



# SAUVIE ISLAND YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## Upcoming Club Events:

### SIYC Membership Meeting

March 3, 2017 | 7 p.m.

Sauvie Island Academy

*See more info on page 4.*

### SIYC Anchoring Cruise

March 18th -19th, 2017

Location TBD

*See more info on page 5.*



### SIYC Navigation Cruise

April 15th -16th, 2017

Route is TBD

Riverplace Dock

## Commodore's Comments

### February 2017

Greetings SIYC members and friends,

Our crocuses are bravely poking their heads out of the soil, determined to break winter's grip, and let us peek around the corner to see spring. My shoulder muscles are certainly looking forward to sunshine and temperatures above 60° when they can possibly relax after a constant state of tension over the last few months.



The February general meeting attendance was small as the weather once again threatened to put some of us in ditches. Even our speakers, Multnomah County Sheriff River Patrol did not make it, probably due to ice on the docks. Those of us that did show up stuffed ourselves on the large pan of brownies intended for a much larger group.

I was scheduled to move a boat for a customer last week, but trying to be a prudent mariner, chose to postpone that because of a wind forecast with gusts to 40! Yikes! It's one thing to be far offshore and have strong winds where you can just reef down and bear off, yet quite another attempting to bring an unfamiliar vessel into a challenging downwind and down current slip.

It looks like Anita and I will have to miss the Valentines cruise due to the rescheduling of a prior commitment that had been also been cancelled thanks to the weather. Oh well, there's always the March cruise.

OK, enough whining. The forecast looks somewhat promising for the upcoming cruise. Just be sure to bring your valentine to snuggle up with.

Cheers,  
Richard Sandefur  
Commodore  
Sauvie Island Yacht Club



## The Value of YachtDestinations.org

SIYC values its Reciprocal Privileges with other Yacht Clubs on the west coast of North America. When you plan your next blue water trip north or south of the Columbia River, check out the yacht clubs with which we have approved Reciprocal Privileges.

When you go to [YachtDestinations.org](http://YachtDestinations.org), you need to "Create an Account" of your own, and while doing so indicate that you are a member of "Sauvie Island Yacht Club". Then when you "Sign In", the database of clubs will filter down to those with whom our club has reciprocal relations. Then these clubs can be found graphically under the "Destinations Tab" or in tabular form under the "Details" tab. By clicking on the icons on these pages you will find a wealth of information about a club's facilities, terms of use, and the surrounding area.

You may view the all-inclusive database of yacht clubs by going into the website without signing in. If you find a particular club that you are interested in, but that we do NOT have a relationship with, contact George Stonecliffe (our SIYC Reciprocal Administrator) at [georgestonecliffe@gmail.com](mailto:georgestonecliffe@gmail.com). It may take a few weeks to establish a relationship, and sometimes we have been turned down. But we can approach any club that is listed in the database.

For more information, please contact George Stonecliffe at [georgestonecliffe@gmail.com](mailto:georgestonecliffe@gmail.com).

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### BoatUS Membership, 50% off

The SIYC is a participating member of the Boat U.S. Group program, which allows SIYC members a 50% discount on their individual Boat U.S. membership dues. To take advantage you will need our group code: [GA81077Y](https://www.boat-us.com/group/GA81077Y). Use the code when renewing your individual membership. There are numerous savings available with a Boat U.S. membership, a few of which include:

- A 4% rebate at West Marine
- Marina fuel and service discounts
- Towing discount, Insurance and many more. See the whole list at [www.BoatUS.com](http://www.BoatUS.com)

## January Land Cruise Report Saturday, January 21, 2017

Astoria Maritime Museum

The Land Cruise to Astoria on January 21st was great fun. We all met at the Astoria Maritime Museum, toured the museum and then adjourned to the Wet Dog Café for good food and lively discussions.

Attendees were: Cambia (Garry & guest), Kaaluna (Chris & Kim); Hokolua (Ed & Sarah) and Openwater (Paul & guest). Ed and Sarah opted to tour Astoria while the rest of us toured the museum. The weather was mostly pleasant and the rain waited until we were all headed home. The food was excellent at the Wet Dog and the conversation went on for over 2 hours. As always, the company was delightful. Thank you to everyone that attended.

Chris & Kim Taylor  
S/V Kaaluna



## SIYC Valentine's Cruise Report Saturday & Sunday, February 11-12

Coon Island

Well, it ended up being a quiet, beautiful weekend for the Valentines Cruise. It ended up being just us, but the weather was perfect. We hiked/ bushwhacked around the island, ate a lot of shrimp & andouille sausage gumbo, had beverages around the fire pit and talked to owls under an almost full moon. Oh, and did I mention the frogs? Lots of frogs singing all weekend long. The current and debris in the river made the trip interesting but it was so wonderful to be in the sun that we really didn't mind. Oh, and Chris won first prize in the Valentine making contest.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris & Kim Taylor  
S/V Kaaluna



## Portland Boat Show

Thank you to all those who worked our booth at the Portland Boat Show. Although weather diminished the number of visitors to the boat show, we still were able to be a presence in the boating community. There were a few enthusiastic boaters that showed interested in our club. Thank you to all those who helped make it another successful Portland Boat show.



## SIYC March Meeting Topic

Friday, March 3, 2017

(Rescheduled)

### Stray Current and Electrical Shock Drowning Class (Part 2)

Guest Speaker — Kevin Ritz

Kevin Ritz ABYC Master Marine Technician, and Marine Electrician will return for the second part of his class on *Stray Current and Electrical Shock Drowning*.



Lucas Ritz

Stray current is insidious, silent, and invisible. It can also be lethal.

Last year Kevin introduced us to his family, including the memory of his 8 year old son Lucas who died as a result of Electrical Shock Drowning. Learn to test for it, recognize it and fix it. This class may well save your life or the one of someone you love.

#### Teach, Learn, Care (TLC) Campaign

Lucas Ritz

For more information, click this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-jtqQoJTQWw&list=PLdUOlvy9BQy4gPr7-yq4Cxfv6Y78tk1-m&index=1>



## Social Media: SIYC Facebook Page

The club has decided to create a SIYC facebook page! If you haven't yet liked our page please do so. We will be posting upcoming events and cruises, sharing pictures and connecting members.

*If you enjoy the stories from these cruising members of Sauvie Island Yacht Club, please say so. Sometimes the cruisers comment that they feel like they are sending their articles into a black hole, and they never get any feedback. Let's all make an effort to let them know they are appreciated. If you see them, say something. If they are still out cruising, send them an email. If you have questions for them, do ask – it may be the seed for an interesting future report. – Ed*



## Membership Meeting Notes from Friday, February 3, 2017

Sauvie Island Yacht Club  
Minutes of general membership meeting

At 7:33 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Commodore Richard Sandefur. The other officers present were Vice-Commodore Gabrielle Dowding and Secretary Kim Taylor.

Guests present were: Heather Pahkala.

There was no Treasurer's Report.

Vice-Commodore/Program Chair Gabrielle Dowding mentioned that anyone wanting SIYC logo clothing should contact her for the catalogs.

Gabrielle then described the programs planned for the rest of the year. Tonight's program was to be Deputy Jason Tyrus with the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office River Patrol Unit. March will be the second half of Kevin Ritz's presentation about preventing and dealing with electricity leakage into the water. (We heard the first half last year). April's meeting will be Rick & Cynthia Woldridge and Mark Kloepfer doing a presentation on boat restoration.

The new storage unit has been set up and SIYC items are being moved into it. Thank you to Cynthia Woldridge for putting this together. If you happen to have any SIYC items that you are storing, please contact Cynthia about getting them put into the storage unit so they can be centrally located.

Kim & Chris Taylor hosted the January Land Cruise to Astoria. A total of eight people attended. The Astoria Maritime Museum was fascinating and after an enjoyable tour we adjourned to the Wet Dog Café for libations and great food. After almost 3 hours of noshing and solving all of the world's problems, everyone headed on back home. It was a truly enjoyable outing and the Taylor's thank everyone who attended.

The Valentines Cruise is coming up on February 11th & 12th at Coon Island, East Dock. Since the weather will be cold, the theme will be, "Foods from Warm Countries." Bring your best artistic skills because, starting at 2:00 on Saturday, we will be having a Valentine decorating contest. Also, there will be a breakfast potluck Sunday morning. Besides the noted food, please bring your own eating utensils, chairs, tables, tarps might be nice, firewood and/or propane heaters.

**We are looking for a host for the March Anchoring Cruise. The host gets to pick the location.**

The date for the April Navigation Cruise has been changed to April 20th & 21st so as to not conflict with Easter.

Garry Weber will host the Race Cruise.

Kerry with North Sails will be holding a set of sail repair classes on March 1st, 8th & 15th. The cost of the series is \$90.00. Please contact North Sails if you are interested.

The idea of having a SIYC "business" card for members to hand out to people interested in the club was brought up. A test design was offered and, subject to a few tweaks, warmly received. It was voted to move ahead with the project to finalize the design and order approximately 300 – 500 of the cards at a cost not to exceed \$50.00.

Unfortunately our speaker got called out at the last moment and was not able to attend. Instead we ate yummy treats and had some great conversations. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Taylor  
Secretary

## 2016-2017 Planning Calendar

General Meetings		Board Meetings		Cruises	
Date/Theme	Location	Date	Location	Dates	Where/Theme
September 9 Potluck	Sauvie Island Academy	September 7	TBD	Sept 17-18	Gilbert River Docks
October 7	Sauvie Island Academy	October 5	TBD	Oct. 22-23	Annual Halloween Cruise — Government Island East
November 4	Sauvie Island Academy	November 2	TBD	Nov. 19-20	Annual Thanksgiving Cruise — Hadley's Landing
December 10 Christmas Party	Montinore Vineyards	At Christmas Party	At Christmas Party	Dec 31- Jan. 1	New Year's Cruise Coon Island — East Dock
January 6	Sauvie Island Academy	January 4	TBD	Jan. 21	Land Cruise — Englund / Astoria Maritime Museum
February 3	Sauvie Island Academy	February 1	TBD	Feb. 11-12	Valentine Cruise Coon Island East Dock
March 3	Sauvie Island Academy	March 1	TBD	Mar. 18-19	Anchoring Cruise — TBD
April 7	Sauvie Island Academy	April 5	TBD	April 15-16	Navigation Cruise — Riverplace Dock
May 5 Annual Meeting/ Dessert Potluck	Sauvie Island Academy	May 3	TBD	May 20-21	Annual Race/Drift Cruise — Sand Island
June 3 Annual Picnic	TBD				

## SIYC Cruising Boats

Boat Name	Owners' Names	Location
<i>Adagio</i>	Jeff & Jane Woodward	San Carlos, MX
<i>Casita</i>	Devon Quinn & Rowan Madix	Alameda, CA
<i>LunaSea</i>	Frank & RaeAnn Haynes	Santa Catalina, CA
<i>Faith Ryder</i>	Mike Dunlap & Peggy Shaw	La Paz, MX
<i>Nashira</i>	Mike Floyd	La Paz, BCS, MX
<i>Pied-A-Mer III</i>	Eric & Pam Sellix	Fiji
<i>Silvergirl</i>	Bob Hulegard & Robin Fouche	Newport Beach, CA

## Recipe of the Month

### Crusted Salmon or Mahi-Mahi

From Cynthia Woldridge , *S/V Cat's Pawn*

All ingredient amounts are very approximate, as they are added to personal taste and to get correct consistency.

#### Ingredients:

1 lb	Salmon or mahi-mahi filets (4-5, approx. 2"x4" filets)
1 lb	Raw shrimp (fresh crab meat is also yummy)
1/4 c-1/3c	Bread crumbs (we usually use seasoned)
2-3 T	Small capers
2 large	Cloves fresh garlic
3-4 T	Mayonnaise

#### Steps:

If using mahi-mahi, filet off skin. You don't need to remove salmon skin, as it comes right off after it is cooked. Grind shrimp in meat grinder. Mix ground shrimp (or crab), bread crumbs, capers, pressed garlic and mayonnaise in bowl to form a very thick paste. "Blob" shrimp mixture on top of each filet, so that it more or less covers top of filet, approx. 1/2 - 3/4 inch thick.

Put foil on BBQ grill, spray with non-stick cooking spray. Grill until topping is firm and fish flakes. Use torch to brown the topping. Can also be baked in oven at 350°F, using broiler to brown topping.




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## Member Websites

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<b>Moonshadow:</b>	<a href="http://www.voyagemoonshadow.blogspot.com/">http://www.voyagemoonshadow.blogspot.com/</a>
<b>Moontide:</b>	<a href="http://www.svmoontide.com/">http://www.svmoontide.com/</a>
<b>On the Bright Side:</b>	<a href="http://www.svonthebrightside.wordpress.com">http://www.svonthebrightside.wordpress.com</a>
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<b>Ranidan:</b>	<a href="http://persimmonsky.wordpress.com/">http://persimmonsky.wordpress.com/</a>
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SIYC members : Do you have a website or blog for your boat that isn't listed above? If so, please get the information to your trusty editor, Alicia Watkins, [aliciawatkins@gmail.com](mailto:aliciawatkins@gmail.com), and we'll make sure your website or blog is included in future issues of the newsletter.

## CRUISING REPORTS

### Eric & Pam Sellix, S/V *Pied-a-Mer*

Greetings All,

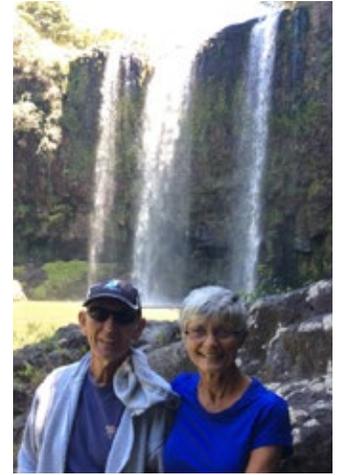
At 0755 on December 8, we weighed anchor and amid fog, wind and rain, rain, rain, we left Opuia and started our trip to Whangarei---(In the Maori language “Wh” is pronounced as an “f”, so Whangarei is pronounced Fangarei). Around noon we passed a popular tourist spot, “Hole In The Rock. According to Maori legend, local warriors used to paddle through the hole in their canoes before battle---for good luck. We should have taken the dinghy through for “good weather”. As the day progressed we exchanged shorts for long pants, short sleeved shirts for long sleeved shirts and put on fleece jackets and fur lined boots. We felt we were in The Pacific Northwest.

Our destination was Town Basin Marina in Whangarei which is located several miles up the Hatea River. Marina arrival needed to be done at high tide and during the hours of operation of a drawbridge, so we needed to wait until high tide the next morning. We stopped late afternoon and anchored at Tutukaka, which is the gateway to the Poor Knights Islands Marine Reserve.

The Tutukaka Coast is beautiful and deserves exploration which we will do when we head back to Opuia in April. Bright and early the next morning we weighed anchor, motored to the mouth of the Hatea River, wound our way up river, notified the Hatea Bridge control that we needed the bridge opened and radioed the marina for the location of our pile mooring. Pile moorings were new to us. We could see how the other boats were tied up to the pilings, we had two lines on each the



bow and the stern but weren't quite sure how we were going to get the lines down and through the rings. Fortunately, friends had heard us radio the marina and came out in their dinghy to help us tie up. Now, after two months at Town Basin we have a system for getting *Pied-a-Mer* off and back on the moorings, unassisted!



Whangarei is the North Island “cruiser vortex”. Cruisers repeatedly spend storm season here, returning each November and staying until the end of April. After crossing the Pacific, our first storm season was spent in Australia while most of our friends sailed to New Zealand. So, this season we are known as “the only boat that didn't go to New Zealand”! We are really enjoying reconnecting with boats that we haven't seen for 2-3 years, since the US and Mexico. We can confirm and can say from experience that we live in a very small, small world.

Upon arriving in a new country the first order of business for us is always finding an ATM, buying Sim cards for the iPhone and replenishing groceries which, for Eric, means buying ice cream. Once a month Eric needs to have an INR (blood test). We've had unique experiences locating a clinic or hospital where the test can be done and it's certainly easier in countries where English is the common language. The cost for the test varies. In some countries, he has needed to see a doctor who will then write a prescription for the test, then we have to find a lab. In others, it works to just walk into a lab and have it done. The cost for the test varies from country to country. We've paid anywhere from \$25.00 in Tonga to \$125.00 in Australia. We have been able to find good medical and dental care throughout our travels. (Continued)

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## CRUISING REPORTS

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### **Eric & Pam Sellix, S/V Pied-a-Mer (continued)**

Back to North Island and Whangarei. Whangarei was a well established and thriving Maori settlement by the time Captain Cook arrived in 1769. You can still see, around some of the hills and river valleys, signs of having been part of a pa (fortified village), garden or food storage pit. The Whangarei Harbour was a meeting point for tribes from the north traveling south by Waka (canoe). Early missionary records indicate that as many as 3,000 Maori would camp on the shores of the Harbour and organize their journeys. Town Basin Marina is a city marina close to cafes, craft and art galleries, museums, and a large grocery and we have been able to find or order all that we need for the boat.

Our next cruising report will continue with Whangarei and a road trip to Auckland.

Eric & Pam Sellix  
S/V Pied-a-Mer

*Note of interest:* As I write this I am at our daughter's in Vancouver and the other day while I was at the Hayden Island West Marine, the very cheerful and helpful gentlemen that was

assisting me mentioned Sauvie Island and I told him that we belonged to the SIYC, "So do I", was his response. Thank you, Rick Woldridge, S/V Cat's Paw, nice visiting with you. Will work on an article on anchors.



Cruiser's Christmas Tree:  
shells/sea glass

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### **Mike Dunlap & Peggy Shaw, Faith Ryder**

Dear SIYC Friends,

It's been a while since we left Portlandia and haven't been too good about correspondence.

We are in Banderas bay anchored out in front of Santa Cruz Huanacastle marina. We've decided to spend less time in marinas. The boat seems to be holding up well and haven't had an major problems. We're thinking about leaving her in Mazatlan for the summer and flying home for a few months.

It's not been very warm here, mostly highs in the 70's, but at least it's not been the cold wet icy stuff you've been having.

Fair winds,

Mike & Peggy  
S/V Faith Ryder  
Banderas Bay, Mexico

