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## Commodore's Message

*Mary McCollum - 2010 is Going to be Fabulous!!*

Welcome to the 2010 Lewis Clark Sailing Association year!!! And Thank you for electing me as Commodore. I do believe that I will have my hands full this year getting all the items done that ya'll want to get done, starting with a mailed out newsletter, which as you are now reading, has begun.



I would like to thank our officers from last year for all their hard work and dedication to the club!

Past-Commodore - Tim Lynch  
Past Vice- Commodore – Alex Gourluck  
Past Secretary – Jackie Haight  
Past Treasurer – Lots of Help  
Past Race Chairman - Jeff Hanson

Ya'll did a fabulous job and I am sure the 2010 Officers will ask many question!! The club had some amazing sailing days last year as well as interesting races and events. Without the support of the officers and all the

And to the incoming 2010 Lewis Clark Sailing Association Officers:

Commodore – Mary McCollum  
Vice-Commodore – Lauren  
Treasurer –Kay Blair  
Secretary – Tim Lynch  
Race Co-Chairmen – Wes Vaughn and Randy Blair

For our first official re-introduction of the LCSA Newsletter, we, as your officers, have decided to give a bio of ourselves. This would be a great addition to the newsletter...to have a bio on a different member every month!!! As I mentioned we some challenges before us for 2010 which I am positive will be an exciting and progressive year for the club!!

### *Mary's Bio*

My sailing adventures started back when I was a little girl sailing in Galveston Texas on my parents sail boat and sailing in Lake Austin outside of Austin Texas...loved the water and the gentle breeze along with a few interesting bouts with high winds. I didn't get the opportunity to sail again until High School in Maryland around Baltimore and the next stop was Carmel California where I indulged a bit on a friend's 50 ft boat sailing around the Monterey Bay. The real adventure began in McCall on Payette Lake as a member of the Mill Harbor Yacht Club when I bought my own boat...Grace. I attended sailing school In Ft Lauderdale, Fl, received a few sailing certifications and started my journey of



## February Tips for Start of Sailing Season

### GENERAL:

Do a general cleaning of hull, deck and topsides using a mild detergent Put on a good coat of wax Clean teak and oil Clean canvas, bimini and dodger Clean interior including bilges Check spare parts and tools and replace as necessary Make sure registration is current and onboard

**HULL** Check for hull abrasions, scratches, gouges, etc. and repair Check for blisters and refinish is necessary Check rub rails Check swim platform and/or ladder Check rudder and fittings

**DECK, FITTINGS, SAFETY EQUIPMENT:** Check stanchion, pulpits and lifelines for integrity Check ground tackle, lines, fenders, etc. Check chainplates and cleats Check hull/deck joint Check deck, windows, and port lights for leaks Inspect anchor windlass and lubricate Clean and grease winches Check and lubricate blocks, pad eyes, etc.

**REQUIRED AND RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT:** Sound signaling device Check distress signals and expiration date Check Pfd's Inspect life rings and cushions Check fire extinguishers and recharge if necessary Check and replace first aid supplies Check bailer and hand pump

**OUTBOARD MOTOR:** Replace spark plugs Check plug wires for wear Check prop for nicks and bends Change/fill gear lube Inspect fuel lines, primer bulb and tank for leaks Lubricate and spray moveable parts

**TRAILER:** Check for current registration Check rollers and pads Check and lubricate wheel bearings Clean and lubricate winch Lubricate tongue jack and wheel Test lights and electrical connections Check tire pressure and condition Check brakes (if equipped) Check safety chains Check tongue lock

**SAILS:** Check general condition Look for wear and chafing Check battens and batten pockets Check all sail attachments Inspect bolt rope

**MAST AND RIGGING:** Check mast and spreaders for corrosion or damage Inspect spreader boots and shrouds Inspect rivets and screw connections for corrosion Check reefing points and reefing gear Clean sail track Check rigging, turnbuckles and clevis pins for wear and corrosion Inspect stays for fraying and "fish hooks" Check forestay and backstay connections Check masthead fitting and pulleys Check and lubricate roller furling Check halyards and consider replacing or swapping end for end Tape turnbuckles, cotter pins, and spreaders



racing and sailing Grace. I was Vice-Commodore of MHYC in 2007 and Commodore in 2008. Now, after years of racing and sailing solo, I have the pleasure of a crew.. Wes...on occasion., sometimes he get to be captain when we sail his boat...More sailing adventures to come!!!

## Vice-Commodore's Words

*Loren Murphy*

**Ahoy Fellow Sailors** - This column will be to encourage the Art of Sailing and a bunch of the ancillary aspects of same.

First-off: I would like to introduce the new Vice Commodore, who is the editor of this column, Loren Murphy along with his beautiful bride Georgia Murphy. I know it is out of vogue for husband and wife to hail by the same last name, but so what; it is what it is!

My First Mate and I have sailed over 42,000 nautical miles in the past 25 years to bring the Gospel and help to the remote islands and coastlands of the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans. Since returning in 1988 from the Pacific we have searched for "The right Vessel" to be able to take humanitarian aid to these islands. We decided that we needed to build a properly designed vessel for the work. Hence "ZEBULUN", a 96' aluminum schooner which is presently under construction in the Port of Clarkston.

(To be continued)..... COME FOR A VISIT!

## Secretary's Reminders

*Tim Lynch*

Having been elected to the position (or did I volunteer?), I thought some might want to know a little more about who I am. I'm a Lewiston architect running my own business. I have a wife, Desire and two daughters. The youngest, Dylana, has recently discovered the joys

of sailing at the tender age of 2-1/2.

I started sailing in the early '70 on a Sunfish of the south coast of Florida. Didn't sail again for almost 15 years. Took it up again in central New York with my younger brother, racing each other in rented Holder 14's. Moved to Lewiston in 1991 and in 1993 traded a mountain bike for used AMF Wildflower. That September, Randy Blair and Wes Vaughn convinced me to race it in the Tribune Cup. I took first in the dinghy fleet and was hooked forever. Randy helped me building a wooded dinghy the winter of 2000 and I purchased my San Juan 21 the summer of 2003.

I've been the LCSA Commodore twice ('04 and '09), Secretary once before ('03), the newsletter editor in '03, '06 & '07, and was the original webmaster for lcsailing.org in '07. widths and spacing, use the Columns command on the Format menu.

## Treasurer's Report

*Kay Blair*

Kay and I have been sailing for 34 years and are the owners of Blair's Wind & Wood Boats. We currently own six sailboats, so we are obviously obsessed

with sailboats. Kay is the club treasurer and I am helping with the race committee.

Randy and Kay Blair



## Racing Committee Report

*Wes Vaughn & Randy Blair*

Hello Fellow Members:

Wes Vaughn here... I am working as part of the Race Committee for the club this year. I have lived in the valley for 31 years and have sailed for 25 or so---. I always wanted to sail and my friend Randy Blair finally gave me the chance to crew back in the 80's. I crewed for him for 3 years I think till I bought my San Juan 21. Yup that's right. I have had Yellowjacket for about 23 years. I have sailed in a few different regatta's in the 21 class and PHRF and

Portsmouth class as well. I have been a Commodore of the LCSA and Commodore of the San Juan 21 National Association and have held a variety of positions with the LCSA in the past, including racing committee. If any of you have any questions or I can help in any way please just give me a call or send me a e-mail. I have been in an insurance agent for 30 years and now have an office in Asotin and one in Pullman. Pioneer Ins. does mostly personal and small business coverage's. I am looking forward to the 2010 sailing season. See you at the next meeting---

*Randy Blair's bio is up with Kay's...a little modest...their bio could fill up the whole newsletter!!!*

### 2010 Frost Bites Series

- February 21
- February 28
- March 7
- March 21
- April 11

### 2010 Alex Bell Regatta

- April 17- & 18<sup>th</sup>

### 2010 Tribune Cup

- September 18 & 19

### 2010 Fall Series

- September 12
- September 26
- October 3
- October 27
- October 31

**Next Meeting – Thursday February 4<sup>th</sup> at The Bistro in Clarkston**

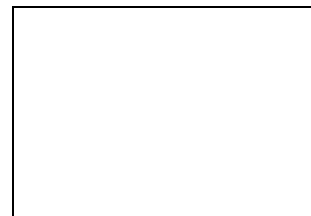
**6:00pm- Social Hour**

**7:00pm - Meeting**

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