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April 2007

**Junior Camp 2007 begins late May
Call us for details....**

From Portland

Member Cookout and Social

Saturday April 21 - - 5:00pm-8:00pm

With the arrival of spring and nicer weather the ISC Portland crew has set a date for our first cookout and social of the season. To get the ball rolling on a great summer of social events at the club, the Portland staff will be furnishing food and fun for the cookout. This is a great opportunity for members to meet and greet each other and make some friends or even find a crew to race with. So make your way down to the boathouse.

Spinnaker Class

Saturday & Sunday April 14th & 15th - - 12:00pm-5:00pm

Many of our members have been requesting a Spinnaker class and we're happy to announce that we will be running one on Saturday and Sunday April 14th & 15th from 12:00 to 5:00. The Spinnaker course consists of a brief classroom introduction to the parts of the sail and stowage, then moves dockside to introduce students to the pole, rigging, and maneuvering of the spinnaker system on a variety of boats. On water training is utilized to give students practice launching, flying, jibing, and take downs along with driving the boat under sail. Upon completion students are qualified to check out spinnakers from the club and enjoy exciting downwind sailing. Sailing gloves are recommended with spinnaker sailing as sheet tensions are higher. Cost to members: \$240, non-members \$280. Contact ISC Portland to reserve your spot.

(800) 303-2470 - - iscportland@islandsailingclub.com

Racing Seminar

Saturday & Sunday April 21st & 22nd - - 12:00 - 5:00 pm

Take a break from taxes and join us for the first racing seminar of the season and stick around for a cookout that evening. In addition to learning the rules and tricks

of racing, we'll meet as a racing group to plan the upcoming season. Please RSVP by 4/11.

Portland April Classes

<i>Basic Keelboat</i>	March 31- April 1, 4/14 - 4/15, 4/21 - 4/22, & 4/28 - 4/29
<i>Basic Coastal Cruising</i>	March 31- April 1, 4/14 - 4/15, 4/21 - 4/22, & 4/28 - 4/29
<i>Racing Seminar</i>	April 21st
<i>Spinnaker Class</i>	April 14 & 15

From Kirkland

April Club Race

Saturday April 21st - - 9:00am-1:00pm

The Kirkland crew has scheduled their first race of the season. The action starts on April 21 at 9:00am and lasts till 1:00pm. Reserve your spot before April 18 to serve as a skipper or a crew member and prepare for fun and excitement.

Club Cruise - Blake Island

April 28th and 29th

The first cruise of 2007 has been set by The Kirkland Cruising Group. The cruise to Blake Island will be led by John Liable and take place Saturday and Sunday, April 28 and 29. The cruise will be weather dependant so watch the forecast. Reserve your spot by April 18th by contacting John Liable.

(425) 483-9106 - - sail02fun@aol.com

Cruising/Racing Group Pot Luck Social

Monday April 2nd - - 7:00–9:00pm

The fourth meeting of the Cruising and Racing group is upon us and the Kirkland ISC crew is preparing for another great time. The meeting will focus on organizing more events for the sailing season, selecting cruise destinations, and scheduling racing events. In addition to the business at hand, attendees are encouraged to bring a dish to pass or drinks to share. The group is growing and will only become better with the involvement of our members, so stop by and express your interest in these activities. This event is free to members and family members are welcome to attend.

Race Training

Tuesdays April 3, 10, 17, & 24 - - 6:00pm–8:30pm

Get ready for this month's club race by taking part in our race training sessions every Tuesday night in April. The sessions kick off on April 3rd at 6:00pm and will cover racing techniques and tips. Instructor Joel Ferguson will be on hand to introduce you to racing or just help brush up your racing skills. Sessions will consist of classroom training and hands on practice on the boats.

Rigging Tuning Seminar Make your boat go faster

Saturday April 7th - - 9:30am–12:30pm

Learn everything you would ever dream of knowing about tuning your rigging. This seminar will cover proper tuning, common problems, and trouble-shooting techniques. Summer is upon us and it's time to tune the rigging -- you can never be too prepared. Reserve your spot by April 5th for this free seminar.

Kirkland April Classes

<i>Basic Keelboat</i>	April 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, & 28-29
<i>Basic Coastal Cruising</i>	April 14 & 15
<i>Bareboat Chartering</i>	April 27-29
<i>Coastal Navigation</i>	April 3, 5, 10, 12, & 17
<i>Spinnaker Class</i>	April 14 & 15

To sign up for any of these events contact:

Island Sailing Club - Kirkland

(800) 303-2470 - - isckirkland@islandsailingclub.com

From Olympia

New Addition to the Olympia Fleet

ISC's Catalina 30' has arrived in Olympia. The March Bareboat class out of Kirkland delivered the boat to its new home on a wet and wild weekend. Many thanks go out to Captain Paul and his student crew.

The cruise equipped Catalina 30' will now be stationed in Olympia and will be available for ASA Bareboat certified club members for a limited time before going back into charter service. If you've been considering getting Bareboat Certification, here is a great incentive for getting it done now in order to be qualified to take this boat out. With summer fast approaching we are looking forward to a busy cruising season in the South Sound. The Catalina 30' puts the San Juan Islands within reach of our Olympia and Portland members for the first time. We have already taken reservations on this boat for the summer season and are sure to receive more. Call in early to reserve some time on ISC's largest boat before it is booked for the summer.

Olympia April Classes

<i>Basic Keelboat</i>	April 21 & 22
<i>Basic Coastal Cruising</i>	April 14 & 15
<i>Bareboat Chartering</i>	April 28 & 29

Sailing Tip

If you've found that your knot tying skills have gotten somewhat rusty over the winter months here is a great website that can help you regain some of those skills. The site features animations that are helpful in seeing just where that line goes.

<http://www.animatedknots.com>

