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33rd Northwest Catalina Regatta By Dick Eagle

June 27th was an absolutely perfect day for the 33rd annual Northwest Catalina Regatta (as long as you don't mind really, really light wind). Great sunshine, great temperature, great race management by CYC Seattle, and 17 boats came out to race. And then, there was the world's best barbecue, great raffle and silent auction, and the wonderful company of great people. And the tee shirts are super!

More on that later, first here's the racing. Did I mention the wind was light? Light wind is easy on crew, and mentally tough for skippers/tacticians. We did manage to complete two races around the buoys, with mark adjustments during the races as the light wind changed direction. The results are on page 2.

After the racing was complete, everyone gathered at the CYC Shilshole clubhouse for refreshments and relaxation. Dinner, featuring John Segerstrom's

famous pulled-pork barbecue, followed the relaxation. Then on to the raffle, silent auction, and presentation of trophies. The solicitation committee was fortunate to round up 25 boat-oriented businesses to support our regatta through donations of goods and services. Please look at the names of these fine supporters on page 2 of the newsletter.

And huge thanks to all of the CAPS members who helped set up the regatta, man the committee boat, cook and serve the food, and clean up afterward. What a crew!



33rd Northwest Catalina Regatta Results

Boat	Skipper	Race 1	Race 2	Overall
Scotch and Soda	Ken McKenzie	2	1	1
Slow Flight	Skip Meich	1	2	2
Pices	Bob Parker	3	3	3
SeaTrek II	Tom Madden	1	1	1
Aerie	Dick Eagle	2	2	2
Rebound	Ed Edwards	3	3	3
Starbird	John Segerstrom	4	4	4
April IV	Tim Brogan	5	5	5
Spirit Wind	Rod Johnson	1	2	1
Sweet Sue II	Dave Motter	3	1	2
Auntie Beryl	Dan Clawson	2	4	3
Chinook	Bob Rosain	4	3	4
Annie G	Gary Teeter	5	5	5
Sea Sea Rider	Paul McManus	1	2	1
Alo	Gary Wilson	2	1	2
Seaquel	Gerry Long	3	3	3
Sol Pacifico	Rich Lerz	4	4	4

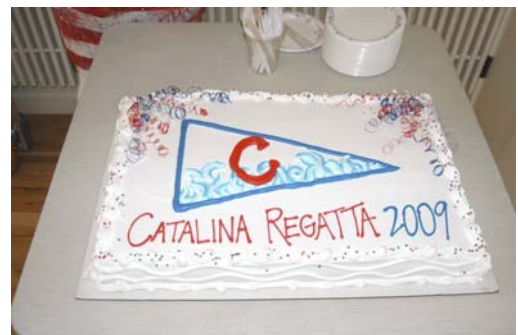
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Gallery Marine: \$125 gift certificate
West Marine: 56 piece tool set
Sure Marine: LPG burner
Harbor Marine: Inflatable belt PFD
CSR Marine: Haulout and 50% off bottom paint
Rose Point Navigation: copy of Coastal Explorer navigation software (retails for \$390)
48 North: 2 mugs, two hats
Admiralty Yacht Sales: \$100 West Marine certificate, \$50 West Marine certificate
Clif Bar and Company: 6 boxes of Clif Bars (superior high energy bars)
North Sails: 6 sail ties, 14 t-shirts (assorted sizes), 2 bags
Quantum Sails: 4 bags
Puget Sound Sail Repair: 3 bags
Catalina Yachts: 50 logoed drink cozies
Starbucks: Coffee
Mainsail Kirkland: Tommy Bahama shirts
Nautigirl: clothing
Pat's Marine Engines and Transmissions: \$210 Gift Certificate
Emerald City Diving: \$50 gift certificate
Nautical: Gift certificate
Seaview Boatyard: Haulout and pressure wash
Elliott Bay Marina: Moorage gift certificates
Maggie Bluffs Marina Grill: Gift certificate

San Juan Golf and Country Club: Gift certificates for 18 holes

Shilshole Bay Marina: Moorage gift certificate

Custom Boat Canvas by Fiji Mike: Gift certificates



MANZANITA BAY ANCHOR-OUT

June 19-21

By Sheri Wilson, First Mate, Alo

Upon our mid-morning departure on Friday morning, the weather started out rainy, then turned to light rain and then finally stopped and yielded to low clouds. At least the temperature wasn't too cool, a comfortable 59° and totally calm water so it could have felt worse!!

We made it through the five bridges, the locks and through Agate Pass in very good time and were the first to arrive at Manzanita at 12:45. After a quick bite for lunch for Gary and myself, Branwen arrived at 2:45, then Wind Runner about 4:10, and Auntie Beryl about 6:30. Laura and Dan didn't know it at the time, but they drew the "Old Maid" card and were the "lucky" ones appointed to dropping a second anchor for the night. They did a great anchoring job! Most of us planned on BBQing so after doing the anchor essentials, the BBQs fired up – and then a short downpour of rain decided to see if it could dampen our cooking creations but it didn't work!! Branwen had beef and vegetable skewers and Alo had fresh salmon and grilled corn on the cob! We were kindly invited to eat dinner on Branwen so between the number of kabobs that Linda had made and the amount of salmon and corn we had, and since Dan and Laura were the last to arrive and needed to set their anchor, we all shared and had a great time together!

Saturday morning was cloudy with a north wind between 4-10 knots but later in the morning sun was trying to break through! Auntie Beryl left early today to head back home for a birthday celebration. During the course of the day Echo, Castlewellan and Seaquel arrived. Margaret and Jack Henderson from Castlewellan joined our CAPS group earlier this year so it was very nice having them join us! We hope to see you many more times out and about! Echo and Castlewellan were also the lucky ones assigned to dropping their anchors, which they did with great skill! Very impressive! As Joe Sporcic of Echo said afterward, "Since we don't anchor, it is good practice." As boats were arriving and there were now six boats on the raft, Gary Wilson knew a stern anchor was needed in addition to the three bow anchors so Linda Loux (Branwen) helped him in getting the rode run out and set. Thank you Linda for having your dinghy as it would have been a tough swim for Gary otherwise!!!

As with our CAPS cruises it was a nice and relaxed day where everybody does their own thing such as maintenance jobs, napping, visiting, napping, reading, napping, eating, napping, drinking, napping – well, you get the picture!! The magic hour of 1800 arrived and the potluck dishes materialized like magic! All 11 people came aboard Alo and since the weather cooperated we were able to set up and eat in the cockpit! The food was delicious as always with lots to go around! Thank you all for contributing and making it so much fun!

The weather over the weekend never really "broke open" but it was pleasant, as it was this Sunday morning, with it being partly cloudy and 58°. Happy Father's Day wishes to the father's that were among us! We all started departing around 10:00. As Alo crossed the sound and headed into Lake Washington there were very threatening clouds around but it never rained. We heard claps of thunder and hoped everyone made it back to their moorages before any further weather deterioration. Thank you all again for joining the anchor-out as all really seemed to enjoy themselves. Happy sailing!



POULSBO, JULY 4TH

ANCHOR-OUT

By Sheri Wilson, First Mate, Alo

Thursday, July 2, Alo departed Meydenbauer Bay at 9:30 and made a quick stop at the fuel dock in Lake Union. "Quick" is the key word, as we expected that with a holiday weekend combined with a very nice and warm/hot weather forecast, boaters would be up and out and the fuel dock, hustling with activity. But no, it was wide open! It certainly is a better feeling this year over last in fueling up with the prices being

“reasonable.” So off we went still having three bridges and the locks to get through. What will be our luck today??!! Surprisingly, luck was with us and we went straight in the large lock and the locking began right away so it was quick!

As we cleared Shilshole the wind was blowing northerly 10-18 knots so we popped the headsail and had a nice sail. We arrived in Liberty Bay about 2:00 and were surprised to already see several boats anchored. We cruised to the spot where we wanted to anchor our raft, which is also close to the city dock for people who want to go ashore. We saw that a motor yacht was heading to the same area but we made it first and he went off somewhere else! Soon after our arrival came Echo, with Joe Sporcic and Evelyn Heaton, Branwen with Linda Loux (without George as mandatory work orders took precedence), and Rod Sparks on Wind Runner. The wind subsided around 8:00 p.m. so we were able to have a nice night’s sleep!

Friday was a beautiful day. Boats of all sizes and types were streaming into the Bay and Gary and I said many times during the day that we’re sure glad we got here on Thursday! Today’s arrivals were Jolly Roger, Barb and Roger Jenkins; Sea Sea Rider, Carol and Paul McManus; Endless Summer, Walt and Meryl Conner; Starbird, Betty and John Segerstrom; and Auntie Beryl, Dan and Laura Clawson. Tom and Sandy Brosius from CATSS were on separate anchor but decided to join our raft too! Chinook was also in Poulsbo but at the dock, and Seaquel with Lois and Geary Long and April IV with Tim and Lorrie Brogan were both anchored around in the Bay. With our ten-boat raft we had four bow and three stern anchors set. Lois and Geary Long from Seaquel worked their way through the boat maze and came by dinghy that afternoon to say hello to everyone; it was nice to see them! The temperature was 80° so it was a very pleasant day to do whatever you wanted. I thought it was fun just to boat watch with so much activity going on!!

This evening was the potluck dinner and we gathered on Alo and set up the food dishes in the cockpit where we all ate. We had such a great assortment of food dishes! Gary and I neglected to write down all the food that everyone made but we were able to reconstruct some of what we had, but for those left off we thank you too very much: Mexican lasagna from Linda Loux, watermelon salad from Carol McManus, grilled steak from Dan Clawson, Meryl Conner brought pie, Barb Jenkins brought brownies, orzo salad from Sheri Wilson, potato salad from Joe Sporcic and Evelyn Heaton, and an enchilada dish that I don’t remember who made it, but it was delicious! After a full meal we waited for the fireworks that started about 10:30, and they turned out great! The sky was clear and the wind calm so the effects of the display were very dramatic!

The barge was across the bay so we had a birds-eye view of it all! We all said they were very well done!



On Saturday, July 4, we awoke to sunny and warm weather with the forecast in the low 80’s! Some people were staying in Poulsbo and heading in to the city dock after the checkout time so those of us heading to Manzanita Bay had a leisurely morning. After the raft breakup, off we went. The boats that were in Manzanita were Jolly Roger, Auntie Beryl, Starbird, Alo, and Spirit Wind, a Catalina 36 with Rod and Maryhelen Johnson and their two granddaughters aboard. Rod and Gary grew up together playing in boats on Meydenbauer Bay and are still playing! Rod belongs to the 36’ fleet and joined us in the Catalina Regatta winning the 36’ class. With a light northerly wind we had two bow anchors and no stern anchor. We all got together for appetizers and had a spread of food that made it into dinner! The foods supplied this time were stuffed mushrooms from John and Betty Segerstrom, shrimp cocktail spread from Sheri Wilson, meatballs from Laura Clawson, crab dip from Maryhelen Johnson, and sausages from Barb Jenkins. Delicious!!!

Sunday, July 5. I guess Gary and I were optimistically thinking that some people might be taking off the Monday after July 4, so that’s where we came up with the idea of another anchor-out night! Since we were wrong (who us??), Sunday morning Starbird left the raft at 7:00 a.m. for their trip down to Tacoma. Jolly Roger and Auntie Beryl departed in mid morning with Alo next and Spirit Wind last. We saw Wind Runner (Rod Sparks) in Agate Pass and as Alo rounded the point at the north end of Agate Pass, we saw Echo off in the distance, and also noticed that Auntie Beryl had popped its sails! As it turns out everyone had to return to work and/or home for Monday so Gary and I were on our own in Port Madison for Sunday and Monday nights. Mid afternoon Sunday the wind shifted from a northerly to a southerly and we got

some pretty good wind gusts. The southerly blew through the night and all day Sunday but it was still very pleasant. Tuesday morning we lifted anchor and made our way back into Lake Washington and to MBYC where we settled in and stretched out the day to the max.

It was a very fun weekend! Gary and I appreciate all of your assistance and cooperation on the anchor-out cruises since we want to secure the safety of everyone with anchors, anchors, and more anchors! The more we have the better we sleep!!!

Gary and I will be cruising in the San Juans between mid August and mid September so if you're up that way, please try and look us up. We have indicated the approximate dates on the CAPS cruising calendar. Have a wonderful summer with fun and safe cruising.

LifeSling Practical Exercise

By Dick Eagle

On Saturday, August 29th CAPS will hold a LifeSling practical exercise with a focus on retrieving the MOB from the water. The exercise will be held on Lake Washington on Tom Madden's C34. Ken McKenzie has volunteered to serve as the MOB. Be sure to practice your "fender overboard" drill before coming to the practical exercise (see the May 2009 CAPS Newsletter for the "fender overboard" exercise). Please let me know if you plan to attend. I will email you with time and directions to get to Tom's boat. This could be fun!

Newsletter Note

This will be the last newsletter until September. Enjoy your summer sailing!

<p>JULY</p> <p>Jul.3-5 Gunkhole Anchor-out Marathon — Liberty Bay Manzanita, Port Madison, <i>Poulsbo 3rd Fireworks</i> NO MEETING GONE CRUISING</p>	<p>AUGUST</p> <p>Aug. 7-9 Everett Cruise Birthday and Crab Feast (If the season is still open) At the guest dock</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER</p> <p>Sep 4-6 Poulsbo Cruise CAPS & CATSS Sept. 11 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 6:30 Laurel Park</p> <p>Sept. 12 Sloop Tavern Jack & Jill, Bremerton</p> <p>Sept. 18-20 CAPS & CATSS Catalina Rendezvous</p>
<p>OCTOBER</p> <p>Oct. 2-3 Brownsville Cruise</p> <p>Oct. 10 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> Saturday Couples' Cook-off Laurel Park Program: TBA</p>	<p>NOVEMBER</p> <p>Nov. 13 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 6:30 Laurel Park Program: TBA Elections HAPPY THANKSGIVING</p>	<p>DECEMBER</p> <p>Dec. 5 Annual Christmas Party Potluck and Gift Exchange (Boat Gift and/or White Elephant) Laurel Park</p> <p>Dec. 31-Jan. 1 Elliott Bay New Year's Cruise</p>

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