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QCYC Wins SYC 'Virtual' Opening Day Parade



Log race winners (L to R) Ken Klett, Steve Swingler, Dave Padgett (first of season overall winner & Eagle Harbor race winner), Russ Oberg, Mike Day and Regatta Power Chair Bob Lindal. Other team members not shown are Bill and Mike McGillin, John Rogers, Bruce Cullen, Marv Elbon.

## Display parking permits to prevent problems

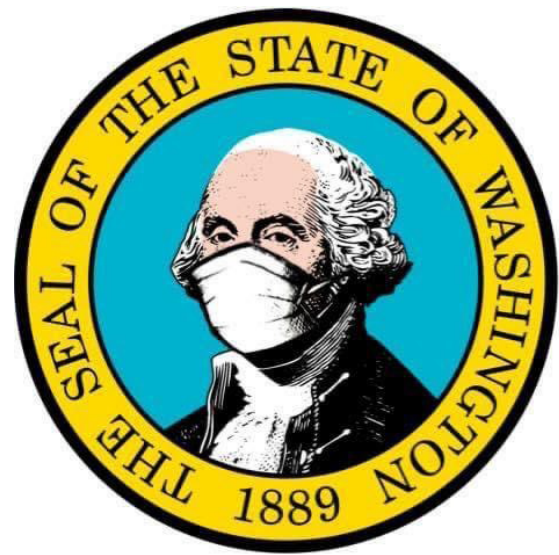
As a reminder, restricted parking started April 27th and runs through September 15th at the QCYC Mainstation. During the restricted parking period:

- Only one vehicle per membership including trailers, shall be parked on the clubhouse property.
- A stick-on club burgee decal must be affixed to a member's vehicle.
- In addition, a numbered restricted period parking permit hanging placard must be clearly visible. Each Membership should have received this placard in the mail.
- Remember, restricted period parking placards are not transferable between members.

## Volunteers needed to clean up and move sailboats to the launch float on dock 3

Posted by Kevin Nolan, Junior Boating Program Chair

The QCYC Junior Program will launch from Dock 3 on June 19 with some cleaning and moving. Volunteers are needed on June 19 to help launch the fleet of sailboats. Launching Day will be June 19th. We need some help moving the sailboats to the launching float on dock 3. This year's junior boating program will run between June 21st and August 27th and there is still room to get your kids on the water this summer. If you can help launch, please email Kevin Dolan at [kevin.dolan@dmkyacht.com](mailto:kevin.dolan@dmkyacht.com) If you are interested in signing up kids, email [office@queencity.org](mailto:office@queencity.org) for info.



As per the 05/19/21 directive from the WA Department of Health, it is strongly urged that members & guests wear a mask at all times while indoors at the Mainstation.

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# CRUISING THIS YEAR, WILL BE A LOT LIKE LAST YEAR, ONLY DIFFERENT

Posted by Commodore Terron Lindholme

A lot of members have asked me in the past month, "What will cruising this summer be like with COVID?" Although I'd like to respond with, "My crystal ball is low on batteries right now", I typically say, "A lot like last year, only different." For the near future, Canada remains closed to tourists and all of WA is in Phase Three, which is 50% capacity of maximum seating.

Marinas in the San Juans are booked solid, which has forced the QCYC Summer Cruise to look at ports South. Our Fleet Captain, Paul Grimm, has worked hard to get 30+ QCYC boats booked into his "South Pacific Sound" itinerary at various marinas. I believe we're going to have a great time at places we normally don't visit.

I also believe cruising will be a bit more relaxed than last year, with fewer restrictions of the use of



Commodore Terron Lindholme

various facilities, and fewer mask requirements for fully vaccinated people.

We still have numerous QCYC events before our summer break, with the upcoming Low & Slow, Big Brother's Cruise and the 4th of July at the outstation. So stay tuned for details on all of these events, and please stay safe out on the water as we FINALLY get closer to that "normal" thing we've

almost forgotten about. So long as we stay in Phase Three, we're going to put on the following events:

- Regular Wednesday Dinner Meetings
- Low and Slow (Mainstation)
- Big Brother's Cruise (Outstation)
- 4th of July Extravaganza (Outstation)
- Labor Day (Outstation)
- No doubt I missed something (Mainstation/Outstation)

Lastly, please remember that masks are not only required everywhere indoors, but they are required on the docks as well.

One of these days, enough of the Covid restrictions will be lifted that we'll get to ditch the masks. We haven't seen each others' faces in so long, I'm hopeful we remember all of our names (Terron is the tall blond guy with a noticeable limp).


Smooth sailing!!!

## Rare Falcons nesting under 520 bridge south of the QCYC.

South Portage Bay is habitat to more than 250 bird species. The Seattle Urban Raptor Conservancy wants QCYC members to be on the lookout for young peregrine falcons nesting under the 520 bridge. Neighbors are monitoring the nest of young peregrine falcons. Their prospects for safely fledging or attempting flight from the high nest site is poor without humans to keep them out of the road or the water. The baby falcons will be ready to test their wings around June 15. Nearby houseboat residents are keeping vigil from the water during the 'test flights'. For information contact Patti Loesche, Urban Raptor Conservancy, <https://urbanraptorconservancy.org>, (206) 784 7958




It's blanket order time! The Ship's Store requests that anyone who wants to order a Queen City Burgee blanket, to sign up now! If you already signed up, please do it again since, unfortunately the original list has been lost. \$120 per blanket as pictured here. Add \$20 for a total of \$140 to add your boat name. Place your order at [gailgenord@gmail.com](mailto:gailgenord@gmail.com).

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# TIME TO CLEAN THE DECKS, ADD CURRENT REGISTRATION & INSURANCE DOCUMENTS

Posted by Vice Commodore Margaret Krows

Dave and I had a wonderful, rejuvenating, ten-day vacation in Arizona the end of May and spent quality time with Pete and Wendy Delaunay. It was a welcome respite and a chance to reconnect with good friends and fellow dachshund parents.

Now that we are at home, I also reflect on the meaning of QCYC's traditional "Pride of Queen City." Of course, we know that this is a time to spruce up the clubhouse and grounds in preparation for Opening Day, but it also is a time to get our own boats in order and spiffed up for the upcoming cruising season. Covid-19 pulled a whopper on many of us and the regular routine of washing and brightening our

boats got waylaid. There is no further excuse, though, since we have been blessed with vaccinations, to come to the club and get your boat washed and maintained.

This is also time to remind members that Washington State Vessel Registration certification and insurance documents need to be submitted to the office in a timely manner. It is each member's responsibility to provide the required documentation to the office so no further volunteer man hours need to be spent tracking down the information. The Bridge and office staff truly appreciate your attention to taking care of these requirements in a timely manner.



Vice Commodore Margaret Krows

The Big Brother and July 4th Cruises are right around the corner, so I hope to see many of you at those events. Best wishes to you all as you find your own special cruising itinerary. Stay safe and return to your home port refreshed and satisfied.

## COMMODORE'S MELLOW ROAST WENT WELL

Posted by Paul Grimm, Fleet Captain

The Commodore Roast went fairly well. Early roasters tried to make a s'more out

of Terron but eventually Denise took the stage and cooked his pork butt with levity and sweetness only a wife could provide. Thanks to Mark Vanderwall, Margaret Krows, Paul Bennett, Chris Castrow, Scott Grimm, Eric Wood,

Denise Lindholme, David Ulfers, Barry Rutten and to Zoom Master -- a gold star and multiple accolades to the person who made the jocular more jocular, and the presentation more presentable, our Bartender, Jim Downar.

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# MEMBERS RALLY FOR MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY FESTIVITIES

Posted by Chuck Gould

Round of applause for Mike Burke, for tirelessly spearheading MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY and giving QCYC a celebration somewhat replacing the traditional (and Covid-canceled) Opening Day. A reminder of what it's like to be in (almost) normal times. A second round of applause for the Tarettes and the scores of other volunteers who sold tickets, flipped burgers, prepared food, cleaned up, etc etc etc etc. Great to see some of the newer members becoming involved-- in a club comprised of well over 1000 individuals, committee work is the best way to get to know at least a portion of them. Perhaps next year we'll return to the traditional Opening Day. If for some reason that event never re-emerges in



Thanks to Carolyn Rolstad for bartending the post-Covid world, we at least figured out a decent model for having a good time with a season-opening celebration From the Commodore: "Our Mayday Mayday Mayday event was a QCYC success! I'd estimate nearly 200 people, including the SYC Bridge, attended the afternoon events. There are too many members to extend our gratitude towards for putting it all together, but Mike & Susan Burke were the Event Chairs, so please



Mayday scavenger hunt winner Isaac Knoke assisted by brother Dagan & dad Ken thank them when you see them next. Thanks to everyone who participated for giving us an event that really made us feel "normal" for a day.



Members enjoy outdoor festivities on May day



PC Dave Bedner & RC Michele on 'Indigo'



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Thanks to QCYC 'house band' Desolations Sounds for rocking Mayday



Thanks to Wendy Redding as busy drink ticket cashier



Commodore Terron & Denise at May Day

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# WAIT LIST FOR BBQ & FLEET CAPTAIN'S CRUISE, WELCOME NEW MEMBERS & MAIN STATION IN BLOOM

Posted by Michele Bedner, Rear Commodore



Michele Bedner, Rear Commodore

Summer is just around the corner along with fun QCYC activities! Although the Low and Slow BBQ on June 6th and the Fleet Captain's South Sound Cruise the end of July have both sold out, consider placing your name on the wait lists in case either of these events have cancellations. Please also sign-up for the Big Brother's Cruise at QCYC's Bainbridge Island Outstation on June 25th - June 27th. For those not familiar with this cruise, QCYC assisted in the formation of Bremerton Yacht Club and hence we have been considered BYC's 'Big Brother'. BYC and QCYC have an annual cruise which rotates between BYC and QCYC's Bainbridge Island Outstation. This year QCYC is the host. The Big Brother Cruise is open to all QCYC Members and will offer a fun time with an opportunity to socialize with members from BYC. Lastly, please make plans to attend QCYC's Fourth of July Weekend at the Outstation. Fourth of July Chairs Ken and Evie Knoke have planned a very fun four-day event that you won't want to miss!

Queen City Yacht Club has a new Rear Commodore Elect! Please join me in welcoming Michael Day as Queen City's incoming Rear Commodore! Michael and his wife, Kathleen Glavin, will make a great addition to QCYC's leadership team. Welcome also to our newest incoming Board members, Gary Turner and Miguel Suarez who will bring fresh ideas and new energy to the Board.

QCYC Membership Chair, Val Ohlstrom is doing an outstanding job bringing in new members. At our May 12th Regular Meeting, Queen City welcomed new members Bob & Cindy Josephson, Don & Jill Bernard, Eric & Kathy Eddings, Phil Sensabaugh & Nancy Vittor, Ernie & Leah Davis, Morgan Cameron, Jim & Katie Fath and Krysv Svenson. Queen City's Membership Drive is coming to an end shortly. As a reminder, in order to receive the \$1000 reduction in initiation fee, application and payment must be received by QCYC office NO LATER than end of business day on Friday, June 4th.

Grounds Chair Susan Rebello and Kaye Brunson have done an amazing job beautifying QCYC grounds. A big thank you to Kaye for taking the lead in arranging for mulch to be blown in at QCYC Mainstation flower beds. The fresh mulch made a huge difference!

Just a reminder to wear your QCYC name badges while at the QCYC Mainstation and Outstation. It is a courtesy to not only our new members, but also to those members who haven't had the opportunity to meet you or have perhaps forgotten your name. If you need additional name badges, please contact Elise in the office and she can order you a new name badge.

## QCYC SALUTES FOUNDERS AT 105TH BIRTHDAY BASH



QCYC 105th Birthday Cake

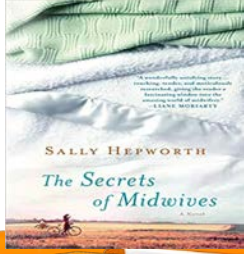
Posted by Mark Vanderwall

From the Commodore Hoisting The 48 Star Centennial to a drone flying overhead, members enjoyed some back-to-normal fun at the QCYC 105th birthday celebration. Several toasts were made to the founders of the club we've had through the years, many of whom are no longer with us; and more toasts to the current members of the club and the great friendships we are enjoying! And finally to the future generations of QCYC members may they be lucky enough to experience the close bonds that we have harbored through boating together and Queen City Yacht Club!

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# AL REICHE'S HUMOR, GREGARIOUS NATURE AND CARING PERSONA WILL BE MISSED



Banana Republic Dictator, Al Riche

## 1943 - 2021

Long-time member, Captain Al Reiche, a man with a great sense of humor who loved to share stories and socialize at club events with many, many friends, crossed the bar for the last time on April 2nd. He was a log racing participant and navigated for several of our best racers in the 90's and early 2000's. He was a "character of characters" with a spirit of freedom and fun and much loved by friends and members.

boats in the British Virgin Islands. Al & Loui, Carl & Stephy Weiss and Bob and Marge Hillmann were on one boat; Lynn & Kathy Montgomery and Jerry & Laurie Zuvich were on a second boat and John and Catherine Reiche hosted friends on a third boat. Many a beautiful bay with Al's boat usually the cocktail hour boat and Al serving as host and bartender! Too many stories to relate here but we will undoubtedly hear some at a memorial service for Al (won't be scheduled until the Covid restrictions are relaxed).



Captain Reiche enjoyed Friday lunch with friends

Al was born and raised in Kelso of parents who had emigrated from Germany and owned a grocery store. Al and his older brother John were often expected to help in the store. Al was married twice but had good and affable relationships with each ex-wife after the divorces. Al had many close relationships over the years but none as close as with Jodie Russell, as they were a fixture at the club in the 2000's.

When Al and Loui divorced, Al joined Queen City in 1998 and Loui took the MBYC membership. Al was extremely involved and served on the Moorage Committee, Chaired a Friday Night Social, Chaired the Lighted Boat Parade, Bartender Committee & Assistant Bar Manager and was a terrific Fleet Captain in 2000 & 2001!



Captain Al Reiche with friend Jodi Russell

Al had many interesting jobs over the span of his career but his favorite and longest was with Central Gardening and Pet Supply selling pet food. Al loved animals of all sorts and he usually had a pet cat in his life.

He and Carl Weiss made a formidable log racing team for 10 years in the 90s - Al was the Navigator. Carl remembers Al being a knowledgeable seaman and very good at identifying waypoints. One year they won the prestigious SYC's Centennial log race - Al was so excited that he insisted they go to our club and crash the JO Ball to make the big announcement!



Al with Jim Hess enjoy Closing Day celebration

In the 70's, Al was a member of Yarrow Bay YC and where several of now-members of QCYC were also members - Larrie Chmela, Bob Hillmann, Con Nelson, Ian Knocker, Bob Prestebak and Jeff Purvis - they developed life-long friendships. They were all moored at Salmon Bay Marina with many a cocktail party on one of their boats and cruised together many times! Eventually they all came over and joined QCYC in the 80s and early 90s.

Another great story is the time when Jodie made Al an outlandish German General's Uniform (looked like a Central American Dictator's dress uniform) and Al wore it the entire time of a 3 day weekend cruise to Winslow! He would go around and give commands to all in Deutsch - no one was able to identify, or understand Al except by his voice! He never missed a Friday lunch and always sat with his buddies at the rectangular table by the bar! They too have many fun memories!

children and pets, a wonderful and loyal friend, loved to give friends nicknames, loved ice cream (his favorite food) and a lovable character. He will be missed by all who had met him.

Captain Reiche's first involvement with Queen City was in 1991 when Al's wife Loui joined our club (Al had joined MBYC so they could enjoy both clubs). Al loved to tell the story of how he was the first man to be a Tarette! Ever the social guy, Al and Loui enjoyed many a party at both clubs. One fun memory that keeps getting told among Al's friends is when five couples from our club plus Al's brother John and his wife, bare boat chartered three

He owned two boats while a member; the "Delica Sea", a 35' Bayliner and the "Hummel Hummel" a 43' King that Al had lived on the past few years.

He is remembered around the club as being fun loving, very caring especially towards

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# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Posted by Val Ohlstrom, Membership Chair

We welcomed 14 new Captains to the club on May 12, 2021, representing six active and one intermediate membership. When you see them, please great them with true QCYC hospitality! Bob & Cindy Josephson, Don & Jill Bernard, Eric & Kathy Eddings, Phil Sensabaugh & Nancy Vittor, Ernie & Leah Davis, Morgan Cameron, Jim & Katie Fath, and Krys Svenson.

With these inductions I am happy to report that we have reached full active membership of 400. Reaching this goal has also allowed us to move eligible active members from active membership to Life Membership. Congratulations to our new Life Members Dennis & Susan Okamoto and Steven Swingler.

The end of our Membership Promotion is fast approaching; as you read this there are only a few more days before it ends on Friday, June 4, 2021. If you have a last minute applicant please contact the office or me at [membership@queencity.org](mailto:membership@queencity.org). If you have sponsored a new member since January 1, 2021, be sure to attend the June 23rd general membership meeting when we will have the sponsorship raffle drawing. You could win one of three awesome items every boater should have on board!

AND BREAKING NEWS: another mystery prize has been added so you have the chance of winning one of FOUR awesome prizes!

Thank you for supporting membership at Queen City!

## MEMBERS ENCOURAGED TO HELP OUT AT THE OUTSTATION

Posted by Barb & (Junior Editor) Eric Wood, Outstation Co-Chairs

As planned (Junior Editor's Note - mandated!) we left the Bainbridge Outstation at 10 AM on the 15th of May (Jr. Ed. Note - May 15 @ 10:00:00 PDT). A handful of Members saw us off - we felt like adults leaving the teenage kids behind, thinking (Jr. Ed. Note - knowing) the party is about to begin...

We left the Outstation in capable hands - Rico and Wanda Adams are the first Hosts to fill in while we're gone for the Summer (Jr. Ed. Note - for 4-1/2 months!). Please remember - the Summer Hosts have volunteered (Jr. Ed. Note - been cajoled), and will appreciate your help while you visit the Outstation. A white board inside the clubhouse will give you some ideas how you can help.

Winter (Jr. Ed. Note - Off-Season) Moorage ended May 15th, too, so now the inside of the "U" is available for visitors as well as the outside of both docks. It's likely to be a busy Summer, so please leave space for others by securing your boat close to the boat in front or behind you. Dinghies should be tied to the dinghy (Jr. Ed. Note - shore side of cross) dock; when busy, use bow lines only, so there's room for all the dinghies. (Jr. Ed. Note - see Rules 11.05-11.07).

This is being written at one of our Satellite Outstations (Jr. Ed. Note - there are 7 of 'em!) - Deer Harbor. We ate at "Mathew's Smokehouse," and the 1/4 mile walk is worth it! Lots of outdoor and indoor seating plus games to play in the yard. The pizza place across from the Marina (Jr. Ed. Note - Island Pie) was hopping, too. Also, there is now a locally owned car rental outfit on the Island, and usually a vehicle is available onsite.

Have a great summer on the water!

Barb (and the Junior Editor)



Members rally round the outstation fire pit

### June 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Planning & Finance "Virtual" Meeting 6:00pm	2	3 Office Closed (Vacation) Music Committee Rehearsal 6:30pm Tarettes - Book Club 7:30pm	4 Office Closed (Vacation) The "U" Reserved for Low & Slow Parking Spaces around "U" Reserved for Low & Slow Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	5 The "U" Reserved for Low & Slow Parking Spaces around "U" Reserved for Low & Slow Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am
6 The "U" Reserved for Low & Slow Parking Spaces around "U" Reserved for Low & Slow 3rd Floor Reserved for Low & Slow QCYC 6th Annual "Low & Slow" BBQ Competition (SOLD OUT; WAITLIST AVAILABLE) 2:00pm to 4:45pm	7 QCYC Board "Virtual" Meeting 7:00pm	8 Docks Committee Meeting 6:30pm	9 Regular Member Meeting In-Person w/Dinner & "Virtual" Zoom 7:30pm to 9:30pm	10	11 Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	12 Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Docks Fun Day 9:00am Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection - All Docks 9:00am to 12:00pm
13 Music Committee Rehearsal 6:30pm	14 Office Closed (Vacation)	15	16	17 SSAPS 5:00pm	18 Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	19 Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am
20	21 Music Committee Rehearsal 6:30pm	22	23 Regular Member Meeting In-Person w/Dinner, "Virtual" Zoom & Speaker Series 7:30pm to 9:30pm	24 Private - Delaunay	25 Big Brother Cruise Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	26 Big Brother Cruise Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am
27 Big Brother Cruise Music Committee Rehearsal 6:30pm	28	29	30 Office Closed (Vacation)			