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CRAB FEST 2005



It was a gorgeous day for Crab Fest 2005

THIS ISSUE'S SPONSORS:

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PAST COMMODORES TO MEET

The BYC Chapter of the Blue Gavel (also known as "The Past Commodores") will meet on Tuesday, September 13, at the Club. The group holds meetings every quarter throughout the year. All PC's are invited; a refreshment period is at 5:30, while dinner is at 6:30.

The Past Commodores contribute to a fund which is used for Club activities. They provide a minimum of \$2750 each year that pays for the Inati Bay lease (\$2500) plus money for the BYC.ORG website; in addition, they contribute to various capital projects such as the large-screen TV; the mirrors in the Club lounge; and other items. The funds raised come from PC contributions in lieu of dues since under Club By-Laws, after a person serves as Commodore dues are waived; many PC's contribute to the Club nevertheless. ---Joe Coons

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS...

The long hot days of summer have seen many of our local boats at anchor in some far off destination. The number of empty slips around the marina, suggest it would be very difficult to find an available buoy at any of our State parks. Although many members are on vacation, planning continues around our activities this month.

Terry Tavelli and his "band of pirates", promise fun activities on August 27th at Inati Bay, during the **Commodore's Picnic**. I've been told, we have received hidden maps which, with the aid of a compass or GPS, will allow everyone to search for treasure. It's not too early to think about organizing your search teams, but remember, treasures found should be shared equally among all members of your team. **Bob Kehoe** has once again agreed to act as our beach chef, but his hard work on the barbecue needs to be supplemented with the creative pot luck items from our members. Unlike previous Commodore's picnics, this year's event will be on a Saturday, allowing our members more time to relax in the sun, before the start of a new work week.

Anyone wishing to help out with the **PITCH** or **One Design Regattas** is strongly encouraged to contact **Mick Corcoran** or **Terry Tavelli**. We are looking volunteers to help out, both on and off the water. Right now many of you may be saying to yourself, "I don't know anything about racing, how could I possibly help"? If you can count seconds on a watch, read sail numbers out loud, help young kids register, drive a small boat with lunches out to a group of hungry and grateful sailors, then you're the type of person **Terry** and **Mick** are hoping to contact.

As many of you are already aware, the **Bellingham Yacht Club** has formally been asked by the Fire Marshall to install a fire sprinkling system downstairs. We are in the process of acquiring bids and the planning remains in the preliminary stage. We shall endeavor to fulfill our obligation in a manner that best meets the needs of our members, but I would expect you are going to hear much more about this in the months ahead.

Richard Veach, Commodore

FROM THE FLEET CAPTAIN...

PITCH: This year's PITCH Regatta is Saturday and Sunday, September 3rd and 4th. We are still in need of volunteers to help with race committee and mark boats. Please contact **Terry Tavelli** or **Mick Corcoran** if you can help in any of these areas.

ONE DESIGN REGATTA: This year's One Design Regatta is Saturday and Sunday, September 10th and 11th (the weekend after PITCH). We are still in need of volunteers to help with race committee and mark boats. Please contact Terry Tavelli or Mick Corcoran if you can help in any of these areas.

POWER FLEET UPCOMING EVENTS: There are no power fleet events scheduled for September or October, but Members with powerboats are urged to participate as "support boats" for the November 12-13 Round the County Race sailors. Call Terry Tavelli for details, and/or watch for the next Jib Sheet.

RACE RESULTS: Results are now posted on the web site under the Message Center in the Race results section, www.byc.org.

DINGHY RACING: This year's dinghy racing program has been so successful that the participants don't want it to end. They would like to continue if possible with another series lasting into October. However, in order to do this, we need a committee boat. If you would like to volunteer the use of your boat, it would be greatly appreciated. Contact Terry Tavelli or **David Servais**.

There were many people who helped with the program during the year...too many to mention here and we very much appreciate their help. However, there are a few that I would like to mention as they have donated a lot of time and effort to ensure that the racing came together and I want to express my sincere gratitude to them for making the Dinghy Racing Program a huge success. We had up to 18 boats on the course, completed at least three races per night and had a lot of fun doing it.

- **David Servais** who organized, promoted and kept the whole program growing and beat the pants off the other racers.
- **Bob Snowball** who supplied the race committee boat every night, not only for the dinghy series, but for the Wednesday night and Novice series as well. Many a party began on his boat after the races due to his generous hospitality.
- **Dale and Virginia Jepsen**, our excellent race committee for conducting not only the dinghy racing, but also the Novice series and special regattas as well. These folks know how to run a superb regatta and they have a great time doing it as well.
- **Joe Warren-LaCasella and Jeff Farmer** for their help with the mark boat and safety boat. It gave Joe an opportunity to learn how to use his new GPS and Jeff an opportunity to race when we had enough help he could sneak away.
- **Jamie Ashton and Jane Sylvester** for their excellent help on race committee. Jamie even had time to cheer for her favorite competitor, Brennan.
- **Dick Grimshaw** who also helped organize and promote the program and set up the web site information. He was also an avid spectator on Moon Shadow, rooting for his favorite competitor, Lily.

Thank You, Dinghy Racing Volunteers!

Terry Tavelli, Fleet Captain

Youth Sailing Fleet

I would like to announce that starting two sessions ago we had a full class of 12 new students! They were all beginners, and we had a great time.

As the next step, we have now been able to bring our kids from our beginner's class into the racing scene on Tuesday nights, and have some great potential for our race team next year. Please keep your eyes open for **Brock Steffan**, for at only 14

years old, he is coming on fast, and coming on with great skills. We have had a rewarding summer; it's very exciting to see a series of new faces, and to see many again from last year.

I would like to personally thank **Jason Watson** and **Tim Mumford**, for all their help with ANYTHING that our junior sailing program has needed, and an extra special thanks to **Ashley Hamilton** for being a great co-worker, an amazing person and sailor! I could not have asked for a better summer than being on the water with all these new sailors, and watching these kids go from never being on a boat, into knowing how to race. I thank all my Junior Sailors, it's been great!

Claire Beich, Junior Sailing Director

From the website:

Inati Bay Update

As of June 30th 2005, the Bellingham Yacht Club has negotiated with the Lummi Island Land Company to once again allow unrestricted anchorage in Inati Bay.

Anchorage users should be aware of the dispute in regard to the bedlands of Inati Bay between the Department of Natural Resources Aquatic Division (DNR), and the Lummi Island Land Company (LILC). The Bellingham Yacht Club makes no representation of ownership, and requests all parties concerned with this dispute contact the Department of Natural Resources, and the Lummi Island Land Co.

The tidelands and uplands of Inati Bay remain under restricted access by authorized users of the Lummi Island Land Company.

Note that Members of the Bellingham Yacht Club are permitted access to the beach area under the terms of the BYC lease with the Lummi Island Land Company.

Please respect the rights of the property owners.

Please visit www.byc.org for more details!

BYC Dinghy Rack

During May BYC volunteers headed by **David Servais** and **Bob Kehoe** constructed a 14 slot rack for Bellingham's new (mainly) Laser fleet owned by Club members and the public.

The dock has been provided by the Port of Bellingham and BYC covered the costs of materials. It will be moved to Gate 6 where it will be permanently moored in a secure area.

The dinghies are now racing regularly on Tuesday nights. Some of the slots are yet to be filled, if anyone is interested in racing and keeping their boat on this dock they should contact: dinghyracing@byc.org

BYC CALENDARS FOR TWO MONTHS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	SEPTEMBER 2005
				1	2	3	<u>SIGNIFICANT DATES THIS MONTH</u> Major Club Events: 7, 21
					PITCH ☺ F@5	PITCH	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Club Administration Events: 15 Cruises: (none this month) Sailing Races (6PM unless noted): Seniors: 2, 3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 14, 21, 24, 28 Novices: (none this month) Juniors: 6 ☺ F@5 Fridays at 5: 2, 16
PITCH	Labor Day	Dinghy Series 2-5	Fall 1 (Tent) Nominating Meeting			B'ham Bay One Design	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
B'ham Bay One Design			Fall 2 (Tent)	Board Mtg6P	☺ F@5		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
			Fall 3 (Tent) ELECTIONS			Governor's Point 10A	
25	26	27	28	29	30		
			Fall 4 (Tent)				

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	OCTOBER 2005
						1	<u>SIGNIFICANT DATES THIS MONTH</u> Major Club Events: 5
						Jack Island 10A	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Club Administration Events: 20 Cruises: (none this month) Sailing Races (6PM unless noted): Seniors: 1, 5, 15, 16, 28, 29, 30 Novices: (none this month) Juniors: (none this month) ☺ F@5 Fridays at 5: 7, 21
			Fall 5 (Tent) Installation Of Officers		☺ F@5		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
						PSSC-CYC Seattle	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
PSSC-CYC Seattle				Board Mtg6P	☺ F@5		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
					Grand Prix SYC	Grand Prix SYC	
30	31						
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