



Sysco News

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Phil Campagna (center), Sailor of the Year, with Commodore Larry Johnson (left) and last year's winner, Alan Boguslawski.



Winner of this year's Performance Trophy went to Rock Kent (left) with Commodore Larry Johnson.



US Sailing Sportsman of the Year, Bill Brenman (left) with Bill Sanborn.



Commodore Larry Johnson thanks the board and volunteers.

General Membership Mtg

Make sure to attend SYSCO's General Membership meeting Monday, October 20, 7:00 p.m. at Mars Meadow restaurant (Hayden Meadows).

Come at 6:00 p.m. for dinner and socializing. As the first general meeting since June, it's a time to share our summer experiences.

P.S. The SYSCO Board meets the first-Monday of each month.

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Barley Mill Pub, 1629 S.E. Hawthorne.

All members are welcome.

Fall Colors Cruise

BOB AND PAT BROWN

SYSKO's last cruise of the season can be the most beautiful and is often the chilliest. Join us for the Fall Colors Cruise to Coon Island on the Multnomah Channel, Saturday, October 25. This was a great cruise last year and this year we have the OK to join the Catalina fleet that also will be there. Join us to watch the falling leaves, but don't forget your heater and extra blankets. We are looking forward to seeing you at Coon Island.

Thoughts from the Rear

BILL SANBORN

October has always been a nervous time for the outgoing Officers when they don't have a commitment for a new Race Captain for the following year. In the past, we have a few times had a Race Captain refuse to accept Commodore, and we needed to find both a Race Captain and Commodore. This year the Club has been given a gift: the Race Captain — Phil Campagna - wants to repeat his stint. And, we have a great pool of candidates available for the Commodore's job. We are truly moving forward.

It's time to think about laying the boat up for winter. Many will retire to the trailer, at home or in a yard, but for those that stay moored, here are a few thoughts.

#1 — Fill the fuel tank. If not full the air in the tank can heat and cool and will condense.

#2 — Secure the head foil so the wind doesn't cause it to flop around and wear the foil and head stay.

#3 — Make sure all halyards are tight and not rubbing on the mast.

#4 — Check that the sail cover is well secured and all the snaps are tight.

#5 — Inspect all dock lines for chaff, and position fenders for changes in wind direction and waves.

#6 — Clean out all the cockpit drains and check often until all the leaves are off the trees.

#7 — Leave a hatch or window cracked to allow air into the boat to stop mildew.

#8 — If the temperature is going to stay below freezing during the day, put a light bulb in the engine compartment and antifreeze in the raw water system, including the muffler.

#9 — Put a "Do Not Start" tag on the ignition with instructions of what needs to be done prior to starting.

#10 — Drain the water tanks.

#11 — Post your phone number so you can be contacted in case of a problem.

Those on trailers also need to think about #5 thru #10. We will use the boat several times during the winter, and then make sure before we leave it that the list of tasks is done each time.

SOAP BOX: First I will say that I don't care: I go to the monthly meeting, have dinner and a chance to talk with whoever is there, overhear a few conversations, pick up some gossip, meet new sailors, and if we have a program learn something. Sometimes we have a good turn out, sometimes we need to flip a coin to see which one of us is going to call the meeting to order. I have accepted the fact that the majority of SYSCO members will not make the monthly meeting, but they will continue to pay for a membership and show up at the starting line. That is really what this Club is about. I plan to be there and would love to share a table and a story with you, and if you have a program suggestion, I would be happy to listen and learn.

Commodore's Comments

LARRY JOHNSON

SYSCO NEEDS YOU!

Racing for the season is just about over. That means it is time to nominate and elect new board members for 2004. This is where SYSCO needs you!

SYSCO's elected board consists of the Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer. The fleet captains make up the officers of the club. The Vice Commodore traditionally has been the race captain. And, also by tradition, the Vice Commodore becomes the Commodore the following year. This year Phil

Campagna wants to be Race Captain for one more year, but not the Vice Commodore. So, we now have both the Commodore and Vice Commodore seats open for next year.

In addition, our bylaws limit a board member to two consecutive terms in each position. Our treasurer, Alan Boguslawski, has been in this position for two years and has done a stellar job. But, we now need to find his replacement. Looking ahead one year, after this next year, we will need to find a new Secretary, a position that has been filled this year by Steve Moshofsky.

Now that Bill Barton has left Portland, the protest chair position is open. Robyn Thomas has been doing memberships for several years and would not mind passing on the baton to the next person.

Other volunteer positions include, publishing the newsletter, Poncho maintenance, Banquet preparations, lining up programs for the general meetings and cruise director.

This is why I say SYSCO needs you. It takes people in these positions to keep SYSCO going as a club.

Volunteer and help make SYSCO a success in 2004.

Sysco Awards Banquet Recognizes Winners



Sandy Smith made this year's banquet a success.



Winners, Spring Tuesday night series



Winners, Summer Tuesday night series



Winners, SYSCO 25th Anniversary Regatta

October Board Meeting Minutes

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2003

Tonight's regular meeting of the Board was brought to order by Commodore Larry Johnson at 6:35 p.m.

PRESENT:

Larry Johnson, Mike O'Bryant, Alan Boguslawski, Steve Moshofsky, Bill Sanborn, Bob Waldron, Kay Waldron, Phil Campagna, Gary Whitney, Alan Schamp

TREASURER:

Alan reports that there is \$7,380 in the bank. Still to be funded for the year are trophies, budgeted at \$2,300, and the banquet costs. Phil reports that there is an insurance claim to be received shortly on the earlier damage to Pancho of \$750.



Winners, Spring Thursday night series



Winners, Summer Thursday night series



Winners, SYSCO Spring Regatta

No repairs are scheduled as the damage is primarily cosmetic.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bill Sanborn reports that Columbia Crossings is producing an advertising brochure for distribution to their clients and prospective clients. They are offering advertising space for inclusion in the brochure. The cost of an ad will run \$378. Historically, the club has had a close connection with Columbia Crossings with their generous provision of facilities to the club and the brochure appears to be very well targeted for reaching potential new members. It was moved, seconded and unanimously voted to pursue placement of an ad for SYSCO in the brochure.

Alan Schamp reports that he has applied for space at the upcoming boat show. There was discussion of holding onto some of the leftover 25th anniversary t-shirts to give to participants. More information to come as the date approaches.

Larry Johnson suggested that perhaps current officers should assemble an annual calendar of events and deadlines for future use so that each year does not involve re-inventing the wheel. Discussion was tabled to a future date.

The October general membership meeting is when a slate of officers for 2004 will be presented for consideration. Volunteers and nominations should be brought up at this meeting if possible. The election of officers will be at the November meeting. See the article by Larry Johnson for further details.

Bill Sanborn reminded all of the fall colors cruise to Coon Island on October 25.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

STEPHEN MOSHOFSKY
SECRETARY



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PLACE
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**SYSCO Meeting
October 20, 7 p.m.**

**Dinner begins
6:00 p.m.**

For Sale

**1977 CATALINA 27'
SAILBOAT, \$9,800 (OBO)**

New Chain-plates and fittings, retrofitted keel bolts, bottom paint (spring 2003), thru-hull fittings, winch covers. Starboard dinette, port galley, two quarter berths, v-berth (sleeps 2), dinette berth (sleeps 2). Sails include: main, 150 genoa and 110 jib, (plus spares). 10 hp Honda and two three-gallon fuel tanks (space for two six-gallon steel tanks). More usable storage than most 30' sailboats. This is a very quick Catalina 27' – maybe the fastest on the Columbia. Excellent condition.

**Scott and Jane Brattebo
Phone 360.573.4829**

The Afterguard

BOB WALDRON

Here I sit at the old computer as the new one is still in pieces pending the attachment of a couple of parts — not as comfortable sitting on the floor, but still functional. It seems the many pieces of paraphernalia removed from the boat during the refinish may fall into the same category — functional but unused.

Sorting through the salvageable items, deciding what goes and what stays (partial tubs of epoxy, pieces of fiberglass mat, etc.), I did find two books I referenced frequently during the refinish of Courtship. Both are by Don Casey: **Boat Refinishing** and *Fiberglass Boat Repair*. I suppose they could fall into the functional category, as the thought of refinishing another boat is hopefully a distant (in time) activity. Casey has put these texts together in such a fashion as to make them very usable at the job site. Filled with illustrations, giving excellent information on each step of various processes, I highly recommend them if

you intend to tackle such a project. Even if considering some minor repairs, for the do-it-yourselfer these reference sources will be invaluable. Each book covers a number of different topics from the type of compounds to use for re-bedding fittings (no silicone) to properly preparing wood for varnish and techniques for getting that mile deep finish.

Lessons learned here are to pay attention to what Casey says and avoid taking short cuts from his recommendations. He has made the instructions for numerous repairs and modifications as simple as possible along with specific instructions on types of materials to use. I suggest you do as the man says. Despite the recommendation of the nice lady at the plastics place, some aspects of the job would have gone a lot better if I had ignored her and reread him. The professional may look at some of this as being a bit over-simplified, but for the shade tree repairman you will find no better reference source. Casey is careful to let you know when a particular repair is best done by a pro.