



Dates to
Remember

May
2-4 Bell Harbor
Cruise
1,8,15,22 Late
Spring Series

June
10 Social at
Angelos
13-15 Poulsbo
Cruise

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The Barnacle

Commodore's Corner

Commodore Sarah Caudill

Spring is in full swing, and so is the activity at Three Tree Point Yacht Club! We've had a fantastic few weeks filled with cruising, camaraderie, and some exciting racing. Here's a quick look at what's been happening and what's on the horizon:

Our second cruise of the year to Arabella's sounds like it was a resounding success! A large fleet enjoyed good company and a fun scavenger hunt - memories made on the water! Looking ahead, mark your calendars for the **first weekend of May** as folks set sail for the beautiful **Bell Harbor**. We hope many of you are able to participate in this memorable cruise!

Our monthly social meeting on April 8th at Angelo's in Burien was a great opportunity to connect with fellow members and learn from our community partners. A big thank you to our friends from **Saltwater State Park** and to **Rhoda Green** for her engaging presentation on marine and watershed stewardship. It's so important to be good stewards of the waters we love!

Don't miss our next social gathering in **May**, where we'll be hosting a presentation by the **US Coast Guard**. This promises to be an informative evening see the social section for more information.

The buoys have been busy! **Spring Series 1** concluded this past Thursday with some thrilling races. Congratulations to our series winners:

- **Cruising Class:** *Hobbes*
- **Racing Class:** *Solitaire*

Well done to all the participants! The racing action continued with our **Spring Regatta**, which saw a great turnout of boats from both TTPYC and our friends from CYCT. It's always fantastic to see the sailing community come together for some friendly competition. More details and results from the regatta will be shared in the racing section!

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Looking Ahead to May!

Get ready for more action on the water! **Spring Series 2** kicks off this week, starting on **May 1st**. We wish all our racers fair winds and tight mark roundings!

Wishing you all a lovely month filled with sunshine and good times, whether you're out on the water or enjoying the spring ashore!

Fair winds,

Sarah

Social Committee

Cailin and Don Hunsaker III

Upcoming speakers to our monthly Angelo gathering:

Tuesday, May 13

Happy Hour at 5

Dinner at 6

Program at 7

For our May 13th gathering at Angelo's, Dwight Motz has arranged with the U.S.C.G's, MarineTraffic office to send a representative to discuss COLREGS, radio procedures and other subjects.. Plan on 30-40 a minute discussion with Q & A , With boating season getting started it is a good time to get refreshed and updated.



June 10, we will hear a presentation from *Gerhard Graumann* who will represent of the *Puget Sound Anglers group (PSA)* and the *Cedar River Council*. *PSA* is a non-profit group whose goal is preserving, protecting and enhancing the sport fisheries of Washington State with a desire to build sustainable sport fishing in the Puget Sound and associated watersheds for future generations. The *Cedar River Council (CRC)* is an independent public forum that promotes the health of the Cedar River.

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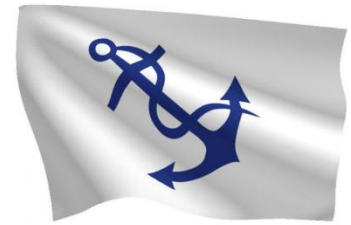
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Racing News

Michael Hamilton, Race Fleet Captain, Amidala

Andy Norton, Assistant Race Fleet Captain, Seabiscuit

Ross Chamberlain, Past Fleet Racing Captain, Work Release



NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:

J-Mark has been repaired, is on-station and Race Ready!!!

Thanks to Tom Hubbard for the decal work and thanks to Michael Hamilton for fabricating the repair parts and for hanging off the swim step to glue & screw those parts together.

At least it was a calm day, slack tide and nobody got wet.

Ross Chamberlain organized a Practice Session on Monday March 31st at 6:30 pm. Six boats participated. We set a start line at K-Mark, did a few practice starts, and then raced around A-Mark to a glorious finish,... that nobody scored. It was a great opportunity to train crew and just have fun.

We had ten PHRF boats and five Cruising Class boats register for the TTPYC Early Spring Series. Many thanks to our Assistant Race Fleet Captain, Andy Norton and Seabiscuit who RC'd all four races. The final results should be in the books by the time you read this. Go to <https://www.ttpyc.org/racing> to get all the details.

The TTPYC Spring Regatta is Saturday April 26th. This will be a full day of racing. Wind permitting, we will try to have 4 or 5 races. Details are on the racing page and race book. First Warning is scheduled for 09:25. Ross Chamberlain will be the PRO for the event and Work Release will serve as the RC boat. Join us at the Quarter Deck (22307 Dock Ave S Unit 1 Des Moines, WA 98198) immediately after the race to enjoy a beverage and share stories. If the RC can figure out who won what in a timely manner, we may announce the winners and I have even heard a rumor that the elegant and much coveted double shot whisky glassware trophies might be awarded. Come join us. Links to register for the regatta are on the club racing page: <https://www.ttpyc.org/racing>

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There will also be a practice session on Monday April 28th to prepare for the next series, which is the TTPYC Late Spring Series May 1, 8, 15, 22.

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As for crew, we have individuals signing up via our website looking to crew. As of this printing there were 18 crew looking for boats. We need your help to get them involved. The names of those wanting to crew will be forwarded to our skippers.

We have 19 events scheduled this season and will need everyone's help to support the schedule by volunteering for at least one race committee date. Please sign-up by clicking on the "Race Committee" button at the bottom the RC web page. Please invite the folks from the crew list to be on your committee boat, it is great experience.

Looking forward to a safe and fun 2025 racing season!

How can I help?

Not a Member	Member	Boat Owner
<p>I am <i>not</i> a TTPYC member, but would like to experience being on a Race Committee team.</p> <p>Excellent!! Fill out a Race Crew Form to start your journey!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• You don't need any experience!• You will get to learn about racing!• You will have a start & finish line view of the race!• And, odds are pretty good that you will have fun! <p>Please make a note on the Race Crew form that you would like to be a Race Committee volunteer.</p> <div><div>Race Committee</div><div>Volunteer to Crew</div></div>		



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Cruising News

Merch De Grasse, Cruise Fleet Chair

Spring is in the air and we enjoyed a pleasant April cruise to Arabella's in Gig Harbor. I'd like to extend a big "Thank You" to the Motz's for a great cruise. We had a scavenger hunt that led to a brewery, a tasty Italian based potluck, and a farewell pancake feed on Sunday morning. I had wind ranging from mild to spirited and blue skies.

I'm looking forward to even warmer weather for the "Cinco de Mayo" cruise and the June cruise to Poulsbo. I have scheduled and will be co-hosting a September cruise to Port Orchard the weekend of Sept 5-7.

I had a discussion with those present at the Arabella's potluck about establishing a "Group Chat" forum on WhatsApp to share informal cruising opportunities during the summer months. If you would like to be added to the WhatsApp group, you need to have the WhatsApp application and contact me to get an invite into the group chat that's been established. Currently we have 9 people in the chat entitled: TTPYC cruiser forum.



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TTPYC Bell Harbor Marina / Cinco de Mayo Cruise 2025

May 2nd to May 4th

***** You will need to make your own moorage reservations we have 14 slips reserved *****

When making reservations please call their cell phone 206-462-9567

Friday May 2, 2025

5:00pm - Happy Hour on the dock, Margaritas will be provided, bring a Mexican inspired appetizer to share.

Dinner on your own

Saturday May 3, 2025

9:00am-5:00pm Out and about on your own. Explore the new Overlook walkway, which makes for an easy trek to the Pike Place Market.

Also, the first Saturday in May the Amazon Spheres are open to the public 10am-6pm. You must register ahead of time by going to their website: www.seattlespheres.com . A form of ID is also required at check in. Reservations become available 15 days before the date.

5:00pm- Happy Hour on the dock BYOB

6:00pm- Potluck on the dock

Sunday May 4, 2025

9:00am-10:00am Continental Breakfast (provided) on the dock, bring your own coffee

12:00pm- Departure Time

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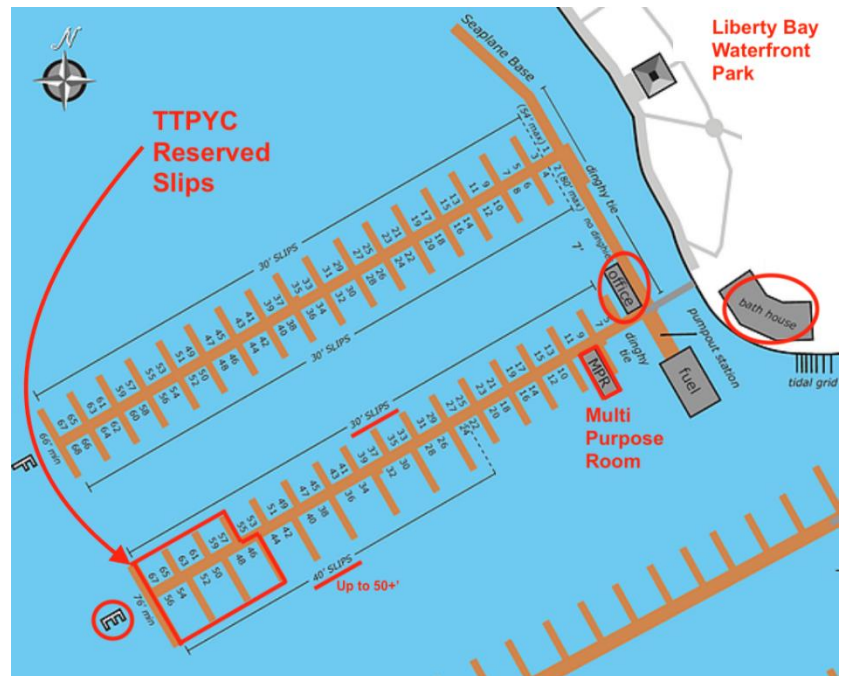
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Poulsbo Cruise

June 13th - 15th

Hosts: Brian & Janis Newman

June's cruise will be to the history rich Scandinavian village of downtown Poulsbo. There we will take in the relaxing setting of Liberty Bay Waterfront Park, located directly at the head of "E" Dock, where we have 12 slips reserved. Just across from the park are restaurants, shops and museums, all nestled into the winding, Norwegian themed Front Street. Activities will be centered around getting to know this charming little downtown, along with the usual Friday happy hour, Saturday (Scandinavian themed) potluck, and Sunday pre-departure breakfast. Stay tuned for more detailed information in next month's Barnacle.



Please take a moment now to reserve your slip by texting or emailing Brian at 406.548.5767 or bnewman521@gmail.com.

Thanks!

September 5-7 Port Orchard Merch De Grasse



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>.

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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](http://tpyc.org/barnacles))

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

Don Brame Obituary



Robert Don Brame, known to family and friends as Don, was born in Loraine, Texas, February 10, 1946. Throughout his life, he was an adventurer, responsible citizen, lover of animals, loving husband, loyal friend, and beloved family member. He fought valiantly against his various ailments, always hoping to overcome. He loved life.

Don was ever the adventurer.... Sailing, fishing, skiing, even hunting for a bit. Despite ill health, he undertook a trip to Texas in spring, 2024 to see the solar eclipse and be present for his family reunion.

His last day at home, he and Kristie said good bye to their beloved Commodore Cat, Bandit. Then Don entered the hospital and lost his battle on February 26, 2025.

Kristie is grateful to the friends who provided love, support, and encouragement throughout the time Don was hospitalized.

A Celebration of Don's life will be held at Des Moines United Methodist Church on June 7 at 2 P.M. A reception will follow at the church. Later that day, family and friends are welcome to gather at the Brame residence, hopefully in the backyard among the gardens Don built and so faithfully tended. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to your local animal shelter or your favorite charity.

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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 costs \$24.75 Large costs \$28.75

Boat for Sale

Amazing Grace
1989 36 foot Catalina

Contact Rick Luce
Signature Yachts
425-359-0831



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.

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
The cost of new name badges is \$8.30 each.



BRAND NEW, IN-THE-BOX B&G V60 VHF RADIO FOR SALE!



- Full featured VHF with internal AIS receiver and NMEA2000 connectivity. Large screen with intuitive user interface
- Built in AIS Receiver - AIS receiver helping to improve situational awareness with a view of who else is around you.
- DSC (Digital Selective Calling) allow a user to easily call friends, and in emergency situations with DSC Messages displayed onscreen.
- Distress key allows any vessel in VHF range to be notified of a problem with a single key press.
- Advanced channel scan and favorites features allow quick access to commonly used channels

\$599.00
(\$100 off List Price)

Contact: **TOM HUBBARD** if interested.
Note: I will happy to program the radio for you with USA Country Code, your MMSI Number and your Boat name!

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Officers for Three Tree Point Yacht Club

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Commodore Sarah Caudill

Vice Commodore Brian Newman

Past Commodore Steve Foss

Secretary Ray Valpey

Treasurer Shelley Conti

Race Fleet Captain Michael Hamilton

Assistant Race Fleet Andy Norton

Past Race Fleet Captain Ross Chamberlain

Trustees: Chuck Hendrick, Liam Burke, Gordon Kells-Murphy, Alan Riley, Doug Andrews

Appointed Officers

Cruise Fleet Captain: Merch DeGrasse

Social: TBD

Webmaster: Brian Newman Communications Coordinator: Kristie Brame

Membership: Liam Burke 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

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

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