

December 2007



Commodore Thad

December was the month of the double storms. Back to back storms with hurricane force winds of 70 mph and stronger swept through our coastal towns causing flooding and damage in the Pacific

Northwest. CBYC members north of the club reported Highway 38 was closed and some members south of the club were without power for over 48 hours.

CBYC members near the ocean saw huge waves and felt the powerful gusts. Cape Arago had gusts up to 115 mph. Fishing boats were coming back in droves on Friday and Saturday before the Sunday and Monday storms hit. The governor declared a statewide emergency in Oregon.

With all that--I thought I had better go check on CBYC. I drove and walked around our 100 plus acres to see how the club had gotten through this big storm. It brought back memories of when I had bought a boat repair business up in Winchester Bay in the mid 1990s. Within a week of purchasing the business, a huge winter storm swept in, and there I was in gusts of 100 mph roping the docks like they were cattle. In the spring I built new docks that would endure storms.

As I walked around CBYC the only damage was that of a picnic table with pieces everywhere on the patio as a heavy branch had fallen on it and smashed it. As I strolled on the docks I thought about all the work everyone did at the last work party in the fall. We needed a lot of members and many arrived ready and willing to put in hours to make sure new docks were built and old ones were stable. I walked on every inch of those solid docks looking for damage but nothing was wrong--they looked great--all the hard work had paid off.

With all the damages from water and wind in Oregon, CBYC suffered very little. Storms come and go but our 100 acre woods, stands firm, even during hurricanes!

↻ *Calendar* ↻

Yearbook Information due by January 9th

Please contact Thad or Bernie Vincent by January 9th to update your yearbook information.

January Board Meeting - Date Change

Wednesday, January 9th, 7:00 PM
 Kyle Electric
 All members welcome.

January Muster and General Meeting

Sunday, January 13th, 1:00 PM
 \$8.00 per person, no charge for children 14 and under
 Cash or check at the door -- no plastic
 Oregon Institute of Marine Biology in Charleston.
 RSVP Martin Callery by January 7th -- an accurate count is necessary as the club pays for all lunches ordered.
mcallery@portofcoosbay.com or -756-2930

February Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 6th, 7:00 PM
 Kyle Electric
 All members welcome.

Work Party

TBA

Valentine Breakfast and General Meeting

TBA

March Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 5th, 7:00 PM
 Kyle Electric
 All members welcome

April Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 2nd, 7:00 PM
 Kyle Electric
 All members welcome

✍ Board Notes ✍

Dec 5th, 2007

Official Board minutes and complete treasurer's report are posted in the clubhouse. Committee information is gathered at Board meeting and directly from the Chairs.

Infrastructure Committees

Correspondence: CBYC was recognized as the first in Coos Co to participate in the Clean Marina program.

Infrastructure

Boat Storage Shed – Tom Benz: One laser may fit but essentially the shed is full.

The Water is back on at the club but there is still a 1.5 GPM leak.

Work Party – Sean Randle: Sean is working on a schedule for next year.

Membership – Dick Vigue: Dick reported that he continues to send out applications per requests. Sean reported that he would be turning in two new applications filled out and turned in by other Randle family members.

YACHT YAK - David Laird will be the new editor of the newsletter. Submissions by email (davelaird@charter.net) are best.

OAC - Tom Benz reminds everyone that the OAC Fee of \$125 is billed year to year and to please notify the OAC chair Dave Morgan prior to the first of the year via email if you wish to vacate any OAC property.

Social – Colleen Cardas and Jessica Randle: When the schedule is completed the social events will be worked in. If needed the Social committee will decorate for the January Muster.

Old/New Business

Bob Mason and Phil VanDoren continue to work on an issue with another property that could be infringing on our shared property line. They will report back to the board at a later time. Bob also recommended taking no action until summer regarding diseased trees.

TREASURER WANTED: Tom Benz has completed his three-year term as treasurer and is acting in an interim capacity until a permanent treasurer is found. If you are interested in the position, please contact the commodore or any board member for more information. The Club has a simple budget and uses QuickBooks. Accounting knowledge is helpful but not necessary. Lots of tutoring will be available!

2008 Officers

- Commodore Thad Vincent
- Past Commodore Steve Kridelbaugh
- Vice Commodore Sean Randle
- Rear Commodore..... Dale Helland
- Treasurer..... Tom Benz
- Secretary..... Colleen Cardas
- Measurer.....Martin Callery
- Director..... Tom Kyle
- Director..... Lynnae Biasca
- Director..... George Tinker

2008 Committee Chairs

- Boat Storage Shed Tom Benz
- Club House
- Moorings & Docks Scott Randle & Dirk Synder
- Roads & Grounds Butch Gulseth
- Infrastructure Rob Schab
- Work Party Dale Helland
- Junior Race Gates & Paterson
- Race Sean Randle
- Safety Boat Herb Ocobock
- Boat Show Martin Callery
- Membership Dick Vigue
- OAC David Morgan
- Safety
- Social Colleen Cardas & Jessica Randle & CC O'Bryan
- Website..... Stephanie Thomas
- Yacht Yak David Laird
- Junior Sailing School George Tinker
- Adult Sailing School Tom Mills
- Memorial Day Regatta Steve & Linda Kridelbaugh
- 4th of July Games Scott & Shannon Randle
- Geary 18 Internationals..... Colleen Cardas
- San Juan 21 Western Nationals Jon & Kathy Richards
- Labor Day Regatta Sean Randle

CLUB POLICIES UPDATE COLUMN
The previous CBYC Board has worked hard to update our By-Laws. Now the current board is working to update Club Policies. At each meeting we review policies and procedures and are successfully coming up with policies that will meet the needs of our growing yacht club for the future.
This column will keep you updated.
Thad Vincent, Commodore

Scuttlebutt

FOR SALE: 5th Wheel Trailer, Terry brand, 25.5 feet, nice condition, newer tires, \$3,500. Contact Tom and Mary Benz 756-2263 or 297-2263.

FOR SALE: SJ-21, 1985, Mark III, 1985, white, newer sails, fully rigged, cushions like new, fully galvanized trailer. See at CBYC boat shed slot #7, license OR80NT, \$4,500. Contact Tom and Mary Benz 756-2263 or 297-2263.

Celebrate the New Year With Your Friends

Coos Bay Yacht Club

January Muster and General Meeting

1:00 pm Sunday, January 13, 2007 at the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology (OIMB) in Charleston... park along Boat Basin Drive; it's just a short walk to the OIMB Dining Hall.

Choice of Clam Chowder or Vegetable Soup, plus various salads, half sandwiches, desserts and drinks.

\$8.00 per person, children 14 and under free... cash or check at the door

Lunch will be followed by a brief meeting.

Please RSVP by January 7, 2007

mcallery@portofcoosbay.com



OR

756-2930

Memo Jasso will be taking individual pictures at the Muster for use by the Social Committee in their on-going efforts to introduce new members to current members. Please help out by arriving an hour early or by staying afterward so Memo can take your picture. If you have any questions, contact Bernadine Vincent @ 759-2863 or 297-3258



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This poem about "Christmas in the Caribbean" was in a boating publication many years ago. I hope you enjoy reading it as much as I did. **Thad Vincent**

T'was the night before
Christmas, down at the
dockhouse. Not a patron was
stirring, they could not be
aroused.

The stockings were hung on
the ginny with care, in hopes
that St. Kitts would notice
the tear.

The children were restless as
they lay in their beds and
complained of the heat and
the smell from the head.

While I in a t-shirt, with mom
in my lap, had just settled
down with a bubbly nightcap.

When out on the water there
arose such a clatter, I sprang
from our berth to see what
was the matter.

Away to the foredeck I flew
like a flash, tripped over the
stanchions and fell with a
crash.

A view of the rest of
the boats let me know,
we were dragging our an-
chor onto the fleet down
below.

Then what to my wandering
eyes should appear but an old
classic Hinckley sailing up
from the rear.

With a little old skipper
adjusting the sheets, I knew
in a moment it must be St.
Kitts.

More rapid than seagulls his
crew how they came, as he
whistled and shouted and
called them by name.

"Doc Krasher, Wynn Dancer,
get up here Chris Dickson. Dis
skipper's in trouble - his
anchor needs fix'en."

With a spice island lilt and
accent he called, "Pull dis way
'n dat way, now let de ding
fall.

As fair weather friends that
before the hurricane fly,
when faced with the
possibility that all soon may
die,

so up to the cockpit came St.
Kitts and his crew with a bag
full from Goldberg's and a
new ginny, too.

His body was tanned from his
head to his feet, and his
clothes were lightweight and
designed for the heat.

A bundle of goodies he pulled
from his sack. and he looked
for a moment like Panama
Jack.

His eyes how they twinkled,
like stars in the sky, and the
sun and wind left his lips
cracked and dry.

His hair was a mess, like a
drift of deep snow, and a gray
stubble beard was beginning
to show.

He had a strong face
and a muscular build but
moved with a subtle and
graceful skill.

He was coarse and bold, more
Jimmy Buffett than elf, but
with the kind of humility I
desired in myself.

Catching my eye and nodding
his head, he soon let me know
I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word butt
went straight to his work.
checking each package like a
UPS clerk.

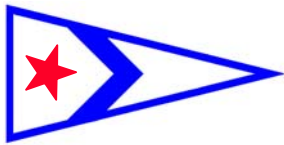
Then returning his bags to
the dinghy below, St. Kitts
went to visit the other boats
in our row.

He moved through the bay,
giving presents to all, and
soon he was gone like a late
summer squall

But he was heard to exclaim
as he sailed out of sight,
"Merdy Christmas, mon, and
praise de heavens tonight."

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