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The Barnacle

Commodore's Corner

Commodore Brian Newman

Happy holidays everyone!

Where has the year gone? As I look back over the past 12 months, I continue to be amazed at how the Three Tree Point Yacht Club activities never seem to slow down.

Whether you own a boat or not, or if you have a power, a sailing, or a human-powered vessel, there is always an activity to

get involved in. As I write this, several members of our club are busy preparing for yet another major social activity for all of us to enjoy, while others are planning and assembling a crew for our largest hosted race of the year: Duwamish Head. Still further behind the scenes, more club members are reviewing our 2026 budget to be approved at the next board meeting, while others are handling incoming and outgoing payments that make these racing and social events possible. Additionally, there is the task of updating our Racing Handbook and Membership Roster in preparation for publishing the upcoming year's edition. There is so much going on!

As I have heard it said many times over this past year, "It takes a village." And this TTPYC village is continuously hard at work ensuring our club's activities happen seamlessly, like holiday magic, for us to enjoy.

If you are looking for a way to contribute, check out Santa's list of gifts that you can give to those who need your help this holiday season:

→ Join us at the **holiday party**. If you haven't let **Carol Jones** know you are coming, you have until Dec 1 to send a check, or pay online at <https://www.ttpyc.org/event-list>.

→ If you would like to participate in the front row action of the **Duwamish Head Race**, please contact **Andy Norton**. There are many exciting positions available.



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- If you have not yet paid your **2026 membership dues**, now is a good time to do so with our new **online payment** method: <https://www.ttpyc.org/event-list>. Checks are still an option, but time is running out.
- If you have any **roster changes** that need updating—your address, boat name, marina, etc.—please let **Tom Hubbard** know so he can get the roster updated before it gets published.
- If you would like to **host a cruise** next summer, have an idea for a **social speaker**, or want to be the **RBAW** representative for TTPYC, please read on to find out more about all of the gifts you can give to help out our hard working crew.

Fair winds, stay safe ~

Brian

Social Committee
Cailín and Don Hunsaker III

Holiday Party
Anthony's Homeport
December 7
4 to 6 PM



We look forward to sharing Holiday cheer at the Holiday Party on Sunday, December 7, 2025 between 4-6pm at Anthony's Home Port Restaurant, Des Moines. Space is reserved in the raised area of the main lower-level dining room, appetizers will be provided and sharpen your game skills for fun prizes. Please **RSVP by Monday, December 1** by paying \$25 per person - either online via the TTPYC website (<https://www.ttpyc.org/event-list>) or mail a check to Carol Jones made out to TTPYC (see Holiday flyer attached for address).



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January Social at Angelo's, 601 SW 153rd St, Burien Tuesday, January 13, starting at 5:00pm

In October last, our own Tom Hubbard participated in the Middle Sea Race in the Mediterranean - see videos via the 'Galleries + tab' at www.rolexmiddlesearace.com. Some countries represented were Argentina, Australia, China, France, Germany, Monaco, Serbia, Spain, United Kingdom and United States. Route is 606 nautical miles starting and finishing in Malta and encompasses a near-complete circumnavigation of Sicily. Enjoy great food, fellowship and hear about Tom's adventure. Look forward to seeing you!



REMINDER: For other 2026 Socials, please submit topic and/or speaker suggestions to Don and Cailín at dhun3@comcast.net. Thank you!

Racing News

Andy Norton, Race Fleet Captain, Seabiscuit

Tyson Geldseth, Assistant Race Fleet Captain, Quantum Leap

Michael Hamilton, Past Race Fleet Captain, Amidala

This time of year is all about preparation for our Duwamish Head race, and this year we will need to plan around substantial marina projects that will complicate tying up racers from out of town. A sizeable group of TTPYC racers, race committee, scorers, volunteers and past officials had a very productive meeting that gets us closer to putting on the really fun and challenging event that our club is known for.



The NOR (Notice of Race) and SI (Sailing Instructions) should be posted now, they include changes from last year, I encourage all racers to read closely.

Class breaks for the Winter Vashon should be up soon, and those should apply to the Duwamish Head as well.

We could really use some more volunteers to fill in some blanks on our race committee and event task list, maybe there are some cruisers out there that could lend a hand? This is an excellent way to watch a race without having to be in it.

Cruising News

Merch De Grasse, Cruise Fleet Chair

Hello everybody, most of us are in cruise hibernation for the cooler and sometimes stormier weather. I took Joyce Marie out for the first weekend in November to take advantage of some decent conditions albeit lacking in wind for sailing. I'm on the lookout for similar opportunities in the coming months with the goal of trying to go out at least once a month.



Being cruise chairman, I have the responsibility of insuring we have a cruise schedule planned for the coming season. I'm happy to report that the Hunsaker's and Motz's have agreed to cohost a March cruise to Blake Island the weekend of March 20-22. This adds to the Jones Family committing to another year of hosting Cinco de Mayo to Bell Harbor in May. This leaves April, June and September to schedule and perhaps July if we get ambitious.

There has been some discussion in our TTPYC WhatsApp cruise forum about the pros and cons about where we might decide to go. In the interest of some privacy the WhatsApp forum is a private chat that requires an invitation to join. If you would like to be added, please let me know so I can shoot out an invite. I'm thinking about having some winter chats sharing what we know about our cruising ground such as reciprocals, marinas, state parks, and anchorage tips.

Unfortunately with my current work schedule, I can't attend Tuesday night socials, but do plan on attending the Christmas social. If you would like to discuss hosting a cruise or expressing a preferred destination, feel free to text me or participate in our WhatsApp chat group.



Membership Chairs

Joy & Dave Clifford

(Hand Off by Brian Newman)

I am happy to announce that Joy and Dave Clifford will be our new Membership Chairs! One initiative for the year will be working to streamline the membership process. The first step is to remove the need to print and mail membership applications. Those interested in membership will simply fill out an online form which will immediately notify the Membership Chairs. This new onboarding process will evolve over time, and I am excited to have Joy and Dave stepping up to fill this important position in the club. Thank you!

One of the best ways to recruit new members is by current members talking with other boaters; on the docks, at Anthony's, the Quarterdeck, or anywhere else you run into a boater. Please send them to our website where they can find more information, and our membership application: ttypc.org/joining There is also more to learn about our club on Facebook: facebook.com/ttypc

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RBAW Representative Needed

Our club is in need of someone who will represent TTPYC at the regular RBAW (Recreational Boaters Association of Washington) board meetings. We have information on our web site at <https://www.ttpyc.org/rbaw>. From there, you can find links to the RBAW site directly where you can get further information about this organization and what they are doing for us as boaters.

If you would like to know more, or are interested in filling this important role with the club, please contact Brian Newman at webmaster@ttpyc.org.

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

Roster & Records

Tom Hubbard

2026 Membership Dues & Holiday Party

Hi TTPYC Members!

2026 Club Membership Dues were emailed towards the end of September. Please check the pdf form over carefully and let me know of any new changes. Did you change marinas, new slip number, new boat? Please reply to the email with your modifications so I can keep our club records up-to-date.

With the cruising season coming to an end, and the racing calendar starting to clear out, it is time for membership renewals. The great news is, you can do it right now, without leaving your chair! Please consider renewing your membership online with the quick and easy convenience of a credit card, PayPal, googlePay or Apple Pay! You can do it right here with your TTPYC member login (which you all now have): <https://www.ttpyc.org/event-list>. If you have issues logging in, please do not hesitate to click on the "webmaster" link on the Log In page. You can also sign up for our Holiday Party at Anthony's.

Tom Hubbard



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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 cost \$27 Large costs 31.25



New in the box GARMIN VHS 110

I purchased from Fisheries several years ago for \$195, changed my mind purchased the GARMIN VHS 210 AIS.

Is a discontinued model. **\$100 OBO**

Doug Andrews 206 992 3236



New marine halogen spot light with remote control (12/24v).

\$60 OBO

Call Doug Andrews 206 992 3236



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Endeavor for sale

1984 Grand Banks 42' Classic

- Fiberglass hull and house
- Walk around decks
- Beautiful teak interior and trim
- Tri-cabin
- Large salon and two ensuite staterooms
- Latex mattresses
- Full galley
- Freshwater macerating heads
- 55 gallon black water tank
- Up to date electronics: 3 VHF radios, AIS transmitter, color HD radar
- New forced air diesel furnace
- Twin Ford Lehman diesels with 5500 hrs; new motor mounts and pumps
- 600 gallons of diesel for long range
- New FW system
- 300 gallon FW tankage
- Serviced annually by Gig Harbor Boatyard
- Boathouse in Tacoma available



It will be listed with Chuck Hovey Yacht Sales in Seattle through Todd Powell, a former Poverty Bay Power Squadron member.

Boat for Sale

Amazing Grace

1989 36 foot Catalina

Contact Rick Luce

Signature Yachts

425-359-0831



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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 Des Moines Marina Guest Moorage will be closed to all boaters from July 27, 2025 through February 28, 2026. The Fuel Dock will operate normally.



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Officers for Three Tree Point Yacht Club

2024-2025

Commodore Brian Newman

Vice Commodore Dwight Motz

Past Commodore Sarah Caudill

Secretary Ray Valpey

Treasurer Billie Klein

Race Fleet Captain Andy Norton

Assistant Race Fleet Tyson Geldseth

Past Race Fleet Captain Michael Hamilton

Trustees: Tom Jardine, Robert Wham, Linda Stryker, Alan Riley, Gordon Kells-Murphy,

Appointed Positions/ Representatives

Cruise Fleet Captain: Merch DeGrasse

Social: Cailín and Don Hunsaker III

Webmaster: Brian Newman

Barnacle Editor: Kristie Brame

Membership: TBD

Historian: Carol Jones

Ship's Store: Janet Sisson

Facebook: Linda Stryker

Records and Roster: Tom Hubbard

PHRF Ratings: Chris Caudill

RBAW Representative: TBD

Reciprocal Chair: Sarah Caudill

Financial Advisory Committee/Future Task Force: Richard Edel

Regatta Network: Shelley Conti

SARC, SS, USSA, PIYA *See Racing Handbook*

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