



March 2009

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## Calendar

### General Meeting

Friday, March 27; 6:30 pm

Vets Club, 16th & Willamette

### Practice Race

Thursday, April 2; 6:30 pm

FernRidge

### Boat Launch/Pot Luck

Sat., April 4th; 12pm - ??

Richardson Marina

### Thursday Racing Begins

Thurs., April 9th; 6:30

FernRidge

### Poor Fools Regatta

after taxday fun

Sat., April 18th; 6:30

Richardson Marina, FernRidge

### General Meeting

Friday, April 24th; 6:30 pm

Vets Club, 16th & Willamette

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## Don't Miss Next Meeting Friday, March 27th

**6:30 pm to socialize/7pm meeting**

Presentation:

"Cold Water Boot Camp" • Racing rules quiz

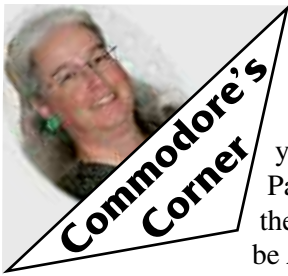
**The Thursday night start order has changed this year.** Find the new start order at <http://tritonyachtclub.org/raceinfo.html> (click on the JRC Sailing Instructions link)

**Mark your calendar for a rules clinic by Andrew Kerr on March 28th, 1-4pm.** It will be at EYC and cost \$10 per person for *non-members* of S20 Fleet 19. Andrew will spend about an hour and a half on the latest race rule changes and another hour and a half on tactics. For more information contact Jim Martinez, S20 Fleet 19 Captain, at 541-745-2026 or [jim.martinez@hp.com](mailto:jim.martinez@hp.com)

**By popular demand, The annual TYC Practice/Chilly (Chili) night (April 2nd) and "All Fools" have been rethought** this year and replaced with a "Chili Feed/Pot luck and launch your boat day" (April 4th) and "Poor Fools" on April 18th (after tax day) – more info coming soon. Eugene Yacht Club still plans on running a "Practice Night" race on April 2nd if you have your boat in the water.

**REMINDER:** Contact Merry Petitclair if you want to take the OSMB Boater Education class. Email: [m.petitclair@gmail.com](mailto:m.petitclair@gmail.com) or phone: 541.689.9209.

**Novice Night:** Don't let the changes to the TYC hamburger night schedule fool you; starting in May "Novice Night" is still the first Thursday of the month. From the Joint Race Committee's point of view the definition of Novice Night will essentially be the same as last year with the addition of more responsibility given to the individual fleets to plan and monitor their own Novice Nights races. Fleet Captains should contact their JRC representative for more information (that would be [tedwalkup@hotmail.com](mailto:tedwalkup@hotmail.com) for fleet captains who are TYC members).



## Ahoy Matees!

**P**repare to launch the vessel! Yes, it's almost that time of year again. The gate at Richardson Park Marina will open April 1st. So the first Saturday of opportunity will be April 4th. You all have been doing

wonderfully with your rain dances. Thank you. If you could now slip in a little sunshine and +50 degree weather for painting, that would be great. But we still need rain too, so don't over do it on the sunshine (wink). Hopefully, your boat is almost ready to go (I'm behind schedule if I want to do the bottom again). April 4 is potluck/Chili Feed day. That will be our community launch day. Jeff and I will bring equipment for heating up the chili. We do need someone to bring the chili! Whip up a batch of that award winning chili you brag about and put your chili where your mouth is.

At this point you might be saying "Dang, I forgot to pay my dues on time for 2009". Secretary Kim and Treasurer Craig will be happy to take your money and additional late fees. Then step on over to see Race Chairman Ted to sign up for your race committee/rescue duties. We all need your help. Without volunteers to run

rescue and man the rescue boat, there will be no racing. "But I don't race," you say. Not a problem. You get the easy seat and you can help too. What better way to spend your evening than have a nice motor boat ride around the lake watching 20 to 50 sailboats sail around while you enjoy the perfect sunset and keep an eye out for those in need of assistance. Race rescue duty is fun, easy and it will likely improve your sailing skills while watching those who are really in the know. It's easy! Look for the simple training opportunity to be held at EYC, likely in early April. Keep an ear tuned and an eye on farnsail for dates to be announced.

Join us for the February General Meeting, at the Vet's Club (the Veteran Memorial Hall) in Eugene, on Willamette between 16th & 17th on Friday, Mar 27. Dinner to start at 6:30pm with the meeting following at 7pm. For entertainment value, this month we have the ever safety conscious Merry Petitclair (oh, that's me) giving a review on boating safety equipment and cold water immersion. We will also get into a rule quiz or two. See you Friday night at the meeting.

*Merry Petitclair – TYC Commodore 2009*



## Uncle Triton STILL Needs You...

The Triton Race Chair will soon be filling vacant spots for race duty nights with members who have yet to volunteer. Find out what date(s) you are signed up for race duty at <http://tritonyachtclub.org/raceinfo.html> (Race Duty link) AND we need volunteers to help with our main fund raiser - the Emerald Cup Regatta in June.

You can reach the Thursday night at race chair at: ted-walkup@hotmail.com. Contact the EmCup Chair, Carrie Harrington, at sail-nautinymp@comcast.net



TYC offers a great resource to its members and the rest of the sailing community:

**The Web Site**  
[www.tritonyachtclub.org](http://www.tritonyachtclub.org)

Calendar • Race Results • Events  
Regattas • Newsletter

**NEW!!: TYC Burger Nights** are scheduled for all Thursdays in June and the first Thursday in July. This will allow us to do our part to feed the sailing community and to be out of the park by dark, per the park rules. It amounts to 5 consecutive Thursdays. This is the same number of nights we had in previous years.

# New BurgerMeister MAY be AWARD-WINNING CHEF

**T**YC welcomes new member **Joe Cameron**, a former Navy Jr. Reserve sailor and paddling aficionado from Montana. He works for Mercedes Benz as the service manager and spends his off time exploring everything Oregon has to offer. He is raising his family in Eugene, loves to cook, and is really looking forward to taking on the unsung, yet prestigious, role as Burgermeister for the Triton Yacht Club. THANKS JOE!

There are unsubstantiated rumors, that we hope are true, that as the youngest of 9 kids growing up in Montana Joe was always left with the dirtiest jobs around. While the family was branding and castrating, Joe was left gathering the testicles for the barbecue. Non-ranchers may

not appreciate the skill it takes to become an award winning chef on the rodeo & western festival circuit because you have to beat out all those Canadians with their demi-glace Prairie Oysters. However, after his first place win in Red Lodge Montana in 1997, Joe Cameron's Rocky Mountain Oysters have been the ones to beat throughout the west. Triton Yacht Club is pleased to have such a chef on board.. although we're not so sure that we want him to start a new Thursday tradition with "Cowboy Caviar" night.



## Up-Coming Racing Events

### Loyalty Days Regatta April 25-26

YBYC in Newport, Oregon will be hosting. There's no charge for dinner, visiting sailors can be our guests at our monthly club potluck meeting, featuring lasagne. Information at:  
[www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org](http://www.yaquinabayyachtclub.org).

**Live on the Edge**  
Multi-Hull Regatta - May 30-31st  
Fern Ridge Reservoir  
contact Joensharon@gmail.com  
or (541) 465-9568



**Seattle, WA - May 15-17, 2009**  
Three days of sailboat racing for one-design models from 20 to 70 feet in length. For information go to Sailing World web site.

Folsom Lake Yacht Club - Calif.  
**43rd Camellia Cup Regatta**  
May 2nd & 3rd

For Info:  
<http://flyc.org/CamCup/CamelliaCup.html>

### Memorial Day Regatta

May 23rd & 24th

Festivities begin Friday and continue on through Sunday. Official opening on Friday evening, May 22nd. Buck-A-Burger at 6:00 pm with music by the Zydecoast Zydeco band from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Contact: [memorialdayregattaeyc@hughes.net](mailto:memorialdayregattaeyc@hughes.net)  
Or call 688-5001.

### Most Important

## Emerald Cup

with Holder 20 & Wavelength 24  
Class Championships

EmCup - June 26-28th

Class Championships - June 25-28th

[www.tritonyachtclub.org](http://www.tritonyachtclub.org) for more info.



First Class Mail

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Address Correction Requested

**Next Meeting**  
**Friday, March 27th**  
**Learn about safety and**  
**maybe about a few rules.**  
**Vets Club - Eugene**

**If you are not reading this, it's because you haven't renewed your membership. It's too late for the discount, but well worth it anyway.**  
 fill-out the application below.

## Triton Yacht Club Membership Form

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Family Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work/Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Your crew position \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal       New Member

Boat type: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sail number: \_\_\_\_\_

Interests:  Racing    Cruising    Social    Other \_\_\_\_\_

I (we) would prefer volunteer duties as follows:

- Race Committee    Race/Rescue    'Fun' Races    Social Events
- Other (specify particular events or dates) \_\_\_\_\_

I don't want to save the club postage by receiving a full color digital version of the newsletter. **Send black & white version in the costly U.S. Mail.**

### Membership Fees:

- New Members (includes \$20 initiation fee) ..... \$60.00
- Family or Individual 1 year renewal ..... \$40.00
- Paid after March 1st ..... \$50.00
- Racing Fee\* ..... \$20.00
- Paid after March 1st ..... \$30.00

**Total Dues Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

\*Skippers Pay Race fee if you race, and **do not** belong to Eugene YC

Make checks payable to: Triton Yacht Club  
 P.O. Box 366  
 Eugene, OR 97440

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The Triton Yacht Club is a Casual Community of Sailors Sharing Friendship, the Corinthian Spirit, and providing Racing and Non-racing Activities. Anyone and Everyone is Welcome! Visit with us and see for yourself. Meetings are held the last Friday of each month, at 7pm at the Veteran Club on Willamette Street in Eugene. Board meetings are held monthly. All members are welcome. Contact a board member for roving location. Be sure and check the newsletter for information about meetings and events at [www.tritonyachtclub.org](http://www.tritonyachtclub.org)