



# Telltails

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## Telltales

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## From the Manager

by Brandon Roberts

The dust is settling on 2019 as we begin to climb out of the shoulder season and into what should be a fantastic 2020 season filled with exciting events here at WSC. Already we have accomplished a dock replacement of our Lido dock with an unused outpost floated from McCuddy's Marina down to WSC. We have kicked off the

2020 Youth and High School practices with 45 high school sailors and another 11 Opti sailors.

Other upcoming dates to remember:

- Sunday, March 1st – Winter Racing at WSC
- Sunday, March 8th – First Annual WSC Gear Swap
- Sunday, March 8th – Winter Racing at WSC
- Saturday, March 14th – US Sailing PRO Seminar at WSC
- Tuesday, March 17th – Rules Seminar at WSC
- Wednesday, March 18th - First Happy Hour of 2020
- Thursday, March 19th – Rules Seminar at WSC
- Sunday, April 19th – Opening Day / Commodores Ball

WSC Happy Hour will be returning March 18! This year, Happy Hour will be held on Wednesdays from 5pm – 10pm. This will give an opportunity for everyone to come down and watch Fleet Racing while they enjoy some small bites and adult beverages. Following racing, all competitors are invited to join Happy Hour and celebrate each week's winners!

WSC will be getting a trophy case to display the perpetual trophies. If you have any trophies to be displayed, please bring them by the office.

Adult Learn to Sail Camp registration opened on February 1st, and Youth Learn to Sail Camp registration is set to open on March 1st. Because these classes tend to fill up quickly, so register early if you would like to guarantee yourself a space!

Cheers!





## Commodore's Corner

by John Gridley

The daffodils are coming up in our yard, the weather is getting pretty nice, and I'm getting really excited to start sailing at our club! As usual I've put off my boat improvement projects until now, and getting anxious about getting the mighty Daysailer, "Johnfoolery" ready for the season. I try to imagine what improvements will make my experience even better and move me up in the scoring. I realize the answer is really just time in the boat! So let's all not worry about getting our boats perfect, just seaworthy, and get out on the water early this year to enjoy the sport we love!

The WSC Board has been busy early this year working on a new set of financial policies to improve security and efficiency for our club. I want to acknowledge all of the time our treasurer, Christine Stamper, has put into this effort in producing this document. It was a lot of work to take on right out of the gate. She did a thorough job. The WSC office staff and Board members are currently implementing the new financial policies.

The dock project managed by our Rear Commodore, Toby Deming, is nearly completed and has really turned out great. We transferred the dock from McCuddy's Marina on the Columbia to our site with the help of WSC volunteers. I understand a perfectly timed tow from our long-standing member, Dan Winchester! We all owe a sincere thank you to all of the volunteers who helped out with this project!

WSC will be partnering with Oregon Youth Sailing Foundation to host a sailing gear swap event on March 8th from 10am to 4pm at the club. It will be a great opportunity to clean out your sailing closet of unused sailing gear and help support OYSF in the process.

Opening Day is April 19th, and then Laser/ Fleet Racing begins the week of April 20. So, get those final projects wrapped up on your boats!

I look forward to seeing you all out on the water soon!

Cheers,  
John





# Lido Fleet Report

by Lenore Zenger

There was a good turnout for the Lido Fleet 25 annual meeting and winter social on February 8th. In addition to sharing great food, good conversation, and a cool roll tack video, attending fleet members also took care of some business. Tom Boyd was elected Fleet Captain and Susan Ellis was elected Treasurer. Lenore Zenger volunteered to write Lido fleet reports for Telltales, Craig Daniels volunteered to manage the loaner Lido, and Brad Grenham volunteered to help organize hospitality for the Turtle Regatta.

Susan's treasury report noted that Lido Fleet 25 usually has about \$2500 in the bank. Last year at this time it had \$2263 and currently it has \$2717. Expenses included event hosting (camp out, class championship, etc.), and trophy engraving. Revenues came from Lido 14 Class Association registrations, and events, including the Turtle Regatta and the class championship.

Outgoing Lido 14 Fleet 25 Captain Geoff Fanning noted that registration with the Lido 14 Class Association must now be done online at [www.lido14.com](http://www.lido14.com). Once there, go to "Class Info" then "Join the Class Online" and fill out the application form and pay the fee. \$5 of every Fleet 25 registration fee comes back to the fleet. Geoff, also the PNW District Secretary, proposed the 2020 districts take place during the Al Morris Regatta in August and there were no objections.

Please mark your calendar now for upcoming 2020 WSC and Lido Fleet events, including:

- April 19 – WSC Opening Day
  - April 22 – Wednesday fleet racing begins
  - May 2 & 3 – Lido 14 Turtle Regatta
  - May 16 & 17 – Steve Williams Memorial Regatta (This event is changing to include sailors of all ages, so keep an eye out for more information coming from WSC!)
  - July 10, 11, 12 – Lido 14 Class Championship at Huntington Lake in California\*\*
  - Aug 1 & 2 – Al Morris Regatta & PNW District Lido 14 Championship at Yale Reservoir in Washington
- 2020 is going to be a great year for Lido 14 sailing, come on out and join the fun!!

\*\* A few notes about the class championship: This is a Fri, Sat, Sun and the lake is southeast of the Bay area, up in the Sierras. This year, the qualifying races on Friday will also be included in your overall score. This will give more races in case it is a low-wind regatta and make Friday more exciting. Homestays in the Sacramento area can be arranged for anyone driving down and wanting to split it into two days. You can also go to [www.lido14.com](http://www.lido14.com) and look at lodging options at Huntington Lake (right side of home page under "2020 Class Championships"). Fleet 25 is excited about getting a number of boats from WSC to go this summer, so mark your calendars now to make sure you have that time available!!



# Thistle Fleet Report

by Mike Rees

## The 2020 Schedule

The Thistle racing schedule is more or less nailed down. Cancel conflicting weddings and funerals now.

May 23-24, Pacific Northwest District Championship at Eugene Yacht Club

June 6-7, Vancouver Lake Sailing Club Annual Regatta (Seattle Fleet Traveling Trophy event)

July 18-19, Yale Lake Thistle Regatta (Portland Traveling Trophy event)

August 1-8, 75th Nationals, Cleveland, OH

August 15-16, Sequim Bay Regatta

September 5-6, Pacific Coast Championship, Sand Point, ID

Stand by for news about the 2021 Pacific Northwest District Championship. Because 2021 Nationals are likely to be in Florida in May, we are looking for a date to hold districts before then, which may put the 2021 PNW districts into late 2020.

## 2020 Midwinters West

Two boats from WSC went to Midwinters West in San Diego January 29-February 1. Ollie Kunz sailed Whinging Pommie Bastard to win the President's division. John Gordon, sailing Blubonic, got there and had fun with me in the middle and Sally Goldman at forward. Thirty-five boats competed overall with nine races in the ocean off Mission Beach over three days. Temperatures were in the sixties with not a drop of rain. Wayne Pignolet, soon to join the Portland fleet, late of Sand Point Idaho, was also there and placed 5th in the Championship division.

Mike Rees.

Fleet Captain.

Thistle Fleet 125.



Photo by Judy Tillson

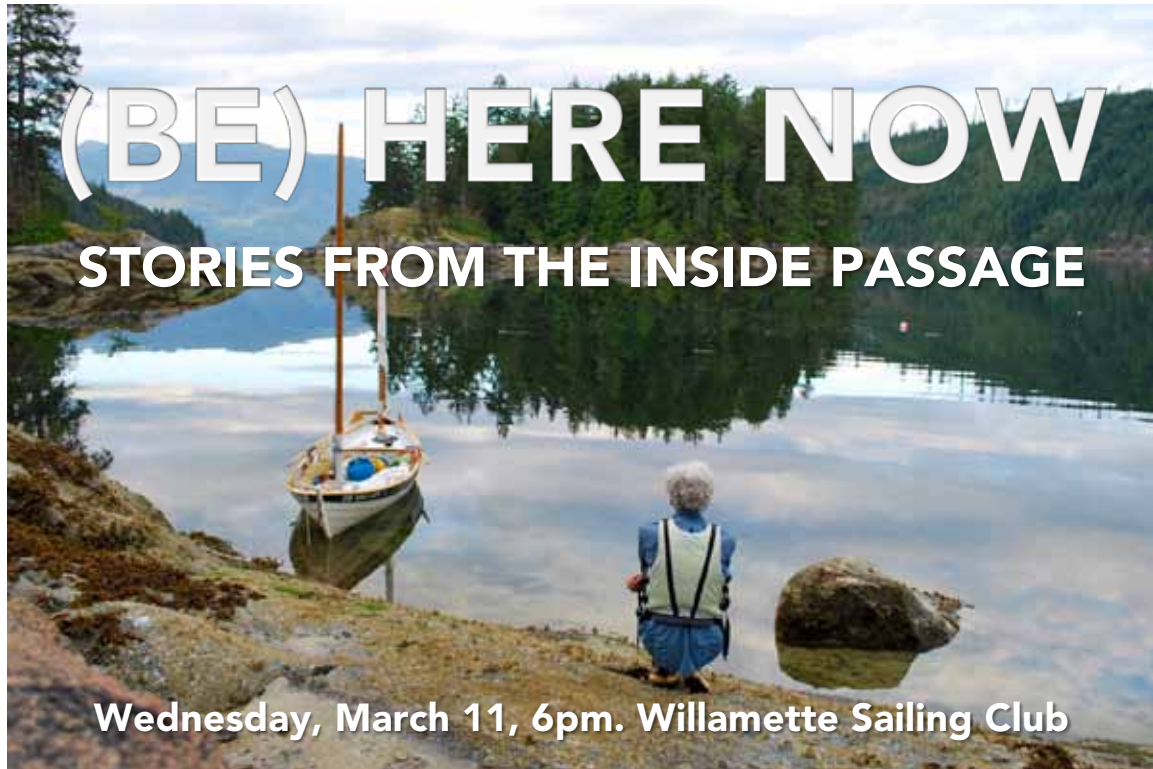


## **Trailer Sailor Presentation**

*by Ben Cornett*

Have you ever wondered about travelling beyond the confines of our own Willamette River? Look no further - the Trailer Sailor fleet is bringing you a presentation from small-boat sailor and former WSC member Bruce Barbarasch. Last summer, Bruce took his small sailing dinghy/rowboat and toured 400 miles down the inside passage. He traveled from the northern end of Vancouver Island down to Anacortes, Washington and he comes to us to tell the tale.

Please join us for drinks and snacks, and then settle in to listen to Bruce give his presentation. Wednesday, March 11. Bar opens at 6pm, presentation begins at 7:00pm.



## **Fleet Captain Updates**

*by Mike Rees*

### **Sign Up Time**

It is time to register for 2020 club racing. We are requiring everyone who is intending to show up at the start line to register online. Here is the link:

<https://tinyurl.com/WSCClubRace2020>

If you are racing, you need to also sign up for race committee at this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/WSCRC2020>

Sign up for race committee now before all the good spots are taken. If need be, we will assign race committee. All race committee spots not voluntarily taken will be assigned starting April 5.





## Upcoming Events

March 14, U.S. Sailing Club Race Management Seminar. Everyone who currently serves or may serve on race committee should attend this seminar, led by Craig Daniels.

March 21, Night Captain's Breakfast in the morning, Safety Boat Training in the afternoon. To keep club race RC quality high, we are meeting, discussing, and teaching. Even if you think you know it all, you probably don't. Breakfast will be served in the morning. (We are looking for some volunteers to cook.)

April 19, Opening Day, the first day of Spring Series. All fleets start at 2 p.m.

## Club Racing Begins

Winter series started February 16 with four Lasers competing in alternately squally and drifty conditions. Ollie Kunz tops the standings at press time. Winter series continues Sundays at 1 p.m. through April 5.

## Save the Date for Al Morris

Our annual Al Morris regatta at Yale Lake is August 1-2. This will be the Lido district championship and also one of the Daysailer Triple Crown events. Stand by for the NOR.

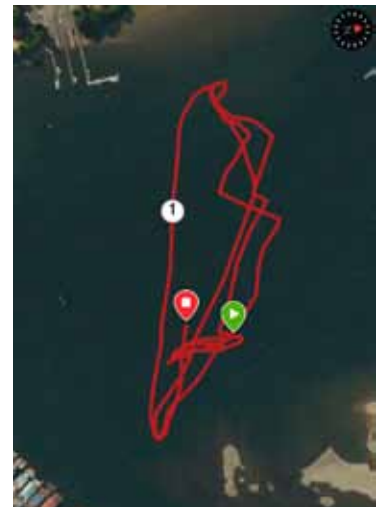
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## Laser Fleet Report

*by John Sturman*

The WSC Laser fleet has started the racing season with the Winter Series. On Feb. 16, we had six Lasers on the water for three races that included sun, wind, rain, and calms all within the hour-long event. On Feb 23 four Lasers had trying conditions in a gusty shifty Southwesterly. No one avoided a chilly capsize, and my GPS track shows the wandering course. The Race Committee teams deserve praise for keeping the score sheets dry and the courses somewhat square. I am testing "mud gloves" from the gardening store this year. They seem waterproof, maybe too grippy, cozy compared to wet leather, and no wear showing after one session. Rob and Marilyn Hodson represented WSC at the Florida Masters week including 18 races at two regattas and a best race score of 2nd. I was reminded how the Masters handicap points create large impacts on the scoring during long regattas. Many sailors are headed to San Diego for the California Masters. Results will be reviewed next month, along with information from the Masters Worlds in Australia. Looking toward the summer, racers are making plans to attend the North Americans in San Francisco on the City Front at St. Francis YC. If you are interested, contact Sebastien for details. There are Race Committee spots available for Winter series for those with warmer rain gear than sailing gear, and it is great to see people at the club in the early season, and during the other series too. Sign yourself up, come on down. As mentioned last month, I am trying to plan the Laser Clinic in April around high school events. If you have clinic topics that I should cover, please let me know. I'll see you on the water.



# WSC/ OYSF Gear Swap - March 8th

by Matt Berger

FREE FOOD!!!! and the FIRST ANNUAL WSC GEAR SWAP & SALE  
Fundraiser for Oregon Youth Sailing Foundation (OYSF), Spring Cleaning for You!  
Sunday, March 8th: 11am – 4pm @ WSC

Hot dogs, chips and soft drinks for all. Cash/card bar.

RSVP REQUESTED FOR SELLERS!

Come to shop and/or sell from 11am until 4pm.

All proceeds go to OYSF in support of WSC's Sustainable Sailing Campaign for junior fleet replacement.

Contact Christine Stamper (WSC Treasurer – cestamper@gmail.com) and Matt Berger (OYSF Development Director – mberger@oregonyouthsailing.org) if you plan to sell items.

Do you have gear to sell?

1. You can donate it to OYSF for sale. OYSF will deal with unsold items.
2. You can sell your items and get paid, with 20% (OR MORE IF YOU CHOOSE!) of the sale going to OYSF.  
\*We will set up a single point of payment. Cash, checks and credit cards (probably not any crypto currencies) accepted. You label your items for sale, we will take all payments and pay you back your share. Easy peasy.

What kind of items are we interested in:

- \*New or used sailing gear in functional condition
- \*Boat parts and hardware that you think somebody might want.
- \*If it's big, make a catchy looking flyer to post inside.
- \*Other good quality outdoor sports gear if you think somebody would want to buy it.

How to deliver items:

1. Items for sale may be dropped off in the club's sailing classroom starting March 1st. A marked box/area and label stickers will be there.
2. Bring your items on Sunday morning between 9 and 11am to label and display them.
3. If you have more volume than fits in a few grocery bags, please contact organizers to plan for where to put items.
4. LABEL EVERY ITEM with suggested price and seller's name. If items turn up without labels, they will be assumed to be donations.
5. Label stickers will be available in the sailing classroom drop off site and at the sale.

VOLUNTEERS PLEASE! We need a few volunteers to help wrangle the event. Help with organizing sellers, buyers, taking payments, bartending, hot dog burning on the BBQ.

If you'd like to:

- a) VOLUNTEER to help
- b) RSVP that you have items to sell
- c) Ask questions

Contact Christine Stamper (WSC Treasurer – cestamper@gmail.com) and Matt Berger (OYSF Development Director – mberger@oregonyouthsailing.org)





# Race Officer Seminar

by Craig Daniels

Would you like to learn some of the best practices for running races? Does your club want to provide better quality racing for your members? Would you like to have US Sailing liability insurance coverage when serving on a race committee?

Presented by US Sailing, this one-day workshop is open to all experience levels and is instructed by Eric Rimkus, National Judge and Regional Race Officer, and Craig Daniels, National Judge, Regional Umpire and Club Race Officer.

Race Officers set and adjust the course, call the starting and finishing lines, and are in charge of the racing on the water. Race Officers are responsible for choosing courses to give competitors the best possible races, adjusting the course in response to changing conditions, starting and finishing the fleet, scoring the event, all the while ensuring the safety of competitors and the race committee.

The goals of the Race Officer Certification program are:

- To make racing more enjoyable by improving the quality of race management
- To standardize race management practices for the benefit of competitors
- To identify qualified race officers and make them available to event organizers
- To provide structured training and continuing education for race officers
- To provide insurance coverage to certified race officers under US Sailing's general liability policy

Date: Saturday, March 14

Location: Willamette Sailing Club, 6336 SW Beaver Avenue, Portland, OR

FEE: \$35 seminar fee includes workshop, course materials, & online testing for certification. Lunch will not be provided. You must be a member of US Sailing to take the course.

Questions? Please contact Eric Rimkus at [eric@gladiatorsailing.com](mailto:eric@gladiatorsailing.com).

Date or location doesn't work for you or your club? Please let Eric know and he will work with your club to schedule a one-day seminar that does!



# January Board Meeting Minutes

by Arjan Duyvestein

## Call to Order at 6:45 pm

Attendees: John Gridley (Commodore), Geoff Fanning (Vice Commodore), Jim Harper (Rear Commodore), Jeffrey (Port Captain), Mike Rees (Fleet Captain), Brandon Roberts (WSC Manager), Christine Stamper (Treasurer), Arjan Duyvestein (Secretary)

Minutes from Previous Board Meeting (Nov. No meeting in December)

Minutes to be approved next meeting.

## Officer Reports

Commodore - John would like to get a jump on the agenda items of the next General Meeting. Items include; Dredging, budget, summer calendar, Brandon will pull the agenda to use as a template. Sometimes questions come up at a General Meeting but we don't have time to address them in detail. John would like to combine an open question session for such issues, where members can come ahead of time and ask Questions; perhaps this is tied to another event such as Happy Hour for a more casual conversation. HH should start again in the beginning of March. Brandon is refining the job description.

Vice Commodore - Nothing

Rear Commodore - Jim reviewed the financials received from Christine and will review them with Tracy.

Treasurer - Christine plans to have a draft of the finance policy to safeguard finances out by the next board meeting, and will distribute this prior to the meeting for review. A separate commenting period may involve some club members in order to bring in expertise. Brandon and Christine are working to update bank signage cards for the new board. Christine plans to close the OnPoint account which has been inactive for some time, and consolidate that into a working account. Christine will also be looking into other alternatives for our current insurance carrier who's costs have increased beyond expectations with the completion of the new clubhouse. Christine will get the latest PowerPoint for long term planning from Bill Connelly and touch base with Bill on the current thinking of the mortgage balloon payment that is planned for 2027.

Christine distributed a portion of the financial policy document, the Credit Card Policy, for discussion. The board reviewed the language in the policy. Christine will update accordingly.

The board approved to make the following changes to the signers on the bank accounts ending in: Key Bank 3662, 3390 and First Interstate 1251, 9648

John Gridley - Commodore - Added

Geoff Fanning - Vice Commodore - Added

Christine Stamper - Treasurer - Added

Brandon Roberts - Club Manager - Removed

Toby Demming - Past Commodore - Removed

Jim Harper - Rear Commodore - Removed

Kevin Reynolds - Past Treasurer - Removed

Fleet Captain - Mike created a race committee schedule and will publish this soon. Mike will also send out racing registration soon, and set dates in March for a one day race management seminar and two dates for rules seminars. (Possibly 3/21). The race management seminar may include a night captains breakfast in the morning and a safety-boat training in the afternoon. Christine mentioned that several items appear to be missing from



the WSC-2 boat (ladder, boat hook etc.) Mike to review.

Port Captain - There is a special work party for dock repair on February 1st. Jeffrey is looking to invite some skilled carpenters to help out. The 2nd Saturday of each month, (starting with March) will be a typical work party day (8am to noon).

Secretary - Arjan will coordinate with Brandon and review / reestablish the WSC files system. Files to include would be Policy's, bylaws, club house plans, CAD files, surveys etc. Arjan will touch base with Brandon to figure out a day to begin and get an overview of the files we have. Once established Arjan will look into back-up options to safeguard the files.

### Club Manager Report

Staff is gearing up for LTS and will look into creating an intermediate adult LTS program. Most of the current adult LTS slots have been sold out. The 2020 Roster (Booklet with club members) is being worked on, updated files will be needed soon. Brandon is interested in creating an online roster once the paper roster is out. Restarting the food service / bar-tending services. Working with Christine on accounting and financial controls. Accounts Receivables are being reviewed and Brandon is following up with delinquent accounts. Moorage is slightly down from last year. Brandon went through the membership files for the last 4 years and updated the quantities based on some inactive/inaccurate information in the files. Current membership stands at 327 (198 Regular, 20 Midshipman, 51 Youth, 35 Senior, 23 Inactive)

Trophy Case - Brandon would like to restart the trophy case efforts which have gone silent.

Sails - OYSF provided 14 new sails for our 420's for OYSF related events.

### Financials

	YTD on Jan 21, 2019	TYD on Jan 21, 2020	2020 Budget
Program Income	\$1,705	\$0	\$812.00
Memb. Income	\$40,879	\$43,921	\$31,770
Moorage Income	\$14,908	\$12,524	\$11,397
Totals	\$57,492	\$56,445	\$43,979

### Membership Changes

Membership Requests:

Philips A. Lewis - Regular

Ted Drayton - Regular

Kasey McCabe - Regular

Membership Resignations:

Everett Hobson - Senior

Danny Dobrei - Inactive

Mark Siegel - Regular

Michael Hare - Regular

Alexander Chin - Youth

Flicka Pliska - Inactive

Marketing McEntyre - Inactive

John Ped - Inactive



Board voted to accept all membership requests and resignations.

Board voted to offer an honorary membership to Everett Hobson for his many contributions over the course of his membership here. John will contact him and possibly schedule a time with him for an interview.

**Member of the Month of December**

The McCuddie Crew - Dan Winchester, John Purdy, Dave Patterson, Dave Jursik, Rich Haslacher for moving the McCuddies dock from the Columbia River to WSC.

**New Business**

Some of the docks tend to be slippery in the winter time which raises some concern over outside event use.

Alcohol needs to be locked away after events to make sure there is no unlocked alcohol kept in the accessible refrigerator. This will also be addressed in the kitchen policy.

**Meeting adjourned 8:49pm**





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Winter Race Series 1pm	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> HS Team 4pm	<b>4</b> HS Team 4pm	<b>5</b> HS Team 4pm	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
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