



March 2009

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FROM THE HELM – COMMODORE’S REPORT

Happy March everyone and do we have any bets as to when the lake will be completely thawed and the docks will go in.....?

February was a great time at the club and if you missed the Super Bowl Party hosted by the Palmers and Arthur’s, you missed a great time....For those of us who are die hard Steeler Fans, the game had a great ending and even if you just love football it was a great game....Lots of food and wonderful company. We will be doing more afternoons and evening events that include the Big Screen.

For all of you who follow the OIT Owls we will be watching them in Branson and hopefully be able to have a special night if they make the final game.

For those who do not know: Dale Mueller is home and recuperating well and I know that he would love getting a card or email from us. Let’s keep the well wishes flowing.

Also, to those of you who have known Irene Currin all these years, she also would love hearing from you. Irene just celebrated her 97th birthday last month and is still going strong and enjoys getting her Scuttlebutt every month.

The St. Patrick’s Dinner will have a little different flare this year but please save the date and we hope to see you there.

Have a great month and let’s get started early with our work assessment hours: If you don’t know what to do please check with us, the Palmers or the Arthurs and I guarantee one of us can find something for you to do.

We are looking forward to another great year with lots of improvements to the inside of the club and also a brand new deck.

Thanks again to all of you for making our job and easy and successful one.
Craig and Peggy Ricards



Think Spring!

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Vice Commodore's Report

The Superbowl party we had on Sunday, February 1st, to kick off the use of our new television was a great success. Forty-seven members and guests enjoyed the game, hot dogs and a multitude of hors d'oeuvres supplied by many of the participants. The bar netted \$222.75. I hope this is just a start of many more social functions that we hold at the club surrounding sporting events. This not only adds additional revenue to the bottom line but promotes good fellowship between club members. If any of you have any ideas along this line, please let me know.

We proposed at the February board meeting that we install a terminal allowing us to accept debit and credit cards at the bar for bar, food and club related clothing and memorabilia sales. The Board approved this proposal. I believe this option will alleviate some of the billing and accounting duties we have and also promote sales to non-members who rent the club and attend the various events and Regattas the club sponsors. We hope to have this service up and running during the month of March.

The Club has two events during the month of March, the St. Patrick's dinner, the sock burning and of course the bar is open every Friday at 6:00 pm. Please come out and support your club and enjoy socializing with your fellow members.

I want to end my report continuing with the phrase our past Commodores used, "PLEASE ALWAYS TIP YOUR BARTENDER !."

Rich and Gail

Rear Commodore Report

At Ease, Listen Up,

Thanks to all who attended the Super Bowl Party. About fifty of us there and everyone had a great time. The bar made some money and with a few more of these type events, we will have the TV paid for. And it's a good thing the Steelers won or the Commodore would have made us take the TV back.

I am getting additional bids for painting the club, and for repairing the roof leaks. These will be presented at the March board meeting. All members are welcome to attend.

With the lake ice gone at the club I am going to keep an eye out for a weather window in order to get started on a couple of projects, first the cat harbor dock renovations. Then also we have the work/patio boat back from having the motor mount adjusted and the leaks in the pontoons repaired. These repairs were done by Pelican Marina, Ron Hahn and S & S Manufacturing, Guy Jakubowski respectively. Kudos to them for their time and effort. (When you get kudos you know you are not getting paid money.)

I will organize a work party either by email or calling committee for these. I'm hoping to get these two projects done before we put the docks out.

I am also attempting to acquire a tractor type unit for the club. This will be used for the neat and orderly placement of boats for those dry storing their boats in the summer and for the neat and orderly placement of boats during winter storage. And for the neat and orderly rearrangement as the Rear Commodore sees fit during the year. If a tractor is acquired it can also be used for earth moving, snow removal, dock placement etc. The care and maintenance and operation of this unit will be the responsibility of the Rear Commodore, now and in the future. This also will be discussed at the March board meeting. All members are welcome to attend.

See you on the docks,

LarryLarry

Treasurer's Report

I am very happy to report that KYC is healthy financially. Not only is our club facility free of any mortgage, but we have money in the bank! We should see some of the repairs and upgrades that have been needed for a few years accomplished this year.

WORK ASSESSMENTS ARE DUE! Remember, it is your responsibility to report your hours worked, and you will be billed for any hours you don't report. I have received work hours from many of you, but many of you have not notified me. Please send me your hours, by email to moyettecpa@hotmail.com or by mail to KYC at P. O. Box 1648, KFO 97601. I will postpone billing for hours until the April 1 bill, since I have not heard from so many of you.

And, it's time to pay your moorage again. Please send it in this month. If you don't pay by April 15, your slip may be reassigned to some other lucky sailor!

At the February Board meeting, the Board approved a program to rebate a portion of fees for out-of-town regattas that our members sail in, providing they take information about our Firecracker Regatta with them and try to recruit other clubs' members to attend. The details still need to be determined, but it has been decided that the maximum amount will be \$50, and it will be reimbursed after the regatta is attended. This year should be fun, as there will probably be a lot of new ideas raised at Board meetings.

I would like to mention a few more housekeeping items this month. Regarding dues payments, there are two options. You can pay \$25 each month, or you can pay an annual dues payment of \$275 and save \$25. You can switch from monthly payments to annual payments any month of the year. The only requirement is that you are current with your dues when you switch. Conversely, if you have been paying annually, you will be switched to monthly if you don't pay within two months of being billed.

If you become 90 days delinquent with your dues, you will receive a letter from me asking that you become current to avoid action by the Board. If you do not become current, the Board will send you a letter requesting payment within 15 days. If you do still do not become current, the Board may vote to suspend your membership. These steps are mandated by our bylaws, so they are not discretionary. If you receive these letters, please don't ignore them. We hate to lose good members.

If you choose to resign from KYC, please send written notice to Gail Corey. There are benefits to resigning in good standing versus just stopping paying your dues.

Until next month...
Janet Moyette

Membership Report

At the board meeting on February 12, 2009 the following new memberships were accepted:

Richard & Karen Dixon
16745 Sifford Court
Weed, CA 96094
Richard & Karen have a Keel 23 sailboat.

Ruth Johnson
P.O. Box 943
Merrill, OR 97633
Ruth has no boat but some of you know her as crew.

Gail Corey, membership chair

KYC Annual Sock Burning!

Friday, March 20th

6pm

Help us bring in the spring!!



“Yes, they burn their socks at the Equinox;
You might think that's peculiar, but I think it's not,
See, they're the same socks they put on last fall,
And they never took 'em off to wash 'em, not at all.”

From “Ode to the Sock Burners”

by Eastport Poet Laureate, Jefferson Holland 1995
(from <http://www.spinsheet.com/Images/PDF/Socks.pdf>)



**PO Box 1648
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*St. Patrick's Day Dinner
Saturday, March 14th*



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Official Notice of Race go to www.klamathyachtclub.org



TRANS-KLAM XXV
Saturday, June 6, 2009
Distance Approx. 48
miles

Twenty five years in the offering!
This race is one of the longest fresh water lake races offered in the Northwest. It covers the entire length of Klamath Lake, which is about 48 miles up and back. The race is ten to sixteen hours of widely varied wind, weather and water conditions with breathtaking scenery when there is time to enjoy it- pelicans included. This race can get rather grueling at times so be prepared. In past races, winds at the north end of Klamath Lake have been 20 knots with higher gusts.



TRANS-KLAM Multihull
Enduro
Saturday, June 6

*Race covers same water as the TRANS-KLAM but on a Multihull.

BOTH RACES SUBJECT TO 5 BOATS.
THINK ABOUT IT- This race won't happen if you don't register for it!



HALF-KLAM and
Multihull Overnight X
Saturday, June 20
and Sunday, June 21, 2009

FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND



This is the same race as the TRANS-KLAM ***BUT WITH A LAYOVER AT HARRIMAN SPRINGS FOR THE NIGHT.*** Where else would Dad want to be this weekend but sailing?! Saturday's race up the lake finishes for the day with individual BBQs. Can you carry a tune? Banjos and guitars often turn up around the campfire. Harriman Springs boasts Artesian springs and mare's eggs. This is "grown-up" camping at its best! We spend the night under the stars, on-board boats, in tents, in trailers. In the morning we race back down the lake to the Club.



FIRECRACKER
REGATTA
July 4 and 5, 2009

FRIDAY, July 3rd

"Green Midge" Race/s (NEW!)

Bar Open and Dinner

SATURDAY, July 4th

Skippers' Meeting - "On Call Racing"

Pit BBQ and Live Music

Fireworks on Lake Ewauna

SUNDAY, July 5th

"On Call Racing"

Awards Ceremony

Raffle Drawings and Pit BBQ Sandwiches



Make this 4th of July weekend exciting- with racing, friends, food, fireworks, and music! **If the wind's a-blowing we'll still be on the lake.**

Dinner will wait- Vince's famous Pit BBQ dinner will be served at two times, the second as good as the first.

AND if you are here on Friday, we're introducing the "Green Midge Race/s".

Why waste the afternoon wind? Let's sail!



Got regatta?

Yes! KYC hosts the annual Firecracker Regatta, July 4th and 5th. It's an event that lets the Club shine on the water and off, especially with out-of-town racers.

There are many ways to participate in this exciting weekend. Yes, it's about the racing, but it's also about friends, food, memories, and Club camaraderie! It's a Club event,

Whether you have talents to share on the water or skills to "make it work" ashore, **we need you!** And we can find you if we have to, but, hey, **volunteer now** and make it easier on us.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Grounds, Goodwill, Entertainment,
Food, Paperwork, Donations,
Sponsorships, On-Water
Contact Elizabeth Campbell
or Peggy Ricards



Super Bowl Party



(photos courtesy of Gerald Pollack)

E-Mail Event Notices

Please make sure Vince Wachter has your most up to date e-mail address and let him know if you aren't receiving the e-mails.

Also, if you prefer to get event notices by e-mail rather than phone, please make sure to send Vince your e-mail address at:

VinceKYC@aol.com



Jim Carpenter starts the new year with some patriotic pride!

Board Meeting



**Thursday
March 12th
7pm**

Notes from the Editor

I try to avoid putting in personal blurbs, but this month I wanted to add a few notes. I promise this won't be a regular thing!

First, I inadvertently left out recognition to Elizabeth Campbell last month for providing the wonderful Installation Dinner photos. Thanks, Elizabeth, and thanks to Steve for making sure I got the photos in time to go to the printer!

Second, thanks to Gerold Pollack and Stephanie Carpenter. They always provide great photos of our various events. I never have to ask for them to send the photos... they just do. By them taking their time to send photos, everyone gets to enjoy the events, even if you weren't able to attend.

And, last but not least... I wanted to thank the Club for the Super Bowl Party. It was great seeing that many people at a last-minute event that didn't include Scott Watters cooking or Marian Dortch's peppercorn sauce! Hopefully this will be the first of many well-attended events to come!

Thanks, Denise Strong