



*Sharing the Sailing Community*

### **Officer Nominees for 2022**

**Candidate for Commodore, Charlie Macaulay.** Charlie Macaulay has been a member of CYC since 1981, shortly after moving to the Seattle area. He caught the sailboat racing bug while at the University of Florida, sailing in the Gator Sail Club in intercollegiate regattas. He has raced on boats from Sunfish to 420s and FJs in college to Lightnings, Thunderbirds, J24s, Farr 30s, and a variety of IOR and other keel boats. His current boat is the Farr 39ML, Absolutely. In addition to racing, Charlie is a US Sailing Judge and Judge Instructor and supports the sport on protest committees around the NW, including umpiring high school and college team racing. He is a past Regional Administrative Judge for US Sailing. He was also CYC Fleet Captain Race in 1989 before resigning after being sent into exile in Houston, TX for a job offer he couldn't refuse. He's ready to again spend more time directly supporting CYC. Outside of sailing, Charlie is an avid skier. He is also the Chief Engineer for a global property loss control consulting company.



**Candidate for Vice Commodore, Wanda Creitz.** I grew up in Olympia, Washington above Budd Inlet watching sailboats from afar. Fleets of boats on a spinnaker run could catch my attention. The first time I stepped onto a sailboat was in high school at Camp Malibu in BC. The current of Sechart Inlet swept me away and I had to be towed back to the dock. The next time I stepped onto a sailboat was in my 20's when I moved to Seattle and in time found my way into keelboat racing. I met my Husband Nate racing on the J29 Here and Now. We fell in love at Whidbey Island Race Week and in time purchased our Olson 25, 3 Ring Circus. With my family, I live aboard a 40-foot Cruise-A-Home in the Lake Washington Ship Canal. My son Dieter (a CYC summer sailing camp alumni) is an active sailor for some time now of many different crafts. I enjoy spending time at our cabin in the Gorge, paddle boarding and have worked in the legal field for over 19 years. I joined CYC in 2011. I previously served on the board as secretary from 2013 to 2014 and as a director from 2015 to 2016 and am looking forward to guiding the club.



### **Candidate for Rear Commodore, Sunny Fenton**

Sunny grew up in the PNW sailing dinghies on Puget Sound, and cruising the San Juan Islands and Canadian waters with her family. She was a junior sailing instructor in Kingston, and has sailed Drascombe sailboats in Baja, and Lightnings through the San Juan Islands. She has sailed in one-design fleets, Thunderbirds, J24s, 6 Meters and PHRF fleets out of CYC. Her current ride is TP52 Mist. Her family has a long history at CYC starting with her grandparents, Sunny and June Vynne, both life-long sailors, and now she's excited about being on the water in any form with her twin boys and wife, showing the next generation how to sail. Sunny previously served on the CYC board as a director and helped restart the club by running the membership committee. She believes that CYC is a really special welcoming place for the sailing community and she looks forward to joining the board and supporting the club.



**Candidate for Treasurer, Remmert Wolters.** Remmert was born in the Netherlands and moved to the US in 1973 to settle in the Seattle area in 1979. There was a boat in the family (a converted sailing flat bottom fisherman) and his first boat in Seattle was a San Juan 24. Joining CYC in 1981, he raced on the Lake until 1989 when he purchased a C&C 40. For the next 10 years, he crewed on various boats on the Sound and returned to the San Juan 24 fleet in 2001. Bandit had a trailer accident and it was replaced with a J/24 Seepaert fifteen years ago. Remmert has been on the board a couple of times and was treasurer 10-12 years ago as well as this year. This past year has been interesting and full of financial challenges. We all hunkered down and the membership stepped up big time and allowed us to make significant investments in the future of our yacht club and he enjoys being surrounded by people who are so committed to the sailing community in Seattle.



**Candidate for Secretary, Christa Bassett Ross.** Christa has been sailing most of her life, initially day trips and cruises with family and then after college met some friends who introduced her to duck dodge, and from there started racing. After each new racing experience, she would hear about the next adventure coming up on the calendar. She learned that you could sail all year long, and every night of the week in the summer, and then started to learn about longer distance races; Swiftsure, Southern Straits and Van Isle, not only could you sail for multiple days but there was this extra adventure of going somewhere new. She's done VicMaui and a couple Pac Cups, and hopes to add R2AK to the list. She is currently one of the J/24 fleet captains and has volunteered with other fleets over the years. She's raced with a large variety of boats over the years and has owned a couple sailboats during that time. Currently she's paired her sailing down to Team Sail Like a Girl and J24 Tundra Rose.



**Candidate for Fleet Captain Race, Stevan Johnson.** Steve grew up on the east coast, in and around New York and learned to sail on Long Island Sound, when there was wind. He had several successful moments sailing dinghies in college and crewing on larger boats on distance races. His primary claim to fame was being responsible for handing out welcoming gifts of 300 bottles of Mount Gay rum at the first Block Island Race Week. Since moving to Seattle in 1972, Steve has owned both wooden cruising boats and carbon fiber race boats and a J-24 of uncertain pedigree. He has the dubious record of sailing in 46 Swiftsures, 25 Southern Straits races, and 11 Van Isle 360s. As well as a few Hawaii races and a more than a few race weeks here and there. And yet, he is still married to the same person. He is currently learning how to sail his Transpac 52, Mist. Steve runs his own commercial architectural firm in downtown Seattle and lives in the Leschi area.



**Candidate for Fleet Captain Cruise, Andy Bereson.** Andrew Bereson grew up boating on the Chesapeake Bay in Maryland. Though raised on power boats, as a teenager he took an interest in sailing and joined his high school sailing team. He spent his summers throughout high school and college teaching sailing at Annapolis Sailing School and Coastline Sailing School (in Connecticut) where he developed a passion for cruising. As a professional captain he taught sailing, managed a charter fleet, operated a yacht delivery business and is certified as an Offshore Passage Making Instructor by both the ASA and US Sailing. He lived aboard and cruised the East Coast, from Nova Scotia to the Caribbean, on his Baba 35. In 1999, He sold his boat and moved to Seattle. He and Kate bought their current cruising boat, a Young Sun 43, shortly before they married 11 years ago. With their kids Nat (10) and Anna (7) they cruise the Salish Sea year round. They have been up and down the West Coast several times, circumnavigated Vancouver Island and sailed their boat to Panama to transit the canal. Andrew joined CYC in 2019 and looks forward to contributing to the club and its cruising program.



### **Director Nominee for 2022**

#### **Matthew Wood, Director.**

Matthew has served as the Club's Fleet Captain of Race for five years now and is nominated to serve as a Director to fulfill a recent vacancy. Matthew and his wife Kim have been active members of CYC since his move to Seattle in 1999. He has been active in both organizing and participating in racing since the mid 70's in Canada and the US. After living on Lake Union and helped his wife Kim DuBois organize Duck Dodge for a dozen years, they moved to Ballard near Shilshole Marina. He has over 30 Southern Straits, Swiftsure's and Whidbey Island Race Weeks under his keel, as well as several national and world championship regattas. He has served as the CYC PHRF Handicapper since 2000 and is excited to continue growing and improving the CYC Racing experience, especially bringing new people into the sport!



### **Director Nominees for 2022-2023**

**Mara Barckert, Director.** Mara began sailing as an infant on her parents Buchan 37 which she was named after. Growing up, Mara's boating experience included lots of CYC and Puget Sound racing and month-long expeditions to BC in the summers. Fast forward to more recent times when Mara took over the Mara from her parents, lived abroad for 2.5 years, married Greg (who's involved in the sailing community and was a mark setter for CYC), and they continue to enjoy sailing and cruising the Mara which has been extensively renovated. Before being a mom and running her own business, she got the chance to crew on some other local race boats as well. Mara is interested in helping out CYC on the board and imagines that her project experience, junior sailing interests, and passion for all types of boating adventures will fuel assisting the club on many fronts.



**Bob Combie, Director.** Bob has been sailing and racing since 1983 and long time CYC member. Proudly racing with the Shrek Racing Team, plus actively setting marks for Hobie Division 4 with a given Brotherhood of International Mark Boat Operator designation. Bob has volunteered to maintain the club race equipment for over 10 years, and currently assists Mark Bradner maintaining the Club power boat fleet.



**Paula Bersie, Director.** Paula started sailing at a YMCA day camp on one of the many lakes in Minnesota at 8 years old. She continued sailing and racing X-boats, M-16's, Ynglings, J-24's, and a Ranger 28 each summer at an all-girls camp and crewed on a variety of boats on Lake Minnetonka. She raced for the University of Wisconsin - Madison on FJ's and 420's and spent her summers teaching sailing at the Hooper Sailing Club where she also served as Vice Commodore, as well as the Chair of the Organizing Committee for the ICSCA National Championship Regattas her junior year. She started cruising in college as well and has taken her friends on charter trips all over the world including to the Bahamas, Greece, Italy, Thailand, Brazil, Croatia, and the BVI. In 2008, she bought her first boat, a Beneteau 393 "Orchid" out of Nanny Cay, BVI and spent the next year cruising the eastern Caribbean. She currently lives aboard and is re-fitting her Formosa 46 "Yonder" at Shilshole and races regularly on "Absolutely" and in the J-80 fleet. You might recognize her as "that woman from Fisheries Supply".



### Continuing Board Members

**Junior Staff Commodore.** Shelagh Hansen has been sailing in Seattle for 15 years, starting by working the bow on her father's boats, KatFink and Absolutely. She has also been fortunate enough to be involved in other programs including Neptune's Car, Flash, Smoke, J/80s, J/24s, Moore 24s and others. Her true passion is racing and ensuring that the sport continues to grow in the Seattle area for all boats. Shelagh is excited to continue to support Seattle sailing and continue driving a plan for long term sustainability of the club.



**Mark Bradner, Director.** Mark has been a member of CYC for more than 25 years. After several years of crewing on other boats and racing a Coronado 15, he acquired a San Juan 24, Return, which he has been sailing and racing out of Leschi since 1998. Mark served as the Secretary of CYC for four years in the '00s and has done several stints as fleet captain for the SJ24s.



**Mary Cronkhite-Johns, Director.** Mary started her love for sailing in 2002 as a "rookie" with the J/24 fleet on Rylah. Over the years, I've been honored to experience crewing for the Oregon Offshore, 2 Swiftsures, the Center Sound Series, Winter Vashon and a multitude of J/24 regatta racing on the West Coast. I would be honored to serve on the board as a signal to my commitment to strengthen the sailing community through the voluntary actions of its members. Bringing with me prior F&B experience at the leadership level from past roles held with Elk's Lodge memberships. I look forward to working with the CYC Board and to keep the club moving forward.





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**Official Ballot**

PLEASE HAND DELIVER (OR MAIL) to CYC'S SHILSHOLE CLUBHOUSE in time for the  
**2021 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 17 | 7PM**

**Write *Ballot* and print and sign your name on the outside of the return envelope.**

I direct that this ballot shall count toward the establishment of a quorum for elections at the Annual Membership Meeting of the Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle to be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 7pm, and any postponement or adjournment thereof, and I hereby vote in the election of officers and directors as follows:

Please check mark the box next to your selections:

**1. Election of Officers (Vote for 7 persons).**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Charlie Macaulay, Commodore  | <input type="checkbox"/> Stevan Johnson, Fleet Captain Race |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wanda Creitz, Vice Commodore | <input type="checkbox"/> Andy Bereson, Fleet Captain Cruise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunny Fenton, Rear Commodore | <input type="checkbox"/> Remmert Wolters, Treasurer         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> * _____                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Christa Bassett Ross, Secretary    |

Officer Position: \_\_\_\_\_

- Cast vote for all Officer Nominees above

**2. Election of Directors (Vote for 4 persons).**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mara Barckert | Term 2022-2023   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bob Combie    | Term 2022-2023   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paula Bersie  | Term 2022-2023   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Matthew Wood  | Term (1 Yr) 2023 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> * _____       | Term 2022-2023   |

- Cast vote for all Director Nominees above

**3. Do you approve the proposed changes to the CYC Bylaws?**

- Yes  
 No

\*Candidate nominated for write-in.

Write-in candidates must be nominated as delineated in the bylaws available at [www.cycseattle.org](http://www.cycseattle.org)

**You may cast your ballot in person at the meeting or you may mail or hand deliver it to the office before the meeting. In either case, please seal your ballot in a return envelope (one is provided), write *Ballot* and both print and sign your name on the outside of the return envelope. Ballots received after 6:45 pm on Wednesday, November 17 will not be counted.**