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Cruise Report — Oktoberfest Brownsville

What a great time we all had at the Oktoberfest at the Brownsville Marina. Boats began to arrive on Thursday and the last boat arrived Saturday morning. What a site it was to see so many big boats in our marina. We hosted 35 boats and 80 people. The weather was good to all "as they arrived" and no problems accrued with the dockings. Thanks to everyone who helped out on the docks getting our members into their slip.



Friday night we started with colors using the marina's flag pole and our yardarm that members pitched in to complete our RHYC flag display. It is always so special as a club to share with others our tradition of Colors. Dinner was in the Pavilion, we had the tradition dinner of bratwurst, sauerkraut, potato salad, pretzels and beer. To our surprise the beer was all gone by the end of the evening. Our plans were that we would have enough for the Saturday dinner but everyone one was in the party mood so off to the brewery we went for more.







On Saturday morning the weather man was calling for high winds and sideways rain so once again our members made the best of it tying down their boats, throwing out a few anchors and moving their parties inside. At noon the umbrellas came out for the boat christening ceremony of Orit and Matt Hickman's new boat Silk Thanks go to Jeff Kroeller for doing the ceremony at the last minute. It seemed like just when there was an event planned the sun came out just in

time for everyone to walk up the dock without getting wet. It truly was a great weekend, even with the weather. After the boat christening ceremony the second annual Hammerschlagen contest began. Several members showed up to make a great competition. The winner was Brian Scott and he was presented the grand prize from our first Hammerschlagen winner Jerry Baruffi.







Saturday night dinner was held at the Brownsville Yacht Club facility. It seemed that everyone enjoyed their dinner. Once everything was cleaned up tables were moved to open the dance floor, the band JJ Rich Guy played for us for the rest of the night. We had to kick them out at midnight. Many couples got to dance to their favorite song.





We capped off the cruise Sunday morning with a well-attended fantastic breakfast and Seahawks game event. Three awesome parties in one season closing cruise.

Those who attended the cruise were Steve and Carrie Ackerman and family members, Jerry and Paula Baruffi, Dick and Eva Bennison, Chris and Sandy Benson, Ray and Sue Biggs, Larry and Sally Cronin, Glenn and Liz Dodge, Jon Edwards and Holly Palmer, William Foulk and Nancy Williams, Phil and Debi Freund, Mike Goodman and Robin Haley, Thom and Karen Hamilton, and their son, Matt and Orit Hickman, Pete and Linda Jung, Jeff and Angie Kroeller, Dan and Raye Lohse, Bob and Verna Maruska, Jim and Chery Matheson, Andy and Mary Ann McDonnell, Paul and Stephanie Mosby, Steve and Michelle Nelson, Paul and Brenda Norris, Keith and Jeanne Perry, Fred and Diana Power, Robert and Janey Rath, Barry and Colleen Rutten, Brian and Linda Scott, Frank and Amy Sherwwod, John and Lynn Sipkins, Kenny and Cindy Spiker, Art and Noreen Stipan, Willard and Diane Thomas, Rick and Kelli Werth,

Bill and Judy Buller, Jeff and Fran Sharp, Nat and Linda Collier, Marilyn Hampton and Bill Moffet.

Thank you to our FANTASTIC Cruise Team: Paul and Stephanie Mosby, Fred and Diana Power, Chris and Sandy Benson, Keith and Jeanne Perry, Ed and Jean Norton, Paula and Jerry Baruffi. Also, special thanks go to Steve and Deanna Keller for making and donating the picture board for the event and Lee and Steve Coleman (friends of the Freund's) for their help in the Kitchen and to PC Liz Dodge for taking the pictures.



Cruise Captains
Phil and Debi Freund



With the feel of fall in the air it can only mean that Oktoberfest is here once again. As our last "on the water" cruse event of 2015, Debi and Phil Freund did another outstanding job leading their team and hosting a great event. The food, entertainment and beer were the best! I don't recall ever seeing that many boats at the guest dock! It was fun to see everyone including those

that returned from their adventures up north during the summer. I would like to give special thanks to Jon Edwards and Holly Palmer for conducting the seminar on electric shock drowning at the cruise as a valuable reminder of sound boating practices and safety on the water. This is the time to start planning your 2016 cruising schedule and looking for an opportunity to be a cruise captain or part of a cruise team. Check out the cruise schedule for next year on the web site and in this AW.

Our next event is the Change of Bridge and Business Meeting on November 14th at Queen City Yacht Club in Seattle. We have a fun evening planned for this event and still have some reservations available. Please take this opportunity to sign up on line on our web site (go to RHYC.org, sign in, click on the event in the calendar and click register) or return the RSVP card in your invitation. We need to get a final count to the caterer soon so please complete your reservation by November 4th at the latest.

As my year as your commodore comes to an end, I have the opportunity to reflect on all that has happened. The first thing that comes to mind is the tremendous support that members have given to the Bridge in our efforts to provide great events and to move the club forward. Thanks to everyone for your contributions. I also want to express my gratitude to the membership for your financial support to allow the club to obtain insurance and implement a new on line web platform. Jon Edwards and many others have put in countless hours working on the new web system and working through the technology transition. I could not have completed my duties as your commodore with out the strength and support of my wonderful and understanding wife Verna, she's the best! It has truly been an honor to serve the club and I thank you all for your support.

I hope to see you all at the Change of Bridge event!

Respectfully Submitted, Bob Maruska Commodore



Vice Commodore's Report

The "Oktoberfest" cruise was a rousing success. Phil and Debi Freund did another great job as cruise captains along with the support of their fantastic cruise team! We offer our sincere appreciation for your dedication to the club and serving as cruise captains year after year. Amy and I enjoy the fun, games and good food at these cruises. Speaking of fun and games, we now have an annual Hammerschlogen contest, so all of you Bavarian types out there will need to hone your hammering skills to take home the Bier Stein trophy next year. We also were treated to a talk by our very own Jon Edwards on boating safety relative to electrical shocks and we were pleased to attend the christening of the Hickman's new vessel "Silk".

The bratwurst, sauerkraut, German potato salad and all of the other side dishes on Friday night were delicious and it left you wondering how that could possibly be topped? Well we found out on Saturday night when we were treated to German Soup that was almost a meal unto itself, chicken in cream sauce, German style potatoes, and German cake. Did I mention that both nights were also accompanied by all the beer you could drink? If you left hungry either night, it was your own fault. A live band followed dinner with dancing on Saturday night and we were entertained by a harmonica accompaniment participating with the band by our newest member, Rock on Thom. And as they used to say in the old late night TV Thom Hamilton. commercials, but wait there's more. Sunday morning we were treated to a build your own breakfast sandwich by the cruise team while everyone watched (I won't say enjoyed) the Seahawks vs Bengals game. As usual, Phil and Debi set the bar high when it comes to putting on our cruises and that's why they always sell out and sell out early. If you haven't been to one in the past, you owe it to yourself to attend their next one. What a fun group of RHYC members to end the on the water cruise season with. Special thanks to everyone that made this cruise a pleasure.

During the cruise, the Board approved two new members into the club. Please see the New Members section for introduction of members Karen and Thom Hamilton and Barry and Colleen Rutten. Published applicants Laurence Gill and Shirley Kankelfritz along with associate member applicants Scott Hauck and Jodi Mendes are now eligible for a membership vote upon completion of their qualifying cruise. We hope to see them soon.

Change of Bridge is just around the corner with the venue at Queen City Yacht Club. Bob and Verna Maruska have a super event planned with a great menu and band lined up for our entertainment. It should be an exceptionally fun evening and if you haven't signed up yet, be sure to check with Bob and Verna to see if there are openings still available.

The recruiting efforts have been excellent and we should reach our new member goal for the year at the COB event. Please continue to look for opportunities to share news, invite fellow boaters to submit an application. Many thanks for all your recruiting efforts.

Just another reminder to the membership, if you see someone flying a RHYC burgee on their boat that you don't recognize or you are aware they have resigned their club membership, please let someone on the bridge know. Don't be embarrassed to ask them if they are members and if not, let them know that flying the burgee is a privilege afforded only to current members of RHYC. Please make sure they know that membership into the club stays with the individual member and is not transferable with the sale of a club member's boat to a third party.

As this is my last Vice Commodore report I want to thank all of the members that have made this past year such a success. Special thanks to Bridge members, sponsors and especially my wife Amy for all their support during this past year. It has truly been an honor and pleasure to serve as your Vice Commodore.

Respectfully Submitted, Frank Sherwood Vice Commodore

New Members

The Bridge has taken action and the following have progressed from published applicant to active membership. It is with great pleasure that we introduce our new members. Please take time to meet them at future cruises and make them feel welcome.

Karen and Thom Hamilton Bainbridge Island, WA 2000 50'Navigator "Brigadoon" Sponsors: Bob Maruska and Frank Sherwood





Barry and Colleen Rutten Kirkland, WA 2010 30' Commander Flybridge Sedan "Salty" Sponsors: Paul and Shauna Bennett and Jeff Kroeller

WELCOME TO THE CLUB!

New Applicants

In accordance with RHYC Bylaws the following applicants for Active Membership are being published to initiate the application process. The applicants are as follows:

Charles D. and Michaele Turbak Mill Creek, WA 1991 30' Power Boat "Semper Fi" Sponsors: Ty Rice and Frank Sherwood

"Effective with this notification, applicants start their 90 day window to attend a cruise or club event, after which the bridge will vote on their membership. Please make a point to meet, greet, and get to know our new applicants when they attend their qualifying cruise. Also, sponsors please assist the applicants to complete their qualifying cruise ASAP.



Rear Commodore's Report

Although the main cruising season is drawing to a close we now approach the time of year where there are no lines to wait in and spaces at the docks and our out stations are abundant. We also switch over to 3 day stays at our out station docks until May 31, 2016.

I have replaced the locks and refilled the sign in log books at Roche Harbor, Lopez Island, and Kingston with Dock Street Tacoma to be done in the near future. Please, please, please follow the rules and sign in properly on the log books. It is extremely important for monitoring use and the fair use by all of our members.

I have enjoyed working with each of you and helping to provide and keep these dock spaces available for your use. I hope that you all made good use of the many yacht club reciprocals that we have access to, I know I did.

My time as Rear Commodore has been enjoyable and I know Jon Edwards will keep the process moving forward for 2016.

Glen Dodge Rear Commodore

Edmonds Turkey Cruise 2015



I already have signups from 5 members and we are looking for more.

This is a just for fun cruise and a good way to get rid of all your extra Thanksgiving food. The cruise dates run from Wednesday Nov 25 Sunday Nov 29. This allows for a Thanksgiving Day meal at a local restaurant just in case no one asked you to come to their house. The main event starts on Friday the 27^{th} with an all leftover dinner on a host boat at about 6:30. Then on Saturday we will see some of our boats add Christmas decorations and many will walk through the shops in downtown Edmonds ending at the Christmas Tree lighting in the town square about 5:00. The big event is dinner at Anthony's at about 7:15 (to be confirmed) and it is not uncommon to increase the attendance by car access 50% above the boater count.

I have entered a signup page on our web site and/or you can email to (glend at cascadecolumbia dot com) to let us know you are coming. All I need is your boat size, when it is planning to arrive and depart, along with how many persons in your party want to attend the group Thanksgiving Day/Left Over, and/or Saturday dinners. If you are only attending the dinner (s) then I will assume your boat sunk and it is not coming.

Your Cruise Directors
Glen & Liz Dodge 206-three nine six-3960 - glend at cascadecolumbia dot com



As you know, the club is now able to take credit card payments through our website for annual dues as well as for cruises and other club events. As we make this important transition, we may encounter some occasional stumbling blocks so I ask for your patience and understanding.

Thanks, Matt Hickman Treasurer



I know you've probably heard enough about the Octoberfest cruise to Brownsville, but, wow what a good time. As always Debi and Phil went above and beyond. The food was absolutely amazing but what's really amazing is Debi had never done the recipes before! Well it was a total hit.

We have come to the end of our official "on the water" cruising. The next up is our Change of Bridge that takes place at QCYC with what looks like an amazing buffet. Be sure to get your reservations right away. I say official cruising because if you choose we still have the Day After Thanksgiving cruise to Edmonds. What a great way to get rid of all the left overs or if you didn't get any to get some. Following that we have a cruise if you chose to come by boat to Bremerton for Comedy and dancing at the Admiral Theater for New Years. If cruising is just a bit too cold for you there are two hotels in walking distance. The Hampton is right at the marina and the Fairfield is a block away.

I hope to see many of you at all of these upcoming events. AND take a look at the four cruises for 2016 that still need cruise captains. Don't miss your chance to lead a fun cruise for your fellow members. It's fun and rewarding, right Debi?

Respectfully, Lynn Sipkens Secretary



Fleet Captain's Report

No report submitted

Jon Edwards 2015 Fleet Captain fleetcaptain@rhyc.org 425-241-6801



No report submitted

Sincerely,
Dave Mehlum,
Past Commodore



A few of us celebrated Don & Carolyn's 38th Wedding Anniversary, it was great to see both of them. Let's continue to keep both in our thoughts and prayers as they rest and regain their strength from the treatment they are having.

Phyllis Cartmell is continuing to recover, we need to keep her in our thoughts and prayers as she continues to gain strength and will be able to be cruising with us again.

Please remember to send me reports of those that could use our support with thoughts, prayers and encouraging words.

Respectfully Submitted, Verna Maruska Sunshine Lady

Oktoberfest Brownsville





Sign Up for

"Change of Bridge"

November 14, 2015

Reception - 6:00 PM

Business Meeting and Change of Bridge 6:30 PM

Dinner - 7:15 PM

Dancing – 8:30 PM

Invitations are out and we still have room for reservations. Please go online and sign-up by 11/4/15





We need Cruise Captains and helpers. If you have not been a cruise captain in the past 2 years,

Please take a look at the schedule and see where you can help out!

Contact Fleet Captain, Jon Edwards at 425-241-6801 or email at fleetcaptain@rhyc.org.

Date	Location	Activity	Cruise Teams					
Dec 31-Jan 1	Everett Yacht Club	New Year's Eve Party	**Unofficial do-it-yourself cruise. **Unofficial Cruise Captain: Richard Freese					
Jan 11	Shenanigans, Tacoma	Icebreaker Brunch	Cruise Captains - Sally and Larry Cronin					
Feb 15	Downtown Kirkland	Sweetheart Lunch	Cruise Captains - Holly Palmer and Jon Edwards					
Mar 20-22	Poulsbo Marina	St. Patrick's Cruise	Cruise Captains - Chris and Tom Miner					
April 10-11	Dockstreet, Tacoma	Daffodil Festival	**Unofficial Cruise Captains: Fran and Jeff Sharp					
April 17-19	12 St (North) Marina, Everett	Business Meeting	Robin Haley and Mike Goodman					
May 1-4	Montlake Cut	Opening Day	Cruise Captains - Liz and Glen Dodge					
May 22-25	Port Hudson Marina, Port Townsend	Memorial Day Cruise	Holly Palmer and Jon Edwards					
June 19-21	Port Ludlow	Father's Day Cruise	Cruise Captains - Noreen and Neal Millen					
TBD	TBD	On-The-Move	**Unofficial do-it-yourself cruise. Need Cruise Captain to somewhat organize venue, dates. Dates can change to accommodate the Cruise Captain's desires and venue. Before/after Colors is fine, or perhaps some totally different time of year.					
July 2-4	Liberty Bay	3rd of July Cruise	Cruise Captains - Paula and Jerry Baruffi					
July 31 - Aug 2	Roche Harbor Marina, San Juan Island							
Sept 4-7	Pleasant Harbor Marina	Labor Day Cruise	Holly Palmer and Jon Edwards					
Oct 9-12	Brownsville Marina	Columbus Day Cruise	Cruise Captains - Debi and Phill Freund					
Nov 14th	Queen City Yacht Club	Change of Bridge	Cruise Captains: Bob and Verna Maruska					
Nov 27-29	Edmonds Marina, Edmonds	Thanksgiving Cruise	**Unofficial do-it-yourself cruise. Thanksgiving Day is Thursday, 26 Nov, 2015. Cruise Captains - Liz and Glen Dodge.					



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Jan 11	Tulaipip Casino Marysville	Icebreaker Brunch	Cruise Captains - Pete and Linda Jung					
Feb 15	TBD	Sweetheart Lunch	Cruise Captains -					
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Aug 5-7	Roche Harbor Marina, San Juan Island	Colors Cruise Capiains						
Sept 4-7	Gig Harbor Wagon Wheel	Labor Day Cruise	Steve and Carrie Ackerman Wagon Master Needed.					
Oct 7-10	Dockstreet, Tacoma	Columbus Day Cruise	Cruise Captains - Noreen and Neil Millian					
Nov 5	Queen City Yacht Club	Change of Bridge	Cruise Captains: Frank and Amie Sherwood					
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2015 RHYC BRIDGE CONTACT INFORMATION





Change of Bridge & Annual Meeting November 14th Queen City Yacht Club



Unofficial Do-it-yourself
Thanksgiving Day
November 27-29
Edmonds Marina



New Years Eve December 31– Jan 2 Bremerton



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Fleet Captain

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