



## Dates to Remember

December  
2 Vashon Race  
10 Holiday  
Party at  
Anthony's

January  
6 Duwamish  
Head Race  
9 Social at  
Angelos  
20 CYCT Harbor  
Series #1

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# The Barnacle

## Commodore's Corner

### Commodore Steve Foss

Thanksgiving behind us; we hope that all had a wonderful holiday with family and friends, and are enjoying this beautiful post-Thanksgiving weather.

The new Board of Trustees has already had their first meeting, which can only be termed a resounding success. They unanimously passed a motion calling for the establishment of a new financial advisory board, chaired by Rick Edel, to assist the board in budgeting and other financial considerations. New board members Liam Burke and Michael Hamilton were welcomed. The race fleet reported that the preparations for the Duwamish Head race are essentially complete and the new SARC calendar has been published. The Cruise Fleet schedule for the year is also near completion, starting off with the Blake Island Cruise set for March 22. And, the Social Committee reported that all is set for the December 10 Holiday Party at Anthony's.



Hats off to the race fleet's, active participation in many of the area races. S/V Aphrodite (Chuck Hendricks), S/V Work Release (Ross Chamberlain), S/V Solitaire (Chris and Sarah Caudill) and S/V Cherokee (Peter Stewart) have all been sailing in area races, ranging from the Gig Harbor Les Mans race to the two-day long Orcas Island's Round the County Race, (Cherokee).

Next up: The Vashon Island Race, hosted by the Tacoma Yacht Club on December 2.

Steve

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## Social Committee

Ray and Debra Valpey 22-23

Doug Andrews and Linda Stryker 23-24

Co-Chairs

### Come One, Come All to our annual Holiday Party!

When: Sunday, 12/10/23 4-7pm

Where: Anthony's Home Port Restaurant, Des Moines, WA

Why: Friendly chatter

Appetizers

No-host bar

Holiday-themed ambience

Music - with a sing-along

Note: The need for a head count has been extended to December 4, so there's still time:

If you have not yet paid (\$20 per person), you can send an email

to rayvalpey@gmail.com by the 4th with a promise to pay upon arrival at the event.



## Racing News

Ross Chamberlain, Race Fleet Captain, Work Release

Michael Hamilton, Assistant Race Fleet Captain, Amidala



My first Gig Harbor Yacht Club LeMans Race November 18 was an experience. Work Release and Blue Max represented TTPYC. The cool windless morning brought dense fog to Gig Harbor. Twenty-five racers anchored in the starting area in low visibility, and an ebbing tide. The starting area buoys could not be seen due to the low visibility. We stern anchored in the vicinity of the rest of the fleet. It was eerie to not be able to see either shore of the



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harbor. Navionics and the depth meter were prime. I sighted Chuck on Blue Max briefly during anchoring, but lost sight of him. Per the sailing instructions, we huddled down below awaiting the start signal. At the start a flurry of activity could be heard as crews weighed anchor and set sails. The low wind and reduced visibility made it a challenge to exit the harbor. Fortunately, as we approached Tides Tavern the sun came out, Chuck re-appeared, and we saw a pack of onlookers cheering the fleet on.



We gybed our way out of the harbor entrance without incident on a 10' tide. Low winds resulted in a shortened course near Camp Sealth, Vashon Island. Our crew had a good time, we'll be back next year.

The first race in the Southern Sound Series, Winter Vashon, is Dec 2. TTPYC will be well represented by boats in a variety of classes. The race starts near Tacoma Yacht Club at 9:30 with the course circumnavigating Vashon Island clockwise. A great viewpoint for the start is Dune Peninsula at Pt Defiance. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/6n6txQt2EF2WZEcM7>. Race Information including entrants and results can be found at [www.ssseries.org](http://www.ssseries.org)



TTPYC is proud to host the Duwamish Head Race Saturday Jan 6. This is a large regatta with over 50 boats from 24 to 52' in length participating.

Many volunteers have stepped up to assist with the activities required to run the regatta. Thanks to all those registering boats, parking the boats arriving on Friday, the Race Committee on the pier, safety/race committee boat on the course, updating the webpage, and organizing food for Friday and Saturday.

This is a TTPYC club event. A regatta is an exciting event with the bustling of the boats arriving and crew preparing at the docks, the fleet departing for the start, maneuvering for the start. All members are encouraged to attend the festivities.

- Friday Soup/chili from 5:00-7:00 pm at the guest dock activity shelter.
- Saturday light breakfast and coffee 7:30-8:30.

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The race starts at 9:30. The fishing pier provides a great view of the start line.

Tom Hubbard has designed a commemorative ballcap for the race. This item will be on sale Friday and Saturday. We need a few volunteers to help sell the caps at the guest dock Saturday morning. If you can help, please contact me [roscoe767@yahoo.com](mailto:roscoe767@yahoo.com).



## Cruising News

### Christa and Dwight Motz, Co-Chairs

Hi TTPYC members

We are looking forward to 5 great cruises in 2024. We will be revisiting some of our old favorites and have added a new location to explore. We hope to see you on all or some of the cruises next year. We purposely have not planned July & August cruises so that you are free to cruise on your own and explore some of the great waters this area has to offer.

As you can see, we still need some hosts. Please let us know if you would like to host a cruise.

As we get closer to cruising season, we will put out more details about each cruise. Just wanted to share the dates so you can plan your summer cruising schedule. Feel free to reach out to us with any questions you may have. Looking forward to a great 2024 cruising season.



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## 2024 Cruise Season Schedule!

**Blake Island Cruise** March 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Host needed**

We have reserved a shelter, but moorage slips are on first come first serve basis <https://parks.wa.gov/find-parks/state-parks/blake-island-marine-state-park>

**Arabella's Landing Marina Gig Harbor** April 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>

**Host needed**

We are excited to go back here after a couple of years off  
All slip reservations are done online  
<https://www.arabellaslanding.com>

**Bell Harbor Marina Seattle** May 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

**Host: Carol Jones**

<https://www.portseattle.org/maritime/bell-harbor-marina>

**Port Orchard Marina** June 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>

**Host Needed**

Thought it would be fun to go somewhere new!  
Port Orchard is a fun town with a lot to offer

**Longbranch Marina on Filucy Bay** September 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

**Host Needed**

I think everyone that attended last year would agree that  
this was a great location!  
<https://licweb.org/marina/>

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Ray and Debra Valpey,

Membership Chairs

**Reminder: Send your annual dues now if you haven't already!**

Our best way to recruit new members is through our members talking with fellow boaters. Direct them to our website [ttypc.org](http://ttypc.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/ttypc>.

### 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](mailto: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.

### 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](mailto:K6352@aol.com) and we will place it in this section each month. Remember... this is for members only!

WE understand that grams gift closet is no longer providing our burgees. If you need one, contact Janet Sisson 206-724-4792

### 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 \$23.75 Large costs \$27.75

**REPLACEMENT NAME BADGES**

Did you loose your club name badge?  
Did you change boats or boat names?  
Or, do you just want to replace your current name badges with the club's new style of name badges? You can order new ones by contacting Tom Hubbard at: [thubbard84@msn.com](mailto:thubbard84@msn.com)  
*The cost of new name badges is \$8.30 each.*



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## EXTRAS

*This section is to share information that members feel will be of interest to other members.*

From Rick Edel, our RBAW Representative

### RBAW Monthly Newsletter - November 2023 -

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#### 2023 Annual Membership Meeting Follow Up

RBAW Members have proved they are AWESOME at taking surveys! Please give us your feedback from the annual meeting, so we can improve next year.

[Click here](#) to take the survey!

[Click here](#) for a copy of Troy Wood's presentation on the Derelict Vessel Removal Program.

[Click here](#) to download an audio file recording of the meeting from Dropbox.

[Click here](#) for annual meeting minutes.

[Click here](#) for the 2024 accepted Legislative & Regulatory priorities.

**Thank you again for all of those that were able to join us!**

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#### Large Lock Full Chamber Navigation Back in Service 11/14 - 11/29

The large locks are back in service, one day ahead of schedule. It will be open to large vessel traffic until Nov. 29. While it's back in service, please note that the center miter gates have been removed, and a temporary marine fender has been installed in the recessed where the gates where.

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- Exercise extreme caution while entering and exiting the large lock chamber, because the center gate recess and the surrounding (demolition) area around the center gate will be fully exposed; and
- Operate your vessels at a slow speed - 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  knots or lower, and follow the guidance and instructions of the Tower and lock operators.

### State Parks closes 35 mooring buoys

Article by [Washington State Parks](#)

The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission (Parks) has identified 35 public recreational mooring buoys across western Washington that are at risk of breaking in the future.

Starting this week, Parks will close these buoys, which the agency plans to replace. Even though individual buoys will close, the impacted parks will still have other mooring buoys available for use.

Parks maintains 259 mooring buoys at 40 parks across Puget Sound, Hood Canal, the Kitsap and Olympic Peninsulas and San Juan Islands. Of these parks, 16 will be affected by partial buoy closures. They are:

- Blake Island
- Clark Island
- Cutts Island
- Fort Flagler
- Fort Townsend
- Fort Worden
- Illahee
- Jones Island
- Kopachuck
- Mystery Bay
- Potlach
- Sequim Bay
- Stuart Island, Provost Harbor
- Stuart Island, Reid Harbor
- Sucia Island, Fox Cove                      and                      Twanoh

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The agency plans to replace the existing anchors with modern helical screw-type anchors. Planners anticipate installing the new anchor systems in winter 2024 - 2025, pending permitting and funding. The 35 buoys will be closed until further notice.

When finished, the upgraded systems will allow boats to safely tie up, and they will limit impacts on eelgrass, fish, marine mammals and other fragile shallow marine environments.

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### **Multi-Year Certificate of Documentation for Recreational Vessel Owners Available**

Article by [Federal Register](#)

The Coast Guard is issuing a final rule for recreational vessel owners to select a recreational vessel endorsement on a Certificate of Documentation (COD) with a validity of 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 years. Currently, regulations require that a COD will be effective for a 5-year period. Congress passed, and the President signed, the self-executing National Defense Authorization Act of 2022 (2022 Act), which directs the Coast Guard to issue recreational vessel CODs for 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 years. By updating the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) to reflect this change, this final rule harmonizes the requirements of the 2022 Act, aligns CFR text with current Coast Guard policy, and provides vessel owners' statutorily directed option to select the validity period of their COD that best suits their individual needs. This final rule is effective **December 14, 2023**

[Click here](#) for a link to the Federal register further explains the change and the history.

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### **Save the Date: Legislative Day in Olympia, January 25!**

RBAW is again partnering with the Northwest Marine Trade Association (NMTA) for Legislative Day in Olympia.

Please mark your calendar and join us on January 25, 2024 to highlight our legislative interests and raise awareness of our multi-billion dollar contribution to Washington State's economy.

Hearing directly from businesses and constituents can have a huge impact on our efforts. You'll participate in meetings with legislators throughout the day and enjoy a reception at the Olympia Yacht Club at the end of the day.

We hope you'll plan on attending. For now, **save the date — January 25!**

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### **Washington Sea Grant Keystone Fellowship Program**

The goal of the **Washington Sea Grant Keystone Fellowship program** is to broaden participation in marine and coastal professions making them more inclusive of the full diversity of our communities and responsive to their needs and perspectives. The Fellowship recruits and engages early career professionals who are underrepresented in the marine science, policy, and industry workforce providing them with experience, training and mentorship in these fields.

[Click here](#) for additional information.

### **Upcoming Events!**

#### **Board Meeting**

**December 7th, 2023 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

Held by Zoom only

#### **Legislative "Boating" Day in Olympia**

**January 25, 2024 - Reception at Olympia Yacht Club**

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From Steve Foss, Commodore

## Enhanced Emailing Power at Dave's Dive Services!

Dear Valued Customer,

We hope this message finds you well. At Dave's Dive Services, we're thrilled to announce an upgrade to our emailing system to better serve our growing community. With this enhancement, you can expect some exciting changes in the way you receive communications from us.

Here's a quick rundown of the new email addresses and their respective purposes:

1. [Chris@davesdiveservices.com](mailto:Chris@davesdiveservices.com): Expect emails from our owner, Chris.
2. [Michelle@davesdiveservices.com](mailto:Michelle@davesdiveservices.com): Look out for emails from our office manager, Michelle.
3. [info@davesdiveservices.com](mailto:info@davesdiveservices.com): General information and updates from us.
4. [invoice@davesdiveservices.com](mailto:invoice@davesdiveservices.com): Your invoice and report of work completed.
5. [forms@davesdiveservices.com](mailto:forms@davesdiveservices.com): Correspondence related to forms submitted through our website.
6. [news@davesdiveservices.com](mailto:news@davesdiveservices.com): Stay tuned for our upcoming newsletter!

Additionally, all emails to [DaveDiveServices@gmail.com](mailto:DaveDiveServices@gmail.com) will be seamlessly forwarded to the new email addresses.

Our commitment is to provide you with relevant and timely information without inundating your inbox. However, we understand that preferences vary. If at any point our communication ever falls short of your expectations, you feel that our emails are veering into spam territory, or if you'd like to adjust your subscription preferences, please don't hesitate to let us know before putting use in spam.

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Thank you for being a valued part of the Dave's Dive Services community!

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**Officers for Three Tree Point Yacht Club**

2023-2024

Commodore Steve Foss

Vice Commodore Sarah Caudill

Past Commodore Alan Riley

Secretary Ray Valpey

Treasurer Shelley Conti

Race Fleet Captain Ross Chamberlain

Assistant Race Fleet Michael Hamilton

Past Race Fleet Captain Dwight Motz

Trustees: Dwight Motz, Chuck Hendrick, Chris Caudill, Andy Norton, Liam Burke

**Appointed Officers**

Cruise Fleet Captain: Dwight and Christa Motz

Social: Doug Andrews and Linda Stryker

Webmaster: Duane Rubash      Communications Coordinator: Kristie Brame

Membership: Ted and Linda Stryker      Historian: Carol Jones

Ship's Store: Janet Sisson      Facebook: Linda Stryker

Records and Roster: Tom Hubbard      PHRF Ratings: Mark Harang

RBAW Representative: Richard Edel      Reciprocal Chair: Chuck Hendrick

Financial Advisory Committee/Future Task Force: Richard Edel

Des Moines Harbor Liaison/CAAC: Kersten Hubbard

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