

The logo for the Corinthian Yacht Club of Tacoma (CYCT) is located in the top left corner. It features a stylized sailboat with a blue, white, and orange sail, and the letters "CYCT" in white on a blue background.

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THE CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB OF TACOMA
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Commodore Report

Happy March!

Well, here we are in that lull, waiting for the “real” spring racing to get here... I for one, can’t wait! I’m looking forward to more club races and Wednesday Nights!!

February was a good round of racing with the club, and the South Sound Series’ Toliva Shoal race. Good wind, great crew work on Gardyloo, and our driver kicked <expletive>! I don’t remember a time where we did that much of the race with the kite up!! Was a great time!

Thanks to Steve Danny and their crew for running some good racing in February! It takes a village, and they definitely need your help! Please volunteer at every opportunity. That makes our club even more fun. Steve and our floating assets chair Paul got Romeo Charlie firing on all cylinders again, so that’s great as we come into spring. Hopefully we won’t need any more maintenance for a while!

Don’t forget – Daffodil and Opening Day are coming! If you’re going to participate with the club at either of these events, please make sure Clay and Shari know about it – They’re coordinating the club’s presence at both. Also – if you’re a Past Commodore, We’d like to invite you to be on the flag boat at either/both of these events. I’d love to have a boat full of Past Commodores, in uniform, for the parades! Please message me directly if you’re interested in coming out to play with us! We’ll be on Tim Garchow’s Odin – so we have a lot of room. Wild Thing doesn’t really hold too many people, so Tim has graciously volunteered his fine vessel for the festivities!

There are a couple folks who have approached me about “helping out” with the website. As it turns out, I’m edging closer to being ready to pass the torch on the webmaster duties, so if you’re interested, please let me know. I can show you the ropes, but I know a few folks were experienced with Web design. Hit me up if you’re interested in helping out.

Commodore Report Continued...

To Quote Brock VanRavenswaay, "We're doing GREAT"! Thanks to all our volunteers, and especially to my bridge officers for their contributions.

In Service,

John Coyne
Commodore
S/V Wild Thing
commodore@cyct.com



Vice Commodore Report

Hello all,

I hope you can make our general meeting on 3/13, we have an awesome speaker.

HEADLINE: As our environment changes, what's the impact to our wind? To our sailboat racing and cruising?

Wind...it powers our racing and our cruising adventures! Join us for new insights and a discussion on how our changing environment is impacting our wind and what we can do to continue to sail fast...sail safe...and enjoy our blue playground.

About our facilitator: Captain David Gallimore

Avid sailor since learning on a Yachting World Cadet at age 5. Integrative life and growth business coach focused on creating adaptable and resilient lives, careers, and businesses in a VUCA world. Licensed maritime captain, sailing instructor, cruiser, and winning keelboat racer. 5-time ocean adventurer with 59,000 nm. CYCS member since 2016 and CYCT member since 2019.

Brendan Smith
Vice Commodore
S/V Knotty Coug



Rear Commodore Report

Greetings from your new Rear Commodore



My apologies for not getting a article sooner, we experienced some technical difficulties.

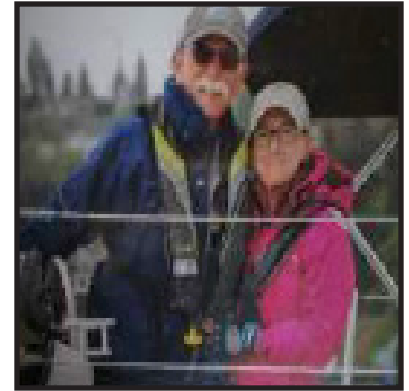
It looks like my first task will be finding a curtain for the clubhouse to block the wind and make things more comfortable. I hope I do as well as our past commodores have done. I do look forward to being more involved with the club functions, and truly a great big thank you to all that have served the club in the past.

As move into February I am planning to power wash the winter grime in the beginning of March, Probably the second weekend. I will be reaching out for help later via facebook. Thank you.

Clay Anderson
Rear Commodore
S/V Firefly



Cruising Report



Hello Cruisers

Welcome to March, 3 months into the year, and events are starting to really pick up. First on the list is the Daffodil event at TYC. Any boat wishing to come up to support Cyct flagship Odin needs to register on the TYC website by March 20th. We also need Five brave souls to be in the jeopardy, trivia contest on Saturday April 15th from about 1 to 4pm, Clay did this last year and had a ball. The whole weekend is a blast, so we encourage everyone to get on the TYC website, click on Daffodil event and see whats going on. Come on out and support Cyct.

Next up is the Opening Day weekend in portage bay Seattle hosted by Seattle Yacht Club. We have 9 boats signed up so far. Odin, our flagship, Constellation, dress flag, Zilla, Knotty Coug, Cactus Clipper, Firefly, Gargyloo, Raven, and Liberty Belle. If you are interested in going we need to get you registered by the end of March as space is limited. You can do so by sending the boat name, length, beam and draft to cruising@cyct.com . Also you can let us know at the March meeting. You can also drive up and hang out in Seattle for the event, plan on ride sharing or light rail, parking is difficult, but a really fun weekend. SYC website has a schedule of the weekend events.



Thank you Greg Greene for hosting and setting up the backgammon learning event, truly a blast, Clay and I will be playing on the boat a lot this year, and we hope to add to Cyct cruises, as we all know not all weekends are sunny and warm in the PNW.

Our first cruise of the year kicks off at Penrose St Park over the Memorial Day weekend, Clay and I will host that weekend with a pulled pork dinner , coleslaw and buns on Saturday afternoon. Penrose is a easy drive and a nice boat ride, you can camp there, reservations are advised thru the state park website.

In June we have a day sail rally at the Foss waterway on June 10th. More details to come. Also a Fathers day cruise to Port Orchard, June 16th to 18th.

Clay and I have learned a lot from our club members over the years. There is a lot of knowledge and experience they have and can share, reaching out to others with questions on maintenance or racing, cruising tips can save you money and anxiety a lot of the times. So thank you Cyct members.

Fleet Captain Cruising
S/V Firefly

SOCIAL:

LET'S PLAY BACKGAMMON (February 5th)

The next Backgammon Social will be....

Date: Sunday, March 12th

Location: Tides Tavern in Gig Harbor

Time: From 2 pm until about 4:30 pm.

Please RSVP via email or by leaving a comment on the CYCT Facebook post so we can let Tides Tavern know how many to expect. Hope to see you there!



Let's Play Backgammon Continued...





Membership Report



Happy March Club-Mates!

Wow! February flew by fast, but even so it was really fun. We had two back to back CYCT Harbor Series Races and one South Sound Series Toliva Shoal Race. All in all the sailing conditions were not too chilly and the wind was very sporty. If you have not tried winter sailing in the Puget Sound then you are missing out.

If you missed the Learn to Play Backgammon Social on Feb - 5th, you missed a really great time. Over 20 or so Club members showed up on this Sunday afternoon at Merconi's Pub & Eatery in Tacoma. We started out with a 'how to play' tutorial followed by matchplay for at least another two hours. Many ask me afterwards "when's the next one?!", or "Let's do it again!" So, here it is...the next Let's Play Backgammon Social event will be Sunday, March 12th from 2 pm until about 4:30 pm at Tides Tavern in Gig Harbor. RSVP is requested so we can have enough game sets and also let Tides Tavern know how many to expect. So, If you want to come please send me an email at membership@cyct.com or look for the event details on the CYCT Facebook page.

Our Membership Drive is coming up, starting April 1st and runs through the end of June. Please start talking to your marina neighbors about joining our Club. If they join early they can get a significant discount on racing entry fees and will also be able to joining us on the upcoming cruises. Remember to tell them know we will be suspending our \$100 initiation fee during this Membership Drive.

CYCT 2023 dues are also coming due beginning April 1st but you do not have to wait until then. You can pay early like five members have already done! The 2023 membership fees are the same as last year: \$300 for Active Members, \$150 for Associate Members, and \$75 for Crew Members. Please go onto the CYCT website and use PayPal of credit card/debit card to pay. <https://cyct.com/membership/online-membership-application-renewal/>

New membership badges are also in the works, and the membership cards will be handed out at the general meetings or sent to you in the mail, but we would rather see you so please come to the meetings. If you have changed your address recently, please let me know by sending me an email.

Cheers -

Hope to see you all at the General Meeting at Coco Grill Restaurant & Lounge on March 13th.

Greg Greene
SV Whisper
Membership Chair



Lido 14 - Fleet 82 News

April 2nd – CYCT Fleet 82 - 1st Sunday Fun Day (subject to weather conditions)

April 21st – CYCT Fleet 82 – Fun on Friday begins!

April 30th – CYCT Fleet 82 – Sunday Fun Day

May 6 – 7 – Willamette Sailing Club Turtle Regatta (Portland)

May 12th – CYCT Fleet 82 – Fun on Friday

May 27-28 – Eugene Yacht Club – Memorial Regatta (Lido 14)

June 11th – CYCT Fleet 82 – Sunday Fun Day

June 17th – CYCT Fleet 82 – Fun on Friday

June 24 – 25th – CYCT Lido 14 Fleet Invitational Regatta

June 30th – CYCT Fleet 82 – Fun on Friday

July 6 – 9th – High Sierra Regatta (Huntington Lakes, CA)

July 14th – CYCT Fleet 82 – Fun on Friday

July 21st – CYCT Fleet 82 – Fun on Friday

July 27 – 30th – Lido 14 Class Championship Regatta (@ Eugene Yacht Club)

The August & September schedules will be finalized soon.

Greg Greene & Chuck Queen
Lido 14 / Fleet 82 Co-Captains





Racing Report

There is no club racing in March

**Steve Rosa race - RC Captain
s/v Cindy Darlin**

Danny Kench - RC Co-Captain

CYCT Racing in February

Harbor Series #2 – February 4/23 Harbor Series #3 – February 11/23



Harbor Series Overall						
		Class Scores				
Boat Name	Skipper	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Total Score	Place In Class
PHRF Fast Class						
PHRF 1 & 2						
Kahuna	John Leitzinger	2	3	1	6	1
Flicka	Eric Johnson	3	1	3	7	2
Gardyloo	PC. Eric Nelson	1	2	4	7	3
Intrepid	Pat Robinson	DNS 5	DNS 4	1	10	4
Jeopardy	PC. Ed Pinkham	4	DNS 4	DNS 5	13	5
PHRF Half-Fast Class						
PHRF 3 & 4						
Goes to 11	C. Jeremy Bush	2	1	3	6	1
Solitaire	Chris Caudill	DNS 4	2	1	7	2
Slick	Nelson & Grove	1	4	2	7	3
Blue Max	Charles Hendrick	DNS 4	2	RET	11	4
Short Circuit	Jay Pyles	3	5	4	12	5
Windseekers Flying Sails						
Bracket A (Rating 100 to 200)						
Sheet Music	Brad Slayton	2	1	1	4	1
Boginka	Jean Fedor	1	DNS 2	DNS 2	5	2
Windseekers						
Work Release	Ross Chamberlain	DNS 2	1	1	4	1

Toliva Shoal 2023 - Sporty Conditions and a Shortened Course

Photos by Sean Trew and Jeremy Bush

The Toliva Shoal race once again proved to be a fantastic event. The third stop of the Southern Sound Series, this race traditionally begins and ends in Olympia. It brings sailors 38 miles out through Nisqually Reach before the turn for home at Toliva Shoal, with the return trip staying north of Anderson Island. This is one of my favorite races of the year.

Planning for this race usually shares attention between researching predictions for wind and current, and placing cars at various drop off points so you and your crew can get home quickly. This year, wind predictions looked a little bleak early in the week, so finding a good midway point to leave a car looked essential in case the race was shortened.



As they always do, the South Sound Sailing Society and Olympia Yacht Club provided excellent accommodations leading up to, during, and after the race. The Wednesday before, the club hosted a Zoom meeting with Bruce Hedrick — the local weather guru who does Bruce's Briefs, which are an amazing tool. I learned a ton from this meeting, including the fact that the Pacific Northwest is used to teach meteorologists how to be humble, as it is very difficult to predict our weather correctly. While long range forecasts called for lighter air, those closer to the race showed that decent pressure would be present for at least half of the race. The forecast for dwindling breeze combined with a massive ebb tide during the second half of the race led the race committee to shorten the course at Johnson Point.

For Goes to 11, my Antrim 27, we brought out a full crew of six for some relief throughout the race, and also some extra hiking power, and we definitely needed it. The race started downwind with a great spinnaker run to Boston Harbor, then a fairly tight and puffy reach along Dana Passage.

Approaching Johnson Point on the outbound leg, the wind was clocking around and we were struggling to hold onto our kite, so we doused a little early. The early douse

Toliva Shoals continued...

paid off as we rounded the point and started our upwind leg towards Nisqually. Conditions proved to be rather sporty and gusty. We watched as one boat broached so hard at the mark they did a 360. We thought they must have fouled someone, but it was just an epic round-up.

We had a great time holding off Tigger, a Flying Tiger 10, before the Nisqually mark, and rounded just ahead. From there, it was a tight reach with boat speed around 10 knots to the south end of Anderson Island where we were able to launch our kite again. We quickly started planing down towards Toliva Shoal. Our top speed for the day was 15.2 knots over ground, with one big wipeout just before the rounding mark.

There was plenty of fun action to watch as the breeze built. We looked on as several boats got completely overpowered when jibing on the downwind run, with one kite blown to smithereens on the east side of the course. After our broach just before the mark, we decided it was a good time to douse, and had a great mark rounding for the uphill slog back towards Olympia.

The Goes to 11 crew powered up and loving a great day of South Sound sailing. Photo by Sean Trew. The race committee made an excellent decision to shorten the course at Johnson Point on the way back. The massive ebb was going to prove difficult regardless of wind conditions, and signs of the breeze dying were showing themselves.



Good times were had by all around the fleet. Class honors went to: F-32 trimaran Pax the Space Spider; Riptide 35 Terramoto, Jeanneau Sunfast 3600 Rush, Jeanneau SO 519 Equus, Olson 30 Sidewinder, Beneteau 35s5 Bodacious, Cal 40 White Squall, Ericson 38 Balder 2, and Catalina 320 Yonder Star. Goes to 11 finished second behind Sidewinder in Class PHRF-5. Great job everyone!

After the race, we again made it back to the club for soup and a few well-earned beverages. A huge thanks again goes out to the South Sound Sailing Society and Olympia Yacht Club for hosting the pre- and post-race parties, and of course a fantastic, well-run race.



Treasurer Report

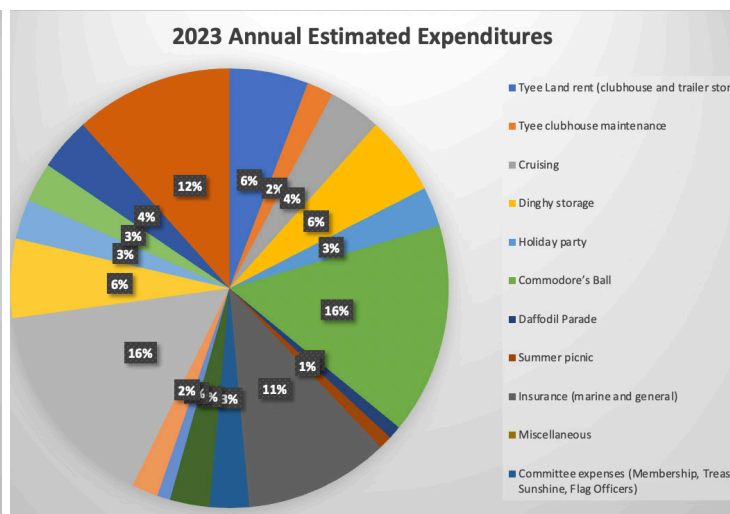
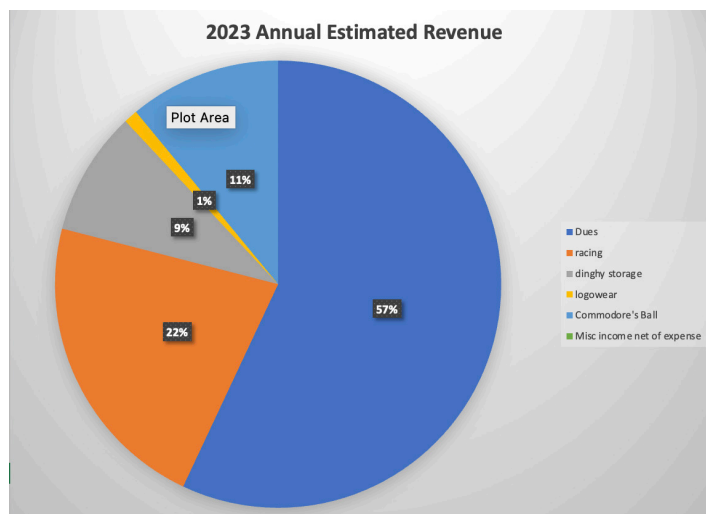
WHERE DO OUR DUES GO?

We report our revenues and bank balances every month. However, members who aren't participants in committees or the board may wonder how the club's revenue gets invested. Here's a quick summary of the 2022 budget, which was approved in February.

We collect fees for dues (55% of revenue), racing (25%), dinghy storage (9%), logowear (2%), and the Commodore's Ball (9%). This is how the expenses were allocated:

7% of expenses - Tyee Land rent (clubhouse and trailer storage)
1% - Tyee clubhouse maintenance
4% - Cruising
7% - Dinghy storage
4% - Holiday party
12% - Commodore's Ball
1% - Daffodil parade
1% - Summer picnic
12% - Insurance (marine and general)
1% - Miscellaneous
5% - Committee expenses (Membership, Treasurer, Sunshine, Flag Officers)
3% - PayPal
1% - Professional organizations
3% - Romeo Charlie fuel
12% - Romeo Charlie maintenance
7% - Romeo Charlie moorage
3% - Trophies
4% - Reciprocal moorage
4% - CYCT Website and electronic communication
8% - Fund the reserve for eventual replacement of Romeo Charlie and/or its engine

Treasurer Report Continued...



MARCH CALENDAR

**FOR MARCH EVENTS, PLEASE CHECK UPCOMING EVENTS ON THE
CYCT WEBSITE**

[HTTPS://CYCT.COM/EVENTS/](https://cyct.com/events/)

OR

CYCT FACEBOOK PAGE

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/257572770984529/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/257572770984529/)

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Amelia Adams	8th	Tom Tenney	22nd
Steve Edvalds	8th	Clay Anderson	24th
Bill Jenks	11th	Susan Pinkham	27th
Gary Blackmore	20th	Jason Hanford	31st
Genevieve Hovey	20th		

Classified Ads

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 mainsheet@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).

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Rear Commodore: Clay Anderson

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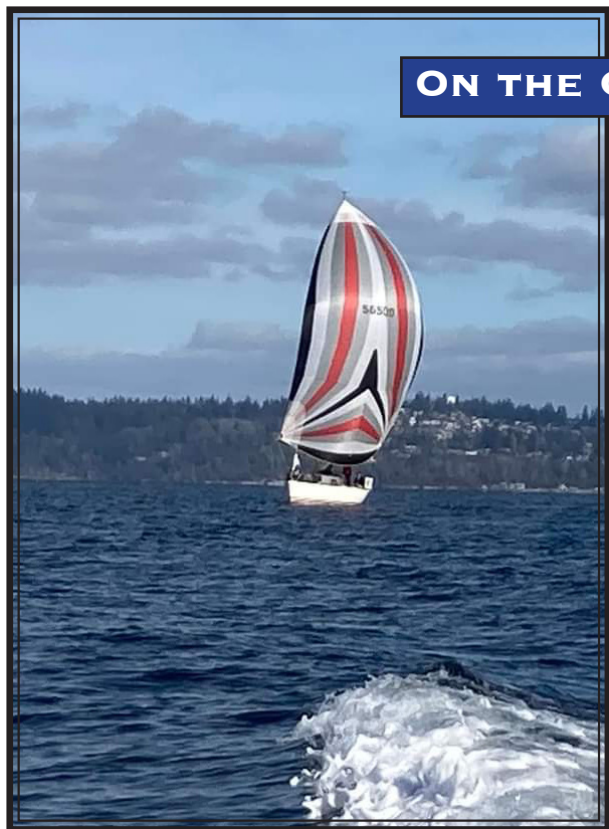
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ON THE COVER...



Gardlylo!

Taken during the Harbor Series Race #3

Photo by: Emily Wood