

CRYA Closing Day at Dolphin Yacht Club

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Continuing a long traditional, the Columbia River Yachting Association Closing Day took place on October 2-4. Dolphin Yacht Club hosted the event at the Port of Camas/Washougal.

The weekend event kicked off with a Chili Feed at the DYC Clubhouse on Friday evening, followed by a full day of competition and fun on Saturday. This year, each Daughter of Neptune was able to attend at least a portion of the multi-day event, and Father Neptune was also in attendance. Eleven Yacht Clubs participated, with an estimated 170 members attending over the three days.

On Saturday, the clubs recognized the loss of Willamette Yacht Club Commodore Janet Huck. An honorary drill was performed by the Willamette Yacht Club during the cannon firing.

Over 130 members were in attendance for the Burger Bash on Saturday evening, followed by a recap of the day's winners, and the annual CRYA raffle.

The results were:

- Cannon Firing:
DYC, TYC/SHYC and CRYC.
- Dinghy Parade:
DYC, MCYC, and TYC
- Men's Line Toss: WYC,
DYC and TYC
- Women's Line Toss:
WYC, TYC and TYC
- Men's Horseshoes: TYC, SHYC
- Women's Horseshoes: TYC
and MCYC
- Hors d'oeuvres: RYC,
DYC and PYC
- Kite Flying by the Daughters
of Neptune: MCYC, RYC
and RYC



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Eleven of the twenty-one CRYA clubs participated in the Closing Day festivities. The Cannon Firing competition is judged on safety and pageantry, along with uniforms, etiquette and clean up.



The Daughters of Neptune lowered the club's flags for the season at the end of Closing Day weekend.

On Sunday, the overall scores were announced, and Tye Yacht Club won the award for the 4th year in a row. The Daughters of Neptune and Father Neptune were introduced, followed by a live performance of the national anthem, then the flags were lowered for the season.

The Dolphin Yacht Club and CRYA would like to thank all those in the yachting community who participated in the Closing Day events. If you are interested in becoming a yacht club member, please visit www.crya.us to find information on local yacht clubs.