



Cathlamet Yacht Club
TELEGRAPH
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LATEST NEWS

ST PATRICK'S DAY DINNER MEETING

The St Patrick's Day Dinner meeting was held on Saturday Evening March 16 at the Puget Island Norse Hall. Corned Beef and Cabbage was provided by Commodore Jim Bucklin and Past Commodore Dave Scogin. Attendance was good and everyone had a great time. After Dinner and the business meeting, prospective new Member Chris Cournoyer gave a thrilling presentation about his around the world voyage attempt in his Out Island 41 sailboat. The voyage ended when he sailed the boat onto the beach in the Gulf of Aden where he had to be rescued by helicopter by armed US military personnel to prevent him from be accosted by Somali Pirates!

MEMORIAL DAY FESTIVITIES

This year's Memorial Day Event was extremely well attended with 10 boats from Longview Yacht Club and several from Astoria. Over 80 people purchased meal tickets for the full event. Friday night the weather was cold, windy, and damp, so the CYC dock party on E-dock and the LYC dock Party on F-dock were combined and moved into the pavilion. There were enough pot luck items that dinner at home after the party was optional, at least for me.

Saturday dawned with the arrival of dozens of sturgeon fishermen eager to launch their boats and roar off into the river at 5:00am for a special retention opening, so everyone was up bright and early. The weather was cold and drizzly again, so the Pancake breakfast cooked by the Bennetts and their helpers was well attended. In the afternoon the weather was too dreary for the blind dinghy race, so it was postponed until Sunday, but the Women's Spa event went on as scheduled. Dinner that night was Hamburgers and Hot Dogs prepared by Fritz Carmine, Bill Kostich, and Randy Weisberg, and Oysters on the half shell by Chuck Norton and Dave Scogin.

Sunday dawned sunny warm and bright, much to everyone's delight. Biscuits and gravy were prepared by the Carmines, the Bucklins, and the Scogins. The blind Dinghy race went off as rescheduled, and hilarity ensued. The sailing fleet went out for the sailboat race in the afternoon, but the fine weather didn't

include any wind, so nobody finished the race. Everyone enjoyed drifting along in the sunshine. Dinner Sunday night was grilled sockeye salmon filets and baked potatoes with more oysters.

Monday morning was a return to the cool drizzly weather we saw Friday and Saturday, but enthusiasm was not dampened and the breakfast of leftovers was well attended.



A Really Good Turnout



Drifting with the Current

AROUND THE RIVER

PUGET ISLAND BRIDGE

The Puget Island Bridge painting and deck replacement project is still underway but appears to be nearing completion. The painting is completed and the curbs are installed. The sidewalk is about half done, so paving should begin soon. Some full closures of the bridge may be necessary during paving. The ferry runs 24 / 7 during full bridge closures.

LOCAL DREDGING PROJECTS

Plans are in place for the Corp of Engineers to dredge Skamokawa Creek from the deep water at Steamboat Slough all the way to the State Route 4 Bridge and the Brooks Slough Bridge. The Corp has scheduled the Dredging for the first two weeks in August. Westport Slough is also permitted and scheduled for dredging around the same time.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FATHER'S DAY CRUISE

The Father's Day cruise will begin on June 15. Come and anchor in Westport Slough just past the launching ramp. Participants will meet at the Berry Patch Restaurant Saturday night at 5:30 for dinner. If you come by boat you can tie your dinghy to the launching ramp dock or if you come by car take the ferry or Highway 30 to the Berry Patch in Westport.

2019 EVENT SCHEDULE

The Board of director's has produced the following event schedule for 2019:

MEETINGS & EVENTS

July 20	Bald Eagle Days: Cathlamet
September 21	September Dinner meeting and Auction: Elochoman Marina Pavilion
November 16	November Dinner Meeting, Election of Officers: Norse Hall
January 25, 2020	Commodore's Ball

CLUB CRUISES

June 15	Father's Day Cruise: Westport Slough, Berry Patch Restaurant
July 13	Walker Island: Floating Dock, Walker Island Slough
August 24	Lois Island Cruise: Lois Island/John Day Channel

CROSSING THE BAR

Rear Commodore Lori Jo Orr crossed the bar for the last time on March 21, 2019 after a long battle with cancer. Her positive attitude and get-her-done approach to life will be sorely missed by all those who knew and worked with her. Our heartfelt condolences to her husband Michael Armstrong. At least a dozen CYC members attended her Celebration of Life in Oregon City Oregon. This year the Memorial Day Ducky Derby proceeds as well as the contents of the memorial contribution jar were donated to the National Cancer Foundation in her name. Thanks to everyone who participated.

MEMBERSHIP

New members are essential to any club, and this year has been a good one for growing the club. Thanks to our Membership Co-Chairmen Sharon Deaton and Kopi Carmine, as well as the members who sponsored our new members. Please encourage your friends to join our club. Contact Kopi or Sharon to get a membership application and info on how to apply.

RECIPROCITY

The CYC now has reciprocal privileges with over 90 yacht clubs in the northwest and Canada. Most of these provide a free night's stay if they have a marina, as well as access to their facilities, such as dining

room, bar, showers, etc. If you have a smart phone or tablet on your boat you can go to our website, www.cathlametyachtclub.org, click on “more options,” then click on “reciprocals.” This will redirect you to our page at “Yacht Destinations”. The “details” tab will be selected and you will see a list of the yacht clubs that welcome our members. Clicking the name of the club will bring up that club's website. “INFO” will bring up what that club offers in the way of facilities, guest moorage and much more. If you click the map icon you will get a google earth picture of exactly where that club is. If you choose the “Map” tab you will bring up a google earth satellite picture showing the location of all the clubs we have on our list. This is a cool feature if you are cruising in your boat and want to find a nearby yacht club to visit.

VOLUNTEERS

Please remember that the bylaws require members to volunteer for the club a minimum of three hours a year.

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Send me an ad if you have any items you would like to buy sell or trade.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Thanks to Beth Bailey for her contributions to this issue. Your contributions are very helpful to me. If you have any thing you would like to see appear in future newsletters, or if you have any news, pictures, or info you would like us to publish please submit them to Dean & Kopi Carmine: svmartharose@gmail.com