

Dates to Remember

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The Barnacle

Commodore's Corner

Commodore Steve Foss

The first week of the year started off with a bang: The Duwamish Head Race on January 6. On behalf of all involved, as well as the entire club, it was a smashing success. Read Ross Chamberlain's report in the racing section. And most of all, thanks to everyone that put in so much effort to make our biggest event of the year something we can be proud of.



In keeping with our unwritten schedule for the first Tuesday of each month, The Three Tree Board of Trustees met on January 2nd. The first order of business was the Finance Committee Report as well as the Treasure's Report. Considerable discussion occurred. The results of which will entail a small By-Law change. That will be a subject in the next General Meeting to be held at Angelo's, February 13th. I look forward to seeing and visiting with everyone. In a few days, I will e-mail

all the members a summary report from the finance committee that will explain. Also discussed were the final preparations for the Duwamish Head Race, and everyone in attendance seemed happy and positive that all was in order, (it was).

The membership committee reported that we have two new members: Michaelene and Rick Corlett. Please give them a warm welcome.

The social meeting on January 9, held at Angelos was relaxing and fun. The program began with visiting and enjoying Angelos's great cuisine. Chantey Singing put on by the Chantey group from the NW Seaport, was both fun and educational.

On Friday, January 12, the Des Moines Marina Association voted to disband. The meeting was well attended by TTPYC members. Hopefully something will be organized to take its place. Kersten Hubbard will have more information in the future.

RBAW has announced an interesting day with the state legislature in Olympia on this coming Thursday. Contact Rick Edel for more information. It should be interesting and educational. Next month, February 2-10, we'll be visiting the Seattle Boat show. See you there!

Steve

Social Committee Doug Andrews and Linda Stryker Co-Chairs

February 13 Angelo's of Burien Happy Hour at 5, Dinner at 6, Program at 7



After a rollicking good evening of Sea Chantey fun at our January meeting, we have prepared to continue having informative and fun monthly gatherings at Angelo's.

February 13th will be a different format - a deep dive into Yacht Club finances and goals, as well as a "get-to-know-you" game with a prize.

March 12th An RBAW representative will come share the updates and progress made in the boating legislation world. Things like vessel tax, bottom paint code, refurbished marinas, derelict vessel reporting, etc.

April 9th A member of the Hydroplane Museum will come and reminisce about the Miss Burien, and the other stars of our historic hydroplane racing events.

May 14th - TBD

Hope to see you there!

Racing News Ross Chamberlain, Race Fleet Captain, Work Release Michael Hamilton, Assistant Race Fleet Captain, Amidala

2024 Duwamish Head is in the books! 68 boats entered, enjoying great weather and winds (mostly). More than 32



volunteers from TTPYC turned out and hosted on an incredible event.

Shelley Conti registered the boats and handled scoring the race results. The Motz's handled with ease the marina logistics, from securing the event tent to finding moorage



for 28 boats the night before the race. The "landing party" deftly shoehorned those boats into slips/rafts-ups in driving rain well into the night. Linda Stryker and her crew provided outstanding hospitality on Friday night with soup/chili along with breakfast before the race Saturday. In the morning, the event tent was bustling with crew coming in out of the rain to don their foulies, and enjoy food and hot beverages before braving the cold drizzle at the starting line. No food went to waste as the leftovers were donated to a local charity.

Steve Sisson's Race Committee crew stood fast

on the fishing pier administering flawless race start sequences. His crew was also present when the last boats finished at 5:00 p.m. in a driving squall. A hearty bunch indeed.



Dan Downhour skippered his yacht "Downtime" with a robust crew that set the starting mark and escorted the fleet along the course as safety boat keeping watch for commercial traffic and even whales!





A big thanks to Jan and Skip Anderson for motoring up from Tacoma and taking outstanding photos of the race. Check them out at:

https://janpix.smugmug.com/Events/Duwamish-Head-2024



More photos in the Extras Section



The first race of the CYCT Harbor Series was held last Saturday. TTPYC's Solitaire and Les Chevaux Blancs made a strong showing, placing first and second overall. Upcoming races: CYCT Harbor Series February 3 and 10. The third South Sound Series race, Toliva Shoals , is Feb 17.

The TTPYC Spring Series begins Thursday April 4, and the Spring regatta will be held Saturday April 20. Look for registration information and Race Committee opportunities on the TTPYC website and Facebook page.

Cruising News

Christa and Dwight Motz, Co-Chairs

As the boat show approaches, we turn our thoughts to the spring and summer cruising seasons in these amazing waters we are privileged to explore. We are excited to kick off our TTPYC cruising season next month with a trip to Blake Island.

We have changed the venue for our September cruise at the request of several members. We will be going to Poulsbo instead of Longbranch. This is a beautiful marina and a great town with lots to do including two bakeries!

We look forward to a great season. If you have never joined one of these weekends, we encourage you to join us this year. It is a great way to get to know fellow club members in a more informal setting.

2024 Cruise Season Schedule:

Blake Island Cruise

March 22nd through March 24th

Co Host: Christa and Dwight Motz and 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 12th through April 14th

Emmelie & Ben Stewart & Tina and Bud

Musselman

We are excited to go back here after a couple of years off

The shelter has been reserved for half day





Bell Harbor Marina Seattle May 3rd through May 5th Host: Carol Jones and company Great destination with so many attractions and eateries. https://www.portseattle.org/maritime/bell-harbor-marina

Port Orchard Marina

June 14th through June 16th

Co Hosts: Mick and Candy Rice and Janet and Steve Sisson Thought it would be fun to go somewhere new! Port Orchard is a fun town with a lot to offer





Port of Poulsbo Marina September 20th through September 22nd Host Needed

By popular request we have changed our September 2024 cruise plans to visit the Port of Poulsbo instead of Longbranch. The date for this cruise remains the same, Sept

20-22. For reservations purposes we need to come up with a fairly accurate count of boats and boat length/beam so we can insure that we have appropriate accommodations. We will be reserving the floating multi-purpose room and the party float for use by club members.

Please take a moment to respond to all and if there is greater than a 50% chance that you will attend this specific event, give us a yes and the length and beam of your boat. Those not attending need not reply.

Should be a fun time and Poulsbo is a great destination with lots to do in the quaint town.

Christa & Dwight Motz 253-670-0425 Bubba5557@gmail.com



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 <u>https://www.facebook.com/ttpyc</u>.

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, <u>K6352@aol.com</u> 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 <u>K6352@aol.com</u> 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 \$24.75 Large costs \$28.75



EXTRAS

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

The Environmental Science Center

Join us on March 16th at the Renton Pavilion

Come one, come all to our annual fundraiser, benefiting local students, residents and our natural treasures! **Raffle, Silent Auction, Desert Dash, and Raptor Encounter.** Have a good time for a good cause!"

(ESC) is a nonprofit organization offering experiential environmental education programs for all ages at local beaches, streams, forested areas, and school gardens throughout south King County

For tickets go to:

https://envsciencecenter.org/gala-environmental-nonprofit-benefit-fundraiser/

RBAW Report for February

The WA legislative session began on January 8 and will proceed for 60 days. All bills, some carried over to this second year of the biennium session, must pass out of their

respective policy committees in both the House and Senate by January 31 or they will be "dead".

Two bills that RBAW is tracking this session are HB 1919 and HB 1906.

<u>HB 1919</u>

RBAW supports this bill which changes the existing law from 90 to 45 days required of a private marina to give notice to a boat owner that their failure to pay moorage fees will result in a forced sale of the vessel. Also, the requirement to publish notice in a newspaper before a sale of an abandoned vessel, is removed.

This will aid marina operators to more expeditiously remove abandoned vessels from their premises. Although not always the case, a more immediate need has recently arisen when an abandoned vessel is towed by an enforcement agency ie. Coast Guard or local on the water agency, to the nearest safe harbor. This is a legal short term solution.

That does not mean anchoring, but securing the vessel to the dock of a marina that is then left to not only deal with it, but also the marina loses valuable rental space. Some private marinas are owned by yacht clubs that do not have the finances available to deal with these vessels long term.

Jordan Glidden, general manager of the Elliott Bay Marina and also a RBAW Board member, recently testified in support of this bill at a legislative hearing as he has experienced first hand the consequences of dealing with abandoned vessels brought to his marina.

<u>HB 1906</u>

RBAW supports HB 1906 that increases the allowable length of nonresident vessels that are commercially owned or intended for chartering purposes, for the purposes of obtaining a nonresident vessel permit from the Department of Licensing, from 200 to 300 feet. When the permit expires, the vessel owner must either register the vessel in Washington or remove the vessel from Washington waters. An amendment adds a fee for this nonresident vessel permit for a vessel of length between 201 and 300 feet, if the owner is an entity other than a person. That fee is \$42 per foot of vessel length. The fee expires in 2029.

The following is already existing law for nonresident vessels in Washington state. A privately owned nonresident vessel owner's fee is \$25 if the vessel is not being used commercially or in charter. However, the following exempts the owner from paying for the permit for the use of the vessel in Washington for the first 60 days, if the vessel is currently registered in another state or the vessel has a current US Coast Guard documentation paper, nor is it required if the vessel is used in conducting temporary business activity within Washington. The owner may extend the 60 day permit for another 60 days before the prior permit expires.

The vessel is eligible only for no more than six months in any 12-month period.

In addition, no permit or registration is necessary if the vessel is in Washington exclusively for repairs, alteration, or testing.

RBAW Applies for a Mobile Pump Out Grant

The RBAW Board has approved the application for a federal Clean Vessel Act grant which would provide funding of \$178,452 to include 48 days of service from Memorial Day to the end of October, seven hours a day, in Liberty Bay (Poulsbo), Eagle Harbor (Bainbridge Island) and Blake Island State Marine Park. The actual mobile pumpout service provider will be determined by RBAW if it wins the grant which will be decided in April by the Department of WA State Parks and Recreation. Only nonprofits may apply so service providers are exempt from applying.

News from California Which May Affect Anchoring in Washington

In what has the potential to be a landmark case, a federal judge ruled late in 2023 that boaters do not have a constitutional right to anchor on Richardson Bay (Sausalito in the SF Bay Area) and declared that local agencies have the authority to create and enforce laws governing vessels anchored in their waters. This decision follows a similar one given in an early 90's decision from San Diego where the federal judge declared, "

...boaters do not have a constitutional right to unregulated long-term anchorage in public navigable waters."

In a similar Richardson Bay case from 1989, a federal court dismissed a lawsuit challenging a local ordinance prohibiting persons from anchoring a vessel for more than 72 hours without obtaining a permit from the harbormaster or from living aboard an anchored or moored houseboat or vessel for more than 30 days.

Linda Newland

PTYC Delegate to RBAW

More Duwamish Head Photos















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