

RHYC *anchor watch*



Cruise Report – Blackberry Festival



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**WELCOME RHYC to
the BREMERTON
Marina and
BLACKBERRY FESTIVAL**

Planning for the Blackberry Cruise started early on the morning of January 1st . We turned out to be the second caller and received 25 slips on C dock which turned out to be great since several RHYC members have their boats moored on C dock . A special thanks is offered to Pertis Johnson and Mike Croke for welcoming each boat that arrived and helped them with their lines. Friday night we had a “mixer” wine tasting party designed to assist members in meeting everyone else on the cruise by assigning everyone a mixed sequence of host boats to visit. Thank you to our host boats (each cruise team member and Amy and Frank Sherwood). Some really great wine and hors d’ oeuvre was had by all.

The Blackberry event started Saturday morning with the national anthem which fit right in with our great club. . There were several activates going on all three days of the weekend. Blackberry Run, Boardwalk full of vendors, lots of entertainment, car show and lots and lots more...Saturday night we had dinner together on the dock. The cruise team served up Baby Back Ribs, Bake Beans, Coleslaw and Corn on the Cob. Sadly the rain came in just at dinner time so many members welcomed folks into their boats to eat. At sunset we enjoyed colors and Blackberry cobbler and ice cream was served. Announcement were made, the screw up award was given out to two members. Robert and Shirley Patterson and Rick and Kelli Conley were welcomed as new members. A special thanks to Steve Driscoll for always being available to make colors a special event for our club. Sunday morning we woke up to beautiful blue skies, lots more great music and waffles with Blackberry syrup, bacon and fresh fruit. The day was beautiful and full of events. Monday again was a beautiful morning, Homemade Blackberry muffins made by Paula Baruffi were served and then one by one everyone one cruised away. Many

thanks go to the great cruise team for all they did to make this a wonderful cruise. Mike and Jan Croke, Jerry and Paula Baruffi, Pertis and Gloria Johnson, John and Lynn Sipkin and Phil and Debi Freund.

RHYC members that attended the cruise: Tim and Phyllis Cartmel, Rick and Kelli Conley, Steve and Sandy Driscoll, Holly and John Edwards, Robin and Mike Goodman, Dennis and Cathy Graham, Matt and Orit Hickman, Pete and Linda Jung, Jeff and Angie Kroeller, Dan and Ray Lohse, Al and Tara Mannhalter, Bob and Verna Maruska, Dave and Mary Mehlum, Neil and Noreen Millen, Robert and Shirley Patterson, Dave and Janet Robinson, Frank and Amy Sherwood, Don and Carolyn Whatmore and Tom and Chris Miner.



Commodore's Report

This summer has gone so fast! We just finished the cruise in Bremerton for the Blackberry Festival. Phil and Debi Freund did a wonderful job with the assistance of their team. Thank you for your efforts. The weather was good except for intermittent drizzle on Saturday, but we enjoy the food and fun the entire weekend. We were pleasantly surprised to see Tony and Evelyn Piwowarski, Chuck and Dorothy Cooper and Bob and Maidie Strellman when they visited us at the dock.

We have only one more on the water cruise remaining. We will be returning to Dock Street Marina in Tacoma. This is a change from the original schedule, so please head to Tacoma not the Hood Canal. This is a great location and there are nearby museums and other activities.

The Change of Bridge Dinner Dance is being held at Queen City Yacht Club this year. Look for invitations this month in your mail. I hope to see you there.

The Bridge has worked to make your membership in this club worth while. We continue to need your participation in our cruises both as attendees and as Cruise Captains and Cruise Team members.

Respectfully yours,
Dave Mehlum, Commodore



Vice Commodore Report

I can't believe Labor Day has come and gone already. While we were not able to extend our cruising to join the On The Move Cruise, I hear everyone had a great time. The Blackberry Festival and cruise to Bremerton was one again and excellent event. Special thanks to cruise captains Debi and Phil Freund supported by an exceptional cruise team of Gloria & Pertis

Johnson and Mike & Jan Croke. Even though the weather decided we needed a challenge on Saturday during dinner, Phil put his engineering skills together and created a comfortable place for serving the dinner. We always enjoy visiting Bremerton and socializing with so many of the club members and the Blackberry Festival was icing on the cake. RHYC cruising is such a wonderful way to enjoy boating!

In case you haven't heard yet, the venue for the October cruise has been changed to Dock Street in Tacoma. Lynn & John Sipkens are the cruise captains and the cruise team is planning a Chuck Wagon Ho-Down with a hotly contested chili challenge. Please check out the flyer for all the details. It promises to be a boot stompen fun time for all.

During the cruise, the Board approved two new members to the club. Please see the New Members section for introduction of members Rick Werth & Kekki Conley and Bob & Shirley Patterson. Published applicants William Foulk & Nancy Williams and Parker & Carol Cann are eligible for a membership vote upon completion of their qualifying cruise. We hope to see them soon.

Many thanks for all your recruiting efforts. Please continue to look for opportunities to share news, invite fellow boaters to submit an application. Ask your marina neighbors and friends to join the club and enjoy all RHYC has to offer. 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.

2015 FLEET CAPTAIN

It is my pleasure to announce that Jon Edwards has graciously accepted the position of RHYC Fleet Captain for 2015. Jon is looking forward to the 2015 cruising season so please contact him via email at Hollyand jon at Hotmail dot com if you would like to lead or be a part of a cruise team. If you have an idea for a cruise location or theme, please let Jon or one of the Bridge members know as we will be finalizing the cruise schedule soon. I would like to personally thank Jon for accepting this position and ask everyone to support him in the year ahead.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bob Maruska
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.



Rick Werth & Kelli Conley
Renton, WA
2001 47' Bayliner
"Plum Lucky"
Sponsors: Noreen Millen and Don Whatmore



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

WELCOME TO THE CLUB!



Rear Commodore Report

No Report
Glen Dodge
Rear Commodore



Treasurer's Report

Hello RHYC Members,

We are approaching the end of our fiscal year which is October 31. I will be closing the books and preparing for the annual audit and tax return for the year Nov 1, 2013 – October 31, 2014. If anyone has any outstanding invoices from recent cruises or club expenses I would like to get them as soon as possible. I have a new mailing address which is RHYC C/O Michelle Nelson 33650 6th Ave S Suite 230 Federal Way, WA 98003.

I have reconciled the clubs bank account thru August 31, 2014 and our finances are in good order. I have prepared financial statements and budget recap thru August 31 and submitted them to the board for approval. 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.

Michelle Nelson
RHYC Treasurer



Secretary Report

A fabulous weekend was had at the Blackberry Festival put on by the Freund's and their excellent team. John & I are leading yet another cruise this year. This one is at the Dock Street Marina October 10-13th. Put on your boots and come join our Chuck Wagon Ho-down.

Lynn Sipkens
Secretary



Fleet Captains Report

Due to the apparent lack of fleet interest in Pleasant Harbor as a venue for our October Columbus Day Cruise, Lynn Sipkens has stepped forward and offered to host a Columbus Day Weekend cruise to Dock Street Marina in Tacoma. Tacoma, as always, is more than happy to have us for that weekend. Lynn has conscripted a most gracious Cruise Team (Maruskas, Millens & Sherwoods), and promise a ho-down to come! So, move the venue we have, to Dock Street Marina 10-13 Oct. Unlimber yer kill'n-cockroach-in-the-corner boots, yer BIGGGG cowboy belt buckles, yer Stetsons, yer trusty Colts (uhh, maybe not. Think we'll leave the 6-guns at home this time...) for the Columbus Day weekend. Details to follow ASAP.

Next year's cruise schedule is in the works. As usual, a New Year's Eve party will be hosted by Everett Yacht Club, with an open invitation to Roche Harbor to attend. Richard Friese has volunteered to be an unofficial Cruise Captain for the event, and will provide details on how, and with whom, to make reservations for the event. Our first two "official" cruises, which are dry land "driving" cruises, will be to the Tulalip Casino in Marysville (hopefully to watch the Seahawks in post-season play), and Shenanigans in Tacoma, where we can either celebrate another Super Bowl win, or cry in our clam chowder, as appropriate. We'll return to Everett for our Business Meeting Cruise in April. I am planning both a Stag Cruise and a Ladies' Cruise, with the venues and dates (and, obviously) the logistical details TBD. Just think ladies, shopping without chaperons! Spa dates, maybe a fashion show! Eating out! Lots of words to be used this weekend! No cooking if you choose, no groceries to lug, no cleanup, no nuttin that you don't choose to do. And at a different date, at a different venue, the guys will do the same. Minus the gee-gaws, the spa dates, and the fashion show, with probably some hot dogs on a campfire somewhere, but I'm getting ahead of myself. Stand by to stand by for details.

At the Labor Day Cruise to Bremerton (GREAT cruise, thanks to Phil and Debi Freund and their able cruise team), there was lots of dock chat regarding next year's Bridge officers. In particular, there seemed to be some angst detected about locating a volunteer willing to take on the Fleet Captain's duties for 2015. And some chatter was overheard about the "difficulty" of this job, and how much time it takes, and how tough it must be to organize these cruises, etc. So, let me attempt to dispel some of this "urban legend", and perhaps spur one of our members to step forward and fill my shoes for next year.

Bottom line-this Bridge position ***AIN'T HARD!*** An hour or so every couple of weeks doing Club business, primarily keeping track of the already-posted venues and dates for 2015, hustling up some willing Cruise Captains, encouraging and supporting the cruise teams in assembling their supplies needed for their chosen cruise, providing a spreadsheet that eases the budgeting process needed to keep costs in hand, etc. I've got an accurate inventory of all the supplies usually provided by the Fleet Captain at each cruise. These supplies are typically capital, non-consumable items such as the PA, the yardarm for colors, the coffee pot and chafing dishes, and so forth. I am in the process of culling the long-forgotten odds and ends currently in my supply of "stuff", so the items that need to be physically transported to most of the cruises will be whittled down to a manageable size. The Fleet Captain's official duties are outlined in the RHYC bylaws and roster book, and I simply want to reinforce the idea that anyone can accomplish this task. I would very much like to encourage our newer members to participate as a Fleet Captain, as it's a great way to meet everyone, and dive into a great Yacht Club with much to return for a little effort at the front end.

And finally, your Board has approved a \$100 bonus to be provided to the officially-designated Cruise Captain (sorry, there's only gonna one Cruise Captain per cruise, and unofficial cruises don't count) at each cruise in the future. The purpose of this stipend is to provide a modest reward and financial thank you to the organizers of our most excellent cruises, and perhaps entice others to grab hold of a cruise date, volunteer to run the thing, and continue our record to date of fun, exciting, entertaining cruises to interesting places. And Lynn Sipkens is our first winner!

Pete Jung



Past Commodore/Trustee

I would like to thank Noreen Millen and Jeff Kroeller for serving with me on the nominating committee. The members that we have nominated are listed in this edition of the Anchor Watch. I thank those members for stepping up for the good of the club.

Our next cruise is the October cruise at Dock Street. I hope to see many of you there. I understand there are some fun games and activities planned. Tacoma is always a fun place to visit and one last chance to enjoy boating with the club this year.

Phil Freund
Past Commodore/Trustee

Officer Nominations

The RHYC Nominating Committee would like to place in nomination the following members for the 2015 Bridge:

Commodore	Bob Maruska
Vice Commodore	Frank Sherwood
Rear Commodore	Glen Dodge
Secretary	Lynn Sipkens
Treasurer	Matt Hickman
Past Commodore	Dave Mehlum by succession

According to the by-laws additional nominations may be made by a petition signed by at least 10% of the voting members in good standing. The petition must be submitted no later than the first week of October to be added to the ballot to be submitted to the membership for election. When nominations are closed and there are only one nominee for each elective position, the nominees will be deemed elected by acclamation.

The bridge will present a motion to the membership at the Change of Bridge requesting a waiver of ARTICLE VII: Governance Section 1. General Policies paragraph F which reads in part "To qualify for elective office a nominee shall have been a member of the Club for at least two (2) years". The motion is "To waive this requirement specifically for the installment of Matt Hickman to the position of Treasurer for the 2014-2015 year."

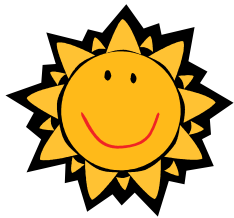
Nominating committee
Phil Freund, Noreen Millen, Jeff Kroeller

Ship Store Report

No Report

Odds and Ends

None to report for now.



Sunshine Report

Carolyn and Don Whatmore were at the Labor Day Cruise in Bremerton. She is getting therapy and looks good. Our prayers and good wishes are with you during this time.



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

No new recipe's this month. Come on guys and gals I happen to know we have great cooks out there.

BLACKBERRY FESTIVAL FUN!





*The Commodore of the Roche Harbor Yacht Club cordially invites 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



It's the **CHUCK WAGON HO-DOWN!!**

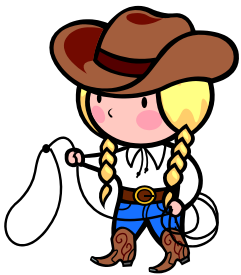


**At Dock Street Marina in Tacoma
October 10th, 11th, 12th & 13th
Columbus Day Weekend**

Put on your best country outfit and get ready for some fun decorating your boat, racing cows, a little line dancing and.....a **CHILI COOKOFF!**

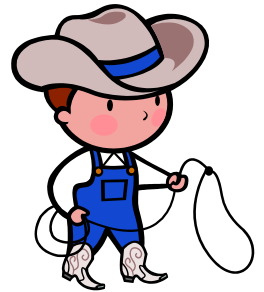
Friday bring your favorite country hor d'oevres and BYOB

Saturday Breakfast will be Biscuits and Gravy by Chef John Sipkens
Saturday Night is the Chili cookoff



Sunday Breakfast is a Continental Breakfast
Sunday Night is Pulled Pork Sandwiches

Monday will be more Continental Breakfast



Cost is only \$20 per person (\$5 for Children under 12)

Names _____ Boat Name _____

Boat Length _____ Number of People attending _____

****Will you be joining the Chili Cook off? Yes _____ No _____**

Make your reservation with Lynn not the marina please.

RSVP BY September 30th, 2014

Lynn & John Sipkens—Cruise Captains

Send check to Lynn @ 40 Washington Ave. PMB 3, Bremerton, WA 98337

Cruise Team:

Verna & Bob Maruska, Noreen & Neil Millen & Frank & Amy Sherwood

YEEEEEEEE-HHHAAAAAAA let's have some fun!



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ROCHE HARBOR YACHT CLUB

2014 SCHEDULE

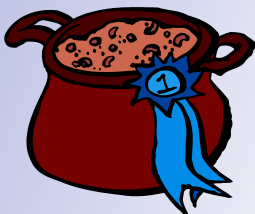
Date	Location	Activity	Cruise Teams
Dec 31-Jan 1	Everett, WA Bremerton, WA	New Year's Eve Parties	Cruise Capt: Richard Freese.
Jan 12	C.I. Shenanigans Tacoma, WA	Ice Breaker Brunch	Cruise Capts: Jeff and Fran Sharp
Feb 8	Elliott Bay Marina	Sweetheart Dinner	Cruise Capts: Steve and Michelle Nelson Cruise 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	Dock Street, Tacoma, WA	Columbus Day Cruise A Chuck Wagon Ho-Down	Lynn & John Sipkens Maruska's, Millens & Sherwoods
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.
Or Email at linda.jung813@gmail.com**

Upcoming Cruises



The Chuck Wagon
Ho-Down
Oct 10th—13th
At Dock Street Marina
Tacoma, WA



Change of Bridge

Nov 1st

At QCYC
Seattle



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