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ROCHE HARBOR THEME FOR THE COMMODORE BALL

Posted by PC Margaret Krows

The Commodore Ball, which transformed QCYC into Roche Harbor Resort, couldn't have been more magical. It was an extraordinary event that honored Commodore Michele and Past Commodore Dave Bedner at the highest level. Cocktail hour replicated the casual resort theme with green and white striped table runners, Lime Kiln Café "bun-less" cheeseburgers on skewers, along with individual shot glasses of French fries and Pig War martinis. A seafood themed appetizer display on top of an aquarium, complete with bait boxes and crab, duplicated the resort's fresh seafood vender near the fuel dock. Upstairs, guests enjoyed prime rib and salmon meals, traditional at McMillin's Dining Room, which was all decked out with a rose garden theme. Even Harbormaster, Kevin, attended and danced the night away, albeit as a cutout!

I give each of the following members, who worked hard to make the Ball successful, my heartiest thanks and gratitude: Karleen Junglov, Vivian Johnson, P/C Sandy Werner, Gail Genord, R/C Doug Genord, P/C Mark Reed, Kitt Day, V/C Michael Day, Chas Werner, Teri McGrew, Peggie Evans, David Ulfers, Gordon Foote, Steve Swingler, Becky Garvie, Sistee Lentgis, Margie Wadden, Sheryl Erlichman, Tamara Hillmann, Mike Hillmann, Susan Rebello, Ray Rebello, Barbara Castro, Chas Werner, Tim DeCook, Jack Herring, Linda Herring, Paul Grimm, and Sherry Weiss. There were others, unidentified, who helped with tear down Saturday night. Thank you, everyone.



Commodore Michele Bedner surrounded by well wishers.

WELCOME 2022-2033 BRIDGE OFFICERS & TRUSTEES



New Trustees Barry Stolzman and Debbie Foote



2022-2033 QCYC Bridge Officers

At the QCYC traditional Change of Watch ceremony, these members were inducted as Bridge Officers and Trustees: Commodore Michele Bedner, Vice Commodore Michael Day, Rear Commodore Doug Genord, Secretary Eric Wood and Treasurer Joyce Carlson. Trustees Barry Stolzman and Debbie Foote.

FLEET CAPTAINS OCTOBERFEST CRUISE TO POULSBO

Posted by Fleet Co-Captain Delly Behen

Great turnout for our Oktoberfest Cruise to Poulsbo! 20 boats joined, and a handful of folks drove over for the festivities. It was a lively Friday night social, competitive Saturday morning scavenger hunt, fun group dinner and many spirited karaoke performers!



Fleet Captains Oktoberfest crew at Poulsbo Cruise-in

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SAVE THE DATES FOR FUTURE EVENTS

Posted by Michele Bedner, Commodore

Not again! The water main above Boyer ruptured the morning of Tuesday, October 11th. Massive quantities of water spilled across Boyer, down the driveway, over the parking lot and into the lake. There was significant erosion in several areas. Damage to asphalt in our parking lot has been assessed and documented by an outside geotechnical engineer. Leadership will continue to work with the City of Seattle for restitution.

A big thank you to P/C Margaret Krows, Karleen Reed, P/C Sandy Werner, Vivian Johnson, Kitt Day, Gail Genord and all those involved in making the October 1st Commodore Ball so very special! The creative talents and hard work that were involved in making this Commodore Ball so exceptional is truly appreciated!

Thank you to Tim Hicks and Liz Hart for chairing a great Friday night social on October 7th! Members came out sporting a variety of crazy hats. The New Member Mainstation Orientation on October 8th was a huge success. Thank you to Barry Rutten along with Colleen Rutten for a very informative and enjoyable day for our newer members.

Our Fleet Captains Delly and Steve Behen & Mike and Susan Burke kicked off their year on October 8th with a Dinghy Cruise



Commodore Michele Bedner at the Commodore Ball

to Fairweather Bay. The Fleet Captain's Octoberfest Cruise on October 21st - 23rd to Poulsbo had 25 boats in attendance. Members enjoyed karaoke and a scavenger hunt. Scavenger hunt winners were Miguel Suarez, Ken Knoke, Jack Connick, Renee Goodman, Tom Schultz and Veronica Ewton. The next Fleet Captain event is Whirly Ball on Saturday November 12th.

Veronica and Dave Ewton are excited to host a Friday Night Social 'Sailor Brew & Stews' on Nov 4th. Willie is preparing his best beef

stew, chicken stew and vegetarian stew. All stews served with cornbread muffins and dessert. Stews and muffins will be gluten free. In addition that evening, there will be maritime-themed games with prizes. No host QCYC bar will be open from 5 pm to 10 pm. Please sign up today!

The Holidays will soon be upon us! Volunteers are needed on Saturday, November 19th from 10 am until 1 pm to decorate QCYC Mainstation for the Holidays! Lunch provided.

Speaking of the Holidays, QCYC's Children's Holiday Party is back this year on December 10th from 11:00 am - 1:30 pm. All members' children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews are invited. The Seafair Holiday Cruise is also back this year and scheduled for Sunday, December 4th. Please consider volunteering for the Seafair Holiday Cruise.

Finally, Save the Date for New Year's Eve at QCYC Mainstation! Enjoy Willie's festive buffet and dance to the music of Soul Siren. More info to follow. Sign-ups start Monday, November 14th at 9 am on the QCYC website only.

Happy Thanksgiving to all members of QCYC and their families!

Friday Night Social

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Vice Commodore's Report

VISIT QUEENCITY.ORG TO LEARN, EXPLORE & MORE

Posted by Michael Day, Vice Commodore

So, when is the last time you took a good look at the QCYC website? The website is a resource that manages a large amount of traffic given the size of the membership. This is a testament to its utility. It continues to evolve and improve. The next time you are there, look around a bit and I'll bet you will find some resources that you were not aware of.

The high traffic areas of the website are the club calendar, the annual, and club moorage. These are great sources of information about QCYC activities, its members, and moorage information. The information is easily accessible from any browser, including your phone.

For the QCYC calendar, each event is linked to additional information simply by clicking on the hyperlinked event title. For those events that require registration, members can register directly from the calendar function with a couple of simple clicks. Registration is a tremendous help for event planners. If you are looking for contact information for another member, it is simple to find it through a search of their name or vessel under the "Annual" heading. Similarly, waitlist and assignment information is readily available under the



Vice Commodore Michael Day & Kitt Glavin at Commodore Ball

"Moorage" heading. You can also find information about your vessel's registration, insurance, and electrical testing status.

I expect you already knew this. However, if you browse a bit more, you will likely find some information that you were not aware of. For example, look under the "Facilities" heading. There is a bunch of information about bar operations. There is information

about how to become a bartender, the watchbill, bar orders, and more. There is also access to Club webcams at Bainbridge Island and the Main Station. Under the "Regulations" heading, you will find the By-Laws and QCYC Rules. While the rules may not be a great read from front to back, the governance documents are a good source of information to address questions members have related to membership, governance, moorage, parking, etc.

The ability of members to register for a night at the Bainbridge outstation, sign up for use of a workslip or moorage in the "U," register for an event, or basically just figure out what is going on at QCYC is the result of many members working in coordination. On behalf of all QCYC members, I want to thank those who keep the content and functionality of the website up to date.

So, consider this. If you have a question, like "What is my vessel status?", "How do I register for an event?", "How do I get my boat tested by VESC?", or "Who owns that beautiful Tolly, Monarch?", please consult the website before contacting the office or the committee chair. The answer is probably already there.

JOIN THE FUN AT THE SEAFAIR HOLIDAY CRUISE DECEMBER 4

Posted by Valerie Ohlstrom, Seafair Holiday Cruise Chair

Calling all Skippers, Dock Elves, and Kitchen helpers. Great news! I have been contacted by Seafair and the Seafair Holiday Cruise (aka Special People's Cruise) is starting back up in-person after the pandemic! The cruise will be held on Sunday, December 4, 2022, with all the usual fun and frivolity. Sign up online from the November calendar link. Elise will have the flyer and link up and running by next week, so keep an eye out. Looking forward to a great event.



QCYC crew rallies to welcome special guests for the Holiday Cruise

RBAW SUPPORTS HARBOR PATROL & EXCISE TAX CUTS

Posted by Bill Gray, QCYC representative to the Recreational Boating Association of Washington (RBAW)

On October 25, RBAW testified before a Department of Revenue (DOR) hearing on rules/schedules relative to the watercraft excise tax. We have enjoyed modest success (extending the years of the schedule, incorporating sailboats with power boats for the appropriate length, and reducing the rates from the prior draft schedule). However, we have a long way to go.

A one pager of our position about baseline depreciation rates is available. Call me at 509/9919191 or graybil@gmail.com.

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MAINSTATION SECURITY ALERT

Posted by Doug Genord, Rear Commodore

Club security remains a top priority for the Bridge, including recent tips to members about securing cars and boats. Dock access is equally important. QCYC members are not allowed to lend their access cards to non-members. Your access card identifies you as a member and lets the Club know it is the member who is accessing parts of the premises. When a member lends a card, that connection is lost and the Club now does not know who is really on the docks and the rest of our property including Bainbridge Island, clubhouses, laundry room and Cummings Hall.

More importantly, that access card allows members access to all areas on Club grounds

24/7 (except the main station clubhouse where access is 0500-2400 hrs). Lending a card to a non-member, including vendors, allows them to gain unauthorized entry during those times.

Recently, the Security team has seen vendors access our clubhouse in the evenings and on weekends. One vendor had received the card from another vendor. This is not acceptable. These vendors have had the cards confiscated and the members have been warned about lending the cards. Lending an access card can lead to losing the privilege of that card, or can lead to further discipline by the Club for repeated violations.

In short, please refer to the following:

1. Do not lend access cards to vendors or other non-members;
2. You are responsible as a member to make sure your vendor registers with the office and receives a vendor card during week day hours;
3. When a vendor or non-member needs access in the evenings during the week or at any time during the weekend, the member **MUST** accompany that person and provide access.

Failure to follow these procedures puts all members' property and Club property at risk.



Commodore's Trophy to Susan & Ray Rebello for their service to our club



Commodore names Membership Chair Val Ohlstrom Member of the Year

An 80-year tradition: 1942-2022!

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CLOSING DAY FESTIVITIES REVEAL OUR CLUB'S CHARACTER AND CHARACTERS!

Posted by P/C Margaret Krows

The crowds weren't overflowing, but there was a good enough turn out for Closing Day to be a rousing success on Sunday. The weather was perfect, the "Running of the Bar" didn't report any injuries, little alcohol was spilled during the "Tipping the Oar", and plenty of food & beverages were consumed at Willie's Burger Bash and the bar throughout the afternoon. The parade route was short and sweet. Under the direction of Grand Marshal, Paul Grimm, drill teams performed, decorated floats and animals marched, and VIPs waved from convertibles. Mark Vanderwall's "surprise gimmick" looked like a medieval torture device, but really tested people's balance skills while drinking from a red Solo cup. Congratulations to the Tarettes' Drill Team for capturing the top award again. The anchor is securely stowed until the next boating season. Kudos to everyone who showed up for the fun. Photos might be used for blackmail.



Closing Day Grand Marshal, Paul Grimm, waves to adoring crowd

MEMBERS LEARN ABOUT THE ROPES FROM BEHIND THE COUNTER

Posted by Barry Rutten, New Member Orientation Chair

We had a successful new member orientation October 8th. Heads up: by unanimous vote, everyone decided to pass on dinner and movie night and enjoy the nice weather we're having. So we'll repurpose the lasagna and fixings. Thanks to our new members, my wife Colleen Rutten for her assistance, Grounds Chair Susan Rebello for guiding the volunteer project, Chef Willie Williamson for his galley magic and showing everyone the ropes behind the counter.



Barry Rutten leads new member orientation

THANKS TO ALL WHO HELP KEEP THE OUTSTATION SHIP-SHAPE

Posted by Barb Wood, Outstation Co-Chair

The warm weather has encouraged many members to continue cruising. The Outstation has been busy and all of the Winter Moorage boats have arrived and taken their place on the inside of the "U."

Members Brian Korenaga and Cindy McCroskey arrived at the Outstation not long ago and asked "what can we do"? That question is always music to our ears! I suggested they tidy up all of the flower pots. The pots look fresh and tidy now!

Members Marcia and Kurt Hanson have been very helpful keeping the lawn mowed and the clubhouse clean. They leave shortly for their place in Arizona and we will miss them.

We are asked frequently why boats are to point south, with the exception of a couple shallow spots. The reason for that is damaging winds come from the south. Members are always surprised to see the white caps in our quiet harbor when one of these big storms hit.



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Rear Commodore Doug Genord and Gail at the Commodore Ball

This being my inaugural article as a Bridge officer, I wanted to start out by stating how honored I am to serve you and this remarkable yacht club.

For many of you who may not know me well, let me briefly introduce myself. My wife Gail and I have been with the club since 2012. Many of you know Gail as she has helped run the ship store for many years and volunteers regularly elsewhere. Gail and I have 3 children and 5 grandchildren all living local to the area. We were both raised in the Midwest and come from an extensive boating history on various lakes in Michigan and Lake Winnepesaukee in New Hampshire and sailing on San Francisco Bay. We have been boating on Puget Sound and northern waters since 1990.

Having just completed my 3 year term on the Board of Trustees whose primary focus has been on

the financial health of our club, I now move on as a Bridge officer to help manage the operations of our club. I know I have a lot to learn but I am very fortunate to be working with 2 remarkable individuals on the Bridge and am able to leverage the experience of so many Past Commodores.

As Rear Commodore, my focus this year will be on grounds, membership, security and reception. I would appreciate hearing your thoughts on these matters (in person or email). I would also like to hear how you think your time and talent can help make a difference here. Thank you for the well wishes, appreciation and offers of support I have received from so many of you. I look forward to an exciting, productive and rewarding 3 years of service on the Bridge and beyond.

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6:30 PM - Prime Rib & Salmon Buffet
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TARETTES PHILANTHROPIES SUPPORT CHILDREN IN NEED

Posted by Theresa Wilson, Tarettes President

The Tarettes are the Philanthropic Arm of the Queen City Yacht Club. Bingo Night will be donating all the profit collected to Lowell School where many homeless children attend. Enjoy Willie's pizza and then have some fun playing Bingo on Friday, 11/18 at 5:30 pm. \$20 CASH ONLY. We will be collecting gift cards at the Captains Dinner on 12/6 to give to Boyer Children's Clinic. Website registration will open soon.

The Tarettes also support Treehouse, a non-profit, which supports foster children, which has a retail-like store where the kids can shop for new clothes and toys. About coming events: our first Treehouse volunteer opportunity is on Wed., 11/2, for lunch at

Nick's on Madison followed by our 'shift' from 1--3p.m. Contact Barbara Wilson at bmwballard@gmail.com or 206-276-3874 for more information.

Did you receive your Tarettes email Newsletter? Thanks to Barbara Wilson, who has launched a newsletter for QCYC Tarettes. Send Barbara Wilson your email address to be added to the email list.

Five Tarettes attended the September Women's Interclub Council Luncheon at the Poulsbo Yacht Club. The next WIC Luncheon will be on 11/15 at Meydenbauer Yacht Club, with featured speaker Dr. Thomas Green about his volunteer surgery experiences in other countries. To attend, mail a \$20 check

payable to Barbara Wilson, 1545 NW 57th, Unit 522, Seattle 98197 by 11/5.

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 is "The Undertaker's Assistant" by Amanda Skenandore. Contact the Book Club Chair, Kathy Dow at 425-417-8086 for dates/times.

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. The month of October, Diane sent Tarettes sent Get Well cards to Dave Bedner and Jim Damery.

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All hats on deck at the Friday Night Social



Kitchen crew at the Commodore's Friday Night Social

CRAZY HAT FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL WAS CRAZY

Posted by Michele Bedner, Commodore

A big thank you to Tim Hicks and Liz Hart for chairing an exceptional Friday Night Social! Members came out sporting a variety of crazy hats. Prizes were awarded in various categories. Mary Green won 'Die-Hard Sports Fan.' 'Biggest Hat' award went to P/C Dean

Lentgis. Denise Lindholme who looked especially glamorous, brought home 'Le Plus Chic du Monde' award. 'Dumpster Dive Diva' award went to none other than Mark Vanderwall. And finally, the winner of the People's Choice award was Delly Behen.

Kudos to all volunteers who assisted with this event. Mark your calendars for Friday, November 4th for QCYC 's next Friday Night Social: 'Sailor Stews and Brews.'

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November 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Private Event - DeLaunay	4 Friday Night Social - Sailor Stew & Brew Friday Lunch 11:00am to 1:00pm Tarettes - Lunch & Games 12:00pm Bar 5:00pm to 10:00pm Dinner 6:00pm to 8:00pm	5 Private Event - Quinn/Hidden Harbor Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am
6	7 QCYC Board Meeting 7:00pm	8 Docks Committee Meeting 6:30pm	9 Regular Member Meeting w/ Dinner 7:30pm	10	11 QCYC Fuel Fill Friday Lunch 11:00am to 1:00pm	12 QCYC Fuel Fill Fleet Captain - Whirlyball' in Edmonds Private Event - Maruska Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Docks Fun Day 9:00am
13 Private Event - V. Turner	14	15	16	17 Tarettes - Book Club 6:30pm	18 Friday Lunch 11:00am to 1:00pm Tarettes - Bingo & Pizza (2nd Floor) 6:00pm	19 Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection 9:00am to 12:00pm Mainstation Holiday Decorating 10:00am to 1:00pm
20 Private Event - Turner Music Committee Rehearsal 4:30pm	21 Office Manager Working from Home	22 Office Manager Working from Home	23 Office Manager Working from Home	24 Office Close (Holiday)	25 Office Closed (Holiday)	26 Apple Cup Party (2nd Floor)
27 Music Committee Rehearsal 4:30pm	28	29	30			