



Dates to  
Remember

April 6, 13, 20,  
27 Early Spring  
Races

April 11 TTPYC  
Social at Angelos

May 5-7 Bell  
Harbor Cruise

May 4, 11, 18  
Late Spring  
Races

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# The Barnacle

Commodore's Corner    Commodore  
Alan Riley

Kathy and I returned to Seattle from Puerto Vallarta last week to experience some pretty decent weather here. Unfortunately that did not last and, despite it now being spring, we are back to wet, chilly and blustery conditions. We were unable to participate in the first cruise of the season to Blake Island, but I hope those hardy souls who do go can stay warm and dry.



We missed the last social at Angelos but I am reliably informed that Rick Edel gave a most informative talk about the use of apps for boaters. Many thanks Rick.

We have no trips planned for several months so should be able to attend the next few socials and the cruise to Bell Harbor. I am really looking forward to some nicer weather so we can get out on the water without so many layers of fleece, wool, and water proofs. I have to be super careful about covering up and using sunscreen but I really miss the feel of the sun on my back. I am sure it is up there somewhere above the clouds.

Y'all stay safe now.

Alan

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*Social Committee  
Ray and Debra Valpey  
Co-Chairs*

**Second Tuesday Social**

Time & Place: THE USUAL

(April 11, 2023; 5:30 PM social; 6:00 PM dinner; 7:00 PM program; Angelo's Restaurant)

IF YOU WANT TO ATTEND BY ZOOM, CONTACT RAY OR DEBRA BY MONDAY

4/10/23. (rayvalpey@gmail.com)

This month, we will hear from Leslie Nuttman and Sandy Haigh who will regale us with tales of their voyage to Antarctica via the Southern Ocean.

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*

The first race of our Spring Racing Series is just a week away and as the weather begins to warm and the daylight is giving us more outdoor opportunities, our tasks focus on cleaning a winters worth of grime and scunge off our boats and making sure they are ready to sail well. I find getting the boat cleaned up and making sure all the lines, sails,



winches, motor and steering are all ship shape is kind of a cathartic process that gives a great deal of satisfaction. The problem is that usually a thorough inspection of our craft usually adds several new items to our "to do" list. I guess that's just the reality of boat ownership, strike 5 items from the list and add 8 more!

Lots of things have been going on in the background to get us ready for racing season. Tom Hubbard designed and produced an incredible poster that we have circulated at the Marina announcing our Thursday night racing series and we have already had several folks respond who are interested in crewing. I look at each one of these folks as potential future members and contributors to our club programs. Thank you, Tom, for ALL your contributions to the club.

Shelley Conti has set up the regatta network for registration for all our racing series so get your registration in and enjoy the fun starting April 6th. Thanks, Shelley, for making all this magic work.

Ross Chamberlain has been very busy in the race mark restoration and placement project. Ross was able to source two used but very functional steel floats that are going to be key to having our race mark placement last for a long time. Ross has personally restored the floats with grinding off rust, applying an epoxy primer, and finishing with anti-fowling bottom paint. CSR Marine Services (Paul Grove) donated about \$300 worth of primer and bottom paint to the club to assist in the project. Next task is for Gordon Kells-Murphy to lead a rope splicing clinic to build the segments of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " anchor rope we need to have all the components ready to splash in mid-April. [A diagram of this process is in the EXTRAS section of the Barnacle.](#)

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So, racers, all we need is boats to register, show up and enjoy the water and friendly competition that our Thursday Night Racing program offers with minimal effort. First warning is at 1825 with a single start at 1830. See you on the water.

### From Scott Perry

Experienced race crew available for Spring Series. 54 years of sailing and racing experience. Currently co-owner of Waiquez 35 Freyja. Please contact Scott Perry at [Sperry1123@gmail.com](mailto:Sperry1123@gmail.com) or 206 226 0183.

*Cruising News*  
*Steve and Janet Sisson*  
*Co-Chairs*



Here is our 2023 Cruising Schedule.

- Bell Harbor, hosted by Carol, Chris and Sonni Jones, May 5 & 6
- Winslow, Bainbridge Island, hosted by Chris & Sonni Jones, June 9 & 10
- In July HobbEs hopes to travel to the San Juan's. It would be dandy if you could join us (rendezvous?), probably on anchor.
- Longbranch, September 8,9,and 10

### TTPYC Bell Street Marina/Cinco de Mayo Cruise 2023

Join us again for the Bell Street/ Cinco de Mayo cruise and also the opening day of boating season on May 5, 2023 and May 6, 2023. Fly your flags in honor of opening day.

**\*\*\*You will be responsible for making your own moorage reservations for this cruise.  
We have 14 slips reserved for TTPYC\*\*\* (206) 787-3952**

Friday evening Margaritas will be served on the dock in honor of Cinco de Mayo. Potluck will be held on Saturday evening. More information will be coming

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## Blake Island Re-cap

The weather looked marginal, which kept the other boaters away, so Three Tree Pointers had no trouble finding slips. The wind came and went but the rain stayed away. There was even some sunshine. Brigadoon, Journey, Prime Meridian, Mapril June, Equus, Frolic, Sloe Tango and Samba

Two participated in the normal island activities of hiking, relaxing, socializing and watching eagles and raccoons. Before the Saturday potluck, we limbered up with an egg toss. The eggs didn't break readily when hitting the ground because the ground was so cushioned. Ask Dave Clifford how he won the good sports award. Next came the team building project of making table monsters with play dough. Finally we asked each other questions about our past boating experiences. All enjoyed the ample and delicious potluck. Noteworthy was Sharon's crab lasagna and Tish's carrot cake. The Conti family cracked crab for their breakfast so this event was not CRABLESS. The campfire glowed until 8 pm per the ranger's request. Photos of this event accurately tell the good time we had.

Don't forget to plan your next club cruise: Bell Harbor, May 5-7

Steve and Janet

HobbEs



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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 [tppyc.org](http://tppyc.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/tppyc> .

**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](mailto: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.

**May 21 Celebration of Life for Rose Edmiston**

Her Celebration of Life event will be held at the following venue:

Rose Marie Edmiston  
Sunday, May 21, 2023  
1:00 am - 4 pm  
Brookstom Creek  
834 Sheets Rd.  
Buckley, WA 98321

Rose was an active person with many interests. Her family requests that those of us who knew her through sailing wear our name club nametags or other indications that we are sailors. The airline folks are wearing their wings, walkers are designing a pin with walking sticks. The family will wear red roses.

RSVP at [chiefcook62@gmail.com](mailto:chiefcook62@gmail.com), Subject line: ROSE

Please call me at 253-262-8732 if you have any questions. We hope to see you all there.  
Blessings, Sue Ellen Edmiston



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## Membership Outreach

### Connection with Maritime High School

On Monday, March 6, Doug Andrews and Linda Stryker met with Maritime High School faculty and a group of citizens representing many varied marine-related groups. This included the Virginia V, Elliot Bay Design, Trident Seafood, the college Maritime Academy, the Northwest Maritime Center, a pile driving company, a rowing club rep, and others, to examine the program offered through the Highline School District Maritime High School. We got a mini tour that included their boat building wood shop, their hydroponics lab, fish tanks, and classrooms. This is a special focused school, much like Aviation High School. Studies include marine life, underwater robotics, boat design, and I believe mechanical skills will be taught as well. Math and English skills are incorporated into the curriculum and projects, including doing research on various historic maritime related events. Currently, they have a total of about 80 students, in Freshman and Sophomore years, and will be adding a Junior class next year.



Our Yacht Club is considering how we can use some Club funds to further support getting more young people connected to boating, and is entertaining ideas from others in the club as well. We left this meeting with a few ideas percolating about partnering with the High School. Perhaps a "day on the boats" with our club hosting the kids, 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 or Linda with your ideas.

## Foulies and Food Trucks Fund Raiser

A "gritty fundraiser" in support of youth in the maritime industry, sponsored by the Northwest Maritime Center, is being held on April 14, 5:30 pm launch time. Programs like Maritime High School and Salish Sea Expeditions are making an impact in the greater Seattle area in a big way. To marshal support for these region-wide endeavors, the

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Northwest Maritime Center has cooked up a new fundraiser called "Foulies and Food Trucks."

If you've ever wanted to have dinner catered by the region's best food trucks while wearing your foulies (short for foul weather gear), with festivities inside a shipyard warehouse, this is the event to attend for a night of merriment. You are invited to join the fun on the banks of the Duwamish at SeaTac Marine Services (6701 Fox Ave. S) in Seattle for a memorable, one-of-a-kind evening of street eats, craft beer and wine, salty entertainment, and maritime fun. You'll hear stories of the positive impact of maritime experiences from youth participants, our future maritime leaders, and learn more about how you can support youth in the maritime industry.

Bring your wallets and your appetites. Don't forget to dress in your best foul weather gear for this Foulies event. If you don't have foul weather gear of your own, you can borrow loaner attire off the rack. This is the real deal, be prepared to be inspired and join the fun. Tickets (\$75) are available [online](#). Your support of youth in the maritime trades is much appreciated. For questions about "Foulies and Food Trucks," please contact Katelyn Kean at [Katelyn@nwmartime.org](mailto:Katelyn@nwmartime.org)



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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](mailto: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



## EXTRAS

### South Sound Opening Weekend

Friday May 12

6 PM BYOB Happy Hour followed by outdoor activites

Saturday May 13

3-4 South Sound Opening Day Ceremony

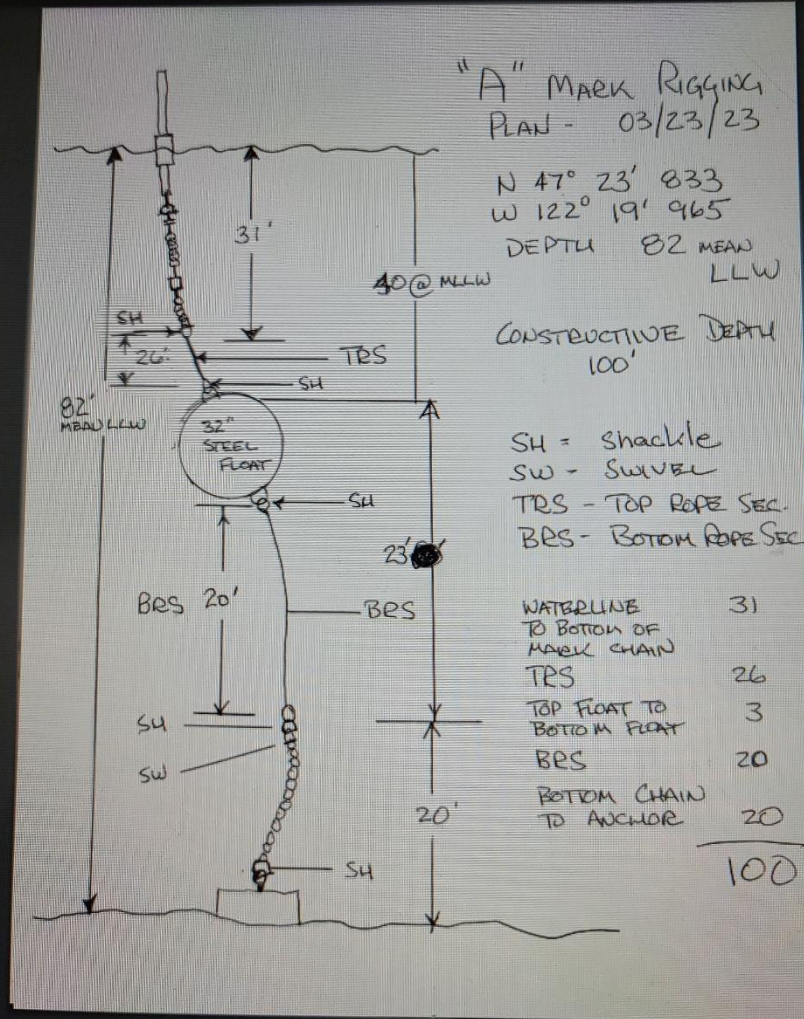
6- 11 Rocking with the 80s Dinner and Dance (Tickets required)

See the flyer attached to the Barnacle for more information!

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### Mark Plan Diagram



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## Tacoma Mountaineers Basic Crewing/Sailing Course Registration opens Feb 6th

Learn the skills to be a welcome member of the crew on a friend's sailboat! This course will cover the knowledge needed to feel comfortable stepping aboard a sailboat and contributing to the fun of sailing the boat on the Salish Sea. We will cover:

basic crewing skills, names for all the stuff onboard, basic sail trim, points of sail, staying safe while on a sailboat, what to wear and even learn some useful knots.

This course consists of three classroom sessions and four on the water sessions, one at the dock and 3 out sailing in the Tacoma Area. **The classroom sessions will be Monday, April 3rd, Monday, April 10th and Monday, April 17th.** They will be held at the Tacoma Mountaineer's Program Center, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

**The dockside session be held on Saturday April 8th at 10am at the Foss Waterway Public Dock.**

Students will pick the various scheduled sails based on what are most convenient for them.

Our lessons are based on the textbook *Sailing Made Easy*, by the American Sailing Association. Note - This is not an ASA sponsored course, and those who complete it will **not** earn their ASA 101 certification.

Cost of the course is \$150 for Mountaineer members, \$175 for non-members. This does not include the cost of the text book.

To register or for more information see the Mountaineers website on or after February 6<sup>th</sup> [www.mountaineers.org](http://www.mountaineers.org)

You can also contact co-leaders Eric Johnson [erdjohnson@comcast.net](mailto:erdjohnson@comcast.net) or Terri Benz: [terribenz5@yahoo.com](mailto:terribenz5@yahoo.com) with questions.

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**Officers for Three Tree Point Yacht Club**

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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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