



The Starting Line

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RACING NEWS

A note from your Race Captain

Well the racing season for SYSCO is over for 2009. The informal winter racing scene is beginning to spool up on Sundays at 1pm. Capt. Terry is running the show on Sundays. Monitor VHF channel 68 for details. My sentence for the year is over and we are looking for a new race captain. So who is going to step up? I know there are a lot of you who want to make a difference. If you don't put your name in the hat you have no right to complain.

Nothing new with me other than having some nose art done for my boat. I know nose art is for airplanes, but hey I'm going to put it on my boat. Here is a picture of the preliminary drawings.

Have fun hope to see you at the monthly meetings.

Alden Andre



AWARDS BANQUET

By the time you see this, the annual SYSCO Awards Banquet may be just hours away. If you haven't already bought your tickets you can get them at the door for \$35/ea. That includes a great dinner, dancing to the Sonny Hess Band, and of course the presentation of the hard earned awards for the year, and fabulous door prizes!

5:30 Social 6:30 Dinner 7:30 Awards 8:30 Music and Dancing

Bring your whole crew and thank them for a job well done.

Location: Portland Yacht Club

Thoughts from the rear

From Bill Sanborn

Fall Cruising has involved some Potato Planting, admiring the Colors along our water ways, and now a new version of Coon Island Pear Harvesting. A U-Tube video has been made. Enough said, yes the Bundy Pirates Chowder and Marching Society met at Coon Isl. For the weekend of the annual potato planting and all you can eat buffet of good manly food, a taste of beverage and laugh till you sides hurt. A dozen boats crewed by 20 hardy ABC pirates made the journey. It is now 15 years that this annual event has gone on without a cloudy day.

Next Fall Colors Cruise is Oct 24-25 to Hadley Landing. The trees are just starting to turn along the Channel and should be in full color in the next week or so. Join us for a fun Cruise.

Been lots of talk about when is the SOS going to start again. Word is that a group plan to be out on the 25th, and most Sundays during the winter months. Come out and join in. Instructions are given on Channel 68 around 1 PM, and if no one seems to be leading, put out a call and get it started.

See you on the water.

Coming events

Saturday/Sunday, October 24/25 – **SYSCO Fall Colors Cruise** – Just a short run down Multnomah Channel to Hadley's Landing gets you out in the crisp fall weather to see the magnificent colors of fall and enjoy the company fellow sailors.

And speaking of cruising, check out this raft-up...



No, it's not a Photoshop exercise. Sailors from Encinal YC actually did this. The gap, by the way, was intentional, so dinghies could come and go.

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Looks like something the SYSCO Cruisers could do next summer at Martin Pond or even in Warren Slough. Think how much easier it would be to deliver Bill's homemade ice cream! Put your thinkin' caps on.

Board Meeting Minutes

no minutes submitted.