

# Anchorline

Newsletter of the West Seattle Yacht Club

## Commodore's Report

Hello to all our great West Seattle Yacht Club members

Well, here it is September and we still cannot hold our monthly meetings due the Covid19 virus. We will have meetings as soon as the governor gives us the all clear signal. Normally this is the time we hold our meeting and elect the next Rear Commodore and all the board members, as well as all the other positions that it takes to keep our club up and running.

More bad news, I have had to cancel the Commodores ball. Not sure how or when we will make this up, but we will somehow.

Some good news for the summer were a few unsanctioned cruises. I want to thank Rod and Doreen for the Roche Harbor get together. Great steaks and chicken. A special thanks to Ken and Deborah Olson for the bottles of fine wine; that was just super. 4th of July was at Port Orchard. Thanks to Rick and Julie Shelton for making it an incredibly special time as well to the others that helped. Thanks for the BBQ and chili cook off. Then several of you all got together at Poulsbo marina, since Steak Fry was canceled. I was not there for that one, but was told everyone that came had an incredibly good time. Thanks Mark Clinton and Julie Baker. The South Sound Cruise was a blast. There were 9 boats that came out and I want to thank everyone for making this one of the best cruises of the year. We started out at Longbranch and went to Fair Harbor. We will be going back to Fair Harbor next year for sure. They made room for all of us to have moorage and even let us use the pavilion for our happy hour. Mary and I had to leave early and head back, our head decided to stop working and as you know there is no peace on the boat if you have a malfunctioning head. So, here's to hoping next year will be better. Again, it takes all of us to make these things happen.

We need someone to step up and be the next Rear Commodore. So please step up and keep our club going. You will get all the help you need to carry out this position. It is a lot of fun and you will not be doing this alone. Again, please volunteer, the club needs you!

I really hope that we can hold our meetings and get together very soon. I know this is a very trying time in more ways than we can get our heads around. We will come out of this with our club intact and ready to move on again. We will hold a general meeting on Zoom Friday, October 16th at 7PM.

So, in closing please volunteer and help us as a club, we need everyone to help out as this is the way we getter done.

Happy and safe boating

Commodore Neal Duett

### August Birthdays

Andrew Gustafson	3
George Morris	8
Jon Shelton	10
Julie Estes	18
Judy Giddens	29

### September Birthdays

Katie Previs	6
Mark Clinton	9
Doreen Rupprecht	27
Lynda Swift	28

General Meeting-ZOOM

October 16, 7PM

Meeting Agenda

General News

General Meeting Dinner

Whatever you chose  
at home!

Next Social Event-TBD



### July Birthdays

Susan Scott	2
Nic Shelton	2
Oriya Boender	7
Mike Lesieur	10
Onnika Boender	11
Randy Previs	16
Marty Smithberg	21
Chuck Deaver	13
Elissa Heller	24
Mike Drake	28
Claire Fitterer	30

## Commodore's Report -Continued

Here is the current list of club officers, board members and volunteers. We do need the positions in red filled for this coming year.

Commodore: Neal Duett Vice Commodore: Jim Schnelz Rear Commodore: Rick Shelton  
**We will need a Volunteer to step forward for Rear Commodore.**

Purser: Mary Ann Lodell

Yeoman: Julie Baker

Two Year Board Members;  
Julie Estes, Nic Shelton and Chris Swift

One Year Board Members;  
Mary Duett, Dori Schnelz and Jon Shelton

Phone Committee;  
Lee Lightle and Dan Scott **We will need a Volunteers to step forward.**

Publicity Committee;  
The Club

Cruise Captain; **We will need a Volunteer to step forward.**  
Vacant

Ships Store;  
Laura Shelton and Linda Swift

Photographer;  
Julie Baker, Linda Everts and Mark Clinton **We will need a Volunteer to step forward.**

IOBG  
Lani and Lee Lightle

RBAW  
Vacant **We will need a Volunteer to step forward.**

Membership;  
Dan Scott **We will need a Volunteer to step forward.**

Meeting Host;  
Julie Estes and Yoka Nelson

Webmaster & Anchorline  
Dee Selk

Sunshine Committee;  
Sue Scott

Advertising; **We will need a Volunteer to step forward.**  
open

Reciprocals; **We will need a Volunteer to step forward.**  
open

Cruise Bar/Hoist;  
Mike and Lori Lesieur

## Vice Commodore's Report

Ahoy Yacht Club!

What a summer it has (hasn't) been! Lockdowns, protests, and now a blanket of smoke. We did manage to get out on the boat for some fun though and saw quite a few fellow club members along the way, if not in our regular sanctioned events. The north sound cruise was a lot of fun even with the social distancing and other restrictions. Thank you Rod and Doreen for organizing that one. The steaks were great! Dori and I learned a lot about crabbing with a lot of helpful hints from club member there, and we are looking forward to next year's season. Our informal gathering for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and chili cook-off turned out to be good fun too. Thanks Rick and Julie for that one. The "amateur" fireworks all around the bay were spectacular!

Alas, our biggest events of the summer had to be canceled – Seafood Feast, Steak Fry, and the Bremerton Blackberry Festival did not happen. Hopefully, things will be back to normal by next summer!

It is nearly that time of year when new opportunities for you to join our leadership team open up. This can be a great chance for you to get a little bit more involved in the club. The positions are easy and fun and as your presumptive Commodore and being retired now I will be here to help out anyone who wants to take the opportunity.

Thank you all,  
Vice Commodore Jim Schnelz



## Rear Commodore's Report

What a crazy summer it has been! Hoping things get back to some semblances of normalcy soon. Most events are cancelled but we have been fortunate enough to have gained a few new members! Word of mouth is the key to the club's growth.

The summers boating season was one for the books! The sound, the lakes, all full of boaters old and new! What a great way to keep the social distancing going. Boat brokers everywhere spoke of the boat sales this year. Some have said the best it's been in 20 years. Sellers' market for sure! Hopefully, those new boaters are interested in our club.

We did get in a few events, one sanctioned one not. The Sweetheart cruise was great, some of us won, some of us lost and some of us danced the night away! The 4th brought the chili competition and best decorated boat. Neil and Mary won best decorated and Jim and Dori's party boat with their party peeps won the chili competition. There were some folks that headed north to Roche Harbor and the South Sound.... all in all, a good time was had.

This time of year brings the annual changing of the watch. The Rear Commodore chair will need to be filled. Please give this position consideration. We are happy to support any member that wants to support the club with this volunteer position. Plus, a little birdie told me the new Rear Commodores favorite drink will always be available at the bar.

Zoom meetings will be the way we communicate with our members for things taking place in the club. We've done a great job hanging in there, looking forward to seeing all of you once we kick this virus in the stern!

Sincerely  
Rick Shelton  
Rear Commodore



# Longbranch Marina

## 2020 SOCIAL SCHEDULE

January 17	General Meeting/Potluck
February 1	Boat Show Dinner/Owl n' Thistle
February 21	General Meeting/Crab Feed
March 20 CANCELED	General Meeting/Birthday/TBD
April 17 CANCELED	General Meeting/Dinner TBD
May 15	Online Meeting Zoom
June 5-7th CANCELED	General Meeting @ Des Moines Marina
June 13th CANCELED	WSYC Annual Golf Tournament TBD
September 18 ZOOM	General Meeting
October 16	General Meeting/Elections/Potluck Dinner TBD
November	Commodore Ball/ Embassy Suites
November 20	General Meeting/Thanksgiving Hosted Dinner
December 18	General Meeting/Christmas Hosted Dinner

## 2020 CRUISE SCHEDULE

February 28-March 1	Sweetheart Cruise/Swinomish Casino & Lodge
April 4-5th CANCELED	Stag Cruise/ Mystery Location?
April 24-26th CANCELED	Doe Run/ Ladies Know
May 22-25 CANCELED	Memorial Weekend/ Kingston
June 5-7 CANCELED	Seafood Feed/ Des Moines Marina
July 3-4th	4th of July/Port Orchard
July 12-14th	San Juan & North
August 14-16	Steak Fry/ Brownsville
August 29-September 3	Mini Cruise/ South Sound
September 4-7th	Labor Day Cruise/Bremerton
October 23-25	Halloween Cruise/Bell Harbor???
December 4-6th	Christmas/Port Orchard

**West Seattle Yacht Club Officers, Board Members & Volunteers | Nov 2019 thru Oct 2020**

Commodore Neal Duett	Phone Committee: Lee Lightle & Dan Scott	Meeting Hosts: Julie Estes & Yoka Nelson
Vice-Commodore: Jim Schnelz	Publicity Committee: The Club	Webmaster: Dee Selk
Rear-Commodore: Vacant	Cruise Captain: Vacant	Anchorline: Dee Selk dselk46@comcast.net
Purser: Mary Ann Lobdell	Ship Store: Laura Shelton & Lynda Swift	Sunshine Committee: Sue Scott (206) 938-8918
Yeoman: Julie Baker	Photographer: Julie Baker & Linda Everts & Mark Clinton	Advertising: Open
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One Year Board: Mary Duett Dori Schnelz Jon Shelton	RBAW: Vacant	Cruise Bar/Hosts: Mike & Lori Lesieur
	Membership: Dan Scott	Phone Tree Dan Scott & LeeLightle

**Please think about  
volunteering for an open  
position. We need to all work  
together to  
Keep This Club Great!!!**