



# Walla Walla Yacht Club

Website: [www.wallawallayachtclub.com](http://www.wallawallayachtclub.com)

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**January-February 2016**

Commodore	Greg Parker (2016)	Board Members	Dave Payne	(2015-2016)
Vice Commodore	Greg Jacobson (2016)		AJ Wentland	(2015-2016)
Treasurer	Ken Kuhlmann (2016)		John Hellstrom	(2016)
Secretary	Linda Yoes (2016)		Dave Pisarcik	(2016-2017)
Past Commodore	Charlie O'Neill (2015)		Ken Dyer	(2016-2017)
Caretaker	Ron Beach		Kathy Byrne	(2016-2017)

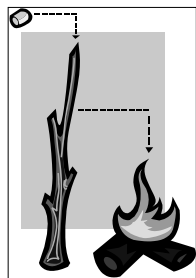
## **COMMODORE'S COMMENTS**

I want to say thank you to Charlie O'Neill and Charles Timm-Ballard for the great work they have done in 2015 to keep the club in good order and ready for a new year ahead.

Winter has finally arrived. We have winterized the club and placed a second porta-potty at the unloading area for those hardy enough to venture down to the club before spring. I hope everyone has winterized their boat or boathouse and we are all ready for the freezing temperatures of January and February.

Remember, open thru-hull valves in a boat can let water in after a freeze breaks the plumbing. Even a winterized boat is at risk of sinking when left unattended for long periods of time. Wave action during a storm can syphon water into a sink or toilet and slowly swamp a boat. Good dock lines will keep our boats secure when the north wind blows and closed seacocks will keep them afloat.

Commodore Greg



## **HOT RUDDERED BUM DAY**

**\*\*\*\*\*WEATHER PERMITTING\*\*\*\*\***

### **At the Fire pit**

The date this year is **SATURDAY, JANUARY 2<sup>nd</sup>, starting at noon**. Start the year out right with a visit to your boat or boathouse – and see your WWYC friends.

Friends and family are welcome to join in and start the year **2016** together!



There will be a Hot Fire, Hot Chocolate, Hot Chili, all the fixings for Hot Dogs, and marshmallows for roasting, supplied by the club. **AND** – Hot Buttered Rum! mix and Rum!

All you need to bring are ---- Your own hot dogs and buns (and some hotdog roasting sticks, if you have them. Some will be there.)



The fire will be set by noon, and continue throughout the afternoon. Come earlier and we'll be there, too! If you prefer *something other than hot chocolate to drink or hot buttered rum*, please bring it along, too.

The weather will have to be really, really bad to not hold this event – so bundle up, if you need to, and come on down! If worse comes to worse (that means bad weather) we'll meet inside the clubhouse. We had to do this once and we still had fun! If you aren't sure about the weather or have questions, call Dave at 541-561-4872 (Dave's cell) - or the clubhouse at 509-547-4946.

## **WWYC YEARLY AWARDS**

**Presented by Charlie O'Neill, Commodore at the November General Membership Meeting**

**Pete's Marina Award:** Presented to the family that has enjoyed the club facilities extensively in 2015.



Many of us spend countless hours enjoying our yacht club. This year the Nehers can certainly lay claim to an exceptional level of 2015 Yacht Club enjoyment. Congratulations Bob and Corina on being selected as this year's recipients of the Pete's Marina Award.



**Peyton Award:** Presented to the individual(s) who made an outstanding contribution to the benefit of WWYC.



This year the Peyton award is going to a family not a single member. Early this year when Dana left us we were without a caretaker for over two months. Bud and Shirley Randle volunteered to stay at the club for 5 weeks straight while we advertised and interviewed candidates for caretaker. Once we made an offer to our new caretaker Randy Randle and family spent many hours working on the trailer to get it ready for the new caretaker.



## **CHANGE OF COMMAND**



At the November General Meeting, 2015 Commodore Charlie officially passed the Commodore's Burgee to incoming 2016 Commodore, Greg Parker. Charlie received a Past Commodore's burgee, in return.

Thanks to Charlie for serving WWYC for 2 years as a board member, 1 year as a vice commodore and for our commodore this past year. Many, many hours of work and dedication are truly appreciated.

## **CROSSING THE BAR**

We are sad to share the news that Vern Riggert passed away on November 17. Vern was a past commodore in 1982. He was the original owner/builder of the duplex boathouse now owned by Cindy Goss and Dawn Gerhard. Vern served in the army at Fort Stevens, OR and Fort Canby WA, at the mouth of the Columbia River. There he met his wife Lois. Vern was an outstanding contributor in keeping the club physically in shape.

### **Crossing the Bar**

Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call for me!  
And may there be no moaning of the bar,  
When I put out to sea,

But such a tide as moving seems asleep,  
Too full for sound and foam,  
When that which drew from out the boundless deep  
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell,  
And after that the dark!  
And may there be no sadness of farewell,  
When I embark;

For tho' from out our bourne of Time and Place  
The flood may bear me far,  
I hope to see my Pilot face to face  
When I have crost the bar.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY FUN – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>**

We had a good turnout and great potluck for the Christmas party. You can see photos on [www.wallawallayachtclub.com](http://www.wallawallayachtclub.com). A big thanks to Sandi Staunton for taking these pictures – and being Thanks to **Sandi Staunton** who is at many events to be the photographer. You can find other events on the website for 2015 photo-ops!

### **THANKS TO RON –**

As caretaker, thanks for your vigilant attention to the boats and boathouses. I very much appreciate you noticing a break in the plate where my stand-off is welded. This could have become very serious if not caught. Thank you very much. Kathy Byrne

**Boathouse for sale:** Boathouse # BH-4, in very good condition. \$35,000. Call Monte to take a look (Monte lives at Wallula Junction so he can easily meet with you (509) 547-8579.



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**DON'T MISS THIS!**



**January 2<sup>nd</sup> – Hot Rudder Bum Day!**

## **WWYC CALENDAR – 2016**

**January 1**                      **WWYC Billing statements**

**Remember** - send proof of liability insurance with your payment. Payment and proof of insurance must be received **NLT February 28** to avoid the \$100 reinstatement fee.

**January 2**                      **Hot Rudder Bum time! At the Fire pit!**

**January 7**                      **Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.**

**February 16**                      **Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.**

**February 28**                      **Last day to send your dues ++**



**March 8**                      **Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

**March 20**                      **1<sup>st</sup> General Membership Meeting: 2016 Budget review**

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