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## ✦ COMMODORE'S REPORT ✦ NOVEMBER 2009

**T**he year is off to a rousing start! The Commodore's Ball was fantastic! P/C Dale & Susie and their committee organized an absolutely brilliant event. There were many perfect touches such as the ice sculpture of our boat, *Nutcracker*, and the nutcrackers in

various places. Chef Willie and Peg prepared a sumptuous meal and Jess Hill, Andy Gerde and the bar crew kept us well-supplied. The event was a sell-out and everyone had a marvelous time. While the event is to honor the Commodore, it's also an opportunity to showcase our beautiful facility. Our Commodore's Ball is the first of the social season for the Grand 14 and the club certainly did itself proud—setting a very high standard for the other clubs! If you haven't had the pleasure of attending one, put Saturday October 2, 2010 on your calendar.

October also witnessed QCYC's annual celebration of Oktoberfest. Bob & Verna Maruska and their committee cooked up a variety of German sausages, red cabbage, sauerkraut, German potato salad, hot pretzels and German Beer. It was a great party! Thanks for kicking off the Friday/Saturday night social scene in great style.

QCYC also had the opportunity to co-host the North American Invitational log race on the last weekend in September. Those racers invited are the "best of the best" in predicted log racing. While the outcome wasn't quite what we had hoped for, just being invited is a great honor. And speaking of log racing, the Flag Officers race was held on October 16-18.

Closing Day, with all of its zany antics, was held on October 17<sup>th</sup> under the always creative Mark Vanderwall. A great time was had by all and the umbrellas were most appropriate.

The first Fleet Captain's Cruise, "Halloween Harvest Happening," was held over the Halloween weekend at the Winslow Outstation. Diva docking and a chili cook-off were highlights of the weekend chaired by our Fleet Captain, Larry Dubia and first mate Dorothy. We also have two other

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### HIGHLIGHTS

#### November 2009

- Nov 13 Friday Night Social
- Nov 14 Docks Work Party
- Nov 14 Capt. Cruise: Qwest for Fun
- Nov 27 Capt. Cruise: Thanksgiving
- Nov 27 Captain's Christmas Dinner
- Nov 29 Decorate Club for Holidays

Fleet Captain's Cruises coming up in November: on November 14<sup>th</sup> will be a land cruise, "In Qwest of Fun;" and over the Thanksgiving weekend there will be a cruise to Winslow, "Thanksgiving Potpourri." Our Fleet Captain has a fun-filled group of cruises planned and I encourage you to come along and enjoy the fun.

Our next Friday Night Social will be hosted by the Tarettes on Friday, November 14. Please plan to attend—it's always a good time.

Please note that there will be no General Membership meeting on Wednesday November 25<sup>th</sup>.

We will again be having a "Breakfast with the Bridge". It will be held Saturday December 5<sup>th</sup>.

The daylight hours are getting noticeably shorter and the holidays will soon be upon us. We will be decorating the clubhouse on Sunday November 29<sup>th</sup> and, if needed, on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup>. Please plan on helping—many hands make shorter work. Vivian Johnson is heading up the holiday decorating again this year and would appreciate your help.

Early December will see the Special People's Holiday Cruise on December 6<sup>th</sup>; the Captains' Dinner on December 19<sup>th</sup>; the Lighted Boat Parade on December 11 & 12; and the Children's Christmas Party on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Please check the calendar on the QCYC web site for details of these and all our other events.

Several people have expressed interest in having ballroom dance lessons. We have an instructor lined up and we can offer the lessons if we have enough interest. To make it affordable, we need to have a

minimum of 10 people. The lessons would begin in January. Several of the Grand 14 have done something similar with great success. Please let Crystal know if you are interested and we'll add you to the list.

In addition to all the great social activities mentioned above, we also have a few more serious items to consider. Last year P/C Roberts appointed a Special Committee on membership. That committee was unable to complete its work so I will be re-establishing the committee again this year. If QCYC is to remain vibrant and continue for another 95 years, we must look for new, innovative ways to maintain our existing membership while attracting new members. It's not an easy issue to resolve but it is one we must address.

Another special committee that I will be appointing will address the issue of "storage boats." Our goal is have our mooring members use their boats and be active in club activities. If members are unable to actively use their boats as prescribed in the club rules then the club has an obligation to address the issue.

I will also be appointing a special committee to evaluate our current procedures and protocols when a member passes. In closing, I would note the passing of two long-time Captains, P/C Ray Meyers (member #002) and Jerry Disneau (member #183). Please keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

*Fair Winds,*  
Ed Jennerich  
Commodore

**DECEMBER  
BILGE PUMP  
DEADLINE  
NOVEMBER 10TH**

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## VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

I am writing a short article this month because Nancy and I are headed to Italy, Greece and Turkey on a Princess Cruise and will be back on Oct. 14. We have never taken a cruise and were talked into it by QCYC member Dan Wilshin and wife Marilyn. This should be fun, Dan, and I like martinis and we are on a boat!

DOCKS

We are always looking for help on the Docks Committee, contact Art Mauldin. Art's dad Wes, member #4, had a little heart work done the other day; he's 90 and going strong. Get well.

Art has warned us that there will be some disruptions in the parking lot due to our standpipe project that is scheduled for October. One thing that will happen is that there will be fewer parking spots while this is in-process. If you park where it blocks fire lanes or other unmarked spaces, you will give us cause to review our towing policy. Please don't.

HOUSE

Our Ship's Store is complete. The open display certainly looks great and there are new items to look at, Thanks, Commodore Ed.

WINSLOW OUTSTATION

I don't know if we'll see much of Eric Wood for a while: he got roasted pretty good at the Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting for locking his wife Barbara in the shower of their boat. 4 1/2 hours, oh boy!

Commodore Ed has started looking at the final section of Dock B at Winslow and several modifications were mentioned for the new section. We would look at getting lower power/light pedestals and move the fire hose pipe away from the

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edge of the dock, as the boats moored next to them can be damaged. Gratings were also mentioned by several and will be discussed. We're listening.

You will be seeing a volunteer signup form included with your October billing. Please take time to add your name to at least one of the choices and return it to us. Your help keeps our club a jewel of the Northwest.

George Austin  
Vice Commodore

#### REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

**H**ere it is, the beginning of a new club year and I am writing my first report as the Rear Commodore. Let me begin with thanking all of you who supported my selection to this post. I am deeply honored and will do my best to live up to your expectations. Those committee persons who have continued on in their positions are particularly appreciated, as I will rely on them to bring me up to speed as quickly as possible. I will promise to do the job with dedication and to perform to the best of my ability. This is being written in September, and to date I have not caught up with all of the activities under my wing since completing my Fleet Captain duties. I will have a much more complete report next month when perhaps I will have had a chance to digest everything and work on setting the year's goals.

Don Wilson  
Rear Commodore

#### OUTSTATION REPORT

October is usually a quiet month here on Bainbridge Island. The

leaves started turning color and we were treated to some nice sunny days. We are being entertained by a kingfisher who is seeing his reflection in some of the winter moorage boat windows, and keeps talking to his reflection. I am not sure if he is in love or feels his territory is being invaded. Eric says it reminds him of Jim Hess when he's out here.

As I said, things are quiet here on the Island, and we are easily entertained, at least until a loud splash is heard at 5:30 in the morning!

A guy in a beat-up rowing dinghy was spotted rowing around in the center of the "U" about 10:30 one night. Jill Princehouse asked what he was doing and he just mumbled and rowed away. About 4:30 in the morning, his oar was knocking against the DeCooks' boat and woke Tim up. Again, this fellow was asked what he was doing and again he just mumbled something and rowed away. About an hour later, a loud splash in front of the Princehouses' boat woke both Jill and Doug up. They quickly determined this fellow had fallen out of his dinghy and was hanging on to the dock. Doug felt help was needed and alerted Eric (who had just gotten up anyway) and both were able to haul this guy out of the water. Jill made the 911 call and an ambulance arrived along with the police. Other than being cold, the fellow was okay physically, but mentally we're not so sure. Anyway, the police already had other complaints about this guy, who is living on a friend's boat in the middle of the harbor.

Why am I even writing all of this? I just want to make visitors aware that valuables should be kept out of sight, and you should lock your boat at night. Gas was siphoned out of a

car parked in our lot last summer and now this incident. Is it a sign of the times? I hope not, but even on our little island, things can happen.

I just had the pleasure of mowing the lawn last night. The lawnmower had been acting up lately, so Ron Voegeli, Jim Bailey and Robert Myers picked up their tools and after determining the problem, fixed it. It cuts and works like new! (You might wonder where Eric was during all of this. I had him locked in the shower.)

Barb Wood

#### FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Next up: a land cruise and after-Thanksgiving potpourri

Two events are on our cruising calendar for November.

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We start with a land cruise on November 14 to three places -- and you can attend one or all three. We'll meet at the US Coast Guard Museum at 9:30 AM for a tour of the museum and an ice-breaker, Pyramid Ale for lunch from 12-1:45 PM, then to Qwest Field for a tour of that facility. The Qwest Field tour is at 2:30 -- it's best to get there by 2 to assure getting tickets. Be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes and try to carpool. Please let me now if you plan to attend one or all of these events so I can make reservations. See flyer elsewhere in *The Bilge Pump*.

Then, for those of you who aren't going to the Apple Cup, why not watch it from the Outstation and enjoy some after-Thanksgiving relaxation, November 27-28-29? Since it is the "official" start of the holiday shopping season, we'll hop onto a ferry for a shopping excursion to downtown Seattle (with lunch, of course) for those who aren't into football. Saturday evening will feature an "Anything But Turkey" potluck, a homemade apple pie baking contest, and family-friendly game night. On Sunday, we'll provide a continental breakfast to get you on your way. Stay tuned for more details and activities. And keep your fingers crossed for "friendly weather."

Interested in helping with one of these cruises? Have some great ideas to share? Please contact me at 206-300-2933 or [lddubia65@msn.com](mailto:lddubia65@msn.com).

Larry Dubia  
Fleet Captain

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

I want to congratulate Capt. Larry Dubia, who was this year's winner

of the \$1000.00 drawing for sponsoring new members for 2008/2009 year. Larry sponsored a total of 4 members out of a total of 18 new members that were inducted this last year. Great job, Larry! Thanks to the following sponsors of new members: Capt. Larry Dubia, P/C Larry Chmela, Capt. Andrea Schock, Capt. Rick English, Capt. Dick McGrew, Capt. Jerry Dishneau, Capt. Tim Connelly, Capt. Tim Rutledge, Capt. Bruce Ramon, Capt. Ryan Garvie, Capt. Dan Lohse, P/C Bob Yates, and Capt. Ragnar Schousboe,

In September we initiated Capt. Terry Schock into our membership. Terry was sponsored by Capt. Andrea and at the October 14<sup>th</sup> general Meeting we initiated two new members: Capt. Don Lobdell, sponsored by Capt. Sherry Weiss, and Captain John Blakely, who was sponsored by Capt. Mark LaFontaine. Welcome aboard to our new members and thanks to their sponsors.

Our membership count is currently at 365 active members. Our goal is to attain 400 members for a full membership status. At this time every year we have adjustments to our membership number. This last year had 5 members that have unfortunately passed away, 13 members that made formal requests to resign or withdraw from the club for their own personal reasons, and 7 members that have 25 years of membership that qualified them as Life Members.

I encourage all members to take our brochures and invite your boating friends and acquaintances to any of our general meetings, weekend socials, breakfasts on the weekend and lunches on Friday. Invite them to attend one of our cruises. Talk with Fleet Captain Larry Dubia

regarding upcoming events.

We have a great web site to see our club and its activities. You can have them go to our website [Queency.org](http://Queency.org) and email us under Membership and we will send them the QCYC brochure, membership application form, current moorage rates and a greeting letter.

We will be attending the Seattle Boat Show from January 29<sup>th</sup> - Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>. We will have a signup on this soon. Contact myself or Rear Commodore Don Wilson. Mark your calendars for this great event. After the boat show we will have an open house to

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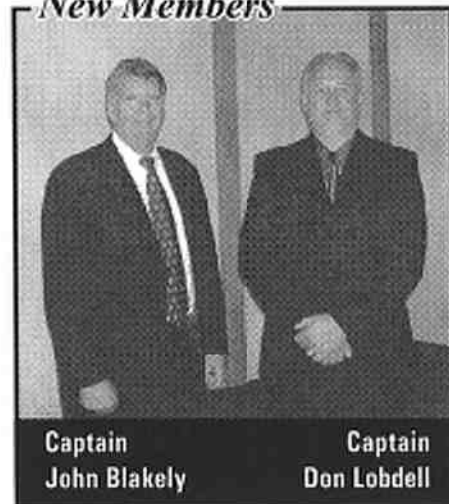


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If you have an interest to help with the Membership Committee contact myself or Don Wilson we appreciate all your ideas and considerations for Membership.

Keep recruiting,  
Chris Benson  
Membership Chairman

### New Members



Captain  
John Blakely

Captain  
Don Lobdell

### MEET CRYSTAL KINGERY

First of all I would like to thank the Queen City Yacht Club for giving me the opportunity of being your new Office Manager. It's been a pleasure for my first couple weeks and I even survived the dreaded "October Billing" my second week here and I returned for my third week. I have enjoyed meeting some of the members so far and look forward to meeting everyone else throughout the year. If you are at the club feel free to come up to the office and say hi: I'd love to put a face to all the names I've been billing.

I live over on the Eastside with my husband and a very happy energetic 9 month old little boy. I'll make sure to have them pop in every now and

then on a Friday afternoon to say hi to everyone.

My husband and I own a small hobby distribution and publishing business where I have put my Business Administration BA to good use for many years. My prior skills of extensive office, accounting, invoicing and maintaining 500+ magazine subscriptions has been put to great use here at QCYC and has made for an enjoyable and smooth transition.

Thanks again and I look forward to helping keep the club organized.

Crystal Kingery



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**GATE SECURITY:** In order to improve club security, the driveway gate will continue to open weekdays at 6 AM, but will now close at 7 PM. The gate will remain closed on weekends.

## DOCKS COMMITTEE

By the time you read this, the standpipes project should be progressing. Your patience with the inconveniences of this large scale work is very much appreciated. Parking will be a major issue at times and boats moored on docks 1 and 3, may be moved outward in the slips and brought back in at the end of each day. We'll be careful but please keep a close eye on your own moorings and power connections. If all goes by the plan, we should be done with this huge accomplishment by around the end of the year.

The draft curtains project needs for its team of members to plan the project and to make it begin to happen. A few persons have expressed interest in maybe guiding this project, but so far we have no committed leader. It's crucial that we make this happen now.

Many smaller projects are on the task lists. We as members really do need to give to our club in these matters lest we be compelled to give in far less agreeable ways. The best glue we have to bond us together as a club of appreciative and friendly members is our willingness to volunteer. It's at these projects and events that we forge the lasting friendships that are the future of our club.

Projects in need: planking replacements, remounting and replacement of mooring cleats, safety ladder replacements and additions, and a lot more.

Big thanks and appreciation go to many persons right now. In the next issue of *The Bilge Pump*, plan to see a list of persons and tasks they've so willingly done for all of us. Let's

build that same list out to touch the future too.

Arthur Mauldin - Docks Chairman  
Dave Svendsen - Assistant Chairman

## REGATTA POWER REPORT

The Seattle Yacht Club's Stimson Race on Sept 19<sup>th</sup> and its Latta Trophy for First Overall was won by Dave and Ryan Padgett on *Slipaway* with a 0.7283% score. Second Overall went to Bob Lindal, Jeff Ewell & Christina Lindal on *Suzy Q* with a 0.8202% error. Third went to SYC's Bill Grady on *Zorro* with 0.8936%. The Stimson Trophy for the Best Team was won by Poulsbo Yacht Club.

The morning of Sept 19th began with some fog but there was a clear sky with light winds for the 19 racers. The currents were light for the race from Port Madison thru Agate Pass and back. The theme for the race was "Cowboy Roundup."

P/C Dick Timmerman was first in Class 3. Second in Class 2 went to Andy Gerde and Carol Soffel and in Class 5 to P/C Dean Lentgis. Third in class 5 went to Bruce Cullen and Vince Firlotte.

The overall results were:

#	Skipper	Boat	%
1	Dave Padgett	<i>Slip Away</i>	0.4060
2	Bob Lindal	<i>Suzy Q</i>	0.4825
5	Dick Timmerman	<i>Vagabond</i>	1.3351
11	Dean Lentgis	<i>Kalos Filos</i>	1.6166
12	Bruce Cullen	<i>Fantome</i>	2.3934
	Vince Firlotte		
14	Andy Gerde	<i>Windy i</i>	3.0000

Port Orchard YC Fall Round Up Race  
Oct 10, 2009

Eight QCYC Racers again won both the first overall and the Team Trophy. And for the second race in 3 weeks, the top 2 spots went to the same QCYC Racers! Dave and Joanne Padgett on *Slipaway* led the field with a 0.5325% score. Bob Lindal and Jeff Ewell on *Suzy Q* were second with 0.5903%. P/C's Lynn Montgomery and Larrie Chmela on *Likely Lady* were third at 0.6050% to complete the sweep by QCYC.

Eight racers from 7 clubs competed in the straightforward race in mild currents out through Rich Passage and back. The winds were light and the sun came out by the end of the race. All in all another nice day on the water and a good time was had by everyone. POYC's steak fry with DJ Freddy spinning the dance music made for a great party after the Awards.

P/C Dick Timmerman was second in Class 3, P/C Dean Lentgis in Class 4 and Bruce Cullen and Vince Firlotte in Class 5. Andy Gerde and Carol Soffel were third in Class 3. Dave, Bob, Lynn and Dean teamed up to return the Team Trophy to QCYC.

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2	Bob Lindal	<i>Suzy Q</i>	0.5903
3	Lynn Montgomery	<i>Likely Lady</i>	0.6050
	Larrie Chmela		
6	Dean Lentgis	<i>Kalos Filos</i>	0.7203
8	Dick Timmerman	<i>Vagabond</i>	0.8853
11	Andy Gerde	<i>Windy i</i>	1.0270
	Carol Soffel		
17	Bruce Cullen	<i>Caroline</i>	1.2311
	Vince Firlotte		
23	Richard Kay	<i>Matana</i>	1.5785

Bryant Trophy for Best in IPBA North

Bob Lindal and P/C Jeff Ewell won the "Skipper of the Year" Bryant

**Trophy** for the best finish in the International Power Boat Assoc North Section annual scoring, for their second time. Second went to P/C Dean Lentgis. Once again the competition was extremely close with Bob and Dean separated by only one place in one race in the scoring for the entire year. That is, Dean would have passed Bob for the Bryant Trophy if he had a ONE place better finish in only ONE scored race all year (or if Bob had one place poorer finish in one race).

Both Bob/Jeff and Dean will join 2009 winner Bill Anderson and compete for the Barusch/Castagna Trophies in the West Coast Championship next June. Bob and Jeff will also compete in the national championship; the North American Invitational (NAI) Race; next August in Long Beach. Third in the annual scoring went to P/C Dick Timmerman and fourth to Dave Padgett. SYC's Scott Strandjord was 5<sup>th</sup>. South Sound Skipper of the Year was won by GHYC's George Babbitt, Fred Cole of POYC was second and BYC's Mike Henry was third.

#### North American Championship NAI - Seattle, Sept 26th

P/C Dick Timmerman represented IPBA North in the North American Invitational featuring the best racer from each of the dozen Race Associations around the country. P/C Dick and Sylvia Timmerman were the Bryant Champions last year (they also won the NAI in Gig Harbor in 2006). Andy Gerde was Dick's helmsman for the race. The race was 35.0 nm with the start and finish at Elliott Bay Marina and a trip around Bainbridge Island putting the racers through both Rich and Agate passes.

The race was won by Garry Adalian from San Diego on *Zorro* with a score of 0.7207%. Bonnie Diefendorf from

San Francisco on *Likely Lady* was second with 0.7990%. Third went to Carl Johnson from Boston on *Mousetrap* with 0.9642%. The NAI next year will be held at Shoreline YC, Long Beach, CA on Aug 4<sup>th</sup> (date subject to change).

#### Gandelman Trophy

QCYC Regatta Power chair Bob Lindal was honored at the NAI Awards Banquet as the recipient for 2009 of the North American Cruiser Association LOU GANDELMAN - HALL OF CHAMPIONS PERPETUAL TROPHY. This trophy is awarded to a NACA member who has made a significant contribution to the development of Predicted Log Racing (Cruiser Navigation Contests). P/C Al Smith, a prior Gandelman Trophy winner himself, presented the trophy to Bob on behalf of NACA.

#### Upcoming Races

The IPBA Award Banquet will be held Saturday Nov 14 at Gig Harbor YC. You can register at the IPBA website:

<http://www.ipbalogracing.org/comingevents/default.htm>.

#### First of the Season Race, Jan 16, 2010

The QCYC FOS race will be held on the long ML King Jr weekend in January, the 15<sup>th</sup> thru 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### Predicted Log Racing Classes

We will again offer classes in January. The classes will start with the basics and proceed through the steps in laying out the race, calculations, currents, running the course and the use of the computer with demonstrations of Excel calculation programs and Coastal Explorer, Nobeltec (and other) charting programs. Weekend boat timing demonstration(s) will also be offered at a convenient time. You are

also encouraged to sign up as an observer for the First of the Season race to see how a race is run. Meetings will be at 6:30 PM.

**Tue Jan 19** - Layout, Tactics, Nobeltec & Coastal Explorer  
**Wed Jan 20** - Calculations, Currents

All club members and friends are invited. Please join us. To inquire or SIGN UP - call or email Bob Lindal at 206-892-1234 or [bobl@lindal.com](mailto:bobl@lindal.com) or P/C Jeff Ewell at 206-464-4019.

#### Flag Officer's Race

The Race was held on the worst weekend (Oct 16 to 18) since last winter with wind, heavy rain squalls, poor visibility and up to 1.5" of rain a day. Eight racers braved the elements but the scores reflected the poor conditions.

Ken Klett and Marv Elbon on *Klettitat* won the Commodore's plaque and first overall with a score of 0.8381%. P/C Lynn Montgomery took second and the Vice Commodore's plaque but Bob Lindal and Jeff Ewell's third place finish put them on top of the QCYC Skipper of the Year standings besides winning the Rear Commodore's plaque. Dave Padgett won the Secretary's plaque and 4<sup>th</sup> overall. Andy Gerde and Carol Soffel won the Treasurer's plaque and 5<sup>th</sup> overall. Richard Kay took the best Novice plaque.

#	Skipper	Boat	%
1	Ken Klett	<i>Klettitat</i>	0.8381
	Lynn	<i>Likely</i>	
2	Montgomery	<i>Lady</i>	0.9980
3	Bob Lindal	<i>Suzy Q</i>	1.3416
		<i>Slip</i>	
4	Dave Padgett	<i>Awry</i>	1.4250
5	Andy Gerde	<i>Windy i</i>	2.7710
	Carol Soffel		
	Dick		
6	Timmerman	<i>Vagabond</i>	3.9770
7	Richard Kay	<i>Matana</i>	4.9604
8	Tom Roth	<i>Bird of Paradise</i>	7.1000



The **IPBA Award Banquet and Annual Meeting** will be held Saturday Nov 14 at GHYC. You can register at the IPBA website: <http://www.ipbalogracing.org/comingevents/default.htm>.

Bob Lindal  
Regatta Power Chair

### SPECIAL PEOPLE'S HOLIDAY CRUISE

The cruise is scheduled as always, for the first Sunday in December. That would be December 6 this year.

Skippers, crews and helpers should gather on the third deck of the clubhouse at noon. Snacks will be provided for each special person and each chaperone. There

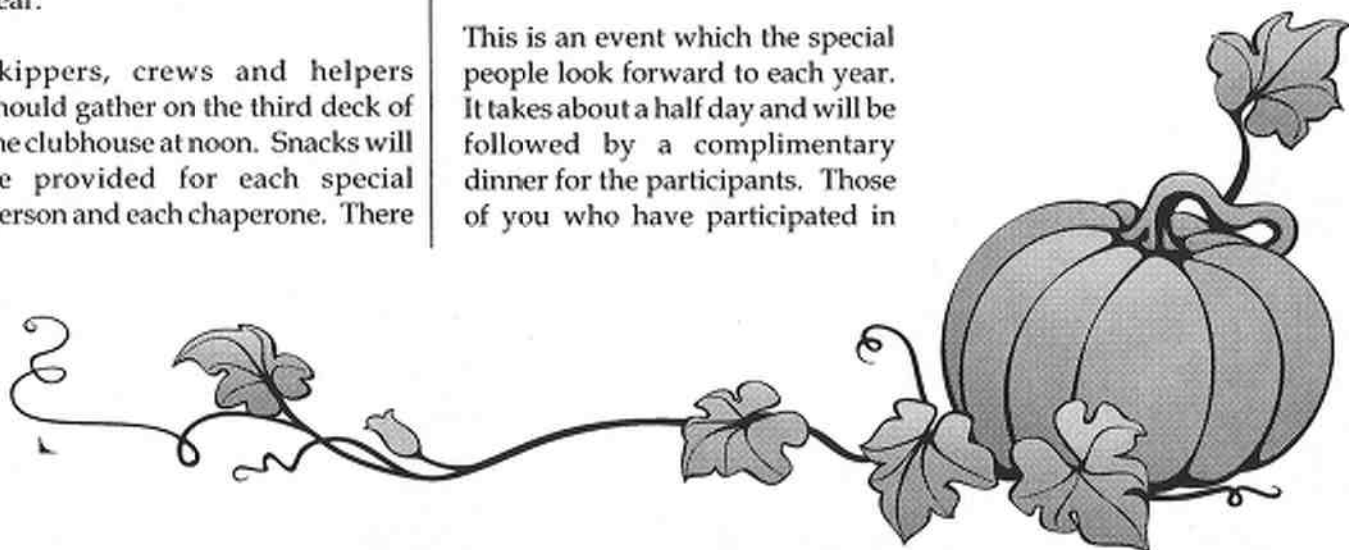
will be an informational meeting after which the skipper of each boat will pick up the snacks and take them to the boat. Skippers will be provided with signs showing the name of the boat and the number of passengers which can be accommodated. A bus coordinator will match up the special people with the boats. The passengers will be escorted from "U" dock to the boats. Boats moored in the marina will be loaded at their slips, whereas boats not moored in the marina will pick up their passengers at the "U" dock.

This is an event which the special people look forward to each year. It takes about a half day and will be followed by a complimentary dinner for the participants. Those of you who have participated in

the past can attest to the good feelings which this event engenders. Some of these people don't have a lot of good things happening in their lives. This is a good way to give thanks for the bounty we have received.

Please volunteer or say "yes" when contacted.

Bill Field  
Special People's Holiday Cruise  
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## Tarettes' Corner

We are staying real busy as the holidays draw near! The November lineup goes like this: On the Nov. 11 it's our board meeting, And the BIGGY is the 12th of November. We host the WIC luncheon. Then we turn around and host the Friday night social on Nov. 13th. Whew that's three days of intense partying! But I know the Tarettes are up for the challenge!

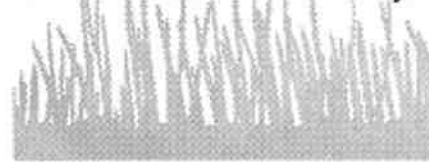
Now I want to stress that the Dec. Captains' Dinner will be a sellout so make sure you get your reservations in early to Shirley Rogers! Yes, Stan Boreson will be here and he puts on a very funny show. Everyone is invited. You don't have to be a Tarette to come. We are supporting the Boyer House again this year so PLEASE bring a unwrapped gift for a child 3 or younger and if you want

something easier buy a gift card at Safeway, Target, or Fred Meyer that the Boyer House can hand out to families. Specially this year as the recession has hit some of those families pretty hard. It is the season for giving and to be thankful for what we have been blessed with!

Debbie Foote  
Your gobble gobble Pres.

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Nov 13 Friday Night Social  
 Nov 14 Docks Work Party  
 Nov 14 Capt. Cruise: Qwest for Fun  
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 Nov 27 Captain's Christmas Dinner  
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## In Memoriam

### P/C James H. Blair, Jr 1922 - 2009

Past Commodore James Hardy Blair, Jr, crossed the bar on Aug 20, 2009, at 87 years old. Jim was born Jan 16, 1922, and raised in Gary, Indiana. Jim had shown a talent for drawing and design while in high school as reflected in a large folio of his work from that time now cherished by his family. His talents led him to want to be an architect.

He entered college in 1940, graduating from the University of Michigan in 1944 with a degree in Architecture. From there he entered the U.S. Army, serving during WW II until August, 1946. He obtained his Master's Degree in Architecture from Harvard University in 1948. He worked as an architect for several major architectural firms in the Seattle area and had a very distinguished career with his involvement in a number of building projects in the Seattle area. His primary focus was on schools, commercial and public buildings, retiring from architectural work in 1986.

Jim married his long time companion Helen Armstrong in 1969 and became a stepfather to Helen's daughter Joanne Winslow and Helen's son Dexter Armstrong. He became in short order "Grandpa" and "The Great One" to Helen's grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He joined the Seattle Power Squadron in 1957 and became a Life Member in 1985. He became Commander in 1965, completing the term of the previous Commander, whose health prevented him from continuing in office. Jim was elected

Commander again in 1966. From there he moved directly to the District, becoming Treasurer in 1967. Moving through the chairs he became District 16 Commander in 1973.

P/C Blair joined Queen City in 1960 and had an impressive list of contributions to the club. In 1962 he was named Entertainment chairman and over the years served on the Publicity Committee ('65-'66), Grievance Committee ('72) and the Reception Committee ('65 & '75). In 1963 he served as Regatta Chairman starting a long association and participation in log racing and serving several different times on the Regatta Committee as a member or Chairman and also served as the club IPBA representative. All told, Jim served as Regatta Chair five times and three years was IPBA representative. The 1970 Annual, the year he was Commodore, had this to say about P/C Blair: "Since acquiring the *Little Shepard* (a 36' Shain), Jim has been a persistent predicted log racer, proudly flying the Queen City Burgee, carrying on the tradition of participation established years ago by earlier Queen City captains. His very first race was the International from Victoria to Seattle in 1962, placing 1<sup>st</sup> in Class IV. ----- This year, 1970, Queen City will sponsor the start of the International running from Seattle to Vancouver. We urge all Captains to fall in behind their Commodore to make this one of the outstanding events in our proud history."

In addition to being an avid log racer, P/C Blair was involved in managing the club by going through the chairs starting in 1968 as Rear

and culminating his Bridge officer's term as Commodore in 1970. In addition, Jim served on the Board of Trustees for a cumulative five years; two as Commodore and P/C and for a three year term from 1980 - 1982. When he was Commodore, Jim proposed a clubhouse remodel based on his designs to expand the clubhouse footprint but the project didn't get a go-ahead. When we remodeled in '98 - '99, we found that we were restricted to the then footprint of the clubhouse except for a variance that allowed only expansion for the elevator to provide handicapped access.

Over the years he had three boats while a member of QCYC all meticulously maintained and carefully skippered. The first was the *Jimair*, a 28 foot Owens express cruiser. *Jimair* was followed in 1963 by the *Little Shepard*, a 36 foot Shain that got him started in log racing. In 1977, *Little Shepard* was replaced by *Moonspinner*, a 38 foot Chris Craft.

When Helen's health was such that boating became difficult for her, they sold *Moonspinner* in 1989 and became road warriors, traveling extensively through the United States and Canada for a number of years until Helen's death. He was a life member of the Lake City Elks 1800 Wheelers.

Those members that had the pleasure of knowing Jim will remember a strong work ethic, an orderly mind, and a wry sense of humor. He will be sorely missed by family and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife Helen. He was step-father to Joanne Winslow and Dexter Armstrong. He had five grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

### Gerald T. Dishneau 1949 – 2009

Captain Jerry Dishneau crossed the bar suddenly on Sep 30, 2009, at the age of 60. Jerry was born on July 24, 1949, in St Paul MN, and grew up there until his family moved to Seattle when he was 13 years old. He attended Catherine Blaine School in Magnolia where he met the love of his life, Linda. After that, both Jerry & Linda attended and graduated from Queen Anne HS.

Jerry and Linda were married in Sep of 1966 at Magnolia Lutheran Church. In 1967 he became the father of twin boys; Jerry Jr. and Jim. The family moved to Ballard where they bought their first home and in 1969 the Dishneaus' daughter Laura was born. In 1970, the family took foster daughter, Ellie, into their fast growing family and to this day Ellie refers to Jerry as her dad. The Dishneaus have made Snohomish their home for the last ten years.

Captain Dishneau worked at Bethlehem Steel in the early '60s and then in the late '60s he went to work at Boeing. When they turned out the lights at Boeing, Jerry went to work with a truck washing business. In 1973, big changes were happening as the family moved to Bothell and Jerry became the owner of Fleet Care in Seattle. He also was a partner in a Shell gas station in West Seattle with his brother.

Jerry's favorite recreation was boating and he bought the family's first boat, a ski boat that he named the *Tally Wacker*. Really getting into boating, Jerry then bought a 32' Bayliner called *My Way* (Frank Sinatra song - one of Jerry's favorites). He then sold the Bayliner and bought a Reinell cruising boat and joined the Reinell Yacht Club where he was a member

for six years. Jerry then joined the Tyee YC and was an active member for ten years and served as Fleet Captain. Jerry then switched membership to Queen City and has also been a member of Hidden Harbor YC for many years, where he served as a Board member.

Captain Dishneau joined Queen City in 1989 and immediately became an active member with Jerry and Linda participating in social events and Jerry often volunteering for work parties and committee memberships. In 1990 Jerry became the Decorations chair (thanks to Linda he was a big success). In 2000, Jerry joined the Moorage Committee and served through 2004, when he chaired the committee, one of the tougher jobs in the club. Jerry also served on the Bar Committee starting in 2002 and was serving as Assistant Bar Manager this year and slated to become Bar Manager on October 1<sup>st</sup>, the day before he died. Jerry never hesitated to serve as bartender and as the Assistant Bar Manager he scheduled bartenders for the QCYC events. When Jerry couldn't find a volunteer for a function he would always take the shift himself.

Jerry received the club's highest honor in 2004 when he was named Member of the Year by Commodore Daryl Anhalt.

Jerry liked to go to Andrews Bay for overnights and weekends and he always took a fully loaded boat with family and friends to the Seafair weekends to watch the hydro races.

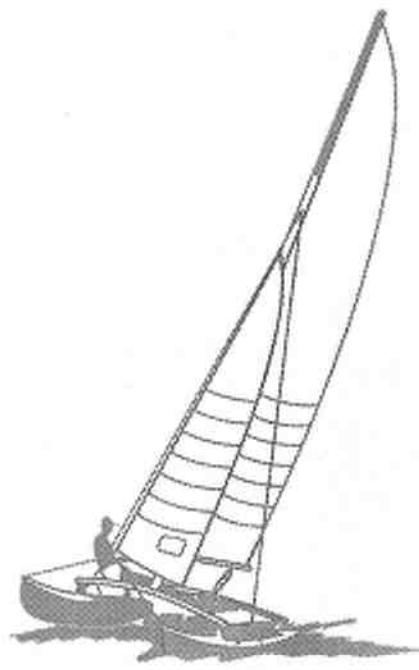
While members of Queen City, the Dishneaus owned two boats: the *Argonaut*, a 30' Reinell express cruiser they owned for a short time and the *Sunchaser*, a 40' Bayliner tri-cabin they have owned since 1995.

Both Jerry & Linda have contributed much to the club with Linda serving as the club Decorating Chair and going through the Tarettes' chairs, culminating in her Presidency in 2007.

As if Jerry and Linda weren't busy enough, he joined the Eagles Square Wheels Camping Club in 2006 so he could be a land cruiser as well as a water cruiser.

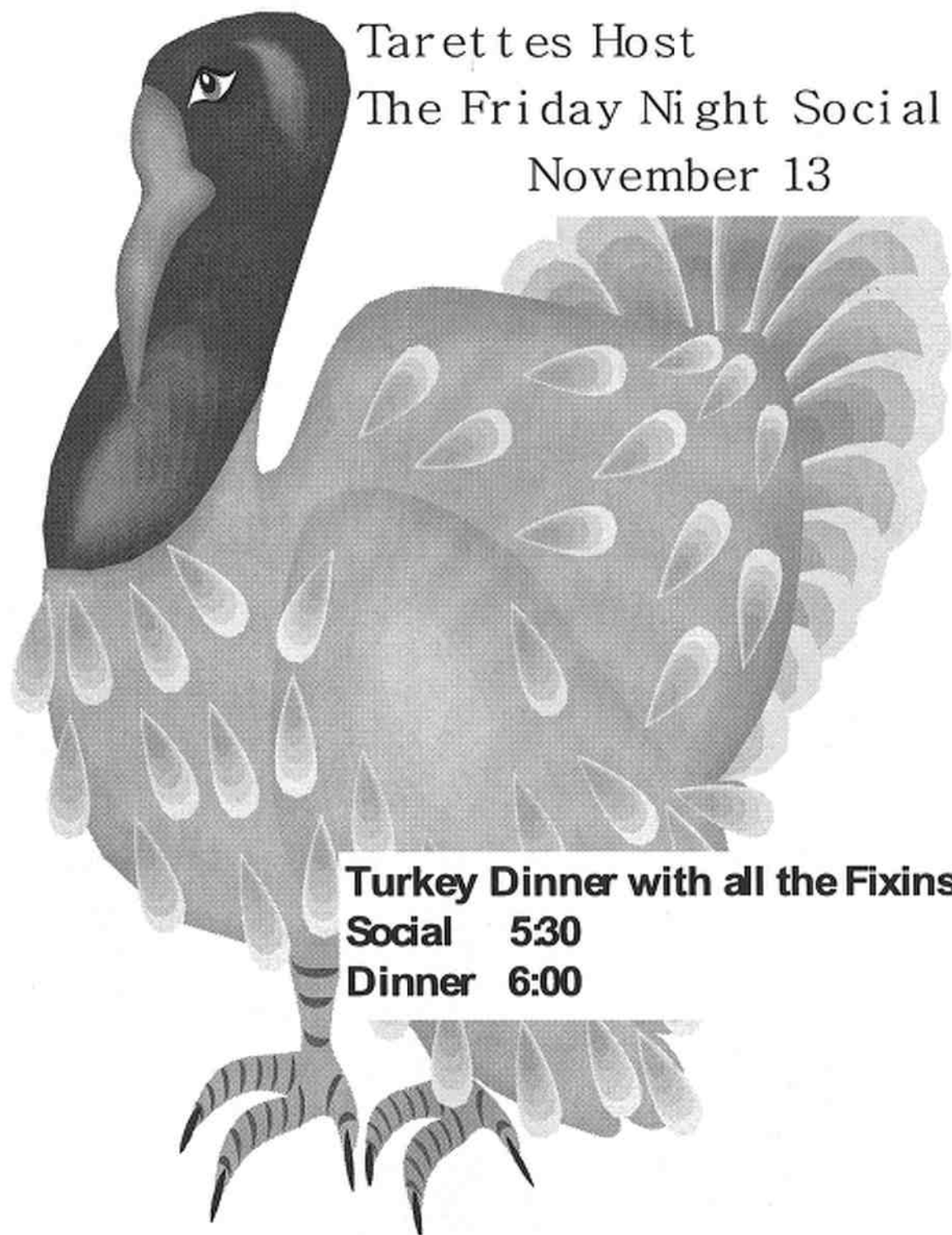
Over the years, Jerry has shown a lot of courage and persistence as he dealt with very severe health issues. Jerry's friendly and calm demeanor will be missed greatly at Queen City.

Jerry leaves his beloved wife Linda, Jerry Jr. and his wife Tina and three grandsons Jay, Mason and Jakob; son Jim and his wife Stephanie; and daughter Laura Molleker and her husband Stacy; foster daughter Ellie Pullman and her husband JD and three children Vicki, Jimmy and Jenna; and Jerry's dog Keisha.





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Friday, December 11, 2008

Lake Union	6:00 PM (Start)
Webster Point	7:00 PM
Leschi Park	7:25 PM
Meydenbauer Bay	8:20 PM
Webster Point	9:00 PM (End)

Saturday, December 12, 2008

Lake Union (Start)	6:00 PM
Webster Point	7:00 PM
Cozy Cove	7:40 PM
Kirkland	8:10 PM
Mathews Beach	8:40 PM
Sand Point	9:00 PM
Webster Point-End	9:30 PM

**Communications:** Monitor VHF Channel 9. Communications boat will provide parade information concerning safety and navigation. If you wish to contact communications just request Queen City Parade Communications.

**Entry Requirements:** There are none. ALL BOATERS ARE WELCOME. Just decorate your boat, put on a happy face and join the parade. Each and every boat lends its own unique flavor to the spirit of Christmas.

**Comment:** The event was begun in 1941 by Captain Chet Gibson and is being carried on under the sponsorship of Queen City Yacht Club. It is an opportunity for the area boaters to share their pastime with the community and is an event the shoreline viewers eagerly anticipate.

**Note:** The Montlake Bridge opens on request after 6:30 PM, so the sailboats should line up together for a common opening.

**Parade Start:** On both nights, boats will form up at the North end of Lake Union behind the lead boat, TBD, near buoy C-13 by Gasworks Park. At 6:00 PM the flashing light will appear on the lead boat and the parade will begin. We will proceed counter clockwise around Lake Union, through Portage Bay, the Mountlake Cut and out into Lake Washington.

**Decorations:** Both sides of the boat should be decorated; lights should dominate the display. The audience is the people in the surrounding communities who enjoy the spectacular sight of the floating Christmas lights from shore.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Fleet Captain's Cruise: Halloween Harvest Happening	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Ladies Bridge Start: 1200  SPSS Public Boating Course Start: 1900	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Friday Lunch Start: 1130	<b>7</b> Saturday Breakfast Start: 0900 Private Event - 1700 MBYC Comm. Ball - 1800 Edmonds JO Ball - 1800
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Board Meeting Start: 1900	<b>10</b> Ladies Bridge Start: 1200	<b>11</b> Gen. Meeting Start: 1930  Tareite Board Meeting Start: 1930	<b>12</b> WIC Luncheon - GCYC Start: 1100	<b>13</b> Friday Lunch Start: 1130  Friday Night Social (Tareites) Start: 1730	<b>14</b> Docks Work Party-0830 Saturday Breakfast-0900 Fleet Captain's Cruise: In Qwest of Fun - 0900 Private Event - 1700
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Ladies Bridge Start: 1200	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> SSPS Dinner Start: 1900	<b>20</b> Friday Lunch Start: 1130	<b>21</b> Saturday Breakfast - 0900 Private Event - 1500 Tyco Comm. Ball - 1800
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Ladies Bridge Start: 1200  Docks Comm. Mtg Start: 1800	<b>25</b> General Meeting Start: 1930	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Friday Lunch Start: 1130  Fleet Cap. Cruise Thanksgiving Potpourri Start: 1800	<b>28</b> Fleet Cap. Cruise Thanksgiving Potpourri all day  Saturday Breakfast Start: 0900
<b>29</b> Fleet Captain's Cruise: Thanksgiving Potpourri Decorate the Clubhouse for the Holidays - 1200	<b>30</b> Decorate the Clubhouse for the Holidays Start: 1800					

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