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COMMODORE GEORGE AUSTIN

## ✦ COMMODORE'S REPORT ✦ MARCH 2011

**J**anuary was a busy month for our club. The past commodores had a Winslow cruise-in on the 8<sup>th</sup> and the Grand 14 Bridge officers had a cruise-in on the 15<sup>th</sup>. For the Grand 14 cruise-in the Vice and Rear of each club usually put together some sort

of nice presentation sometimes called "a roast." Don and Bob wrangled Dave and Margaret Krows into making a nice little slide show. Now the world knows more than they should about me. I had forgotten all that rotten stuff, and they will pay next year! Thanks, Margaret, it really was great. Mike Cochran and his crew put together a terrific Friday night dinner for the "First of the Season" predicted log race. See Bob Lindal's article. I went along as a novice racer with Don Wilson and Bob Stettner as assistants on *Grey Goose*. Bill Anderson, of log racing fame, came along to help us get around Lake Washington and Mike Cochran came along as our observer. If you have ever thought about considering log racing, contact Bob Lindal and he will help you with all of the beginning steps how to get involved. We didn't do well (I filled

the boat with fuel, which slowed us down) but we had fun.

Martini Madness, hosted by Scott and Tracy McPhee, was well attended: lots of socializing and the food was terrific. The list of special drinks was long and I had a red apple martini that was super. Put it on your calendar for next year. At the second club meeting of each month we have been having guest speakers. For March we have Seattle Yacht Club coming to talk about Opening Day and you can get the free pin. Put this on your calendar.

Thank you to all the Boat Show helpers. This is such a big exercise for the club. The open house has passed and hopefully we have asked some of the applicants to become members. As P/C Jennerich says, the number one reason people don't join an organization is that

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### HIGHLIGHTS

#### March 2011

- Mar 5 Rainier Commodore's Ball
- Mar 5 MBYC Boomerang Race
- Mar 11-13 Novice/Old Timers Race
- Mar 11 Sailors Social-Irish Stew & Brew
- Mar 13 Power Regatta Burger Bash
- Mar 18-20 Fleet Capt. St. Pat's Day Cruise
- Mar 26 Past Commodore's Cruise-In OYC

they are not asked.

January and February are gone already and that means it's time to start thinking about our spring clean ups, dock work parties, washing our boats and making plans for our big weekends and the summer cruise. We need lots of volunteers for these clean-up events. Contact Becky Garvie for grounds, Art Mauldin for docks, Jim Damery for house. The big cleanup before Opening Day, "The Pride" will be chaired by Jerry Zuvich.

Sometime in March we will see the last section of Winslow dock arrive. Installation will occur when the tide and weather are right. What an improvement this will be. We have other clubs asking how we do all the things that make us stand out. It's all about the volunteers who take a project, run with it and make it happen, this one by our own Eric Wood.

Gary Halverson is looking to get a good count of who is going to Tacoma for Daffodil. He was passing out boat registration forms at last night's meeting, so contact him about this. We also need to have a little meeting before we go so we're organized for the Trivia Contest: maybe some t-shirts. This is a fun cruise and we really only decorate one side of the Officer's Boat, a couple of hours with help, so come along.

Opening Day is coming, Salish Sea is the theme. Dick and Elin Storey are the Opening Day chairs, so they might be asking for some help with this event. It seems early but if you are thinking of helping Don Wilson

with next year's Opening Day it would be good to work with Dick and Elin so you have the experience to handle this big event. All of our big weekend event chairs need help. Even a couple of hours during the weekend makes a big difference.

I look forward to seeing you at these events.

George Austin  
Commodore

**VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT**

**M**arch already! Unbelievable that the year is zipping along so quickly. Judy and I were in Poulsbo early in February for their Junior Officers' Ball. Its theme was Around the World in 80 Days. I, of course, went as Phileas Fogg, top hat and all. Quite dapper, eh! Judy was a Chinese princess instead of an Indian princess since she couldn't find an Indian (dot not feather) Princess costume. We also attended the JO Ball at Seattle Yacht Club. Their festivities are black tie, of course. We have our final Junior Officers' Ball this month in Olympia. That is it for costumes for us! We're all finished.

With the New Year came our new Annual. I hope that you like the changes in it as much as I do. We have found some errors and will work to eliminate them for next year. I apologize for some members' pictures not making it into the final printing. We are not sure how that happened, but we are working on an improved system that will prevent that from happening again. Also, I must apologize to our Fleet Surgeon, Dr. Peter Grimm, whose picture was of someone other than him. Not sure how that happened but don't try to

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identify him from this year's Annual picture. I will start taking pictures for next year's Annual late this month so hopefully we can get everyone's picture in next year. If you have any suggestions for changes in the Annual, please forward them to Kathy Fish or me.

By the time you read this, the QCYC Open House for new membership will have taken place. I sent 4,200 invitations to every one in King County that has a boat longer than 20 feet. Deborah sorted and edited the list to eliminate our members and any commercial boats. It was a very big job and we owe a giant "THANK YOU" to her. A "job well done" goes to Chris Benson for all of his work on membership and all of the members that worked in the boat show booth.

Lately there has been a great deal of discussion regarding "Active Members" and "Storage Boats." We assume that most members realize that an "Active Member" should be attending club activities at the clubhouse and the outstation along with using their boat. Unfortunately, we should never ASSUME, because it seems as though a few members don't understand this concept. The Bridge, together with the Board and

the Moorage Committee will be evaluating the usage of some boats that don't appear to have been used over the past year. There may even be some that don't even run. Please remember that our club is an active club and moorage should be reserved for active members that use their boats. Queen City Yacht Club is not a storage facility. If you are one of those persons please start taking part in club activities or make arrangements to relinquish your space to an active member. There are many active members waiting for moorage at the club.

A special committee on membership is studying proposals for spousal membership. It is very close to presenting its findings to the membership for approval. This concept has been buzzing around the club for over 5 years and it is high time that we move into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and approve it. Many hours have been spent on this issue and we have lost potential members because of our current criteria. Please consider this issue with an open mind and realize that it is good for the future of Queen City Yacht Club.

I hope that you are all aware of our new meeting night programs. The second meeting of each month is being devoted to presenting

programs that should be of interest to our membership. Our program for March promises to be very good and informative. Johari Vos M.H.D., a QCYC member, will present six solutions to a healthier life.

On another note, we have a number of dock projects that need our attention.

**Work Slip:** The work slip is slowly sinking and needs to be replaced. We have received three bids on replacement and now need to figure out how to pay for it. We looked at possibly having our members build and replace it but that does not seem feasible, nor would we really save any money by doing that.

**Docks Maintenance:** Docks work is continuing but we need to find some members to manage and carry through the projects. Managers are needed to plan and acquire materials so that when the work crew shows up, everything is in place to complete the job. Crewmembers are also needed to perform the work. Here is a list of the current manager and crew opportunities:

**Planking:** Co-Managers, Chuck Gould & Mitch Garton could use some ongoing help.

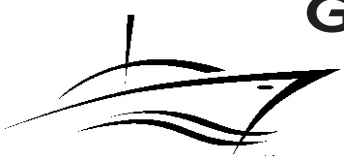
**Dock Lights Repair & Service:** Need Manager and Crew (4 to 7 people)

**Reposition Lights:** Need Manager (some electrical experience required) and Crew (4 to 6 people)

**Cleats:** Manager, Bob Maruska needs Crew (4 to 6 people)

**Dock Holes Repair:** Need Manager and Crew (3 to 5 people)

**Cleaning & Painting of end of Dock 3:** Need Manager and Crew (2 to 3)




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people) This job needs to be completed before Opening Day but can be done during Pride of Queen City.

If you are able to assist in any of these projects, and I hope that many of you are, please contact the project managers or Art Mauldin.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at the club functions this month.

Don Wilson  
Vice Commodore

### REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

**W**ow, what a great Boat Show this year! How beautiful were those Navigators and Meridians? Once again, our QCYC booth had a great physical presence at the Boat Show this year. Captain Chris Benson and his team deserve our appreciation for a job well done.

This year we were very pleased to have the Tarettes join us in the booth to present information on the Queen City Tarettes program. Kudos and thanks to Sistee Lentgis and the Tarette team for their support.

GROUNDS: On Feb. 12 we had a grounds clean-up/work party. There were several members who showed up to rake leaves, pull weeds and sweep the sidewalks. We even got a little break in the weather and it turned out to be quite a productive three hours.

Our winter spruce-up made our beautiful clubhouse and grounds a show case for our "Prospective Members" Open House hosted by Captain Chris Benson on Saturday,

February 19.

Thanks to Captain Becky Garvie and the volunteers for their help on Saturday. What would we ever do without you!

REMINDER NOTE: This year once again Captain Jerry Zuvich has volunteered to chair our annual "Pride of Queen City Clubhouse, Grounds, and Docks Cleanup" to be held on April 30, from 0830 to 1630 hrs. Please take special note and mark your calendars for this important traditional club activity.

This is one of those activities that always provides a great time for members to get together and share stories and enjoy the camaraderie of good fellowship which has always been a part of our tradition. Also, it is a great opportunity to help get our yacht club facilities in good shape before the start of Opening Day week on May 5 thru 8.

Additionally, for Queen City members who moor their boats in other locations and are volunteers on April 30, you are encouraged to bring your boats to the club "U" that day. As we did last year, there will be time set aside during the day on April 30 for boat owners to make their boats ready for Opening Day weekend.

Oh yes, Jerry mentioned that we won't have to worry about the hunger pains on April 30, as around noon we will be treated to a delicious hot dog, chips and soda lunch, and for dinner that evening Jerry and his kitchen dream team will be treating us to a Queen City thank you dinner at 1730.

As you may know, Queen City's

participation in the Opening Day of Boating Season is one of the flagship activities that we participate in each year. It is an important tradition that we wish to preserve and it is no less important that we make our club facilities ready for this wonderful weeklong event. Please remember to schedule time to volunteer on April 30. Your club needs your help.

If you have any questions contact:  
Capt. Jerry Zuvich at (206) 919-9266

BILGE FEEDBACK: It appears that members have been placing bags of garbage in the Recycle Dumpster located in the enclosure adjacent to Cummins Hall. This is a "no no," and if it continues, we have been advised that it will cost the club an extra \$40.00 per month to take care of this recurring problem. I will be posting a sign to help remind us not to place the wrong items in the recycle

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dumpster. Please give this request your immediate attention and let's do the right thing.

Also, we have been reminded that members are placing pop cans, full doggy bags, and other unacceptable material in the yard waste flip top receptacle located along the west wall of the dumpster enclosure. Please refrain from putting the wrong material in this receptacle. Remember, "yard waste only." I will post a sign above the receptacle to help remind members.

Lastly, I need to mention that I will be posting a sign in the park area to remind park users to pick up after their dogs. There are doggy bag dispensers available at the park and on the outside wall of Cummins Hall. Your assistance is appreciated.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Our membership at the end of Jan. was 469 which include 352 active members and 117 Sr. Life members. Our 2011 goal is to add 45 new memberships; we are currently at 27 % of our goal.

**SECURITY:** Capt. Rod Hilden confirms at this writing there are no security issues to report either at the Winslow outstation or the Seattle In-station.

In closing, as you can see it takes a lot of members to keep our club running smoothly e.g. this year's boat show booth team volunteers. QCYC is fortunate to have so many members who are willing to step up to make this the great club that it is! Thank you all.

Bob Stettner  
Rear Commodore

## OUTSTATION REPORT

I wasn't able to write the Outstation Report last month because the Outstation was without internet coverage for a couple of weeks - the router died, apparently. And I couldn't get old retired what's-his-name to trundle down to Starbucks, or the library, or anywhere with wi-fi, to do anything. But thanks to Craig Ranta and many hours of labor, things are now back up and running!

The month of January found the Outstation full of boats, cars, and people - the "Grand Fourteen" found their way to Bainbridge for the Past Commodores' and the current Officers' cruise ins:

P/C Ed and Elaine Jennerich did a great job getting ready for the first event held January 7, 8, and 9 - the Past Commodores' cruise in. They decided to skip the usual steak fry and do baron of beef. I heard from several visiting club members that the dinner was wonderful - good job, Ed, Elaine, and Willie!

Vice Commodore Don and Judy Wilson also decided to avoid the steak fry, and opted to go with ribs; they, too, got favorable comments on the excellent meal that was served the weekend of January 14 - 16 to the Officers of the Grand Fourteen. Don and Judy had some ribs left over to share with us. They were great!

Both event chairmen did a great job organizing a clean-up crew to tidy the place when they were done - one could smell the PineSol when entering the clubhouse at the end of the weekend.

It's always fun to show off our Outstation to the visiting clubs. I

know for a fact that a few of our current members joined as a result of visiting the Outstation when they were members of another club and attended one of these events.

Finally, we are past the half-way mark and winter will soon be a nasty memory. The wind, snow, rain and cold challenged us all but most of all, I can see some the plants in the yard did not survive, or need some help. The reason I mention this is that April 16 and 17 is the annual work party at the Outstation. We usually manage to get most projects done on Saturday, and you will be kept fed and watered. For those who don't like yard work, we have some inside projects planned. I'll have more details in next month's *Bilge Pump* and hope you can mark these dates in your calendar.

The remaining section of the old dock on dock "A" is scheduled to be replaced in mid-March. If you are coming over for a visit during that time, you will want to tie to dock "B" (the dock to the east, closest to the public dock). As we watched another piece of foam escape from

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under the old dock during some high winds last week, we were reminded how great it will be to get this last section replaced!

Barb Wood

### DOCKS COMMITTEE

Preparations for Opening Day are underway. It's time for some cleanup and painting and some the projects need preparation steps ahead of "Pride of Queen City." Ron Stevenson and Wolfgang Werner are teamed to head up some important painting work, but they'll need some help to make it happen. One important painting project is the end of the covered moorage section of Dock 3. The entire face of that structure needs a face lift to greet our guests and ourselves. You'll note that the lumber storage rack is nearing completion. We're waiting for a roof and painting before we get the lumber pile removed from the parking lot. Much thanks to Mitch Garton, Kelly Stocklin, Ron Stevenson, John Alving, and Commodore George for making this project what it is. Well done!

We're in constant need of dock planking and a few areas are becoming a real concern. Let's give Chuck Gould and Mitch Garton all the help we can in the next few months.

The new waste oil disposal tank has suffered some unexpected hiccups and delays for which we apologize. The tank will be moved to the location of the previous tank to avoid rain water entering the tank as it has been since it was placed near the laundry room. You are reminded that it is here for waste motor oil only. Progress on moving

the tank was stalled when we found the tank loaded with considerable water with outboard gasoline poured on top. We've been trying to find some service to dispose of the contaminated contents, but in the mean time the tank is closed. Please: no gasoline. It's such a hazard and such a huge task to deal with.

Our next scheduled work parties are Saturday's March 12, April 9, and May 14. 8:30 breakfast with work starting about 9:15. The next committee meetings are: March 22, April 26, and May 24 at 6:00pm. Work parties are on the second Saturday of the month and meetings are scheduled for the fourth Tuesday.

It's near to spring time and the Army Corps of Engineers will be raising the lake level beginning about now and progressing into June. Please watch your lines, fenders and all moorings on a frequent schedule. Some heavy spring rains can raise the lake level many inches in a day and sometimes a foot over a few days' time. Lines pulled tight in a vertical direction are a real threat to boats, piers, and people. A terrific amount of energy can be stored in a stretchable poly-line. The forces can and have been enough to rip the end of a finger pier off its mountings here. Cleat mountings and the associated fasteners and frames can be seriously damaged by these forces. Cleats on the vessel and the vessel itself can be badly broken. A

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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.

large wake through this marina with many tight vertical lines can do a very large amount of damage, as we witnessed a few years back with a fire call next door. Even releasing heavily loaded lines can be a very dangerous process. Cutting them is sometimes the only solution and that is a risky undertaking. Summary? Lines tied in a vertical manner are a real danger.

Instead you are asked to keep lines horizontal and fairly long to serve as springs in your moorage. Lines can keep your boat safely against the dock but always free to move should waves arrive to move it about. Doubling up lines is always a good idea but is especially important for boats that will be left unattended and those moored at the far eastern parts of the marina where the exposure is much greater. Remember that lines, however they are rigged, need long enough sections to stretch and accommodate the motion from changes in lake height or from wave action. If lines can't do that, more important and expensive parts, not made to stretch and move, will be forced into action. The Docks Chairman doesn't like that.

Our major repairs contractor should be on site as you read this. The work is scattered around the marina this year and should be completed during the first half of March.

Arthur Mauldin, Docks Chairman, now available at:  
docks@queencity.org

**REGATTA POWER REPORT**

**QCYC First of the Season Race 2011**

Another great race with a calm day on the lake with a few showers and lots of sun breaks. The 28 racers

reflected the stronger turn of the last few years, with 4 boat teams from MBYC, BYC & SYC joining the QCYC crew.

Once again a simple race of nearly 19 nm, we had 2 racers best the magic mark of less than one half percent error and joined the 500 club - i.e. 0.500% error. First overall and the Binnacle trophy went to SYC's Bill Grady on *Zorro* with 0.3002%, for the second year in a row. Second overall went to Bruce Cullen and Vince Firlotte on *Caroline* with 0.4869% error. P/C Lynn Montgomery and P/C Larrie Chmela on *Likely Lady* took third with 0.6584%. MBYC with a 10 racer team won the *Al Smith Trophy* for best four boat team from a Club.

First in class plaques went to P/C Dick Timmerman in Class 2 and Bob Lindal and P/C Jeff Ewell in class 5. Second in class went to P/C Dean Lentgis in Class 4, Dave Padgett in class 3 and Ken Klett and Marv Elbon in Class 5. Third in Class 1 went to Andy Gerde and Carol Soffel and Ed Hedges was third in class 3.

The overall results were:

#	Skipper	Boat	%
3	Lynn Montgomery/ Larrie Chmela Dick	<i>Likely Lady</i>	0.6584
5	Timmerman	<i>Vagabond</i>	0.8399
6	Dean Lentgis	<i>Kalos Filos</i>	0.8923
8	Bob Lindal/ Jeff Ewell	<i>Suzy Q</i>	0.9923
12	Dave Padgett	<i>Slip Away</i>	1.1416
14	Ed Hedges	<i>Jo Sea</i>	1.2653
15	Ken Klett/ Marv Elbon	<i>Klettitat</i>	1.2776
17	Terry Baker	<i>Choppers</i>	1.9548
20	Andy Gerde	<i>Windy i</i>	1.1125
27	Bill Anderson	<i>Grey Goose B</i>	2.8001
28	George Austin	<i>Grey Goose A</i>	2.8001

**Bremerton Heavy Weather Race - Feb 18-20**

The largest race each year has usually

been the BYC race held at their main station in conjunction with their Skit Night. The Bremerton YC Heavy Weather Race was won by P/C Dick Timmerman and the team trophy was won by QCYC members Dick, Dave Padgett, Ken Klett, Marv Elbon, Andy Gerde and Carol Soffel. For the first time in decades the 30 knot N winds and 4 ft seas in Port Orchard during the race on Saturday 2/19 lived up to the Heavy Weather name for the race. There was a lot of boat washing going on after the race. See next month's *Bilge Pump* for the full report.

QCYC's Skit night Skit led by Bill Anderson and P/C Dick Timmerman (and including all the members above) was considered to be the best "talent" show but did not get the Rubber Clam Gun trophy as the judges could be bribed and talent does not seem to matter as much as lack thereof. Besides, Dick can't win all the hardware. Good try everyone. The Rubber Clam Gun was won by Day Island YC.

**Next Race - Novice and Old Timer's Race March 11 to 13**

This is a simple Club Race held in Lake Washington and is a great opportunity to try out log racing. One of the club racers will take you out on your boat, time it along the 520 bridge and then use your boat data to calculate a race for you on your boat. Then while you are still out there, help you run the race. Learn, have fun, get some bragging rights amongst your boating buddies. All club members and friends are invited to the Sunday evening Burger Bash and Awards ceremony. (just let Bob Lindal know if you are coming so we have enough food and not waste any)

The other upcoming races are:

Meydenbauer Bay YC Boomerang - 3/4 to 6  
 Tacoma YC - 3/25 to 27  
 QCYC/SYC Eagle Harbor - 4/8 to 10  
 POYC/BYCEZ Pickens - 4/22 to 24  
 Poulsbo YC - 5/13 to 15  
 Gig Harbor YC - 6/10 to 12  
 ICR Lopez Is - Sunday 7/10

### Coastal Explorer Classes - Apr 6 and 7, 6 PM

Again this year the experts from Rose Point Navigation, the producers of the best charting program, Coastal Explorer, preferred by most log racers and "just cruising" boaters alike, will hold *Two FREE* classes at our club. Look for more info as the dates near.

Bob Lindal  
 Regatta Power Chair

### MARTINI MADNESS SPIRIT!

Everyone had a great time this year at Martini Madness, thanks to the party spirit of our members & the generosity of the volunteers! We had a record-breaking 130 RSVP's, so Scott & I & our hard-working volunteers wrapped pancetta around more scallops & prawns than we imagined everyone could POSSIBLY eat -- yet by the end of the evening every morsel was devoured! QCYC members & guests savored every bite of spicy stuffed mushrooms, prosciutto-wrapped asparagus, marinated steak bites, crab dip (donated by Butch & Nancy Scherrer), caramelized onion pastry puffs, Caprese skewers, artichoke jalapeno dip, two kinds of deviled eggs (donated by Irene Nelson, and Carol Soffel), pulled-chicken sliders (donated by Gayle & Richard Frisch), and healthy veggie pizza (donated by Rosemary Collins). For dessert, guests nibbled on chocolate dipped strawberries, various flavored tarts,

coconut macaroons, chocolate-dipped cherries (donated by Carol Voegeli), banana sheet-cake (donated by Bob & Joann Collier), warm Ghirardelli brownies --- every bite of dessert was devoured too!

Our Martini bar staff served up so many frosty martinis that we sold out of cosmopolitans and appletinis, yet continued to pour top shelf concoctions with Bombay Sapphire or Tanqueray, & Grey Goose or Absolut. Of course our guests that prefer beer, wine & mixed drinks did not go thirsty.

Our decorations crew re-arranged the clubhouse main floor couches and tables to encourage mingling among new friends and old. We deliberately kept our decorations simple & elegant, since the room was beautiful with guests dressed in festive cocktail attire.

Scott & I would like to extend our thanks to all our members who attended in good cheer, and those who invited their fun-loving friends. Of course an appetizer party is only successful thanks to hard-working volunteers (and they did work

HARD!). Please join us in a heart-felt Thank You to the members who gave generously of their time & energy:

Friday Food Prep Party: Bill Buller, Andrea Schock, Vivian Johnson, Carol Soffel, Debbie Foote

RSVP List & office support:  
 Deborah Cobain

Decorations and Set-up: Vivian Johnson, Carol Soffel, Greg Scott, Teri McGrew

Galley: Irene Nelson, Rosemary Collins, Laurie Way, Greg Scott, new members Ted & Linda Johnson, Kyle Bixby, Diede Janel

Bar Mix Masters: Jess Hill, John Steckler, Carolyn Rolstad, Cary Gould (supported by Manager Andy Gerde, & Judith Pippin)

Greeters: Ron Voegeli, Denny & Joie Roehl, Ted & Linda Johnson.

Don't miss out on the fun next year, we hope to book Martini Madness on the final Saturday in January 2012. Cheers!

Tracy McPhee

## Tarettes' Corner

The WIC luncheon in March will be hosted by the Bremerton Yacht Club on March 9. Send your reservation and a \$14.00 check to Renee Kimes. We will have car pools leaving from QCYC for those who want to share a ride. Our next regular Tarette monthly meeting will be held on March 23.

The Tarettes' gift to the Club for this fiscal year will be some much needed serving equipment for the galley (trays, pitchers, carts, etc). We are in the process of procuring those items and should have them in place in the next month. If there is money left over

from the budget, we will also provide some safety ladders for the docks.

Opening Day Weekend is only a couple of months away. We are looking for volunteers to serve the Sunday Breakfast - we will have a sign-up sheet at the March meeting. It's a lot of fun and you get to mix and mingle with the other clubs in attendance. It's also not too early to start Spring Boat Cleaning and finding items to bring to the Dock Party in June.

Sharon Benyon  
 Tarette President



# In Memoriam

**Frey, Larry 1914 – 2010**

Captain Larry Frey crossed the bar on Dec 10, 2010 at the age of 96. He was born February 27, 1914. At Larry's death, there was no family or close friends to provide information about Larry's life but a *Bilge Pump* article written by the then Rear Commodore in 1988 provides a lot of information and is quoted here:

"You're going to meet a captain from the 'far east' this month - from 'steel city, USA,' and that stood for Pittsburgh, PA at one time.

Larry Frey was born in a suburb of Pittsburgh, and while still a youngster, the family moved into the heart of the city. He then attended grammar and high school and then on to the University of Pittsburg to pursue a course in Electrical Engineering. During the last year of college studies, he was recruited by the Department of the Navy for advanced design work in electronics.

Before leaving Pittsburgh for the assignment in Philadelphia, he married Lu, who was then attending Duquesne University. Lu was born in North Carolina and as a baby journeyed with her parents to the Pittsburgh area and settled some 20 miles from Larry's home. Occasionally in their youth, their paths would cross and in so doing, the stage was set for more social activities to bring them together often.

After two years with the Department of the Navy in Philadelphia, Larry was assigned and transferred to the Puget Sound

Naval Radio Materials Office in Bremerton, to pursue further research and development in the Advanced Electronics Field to help the cause of the war in progress.

During his tenure with the Navy, and as a result of the nature of the research activities, acquaintances were formed with others performing similar work at the University of Washington.

At the close of the war (circa 1946), he was approached by the Department of Engineering at the U of W to join the staff. Acceptance was made and he remained a "Husky" faculty member for 31 years until his retirement in 1977.

Larry and Lu were avid boaters, commencing in the 1950's with small boats and progressing with larger boats until a 36' Younquist was purchased in 1969. Larry was a Power Squadron member and an Advanced Pilot. He served in Piloting classes, Group Instructor and Supply Officer. In joining the Power Squadron, acquaintances were made with Queen City Yacht Club members and in 1970 the late P/C Orv Lupton sponsored his membership into the club. Boating continued until 1973, when it was interrupted by the necessity of corrective surgery on his spine.

Larry is still active in the Club, presently serving as Wednesday Meeting Night Steward. You'll always see him picking up a plate or two and coming around to fill the coffee cups of those who want a refill. His second home seems to be our galley where you'll find him constantly cleaning it and making it

shine during one of our many club functions.

Lu is active in Tarettes and works right along with Larry in the various chores and duties, in and around the galley and club premises at our social events too.

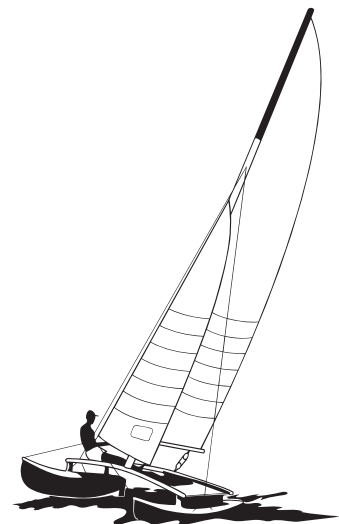
Again, the subtle but very visible sign of team work is demonstrated where it counts most - making Queen City the ever friendly, vibrant and "good times" yacht club that it is.

We're fortunate to have Larry and Lu as part of the team at QCYC. And, if the words that follow just might have any "taint" whatsoever of Larry's profession - they're meant to be that way.

More power to both of you!

R/C Doug O'Brien"

Captain Frey joined Queen City in October of 1970. As the above article reports, Larry served as Wine Steward and Meeting Night Steward for many years. His 36' Youngquist was named *Sea Fly*.



## LOOKING AHEAD

- Mar 5 Rainier Commodore's Ball
- Mar 5 MBYC Boomerang Race
- Mar 11-13 Novice/Old Timers Race
- Mar 11 Sailors Social-Irish Stew & Brew
- Mar 13 Power Regatta Burger Bash
- Mar 18-20 Fleet Capt. St. Pat's Day Cruise
- Mar 26 Past Commodore's Cruise-In OYC



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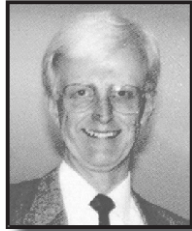
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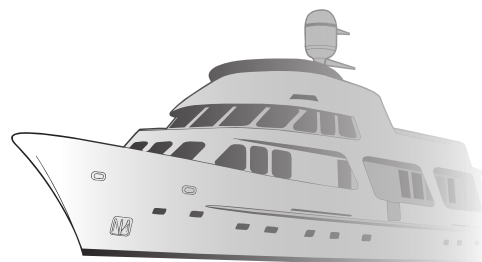
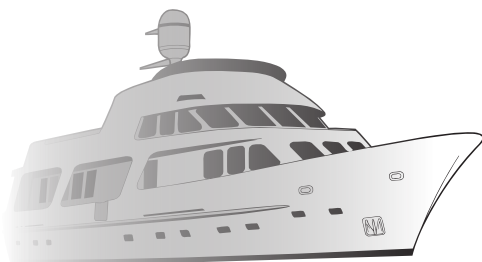
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<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Winter Boating Class- Seattle Power Squadron Start: 1900  Skull Session Start: 1900	<b>9</b> General Membership Meeting - Start: 1930	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Novice/Old Timers Race  Friday Lunch Start: 1130  Sailor's Social-Irish Stew & Brew - Start: 1730	<b>12</b> Novice/Old Timers Race (all day)  Edmonds Comm. Ball Saturday Breakfast-0900
<b>13</b> Novice/Old Timers Race  Power Regatta Burger Bash-Middle Deck Start: 1600	<b>14</b> AAC Meeting Start: 1800  Board Meeting Start: 1900	<b>15</b> Winter Boating Class- Seattle Power Squadron Start: 1900	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> St. Patrick's Day Party  SSPS Meeting/Dinner Start: 1900	<b>18</b> Friday Lunch Start: 1130  Fleet Captain St. Patrick's Day Cruise Start: 1600	<b>19</b> Fleet Captain St. Patrick's Day Cruise (all day) Olympia JO Ball Fleet Capt. @ U/W Dock- St. Patrick's Day Saturday Breakfast-0900
<b>20</b>  Fleet Captain St. Patrick's Day Cruise	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Tarette's Board Meeting Start: 1630 General Membership Meeting - Start: 1930 Tarette's General Meeting Start: 1930	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Friday Lunch Start: 1130	<b>26</b> Past Comm. Cruise-In OYC Gig Harbor Invitational Race Everett Comm. Ball Saturday Breakfast-0900
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