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# **Change of Bridge - Our Incoming Bridge**





### Tag! I am it.

It takes many dedicated volunteers to step up and give generously of their time to keep our little cruising club a great place to be. Thank you to our Past Commodores for keeping our traditions alive and providing historical continuity. Thank you to the current Bridge, Past Commodore Orit Hickman, Vice Commodore Larry Cronin, Rear Commodore Dennis McCrea, Treasurer Michelle Nelson, Fleet Captain Randy McCoy, and Secretary Anne Marie Reunert, for serving on the Bridge. I am beyond honored to be serving with you all. Thank you to retiring board members, Tom Miner (I have you on speed dial) and Nikki Rampe for guiding us through and documenting a tough pandemic year. I would also like to thank our members who choose to serve in positions that aid the club and tend not to get the credit they deserve; Past Commodore Jon Edwards for continuing his service as Web Master, Glen Dodge for being our Web Editor, Verna Maruska and Kim Nance for making sure the Anchor Watch is published monthly, Dennis Rampe and Past Commodore Frank Sherwood for taking on the managing of our investment account, and Matt Hickman for bringing Sunshine to the AW this last year.

What comes next? My agenda as Commodore for 2021 is to focus on the three areas I feel are most important for the future of RHYC:

- 1) Marketing Set up a marketing strategy to promote RHYC
  - Social Media Creating and populating public social media accounts
  - Advertising Investigate opportunities for promoting the club (Sponsoring events, traditional advertising avenues, Social media campaigns, flyers, other special event opportunities)
  - Marketing Committee task a small group to carry out marketing initiatives and handle social media
- 2) Membership Recruiting new members
  - Membership Drive incentive for current members to recruit, free cruise attendance for membe guests considering joining RHYC
  - Special deals- Potential special pricing for members of other Yacht Clubs, boating groups, boat brokers clients, if they join RHYC, in lieu of Boat Show Pricing
  - What makes RHYC special? defining and communicating the benefits of membership
  - Membership Committee Task a small group of people to work in conjunction with the Vice Commodore in creating initiatives to target and recruit new members.
- 3) Budget- Working towards a balanced budget
  - Recommendations on Dues and Membership Structure with an eye towards sustainability
  - Opportunities to reduce expenses
  - Defining the purpose and use of the investment account
  - Budget Committee small group appointed by the RHYC Board to put fresh eyes on our current financials and make recommendations for budget year 2022.

When we bring together all the talents and ideas of RHYC members, I know that we can create meaningful progress towards tackling our current challenges and help the club grow. For the next couple of months, I will be hosting events that I am referring to as "Coffee with the Commodore" (very tongue in cheek). These events will be brainstorming zoom sessions where we will collect ideas and form committees to tackle agenda items. First up is marketing! If you have ideas on promoting RHYC or have interest in serving on the Marketing Committee, please join me on Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 9 am for a Zoom brainstorming session. Email me and I will send you and invite. Future sessions will be communicated on the RHYC FB page, in the AW, and in email blasts. If you are unable to make the first zoom event, you can still share your ideas with me through email at <a href="commodore@rhyc.org">commodore@rhyc.org</a> or by calling me at 425-239-5946.

Sincerely, Sonja Sackett, Commodore



Hello RHYC members!

I am honored to be your Vice Commodore for 2021. For those of you who don't know me, my wife Sally (former treasurer) and I have been members of the club since 2011 and our boat is the Irish Ayes.

Well, 2020 is slowly coming to an end and we are getting ready for a glorious 2021 season of cruises. Recruiting for the club will be harder this coming year as we will not have the boat show to help us and if we don't get back to regular club cruises, we may be short of getting new members. Even though I am responsible for new membership, we all need to be a part of this endeavor. A couple of members have said they are willing to come up with ideas but the rest of you can help. We need to do some different marketing and if there is someone who has marketing experience who can design ads or help with marketing, please call me.

You will be getting your letters soon about dues for 2021. Please sign up as possible so you do not forget.

Larry Cronin, Vice Commodore



Greetings fellow cruisers,

I don't have much to report since this is my first report as your new Rear Commodore.

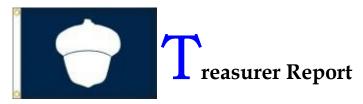
Thank you all for your support this past year as your Fleet Captain, and I'm looking forward to serving you in my new position. I promise to do my best to keep you updated on our Outstations and Reciprocal moorage in these ever-changing times. Feel free to email me with any questions or suggestions you may have.

Thank you and stay safe,

Dennis McCrea, Rear Commodore



No report submitted.



The books have been reconciled thru October 31, 2020 which was our year end. The audit of the books is scheduled for November 17 with Steve Driscoll and Jeff Kroeller performing the required annual audit of the books and records per the RHYC By-Laws.

Dues renewal notices are scheduled to go out via email on November 15th. The notices only get emailed to the Primary member. A second notice will be emailed around December 1 and a final reminder around December 20. Your membership expires on December 31 and must be renewed by January 31 or a late fee of \$50 will be assessed if not received by January 31. You can pay dues either on the website via credit card or you can mail in a check. If you pay on the website there is a 3% Credit card fee that is assessed. If you choose to pay by check please mail your check to:

RHYC C/O Michelle Nelson 33650 6th Ave S. Suite 230 Federal Way, WA 98003

Regular Members\$400 by check\$412 by Credit CardSenior Members\$200 by check\$206 by Credit CardAssociate Members\$100 by check\$103 by Credit Card

### IMPORTANT NOTE:

It is really important that you go into the website and verify that all of your information is correct. You need to check both the primary and secondary members profiles and fix them both so we have accurate information as this is what is used to produce the Roster each year.

### TO CHECK YOUR INFORMATION ON THE WEBSITE:

Go to rhyc.org which takes you to the club website and Click on Member Login in the upper right corner. Once you have logged in, you will see your name and a down arrow in the upper right corner of the page. Highlight the down arrow and select the 2nd Item – My Directory Listing. You can change information that is not correct by clicking on the pencil icon next to each section. Even if all the information appears correct, please click on the pencil icon by Basic information as there is a new field under General Information for Birthday – please complete this information in addition to checking that your address, email address and phone numbers are correct then go all the way to the bottom of the page and hit SAVE to record any changes. (Your birthdate will not appear in the Roster we just need it for our database.) Reminder that each member has their own profile page (Primary and Secondary) so it is important to go into both logins and fix the data in both places. Even though the Primary member has places to record information about your spouse it does not fix the Secondary Member page when you enter information in the Primary pages. You must login to the Secondary member profile and also add your birthdate as instructed above.

If you need any help please don't hesitate to contact me at treasurer@rhyc.org and I am happy to help.

Thanks everyone. Michelle Nelson, Treasurer



### Howdy Members of RHYC!

My name is Randy McCoy and I am the Fleet Commander for RHYC for 2021! I would like to say that I am honored to accept the position and grateful to the entire board and especially Dennis McCrea for the excellent job he did in 2020 and for his continued assistance in helping me transition into the role. I am very excited with the hope that we will be having awesome cruises next year! And that we will find a way through the pandemic in 2021 with us all having more fun than ever on our club cruises!

My background with boating began like many of you at a young age on my parents' boat. I bought my first boat a Tollycraft 26 at age 19. I then had a break from boating while I went to art school and then began recreational crabbing in Elliott bay about 25 years ago aboard my 19' Bryant a traditional mahogany runabout, built on Lake Union in the 1950's I did a major refurbishment of that boat. I have had a successive series of larger boats and my wife Leslie Hannay and I currently cruise aboard Lark, a 38' Pearson True North. I have spent the great majority of the last 15 summers cruising from Olympia to Desolation Sound. I love the Salish Sea because it's always full of everchanging beauty and the experience is one that never ends with new places to explore and skills to learn. Here is to an awesome 2021!

Cheers! Randy McCoy, Fleet Captain



Hello Members,

I hope that you are all enjoying the cooler temps and still trying to get out to boat as much as the weather will allow. I am happy to write my first AW report as Past Commodore. Many of you know how difficult this past year has been for me and the board and I am happy to be closer to 2021. The work of the club continues on. We are looking for an AW editor (Verna has done a great job this year and is ready to hand the reigns off to another member), please contact me or Sonja if you would be interested in this position. It is a great way to learn what the board does as well as get all the information before the rest of the membership!

My role as Past Commodore Trustee will be to support our new Commodore, Sonja Sackett, as well as the other members of the board. Sonja has taken all the information that we have been given from the membership this past year and has set a clear path for our club in the coming year. I am excited to hand over the helm and see what she does with it. I hope that you will take all the passion you have for this club and volunteer to be on one of the committees she will be organizing. You are the members and you love this club. It is your job to help steer it in the direction you see fit.

Orit Hickman, Past Commodore Trustee



We wish Steve Driscoll the best as he undergoes knee surgery this week.

Our Condolences to Dennis McCrea & Victoria Adams as they lost Victoria's father on Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup> after a long battle with cancer.

RHYC has made a donation to a scholarship fund in honor of Chris Williamson. You are in our thoughts and prayers Willow!

November 4, 2020 Update on Miriam Gill

Miriam has now been home for two weeks and we are both settling into a routine, which includes twice weekly PT, twice weekly OT and 1-2 visits per week from the visiting nurse.

The trip via chairlift to the second floor is now routine and faster each time.

Yesterday we had the first foray outside the house, with three back-to-back doctors visits at Overlake Medical center. All visits were encouraging and we go back in about 10 days for a brain MRI. We also had our first telehealth visit via video with Miriam's PCP.

Miriam continues to progress in all areas, at a somewhat slower rate than the intensity of the Evergreen ARU, but positive progress nonetheless, and her doctors are both encouraged and pleased by Miriam's progress. A part of each day is "walking" in the wheelchair, legs only, on a gradually increased number of laps around the main floor.

Thank you for your continued prayers, support, cards and flowers. One of these days we will have enough time to answer each one of them, but the stack continues to increase in size and is a little overwhelming right now.

FaceTime is a good way to connect with Miriam, anytime after about 10:00 AM PST. 425-985-3480 is Miriam's direct line. Phone calls are also very welcome.

Our love to all of you, Miriam and Patrick

Nov. 9, 2020 from Pete Jung

### Dear Friends,

As many of you have realized, there's been some upsets in the Jung household lately. Several people reached out when they noticed my Tolly 48 LIBERTY had been posted for sale on the Yachtworld website several weeks ago. Huh? What's up with that? The Jungs just bought the silly thing in May of 2019. Why for sale so soon?

Answer: life happens. While our previous boat SPIRIT BEAR (a 40' Pacific Trawler) served both Linda and I with distinction for several years, Linda and I realized we'd need something larger than SPIRIT BEAR; hence, LIBERTY hove into view soon thereafter. And then additional reality set in, when it became obvious that Linda and I, having already made not only two epic trips to Southeast Alaska, but multiple long-range trips throughout the PNW over several decades with various previous boats, realized we were simply running out of gas. Aging ain't for sissies.

Then along came Covid-19 in early spring of 2020. Slam goes the Canadian border, so any thoughts of accompanying a 2020 Alaska-bound cruising group at least as far as Port McNeill vanished as well. While our family did enjoy some short spring cruises around South Sound, the reality of turning LIBERTY into "our" boat, versus the prior owner's boat, was proving daunting. Aging ain't for sissies...

During a family cruise to Liberty Bay over Father's Day in June, I began to notice some "issues" with my health. As many of my closest friends are aware, I'm an Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) survivor (8 years and counting!!!) but I began to feel exactly like I did in May of 2011 when I was first diagnosed with AML. Extreme weakness, shortness of breath, chest pains, etc. Needless to say, this scared the bejeezus out of me. An immediate call to my incredible health care team here in the PNW (GIANT shout out to not only Kaiser, but the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance). Immediate testing for this damn Covid-19 virus showed I did NOT have it, but the attendant delays in non-Covid health care has lead me down a long and frustrating path to determine just what'n ell I DID have. No Covid-good. No return of AML-REAL good!

So why is LIBERTY for sale, and why have the Jung's been so invisible this summer and fall? Nine negative Covid tests later (!!!) with attendant poking, prodding, evaluations and imagery, I was eventually diagnosed with what the quacks call a "pleural effusion" in my right lung cavity. Not knowing what this thing was, I promptly named him Waldo, and proceeded to figure out not only "Where's Waldo", but more importantly-"What's Waldo". Turns out, I had about a liter of many-months old coagulated blood under my right lung, preventing it from fully inflating. How and when I developed a leak inside my chest wall is a mystery, but at least I now knew WHERE Waldo was. Realizing that Waldo wasn't going away on his own, I had a thoracic surgeon open up my chest, grab Waldo by the nuts, and throw him overboard. Subsequent pathological evaluation revealed no evidence of cancer/ malignancy, and all cultures to date are negative/no growth. So this is good news.

I'm recovering from surgery at home, and will be out of action for several weeks to come. And of course, the ultimate outcome of this procedure won't be known until I have fully recovered, and additional testing accomplished. Hurrah-more Covid tests! But it appears LIBERTY needs her next caretaker, as it looks like I'm out of gas. (If anyone's interested, see <a href="https://www.yachtworld.com/boats/1978/tollycraft-motor-yacht-3710030/">https://www.yachtworld.com/boats/1978/tollycraft-motor-yacht-3710030/</a> I never say never, but it looks like the Jung's will be walking into the future, rather than floating. RATS!

To all those that have sent their best wishes and prayers-that's absolutely the best medicine in the world. I look forward to getting back to normal and continuing to enjoy each and every one of you in the very near future.

Best Regards, Pete







We are attempting to organize, add content, and generally improve navigation around the website. It will take some time and won't always be obvious but with help from all concerned the information will be more accessible. I would appreciate thoughts from you to help target our efforts. Please realize that not every suggestion will easily fit within the Club Express format, but I will try where appropriate.

### New info requested

Member picture - A suggestion has been made to encourage all members to add a picture including your face(s) to each member profile. If appropriate, a couples picture gives others a way to more easily associate partners. After you sign onto the website hold your cursor over your name in the upper right hand corner to bring up the menu, then click on the picture icon next to your name and follow the instructions to upload a picture.

Birthdates – Since some of our member classifications are based on age we need to have each members' birthdate added to their profile, if you are uncomfortable with providing the full date, we can survive with the month and year. To access, again hoover your cursor over your name and this time click on PROFILE and then click on CONTACT INFO and find the box following your name to enter the data. An option would be to call GLEN with the info and I can enter.

### Section Update

Classified Ads - The classified ads option has been updated with improved instructions and there is no fee to post an add. This function is also accessed through your profile page where you will find a WEBSITE heading followed by the CLASSIFIED ADS option to click on. This will bring up a classifieds window where you can first click on the CLASSIFIED ADS POLICY button that explains the process and then click on ADD CLASSIFIED AD to enter your ad The process is multifaceted to get your wording and pictures uploaded and saved prior to hitting the final submit button (something we are trying to improve), following submit, I will receive a note to confirm content before it appears on the website. Basically, we suggest that ads are marine and member related.

Your Team Website Editor – Glen Dodge

Webmaster – Jon Edwards

### **Classified Ad**

Yamaha Propeller for dinghy I have a Yamaha Outboard propeller that would best fit a 50 or 60HP it is a 11 1/2" x 13 Stainless give me a call or text glen dodge

### RHYC 2020 Thanksgiving Weekend Cruise



Destination: Des Moines Marina Dates: Nov 27-29, 2020 or parts there of Coordinators – Glen and Liz Dodge

Your vessel has gotten lazy by this time and needs exercise, so come early and join us.

Please sign in to RHYC.ORG on the Thanksgiving Day Cruise Tab with your date of arrival. We have already reserved slips at the marina; but we need to hear from you as soon as possible, to make sure we hold a slip for you. Please RSVP by Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> or sooner.

Plan for overall safety and be aware of your surroundings before and after.

Friday evening – Potluck Leftover Turkey Dinner on the boats. Bring whatever you have from your family's annual meal, remember that if yours included a virtual offering, it may be a little hard to eat in person.



Saturday evening - Anthony's Restaurant group dinner in groups of six, at nearby spaced tables. All other meals are on your own. There are a few restaurants in the area or boats and friends.

### Day time activities -

- · Decorate your boat or help others with theirs for the holidays.
- Visit some of the cute shops of Des Moines if we can find any open.
- · Walk for the sake of it, outdoor activities are the safest.



Happy Thanksgiving!!
Liz and Glen



# 2020 Christmas Lights Cruise Kingston December 18-20 2020

Hosted by Tom and Chris Miner and Jeff and Angie Kroeller

Space for 15 boats

Register on the club website and call Kingston Marina and make your own reservation, let them know you are with RHYC.

Due to Covid restrictions there will be no organized group activities. Come and enjoy an amazing light display in the Marina Park.

Call Tom at 253 225 0215 if you have questions.



# We need Cruise Captains and assistants. If you have not been a cruise captain in the past 2-3 years, contact Fleet Captain 2020 Dennis McCrea at fleetcaptain@rhyc.org to volunteer



# Roche Harbor Yacht Club 2020 Cruise Schedule



Date	Location	Activity	Cruise Captains
January	Elliott Bay/ Seattle	Ice BreakerChowder	Tyler & Amanda Nelson
18	Yacht Club Outstation	And Soup Cook-off	Steve & Michelle Nelson
February	Portsmith Condominiums	Sweetheart Brunch	Jon & Holly Edwards
15	Kirkland, WA	Ot Detrields Day Omiss	Dan da Ma O a a 8
March 13-15	Port Orchard	St Patrick's Day Cruise	Randy McCoy & Leslie Hannay
April	Poulsbo Marina &	Business Meeting Cruise	Gary & Betty Greene
24-26	Sons of Norway Lodge	CANCELLED	
April 29	Montlake Cut	Opening Day	Jim Wagenblast
May 3		CANCELLED	Lori Booth
May	Port of Everett	Memorial Day Cruise	Jon & Sonja Sackett
22-25		CANCELLED	
June 19-21	Port Ludlow	Father's Day Cruise	Unofficial Social Meet (fleetcaptian@rhyc,org)
July 3-5	Bremerton Marina Bremerton	4th of July	Un-hosted Cruise
July 29 –30	Lopez Island Marina/Westcott Bay	On the Move/Progressive Cruise	No Host Cruise—Dennis McCrea
July 31—Aug 2	Roche Harbor Marina	Colors Cruise	Bridge Members
Aug 2-20	Gulf Islands/Desolation Sound	On the Move	Depends on Canadian border opening
Sept 4-7	Des Moines Marina	Labor Day & Social Distancing	No Host Cruise/Phase 2
Sept. 19	Online Zoom Meeting	Annual Business Meeting	Details & Link soon
Oct 9-12	Dock Street Marina	Columbus Day Cruise (Trick or Treat Theme)	Cruise is limited to 15 boats
Nov 7	ZOOM Meeting	Change of Bridge	Orit & Matt Hickman
Nov 26-29	Des Moines Marina	Thanksgiving Cruise	Glen & Liz Dodge
Dec 11-13	Kingston Marina	Christmas Lights Cruise	Tom & Chris Miner
Dec 31—Jan 2	TBD	New Year's Cruise	Need Cruise Capt.

# Spcoming Cruises

### 2020 RHYC BRIDGE CONTACT INFORMATION



### Thanksgiving Weekend Cruise

Des Moines Marina November 27-29



### Christmas Lights Cruise Kingston Marina

Kingston Marina December 11-13



Happy New Year TBD Dec 31—Jan 2



### Commodore

### Vice Commodore / Membership Chairman

### Rear Commodore / Outstations & Reciprocals

### **Fleet Captain**

### **Secretary**

#### Treasurer

Michelle Nelson......253-261-8288 email address: treasurer@rhyc.org)

### Past Commodore / Trustee

### Ship's Store

We Need a Volunteer to step up for SHIP'S STORE...... (email address: shipsstore@rhyc.org)

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