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Newsletter of the West Seattle Yacht Club

Commodore's Report

Ahoy there Mateys,

Have you got your crab crackers ready? I'm looking forward to the crab feed this month. I hope you are all as excited as I am to celebrate the 51st Anniversary of the West Seattle Yacht Club. I am hopeful that we will have many guests and friends at the next few meetings. Maybe we can generate some interest in getting new members to join this wonderful group. If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining be sure to invite them to our open house in April.

On another note, the Des Moines Yacht Club is having their 15th annual Marine Swap Meet on Saturday, March 22nd from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, 22737 Marine View Drive, Des Moines.

As a last reminder we will be awarding tenure pins at this meeting and again at the September meeting if you are unable to attend the March meeting.

Bon Voyage,

Julz Ethier
Commodore
West Seattle Yacht Club



General Meeting

March 21.

General Meeting Dinner

Happy Anniversary
Crab Feed

Meeting Agenda

WSYC Presenter Series

Next General Meeting

April 18.



March Birthdays

Lee Lightle	5
Terri Geary	8
Ralph Parsons	11
Bob Giddens	12
Cory Smith	14
Vince Ether	19
Lacey Ethier	26



Vice Commodore's Report



We need your help to get the Legislature to restore the boaters' money. It only takes a few moments.

Recall that if you don't ask for a refund, the gas tax that boaters pay goes into a special account to fund boating facilities such as launch ramps, docks, and mooring buoys. Two years ago, the Legislature redirected \$3.3M of these funds to pay other bills.

As the 2014 Legislature winds down, the House has passed a supplemental capital budget that fully restores the \$3.3M to boating facilities. The Senate's version restores no funds. A negotiating committee will resolve the differences in the final budget.

We need you to email your Legislators and the negotiators now and ask them to keep the full \$3.3M restoration of the boaters' money in the final budget.

It is easy to send emails to your Legislators and the negotiators. Feel free to customize the suggested message.

Thank you,
Steve Greaves, President
Recreational Boating Association of Washington

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Rear Commodore's Report

Hey Ya'll, hope everyone is getting their boat ready for summer; it's almost here, THANK GOD..... I've been busy working on ours, almost got the new carpet installed and working my way down the list. Looking forward to the Crab Feed and also the upcoming Stag Cruise at Port Orchard, April 11th thru 13th. Be sure and make your reservation soon. (360)876-5535. Once again we have reserved the covered party shack at the end of the dock and will be having a chili cook off Saturday night, along with Happy Hour and hot diggidy dogs. There will be a vote and prize for the best chili, so bring your favorite recipe. This is a great time to get the boat out and find out any bugs that need tending to. Hope to see you all there. Head counts are great when planning an outing, so please feel free to email me if you're planning on attending the Stag Cruise.

Mike
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REMINDER ALL LADIES

You are cordially invited to attend the 2014 Doe Run, April 11-13, 2014 in Olympia, WA.

We will be staying at the Red Lion Inn in Olympia overlooking Capitol Lake. We would love for you to attend. What are we going to do in Olympia? Good question! There is a big Farmers Market Saturday and Sunday, Downtown shopping, Antique shopping, Brewery tours, Wine tastings and many Beautiful parks. And I want to check out the Swantown Marina because we haven't had our boat there yet.

Please let me know if you are interested ASAP so that I can let my can contact know and reserve rooms for us. I appreciate any feedback you give me.

Thank you!
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From the Bridge



From the Bridge
March, 2014

Hi Everyone:

Some might say I am a bit obsessive about planning too far in advance, but a lot of that comes from the excitement of the events. Having said that, Linda and I are grateful the club is letting us host a few cruises again this year - Opening Day week, Memorial Day weekend and the Summer Cruise at Roche Harbor.

Opening Day week starts early Wednesday afternoon on April 30 and goes thru Sunday, May 4. We meet at Ivar's Salmon House at 1:30 Wednesday, grab a nice lunch, then head thru the Montlake Cut and raft up along the South side of the cut. It's always a fun test of boating skills and patience, but it works. For the next 4 days, we enjoy watching an unending parade of boats, eat way more than we should and swap a bunch of tall stories! Linda and I will put on a dinner Thursday night, we will do the traditional pizza Friday night and pot luck Saturday night. If we can get Mother Nature to come close to last years amazing weather, stock up on suntan lotion starting now!

Memorial Day will again be at Kingston. We have about 16 slips reserved, as we did last year, and it should be a great time. We will follow the same formula as last year - Friday night dinner at Main Street Ale House, the Schraders will host dinner on the dock Saturday night and Sunday night will be pot luck. Monday morning, I hope Jeannie Gordon will again lead a short service to honor the occasion. Memorial Day weekend is May 23-26. Kingston has one of the neatest amenities - an electric car that you can use without cost to run up to town for groceries, ice cream, espresso, etc.

The Summer Cruise is back at Roche Harbor this year from July 15-17. Crabbing season starts the 15th, but I have to see if the actual first day is the. Or the 16th - normally crabbing is Wednesday thru Saturdays. We will again host a big dinner Wednesday night and do a potluck breakfast Thursday morning. We have 16 slips reserved as of now.

I will have sign up sheets with all the formats at Crabfeed. As a club, we work hard to organize these cruises to maximize the moorage and tie-ups everyone would like, while not holding slips the destinations could otherwise rent. I say this so perhaps you can look at your boating plans for this season and sign up as soon as possible for these events - it really helps us pull these off with some degree of organization.

See you all at Crabfeed with bibs and crab-crackers!!!

Best

Bob and Linda

Commodore's Dates To Remember

West Seattle Cruise Schedule

April 11 - 13 - Stag Cruise at Port Orchard/Doe Run At Red Lion Inn, Olympia, WA.

April 30th - May 4th - Opening Day Cruise/Bob & Linda Schrader at Portage Bay

May 23rd - 26th Memorial Day Cruise at Kingston

June 20th - 22rd - Seafood Feed Cruise at Des Moines

July 4th - 16th - Fourth of July Cruise at Port of Everett

July 15th - 17th - Summer Vacation Cruise/Bob & Linda Schrader at Deer Harbor

August 22rd - 24th - Steak Fry Cruise at Brownsville

August 29th - September 1st - Labor Day Cruise at Arabelias at Gig Harbor

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West Seattle Yacht Club Golf Tournament Date Set

The West Seattle Golf Tournament is set for Saturday, June 7, 2014. Of course it will be open to all members, family, and friends. Foster Golf Links, 13500 Interurban Ave S, Tukwila WA 98168, again will be the site. First T-time is set for 11:30 am and will follow up with awards and lunch (off menu) on the patio at Billy Barroos. I shall send out more tournament details in April and May.

Looks like I will be able to keep the cost as last year (\$50 per player plus golf cart fee) but probably will boost it to \$65 for everyone which will include the golf cart fee, since everyone ends up renting one anyway. That'll help on the math when the tournament fee is collected.

I would like to give a big thank you to this year's Officers and Board members for contributing \$250 towards this annual event. The Annual WSYC Golf Tournament is one more event that continues to bring together our club members and another great opportunity for our Social Members to fully participate in a Yacht Club function.

So mark your calendars, gather your teams, and I'll be looking forward to seeing all of you again at this ever growing annual event!

Lou Kush

WSYC Golf Tournament Director

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