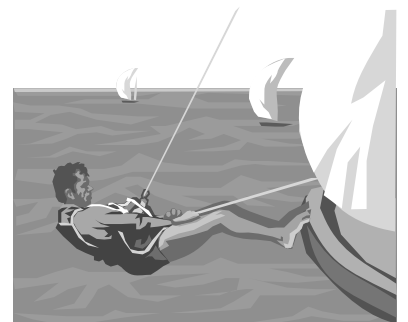
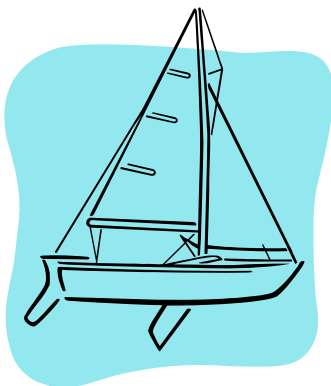


FEBRUARY 2008 YACHT YAK

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**START THINKING ABOUT THE BOAT SHOW  
APRIL 5 & 6 @ PONY VILLAGE**



*February 2008*



**Commodore  
Thad**

February means that sailing is not too far away. It felt good being at the club for this month's work party and Valentine's social. A favorite time is working and relaxing with sailing friends and "shooting the breeze".

When my workweek gets busy and stressed I think about the times of sitting on my boat or at the point, looking out at the water, talking with friends, feeling relaxed, burdens lifted - having that peace that goes beyond all understanding.

Still no sailing, so I make plans. I look at calendars to schedule sailing and social activities. These early plans are the seeds that will bring forth an abundance of activities for the entire year. They begin to sprout in the spring, come into full bloom in the summer and are harvested in the fall.

We have the last supper at the Labor Day Regatta followed by a few potlucks, work parties, and putting the boats away. Our version of the Harvest Festival takes place in November at the Commodore's Banquet.

The seasons have a natural rhythm and sailors, like farmers, follow these cycles closely. Each stage of growth is perfect in its own season: together we sow, reap, bring in the harvest and share the bounty. When the work is done - we gather, we eat, we drink, we weep, we laugh, we love.

↻ **Calendar** ↻

**March Board Meeting**

Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM  
 Kyle Electric  
 All members welcome

**April Board Meeting**

Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 PM  
 Kyle Electric  
 All members welcome

**Boat Show - Pony Village**

April 5 & 6  
 Move in Friday evening, out Sunday Afternoon  
 Contact Martin Callery

**April Work Party**

April 19 - Build picnic tables, general cleanup  
 Contact Dale Helland or Sean Randle

↻ **Announcements** ↻

**Safety Boat-**

The club is seeking a member to be in charge of the safety boat. Contact Herb Ocobock or Thad Vincent for details.

**House**

Michael and Yvonne have volunteered to be in charge of the clubhouse once again. Please let them know if you find a shortage of supplies for Potlucks or Bathrooms.

**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 OR-80-NT, \$4,500. Contact Tom and Mary Benz 756-2263 or 297-2263.



## ✍ *Board Notes* ✍

February 6, 2008

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

**Boat Storage Shed – Tom Benz:** There is one possible opening in the boat shed.

**Boat Show – Martin Callery:** Pony Village, April 5 & 6

**Junior Races – Commodore Thad announced that he is starting a collegiate sailing team with Southwestern students. If you know of a Southwestern student that might like to compete let Thad know. If you'd like to help, contact Thad as well.**

**YACHT YAK** – Let editor Dave Laird know if you'd like to drop the paper copy of the Yacht Yak. By doing so, you can save the club some money. The online version of the Yacht Yak is in PDF format and color. Submissions by email to [davelaird@charter.net](mailto:davelaird@charter.net) are best.

### Special Projects for 2008

- Thad is replacing the sliding doors under the clubhouse with French doors. This will add a lot of needed light to the basement.
- The launch ramp parking & boat rigging area will be paved.
- The clubhouse chimney will be repaired.

Contact Commodore Thad if you'd like to help with any of the special projects.

### Old/New Business

**CBYC PROPERTY** - Bob Mason presented a report on the property west of the yacht club. The homeowner's current home is not on CBYC property. The shed is approx. 3 ft. on CBYC property and a small amount of their ramp. Bob Thomas will be contacted for a written agreement or revocable easement (which ever he recommends) to be signed by the property owner.

**PICNIC TABLES** – The board voted to build five picnic tables at the approx. cost of \$150 each at the April 19<sup>th</sup> work party.

**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!

**INTERIM TREASURER** - Gordon Gates has agreed to assume treasurers duties until Treasurer Tom & Mary return from their extended travels this winter.

### 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 .....	Michael & Yvonne Ousley
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 .....	OPEN
Boat Show .....	Martin Callery
Membership .....	Dick Vigue
OAC .....	David Morgan
Safety .....	OPEN
Social .....	Colleen Cardas & Jessica Randle & CC O'Bryan
Website.....	Stephanie Thomas
Yacht Yak .....	Dave Laird
Junior Sailing School .....	George Tinker
Adult Sailing School.....	Tom Mills
Memorial Day Regatta .....	Steve & Linda Kridelbaugh
4 <sup>th</sup> of July Games.....	Scott & Shannon Randle
Geary 18 Internationals.....	Colleen Cardas
San Juan 21 Western Nationals .....	Jon & Kathy Richards
Labor Day Regatta .....	Sean Randle

## ZEBRA MUSSEL THREAT

Aquatic nuisance species, such as the Zebra Mussel, most often spread between waterways by hitching a ride on boats and trailers. When transplanted into waters without natural predators, competitors or diseases, these non-native organisms can proliferate, displacing native species and damaging the water resource. The following news article from a recent Oregonian brings home how close and how real this threat is to Oregon and Ten Mile Lakes.

Salem, Oregon

### Zebra Mussels Found West of the Rockies

The January discovery of invasive zebra mussels in a reservoir southeast of San Francisco has Oregon officials worried, because it is the first time the mussels, which have caused tremendous damage by clogging intake pipes in the Great Lakes, have been found west of the Rockies.

"That one really scares me," said Jim Gores, the invasive species coordinator for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

He said the San Justo Reservoir is ranked among the better bass-fishing sites in California. That means this past summer, boaters coming into Oregon may have brought mussels and larvae in their boats' bilges or attached on the hulls.



Zebra Mussel

#### Boating was prohibited on the reservoir three miles southwest of Hollister after the zebras mussels were discovered.

"A year ago January we had quagga mussels show up in Lake Mead," said Paul Heimowitz, the aquatic invasive species coordinator in Portland for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "And then this January with the news about zebra mussels in central California."



Quagga Mussel

The zebra and their cousins the quagga arrived in the Great Lakes in the 1980s in ballast water dumped from ships from Eastern Europe. A single female of either species can produce as many as 1 million eggs a year. The annual costs of fighting invasive mussels in the Great Lakes ranges from \$100 million to \$400 million, according to federal estimates. – *The Associated Press*

Once established, aquatic nuisance species are costly and difficult to control or eradicate. The best means of protecting Oregon's waterways is prevention. This is where boaters play a key role.

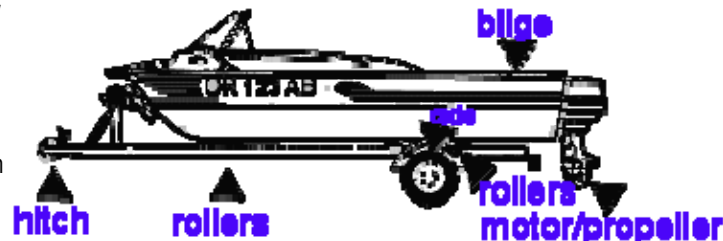
## Prevention

Finished boating and ready to head out? Here's what you can do to prevent spreading aquatic nuisance species.

**Inspect** your boat and trailer, especially at these points. Remove any plants and animals you see before leaving the waterbody.

**Drain** your motor, wet well, and bilge on land before leaving the waterbody.

**Empty** your bait bucket on land before leaving the waterbody. Never release live bait into a waterbody, or release aquatic animals from one waterbody into another.



**Rinse** your boat, trailer, and equipment. It is best to use high-pressure, hot water. A garden hose will work if no other option is available.

**Air dry** your boat and equipment for as long as possible. Five days is optimal.

As a general practice, following this checklist after each time you use your boat will prevent the spread of most aquatic nuisance species.

From - <http://www.boatoregon.com/OSMB/Clean/ANS.shtml#Prevention>

(Thanks to George Tinker for references and links.)



Valentine's Breakfast, Feb 10, 2008

How Many Chocolate Hershey Kisses Does It Take To Fill A Champagne Glass?



The Valentine's Day Breakfast was a bright and cheerful morning at the yacht club. Pink tablecloths, rose petals, chocolate Hershey kisses, flickering candles, crystal sailboats, reflecting mirrors, the sound of crackling fire, the warmth of burning wood, an aroma of eggs and ham, homemade pancakes and waffles covered with maple syrup and warm blackberry sauce bombarded the senses of unsuspecting persons who walked through the door.

"It was like walking into a fantasy," said one club member. "It was elegant, lovely and light, the way we imagine Valentine's to be," said Mary Fernandez.



Thank you goes to the CBYC Board who hosted this affair of food and fire.

How many chocolate Hershey kisses does it take to fill a champagne glass?

The runner-ups were Leo Fernandez who guessed 40, Shari Main and Miriam who guessed 41 and our two winners who guessed 42 were John Barney and Steve Kridelbaugh! Story by *Bernadine Vincent*



## Odds & Ends

### Chili Muster Photos

Club members who are interested in viewing photos that were taken for the Yacht Club Membership Roster can view them online @ [www.brownstudios.com](http://www.brownstudios.com) The password is cbyachtclub.

### More E-10 News for Power boaters from BoatUS

When recreational boaters in Oregon fill up their boat's gasoline tanks this year, they will be introduced to a blend of gasoline mixed with a 10% concentration of ethanol (E-10).

While ethanol allows gasoline engines to burn cleaner, it has some side effects for marine engine systems. BoatUS is sending this email to our Oregon members to help alert you to some of these problems. Please visit these links for more information:

- BoatUS Ethanol Fact and Tip Sheet @ <http://www.boatus.com/seaworthy/e10Tips.pdf>
- Visit <http://www.BoatUS.com/Seaworthy> for articles we have written.
- Read our message boards at [http://My.BoatUS.com/forum/forum\\_topics.asp?FID=142](http://My.BoatUS.com/forum/forum_topics.asp?FID=142)

Because of Oregon's Bio-fuel Mandate Law, passed into law last year, starting in January the blended fuel will become mandatory in Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington, Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Yamhill, Polk, and Marion counties. The City of Portland has its own requirement for ethanol-blended fuel already in place. By April 15, 2008, Linn, Lane, Benton, Lincoln, Douglas, Coos, Jackson, Josephine, and Curry counties will join. By September 16, 2008, all counties east of the Cascades will complete the full statewide implementation.

### Joke of the Month

The Captain was angry and could barely contain himself. The start of the national fleet championship was about to start but he confronted his First Mate anyway.

"I just found out that you have been getting huge kickbacks from our suppliers which made our costs double! In addition, I know you sold our new hull design to our toughest competition! I also just found out that yesterday you fooled around with my wife!

Visibly shaken the Captain shouted, "This is unacceptable behavior and beyond what could ever be forgiven!"

"You're absolutely right Captain," said the First Mate, "I guess our winning streak together comes to an end today!"

"Uh, right...well, all I have to say is one more stunt and you're off the boat."

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