



Dates to
Remember

September
12 Social/
Business meeting
(Brame's Yard)

16 Commodores
Race and Social

October
21 Change of
Watch

Keep up to date !

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The Barnacle

Commodore's Corner

Commodore Alan Riley

Hello everyone and I hope you are enjoying the summer weather as much as I have been.

I have been lucky to participate in several of the Thursday evening races with Dwight and Krista on Frolic. Whilst the conditions have been frustrating at times the sailing has been great fun and it is wonderful to be out on the water enjoying the racing. The flyers on the dock gates (thanks Tom) are working and we have had several people join us for Thursday races. It all helps promote TTPYC and the joys of sailing.

I have been busy on Pendragon and redone the anti-skid on the decks, installed a container for the propane bottles, and made a canvas shade shelter. My new dingy, Crikey, now has the name affixed and I have installed an additional seat in the rear. As well I am helping a friend repair his wooden dingy and today we shaped and dry fit new bottom skins. Lots of fun activity.

I saw the photo of Sisi with Dean and Tom aboard rounding Fastnet Rock and I believe they have now finished safely. I am eager to hear more about the race, perhaps at our next Angelos session?

Early in August I will be appointing a nominating committee to solicit nominations for officer and trustee vacancies for the upcoming year. We will need to work through the process of nominating candidates, the September membership meeting, voting, validating etc. in time to install successful candidates at the Change of Watch in October. Stay tuned for news of this activity.

Stay safe on the water,

Alan



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Social Committee
Ray and Debra Valpey
Co-Chairs

Second Tuesday Social/ Educational/ Scuttlebutt Soiree

Our next Social/Educational gathering will double as our
Annual General Membership Business meeting.

Lat/Lon: The Brames' back yard.
22003 10th Ave S, Des Moines

- Happy Hour Chronological point: Tuesday, September 12, 1700 hrs. (ie: 5 PM)
- Details re: food 'n such: To be disclosed in September's Barnacle.

Also, we need a pretty good microphone system for this event. If you have one we could borrow, please contact Ray or Debra.

Important Planning:

SAVE THE DATE for the annual

formal Change-of-Watch: Saturday,

October 21, 2023

See you there!

Ray & Debra Valpey

Social/Education Chairs



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Racing News

Dwight Motz Race Fleet Captain

Ross Chamberlain, Assistant Race Fleet Captain

My father was a sailor and lake racer who prided himself in getting his Penguin dinghy to move even at the lightest of wind conditions. His favorite saying was "there is never a lack of wind, just a lack of patience." As his 9-year-old crew, I would spend countless race days positioned on the lee rail giving the boat that perfect 10 degree heel to keep the sail shaped to catch any breathe of air. I would watch the dandelion fuzzies float by in the water with my Dad coaching "Be very still Dwight, we have good boat speed."



This exercise in self-control was not easy for a 9-year-old boy but I learned that if I was a good crew on Sunday, I would have a much easier time when I screwed up at Catholic school. The other side benefit of Sunday racing was that I got to skip mass and then promise my Mom that I would tell the priest in confession that I missed mass because I was helping my Dad.

Flash forward to our Summer Racing Series and I frequently longed for the feathery light weight and simplicity of that Penguin. Racing a 9-ton keeled sailboat in ultra-light and variable wind conditions was far more frustrating. We would start a race with nice fresh breezes and good boat speed and then the pack would hit the black hole of A mark and we would end up bobbing in the current going backwards wondering if we could avoid drifting into the mark or the rocks of the jetty.

But that is racing in the South Puget Sound. Congratulations To Chris Caudill and crew of **Solitaire** as their patience and boat handling skills made them a consistent PHRF class winner. Also want to thank Philip Norton aboard **Seabiscuit** and Michael Hamilton aboard **Amidala** who graciously volunteered their time and effort in providing us Race Committee functions in June and July.

It's hard to believe it's already August and our club racing season is winding down. It's been a fun spring and summer as our race fleet has slowly grown to include nine regular boats showing up for our Thursday Night series.

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However, we do have one more racing event and that is the Commodore's Trophy race scheduled for Saturday, September 16. After the race we would like to have a Club social event, the details of which are soon to follow. We will have two classes for this event, a PHRF class and a Cruising class. Please note that to compete in the PHRF class a boat must have an official PHRF NW rating. Boats without the PHRF-NW official rating may compete in the cruising class.

Keep your sails full and see you on the water.

Rolex Fastnet Race

Many of us followed the race as it was happening. Very exciting! Tom wrote daily entries on his facebook page and it seems like the first day was pretty tough. We can't wait to hear the stories!

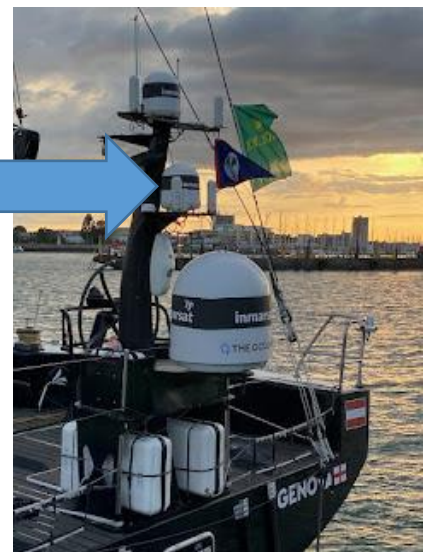
Dean has fired up our EQUUS blog that we have made for our big trips. This time it will not be about a boat trip but about the EQUUS crew doing the delivery to and the Fastnet Race. The link is below and it is still active.

<http://www.equus60919.com>

Here are some photos from the blog.



Rounding Fastnet Rock at dawn!



TTPYC goes to Fastnet!

Here is a link to a fantastic video that Tom posted of the race:

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/6993171650712649?sfnsn=mo&mibextid=gq7zp7>

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Cruising News

Steve and Janet Sisson, Co-Chairs

We are almost through the club's cruising schedule.

Steve and Janet Sisson

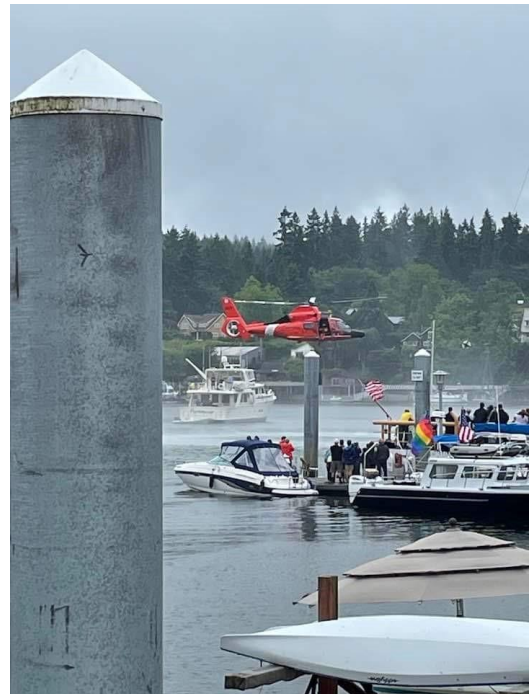
Here is our Remaining 2023 Cruising Schedule.

- Longbranch, September 8,9,and 10
This is our last organized cruise of the year. It will be to Fluicy Bay and the Longbranch Marina. The Valpeys will be our hosts. More information in the September Barnacle.

Bainbridge Island City Dock Cruise

We had a good turnout for our Bainbridge Island City Dock cruise back on June 9th and 10th. The weather could have been better, but you just never know in the month of June. Friday evening, we had a wine tasting event on Brigadoon, participants were given a score sheet to rate the wines provided by club members. Prizes were given to the first, second and third best wines. Saturday the Coast Guard provided a tour of one of their boats which was docked at the City dock, also a helicopter rescue demonstration at the end of the pier which was great to watch.

Saturday evening, we had our usual potluck on the dock. Boats that attended this year were: Hobbs, Amazing Grace, Too Fat to Fly, Frolic, Pendragon, Joyce Marie, Rumb Runner, Les Chevaux Blancs, Prime Meridian, Brigadoon and new members Michael Hamilton and Susan Barnhart on Amidala and the Rice's on Airloom.



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*Ted and Linda Stryker, Chair
Membership Chairs*

Our best way to recruit new members is through our members talking with fellow boaters. Direct them to our website ttypc.org and they can find a membership application under the home tab/joining.

To learn more about our club go to our facebook is <https://www.facebook.com/ttypc> .

Member News

If you have news you want to share with members (think new grandchildren, addresses, boats, jobs, retirements, trips and/ or great photos of a trip, etc.) Just let us know. Email your announcement to Kristie, the Barnacle editor, K6352@aol.com Also remember to talk with new boaters on the dock. The best way to find new members is through conversations with our members.

Membership Outreach

Council Advisory Committee

Congratulations to Kersten Hubbard on her appointment to the Des Moines Council Advisory Committee representing marina tenants. As the council moves forward on the redevelopment of the marina, we are proud to have a TTPYC member representing our interests!

Outreach to Young Sailors/ Boaters

Our Yacht Club is considering how we can use some Club funds to further support getting more young people connected to boating, and would like ideas from others in the club. Perhaps a "day on the boats" with our club hosting the kids from the Maritime High School, or perhaps a scholarship to sailing lessons, or a service project done jointly? Lots of ideas.

If you have thoughts on how we can further boating and club membership, please contact Doug Andrews or Linda Stryker with your ideas.

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Market Place

This is a section for the benefit of our members. If you have something boat related to sell or trade, or a service to recommend, just send the info to Kristie at K6352@aol.com and we will place it in this section each month. Remember... this is for members only!

News Flash from the Ship's Store: If you want to order custom embroidered clothing, a TTPYC Store has been set up. Visit this website: <http://gramsgiftcloset.com/team-and-company-stores/three-tree-point-yacht-club-flag>. Janet Sisson 206-724-4792

Burgees for sale.

Is it time to replace your tattered and faded burgee? If so, contact me so we can meet. Writing a check to TTPYC speeds up the sale. Small costs \$23.75 Large costs \$27.75

REPLACEMENT NAME BADGES

Did you loose your club name badge?
Did you change boats or boat names?
Or, do you just want to replace your current name badges with the club's new style of name badges? You can order new ones by contacting Tom Hubbard at: thubbard84@msn.com
The cost of new name badges is \$8.30 each.



Need a new dinghy or a fun small boat?

Achilles LSI-310E Sport Tender inflatable (10' 2"). Brand new, never touched water. All accessories. Gray. \$2700.00. Contact Sandy Haigh 360-920-2732



Boat For Sale

Longtime member, Jerry Stephenson, has moved to Florida (Margaritaville!) and is selling his boat, Margo, a 33 foot Delphia. Delphia Yachts was founded in Poland in 1990. The quality of the construction and fit and finish are evident and exemplary. The cabinetry is outstanding due to the excellent Polish workmanship. The spars are from Selden with double spreaders and all running rigging led to the cockpit. All Lewmar self-tailing two speed winches were upgrades from the stock boat as well as a folding Volvo three blade propellor in place of the included two blade stock propeller. A windlass with 180' of chain and a Bruce anchor serve as ground tackle. Jerry, the

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current and only owner of this 2007 Delphia 33, purchased it from Admiralty Sailboats in Tacoma. S/V Margo has won many races due to its fine design and build and has served as a wonderful, safe cruising boat throughout the Puget Sound, Straits of Georgia, and all areas between. It is unusual for a sailboat of this size to have two separate staterooms. Another nice feature is the dinette with a double seat opposite that can use the saloon table.

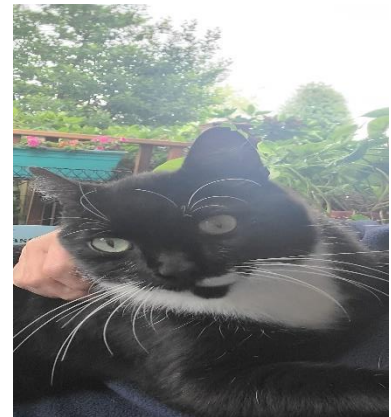


The boat was hauled September 2022 and had the bottom and rudder sanded to the gelcoat and painted with three coats of anti-fouling paint. The hull and decks were also polished. The sail inventory includes a full battened main with stack pack, two roller furling Genoas one of which is a rarely used, laminated 135% genoa. A rarely used Asymmetric Spinnaker and a never used carbon fiber spinnaker pole are included.

Extras

Meet Mr. Stash

The Brame's have a new addition!
We adopted a cat we have been feeding for some time. He is now an indoor cat. Not sure how he will do on the boat. He is black and white like our other cats, Bandit and Buddy. We are all adjusting!



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Officers for Three Tree Point Yacht Club

2022-2023

Commodore Alan Riley

Vice Commodore Steve Foss

Past Commodore Charles (Chuck) Hendrick

Secretary Ray Valpey

Treasurer Shelley Conti

Race Fleet Captain Dwight Motz

Assistant Race Fleet Ross Chamberlain

Past Race Fleet Captain Duane Rubash

Trustees: Sandy Haigh, Leslie Nuttman, Andy Norton, Chris Caudill, Sarah Caudill

Appointed Officers

Cruise Fleet Captain: Steve and Janet Sisson

Social: Debra and Ray Valpey

Webmaster: Duane Rubash Communications Coordinator: Kristie Brame

Membership: Ted and Linda Stryker Historian: Carol Jones

Ship's Store: Janet Sisson Facebook: Linda Stryker

Records and Roster: Tom Hubbard PHRF Ratings: TBD

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