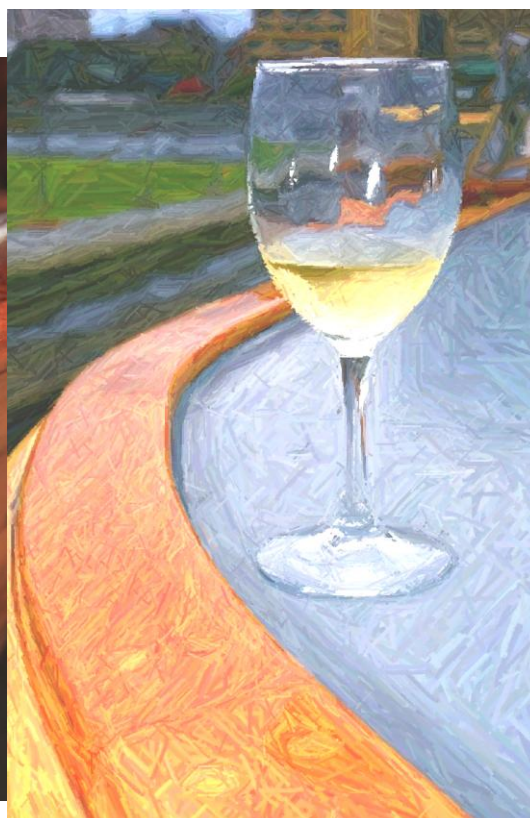
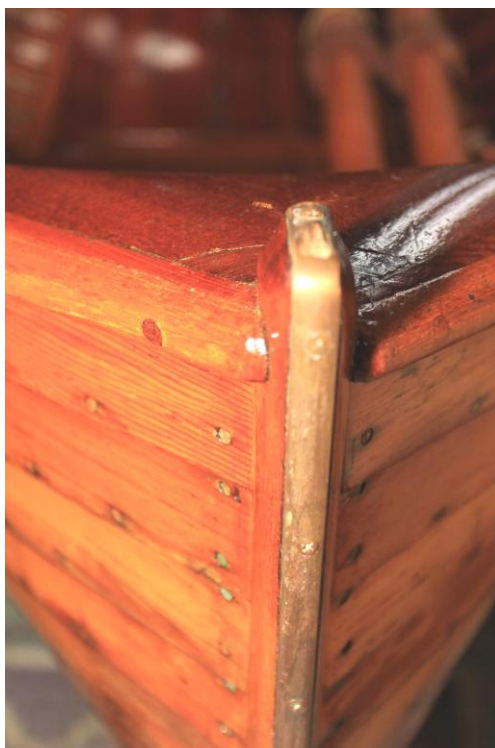


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Classic Yachting

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER BY AND FOR ALL THE FLEETS OF THE CLASSIC YACHT ASSOCIATION



With CYA members in Germany, Australia, Brazil, Canada, and the USA, this newsletter issue is dedicated to our traditional, annual, international celebrations! Highlighted in this issue is the 2010 International CYA Board of Director Meetings, Change of Watch Banquet, and general membership weekend held in Seattle. Sharing the enduring warmth of wood ... and the enduring warmth of friendship.

From the Bridge of Euphemia II

by Mike O'Brien, CYA Commodore



Mike & Peggy O'Brien's
1928 Schertzer, *Euphemia II*

Wow, what a great Change of Watch the PNW fleet hosted! Although Peggy and I did not attend the Friday tours, we heard great reviews from those who had that opportunity. The Friday cocktail party aboard the historic *Virginia V* was delightful and the Seattle Yacht Club did up a proper nautical banquet on Saturday. The rowing club and boathouse tours were equally extolled. It was quite an honour to have so many Past Commodores acting as escort and van drivers on the tours and to the various venues.

Peggy and I were delighted to be part of the Sunday afternoon PNW vessel cruise along the lovely mixed waterfront of Seattle's glorious lakes.

Although the schedule was busy, we did have time to renew acquaintances with friends old and new from all of the fleets. As incoming Commodore, I was most heartened to see the largest contingent of Canadian Fleet members to attend a Change of Watch!

We hope that our modest **2011 event in Victoria, B.C.**, will provide as much opportunity for enjoyment.

The business meetings, the heart and soul of the weekend, were equally stimulating. Staff Commodore Sweeney did his usual capable job of keeping the schedule moving while allowing all directors and members opportunity to present their viewpoints for consideration. I hope I continued that effort on day two.

Key items discussed at the meeting included the need to overhaul and update our website. Rick Etsell and Lew Barrett have done a great job in operating and maintaining this central communications tool for a number of years. The Board approved their request for funds to do a significant makeover of the system. David

Huchthausen kindly offered the services of an IT firm with which he has "credits" and the Board gratefully accepted that. I look forward to receiving regular progress reports from the Webmasters and I will keep all of you up to date on that.

Steve Wilen's report on expansion to other countries led to Staff Commodore Sweeney volunteering to chair a committee to further a modified notion of establishing relationships with other boating organizations outside of North America having similar goals to CYA. In that vein, the Board approved Steve's recommendation that the Brazilian vessel *Laurindo Pitta* be granted honorary membership. She is a beautifully maintained 1910 vessel operated by the Brazilian Navy as a tourist boat. For some spectacular photos on the internet, go to Google images and enter "Laurindo Pitta". [editor's note: This CYA newsletter, on the CYA website in PDF format, has this [Laurindo Pitta link](#) that accesses a wikipedia page translated from Portuguese.]

David Huchthausen reported on progress of a third edition of the CYA photo album. There was agreement and support for the inclusion of a section on historic shipyards in this issue. The Board also authorized David to proceed with inquiries with publishing houses to gauge the interest in commercially producing the album. Final cost of the album will depend on content, quality, and commercial interest. The Board approved the setting aside of a further \$3,000.00 for this project. Expect further updates on this exciting project throughout the year.

In preparation for the photo album, now is the time to start culling your files for that perfect picture of your pride and joy as well as taking a hard look at the description of your vessel contained in the current album.

For example, I know my *Euphemia* would love to have two engines as indicated in the album, but there just is not enough room!

I am delighted to have Larry Benson, Vice Commodore, and Christine Rohde, Rear Commodore, and Jim Sweeney, Staff Commodore, join me on the Bridge. With their support, I know I will have a pleasant and productive year at the helm of this great organization.

As I write this from our condo in downtown Vancouver, the Winter Olympics are under way. The city is truly geared up and ready to go for this exciting gathering of the world's top athletes. Street scenes, national celebration centres, and the venues themselves are moving into high gear and the increased pulse of the city is palpable!

For those of you watching on T.V., Peggy and I are the ones waving the red mittens with the maple leaf on the palm!



2009 in Retrospect

by James J. Sweeney, CYA Staff Commodore



Jim & Bernadette Sweeney's
1929 Stephens Brothers, *Bounty*

One year ago, with the collapse of international financial institutions, worldwide decimation of savings and investments, and dire predictions of another Great Depression, the outlook for our Association and the entire recreational boating world appeared unrelentingly grim. By March-April of 2009, thanks to bold government actions reflecting hard lessons learned in the 1930's, the bottom was reached, disaster averted, and a slow economic recovery began. Today, securities have rebounded but unemployment remains painfully high.

The Classic Yacht Association weathered this storm. Our membership numbers did not decline. Fleet activity reports delivered at the Annual Board Meeting in Seattle in 2010 further demonstrated the strength and resilience of our organization, even in hard times.

Looking back, I consider the most significant International CYA developments of the past year and the people responsible for them are as follows:

Chronologically first, the Northern California Fleet hosted a truly outstanding Annual Board Meeting and Change of Watch weekend in Belvedere-Tiburon last January, 2009.

Foremost in importance, our new Canadian Fleet was launched under the enthusiastic stewardship of Canadian Commodore Mike O'Brien.

Simultaneously, former Alaska Fleet members were transferred into the Pacific Northwest Fleet, under the capable and orderly management of PNW Commodore Lew Barrett.

I am sure you will join me in taking particular pleasure in resumed production of our International Newsletter CLASSIC YACHTING. Its astonishingly rapid transformation into a top quality publication is a tribute to the energetic and inspired direction of Editor Ann Hay.

A smaller but nonetheless significant event of the year was publication of my article on the Classic Yacht Association in the Fall 2009 issue of the Antique & Classic Boat Society magazine RUDDER. This article will be followed by more references to CYA activities in national publications such as WOODEN BOAT and CLASSIC BOATING in accordance with an outreach program initiated during the 2010 Annual Board of Directors meeting in Seattle. That meeting was surrounded by another superb weekend of events, continuing the trend in recent years to bigger and better Annual Meetings and Change of Watch Banquets.

Before turning over the watch to International Commodore Mike O'Brien, I figuratively tipped my yachting cap to a number of members whose diligent work and generously applied talents contributed to the enjoyment of our organization and kept the Classic Yacht Association steaming ahead on course throughout the year. These were:

Ann Hay for not only reviving our newsletter and quickly nurturing it into a first-class yachting publication, but also partnering with Diane VanDerbeek to manage production of the superb 2010 Annual Board of Directors Meeting weekend and Change of Watch Banquet.

Lew Barrett for his diligent and always courteous responses to the never-ending series of sometimes bewildering inquiries directed to the CYA Website.

Jim and Margie Paynton for their steadfast support, advice, and in-depth knowledge of our Association's By-Laws, traditions, and history.

Cherry Ekoos, for graciously assuming the duties of Roster Editor.

Larry Benson for personally managing the substantial printing and binding effort required for our Annual Board Meeting Agenda and providing me logistics assistance for our Board of Directors meeting and the Change of Watch.

Steve Wilen for taking the time to consider and define a comprehensive list of issues that need to be addressed if the CYA is going to actively pursue expansion to other nations.

Rick Olson for voluntarily producing and sharing a truly inspired and beautiful photographic record of Classic Yacht Association vessels, events, and members over the years.

To wrap this up I believe that, considering the dire state of the economy, 2009 could have been a lot worse. It was instead another year of advancement for the Classic Yacht Association and its objectives.

We remain afloat and underway. I am very bullish about 2010 and the leadership of International Commodore Mike O'Brien.



2010 International CYA Officers from left to right:
Staff Commodore Jim Sweeney, Commodore Mike O'Brien,
Vice Commodore Larry Benson, Rear Commodore Christine Rohde

2010 Officers and Change of Watch For Local Fleets

Canadian Fleet



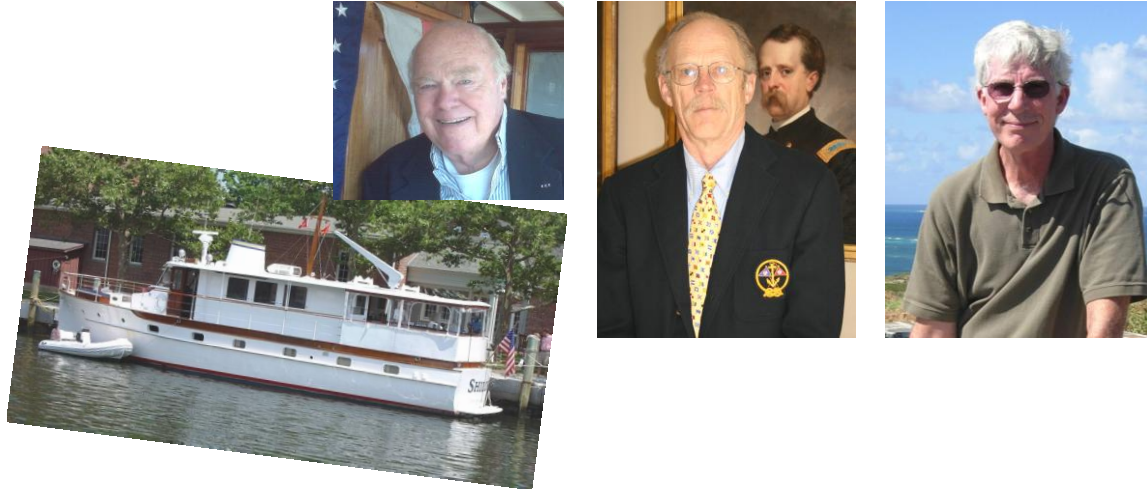
Bob Shaw, CDN Vice Commodore – 1937 C. A. Malcolm, *Amanha*
 Mike O'Brien, CDN Commodore and CYA Commodore – 1928 Schertzer, *Euphemia II*
 Robin Hutchinson, CDN Rear Commodore – 1920 Y. E. Kobayakawa, *Sannox*
 Ted Aussem, CDN Secretary – 1922 Hoffar Motor Boat Co., *Privateer*
 Not pictured: Angie Fairall, CDN Treasurer – 1930 Mencións Shipyard, *Townley Isle*

Northern California Fleet



Bill Wells, NC Commodore – 1937 Stephens Brothers, *Ranger*
 Les Cochren, NC Rear Commodore – 1958 Owens, *Rivercat*
 Patrick Welch, NC Vice Commodore and CYA Director – 1929 Blanchard, *Colleen*
 Not pictured: Shawn Ball, NC Recording Secretary – 1954 Stephens Brothers, *Sea Gal*
 Not pictured: Nancy Clothier, NC Corresponding Secretary – 1940 Lowell Netherland, *ESLO*
 Not pictured: Tom Clothier, NC Treasurer – 1940 Lowell Netherland, *ESLO*
 Not pictured: Beverly Partridge, CYA Director – 1925 Matthews, *Fantasea*

USA Fleet



Chuck Glaser, USA Commodore – 1945 Trumpy, *Shiloh*
 Ted Crosby (and grandfather), USA Secretary/Staff Commodore – 1924 Portland Yacht Yard, *Nisca*
 David Gillespie, USA Treasurer and former CYA Commodore – 1930 Jakobson & Peterson, *Cygnus II*
 Not pictured: Dana Hewson, USA Director – 1910, *Mina*

Southern California Fleet



Dennis Ballard, SC Commodore – 1939 Elco, *Riptide*
 Cris Rohde, SC Vice Commodore and SC Treasurer and CYA Director – 1950 Chris Craft, *Sparkle*
 Jim Butz, CYA Director – 1928 Bath Iron Works, *Black Douglas*; 1936 Chris Craft, *Intensive Care*;
 1934, *Wil-O-Bee*
 Larry Walker, SC Rear Commodore – 1950 Ed Monk Sr, *Gracie*
 Cathy Yatch, SC Secretary – 1953 Chris Craft, *ComOcean*
 Rick Olson, SC/CYA Photographer – *Island Lady*




Pacific Northwest Fleet



Diane VanDerbeek, PNW Vice Commodore – 1929 New York Launch & Engine, *Olympus*
 Ann Hay, PNW Commodore – 1940 Matthews, *Pied Piper*
 Genevieve Carlson, PNW Rear Commodore – 1951 Chris Craft, *Cinnamon Girl*
 Not pictured: Ginger Garff, PNW Secretary – 1941 Chris Craft, *Swietenia*
 Not pictured: Chip Kochel, PNW Treasurer – 1955 Chris Craft, *Hi'ilani*
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 Not pictured: Margie Paynton, CYA Director – 1940 Chris Craft, *Maranee*
 Not pictured: David Huchthausen, CYA Director – 1957 Stephens Brothers, *Zanzibar*



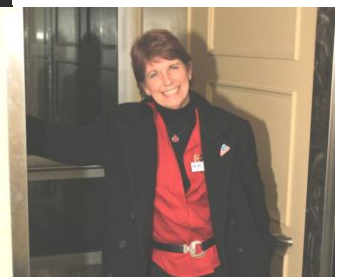
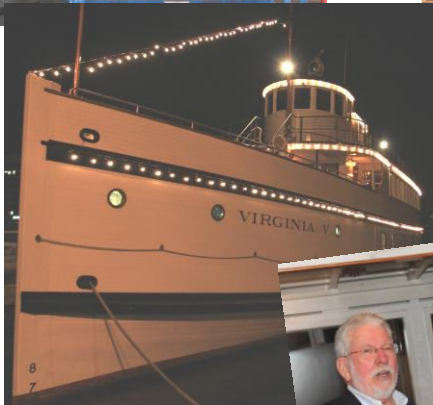
CYA Blazer Pocket Patch
 with dual red and blue pennants
 \$25 each including shipping
 Contact Margie Paynton, CYA Historian



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2010 International CYA Weekend





NEW CYA members from the 2nd half of 2009 – welcome!!

New Affiliate/Associate members:

Kevin and Claudia Murphy
ARRIVEDERCI
16 meter 1966 Baglietto
Long Beach, CA
Southern California Fleet

R. Thomas Merrill
Southern California Fleet

Jeff and Jennifer Nowling
ELLA
28' 1966 Trojan
Isleton, CA
Northern California Fleet

William Gray
EGRET
50' 1974 Stephens
Seattle, WA
Pacific Northwest Fleet

David and Annette Sherwood
Northern California Fleet

Eric Shippam
SEMPER FI
46' 1960 Richardson
Willow Berm, CA
Northern California Fleet

Peter Brachvogel and Stella Carosso
STELLA MARIS
33' 1966 Owens
Bainbridge Island, WA
Pacific Northwest Fleet

Dottie Meade
Southern California Fleet

Membership reinstatement:

Roger and Colleen Stewart
GALLANT LADY
Pacific Northwest Fleet

New Classic/Vintage members:

Bob Salk
IDA MAY
46' 1926 Fellows and Stewart
San Rafael, CA
Northern California Fleet

Robert and Marcee Aahl
ROAMER
47' 1947 Annapolis
Anacortes, WA
Pacific Northwest Fleet

Peter and Laura Andrews
TARKA
30' 1939 J.J. Taylor and Sons
Canoe Cove, BC
Canadian Fleet



Loren and Erin Nordby
POTENTATE
52' 1952 Chris Craft
Seattle, WA
Pacific Northwest Fleet



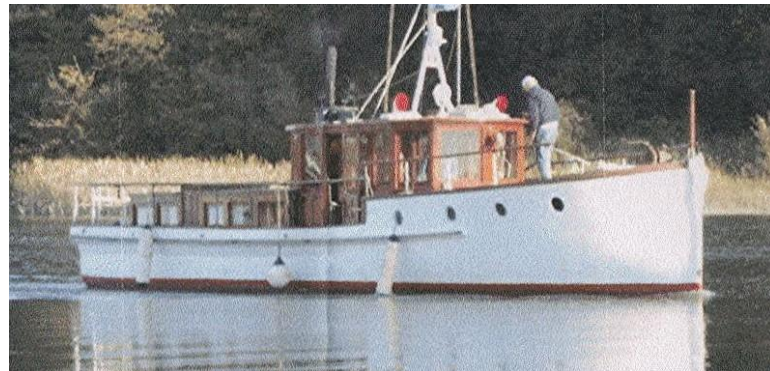
Peter Mann and Nancy Everds
GUILLEMOT
30' 1939 Chambers
Seattle, WA
Pacific Northwest Fleet



Keith and Lisa Mitchell
SEA BREEZE
41' 1939 Stephens
Alameda, CA
Northern California Fleet



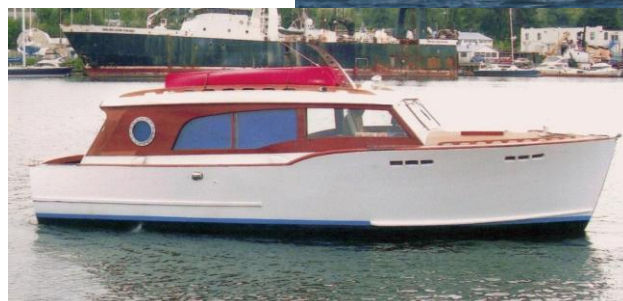
George and Manya Egerton
MYSTERION
50' 1927 Arbuthnot
Richmond, BC
Canadian Fleet



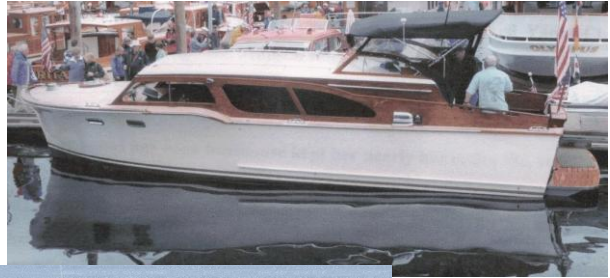
Mike and Janet Monda
DAWN TREADER
35' 1956 Chris Craft
Seattle, WA
Pacific Northwest Fleet



Dana and Jeri Brodie
TINKER
33' 1950 Owens
Seattle, WA
Pacific Northwest Fleet



Keith and Dana McCauley
BOLD VENTURE
39' 1956 Youngquist/Conyoung Boat Works
Port Orchard, WA
Pacific Northwest Fleet



Robert and Jytte Wheeler
CAROUSEL
42' 1953 Cummings
Bremerton, WA
Pacific Northwest Fleet



The **2011 International CYA Board of Director Meetings and Change of Watch Banquet** will be held in beautiful and historic Victoria, British Columbia, over the weekend of **January 14-16, 2011**. Hosted by the Canadian Fleet, the events promise to be informative and fun. Watch this space, your mailbox, and your emailbox for more information. Put the weekend on your calendar!

USA Fleet upcoming public event: July 24-25 ... the Antique & Classic Boat Rendezvous, held at Mystic Seaport, Connecticut, has chosen to feature the vessels of the Classic Yacht Association at this 2010 event. And, even better yet, CYA's own *Nisca* will be the "cover girl" for the event! Be there!

NC Fleet upcoming public event: June 11-13 ... Stephens Yacht Rendezvous will be held at the new Stockton Downtown Marina at the head of the channel in Stockton. Shawn Ball, smball1@comcast.net.

PNW Fleet upcoming public events:

June 4-6 – Gig Harbor Antique & Classic Yacht Festival, Bill & Elsa Woodard, billnelson@msn.com.

June 4-6 – Edmonds Waterfront Festival, Bob Birdseye, bird2bk@yahoo.com.

June 18-20 – Bell Street Pier Classic Rendezvous, Seattle, Chip & Kristin Kochel, cokel5@msn.com.



Ted & Becky Crosby's 1924 Portland Yacht Yard, *Nisca*
Poster-boat for the 2010 ACBR in Mystic, Connecticut
July 24-25, 20