



Dates to
Remember

Postponed
Change of
Watch at
Seattle Yacht
Club scheduled
for October
23 will be
delayed until
February.

October

23 Race #3

November

6 Race # 4

9 Social (TBD)

Keep up to date !

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The Barnacle

Commodore's Corner

I am writing this to express my appreciation to all of you that have helped and hung in there with Commodore Doug and myself through the "ups and downs" of the last two years.



We were challenged to learn how to conduct Zoom meetings, not easy for a couple of senior citizens. However, with this new skill we were able to have our regular trustees' meetings and our monthly socials.

This had its pluses and minuses. On the plus side Zoom allowed more to participate that may not have due to timing and logistics, and on the minus side, it is not quite the same as getting together face to face.

When it came time to plan for the remote Change of Watch celebration and the Christmas Party, some brainstorming was needed. It was fun to think outside the box and I personally felt both of the events were well attended and appreciated.

All the trustees and board members have been great the way they have kept the club functioning. Special thanks go to Treasurer Shelley Conti, Race Fleet Captain Dean Conti, Cruise Fleet Captain Dan Downhour, and Webmaster Duane Rubash for his help in teaching us how to use Zoom, RBAW representative Rick Edel and Membership Chairs Linda and Ted

Stryker, Roster and Records Tom Hubbard. A double thumbs up to Janet Sisson and Daphne Mackey for their outstanding efforts in coming up with social programs during this difficult time and our Secretary Carol Jones and Communication Chair Kristie Brame for keeping everyone informed on the clubs' activities. As the pandemic took hold, Kristie even sent out a mid-April Newsletter entitled Lifelines and Laughter. Who would have known that was just the beginning?

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I will miss the excitement these past two years have brought but I know Commodore Doug will feel some relief not having the monthly pressures of the Barnacle article and trustee meetings. He is looking forward to his new duties as the Past Commodore.

The Commodores Wife,

Sharon Andrews

Social Committee

Janet Sisson and Daphne Mackey, Chairs

CHRISTMAS PARTY...MAYBE

There are two options for this year's Christmas party: Angelo's for December 14th (sit down dinner) or December 11 at Counterbalance Brewing Company in Georgetown. A large room next to the Tap Room has been tentatively reserved from 3 to 5 pm. This venue will not be confirmed until mid-November, pending status of Covid King County rules. Note these dates on your calendar.

Since Daphne and I are retiring as Social Chairs at the end of November, a Food Committee will need to be appointed. Here is your chance to volunteer!

Janet Sisson

Racing News

Dean Conti, Race Fleet Captain

Duane Rubash, Assistant Race Fleet Captain

This marks my final Race Fleet News as I will be stepping down after an exciting and strange two years. The primary issue was obviously Covid which bolloxed up EVERYTHING. Plans, schedules, and recurring events cancelled. Hopefully everyone had a chance to reflect and to try some new and exciting activities. Last year's successful predicted log race series would be a case in point of reacting positively to adverse conditions. Thank you to everyone that made that event successful.



The second challenge was having to replace seven race marks due to their ground tackle failure. I was amazed each time I received another call about another wayward mark

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when obviously they had not been drifting long. Only one made it to the beach before retrieval which is amazing. Who knew we had so many Coast Watchers keeping an eye on our on-water gear? There is no way to minimize the effort that was required to affect the repairs. The only way it could be successful was a full team effort and many in the club stepped forward, rolled up their sleeves and successfully finished the dirty work. I can't thank you all enough.

A couple weeks ago we used Equus to compete in the Pink Boat Regatta, a fund-raising project to support Breast Cancer awareness and research. With the help of club members, race crew and friends we ended up raising over \$1900 dollars.

The club has been contacted by several people interested in joining a race boat team. If you have open space on your boat let us know and we will make the connection. Our goal is to increase the size of our race fleet and to get more boats involved. Also consider joining the fun with your boat. There is the more competitive PHRF class but there is also the Cruising Class which is a good way to learn what it is all about.

Our next club race is the annual TTPYC Duwamish Head Race which will be held Saturday January 8, 2022. The USCG permit has been applied for. Reservations have been made with the Des Moines marina for Friday afternoon through Saturday morning for dock space for arriving race boats and to use the on-dock tent for refreshments. Requests for assistance to run this race will go out soon.

We will be expanding our Spring and Summer Race Series for 2022. Dates will be finalized soon and published online.

Duane Rubash will be taking over the helm for the TTPYC Race Fleet Captain. I want to thank him for all his help and to assure him I will not abandon his ship!

Dean Conti

TTPYC Race Fleet Captain

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Another Sailing Cruising Adventure



A new start-up in town is Seattlesailingship.com and their ship Bay Lady. They offer two hour cruises around Elliot Bay up to three times daily from Bell Harbor Marina. She is a two masted gaff rig schooner that the new owner Noah Waldman purchased in California and brought north this June. Measuring 85' long, 20' beam, 88' tall mast and 34 ton displacement, she is very stable. I have been training with them for the past two weeks and I will be working as Captain on a part time basis. She is a lot of fun to sail, both for the crew and guests.

She follows the historic American schooner design as a cargo hauler except the cargo hold is now raised and filled with open bench seating. She has lots of railing space and both ends for comfortable viewing. We had 40 guests on board last week and there was still plenty of room. She holds a Certificate of Inspection from the USCG and is approved for up to 86 paying passengers.

A recently posted video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6r_bl5OhkrE

This is a brand-new company and the owner Noah and other crew members are great people. No one is going to get rich quickly, but I would like to help Noah succeed. I have yet to see the boat full, so you could always wait for good weather and sign-up at the last moment. Check their web site for details and pricing.

Dean

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Cruising News

*Dan Downhour and Kim Carroll,
Co-Chairs*

We had a pretty good cruise year, 5 cruises great turnouts. Thanks to everyone that hosted and helped out.



and

We are already planning destinations for next year. Hopefully more marinas will be open for group reservations. I am open to input on new and fun ports.

FYI: Not all reciprocal clubs are open for guest moorage. Please call and confirm with marinas.

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Blake Island Cruise Wrap Up

A new type of "Special Olympics" was defined when the "TTPYC Olympics" took place as part of the last cruise of the season at Blake Island State Park on September 10-12, 2021.

The theme was postponed from a year ago when Covid cancelled our cruise. Not ones to waste the effort spent on previous planning, hosts Sandy Haigh and Leslie Nuttman ran with it, at the risk of some Olympics overload this summer.



Teams, made up of the crew of each boat in attendance, started by creating colorful team flags that were displayed in the shelter for the weekend. Competition really got underway Saturday afternoon with five Olympic events including the difficult Potato-Fork Challenge, a Paper Airplane Flight competition, Rebus Puzzle solving, Balloon-Cup Stacking, and the hilarious Oreo "Ooching" event. (See pictures for an explanation.) Each team was vying for their heirloom quality event medals, as well as for overall points for the weekend. The overall points winner was Team Tulagi with Team Equus close behind. A special "Swan Song Cruise" award was given to Orv and Rose Edmiston as they prepare to sell Cheers and joined us by water for the last time. But they assured members that we will be



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seeing them as they join us at various destinations by land. Other weekend activities included a well-attended birding walk on island trails led by Sandy Haigh, happy hours both evenings with Saturday's featuring a special Go for the Gold beverage, a return of the traditional potluck dinner with the club's wonderful cooks coming through as always, and a Breakfast of Champions on Sunday followed by the anxiously awaited TTPYC Olympics Medal Ceremony. In between activities there was time to relax, explore, share stories and mingle with friends. The weather mostly smiled on us, and we all enjoyed a feeling of some normalcy again with the usual laughter and friendship on beautiful Blake Island, even without a crab feed. Several members were told by others visiting the island that our yacht club sure seemed to have a good time. We couldn't agree more!

Boats and crew in attendance included Blue Max, Brigadoon, Cara Linda, Cheers, Equus, the new HobbEs, Joyce Marie, Mapril June, Manu Kai, Rhumb Runner, Saga, Sarabande, Sloe Tango and Tulagi. Everyone worked together to get club boats tied up somewhere as they arrived, and by Saturday evening, TTPYC burgees dominated the crowded state park marina.

Thanks from hosts Sandy Haigh and Leslie Nuttman to husbands Frank and Mark for their help and support, no matter what we asked them to do, and to all those members who helped transport food and other items to Blake Island for us and hauled trash and recycling home. And much appreciation goes out to all in attendance for your positive response and good sportsmanship to our somewhat corny theme and silly games. You all make hosting a cruise easy and fun.



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Teamwork.....



Games.....



“Oooching Oreos”



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Beautiful



Scenery

Membership News
Ted and Linda Stryker, Chair

Just a reminder, club dues need to be mailed in this month. You should have received an email from Tom Hubbard that you need to print and send back with your check.



Our best way to recruit new members is through our members talking with fellow boaters. Direct them to our website tppyc.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/tppyc> .



The Memorial for Paul Goforth, who helped with our racing program, will be October 2 at 2 PM at the Bonney-Watson Washington Memorial Funeral Home (16445 International Blvd. SeaTac. If you have memories or stories to share, please email them to his wife, Lynn, at thegoforths@comcast.net.

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.



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Note: Several important topics were discussed at the membership meeting in September, so I am including the minutes here. Kristie Brame, Barnacle Editor

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Minutes of General Membership meeting held September 14, 2021

The meeting was called to order in person at Don and Kristie Brame's house at 7:00pm by Commodore Doug Andrews.

Meeting agenda was presented to membership.

Commodore Doug Andrews gave an update on the Des Moines Marina master plan, he is advising TTPYC members to review the master plan and give feedback as soon as possible to the City of Des Moines. He also suggested that more TTPYC members join the Des Moines Marina Association to help advocate the marina master plan. He has application forms to hand out. The cost is \$25.00 per year.

Doug introduces our new members Dwight and Christa Motz, and Sean and Gabby Beecher.

Kersten Hubbard of the nominating committee discussed the nominations for 2022. Alan Riley has agreed to run for Vice Commodore. 2 Trustee positions are open and Sandy Haigh and Leslie Nuttman have agreed to run for a Trustee position. Duane Rubash will move up to the position of Race Fleet Captain. We are still in need of an Assistant Race Fleet Captain.

Chuck Hendrick discussed with the membership our Change of Watch dinner at the Seattle Yacht Club on October 23, 2021, the membership was asked if we still wanted to have the dinner because of COVID outbreaks everywhere, or do we want to have it at a different location, or move it out to a later date in February 2022. There was discussion of possibly having it at The Cove in Normandy Park because the venue is more open to the outside. Dean Conti made a motion to bring in the new officers via Zoom on October 23, 2021 motion was granted. The majority present agreed to postpone the COW until February 2022.

Further discussion will be had at the next Trustee Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted by
Carol Jones,
Secretary

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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! **News Flash from the Ship's Store:** If you want to order custom embroidered clothing, a TTPYC Store has been set up. Visit this website:

<http://gramsgiftcloset.com/team-and-company-stores/three-tree-point-yacht-club-flag>.

Janet Sisson
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Des Moines Marina Association Update

Reminder: Dues need to be sent. Make sure you do not include your DMMA membership payment with your Marina tenant payment. These are two different systems and addresses. The address for DMMA is: P. O. Box 98337, Des Moines, WA 98198. Incoming dues will be applied to 2021. The application for membership is attached to the Barnacle Email.

Marina Master Plan

As you can see in the minutes in the membership section, the marina master plan was discussed. It was suggested that we review it and give feedback. Kersten Hubbard took the time to review it and to write a letter to the city. She shared her review with us to stimulate thought about possible feedback for the city. **Her letter is attached to the Barnacle email.**

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Docton Update

Steve and Janet Sisson shared a photo of the work being done at Docton.



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Officers for Three Tree Point Yacht Club

2020-2021

Commodore Doug Andrews

Vice Commodore Chuck Hendrick

Past Commodore Dan Downhour

Secretary Carol Jones

Treasurer Shelley Conti

Race Fleet Captain Dean Conti

Assistant Race Fleet Duane Rubash

Past Race Fleet Captain Gordon Kells Murphy

Trustees: Merch DeGrasse, Rick Edel, Duane Rubash,

Melissa Davies, and Christopher Jones

Appointed Officers

Cruise Fleet Captain : Dan Downhour

Social : Janet Sisson and Daphne Mackey

Webmaster: Duane Rubash Communications Coordinator: Kristie Brame

Membership: Ted and Linda Stryker Historian: Carol Jones

Ship's Store: Janet Sisson

Records and Roster: Tom Hubbard PHRF Ratings: Mark Harang

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