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RAIN DIDN'T DAMPEN OPENING DAY CELEBRATION

Posted by Margaret Krows, Commodore

The weather was most unkind to us; however, attendees made the most of it and each night, there were good eats, good music and dancing. The temperature may have been record cold, but members and guests were warm with camaraderie and friendship. I was honored and thrilled with the decorating committee making me into a "Flapper" and creating my special wine label. No, I did not empty all of those bottles myself! Thank you, Debbie Foote, Sue Lindal, and everyone who helped with decorations. Unless you have been part of the Opening Day Committee, you have no idea the amount of planning and work it takes to organize the week's activities. I can't thank Tracy and Wendy Redding enough for their leadership and resilience. Congratulations for a job well done. Chef Willie and Peg were an integral part of the team and they were terrific. Eric and Barb Wood hosted the Officers on Barberic through the parade and we enjoyed a lovely afternoon with them, in spite of the weather, anchored in Cozy Cove. Again, Lupe Weiss and Tammy Hogan created a fun decorated boat with their "cast of thousands" onboard Blue Crab. They earned First Place in the Novelty Decorated Category, receiving the "Golden Potlatch Trophy."



Bridge Officers present our colors on Opening Day



QCYC Opening Day decorated boat present the Rum Row Motel & all that jazz aboard Blue Crab

Great job, Queen City Yacht Club!

DISTRIBUTE MEMBERSHIP BROCHURES TO YOUR BOATING FRIENDS

Posted by Val Ohlstrom, Membership Chair

"Have a wonderful summer cruising season! And while you are enjoying our wonderful PNW waters tell the boaters that you meet about our wonderful club. I will have brochures available at the June 8th and June 22nd general membership meetings or you can pick them up from Elise in the office during business hours. Please pick up a few to keep on your boat and pass them out to appropriate potential members on your travels. If you have questions about membership qualifications please check the QCYC Bylaws at Article III, Section 1 and/or contact me anytime at membership@queencity.org.

Please welcome our newest members approved by the Board of Trustees on May 9,

2022: Natalie Rush & Kayode Bristol, Vince & Karen Robel and Rachelle Orman.

Because of the post-Opening Day COVID-19 concerns, they will be inducted at the June 8th general membership meeting. They are enthusiastic about joining the club and I am sure you will see them in Eagle Harbor this summer!

Also, the Board of Trustees approved moving the following members from Active to Life Membership: Sherry Weiss, Doug Anderson, Bill Brunkhorst & Mary Heston, and Steve & Fran Farber. Members qualify for Life Membership when they have been active members for 25 years. When you see one of them please thank them for their 25+ years of membership and contribution to our club!

I am happy to announce that we go into the summer cruising season at full membership of 400 active members. But this is a continually changing target, so do not hesitate to encourage boaters to apply to QCYC! If they apply over the summer, they can potentially be approved and inducted at the September 14, 2022 general membership meeting and enjoy our facilities during fall boating. We will have openings because more members will be added to the Life membership waitlist and we always have some attrition when the annual dues become due in October 2022.

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Commodore's Report

THANKS TO EVENT CHAIRS FOR ORGANIZING MULTI-DAY CELEBRATIONS

Posted by Margaret Krows, Commodore

By the time this message is published, both Opening Day and Memorial Day will be in the history books. Many thanks to Tracy and Wendy Redding, Opening Day Chairs, and Tim and Nadeane Rutledge, Memorial Day Chairs, for all of their hard work to make the events successful and memorable. These multi-day celebrations could not happen if devoted members didn't step up to plan and handle all of the miniscule details. Fleet Chaplain, Ken Klett, makes special effort to have each Memorial Day service intimate and personal. We are blessed to have a serious Queen City tradition that honors our veterans and our country.

The July 4th weekend is just around the corner and I expect to see a good showing of boats at our Eagle Harbor outstation. Participating in this week is one of the best things to do all year. Paul and Stephanie Arthur are working hard to make all the activities enjoyable. Bill Packard graciously responded to the request to assist with the parade planning. If you have never experienced an old-fashioned, small-



Commodore Krows with her Speakeasy image

town July 4th, be sure to be there this year. We had friends visiting from England when Dave was Commodore in 2003 and they told us the Bainbridge Island July 4th parade was the highlight of their trip to the USA that summer.

A few of us had to cancel travel plans due to testing positive for Covid-19 after

Opening Day. I want to encourage everyone to consider buying travel insurance anytime you plan a trip. One never knows when an unexpected turn of events might occur and the price of the insurance will more than pay for itself. I hope no one else will have this unpleasant experience in the future.

Dave and I look forward to a summer of cruising. The Fleet Captains' summer cruise will be fabulous and Canada has opened up their waters again. Please do say hello if you see us in the San Juans and Gulf Islands. In middle August our son, Matt, will probably have the Krows Nest at Henry Island and waters nearby. Don't be surprised to see the SYC burgee flying - this is the delight of parents who have passed the love of boating to their children.

Dave and I send our best wishes and prayers for safe travels to everyone this summer.



PC Dave Krows assembles bar tickets for Opening Day

2022 Queen City Yacht Club J.O. Ball
Saturday, June 18, 2022
\$50 per person
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Vice Commodore's Report

JOIN QCYC MEMBERS FOR TRADITIONAL EVENTS THIS SEASON

Posted by Michele Bedner, Vice Commodore

Summer is just around the corner with many fun QCYC activities planned!

- Don't miss the biggest BBQ of the year at the 7th Annual Low and Slow BBQ on Sunday, June 5th! Only a few spots are left.

- Members 25 years and longer are invited to the Old Timer's Cruise on Wednesday, June 8th. Come for a boat ride followed by dinner at the Club. Please RSVP at the QCYC website. Contact Gerald Fey at (425) 761-9659 if you have questions.

- And not to be missed is the JO Ball on Saturday, June 18th. Grease is the Word! All Members are invited, but you must sign up by the Friday, June 3rd deadline to join the party. Enjoy your dinner catered by Seasoned in Seattle and dance the night away to tunes spun by DJ Brent Buttle.

- Please make plans today to join our Fleet Captains at Big Brothers Cruise at Bremerton Yacht Club the weekend of June 24th-26th. For those not familiar with this cruise, QCYC assisted in the formation of Bremerton Yacht



VC Michele Bedner

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. Bremerton Yacht Club knows how to roll out the welcome mat and host a fabulous weekend. Deadline to sign-up is June 22nd. If you have questions, please reach out to Fleet Captain Brian Elert at bfelert@comcast.net.

- Fourth of July at QCYC's Bainbridge Outstation is just around the corner, starting July 1st. Paul and Steph Arthur are the chairs of this family event and are planning a great time for all.

- The Fleet Captains Summer Cruise is July 31st thru August 6th. It is currently sold-out. Consider placing your name on the Wait List. Queen City Yacht Club has a new Rear Commodore Elect! Please join me in welcoming Doug Genord as Queen City's incoming Rear Commodore. Doug and his wife Gail will make a great addition to QCYC's leadership team. Welcome also to our newest incoming Board members, Debbie Foote and Barry Stolzman who will bring fresh ideas and new energy to the Board.

As a reminder, a current copy of your Washington State Vessel Registration certification and insurance documents must be submitted to the office in a timely manner. Please make sure our Office Manager, Elise has a copy of your 2023 Washington State Vessel Registration and that your 2023 registration decal is displayed on your vessel.

VISIT QCYC OUTSTATIONS & CONTRACTED CRUISING DESTINATIONS

Posted by Michele Bedner, Vice Commodore

As you make your cruising plans, please make sure you take a few minutes to review QCYC's Outstations and Cruising Destinations. From QCYC website choose 'Facilities' drop down box and then 'Outstation Info and Rates'. You will find separate links to each of our Outstations and Cruising Destinations. There have been some changes over the past year or so. Please note there are differences between an Outstation and a Contracted Cruising Destination that are provided below:

Many thanks to Bill Brunkhorst for compiling this very useful information!
Definition of Terms:

- **OUTSTATION:** The Club has two "outstations", Bainbridge and Deer Harbor. The Club owns the Bainbridge location. Deer Harbor is contracted on an annual lease. This lease sets aside 130 feet of specific side tie dock space for exclusive use by QCYC.
- **CONTRACTED CRUISING DESTINATION:** The Club has numerous discount contracts in place with the listed marinas. These contracts afford a moorage discount as defined below. Unlike the two

outstations, the marina places you, if and where they have availability.

The use of all the following incurs various charges based on the entries in the QCYC marina registration book found at each location.

For Bainbridge Island and Deer Harbor Outstations

- There is a flat fee of \$8 per night, which includes electricity.

For all other Contracted Cruising Destinations:

QCYC will absorb 50% of the Club's negotiated moorage and electrical rate. The club will charge Members the other 50% at quarterly billing cycles.

- Members are responsible for any other Marina charges. Check the nightly rates when making reservations.

- Advance reservations are required. A Member who makes a reservation and does not cancel that reservation in a timely manner will be charged the Club's full fee as billed by the Marina.

- Members must sign-in and show their membership card.

- Members must fly the QCYC burgee.
- Rafting may be required.
- Contracted Cruising Destinations negotiated rates

- o At the Club's five Satellite Contracted Cruising Destinations in British Columbia (Port Sidney, Mill Bay, Port Browning, Salt Spring Marina and Telegraph Harbour), the Club's negotiated rates average 90% of the Marina's current rates plus shore power upcharge, with applicable exchange rate applied.
- o Dock Street / Tacoma- Between Oct.-April, overnight stays and electricity for QCYC will be charged at 80% of the Marina's rate. Between May-Sept., QCYC will be charged 100% of the Marina's rate.

In all scenarios, you do not pay the marina for moorage or electrical at that time, providing you follow the applicable reservation, arrival and registration directions. Payment is subsequently accomplished through the QCYC billing process. All charges will be added to your quarterly QCYC statement and emailed to you.

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QCYC MEMBER VOLUNTEERS MADE FOR A GREAT OPENING DAY!



Outstation co-chair Eric Wood transfers the slushy machine



Members light up the mainstation for Opening Day



Sandy Smith & Wendy DeLaunay help decorate the mainstation



Thanks to ragtime dance troupe for helping QCYC win in our decorated boat category



Ticket sellers Elise Ochs & Henry Li



Several volunteers worked the dishwasher all weekend



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Street Taco Thursday crew in the galley



PC Terron & Denise Lindholme bartend on street taco night



Bar Manager Sherry Weiss scheduled volunteer bartenders Opening Day week



House bands got great reviews and blew visitors away



Willie takes a break while his crew looks on



Thanks to Anthony Kennedy for Saturday's custom cake!

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BOAT SAFETY CHECKS HELP PREVENT PROBLEMS OUT THERE

Posted by Michael Day, Rear Commodore

Now is a great time to refresh your Vessel Safety Check for 2022. Safety checks are brief and confirm safety basics are in order for your cruising season. They can be scheduled through the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary or the United States Power Squadron vessel safety check program. You can also check in directly with QCYC Captain Becky Garvie who may have time to perform the review.

Please note two recent revisions to USCG safety requirements: Fire extinguisher

requirements were modified this year, and engine cut-off requirements for boats under 19 feet were modified last year.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS - On April 20, 2022 updated USCG requirements took effect for portable disposable fire extinguishers. The revised rules apply to non-rechargeable fire extinguishers, also referred to as disposable fire extinguishers, which are intended for one-time use only. These rules do not change how many extinguishers are required, but they do require the removal of certain extinguishers from service. The rules vary slightly for boats produced before 2018. Generally, disposable (non-rechargeable) dry chemical fire



Rear Commodore, Michael Day

extinguishers, must be removed 12 years after their date of manufacture. These extinguishers will have their year of manufacturing stamped on the bottom or marked next to the UL label.

A rechargeable portable fire extinguisher requires regular maintenance and servicing; a disposable does not. The date of manufacturing on a rechargeable fire extinguisher is printed

on the label of the bottle. A rechargeable does not need to be removed from service after 12 years, but it instead must be maintained annually by a technician.

More information is located at: <https://uscg-boating.org/recreational-boaters/fire-extinguisher-faq.php>

ENGINE CUTOFF SWITCHES - The second revision relates to the use of Engine Cutoff Switches (ECOS). Specifically, individuals operating recreational vessels less than 26 feet in length with an engine capable of 3 hp or more must use an ECOS link. The ECOS link attaches the vessel operator to a switch that shuts off the engine if the operator is displaced from the helm. This law applies when the primary helm is not in a cabin and when the boat is operating on plane or above displacement speed. Situations in which an ECOS link would not be required include docking, launching, and loading on a trailer, trolling and operating in no-wake zones. Operators who fail to follow the new requirement face civil penalties up to \$100 for the first offense.



Willie's addictive barbecue was - addictive!

QCYC Presents our:

Zoom Book Club *Please Join us*

Thursday Sept. 8 at 6:00pm

Our next book choice is:
"The Shell Seekers" by Rosamunde Pilcher

For more information, contact:
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(Kathy will send you a zoom invitation via email and text message so you can join the book club meeting)



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TARETTES

TARETTES RAISE \$3200 FOR BOYER & INSTALL NEW OFFICERS ON JUNE 11

Posted by **Kathy Dow, Tarettes President**

Pondering this past year, I look back with a sense of joy and relief! Stepping into a new challenging opportunity was scary for me. I need to express my deepest gratitude to those of you who walked along side me to help and support me. I learned lots! My biggest takeaway of all is what an amazing, extremely smart group of women the Tarettes are!

Covid presented some major challenges and hurdles for all of us, mostly related to group gatherings. In spite of the limitations, we were still able to share many fun events together. September was the steak fry. November, Debbie Foote & Shawn Quinn planned a Bingo Night for the whole club; they really know how to put on a fun event! Thank you! December was captains' dinner and big shout out to Mary Jo for chairing that event, we were able to donate \$3200 to Boyer House. WIC's luncheons resumed in February; thank you Barbara Wilson (chair) and Wendy Redding (co-Chair) for heading up these luncheons! March, we had a special class on fused glass making and wine tasting headed up by Theresa Wilson, Thank You! You are so talented! March, we had guest speaker Linda Lewis speak on "Couples at the Helm". May, Tarettes traditionally serve breakfast on the Sunday after Opening Day, and members of the Yacht Clubs of the Grand 14 look forward to it every year. Thank you to all those who volunteered their help and made this breakfast successful. Special thanks to Theresa Wilson who chaired this event. This list only touches on a few of the highlights from our year together. I can't forget all the meetings! It has been a great year for me and I want to thank you all for your support! I'm not quite finished yet; we still have one more meeting. I hope all of you will join me

June 11th for our general meeting.

The installation of new officers will take place June 11th. There will be a complementary luncheon Social hour will begin at 11:00am with lunch served at 12:00, followed by the general meeting on the 3rd floor. Traditionally, at the June meeting, we vote on and install new officers, and recognize outgoing officers. We will need a quorum for the vote. Please plan to attend this important meeting to thank our outgoing officers and board members and welcome our new officers and board. Please make every effort to attend. We will be voting for Theresa Wilson for President, Wendy Delaunay for Vice President, Debbie Foote for Secretary and Wendy Redding for Treasurer.

Book Club will continue for the summer. Our next book read is the "The Shell Seekers" by Rosamunde Pilcher. Our next zoom meeting is scheduled for September 8th, 2022 at 6:00pm.

We have a tradition of service that may be unmatched. Our name is unique, with historical meaning. The word "tar" means "sailor," and Tarettes is the feminine term for it. The Tarettes are known by the other yacht clubs in the region as founders of the Women's Interclub Council (WIC), made up of all the women's groups of the Grand 14 yacht clubs. Every yacht club has a women's group now and the WIC founded the Grand 14. It is written in the WIC by-laws that Queen City Tarettes are the only women to wear red jackets at the WIC Luncheons. Our name is known and respected outside of Queen City. We hold fast to our mission of philanthropy. I encourage you to participate and take the opportunity to volunteer in the fall. This is the kind of thing

that Tarettes selflessly do all the time. There is no way to adequately thank every Tarette who contributed to all the activities this year. All the committee chairs, officers, and members pulled together to accomplish wonderful things. You are amazing.

I want to THANK YOU for your support during my term as your president. It has truly been my great honor and privilege to serve as your president. I look forward to continuing as part of the leadership team on the Tarettes board. As I hand off my post to our next President elect Theresa Wilson, I am confident she will serve you well. She has lots of great ideas for her term and I eagerly await what she has in store for the next chapter of Tarettes.

I bid you all farewell and wish you a wonderful summer of boating!



Galley crew rocked the galley for Tarettes Sunday morning breakfast



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SUPPORT SUMMER HOSTS AT THE BAINBRIDGE OUSTATION

Posted by Barb Wood, Outstation Co-Chair

As I write this, we are tied to the QCYC Outstation at Deer Harbor on Orcas Island. We are sharing the dock with two other QCYC boats and more boats are expected today. It feels like the summer cruising has started!

The Summer Hosts for Bainbridge are all chosen for the summer. These members are all volunteers so please help them keep the Outstation tidy and clean. Also, remember to check in upon arrival. That was the number one issue last summer. One doesn't

even have to get off their boat. You can sign in using your smart phone or laptop onboard.

By the time you read this, Memorial Day weekend will have happened. Then July 4th weekend and Labor Day will be the next big weekends. These events are always well attended and worth participating in if you haven't before. Safe boating!



QCYC crew enjoy happy hour at the Deer Harbor outstation

SALT SPRING MARINA UPDATE

Posted by Margaret Krows, Commodore

Construction has been completed at Salt Spring marina. <https://saltspringmarina.com> There have been a few changes in the reservation system. Salt Spring marina is a reservation required, contracted cruising destination and Members are strongly encouraged to register in advance via the Salt Spring website. Salt Spring now uses the Swift

Harbor reservations service and members should note in the registration comments box that you are making a "Queen City Yacht Club reservation" in order to get the contracted rates and process. Swift Harbor will also ask for a credit card number before completing the reservation.

Providing the credit card is for file purposes only and will not result in an immediate transaction charge. QCYC will bill you during the following quarterly billing and will supplement 50% of the cost. If you have questions, please contact office@queencity.org.

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June 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 The "U" Reserved for Low & Slow Parking Spaces around "U" Reserved for Low & Slow 3rd Floor Reserved for the Low & Slow QCYC 7th Annual "Low & Slow" BBQ Competition 2:00pm to 5:00pm	6 Music Committee Rehearsal 6:30pm	7 Docks Committee Meeting 6:30pm Planning & Finance Meeting 7:00pm	8 Old Timers Night Cruise and Dinner 4:00pm to 6:00pm Regular Member Meeting In-Person w/Dinner 7:30pm to 9:30pm	9	10 Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	11 Tarettes - General Meeting/Installation of Officers Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Docks Fun Day 9:00am
12 Cruise to Slough	13 QCYC Board Meeting 7:00pm	14	15 HOLD - JO Ball Decorating	16 SSAPS 5:00pm	17 JO Ball Decorating G-14 Social (2nd Floor) 6:00pm to 8:00pm	18 QCYC JO Ball 8:00am to 10:30am
19 JO Ball Clean-Up Music Committee Rehearsal 4:30pm	20	21	22 Regular Member Meeting In-Person w/Dinner 7:30pm to 9:30pm	23 Private Event - DeLaunay	24 Private Event - DeLaunay Big Brother Cruise Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	25 Big Brother Cruise Private Event - Contreras Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am
26 Big Brother Cruise Music Committee Rehearsal 4:30pm	27	28	29 Regular Member Meeting In-Person w/Dinner 7:30pm to 9:30pm	30 HOLD - ROTARY		