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### Commodore's Corner



Happy holiday season. I hope this finds you carefree and jolly.

Hope you will join us for the Holiday Party Tuesday December 14 at the Squalicum Y.C.'s clubhouse too. The Showstoppers will sing for your dinner and hopefully collect a small donation from us. We'll be collecting food for the Foodbank again. Bring a roughly \$15 gift for the gift exchange. Doors open at 6PM with the potluck to begin at 6:30 with election of 2011 officers to follow.

We've put our boat to bed for the winter, but if the present weather holds, there will be boating days left in the season for the more hardy. Unless skiing cuts into your water fun.



You might be interested in a recently re-discovered photo taken in early 1967 on Lake Burley Griffin, Canberra, Australia of Barbara sailing our KA34 OK Dinghy (on port tack). We think it is Barbara, but it could have been me. We also found a picture of me (definitely) sailing the same boat (starboard tack) the same year just before we moved to



### 2010 CYC Officers and Board Members

Commodore - [Mel Davidson](#)

Secretary - [Bob Jenkins](#)

Treasurer - [Bob Cooper](#)

Administrative Officer - [Laurent Martel](#)

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every one came year just before we moved to Bellingham. We bought the single-handed OK to replace our sloop-rigged Gwen Twelve when our son Iain was born, so we could each race one weekend day while the other looked after Iain. We were the only American members of the 500 member family-oriented YMSC but had a reciprocal sailing agreement with the Canberra Yacht Club, which had a bar. Sound familiar? Both boats were then available plywood hull only but ready to paint for about US\$120. The OK was tricky to sail but fun. Early on, I capsized six times in one race. The OK was later made in fiberglass but succumbed to the popularity of the more easily sailed Laser. Marty Haines still sails OK US245 on Lake Coeur d'Alene.



Be of good cheer everyone,  
Mel Davidson

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## Homeport News

Send us your views on the online CYC newsletter. Are you receiving your copy by e-mail? Want to volunteer to write an article or do some editing? Got pictures for the Home Port News? Send comments to [editor@cycbellingham.org](mailto:editor@cycbellingham.org).

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## Upcoming Events

(For more info, see [Events & Cruises](#))

**Dec. 14:** CYC election and annual holiday party. Ham and Tofurkey will be provided by the club but please bring a side dish or dessert for the potluck, an item for the Bellingham Foodbank, and a wrapped gift item if you want to participate in the gift exchange. Pam Spencer is hosting the holiday gift exchange and suggests an item costing no more than \$15. For entertainment, we will have the Show Stoppers from Bellingham High School. Donations to help these talented singers will be requested. See election information below.

**Jan. 1, 2011:** Club dues for 2011 should be sent to Ray Gobush, 1328 Franklin St., Bellingham, WA, 98225 by this date.

**Jan. 11, 2011:** January meeting and potluck. Lindsay Taylor, program coordinator of the [Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association](#) will make a presentation about this nonprofit organization in Whatcom County.

**Feb. 5, 2011:** CYC Winter Dance at Melody Hall. Music by the Walrus. See Leslie Brewster/Beasley for tickets (\$20/pp).

**Feb. 8, 2011:** Mike Reed will make a presentation about blue-water cruising down the Oregon coast at our February meeting and potluck.

**April 7, 2011:** Tentative date for pre-season race fleet meeting. Location TBD.

## CYC Election

The following people will stand for election to Board positions for 2011 at the Dec. 14 potluck.

**Commodore:** Mel Davidson

**Vice Commodore:** Dave Cahill

**Administration:** Laurent Martel

**Cruise:** Chris Wilson

**Membership:** Sherry Jenkins

**Race:** Bill Apt

**Secretary:** Bill Gunter

**Treasurer:** Bob Jenkins

**Website/Newsletter:** Chuck Dingee and Kathy Sheehan

**Reciprocal Moorage:** Dan Lehfeltd

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## CYC Boat Photos

Show us a picture of your beautiful boat! Everyone probably has numerous photos of their boats from racing and cruising. Let's get them on the Web. Dave Cahill has volunteered to develop a slide show of CYC member boats for inclusion



on the CYC web page.

Please e-mail your favorite picture of your boat to Dave at [cahilldm@comcast.net](mailto:cahilldm@comcast.net). These don't need to be high-resolution as they will be compressed for display on the Web, but they do need to be big enough to be clearly seen on your screen. And please make sure the filename clearly identifies your boat (horizon\_sheehan.jpg vs boat.jpg or DSC21778.jpg) and that the photo is in sharp focus. Also send Dave your name, boat name, the length and manufacturer.



The picture does not have to be of the boat alone. It can include family members, other boats or at events. If you have questions, call Dave at 647-1832.

## RACING News

Skippers from this year's racing series on Thursday nights and the boaters who generously provided committee boats received recognition at the November CYC meeting and potluck. From some two dozen who received awards, Dave Klingbiel and his crew on his San Juan 24, "Merlin" was chosen for the Top Banana award. Merlin earned a first place in all four series and also placed first in its class in the CYC Vendovi race.

### Committee Boat Volunteers:

- Bill Apt
- Gary Baker
- Bob Cooper
- Rob Galbraith
- Mike Grant
- Dave and Deb Jones
- Dave Lowe
- Don Mierzeski
- Randy Nulle
- Mike Reed

## CYC 2010 Racing Finishes

### Cruising FS

Yacht	Series 1	Series 2	Series 3	Series 4
Tapocketa Too	1st	4th	3rd	3rd
Dreamtime	---	2nd	1st	1st
Manana	2nd	3rd	---	4th
Second Chance	4th	--	4th	2nd
Islander	3rd	1st	2nd	---

### Cruising NFS

Yacht	Series 1	Series 2	Series 3	Series 4
HoriZen	2nd	1st	3rd	1st
Natural High	4th	2nd	1st	2nd
Sapphire	1st	--	--	--
Carina	3rd	4th	--	--
Lady Ann	---	---	2nd	3rd
Kestrel	---	3rd	---	---
Opus One	---	---	4th	---
High Risk	---	---	---	4th

### PHRF A

Yacht	Series 1	Series 2	Series 3	Series 4	Vendovi in class
Jamoca	2nd	2nd	1st	1st	2nd
Hravn	1st	4th	4th	3rd	3rd
Mora	---	1st	3rd	2nd	1st
Filosa	3rd	3rd	2nd	---	
Shockwave	4th	---	---	4th	



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## PHRF B

Yacht	Series 1	Series 2	Series 3	Series 4	Vendovi in class
Moore-on	1st	1st	3rd	---	
Blackfoot	3rd	2nd	1st	2nd	2nd
Miles To Go	2nd	3rd	2nd	4th	1st
TA2	4th	4th	---	3rd	
Islander	---	---	---	1st	



*The crew of the Tapocketa Too*

## SJ 24

Yacht	Series 1	Series 2	Series 3	Series 4	Vendovi in class
Merlin	1st	1st	1st	1st	1st
Velvet Elvis	2nd	3rd	3rd	3rd	
Ibus	4th	4th	2nd	2nd	
Yellow Fever	---	---	---	4th	
Destiny	---	2nd	---	---	
Geschwind	3rd	---	---	---	

### Vendovi Overall

Mora 1st, Miles To Go 2nd , Merlin 3rd , Jamoca 4th , Blackfoot 5th, Hraavn 6th

To see, download or post photos of the race awards night, go to: <http://gallery.me.com/captkathy/100166>

## 2011 CYC Racing

The first race of the 2011 season has been tentatively set for Thursday, April 14. Bill Apt and Dan Stewart will be job-sharing the duties of the race committee. Dan and his wife Julie have many years of racing experience, and Dan has been awarded the PRO (principal race officer) designation by US Sailing.

The tentative date for the pre-season fleet meeting is April 7, with location TBD.

Bill Apt is sponsoring a "Name the Race Program" contest for our fun and slightly irreverent annual racing program. Please email your suggestions to [billapt@yahoo.com](mailto:billapt@yahoo.com). Racers will vote for a winning name for the Thursday race program at our pre-season meeting in April. The winner will get a super deluxe double-cheeseburger from Winn's Drive-In.

## CYC Board Minutes

### October 23, 2010

**Board Members Present:** Mel Davidson, Dave Cahill, Bill Apt, Steve Clevenger, Ray Gobush, Laurent Martel, Chuck Dingee, Bob Jenkins

**Members Present:** None

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM

**Minutes of last meeting:** The September 2010 board meeting minutes were approved.

### Committee Reports:

**Treasurer Report:** The October financial statements were reviewed and approved.

**Membership:** The membership renewal drive will start soon. Ray will distribute the forms via email. Dues will be \$45 if submitted before November 30th and \$50 if submitted after November 30th.

This year's form will be modified to replace the existing section that asks why a member is not volunteering for an opportunity listed on the on the renewal form with a section asking what the member would like to volunteer for that is not on the checklist.

The revised renewal form will also go out to Chuck to be added to the website.

**Administrative:** The November program will be an awards ceremony for this years racing program emceed by Bill Apt.

The December program will be the holiday party, with a possible gift exchange activity. Laurent asked if Sherry Jenkins could help identify volunteers to set up the gift exchange and other party set up tasks.

The January speaker slot is still open at this time. Mel suggested that he could give his presentation on Bristol Bay fishing craft if nothing else is identified.

February will be Mike Reid's presentation on his recent California cruising trip.

The Dance Committee will be ramping up soon.

**Race:** The first request for RSVPs for the racing awards night got 17 positive responses. Another email will go out to the boats that have not yet responded.

This year's trophies are being prepared at this time. A perpetual "Top Banana" trophy will be awarded to the year's outstanding boat.

Two other perpetual trophies will be reinstated in the near future; The ABC Challenge (next year) and the Cruising Family of the Year award. We will put out an email before the next general meeting asking for nominations and an article will be included in the next newsletter to solicit nominations.

**Cruise:** The Blakely Island Turkey Fry cruise is scheduled for the last weekend in October.

**Website/Newsletter:** Articles and news items are needed for the upcoming newsletter.

Dave suggested that the newsletter might add a section that highlights member's boats. He suggested that the board check out the website [classicboats.org](http://classicboats.org) to see an example of what he was suggesting. Dave and Chuck will explore this idea.

Mel will look into a website that he knows of that includes reciprocal location facility information for inclusion in the links section of the website.

**Reciprocal:** Revisions to the reciprocal process were discussed with the objective of making it easier to find a vacant slip and to include more local information for visiting boats. The possibility was suggested of working with the Port of Bellingham to see if money was available to improve the information on local attractions, maps and services available to visitors in the form of postings near gates with visitor moorage.

**Old Business:** The revised 2010/2011 budget was reviewed and approved for presentation to the general membership for a vote.

Mel will call Deborah O'Connor to discuss the Reciprocal Chair position. The proposed slate of officers will be prepared and distributed to the membership at the December general meeting.

The idea of sending out meeting notification postcards to help improve meeting attendance was discussed. It was suggested that every member boat receive a reminder postcard before each meeting. Mel suggested that we send out one postcard in January to each member listing all upcoming meetings and events for the entire year. Steve suggested that we also send out the same post card before the September meeting to remind people that meetings are starting up again after the summer hiatus. A box might be included in the membership application/renewal form to allow people to elect to receive monthly meeting notification postcards, possibly at an additional cost.

**New Business:** Steve mentioned that a member educational opportunity for next year could include a CPR course. Steve knows of someone who could deliver the class. The cost of the class could be subsidized by CYC for members and we might be able to offer it to outsiders for a fee.

Bill wanted to remind the membership of the upcoming lighted boat parade and to encourage CYC participation in this event.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

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12 DEC 2010

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