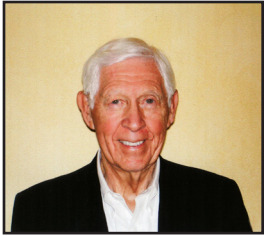


STILLWATER YACHT CLUB

THE STILLWATER COVE'ER

COMMODORE'S REPORT

April 2008



The 2008 season is upon us with a full agenda of activities for all members.

Your Board of directors has been hard at work to make this a fun-filled year for all. Membership renewals have been sent out and I urge you to return them promptly with your renewal check for \$125 (no increase)—the best bargain in town—with access to sailing instruction, use of the club's boats, yacht club reciprocity and our outstanding social events.

Although the early January storm did considerable damage to the pier, it should be sufficiently repaired in time for the **Beach Club's Pier Opening Party**, for Club members **ONLY**, on **May 17** (not May 10), but the completed repair may delay slightly the opening of our sailing season. The first of eight **Beach BBQ Parties** will follow immediately after the **Pier Opening**. The **Beach BBQ Party** dates have been selected to coincide with low tides—no wet feet this year. As in prior years, limited guests are permitted.

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Save The Date:

**Humma Humma
Party**

**On Saturday,
June 28, 2008**

Stillwater Cove Pier

SYC Pier Opening Party

Date: Saturday, May 17, 2008 • Time 4:00 – 5:00 PM



Raise your sails and cruise over to Stillwater Cove for the annual **Pier Opening Party**.

The fun takes place from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. as we kick off the yachting season. Hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine and soft drinks are cohosted by The Beach & Tennis Club. Stillwater Yacht Club (SYC) sailboats, harbormaster and the yacht-ready pier will be on review. The festivities will be accompanied by a steel drum band. Members will be on hand to greet new friends and renew old acquaintances.

In order that you may attend all of the fabulous parties beginning with this event, you must renew your membership now. You don't have to own a boat or know how to sail, SYC welcomes those who enjoy socializing near, as well as on the water.

The first **Potluck Barbecue** on the beach of 2008 begins at 5 p.m. immediately following the **Pier Opening** at Stillwater Cove. Hot grills, picnic tables and liquid refreshments are provided. Bring your dinner selection to barbeque and also an appetizer, salad, dessert, or something to put on the buffet table to share. Please no glass items. Bring your own tablecloth.

This event is limited to current Yacht Club members and, as a courtesy, single members are welcome to bring a guest. Make it convenient and renew in advance. You may, however, join or renew your membership at the event with a check to SYC. You may not use your Beach Club account. Remember, current membership to SYC is required to attend this special event! For membership questions, you may contact David Day at (831) 375-4709 or Rex Reade at (831) 655-1420.

Remember, parking and seating are limited. Plan accordingly. Bring your own portable picnic table if you choose, otherwise a limited number of tables will be available.

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Again, there will be adult sailing on Thursday evenings followed by refreshments, a full schedule of racing on selected weekends and the youth sailing program from late June through early August. We are excited and pleased to have on loan to us (at no cost) the use of ten, very stable, 8' Walker Bay dinghies for use in the youth program.

The highly popular **Humma Humma** Party has been moved up to **June 28** this year to avoid conflict with the Fourth of July weekend and will commence at 4:00 p.m. (one hour earlier) to take advantage of the early evening weather. Again, the cost will be \$35 with no plus plus and limited to 175 members with a waiting list for guests. (If anyone could "loan" us freezer space, it would enable us to make earlier buys—call Kay Sullivan at 622-9675.)

The **Indian Village Party** will once more be on Labor Day Weekend on **Sunday, August 31**. The hugely successful "posse" theme of last year will be repeated with the same caterer and band.

Our year will end with the usual black tie **Commodore's Ball and Annual Meeting on Saturday November 8**.

So mark your calendars and plan to join your fellow Yacht Club members in a fun-filled year whether sailing, partying or both.

—Rex Reade, Commodore



Youth Sailing for 2008

The Beach & Tennis Club and the Stillwater Yacht Club will offer five sessions of sailing instruction from **11 a.m.–3 p.m., Monday–Friday, June 23–27, July 7–11, 14–18, 21–25** and **July 28–August 1**. Juniors 9–15 learn basic sailing skills that allow them to navigate the inner portion of Stillwater cove on eight-foot dinghies.

The week-long sessions include rigging, knots and capsize drills plus basic terminology and concepts. A chase boat is on the water whenever the juniors are. A complete daily schedule and list of what to bring are provided upon registration.

Treat your children to a fun-filled week learning this lifelong skill. For registration information or questions, please call (831) 625-8536.

Blind Tastings determine wines for 2008 SYC Barbecues

Your SYC Board under the direction of Yacht Club Sommelier Terry Russey, conducted a blind tasting of seven reds at a recent tasting. Each wine was judged on a scale of 55 to 115. The winner was a Washington State wine, the **2004 Columbia Crest Two Vines Cabernet Sauvignon**, with a score of 96. This cabernet will be served at our first **Beach Barbecue on May 17** (the night of the afternoon **Pier Opening**). Seven whites were tasted in late March. The winner was a **2005 Foxbrook Chardonnay** with a score of 87 which edged out a **Montpellier Viognier** with a score of 84.

SYC Members will be the judges at the next Blind Tasting during the second **Beach BBQ** scheduled for **May 31**. The results of this competition will determine the wines for the **Beach BBQ on June 21**.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 5/17 Pier Opening
- 5/17 Potluck BBQ
- 5/24 Haldorn Regatta
- 5/31 Potluck BBQ
- 6/21 Potluck BBQ
- 6/28 Humma Humma
- 6/14 Ragget and MPYC Regatta
- 6/15 MPYC Regatta
- 7/5 Potluck BBQ
- 7/19 Potluck BBQ
- 8/31 Indian Village Party
- 11/8 Commodore's Party

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