

Lopez Island Yacht Club

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NEWSLINE

NOVEMBER 2009

Happenings

- November Board Meeting
Wednesday, 6:30
November 4
- 21st Annual "Round the
County" Sailboat Race
November 8 and 9
- November General Member-
ship Meeting
Wednesday
November 18

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COMMODORE'S CORNER

Again, a big thanks to Gordie and Barbara Rydberg for inviting us to their 59th wedding anniversary party. I'm sure there was nowhere else they would have wanted to be. What great sports! CONGRATULATIONS, Gordie and Barbara!

An extended 4-year cruise in Mexico...I bet you wish you were there now as the weather changes. Thank you Bob and Peggy for sharing your adventure with us all. Sailing home alone may not have been his favorite part, but one Bob will not soon forget.

If we ever have to be reminded of the extraordinary piece of Earth where we live, Carole and I enjoyed the Cascade Loop this past weekend. Our first stop was Winthrop. After a day of amazing fall color and lunch at the Ross Lake Dam, we enjoyed dining in the cozy cowboy town. Next day we drove to Lake Chelan. Now I know where all the fruit trees are—as far as the eye can see, orchard after orchard. This may be a said reality of the current state of the economy, but I have never seen so many "For Sale" signs. Lake Chelan—now there is a spot you could spend some time. So now we have another answer for those who ask, "What do you do living on an island?"

A little food for thought. Last year I enjoyed a few margaritas poolside at the end of the Cabo Race with Norm (a friend from high school who has not missed a Mexico or TransPac race since the '70s.) We sailed together in 1972 on the Cal 40 *Restless*.

He is also a former world Etchells champion. He asked, "How long do we keep doing this?" This brought back the memory of meeting a sailing legion at Larchmont Yacht Club back in the late '70s. I was back East prepping *Elske*, the Wullschlegers' magnificent 48' yawl for the Bermuda Race. Captain Tuna (Arthur W.) picked me up Sunday morning and stated we were off to brunch and an afternoon of dinghy racing. Sitting on the porch of the Larchmont Yacht Club, I had the privilege of sipping champagne and listening to the stories of Arthur Knapp. Arthur Knapp is a veteran of many American's Cup challenges dating back to his days as tactician for Mr. Vanderbilt on his J boats. Arthur was in his 80's by then and in a wheelchair due to severe arthritis.

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What's Happening ?

SAVE THIS DATE!

DECEMBER
16, 2009

See Christmas Party
details and
reservation form
on blue cover sheet

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

POTLUCK AT THE ISLANDER

November 18, 2009

6:00 pm—Social Hour

7:00 pm—Dinner and Program

*Ralph and Phyllis Nansen will present:
KANTON: FRAM SAILS TO A DESERT
ATOLL*

**Bring a main dish, side dish, salad or dessert to share
and your own eating utensils, plates, etc.**

**Coffee and tea will be available. Other beverages may
be purchased in the Islander Lounge.**

Join your hosts, Doug and Lisa Cram

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An hour before the first start, he excused himself, wheeled down the dock, and, with a little help, boarded his frostbite dinghy. He proceeded to give us all a lesson in dinghy racing; he won 3 straight that day. Then back out of the dinghy, he wheeled himself back to the porch where we all enjoyed a Scotch and more stories. So my answer is, "Wheel me down the dock and put me in a dinghy as long as possible. To cross the ocean with 12 sweaty guys to go to a place you have been to before, this I can give up!"

An update on Bill McKinney: Betty Lou called October 23 and said that Bill's blood clot has not diminished in size, but fortunately he has no paralysis. His appetite is returning and he is making slow progress. He will be residing in a rehabilitation unit near the hospital for at least the next several weeks. The best way to reach Betty Lou is her cell phone: (360) 378-7878. Keep the good thoughts coming!

Bill

SEPTEMBER'S GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING was almost standing room only, with members and 11 guests arriving for the potluck and showing of Captain Irving Johnson's exciting (and often comical) 1929 adventure "Around Cape Horn".



SPECIAL THANKS to Hosts Mary and Paul Gauthier (shown above with Jim Wiseman).

Rudy Onstad >> had actually met Captain Irving Johnson (several years ago.)



Mark and Mary Stiger with Commodore Bill and Carole White



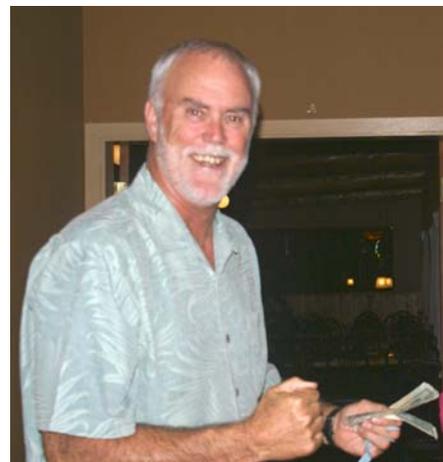
<< Dave McRoberts delivers some of the Islander's new pizza offerings to be sampled by the group.

(Provided by Bill Diller.)

Betty Zaborsky, Ann Worley and Joanne Wiseman



Russ Johnson looks happy with his 50/50 raffle winnings of over \$80.



OCTOBER'S MEMBERSHIP MEETING: ANOTHER PACKED HOUSE



Scary pumpkins, ghosts and goblins greeted LIYC'rs at the October General Membership meeting hosted by Gordie and Barbara Rydberg. (Almost as scary were Nancy Johnson's Halloween socks.) Over 65 members and guests crowded the "yacht club room" at the Islander to see and hear about Bob and Peggy Hubbard's 4-year Mexican sailing adventure.

Dave McRoberts was reluctant to introduce his guests, Jim and Cindy, because he was afraid their last name (Sink) wouldn't be well received at a boating organization's meeting. But the Sinks were so much fun, it really didn't matter.



< Bill Johnson and Gary Zerbst

> Gordie and Barbara Rydberg in their Halloween orange colors.

Happy 59th!



The 50/50 raffle draw was also a little spooky. As you know, Jerry and Diana Hancock have been doing a great job of selling the raffle tickets at the meetings. As the drawing was about to be made, Jerry, as you might expect from someone working in an attorney's office, held up some tickets and disclosed he had indeed purchased some for himself. The winning ticket was plucked from the can, and—you guessed it—it belonged to Jerry !!! \$62 for Jerry and \$62 for the club.

Special Thanks to Hosts Gordie and Barbara Rydberg, Presenters Bob and Peggy Hubbard, and Raffle Extraordinaire Jerry and Diana Hancock!



< Lisa Cram and Joe Carney

> Bob and Peggy Hubbard



BORDER CROSSINGS: NEW BOATING LAW IN BC

New boating safety equipment requirements have been enacted for all boaters (including U.S. residents) for all boats operating in Canadian waters. All boats (including kayaks, rowboats, dinghies, etc.) must carry the following safety equipment at all times:

- Personal Floatation Device for each person
- Bailing Device
- Buoyant 50' Heaving Line with float
- Sound Device (Whistle)
- Waterproof Flashlight and batteries

A compact little kit including the line, whistle, flashlight, and bailer can be purchased for about \$25 at Capital Iron in Sidney, BC. It is not yet available at Lopez's IMC, but may be by spring. We will remind you again early next year in time for most of the Canadian boating soirees.

The RCMP says they WILL ticket you for non-compliance starting in 2010.

WANT TO SAVE TREES?

If you would prefer to receive your Lopez Island Yacht Club "Newslines" via the web only, just email the "Newslines" editor, Shanley Lett, at lettos@rockisland.com.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Brian and Nancy Lynch, Barbara Carver and Lane Langford, and Gary and Patty Bergren have completed requirements for membership and are now officially LIYC'rs.

Please introduce yourselves and welcome them at our next yacht club event.

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BOAT UP ON BLOCKS? LET'S SKI!

Join Bob and Lynn Hall on their 6th ski trip to the Alps. **March 6—15, 2010. \$2095 + \$150 airport tax per person.**

Madonna di Campiglio, Italy, lies nestled in a valley in the Brenta Dolomites at 5085 feet. Interconnected ski resorts (4) have 57 modern lifts, 94 miles of groomed runs over 3000 vertical feet. Lift tickets are approximately \$46-\$55. There are also 25 miles of prepared cross-country tracks.

Package includes: Round trip airfare (Lufthansa) Seattle-Frankfurt-Verona, Italy. Private motor coach transfers throughout the trip. 7

nights, 4-star Hotel St. Raphael in Madonna



(shown at right.) 1 afternoon/night 3-star hotel in Verona on return. Buffet breakfasts, and dinners daily in Hotel St. Raphael.

Deposit: \$500, needed by November 30

Balance due by January 15, 2010

For more information call, Bob or Lynn at 360-468-3765, bobhallski@rockisland.com.

See also www.campiglio.com and www.hotelstraphael.it.

DOCK SPACE AVAILABLE

Dock space is available at the Galley Dock

Call Jeff at 360-468-2713

DECEMBER'S EVENT: THE "COMMODORE'S PARTY"

By Rodman Duncan

This month's "Newslines" is a little late because Karen, Bill White and I have been working on a plan for a "Commodore's Party" (hopefully to become in future years the "Commodore's Ball".) This year the event is scheduled for December 16th and will be held at the Bay Café. A reservation form is included in this "Newslines" which details the choices on the menu at a set price. We will have a no-host bar, a social hour with hors d'oeuvres, followed by a three course dinner including dessert. We are still in the planning stages for our program, some form of entertainment, Christmas carols, music. (No dancing this year.) More on this in the December newsletter.

Karen and I will host this party in the hopes that it will become a traditional yearly party, the purpose of which is to honor the outgoing Commodore, to acknowledge the efforts of the outgoing officers, and to welcome in the new officers. We would like it to be an annual semi-formal event, taking place during our holiday season, at which our members get to "dress **up**", and perhaps get to "let their hair **down**".

Prior to returning to Lopez nine years ago, Karen and I were members of the Ft. Worth Boat Club, and the most attended and enjoyed of all their events was their annual formal Commodore's Ball. The clubhouse had a festive atmosphere, a social hour with open bar, dinner and dancing, and a few presentations and awards.

Shanley told me that LIYC had a similar event a few years ago (*Ed. Note: It was November 2001*) with a dinner/dance held at the community center. This event was well received by the membership but I wonder why it didn't continue?

We also hope that this party will initiate a dialogue within our membership on whether or not we should continue with a Commodore's Ball in the future, and what form it should take. **We want your input.** We plan to follow up this event with a questionnaire to be included with the Dues Form in the December newsletter. It will poll the membership with questions asking their opinions as to timing, venue, costs, funding, catering, dancing, etc. This will help the board to plan the type of event that will please the majority of the members.

Hope to see ya'll there!

Happy Thanksgiving!

LOPEZ ISLAND YACHT CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY 2009

DATE: Wednesday, December 16, 2009
PLACE: The Bay Cafe
TIME: 1800 Hrs No-Host Social, 1900 Hrs Dinner/Program
DRESS: Lopez Festive

The Bay Café's famous (and fabulous) complimentary hors d'oeuvres will be served during the social hour.

Questions? Call your hosts, Rod Duncan and Karen Bistrin (360) 468-3588 or
Commodore Bill White (360) 468-3408

SAMPLE MENU

(May change slightly depending on freshest available seasonal ingredients)

APPETIZERS

SOUP: *Oven roasted local organic winter squash bisque*

SALAD: *Local organic greens and lettuce with white Balsamic herb vinaigrette, Satsumas, walnuts and sweet dried cranberries*

YOUR CHOICE OF 3 ENTREES:

Char-grilled Filet of Aged Beef 6 oz Tenderloin, Black pepper horseradish crème fraiche with green onions, local organic potato, garlic and asiago potato cakes

Grilled Mahi Mahi, Ginger sesame soy sauce, Pear cranberry cilantro relish, Sauteed local vegetables and sticky sushi rice cakes

Handmade organic roasted squash ravioli, Sauteed greens with sweet onion sage cream, crumbled Gorgonzola and toasted pecans. Add chicken or prawns, if you wish.

YOUR CHOICE OF 3 DESSERTS:

*Ginger white chocolate cheesecake with cranberry sauce
Chocolate gateau with vanilla crème anglais
Port wine crème caramel*

PAYABLE IN ADVANCE

Please complete and return this form before December 5

Name(s) _____

Phone _____

of dinners @ \$40.00 per person _____ (Includes tax and gratuity)

Make checks payable to Lopez Island Yacht Club.

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