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A WAVE OF THE MAGIC WAND FOR OPENING DAY

COMMODORE'S REPORT — Congratulations, everyone! Queen City Yacht Club completed a very successful Opening Day event in conjunction with our good friends at Seattle Yacht Club across Portage Bay.

We once again proved we can host a premier boating event over several days, and do it all with volunteers. There were a lot of moving parts to the advance preparation and planning, to carrying out the actual events and to putting things back in order in the aftermath, once the weekend is over.

A big thank you is in order for all the members who contributed to our success. Some members filled a leadership role, making sure all of our attending members and guests were well fed, entertained and provided a beverage of choice. Other members had roles behind the scenes that included decorating and clean-up. Serving more than 800 meals generates a lot of dirty dishes and a lot of garbage; and, while attending to those aspects are not glamorous, they are equally important to the overall event success.

Thank you to all the members who assisted with



Dave Bedner

important tasks that often get overlooked when it's time to express appreciation. When the crew shows up to prepare the next meal and arrives to find a clean and orderly galley, it's taken for granted that the dish-washing fairy or some other mythical entity waved a magic wand and our facilities were instantly and magically cleansed.

I have long contended that when everything runs smoothly, no one really notices; and by all measures Opening Day went as smoothly as can be expected for such a major undertaking. Special thanks to

Opening Day Chair Michele Bedner and to all those who accepted a leadership role in making our biggest event of the year a complete success.

Seeing our club through the eyes of visitors really reinforces what we already know: Queen City Yacht Club is one of the premier yacht clubs in the area. The comment I heard most often from our guests was how accommodating and friendly everyone from QCYC is. There is no greater complement we can receive. It should be satisfying to all of us to know what a favorable impression QCYC members left with our guests over Opening Day.

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For anyone looking at the June calendar and wondering what the Big Brothers Cruise on June 23-25 at Winslow is all about, let me explain.

Back in the 1930's, a group of boating enthusiasts from Bremerton wanted to establish a yacht club and asked QCYC for assistance. We provided them with our charter documents and helped them get their club up and running.

Since then, QCYC has been considered a "big brother" to Bremerton Yacht Club, and we have an annual cruise to rekindle our association. The cruise alternates each year between Bremerton Yacht Club and Winslow, and this year we host them at Winslow.

All QCYC members are invited to attend and enjoy the opportunity to associate with our friends from Bremerton YC.

— Dave Bedner, commodore

QCYC OUTSTATION CRUISE GUIDE

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT — With the 2017 cruising season underway, I want to share each of our outstations' information and policy for Queen City members. Have Fun!



John Hieber



Thetis Island Marina

Location: This is the first marina you encounter as you enter Telegraph Harbor and is on the west side of the harbor.

QCYC use area defined: Phoning ahead is required and members are strongly encouraged to phone as far in advance as possible. Before reaching the dock, hail the "Thetis Marina harbor-master" on VHF 66A for slip assignment. QCYC members may be asked to raft together if space is tight. Occupancy limits may be found in Club Rule 12.04 on page 139 of your annual. There is 30 amp power and potable water on the docks. Although the marina has its own desalination plant, it's best to check

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with the harbormaster to see if the Gulf Islands are under water restrictions.

Contact information: 250-246-3464 or VHF 66A.

Instructions on arrival: Following arrival and securing your vessel, contact the harbormaster either at the fuel dock (the building with the green roof on the dock) or shore-side in the grocery. The harbormaster has the QCYC registration book, which you are required to fill out.

Amenities: The marina has a convenience grocery, liquor store and post office. There is an on-site restaurant with indoor and outdoor seating. Families are welcome.

Comments: It's a short walk from the marina to the BC Ferry Terminal that connects Thetis Island to Chemainus on Vancouver Island. The town of Chemainus is known for the many murals on buildings in town, craft stores, restaurants and dinner theater.

Salt Spring Marina

Location: The marina is at the very north end of the harbor at the town of Ganges, past the Canadian Coast Guard and Ganges Marina docks. Look for the large red building, which is Moby's restaurant, located on the marina property.



Salt Spring Marina is worth calling ahead for, and if it's crowded we may have to raft.

QCYC use area defined: Members are strongly encouraged to phone as far in advance as possible. Prior to reaching the dock, hail the "Salt Spring Marina harbormaster" on VHF 66A for a slip assignment. QCYC members may be asked to raft together if space is tight. Occupancy limits may be found in Club Rule 12.04, page 139 of the QCYC annual. There is 30 amp power and potable water on the docks. However, if the Gulf Islands are under restricted water use, the marina water is turned on only during specific hours of the

day. Plan accordingly.

Contact information: 250-537-5810 or VHF 66A.

Instructions on arrival: After arriving and securing your vessel, proceed to the head of the marina. There is a small office building to the left as you leave the dock. The harbormaster has the QCYC registration book, which you are required to fill out. Be sure to get the gate code for re-entry during your stay.

Amenities: The marina has coin-operated showers and

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Comments: Ganges is a full-service destination. One can walk to the center of town (about one-fourth mile) or take the dinghy and tie up at the Rotary Club dinghy dock on the west side of the Ganges Marina. (A \$1 donation is requested for dock maintenance.) There are many restaurants, a fully-stocked grocery store, a hardware store with marine supplies, a drugstore and a BC liquor store all within a few blocks of each other. On Saturdays from April to October, an impressive farmer's market is held in the civic park two blocks from the center of town. (Pets are not allowed.)

Deer Harbor Marina

Location: This is the southwest corner of Orcas Island. The marina is the first commercial marina as one enters the harbor and is located on the east side.

QCYC use area defined: The QCYC-contracted dock space is identified by the yellow highlighted bar in the Deer Harbor aerial photograph on our website and by a QCYC sign affixed to the west side of the dock. The entire east side of that float and the "dogleg" part of the west side are devoted to normal marina transient moorage and are subject to overnight fees. No reservation is necessary as this is a first come, first served tie up. Thirty-amp power and potable water is available dockside. Rafting is allowed up to three deep. Occupancy limits can be found in Club Rule 12.04, page 139 of your QCYC annual. Tying up anywhere outside the QCYC area is considered normal transient moorage and the marina is due their standard overnight fee.

Contact info: 360-376-3037 or VHF 78A (but neither is necessary



Deer Harbor Marina has a small convenience store, laundry and access to a swimming pool.

to stay at the QCYC area)

Instructions on arrival: Following arrival and securing your vessel, proceed to the head of the marina. Continue past the small store and down the ramp on the far side to the office/gift shop. The attendant inside should have the QCYC registration book, which you are required to fill out.

Amenities: The marina has coin-op showers and laundry plus WiFi.

Comments: The small convenience store onsite has an adequate selection. It also serves as a small deli with food prepared on-site. The marina also affords access to a small swimming pool across the street (check with the office during registration as the pool tends to be in or out of service). There is also a U.S. Post Office across the street. The Deer

Harbor Restaurant is about a mile north of the marina and an easy walk, or the restaurant will provide pick-up service. Good walking and bicycling opportunities are nearby.

Bainbridge Island (aka Winslow)

Location: Halfway in on the north shore of Eagle Harbor. The Eagle Harbor Public Dock is directly to the east and a private residence sits to the west. The end pilings and docks are clearly marked with Queen City signs.

This is the club's main outstation and is owned by the club. The dock is "U" shaped, with 30-amp power and potable water throughout. From May 15-September 15 every year,



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members can tie up on either side of both fingers on a first come, first served basis. Dock A is the western finger and Dock B is the eastern finger. Rafting up to three deep is allowed and encouraged during busy periods (Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day weekends).

During the winter months (September 15-May15) visiting moorage is limited to the outside of both fingers as the inside area (the inside of the "U") becomes seasonal long-term moorage for members.

All vessels should be moored with bow to the water side (south) -- or stern to shore (north) -- with one exception: The one vessel nearest to shore on the east (Eagle Harbor Public Dock) side of Dock B should tie up with bow to shore to prevent grounding of running gear during low tide.

The shore side of the cross-connecting dock is reserved for dinghies, as low tides prohibit any larger vessels. The water (south) side of the cross-connecting dock will allow large vessels to side-tie. However, members are encouraged to stern-tie (aka Mediterranean-tie) during busy periods.

Instructions on arrival: Following arrival and securing one's vessel, members should proceed to the clubhouse and register. You will need your QCYC proximity key card to both depart and enter the dock area as well as the outstation clubhouse. Inside the clubhouse you will find the registration book immediately to the right, beside the main door. You are required to fill it out.

Amenities: The clubhouse



Winslow photo by Sarah Stierch

is equipped with a full kitchen, restrooms, showers, laundry, cable television and WiFi, picnic tables and two charcoal grills. Horseshoe pits for your use are on the shore side lawn. There is a limited area for parking vehicles next to the clubhouse. Members are reminded to complete a vehicle identification form (found at the registration desk) and leave it on the dashboard of the vehicle in case it needs to be moved.

Comments: The city of

Bainbridge Island has countless resources, which makes it a very popular destination for club members. One will find a grocery store, small chandlery, movie theater, U.S. Post Office and numerous restaurants within a few blocks' walk. Approximately a mile away is a hardware store, drugstore and another grocery store.

—John Hieber, vice commodore



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YOUR BURGEE, RED OR READY FOR THE RAG-BAG?

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT — Oh my, what a fantastic opening weekend it was, wasn't it!

The clubhouse, docks and grounds were all in perfect shipshape order, spotless and beautiful. The food was fabulous, and the bartenders made it a point to make all of our guests feel at home.

In fact, everything about the opening week of boating season was truly a success.

Thank you, congratulations and a tip of the rear commodore's hat to Michele Bedner, our Opening Day committee chair, for the incredible vision, many months of dedicated planning and all the enthusiastic hard work she did on behalf of the members of Queen City Yacht Club.

On another note . . .

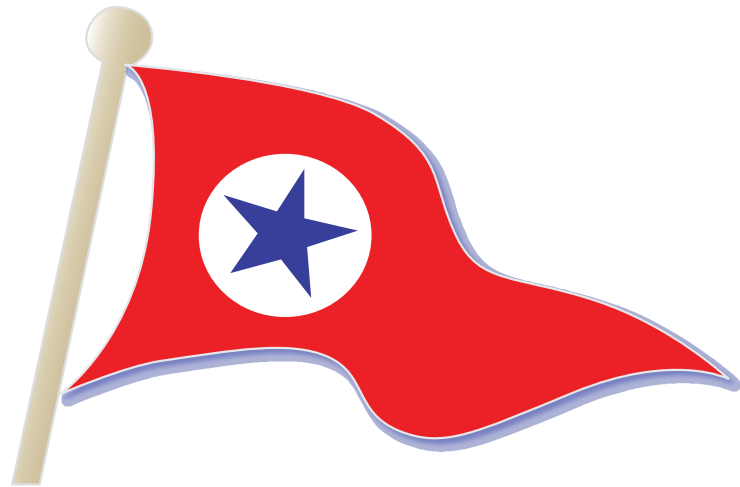
What color is your burgee?

Just the other day the sun was out, the birds were singing, and I thought a slow walk down the dock was in order to celebrate a beautiful spring day.

During my stroll, it was apparent that many of our members had spent some serious time scraping off the winter mold and sprucing up their summer rides. The boats were sparking clean



Mark Reed



and ready for summer fun.

But something was bugging me about the scene, and it just didn't seem right.

After much contemplation, it finally dawned on me that we seem to have many different colors of Queen City burgees, when in fact, we should only have one.

I saw pale red ones, slightly pink ones and even an almost totally white one and many other

colors in-between. Evidently, the

wind, weather, rain, snow, hail or advanced age may have faded these very visual symbols our great club.

When you see a boat approaching you, isn't the burgee one of the very first things you look at to see if it belongs to our family? I sure do.

I must admit that when I rushed back to check on my Miramar's burgee, I found the poor thing to be an off shade of

pale apple taffy (!), but I promise it won't be that way the next time you see her.

That burgee will be bright red - as it was meant to be.

Check out your burgee and see what color it is. You might be as surprised as I was. If so, make it a point to pick up a new one from Deborah Cobain, our office manager in the mainstation clubhouse.

For a very small price, your pride in Queen City Yacht Club will once again shine bright and fly proudly on your bow staff or starboard spreader.

See you next month . . .

—Mark Reed, rear commodore



TROUBLE AT THE BAINBRIDGE ISLAND OUTSTATION

OUTSTATION REPORT — At the time this is being written, there's serious trouble at the Bainbridge Island Outstation.

The Outstation Boss is in Carmel and has left me alone with her vicious dog. I'm trying to find something to eat while I try to keep from getting bitten. And I just got orders to write something for the Bilge Pump, too.

Oh, Lord

In my dreams, we'll depart for points north soon and come back in late-September, leaving this place in the hands of the rest of the Outstation Committee and three couples who have volunteered to be outstation hosts -- Rico and Wanda Adams, Mike

and Peggie Evans and Larry and Jean Keeler.

They will help you keep your facility orderly, clean and attractive, so when you pitch in, please look to them for guidance. (Just like the guy in the photo, who volunteered to mow the lawn when he was out here recently!)

When you're next out, you'll see that the asphalt parking area has recently been repaired and resurfaced, and it looks so great that all vehicles have been permanently banned from it. (Just kiddddd. . .)

If the Outstation Boss were writing this, she'd remind you about all the nearby shops, museums, grocery store, indoor pool and restaurants. (Doc's Marina Grill offers 10% discounts on the weekends and 15% off on weekdays.)

But I wouldn't tell you that. And, only because it's my job,

we will thoroughly check out all three northern outstations -- Deer Harbor, Ganges and Telegraph Harbor -- both going and coming. You should too!

Gotta go. That dog is looking at me

Safe and happy summer cruising!

—Eric (*Old-What's-His-Name in past issues of the Bilge Pump*), Edie, (*who apparently is a bit cranky*) and Barb (*the Outstation Boss who's in Carmel*), outstation chairs.

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NEW MEMBERS

Eight new captains were inducted into the club at the meeting May 10. Welcome to Matt and Laura Hinrichs, Jim and Louise Day, Chad and Elizabeth Rinehart and David and Kathy Reynolds. Welcome to all of you. We're happy to have you in our midst!



Jim and Louise Day
Photo by Wendy Delaunay



Chad and Elizabeth Rinehart
Photo by Wendy Delaunay



David And Kathy Reynolds
Photo by John Macdonald



Matt and Laura Hinrichs
Photo by Wendy Delaunay

CHANGE OF WATCH

Gordon Foote is taking over duties of the Visiting Committee as Past Commodore Doug O'Brien retires.

Doug, a member for the past 48 years, announced his

retirement from the committee at the May 10 meeting. He has headed the committee for the past eight years.

In announcing the change, Doug said since he has moved to University Place he feels he is too far away to do the job as

well as he'd like to.

If you know of a club member who needs a get-well or sympathy card, a pat on the back, a phone call or brief contact, message or call Gordy.



And the screw-up flag goes to . . . Past Commodore Scott Grimm, left, whose Opening Day crew had a major cannon mishap on his boat, blowing his Queen City burgee to shreds. Commodore Dave Bedner bestows the “honor” on Grimm, reminding Grimm that upon initiation into Queen City, members pledge “not to bring reproach or dishonor” to the club.

Photo by John Macdonald

Outstation Chairman Eric Wood says this photo of Mark Vanderwall mowing the lawn at the Bainbridge clubhouse is his favorite picture from the past 16 years. Presumably that’s a needle aimed at Mark. Or it could be that there really is no accounting for artistic taste. Either way, it’s a nice shot of man and mower.

Photo by Eric Wood



IN MEMORIAM

A memorial service for Jan LaFountaine will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 16 in the upper deck of the clubhouse.

Tobias Hense photo

AROUND THE DOCKS

AT THE END OF THE YELLOW-BRICK ROAD, AAHS AND A LITTLE REST FOR QCYC'S FIRST LADY

The first thing Michele Bedner, Queen City's first lady, did to get ready for Opening Day was hire the band.

That was last November. And she didn't stop working on the festivities until the last boat was berthed after the parade and the clean-up crew had torn away the yellow-brick road she drew to decorate the staircase in the mainstation.

That work of art took 84 feet of yellow poster paper tricked out with 504 bricks drawn by hand (hers) with "an undetermined number of black Sharpie pens."

Lest you think Michele was



Michelle Bedner



Opening Day boaters and looky-lous mingle on Dock 0 at Seattle Yacht Club.
Photo by Stephanie Farrar

just playing around all those months between Halloween and Opening Day, she also managed to be behind the scenes in shaping every part of the huge effort that culminated in a party every day, Wednesday through Sunday, of Opening Day week.

She led the effort to marshal 184 volunteers to make the mainstation sparkle inside and out, set up tents, run shuttles over to Seattle Yacht Club and back, decorate boats and serve 814 meals.

She makes it sound so easy.

"The real work involved in Opening Day is managing all the details to make sure they are complete," she says.

That includes ensuring hosts of all the events have the volunteers they need, access to kitchen space and janitorial services, parking for the bands and change for the ticket sellers.

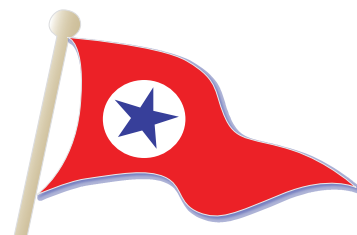
"You need to be very detail-oriented," she says.

Special thanks go, too, to QCYC's other ladies of the bridge for all they did to make this Opening Day one to remember: Debbie Hieber, whose husband John is vice commodore, and Karleen Junglov Reed, whose husband Mark is rear commodore.

Michele has thanked every one of the volunteers in an article in this issue. But she forgot someone in all her thank-yous.

So thank you, Michele, from the rest of us.

– Sally Macdonald,
Bilge Pump co-editor



AROUND THE DOCKS

IF IT BROKE, TELL SOMEONE WHO CAN FIX IT

Queen City Yacht Club has launched a one-stop space on the website to report problems in need of a fix.

Leaky faucet? Cracked downspout? Loose board? Chipped paint? Dead electrical switch? Busted cleat? If the committee-in-charge doesn't know about it, it won't get the attention it needs.

The new "facility-repair request" page on the website is a quick and easy way to report items that are out-of-order at the mainstation or outstation. It works online in any of three ways, and in most cases shouldn't take more than two minutes to complete.

The link can be found under the FORMS menu on the Queen City website. Or through this hyperlink: <http://www.queencity.org/facility-repair-request>. The page is also mobile friendly, so you can complete your submission right on your smartphone.

Once you complete the short form and click "submit," your message is recorded to the repair database and an e-mail is generated to the responsible committee chairperson, who will be able to prioritize and program the work to be done.

Please allow plenty of response time as some items can be fixed during normally scheduled work parties, while others might be part of a larger effort that might involve contractors.

The watchful eyes and prompt reporting of members is necessary to protect the millions of dollars we have invested in the club.

EMERALD CITY AAHS: QCYC DID IT AGAIN

OPENING DAY CHAIR'S

REPORT –There is 'no place like Queen City Yacht Club' when it comes to Opening Day of Boating Season!

QCYC members came out in full force to volunteer their time and talents to enable Opening Day Week 2017 to be a huge success. Opening Day did not just happen. It required months of planning by dedicated leaders.

Terron and Denise Lindholme chaired the Biennial PressureWashAPalooza on April 9. Concrete around the docks and parking areas were pressure washed. Volunteers included Commodore Dave Bedner, Vice Commodore John and Debbie Hieber, Rear Commodore Mark Reed, Gary Johnson, Karl Seuring, Carl Stevens, David Berett, Jeff Ohlstrom, Bob Lindal, Steve Epstein, Andy Foster, Barry and Colleen Rutten, Kevin Naylor, Willie Williamson, Terron and Denise Lindholme and Donald Jackson Sr.

On April 11, Gordon Foote efficiently led a crew to set up the orange-and-white tent on the dock in the 'U.' Those volunteers assisting were Chris Peterson, Denny Ward, Larry Dubia, Don Smith, Dan Lohse, Bill Reid, James Downar, Jim Brooks and Jack Miller. A 'thank you' also to Vice Commodore John Hieber for set up of our second and newer tent.

Pride of Queen City, the club's annual work party to spruce up the clubhouse, grounds and docks in anticipation of Opening Day, was chaired effectively by Stephanie Farrar on April 29. Team leads were Chuck Gould, docks; Jim Damery, house, and Karleen Reed,

grounds. Volunteers in attendance were Commodore Dave Bedner; Vice Commodore John and Debbie Hieber; Rear Commodore Mark Karleen Reed; Past Commodores Dick McGrew, George Austin, and John and Shirley Rogers; Stephanie Farrar, Chuck Gould; Jim Damery; Jack and Debbie Miller; Scott and B.J. Smith; James McFadden; Vivian Johnson; Margi Wadden; Greg and Kate Wharton; Rita and Trevor Hart; Mike and Tamara Hillman; Pete Delaunay, Carl Stevens; Steve Swingler; Gary and Laurie Stevens; Mark Stevens; Walt Braithwaite; Chuck Talmage; Pete Moe; Carol and Rodger McKinley; Duane Schoepach; Dan and Raye Lohse; Heather Brignull; Dave and Luanne Armstrong; Michael Shannon; Sandy and Chris Benson; Joie Roehl; Sandy Werner; Bill Brunkhorst; Mary Heston; John Alving; Chris and Pete Clarke; Paul Grimm; Rosemary Collins; Larry and Rheta Downs; Gordon Foote; Peter Lange; Gary Turner; Mike Forrester; Mark Vanderwall; Christian Dahl; Patti Oberg; James Downar; Tracy Redding ; Jeff and Linda Lentgis, and Lupe Weiss.

Thank you to the Tarettes for donating two raffle baskets and to Becky Garvie and Siste Lentgis for putting the baskets together for the "Pirates, Wenches and Music Fundraiser!" And thank you to Vivian Johnson, Carol and Rodger McKinley, Mary Jo Svendsen, Colleen Rutten, Dick Dow, Jack and Debora Miller, Patti Oberg, Ann and Craig Wilbour and Val and Jeff Ohlstrom for your help with set-up, clean-up, raffle-ticket sales and table organization. A special thank you to Bill Buller for his innovative fundraising ideas and support. Krissy Connelly won the Best Pirate Costume, and Raye Lohse brought

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the 'Best Tropical Appetizer.' Raffle basket winners were Kit Glavin and Tracy Redding. Thank you to all who participated. We raised \$1,200.

A big thank you to Ken and Robin Phillips for the use of their pontoon boat and to Bill and Liz Brownell for providing our second shuttle boat for transportation between Queen City and Seattle Yacht Clubs during Opening Day week! Denny Ward and Rodger McKinley, our very capable shuttle-boat chairs, deserve a round of applause for their work in ensuring there was shuttle service from 8 a.m. until midnight Friday and Saturday as well as service during breakfast hours Sunday morning. Shuttle-boat captains and crew members included Christian and Jeanne Dahl, Terron Lindholme, Gordon Foote, Larry Gill, John Macdonald, Debbie Hieber, Dan Lohse, Al Reiche, Todd Glass, Megan Lee, Dick Moxon, Past Commodore John Rogers, Carolyn Rolstad, Steve Swingler, Barry and Colleen Rutten, Rodger and Carol McKinley, Glenn and Anderson Ader, Geary and Lois Long, Ray McGrew, Greg Satoro, Chuck and Jan Gould, Mike Evans, Karl Seuring, Mike Day, Kit Glavin, Mike Cochran, John Strong, Kelley Marriott, Linda Marriott, Craig Wilbour, Tracy Redding, Bruce and John Cullen, Ken Klett, Fred Wilcox, Mike Forrester, Barbara Purrington, Joshua Hoffman, Jack and Debbie Miller, Karl Seuring, David Brengelmann, Walt Braithwaite, Mike Dever, Eric Wood, Dave Svendsen, Jim Damery, Gary Fisker, Dean Lentgis and Jeff Lentgis.

Thanks to Past Commodore Scott Grimm for once again being Dock Master. Your service was much appreciated.

QCYC Decoration Chair Carol Soffel expertly assembled the table centerpieces and oversaw the transformation of QCYC to the 'Land of Oz.' Niki Maguire Rampe deserves special recognition for the

impressive rainbow mural that she designed and assembled on both sides of the third-deck fireplace. Volunteers who assisted include Commodore Dave Bedner, Stephanie Arthur, Denise Whitaker Lindholme, Val Ohlstrom, Dale Ward, Janel Silver and Rosemary Collins.

A big thank you to Club Manager Andy Gerde for arranging for the refrigeration truck and ensuring the bar was well stocked. Thanks to Bar Manager and Past Commodore Russ Oberg for scheduling bartenders. Thank you, Opening Day bartenders: May McCarthy, Kent Soffel, Jim Downar, Rebecca Valentine, Duane Schoepf, Pete Delaunay, Scott Smith, Sherry Berett, Carolyn Rolstad, Tracy Redding, Wendy Hamal Redding, Sherry Weiss and Heather Brignull.

Krissy Connelly and Lupe Weiss, our decorated-boat Chairs, have a reason to be proud this year. Queen City Yacht Club won First Place in the Novelty Decorated Boat category on Opening Day – the "Golden Potlatch" trophy"! Thank you to Mike and Tammie Hogan for the use of Love Drive as our decorated boat again. And a very special thanks to Kelly and Sharon Stocklin for providing their hydroplane, Bucket List. Participants included Krissy Connelly, Lupe Weiss, Mary Heston, Suzy Hoffman, Tammie Hogan, Tami Riley, Dale Ward, Kari Portolese, Val Ohlstrom, Alison Hogan, Tim Connelly, Mark Weiss, Jeff Riley and Denny Ward. Thanks to Craig Ranta for helping with Sound and Mike and Tamara Hillmann and Paul Johnson for putting together the music.

Thanks to Eric and Barb Wood for once again hosting the QCYC Bridge and providing BarbEric as the QCYC Flagship.

Well-deserved recognition belongs to our hard working volunteer meal chairs. A big thank you!

· On Wednesday, Past

Commodore Larrie Chmela chaired the "Gourmet Brats and Beer" dinner. Helping Larrie was his wife Jackie, Jim Brooks, Dan Lohse, Dean and Siste Lentgis, Past Commodore George Austin, Peter Clarke, Duane Schoepf, Past Commodore Bob Myers, Al Reiche, Mitch Garton and Gordon Foote. Following dinner, Mark Vanderwall hosted a very successful karaoke.

· On Thursday, Mike Cochran chaired the "Cheeseburgers in Paradise" dinner. Assisting Mike were Debbie Foote, Rosemary and Pete Collins, Jeff and Val Ohlstrom, Chuck and Jan Gould and Chas and Sandy Werner. All this occurred during severe thunderstorms, hail, cloud-to-ground lightening, damaging wind and more than 1" of rain.

· On Friday, Charlie Soffel and Kristie Shields chaired their "Over-the-top Korean BBQ Chicken" dinner. Assisting were Krista and Craig Ranta, Kevin and Elaine Peterson, John and Alyssa Plut, Bob and Mary Pallotta, Teresa Richards, Mike and Carly Goodwin, Chris and Sandy Benson, Tim DeCook and Jeffrey and Mary Green.

· On Saturday, Sharon and Kelly Stocklin stepped up to chair a "Homemade Lasagna" dinner. A big thank you to Chef Willie Williamson for making his amazing lasagna and delicious pecan bars. Other volunteers included Debbie Foote, Carolyn Rolstad, Geary and Lois Long, Sue Wilcox and Jack Herring.

· On Sunday morning, Peggie Evans expertly executed the preparation of QCYC's traditional hearty breakfast. The second-floor galley crew was Kelly Stocklin, Kathy and Greg Satoro, Linda and Jack Herring, Tim Decook, Mary Green, Ray and Susan Rebello and Kent Soffel. The third-floor Opening Day Sunday Breakfast crew led by Mary Jo Svendsen, Vice President of Tarettes, did a fabulous job ensuring all our guests felt very welcome and enjoyed a lovely breakfast.

Volunteers included Robert Svendsen, Debbie and Gordon Foote, Margaret Krows, Kathleen Lentgis, Mary Weale, Stephanie Marcelynas, Sharon and Kelly Stocklin, Barbara Purrington, Rosemary Collins, Past Commodore John and Shirley Rogers, Wendy Delaunay, Susan Rebello, Joanie Preusser, Past Commodore Joel Rindal, Toni Knickerbocker, Wendy Rittreiser, Stephanie Arthur, Karen Klett, Dale Ward, Past Commodore Russ Oberg, Donna Graddon, Tim Decook, Kent and Carol Soffel, Richard Thymian, Jack Herring and Sally Macdonald.

Thanks go to Bill Brunkhorst for facilitating a Costco business delivery to support our meal chairs.

Thank you to our Meal Ticket Sellers, John and MaryLouise Alving; Diane, Terry and Scott Carlisle and Victor and Kari Portolese for their service.

Our Opening Day shirts were designed by the creative talents of Niki Maguire Rampe and Office Manager Deborah Cobain. Thank you, ladies, for a job well done. And thank you to Deborah Cobain for preparing the beautiful flyers for the poster board and to Sharon Stocklin for artistically assembling the board for the first-floor lobby.

Thanks to Publicity Chair Kathy Satoro for getting the word out.

Thanks to the Ship Store Managers, Niki Maguire Rampe and Peggie Evans for the extended hours and to their assistants Sandy Werner, Denise Whitaker Lindholme and Raye Lohse.

Much appreciation to the House Committee for making sure the mainstation was in good repair, the red carpet was in the entryway and parking was available for the band. And thank you to Gordon and Deborah Foote for the use of their tent at the dinghy dock.

The QCYC grounds looked amazing! Thanks to Karleen Junglov Reed, our very capable grounds chair, and her team.

Thanks to the volunteers who graciously stayed on Sunday to clean-up, Commodore Dave Bedner, Mary Jo and Robert Svendsen, Sistee Lentgis, Carolyn Rolstad, Margaret Krows, Peggie Evans and Past Commodore Russ Oberg.

Lastly, thank you to the QCYC Bridge: Commodore Dave Bedner, Vice Commodore John and Debbie Hieber and Rear Commodore Mark and Karleen Reed. Your support and assistance during the planning of Opening Day was appreciated.

If for some reason, I left out someone, please accept my apologies and know that your hard work was appreciated and contributed to the Opening Day success.

What makes the Emerald City say "Aah"...? QCYC Volunteers! Job well done!

-- Michele Bedner, *Opening Day chair*

A BILGE PUMP FOR TOMORROW, ONLINE ONLY WITH WEEKLY BLAST, MONTHLY REPORTS

Our Queen City bridge has approved recommendations of a committee charged with suggesting how best to take the Bilge Pump newsletter into the future.

The Tomorrow's Bilge Pump Committee advocated shifting the Bilge Pump to an all-online monthly newsletter, with a weekly 'Bilge Blast' via e-mail about coming events and special print editions to promote our club at the Seattle Boat Show and during the week of Opening Day.

Beginning with the July/August edition, the online monthly "Bilge Pump of Tomorrow" will feature more photos and video of our great events, along with crisp features about where we've been and

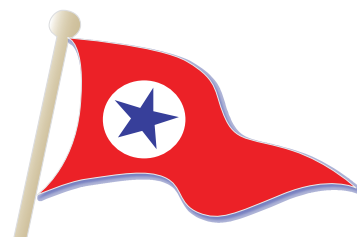
where we are going. A regular Monday-morning "Bilge Blast" will provide bullet-point reminders with links to upcoming events.

Our advertisers will get more bang for their buck with hyperlinks directly to their websites. Kurt Hoehne of Meadow Point Publishing, is supporting our club with production and layout, as well as supporting advertisers with Wendy Hamal Redding, Bilge Pump advertising co-chair. (For information about advertising, contact Wendy at 425-239-3189.)

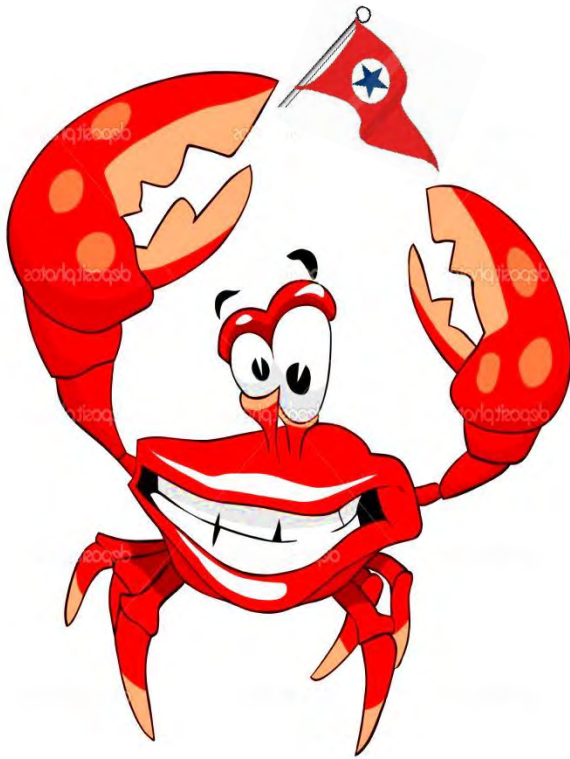
The decision to go online with club communications online came from review of the Bilge Pump budget coupled with member outreach. The question of whether to go all-online and discontinue printing some copies of the Bilge Pump was brought to members at two general membership meetings and through informal discussions with committee chairs and board members as well as an online survey of key points. All clearly revealed the majority of our members prefer online communications to a "snail-mailed" newsletter.

The bridge welcomes comments about the Bilge Pump and other club communications.

The committee members are Pete Delaunay and Sally Macdonald, Bilge Pump co-editors; Wendy Hamal Redding, advertising co-chair; William Brunkhorst, member of the QCYC Web Team; and Rear Commodore Mark Reed.



Queen City Yacht Club at Winslow Outstation
**2017 Captain Crabby's
Crab Catching Contest**



JULY 2nd & 3rd

The 2017 Crab Season has been forecast by the State of Washington to be a plentiful year. Please join Captain Crabby in a Crab Catching Contest. Prize for the Largest Crab (by weight) + lots of other Captain Crabby Prize Categories. Afterwards – you keep the crab (yummy!)

- Participants should bring their catch to be weighed by Captain Crabby himself, Jim Damery, aboard the *Golden Fleece*.
- Crabbing Time – July 2nd and 3rd though 13:00 hours (1 PM on Sunday)
- Winners to be Announced at Sunday Night Dinner
- Prizes to be Displayed in the Clubhouse all Weekend

Prizes:

- Free Night's Stay at Winslow (4)
- Free Friday Lunches (2)
- \$20 Book of Bar Tickets
- \$25 Ship's Store Gift Certificate

*See Captain Crabby himself for more information:
Jim Damery: 425-776-7447 (home) 425-422-4996 (Cell)
gofleece@comcast.net (email)*

PRIDE OF QUEEN CITY



Above, Karleen Junglov Reed, at left, who chaired Pride of Queen City work party to spruce up the mainstation in anticipation of Opening Day, stops for a break with Tamara Hillmann and Joie Roehl.

At upper left, Vice Commodore John Hieber gets his marching orders from Gordon Foote, co-chairman of the House Committee at the Pride of Queen City work party.



Tracy Redding and Ron Stevenson, middle left, get ready to do some painting at the Pride of Queen City work party, top left. Photo by Stephanie Farrar

Chef Willie Williamson, lower left, serves one of his famous breakfasts to volunteers at the Pride of Queen City work party.

All photos by Stephanie Farrar.

Tarettes' Corner

HOLDING FAST TO TRADITION AND MISSION

PRESIDENT'S REPORT — As my term as Tarettes president comes to a close this month, I cannot tell you how proud I am to have been among the hundreds of Tarettes who have gone before us and to have been a small part of the group's 74 years of amazing tradition.

We should be proud of what the Tarettes stand for, the reputation we have earned and what we have done. We have a tradition of service that may be unmatched.

Our name is unique, with historical meaning. For 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 woman'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. For example, in April Past President and Philanthropy Chair Barbara Wilson, Vice President Mary Jo Svendsen, Peggie Evans, Patti Oberg and I volunteered to work in the warehouse at Treehouse, a non-profit that supports foster children by providing a "store" where they can select their own clothing.

This was my first time as a Treehouse volunteer and I would definitely go again. I enjoyed spending the day with other Tarettes, having lunch at the cafe and helping a worthy cause in our community. The Treehouse is so appreciative of our Tarettes volunteers. There will be another

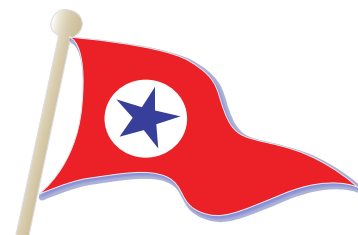
opportunity to volunteer in the fall and I encourage you to participate. This is the kind of thing that Tarettes selflessly do all the time. Thank you, Barbara, for leading this effort!

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. Vice President Mary Jo Svendsen did an outstanding job organizing the servers. It was another big success and made Queen City stand out on Opening Day. Thank you, Mary Jo, for leading this effort!

Our next Tarettes general meeting will be Friday, June 9, at 12:30 p.m. on the Third Floor. Traditionally, at the June meeting, we vote on and install new officers, recognize outgoing officers and have a complimentary lunch for all Tarettes who attend. 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.

I want to THANK YOU for your support during my term as your president. It was a great honor. I learned a lot about the Tarettes and I made long-lasting friendships. It was my pleasure to serve and I plan to give the next president and the Tarettes my strongest support in the future.

—Joanie Preusser, president



GET OUT YOUR CALENDARS – OCTOBERFEST IS NEXT



Tarettes volunteer at Treehouse several times a year. Here, left to right, Past President Barbara Wilson, Vice President Mary Jo Svendsen, Peggie Evans, President Joannie Preusser and Patti Oberg smile during a break.



Left to right: Tarettes Patti Oberg, Past President Barbara Wilson, Vice President Mary Jo Svendsen and Peggie Evans pause from sorting and tagging clothing in the warehouse at Treehouse, a non-profit agency that takes care of the style needs of foster children.

Ten Tarette members recently enjoyed our last Women's Interclub Council (WIC) luncheon for the boating year at Rainier Yacht Club. The talented Hawaiian dancers put on a great performance and reminded us of warm beaches and lovely sunny days.

A heads-up for the next WIC luncheon, which will be on Thursday, October 12 at Port Orchard Yacht Club. The theme is Oktoberfest. We are not selling reservations for the luncheon yet, but it will be \$18. I wanted you to have the information so you can save the date on your calendar.

-- Mary Jo Svendsen, vice president

NOMINEES NEXT IN LINE TO LEAD

The Tarettes will elect and install new officers for 2017-2018 at their next general meeting, Thursday, June 8. The meeting will be a hosted lunch at 12:30 p.m. on the Third Floor.

The slate of officers nominated to lead the group next year are:

President - Mary Jo Svendsen

Vice President - Carol Soffel

Secretary - Patricia Oberg

Treasurer - Shirley Rogers

Trustees - Joannie Preusser, Denise Lindholme and Margaret Krows



2nd Annual QCYC "Low and Slow" BBQ



Under the tent in the Mainstation U

Sunday, June 4, 2017

Event time: 2:00 to 5:00 PM (Serving time: 2:00 to 3:00 PM)

🎵 It's time to make your reservations for the biggest 🎵

Social event of the season and bring your dancing shoes!

\$20.00 (cash at door) for food, live band with Funaddicts,
🎵 dancing, and beer or soda 🎵

Choose 5 entrees from 10 QCYC Pitmasters:

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Smoked Tri-tip, Smokin' Hot Diva's Mini-Ribbies, Beer Brined Corned
Beef, Pulled Pork - Eastern North Carolina Vinegar BBQ Sauce and
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Friday Lunch 11:30am	3 Saturday Breakfast 9:00am
4 The Second Annual Low & Slow BBQ 2:00pm	5 Bilge Pump Committee 5:30pm QCYC Board Meeting 7:00pm Planning & Finance Meeting 7:00pm	6 House Committee 9:00 -11:30am Docks Committee 6:30pm Planning and Finance Committee 7:00pm	7 Alternate Wednesday Night Dinner 6:00pm	8	9 Tarette Board Meeting 10:30am Friday Lunch 11:30am Tarette General Meeting and Complimentary Lunch 12:30pm	10 Filicy Bay IPBA Race 8:00am Docks Fun Day 8:30am Saturday Breakfast 9:00am
11 Private Event 5:00pm	12 QCYC Board Meeting 7:00pm	13 House Committee 9:00 -11:30am	14 Old Tirmers Cruise 4:00-7:00pm Pre-Meeting Dinner 6:00pm General Member Meeting 7:30pm	15 SSPS Dinner Meeting 5:30pm	16 Friday Lunch 11:30am Memorial for Jan LaFontaine 2:00pm	17 Saturday Breakfast 9:00am CANCELED- Taco and Tequila Night 5:00pm
18	19	20 House Committee 9:00-11:30am Architectural Advisory Meeting 6:30-8:30pm	21 Alternate Wednesday Night Dinner 6:00pm	22	23 Bog Brothers Cruise - Winslow Friday Lunch 11:30am	24 Bog Brothers Cruise - Winslow Saturday Breakfast 9:00am
25 Bog Brothers Cruise - Winslow	26	27 House Committee 9:00-11:00am	28 Pre-Meeting Dinner 6:00pm General Member Meeting 7:30pm	29 Private Event 3:00pm	30 Fourth of July at Outstation Friday Lunch 11:30am	31

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