

## OAK HARBOR YACHT CLUB

## **NEWSLETTER**

### **AUGUST 2016**



#### FROM THE COMMODORE



Wow, what a week it was! Whidbey Island Race Week went well. We had great participation from our Members who gave their time and efforts to make OHYC an excellent host. From the feedback, the sailors and Race Week owners appreciate our efforts and hospitality.

We had several areas of improvement compared to last year. Our accounting system was much improved thanks to LoriBeth making some changes in how we collected the data. Last year the POS system was brand new and we were on a steep learning curve. Moving the apparel sales to a tent in the park gave us much better exposure to the sailors so sales of Club Ship's Store items and Race Week apparel were better. Fewer boats participated and we do not know how we did financially, but I am sure we did well as our labor costs were excellent (0) because of our Members. You make this possible.

In summary, we make the sailors happy, we help our bottom line, we get to know our fellow Members better and we make memories for life. Thank you to all who participated; you did a wonderful job!

On to the furnace replacement project. The ad hoc maintenance committee reviewed the bids and made their recommendations. The Board approved the purchase of one furnace from Barron Heating to replace the furnace for the upstairs. The other furnace is still functional and there is little savings for replacing both at the same time. Be sure to buy your ticket to the Crab Funder set for August 3 to help fund the new furnace and enjoy a good crab dinner.

We have had a signup sheet up for an August cruise to the Canadian Gulf Islands. Karen and I will lead one route starting on August 12. See the proposed schedule on the hall board. We have 4 boats signed up so far. Looking forward to some extended time on the water. If you are not with us, see you dockside in September.

Bob Nelson

# UPCOMING EVENTS FOR AUGUST

- 3 Crab FUNDer night
- 6 Movie Night
- 12-28 Gulf Islands Cruise
- 16 Board Meeting

Sept. 2-5 Sidney Marina Cruise

Plus Wednesday Night BBQ, Poker 1st, 3rd Wednesdays Thursday Races (1800) Friday Burger Nights



#### AT THE HELM



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### FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

It took a village, but the 34th Whidbey Island Race Week was great fun and successful for the OHYC. This annual week of sailboat racing is a huge endeavor for our Club to host, but also a great opportunity to earn revenue that helps with the bottom line. Thank you, thank you, to all the Members who volunteered hours and hours to help with the multiple facets of this event. Sailors had a great time and are planning on returning for WIRW 2017, July 10-14.

There are not enough words of thanks to our Yacht Club volunteers who stepped up and provided numerous volunteer hours in cooking and serving meals, selling apparel, providing security, and greeting sailors with a smile. Special thanks to Race Week Chair, Cheryl Jandzinski, who pulled the whole week together with the help of the dedicated committee chairs and their volunteers. Thank you to Lori Beth and her staff for their efforts in extending a warm welcome to our sailor guests.

This year the boats came from as far away as Lake Tahoe, California to north of Vancouver, B.C. The bands for the evening parties were the backdrop for the racing stories, and the sailors' camaraderie. The beauty of the area, the competition in Penn Cove and the warm, week-long hospitality of the OHYC Members are reasons the Pacific Northwest sailors come to WIRW year after year.

Our numbers are not yet available, but with the volunteers providing the muscle, we should do well. We know we did well with our nightly meals and our Ship's Store merchandise.

Looking forward to August, the Crab Funder is scheduled for August 3. It will help offset the cost of a new furnace. I'm sure you will hear more about the recommendations as to what we should do from the ad hoc committee in place headed by Rear Commodore Peggy Burton.

Thank you again!

Avis Berney

Vice Commodore

# HOSPITALITY AND CARE

Please notify me or the Club if you know of a Club Member who may need help or support due to injury, illness, or death in the family.

You may also contact a Bridge member or manager Lori Beth.

Janice Mitchell janicemitchell614@gmail.com



#### FROM THE REAR COMMODORE



The 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Whidbey Island Race Week has just finished and I want to extend our deepest gratitude to Whidbey Island Race Week LLC, Schelleen Rathkopf, Charley Rathkopf, the Race Week Advisory Board which includes our own Avis Berney and Byron Skubi, the Event Staff and the Event Partners. It was a fantastic week and so much fun! I am so proud of our OHYC Volunteers who stepped up to prepare for this event at our Yacht Club. Cheryl Jandzinski did a terrific job managing our Club's logistics and organizing teams of volunteers. Our Members who volunteer must know how valuable their hours are to our Club. We simply could not host this event without our dedicated Member volunteers.

The nightly Dinner Crews worked very hard and it was a blast again this year serving as "salad girl" and "food server" in the Galley. Volunteering on a dinner crew can be very hard work, but lots of fun. The Salmon Dinner prepared by Lord Nelson and his ace team of grill men, George Saul, Mel Hulet and Mike White delivered the goods. The Mussels prepared by Dan Wright and J.J. Jones were phenomenal, selling out again on Monday night. The Pig Roast dinner on Tuesday was a record breaker, selling out at 160 dinners served. Karen Nelson's Thursday night Jerk Chicken Dinners were so spicy and delicious – "Mo Hotta, Mo Betta!" Ted and Paula Mihok ~ two essential ingredients in the Galley for good fun and great food! The BBQ Grill headed by John Kingsbury and Co. and John Upah, once again served up hundreds of burgers and brats to the faithful sailors who return each year in search of the "Best Burger on Puget Sound." Many thanks to the breakfast crew for getting up early each day of Race Week to serve the hungry Racing Crews. Our Shelley Stiles managed the Bar as an event staffer at the party on the lawn and she did an incredible job with her team, no doubt serving thousands of beverages to the daily post-race party-goers. Sincere thanks to our Security and Hospitality teams as well.

Apparel did an amazing job and I am so glad I purchased my long sleeve WIRW tee before they were all sold out. The Apparel tent set-up out on the lawn was very popular and lots of sailors and OHYC Members enjoyed shopping for their favorite OHYC and Race Week togs. Virginia Cooley and Linda Flomerfelt and their crew did a terrific job. Our General Manager, Lori Beth Ward, worked diligently to see that all operations worked smoothly behind the scenes at the Clubhouse with cashiers, food services and liquor sales.

Congratulations also to the fabulous "Team Gadzooks" who won the Crab Cake Cook-off for the second year in a row. The trophy is on display at the OHYC bar.

The Oak Harbor Yacht Club can be very proud as the Event Host for Whidbey Island Race Week and look forward to celebrating this grand yacht racing tradition again next year. Save-the-date! Whidbey Island Race Week runs July 10 through July 14, 2017! Registration opens January 1.

Don't forget to purchase your tickets to Crab Funder, coming-up Wednesday, August 3 at the Club. Tickets are selling fast. It's going to be a great party and your ticket proceeds will help offset the cost of replacing our aging heating system.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Peggy Burton, Rear Commodore, Marketing Committee Chair



SEPTEMBER
NEWS DEADLINE
AUGUST 18



Ahoy Members ~ we have one of the most beautiful Yacht Clubs on Puget Sound, but our Clubhouse is aging and we need to install a new furnace to heat our Club. So we are hosting a 'Fund' raiser dinner party to help off -set the cost. Join us for a delicious Crab dinner, Jimmy Buffet favorites, fresh local fare and signature cocktails upstairs.

Dessert Auction · Raffle Prizes · Auction Hems!

# Erab Funder Menu:

Iceally Caught Dungeness Crab

Ted Mihok's Gourmet Vodka Sauce & Pasta

Spring Mix Salad & Crusty Garlie Bread

Dessert Auction with local Berries



## Oak Harbor Yacht Club Port of Sidney Cruise Sept 2 - 5

## **Hosted by Bruce and La Rae Brown**





One of the best destinations, at one of the best times of the cruising season. Great local foods and shopping. Easy access to Victoria and Butchart Gardens This cruise will be well attended. Let Bruce and LaRae or Mark Buchholz know if you plan to attend. A sign up sheet is posted at the Club.

Bruce and LaRae. <u>Laraebrown@hotmail.com</u>
Mark Buchholz. <u>Mvislandsunset@gmail.com</u>

<u>Important! Please call Port of Sidney Marina to make your slip reservation at</u>
250-655-3711

# WHIDBEY ISLAND RACE WEEK 2016

A great big **THANK YOU!** ...to many of you who stepped forward and chaired the various committees and to you, as volunteers; it was all of you who made this event successful year after year!

On behalf of the OHYC Bridge, the Board, Members and I, we appreciate your countless hours, commitment, enthusiasm and professionalism! We have heard great comments of thanks and appreciation from the organizers, many of the boat owners and their families, their crews, sponsors and from the Marina.





In looking forward to next year, I would welcome comments on how we can better serve the WIRW Owners, Racers & Guests, Race Committees, Sponsors, etc. Along with comments or suggestions, please send along well thought-out solutions. Please email me at cjandzinski@comcast.net

## It was a special week!



Didn't get enough of Race Week 2016? Here is your chance to get involved...I am looking for a well-organized, enthusiastic, professional, teamwork oriented Co-Chair for 2017!

Thank you,

Cheryl Jandzinski, WIRW 2016 Chair





## UPCOMING AUGUST EVENTS:

- 3 CRAB FUNDer
- 6 Movie Night

## **OUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE:**

## Offers of help, suggestions, questions:

Karen Nelson, chair knelson2007@gmail.com

Kathy Jones Lynn Bixler

Sheri Blessing Carole & Mike Rowe

Myra Mills Linda Latham
Bea Hansen Christine Bower

Questions or Reservations: call 360-675-1314 or email: theyachtclub@comcast.net

August is finding a lot of us out on our boats. But before you leave, spend Saturday, August 6 with us as Movie Night returns! This month it's A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM, a 1962 musical comedy. As a Broadway production it won Tonys for Best Actor, Best Musical, Best Supporting Actor, Best Director and Best Book. A real blockbuster. Come in your togas and join the fun!

Don't forget the Crab Funder on August 3. Let's pay for the new furnace and have a great dinner together!



WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3

**UPSTAIRS** 

5:00 Social 6:30 Dinner



Saturday night
Movies
August 6

"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum"



# Boating News

### SAIL FLEET

Bill Weinsheimer Sail Fleet Captain ohsailfleet@gmail.com



OHYC was well represented at Whidbey Island Race Week with 4 boats: Gadzooks, Lucky Jim, Sling Shot, and Yeah Dogg. Yeah Dogg (Chad Holcomb) placed 2nd in his fleet for the week. Way to go, Chad and crew (Shannon Holcomb, Arthur Holcomb, Erik Mann, and Max Van Dam).

Thursday night buoy racing continues through mid-September, so if you are interested in bringing your sailboat out to see what it's all about, come on out. Boats leave the docks around 5:00, and the first race starts at 6:00.

The Scott Cline Memorial Regatta is scheduled for October 1-2. It's a great wrap-up to the sailing season, with buoy races on Saturday and a distance race to Baby Island on Sunday. Registration will be out in August.

Bill

	2016 CRUISE SCHEDULE		
DATES	LOCATION	CAPTAIN	
Aug 12-28	Canadian Gulf Islands	Mitchell	
Sept 2-5	Labor Day to Sidney	Bruce/LaRae Brown	
Oct 1-2	Chilly Chili Cruise to Everett	Williford	
Dec 3	Lighted Boat Parade	Skubi	

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Don't forget To check out Reciprocal Moorage.

## WIRW Sportsmanship-Oak Harbor Youth Sailing

If you haven't heard yet, I wanted to let you know about a cool thing that happened at the end of Race Week this year. Phil Wise was a sailor who was on our WIRW Advisory Board and sailed regularly during Race Week on White Cloud. Last year, right after Race Week had ended, Phil died suddenly and unexpectedly of a brain hemorrhage. The Race Week organizers decided to start an annual sportsmanship award for WIRW in Phil's name.

OHYC Member John Hudson offered his boat, Gopher Baroque, to be the finish line boat for this year's WIRW, as he has in the past. In the final race of this year's regatta, White Cloud managed to hit Gopher Baroque as she was crossing the finish line, putting a gash in her side. After the boats returned to the dock, John had a discussion with Steve Johnson, the owner of White Cloud, and John offered that he would do the repair himself in exchange for Steve donating \$250 to Oak Harbor Youth Sailing! Steve readily agreed to this proposal.

On account of this magnanimous gesture by John, the Race Week organizers awarded the first annual Phil Wise WIRW Sportsmanship Award to John Hudson. It is things like this that make Race Week so special to our sailing community.

## **Oak Harbor Youth Sailing**

There is still time and a couple of beginning classes available for youth sailing lessons.

Parents and grandparents can register youth for lessons by going to the website: <a href="www.oakharboryouthsailing.org">www.oakharboryouthsailing.org</a> and download the forms. Registration is on a first come, first served basis with completed forms and class fees paid. You can register on-line and then send fees to OHYS, P O Box 2876, Oak Harbor, WA 98277



Sailing is a great life-long sport. Youth classes teach sailing skills and boating safety. The following classes are still open for registrations. Classes are held at the Oak Harbor Yacht Club and the Oak Harbor Marina:

Sail Camp 3 - Beginning-July 25 - 29;

Sail Camp 5 - Intermediate/Opti July 28 - 22;

Sail Camp 6 - Advanced/Double Handed - July 25 - 29.

The fee for the beginning classes is \$185 per child, per session. The fee for the intermediate and advanced classes is \$150. Class times for beginning classes is from 11:00 AM - 4:30 PM; and for the intermediate and advanced classes are from 5:00 - 8:00 PM. Successful completion of a beginning class will qualify youths to take the intermediate classes. Successful completion of the intermediate class will qualify youths to take the advanced class.

For further information, email Avis Berney at <u>islander1569@comcast.net</u>

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### **BUCCANEER NOTES**

## **NEW STUFF NEEDED!!!**

## Attention!!! All Members!!!

As the philanthropic arm of this wonderful Club, we rely on your generous support by accepting your gently used and "of value" donations to make the **Buccaneer Treasure Night** a success. We then, can continue our growing efforts to help several local charities throughout the year and by hosting the Annual Kid's Fishing Derby. Please remember us when you are doing your Spring Cleaning and or decluttering.



Thank you VERY MUCH!

(We will pick up items if needed. Call Therese or John Kingsbury)

NOTE: The Buccaneers (now recruiting)...



#### **MEMBERSHIP NOTES & NEWS**

#### **Please Welcome Our New Members**

John D. Kemp, Oak Harbor Sponsor: Bob Nelson
Lynn Kastner, Oak Harbor Sponsor: Maria Litrenta

James "Jim" Busard and Laura Proctor, Oak Harbor Sponsors: Jason & Joy Brent Jim & Janis Dyment, Clinton, WA Sponsors: Gerald Suminski, Bob Lundstrom



## **Pending New Members July**

Jason & Tina Joiner, Coupeville Sponsor: Bill Walker

Terry L. & Patricia A Sparks, Oak Harbor Sponsors: Tugg & Joann Thomson

Paul & Shirley Evans, Oak Harbor Sponsor: Betty Acord

Be sure to check out the Member Spotlight bulletin board.

Total Number of Active Certificates: 190



## Join Us for Texas Hold'em

Texas Hold'em is without a doubt the most popular form of poker played in the United States today. The game originated in Robstown, Texas, and by 1925 was popular in Dallas. In 1967 a group of Texas poker players, including legendary Doyle Brunson and Amarillo Slim, recognized the potential of the game and introduced it to a wider audience in Las Vegas. Benny Binion,



colorful owner of the Horseshoe Casino, began the World Series of Poker in 1970, and the event was a huge success. That helped increase the popularity of poker, and today the WSOP draws thousands of entrants, and most of the events are variations of Texas Hold'em.

You don't have to travel to Las Vegas or Texas to participate in this history-making game; there's Texas Hold'em being played at the Oak Harbor Yacht Club the first and third Wednesday of each month, starting promptly at 7:00 PM. Sign-up sheets are posted in the back hallway, and players are selected from the first eight members to sign up. It's not just for the guys--all members, male or female, are welcome to play. New to the game? If you have a basic understanding of poker, we'll teach you the rest. The game is sometimes described as "requiring minutes to learn and a lifetime to master." The buy-in is \$20, so possible losses are limited, and you have a good chance of being one of four players to split the winnings pool. So, sign up to-day, and join us for the Texas Hold'em shuffle-up and deal! **1st & 3rd Wednesdays 7 pm** 



## Fall 2016 Boating Education



The Deception Pass Sail & Power Squadron, in partnership with Oak Harbor Yacht Club, will be presenting two courses this fall of interest to new and experienced boaters.



America's Boating Course, the basic boating education course, will be presented in two sessions in the upstairs ballroom of the Yacht Club. This course is intended as an introduction to boating. The first half will be held from 9AM to 3PM on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> and the second half at the same times on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. The cost of the class, payable to the Deception Pass Sail & Power Squadron, will be \$50 per student. Spouses or partners sharing a book will pay an additional \$20. Successfully passing the final examination will qualify students for the Washington State Boater's Education Card issued by Parks and Recreation.

The subject matter includes basic boat handling, safety considerations, Federal and State equipment and safety requirements and nautical rules of the road. Contact Steppe Williford (<a href="mailto:steppen@frontier.com">steppen@frontier.com</a>) for registration and reservations.

The Marine Electrical Systems Course will be offered by Deception Pass Sail & Power Squadron on Thursday nights beginning on September 15<sup>th</sup> and running to November 10<sup>th</sup>. The class will be conducted from 6PM to 8PM each night at the First United Methodist Church, 1050 SE Ireland St, Oak Harbor. This course is presented in seven chapters that start with an explanation of what electricity is, followed by discussions on boat electrical wiring, DC and AC electrical systems, galvanic and stray current corrosion, lightning protection, and ends with troubleshooting of boat electrical problems. Cost of the class to non-members of the Power Squadron will be \$60 and an additional \$30 for spouses or partners sharing material. If you are interested in attending this class please contact Steppe Williford (Squadron Educational Officer) and sign up not later than August 31. Email Steppe at <a href="mailto:steppe@frontier.com">steppe@frontier.com</a>.

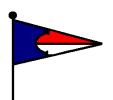
America's Boating Course: Saturday, Sept. 10 9am-3pm Part 1

Saturday, Sept. 17 9am-3pm Part 2

Marine Electrical Systems Course: Thursdays Starting Sept. 15, 6pm-8pm 7 sessions.



# August 2016



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Crab Funder	4 Sail Races 6 pm	5 Burger Night	6 Movie Night
7	8	9	10 Steak, Chicken Salmon BBQ Reserve By Noon	11 Sail Races 6 pm	12 Burger Night Begin Gulf Islands Cruise 8/12-28	13
14	15	16 Board Meeting 5:30	17 Steak, Chicken Salmon BBQ Reserve By Noon *** Poker 7 pm	18 Sail Races 6 pm	19 Burger Night	20
21	22	23	24 Steak, Chicken Salmon BBQ Reserve By Noon	25 Sail Races 6 pm	26 Burger Night	27
28	29	30	31 Steak, Chicken Salmon BBQ Reserve By Noon	CLUB CLOSED SUNDAY-TUESDAY  OPEN WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY  4:00-10:00PM  CLUB CLOSES EARLY IF NO ONE THERE  HOURS MAY VARY FOR SPECIAL EVENTS		

## **OAK HARBOR YACHT CLUB CALENDAR 2016**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Club Events*</u>		
Wed. August 3rd	Crab FUNDer Night		
Sat. August 6th	Movie Night		
Fri Aug 12-28,	Gulf Island Cruise		
Fri Sep 2-5,	Labor Day Cruise		
Sat. Sept 3rd	Movie Night		
Sat Sep 17,	Grits& Grins (Southern & Western theme) Social		
Sat Oct 1-2	Chilly Chili Cruise		
Sat Oct 1-2	Scott Cline Memorial Race		
Sat Oct 8th	Nomination Dinner Meeting		
Sat Oct 15	Music & Magic Returns		
Sat. Oct. 22	Buccaneers Bayou Night Fund raiser		
Mon. Oct 31	Halloween Monday Night Football		
Sat. Nov.5th	Movie Night		
Sat Nov 12,	Election dinner Meeting		
Nov. 23, 24, 25	CLOSED		
Sat Dec 3,	Lighted Boat Parade		
Sat Dec 10,	Commodore's Ball		
Dec 24	CLOSED		
Dec 31	New Year's Social		
Recurring openings & meetings	Board of Directors meeting: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month 5:30 PM Open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday (4PM- 10PM) Monday Night Football in season		

#### Oak Harbor Yacht Club

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#### **CLUB RESERVATION POLICY**

Tickets must be purchased for all events. Pay at the Club

or by phone with a credit card.

Oak Harbor Yacht Club P.O. Box 121 Oak Harbor, WA 98277

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