



# KNOT NEWS



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Anacortes Yacht Club's 111th Year

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## From the Helm

Now is the time to give our officers and board members your thoughts on the future direction of our club. Besides our popular sailboat racing and cruising, what other activities would you like to see? When should the bar be open? Should the club have dancing, bridge, summer land cruises, cribbage tournaments just to mention a few ideas. How should the downstairs be used and by whom?



Another question that could be considered for discussion is if and when should we expand the upstairs? Should we do it soon to take advantage of low interest rates or wait until we have cash to pay for it?

These and many other questions will be discussed in an open forum on Friday, June 21 at 7:00 PM right after the hamburger night. Bring you best thoughts and lets hear your ideas. I look forward to hearing from you so that our board can set new goals to make AYC responsive to your needs.

Don't forget to bookmark <[www.anacortes.net/ayc](http://www.anacortes.net/ayc)> the club's web page. The calender for the month and race and cruise schedules are posted there. Plus many useful links to tides tables, etc.

**Bill Short Commodore**

## Oak Harbor Cruise

Beautiful sunny weather was the order of the day for the Oak Harbor cruise on Mother's Day Weekend. Cruisers that travelled by water and land met for happy hour on the docks followed by lively conversation at China City while enjoying their chinese cusine. The return to home port on Mothers Day was made in calm seas and summer temperatures. What a great weekend on the water for the Shorts and Wayne Schaub while the Bells, Rees and Cheaquis enjoyed the scenic trip by land.

**Bill Short**

## IT'S AYC/WINDERMERE REGATTA TIME

Head for the club on Friday night May 7th and help welcome the racers and have a frosty libation. Hamburgers will be served starting about 6:00 PM. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy!

Mark the 8th of June, Saturday, so you can partake of the 14th Annual AYC/Windermere Regatta dinner prepared by Dave Thomson and his merry cooks. Bar opens at 6:00 PM with dinner starting at 7:00 PM. The cost is \$10.00 per person, which is definitely a full meal deal. The menu is Dave's famous flank steak, chicken, salad, beans and of course a dessert to die for. A better deal you can not find any where.

ALL members of the Anacortes Yacht Club are invited to attend, in fact the more the merrier. Just call the message phone 360.293.5277 leave a message or e-mail at [pam@cnw.com](mailto:pam@cnw.com) for your reservation to a blast of an evening.

Also if any of you want to take a boat ride and watch some of the sailing skills that will be happening in the Jack Island Area then please come on out. Racing starts on Saturday the 8th at 10:00 AM - probably three races and then Sunday the 9th for two races.

Of course with all the fun listed above, comes the need for volunteers to help make the regatta a huge success. This is the largest event the yacht club puts on and it will take all of us to make it truly an event to remember.

Remember it is an Anacortes Yacht Club function and you all invited to participate. We most definitely need you to attend. **Pam Edwards-Harju, Chair**

**A fine little poem by H.J.Peck to help keep things in perspective:**

In catlogs and folders Of anchors, blocks, and logs,  
Of paints to charm beholders  
And horns to blow in fogs,  
There is a wide selection Of doodads for the yacht,  
'Twill take but slight reflection  
To find you need a lot.

## Swiftsure 2002

It was a great week-end starting with the sail to Victoria on Thursday. We moored next to Gary Schoenrock and his boat Niye Keema and Gary cooked up a great Lobster dinner on Friday night for both our crews. Anacortes Yacht Club had a great bunch of boats in the race: Dave Martin in Grafix, Ron Elliott in Wired, Girts Rekevics in Handy Man, Ken Greff in Seeker, Guy Noir and Paul Bergman in his new Alakazam. Guy Noir was the only AYC boat to finish and Tom Gilbert finished on Renegade the boat he will be racing on in the Vic/Maui Race

We had a pretty good start and had hopes of getting around Race Rocks before the flood. But the delayed start and light winds did us in. We drifted back toward the start line until we could set anchor in front of the Victoria Harbor breakwater. After 2 hours the tide turned and we pulled the hook and headed down the straits. Saturday night was under a full moon that was so bright that we could read our sail numbers and watch the tell tails. We finally made the mark at Cape Flattery at 11AM Sunday morning and were 3rd around in our class.

The winds were light going back to Victoria and our hope was to round Race Rocks before the ebb at 9 PM on Sunday. The winds picked up to about 20 knots and we sailed with spinnaker to make the finish. We didn't beat the ebb but the winds were strong enough for us to sail a few miles past Race Rocks to make the finish after the turn. Everything was going great, we were covering Mid-Summer, and it looked like we would correct out over them and take 2nd. For the last few miles to the finish the winds were around 20 to 25 and we were looking for a great finish. When within 300 yards of the finish line in the harbor the wind just died. It took us 2 hours to finish putting us 4th in our division. Overall we had a great race finishing 38 hours after the start. We're looking forward to next year and hopefully more wind.

### Fred West on Guy Noir

Oh, I forgot to mention that Bill Booth and his son Daniel raced on a Frers 40 called Tsumami and it did finish and placed 3rd. About midnight we ran into them wandering the docks and looking for a ride home. Anyone would have given them a ride after seeing their lost and forlorn looks. And we did.

## Welcome All

Welcome home to AYC members Neill and Sarah Stanford and their three children, Bronwen, Douglas and Emma. Five years before, abaft or abeam the mast circumnavigating Mother Earth on their Laffite 44 "Margarita".

Well done! We lubbers can't wait to hear of your exploits.

### Please welcome the following new members and add them to your Roster:

#### Associate Member

Garrett Johns, 209 Hawthorne Street, Burlington, WA 98233

Work #: 360-421-3932, Home #: 360-755-1615`  
email: gwjohns@yahoo.com Boat: Lido 14

#### Preferred Members

Steven & Marian Lowe Dubnoff, 1712 Lakeside Avenue South, Seattle, WA 98144

Work #: 206-682-3783 Home #: 206-329-7694  
email: sdubnoff@circlesys.com Boat: Nauticat 40 - "Pyxis"; Lido 14

Ed & Linda Flanagan, 6512 140th Place NE, Redmond, WA 98052

Work #: 425-704-4290 Home : 425-497-8653  
email: brugh100@hotmail.com Boat: Sabre 34 - "Brugh"

Wayne R. Schaub, PO Box 1632, Anacortes, WA 98221-6632

Home #: 201-9854 Boat: 37' Truant Triad Offshore "Madrisa"

Roger & Jane Wright, PO Box 1032, Anacortes, WA 98221

Work #: 206-228-7608 Home: 588-1758  
email: wrightaweigh@hotmail.com Boat: Cal 2-29 - "Anticipation"

What/who is Guy Noir? Guy Noir is a radio parody of old radio shows, the private detective genre and comes in range. Guy Noir sketches by Gar of the Prairie Home



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## Basement Project

Work continues slowly but surely in our basement project. In the last week of May the concrete was poured for the sidewalk and handicap parking pad. Handy's Heating folks got the gas fireplace installed and the sheet metal air ducts for the furnace finished. The plumber is almost finished on his rough in and the electrician is starting his work. When the electricians are in the first inspection will be ordered. After that the insulation and sheet rock will go up. The work of sprucing up the grounds will commence in the first week of June and should be completed by Windermere Regatta time. It's a mess but pop down and take a look.



Visualize Warmth



Man, have we got concrete!

## Garrison Bay Cruise

Sixteen boats participated in this year's Garrison Bay Cruise over the Memorial Day Weekend. A rainy Saturday morning was followed by three days of warm weather. Many of the boats rafted, leading to much socializing and late evening partying. Highlights included much hiking and exploring of the British Camp historical site. On Sunday evening we had an excellent party on the British Camp grass at which several dozen Westcott Bay oysters and much adult beverage were consumed. On Monday, several couples walked or boated to Roche Harbor for lunch and discovered the 19 acre Westcott Bay Reserve next to the resort, containing 75 sculptures on permanent display. Truly a wonderful new "must see" in the San Juans.

Participants: The Backlunds, Barnes, Blymers, Cases, Caves, Craigs w/guests Womachs, Emerys, Emighs, Gutmans, Harbers, Satterlees, Shorts, Teachouts, Wrights and the Cruise Captains, Dave and Karen Thomson.

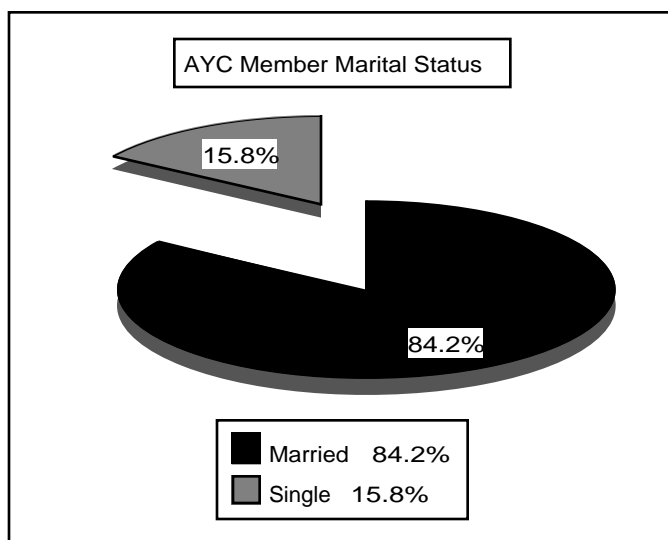
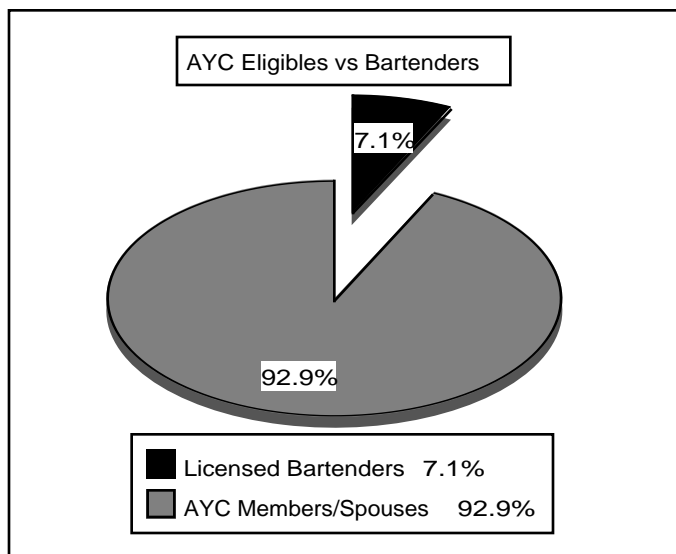
## The Age Question

*I still think the data would be useful but here are some responses I received. The names have been excised to protect the guilty{-) ed*

What's this about "shoot" you on telling our ages? How about ranks: under 40; under 60. Or some such....I have no problem revealing my age. However, I question the usefulness as age is not the principle determinant for ones interests....I have no problem revealing my age--question is, which one? My driver's license says 55, the body creaks like 65, and in my head I'm 32, 34 max....As for people giving their ages, I don't think most will give out that info or if they do, the accuracy will be suspect....oh, about age: doesn't matter to me one way or the other. I'll still always be younger than ???....With regards to organizing activities by age groups, I want you to know that we don't want to hang out with a bunch of old coots.

*Don't you think it would be useful to know how many "old coots" are among us? Because some of the "old coots" can't do much heavy lifting any more. But, they can cheer on any young heavy lifters that are left in the club. Think about it. ed*

## Some more information about our membership.



### Activity Schedule for June 2002

<b>Sat, June 1,2</b>	<b>Waldron Island Cruise</b>	<b>????</b>
<b>Sun, June 2</b>	<b>Lido Race</b>	<b>1300</b>
<b>Wed, June 5</b>	<b>Otterstadt I Race, Fidalgo Bay</b>	<b>1830</b>
<b>Fri, June 7</b>	<b>Windemere Regatta, Hamburgers, Open Bar</b>	<b>1800</b>
<b>Sat, June 8</b>	<b>Windemere Regatta, Dinner, Open Bar</b>	<b>1800</b>
<b>Sun, June 9</b>	<b>Windemere Regatta, Chili, Open Bar</b>	<b>1800</b>
<b>Wed, June 12</b>	<b>Otterstadt II Race, Fidalgo Bay</b>	<b>1830</b>
<b>Fri, June 14</b>	<b>Open Bar</b>	<b>1700</b>
<b>Sun, June 16</b>	<b>Lido Race</b>	<b>1300</b>
<b>Wed, June 19</b>	<b>Otterstadt III Race, Fidalgo Bay</b>	<b>1830</b>
<b>Fri, June 21</b>	<b>Hamburger Nite, Open Forum, Open Bar</b>	<b>1700</b>
<b>Sun, May 23</b>	<b>Lido Race</b>	<b>1300</b>
<b>Tue, June 25</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	<b>1900</b>
<b>Wed, June 26</b>	<b>Summer Fun I Race, Fidalgo Bay</b>	<b>1830</b>
<b>Fri, June 28</b>	<b>Open Bar</b>	<b>1700</b>
<b>Sat, June 29</b>	<b>Pub Cruise, Barkley Sound Cruise &amp; Double Handed Race</b>	<b>????</b>
<b>Sun, June 30</b>	<b>Lido Race</b>	<b>1300</b>