

RHYC

anchor watch



Cruise Report – August Colors Cruise

Note from the Editor: While this fun poem was written by its maker Sargent Pepper, I mean David Silver, it was written in the proper poetic format, making it was too lengthy. Please use the proper poetic cadence and you will do well reading this master piece!

It was 20 weeks ago today, Jon and Holly came over to play, to discuss hosting a cruise with style, We'd been thinking it for quite a while

So let me tell you all the tale, a cruise that could not fail, the Colors cruise comes but once a year, we'd celebrate with great cheer!

We did great thinking just we four, for the Magical Mystery Tour! We planned for fun in Roche Harbor, as the nights got darker and darker

Boats came by power and boats came by sails, as the evening drew in we started cocktails

David got up and had to explain, the challenges ahead, that seemed hair brained

A piece of art you have to assemble, a submarine it should resemble, solving the puzzle did you know, that submarine had to be yellow!

Thus began round one, guess the name of a song, the guessing didn't, take too long, cause Frank it seemed, was never wrong!

The first piece of the puzzle, was supplied, it was time for the long dinghy ride



The music of Sargent Pepper flowed, as around the marina we rode and rode

In dinghy's all did parade, to the fuel dock did we crusade, to watch our officers proud, but jumping sadly, not allowed :-)

Saturday dawned bright and sunny, breakfast was had, with eggs not runny, then the fun we did embrace, as the afternoon games did take place

Eight more puzzle pieces needed for you all, to have succeeded, with water, mind games and many roles, you raced to meet all of your goals

People got wet but no one cares, old men fought children at musical chairs bowling and blindfold tic tac toe, and making buckets of water grow

Pictionary, Twister and many more, stacking cards was nary a chore, carry water on the back of your hands, the soaking recieved was truly planned

Finally with challenges complete, to relax, it seemed a treat, but collages were needed also, to rival the art of Van Gough!

Together the pieces all should be, arranged on posters for all to see, art and crafts were finely balanced, and judged for beauty and for talent

Dinner your crew had to make, fixings to go with flank steak, everyone ate and was happy, but David's announcements were really sappy

Finally the time came and prizes awarded, all the hard work, was finally rewarded

Dinghy parade, costumes in games they took chances, the spoils to The Victory and to the Nance's!

Finally on Sunday, breakfast was served, we had had weather, the weekend deserved

The cruise was over, it was happy and jolly, brought to you by Janel, David, Jon and Holly!

p.s. thanks also to Jon's daughter Lexie and her boyfriend Tom who helped out, and to Jon and Debbie Hieber who are in on the original planning





On the Move, Desolation Exploration.
August 7-13, 2014

For those that did not make this cruise, your loss!

This was a grand experience for all who participated. We started at the fabulous Gorge Harbor resort on August 7th. We had a great turnout of 17 boats which was more than we could have hoped for.

Chris and I along with our granddaughter Chloe arrived a day early and found Dan and Raye Lohse, Low Seas, and Tim and Phyllis Cartmell, Little Darlin, at the docks. Steve and Carrie Ackerman, Always Saturday, and new members Brian and Linda Scott on Goin Coastal were also there.

Kenny Spiker, solo on Impulsive, Steve and Sandy Driscoll on Crecendo, Mark and Linda Carpenter on C Jewel, Woody and Evy Wood on Galaman, Doug and Gail Stewart on Mirage, Ray and Sue Biggs on Seventh Wave, prospective members Park and Carol Cann on Akeeva, and Nat and Linda Collier on Reflections all joined us on the 8th.

Paul and Shauna Bennett on Escargot Too and new member Todd Carden came by to visit but were not officially part of the cruise. They were anchored in the bay with a number of other boater friends.

Gorge is a great place with energetic owners who have turned it into a destination resort with a very good restaurant, swimming Pool, beautiful Grounds great docks and activities every day. On the 7th The group met on the dock for appetizers and drinks and the first preseason game for the Seahawks. Except for the loss to Denver the evening was perfect.

Several members ventured out to Shark Spit for the day, others took part in Morning Yoga on the patio while Chris and I spent time at the pool with Chloe.



The 8th we had a pot luck dinner on shore where the resort provides the bar b que, picnic tables and fire pit on a grassy park like setting overlooking the harbor.

The weather was perfect , warm and sunny all day and quite pleasant in the evenings. In fact the weather gods smiled on us the entire trip with warm cloudless days and pleasant evenings and light winds.

From Gorge most of us headed for the Octopus Islands via Surge Narrows. For those that had never run the rapids it was an learning opportunity. They were running at about 3 knots just 10 minutes after slack as we were in the middle of a huge tide cycle. No problems, everyone came thru without any issues,

Miners Debt, Impulsive, CJewel, Goin Coastal, Galaman, Always Saturday, Mirage, Crecendo, Reflections, and Akeeva stern tied on the north shore of Waiatt Bay. Palastal, Jerry and Paula Barufi and Our Sweetheart, Phil and Debi Freund, joined us in the bay. Ken and Julie Hammerquist on Shortcake also joined us along with Ken's Brother in Law on their Ranger Tug for a day.

A trip to the museum was led by museum curator Linda Collier and everyone got ideas for creating a work of art to add to the museums collection. The entire group participated in creating a chandelier display with all the boat names and a club burgee for display. Some created their own individual works of art for posterity.

On the 10th a large group hiked about a mile and a half to a mountain lake for a swim and some needed exercise. Chloe led most of the way up and back. More energy than all the adults combined.

A dingy trip trough the rapids and hole in the wall at peak flow is a must but only a couple brave souls took me up on the challenge. Several folks had to run back to

Harriett Bay, a 20 mile round trip by Dink, for odds and ends with Kenny making at least two trips.

Shrimping sucked throughout the trip with only three shrimp in the magic pot on each pull.

From Octopus the fleet shrank a bit with just five boats continuing north. Miner's Debt, Always Saturday, C Jewell, Reflections and Impulsive. Unfortunately Park and Carol Cann had to leave for a family medical emergency and could not continue on with us as planned.

We stern tied on the north shore in Thurston Bay, in a beautiful setting and the fishing Derby was on. Mark struck first with a 4 lb. pink. Everyone else that first night was a bust. Next day Mark got another along with Chloe and Tom but Mark's was still the biggest. Woody and Nat also caught a couple of pinks after 10 hours of hard fishing. You could hear Chloe all over the bay as she helped reel in her big catch on her Barbie doll pink fishing pole.

Then at the very last moment of the derby, as lines were being pulled for the last time, Linda struck pay dirt. She found a commercial fisherman and bought a 12 pounder for the win. Ok she actually caught the dang thing and won the \$80.00 prize money.

After Thurston folks pretty much went separate ways. Nat and Linda left on the 12th to take their Guests Bruce and Meg, back to their place on Quadra Island. C Jewel left bright and early for the Broughtons. Always Saturday left for Blind Channel and Miner's Debt decided to head south with a very homesick Chloe. Impulsive was headed for parts unknown so that Left Galaman as the sole remaining cruiser headed for Homfray Bay. Nat and Linda and Srewards and Driscolls were all headed that way after their separation from the group so after leading Galaman back through Dent, Gilliard and Yakultas Rapids we said goodbye and parted ways after what all agreed was a very fun and well executed 7 day cruise.





C ommodore's Report

For the week prior to Colors in Roche Harbor, I had the opportunity to cruise with my grandson, Oliver. He is eight years old and enjoyed the time we spent. Crabbing was good and he learned several knots and how to manage crabbing. This was a special time, especially with the great weather.

The Colors Cruise was awesome. The Magical Mystery Tour did occur and we enjoyed the Beatles theme. Kudos to the cruise team for pulling this off in fine fashion. Everyone wanted to know who is David Silver's tailor. Did his costume really come from Savile Row? David and Janell Silver and Jon Edwards and Holly Palmer hosted this and should be proud of their success.

The Progressive Cruise is occurring at this time but unfortunately we were not able to attend it this year. It promises to be a great one too! Thanks to Tom and Chris Miner for leading this.

I hope to see you at the Blackberry Festival in Bremerton on Labor Day. If you have not registered for this, contact Phil Freund by email. Since the Friends are cruising north of Desolation Sound, a response may be delayed, but will be sent as the opportunity to have internet occurs.

I want to congratulate the members of this club for the recruiting done this year. We are approaching the goal set early this year for 16 new applications. Continue with recruiting as we still do not need to keep a waiting list.

Mary and I wish you all have a safe summer and return to your home ports enriched by your experiences on the water.

Respectfully,
Dave Mehlum, Commodore



V ice Commodore Report

We just completed a two week cruise in the San Juan Islands and I can't think of a time when we had better cruising. The Colors cruise was wonderful except for the Bridge not being allowed to take the annual plunge off the dock (new marina liability concerns.) Special thanks to cruise captains David & Janel Silver team members Jon Edwards and Holly Palmer for the fun "Magical Mystery Tour" to remember the many Beatles songs of the past. I must say the games on Saturday were very competitive and I haven't been in a water fight like that in a long time (I think Vaughn won hands down.) Many thanks to all the club members that made the trip to enjoy the cruise share some fun

Although we could not extend our cruise to include the "On The Move" cruise in Desolation

Sound I spoke with several club members that were making the trip. I am sure there will be some excellent stories from those that were fortunate to participate.

The club received a new member application during the colors cruise. Please see the New Applicants section for introduction of Robert (Bob) and Shirley Patterson who will be eligible for a membership vote upon completion of their qualifying cruise. You may have already met them as guests at the Father's Day Cruise at Eagle Harbor or at Colors.

The membership drive special has now ended with no applicants qualifying for the discount in application fee. The Board will evaluate the need for other membership incentives in light of the excellent response we have had to the current recruiting successes. With the applicant published in this Anchor Watch, we have now received 15 new applicants to the club. Many thanks for all your recruiting efforts.

Please continue to look for opportunities to share news invite fellow boaters to submit an application. If you would like to have additional informational flyers about the club or an application, send me an email and I will send them your way.

If you need any help with the application process please don't hesitate to contact me. If you are a sponsor of a new applicant, it would be great to send a quick email to me when the application has been submitted by mail so we can follow up on it as soon as possible.

I hope to see many of you at the Labor Day cruise at Bremerton as this is a fun event with all the Blackberry Festival events also located on the waterfront.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bob Maruska
Vice Commodore

New Applicants

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

Robert & Shirley Patterson
Sequim, WA
1980 42' Defever
"Rejoice"
Sponsors: Al Mannhalter and Liz Dodge

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.

Odds and Ends

Burpees and Handbooks: If you sell your boat, do not leave the burgee or club handbook on board. If you resign from the club, remember your burgee may not be displayed on the open water. You may return it to the club or perhaps frame it for your den or office room wall. It's unfortunate but we've heard about non-members and non-member boats out there cruising under the RHYC colors.

Burgee Sales: If you need a new burgee to spruce up your boat for the cruising season, please contact me or see me at an upcoming cruise and get a new one.



Rear Commodore Report

Thanks to our Colors cruise team and all of the Beattlemania participants, it was a great time. I have pulled the use copies of a couple of our out stations and see new active usage. For Kingston the sheets show 42 nights used since April 9th and Lopez only 16. I found it interesting that when I arrived at Lopez I found three of our club boats had paid for moorage instead of using an empty out station for their 2 day allotment.

It appears that that we are maybe doing a better job of recording visits in the log books so please keep it up. On review I note that 2 vessels recorded staying one night longer than authorized in our rules. I will use this occasion to remind all of us that whether the slip is empty or not we have easy rules to follow and they are to be followed. Just because you might not see another member looking to see if the slip is empty it may still adversely affect their chance for the slip when they see it is full and you have decided to stay there on the basis you'll move if someone asks for the slip. If you have used a slip for the max day allotment then you must vacate the slip by the normal checkout time for that Marina (usually noon - 13:00). It is the policy of the club to charge a penalty for moorage when the out station has been misused this way. I will send a personal note to those offenders.

Have a great rest of your summer, we hope to see many of you cruising in Desolation or the Broughton's from now till October along the way. We will miss Bremerton, so ask Debi and Phil for my portion of the blackberry's and let me know how they were.

Glen Dodge RHYC - RC



Treasurer's Report

It is hard to believe it is August already and the cruising season will be winding down soon. What a great summer we have had and there is still plenty of opportunity to boat until the final cruise of the year which happens in October. We should all continue to take the opportunity while you are out boating to tell people what a great cruising club RHYC is and encourage them to sign up for membership. Also encourage people to check out our website to learn more about our club.

I have reconciled the clubs bank account thru July 31, 2014 and our finances are in good order.

Anyone wishing to receive the current financial statement can email me and I would be happy to provide you with the latest report or answer any questions that you have about the clubs financial status.

Thanks everyone and enjoy the rest of the boating season.
Michelle Nelson – RHYC Treasurer



Secretary Report

Well we missed the Colors Cruise and I understand that was a big miss! I really would have loved to meet Sergeant Pepper! It's been hard missing all these fabulous cruises due to boat or health issues. We are both on the mend (me and Last Mango). We will be attending the Blackberry Festival cruise for Labor Day weekend. Debi and gang always put on a great cruise so we are looking forward to seeing everyone there. I

am still in need of Recipe's and some Dock talk. We all cruise so I know its hard to find some time to write something but it doesn't have to be anything big. Just let everyone know what's fun and where to go, who'd you see.

Lynn Sipkens
Secretary



Fleet Captains Report

Wow, I'm endlessly amazed at the seemingly bottomless imaginations of our Cruise Teams. A perfect example could be found in Sargent Pepper, entertaining us all at Colors 2014. I speak, of course, of our own Chief Wiki-Wiki (or is it Chief Wiki-Wiki???) who re-invented himself at Roche Harbor as Sargent Pepper. The good Sargent, who early on in the cruise attempted to baffle all of us with Beetles trivia, was somewhat put off by Frank Sherwood, who apparently spent WAY too many of his formative years wrapped around 45RPM records, and seemed to know absolutely ALL that there was about those British boys that invaded the US back in the 60's. Many, many thanks to David and Janel Silver, our intrepid Cruise Captains for Colors 2014. And many, many, many MORE thanks to the rest of the cruise team, which went above and beyond to entertain and feed all of us that ventured to Roche Harbor for Colors.

And in the interest of objective reporting, I guess I have to put in a rant to the current "risk manager" (whatinell is a risk manager???) at the Roche Harbor Marina for deciding that jumping off the dock at the conclusion of the Colors ceremony by either the Roche Harbor Marina staff or the Roche Harbor Yacht Club Bridge was "too dangerous". Uh, got any metrics to support that assentation? Like, how many accidents, divided by the numbers of jumpers over the years that might allow grownups like us to assess the risk for ourselves? And the equally absurd direction to our Bridge that our dinghy parade could no longer be tied end-to-end, as we might obstruct someone in the Marina? Uh, once we're off your dock, we're under the Coast Guard's jurisdiction, NOT yours! And exactly zero, nada, zilch, no boats either left or entered the marina during our dinghy parade! So what gives with this "risk manager"?

I do applaud our Commodore's direction to the Bridge and the RHYC membership to follow the directions of the Marina, as we are, in fact, guests at the facility, and are mindful of our link to Roche Harbor. Damaging that link by asserting our impudence, no matter how absurd the directions to the contrary, is simply not in RHYC's best interest. I do hope our displeasure is made clear to the Marina management, however, with the hope that rational thought can again bubble to the top at Roche Harbor.

It's berry season in the great Pacific Northwest, so that means Blackberry Festival at Bremerton is just around the corner. Please let Debi and Phil Freund know if you will be attending our next cruise over Labor Day weekend as soon as possible, as slips are scarce, and reservations imperative. Also, please look ahead to October, for our final on-the-water cruise of the year to Pleasant Harbor 10-13 October. As I have yet to round up a Cruise Captain for that weekend, I am amenable to changing the venue if that will bolster interest in the cruise.

Pete Jung
Fleet Captain

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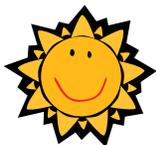


Past Commodore/Trustee

No Report

Ship Store Report

No Report



Sunshine Report

Jack and Therese Gordon have been able to cruise and were seen at Fisherman's Bay and in Friday Harbor. Therese still needs more treatment and they will again go to UCLA. Because of this, they cannot attend the Labor Day Cruise. Jack has completed his therapy and has had a great report from his doctor- no sign of the cancer!



Dock Talk

This space is for you! Please submit information to share with our boating community. It can be photo's from a recent event, a tip about boat care from an article you've read, or some great place that you visited and want others to know about. Pretty much anything else fit for print.

Galley Gourmet

We need some recipe's! Send them in I know many of you have great recipe's that your fellow boaters would love you to share. Since Fall is around the corner, how about some nice fall flavors or comfort foods you've used over the years that your family loves.

I hope some of you used my fish dish recipe I put in Galley Gourmet last month. Let me know what you think.

Lynn Sipkens



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you to the
Annual Change of Bridge and Dinner Dance on November 1, 2014
at Queen City Yacht Club.*

Please reserve this date on your calendar.

David Mehlum

Commodore 2014



ROCHE HARBOR YACHT CLUB

2014 SCHEDULE

| Date | Location | Activity | Cruise Teams |
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| Dec 31-Jan 1 | Everett, WA Bremerton, WA | New Year's Eve Parties | Cruise Capt: Richard Freese. |
| Jan 12 | C.I. Shenanigans Tacoma, WA | Ice Breaker Brunch | Cruise Capts: Jeff and Fran Sharp |
| Feb 8 | Elliott Bay Marina | Sweetheart Dinner | Cruise Capts: Steve and Michelle Nelson Cruise Team: Alan and Sue Boudreaux |
| Mar 14-16 | Des Moines Marina | Saint Pat's Cruise | Cruise Capts: Chris & Sandy Benson Cruise Team: Dave & Mary Mehlum |
| Apr 11-13 | Everett, WA | Business Meeting Cruise Theme To Be Announced | Cruise Capts: Nat & Linda Collier Cruise Team: Jim and Cheryl Matheson, Dan and Raye Lohse, Doug Stewart , Gary Timm |
| May 1-4 | Lake Washington Montlake Cut | Opening Day Boating Parade | Cruise Capts: Glen and Liz Dodge |
| May 23-26 | Longbranch Harbor | Memorial Weekend Cruise Wagon Wheel | Cruise Capts: Glen and Liz Dodge |
| June 13-15 | Bainbridge Island YC Eagle Harbor, WA | Father's Day Cruise Theme To Be Announced | Cruise Capts: John and Lyn Sipkens Cruise Team: Mark and Shari Pywell |
| July 1-4 | Poulsbo - Liberty Bay | 4th of July Wagon Wheel and Fireworks Spectacular | Cruise Capts: Chris and Willow William- son Cruise Team: Willard and Diane Thomas. Poulsbo Crew and Wheel Master: Glen Dodge |
| Aug 1-3 | Roche Harbor Marina | Colors | Cruise Capts: David and Janel Silver Cruise Team: John Hieber, Jon Ed- wards, and Holly Palmer |
| Aug 4-TBD | Follow the Fleet to Desola- tion Sound! Itinerary TBD by the Cruise Capt. | On the Move Progressive Cruise | Cruise Capts: Tom & Chris Miner Need Cruise Team |
| Aug 29-Sept 1 | Bremerton Marina | Labor Day Cruise Black- berry Festival | Cruise Capts: Debi and Phil Freund Cruise Team: Gloria and Pertis John- son, Mike and Jan Croke |
| Oct 10-13 | Pleasant Harbor | Columbus Day Cruise Theme To Be Announced | Need Cruise Capt. Need Cruise Team |
| Nov 1 | Queen City YC | Change of Bridge Commodore Ball | Cruise Capts: Dave & Mary Mehlum |
| Nov 28-30 | Port of Edmonds Marina | Thanksgiving Celebration | Unofficial do-it-yourself cruise, but coordinate with Glen Dodge regard- ing moorage. |

**Want to host a RHYC Cruise ? Call Pete Jung @ 425-377-6392.
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Upcoming Cruises



October
10-13

Pleasant Harbor

We still need
A Cruise Captain



November 1st

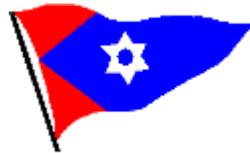
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