



Catalina Association of Puget Sound Newsletter

Winter 2010

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2010 Dues are Due!!

Please send your dues for 2010 to our treasurer Nancy McKenzie at 11945 80th Pl NE, Kirkland, WA 98034
Dues are \$39 a year including the Catalina Mainsheet subscription, \$29 per year without a subscription.

February CAPS Meeting

The February CAPS meeting will be next Friday (2/5) at the Laurel Park Clubhouse.

Commodore's Corner

By Rich Lerz

I hate to admit it as it sounds like I'm sliding into the depths of a lazy land lubber, but I haven't been to the boat in almost 2 months. Yes, the trek only requires sitting in a warm car listening to music for a whopping 90 minutes to visit my baby, but somehow, the low hanging clouds of December and January have created a buffer between she and I, resulting in a "out of sight, out of mind". Shame on me, but hey - I'm back, and in

full force. Maybe it's having seen everyone at this year's fantastic Awards Banquet or the reminder commercials of the upcoming boat show, or stopping by Jim Kitchen's new sail loft and being surrounded by a dense atmosphere of patients in need of repair. But regardless, I'm climbing the walls, sifting through and re-reading my knee high piles of sail magazines and surfing the web for great deals on things I don't need. By land or sea, either will do, next month I hope our first shove off from the dock on four wheels for our first cruise to Chelan will ease the need to raise

the sails! Regardless of cruising at 8 knts or 80 mph, this cruise will do the trick.

Once again, we have a fantastic line up of officers new and old; that's guaranteed to make the 2010 season a boat load of extraordinary fun! Two newcomers to the list of ranks are Vice Commodore Jack Henderson, and Jim Kitchen as Cruise Chair. Jack's already fast on the trail, putting together a creative list of new speakers for this season, and Jim, determined to add a few new destinations to this year's cruise agenda, has come off the line with a Chelan destination for the Valentines weekend. Nothing can say "boat substitute" like a little chocolate and wine tasting at Lake Chelan wine valley! Our true and tried diehards are back in action with Nancy McKenzie managing the till as Treasurer/Secretary, and Ken McKenzie with his ruler as measurer. Dave Fend will continue to deliver the fantastic digital face of CAPS as Webmaster and former Vice-Commodore Dan Clawson has stepped into the hand-shake Hospitality role. Making sure everyone who boards the boat, departs safely is Dick Eagle as Safety Focal and so we never forget who was where and where was when, Rod Sparks is holding down the position of Historian. Great crew!

So, get those to-do lists out and executed for the new season. Haul outs, bottom painting, oil changes, washing the lines, repairing the sails and maybe a new coat of varnish in the galley (or, if you're Dan Clawson, putting a new shelf in the living room to display all those new gems from the Awards Banquet!). Our Kingston cruise is right around the corner and this year we hope to have the fine yachtsmen from the CATTs group participate in our cruise destinations. The more, the merrier! Cheers!

CAPS Awards Banquet 2010

By Dick Eagle

The CAPS Awards Banquet was held on January 16th at the Chef City Grill at Lake Washington Technical College. It was a great venue, with excellent food! More than 30 people attended. The CAPS 2010 officers were installed, and the awards were awarded! And, we had the pleasure

of having DeVere and Billie Lindh joins us. DeVere is the 2010 commodore of CATSS.

After the great dinner, Dan Clawson thanked the many people in CAPS who help make sure all of us enjoy our boats, our cruises, our races, our meetings, and all of the things we do.

And then, the awards were presented. Here they are:

Cruising Awards

1st Place, Rod Sparks – Wind Runner

2nd Place, Linda Loux, George Fogg – Branwen

Racing Awards

1st Place, Tom Madden – Sea Trek II

2nd Place, Ken McKenzie – Scotch and Soda

3rd Place, Gary Wilson – Alo

Wild and Crazy Awards

Wrong Way Corrigan Chinook (while captained by Jim Fielder) for weird headings in Pt Townsend caused (he says) by a broken folding prop.

Deadhead Auntie Beryl (while captained by Dan Clawson) thanks to an underwater rock.

Broken Prop Auntie Beryl (while captained by Dan Clawson), thanks to the damage to the keel caused by said underwater rock.

Toe Boat Castlewellan (always captained by Jack Henderson) for having to be towed thanks to frozen water in the exhaust system.

Sailing With Bob (The Murphy Award) Auntie Beryl (while captained by Dan Clawson) for the sheer number of reported incidents.

And finally, the most serious award, the **Boat of the Year** (Commodore's Trophy) was awarded to Alo thanks to the great efforts of Gary and Shari Wilson for the benefit of all of us in 2009.

And, speaking of Sailing With Bob here's an article from Bob in Florida!

Sailing With Bob

By Bob Armstrong

“When something sounds too good to be true, it probably is” is an old adage I should have followed when I purchased a Catalina 22 a while ago down here in Sarasota, Florida. I must say this turned out to be a typical ‘Sailing with Bob’ event. When I took the boat out for a test sail, the trailer extension broke as the trailer was backed down the ramp. Luckily the bent extension stayed together but things looked funny with the bow tilted way up in the air and the stern almost dragging on the ground. We were able to launch the boat and get it to the dock (Florida water is much warmer than Puget Sounds.). When the boat came off the trailer the extension bent the other way, and now the tongue was dragging on the ground. We used the PVC pipe from the trailer guides to hold the tongue up a little bit so we didn't dig a gouge into the dirt road.

I then tried to take the boat out for a test sail. The wind was very strong and I thought it best to reef the main. The sail stop was broken so the sail didn't come down as it should have, therefore a proper reef couldn't be put in. The sail shape looked bad but with that much wind the boat still sailed pretty good. Then an attempt was made to raise the 110 jib. The Main and Jib halyards were crossed so the Jib would not raise all the way. It was time to bag it and head back to the dock. At least the motor worked great. The keel cable was cranked up to the stop but as we headed in we went aground 2 feet from the dock. The keel cable was (yep you guessed it) broken also. After some work we did get off ground and back to the dock to an over night spot.

I re-attached the tongue extension with a couple of ‘U’ bolts and sling loaded the boat on the trailer. Since the trailer never goes on the highway this works ok. There is a boat mechanic here at the Sarasota Sailing Squadron who cut a notch in the trailing edge of the keel. He then drilled and tapped a hole for a new cable. In the mean time I re-routed the halyards back to the cockpit.

I have sailed it a couple times and raced it once and am starting to like it much better.

Thanks Bob! That story makes Dan Clawson's Sailing With Bob award even more precious!

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<p>JANUARY</p> <p>Jan. 16 CAPS Awards Banquet</p>	<p>FEBRUARY</p> <p>Feb. 5 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 6:30 PM, Laurel Park</p>	<p>MARCH</p> <p>Mar. 12 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 6:30 PM, Laurel Park</p> <p>Mar. 19-21 Kingston Cruise</p> <p>Mar. 27-28 Meydenbauer Bay Y.C. Regatta</p>
<p>APRIL</p> <p>Apr. 9 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 6:30 PM, Laurel Park</p> <p>Apr. 10 Sloop Tavern Blakely Rock Race</p> <p>Apr. 23-25 CAPS-CATSS Bell Harbor Cruise</p>	<p>MAY</p> <p>May 14 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 6:30 PM, Laurel Park</p> <p>May 28-29 Port Townsend Cruise</p> <p>May 30-31 Mystery Bay Anchor-out</p>	<p>JUNE</p> <p>Jun. 4 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 6:30 PM, Laurel Park</p> <p>Jun. 12 Shilshole CYC Northwest Catalina Regatta</p> <p>Jun. 18-20 Manzanita Bay Anchor-out</p>
<p>JULY</p> <p>Jul. 2-4 Gunkhole Anchor-out Marathon —Poulsbo Fireworks, Manzanita, Pt Madison</p> <p>No monthly meeting</p>	<p>AUGUST</p> <p>Aug. 6-8 Everett Cruise Birthday and Crab Feast (If the season is still open) At the guest dock</p> <p>No monthly meeting</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER</p> <p>Sep 3-6 Poulsbo Cruise</p> <p>Sept. 10 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 6:30 Laurel Park</p> <p>Sept. 17-19 CAPS & CATSS Catalina Rendezvous</p>
<p>OCTOBER</p> <p>Oct. 2 Foul Weather Bluff Race</p> <p>Oct. 9 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> Saturday Couples' Cook-off Laurel Park</p> <p>Oct. 15-17 Brownsville Cruise</p>	<p>NOVEMBER</p> <p>Nov. 12 <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 6:30 Laurel Park Elections</p>	<p>DECEMBER</p> <p>Dec. 4 Annual Christmas Party Potluck and Gift Exchange (Boat Gift and/or White Elephant) Laurel Park</p>