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WIFI PASSWORD

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FROM THE bridge

It seems to me as if this year has just flown by, I imagine many of you feel the same way. I feel as if the Club had a particularly good year, not including the storm we endured last winter. All of our cruises were a success, and our social events were well attended and appreciated.

We welcomed several new members this year. If you see a new face on the property, please welcome them with our usual friendliness. We also welcomed a new East Ramp, and that project was very successful due to the hard work of our members and the Board of Directors.

But the year is not quite over and December is full of our annual holiday events, and from what I know from the members who have been hard at work planning them, I am certain they will easily be as spectacular as they have been in the past. Please make room on your calendar to attend and enjoy the camaraderie.

I thoroughly enjoyed my year as Commodore and I will consider it one of the most significant privileges of my life. Thank you all!

COLLEEN WILSON • Commodore



CRYA Report

WANTED: A Daughter of Neptune for TYEE YC

It has been several years since TYEE YC has had a Daughter of Neptune to represent the club. Do any of our members have a niece, granddaughter, daughter or daughter of a friend who would be interested in participating in CRYA's Daughter of Neptune program? If so, TYEE YC would be thrilled to be able to sponsor a Daughter of Neptune again. The next paragraph, taken from the CRYA website, describes the role and activities of a Daughter of Neptune.

The Daughters of Neptune tradition celebrated 69 years in 2023. During the last six decades many young women between the ages of 14 and 17 have proudly represented the Columbia River Yachting Association. Their role has evolved from serving as nautical-princesses to a role in educating boaters about water safety. As spokespersons for the life jacket public awareness campaign, the CRYA Daughters of Neptune are chosen by their Yacht Club each year to serve as an Ambassador for the Club and a Representative of the Columbia River Yachting Association. As a Daughter of Neptune, our goal is to share education regarding the importance of the proper use of life jackets and to promote boating and water safety. In Greek mythology, the Daughters of Neptune lived under the water and were guardians of all lakes, fountains and rivers. Each Daughter completes a certified educational course to receive their Oregon Boater Education Card, a requirement for the use of motorized watercraft such as jet skis, wave runners, ski boats, dinghies, fishing and recreational boats. The Daughters are instructed on proper use of several different kinds of life jackets preparing them to attend community events throughout the year and demonstrate their proper fit and use. CRYA has partnered with the Oregon State Marine Board and the Multnomah County Sheriff River Patrol at events such as the Portland Boat Show, Christmas Ships and the Rose Festival Starlight Parade. For information contact Daughters@CRYA.us

If you have further questions or know of a young lady who would be interested, please contact Bev Hamlik at 360/270.8946.

BEV HAMLIK • CRYA Delegate

Save the Date

Crab Feed

Mark your calendars for the TYEE Crab Feed on Saturday, January 18. Details to come. Thank you.

JULIE MCGEE



DECEMBER

1	Sarah Ronne	21	Jane Huiras
3	Sheila Baker	24	Paul Baker
3	Julie Davison	24	Patsy Nelson
3	Rick Howard	25	Renee Koch
6	Mic Halverson	26	Jim Harris
7	Troy Hamilton	26	Stacia Thomas
15	Jeff Hamlik	29	Faye Deloss
16	Jim Peters	29	Kathryn Ring
16	Spring Coulter	30	Daniel Merfeld
16	Shirley Obermeier	30	Nina Williamson
17	Dean McGee	31	John Sunseri
17	Annie Chu	31	Roger Zumwalt
18	Keith Baese		

BOM Report

The fuel dock is now completed, and shelving is being installed in the cruise room which will make it ready to be moved into this Spring. The East ramp is fully operational and open for use. Final railings will be installed as soon as the parts arrive. Note to all members: all bikes on the ramps should be walked, not ridden, to avoid injury. There is plenty of fuel on hand: Diesel is \$2.85 and Unleaded \$4.20 per gallon.

Thank you.

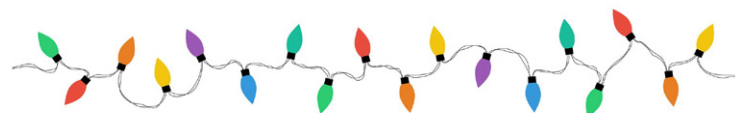
BOARD OF MANAGERS

Membership Report

We are down to our last new couple for the year. In December, we are expecting Stacy Kindschuh & Paul Meese to attend their third meeting and be sworn in as new members for 2024.

If you're thinking of selling your boathouse next year, let membership know, as we get inquiries from potential members who may be interested.

CRAIG BAESE • Membership Chair



Port Captain's Report

Greetings TYEE Members! We had Knot Logical surveyed to in order to renew our insurance. We found intake and exhaust hoses over 10 years old should to be renewed to meet ABYC standards. Also, fume sniffer alarm systems require renewal every six (6) years and the water heater relief valve should be 75psi not 150psi.

Applications for 2025 Fire Watch Status must be received prior to January 1st.

BOATHOUSES PURCHASED: In process.

Prospective members Stacy Kindschuh & Paul Meese are purchasing Troy Hamilton's boathouse in Slip #324. After the new members are sworn in at the December 5, 2024 general meeting, Slip #324 will be available to bid under the Swap Rules. Please measure carefully, as this is truly a one-for-one boathouse space exchange.

BOATHOUSES SOLD: In process, see above

BOATHOUSE SLIPS AWARDED: None

AVAILABLE BOATHOUSE SPACES: Slips #107, #216, #217, #316, and #320

COVERED MOORAGE VACATED: Slip #411

COVERED MOORAGE AWARDED: None

AVAILABLE COVERED MOORAGE SPACES: Slip #411

TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENTS: Elle Roberts was given permission to use Bruno Amicci's boathouse in Slip #105 for 90 days for her Chaparral. She would be delighted if it sold sooner. Several Christmas ships have been granted permission to use the club's head docks as an accommodation to leaving their decorations intact.

If the covered Moorage is not full, spaces may be occupied on a month-to-month basis by member boats. Available month-to-month slips are awarded to the first requester. An "M" next to the slip indicates month-to-month. A member not currently keeping a boat at TYEE may use their move-up letter to move into a

covered moorage slip currently assigned on a month-to-month basis. The month-to-month renter who has been in the covered moorage on a month-to-month basis the longest will have to vacate that space. Seven slips in the covered moorage are occupied on the month-to-month basis as of December 1, 2024.

FIRE WATCH: J. Sova, R. Rich.

REMINDERS: The Port Captain must be notified if you are selling your boat or boathouse, or buying a boathouse, so we can mark the moorage sheet accordingly. Before bidding on a slip, please know your boathouse measurements and verify the measurements of the space on which you are bidding. Members needing to move their boathouse need to ask for help among members or contact a professional boathouse mover. Also, be aware that some insurance companies do not cover your boathouse once it is disconnected from the dock during a move. Please help keep the Port Captain informed of moorage related events.

Please remember if you are planning any major renovations to your boathouse, TYEE requires prior written approval by the Board of Directors before any work is started. Also, if you are having the work performed by a contractor, the contractor must be licensed and bonded. Their proof of insurance must be given to our Vice Commodore, Joe Sova, before work begins. Uninsured contractors put our Club at risk.

COVERED MOORAGE FIRE WALK: This walk must be kept clear from the white line at the bow of the boat to the white line near the wall.

USED ENGINE/HYDRAULIC OIL: Used engine and hydraulic oils should be deposited in the designated tank in the fuel tank area in the west parking lot.

Bid requests should be submitted on a Moorage Availability Form and sent to the Port Captain via Email, US mail, or placed in the Port Captain's mailbox in the Clubhouse before the 15th of the month.

CATHY BRUNSCHON • Port Captain



Social Report

The Christmas Social is Saturday, December 14. The deadline to RSVP for the Christmas Social is December 6. If you haven't already done so, please send your RSVP for the Christmas Social to Jan Rydman at j2l3R@hotmail.com. You will want to select an entree (beef, chicken, or veggie) for the number of people attending.

While there is no charge for the Christmas Social to members, your account will be billed for the number of guests at \$40 each. Please see the flyer below:



TYEE YACHT CLUB PRESENTS

Christmas

Social & Silent Auction

14th December

COCKTAILS AT 6PM - DINNER 7PM
INCLUDES TWO BOTTLES
OF WINE PER TABLE. AUCTION
ITEMS ANNOUNCED AFTER DINNER.

Appetizer Table

Entree Selections:

- * Beef: Tri-Tip- Steak
- * Chicken: Breast w/ a garlic lemon cream sauce.
- * Veggie: Roasted Portebella stuffed Mushroom w/ basil/ tomato and feta (vegan on request)

Served with: Garlic mashed potatoes, Roasted vegetables, and Sourdough focaccia

Dessert Table

Free to members / Guests \$40 to be charged to your account.

Please RSVP by December 6th with your entree selection(s) to Jan at: J2L3R@HOTMAIL.COM

Donations: The Christmas Social is a Silent Auction to benefit next year's Commodore, Joe Sova. If you have a donation for the Silent Auction, please put it in the coat closet at TYEE marked for the "Silent Auction" and let me know at 360/953.1952. I will retrieve it from there.

Thanks and see you all there.

SHEILA BAKER

Friendsgiving at TYEE

Thank you to Lorrie Davis & Dave Jolly for hosting a Thanksgiving potluck at TYEE! Fun was had by all.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Captain Is Always Right!

How many times have we heard that? What I think it means is the Captain is in charge, not that his decisions are always right. Who knows what's right or wrong anyway?

Sometimes when my golf swing lets me down, I have to make corrections. My stance is 90 degrees to the target, comfortable loose arms and shoulders relaxed. My head needs to remain still and silent and the ball lined up adjacent to my left heel. This is called good mechanics. When paired with tempo and speed, it becomes natural and basic. Sometimes in golf, as in life's activities, going back to basics is the best way to simplify things. KEEP IT SIMPLE!! We should all review simple, especially when things aren't going right.

Our minds are amazing but sometimes we get things fixed, or what we think is right lodged in our heads, and don't believe that there may be another way. (We all know the one guy in the room that thinks he is always right.) We can sometimes get stuck in another generation or a previous age; a world that has now passed. I took a speed-reading course once that opened my eyes to vision and awareness:

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Amazing Huh? Basic, simple and right and wrong all at the same time.

Reviewing basics in boating is not meant to scare you and it won't if you are familiar with some "musts": For sure understand the use of the VHF radio, your fitted life jacket and fire extinguishers. Maybe take a CPR/AED class. Just remember that you need to take care of yourself before you can be of any help to others in an emergency. So, more safety, more awareness and try to always have three people onboard. "It's not fair if your captain hasn't made you aware of what could be expected of you".

Merry Christmas and safe holidays

JIM PETERS • Jimboeach@aol.com

Christmas Ships Escort Santa on his Tugboat Sleigh

Twenty-five brightly lit ships entertained hundreds of spectators along the Vancouver Waterfront Friday, November 29, in preparation for providing a waterway escort for Santa and Mrs. Claus who would be arriving on a special sleigh, the decorated and musical Tugboat Granite Point.

The boats (including four from TYEE Points North III, Nauteak, Knot Spare Time and Bearable), gathered in front of Grant Street Pier at 4PM and circled all along the new waterfront for 30 minutes, then arranged themselves in pre-assigned positions of two groups of double rows (think of Santa's reindeer times three!). As usual, a small diversion interceded as a large tug pushing double barges came thru the RR bridge as we assembled.

Group 1 ships stemmed the stream abeam the pier while Group 2 stemmed the stream more toward the middle of the river and close to the railroad bridge. As the Granite Point Tug came thru the Railroad bridge

at 5PM carrying Santa, the Mrs. and other dignitaries, Group 1 moved in unison, just ahead of the Tug and Group 2 moved in behind the Tug. It was a spectacular escort and well-choreographed!

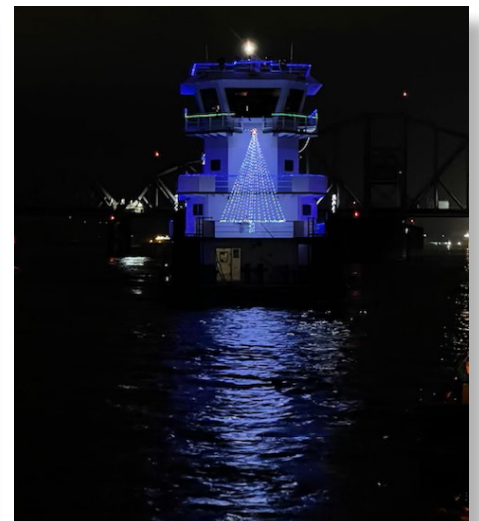
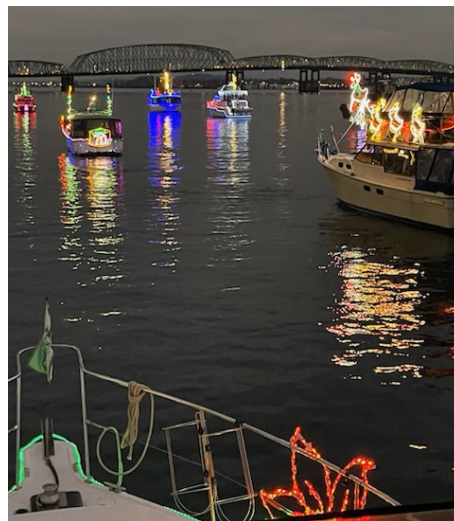
The Tug pulled into the City Dock and all guests disembarked among wall-to-wall people and lots of flashing cell phones and news cameras. The Christmas Ships moved into single file as they turned around buoy 2 and continued to parade along the waterfront. The Tug joined the parade along with lots of horn honking. The kids on shore loved it!

We were in the perfect spot to be caught on the Maryhill Hill camera and two news channels picked us up. What a great way to start the Christmas Ship Season!

Participants included: TYC 4, PYC 4, MCYC 1, LYC 2, NOTS 2, and 12 from many other marinas.

Thank you TYC and the great support for Christmas Ships!

KAT & PETE PETERSEN



Dear TYEE Members

In the 2024 Season of Giving, we reach out to members to request donations for a few charities that are near and dear to TYEE Yacht Club. Historically, we have "passed the hat" at various TYEE meetings which we will do again this year. However, we have also set it up to bill a donation through your TYEE account. If you would like to contribute to these worthy organizations, send an email to office@tyeeyc.com.

Sunshine Division - \$ amount of donation

Birch Community Services - \$ amount of donation

Nautical Safety Foundation - \$ amount of donation

Here is a little information about each charity and who to contact if you want more information:



It is that time of year where we have an opportunity to help others who may be in need. TYEE has proudly been part of the Sunshine Division Food drive for several years. In past years, a former long-time member Don Lee would pass a hat to collect monies, as well as obtain a Sunshine Division blue barrel to collect dry foods.

GOOD NEWS, there is a Sunshine barrel located in the entrance of the clubhouse. Please contribute what you can for food donations. ***The barrel will be picked up around December 14th.***

The Sunshine Division values and embraces diversity, equity, and inclusion as fundamental to their mission to provide emergency food and clothing relief year-round to Portland families and individuals in need. The Portland Police bureau for nine decades has been a vital support as well.

If you would like to donate cash, please send an email to office@tyeeyc.com and specify an amount that will be billed to your TYEE billing statement. Of course, the benefits of cash allow the Sunshine Division to help purchase other foods as well.

We appreciate all you can do as we help others in need. Please let us know if there are any questions.

Craig & Linda Baese • 503/707.4394



TYEE Yacht Club has sponsored a couple of families each year through Birch Community Services. BCS is a non-profit that gives participant families a hand up, not a hand out.

In exchange for groceries, Danner boots, clothing etc., each family contributes \$80/month and two hours of volunteer time in the warehouse. They are expected to take the money they save on their grocery bill and apply it to debt. In addition, the participating families attend Financial Education classes where they learn about budgeting, interest rates, credit card debt, housing costs (rent versus owning), etc. A few families, out of the 900+ participants, are chosen to be adopted at Christmas. These families are truly struggling and would not have a Christmas otherwise.

TYEE adopts two families each year. I take your cash donations and shop for each family member from their "wish list", gift wrap and deliver the packages to the families we have been given. Please contribute a cash donation via your TYEE account (or to me direct) so that we can give these families a Christmas to remember. Thank you.

Sheila Baker • 360/953.1952

If mailing a check, please send to:
15802 SE 35th St. Vancouver, WA 98683



Nautical Safety Foundation

Saving the life of one child or adult is priceless. National statistics show that over 80% of the drownings that occur each year are for people not wearing life vests. This number is even higher for lower income families who can't even afford a life jacket.

The Nautical Safety Foundation, a non-profit 501c3, is focused on making sure loaner life vests are available for anyone who is participating in water activities like motor boating, kayaking, canoeing or swimming. In 2024, NSF donated nearly 1,600 life jackets, at a cost of \$17,000, to major water safety organizations for their life jacket loaner stations (kiosks) throughout Oregon and Southwest Washington. Our 2023 forecast shows a steady increase in need. Your financial help is needed to continue our efforts. \$100 supplies 9 life jackets. Any amount helps.

Used Life Jackets:

To supplement our program we will also accept any gently used life jackets. You can contact me for pickup. Thank you for your donation.

Rob Davison • 503/250.0207





2025 Cruise Schedule

Mark your calendars to attend TYEE 2025 Cruises

March 14-16	St. Patrick's Day at MCYC	Unofficial
April 11-13	Coon Island	Official
May 3-4	Bartlett Landing Opening Day	Unofficial
May 23-26	St. Helens Memorial Day	Official
June 20-22	Foothills Park Lake Oswego	Official
July 4-6	Bartlett Landing 4th of July	Unofficial
July 25-27	Schwitter Landing Birthday Cruise	Official
Aug 15-17	Bartlett Landing Fun in the Sun	Unofficial
Aug 29-Sep 1	Beacon Rock Labor Day	Official
Sep 18	Dock Hop - St. Helens City Dock	Unofficial
Sep 19	Dock Hop - Walker Island	Unofficial
Sep 20	Dock Hop - Westport	Unofficial
Sep 21	Dock Hop - Wallace Island	Unofficial
Sep 22	Dock Hop - Martin Slough	Unofficial
Oct 17-18	Schwitter Landing Halloween Cruise	Unofficial
Oct 24-26	Bartlett Landing Sampler's Cruise	Official

MONTHLY REMINDER

Please remember, it's up to all of us to keep TYEE facilities secure. **ALWAYS Lock Before You Leave!**

If at all possible, when leaving the Club in your car, please make sure the gate in the parking lot closes before you drive onto Marine Drive. This will help prevent unwanted visitors from driving in when you leave the parking lot.

FOR SALE



FOR SALE

We are selling both our boat and boathouse. *Our boat is a 2006 Larson 370 Cabrio. (40 loa).* In great condition. Low engine hours. Call us for a list of all the things that have been done to it. Brand new refrigerator and batteries. **\$102,500**

Boathouse is the perfect size for this boat. Would be a great package together since they fit perfectly. Boathouse has apartment with small kitchen, living room, full bathroom with tub/shower. Loft with fold down ladder. We are in space #440 if you want to come and take a look. 29 ft by 55 ft. Boat well is 14 ft 5 in width between doors by 40 ft long. Willing to take a package deal offer. **\$40,000**

Contact Rick Howard at 503/341.8458 or Karen Ptolemy Howard at 503/380.3961.

(In search of boathouse to fit our new boat. It is a SeaRay 400 sedan fly bridge. LOA 44'.)



FOR SALE BY OWNER

2007 30' Signature Chapparral

Boat in style with this beautiful Sport Cruiser boat. Low hours, twin Volvo Penta 5.0 sterndrives, frig, head, shower, electric stove, microwave, excellent sound system, newer canvas, windows replaced in 2022, and recently polished. *She looks brand new!!!*

Full Canvas enclosure ~ yes

Generator ~ no

Trailer ~ no

Fuel~ Gasoline

\$54,000 • Call or text Elle at 503/359.8150

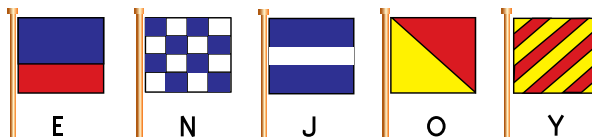


Boat Winterizing Process

It's starting to get cold out! If you haven't winterized your boat, you'd better hop to it!

1. There are a few different schools of thought on how to winterize your boat:
 - a. Drain all freshwater systems
 - b. Drain and fill with RV antifreeze
 - c. Use heat: lamps, oil-filled heaters (the kind that turn back on once power is restored), or space heaters that are approved for engine rooms (spark-protected).
2. Always shut off sea valves or "thru hulls," in the event of ice, and use a sign on the helm as a reminder that the valves are closed.
3. There are different schools of thought on fuel tanks and systems:
 - a. Diesel boats can use diesel stabilizer (like STA-BIL or BIOROR JF biocide)
 - b. Gas boats can use STA-BIL fuel stabilizer
 - c. It's not a bad idea to keep fuel tanks full to prevent condensation.
4. It's a good idea to have a fresh oil and filter change on the engines and transmissions before sitting all winter.
5. Fill batteries and make sure the charger is working properly, with clean electrical terminals.
6. Clean out and turn off the refrigerator and slightly open the door so mildew does not grow.
7. Check bilge pumps and auto float switches.
8. Check shore tie plug for signs of burning and/or overheating and discoloration.

These steps will help guarantee a good boating year for 2025!



HOSPITALITY

Please remember to notify Jan Rydman of births, illness, surgeries, weddings, deaths, or any other significant life events affecting our membership. Contact me at: 503/318.2760 or hospitality@tyeeyc.com. Thank you for your help!

FOR SALE ADS & SUBMISSIONS: To advertise your items for sale or to have something submitted to the *Tattler*, please email the information to Karen at Tyeetattler@gmail.com. ALL SUBMISSIONS must be submitted by the 25th of each month in order to be published in the following month's publication. Please use "Tattler" for your subject line.