

Commodore's Report

I know for certain that we had a summer this year, and that I share ownership of a boat, but all the cruising we did this year amounts to two. Actually at the time of writing this piece for the log we had only been on one cruise and hosted the other at our home. The second cruise on the water (aside from Spencer Spit) would be the work party at Sucia. The plan is to see if the crew of *Rebound* can't stay out a couple of days after the work is done.

I sure hope a lot of you were able to get out on the water and enjoy the beautiful weather we had here in the Great Northwest. The Summer Solstice party at our home was a great time, and I believe we had a showing of about twenty-three. The barbeque consisted of Oysters, Salmon, Ribs, and Hotdogs. Of course there were several wonderful dishes provided by those that were able to turnout. The weather was mild but not rainy, and there was a little Bocce ball action, and a bit of music in the air. Everyone seemed to be having a good time. Mike, Kris, Linda and I enjoyed hosting and would do it again.

It was a year ago when Lori wrote, "that while I am sorry that Clyde Ford can't join us..." You will come to learn as you read on, that our acting Vice Commodore (and soon to be Commodore) has kept in touch with Clyde and...well I let him finish this in his article.

I am excited to let you all know (without getting into a lot of detail at this time) that SYC has come

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Vice Commodore's Report

It's that time of year again—the days are getting short, brilliant colors are showing up on trees and summer officially ends next week. It has been a wonderful season for boating. The rendezvous were fun and often exciting, while the summer nights on the clubhouse deck were a chance for us to meet on terra firma. Speaking of the summer BBQ's, a very special thank you to Dave Walker and Toni Knight and to Randy Bilof and Loretta Palagi, who hosted the June and August events.

Members once again have voyaged to the four corners of our region and some are still out there. That is not surprising, as this month of often one of the very best for cruising. It is, however, the time the club meet on our usual fourth Wednesday's for friendly conversation, outstanding meals and, hopefully, interesting programs.

Andy and Chris Backus, together with Rocky and Kristi Champagne, will host the September meeting. The program will be local author Clyde Ford. Clyde has published a number of novels set in our geographic area and featuring boating related stories centered on protagonist Charlie Noble. His latest adventure is titled *Whiskey Gulf*. Clyde knows of what he writes as he cruises in a 30' Willard trawler. As usual, the program will be preceded by meeting old friends and catching up on the past months adventures before and during the sumptuous potluck dinner. After Clyde's presentation, there will be a short business meeting. We plan to see you there.

—Terry Hummel



Rear Commodore's Report

As summer draws to a close I'd like to take a moment to review the club's cruises of the past few months.

We started off with a wonderful shakedown cruise to Inati Bay on April 23rd, hosted by Marty and Gail Haines. The weather was very nice and our hosts were most gracious. Though this was a hard act to follow, things just kept getting better.

The May 9th Mother's Day cruise to Eagle Harbor was outstanding (no hosts) and it was fun to try out an anchorage that the club has not visited for a long time. Next came the perennial favorite Memorial Day By Land and Sea cruise, May 23rd, this year to Blaine Harbor, hosted by Rod and Susan Dean, and Hans Soderholm and Sue Toy. This again was an outstanding cruise, well attended by our members. The musical group was in fine form and I heard one passer-by ask, "Does this group play here every weekend?" How's that for a compliment!

Mike and Chris Heintz and Linda Tibbet with some help from Commodore John Robertson hosted the now much-loved annual Summer Solstice Party at the Robertson home on June 20th. My, those barbecued oysters were tasty! June 27th was the date of the Styrofoam Regatta at Sucia Island, hosted by Larry and Barbee Folenius, and Pat and Pete Lamb. This was a joint cruise with Corinthian YC and the Power Squadron. Though yours truly and spouse were not able to attend, the reports were glowing and the Regatta was enjoyed by all ages.

Our 4th of July cruise this year was to Fisherman's Bay, hosted by Steve and Joyce Glenn, and Al and Sandra Whitney. This cruise was well attended and the usual parties broke out on the Island Marine Center docks, complete with our musical combo who was once again in fine form. Our YC fielded a group to march in the 4th of July parade (with Kazoos) which only whetted appetites for the great pot-luck which followed, all capped by a truly awesome display of fireworks.

July 25th was the date of our annual Big Brothers, Big Sisters event, hosted this year by our Vice Commodore Terry Hummel and wife Jill, and Ray and Lynn Gobush. There was a good turn-out and smiles were seen all around. And finally past Commodore Lori Province and Raleigh hosted the Spencer Spit cruise on August 15th. The weather was once again wonderful (has this been a great summer, or what?) and everyone had a most enjoyable time.

The Labor Day cruise to Garrison Bay, hosted by Chris and Andy Backus proved to be quite different. The forecast was for a blow and blow it did! Only four boats made it to Garrison Bay, the Champagnes, the Folenius, Pete Werner and Lynn McKintosh (Power Squadron), and Andy and Chris Backus. Rocky reported that it gusted up to 40 knots early Saturday morning and about a third of the boats anchored there dragged. Chris and Andy had put in a lot of work preparing for this cruise and it's a shame that the weather didn't cooperate.

The final cruise this year will be our annual work party at Sucia Island on September 19th, to be hosted by Tom Evans and Annie Naismith, and Hans Soderholm and Sue Toy. This is always a great opportunity to support our Marine Parks and is a fun get-together to boot. And interspersed throughout the summer was, of course, our great Wednesday night pot-luck barbeques at the clubhouse (who could forget those!).

Thanks everyone for all your hard work and for a fine and memorable cruising season!

—Rear Commodore Doug Sterrett

Thank You

It is with deep appreciation that I write this sincere thank you to Skipper Paul Graf and Mate Les Blackwell as they navigated a "Last Boat Ride" for my dad's remains. Sunday July 12th was colder than usual and there were white caps on Bellingham Bay. The *Carol Lee* took it all in her graceful stride. We placed Bob Timmins ashes in his tool box and then into the waters of Bellingham Bay on Sunday morning. This is right where many, many cruises were made on his boats: *Brandy*, *Tiara* and *Moi Kai*. Thank you Paul, Les and *Carol Lee*.

Sincerely, Brenda Timmins Ackermann

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 **West Marine**

The meeting was called to order at 2000 by Commodore John. Vice Commodore Terry led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mainsail reading. No reading tonight.

Introduction of guests: None.

Secretary's report. The minutes were approved as printed in the *Log*.

Treasurer's Report

Savings:	\$13,000.62
Checking:	280.00
Available:	13,280.62
Assigned savings:	1,128.58
Total:	\$14,409.20

Joyce reported that \$1,008 was donated to the Food Bank from our Opening Day Breakfast. The raffle collection was \$255.00. Excess food was sold for \$57.00. We broke nearly even on the Breakfast.

Rear Commodore's Report. Doug called on the following members to talk about upcoming and past cruises:

- Linda Tibbotts reported that the Solstice party is coming up on Saturday, June 20 at Linda and John's. Potluck is at 6. Bring your meat to barbecue. Also bring a side dish or dessert to go with the meat. An e-mail will be sent.
- Larry and Barbee announced the Styrofoam Regatta, a joint cruise with CYC and the Power Squadron is also coming up in June. They need to know if you are coming and how many kits you need. The cruise is at Fossil Bay on June 27th. The pavilion is reserved for our group.
- Fourth of July cruise. Joyce reported that 13 boats have reserved space. Anchorage is available, but fills up fast. Activities are available in the village all weekend. Toni is organizing a parade entry, if you are going to be there on Friday night.
- Ray Gobush reported on the Big Brother/Big Sister event. It is a joint project with CYC on Saturday, July 25th. He passed around a sign-up sheet.
- Rod reported on the Blaine cruise. The music was outstanding!

Vice Commodore's Report. Terry reported that this is the last general meeting until fall. He thanked the Champagnes and the Sizenstocks, hosts for this evening.

Program. Tonight's program was Jason Crawford from Mustang Survival Equipment who demonstrated pieces of equipment and gave us guidelines on maintaining our self-inflating devices.

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- Safety Topic: Heat Stress. John reported on causes, symptoms and treatment of heat exhaustion and heat stroke.
- Thanks to all for their support to put on the Opening Day Breakfast!
 - Special thanks to Lee Kincaid for use of his tent

Boating Community Activities

- **MAC Report.** Doug Sterrett reported that the latest meeting was a re-hash of old topics. Nothing new to report.
- **WRBA.** No report.
- **RBAW.** Terry recognized the group for finally adding our name to the online membership list.

Committee Reports

- House Committee Report
 - Floor Project. **Commodore John reported that re-doing the floor in the kitchen, women's bathroom, hall, and storage room will be the next major project scheduled for later this year.**
 - The lighting project is also moving forward. Bill Downey has purchased the lights.
- Reciprocity. Larry reminds us that we need to write a thank-you note, fly your burgee, and report on your experiences.
- Change of Watch Awards Committee. Barbee says to pass on any nominations to her for any awards.

Unfinished Business (Old)

- Membership Review Committee Report. There was a meeting this past month. They came up with four addendums to our by-laws concerning membership: 1. We encourage prospective members to attend at least two or more SYC functions (potluck, meeting, cruise, work party, etc.) before joining. 2. Sponsors are encouraged to

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act in a mentoring capacity to the new family for at least the first year. 3. The Committee Descriptions developed by Commodore John should be added to the new member packet. 4. New members and their sponsors should be recognized in the *Log*. Motion was made to accept these addendums. Moved, seconded, and passed.

New Business

- SYC Sign (Dave Walker). Dave showed us two samples for a more permanent, 92 sign for our building. Motion was made to build the sign. Passed. Group voted for the top design. Around \$250 was the estimate. Dave will start on the project now. Dave was also given the go-ahead for lettering on the “donut”—motion was made and passed. Red and grey passed. Around \$80.
- Larry asked if he could work on a permanent flagpole for the front of our building. He was asked to look into it. John cautioned that we need to check with the Port.

For the Good of the Order

- Jack said the clubhouse looks great!
- Rod asked the status of our lease. John hasn't heard back from the Port. We won't hear until September.

The meeting was adjourned at 2045.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Dean, Secretary

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to terms with the P.O.B. for a new five-year lease. It is reassuring to know that the P.O.B. is working closely with us to make it affordable for us to carry on tradition. I have enjoyed working with them and thank Joyce Glenn for her support. I would also like to thank my wife for her on-going support for her husband, Commodore, and pain in the butt. Speaking of Commodore, it won't be long before Change of Watch, at which I will be honored to pass the gavel on to a much deserving friend as I move to the next realm; Past Commodore.

See you at the meeting.
—Commodore John

Ships Store

Burpees	\$ 20
Hats	\$15-18
Cookbook	\$10
SYC patches	\$5

I also have catalogs if anyone is interested in ordering the SYC logo stitched onto clothing items. I usually have the above items as well as the catalogs with me at all SYC functions. Contact: Joyce Glenn, (360) 756-2230, outsailing@shmoe.org

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Commodore Bob Timmins Last Cruise

On July 12, Les Blackwell and I (with Randy as backup) assisted the family of Bob Timmins with his Last Cruise. Bob passed away last November.

Bob and his wife Jean were SYC members for 28 years from 1967 to 1995. An enthusiastic SYC supporter, Bob was always active in the club, moving through all the chairs to commodore in 1980. Consistent with Bob's preoccupation with the positive and happier side of life, this weekend the family took Bob's ashes traveling, visiting favorite locations and activities along the way.

The final leg was a cruise aboard *Carol Lee* into Bellingham Bay where Bob was finally put to rest. In keeping with Bob's wishes and character, his ashes were placed in one of Bob's old toolboxes with some old wrenches and placed in the waters the family enjoyed for so many years.

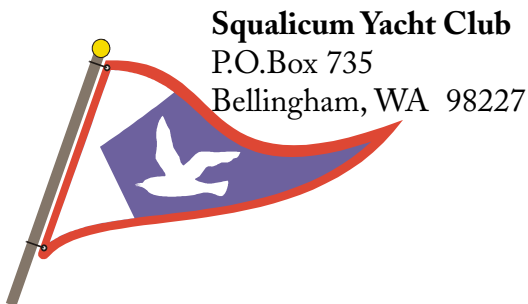
Bon Voyage Old Friend!
—Paul

Squalicum Yacht Club meets at 1800 on the fourth Wednesday of each month, September–May, at our building adjacent to the Seaview North boatyard. Potluck format—bring a dish to pass, your own table service and beverage.

Please have material for the *Log* to the editor by the second Tuesday of the month. Email to editor@squalicumyc.org is preferred.



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Calendar

September 19 –Sucia Island cleanup
September 23 –Regular meeting