



T e l l T a l e s



Commodore's Log by Cindy Warwick

Come to the Regatta!

I'm sure I'm sounding like a broken record and the only words you hear from me are "the regatta is right around the corner". But low and behold it is!! Much work is going on behind the scenes and the participant registrations are already arriving. Many volunteers have stepped up to the plate in order to assist and I'm sending a great big THANK YOU your way for helping out. This regatta really is a special event as it is a long standing tradition that dates back to the first days of the club. It's our chance to raise funds to help support the club and promote the sport of sailing. It is a huge source of pride for me to see all of the hard work pay off. It's a joy to see everyone having a great time and especially to hang out with sailors from all over the West Coast. I look forward to meeting new friends each year and visiting with those that have attended our regatta for many, many years.

All club members and their guests are encouraged to come to the regatta even though you are not racing. Come and watch the boats from the jetty, join us for dinner or just stop by to say hello. If you would like to attend the dinner and/or wish to purchase a t-shirt, shoot me an email at warwickc@charter.net or call me at 541-855-9207 and I'll put you on my list. You can pay for your meals & t-shirts on the first day of the regatta (Saturday). We are offering chili with cornbread, salad & dessert. Dinner is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 12 & under. We have a vegetarian option available as well. T-shirts are \$15.

It means so much to the out of town sailors to have a chance to visit with fellow boat enthusiasts and share war stories! If you're a new sailor, this is a great opportunity to see other types of boats not typical to Howard Prairie in action and actually talk directly with the skippers. You might fall in love with a boat you had never even considered before.

I am expecting a huge RYC membership turnout up for the regatta so we can cheer the racers on and show them that our regatta is the best around!!

RYC 2011 Calendar

JULY

- 09--Saturday** **RACE--Stamm Memorial (Portsmouth)**
NEW MEETING TIME
Skippers meet **12:30 p.m.**, 1st Shape 1:30 p.m.
- 16--Saturday** Young Sailors' Celebration 1:00 p.m.
(see article on page 2)
- 23--Saturday** **RACE--Series race #2**
Skippers meet 12:30PM, 1st Shape 1:30 PM
- 23--Saturday** **SOCIAL** Cheeseburger-in-Paradise pot luck
After the Series #2 race

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- 30--Saturday** Regatta registration 8:30 AM
Skippers meet 10:30 AM, 1st Shape 11:00 AM
- 31--Sunday** Final day RYC H. P. Regatta
Skippers meet 9:00 AM, 1st Shape 10:00 AM

AUGUST

- 06--Saturday** **RACE--Commodore's Cup Trophy**
Skippers meet 12:30PM, 1st Shape 1:00 PM
- 13--Saturday** **RACE** Series Race #3
Skippers meet 12:30PM, 1st Shape 1:00 PM
- 13--Saturday** **SOCIAL** after Sail #3 Round Up 5:00PM
- 20--Saturday** **SOCIAL** Dog Days of Summer Pot Luck
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- 27--Saturday** **RACE** Series Race #4
Skippers meet 12:30PM, 1st Shape 1:00 PM
- 27--Saturday** **SOCIAL** After Sail Round Up 5:00 PM

SEPTEMBER

- 10--Saturday** **RACE--Johnston Trophy (Lake Champion)**
Skippers meet 12:30PM, 1st Shape 1:30 PM
- 24--Saturday** Removal of race marks and barge
Crew meet at 10:00 AM
- 24--Saturday** **SOCIAL** Barge Removal Pot Luck 4:00 PM
- 28--Wednesday:** Annual membership meeting and
Election of officers. 6:00 PM



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Member directories are now available at the RYC shed.

Pick yours up today.

R a c e r ' s C o r n e r

14 Vie for Jensen Trophy in PHRF Pursuit Race

by Bill Horton

This year's Jensen Trophy Race was different. I've been in a few Jensen Trophy Races over the past ten years. Some were ideal conditions, warm weather, wind 10-15 knots from the north northwest, some were less than ideal. Three years ago the wind from the south blew so lightly that it took most boats close to three hours to sail from the barge to the dam in sweltering heat; two years ago the winds blew so hard (25-30+ kn.) that some sailors (mostly small boats) dropped out early from exhaustion; many others just reefed their sail and held on tight. This year was different in several ways.

The first difference was that instead of our usual Portsmouth Handicap start with all boats, large and small, making a dash to the start line all together, the race committee created a start chart showing the staggered differential start times for each competing boat based on calculations from published PHRF data listed on the US Sailing website. Starting with the slowest boat, by handicap, each boat took its turn till all were sailing. In theory, all boats should be crossing the finish line about the same time.

The second difference for this year's race was the water, wind, and weather. The water as we all have seen this year was ideal for the Jensen since it is the around-the-islands race. In past years water levels have been problematic for the bigger boats; this year however the race was on a very full lake so there was not a lot of concern for running aground around doe and fawn islands. The wind this year was a bit of a factor since it was a bit fickle at crucial moments giving advantage to slower boats while a faster boat sat with slack sails only a 100 yards away. The the most important environmental difference, though, was the rain. Throughout the entire race it rained a cold rain upon us all.

So how did this "different" Jensen Trophy Race turn out? Well, "Hog Wild" a Santana 20 skippered by John Spillman crossed the finish line first, followed by "Eris" a Holder 20 captained by Jim Gurley, and third was "Escudero" a Columbia 30 with Jim Eggleston at the helm. The rest of us had a good day of competitive sailing in the wet and cold.

Silly Sails Question: Why is it called a "spring line?"

(See answer on page 4)

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C r u i s e r ' s C o r n e r

Young Sailor's Celebration

July 16th, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. and beyond!

Meet at 1 p.m. at the RYC clubhouse.

A fun afternoon of on the water sailing games. Parents and children should bring life jackets if they own them, sunblock, swimsuits and towels.

We will have a BBQ with hot dogs after the race at 5pm.

Contact: Monty Zuckowski [541-899-8182](tel:541-899-8182) or John Spillman [541-324-9610](tel:541-324-9610)

A call to members who would like to participate. If you have a Lido or smaller boat with low freeboard we would love to have you join us. Boat owners will skipper while the kids play games with tennis balls and Frisbees. Our goal is to get the kids excited about sailing, help crew the boats where possible and have a blast playing sailing games. Participating club members should contact us prior and plan to meet at the club around Noon to plan out the day prior to the kids arrival.



Women on the Water

by Jane Anderson

On Saturday, June 25th, 12 women met at the RYC shed to participate in Ladies Sail Day which came about after some conversation at the Salmon Bake this past February. Jane Anderson and Marylou Schnoes collaborated to get this event off the ground and onto the water. The float plan was



to have crews of women on boats, to consort together on the lake, head over to Hoxie Cove to raft-up for dinner and conversation, and then break up with the opportunity to either head back to shore or spend the night on-board.

The event included both RYC members and non-members, including some women who had no experience sailing and those who had been sailing before they could walk. The wind graciously picked up to between 7 to 10 knots with occasional gust up to 15 from the NW. We filled 3 boats with 4 women each and were on the water by 1:30. Skippers included Jane Anderson on *Prana*, Laura Hergenrader and Heidi Radabaugh on *Sacred Space*, and Marylou Schnoes on *Merriment*. All women had a chance to crew at the helm, at the sheets, mooring lines, hoisting and dropping sails. Thanks to the agreeable winds, downwind legs provided opportunities for collegial conversation, while the upwind legs included time for enthusiastic, heeling-over team-building.

Laura and Heidi kindly dropped *Sacred Space's* anchor in Hoxie Cove and gracefully orchestrated the raft-up of the three boats. Once securely fendered together, food and drink appeared on decks and deliciousness abounded between the boat with many salads, fresh fruit, roasted chicken, and a selection of wine. Conversation abounded and rebounded, including sailing experiences from which we've learned and voyages we'd like to take in the future. Toward the end of the event, the women decided to try to make this a monthly activity --- tentatively the 3rd Saturday in July scheduled as the next sail. or If you would like to lead up this event or are interested in being on a reminder emailing list, you should send Jane (jane@washdish.com) your email address. Females of all ages are welcomed!

Welcome New Members

Paula Lotspeich and Timothy Cole live elsewhere but visit family in the Rogue Valley frequently. They recently purchased a Passport 40, named Spirit, currently located in Annapolis, Maryland. Paula, a supporting member, is currently taking sailing lessons with club member and ASA instructor Jane Anderson. Paula is looking for practice opportunities, meeting club members, and crewing.

Aleece Townsend and Richard Hales joined RYC as supporting members. They live in Talent with their five children and are interested in learning to sail. They currently do not have a boat but are looking. Aleece will be taking our ASA Basic Keelboat course from Jane Anderson in mid-July.

John Trivers and Caryn Belafsky joined RYC as active members. They live in Ashland with their four children. In July they are planning to take ASA Basic Keelboat lessons from Jane Anderson. John says, "Carolyn and I are 'newbies' in the word of boating and are looking to become skilled, active boaters. We would like to participate in sailing together and with our family for many years to come."

David and Connie Wilkerson are Ashland residents with two children. They both work in the Rogue Valley David is an architect and Connie is a Presbyterian minister. They own a McGregor 27 named "Charette" and enjoy sailing.

Club Business

RYC Board Meeting: May 10, 2011

Minutes

Attending: Jay Harland, Roger Schnoes, Jim Smekal, John Spillman, Cindy and Mark Warwick, Monty Zukowski

Cindy called the meeting to order at 6:40.

Minutes Read: Monty read the minutes and they were approved.

Reports

Treasurer: Roger gave the Treasurer's report. We have around 50 members and don't expect too many more to sign up this year. So far we have 7 members who are new this year. The directory is out now, if you still need yours it is at the shed. Thanks to Peter for getting it out early this year! Also thanks to Jim Eggleston for his donation to cover the expenses of the barge repair! Budget details are available to any member in good standing. Treasurer's report was approved by the board.

Vice Commodore: Jay gave the Vice Commodore's report. We discussed relocating mark 6 to in front of the dam, as suggested by Peter Pipes. Races so far are going well and the



new website is easy to update with results. We discussed the upcoming Jensen race. Jay has heard back from the engineers about the dock repairs and is writing up a response.

Old Business

Regatta—Looks like we need a few more volunteers, otherwise everything is shaping up nicely. The food is already organized. Cindy will send out some more marketing stuff in the next few weeks.

Website—Discussed feedback we've gotten on the site and will make a few more improvements.

New Business

Course Maps: We'll print out more HP maps.

New Member Fee: John suggested that the \$10 new member fee go toward giving new members a burgee to fly on their boat.

Polite reminder that the day dock is for transient use only.

Next meeting will be July 12 at CSA planning.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30

[Silly Sails Answer:](#) Because of the strong south wind in April and May.



**The Rogue Yacht Club (RYC) presents
Howard Prairie Regatta July 30-31, 2011**

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Skipper _____ Yacht Club _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____ Phone _____
 Boat _____ Sail # _____ (Circle) Center Bd. / Off Shore / Multihull Sails: M G J S
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FEES:

Registration: Before July 22nd \$45.00* \$ _____
 After July 22nd \$60.00* \$ _____

Meals: Chili Dinner _____ @ \$10.00 \$ _____
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 (tees are 100% pre-washed cotton) (XXL T's must be pre-ordered)

Hats (embroidered) _____ @ \$20.00 \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____ Checks payable to: **Rogue Yacht Club**

****Current US Sailing members receive a \$5 discount on registration. Please mail in a copy of your membership card with this form. If registering on-site, please make sure to bring your card with you.***

Note: T-shirts (M, L, XL) will be on an availability supply only, unless pre-ordered.

Mail to: Cindy Warwick **Contact:** Cindy Warwick 541-855-9207 / warwickc@charter.net
 215 5th Avenue
 Gold Hill, OR 97525

Read, sign and date: I agree to sail according to the rules of the US Sailing Association and the written sailing instructions. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the Rogue Yacht Club, its members or officials involved with the event with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the host organization from any liability for such injury or damage.

Sign _____ Date _____

Name of person responsible and present at the Regatta for the **underage participant:**

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