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## News

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## General Membership Mtg

Make sure to attend SYSCO's General Membership meeting Monday, November 17, 7:00 p.m. at Mars Meadow restaurant (Hayden Meadows). Come at 6:00 p.m. for dinner and socializing.

This is the annual meeting where members can vote their conscience for SYSCO officers for 2004. The slate of nominees put forward by the SYSCO Board of Directors is:

- Commodore – Alan Boguslawski
  - Vice commodore (Race Captain) – Phil Campagna
  - Treasurer – Stephen Moshofsky
  - Secretary – Robyn Thomas
- Bring campaign material or questions, but be there to vote.

**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.*

## Commodore's Comments

LARRY JOHNSON

Wow! 2003 is almost over. The holidays are upon us. Thanksgiving is the time to be with friends and family. Then there is Christmas and our never-ending wish list of 'goodies' for our boats. I wish each and everyone a happy holiday season.

Although I like the holidays, I am really looking forward to when the days get longer, the air gets warmer and I hear the sound of a warning gun.

In the meantime, the November General Membership meeting is about electing new club officers for 2004. This is important. SYSCO officers set the club's direction for the year and they largely assure that events get done. That, of course, includes racing and cruising activities, but they also work on the annual awards banquet, our booth at the Portland Boat Show in January and they are responsible for keeping the club solvent and for

letting you know what's going on.

This year the Board has nominated what I consider to be an exceptional slate of candidates. They are:

- Commodore – Alan Boguslawski
- Vice commodore (Race Captain) – Phil Campagna
- Treasurer – Stephen Moshofsky
- Secretary – Robyn Thomas

We also need a few volunteers to help us get through the racing and cruising season next year. Make sure you show up Monday, Nov. 17 at 6 p.m. for dinner and 7 p.m. for the meeting and election of officers.

*Volunteer and help make SYSCO a success again in 2004.*

## Thoughts from the Rear

**BILL SANBORN**

How can it be? How can it be? The rule is don't talk about it during the top of the 9th inning lest you jeopardize the no hitter. The problem is someone forgot to return our dock. So being the resourceful ones we are, it's back to the logs, and I must say it has been a while since I tied to logs...even had to rush out and buy new carabiners.

Nathan and I left the dock around noon, were joined by another boat and sailed through the railroad bridge, around Kelly Point and up the Willamette until the wind stopped and the commercial traffic didn't. We knew that we would be a late arrival, so we prepared for a welcome salute as we neared the raft up and sure enough found ourselves in an area where potatoes were being planted. After we joined the raft with a total of eight boats and 17 ABC cruisers, the announcement was made that

it must be 1700 hrs some place and time to open the Pirate Treasure Chest, and find some fine pirate horse deservers to wash it down. We had a lovely evening with fine dinner, great conversations, lots of laughs, and time spent on deck studying the stars. We even launched a few temporary stars of our own.

After retiring God looked on our raft-up and said, "Those are some fine Bundy Pirates, and I will help them while they rest and wash off their very fine Yachts," and He did. A very thorough wash and rinse it was. In the AM the smell of fresh coffee and fresh baked rolls while the sun broke through the clouds confirmed that ABC equals Always Bright and Cloudless. Chalk up another "no hitter" for the Al Bundy Cruisers.

**SOAP BOX:** I just received from the Oregon Marine Board my renewal and as I had read in the paper it would be at \$3 per foot as

opposed to the old system. Quite an increase, but on reflection it is still less than neighboring states, and I think that the money is well spent on facilities, Marine Law enforcement, and education. I see a great need for additional docks and improvements in breakwaters for the docks on Government Island, a dock in North Portland harbor toward the West end of Hayden Island, and additional docks in Multnomah Channel. These could all be boat access only docks. And I would also suggest that some areas could be developed with mooring buoys as protected anchorages for pleasure craft.

**LAST ITEM:** Effective Jan 1, 2004 all operators under 40 years old will be required to have the Oregon Boater Education Card. If you don't have one, I would suggest that you research how to qualify for one as soon as possible. The fine is fairly hefty, and, besides, all Pancho III operators must have one.

### Attention Readers

Apparently most sailors are electronically plugged in. Almost all SYSCO members have access to the Internet and e-mail. As a way to save the club money (the savings could be more than \$100 per month) and to get the newsletter out as quickly as possible, the bulk of SYSCO members are receiving a notice by e-mail that the full-color SYSCO newsletter is ready to read in PDF format (members will need a recent copy of Adobe Acrobat Reader) at <http://www.sailpdx.com/sysco>.

Members without e-mail will receive their newsletter by U.S. mail.



## November Board Meeting Minutes

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2003**

Tonight's regular meeting of the Board was brought to order by Commodore Larry Johnson at 6:40 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Larry Johnson, Mike O'Bryant, Alan Boguslawski, Steve Moshofsky, Bill Sanborn, Phil Campagna, Robyn Thomas

**TREASURER:**

Alan reports that there is \$4,500 in the bank. Still to be funded for the year are reimbursement for trophies, budgeted at \$2,300. The insurance claim on the damage to Pancho has been received. It appears that the cash carryover to 2004 will be approximately \$2,000.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Larry Johnson opened a discussion regarding the future use of

trophies that are usable as opposed to mantle pieces. Overall, usable trophies are popular and generally less expensive than traditional trophies. There were various points of view, but the discussion tended toward adoption of this trophy policy. The decision has been deferred until a later date as 2004 trophies will not be purchased for a while. Any ideas, feedback or suggestions should be directed to your nearest club officer.

B fleet no longer has enough boats competing to make a class. It appears that fleet will be combined with C fleet for next year.

Phil, who will extend his Race Captain duties one more year, indicated that he is going to attempt in 2004 to revise the procedures for race protest notification and filing so that all the clubs will have the same procedure.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Robyn indicated that membership renewals will be coming out soon.

**NEW OFFICERS SLATE:**

After much discussion, it was moved, seconded and unanimously approved that the current board will present the following slate of candidates for 2004 officer positions at the November general meeting:

- **Commodore** – Alan Boguslawski
- **Vice commodore** (race captain) – Phil Campagna
- **Treasurer** – Stephen Moshofsky
- **Secretary** – Robyn Thomas

Don't forget! November meeting is election of officers for 2004... be there.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

**STEPHEN MOSHOFSKY**  
**SECRETARY**



*The blue skies may be far off...but we still have photographs to remind us what a wonderful spring/summer/fall we had this year and can dream about what it will be like again next spring.*



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**SYSCO Meeting**  
**Nov. 17, 7 p.m.**

**Dinner begins**  
**6 p.m.**

## “\$71.25 goes a long ways...”

**RICH JONES**

What happened happened because I opened my American Express Travel Awards statement last month at about the same time I was checking out the [www.SailPDX.com](http://www.SailPDX.com) website. The two events harmonically converged.

There on the SailPDX Boat List was a message from a skipper looking for crew for a passage on his Hallberg Rassey 31. So here I am with a computer mouse in one hand, an adventure to beat all adventures on my computer screen and 50 some-odd thousand miles in my Amex travel bank.

“Eddie, one of us should try to do this trip if the skipper still needs crew and everything else checks out ok,” I said to my partner. Eddie was busy. She already had an

adventure planned to go to Turkey, so she told me to go for it.

First I emailed the skipper to see if the crew thing was still an option. He emailed me back right away and said “sure is.” He had no crew lined up and as of that moment he was planning on single-handing his boat from where he was to where he wanted to go. So, I emailed him back and asked him to “stay tuned.” Then I got on the phone and started chatting with my new close personal friends at the airlines where we have mileage plans. I move 50,000 miles from Amex to Airline B’s mileage plan. Airline C was a partner with Airline B, so I was able to cobble together a 3-airlines one-way trip to where the boat is now AND a two-airline, one-way trip back home when the sailboat trip is done. Total cost \$71.25.

So what’s the big deal about a \$71.25 airplane trip? Here’s my itinerary:

11/7 Fly Portland to Los Angeles to Honolulu

11/8 Fly Honolulu to Papeete, Tahiti

11/11 - 12/5 (approx) Sailing on Marc Emmons, sv/Tramonto from Huahine, French Polynesia to Hilo

11/15 (approx) Fly Kona to Los Angeles to Portland

For people interested in finding out more, they can visit [www.svtramonto.com](http://www.svtramonto.com). We’ll be posting log entries to the website and for those who want to track our position, they can go to [www.bitwrangler.com/psn/](http://www.bitwrangler.com/psn/), click on [Tracker List] and goto YOTREPS YOTREPS ID# KD7MYA and click on [Track].

**ALOHA AND MAURU’RU**