



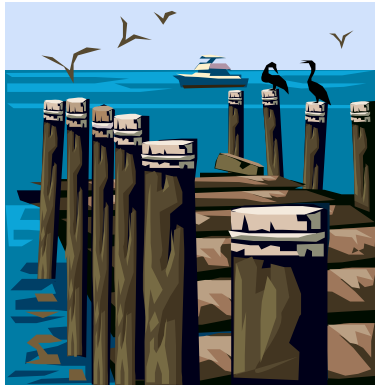
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Dock Talk and Other Scuttlebutt

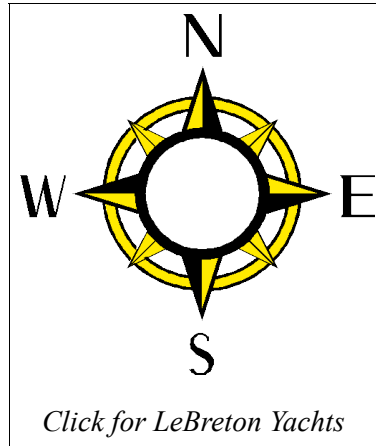


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Dock Talk Nov. 2009

We had two new members at the last meeting. Welcome to Thomas Deane who has a Warrham 36, "Paso Doble" and Matt Daniels who keeps F-31 "Tumbleweed" at Shilsole Bay Marina.

Our last meeting turned out to be extra interesting in an unusual way. We had meteorologist Cliff Mass from the University of Washington and author of "The Weather of the Pacific Northwest", scheduled to speak. He had a slide show and was going to talk about sailing weather. We had several visitors who came just to hear him. (They were all monohull people, but we assured them they were welcome anyway.) However there was a cable missing from the projector and he was unable to show his slides. Instead we spent the evening having a "Conversation with Cliff Mass". It ranged from sailing weather tips to global warming and



was a lively conversation indeed. We couldn't have planned a more interesting evening if we had tried!

Lindsey & Dana Hoffman have returned from their cruise on Yeta. They spent a week in the San Juan Islands and a week in the Gulf Islands and finished up at our rendezvous in Brownsville. This was to be a shakedown cruise in preparation for heading north to Alaska next year. Dana said it was a good thing they did that because they learned a lot and have much to fix and figure out before trying such a trip. Generally they had a great time and pretty good weather so late in the season.

David Miller finally has his new mast installed and put up, only to find his new sail is too short. Back to the drawing board for him and another wait while the new sail comes from Australia.

Grand Prix was last weekend. Seattle Yacht Club has graciously included all multihulls that place in one of their races to compete in this race weekend. However our racing fleet is shrinking and entries were sparse. Pat McGarry had

Officers

<i>Commodore</i>	<i>Bill Mains</i>
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Appointed Officers

<i>Race Fleet Captain</i>	<i>Wayne Erickson</i>
<i>Librarian</i>	<i>Mark Olsoe</i>
<i>Property</i>	<i>Diane Johnson</i>
<i>Web Curator</i>	<i>Keith Burke</i>

Dragonfly entered and Chris Sherman had Son of Raven entered. When Chris learned that there were so few boats, he pulled out. A quick check of the results didn't show Dragonfly there either. They got 7 races off during the three day event, with light air on Saturday and Sunday.

November is when we do nominations for next year's slate of officers. As far as I know no one is returning. We need new officers for all positions. Think about what you can do for our club. Without active, participating members we won't get speakers like Cliff Mass. It's time to do your part. If you think things could be better, get in there and show us how!

Also our speaker this month will be Pat McGarry with the topic "Racing a Formula 40 Catamaran". It is a fast boat, this should be exciting. December will be our annual Holiday Potluck, mmmm, lots of good food!

Happy Halloween and remember to set your clocks back on Saturday!

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Erickson, secretary

October Meeting Minutes

About 32 people in attendance

We held our usual potluck and then went around the room doing introductions and officers reports. We had several guests who were there to hear our speaker, all of them monohull owners. We assured them they were welcome anyway.

David Miller reports that he has his new mast up but that the new sails don't fit. It's back to the drawing board for him. Dana and Lindsey Hoffman were here between trips. They had just spent a week in the San Juans and another week in the Gulf Islands. This was to be a shakedown cruise for a trip to Alaska next year. They report that it was a good thing they did it they learned there is still a lot to be done before undertaking a long cruise.

Our speaker was Cliff Mass, meteorologist from the University of Washington. Unfortunately there was a missing cable and he was unable to show his presentation. Instead, he graciously sat and talked and answered questions ranging from sailing tips to global warming. It turned out to be an interesting evening.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Erickson

Have You Ever Wanted to Edit a Newsletter?

Well now is the time. After four years it is time to hang it up.

Kirby

Meeting Presentations for 2009

November 3



Dragonfly

November 3 - "Dragonfly, Racing a Formula 40 Catamaran" by Pat McGarry http://www.nw-multihull.org/photogallery/dragonfly_01.htm

December 1 - Holiday Party

What can we say while remaining PC? Have a Merry and Happy Solstice/Christmas/Kwaanza/Hanukkah/Festivus... And come enjoy a celebration with friends and potluck food.

January 5 - The Annual Auction!
Clean out the Dock Box!

More Notes on the Weather

Oct 6 meeting – UW Professor Cliff Mass gave a great presentation on Pacific Northwest Weather. His website has useful information that explains our unique local weather.

<http://cliffmass.blogspot.com/> He updates it every few days. There are links to his previous articles.

He's involved with forecasting at University of Washington, they have very good forecasts here including some information that might not be available anywhere else. <http://www.probcast.com/>

Here's a few snippets from Cliff Mass weather website.

July 30, 2009 [The Cooling](#)

The Hoquiam-Seattle pressure difference is now 3.8 mb. A strong onshore push is thus guaranteed. If anyone is planning on hitting the water...particularly in sail boats...please be prepared and careful. The winds will pick up later and get quite gusty.... There should be a modest onshore push of marine air tonight...watch the difference in pressure between Hoquiam and Seattle...when it gets above 3-3.5 mb you know it is coming. The thermal trough should jump into eastern Washington with the push and temps tomorrow should only get into the mid to upper 80s.

May 25, 2009 [Sound Breeze!](#)

During the warm season, the subtleties of local weather are to be savored, and none is more frequent



Francis Joyon on route to another record.

than the Sound Breeze.

Official definition: the Sound Breeze is the northerly wind that develops during the midafternoon over the northern half of Puget Sound and which maintains itself until approximately 8-9PM. Over the central Sound the breeze can blow 15-20 knots, with less winds over land.

The sound breeze is important for everyone like to sail, fly kites, or bike home after work. Many an afternoon I have to bike right into it...slowing me down considerably. And it makes kite flying wonderful during the late afternoon at kites hills at Magnusson or Gas Work

parks. And it is heaven for early evening sailors.....

Diane Johnson

Joyon Sailing from France to Mauritius

This is the classic spice route to the island near Madasgar. As I write this he is in the Southern Ocean and making a brosd turn north a few hundren miles south of the southern cape of Africa.

It looks like he will put another one in the books. [Here is a link.](#) The site is in French but you can

view the map by clicking Cartographie,

A Mini Ready to Sail Non-Stop Around the World?

Yes, that is right. A big step in round the world navigation. Why mention it here? The [Yachtpals](#) article talks about Aleessandro de Benedetto's history.

This man sailed across the Atlantic single handed on a 20 foot beach cat. Big deal? Well he also sailed from Yokohama to San Francisco on a beach cat.



Joyon's destination, the Island of Mauritius.



Another nice destination. The Pacific coast of Costa Rica, near Nicaragua.

Garage Sale at Ann and Wayne's

I would like to sell my Kokitat dry suit. It is a 2xl suit with a new neck seal it cost me \$900 new I will sell it for \$500.

I would also like to sell my 2005 Dodge 2500 4 wheel drive 4 door pickup with a Cummins diesel, tonneau cover, bed liner, automatic trans. This truck gets 23.5 miles per gallon on the highway, and tows the boat with no drama. Current wholesale value on this truck is \$18,500, I would like to get \$19,000 for it. Current retail value of this truck is \$26,000



We have an almost new 8.8 foot AMI inflatable boat with a "V" bottom and an aluminum floor complete in the bag. \$1000

Also a 2 hp air cooled Honda outboard motor with a long shaft it works great on the inflatable. \$500

Give me a call if you have any questions, Wayne Erickson 206-546-5430.

Three Meter Trimaran for Sale

2005 Homebuilt Seaclipper 10 (3 meter class) single seat trimaran dingy sailboat. Plans by John Marples (hull #271) of Marples Marine, FL.

Specs: Length 10', width 8', weight 170#, capacity 380#, sail area 60 sq ft (includes two main sails), main hull 1/4" ply covered with fiberglass and epoxy, mast 3 pieces – 19' long assembled, one piece boom, rudder controlled by foot pedals.

Includes a hand launch cart and utility trailier with ramps and rope haul – up arrangement, trailer hand dolly and set of boat plans.

For additional informaiton PH 360-876-8543 or crader@wavecable.com Boat location Port Orchard, WA

I would also consider selling the trimaran and launch without the utility trailer and hand dolly for \$300 OBO as the trimaran and hand launch cart will fit in the back of a full size open pickup, using ramps and a rope haul – up arrangement.

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For Sale

Half partnership in C 28 Fast Company

Due to health issues and changing interests a one half partnership in the 2005 Corsair 28, center cockpit, sport cruiser, Fast Company, is for sale. Sale would be contingent on signing a partnership agreement with the other partner, Mark Colman. The boat is perfectly maintained and ready to sail away.



Equipment List

2005 Ullman main sail, carbon Tri Radial

2002 Ullman jib, Load Path with Harken Mark III furler

2005 Ullman Spinnaker

New sail covers

Pop top cover with windows

State of the art Nexus instruments, speed, depth, compass and mast angle adjuster for wind.

Garmin 192 C Chart Plotter

VHF radio

Toyotomi 10,000 btu Kerosene forced air heater

Custom ultra suede cushions

Seven gallon water tank with in-line carbon filter

Sealand Porta Potty

Honda 8 hp outboard engine slaved to tiller

Custom Stainless Steel pulpit

Bottom painted, spring 2009, Interlux Micron

2005 FE Trailer with new brakes

Asking \$45,000 for half share

Call Wayne Erickson

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About Us

NWMA meets the first Tuesday of every month, September through June. Doors open at 6:00 pm for an informal no host dinner, usually pizza., socializing and sea stories. The business meeting runs from 7 to 7:45, there is a 15 minute break, followed by the program at 8 pm.

All are welcome, please join us!

Membership Information

*Membership benefits include discounts of up to 40% at some suppliers, use of club library, the newsletter, rendezvous, free classified ads in this newsletter, fascinating monthly meetings and access to a group of interesting and experienced multihull builders and sailors.

*Regular club membership cost is \$60 per year (Sept. through Aug.).

*First time members pay only \$30 for the first year!

*A subscription is included with NWMA membership.

Classified Advertising



1987 Crowther Passagemaker 33ft Trimaran - \$25,000 CAN OBO

33ft Trimaran, modified Bernie Rodriguez, presently moored at Wards Marina on Crescent Rd in Surrey BC

Glass reinforced, epoxy sheathed, mahogany plywood construction