

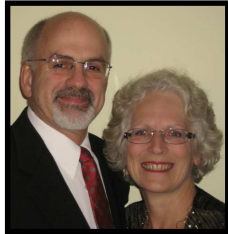
Multnomah Channel Yacht Club

Channel Chatter

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June 2011 "The Friendliest Club on The River" Since 1961

Commodore & First Lady



John & Susan Jellum

It was the end of a very long work day as the Commodore drove his First Lady home last evening from Rose City Yacht Club. Since the event attended had been their dinner for all the ladies, conversation naturally migrated to our Ladies' Dinner for MCYC. Commodore John knew our dinner was on the calendar for mid-September, but when hearing the theme, Lavender & Lace, he went in the opposite direction from First Lady, Susan. Hmmmm... Now, when I say, Lavender & Lace, what comes to mind? For most people, (okay, women) the term conjures up an image of Victorian propriety, starched white doilies and the heady fragrance of lavender hanging in the air. Silver tea service, white gloves, pinkie up, thank you very much.

Maybe it was the reference to French cuisine made in the midst of our conversation. After all, the rolling hills of lavender in Provence, sounded like a better beginning for a menu than the bland fare of an English Pub. Never mind that the majority of my lavender field is actually English. Once French was

said, it was a short leap from Victorian lace to the lace of the Moulin Rouge. Jarred from my mind were the high necked, starched lace collars of white gloved Victorian ladies, sitting primly on the edges of their equally high backed chairs. Instead, were giggling girls draped about on chaise lounges, replete in bawdy finery, from the feathers in their hair all the way down the arrow straight seam of their black lace stockings. Hmm, indeed.

Whether you see the epitome of Lavender & Lace as Tea in the drawing room, formal and proper or as the seduction of a steamy, lavender laden tub of water, layers of lace discarded and pooled beside the tub, please let us know if you would like to help with the September 15th MCYC Ladies' Dinner. Theme: Lavender & Lace. Bourgeoisie goes to High Tea, perhaps?

Refreshments

Board Meeting
David Karpeles

General Meeting
Reichen, Speight, Schulzki



CLUBHOUSE TELEPHONE USAGE

Above the phone in the clubhouse there is a notice that reads:

NOTICE

DO NOT make long distance calls from this phone. We do not have a long distance carrier and you **SHALL** be responsible for any charges incurred.

This notice is posted for a reason - we do not have a long distance carrier and any long distance call is arbitrarily assigned to a carrier and the call becomes subject to their mandatory charges.

On May 4th at 2:14 PM a 4 minute call was made to Medford. The long distance charge was \$4.96. Not too exciting and so why the concern. Since the call was long distance it was assigned to ATT and they set what is charged for the call- approximately \$1.25 per minute but that is not the whole charge. They also charge what they term "ATT Minimum Usage Charge" (if you don't make a certain number of calls they add on this charge) and that non-negotiable (I tried) fee amounted to \$20.95, so the total fee for the call to Medford, that was charged to the club phone bill, was \$25.91. As the notice above the phone states, **the caller shall be responsible for this charge.** I know who made the call so I'm hoping that person steps forward and takes the responsibility of paying for this call.

In this age of cell phones I don't see any reason for calls to be made from the club phone.

MCYC Calendar

June

Board Mtg.....1
LOUIE LOUIE....3
 Gen. Mtg.....15
 Gilbert River.....24 - 26

July

Sand Isl.Lr. Dock....1 - 4
 Board Mtg.....6
 Cathlamet.....15 - 17
 Gen. Mtg.....20

Have you forgotten the **User Name** or **password** for our web site?
 Contact webmaster Brian for a reminder.

2011 Officers & Board

Commodore
 John Jellum
Vice Commodore
 Brian Hale
Rear Commodore
 Mike Range
Treasurer
 Bob Schultheis
Secretary
 Jan Green
Board Members
 Dennis Binkerd
 David Donaldson
 David Karpeles
 Wayne McGee
 Dan Payne
 Duane Westfall - IPC

2011 OPENING DAY RESULTS (CLUB'S UNDER 60 MEMBERS)

PARTICIPATION

1ST WYC / MCYC
 2ND RYC
 3RD GBYC

SEAMANSHIP

1ST WYC
2ND MCYC / HIYC
 3RD RYC

APPEARANCE

1ST MCYC
 2ND GBYC
 3RD WYC

DECORATED BOAT

1ST WYC
2ND MCYC
 3RD RYC

BEST DECORATED CLUB

1ST WYC
 2ND GBYC
 3RD RYC

OVERALL CLUB

1ST WYC
2ND MCYC
 3RD RYC



I challenge Bob Gedde or any other MCYC so called fisherman to a contest.

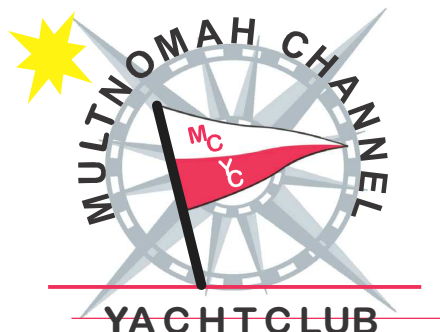
(Brian Godfrey asked this intruder, who had no reciprocal privileges, to leave and he did.)

A Reminder

Please submit your Channel Chatter articles to the editor prior to but no later than the last day of the month. I put the Channel Chatter out on the first or second day of the month and it does take a little setup time to get everything placed and ready for publication. Thanks for your help in this.

Do you know someone that wants to live on the river and belong to the finest & friendliest Yacht Club on the river? Have them go to:

www.50990dikerd.com



www.MCYC1.org



Birthdays

Blanche Schneider.....4
 Dixie Binkerd.....6
 Dylan Martins.....11
 Bob Schultheis.....19
 Mike White.....25



Anniversaries

B. Godfrey/Janet Shelton.. 14
 Rick & Joyce Speight.....17
 John & Susan Jellum.....20
 D. Hanhi /Barb Clauson.....29

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Nautical Notes



Batterycide

Bob Schultheis

Most larger boats have (or at least should have) at least 2 batteries,. One of your batteries should be a high amperage cranking battery used exclusively for starting your engine. The other should be a deep cycle battery used to run lights, refrigeration, electronics, etc., usually called the 'house' battery. The picture above is a typical battery switch. It has 4 positions — 1, 2, All and Off. The improper use of this switch causes a lot of dead batteries. The 'Off' position should do just that - turn off all battery power to the boat. (An exception - Your automatic bilge pump(s) should be wired directly to the battery so it isn't turned off) Depending on how the switch is wired determines the use of '1' and '2'. I preferred to have '1' as the starting battery and '2' as the house battery. Assuming this wiring arrangement, when you are ready to start the engine shift the switch to '1' and start your engine. Allow the engine battery to recharge, this should take only a few minutes. Then switch back to the house battery, position '2'. Leave the switch in this position! 'So, what about the 'All' position., shouldn't I leave it there to charge all the batteries'? NO, NO, NO. The only time the switch should be in the 'All' position is when the starting battery is too weak to start the engine. In this emergency situation switch to the 'All' position to parallel the house battery with the



cranking battery to get the engine started. This is like getting a jump for your car when the battery is low. And that is how often the switch should be in the 'All' position. 'But I can charge all my batteries in this position', you say. Wrong!! Reasons - if you put the switch in this position and forget to change back to the house position and you are tied up, say for the weekend, your lights, refrigerator and other electrical demands could very easily run down all of your batteries. Now you can't start your engine. Say you do get your engine started but now the charging system is attempting to charge your batteries that are inadvertently hooked together through the battery switch in the 'All' position. The batteries are not the same. One is weaker than the other and the stronger battery circulates current into the weaker one. The system (or your charger if you are at the dock and have the charger hooked up and running) tries to charge the weaker battery. The stronger battery gets overcharged and the weaker battery is undercharged. Good batteries can be destroyed in a year this way.

In summary, keep the switch in the house position unless you are starting the engine. You can use the 'Off' position when you leave your boat. Never use the 'All' position except in the emergency situation mentioned earlier. One last thought, switching the switch to the 'Off' position when the engine is running can damage the alternator unless you have an isolator or field disconnect wired to your battery switch.

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A Past First Lady Speaks Out

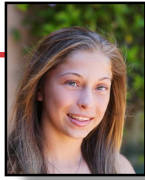
This is something that we need to start thinking about and working on now rather than later.

Just a reminder that it is our club's 50th year and that is why we are the ones that will be in charge of CRYA next year. That is why for the last two years I have been trying to get the past commodores to write up some thing about what happened during their year and to date I have not gotten any thing from any of the past commodores. That was also why I was asking for your favorite recipes for at the club, for a party or just a get together at the club or for a cruise and as of today only a couple of people have sent me any thing. I was going to try and put together a cook book for our 50th year and it seems that most of our club does not care about how we got to where we are as a club. That is very sad that all of the things that our club has stood for all of these years is not worth any thing to the club members now.

That was very bad that the vice president of CRYA, John Waikart, asked for help with the box lunches for opening day as that was something that our club had to do for opening day for the review boat and no one offered to help. John now has to make sure that the awards banquet in December is done right and that means that as a club we need to serve, decorate and clean up at CRYC. So we need to step up and live up to the club that is the friendliest club on the river and then next year we will need to do the food that is put out after the parade and before the awards. So think about what this club means to you and how you want the other clubs to think about us.

Thanks, a Past First Lady
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Daughter of Neptune



Nohealani Martins

April was a busy month for the Daughters of Neptune. It started with a Ladies Dinner at the Portland Yacht Club on April 7th. It was so much fun working with, and getting to know my fellow Daughters of Neptune. We all enjoyed the fashion show and sharing the wonderful food and amazing deserts. The second event was the Kid Fest held at the Portland Convention Center. We spent two days outfitting children with PFD and explaining the importance of wearing properly fit PFD's at all times near the water. It was really fun learning new things about life jackets and sharing what I learned with the parents so that their children would be safe when near the water. We sold out of the child sizes within the first half of the day! The little children were especially excited to have their PFD put on be "Real Princesses" It was a great weekend. Don't forget Opening Day is May 7th. I will have the privilege of viewing the event from the judging ship. See you then!

Editor's note:

This was received too late for last month's chatter but Nohealani says she will have much more to report on next month.

You cannot propel yourself forward by patting yourself on the back.



HOSPITAL VISITING HOURS ARE FROM



A WOMAN IS STANDING NUDE LOOKING IN THE BEDROOM MIRROR. SHE IS NOT HAPPY WITH WHAT SHE SEES AND SAYS TO HER HUSBAND,

"I FEEL HORRIBLE; I LOOK OLD, FAT AND UGLY. I REALLY NEED YOU TO PAY ME A COMPLIMENT."

THE HUSBAND REPLIES,

"YOUR EYESIGHT'S DAMN NEAR PERFECT."

Joe's -



Joe Aten

AS A MATTER OF FACT.....

Heroin is the brand name of morphine once marketed by Bayer.

Tourist visiting Iceland should know that tipping at a restaurant is considered an insult!!

Albert Einstein was offered the presidency of Israel in 1952, but he declined.

Astronauts can't belch - there is no gravity to separate liquid from gas in their stomachs.

Ancient Roman, Chinese and German societies often used urine as mouthwash.

The Mona Lisa has no eyebrows. In the Renaissance era, it was fashion to shave them off!

Because of the speed at which Earth moves around the Sun, it is impossible for a solar eclipse to last more than 7 minutes and 58 seconds..

Gold is the only metal that doesn't rust, even if it's buried in the ground

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The 12th ANNUAL



SHRIMP LOUIE LOUIE

Friday JUNE 3, 2011

BAR OPENS @ 6PM

DINNER STARTS @ 6:30PM

SHRIMP LOUIE SALAD, HOT FOCACIA BREAD, BROWNIE SUNDAES

CHICKEN AVAILABLE TOO!

\$8.00 PER PERSON

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