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Queen City Yacht Club, 2608 Boyer Ave. E. - Prospective Member Open House, March 5
For more information email Membership Chair, Val Ohlstrom membership@queencity.org



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LEARN ABOUT QCYC MEMBERSHIP AT THE MARCH 5 OPEN HOUSE

Posted by Val Ohlstrom, Membership Chair

Encourage your boating friends to join the Queen City Yacht Club – we are ready to welcome new members at the QCYC Seattle Boat Show, February 3-11 at the Lumen Field Event Center. Volunteers at the QCYC booth and our March 5 Open House welcome prospective new members to showcase all the benefits that our wonderful club has to offer. I would like to express my appreciation to the approximately 80 members who have volunteered to staff the QCYC Boat Show booth. It is a huge benefit to QCYC and brings in new members every year.

THE QCYC OPEN HOUSE for potential members is March 5, 2023, from 12:00 to 4:00 at the main station, 2608 Boyer Ave. E.. We invite prospective members to meet current members, tour the club, and enjoy beverages and some of Chef Willie's best appetizers. Often, we are also looking for sponsors for applicants.

Please sign up to volunteer on the QCYC website calendar page to be a tour guide at the Open House to meet prospects and consider being their sponsor. At the Open House you can extol the benefits of membership to those who attend and learn of their boating interests.



Seattle Boat Show Circa 1947

VOLUNTEER TO SUPPORT QCYC OPENING DAY ACTIVITIES

Posted by Dorothy Dubia

Opening Day Chairs Mike and Peggie Evans invite you to put your "Game On" as a volunteer and/ or participant in this year's Opening Day festivities May 3-7. Opening Day, itself, is Saturday, May 6.

In addition to hosting boaters from several yacht clubs, Queen City's Opening Day events include several dinners, a breakfast, a float in the marine parade, games, and operation of a shuttle boat between QCYC and Seattle Yacht Club.

Mike and Peggie will host a volunteer party from 2 to 4 p.m. April 2nd. This party is for those who have already volunteered to help as well as those who are looking to get more involved in club activities. Additional details to follow. In the meantime, you can contact Mike or Peggie at email pcevans19@gmail.com or call (206) 465-4906.

Seattle Yacht Club's Opening Day admirals attended the January 23 meeting to announce dates for the annual celebration and its theme, "Game On!" SYC organized the first Opening Day in 1913.

SYC's Opening Day events attract boats from all over the Salish Sea to watch or participate in a morning of crew races, a sailboat race, and, of course, the grand Opening Day boat parade. In 1920, QCYC organized a regatta on Lake Washington following the first Opening Day parade through the Montlake Cut. For more information about Opening Day, visit www.seattleyachtclub.org/opening-day.



SYC Opening Day Trio,
Admiral Lance Rummel,
Admiral Nicole Wilkin and
Vice Admiral David Sanford



Opening Day 1925 as
boats parade on the
Montlake Ship Canal

THANKS TO DESOLATION SOUNDS FOR GREAT TUNES ALL YEAR!

Thanks so much to our 'house band' Desolation Sounds for their time and talent. Our band members performed throughout the year, including the holidays. Pictured here from Left to right, standing: Tamara Hillmann, Heather Brignull, Jim Downar, Paul Grimm, Chuck Gould, Mark Vanderwall -- Left to right kneeling: Susan Burke, Janet Atkins, Greg Bolin. Not pictured: Patrick Baker, Terry Carlisle, Keith Donaldson



Thanks to Member House Band Desolations Sounds for great tunes all year

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Commodore's Report

QCYC NEW MEMBER RECRUITMENT & UPCOMING QCYC EVENTS

Posted by Michele Bedner, Commodore

For Seattle area boaters, one of the first signs of spring is the Seattle Boat Show! The 2023 Seattle Boat Show will be held February 3rd thru February 11th and is one of QCYC's best opportunities to make a positive impression with area boaters who might have an interest in joining a yacht club. Thank you to all the volunteers who have signed up to work the QCYC booth. And a special thanks to Membership Chair Val Ohlstrom for all her hard work. Val is doing an outstanding job as Membership Chair but could use your help in recruiting new members.

Please take a moment to reach out to your boating friends to promote joining Queen City. Remember what P/C Ed Jennerich used to say: "The number one reason people don't join an organization is that they aren't asked." Don't hesitate. Please be that person who asks!

At the QCYC Regular Meeting on January 25th, the Seattle Yacht Club Trio treated QCYC members to a presentation on Opening Day 2023. The theme this year is "Game On". Opening Day Chair Peggie Evans has been busy planning a very fun week of Opening Day activities for Queen City which includes meals, decorations,



Commodore Michele & PC Dave Bedner at the New Year's Eve Party

shuttle boats and three nights of live music. Keep in mind that Opening Day is Queen City Yacht Club's biggest event of the year and requires many volunteers to step forward for Opening Day to be successful. Please reach out to Peggie at pcevans19@gmail.com and let her know how you can help.

Tacoma Yacht Club Daffodil Marine Festival on April 14th -16th. At QCYC's Regular Meeting on February 8th, representatives

from Tacoma Yacht Club will be our guests. They will give a presentation highlighting activities that occur at TYC Daffodil Marine Festival.

Super Bowl Sunday, February 12, No-Host party on the 2nd deck with kick-off at 3:30 pm. BYOB and a snack to share.

Sweetheart Dinner/Dance February 11 – Sign up from the calendar on the QCYC website to enjoy a buffet dinner, champagne toast, and dance to Desolation Sounds. This is an adult only party. Both singles and couples are welcome. \$45 per person. This annual event is always a great time!

Fleet Captain's Mardi Gras Party, Saturday, February 25th - Enjoy Willie's finest Cajun cooking and music provided by Desolation Sounds! Mardi Gras masks recommended. Costumes encouraged. Prize awarded to the most enthusiastic Mardi Gras outfit. \$40 per person.

Reminder that if you are attending any QCYC event, you may also bring non-members as your guests. This is a great way to introduce QCYC to prospective members.

Fleet Captains
Mardi Gras Celebration
Saturday, February 25 @ the Mainstation
6pm - 11pm (bar opens at 5:30pm)
\$40 per person - billed to your QCYC account



Masks highly recommended. Costumes encouraged.
Prize given to the most enthusiastic Mardi Gras outfit
Enjoy Cajun food, music, and dancing to Desolation Sounds


Sign up now on QCYC website
Questions: Contact Delly Behen
dellybehen@gmail.com or 206-755-2915

Queen City Yacht Club
Sweetheart Dinner - Dance



Saturday, February 11th 2023
\$45 per Person
Includes Dinner Buffet, Music & Champagne Toast
Couples and Singles Welcome
Adults Only Please
Dinner Buffet &
Live Music and Dancing to
"The Desolation Sounds"

Cocktails: 6:00 Dinner: 7:00 then Dancing

Prepayment is Required ~ Seating is Limited
Reservations available online
Log in to your QCYC account and visit the calendar

Questions? Contact Ann Willbour
425-241-2574 or awillbour@yahoo.com

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QCYC OUTSTATION IMPRESSES VISITORS FROM THE GRAND 14

Posted by Barb, Eric (and Keri) Wood

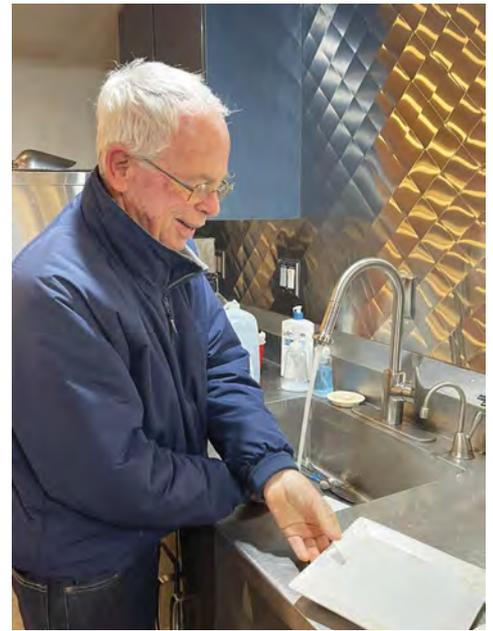
New Years ended with forty members welcoming 2023 at the Bainbridge Island Outstation. Greg Burgess supervised the prime rib on the barbecue rotisserie as all of the side's dishes were being prepared by everyone else. Lots of food, laughter and a relaxing time was had by all!

A week later the place was full of visitors from the Grand 14 as they celebrated the Past Commodore's cruise in. Because of Covid this event was postponed the last couple of years so people were ready to party!

The following weekend, the current Officers of the Grand 14 arrived by boat and car, ready to celebrate. For most of the visiting Officers, this was the first time they had been at this facility. Several told us how impressed they were with the Bainbridge Outstation.



Outstation New Year's Eve Crew



Outstation Co-Chair, Eric Wood, admires & tests new plumbing fixture

Some not-so-good news: It's likely that the Club will not have a "Satellite Outstation" agreement with Salt Spring Marina this year, as the Marina's business model has moved to more year-round slips. There was an opportunity to have dedicated dock space, but that doesn't work with the Club's operating system. That's all for this month -

HIGH TIDE WATER KING TIDE FLOODS OUTSTATION DOCKS

Posted by Pete DeLaunay

Heavy rains and a king tide brought flooding to shoreside areas in Puget Sound in December, including high water at the QCYC outstation. King tides can occur once or twice a year and reach up to 13 feet in central Puget Sound coastal areas. Higher-than-normal tides usually happen during a new or full moon, when it's closest to the Earth and when it aligns with the sun, creating a stronger gravitational pull, according to NOAA. King tide predictions are based on the position of the Earth relative to the sun and moon. Other factors, such as heavy rains and ocean conditions, can influence the height of a tide as well. As sea levels rise due to climate change, NOAA expects king tides to cause flooding more often, says NOAA. NOAA catalogs king tides in the U.S. and other tide predictions for states and regions at tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov. The agency also publishes seasonal projections for high tides at oceanservice.noaa.gov/news/high-tide-bulletin.



King Tide overwhelms outstation dock & walkway

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VOLUNTEERS HELP CREATE ANOTHER GREAT NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Posted by Ray & Susan Rebello, New Year's Party Chairs

One of the best things about this club is how so many people showed up to decorate and organize the New Year's Eve Party. Then, they were there to take care of the clean-up. Wow!! I am so grateful. The volunteers are what make everything possible for all of us at Queen City Yacht Club. Thank you!!!!



New Year's Eve Party Chairs Ray & Susan Rebello & some of the crew who helped make it glitter!



Thanks to New Year's Eve Party bartenders Paul Grimm & Kent Soffel



Willie, Peggy & crew served excellent prime rib & lobster dinner at the New Year's Eve Party.



A New Year's Eve Party Sell Out



Mary Jo Svendsen won the 'All That Glitters' Award at the New Year's Eve Party.

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Thanks to Rodger & Carol Mckinley for organizing the Hawaii themed Friday Night Social



Hawaiians Debbie Foote & Treasurer, Joyce Carlson



Thanks to chair Chuck Gould for another epic Robbie Burns Night



Capacity Crowd of Members & Guests for Robbie Burns Night



Thanks to Bartenders PC Terron & Denise Lindholme & Emily Rapp



Marcia Bailey & Tony Johnson enjoy Scotch tasting at Robbie Burns Night



Bagpiper welcomes the 'haggis' at Robbie Burns Night

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Rear Commodore's Report

GRAND 14 BRIDGE OFFICERS CRUISE-IN FOR FOOD & FUN

Posted by Doug Genord, Rear Commodore

One of the more rewarding aspects of being on the bridge of Queen City Yacht Club is one's involvement with the other Grand 14 yacht clubs. Each class of bridge officers in the Grand 14 clubs, in my case rear commodores, come together regularly to meet with each other to socialize and understand each other's challenges supporting their clubs and to better understand the unique operations of each club.

The vice and rear commodores along with their significant others visit each club over the course of two years while attending their respective Junior Officer (JO) Balls. These are usually costume/theme balls, but some are formal in nature. The commodore class members attend each other's formal commodore balls throughout their commodore year.

All three classes come together in August at Bremerton to kick off the year and once again in January at the Queen City Bainbridge Island outstation to recognize and send off the commodore class. Over the weekend of January 14-16, we hosted the Grand 14 Cruise-In to our Bainbridge Island outstation over the weekend of the 14th - 16th. We had 20 boats at the docks and a full house for fun, food, entertainment, and beverages.



RC Doug & Gail Genord at the New Year's Eve Party

The main entertainment came by way of each club's junior officers roasting their senior officer/commodore. For most clubs there was no shortage of roasting material as was the case for Michael and me. As most of you know Michele, our beloved commodore, is no "Dull" girl. At least she no longer is. Having gone through the chairs with Past Commodore Dave Bedner, and then again as Commodore herself provided a target rich opportunity for a good roasting. I am looking forward to sharing our roast of Commodore Michele at next month's general meeting.

During the Cruise-In, it was amazing how many of the other club bridge officers remarked how nice our outstation and surroundings were. We received numerous complements as well as inquiries into joining our club. As most of you know, we have something very special on Bainbridge Island. This along with everything else QCYC membership provides makes for an extraordinary value proposition for enticing others to become QCYC members. All of us need to be ambassadors for our club with our behavior and our willingness to invite fellow boaters to join.

THANK YOU HARBOR PATROL SUPPORTERS!

Posted by Lt. Marc Garth Green, Seattle Police Harbor Commander

We want to thank the community for its support of the Seattle Police Department Harbor Patrol Unit in 2022! Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we were able to repair Patrol 4 and refresh the department's supply of water rescue throw bags and life rings. In 2022, we purchased 57 throw bags and six life rings. These lifesaving devices will replace outdated equipment here at the Harbor station and on board our boats. Additionally, each precinct will receive 10 throw bags to be disseminated at the discretion of the precinct commanders. These devices will enable patrol officers to immediately intervene, keep themselves safe, and throw a lifeline to a drowning victim. We appreciate your commitment to the safety of our officers and the community we serve. Thank you all. Interested in learning more about Seattle's iconic Harbor Patrol Unit? Please visit our webpage at: <https://seattlepolicefoundation.org/harbor-patrol>.



Donations paid for Life Saving Throw Bags & Life Rings

NEW STANDARDS FOR RECYCLING - NOT A WASTE OF TIME

Posted by Tracy Redding

Along with the recent changes in the recycling industry came higher standards for recyclables. Items that don't meet these standards are worthless and harder to recycle.

Follow these tips to recycle right and keep recycling thriving:

§ Empty, Clean, and Dry. Clean out your recyclables and keep them dry. No food or liquids in recycling.

§ When in Doubt, Find Out. Put only recyclables that are accepted in your recycling cart.

Visit the "Where Does it Go?" tool (www.seattle.gov/utilities/your-services/collection-and-disposal/where-does-it-go) if you are unsure whether an item is recyclable.

§ Keep Bags Out. Do not put plastic bags or plastic wrap in the recycling cart, even if bundled. Keep materials loose in the cart and do not bag your recyclables.

§ Focus on the top 5 types of recyclables: 1. Paper - office, newspaper, & magazines; 2. Cardboard - paperboard & corrugated boxes; 3. Plastic - Bottles, Containers, & Tubs; 4. Glass - Bottles & Jars; and 5. Metal - Aluminum, tin & steel cans and scrap.

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QCYC TARETTES RAISE FUNDS & HAVE FUN

Posted by Theresa Wilson, Tarettes President

As the philanthropic arm of QCYC, Tarettes support local charities as well as purchase needed items for the Club. For example, we are purchasing a new life jacket deck box for Winslow Outstation to replace the worn out one on the dock. Please bring up any QCYC improvement ideas to any Tarettes Board member.

Please place the following 2023 Tarettes Board or General Membership meetings on your calendar, and join us to discuss Tarettes business, upcoming philanthropic events and meet new friends or rekindle old friendships.

Board Meeting Dates (Fridays @ 1pm, QCYC, 2nd Floor): 3/31 and 5/12

General Membership Meeting Dates (QCYC, 2nd Floor): Thurs 2/16 @ 3pm (after WIC Luncheon) and Fri 4/14 @ 1pm.

Tarettes Board Installation meeting which is in June may change, so I will announce the date after a decision has been made.



Tarettes VP, Wendy DeLaunay, presents donation to Mike Stewart, Boyer Children's Clinic

Join the Tarettes as we host the upcoming WIC Luncheon at QCYC on February 16. We are collecting items for Raffle Gift Baskets. Please give any items you would like to donate to Sistee Lentgis, Becky Garvie or any Tarettes Officer, Barbara Wilson or Wendy Redding at a Friday lunch or a QCYC meeting. We thank you

for your support and generosity. **Registration for the WIC Luncheon will be through the QCYC Webpage Calendar for the February WIC Luncheon only.**

Please join the Tarettes for Friday Lunch & Games on the 1st Friday of the month and/or read and discuss a book with the Tarettes' Book Club. The next Book Club meeting will be on 3/2/2023 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. The book is, "The Many Daughters of Afong May." Contact Kathy Dow at 425-417-8086 for Zoom info or questions.

Do you know someone who is ill, had surgery, who has passed away, or just needs a cheer up? Please contact our Sunshine Chair, Diane Prestebak, at 206-909-4427. Recently, the Tarettes sent Sympathy cards to Mel Whitlinger, Po Cornay, Laurean Meyers and Get Well cards to Dave Bedner and John Steckler.

QCYC Tarette's Presents our:

Zoom Book Club Join Us

Thursday March 2nd at 6 :30pm

Our next book choice is:
"The Many Daughters of Afong Moy"
by Jamie Ford

For more information, contact:
Kathy Dow cell #425-417-8086 or email kathyhdow@gmail.com
She will send you a zoom invitation via email and text message so you can join the book club meeting.

LADIES' RESORT GETAWAY

TULALIP CASINO RESORT **May 17-18**

We will car pool from the Club around 11:00, check into the hotel, drop off bags and then we will plan what's next! Outlet Mall, trip to La Connor for lunch, museum tour, sports bar, the list is endless!

This retreat will be a fun way to get to know each other and share in a fun event! Pajama Party with shared wine!!!!

This is Open to ALL LADIES.

Cost is \$180. Share the room with a lady from the club or bring along a friend to cut the cost in half.

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Location	Date	Distance	Activities
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Garrison Bay (Raft)	7/24-7/25	40 to 50NM (Oak Harbor)	Crab/Oyster Feed https://www.rocheharbor.com
Bedwell/Poets Cove	7/26	15NM (Garrison Bay)	Pool Side Party https://www.poetscove.com/the-marina
Ganges / Montague Harbor	7/27-7/28	15 NM (Bedwell)	Tobey's / Dingy Cruise https://saltspringmarina.com/
Port Browning	7/29 - 7/31	15NM (Ganges)	Games https://www.portbrowning.ca

Participants need to make individual slip reservations, contact the above marinas right after you register on the QCYC web page.



Fleet Captains' Alley Cats at the 2nd Annual Bowling Tournament

Join your Fleet Captains for the
St Paddy's Day Cruise



**Port of Kingston
Mar 17 - Mar 19**

- Fri Night: 6pm- No Host Dinner & Drinks at The Kingston Ale House (tent reserved for our group)
- Sat Night: 6pm-10pm - Clubhouse at Kingston Yacht Club is reserved for our group
 - Bring your favorite dish to share / BYOB

Registration is limited to 30 boats

- \$20 fee will be billed to membership for moorage reservation and KCYC clubhouse rental
- If arriving by land on Saturday, only \$10 will be billed to your account for clubhouse rental
- Members will pay marina for remainder of moorage upon arrival

Questions:
Steven or Dolly Behen and Mike or Sue Burke
dollybhen@gmail.com or mrburke@outlook.com





FLEET CAPTAINS LAUNCH FEB/MARCH EVENTS

Posted by Fleet Co-Captain Delly Behen

Our 2nd Annual QCYC Bowling event was a huge success. Twenty-nine bowlers enjoyed two games of bowling at West Seattle Bowl. Dan Grimm took home this year's championship trophy with a cumulative score of 304. A good time was had by all.

February 25 - Fleet Captains Mardi Gras Celebration on the 3rd deck. Join your Fleet Captains for an evening of food, cocktails, dancing, and most of all fun – all for \$40 per person! Chef Willie will prepare a Cajun themed buffet of chicken gumbo, jambalaya, fried catfish, mini shrimp po boy and King Cake. Find the baby in the King Cake and win a prize. Prize also given for the most enthusiastically dressed person in Mardi Gras attire. Enjoy music and dancing by our own Desolation Sounds. Register on the website today!

March 17-19 – St. Paddy's Day Fleet Cruise to Kingston. The original number of slips sold out in just over a week! We've secured 5 more slips at the Port of Kingston, giving us a total of 30. After that, there will be a wait list. Friday, 3/17 – St. Paddy's festivities at Kingston Alehouse (tent reserved for QCYC), Saturday, 3/18 – Kingston Cove Yacht Club (KCYC) reserved. Potluck dinner and infamous karaoke from 6p.m.-10 p.m. \$20 fee billed to participants' QCYC member accounts for moorage and KCYC club rental. Land cruisers on Saturday will be billed \$10 to their club account.

Queen City Yacht Club Bridge Officers

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February 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 Fire Alarm Testing 1:00pm	2	3 Seattle Boat Show Friday Lunch 11:00am to 1:00pm Tarettes - Lunch & Games 12:00pm	4 Seattle Boat Show Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Memorial Service - Reynolds 1:00pm
5 Seattle Boat Show Private Event- Gerde Music Committee Rehearsal 5:30pm	6 Seattle Boat Show QCYC Board Meeting 7:00pm	7 Seattle Boat Show Docks Committee Meeting 6:30pm	8 Seattle Boat Show Regular Member Meeting w/ Dinner 7:30pm	9 Seattle Boat Show Tarettes - Ladies' Night Out 4:30pm	10 Seattle Boat Show Memorial Service - Buller Friday Lunch 11:00am to 1:00pm	11 Seattle Boat Show Sweetheart Dinner Dance Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Docks Fun Day 9:00am
12 Superbowl Party (2nd Deck) 3:30pm	13	14	15	16 Tarettes - WIC Board Meeting (2nd Floor) 10:00am Tarettes - WIC Luncheon (3rd Floor) 11:00am Tarettes - General Membership Meeting (2nd Floor) 3:00pm	17 Heavy Weather (Bremerton YC) Hold - Wharton Friday Lunch 11:00am to 1:00pm	18 Heavy Weather (Bremerton YC) Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am
19 Heavy Weather (Bremerton YC) Music Committee Rehearsal 5:30pm	20 Office Closed (Holiday)	21	22 Regular Member Meeting w/ Dinner 7:30pm	23	24 Friday Lunch 11:00am to 1:00pm	25 Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection 9:00am to 12:00pm Fleet Captain - Mardi Gras Celebration 5:30pm
26 Music Committee Rehearsal 5:30pm	27	28				