



# Leadline



THE CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB OF SEATTLE

## Get Ready for NOOD

### Prestigious Regatta Circuit Wants Seattle on 2008 Schedule

The NOOD regatta circuit, one of the world's most prestigious sailing series, is all but certain to come to Seattle next May. The CYC Board of Directors on Nov. 12 agreed in principle to co-host a National Offshore One-Design (NOOD) regatta May 16, 17 and 18. The regatta would be based at CYC's Shilshole clubhouse. Promoters hope to attract a minimum of 125 keelboats, ranging from about 20 to 70 feet, to the one-design event. Key participating fleets are expected to include J/24s, Melges 24s, J/105s, Thunderbirds and other larger boats.

Organized by *Sailing World* Magazine, with heavy sponsorship and promotion, the regatta would likely draw participants from up and down the West Coast.

"The Northwest has been an enormous gap in the NOOD circuit," CYC Commodore Eric Sanderson said. "I think we are fully capable of hosting a very successful NOOD, and we look forward to working with *Sailing World* to pull off a terrific regatta." Seattle Yacht Club would be the other local host of the event. Tentative plans call for CYC to provide its clubhouse, race management vessels and race staff for the regatta.



SYC would supplement race management with its equipment, while overseeing the food-and-beverage side of the regatta. A tent would be set up in the parking lot at Shilshole for after-race parties, and SYC would host a post-regatta banquet on Sunday night.

*Sailing World* would manage registration, handle sponsorship and reimburse the local yacht club for their expenses.

While both CYC and SYC have signaled their intent to move forward with the regatta, *Sailing World* has not come forward with a contract. CYC Vice Commodore Joe James, who has taken the lead in initial negotiations, said the club would make sure it has no risk before moving forward.

The Seattle NOOD regatta began coming together recently after George Brengle of *Sailing World* contacted SYC, came to Seattle and toured SYC and CYC facilities.

SYC and CYC officials then made a hand-shake agreement to move forward as co-hosts. "This is another opportunity for our two yacht clubs to work together for the benefit of sailors in the Northwest," James said. The regatta then came before the CYC Board, which gave its tentative approval.

With establishment of the NOOD event, SYC plans to drop its annual SOCKS regatta.

NOOD regattas were held in 2007 in St. Petersburg, San Diego, Annapolis, Detroit, Chicago, Toronto, Marblehead (Mass.), Larchmont (N.Y.) and Houston, with a championship held in November in the Caribbean.

Created by *Sailing World* in 1988, NOOD regattas attract close to 2,000 boats and more than 30,000 competitors and spectators annually. In addition to local sailors, sailing's top stars - including America's Cup and Olympic champions - are well-represented at the NOODs. Competitive sailors rate the NOODs as the top national event in each region of the country, according to *Sailing World*.

# From the Helm: Eric Sanderson



**T**he Annual Membership meeting went off

without a hitch and a new slate of officers was elected. A hearty Thank You is due to the outgoing board members: Mark Bradner, Secretary; Allen Goldstein, Fleet Captain Cruise; Mike Irish, Director; Allan Johnson, Junior Staff Commodore; Jim Miller, Fleet Captain Race; John Rahn, Director. All brought a unique perspective and contribution to the club during their tenure.

It is hard to overestimate the contributions that Jim Miller has made over the past 5 years. The role of Fleet Captain Race is demanding and critical to the success of the club, and Jim filled the role admirably.

In addition to overseeing race operations, he wore many other hats including Race Officer and whaler driver when we were short people (which was too frequent), software and hardware “engineer” in the office and general handyman around the club.

The dedication of Jim – and others like him in the club – makes it easy to feel that all is coasting along smoothly. For a short while it may, but that level of individual effort cannot be sustained. Thank you, Jim.

There were to other highlights to the Annual meeting. At the outset of the meeting, the Heart of CYC Capital Campaign was about \$10,000 short of its goal. By meetings end we exceeded it by \$9,000 and, as of last week, another \$20,000 had been given bringing the campaign to a present level of \$330,888 cash and \$2,300 of in-kind donations.

Many thanks are due to Wayne Balziger and Jay Winberg who worked very diligently on the campaign. And, of course, the greatest Thank You is to the 139 individual donors who gave of their heart to help insure the future of our club.

Another highlight was the announcement of the nomination, and approval, of Honorary Life Membership for William “Bill” Buchan. Vice Commodore Joe James gave a short presentation – which he will repeat at the upcoming Christmas Lunch – of some highlights of Bill’s sailing past, and present. To say the least it was

inspiring. And, for me, it reinforced the uniqueness and value of Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle – the quality and character of its membership. Congratulations, Bill.

If there has been a theme to my tenure as Commodore, I believe it revolves around the participation of our membership in the operation of our club. The past four years have reinforced that belief.

In 1945, the founders of CYC of Seattle created an organization that perfectly met their needs and thus, membership value was a given. As time passes the needs and desires of our membership, and the sailing community, evolve. For the club to adapt and sustain that value, it requires the involvement of its members.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as Commodore this past year. And I especially want to thank my wife and children for their patience and support over the last 4 years.

And congratulations to Commodore-elect Joe James, and rest of the officers and directors for 2008, under whose leadership and steady hand CYC will flourish in the coming year.

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# *CYC Work Parties Tackle Leschi Marina Floats*

By Tom Colligan

CYC volunteers from the Thistle and Snipe fleets recently organized two work parties to repair the floats that they rent out from the Leschi Concessionaire. The Thistle and Snipe fleets were out in force with many family members represented. The first work party was on September 29<sup>th</sup> that started at 8:00AM moving boats out of the way and then tackled the most vulnerable “sinking” float in the north side of the marina where the Thistles reside. Several critical structural beams were relocated and secured with new floatation and the fleet replaced a substantial number of planks. At the south marina, where the Snipes reside, the submerged float structures were found to be in much better shape but many planks needed to be replaced, and the work ended when the wood ran out. Although a lot of work was done that day at it was obvious that more needed to be done so a second party was duly organized. During the second work party on Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, many additional repairs were made including completely replanking one of the Snipe fleet floats. Extra wood was stockpiled for future repairs as well. The focus on the north end was to replace and fix areas where the docks rub on the pilings. At least three key piling to dock interface points were fixed. Although there is still quite a bit more left, CYC proved wholeheartedly to the city and concessionaire that we can make valuable contributions to the survival of the marina and we need to thank all who volunteered their time.



Thistle members replacing structural beam at the north end of marina.

Importantly, Chris Schober (the marina concessionaire) worked with the group all day forming a good relationship with many CYC members. He has been extremely supportive of our efforts, and provided all of the wood, fasteners, tools, and his personal labor as well. Overall these events appear to be win/win! Most of the useable floats should now last another season, although we all realize there is still a lot of work to be done if they need to last much longer than that.

Concerning the big picture future of the marina, the concessionaire and the Seattle Parks Department will be meeting with our group (and the public) sometime during the early part of December to review their initial design plans to replace the breakwater at the marina

which is in terrible shape and the key to the city making further investments in the marina. Approximately \$2MM in city funding for the breakwater, including design and permitting, has been allocated by the city council and work will hopefully occur in 2009. The Parks Department is investigating our suggestion of adding floats to the breakwaters to make the space utilization more efficient while also increasing the effectiveness of the breakwaters as a whole.

We will be occasionally reporting on the progress of the Leschi marina renovation as it ties in to the future of the sailing on the lake.

# Fun At Turkey Bowl!



*Great Photos from Bruce Sherman!*

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## **Mandatory Boating Safety Education** FOR WASHINGTON BOATERS

The Washington state Mandatory Boating Safety Education law goes into effect on January 1, 2008. The new law requires boaters ages 12 years and older to pass a boating safety course or an equivalency exam and obtain a Boater education Card before operating a motorized vessel of 15 horsepower or greater.

What do I need to do to qualify for a Boater Education Card?

You must take a course approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) and the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission. You can take a classroom, online or home-study course. Also, boater with a lot of boating experience may take an equivalency exam. For more information, visit online at [www.parks.wa.gov/boating](http://www.parks.wa.gov/boating) or call (360) 902-8844

**How can I get my Boater Education Card?**

After successful completion of a course or exam, you must complete a Boater Education Card Application. To get an application form, visit online at [www.parks.wa.gov/boating](http://www.parks.wa.gov/boating). Complete and mail the application with a copy of your course completion certificate and \$10 to the address given on the application.

How much does a Boater Education Card cost?

The initial cost is \$10. A replacement card is \$5. Please note: Cards purchased from online course providers may be subject to an additional handling fee.

When will I receive my Boater Education Card?

Once your application and supporting documents are received, it takes approximately six weeks to process the application.

Is my Boater Education Card good in other states and Canada that have mandatory boating education requirements?

Yes.

Is my Oregon Boater Education Card valid in Washington?

Yes. If you are visiting Washington for less than 60 consecutive days, your Oregon card is valid. If you become a Washington resident, your Oregon Boater Education Card can be used to apply for a Washington card. There is a \$10 fee with this application.

When will I need to carry my Boater Education Card?

The card requirement is being phased in from 2008 through 2014. Boaters in the age groups below will need to have their card on them when operating a boat starting Jan. 1 of the year noted:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Age Group</u>
2008	12 years to 20 years old
2009	25 years and younger
2010	30 years and younger
2011	35 years and younger
2012	40 years and younger
2013	59 years and younger
After 2014	Card required for any person born after Jan. 1, 1955

Do I have to wait to get my Boater Education Card until the year it is required?

No. If you have passed an approved course, you may apply for your card now. The Washington State Parks Boating Programs encourage boater to get their cards as soon as possible.

Boaters born before Jan. 1, 1955 are exempt from this law.

# The Board Report *by John Rahn*

The first and largest item of business was discussion of a very recent, surprise proposal from Sailing World for SYC and CYC to co-host a Seattle NOOD regatta in May, 2008, replacing SOCKS. Joining this discussion were Roger Pawley, Fleet Captain race of SYC, and a Megan Deinas, from the Port of Seattle. Both SYC and the Port are enthusiastic about doing this. The NOOD is a 3-day regatta, aiming for more than 125 keelboats in around 13 fleets and occupying three racing areas on the Sound, with dinner and parties each day after racing in a large tent area near the CYC clubhouse.

Everyone on the CYC Board understands the value this would have to the Seattle racing community and eventually we voted to commit to contract negotiations for this, taking care that we not come out in the red financially. It will be a challenge to our volunteer system, our race staff, our race equipment, and our organizational capabilities, but we trust that it will be bracing for us to step up to the challenge. One large negative side-effect is the elimination of a premier dinghy racing regatta in May, but SYC was considering eliminating SOCKS altogether when this proposal came along. Now, we will have a high-profile keelboat regatta in mid-May,

with PSSR as usual in mid-April, and can work on upgrading existing dinghy regattas such as the two-day Spring Frostbite on the Sound at the beginning of April, and the Lake Spring Regatta one day at the end of April.

Other items: Chris Tutmark, our new PIYA representative, reported on some antiquated and dysfunctional aspects of the PIYA requirements that he hopes to upgrade. We are looking for a new Editor and Publisher for Leadline. The budget for 2007 worked even better than expected; we will repeat the budgeting process for 2008. The Board unanimously saw no need for any dues increase for 2008. Enormous progress has been made recently on repairing the race boats and equipment, thanks to Dan Heyl's diagnoses and organization and to all the volunteers who have stepped up to do this work. The volunteer response is quite impressive. We need to continue to press on this as there is a lot left to do. And finally, Jim Miller and the incoming Fleet Captain Race, Lorenzo Migliorini, underlined the need to take a fresh look at how our race staff and race efforts are organized, and perhaps to re-evaluate what our goals are in this area, in order to keep our capabilities up to our goals.

## Join CYC in Celebrating the Holidays at Our Annual Christmas Lunch

December 17, 2007

Another year has rolled by and it's time to get together again and renew old friendships at our traditional Annual Christmas Lunch.

All CYC members and their guests are invited. Founding members and Staff Commodores will be introduced to highlight a short program and we hope as many as possible will join us.

Lunch will be catered again this year by McCormick & Schmick.

As in the past, they have put together a delightful holiday menu for us. Luncheon will be held at our Shilshole clubhouse on Monday, December 17. A social hour featuring Dick Marshall's famous Christmaspunch will begin at 11:00AM, followed by lunch at noon.

Please call the club at 206-789-1919 or send an e-mail to [cycsea@eskimo.com](mailto:cycsea@eskimo.com) if you plan to attend. The cost is \$25 which can be paid at the door.

We look forward to seeing everyone



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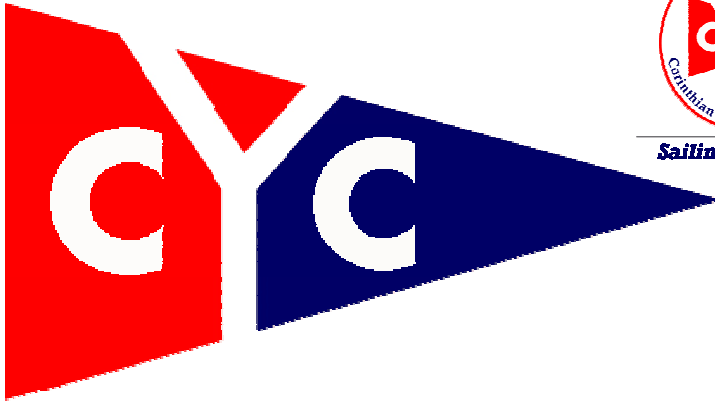
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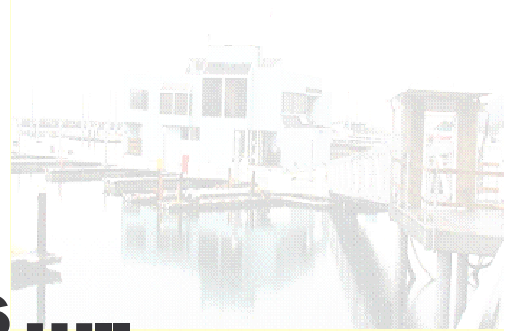
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## Upcoming CYC Events .....

### • Annual Christmas Luncheon

**Date: Monday, December 17th, 2007**

**Time: Punch at 1100hrs., Lunch at 1200hrs.**

**Notes: Please RSVP if possible**

**Location: Shilshole Clubhouse**

*Time to get together and renew friendships at our traditional Annual Christmas Luncheon. A Social hour includes Dick Marshall's famous Christmas Punch at 1100hrs. Lunch will be catered by McCormick & Schmick's. Please RSVP if possible. The cost is \$25 per person.*

### • Annual Awards Night

**Date: Friday, January 25th, 2008**

**Time: Social Begins at 1800hrs.,**

**Awards Presentations at 1900hrs.**

**Location: Shilshole Clubhouse**

*Please join your fellow members in honoring CYC's most outstanding and successful sailors of the year. The Club's permanent trophies have the names of the winners engraved on them to memorialize the honors received. These trophies are given for two types of awards: Discretionary & Performance.*

### • Annual CYC Open House (Open to Public)

**Date: Sunday, February 10, 2008**

**Time: Social Begins at 1100hrs- 1600hrs.**

**Location: Shilshole Clubhouse**

- *Meet & Talk with Fleet and Club Representatives.*
- *Local racing fleet boats will be on display outside the clubhouse.*
- *Membership applications will be accepted all day. Reduced Initiation fee on S2 membership.*
- *Find out about crewing on boats.*

# December, 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 S & L-Private Function
2 S-Laser  Frostbite	3 CC- Monday Lunch	4	5 S- Private Function	6	7 S- Private Function	8 S & L-Private Function
9 L- Private Function	10 S- Monday Lunch	11 S-Private Function	12 S-Private Function	13 S- Priv.Function	14	15
16	17 S-Annual Christmas Lunch	18 S-Priv. Function	19	20	21 S- Private Function	22
23/30	24/31 NO Lunch  S-Priv. Function	25 Merry Christmas	26	27	28	29

Code: L=Leschi, S=Shilshole, CC=College Club, Closed indicates that the clubhouse is reserved for a private function. SLB=Sound Large Boats, SOD=Sound One-design Boats, PSFC= Puget Sound Fleet Council Meeting (Big Boats), PSODFC= Puget Sound One-design Fleet Council Meeting (One-design boats). SWSA=Seattle Women Sailing Association

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