

**C**ruise Report - Business Meeting Cruise



Despite the wind and rain the Business Meeting Cruise was a great success .

A total of 20 boats and 56 members attended the cruise with several people coming by ferry for the business meeting and dinner on Saturday night.

Thursday saw 12 boats arriving early to beat the predicted storm. Eight more boats braved the wind and rain Friday. Thanks to everyone who helped with the docking. Friday night was wet and cold and the warm welcome with a bowl of soup was much appreciated. Thanks to Diana and Debi for the homemade soups. Saturday morning everyone enjoyed the breakfast cooked up by Diana, Debi and Orit.

At 2:00pm the business meeting was held with spirited participation. At 5:30 it was off to dinner with new friends and old supporting the local restaurants of Poulsbo. Then we returned to the Son's of Norway hall for dessert and dancing.

Sunday morning we woke up to a nice calm and sunny day. Everyone enjoyed pastries from Sluy's Bakery before departing for home.

Deadline for next newsletter.....June 3

Attendees included: Chris & Sandy Benson, Larry & Sally Cronin, Bill & Karel Deible, Kelly & Marjory Earle, Steve & Sandy Driscoll, Jon Edwards & Holly Palmer, Phil & Debi Freund, Ken & Julie Hammerquist, Matt, Orit & Emerson Hickman, Pete & Linda Jung, Jeff & Angie Kroeller, Ron Leonard & Carlos Arturet, Bob & Verna Maruska, Jim & Cheryl Matheson, Tom & Melinda McGrath, Tom & Chris Miner, Steve & Michelle Nelson, Tyler & Amanda Nelson, Ed & Jean Norton, Keith & Jeane Perry, Fred & Diana Power, Jon, Sonja, Dunn, Ella & Soren Sackett, Frank & Amy Sherwood, John & Lynn Sipkins, Kevin & Marie Spaulding, Gary & Lenore Timm.

We couldn't have made it through the weekend without our cruise team and we would like to thank everyone who lent a hand, especially the Spauldings who not only helped decorate the hall, but also tended bar. We suspect everyone had as much fun as we did. Looking forward to the next cruise.

Your Cruise Team, Fred & Diana Power Phil & Debi Freund Matt, Orit & Emerson Hickman



As usual we had yet another amazing cruise at Poulsbo. This time Diane & Fred Powers came up with the most unusual way to get people together. Going to a restaurant with other members was very fun. If you weren't there you really did miss a great cruise.

Weather was rough but we still had 20 boats show up for this cruise and 55 people. That was amazing since the wind was blowing off and on up to 30 mph. Good for everyone who came and enjoyed the weekend.

The board went over several things that were important to our membership. One of the items got a bit of a negative review. This year we had to institute a 14 day turn around with a 2 day stay at Roche Harbor. We have had many complaints from our membership about other members who are not signing in, erasing names, blocking the slip with their dinghy's, over staying the allotted time per the rules, then being rude when it's pointed out. If you notice the boat and members who are violating the rules, please contact your Rear Commodore immediately so he can address the problem.

We talked about our new booth for the boat show. I know I had a great time manning it. It was a beautiful booth put together by Larry Cronin using Diane Fetzner's photography. We had quite a few people signing up for more information. We plan to continue every year with the boat show. Plan on signing up; it was a lot of fun and it gives everyone a chance to brag about the best yacht club on the water.

Opening day is just around the corner. Greg Rice with his Spirit of Koa will be our flag ship for the parade. Tom Miner is promising to get you in to our raft up if you come in by Thursday night. After that no promises. It's a lot of fun to watch the parade from that location and it's pretty much party central. Join your other members on the raft up to give a good showing for RHYC!

Respectfully, Lynn Sipkens Commodore



# Vice Commodore's Report

It was a blast (literally) to attend this year's Business Meeting cruise. We knew that it would be a fun weekend when gale force winds were predicted starting on Friday mid-morning. Fortunately, Holly and I

were able to take Friday off so we could cruise from Kirkland to Poulsbo and get there by 9:30 am. By 1:00 pm the winds were a sustained 25 with gusts in to 35. The winds and the waves in the marina made for a chance for us to test our sea legs while we were all at the Friday night get together in the floating dock house.

The Annual Business Meeting cruise team led by Diana and Fred Power, did a wonderful job on the entire weekend activities. While all the activities were great, the Saturday evening event stood out with an open bar, deserts, great music and dancing!

The annual business meeting on Saturday afternoon was well attended and the bridge appreciated the discussions and feedback from the attending members.

Our 2017 membership renewal and reconciliation is complete and was reported at the business meeting. Membership numbers are summarized in the following table:

	Active	Senior	Associate	Honor-	Total Members
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Starting 2016	122	18	21	8	169
Ending 2016 (10/31/2016)	131	20	17	7	175
<i>Current as of 4/8/2017</i>	107	21	18	7	153

As you can see from the table above, we unfortunately had many resignations during our renewal process this year. The clear majority of the reasons for the resignations came down to "sold our boat and are done with boating". Sadly, this drop is seen every year as our member base gets older. To back fill, we all need to work hard at recruiting qualified members to our club wherever we can find them. On a cruise, on our docks or marina or any other place or activity that boaters can be found. Fortunately, we currently have a list of 12 pending new members that are going through the application process stages. The bridge team is also following-up on the leads from the boat show and asking for these potential members to attend a free cruise with us.

Holly and I are the cruise captains for the Memorial Day cruise to Pleasant Harbor and we have 3 days of activities to entertain and amuse those of you that can join us. I hope to see many of you at this upcoming cruise so please register as soon as you can! Respectfully,

Jon Edwards Vice Commodore



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

> Makenzie Davies & Tyler Kirages 1994 45' Bayliner Seattle, WA HONEYMOON Sponsors: Greg Swain and Jon Edwards

Arnold & Gail Haberstroh 1988 30' Tolly Craft Olympia, WA NEVER BETTER Sponsors: Sally and Larry Cronin

Effective with this notification, applicants begin their period to attend a qualifying 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 applicants when they attend their qualifying cruise.

We look forward to meeting the New Members and welcoming them to our fine club.

Jon Edwards Vice Commodore



# $\mathbf{R}$ ear Commodore Report

What a great weekend at Poulsbo. Thank You Fred and Dianne for a great cruise. I took the boat up on Thursday because of the horrible wind forecast for Friday and cruised up on calm waters under blue sky. Several other club members had the same idea and it paid off. Friday the forecast winds picked up and blew a steady 30 gusting to 40 all day and into the evening. Docking by the few brave souls who ventured forth under those conditions was a challenge to be sure. The cruise team tried something new and from all reports it was a resounding success. Instead of providing dinner for all they made small party reservations at numerous restaurants and paired up new members with old members and sent them off for Saturday dinner. We had a great time meeting new folks and enjoyed the evening. After dinner, there was dancing and dessert at the Son's of Norway. Live music and dancing till 10 rounded out the night and it was great. It's just a shame there were not more club members there.

During the meeting, I spoke on the use of the outstations and reminded everyone that the rules for Roche Harbor changed from 2 days out of 7 to 2 days out of 14. We may look at that again at summers end and make that a seasonal rule for the busy summer months and modify it for the winter months. There was also a motion asking the board to look for an automated way of monitoring and tracking the outstation use. I will be looking at options that would allow the rear commodore to monitor use from afar or for members to register using smart phones or some form of app. Stay tuned as we look at options.

The Board has agreed to the new contract conditions for the Kingston Outstation. We still have the end tie but there is no more rafting and no overhang into the fairways. We do have an overflow outstation now. If the end tie is full you may request the overflow slip and the club will be billed for one night. There is only one overflow slip available per night, first come first serve and as available from the marina.

There was also discussion regarding the complaint process. If there is a situation regarding outstation use or the rules that members cannot solve among themselves the bylaws state you are to contact the Rear Commodore. That works if the contact is made soon after the incident not weeks later. It helps to have accurate information so if there is a rule violation then the Rear Commodore has something to work with. Time, place, names, photos and any other information available helps in determining if there is a clear path to follow. The course of action is the Rear Commodore will contact both parties and get both sides of the story and any action taken will be decided by the board and the results recorded in the minutes of the board meeting for future reference.

I will be traveling to each of the outstations at the end of May to ensure they are stocked with new sign in sheets, books and that the boxes are in good working order.

Bottom line for outstations. They are a major draw for our club and also the largest expense. The majority of your dues goes towards maintaining those four outstations. We need to use them to make them cost effective. We will be looking at other options to see if there is anything better out there and if so I will do my best to get us in. If you have a location you would like to have an outstation send me an email and I will look into it.

Tom Miner



# reasurer's Report

The April cruise in Poulsbo was so much fun. Many thanks to Diana and Fred Power, Phil and Debi Freund and Orit and Matt Hickman for making

this such a successful event. The weather was blustery on Friday and Saturday; but luckily many of the boats came in Thursday night and those that came in Friday had a helpful hand from many members. Sunday was a great day for cruising.

The business meeting was held on Saturday afternoon. The club is in good shape financially. As we are a membership club and our source of income comes from existing and new members, it is important to spread the word and try to recruit new members to the club. Our members are always so helpful and a good source of information. Last year when Larry and I had transmission problems, it was fellow members who suggested we file an insurance claim. We hadn't thought of it and we saved a lot of money.

Sally Cronin Treasurer



**No Report** 



# Fleet Captain's Report

Well the cruising season is definitely underway. Despite all the rainy and cold weather spring is finally here! We had such a great time at the Business Meeting in Poulsbo despite the nasty weather and Fred and Diana Power (with the help of Phil and Debbie Freund and a little bit of help from me, Matt and Emerson) put on an amazing weekend complete with dinner out and dancing! Check out the Cruise Report for all the details. May 6<sup>th</sup> is the official Opening Day for Boating here and Tom Miner is setting up an "unofficial cruise" asking all who are interested in being out on the Cut to join him. Please check out the flyer on the website for details. Memorial Day weekend looks to be like tons of fun at Pleasant Harbor and hosted by Jon Edwards and Holly Palmer. The Father's Day Cruise HAS A NEW LOCATION! We will be at PORT LUDLOW because it turns out I actually reserved that and Edmonds at the same time and completely forgot! For those of you who have been there, you know what an awesome location it is. And last but not least—WE ARE IN NEED OF CRUISE CAPTAINS for the Labor Day Cruise! This is now a PLEA to the member-



ship! If you have not led a cruise in the last 2 years (or ever) then please step up. The bridge will not let you down—we will help you find team members to help out. This is THE BEST way to get to know club members and for us to get to know you! Just ask anyone who has done one! Okay have a great month and see you out on the water!

Orit Hickman Fleet Captain



It was great to see many of you at our Annual Business meeting in Poulsbo. Those that weren't able to join in the festivities I truly hope that you are well and we will see you at other cruises this boating season. I would like to remind us to keep our members going through treatments in our thoughts and prayers. Dave shared with us that Mary is doing better, please give her a call, she also welcomes visits. Chris Williamson recently had surgery for colon cancer, let's keep him in our thoughts and prayers for a speedy and full recovery. John Sipkens is doing much better, it was great to see him with us in Poulsbo continued complete prayers for recovery to him.

Please remember to keep me posted on all things you would like to be shared with our club members. I don't want to leave any important news unrecorded.

Your Sunshine Reporter, Verna Maruska

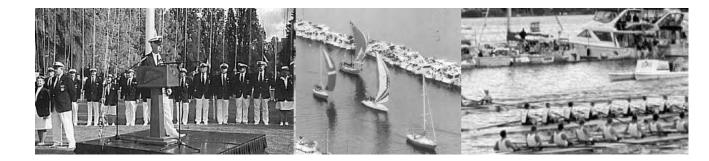
# **Christening of Boats**

We had two boats that had christening for their new boat name's. The Sacket's boat "**Run a Muk**" and the Nelson's boat "**Chatterbox**". This was a very serious ceremony with proper words by Tom Miner and Champagne for the mortals.











RHYC Opening Day Cruise

May 3-May 7 2017

Montlake Cut

Anchor with the club, watch the parade, Salute the bridge and have a great time

Contact Tom Miner to let me know when to expect you

253 225 0215 or Skipatroltom@yahoo.com

Bring a stern anchor appropriate for your boat and 200 feet of rode

Best to arrive no later than Thursday afternoon to slide into the raft. After that no guarantee we can fit you in with the club.

# **MEMORIAL DAY CRUISE**

Pleasant Harbor 🔀 MAY 26-29, 2017



CRUISE CAPTAINS: HOLLY PALMER AND JON EDWARDS

# EVENTS TO ENJOY

### FRIDAY

6:30 - Pleasant Harbor Marina PIZZA appetizer on the dock

## SATURDAY

6:30 - DINNER—Picnic Fare

8:57 - Colors on the dock

10:00 - Pancake Breakfast (BYOC - bring you own coffee) Enjoy your afternoon - go to the Shrimp Festival or

just relax and visit. 3:00 - Fun activity! - Skeet Shooting Tournament -Prizes will be awarded for the best shots



The marina will have shuttles running to the festival throughout the weekend

### SUNDAY

Hamburgers / hot dogs / potato salad /

chips / watermelon / brownies

10:00 - Breakfast - Eggs / hash browns / sausage links / fruit (BYOC - bring you own coffee) 6:00 - DINNER - St. Louis Style Ribs (a few chicken breasts will be available as an option),



Baked Beans, Rolls, Salad & Strawberry Shortcake! 7:00 - Fun Activity! Put your spelling skills to the test with the **RHYC "People Scramble"** 8:58 - Colors on the dock

### MONDAY MORNING

9:30 - Muffins & yogurt (BYOC - bring you own coffee)

# \$37 PER PERSON (under 12 - \$27)

PLEASE REGISTER ON THE RHYC WEBSITE BY MAY 20TH



We have some great cruises planned and hope that you join the fun! We need Cruise Captains and helpers. If you have not been a cruise captain in the past 2 years, please look at the schedule below and see where you can help out. To volunteer, Please contact Fleet Captain, Orit Hickman at <u>fleetcaptain@rhyc.org</u>

Date	Destination	Activity	Cruise Captains
Dec 31 - Jan 2	Bremerton Marina	New Years Cruise	Amy and Frank Sherwood
Jan 22	Fisherman's Terminal	Ice Breaker Brunch	Gills/Johnson/Oberto
Jan 27-Feb 4	Seattle Boat Show	Boat Show Booth	Larry Cronin
12-Feb	Claim Jumpers	Sweetheart Brunch	Liz and Glen Dodge
Mar 10 - 12	Des Moines Marina	St. Patrick's Cruise	Chris and Sandy Benson
April 7-9	Poulsbo	RHYC Business Meeting	Dian and Fred Powers and Matt and Orit Hickman
May 6	Montlake Cut	Opening Day	Miners/Sipkens
May 26-29	Pleasant Harbor	Memorial Day Cruise	Holly Palmer and Jon Ed- wards
June 16-18	Port Ludlow	Fathers Day Cruise	Cecile and John Burreson
July 1-4	Liberty Bay	3rd of July Cruise	Miners
Aug 4-6	Roche Harbor Marina	Colors Cruise	Brian and Linda Scott
Sep 1-4	Port Orchard Marina	Labor Day Cruise	Need Cruise Captains
Oct 13-15	Arabellas Landing	Columbus Day Cruise	Nancy Williams and Bill Foulk
Nov 4	Des Moines Sheraton	Change of Bridge	Lynn and John Sipkins
Nov 23-26	Edmonds Marina	Thanksgiving Cruise	Glen and Liz Dodge

# **2017 CRUISE SCHEDULE**



# 2017 RHYC BRIDGE CONTACT INFORMATION



## Commodore

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#### Vice Commodore / Membership Chairman

RHYC Opening Day In the cut May 3-7

\*\*\*\*\*\* Memorial Day Cruise Pleasant Harbor

May 26-29

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