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#### June Meeting: Awards Potluck and Election

Come one, come all to our seasons end celebration featuring food, more food, a flash election, awards, and music! Please invite your crew and others that might enjoy the Club. The tables will be bulging with potluck items from Members, and burgers with fixin's and more provided by the Club. Create a potluck dish to share and lets meet on the deck of the OYC

deck the second Tuesday in June. Please remember to bring plates and silverware for yourself and your guests. Doors open a halfhour earlier than usual, at 1800 hours, so we can eat about 1830.

This is the last Meeting of the 2013-2014 year, the Club will elect in a new slate officers. We will also recognize the accomplishments; both anticipated and unanticipated, of those



Black Star Regatta photo: Thera Black more Regatta photos on line

that distinguished themselves on the race course or other activities.

Richard Bigley, Osa

IF YOU ARE PARKING AT OYC FOR THE MEETING SIGN IN.

#### Commodore's Corner:

Where oh where has the year gone? It was only yesterday or so it seems that I was sworn is as Commodore of this awesome club. Now almost a year later ... I look back and am truly amazed at everything that goes into running this club and the number of people who help. There is no way that I can say thank you to everyone and not miss some one, but there are a few who I do need to thank.

First and foremost my wonderful husband who has put up with the craziness of the last year and has more than once bailed me out and helped write an article or make a phone call that needed to be done.

Secondly my wonderful board who made everything work as smoothly as possible. Ya know, this is a good time to mention that *you* can step up and help run this great organization. There is always plenty to do, so if you have idle time on your hands, like sitting looking at the glassy water as a race is supposed to have started, just volunteer.

It is with a heavy heart that I think of Jan Visser. She did so much for SSSS, youth sailing and so many other things that it will take several people to do the jobs she did. Jan was truly a special person.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you this summer as Terry and I take a San Juans cruise. *D'Lavicea* will be flying the SSSS burgee so wave, yell, or just say Hi.

I have truly enjoyed my year as your Commodore, it was really a special moment when I was introduced at Seattle Yacht Club's Opening day as your Commodore. A little different, but actually seemed to mean more as I was introduced at the South Sound Opening Day. That was the home crowd! Thanks to all of you for making this the great organization that is. My final salute as commodore is to all of you.

Debe Andersen, D'Lavicea

Star Spring Series 1

June 2

Wednesday Night Race 2

June 4

Thursday Racing, Spring Series

June 5

Soldier Sailing

June 7

Star Spring Series 2

June 9

General Meeting

Awards, Elections, Potluck

June 10

Visitors Welcome
Doors open 1800, eating starts 1830

First Wednesday Series Race 3

June 11

LifeSling Clinic

June 14

Star Spring Series 1

June 16

First Wednesday Series Race 4

June 18

Thursday Racing, Summer 1

June 19

June Cruise June 21-22

Star Spring Series 2

June 23

2nd Wednesday Series Race 1

June 25

Barbara Stuart Memorial Regatta June 28

Star Summer Series 1

June 30

2nd Wednesday Series Race 2

July 2

Thursday Racing, Summer 2

July 3

Independence Cruise
July 3-5

Star Summer Series 2

July 7

2nd Wednesday Series Race 3

July 9

DEATH OF A SAILOR: CARNAGE IN THE STRAITS: TREASURER REPORTS

## Sign up for the LifeSling Clinic

2014

Time is running out, so please sign up soon for this year's LifeSling Clinic. It will begin at 0900 on June 14 and will last until about mid-afternoon. You will get classroom instruction, dockside drills and a chance to perform an actual rescue on the water.

All participants need to have basic sailing skills. The cost is just \$10 per person. The fee will be waived for skippers who bring two or more crew members.

Please call Dee Saller or me at 491-0175 to sign up or to get more information. Please also contact us if you would like to volunteer to be a victim for the on the water rescues. We will provide a, mostly, dry survival suit.

#### Star Fleet



Black Star Regatta photo: Thera Black more Regatta photos on line

summer. Let's hope a little dryer then it has been the last couple of months. As we all start planning our various summer adventures, always keep safety and courtesy to others in mind when out on the water especially when racing.

The Star Fleet had its first Monday Night Race May 5. 14 boats came out for a pleasant evening of racing. Three of our new boat owners were out. Though still learning all about their boats, they did fairly well and had a wonderful time. Norm Smit and his daughter, Laura, were the race committee. Norm used almost all the new courses he has developed for the summer series. After the races, we gather up at Tugboat Annies for

Andy Saller, *Liberty* 

beer and eats and talk about the races and rules. All in all it was a good night and we all Welcome to the warmer and longer days of look forward to many more as the season

goes on.

I am still working on getting 18 boats per night out this year. We only have 22 in the water right now, so that would represent a high percentage of the fleet We had 4 of the 7 woodys out for the first race. We will have two more out for the second race night. At the time of this writing, I have no more boats available for charter, but do have six boats up for sale. Most of them cam be ready to race within a week of purchase. They mainly need bottom painting, which, unlike the big boats, is painless and cheap. It can be done with a 24 hour turn around. All the boats come complete with trailers and sails. Since the, booms are deck sweepers, one does have to be pretty healthy joint wise to fully enjoy these boats. Anyone interested in buying a boat or a chance to go out on one, contact me at: billandcecilia@comcast.net to make arrangements.

On a closing note, as many of you know, I am a kite flyer and will be going up to the Meadows, a 22 acre

park that is part of the Chambers Bay Properties and golf course in University place whenever time and winds permit. If you haven't been there it is worth the drive to walk on the paths that go along the bluffs above waters edge. You can view the sound from the Narrows to the Nisqually delta and all the islands and inlets in between. On weekends there are always kiters out there enjoying the winds that blow in off the water.

That's all for this column till September. Have a great time doing whatever your hearts and dreams tell you to do. I hope to see everyone in the fall.

Bill Brosius, Alcor

Star Summer Series 1 July 14

2nd Wednesday Series Race 4 July 16

Thursday Racing, Summer 3 July 17

> Mid Summer Cruise **July 19-20**

Star Summer Series 2 July 21

Secretary's Series Race 1 July 23

Star Summer Series 1 July 28

Secretary's Series Race 2 July 30

Thursday Racing, August 1 July 31

> Star Districts August 2-3

Star Summer Series 2 August 4

Secretary's Series Race 3 August 6

Star Summer Series 1 August 11

Secretary's Series Race 4 August 13

Thursday Racing, August 2 August 14

End of Summer Cruise **August 16-17** 

Star Summer Series 2 August 18

Jack & Jill Races August 23

Single-handed Races August 24

Thursday Racing, August 3 August 28

> **Board Meeting** September 2

Fall Star Regatta September 6

Fall Dinghy Regatta September 7

**General Meeting** September 9

Visitors Welcome

Doors open at 1830, Meeting starts 1900



#### RC Report

The Spring Series has just concluded and this also completes the competition for the Season Championship which honors the boats with the best 8 out of 16 races which ran from the Fall Series through the Spring Series. Weather represented a more difficult challenge this year with one race canceled due to no winds, several drifters, and too much wind in a couple of others. Nonetheless, race participation for the year

was at the highest average level since 2007 with an average participation rate of 28.8 boats for all the series including summer racing.

The annual awards banquet is June 10 with the potluck starting at 1830. Please remember to invite your crew and sailing friends. A total of 32 boats will be receiving awards in class in addition to Southern Sound Series, Star, and Dinghy award winners. Besides the great food and

racing honors we also recognize the Party Boat, Cruiser, and Sportsmanship trophy winners. Bring a dish to share and help recognize the many winners.

Once again this year we plan to have the summer burger nights. The post-race BBQs will be held on the last race of each series which occur on June 18, July 23, and August 13. We need volunteers to help setup, BBQ, take cash, and clean up after the events, which are held at Swantown B/C dock area. George and Betty Hansen have volunteered to help with the June 18 event, but we need 4 or 5 people assisting each night. If you are not racing on these dates and you are available please let me know and thanks for volunteering.

The Race Committee met in May to discuss some changes in the race classes and safety requirements for next season. The group agreed to require SSSS racers to comply with some of the PIYA safety requirements for our buoy racing and additional requirements for the longer distance races that make up the Island and Inlet Series. We also discussed a proposal to re-define B Class in order to increase the number of boats in the dwindling class. The class has a diversity of different boats and racing ratings which proves to be a

challenge for trying to fit in a normal PHRF rating band. It appears that the class must be based on assignment by the RC based on past performance rather than based on design characteristics or PHRF rating. The new rules and class changes will be published in the new Handbook and posted on-line.

If you haven't tried racing the Wednesday night racing then you really should give it a try. It is the most fun you can have in the middle of the work week.

Joel Rett, Maranatha and LoneStar



# Winners to be Announced

at the June Meeting

The winners have been chosen. Come see who wins the:

Uncle Juicy Trophy: This award, donated by Bill Maclean in memory of Joe Dubey, is for the boat that most improved her racing this year. *Sassy*, Glen

Hunter, won it last year.

Party Boat Award: goes to the boat attending the most Cruises over the year. Last year it went to Steve Stark and Barbara Rosenbaum, Starbright.

**Sportsmanship Award**: For service to the Club. Suzie Shaffer won it last year

**New Cruising Award**: To recognize someone the Cruise Chair deems worthy. *Sonrisa II*, Mary Campbell, won it last year

# Spring Series Sassy, Mystify, Pandora, and Koosah were RC boats. Thank you/

plac	e Sail No. Yacht Name S	Skipper Name Ratin	gStrt	F	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Total
A-	CLASS Races: 1 to 4, 1	throw out. = throw	ou 6	Strt	5 Strt		4 Strt	6 Strt	
1	69315 NIRVANA	Scott Schoch	120	3	0.75	7.00*	0.75	0.75	2.25
2	73392 BODACIOUS	J Rosenbach	129	3	8.00*	0.75	2.00	4.00	6.75
3	18633 I5	Dan O'Brien	117	4	3.00	4.00*	4.00	2.00	9.00
4	79089 LIGHTLY SALTED	Mel Schaefer	96	3	4.00	2.00	6.00*	3.00	9.00
5	79182 FOLIE A DEUX	Jeff Johnson	138	4	5.00	3.00	3.00	6.00*	11.00
6	69382 OPPOSITION	Bill Sheldon	102	1	2.00	7.00	6.00	8.00*	15.00
7	64985 LIBERTY	Andy Saller	123	3	6.00*	5.00	6.00	5.00	16.00
S-	CLASS Races: 1 to 4, 1	throw out			5 Strt	4 Strt	4 Strt	7 Strt	
1	79 GAYLE FORCE	Drew Phillips	99	4	0.75	0.75	2.00*	2.00	3.50
2	131 DRAGONFLY	Rafe Beswick	105	4	3.00*	2.00	3.00	0.75	5.75
3	69399 FLYING CIRCUS	Dave Elliott	72	3	2.00	6.00*	0.75	3.00	5.75
4	1005 SILVERHEELS	Tucker Smyth	54	2	7.00*	3.00	6.00	5.00	14.00
4	50921 REWDLINE	Kyle Reese-Cassal	87	2	7.00*	4.00	6.00	4.00	14.00
6	69051 SPIRIT	Steve Jones	81	3	5.00	6.00	4.00	7.00*	15.00
7	82 MCSWOOSH	Clark McPherson	66	2	4.00	6.00*	6.00	6.00	16.00
B-	CLASS Races: 1 to 2				3 Strt			2 Strt	
1	69063 GIZMO	John Thompson	204	2	0.75			0.75	1.50
2	40 RUSHWIND	Ken Russell	186	2	3.00			2.00	5.00
3	51496 PANDORA	Bob Connolly	165	1	2.00			4.00	6.00
D-	CLASS Races: 1 to 4,	1 throw out			4 Strt	7 Strt	8 Strt	5 Str	
1	69667 SASSY	Glen Hunter	143	3	1.50@	0.75	0.75	3.00*	3.00
2	69927 BALDER	John DeMeyer	143	4	0.75	2.00	4.00*	2.00	4.75
3	39110 KOOSAH	Dave Knowlton	177	3	2.00	3.00	3.00	2.67@	7.67
4	18351 MISS CONDUCT	Erik Dahl	120	2	6.00	9.00*	2.00	0.75	8.75
5	200 AQUILA	Jason Vannice	267	3	3.00	9.00*	6.00	4.00	13.00
6	29718 MARANATHA	Joel Rett	176	2	6.00	4.00	5.00	7.00*	15.00
7	39458 RELEAF	Kelly Coon	247	4	4.00	7.00	8.00*	5.00	16.00
8	49914 VINTAGE	Joe Downing	176	1	6.00	5.00	10.00*	7.00	18.00
9	37079 OSA	Richard Bigley	182	2	6.00	6.00	7.00*	7.00	19.00
		* = throw out	@=	RC p	oints				

#### Portsmouth Racing

As you read this we are well into the racing season, but as I write this, we just had our first race of the season. It was a dark and stormy night ... Well it was a little gloomy and misty and a nice 3 to 8 knot shifty breeze. We had 8 boats on the starting line, several Lasers, 420s, and a Banshee. In the future we expect to see C-Larks, Lido 14s, Finns, Harpoons, Tanzer 16s, Laser2, Buccaneer, and more of our usual suspects.

If you want to join us, and you have a sailboat 20 feet or less without a fixed keel, check the schedule online

## Thursday Night Races Series 1 Night 1: May 8

Jim Findley ran the R.C. Boat Thank you.

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Ро	rtsmou	ıth Handicaps,	Ove	rall R	esults		
	Sail	Skipper	Type	Total F	Race 1 F	Race 2 F	Race 3
1	6	Elena,Ezra	420	4.75	2	2	0.75
2	14	Visser,Mike	420	6.5	0.75	0.75	5
3	100821	Donnette, Jason	Laser	10	4	4	2
4	9	Whitmore, Sandy	420	12	3	3	6
5	5	Trummert,Dwaine	Laser	14	5	6	3
6	41636	Miller, Garner	Laser	15	6	5	4
7	187934	Miller,Max	Laser	21	7	7	7
8	2048	Brown, Adam	BNSH	24	8	8	8
		L	asers				
	Sail	Skipper	Total R	ace 1 F	Race 2 F	Race 3	
1	100821	Donnette, Jason	3	1	1	1	
2	5	Trummert, Dwaine	7	2	3	2	

41636 Miller, Garner



and come on out on a Thursday evening. Join us and 5 to 15 other dinghies for some fairly laid back racing. We try to get in at least three races in an evening, sun and weather permitting. The racing is free but we would like you to register, either online or out on the water. And please have a sail number or hull number so we can tell who you are.

On July 20 we will have our annual Race to Somewhere. The race will start north of KGY and Anthonys about noon. We will race to Gull Harbor, about 3 miles north. There we will have a picnic/potluck. Then, if everything falls into place, we will race back again.

I hope to see you out on the water.

Jim Findley, Night wind / Not Sirius / and a Lido 14

#### STAR RACES NIGHT 2 MAY 12

# 187934 Miller,Max 12 4 4 4 PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICERS: BILL BROSIUS STAR RACES NIGHT 1 MAY 5 Pos Bow/Sail Boat Skipper Crew 1 10/6427 Stella Luna Eric Egge Colby Cavin

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	PRINI	CIPAL RACE O	FFICERS: NORM	n and Lai	URA	<i>51</i> 1	7/7	2	6/3331	Mary's Boat	Jeff Causey	Caitlin
Pos	Bow/Sail	Skipper	Crew	Boat	1	2	Total	3	17/?	Mari	Derek DeCouteau	Michelle Apodaca
1	35/6942	David Branch	Kate Schalk	Puffin	3	2	5.00	4	45/ ??	Colt	Justin Hinchcliffe	Amanda
2	25/5812	Chuck Queen	Barbara Emmons	Starduster	5	1	6.00	5	01G/ 6471	Resolute	Brooke Payne	Hayley Payne
3	10/6427	Eric Egge	Mint Vu	Stella Luna	7	3	10.00	6	20/5551	Parthenope	Frank Neumann	Kathie Oeser
4	5/4833	Catherine Hovell	Jay Berglund	Sparkle	4	6	10.00	7	13/7094	Tantalus	Norman Smit	Laura Smit
5	01G/6471	Brooke Payne	Steve Nixon	Resolute	2	9	11.00	8	14/6867	Bellatrix	Vicky Sheldon	Bob Johnson
6	4/4817	Jim Findley	Peter Crossman	Not Sirius	8	4	12.00	9	27/6033	Up Start	Sherwood Smith	Burke Anderson
7	17/?	Derek DeCouteau	Michelle Apodaca	Mari	1	15	16.00	10	30/ 6397	Beer Thirty	Jason Donnette	Kristi Lyons
8	20/5551	Frank Neumann	Kathie Oeser	Parthenope	13	5	18.00	11	4/4817	Not Sirius	Jim Findley	Peter Crossman
9	24/5347	Larry Kutz	Keith Sieders	Old Kutz	11	7	18.00	12	5/4833	Sparkle	Catherine Hovell	Jay Berglund
10	7/4736	Bill Brosius	Lisa Parshley	Glisten	10	8	18.00	13	12/5400	Lone Star	Alex Bromen	Joel Rett
11	30/6397	Jason Donnette	?	Beer Thirty	6	15	21.00	14	35/ 6942	Puffin	David Branch	Kate Scalk
12	31/6843	Branden Raftery	Dan Wood	31 Flavors	12	10	22.00	15	25/ 5812	Starlight	Chuck Queen	Barbara Emonds
13	1/924	Joe Downing	Richard Wells	Alcor	9	15	24.00	16	31/6843	31 Flavors	Branden Raftery	Dan Wood
14	27/6033	Sherwood Smith	Burke Anderson	Up Start	15	15	30.00	17	50/ 5870	MisChief	Steve Nixon	John Burgess
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#### STAR RACES NIGHT 3 MAY 19

#### PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICERS: FRANK NEUMANN

Pos	Bow/Sail	Boat	Skipper	Crew	1	2	3	4	Total
1	17/?	Mari	Derek DeCouteau	Michelle Apodaca	1	1	3	2	7.00
2	13/7094	Tantalus	Norman Smit	Laura Smit	2	5	1	4	12.00
3	30/ 6397	Beer Thirty	Jason Donnette	Kristi Lyons	3	4	4	1	12.00
4	6/3331	Mary's Boat	Jeff Causey	Caitlin	4	2	2	6	14.00
5	45/ ??	Colt	Justin Hinchcliffe	Hanako	9	3	5	7	24.00
6	14/6867	Bellatrix	Vicky Sheldon	Bob Johnson	7	8	10	5	30.00
7	3/4916	Perserverance	Lisa Parshley	Bill Brosius	10	12	6	3	31.00
8	5/4833	Sparkle	Catherine Hovell	Jay Berglund	6	9	8	8	31.00
9	4/4817	Not Sirius	Jim Findley	Peter Crossman	5	7	7	13	32.00
10	26/6824	Chaos	Tom Nelson	Alden Carr	11	6	9	13	39.00
11	31/6843	31 Flavors	Branden Raftery	Dan Wood	8	10	11	10	39.00
12	35/ 6942	Puffin	Kate Scalk	Chris Wright	12	11	12	9	44.00

#### The Last Print S-t-S

This is the last print S-t-S of the club year. We do not mail the S-t-S over the summer, or hold a Meeting either for that matter. Not until September when we begin our 2014-15 year.

But the Club is active over the summer. Keep up on line where we will have race results, photos I hope, and maybe some reports from Members cruising. As well as plans for the coming year as your new Board forms them.



#### Letter:Race to the Straits Carnage in the Straits

Six thirty on Friday morning, Gizmo nosed out of the marina headed north, bound for Ballard. Jay Berglund and I were intent on participating in the 2014 Race to the Straits, the annual short-handed race from Shilshole Marina to Port Townsend and back. It would be a 160 mile round trip over the next four days. We were competing in the doublehanded flying sails class, and were looking forward to defending our title from last year. The delivery went well with a strong southerly

breeze to push us along, until I discovered that we had left the working jib at home! I had taken it home to dry out after the last race. We were just entering the Narrows at this point, and with a 3.5 knot push, we couldn't really turn back even if we had wanted to. What to do? I wasn't about to go into the Straits without a working jib. Luckily, my son was off of work for the day and needed money. So, \$50 later, we had our jib after a very brief stop at Point Defiance and were off to Ballard.

The race featured a reverse handicap, with every boat having an individual starting time based on their rating. Gizmo crossed the line at 08:23:12 and headed west under spinnaker with a 10-12 knot breeze. There were 133 boats registered, but 112 boats actually started. We were riding a very strong ebb all the way with a building breeze from the south, so we anticipated a fast passage. About half the boats followed us all the way across the shipping channels, while the others stayed in the middle. My plan was to follow the shoreline north and cross the shipping channels a second time well upstream of the turning mark at Double Bluff. I think it worked out well, because only two boats caught us before the turning mark, 18 miles into the race. And neither of these two were in our class.

So far, so good. We had gybed early when we had plenty of time to wait for a lull and go for it. Not everyone did likewise and that's where the carnage began. The wind had increased to over 20 knots by the time Gizmo entered Admiralty Inlet, and continued to build via a series of short squalls. Many of the

boats behind us crossed the shipping channel on a hot gybe angle and had to gybe around the mark. So, they didn't have the luxury of waiting for a lull. And many came around in a cluster requiring them to gybe quickly to avoid each other. There are a number of great pictures on Jan's Marine Photography site of the action at the buoy. At least three spinnakers were destroyed right here in front of her waiting camera! And at least one mainsail split asunder in the gybe. I've heard rumors on Sailing Anarchy of more carnage, such as boats being driven ashore, but I can't vouch for that.

Regardless, that was all behind Gizmo. We now



had only five boats ahead of us and a good lead on the pack behind us. The wind was increasing steadily and we recorded some surfs of up to 8 knots! Gizmo's hull speed is only 5.7 knots. The GPS was telling us that we had a 3 knot push and we were closing on Maristone Light pretty fast. But, alas, all good things come to an end.

About 2 miles short of the light, we were struck by a gust that instantly broached us and stopped us dead. We were actually sailing sideways on beam ends! I was hoping that it was just a momentary gust and would pass, but after what seemed like an eternity, I finally decided to let the guy fly and get the sail off of her. If nothing else, we could go put the little chicken chute up to finish the race. It took both of us to wrestle to spinnaker down, and only then after we blew the halyard and laid the sail down on the water. Mind you, it's only a 22 foot boat; how hard could it be? But eventually, we succeeded and got the boat under way under main alone. The fleet had caught us by this time, at least those hadn't also broached, and were quickly passing us. We weren't in any condition to get a spinnaker back

up any time soon, so we raised the working jib and put it on the spinnaker pole. This got us back up to hull speed, but we were no longer surfing and couldn't keep up with the fleet.

Almost all the boats went wide around Maristone Island. so we decided to cut the corner and bee-line it straight to the finish. At first it looked like a poor decision as we had to sail through the lee of the island. But the rest of the fleet was

> being slammed offshore. At one point we witnessed just about every boat with a spinnaker still up broach all at the same time. And some of them stayed on their sides for a long time! As Gizmo cleared the island, we understood why. The wind was whistling through our rigging at over 30 knots allowing us to come screaming in to the finish on a reach at over 7 knots!

But our day wasn't over then! Not a

chance! Just on the other side of the finish line was the shoreline! So I scrambled forward and doused the jib, and yet we still took another knock down! Just to make things even more complicated, while we were trying to get the motor lowered and started, boats were screaming in all around us in some very marginal levels of control! There was more than one collision after the finish. We got the motor going and discovered that with the wind and the chop, 3-4 waves, we almost couldn't make any headway even at full throttle! I got the main off of her, couldn't roll it in the wind, so just threw a couple of ties around it.

Unlike many boats, our entry into the harbor was slow but uneventful. Several boats



managed to douse their chutes and promptly wrap the sheets around their propellers. I heard a rumor that more than one had to be towed off the beach. One boat lost all their lifeline stanchions on one side by a sheet that got wrapped around their propeller and was looped around the stanchions. Two boats came in with shredded spinnakers all over their rig

making entry into the harbor in the heavy winds precarious between the narrow jetties. *Gizmo* had completed the course at about 12:30, making it just over 4 hours to complete the 30 mile course!

This race featured some red-hot race boats, such as *Uno, Terramoto, Riptide*, a flock of Mumm 30s and J-105s, but guess who took line honors and won the free haulout? A full-keeled Alberg 30 named *Cleo Na Mor* equipped with a massive asymmetrical spinnaker! And who came in

second? A tricked out 60's vintage Columbia 26! I kid you not! And third? A Ranger 23, followed by a Yankee 30! All inexpensive vintage cruising boats! That night featured a feast and party in the Maritime Center, but Jay and I were both too exhausted to participate.

The weather didn't approve for the return trip. Gray skies, showers and 15-20 knot winds at the start. We put in a single reef and raised the 110 jib and set off. Our start was right after slack water, so we opted to cross the channel before the ebb really set in and work the northern shore. Easier said than done. Once we got into the channel proper, we experienced 4-6 foot breaking waves, with some 8-10 rollers left over from a ship's wake. I started to wonder if maybe we had met our match; maybe we should just admit defeat and

motor home. The radio had been active since early morning with boats calling in to the race committee to cancel. But then again, *Gizmo* is an MORC design and was made to be able to handle this weather. So, we soldiered on across the channel and finally found smoother water.

The rain actually physically hurt due to the wind, which by this time had increased after almost 11 hours of slogging to windward in brutal conditions, we missed the 19:00 time limit and were scored a DNF. We weren't alone. Over 60 boats didn't finish the race. Some didn't even try. Jay and I were very happy that we were just able to complete the course in those conditions.

In order to catch the flood for home,

there was no time to waste licking our wounds. But the sails came down, the autopilot came out and we set off for Gig Harbor, reaching it at a bit past mid night. We slept soundly the rest of the night, then completed out voyage on Monday morning. Overall, the big boats won. The conditions on Sunday were too harsh on the smaller, lighter boats. Will we do it

again next year? You bet! But *Gizmo* will have storm sails by then. You really don't want to enter Admiralty Inlet without being equipped to handle 40 knot winds. It's a long commute just to have to withdraw and motor home.

John Thompson, Gizmo



to steady 20-25 knots, with gusts exceeding 30. I actually have a wind speed app for my phone, but I was too busy driving to play with it. But the wind was whistling through the rigging and causing all the waves to break. I finally found a bit of smooth waters in one of the coves, and took the opportunity to take a second reef. A couple of the gusts could have broken 40 knots. Speaking of breaking things, we drove past a dismasted Wild Rumpass, a Santa Cruz 27, surrounded by assisting sailboats happy for an excuse to quit sailing. We worked the north shore, eventually passing the turn mark at Double Bluff at 13:40, then turned south into Puget Sound and worked the western shore.

It was a long and exhausting beat, but we eventually made it to the finish line intact at 19:18. Unfortunately,

#### Stories Sought

As John demonstrates, winter is over and Members are starting their summer adventures. We want to encourage you to write us about your travels.

Just drop us a e-postcard, a photo with a short message. Or write us a longer piece about all, or part of, the trip.. Our Members, particularly those stuck here in town, do want to hear from you.







#### Bean-Counter's Corner

The Board has approved a budget for the coming year. There was quite a bit of, friendly, discussion because costs are rising for insurance and printing and mailing Ship-to-Shore and we did not want to increase membership dues. This has meant some other line items have had to take a bit of a hit and even so budgeted expenses come out \$180 higher than expected income. We are not too worried because sometimes expenses come in under budget and also because we have a buffer in the form of reserve funds.

To put more order into our financial situation, the Board has put funds into two savings accounts at our credit union. First,

we have created a reserve account with about half a year of operating expenses in it to cover unforeseen contingencies. Second, we have put money aside in a capital fund to cover the purchase of equipment we have to buy from time to time, such as buoys for racing.

The chart shows budgets for this year and next. The four items on the left are income and the rest are expenditures. The line items are pretty self-explanatory, except maybe for the Past Commodore. He or she is responsible for social events such as new members' night in October and the Awards night in June.

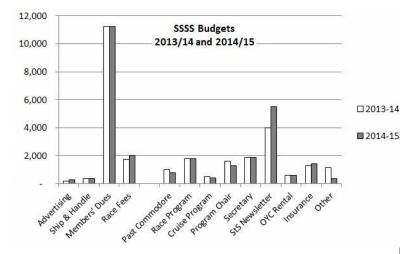
Total budgeted income: \$13,575 for 2013/14 and \$13,930 for

2014/15. Total budgeted

expenses: \$13,861 for 2013/14 and \$14,110 for 2014/15.

Bank accounts as of May 7 are: \$7,000 in reserve savings, \$1,004 in the capital fund, and \$7,561 in checking. The checking account will be spent down before the end of June, especially by the Past Commodore, the Racing Program, and Ship-to-Shore. In addition, the Board has authorized a payment of \$2,000 to support junior sailing in memory of Jan Visser and we are keeping about \$1,000 in checking that would have gone into the capital fund so that we can buy a projector for use by our speakers.

Peter Wyeth



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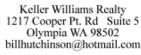


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Want a ride? You could be listed here, and on line, for free: Ads run three months and can be renewed. Contact me to be listed on line and by August 15 to be listed in the next S-t-S.

# LifeSling Clinic June 14

#### **Ditty Bag**

2007 Baltik inflatable 9.5 with plywood floor 2006 3.5HP Tohatsu outboard in great shape, built in fuel tank. The inflatable shows some use but only cosmetic. It has been an excellent tender for us. Comes with dinghy wheels for pulling on beach. Boat for \$\$,300, motor for \$,450. Contact Gaute Syversen: 413-1632 or gaute.syversen@comcast.net

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#### Letter: Physics Lesson on the River

We put the Hobie in the water at the mouth of McAllister Creek. One advantage of a trailerable boat is that we could be there, in the water and rigged, before a larger boat would be out of Budd Inlet.

In the past we had gone up McAllister Creek. The east bank is open and it is possible to sail up it even in light wind. It is an interesting excursion. This day we wanted to check out the abandoned hulk on the east side of the delta.

There was a Force 3 wind so we had a good sail across the delta. However the wind made boarding difficult. There were waves, and no place to make contact that was not rather rough. Not wanting to let the boat pound against the hulk, we circled a few times, as slowly as we could, before giving up.

Instead, we decided to try sailing up the Nisqually River. We had to tack, but that was no problem. What was a problem was that the trees. on the bank blocked the wind. We gradually slowed down.

There came a point where our boat speed exactly matched the current. We could not go up river, but the current could not push us backwards. What happened then? We went sideways to the leeward bank.

Remember the diagram that showed you the forces that let a boat sail to weather? When you subtract the forward vector, all you have left is the sideways force, leeway.

After crossing the river a couple times, we tuned around and sailed back.

Steve Worcester, Star 6932

# Koosah has Perfect Race Attendance

This is a hard award to win You have to sail in, and if possible finish, every race Fall Series through Spring Series, including Toliva. Yet Dave Knowlton has done so 14 times now. Congratulations to Dave, and crew.

#### **Andrew Jackson Trophy**

This year the award for the "world's fastest time around Hope Island" May Meeting to May Meeting, goes to *Vintage*. Congratulations!

As one year ends, an other begins. As of now we have no times for the 2014-5 Dash. When the westerly is blowing this summer, try a run.

# GUDENUPH BOAT WORKS "Where Little Things Matter" Small projects done for free (360) 357-3952 Gudenuph@gmail.com

#### **Gudenuph Does Good**

As winter ended, the found a number of projects to do for *Kalakala*. Two of them were small but troublesome. Our pennant and pickup buoy had suffered through the early storms last fall and though the hardware was good, the line needed replacement--which required a splice. And our spinnaker pole had a broken piston line. We noticed with new interest the ad in Ship-to-Shore for Gudenuph Boat Works that promised "Small projects done for free."

We called up George Hansen, and he told us to bring the pennant and spinnaker pole out and he would take a look. We arrived at their place out Boston Harbor Road to find George and Betty. After a tour of Gull Harbor Landing and the new Gudenuph, we went back to George's well equipped shop where he looked at our stuff and told us what he could do. The only investment we made was the trip out and a new pennant line, because the one George had was too big. Within a short time all was fixed--we highly recommend taking advantage of this standing offer. Thank you George for a great job!

Ken Eklund, Kalakala

# STAR RACES NIGHT 4 MAY 27 PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICERS: JOHN THOMPSON

Pos	Bow/Sail	Boat	Skipper	Crew	1	2	3	4	Total
1	35/6942	Puffin	Dave Branch	Jim Ingemann	2	1	1	3	7.00
2	13/7094	Tantalus	Norm Smit	Laura Smit	6	2	2	1	11.00
3	10/6427	Stella Luna	Eric Egge	Colbe Cavin	3	3	3	4	13.00
4	20/ 5551	Parthenope	Frank Neumann	Kathie Oeser	4	4	5	2	15.00
5	45/	Colt 45	Justin Hinchcliff	Amanda	7	6	6	5	24.00
6	14/6867	Bellatrix	Vicky Sheldon	Rob Johnson	8	7	4	6	25.00
7	06/ 3331		Jeff Causey	Coleman Holder	5	5	12	12	34.00
8	07/ 4736	Glisten	Bill Brosius	Steve Worcester	9	8	7	12	36.00
9	17/	Mari	Derek DeCouteau	Michelle Apodaca	1	12	12	12	37.00
10	31/6843	31 Flavors	Brandon Raftery	Dan Wood	10	9	8	12	39.00
11	30/ 6397	Beer Thirty	Jason Donnette	Kristi Lyons	12	12	12	12	48.00

## Thursday Night Races Series 1 Night 2: May 22

Jim Findley ran the R.C. Boat Thank you.

Portsmouth		Handicaps,	Overall	Results			
	Sail	Skipper	Type	<b>Total Rac</b>	e 1 Rad	ce 2	Race 3
1	100821	Donnette, Jason	Laser	5.75	2	0.7	5 3
2	5	Trummert,Dwaine	Laser	13.75	0.75	11	2
3	542	French, Kevin	HPN5.2	16	3	9	4
4	150933	Singelis,Theo	Laser	16	4	5	7
5	41636	Miller,Garner	Laser	16.5	5.5	6	5
6	6	Elena,Ezra	420	17.75	9	8	0.75
7	186539	Miller,Max	LASEM	20	8	4	8
8	32281	Pruitt,Casey	Laser	22	14	2	6
9	9A	O'Leary,Kate	420	25	7	7	11
10	3510	Snyder,Chris	LASE-2	30	12	3	15 DNC
11	816	Baldridge,Darris	HPN5.2	32	10	12	10
12	150981	Wyeth,Peter	LASEM	34	11	10	13
13	4018	Pruitt,Brad	P16	34.5	5.5	15	14
14	165885	Bryan,Conrad	Laser	35	13	13	9
15	3	Whitmore, Sandy	Laser	41	15	14	12
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5	Trummert,Dwaine		8	1	6	1
150933	Singelis, Theo		11	3	3	5
41636	Miller,Garner		11	4	4	3
32281	Pruitt,Casey		15	9	2	4
186539	Miller,Max		17	5	5	7
165885	Bryan,Conrad		20	6	8	6
3	Whitmore, Sandy		24	7	9	8
150981	Wyeth,Peter		24	8	7	9
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## Season Championship

	points R	aces	Score
S Class	,		
Gayle Force	14.25	11	7.25
McSwoosh	27.50	11	14.50
Spirit	34.00	7	
Silverheels	15.75	6	
Flying Circus	17.75	6	
Dragonfly	13.50	6	
Redline	7.00	2	
He Lives	4.00	1	
A Class			
Nirvana	6.75	9	6.00
Bodacious	22.50	9	17.50
I 5	37.75	13	17.75
Lightly Salted	27.00	8	30.00
Folie A Deux	38.00	10	32.00
Liberty	33.00	7	
Opposition	9.50	5	
Miss Conduct	4.00	2	
Mystify	11.00	2	
Blue Canary	6.00	1	
B Class			
Gizmo	8.75	10	6.00
Showtime	14.50	8	14.50
Rushwind	25.00	7	
Pandora	18.00	5	
Kaitlin	14.00	4	
Fjord	5.75	3	
Spiff	7.00	2	
D Class			
Koosah	36.00	14	13.00
Balder	25.25	10	15.25
Sassy	23.25	8	23.25
Aqulia	48.75	11	27.75
Vintage	27.75	8	27.75
Osa	40.00	8	40.00
Releaf	68.00	10	48.00
Reiff	8.50	4	
Maranatha	13.00	4	
D'lavicea	22.00	4	
Emma Lee	19.00	3	
Judy Lee	26.00	3	
Miss Conduct	2.75	2	
White Raven	8.00	2	
Genesis	13.00	2	
Oh Mercy	3.00	1	
Jody V	3.00	1	
Fever	5.00	1	
I	0.00	1	

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#### PHRF Report: Our Handicappers

Sometimes you do not know how good you have it until you go somewhere else. I did not realize how much our handicappers contribute to our racing program. I just assumed that everyone could get their boat handicapped in a week or less, usually in time for the next race, because that is what I am used to.

In going to PHRF meetings, I have come to realize this is not the case everywhere. Some people have had to go through quite a lot of run around to be able to race. I have heard stories of handicappers who could not be contacted; they did not return e-mails or calls; of handicappers that set on the forms, rather than mail them in to the PHRF office. And more.

But not here at SSSS. If you have a little time to work with Rafe Beswick, our Handicapper, we will get you racing in a day or two. He is also active in the organization, working with the Chief Handicapper and others on boats out of our area.

Rafe is not unique. He comes from a long line of SSSS handicappers who have done likewise. This is a good part of what makes our race program as strong as it is.

Steve Worcester, Star 6932

## Spring Series Race 4 May 10

Koosah was the RC Boat. Thank you. Correctd Finish Points Sail No. Yacht Name Yacht Type Rating Time Time A-CLASS Start Time: 12:00 Distance: 4 nm 0.75 69315 NIRVANA MERI 28 120 13:56:40 13:48:40 18633 I5 13:52:46 SANZ 33 117 14:00:34 79089 LIGHTLY SALTED BENE 10R 96 14:11:50 14:05:26 4 00 73392 BODACIOUS **BENE 35 S5** 129 14.17.20 14.08.44 64985 LIBERTY C&C 35 123 14:59:00 14:50:48 6.00 79182 FOLIE A DEUX **BENE 35 S5** 138 15:30:49 15:21:37 **5-CLASS** Start Time: 12:00 Distance: 4 nm 13:39:41 12 PAX -10 13:40:21 0.75 131 DRAGONFLY VIPER 640 105 13:51:41 13:44:41 13:48:26 2.00 79 GAYLE FORCE 13:55:02 MEL. 99 3.00 69399 FLYING CIRCUS EXPR 37 72 13:58:46 13:53:58 4.00 50921 REDLINE ANT 27 87 14:00:12 13:54:24 1005 SILVERHEELS 13:58:41 13:55:05 5.00 SYN 54 6.00 82 MCSWOOSH 11M 66 14.18.05 14.13.41 69051 SPIRIT **BENE 36.7** 14:22:03 14:16:39 **B-CLASS** Start Time: 12:05 Distance: 2 nm 0.75 69063 GIZMO HARM22 204 12:53:00 12:46:12 2.00 40 RUSHWIND FP 39 186 13:16:29 13:10:17 **D-CLASS** Start Time: 12:05 Distance: 2 nm 0.75 18351 MISS CONDUCT OLSN 29 120 12:46:47 12:42:47 2.00 69927 BALDER ERIC 38 143 13:01:40 12:56:54 3.00 69667 SASSY C&C34 143 13:03:34 12:58:48 4 00 200 AOUILA CASC29 267 13:26:19 13:17:25 39458 RELEAF PEAR 30 14:11:18 14:03:04

## South Sound Women's Boating Seminar

The Fifth Annual South Sound Women's Boating Seminar was a success. We will have a longer report, but now we want to thank those that came, everyone who helped, and our sponsors:

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Micki McNaughton

#### Awards to be Presented at the June Meeting

The boats listed below won an **Award in Class** in the past year, 2012-13. They will be presented at the June Meeting. *If you are one of them, congratulations. Please come receive it.* If you can not, please send someone in your place. The RC Chair does not want to take your award home. **Southern Sound Series awards** will also be presented, including Toliva Shoal awards.

Dragonfly	Spirit	Miss Conduct	Kaitlin	Spiff	Jody V	Sassy
Flying Circus	Bodacious	Nirvana	Gizmo	Aquila	Koosah	Vintage
Gayle Force	I-5	Opposition	Rushwind	Balder	Osa	Congratulations
McSwoosh	Liberty	Fjord	Pandora	Folie A Deux	Reiff	All!
Silverheels	Lightly Salted	Flasher	Showtime	Genesis	Releaf	Att:

#### **Boat Names of SSSS**

Crossword by Richard Wells

#### Puzzle Rules:

- A. Complete the Puzzle before June 8th (General Meeting)
- B. E-mail answers to Steve or bring to meeting
- C. Winner(s) will be determined by 1st to enter & most correct.
- D. Prize(s) awarded. Must be present to win.
- E. You may elicit help from others (wife, husband, friends) or do puzzle as a group.

#### **Across**

- 2. Dan & Peggy's Santa Cruz 33 (no punc)
- 8. Ray & Linda's Catalina 36
  9. Thom & Teresa's Cal 25
  10. Richard & Sabra's Ranger 33
  12. Mike & Esther's Columbia
- 29 13. Tom & Michelle's Nordic 40
- 14. Erik & Salli's Olson 29 (2 words)
- 16. Rick & Suzie's Cavalier 45 (2 words)

Puzzle hint: Time waits for no man. Think historically

#### Burger Nights

June 18 July 16 August 13

#### S-t-S Online Photos

Monday Star Racing new SSSS Board Reciprocal docks and whatever you send us

- 18. Jim & Emily's Beneteau 35.5 (2
- words)
  22. Gary & Deva's Passport 42
- 23. Kelly & Alice's Pearson 30
- 24. Dave & Patti's Pearson 36
- 25. Clark & Jayne's 11 Metre
- 26. Terry & Debe's Hunter 40 (no punc)
- 28. Kyle & Sarah's Olson 25
- 29. Jack & Judy's C&C 29 (2 words)
- 32. Bob & Beth's Cal 36
- 33. Mark & Annette's Jeanneau 37

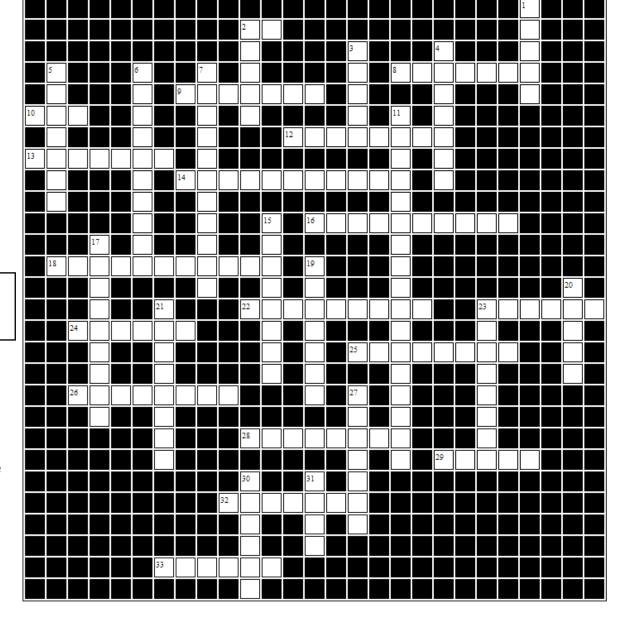
#### Down

- 1. Eric & Lee Anne's Thunderbird
- 262. Rich & Barb's Ranger 29
  - Jim & Diana's Haida 26

- 4. Joe & Myra's Ranger 33
- 5. Sherwood & Judith's Star 22.5
- 6. Bill & Vicky's HB 30
- 7. Rich & Michelle's Newport 31
- 11. Rod & Susan's F-32 (4 words)
- 15. William & Barbara's Wilderness
- 17. Rafe & May's Viper 640
- 19. Rod & Christina's Beneteau 38
- 20. Glen & Irene's C&C 36
- 21. Michael & Debbie's San Juan 28
- (2 words)23. Ken & Sharlyn's Fast Passage 39
- 27. Dan & Susan's San Juan 21 (2
- words)

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- 30. John & Joanne's Ericson 38
- 31. Roger & Suzie's Crown 34



# Death of a Sailor: 8 Bells Janice A. Visser

2014

Deep Breath ... When I received the call from the hospital at 0700 on a sunny April morning, I was in shock, and to be honest still am. It was just the night before where my wife, four year old son, and I had visited her at the hospital where she appeared to be recovering well. We had ice cream, told stories, gave hugs, made plans for the next day ... I even got to kiss her good night.

On April 30, 2014 Janice A. Visser cast off and set her sails to the great beyond. Her passing was very sudden and a shock to many, including our family. Mom, just a few days prior, had been volunteering at the Black Star Regatta. At the end of the day, tired and ready to rest, she headed to her car where she tripped on some un-even concrete resulting in a fractured hip. What seemed to be a minor incident then caused a blood clot to form, which traveled through her system, ultimately resulting in a pulmonary embolism that took her away in her sleep a few days later.

Jan was a fixture in the sailing community who is greatly missed. Like many greats before her, she worked tirelessly to ensure that kids had a way to get on the water. Her passions were ignited in the late 80's, in an effort to keep me occupied during summer break. Mom enrolled me at the local summer sailing program. Little did I know that mom was even more hooked on it than I was. As my interest grew in sailing, so did hers, and she cultivated an unmatched level of support that lit a fire in many. Her fierce independence and dedication led her to create a brand new community program in Olympia known as Corinthian Sailing Club, which reached thousands of kids in our community through learn to sail and racing outlets. Later, her program would merge with OYC in a partnership that we hope to be timeless. Youth Sailing had become her passion and she loved creating opportunities to get kids into sailing.

Many of you know her from her tireless work in the kitchen for the local Toliva Shoal Race. For years, she and several SSSS volunteers would feed the fleet of local and out of town racers.

# Spring Series Race 3 May 3 Pandora was the RC Boat. Thank you.

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with all proceeds put it into the youth sailing program. A tradition still strong today. [If not for Jan, we would still be eating Cosco lasagna instead of Baron of Beef prior to Toliva. Ed.]

As her professional career as an auditor with the State wound down and she approached retirement, her volunteer levels reached all-time highs. She served as the Corinthian Sailing Club president, OYC Youth Sailing Director, Board Member of the Sailing Foundation, Secretary Treasurer for PIYA, Member of the Washington Boating Safety Council, US Sailing Youth Championship Director, and beyond.

Further, she was a key architect and creator of the WIND Youth Racing Clinic and Ripple Optimist Youth Racing Clinic in Cascade Locks.

Jan lived a full life and her passing reminds us all of the impact she has had on ours. Mom's accomplishments were many, to which I am so very proud. She worked tirelessly, with love in her heart and gave all that she had.

Jan was so many things to so many people. Her sudden passing left many in shock and without a proper goodbye. While she is no longer here in body, her spirit lives on in our community. You can see her works in the smiling faces of children learning to sail for the first time on Budd Inlet. You can connect with her spirit through the volunteers that help put on sailing events for young and old.

Through this process, our family and friends have been through a myriad of emotions, from loss to sadness to guilt and beyond. Personally, in the end, I have chosen to land on "proud". I'm so very proud of the work she had done, her selflessness, her passion, her dedication and her volunteerism.

As a dear friend remarked to me in the wake of her passing, "Your mom was a champion. She changed the lives of so many. She directly changed my life and made this world a better place. That is her legacy"

We're so very proud of you Mom and will miss you forever more.

Jan's son, Mike

In her honor, there has been a scholarship fund setup through PIYA to benefit youth sailing. The funds will be used to help introduce kids to sailing or to help fund a sailing athlete to make it to the next level.

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Jan did at least as much for the sport of sailing, and for kids, as anyone in the Club. The youth sailing program took over twenty years to be truly established. A lot of those onboard now were not so helpful twenty years ago. For a long time it was all her.

But it was not just what she did here, for SSSS and Olympia kids. She was active at all levels, including nationally.

Mike mentions she was PIYA Secretary. There she put her accounting training to good use. Their books were a total mess when she took over. She will be missed there too, for very practical reasons as well as the personal ones. I forget what she did while on the sailing Foundation Board that made her so popular at SYC. That is the problem, she did so much it is hard to remember all of it.

Personally though, I think Jan was most proud of the kids, those that went through the programs, and most of all, her own. If you know them you know why.

Ed.