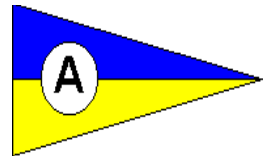


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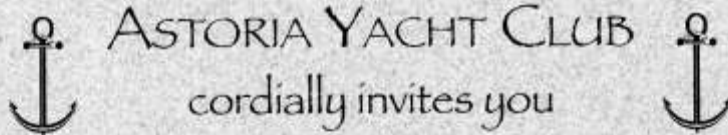


October 2009

Astoria Yacht Club — PO Box 323, Astoria, Oregon 97103

Web Site: [www.astoriayachtclub.com](http://www.astoriayachtclub.com)

## Events for October : Annual Ball: Oct. 17



ASTORIA YACHT CLUB  
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Saturday, October 17  
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### Quarterly Report

Third Quarter  
2009

Third quarter ending membership and financial standings are as follows: 126 family membership held, and one international honorary membership. Balances for checking funds are \$1,673.54, and savings held of of \$10,552.04.

**Year prior's third quarter ending** standings are 119 family memberships, and funds held of \$4,550.81 in checking, and \$7,032.06 in savings.



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Drop us an e-mail and tell us where and for how long you would like to join us on our Great Loop trip or our voyage to Oregon via the Panama Canal... you just might be surprised to learn that your captain retired after 26 years as a USCG licensed Ocean Master of Motor and Steam Vessels... come and enjoy cruising with us.

Next leg starts September 30th from Kenosha WI to the Chicago area on Lake Michigan then its into the Calumet (Cal-Sag Waterway) to Marine Services in Dalton IL and continuing on the Illinois River down to the upper Mississippi to St. Louis. then the Cumberland River the Ohio River, the Tennessee River and Tombigbee Waterway to Mobile Alabama. Schedule? As fast or slow as you would like - How about being in Mobile by December 1st latest.

(want to see map details online?)

[greygooseadventures.blogspot.com](http://greygooseadventures.blogspot.com)

**"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams!  
Live the life you've imagined."**

- Thoreau



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***There's a saying, "It's the journey, not the destination."  
America's longest inland cruise, the more than 5,000-mile Great Loop, is both. For some intrepid cruisers, it's about the destination; the achievement of completing a route that spans anywhere from 5,400 to 7,000 miles (including side trips) and can take years to complete. For others, it's about the journey, the beautiful blue highway, quaint towns and bustling cities along the way; Americana experienced from the deck of your boat. But for the majority of Great Loop cruisers, Loopers, if you will, it is both the journey and the destination that makes them decide to pack up the boat, hire a mail forwarder and tell friends and family, "See you next year."***

*- By Risa Merl*



## Commodore's Watch



## Board Meeting Minutes

Sometimes, the sum of so much is found, and enjoyed in the passing of one moment. Spring, summer and fall's times on the water this year were busier than ever; the nicest reflection of it all was the time relaxing aboard at our Closing Cruise at Lois Island.

Fall showers on Saturday cleared by afternoon; then coming to visit the Milliken were Tigger, Pure Pleasure Too, Wyndburn, Barefoot, First Light, Chrystal Iris, Predator, Wildfire, White Knight and Hygglig. The sunshine was a deserved surprise for them, and a perfect afternoon was spent aboard Millikan relaxing and very enjoyably doing, well, absolutely nothing. Nothing, however, defined as Better than friends resting, in a beautiful place, on **the water. Our species wouldn't survive, though,** without some motivation for movement and fortunately, towards dinnertime Dorothy Martin got us in gear; the galley aboard suddenly became very popular (crowded), tables were set on the deck forward and Mike Deason and Carol Kahn put decoration lights from masthead to the rail. Dot, Denny, Cat Andersen, Deb Roberts and Ardie Coleman then parted the waters between the stove and forward deck with our dinner! - Dot's special Spaghetti, sauce and meatball recipe. A very special evening was memorably enjoyed - truly warm people cast among the ruby red glow of the shipboard glass enclosed candles. Life is just never, ever better.

Returning ourselves to Shore this year was accomplished by awakening to a stunning morning on the bay, and Dorothy's homemade biscuits and full breakfast afloat. Dot got us moving, and with Chris Bryants, Cat, Deb, Ardie, Denny and everyone's help we enjoyed a wonderful Sunday as nowhere else. No better breakfast anywhere!

It is amazing to realize stepping from the water to our own front doors here is so truly easy; this great place is so stunningly accessible because we're here- a part of it.

Outdoors, or in- it is always the best of times.

September 2009

AYC Board Minutes  
September 2009

Present : Toby Dyal, Jim Tongue,  
Dick Siefert, Thor Sorenson, Norm  
Davis

Nelson Yapple has moved to Bend  
and will be delegating the website  
he managed over the last couple  
years.

The board discussed the idea of offering a scholarship to support AYC membership for local active duty service personnel who wish to participate in club activities.

Treasure's report : Bills paid: \$540  
for annual moorage of the White  
Knight

Annual incorporation fee - \$50  
Award trophies -\$200

Race Committee - Tuesday night series is winding down. There is one more Sunday race for the B-fleet.

Lois Island Raft-up- Dinner  
and breakfast will be served. A water taxi service will ferry guests from the John Day ramp.

October's Commodore's Ball will be at the Astoria Elks.

The outline of the 2010 calendar was discussed. A race schedule will be sent to the Corinthian Yachting Association for inclusion in the annual schedule .

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## Coming Events (Some Dates Tentative)

Board meets at Clubhouse  
6:30 p.m. on Third Wednesday each month.  
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Unless otherwise noted:  
Happy Hours-6:30 pm, Dinners-7:00 pm  
RSVP's—Suzanne Nauman 503-861-2127 or  
snauman@pacifier.com (prefer email)

### 2009

Oct	17	<b>Commodore's Ball</b>
Nov	21	<b>Annual Meeting and Dinner</b>

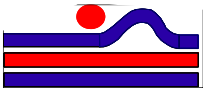
### Your 2009 Board of Directors:

George Abbott, Mike Campbell, Norm Davis, Toby Dyal, Al Eustice, Gene Holmes, Lynette Hubert, Dorothy Martin, Hal Nauman, Dick Siefert, Peter Siegel, Thor Sorenson, Jim Tongue, Nelson Yaple, Nick Zametkin

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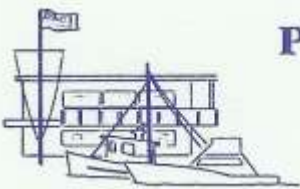
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**For Sale:** 22' Star sailboat 1977 Petersen. 2 sets sails, heavy duty aluminum trailer. Good condition, mast broken. \$500 or OBO. 702-340-8866.

**For Sale:** 9.9 horse Merc outboard motor. Two stroke, tank and cockpit controls. Running well when I took it off a boat last summer. \$350. 702-340-8866.

**For Sale:** 10' Achilles inflatable raft, wooden floor, model LS-4EX. Max HP 6, Max capacity 850 pounds. Good shape.  
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### Crew Notices: (Need and Available)

**Recruiting:** Sea Scouts are looking for young adults ages 14-18 to join their boating fun. If you're interested please call Sea Scout skipper Toby Dyal, 325-0819 or Hal Nauman 861-2127.

**AYC Items: Coffee Mugs:** \$5.00/Members, \$6.00/ others,  
**Patches \$5.00, Burgees \$20.00**

**R/C Sail Racing**—Is every other Sunday at Toby's.

Contact Stan Miller if you are interested.

### Editors Note

Hi Everyone,

Thanks for all the feedback on the newsletters. If you need the password for the website please send me an email. thanks to all who contributed photos to make this newsletter what it is!

Thanks,  
Gwen Taft

### Newsletter & Web Site Submissions

Send classified ads, photos, stories and articles to:  
[newsletter@astoriayachtclub.com](mailto:newsletter@astoriayachtclub.com)

## AYC Race Captains Report

### 2009 Tuesday Night Racing Roundup

The AYC racing fleet has further consolidated to something pretty close to one-design fleet. There are four Olson 30's, one Olson 29 (basically the same hull and rig) and a Carrara 29. One result is that the racing stays very close around the course, with a lot of tactical situations developing. On any night any one of the boats can sail well and take a win. To demonstrate this, a different boat won each of the three series. In the end, the powerhouse of the fleet, Norm Shatto on Mach One, took the annual first place.

For most of the races we enjoyed the excellent conditions typical for the mouth of the Columbia. One race was canceled due to thunderstorms, and in a couple of races we ran out of wind. Boats are getting very good at skimming through the shallows to escape the adverse currents.

Here are the results:

	Spring	Summer	Fall	2009 Season
Mach One	1	2	3	1
Wildfire	5	3	2	2
Zephyr	3	1	6	3
Cara Mia	2	4	5	4
Off Like a Prom Dress	6	5	1	5
Rattler	4	6	4	6

Congratulations to the great crew on Mach One! And looking forward to a great 2010!

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## Columbia River Maritime Museum



Monday mornings are a special time for parents or grandparents with young children who participate in Museum Mates. The Columbia River Maritime Museum is pleased to offer Museum Mates again this fall, an activity-based program designed especially for three, four and five year olds. The Museum invites families with young children to spend an hour with education staff, from 9:30 to 10:30 Monday mornings, exploring topics related to the Columbia River and maritime world through stories, songs, exhibit hunts and hand-made crafts.

Each week will focus on a different theme that leads children and their family member on a voyage of discovery through the Museum. As this program is designed to include both the adult and child, preschool-ers must be accompanied by an adult. Each program will include rich and colorful stories. Through active participation and hands-on activities, both child and parent will immerse themselves in learning. Making a boat, taking part in buoyancy experiments, acting out stories with puppets, painting a "masterpiece", and going on a treasure hunt are just a few of the engaging activities provided during Museum Mates programs.

Museum Mates begins Monday, October 5th at 9:30 A.M. and is offered every Monday through the end of April. This program is free to Members and free with paid admission. For more information, call Betsey Ellerbroek, Education Director, at 503-325-2323 or email at [ellerbroek@crmm.org](mailto:ellerbroek@crmm.org)

The Museum offers exhibits pertaining to the maritime heritage of the Pacific Northwest. Climb aboard the National Historic Landmark Lightship Columbia, listen to shipwreck survivors' stories, watch Bar Pilots board container ships, learn to read signal flags, and shop in the Museum Store.

Programs are always free to Members or with paid admission to the Museum.



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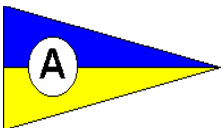
### *AYC Welcomes New Members:*

**Sam Johnson-Director  
Columbia River Maritime Museum**



### Calendar of Events for October:

Annual Ball  
Saturday, October 17



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