



The Totem Line

58 years of yachting – 59 years of friendship



In this issue: Port Orchard Cruise Flyer. Don't forget, Octoberfest Dinner and Social, starting at 6:00, followed by General Meeting this coming Tuesday, Oct. 6th!

Upcoming Events

Oct. 6.....Octoberfest Social & General Meeting
 Oct. 9-11.....Port Orchard Cruise (see flyer)
 Nov. 3....Soup Night; General Meeting; Elections
 Nov. 27-29.....Turkey Cruise to Des Moines

Leadership

Commodore.....Joe Simpson
 Vice Commodore.....Mike Holman
 Rear Commodore.....Cathy Betts
 Purser.....Sharon Nell
 Yeoman.....Provi Simpson

Commodore's Report



"Ahoy once again Totem members"!

Commodore Joe here with some GREAT news! Provi and I have finally launched the "Bella-Hellen"! It's been a year since taking on this project and we are so pleased that she's finally afloat! I am sure all of you, at one point or another, have taken on a project where you anticipate the finish but have had to really work through the steps to get there. How do I know?....."Because we love boats!!"

We have much happening in the next few months: cruises, meetings, dinners, and above all...Elections! Please be sure to be in attendance since we have many options this year. Some 2-year commitments are coming to a close, as well as some 1-year positions that were filled by others may become vacated. This is a prime opportunity to volunteer your much-needed services, as well as have your voice heard in the 'goings on' of the Yacht club and its business, and its commitment to the community and safe boating. Take advantage, take time in your busy life...It truly has been wonderful for me! We have some great nominations for the coming year that I am sure will guide us through heavy seas as well as steer us through the calm.

I regret to report, however, that much as during my first half-year as Vice Commodore, I am slated for a night position with my employer. This may mean (and I will do my utmost best to avoid it) my absence of physical involvement in the remaining three meetings of my Commodore-ship. That said, I will be in constant communicate' with the flag officers as well as bridge and board, just not seated. You have a fine flag; they will work for you, the club, and for all of us. I so enjoy being with you all at the meetings. I will miss that camaraderie for a period of time, but not for long. Provi's and my plan for retirement is coming to fruition in what's known as "the blink of an eye," so don't count us out! General Douglas McArthur said it best when leaving Corregidor, Philippines...so I won't, just don't count us out.

We love this club and everyone in it. Until we meet again...Warm breezes, cool drinks and fine food shared with a loved one.

My best...

Joe Simpson, Commodore

Vice Commodore's Report



Ahoy, Totem Yacht Club Members.

The general membership meetings for October and November are vital to the future of TYC as we set the course for 2016 by selecting both Bridge Officers and Board members, and begin the process of committee formation and planning. Great clubs, great meetings and great events don't just happen. They take passionate people, willing to participate in the process of bringing it all together and making it happen. October and November meetings are where and when it starts to happen. We need as many club members as possible to participate in each of these meetings. Please join us. Your input, your ideas, and yes, your personality and grace are important to our success.

Tuesday evening, October 6th, General Membership Meeting

6:00 PM - - TYC Oktoberfest Dinner and Social:

Cost: \$5.00 per person

Club will provide brats, buns, sauerkraut, potato salad, green salad, chips, a Special Cake and Ice cream

7:30 PM - - Business Meeting:

Introduction and Recognition of all 2015 New Members

Multimedia presentation of summer cruises by Fleet Captain Heidi Merrifield

Announcement of Current Bridge Officer Nominees

Nominations announced and taken for vacant positions

Formation or Motion to Set Aside Requirement for Second Nominating Committee

Review of Club Survey

November General Membership Meeting: November 3rd

Soup night - more on that later

Elections

Committee Announcements

Survey Results

Special Program on "Preparing your boat for winter in the Northwest"

See you Tuesday night, on the 6th.

Mike Holman, Vice Commodore

Rear Commodore's Report

We are moving along with our rentals.

I want to thank the people who came to the work party on the 26th of last month. We had a small group, but we finished up a lot of things on our list. Everyone really worked hard. Tim Reding was nice enough to pick up beauty bark, so after weeding they spread the bark, which we really needed to get done. The galley was cleaned from top to bottom. The restrooms were steam cleaned. Windows and some electrical repairs were finished. Ron Reding even got up on the roof and cleaned the gutters and removed moss while Ray Sharpe worked on the entry sanding and starting the much needed repair to the awning. Then, we ate pizza and headed home.

Thank you everyone who helped.

Cathy Betts, Rear Commodore



Galley Report

Dinner will be provided at Tuesday's general membership meeting for \$5 per person. The meal will feature an Oktoberfest theme with Bratwurst, Rolls, Sauerkraut, Potato Salad, Green Salad, Chips and Cake. We'll be helping Past Commodore Bernie Merrifield celebrate his 80th birthday.



Sunshine Report

No report this month. Send Sunshine information to Louise at FBurns5105@aol.com, or call (253) 845-4326.

Area Fuel Prices <http://fineedge.com/fuelsurvey.html> Updated 8/29/15

Current wind direction and speed conditions in Puget Sound:

<http://i90.atmos.washington.edu/ferry/Ferryjs/mainframe1.htm>

Webcams showing current coastal water conditions:

<http://www.northwestwebcams.com/washington-web-cams.shtm#coastal>

Fleet Captain's Report

Port Orchard Halloween Cruise is Oct 9-11. Be sure if you've signed up to confirm with the marina by Wed, Oct 7 at 360-876-5535. If you want to attend the musical you can call and place your order for will call or take your chances at the door 360-769-7469.

Summer cruise highlights will be presented during Tuesday's meeting. If you aren't able to attend the meeting, check out our Facebook page for photos of our cruises. Last year's Halloween cruise is also featured on the site.

https://www.facebook.com/totemyachtclub?ref=aymt_homepage_panel

Our final holiday weekend cruise of the year is the Turkey cruise to Des Moines Marina Nov 27-29. A flyer will be sent out soon. Virginia and Tom Allard are hosts, and busy planning for a fun-filled weekend.

Halloween Cruise Port Orchard Marina



**Totem Yacht Club
Oct 9 – 11, 2015**

**Your only cost is moorage @ \$36 per night (plus \$0.90/ft>40ft).
Call marina 48 hours prior to confirm 360-876-5535.**

Friday:

Appetizers on the dock with Totem boats only

Saturday:

AM Coffee and rolls on the dock

Optional afternoon activities with Des Moines Yacht Club:

- Halloween Theme boat decorating contest
- Pumpkin patch
- Kids trick or treat the boats



7:30pm a musical whodunit:



\$14/\$17 per ticket. Call Washington Theatre for the Community Arts to order your tickets (360) 769-7469. For more details <http://www.wvca.us/>

Sunday:

Breakfast with Des Moines Yacht Club at end of dock covered shelter

Hosted by Ron Reding & Cathy Betts
Contact 253-606-2677 cathybetts37@yahoo.com
Contact Fleet Captain Heidi Merrifield at 253-219-8108 or
heidcmike@comcast.net to sign-up.
Hail "Totem Yacht Club" on channel 68 - 15 minutes prior to arrival.