



T e l l t a l e s



Commodore's Log by Jay Harland

2013 Season Just Around the Corner

For a sport where typical boat speeds are less than 10 knots, things happen quickly in sailing. The same can be said for RYC over the last month. The changes with the resort operations are a major turn of events. Keeping on top of it has been a fluid process. I appreciate everyone's patience as we get things sorted out. It was very considerate on the part of Jackson County Staff to come and talk to us directly at the Salmon Bake and I really appreciated that extra effort.

The excitement for the 2013 sailing season is starting to build. I overheard many members getting anxious to get the boats out of storage and ready for the season. I am looking forward to racing the laser on Wednesday nights starting in just a month. Find a small boat and come and join us for some laid back racing!

Overall, the participation at the Salmon Bake was great. Most of the sign-ups for the race chairs are in place for 2013. However, these chairs will still need two to three other people on the barge to run the day's racing. Please look at your respective calendars and email a race chair to help out on the barge on one of those days, and please cc. John Spillman in your email to that day's race chair. There are still opportunities to chair a social event. Please contact Patrick McLain if you want to chair a social event. We are social club and social events are the core club activity, but a chair is required to keep these events on the schedule and ensure they are a success.

The regatta is still in need of two major volunteer commitments. The regatta is the key revenue generator necessary to keep the club financially viable. Most specifically, we need a Principal Race Officer to run the racing and someone to coordinate the Trophies and Swag (cool stuff like t-shirts). If you are interested in either of these jobs please contact me ASAP!

Transitions at Howard Prairie Lake Resort

As most of you are now aware, Jackson County terminated their concessionaire agreement with the LeGrandes at Howard Prairie Lake Resort. Jackson County Parks now

intends to operate the campground and marina itself with a more limited concessionaire for the Restaurant and Store. Obviously, this has a myriad of implications for the club as a whole and for our individual members. The topic du jour is the moorage reservation system for slips and mooring balls. The most current information on this issue is provided in this issue of the Telltales. I recommend checking the county parks website regularly over the next two seasons to stay apprised of the most current information on this transition from the perspective of the County.

The RYC Board's top priority during this transition period is to serve the interests of the club as a whole. We will do our best to keep the membership informed on the transition details as they are understood and this information will be disseminated through the club website and/or the Telltales. RYC has accumulated a number of formal and informal arrangements with the past concessionaires that are important to club operations. As a user group, the RYC Board will work with Jackson County to carry forward these arrangements and have them integrated into the County's operations planning going forward. This transition is also an opportunity to establish new arrangements that are beneficial to the club. If you have ideas that would benefit the club in this regard please e-mail me.

Overall, it is only realistic to expect some lumpy seas during this transition period that is likely to last for the next two seasons. The Board will do their level best to address concerns and look out for the interest of the club and its members as this process unfolds. If you have concerns or criticisms about the handling of this transition period then please express them to me or other Board member with whom you are comfortable. The club and its members should strive to be a partner in this transition for the benefit of all.

R Y C 2 0 1 3 C a l e n d a r

A P R I L

03, 10, 17, 24 Wednesdays

RACE--Spring Racing Series

PLACE: Emigrant Lake

TIME: First Start 5:30 p. m.

Dingy Racing & Lasers to race one design.

18 Thursday--EDUCATION Free Intro To Sailing Day #1

Contact for info.: Derek Budd (541) 944-8341 or info@rogueyachtclub.org



RYC 2013 Calendar (continued)

25 Thursday--EDUCATION Free Intro To Sailing Day #2
Contact for info.: Derek Budd (541) 944-8341 or info@rogueyachtclub.org

27 Saturday--EDUCATION Free Intro To Sailing Day #3
On-The-Water: must have attended classes on Apr 18 & 25

MAY

01, 08, 15, 22, 27 Wednesdays

RACE--Spring Racing Series (cont.)
TIME: First Start 5:30 p. m. **PLACE:** Emigrant Lake
Dingy Racing & Lasers to race one design.

18 Saturday -- WORK DAY--Set racing marks and launch
race committee barge.

TIME: 10:00 a. m. **PLACE:** RYC Shed

JUNE

01 Saturday--RACE--Ice Breaker Trophy Race
Skippers' Meet: 12:00 p. m. **1st Start:** 1:00 p. m.

01 Saturday--SOCIAL--Ice Breaker Micro Brews
Bring your favorite micro-brews to drink and share after the
Ice Breaker Trophy Race.

15 Saturday-- RACE--Summer Series Day #1
Skippers' Meet: 12:00 p. m. **1st Start:** 1:00 p. m.

22 Saturday--RACE--Jensen Memorial Trophy
Skippers' Meet: 12:00 p. m. **1st Start:** 1:00 p. m.

22 Saturday--SOCIAL--Sailstice Potluck
TIME: 5:00 p. m.

BRING: Food Bar-B-Q an a dish to share.

RAFT-UP: Possible for the night in Hoxie Cove.

29 Saturday--Racing Clinic (Presentation & On-the-Water)
TIME: 10:00 a. m. **PLACE:** RYC Shed

A r o u n d t h e D o c k s

An Important Announcement from Jackson County Parks Department

Beginning February 13, 2013, the [Jackson County Parks Department](http://www.jacksoncountyparks.com) is now operating the facilities at Howard Prairie Lake Resort. **ALL RESERVATIONS MADE PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 13th WILL BE HONORED.**

BOAT MOORAGE RESERVATIONS will soon be available through the County Parks Office at (541) 774-8183. The county anticipates they will begin taking reservations for boat moorage on Monday, March 11, 2013 Please check the web-site as they will be posting updates as they proceed. They are planning to post a packet that will describe the moorage

rental process, procedures, and have the reservation form that will need to be sent in via email, or standard mail, or delivered in person. When they are ready to start accepting moorage and dry storage reservations, RYC members (and everybody else) should call **(541) 774-8183** to speak with the **reservation specialist**. She will be able to walk us trough the payment process fairly quickly, as she processes 1000s of campsite reservations each year.

Payment by credit card will be accepted in person or by phone.

Moorage payment by Check must be made to:

Jackson County Parks
7520 Table Rock Rd.
Central Point, OR 97502

(Source: www.jacksoncountyparks.com)

Chris Johnston's Blog Re.: Transition at HP

In order to present as much information regarding the changes of operation at Howard Prairie Lake Resort this editor is including the following link: <http://hpresort.com>. As stated on the blog, "This blog is authored by Chris Johnston and exists to inform the public about the changes taking place at Howard Prairie Lake Resort in 2013." On February 26, 2013 Chris wrote, in part, an explanation of the blog's purpose, "As many of you are beginning to hear, some really big changes are coming to Howard Prairie Resort in 2013; I'll try my best to keep you all informed here. As part of the family that owned and operated Howard Prairie Resort from 1960 to 2007, the resort is a big part of me and the place I consider home, just as it is for many of you."

W e e d A b a t e m e n t N e w s

Those of us who attended the 2013 Salmon Bake on February 23rd were privileged to hear from the Jackson County Director of Roads and Parks, John Vial, about the progress toward achieving some level of weed abatement in the Howard Prairie Marina basin. He told us that the land surrounding the lake and those items floating on the water are managed by the Jackson County Parks Department, but the water and what is beneath the water is managed by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation.

Because of RYC's persistence about drawing attention to the weed situation at H. P., over the past several years, the county, seeing that a problem truly exists, and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, having discovered the same, asked the Bureau of Reclamation to address this ever growing problem. The result of investigation by Bureau of Reclamation biologists was that the weeds were truly causing problems for the lake.

Subsequently, the Bureau has hired a firm that is fully licensed, has the appropriate permits, and a proven record of



expertise in the field of aquatic weed abatement. This company reportedly will begin the first treatment to alleviate the troublesome weeds in the resort marina, Willow Point launch ramp, and Klum Landing. This won't fix the weed problem lake wide but it appears to be a good start.

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

Scheduled Campaigns for 2013

Include Scoring for RYC Laser Class

This year Vice Commodore John Spillman is encouraging members to travel to two regatta events hosted by two other clubs. The RYC Laser Class racers will be including two of those regattas as part of their Laser Class Series scoring profile.

The first of the two campaign races that RYC members are encouraged to attend is the **FIRECRACKER REGATTA**, hosted by the Klamath Yacht Club. This two day event will also be **scored as RYC Laser Class Series Racing Day #1**. So, for those serious Laser Class racers who want to rack up points, attendance is required.

Contact info: www.KlamathYachtClub.org

Firecracker Regatta Schedule

Friday, July 5th, 6p. m.: Bar open, dinner and registration.

Saturday, July 6th, Race Day 1 of 2

7:30–8:30 a. m.: registration & Continental Breakfast.

9:00 a. m.: Skippers meeting, Box lunches available.

7:00 p. m.: Pit Bar-B-Q.

Sunday, July 7th, race day 2 of 2.

7:30-8:30 a. m.: Continental breakfast.

9:00 a. m.: Racing begins.

After Racing: BBQ lunch.

SCORING: Races will be scored using PHRF for keelboats and Portsmouth for multihull boats.

Free camping and showers are available at Klamath YC.

Contact info: www.KlamathYachtClub.org

The second inter-club regatta on our schedule is also **scheduled to be scored as day #3 of RYC Laser Class Series racing**. This final RYC encouraged campaign is the **LABOR DAY REGATTA**, hosted by Coos Bay Yacht Club. This year this regatta will be held on Saturday, August 31st and Sunday, September 1st. At this early date nothing about the regatta is posted on the CBYC website <http://www.coosbayyachtclub.org> but there is a contact us link on their home page for more information.

These campaigns are not just limited to those hearty souls who are RYC Laser Class racers, but are open to any

club member who wants to make that trip, join the party and represent the club at another club's regatta. If you are one of those members that has a campaign-able boat: Catalina 18s & 22s, Coronado 15s, Hunter 23s, Lido 14s, Luger Leeward 16s, and Tanzer 22s, then go, have fun, bring home trophies.

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

Salmon Bake Well Attended, Highly Informative

This year's Salmon Bake and member meeting was a good time by members and guests alike. The salmon and steak was ably prepared by several members, including Jay Harland, and Brian Simpson. Along with the great bar-b-cue, provided by the club, members brought their side dish contributions to compliment the main course. The social portion of the Salmon Bake made for a good gathering of members to kick off the 2013 sailing season.



The final portion of the Salmon Bake was the mem-



bership meeting. During which, members of the RYC Board presented the plan for the 2013 season. In addition **John Vial**, director of Jackson County Roads and Parks, and **Steve Lambert**, director of J. C. Parks and Recreation discussed the imminent changes occurring at Howard Prairie Lake Resort. Mr. Vial discussed progress on weed abatement and Mr. Lambert assured RYC members that, "The resort will be business as usual."

Water Level at Howard Prairie Lake

As of March 5th, the water level at the Howard Prairie Lake, according to Bureau of Reclamation hydrograph data, http://www.usbr.gov/pn-bin/graphwy.pl?hpd_af is nearly 62% full at 37,292 acre feet, (full is 60,600 acre feet). Last year at this time the lake contained approximately 43,000 acre feet. If trends have any meaning, the lake usually begins filling around mid-March and peaks about mid-May. With a bit more snowpack than last year the lake could just make it back up to last year's high of about 57,000 acre feet or about 94% full.

C l u b B u s i n e s s

A Note From The Treasurer

We had a very nice salmon bake; if you missed it I hope you can make it next year. It was also good for the club finances. Eleven people paid their dues at the discounted rate, which brings the total active membership to 35. If you haven't paid your dues yet, the cost is now \$80 and we always appreciate having dues paid as early as possible. Members were also very generous in participating in the raffle for half the cost of a moorage at Howard Prairie this season. The club raised a total of \$225, but unfortunately, your treasurer did not win.

If you were not able to be there, my message to the club membership basically had three points: 1) The club's finances are stable and in pretty good shape. 2) The board is interested in looking into whether we are paying too much for insurance. If you are interested in helping to look into that question, please contact Jay Harland or Roger Schnoes. We can always use some volunteer help to make our club successful. 3) The club will need a new treasurer beginning next November. Think about it--it's fun and definitely not too difficult. If you have questions about what is involved, feel free to contact me.

Roger Schnoes, RYC Chancellor of the Exchequer

Board Meeting February 19, 2013

Minutes

Attended by board members: Jay Harland, Commodore; John Spillman Vice Commodore, Roger Schnoes, Treasurer; Patrick McLain, Trustee; Jesse Repp, Trustee (via phone), Jeanne Klein, Secretary; Derek Budd, past Commodore

Jay Harland called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Jeanne Klein read the minutes from the previous meeting. The minutes were approved.

Review of the task list from the previous meeting

Articles were accepted. **Jeanne and Derek** haven't entered new member data. **Jesse** reported vehicle sticker update--looking at using vinyl--won't be ready for Salmon Bake.

Treasurer's report – Roger Schnoes

A few more memberships in--20 members have paid for this year. **Roger** would like to move spreadsheet with roster to skydrive--would like approval from board to place on skydrive--board approved. **Insurance** came in for renewal. Has gone up every year--Roger will ask at Salmon Bake to see if anyone wants to tackle researching it. **Board approved** treasurer report.

Social Report - Patrick McClean

Ski night: seven attended ski night--it was a successful event.

Vice Commodores' Report--John Spillman

Moved spring series from Monday to Wednesday at 5:30 to avoid competing with the rowing club for space at Emigrant Lake. **Received OSMB Permit** and sent to county for approval. **A club member has offered** to create a controller (like the Regatta Pro Start). John will announce at Salmon Bake. **John will create a banner** for a car at Emigrant Lake to announce the spring series. **June 29th** may be a good time for racing clinic and race committee clinic.

Commodore's Report--Jay Harland

Report on Resort Operations: Spoke with John Vial--county roads and parks. Concessionaire agreement has been terminated assured that the resort will be open and to schedule events as planned--covered moorage issues and they haven't figured that out yet, and we are waiting for info on who to send moorage to and how reservations will be handled. Assets from the club will remain on site--more details soon. John volunteered to speak at the Salmon Bake and will be on agenda. Bureau of Reclamation is out for contractor to treat weeds with chemicals in the spring.

U20 North American Championship Proposal (Deadline March 1st)--Jay emailed it out with preliminary budget--had



Cindy and Mark look over proposal-Santa Cruz YC can't have it this year-interest in having it at Howard Prairie hosted by RYC-they wanted it at the end of September, but not good at HP-Jay suggested Sun, Mon, Tues after the Jensen for the event. Ultimate size would be between 18-28 boats. Need PRO for event and have someone here who is not certified but good-need to get buy in from event staff to have non certified PRO. Club could clear \$500-800 from this event. Board approved event.

Old Business

Sky Drive Demo/Data Repository Implementation (John) fully implemented! intent is to get our board business in one place. Jeanne will place meeting minutes, constitution/articles on the skydrive. Keep photos on web or facebook.

Regatta

Meal Determination: Mexican fiesta, this year we will have a pre-registered price and day of race price for meals.

Registration Interface: do we want to continue as is or online registration? (i.e. Yachtscoring.com) can we customize it and add option to purchase swag and meal?? We will research options for electronic registration

Regatta Manual: Cindy presented manual to board it is on the skydrive-it is a process manual and is broken into four jobs: (1) Registration and Marketing assigned to Jesse Repp, (2) Swag/Trophies (ask at salmon bake for volunteer), (3) Principal Race Officer, (4) Dinner assigned to Patrick McLain. Cindy also documented reasons why to do the process-invite four people to March regatta meeting

Salmon Bake

Review Agenda (all)

Raffle: We may still have raffle for moorage, if worse comes to worse, we will raffle off 1/2 moorage and the club will pay for it; raffle tickets are \$1 or 6 for \$5 and one for each name on the sign up sheet.

Food: (Patrick) Jay will get final number to Patrick on Thursday for purchase; Cindy will email salmon recipe to Patrick.

Prep/Clean-Up and BBQ Grills: Jay's and Derek's BBQs will be used. Peter will bring projector-Jay will send email to get cooks.

Salmon Bake Assignments: Jay will get final numbers for Salmon bake to Patrick on Thursday. Cindy will send Patrick recipe for salmon. Jay will send email to see if we can get cooks. Cindy will check to see if they have a screen and Jay will check with GS bldg. to see if they have one. Jay will get coffee, soda, ice, creamer.

Assignments:

- Jeanne and Derek will enter new member data.

- Roger will move roster to skydrive.
- Roger will ask for help at salmon bake to research insurance options.
- John will create a banner for a car at Emigrant Lake to announce the spring series.
- Jeanne will place meeting minutes, constitution/articles on the skydrive.
- Jay will ask at salmon bake for volunteer to do swag/trophies at regatta.
- Invite regatta job people to March regatta meeting and have them read the Regatta Manual prior to next meeting.
- Jeanne will ask Monty to upload past meeting minutes to skydrive
- John will tentatively schedule racing clinic and race committee clinic on June 29th and announce at Salmon Bake.

Date and location for marketing meeting: March 19th at 6:30 at CSA Planning

Date and location for next board meeting: April 16th at 6:30 at CSA Planning

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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