - 7	Labor Day Weekend		Open
Sep-12	CYCT Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No host
Sep-12	Pink Boat Regatta SEA	Elliott Bay Marina	
Sep-19	Pink Boat Regatta TAC	Tacoma	
Oct-03	CYCT Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No host
November 20-22	Le Mans Race / Clam Chowder Cook-Off	Arabella's Landing – Gig Harbor	Gary & Joy Ballentine (SV Raven)

CYCT General Meeting

February 10, 2020

Call meeting to order: 7pm by Angie Morales

Motion to Approve: Jeremy asks to review and edit, then approve. Melissa Davies seconded.

Guests: Claudia and Jason Osborne, Terri Benz

Shining Light: No nominations

Reports:

Rear Commodore: Plans to clean up the clubhouse. Please do not place plastic in the burn bin. Looking to schedule a clubhouse clean up party in near future.

Vice Commodore: Shared out idea about moving meetings from monthly to quarterly. Main reason is that we have different media in which we push out information. Wanted to start a conversation; no decisions will be made in the immediate future. Looking at long term sustainability. Cindy Craig asked about how to share member opinions: he is encouraging members to come to board meetings, and is looking into conducting a survey. Inquiries can also be sent to vicecommodore@cyct.com

Past Commodore: No Report

Fleet Captain Cruising: Cruising calendar is on the website. Daffodil and Opening Day registration is open and boats need to be registered with TYC and SYC to participate. Flyer passed out by Clay and Shari Anderson for Memorial Day weekend. Looking for a volunteer to host a Labor Day cruise (Sept. 5-7). Conversations about Opening Day around boat themes for the parade.

Fleet Captain Racing: Second Harbor series complete. 11 boats competed. Last race of the series is February 22. Awards will be done at the next general meeting, March 9th. . April 4th will be the kickoff to spring sailing with April 15 being the first windseekers race of the season. Race chair sends email to registered sailors the night before with race instructions.

Membership: Not Present. Terri Benz was sworn in as a crew member.

Secretary: This position is currently vacant as our Secretary is not able to fulfil her duties at this time. Thanks to Janice Van-Ravenswaay for taking minutes this month.

Treasurer: We have \$27,000+ in bank. About \$1100 in positive for now. Still needing to pursue how to balance our budget for sustainability this year.

Sunshine: Card sent to Adrian DeLuna for death of his mother, Michelle Miles for her broken wrist.

Education: Planning some education seminars to include a man overboard drill later this summer.

Social: Great Commodore's Ball. No immediate plans at this time. Stay tuned

Merchandise: No report at this time. Questions about the budget before any orders are made.

Floating Assets: No Report

Women's Sailing: There is an event coming soon. Stay tuned.

Trophies: No Report

Crew Meetup: Developing ideas to share Mainsheet with potential members within meetup groups.

Racing Protests: None

Commodore: No Report

Old Business: Thanks to skippers who volunteered for Mountaineer sailing classes. Captains who take out boats receive a free membership to Mountaineers, and REI discount.

New Business: None

Birthdays: Eve Engoth

Break: 7:37

Guest Speaker is Melissa Davies, Sharing lessons learned about Man overboard from Duwamish Head.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30



Members Abroad

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S/V Kokomo



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March 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 General Meeting (Johnny's)	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Board Meeting	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

April 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 Spring Single/ Double Handed Race Seminar
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 General Meeting (Johnny's)	14	15 Spring Series #1	16	17	18 Daffodil Festival (TYC) Day Sail (Foss Harbor)
19 Daffodil Festival (TYC)	20	21	22 Spring Series #2	23	24	25
26	27 Board Meeting	28	29 Spring Series #3	30		

Sunshine



As many of you know I am out of town for a couple months. Jenn Tenney is covering for me. Stay healthy and keep me or Jenn posted if someone needs a little Sunshine.

Debbie McAdams
Sunshine Chair
S/V Red Splash

Happy Birthday to our CYCT Members

Gary Blackmore	March 20
Lisa Corkum	March 26
Alan Fowler	March 29
Michelle Gaspaire	March 14
Karl Haflinger	March 24
Jaelyn Layton	March 29
Elise Sandwick	March 13
Tom Tenney	March 22



**On The Cover
Race Days
By
Janice Van-Ravenswaay**

Saw it on Facebook



Jeremy Bush shared a link. Admin · February 21 at 4:37 PM

Look who posted my video 😊 and did a write up about us!

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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).

Montague Folding Bicycles. Like new condition, they fit under one of our outside seating storage lockers perfectly on our Beneteau 473. I can not find a spot for them that is easily assessable on the new boat, so they gotta go.

These are in like new condition and at \$400 for both they are less than one third the cost of new.

Call Dan Walker at 253-255-2567 for more information.



SHOVING OFF

Go as Big as You Want, as Complex as You Can Afford, and When You Want



Many sailors are familiar with Lin and Larry Pardey who sailed the world for years on the boats Seraffyn and Talesin! Small (less than 30 feet) wooden boats that Larry built himself. You might say that Lin and particularly Larry, were a bit opinionated. They were minimalists. No engine. No electronics. Heck, no electrical. For a toilet they had a cedar bucket! I found some of their opinions downright daffy. The never wore a tether on deck because, "what if you went on deck at night and forgot it? Better to just always act as if you're untethered." I'd of thought of writing a Pardey parody about cruising around clinging to a floating log as being the absolute simplest of systems. What could go wrong! I always figured that the joke was a bit too thin to really pull off so I never did.

To be fair, I've read many of their books and I admire them. Sadly, Larry has advanced dementia and is in a nursing home in New Zealand, but Lin was at the Wooden Boat Festival in Port Townsend just last September. It was their mantra, "Go small, go simple, go now," that has inspired generations of cruisers to just go. YouTube is full of young couples who have heeded that call, bought a small boat, fixed it up and took off. Maybe if I hadn't been so darned practical when I married the lovely and gracious Mrs. St. John some 40 plus years ago, we might have done the same. But – I was practical, safe, and conservative and you know what, we've made a pretty good life of it.

Still, I want more. I'm not done. And I don't want to crap in a cedar bucket. That's why I say "Go as Big as You Want, as Complex as You Can Afford, and When You Want!"

My decision is for me and mine. Yours can be for you. Want to buy a trawler (you know who you are), go ahead. I'll still be your friend and I won't call you a stink potter. Unless you have an exhaust problem, then I might. Face it, La Sirena is mostly a trawler with some sails should I ever need them. Those sails though are part of MY dream. I can sail the world and fuel cost won't stop me. I'm told that La Sirena came across the Pacific on 110 liters of diesel and that was for the generator. That's only 29 gallons in American. Heck!, my reserve tank is bigger than that.

And I like my electronics and they are only getting better. When we bought the boat, I made a point of learning to work and rely on the 25-year-old, green screen, Furuno radar, but I sure prefer the new, 3G Lowrance that uses a fraction of the current, can track targets, and overlay them on a chart. We've been in fog with both. They both do the job. You can have the Furuno for free! Talk to me.

Comfy seats? I'm a fan. A bed you can get to from the sides? Yes please. A tv? 4K? Alright. That's what we think is right for us. And we can afford it. Jeremy Bush wants a sailing skateboard? "Goes to Eleven" is right for him. Eric Nelson wants to beat Jeremy and bake cookies? He has Gardyloo. Don Kimball thinks jibs are a leftist plot? He has Kool Cat. Or is it Cool Kat? I should fire up the AIS and see how he spells it.

The point is that the right boat for you may not be the right boat for me. Get what you want, when you can. Innovations in boating have made it easier to boat safely later and later in life. Lazy jacks, stack packs, bow and stern thrusters, and power winches. Communications are improved. AIS, EPIRB, satellite and cell phones. Auto pilots are super sophisticated. Diesel engines are highly reliable. It's all made it possible to Go as Big as You Want, as Complex as You Can Afford, and When You Want.

Ken St. John
S/V La Sirena