

Valla Walla Yacht Club

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July - August 2018

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BELAYS AND GOOD-BYE

Fourth of July Safety

Members are encouraged to celebrate July the family for the memorial service. The following is Fourth at the Walla Walla Yacht Club. Fireworks, an excerpt from Kit's response: however, are not allowed on the docks. Please keep in mind that brush and dock fires are a seri- of the wonderful friendships and the great fun we ous threat at this time of year.

Caretaker Vacation

Help is needed July 1 through 8 as caretaker Ron takes a much-needed vacation. If you see a full trash can, please empty it. If someone spills, mop it up. In short, we should all chip in to keep the club shipshape while we are down a caretaker.

The Grass Is Always Greener...

A wise woman once wrote that "the grass is always greener over the septic tank." If Erma Bombeck were a WWYC member, she would have added that there is always plenty of space over the club's drainfield. And that is the way it should be because that area is designated as no parking. Why? Parking over the drainfield can damage our infrastructure underneath. If our drainfield lines beak, we will all have to pay to fix it. So please, do not park over the lawn that is across from the caretaker's cottage. The area is clearly marked with a No Parking sign.

Good-bye Old Friend

Early Sunday morning, May 17, longtime club member Rita Powell died in her sleep while staying in their motorhome at the club. Rita and her husband, Kit, travelled extensively, both for Kit's work and to visit family. Rita and Kit have always referred to the club as home. Condolences and flowers were sent to Rita's

"...WWYC was a special place for Rita because had. It is the place we took old friends from around the country who came to visit. It is the place we chose to enjoy a large part of our retirement.

I am also thankful for all the wonderful acts of kindness that happened at the WWYC. I was not alone....Rita was my best friend and I am blessed by all our friends that we shared." Love, Kit

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.

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS



Flotilla to Ice Harbor Brewery

Join the flotilla to Anchor Bay with a late lunch at Ice Harbor Brewery on July 28th. We will leave the club at noon to motor cruise 14 miles upriver to Ice Harbor Brewery. Later, we'll all join up at Anchor Bay for a relaxing night at anchor before returning on Sunday morning. Any boat not wanting to visit Clover Island can go directly into Anchor Bay, which is located behind the islands above Kalem train bridge.

For details and to let us know you will attend, email Greg Parker at:

greg.parker.gp@gmail.com.

What's Up with the WiFi?

Many club members have expressed their appreciation for the WiFi system and the improvements that have already been made. Now we have an opportunity to upgrade even further with changes offered by Steve Hoffman.

Mike and Karen Neher's son, Jacob, works with WiFi networks for a large corporation, and

he did a site survey showing options for expansion of our coverage area. Our members Steve Hoffman and Marshal Kemer – with POCKETI-NET – have reviewed the information and also performed an inspection of the park and camping areas of the club.

The conclusion of all this research is an offer by Steve Hoffman to increase the signal coverage with a second antenna at an affordable cost to the club. The icing on the cake is an offer by the First Mate's Club to cover the cost.

Our Board of Director's will meet in July to consider both offers.

When in doubt, lock it

If you are the last one to leave the docks, perhaps on a Sunday evening or weekday, please take the time to lock the dock gate. All members should have keys on hand. Of course, if it is a busy Saturday with many members and guests about, locking might not be necessary. In fact, it might be a nuisance. But in the later hours, especially on weekdays when few of us are about, the gates should be kept lock, especially if no members are around. Doing so is a good security practice.



THAR BE SPLASHING PIRATES IN THESE WATERS

WARNING! Saturday, August 11th, the harbor entrance will be blocked to all watercraft entering or leaving the club at 1 p.m. Passage through the blockade will only be allowed with a tribute payment of \$ 29.95 or a bottle of rum to Captain "Bad Andy" onboard the *Hooligan*. Anyone refusing to pay tribute will be fired on with water balloons and super-soaker squirt guns.

Those foolish enough to fight should expect a thorough soaking, especially those who attempt to pass between *Hooligan* and *Wanderlust*. Hostilities will end with a celebration of the victors on the docks in front of the clubhouse.

Rules require that all parties involved use only approved water balloons and super-soaker ammunition. Since this is an act of piracy, the rules will be considered more as guidelines (pirates don't have rules). What will be required is slow and controlled speed by any motorized vessel. Buckets of water are recommended for quick refill of squirt guns and to hold water balloons without breaking.



July Reservations

RV SITES:

Todd Reiswig, 4 sites, July 5-8 Groners, 1 site and will have 1 tent also.

Tent space can't be reserved.

CLUBHOUSE:

July 7, 12-3 p.m., Parker's are having a birthday party. Members are free to use the kitchen area; it is only the main clubroom that is reserved.

Fuel Notice

A newly installed nozzle should help speed up pumping. Please remember to write down gallons used. This is a backup, should the electronic counter fail.

Workhours

Watch for work party announcements or call your leaders. Only 4 months left to earn hours. There is work to be done.



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DON'T MISS THIS!

- > Overnight Flotilla to Ice Harbor Brewery and Anchor Bay July 27, 28
- > Harbor Blockade August 11

WWYC CALENDAR – 2018

July 10	Board Meeting, 6:45 p.m. at the Clubhouse	- Manny Hag mind
July 28, 29	Overnight Flotilla	
Aug 11	Harbor Blockade,	
Aug 14	Board Meeting, 6:45 p.m. at the Clubhouse	with the second
Aug 25	Sailboat races, meet at Clubhouse, 8:30 a.m.	m
Sept 30	3 rd general Membership Meeting 1:30 p.m.	KERM.