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From the Helm

Hi,

WOW – it's the end of summer and still you wonder when will it end. I hope you are all enjoying this wonderful weather that we have been blessed with. I know I am.



A thank you to Frank and Beverly Pasqual. They have graciously donated, what I understand is a beautiful barbecue, to the club. We all send you a huge thank you.

Last Sunday, at the club, a memorial service was held for Larry Newland. It was a very moving afternoon, and once again it was indeed a pleasure to listen to and experience the generosity and love of the Newland family. As before and always, we all send our prayers and thoughts.

As September approaches, we all get back into the swing of things, which means those wonderful General Meetings. Be sure to attend the Salmon Barbecue. It promises to be another gourmet event. Check out the rest of the *Knot News* for the total update.

Which brings up another event. Yes \$2 buck night. I thought it would be nice to have volunteers bring salads to share with everyone. If you will remember last year the salads were a total hit. Please take a moment to e-mail me or call me at home if you would like to volunteer to bring a salad to share. Oh by the way, the date just happens to be September 12.

Well, as I am trying to get this article written and get it to George by the deadline, I am also getting ready to go cruising to Victoria for the long weekend. What

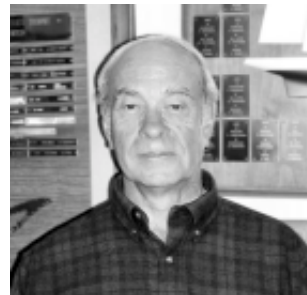
a perfect way to almost end the summer, by being in such a beautiful area. For all Anacortes boats that attended the cruise I know that you had a wonderful time as I did.

Last Tuesday was our Board Meeting; we voted in three new members. It is always exciting to read the applications, and learn of their interests and desires. As I have said many times before, that is what makes the Anacortes Yacht Club such a wonderful club to belong to.

It is time to stop and finish packing, getting everything together and of course making sure that I have my Commodore's Flag, along with our AYC Burgee, and fly them both high and proud.

Until next month, Cheers ☺, Pam

AYC Social Events in September



Well, here it is nearing the end of our glorious summer and AYC club events will be picking up steam. Next on the chow agenda will be a 2-Buck Night Salad Bar hosted by Commodore Pam on Friday, September 12. Join us and share memories,

sea stories, etc., of our summer adventures. The September AYC General Meeting will be on Friday, September 26, and will feature our annual Salmon Barbecue. The speaker will be Mr. Dan Stahl, Executive Director for the Port of Anacortes, on the topic of the current status of the Marina Improvement Project. Finally, this year's Commodore's Ball is scheduled for Saturday, January 17, and will be held at the Swinomish Casino as it was last year. The time, prices, and menu are to be announced and should be similar to last year's.
--Bill Booth, Vice Commodore

New Members

The following individuals were approved by the AYC Board at their August 26 meeting.

➤ Welcomed as a Preferred Members: **Bryan and Laura Hennessy**. They are new to Anacortes and have two small children (future sailors). They have a Bayliner 45 – and will be joining the cruises in the year 2004. 2713 Morton Avenue, Anacortes, WA 98221, home phone: (360) 588-0980

➤ Welcomed as a Preferred Members: **Linda and George Eaton**. 456 Hayden Bay Dr., Portland, OR 97217, home phone (503) 289-1584

➤ Welcomed as an Associate Member: **Suzanne Perlmutter**. Suzanne is enjoying learning the sport of sailing. 2625 Rainbolt Place, Mount Vernon, WA 98274, home phone: (360) 848-9878

Please, when at the club for a wonderful function, introduce your self to our new members. -- Pam and Brenda

Editor's note: Wondering what the difference is between the membership types? See the Roster under Amended Bylaws of the Anacortes Yacht Club, Article 1.

Bellingham Cruise Report

August 2 was an exquisite day for cruising or driving to Squalicum Harbor. The marina had staked out plenty of moorage for AYC on their long guest dock. Wayne and Andra Schaub on *Marisa* and Maury and Helene Fink on *Puffin* had arrived on Thursday and Friday, respectively, and were joined on Saturday by Bill Short and Randy Shoup on *Friendship* and Bill and Brenda Cheaqui on *B & B*.

Saturday was spent taking walks, boat shopping and chatting. Brenda had a rollicking time taking a bosun's chair ride up *Madrisa's* mast to reclaim a wayward lazy jack line.

By late afternoon, the land cruisers had arrived: Dean and Suzanne Emery, Ann Green, and Rod and Phyllis Bell. The appetizers and drinks were so plentiful and good, we all wondered why we were going to dinner, but the food at the Marina Restaurant was worth the short trek up the dock. A stunning sunset capped off

the evening, as the drivers bade farewell and the boaters went off for a walk to the Lost Fishermen memorial. If you haven't seen this, it's beautiful and moving, and located in a lovely park area adjacent to the marina.



*Gathering on the dock in Bellingham.
Photo from the Cheaquis.*

On Sunday morning, there was just enough wind to tempt the departing sailors to break out the canvas, but not enough to make a race of it—a relaxing end to a super trip. It was good to have Bellingham back on the cruise itinerary. --Bill and Brenda Cheaqui, Cruise Captains

Salad Buffet for September \$2 Night

With all this beautiful weather why not come down to the club on Friday, September 12, and experience a buffet of wonderful, delicious and just plain good salads? The time, you will remember, is 6:00 pm – don't be late – you won't want to miss out.

Now for the fun part – if you have a favorite salad and want to share, please call me or e-mail me at pam@cnw.com to volunteer (this can be man or woman). This is going to be a dynamite evening. It's the place to be on September 12! -- Pam

AYC Events in September

\$2 Night, September 12, 6 pm

General Meeting, September 26, Bar 6 pm, dinner, 7 pm

Tri-Straits II (Smith Island), September 13

Tri-Straits III (Sinclair Island), September 27

August was a Great Month for Racing

During the month of August we ran the Wally's Tours series (honoring Wally Schwenk, former skipper of *Ajax*), the Summer Fun series, sponsored this year by the Anacortes Elks Club and the Tri-Straits I (Lawson Reef to Davidson Rock). Somewhat predictably the winds were light, but the weather was always beautiful and sunny.



This year George Way was in charge of food and he had each boat sign up for one evening's food preparation. This worked well and would seem to be the way of the future. We had hamburgers, cheeseburgers (sometimes veggie burgers) and hot dogs with potato salad, potato chips and great condiments. I sort of wished for some break from tradition like pizza, spaghetti or lasagna or some variation on the theme. Maybe next year! There were usually 15 to 20 boats out and sometimes more. The Coast Guard must have given up on us because they just stopped coming out on Wednesday evenings to prevent one of us getting to "close" to an oil tanker.

During Labor Day weekend many Anacortes Yacht Club boats will participate in the P.I.T.C.H. series in Bellingham. This is always a lot of fun and the weather can be anything from light to heavy. A number of Canadian boats usually come down and those Canadians really know how to party!

September brings two more races: the Tri-Straits II (Smith Island) on Saturday, September 13, and III (Sinclair Island) on Saturday, September 27. September can bring very light to very heavy weather, so it always pays to bring your foul weather gear and sunscreen.

This season so far has had the best weather in my recollection with fair breezes most races and virtually none of the dead air of previous years. I only hope that saying this will not doom us to a dead air September! Hope to see you all out on the course! --Walt Meagher

Summer Fun Series

DIVISION 1: **1** *Tryst* (Leo Rogers), **2** *Grafix* (Tom Gilbert), **3** *Guy Noir* (Fred West), **4** *Alakazam* (Paul Bergman), **5** *Glissade* (George Way), **6** *Krystal Ki* (Bill Bowman), **7** *Aeolus* (Chuck Mallary), **8** *White*

Lightnin (Chuck Tidrington), **9** *Pangaea* (Mac Madenwald), **10** *Cat Sass* (Keith Rubin, Pat Barrett).

DIVISION 2: **1** *Handyman* (Girts Rekevics), **2** *Flying Cloud* (Bill Booth), **3** *Julia* (Scott Soes), **4** *Zoom* (Gary Schoenrock), **5** *Zotz* (Dave McMillan), **6** *Kymodoce* (Kyle Saum), **7** *Syndicat* (Walt Meagher), **8** *Alert* (Brad Blymer), **9** *Ceilydh* (Ron Wheeler)

DIVISION 3: **1** *Little Eva*, **2** *Friendship* (Bill Short), **3** *Puffin* (Maury Fink), **4** *Nellie* (Spencer Swain)

Wally's Tours

DIVISION 1: **1** *Grafix* (Tom Gilbert), **2** *Guy Noir* (Fred West), **3** *Glissade* (George Way), **4** *White Lightnin* (Chuck Tidrington), **5** *Teddy Bear* (Gray Hawken), **6** *Lickety Split* (Roy Rard), **7** *Alakazam* (Paul Bergman), **8** *Tryst* (Leo Rogers), **9** *Krystal Ki* (Bill Bowman), **10** *Aeolus* (Chuck Mallary), **11** *Cat Sass* (Keith Rubin, Pat Barrett).

DIVISION 2: **1** *Inferno* (Steve Orsini), **2** *Handyman* (Girts Rekevics), **3** *Flying Cloud* (Bill Booth), **4** *Julia* (Scott Soes), **5** *Ceilydh* (Ron Wheeler), **6** *Syndicat* (Walt Meagher), **7** *Zoom* (Gary Schoenrock), **8** *Zotz* (Dave McMillan), **9** *Alert* (Brad Blymer), **10** *Kymodoce* (Kyle Saum)

DIVISION 3: **1** *Friendship* (Bill Short), **2** *Puffin* (Maury Fink), **3** *Nellie* (Spencer Swain), **4** *Fresh Aire II* (Jim O'Neil)

Lawson Reef

DIVISION 1: **1** *Cassiopeia* (Gary Schoenrock), **2** *White Lightnin* (Chuck Tidrington), **3** *Alakazam* (Paul Bergman), **4** *Krystal Ki* (Bill Bowman), DNF *Aeolus* (Chuck Mallary)

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DIVISION 3: DNF *Puffin* (Maury Fink)

Contributions to the *Knot News*

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