

Anchorline

Newsletter of the West Seattle Yacht Club

Commodore's Report

Hello Fellow Members,

We had our Commodore Ball last month, so it is "official", I am honored to be this year's Commodore. Thanks to those that came to celebrate, it was a wonderful time and I must say we all do clean up quite well as can be seen from the lovely photos that Linda Everts and Julie Baker posted on our Facebook age: <https://www.facebook.com/Westseattleyachtclub>.

Besides recognizing this year's officers - Yeoman Laura Shelton, Purser Lori Lesieur, Rear Commodore Lynda Swift and Vice Commodore Julie Estes, we honored some of our members. Past Commodore Rick announced his choice for people who stood out to him this year - Congratulations to Man of the Year Mike Lesieur! Congratulations to Woman of the Year Laura Shelton! Congratulations to Family of the Year Val and Jamie Jensen! We appreciate all your support, enthusiasm, and participation in our club.

This Friday, February 17th at 6:00pm is our General Meeting and I am excited that Julie Estes will be able to get her claws on some crab for our annual Crab Feed! Her report will have all the delectable details.

And what better way to ensure heart health after dining on such a rich meal? Well, it would be to take a CPR/AED class. We will be partnering with the Masonic Temple members in offering this class lead by Bill Merritt <https://www.linkedin.com/in/bill-merritt-37a57b2a> founder of Merit Emergency <https://meritemergency.com/>. Based on interest, it seems that we may need to hold 2 separate courses - here are the prospective dates: March 9th, March 30th, or April 6th. Please check your calendars to be ready to sign up for your availability at our meeting. The class will take about 3 hours and cost around \$50 per person. I will send out a separate email with sign up dates for those not able to attend Friday's meeting. Bill will issue you a CPR/AED certified card at the end of the course. **And while on this subject I'd like to make sure that our members know that the club has an AED (automated external defibrillator) on hand for our cruises.** Protocol is for the Rear Commodore to have it on their boat. If the Rear is not present, someone else will be appointed to carry this life-saving device and having people around trained to operate the AED will make it a whole lot more effective.

Speaking about hearts - **we are going to begin our "Meet-Cute" section in the Anchorline.** **We'd like to welcome you to share the story of how you met your sweetheart with us** - email this to westseattleyachtclub@gmail.com for publication in our monthly newsletter.

Happy Valentines Day xoxo,

Commodore Dori Schnelz



Current WSYC Officers

General Meeting

February 17, 6PM
Masonic Temple
Cocktails at 6PM

Meeting Agenda

General Meeting

General Meeting Dinner

Crab Feed

Next Meeting
March 17
Masonic Temple



February Birthdays

Bob Ganung	6
Laura Shelton	9
Chris Swift	19
Chloe Jensen	22
Zach Shelton	24 – 2000
Lani Lightle	29

Vice Commodore's Report

Ahoy WSYC Valentines!

Well, here we are in the dreary winter months, and the yacht club has been doing lots of cool things to keep those winter blues at bay. The boat show dinner being one of them. Keeping in tradition we had our fun at the Owl and Thistle. It is a great Irish bar and for those of you who have never been, please make some time to get down there. So many old establishments in Seattle have gone away and it would be a shame for you not to experience this one. The owners, the Geary's, have both now passed away leaving the last owner, Deckland to run the show. It's just my two cents, call me sentimental.

The sweetheart cruise is happening also this weekend at the Clear Water Casino and will be a blast....I'm personally not much of a gambler but from what I hear there will be Italian food.... If I play my cards right, I can get some extra Parmesan! Lastly for this short yet packed month we will be having the crab feed Feb.17th during the general meeting, Friends and family are invited to this event as well. Being that this is a catered event we will need a firm headcount by the evening of the 15th. The yacht club will be paying for all the food in advance, so if for any reason you don't get the phone call/text/ email, please feel free to call me at 206-351-0073 or email at 9049bliss@gmail.com and let me know that you are coming and if you will be eating crab. I do know that some of you will be attending the meeting but not eating crab or not eating at all. Please let the phone tree know what your plans are for eating. The WSYC has had a long standing rule of **if you RSVP and do not show up to the catered event, that you are still responsible for the price of the dinner.** You can find that information in the yearbook. Our purser Lori will send out an invoice to all those that do not cancel by the cancellation date or do not show at all. The cancellation date for the crab feed will be the 16th. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you this weekend or the next....

Happy Super Bowl Sunday!

Julie Estes
Vice Commodore



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Rear Commodore's Report

Hugs and kisses Valentine's Day Sweethearts

The Clearwater Casino and Resort Sweetheart Cruise was a wonderful dinner and party. A very warm thank you to all of you happy couples attending the event. I had a wonderful time because of your participation and support. I hope everyone had a lovely and fun time. A special thank you for the sweeties that helped officiate, count, and help me clean up and more. See you soon hopefully Friday for the general meeting and crab feed.

March doesn't have much but that gives us a chance to really prepare for April 14th-16th and the Stag Cruise and Doe Run

Stags have their secrets....but Does will be running wild all over Gig Harbor. Hotel reservations can be made for a week or two longer at The Westley Inn Best Western #253-858-9690-mention WSYC.

Kingston is our relaxing Cruise in May. A great location to kick off boating season. We have limited slips available due to other yacht clubs sharing the harbor with us, so make your reservations early.

Thank you all for your club spirit and supporting WSYC

Rear Commodore,
Lynda Swift

Sweetheart Cruise Update

For all the club members able to attend this past weekend's Sweetheart "Cruise", thanks for keeping it lively and fun throughout the Saturday evening food and festivities. Rear Commodore Swift worked countless hours to dream up and organize the evenings "Sweetheart Games & Olympics" and the members in attendance have undoubtedly rested countless hours to recover from the intense competition to bring home the gold (or hearts, chocolates etc. as it were).

Though the winners were everyone who was able to attend the event, there were a few prizes awarded for those athletes especially gifted with chopsticks, dice and other forms of impaired manual dexterity and agility.



The highlight in a first of its sweetheart cruise Olympics kind was a rulings controversy in the opening team event of the evening. A team composed of some of our finest members (two times Commodore, current Vice Commodore, four times Purser, and the mastermind of our newsletter and website) became the first team ever to be unjustly disqualified from an event. Despite an appeal filed by the team, with the event judge - our bartender, the disqualification for a minor bending of an unspecified rule, created after the event was completed, by those vanquished was allowed to stand.



In a magnificent move by Rear Commodore Swift, the team was sentenced to a 15-minute time out at the bar to "think about their actions". After minimal discussion, it was agreed by any who cared that the punishment was perfect for the victorious yet denied team. In a statement from the team captain, Rick "I'm not a Spoon Man" Shelton declared that the time out at the bar got the training for next year's "Sweetheart Olympics" off to a good start.

Special Items To Consider

Summer North Sound Cruise:

As we make our 2023 cruising plans here is some information for the North Sound cruise.

We have reservations at Roche Harbor July 9-11th. Members will have to contact Roche Harbor sometime after 2/14/2023 to confirm their attendance. As time gets closer, I will also provide more information to register online. As in prior years we will provide steak or chicken and wine for people attending the July 10th potluck dinner. BYOB Happy Hour before dinner is a given.

Hopefully crab season will open July 12 or 13th and we can go to Garrison Bay to do some crabbing and enjoy some Westcott shellfish. The Canadian border is open so if people want to go Gunkholing in the Southern Gulf islands let's talk! Along with hitting the favorite spots in the San Juan islands we could make it a several week cruise. As always, people are encouraged to come and go as their schedule allows.

Doreen and I are looking forward another fun season of being on the water with the club.

Rod Rupprecht

A Few Sweetheart Cruise Memories



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2023 SOCIAL SCHEDULE

January 20	General Meeting/Masonic Temple
February 17	General Meeting/Masonic Temple/Crab Feed
March 17	General Meeting/Masonic Temple/St. Patty's Day
April 21	General Meeting/Masonic Temple
May 19	General Meeting/Masonic Temple
June 3	General Meeting @ Des Moines Marina
June 17	WSYC Annual Golf Tournament
July 23	West Seattle Grand Parade/California Ave
September 15	General Meeting/Masonic Temple/Nominations
October 20	General Meeting/Masonic Temple/Elections
November ??	Commodore Ball/ TBD
November 17	General Meeting/Masonic Temple
December 22	General Meeting/Masonic Temple-Christmas Party

2023 CRUISE SCHEDULE

February 10-12	Sweetheart Cruise/Clearwater Casino
April 14-16	Stag Cruise/ Mystery Location
April 14-16	Doe Run/Only the Ladies Know
May 26-29	Memorial Weekend/ Kingston
June 2-4	Seafood Feed/ Des Moines Marina
July 9-11	Roche Harbor - San Juan Islands
August 18-20	Steak Fry/ Brownsville
August 25-28	Mini Cruise/ South Sound
September 1-4	Labor Day Cruise/Bremerton
December 1-3	Christmas Cruise/Port Orchard

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West Seattle Yacht Club Officers, Board Members & Volunteers Nov 2022 thru Oct 2023

OFFICERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
Commodore	Phone Tree Committee	Membership
Dori Schnelz	Lee Lightle	Jim Schnelz
	Jim Rush	
Vice Commodore	Publicity Committee	Meeting Hosts (the bar)
Julie Estes	The Club	Val Jensen
Rear Commodore	Cruise Captain	Web Master
Lynda Swift	North Sound: Rod & Doreen Rupprecht	Dee Selk
Purser	South Sound: Neal & Mary Duett	Anchorline
Lori Lesieur	Fishing Derby:	Dee Selk dselk46@comcast.net
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Laura Shelton Co (1/2 time)	Arden Darnell	Sue Scott (206) 938-8918
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Julie Baker Maintain google grp, bday & Phone Tree lists	Photographer	Reciprocals
BOARD MEMBERS	Linda Everts and anyone with a phone	Julz Ethier
Past Commodore	post to www.facebook.com/Westseattleyachtclub	Cruise Bar Hosts Rachelle Stanko & Mike Belknap
Rick Shelton		
2 Year Board Members	IOBG	
1 Dee Selk	Lani Lightle	
2 Mike Belknap	Jeannie Gordon	Advertising
3 Jamie Jensen		
	RBAW	
1 Year Board Members <i>(past 2 year board members)</i>	Laura Shelton	
1 Mike Lesieur		
2 Jon Shelton		
3 Don Lobdell		