

*Mid July Summer Mailing from the Salish Sea*  
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**OH TO BE 87 AGAIN?**

**Almost half past July...**

**so far no one has mentioned missing my pages...  
but I have missed sending them by the dozens.**

**Never thought I would live to say**

**"Oh, to be 87 again!"...  
how can I complain?**

**My last summer complaints blamed pneumonia...**

**stair-climbing (100 stairs down to the beach) rare  
sailing only by invitation of grandsons.**

**This year I do stairs daily (almost) and have been sailing...**

**enjoying overnight visitors...  
sweating out some sailboat crisis.**

**Yes a 33 mph wind upped and dragged Say Yay's anchor...**

**searched and found her two days later high on a beach...  
pulled afloat by grandson Max and Hannah to return home.**

**Damages needed on-shore repairs via trailer...**

**total bottom repainting by Hannah...  
hours of complicated fiber glass repair by Max.**

**Launched at high tide on 4<sup>th</sup> of July eve...**

**mast raised again for trial sail...  
ready for weekend guests.**

**I find joy and energy seeing "Say Yay" sailing again...**

**more new life-time memories being made  
captained by grandsons I taught to sail 25 years ago!**

**There's still summer ahead...**

**I'm feeling so good that I don't miss being 87 one bit...  
my "to do" list is still doable and I must get to it.**

*Art Morgan, July 11, 2019*