



Cathlamet Yacht Club
TELEGRAPH
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LATEST NEWS

LOIS ISLAND CRUISE

This year's Lois Island Cruise was held on the weekend of August 25. Unfortunately, the weather was not very encouraging that weekend, so only David Kuo's Crescendo, Dave Scogin's White Bear, and the Cantata from Astoria Yacht Club anchored out. Fritz Carmine dropped in for the afternoon in his newly restored skiff the Slough Navigateur.

SUMMER MEETING AND AUCTION

This year's auction was held on September 22, which was actually the first day of Autumn. Jim Bucklin chaired the event and organized a nice salmon dinner. After dinner Brian McClain acted as auctioneer again this year. He is a very skilled auctioneer and makes sure each donated item goes for a good price. The club netted \$1364 for the evening, a nice addition to the already healthy club bank account. Jim Bucklin wants to thank all the volunteers who worked hard to make the event a success, as well as all the good cooks who made the meal so delicious.

NOVEMBER DINNER MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

This year's dinner featured grilled bratwursts cooked up in a three stage process by Fritz Carmine, new member Brian Taylor, and applicant for membership Brian Nicholson. As usual, the pot luck goodies everyone brought made for a delicious meal. Attendance was great with over 40 people; we even had to set up an extra table! After the dinner the new slate of club officers was approved by the membership. Dean Carmine gave a short presentation about a seminar he attended about recovering a person who is in the water.



New members Brian Taylor and Brian Nicholson



Enjoying the Brians' Brats

The new officers to be installed at the Commodore's Ball will be:

- COMMODORE: JIM BUCKLIN
VICE COMMODORE: FRITZ CARMINE
REAR COMMODORE: LORI JO ORR
PAST COMMODORE: DAVE SCOGIN
DIRECTORS: DAVE SCOGIN
RANDY BAILEY
MICHAEL ARMSTRONG
RICHARD TRACHI
TREASURER: SHARON DEATON
SECRETARY: POSITION NOT FILLED

The secretary position is an important one and we need a volunteer to take over from Kopi Carmine who is retiring after the Commodore's Ball. Remember, this is the 21st century, so the secretary does not have to be a woman.

AROUND THE RIVER

BRIDGE CLOSURES

The Puget Island Bridge is still being painted and the deck is being replaced. Traffic is one way with a red light "flagger" until the painting is done. The bridge will be closed to all traffic from 9:00pm til 5:00am Sunday through Thursday nights until the deck work is completed. The ferry will run at night during the night closures so that Island residents can get home or leave the island. If you go to the WSDOT website or google Puget Island Bridge you can get current closure updates and sign up for e-mail notifications of any changes to the closures.

DREDGING

The Elochoman Slough Dredge is currently working in the entrance channel in front of the main parking lot. The spoils hose is submerged so you can get by.

UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMODORE'S BALL

The 2019 Commodore's Ball will be held at the Kelso Red Lion Hotel on January 26. This is one of my favorite events of the year. Before the ball there is a cocktail hour in the Commodore's hotel suite. We will again have Randy Weisberg's Jazz band playing dance music. Dinner will be served, there will be a short meeting and the new officers will be installed, and it looks like we will have a candidate for the Bent Rudder Award this year. Many members reserve a room at the hotel for that night, and the hotel will have a block of rooms ready for us. Sunday morning the group congregates in the Breakfast Room for a nice get together before everyone heads out. All this for only \$35.00! Don't miss it.

MEMBERSHIP

We have three couples who have been approved for membership.

Brian Taylor and Deanna Dailey are new members this year. They have a home in Tacoma and own a 21-foot bayliner. Many of you will recognize Brian as the man who cooked the Brisket for St Patrick's Day and the bratwursts for the November meeting.

Wayne Low and Cherry Ann Kolbensschlag live in a floating home in Bridgeton Oregon. They own 2 boats, a Catalina 22 called Wingman and a 15' Whaler.

Brian and Lindsay Nicholson live in Vancouver and are currently between boats.

Thanks to Rich Trachi, Michael Armstrong and Fritz Carmine for this nearly 10% increase in membership.

COMMODORE'S CORNER

I would like to thank all those who turned out for the November meeting. You made it a great meeting. Dean gave an excellent presentation about man-overboard recovery, and a lively discussion afterwards certainly highlighted safety at sea. The club is blessed to have so many members with experience and willingness who we can call upon to give a talk about their subjects. Just about everybody turned out for the cleanup party afterwards, and many hands made light work of getting the hall ship-shape. And of course we cannot forget all of those who came early and warmed up the place, decorated the tables, and worked in the kitchen to pull this off. Great job by all: Thank You.

I asked the members of the board and officers to stand, then had former officers and board members stand, to show our appreciation for their dedication to the club. We have several members that are helping out the club as new members. Lori Jo Orr is a good example of someone who has come into the club recently, has taken a position on the board, and now is moving up to Rear Commodore. We want to encourage new members to participate on the board or in the officer rotation to help give us a better perspective of what prospective new members are looking for in a yacht club.

We still have two positions as of this writing that need to be filled. One is Secretary and the second is Treasurer. Sharon Deaton is looking for someone to work with her this coming year and take over from her the following year. So please, if you haven't had the opportunity to serve the club in this way, please step forward and help these fine ladies find replacements.

One of the things people in the club stated was important to them on the survey that David Kuo put out this year was social activities. We have the Commodore's Ball coming up on January 26. I would like all the club members to attend and bring another couple, perhaps prospective new members or family and friends. The more the merrier. Make sure and RSVP as soon as possible after the invitations are sent out.

As my year as Commodore comes to a close, I want to thank all those who helped navigate this club through the great year we've had. I could not do it without the help of the officers and board members who have been so instrumental in providing the volunteer help that makes our club work.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Commodore's Ball, where I will hand over the flag and ceremonial sword to Jim Bucklin, and step down to the position of Past Commodore. I will still be here in the coming year serving on the board, and trying to help where I can.

Commodore Dave Scogin

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.

The usual volunteer sign up sheets did not get distributed this year at the November meeting, so please keep in mind what you would like to help with next year. We will distribute the sheets at the Commodore's Ball.

BUY / SELL / TRADE

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

CONTRIBUTIONS

Thanks Gerry Keller, and Dave Scogin for their 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