



April 2009

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FROM THE HELM – COMMODORE’S REPORT

April Showers bring May Flowers or something like that.....But on another note, the docks are in and as of the last few days we already have a boat in the water. If you have questions about your slip assignments please contact Larry Arthur. Spring Racing Series starts Wednesday the 15th and for all of you sailors out there who haven't raced for a few years, this is the year to get out there and try your racing skills again. Let's not let that same ole group take home the trophies...let's give them a new challenge out there on the water. If you are in need of crew please let us know as we are setting up a list of volunteers.

And once again I am climbing up on my soap box about volunteers for work parties, club events and the Fire Cracker Regatta. I think it's about time we stop whining about our 20 work assessment hours and get out to the club and do something. You'd be surprised how quickly 20 hours can accumulate.

It is a little sad to me to see the same group of guys out at the club every work party doing all the things that have to be done in order for us to enjoy the great club that we have. Just think how much better the club could be if we all came out one day a month and chipped in for a few hours. Quit complaining about things that you would like to see completed and grab a trash bag, a hammer, a paint brush, the rake or a sponge and mop and make yourself useful.....

On a lighter note: I'm looking for a copy of the 2003 handbook. If you have a copy that I can borrow for a couple of days please drop it off and I will be sure and get it back to you.

My other request is: Elizabeth Campbell and I are looking for (no matter what shape it is in) a Regatta Tee-Shirt that is 12 to 15 years old. Navy Blue with a row of sail boats across the front with sparklers coming out of the mast. Even if you have to dig it out of the rag bag.

Elizabeth Campbell, Regatta Chairperson, has a signup sheet for volunteers needed. Once again there's more than enough work to go around.

Stop by any Friday night and enjoy a great sunset, a friendly drink and great company.

Craig and Peggy Ricards



Vice Commodore's Report

The month of March has flown by. Gail and I have bought a new home and are in the midst of moving as I write this. The St. Patrick's dinner was a well attended success. This event was put on by Craig and Peggy Ricards and assisted by Vince and Janice Wachter. Peggy is unbelievable - she works tirelessly for the club. I don't know where she gets the energy. The sock burning hosted by Dick and Carolyn Ford made Friday night special. Thanks to Dick, the fire burned bright and warm all evening. Great job to both of you.

At the March board meeting, Suzy was given the official title of Bar Manager and also made a KYC member. The vote was unanimous. Please congratulate her.

We are going to have a better bottled wine list starting in April thanks to Lisa Mulvey, who has put me in touch with a wine wholesaler she knows and has made some good selections. Thanks, Lisa. I would like feedback from the wine drinkers.

We have had a lot of irons in the fire this month and have not been able to schedule an appointment with the bank to install the credit card terminal. That will be done ASAP.

Don't forget we have the Tapas Party Friday night April 24th.

Please remember - always tip your bartender.

Rich and Gail

Treasurer's Report

Happy Spring! Sailing can't be far away!

A short report this month, busy, busy, no time!

Work assessments have been billed this month. If I haven't given you credit for hours you have worked, please make a note on the statement and return it to me at the Club's P. O. Box, or email me.

Moorage is due by April 15. If you haven't already paid, please do so now if you want the same slip this year. If you don't want the same slip, or no slip at all, please contact Larry Arthur.

Gotta go!

Janet

Congratulations!

To GUY JAKES for being the FIRST to submit his Firecracker Regatta registration!

Policy Advisory Committee

A policy suggested in 2005 was approved by the board at the March Meeting. This is it:

The Project To-Do Lists for club maintenance and tasks will be a regular agenda item at all board meetings and reported on by the member(s) in charge of the pending project(s).

Submitted by Gail Corey, Dale Mueller and Vince Wachter.

Rear Commodore's Report

At ease, listen up...

We have had some good weather, and have been able to get some things done earlier than usual, to wit; if you haven't already noticed the docks are in. Please feel free to put your boat in the water. If you had a slip last year you can have it again this year as long as your moorage is paid by April 15. Do not take another slip without permission. If you did not have a slip last year please get in touch with me before putting your boat in so we can get you in the proper slip, you will need to pay your moorage by April 15 also. After putting your boat in the water, you are encouraged to take your trailer home, or where ever. If you choose to utilize the trailer storage area at the north end of the club property, park it in a uniform manner with the other trailers. You are expected to mark your trailer with your name, boat type and phone number. Also you are expected to keep your trailer in movable condition; that means a jack on the tongue, and air in the tires. Owners of trailers not in compliance will be fined.

In addition to getting the docks in, we were also able to get some things done in the cat harbor, to wit; one waterlogged dock removed and broken up and put in the burn pile, one dock beached and probably destined for the burn pile, and one dock moved for repair.

There is another work party April 4 and 5, I would like to get started on the patio boat refit, some dock resetting, some more cat harbor clean up and repair, and the ladies bathroom is going to be repainted and will get new window curtains. This project is being headed up by Elaine Zaiger. Please come down and give her a hand, and while we are at it this might be a good time to look into getting rid of whatever we haven't used in forever that is stored in all the nooks and crannies downstairs.

The OIT members have the club Kestrel for equipment inventory in preparation for refit.

We have had some interest in the Hobie's that are for sale, but so far I haven't seen the money.

We are proceeding with the painting of the club and for a while things are going to be in a bit of disarray. Please bear with us - it will all be over soon.

One last note; there will be assigned parking spaces for the Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Rear Commodore. Please respect these, and if you would like one of these parking spaces, you may apply for the job of your choice now. The positions are open February 1, 2010.

Until next time, see you on the docks, and on the water.

Larry and Judy

Address Changes

Please change the following addresses in your handbook:

Mick & Lisa Mulvey
920 Front St. (97601)
Mick's cell...892-2051
Lisa's cell...281-7519

David E. Paoli
535 E Chestnut St
Fort Bragg, Ca 95437

Membership Report

March's board meeting marked the renewal of Quency Fahlgren's student membership for another year. He is living at 1805 Earle Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97601, and his phone number is 541-915-7582. You can email him at quency.fahlgren@oit.edu.

Youth Sailing Program

Thursday, April 9th

A meeting of all those interested in re-establishing this program is scheduled for Thursday, April 9 at 6:00 p.m. at KYC just before the 7:00 Board meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to gauge club support for YSP, discuss asking the Board to establish a standing committee to support both junior and adult sailing instruction and safety, to review a draft proposal for purchasing 3 dinghys, and developing and conducting a class the last week of June this year for 6-8 youth. Questions, please contact Tim Phillips or Bill Wright.



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FRIDAY, APRIL 25

7:00 PM

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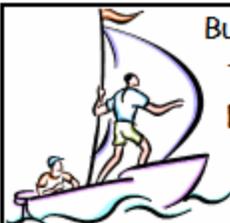
The lake is thawed; the docks are in; time to set the sails! **US Sailing** has issued the 2009-2012 RRS (Racing Rules of Sailing), governing us for the next three years. **'RULES TRAINING' IS OPEN TO ALL.** Sailors-at-large, crew, skippers- please attend. Simple dinner will be provided at training. Rules Training will lead in to Skipper's Meeting (who get left-overs). **Racing Registration Forms** are available on the "racing bulletin board" and at the Skipper's Meeting. **Happy sails!**

RULES TRAINING SESSION: Wednesday, April 8 @ 5:30 pm

SKIPPER'S MEETING: Wednesday, April 8 @ 7:00pm

PRACTICE RACE: Saturday, April 11 @ 1:30pm

SPRING SERIES RACE 1: Wednesday, April 15 @ 6:15pm



Building on Janet Moyette's treasurer's report last month, here's more on the approved "Regatta-fee reimbursement" idea. **Let's create a visible presence of KYC racers at other yacht/sailing clubs' regattas.** There is \$500 ear-marked for our skippers who register and race in out-of-town regattas. Let the Club/Commodore know you're going, *get Firecracker Regatta info to share with the other club, raise the KYC burgee and go race, come back, share your experiences and get (up to \$50) fee reimbursement.* **Let's foster the love of sailing via racing, reach out to non-KYC racers and increase the number of racers at Firecracker Regatta.** *Upcoming races include (but not limited to):*

- April 25-26 Loyalty Days Regatta @ Yaquina Bay Yacht Club
- May 23-24-25 Whiskeytown Regatta @ Whiskeytown Sailing Club
- May 23-24 Memorial Day Regatta @ Eugene Yacht Club
- May 23-24 Memorial Day Regatta @ Coos Bay Yacht Club
- May 30-31 Multihull Regatta @ Eugene Yacht Club
- June 26-28 Emerald Cup @ Triton Yacht Club (Eugene)
- July 25-26 Howard Prairie Regatta @ Rogue Yacht Club



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T-SHIRT PRE-ORDERS

Coming in April

This year's race t-shirts are available in short-sleeve (\$10) and long-sleeve (\$15). The maroon-colored shirts will highlight Trans-Klam, Half-Klam, and Regatta. Pre-order and wear with pride! *Order forms will be available later in April.*



RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED

Firecracker Regatta will feature a RAFFLE. And every raffle needs items to win! Are you able to make a donation? Do you know a business that would make a donation? Are you an individual who needs an idea of a raffle donation? Do you have the gift of words and you'd like to help seek out raffle donations? Please contact Elizabeth Campbell or Peggy Ricards with your donation, offer of help, or donation-idea question. *(I'd hate to raffle off my son or my husband's power tools!)* Sincerely, Elizabeth



Got out-of-towners?

YES, WE WILL! Firecracker Regatta is July 4th and 5th. Our Club celebrates on and off the water, especially with out-of-town racers and their families. We have many ways to participate in this exciting weekend. There's no I in regatta and there's no U (you), but there is an E in regatta- that means WE, as a club united, host the Regatta.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Grounds Work Party, Last-Minute-Details Work Party
Goodwill Ambassadors, Shower-room Host/ess
Dinner Crew, Kitchen Clean-up, Dining Room Clean-up
After-Regatta Grounds Clean-up, After-Regatta Clubhouse Clean-up
Band \$ Sponsorship, Make Raffle Donation/s (Business or Private)

SIGN UP AT THE YACHT CLUB or
Contact Elizabeth Campbell or Peggy Ricards



St. Pat's Day Dinner, Sock Burning, and Work Party Pics