



# Leadline



THE CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB OF SEATTLE

## NOOD Planning Moves Forward

### Organizational Meeting Held at Shilshole

The buzz began on Jan. 15 for this year's inaugural Sperry Top-Sider NOOD Regatta as about 50 leaders of the local sailing community attended an organizational meeting at CYC's Shilshole clubhouse.

George Brengle, director of marketing for Sailing World magazine and executive director for NOOD regattas, traveled from Rhode Island to attend the gathering and promised the group "the best regatta we can bring you."

"Our goal is first and foremost to have great racing and for all of you to have a good time," he said. "The number one thing we look at when selecting regatta sites is good race management, and we felt CYC had great race management, along with Seattle Yacht Club."

CYC and SYC are co-hosting the regatta scheduled to be run out of the Shilshole Bay Marina May 16 – 18. CYC and the Port of Seattle are supplying the venue for the event, and CYC is providing the bulk of the race management, while SYC is arranging the parties.

The Seattle NOOD regatta is one of nine held around the country and replaces a NOOD regatta in Toronto. Sailing World elected to make the switch because of challenging cross-border logistics for the Toronto event Brengle said.

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-G. Brengle



From left are Bobbi Campbell of SYC, George Brengle of Sailing World magazine, and Steve Travis Of CYC.

NOOD, which stands for National Offshore One-Design, is expected to draw about 125 boats from up to 20 fleets from the Northwest, British Columbia and California. It also is expected to draw substantial attention to the Seattle sailing scene, with heavy sponsorship and national publicity through its association with Sailing World.

Keelboats will race Friday, Saturday and Sunday and dinghies will race Saturday and Sunday. Regatta managers will select an overall winner, with skipper and crew getting a trip to the Caribbean next fall for the NOOD championship. Awards will be presented daily based on the results of each race.

Post-regatta parties, including dinner and music, will be held in a tent to be set up in the Shilshole parking lot..

An awards banquet is to be held Sunday night at SYC's Portage Bay clubhouse where overall winners will be recognized and presented awards.

CYC Board Member Steve Travis is co-chair of the event along with Bobbi Campbell of Seattle Yacht Club..

Brengle said regatta organizers would probably experience "some hiccups" the first year but assured those at the Shilshole meeting that the Seattle NOOD would be as successful as those held in St. Petersburg, San Diego, Detroit and five other cities.

"It's up to all of you in this room to continue the buzz," he said.

Written by Bruce Sherman

# From the Helm: Joe James



**B**y the time you read this we will have held

Annual Awards presentation, the display of boats and information at the Seattle Boat Show and be preparing for our Open House on February 10. In addition, the board held a budget meeting on Saturday morning January 12 and the January Board meeting on January 14. On January 15 representatives from all the fleets in the Seattle area were invited to our Shilshole clubhouse to hear the plans and details for the NOOD regatta which will be co-hosted by SYC and CYC. Steve Travis is the CYC co-chair of this event. January used to be a month when sailors were free to grab their skis and head for the mountains

Let me tell you what your club is doing to improve the quality of events for our members as well as continuing our efforts to add new members. Charles Fawcett, our soon to retire club manager, has taken the lead on the Seattle Boat Show effort.

Nine of our fleets have boats displayed at the show. Jeff Oaklief has organized the fleet displays. Pattie Heyl, our assistant club manager, has prepared a brochure along with a continuous video and pictures of fleet and club activities. Volunteers have signed up for fifty four-hour shifts at the show to provide information and pass out literature. Our hope is this event will let the public know of our club and fleet activities for all those who attend the show and over time add to our membership.

The Open House is an opportunity for the public to see our Shilshole clubhouse, talk to fleet members about our club and activities and visit with fleet members in the parking lot where boats will be on display. This is an open event where we would like to have club members drop in to see the displays and answer question on February 10 from 1100 to 1600. Pattie Heyl and board member Lisa Dodd have organized this event.

Our race book will be out in mid February. Jim Miller and Lorenzo Migliorini are working over the final draft to send it to the printer. You will notice a very small increase in race fees to balance the raises we are giving to paid race staff.

In the meantime, you may view the race book and sign up for packages and individual races on the web. Derek Storm is our webmaster who created our web and maintains it up to date.

You may notice there are several names in this column. These are some of the volunteers who work to improve our club for all of us. Add the names of the members of several of our committees and race volunteers and board members and you can see that volunteerism is alive and well in CYC. However, even more volunteers are needed to maintain and improve our club and our activities. In particular we will be looking for volunteer scorekeepers on both the Lake and Puget Sound, whaler drivers to supplement our paid staff and PRO's. Members who would like to learn more about race management might consider signing up for the Race Management Workshop to be offered at our Shilshole Clubhouse on Saturday, February 23. The workshop will be taught by Leslie Keller and Skip Anderson.

Spring is just around the corner; time to get your boat ready for the Windjammer Regatta and my favorite event, the Center Sound Series.

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# The Sailing Foundation

By Dick Rose

## CYC Officers Endorse the Sailing Foundation

The Sailing Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of sailing in the Pacific Northwest. Its missions are to bring more youth into our sport, to increase the racing expertise of young sailors, and to promote safety at sea.

The Foundation promotes and enhances youth sailing by (1) supporting high school and college sailing teams – particularly for travel to their national championships each year, (2) supporting purchases of fleets of dinghies used for training youth and for competition between high schools, and (3) supporting WIND, a clinic for youth sailors held every summer in strong winds and hot sun at the Columbia Gorge.

In the 1980s, the Foundation's Safety at Sea Committee noted the absence of appropriate man overboard rescue devices on racing keelboats. After a period of several years of research and trials, this committee developed the "Life Sling", the Coast Guard-certified man overboard recovery system widely used to this day aboard racing and cruising sailboats worldwide. Royalties from the production of the Life Sling continue to provide funding for the Foundation's safety at sea program. The Safety at Sea Committee is involved in on-going research and development of tools to enhance boating safety for all types of sailors and periodically hosts Safety at Sea Seminars for ocean cruisers and racers.



Youth Sailing needs The Foundation

The Foundation's next Safety at Sea Seminar is coming up soon. It will be in Seattle on February 9th and 10th at the old Naval Reserve Armory at the South end of Lake Union (just west of The Center for Wooden Boats). This US SAILING-sanctioned event will be moderated by Chuck Hawley and will feature special new sections on survival in cold water, medical emergencies at sea and the latest sources of weather information. For more information see the Foundation's website [www.thesailingfoundation.org](http://www.thesailingfoundation.org) or, to reserve a spot for you and your crew, call Bob Schoonmaker (206 842 7245).

Ever since the 1970s there has been strong CYC representation on the Foundation's Board. Long time CYC leaders Sunny Vynne, Dick Marshall, Marty Godsil, Chuck Sanborn, George Malliot, Bill Lieberman, and Otto Giese were all prime movers of The Sailing Foundation (previously called the Seattle Sailing Foundation). CYC members continue to serve -- Joe Burcar and Dick Rose are current members of the Foundation's Board of Directors.

In 1974 Sunny Vynne led the Intrepid campaign – the first Seattle-based effort to win the right to sail for the America's Cup. After that campaign ended, Intrepid was sold and the proceeds funded the Foundation's work for the next quarter century. Now that those funds have been spent, support for the Foundation's programs comes from donations from local sailors and from royalties earned by the Life Sling.

The Sailing Foundation is working through community-based sailing organizations, local high schools and universities, and yacht clubs, to increase the flow of new sailors into our sport and to develop their competitive expertise. And once they're out on the water, our Safety at Sea Committee, through product development and education, works to protect sailors in all types of sailing craft as they continue to enjoy our sport.

The Corinthian Yacht Club flag officers have met with members of the Board of The Sailing Foundation and reviewed its current program. They whole heartedly endorse the Foundation's efforts to increase youth participation in our sport, to increase the expertise of young sailors, and to promote safety at sea. They strongly encourage CYC members to consider contributing to the Foundation.

The Corinthian Yacht Club offers the best racing program in the Northwest. If we want our program to remain the best, we will need new young sailors competing in our races and we will want the best safety gear for our boats.

Contributions, which are tax deductible, may be sent to: The Sailing Foundation, P. O. Box 18106, Seattle, WA 98118



## Fleet Focus: The International 14

The I14 has thrived over the decades by having a few simple rules, such as the length and sail area, but encouraging rapid evolution. This may be as far from one-design as you can get while still calling it the same boat, but it has fueled innovation and continued energy in the fleet. The boat is completely carbon fiber, utilizes the latest America's Cup technologies and is the breeding ground for new sailing innovations. The boat is 14 ft long, 164 lbs, uses a crew of 2 on trapeze, and has 550 sq ft of sail (which is comparable sail area to a 3,100 lb J24). To compare to a familiar dingy, a Laser is 13.1 ft, 130 lbs with 76 sq ft of sail.



Top speeds have been clocked with a radar gun at 26 knots (30mph). The boat can sail faster than the wind and starts planing in less than 7 knots of wind at all points of sail. The light air performance makes this boat ideal for the typical wind conditions in Seattle of 5-15 knots.

The boat uses a unique rudder with a 5 ft controllable wing foil, which acts like an elevator on an airplane, and creates a lifting hydro-foiling effect at high speed. Some boats control the rudder foil by twisting the 7 ft tiller extension. The asymmetrical spinnaker uses a retractable pole and is easily launched from a sock in the fore section.

Every boat is unique, which makes regattas interesting at the dock as well as on the water. Each boat is semi-custom, starting from the latest hull shape mold, such as the Bieker 5, and outfitted to the desire of the owner. Most sailors start by buying a used boat in partnership with their crew for about \$9000, and may eventually step up to a new boat for about \$35,000. Like golf, the equipment is not overly important to performance compared to skill.

The Seattle Fleet began 60 years ago at Leschi on Lake Washington, and moved to Shilshole in 1967. The fleet owns their own docks at the Shilshole marina, which enables boats to be stored fully rigged and quickly launched. Most of the sailing is done during informal Thursday night races and four local weekend regattas, but some sailors participate in regattas along the west coast, as well as exotic destinations worldwide. The 2007 National Championships were held at Shilshole this past October, with winds topping 30 knots.

The unique aspects of the I14 have attracted a unique and diverse group of sailors. Instead of just professionals, the fleet has attracted a wide range of sailors including architects, attorneys, CEO's, and engineers. Most fleet members are in their 30's and 40's, with young families. Experience ranges from new skiff sailors to world champions. In fact, the top 3 positions at the National Championships this year were all Seattle sailors. The Seattle fleet is also fortunate to have the



leading designer of the I14's, Paul Bieker. Paul has been a key designer for the Oracle Cup campaign for several years, and has technology between AC boats. The members love talking boats, and like sharing others. New members come and coached America's the last transferred I14's and I14 fleet about their tips with are wel- by all. This collaboration has kept the Seattle fleet one of the leading fleets worldwide. For more information on the International 14, visit [www.I14Seattle.org](http://www.I14Seattle.org) or contact Ken Hey at [fleetcaptain@i14seattle.org](mailto:fleetcaptain@i14seattle.org).



Photos by Dennis Williams, Renee Speak and Sean Trew.



# BASIC RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

**Saturday ~ February 23, 2008**

**Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle      Seattle, Washington**

## THE SEMINAR AND WHO IT'S FOR

This seminar is sponsored by the US SAILING Race Management Committee and US SAILING Area L. It is designed for people with some race committee experience, and newcomers, who wish to become certified under US SAILING's race officer certification program as a US SAILING Club Race Officer.

## LOCATION AND SEMINAR SCOPE

The program will be presented at the Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle in Seattle, Washington, and will begin at 0800 and end at 1730. The topics to be covered include race committee objectives, competition formats, sailing instructions, race committee jobs, race committee equipment, race day preparations, setting the course, starts, during the race, finishing, post-race responsibilities, and scoring.

## YOUR INSTRUCTORS

The principal instructor for this seminar will be Leslie Keller. Leslie is a US SAILING Regional Race Officer and the Area H Race Officer. She will be assisted by Skip Anderson, a USCG-licensing instructor and Club Race Officer.

## HOW TO PREPARE & WHAT TO EXPECT

At the seminar, you will need your own copy of the Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS") and you will be given a copy of Join the Race Committee Team. To prepare for the seminar you should try to answer the Study Questions, available on the US SAILING web site under Basic Seminar Study Questions. The Club Race Officer Certification Test will be given at the end of the seminar and is optional. However, to be certified as a US SAILING Club Race Officer under US SAILING's race officer certification program, you must complete the basic seminar and pass the test. You will also need to have your own copy of the current US SAILING Race Management Handbook and meet the program's other criteria. An application for certification will be provided to each participant in this seminar.

## SEMINAR FEES

The fees for this seminar are as follows: \$50 for US SAILING members \$75 for non-members Seminar fees cover continental breakfast, refreshments for an afternoon break, lunch, all seminar materials, your own copy of Join the Race Committee Team, instruction, and administration of the test.

## ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Registration using the US SAILING Online Registration System is required. On the US SAILING web site ([www.ussailing.org](http://www.ussailing.org)) click on the calendar. Then search for the seminar by clicking on "Select a specific category", then "Race Admin Education – Race Officer"; then "All Future Events" and "Search". Locate this seminar, click "Register Online", and follow the directions. For more information, contact Leslie Keller at [LesKeller@aol.com](mailto:LesKeller@aol.com).

# Club Manager Search

With the planned retirement of Charles Fawcett as our Club Manager, we have formed a committee to find the best possible replacement for this important position. committee members are Joe James, Bruce Sherman, Jamie Thomas, Karen Kast and Charles Fawcett. We are looking for a person with good customer and public relations skills, a working knowledge of computers and record keeping, knowledge of sailboat racing, and day-to-day problem solving and decision making in an environment where limited supervision is required.

The club manager is usually the first person to meet and greet the public and members when they arrive at our Shilshole clubhouse. The manager is also the person who answers the phone to provide information about our programs to both current and prospective members. The manager deals with vendors, renters and the general public in a friendly and professional manner. Our manager is the club's goodwill ambassador and should convey a cheerful, friendly, upbeat, competent, businesslike and cooperative impression.

The job description we have developed indicates the club manager is responsible for carrying out the daily affairs and operations of the club. The manager does this either through others or individually. Our early managers, such as Shane and Karen Kast, chose to perform the duties individually, and did so for several years. When Karen Kast temporarily retired at the end of 1999, Joe James became the club manager and held the position until December of the same year when KK returned. Joe and KK shared the duties and responsibilities as managers until the end of 2004 when Charles Fawcett was hired as manager. After a short time, Charles asked for an assistant manager and Pattie Heyl was hired. Charles and Pattie have been our managers to the present time.



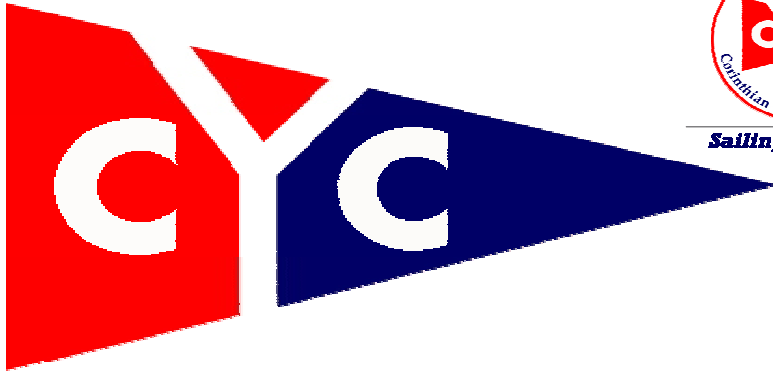
Our new manager will have the option of continuing the recent practice of working with an assistant or going back to the earlier practice of performing the duties individually. Many of our past managers have been club members; and we would hope to have some members, or relatives or friends of members, apply for this position. Our time line is to seek applicants in January and February, interview in March with the goal of selecting the new manager who will begin training in April.

Applicants should contact Joe James to receive a detailed job description which will be sent by email. Joe's email is <james\_12081@msn.com> and his home phone number is 425-746-1218. Resumes should be sent to Joe James, 15105 SE 20th Street, Bellevue WA 98007. Closing date for submission of resumes is February 29, 2008.

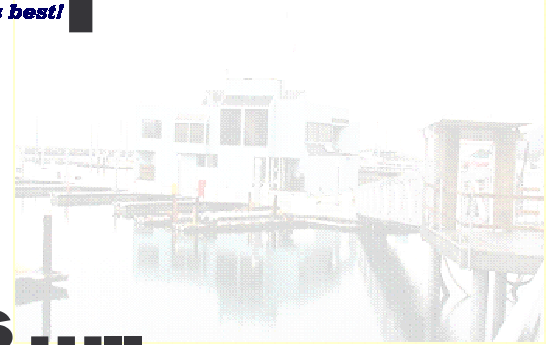
## CYC BAR AND FOOD changes for 2008.

We have undertaken an in-house survey of how to help promote better and faster service at both Shilshole and Leschi particularly during weeknight racing;

- Food menus at both locations will be cut back to focus on popular items only.
- Food prices will remain the same as 2007.
- Larry our Thursday evening cook at Shilshole after some sixteen years has decided to move on. Thanks, Larry, for all your past help.
- Ben our bartender at Shilshole on Wednesdays after years of struggle in the film business has finally made it big time and will be replaced by Michael. Congratulations to Ben and thanks to Michael.
- Jon Dowd is rejoining CYC as cook at Shilshole on race nights.
- **The Leschi team will remain the same as 2007.**
- **Effective February 1 beer will sell for \$4.00 per pint or \$14.00 per pitcher.**
- **Prices for wine, liquor and soft drinks will remain at 2007 levels.**
- There will be a credit card minimum of \$10.00 per purchase; however senior members are reminded that they can purchase against their account.



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## **Upcoming CYC Events .....**

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**\*Fridays In February: Featuring Speakers brought to you by the Cruising Fleet.**

**At the Shilshole Clubhouse, the bar will open at 6:30PM, there will be appetizers and the talks will start promptly at 7:00PM. They will go until 9:00PM.**

**February 8: Wendy Hinman and Garth Wilcox will talk about their seven year Pacific Circumnavigation.**

**February 15: TBD (still open)**

**February 22: Paul Baker and Suzette Connolly will talk about their six year circumnavigation.**

**February 29: Jim and Barbara Cole will talk about their 3 month cruise to Alaska on their Hallberg Rassy 36 in 2005.**

**\*Windjammer Regatta: February 10th, and 23rd.**

**\*CYC Open House: All Day Sunday the 10th of February. Stop on by and bring some friends. A good time to join CYC.**

# February, 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 s-private func- tion
3	4 S- Monday Lunch	5	6	7	8  Fridays in Feb 7pm Shilshole	9
10 CYC open houe S-Windjammer	11 S- Mon- day Lunch Carl Sutter	12	13	14	15  Fridays in Feb 7pm Shilshole	16
17  S-Laser	18 S-Monday Lunch Scott Anderson	19	20	21	22  Fridays in Feb 7pm Shilshole	23
24 S-Windjammer Race Mng Course	25 S- Mon- day Lunch Paul Bieker	26	27	28	29  Fridays in Feb 7pm Shilshole	

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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