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Happy Independence Day



Commodore

Finally summer is beginning to show up here in Puget Sound, at least according to the calendar. I hope you all are planning for the up coming race season as abbreviated as it will be. Windseekers will have begun on Wednesday, June 24 at the time of this article. I appreciate your patience as we continue to move through the unprecedented times we share. I must encourage you all to abide by the current Local and State guidelines for Phase 2, and be knowledgeable of what they will be when we enter Phase 3.

I'm very happy to announce that through the Long Range Planning Committee, the Dinghy Dock and the Lido 14 one design is beginning to take shape. There has been a real interest in making use of the dock as an income to CYCT, while providing an opportunity to generate an interest in sailing to potential new members. Come down to Tyee 2 and see the growing fleet. Maybe take a sail !

Angie Morales
Commodore
S/V LA GITANA



Vice Commodore

Happy July! We are still off to a slow start, but we at least have the beginnings of some club events. With the easing of the Stay Home order, we are able to have races that follow social distancing guidelines. With that, we have been able to race! The first race of the season was on June 24th, and it was an interesting start! With great wind just before the start that ended in a drifter. We ended the race by coasting with our momentum across the line. It is great to be back on the water.



Early this year, the board was making attempts to balance our budget. We identified that our dinghy docks were costing the club a significant amount of expenditure, with limited income. The board brought this to the attention of the club, and several members stepped up to begin discussions about the dock, which also led to the creation of our Long Range Planning Committee. I am pleased with the progress of the group and all those involved. Through negotiations with Tyee and some re-arranging forthcoming, we have cut our expenses for moorage (for two dinghy docks and the race committee boat) by a third. With the creation of a Lido 14 fleet, we have most of the dock space filled and income coming in. With that, I am very happy with the progress made to balance this portion of our budget. With the downturn in the economy and racing income, however, we will still be assessing our ongoing budgetary issues, but I am confident in how the club is progressing.

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Rear Commodore

If you're reading this, it is July already. Can you believe it?

So glad the racing season has started officially. Great night to be on the water of course. Little bit of a breeze, well to get started anyway, awesome photo opportunities as well, with lots fun social distancing. And more racing to come for the rest of the season. Good luck to all of you!



Meanwhile back at the clubhouse, some tall grass, and weeds needed a trim or removed all together. I'm sure the ones that were removed will be fine elsewhere to live out their green lives. After this was done, the grassy area asked for some water. So I turned the water on and gave the grass all it wanted. Apparently very thirsty!

I'm not real sure why there continues to be non appropriate man made products found in the fire pit. But surely "they" know it doesn't belong in there, it is an easy dunk. Besides the glass doesn't burn, neither do the cans, and the plastic is not good to breathe at all. I'm sure it is nobody in "our" club doing it, so if you see anybody doing the bad thing, can you please gently remind them. Let's burn the real wood, there's plenty.

If you have a sailing picture that you would like to posted on the bulletin board at the clubhouse, send it over to me and I will put it on there. The bulletin board would like fresh pictures.

Michael Stanford
Rear Commodore
S/V Lycian



Vice Commodore (continued)

I want to specifically thank every participant in the Long Range Planning Committee for their many hours of work on helping make this club successful. Through these efforts, the club will have additional outreach tools for new members, a new way to get out racing on the water, a place to store our dinghies, kayaks, and small sailboats, and we will be financially healthy moving forward.

See you on the water!

Jeremy Bush
Vice Commodore
R/V Goes to Eleven

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From the Editor...

Hi Club!

After nearly 4 years of editing the Mainsheet for our members, it's time to pass the torch. It's not that I don't love haranguing all of you to get me your articles, it's just that I've got other things going on in my life, and I'd like to pay a little more attention to those. Honestly, the Mainsheet doesn't take up too much of my time, but I'm going to pass it on for now.

On that note... I'd like to Welcome **Brenda Bethards** as your new Mainsheet Editor. A little about Brenda (in her own words) :

My husband, Kelly, and I have been sailing for approximately 5 years and joined CYCT shortly after the purchase of our first boat, Second Wind, a fun San Juan 28. In the spring of 2017, we purchased our second sailboat from Annapolis MD. Bailey, a J32.

We have enjoyed many cruises, races and great days of sailing with friends we have made though CYCT.

If you see us out on the bay, swing by and say "Hi"



Let's all make sure we give her a warm CYCT welcome and Congratulations for getting involved in our Club!

You can still send articles, posts, etc. for the mainsheet to mainsheet@cyct.com—This will now go to Brenda.

I'll be helping her get next Month's Mainsheet together, and then she's on her own! (MUAHAHAHAHA) :-)

Don't worry—I'm not going far. I'm going to help out with the Website, email and all that techie-nerd stuff that I do for my day job anyway. :-) Keep an eye out for some cool new stuff in the website. You can find me via email at:

webmaster@cyct.com

So I say "Bye" to one job and take on another... :-) See you guys around!

One of these days I'll buy a boat, and become a full fledged voting member.

John Coyne

Crew Member

Mainsheet Ex-Pat, and incoming Webmaster

Honestly, I struggled this month with the cover photo. Julie St. John certainly has a great eye for shots, and this was originally the cover photo, but I made an executive decision to use the cover photo that's there, because, well it is July and it seemed particularly patriotic. :-) I'll put hers here, and use it as my "Sailing off into the sunset" pic, even though the boat is sailing away from the sunset. So I'm sunsetting one job and sailing into a new one! Seems fitting, right? :-)





Racing



Windseekers Wednesday Night Race – June 24, 2020 - most of the fleet going into the first mark.

Racing update:

June 24th we had the first race of Summer Series and floated 25 boats. We mixed it up with 4 starts - <90 PHRF, >89 PHRF, J35 class, Challenger/Windseeker. The starts and the first leg were boat wind, unfortunately it died the second half of the second leg. Everyone but 3 boats finished - 2 ran out of time and 1 retired (Challenger/Windseeker). Great job Greg & Cyndi L! It was great to see everyone out, especially new comer - Echo (their first race)

We have Wednesday night races scheduled for the rest of the season. (July 1st is our next race). 3 Hour Tour (Ruston Classic) is scheduled for Saturday July 25th (11am - 2pm) - I'm hoping with the success of Greg Green's Cruising Rally we'll see more of the cruisers on the course.

Please note: We will continue to do 6pm Skipper's meetings on Wednesday at club house at Tyee (with masks and social distancing). While we planned to use the board this year - we have run into a technical issue and are going back to making announcements (classes, courses, etc.) via radio so please please have your radio on channel 68 and loud enough for you to hear.

Race Chair Request:

Please, if at all possible please register online (you don't have to set up a paypal account, we simply use paypal to process credit cards) vs. on the water. RC is super busy getting everything ready for the start without worrying about grabbing registrations. Worst case send an email to racing@cyct.com before the race and let us know and swing by RC post finish pay after the race.

<https://cyct.com/racing/online-race-entry-form/>

Melissa Davies
Racing Chair
S/V Miss Mayhem!



Corinthian Yacht Club of Tacoma 2020 Race Calendar

<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

I'll take SEEN ON SCREEN for 3 points please.

Bequeathed with a dilapidated yacht once owned by Clark Gable, "Boss" Harvey finds it necessary to Employ this man to sail *The Wanderer* back to Miami



Can you guess the correct answer (in the form of an answer)?

Team RAVEN (Gary & Joy Ballantine) were the only team to choose this Category & points and they got the answer right - Good job!

Saturday, June 27th marked the first Cruising Day Sail, which also became a Cruising Day Sail Rally!

What is a Cruising Rally? Is it like a race? It is not a race! The only similar to a race in that there is a course, other than that it is completely different. In a Rally "following the instructions and completing them are how you gain points" and the most points wins! Congratulations to Gary and Joy Ballantine on SV Raven for the First Place Win! The winning prize was a free pizza dinner donated by Katie Downs Waterfront Tavern. As you can see from the results below, the first boat to finish was also the last place on points. The feedback I received for all boaters was that they had a great time and would love to do it again, so we will! So, look for more details on the next one scheduled for July 18th, 2020.

CYCT CRUISE RALLY TOTALS

6/27/2020

RALLY WINNERS	TEAM	Safety Check	Flag & Burgee	Find Mark 1 & Text Picture	Find Mark 2 & Text Picture	Find Mark 3 & Post Picture on Facebook	Course Under 5 hrs	Engine hrs	Wildlife Pics	Nautical Jeopardy	Lady Luck (Poker)	Poker Hand	POINT TOTALS	Clock Finish Time
	Max Score Value:	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	30+	50	5		120+	
1st	RAVEN	5	5	5	5	0	5	5	2	8		pair 10's	40	15:11
2nd	BAILEY	5	5	5	5	0	5	5	5	-2			33	15:10
3rd	KAHUNA	5	5	0	5	2.5	5	5	4	0		pair 6's	31.5	14:29
4th	LEAKY CAULDRON	5	0	0	5	5	5	4	0	0	5	Pair Queens	29	16:59
5th	TATOOSH	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	-8			27	15:01
6th	JEOPARDY	5	0	5	0	0	5	5	0	0			20	14:53
7th	CONSTELLATION	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	0			10	14:43
	GREG S. on ROMEO CHARLIE									20				
	FLICKA (DNS)													
	AFK (DNS)													

Special thanks to the Rally Team who helped pull this event off: Commodore Angie Morales, Rear Commodore Michael Stanford, Dan & Karen Walker, Cyndi Larrison, and Greg Sandwick.

Hats off also to Greg Sandwick on Romeo Charlie who placed the 1st and 3rd Marks, and picked them up afterwards, and who also scored 20 points on NAUTICAL JEOPARDY! For fun. And to Dan & Karen Walker who graciously took MV Tehilla "on station" to Mark 2 and provided excellent photos for Facebook. So, what's next?

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4th of July at Quartermaster Harbor

That's right! Even though there will be no fireworks this year, the informal poll I took suggested that most boaters still would like to raft up at Quartermaster Harbor. Please let me know if you would like to attend, as we will likely do a "star raft-up" again. If you would rather not raft up, no worries, drop an anchor nearby.

Cruising Day Sail Rally – July 18th, 2020 (more details to come, prize gifts donations, and volunteers needed!)

Longbranch Hillbilly Cruise & Barbecue—August 7th through August 9th:

Join us at the Longbranch Improvement Club marina, located at the southeast end of Key Peninsula in Filucy Bay, one of the most beautiful and protected anchorages in Puget Sound. Cruise hosted by Ed & Sue Pinkham (SV Jeopardy)

Cruising Day Sail Rally – August 27th, 2020 more details to come, prize gifts donations, and volunteers needed!)

Labor Day Weekend Cruise – Hosted by Jen and Tom Tenny (Theme and details to come)

Keep calm and sail on,
Greg Greene
cruising@cyct.com
S/V Whisper



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 Deck"	Seattle Yacht Club	Ken & Karen Walker (MV Tehilla) Co-Hosts: Greg Greene, Eve Engnoth, Rebekah Foelker
May 23-25 Cancelled	Memorial Day	Penrose Point	Clay & Shari Anderson (SV Namaste)
May 29-31 Cancelled	TYC/CYCT Sail Rally	Wollochet Bay	Co-hosted with Tacoma Yacht Club Jeremy Bush (SV Goes to Eleven)
June 5-7 Cancelled	Gig Harbor Raft up	Gig Harbor	Brock & Janice VanRavenswaay (SV Tatoosh), &
June 27	CYCT Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No host / BYOB
July 4-5	Fourth of July	Quartermaster 7/4	No host / BYOB
July 18	CYCT Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No host / BYOB
August 7-8	Hillbilly Barbeque	Longbranch	Ed & Sue Pinkham (SV Jeopardy)
August 22	CYCT Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No host / BYOB
Sep 5 - 7	Labor Day Weekend		Tom & Jennifer Tenney
Sep-12	CYCT Day Sail	The Foss Waterway Seaport Dock	No host / BYOB
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 / BYOB
October 3	CYCT Day Sail	Foss Waterway Sea- port Dock	
November 20-22	LeMans Race / Clam Chowder Cook-off	Arabella's Landing Gig Harbor	Gary & Joy Ballentine (SV Raven)



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2	2XL	3

Men's Polo (Blue)



Ladies' Polo (Red)





Long Range Planning

Since the last Mainsheet article report, the LRPC has had two more meetings and we are making way on many of our objectives. First and foremost, the Dinghy Dock / Lido 14 Proposal has been completed and sent to the Board of Trustees for approval at the end of June. The highlights of this proposal are:

- The Dinghy Dock will (over the next six months or so) be self-funded by boat storage fees.
- A Dinghy Dock Committee will be established to organize events, maintenance and administer the financials.
- Potential Activities will include:
 - Form an official Lido 14 Fleet (and potentially a Laser Fleet)
 - Seasonal dinghy sailing clinics and dock maintenance days
 - Friday Evening Summer Sailing events (and potential races)
 - Monthly Summer Sunday Afternoon Sailing demos & BBQ
 - Monthly “Frostbite” Sailing Races from November through March

So far we have four privately owned Lido 14’s on the dock and room for two more. Please talk to Chuck Queen if you would like to reserve a dinghy dock space.

Also on the LRPC agenda, the need for a new Fall and Winter meeting place is becoming urgent, as it is very likely that Johnny’s in Fife may not re-open any time soon. A meeting criteria list has been developed and a special sub-committee has volunteered to do the leg-work to further qualify all the potential meeting places. Our goal is to have this list completed by the end of July Board meeting.

Less urgent, but also on the LRPC agenda, we are further developing the criteria list for an ideal home for the Tyee Clubhouse. Initial conversations with the Tyee Marina management have been positive and it seems they are willing to work with CYCT on improvements if we decide to stay. Other potential locations are also being surveyed as well.

The next LRPC meeting will be held on-line on Monday, July 22nd at 7 pm. If you have any interest in joining this committee, please contact me via email.

Greg Greene

Long Range Planning Committee Chair

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History!

BILLY CARTER *High Water Mark*

By Matthew Thomas

CYCT Historian

July 2020

In the history of the CYCT, Billy Carter and his wife, Soo, set a very high water mark for sailing activities. It was Billy who started the Point, Harbor, and 3-Hour Tour Series that are now standard club races. Billy and Soo also put on some epic CYCT cruises including the Penrose Point Hawaiian Cruise, Oro Bay Casino Cruise, Filucy Bay "Clue" Game Cruise, and the very first "Uncruise" which Soo hosted on New Year's Eve at the CYCT clubhouse. Their accomplishments stand as an inspiration to all of us.

Billy Has Sailed Since Childhood.

Billy began sailing when he was about ten years old. Since then, whether as crew or as skipper of his own boat, Billy has sailed and raced in all types of boats. For a time, Billy even made sailboat deliveries to earn money for school.

Canoe Sailing

Billy Carter started sailing in the summer of 1959 when he was about 10 years old. Billy's buddy, Rick, lived a few blocks away on Angle Lake. Rick had a 17 ft. fiberglass canoe with a transom stern. Rick's dad, an automotive upholsterer, took some closet rods, made a canvas sail for the lateen rig, and added leeboards. A pintel and gudgeons mounted rudder added to the stern with a closet rod tiller. Billy recalled, "We got wet quick." Later, Rick's dad bought Rick a C-Lark, which Billy and Rick also sailed on the lake.

Sea Scouts

In 1965, when Billy was 16, he joined the Sea Scouts. The Sea Scouts in Seattle met at a shack in McMicken Heights. With the Sea Scouts, Billy sailed aboard the Good Ship Vega, a 40-foot Coast Guard Cutter with a four-cylinder Buda diesel motor. She was moored at Pier 91 in Seattle.

Pop Layden volunteered with the Scouts. Pop worked as a mechanic at Southgate Ford and had served in the Merchant Marine during World War II. Pop taught Billy seamanship, knot tying, piloting, and how to read charts. Pop also showed the Scouts how to re-build diesel engines. As a Scout, Billy took two trips to the San Juan Islands and got to steer the boat as helmsman.

Crew Racing

When Billy was 24, he was working in Bellingham at the Eddie Stone Lighthouse Chandlery and trying to add his name to the sailboat race "crew list" when Dick Labady bust through the door and announced he needed crew for a race on Bellingham Bay. Billy volunteered and crewed with Dick on his Pacific 28 for the next few years. While in Bellingham, Billy also raced on a



Billy Carter at the helm of Sound Spirit.

Rosen 26. Later, in the late 70s, Billy crewed on Harry Jester's T-Bird in races all over the Puget Sound.

Billy went on to crew on many other boats including Tom White's Ranger 29, "Presto;" Marty Hynes' Morgan 27; Steve Ratchetts' San Juan 24, "Duck Soup;" and Tom Friedlin's Yankee 38, "Lightfoot."

Boat Deliveries

While in school, Billy also made a few sailboat deliveries, which helped pay for books. These did not always go smoothly. During one such delivery, Billy sailed a new Ranger 23 from Gove's Cove on Lake Union to Blaine in February. He ran into fog from Shilshoal to Point Wilson. Then, the motor fell off. Luckily, Billy had the new 15 hp Johnson by the throttle and wrestled it aboard in the Strait of Juan de Fuca abeam Smith Island. Billy sailed engineless to Blaine from there.

River Sailing

While living in Portland, Oregon, Billy joined the Tomahawk Island Sailing Club. As a member, you could check out a boat to sail like a library book. Billy sailed a Cal 24, O'Day 22, Santana 525, and a Zap 26. Billy learned to river sail and learned to how to go aground. As Billy explained, he learned how to come close enough to just kiss the sand, then he would quickly tack or jibe. This didn't always work.

Billy's Boats

11 ½ Foot Mayflower

Billy bought his first boat in 1972; she was an 11 ½ foot Mayflower foam Lateen rigged single sail sailboat. Eager to try her out, Billy and his friend, Dick, sailed her from Laramie State Park to Elisa Island for lunch in March. Billy recalled that it was a challenging sail with small craft advisory winds.

Ensenada 20, "Frijolé"

Then in 1974, Billy bought an Ensenada 20 named the "Frijolé", which he raced PHRF. Billy said the Frijolé was "hell on the starts" and could keep up with Thunderbirds in moderate wind to weather.

Coronado 25

In 1975, Billy moved to Poulsbo, where he lived aboard Frijolé for three months before moving the family to Gamble Bay where Frijolé sat tied to a mooring ball in front of the house. Later, he moved to Seabeck and bought a Coronado 25. Billy sold the Coronado in 1984 and took up flying lessons while living in Northwest Portland, flying out of Hillsboro. Flying and sailing are great cross training according to Billy.

Dufour 27, "Grand Marnier"

In 1988, Billy bought a Dufour 27, named "Grand Marnier," which Billy translated as "Great Sauce. " At this time Billy was living in Seabeck sailing Grand Marnier out of Brownsville.

C & C 39, "Discovery"

In 1993, Billy was living in Belfair and bought his C & C 39, "Discovery." But, in 1995, Billy's wife took possession of Discovery as part of a divorce settlement.

Choate 44, "Gruff"

So, in 1996, Billy bought a Doug Peterson designed Choate 44 named "Gruff." In 1997, Billy's ex-wife called to ask if he wanted Discovery back. Billy quipped that he became an "Admiral" with two boats in his fleet. He decided to put both boats up for sail. "Gruff" sold first so Billy decided to keep "Discovery."



Billy Carter racing on Discovery.

Chairman of the West Sound Sailing Association

Billy has probably done as much, or more, than any other club member to advance sailing throughout the Puget Sound, having run sail races for yacht clubs in the West Sound as well as for the CYCT.

From 1989-95, Billy was the chairman of the West Sound Sailing Association. The member clubs of the association were

the Brownsville YC, Port Orchard YC, West Sound CYC, Bremerton YC, Port Madison YC, and Poulsbo YC. Each club was tasked with putting on at least one race a year and Billy prepared the race schedule, recorded where boats placed, and gave out the awards.

Billy Joins the Corinthian Yacht Club of Tacoma

At long last, Billy moved south and joined the CYCT. He was heavily involved in Windseekers from 2006-2014 and served as Race Committee Chairman from 2007-2009.

It was Billy who started the Point, Harbor, and Three-Hour Tour Series, which are some of our most fun and challenging races. When asked about this, Billy said, "Change is a constant of life, and that they (the race series) still exist, warms me." It was always a pleasure to hear Billy's confident voice come over the radio, calling out a new race course he had invented.

Billy and Soo's Epic Cruises

Billy's wife, Soo, was also active in the club. Soo was Cruise Chair for three years around 2007-2009. Together, Billy and Soo hosted many memorable cruises.

Penrose Point Cruise

Their Penrose Point cruise remains epic. It was Hawaiian themed. The food was fantastic and what's not to like about Hawaiian shirts.

Playing "Clue" on Filucy Bay

At the Fulicy Bay Cruise, Soo and Billy had everyone play Clue. The players rolled large dice in the cockpit of Discovery, directing their pieces to row in their dinghies from boat to boat while dressed in character. The boats took the place of the rooms. Billy mused "We changed things up a bit. But in the end it was Blackbeard aboard Sangvind with a rum bottle."

Casino Night in Oro Bay

Another epic cruise was Casino Night in Oro Bay. In the evening, some of the boats in the raft-up became gambling halls, others, bars or restaurants. They even had a tattoo parlor. Soo was part of the security force and allegedly caught Denny Flannigan with Aces up his sleeves. They had planned to offer betting on a horse track (dinghies rowed around the raft-up) but the track was too wet for the horses to run as it poured rain. The morning of the last day they had an auction of prizes using the "CYCT BUCKS" that they had won or lost over the weekend of gambling. The money was printed with the faces of the Commodores and the chairs. Billy said, "I remember Jim Price's face on the Three Dollar bill. Great time was had by all."

Soo Invents the "Uncruise."

It was Soo who started the CYCT's New Years Eve "Uncruise" at the CYCT Clubhouse. It has become a popular CYCT holiday tradition.

Billy jumps to Vice-Commodore.

Billy served as Vice Commodore in 2004 and Commodore in 2005. However, Billy never served as Rear Commodore. Instead, Gary Alstrand appointed Billy directly to the position of Vice Commodore.

They gave the CYCT some of its best days.

The CYCT was fortunate to have members like Billy and Soo Carter. Through imagination and hard work, they put on incredible sailboat cruises and races. Some of the traditions they began, like Soo's "Uncruise" and Billy's Point, Harbor, and 3-Hour Tour Series, continue today. In short, Billy and Soo set a high water mark of sailing activities in the CYCT's long and proud sailing history. They gave the club what will be remembered as some of its best days. Their work remains an inspiration for all of us.





Education!

Finally we will be racing! With all of us raring to go, I think this will be helpful. My plan is to go over the Rules and maybe clarify some of the confusing issues. A bit of my background: I have raced since I was 15 in many classes of boats and have been involved with the Rules back when NAYRU was the governing body. It much clearer now since one set of rules are used by national sailing authorities.

Lets start with Part I, Fundamental Rules. If you have a copy of the RRS 2017-20, you can follow along. I.1 Helping those in danger - This is very important! This has been a requirement as far back as people have taken to the sea. Basically, if you see another boat in trouble you must render assistance, unless doing so would put your boat in danger. If you are in a race use still do it, and go for redress after you finish. I.2 Lifesaving Equipment and Personal Floatation Devices. It is the law you must carry lifesaving equipment for all persons on the boat, and equipment for recovering a MOB. It must be in good condition for the use intended, and readily available for use. If you have inflatable PFD's to be legal they must be worn. This is not a RRS requirement its federal law (USCG). You must check your equipment on a regular basis, and maintain it. I.3 Fair Sailing. This is the first one where I am sure I will get some debate. Sailboat racing is a self governed sport. Participants are expected to sail within the Rules, and use the methods in RRS to judicate violations. Being a sea lawyer does not benefit the sport. Rules should be used to enhance fair sailing. It is everyone's job to avoid a collision. Yelling or foul language should not be tolerated. That is all for this month. Next month we will go over Acceptance of the Rules.

Definitions: Hers are a few of the definitions used in RRS.

Clear Ahead and Clear /Astern; Overlap; A boat is either clear ahead, clear astern or overlapped. Consider two boats on the same tack. They are overlapped if the bow of one boat overlaps the stern of the other. These terms refer only when boats are on the same tack. We will see that there are other rules that cover boats on opposite tacks. Overlaps only exist if the boats are within 2 overlenghts of each other.

Ed Pinkham
Education Chair
S/V Jeopardy



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S/V Kokomo



After 10 years of dreaming we are off. Follow along as we move about the globe fixing our boat in different cultures and exotic places.

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Sunshine



I sent a Congratulations card to Sue and Ed Pinkham On the birth of their new granddaughter Clementine, and a another card to Sue to get well soon after breaking her ankle.

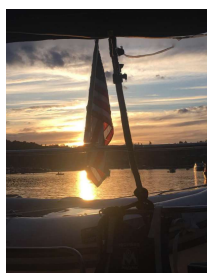
If you know of anyone who needs some sunshine, reach out to me via text, email, a phone call or in person.

Debbie McAdams
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Happy Birthday to our CYCT

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SHOVING OFF

Seeing into the Future



If you haven't been following along for a while, this column is taking you along on my, the lovely and gracious Mrs. St. John and five year old granddaughters journey from every day, mortgage holding, house dwellers, to full time live aboards and eventually, part time cruisers. We bought the boat, a 52 foot motor sailor, La Sirena, sold the house and moved aboard,

We've been aboard going on two years now. A constant stream of improvements have made La Sirena better and better prepared to travel far and wide in the Pacific Northwest. Also, living aboard has enabled us to nearly eliminate debt (we are so close!) The lovely and gracious Mrs. S retired this past January and I set my retirement for Memorial Day. Which is past. Because I didn't – retire. It's the Covid thing. I have a company that still needs me for a while, the market tanked, and the borders are closed. Might as well keep making money.

That was ok in March when I called things off. But it is June, nearly July, and I can see into the future! We've had a taste of it this past weekend. One thing that the Covid pandemic has done is to allow us to take off almost every weekend. Church obligations have been put on hold so I'm not tied down. Also, I've piled up a ton of vacation I need to use.

This weekend we chose a new destination – Tolmie State Park in the south sound. Daughter Annie lives in Olympia and asked if we wanted to visit, see granddaughter Phoebe, and maybe keep her for the night. We said "sure", we'll just sail the house! I took Friday off, but, because of tides, we didn't leave until afternoon. To fill the time in the morning, the three of us had our first sail in our new to us, older than me, Lido 14 sailboat. It was quite a thrill short tacking up the marina and then turning about and heading out into the bay.



Once we had the Lido back on the dock, we were ready to catch the tide and head south. I'd hope for a surprise stop at Eagle Island in Balch Passage between McNeil and Anderson islands. It's a state park accessible only by boat and we'd never been. We approached from the east, motored around to the west, and then back to the east where we dropped anchor. The anchor set well, but tides were taking us one way and strong winds the other. We decided to save Eagle Island for another time and headed for Filucy Bay's snug anchorage where we spent a quiet night.

After a breakfast of bacon, eggs and pancakes, we made a short, one hour trip to Tolmie. Tolmie is located in more of a depression than a bay. There are mooring balls but La Sirena is too big to use them. Anchor is secure, although, because of the very gentle sloping beach, you are quite a ways off. Still, the dinghy makes short work of the distance and when Annie, Andy and Phoebe showed up, we were quick to head in and meet them. After a few snacks, our beach trip turned into picking up oysters and digging for clams. Talk about bounty!



We did this for an hour or so, and the girls were wet and getting cold. It took two trips in the dinghy to get six people and four buckets of clams and oysters to the boat. Once there it was time to eat strawberry shortcake and catch up with my family who I hadn't seen since the start of quarantine. Then it was time for Art and Andy to go. One more dinghy ride and then the L and G Mrs. S and I cooked up a seafood feast complimented with watermelon. After all of this, two little girls needed a bath (yes, La Sirena has a tub.) Finding Nemo and popcorn and we were all ready for bed.



Sunday started with another big breakfast and two cousins romping around. At noon I took one last ride into shore to reunite Phoebe with mommy and daddy and we motored home with the tide through the narrows.

Once tied back to our dock, we took a walk to the beach, came back and made dinner, and here we are. That's a pretty good, full weekend. New places, old familiar places, family and friends. Sailing. Eating bounty from the ocean. So tired you can barely write your article.

Not too shabby a way to live.
I've seen the future and I like it!

Ken St. John
S/V La Sirena