



# C-Dory Owners Underway Again

By Brock Arnold

C-Dory boaters began the year in splendid fashion with an extended weekend outing March 26-28. Thirteen boats assembled at cozy Jarrell Cove State Park for our first rendezvous of 2004.

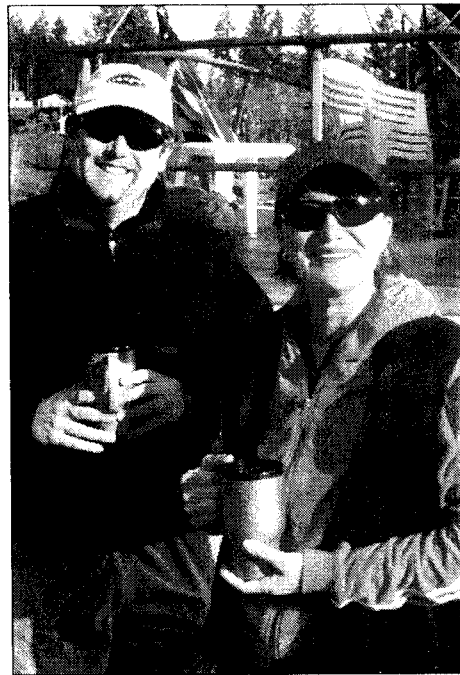
Like honey bees buzzing to a hive, we found Jarrell proved a sweet, strategic retreat for a gang of C-Folks coming from all directions. Lyle and Shelly trailered their new 25-foot C-Dory from Yakima, while Larry and Helen brought Helen O, and Ken and Marge drove Blue-Sea up from Vancouver. Jon and Cynthia towed C-Lou down from Port Angeles, Jim and Laurie came from Puyallup, I cruised from Des Moines, several put in at Olympia, including Fred Young in new Anita Marie, and Bill Giese in two-day-old Da Nag, and most others arrived from a variety of nearby venues. And as always, some owners dropped in for a day of fun without their boats, and curious non-owners familiar with our web-site appeared to examine our boats and meet their virtual friends.

It's become routine now for new and existing C-Dory owners who've recently



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discovered us to show up at our informal gatherings. The Jarrell Cove cruise was no exception. Bill and Evelyn motored in on brand-new Braveheart, a



shimmering, 16-foot jewel that has quickly captured its owners' hearts. Dedicated fisher folks David and Joannie on Misbehavin', Doug and John on Liberty Call, and Jack and Diane also made their first water congregation with our group.

Our weather was a predictable Puget Sound potpourri: some wind, some dark clouds, a few delightfully long stretches of sunshine and a still, cool evening for





Saturday night's successful potluck. Sunday morning was ethereal. It was a mild, warm morning, greeted with coffee and boat chat, trail and dock walks, and featured a symphony of melodious songbirds busily chatting in nearby trees.

Once again, rain and wind didn't wilt our desire to cruise. These all-weather boats and their resolute skippers won't

be thwarted by mercurial conditions. That attitude was rewarded. Friday's breezy, wintry drizzle was redecorated to mostly sunny skies Saturday, and summer-like conditions Sunday. One just never knows until they go.

By 9:30 a.m. we left Jarrell Cove and chose varied paths home. Several C-Folks followed Pat and Patti in Daydream to breakfast in Allyn. Three

cruised to Swantown Marina in Olympia, and three others east down Case Inlet. Later that day we were online recounting the great big fun we shared.

All are welcome to join our website at [www.c-brat.com](http://www.c-brat.com) and ask questions, make friends, and monitor our list of upcoming cruises. See you on the water!

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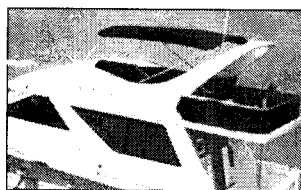
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