The Barnacle

Dates to Remember

February
11 Social at Angelos

March
11 Social at Angelos
21-23 Blake Island Cruise

April
3 First Spring Series Race(*Continues each Thursday)*
8 Social at Angelo's
11-13 Arabella's Cruise
26 Spring Regatta

May
2-4 Bell Harbor Cruise

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Commodore's Corner

Commodore Sarah Caudill

Things kicked off great this year! I took Evelyn down to the dock to see the boat off for the Duwamish Head Race. Watching the start from the pier was a real treat, even though I missed participating in the race myself. Huge thanks to everyone who made it happen – it takes a ton of work to put on a race like that. Check out Michael's report in the racing section for all the details.

The Board met earlier this month, and we're excited to have Liam Burke step up as our new Membership Chair. I hope you all made it to the social last month! It sounded like a great chance to get to know everyone a bit better outside of boating. If you are looking to get more involved in the club we are still looking for a new Social Chair.

I hope you all enjoyed the beautiful January we had. In the spirit of last months social event of sharing hobbies, I have been teaching myself how to crochet and I am looking forward to planning garden for the coming year. I hope you all have a lovely February!

Sarah

Social Committee
Linda Stryker

Upcoming speakers to our monthly Angelo gathering:

Tuesday, February 11th. Part I of the Conti Amazing Alaska Adventure

Tuesday, March 11. Part II of the Conti Amazing Alaska Adventure

What was their route? How did they rendezvous with visiting crew? What weather did they experience? Equipment challenges? Supply chain challenges?

How did they leave their animals and garden for so long?

These, and other pressing questions will be shared with us in the next socials.

Beyond the Boat was a big success for those able to attend. We now know who

the car nuts are, the fused glass makers, Lego masters, cross-country bicyclists (4), carvers, weavers, skiers, organic gardeners, sports fans, computer nerds, weavers, community volunteers, and grandchildren wranglers. It was a fun sharing evening.

Racing News

Michael Hamilton, Race Fleet Captain, Amidala
Andy Norton, Assistant Race Fleet Captain, Seabiscuit
Ross Chamberlain, Past Fleet Racing Captain, Work Release

The Duwamish Head Race is in the books. Conditions where challenging and not in a good way. We got off to a slow start after an agonizing hour long delay. The wind and the tide were with the fleet and it still took 3, 4 and in some cases 5 hours to transit the 13.5 NM to the black and white day board marking the shallow water off of the point of land we call the Duwamish Head. The race was shortened at that point saving the racers from what was sure to be a grueling beat back to Des Moines.

TTPYC was well represented with eight boats on the course and two finishing with trophies. Gordon Kells-Murphy and the crew aboard Les Chevaux Blancs finished 3rd in PHRF-6. Steve Foss and his intrepid crew aboard ORN finished 3rd in PHRF-10FS followed closely by Frolic in 4th. In PHRF-7 Solitaire finished 4th, Sea Senora 5th, followed not so closely by Work Release in 7th. Blue Max finished 5th in PHRF-6. EQUUS finished 7th in PHRF-3. You can go to the Regatta Network Results page for all of the finishes and times;

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_regatta_results.php?regatta_id=28863

I can't thank the volunteers enough. No one person can run a good race series. Each member of the RC has an important role to play. In this case, there were 20 members that volunteered for specific roles and I suspect many more helpers and spouses that made those members look good.

Don and Cailin Hunsaker

The stylish and versatile neck gators designed by Tom Hubbard were a hit. Sales were brisk and profitable.

The 2025 TTPYC RACING HANDBOOK has been published and we are in the process of distribution.

Next up for the racing program is the Spring Series running on Thursdays evenings starting April 3rd.

There is a link to the RC sign-up sheet online and we need boats and crew to sign-up to committee each race.

The Spring Regatta will be held April 26th. This is a one day event and the SI calls for "As many races as possible within the time limit". This will require a team to RC the event. The SI for the Spring Regatta is in the 2025 Racing Handbook and there is a link to the RC sign-up sheet online.

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Spring can't get here soon enough!

See you on the water.

Cruising News

Merch De Grasse, Cruise Fleet Chair

Still looking to find a host and choose a location for our early September cruise. Please let me know if you are interested.

So far we have:

March 21-23 at Blake Island hosted by the Sissons. No reservations are taken at the State park. First come first served for dock space, rafting as needed. Please let the Sissons know if you are planning to attend.

April 11-13 at Arabella"s Landing marina in Gig Harbor. Hosted by the Dwight and Christa Motz. Reservations for 10 boats have been secured. To claim a spot, a reservation can be made with the marina beginning six weeks ahead of the event.

May 2-4 Cinco de Mayo cruise at Bell Harbor marina in downtown Seattle water front hosted by the Jones. Reservation details to follow later.

June 13-15 at Poulsbo marina hosted by the Newmas. We have reserved 14 slips with booking details to follow later.

July and August will not have official club cruises scheduled. I would like to establish a forum to share vacation cruising plans or short notice, great weather opportunities to enable smaller social get togethers up north or at anchorages. Perhaps sharing on Facebook or maybe a more private secure place that doesn't put people at risk sharing their whereabouts to criminal elements. Perhaps somebody might know of a secure forum such as a WhatsApp group. If anyone knows of an appropriate vehicle for sharing cruising plans without being too public, let me know.

Merch DeGrasse

Liam Burke
Membership Chair

Our best way to recruit new members is through our members talking with fellow boaters. Direct them to our website ttpyc.org and they can find a membership application under the home tab/joining. To learn more about our club go to our facebook is https://www.facebook.com/ttpyc .

Member News

If you have news you want to share with members (think new grandchildren, addresses, boats, jobs, retirements, trips and/ or great photos of a trip, etc.) Just let us know. Email your announcement to Kristie, the Barnacle editor, K6352@aol.com Also remember to talk with new boaters on the dock. The best way to find new members is through conversations with our members.

A word about security…

When submitting information to be published in the Barnacle that contains phone numbers or email addresses, please indicate if you would like this contact information to be removed before being uploaded to the club web site's Barnacle archive. (ttpyc.org/barnacles)

Monthly Barnacles that are emailed to members will not be edited.

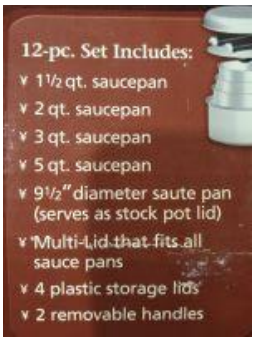
Market Place

This is a section for the benefit of our members. If you have something boat related to sell or trade, or a service to recommend, just send the info to Kristie at K6352@aol.com and we will place it in this section each month. Remember… this is for members only!

Burgees for sale.

Is it time to replace your tattered and faded burgee? If so, contact me so we can meet.
Writing a check to TTPYC speeds up the sale.
Small costs $24.75 Large costs $28.75

Cookware for Sale



Nesting cookware set
$20
Contact Geoff Jackson

Upcoming Boat for Sale

Later this year, our boat, Amazing Grace, will be put up for sale. The boat is a 1989 36 foot Catalina. We are preparing for the sale sometime in March. If you know someone looking for a boat, please share our contact information.

Kristie and Don Brame

EXTRAS

This is a great way to share memories or information with our members.
If you have a blog post to share send it to Kristie at K6352@aol.com.

"The Environmental Science Center, (ESC), provides safe and inclusive outdoor experiences for our community in south King County inspiring a deeper connection with nature and life-long stewardship actions. Our mission is to promote environmental stewardship and academic achievement through science-based education in south King County."

Join the Environmental Science Center on **March 1st** at the beautiful **Brockey Center** for our annual gala, a night dedicated to celebrating and supporting the future growth of the Environmental Science Center. This unforgettable evening will feature inspiring programming, including keynote speakers, engaging presentations, and opportunities to connect with like-minded advocates for sustainability. Guests will enjoy a thoughtfully curated experience while contributing to ESC's mission of environmental education and stewardship. Proceeds from the event will directly support initiatives aimed at expanding ESC's impact, ensuring that our work continues to inspire and empower future generations. Together, we can cultivate a thriving, sustainable future for our community and planet.

Here is a link to the event page Heroes for Nature Gala and the direct link to Purchase Tickets

Gracias , Don Hunsaker III

Friends of Salt Water State Park (Shared by Don Hunsaker)

Editor's Note: We will have a presentation by Rhoda at our April 8 Social.

Friends of Saltwater State Park is an official Washington State Parks Friends (501(c)(3)) group in existence since 2016.

Please visit our website: https://www.friendssaltwater.org/ to see some of our current projects related to Saltwater State park, including re-introducing bull kelp to the protected reef area and other projects.

We promote marine and watershed stewardship, habitat restoration, and conservation through education, guidance, fund-raising, and environmental monitoring. We promote safety for patrons and the importance of enhancing land, creek, and marine environments. It's all connected, and we are all connected. Our activities are environmentally friendly and culturally inclusive for all people. Our mission is to support Saltwater State Park for the betterment of patrons and the environment.

Again, please visit our website to see how you can participate or donate to projects.

Thank you,

Rhoda Green

Officers for Three Tree Point Yacht Club

2024-2025

Commodore Sarah Caudill

Vice Commodore Brian Newman

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Ship's Store: Janet Sisson Facebook: Linda Stryker

Records and Roster: Tom Hubbard PHRF Ratings: Mark Harang

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Financial Advisory Committee/Future Task Force: Richard Edel

Des Moines Harbor Liaison/CAAC: Kersten Hubbard

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