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COMMODORE'S REPORT

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Greetings,

By the time you receive this edition of *The Bilge Pump*, April will be behind us. But it certainly should be noted that a good time was had by all at this year's Fleet Captain's Cruise to Tacoma Yacht Club for the Daffodil Festival. Thanks to Fleet Captain Barry Rutten and Captain Colleen for organizing our fleet of twelve QCYC boats going south for a weekend of merriment and camaraderie. Well done.

We don't want to overlook the good turnout and job well done by club members on April 13 at the Winslow Outstation "work party." Right on the heels of the Winslow cleanup was another success with this year's "Pride of QCYC" cleanup. The Seattle mainstation really looks ship-shape for Opening Day. Thank You!

This year our Opening Day Chairman, P/C Dave Krows, is the principal coordinator for our club's activities, and has worked closely with the Seattle Yacht Club Trio in sharing information and communication. Actually, Dave has been working and assembling this year's Queen City program since



Commodore Bob Stettner

my induction as commodore last fall when he accepted the chairmanship of this important event. Additionally, a round of special thanks goes to all the QCYC captains and their crews who are hosting the daily events at Queen City that will bring all those tasty meals to our members. I don't want to forget the excellent musical entertainment offered by Dede Law for our members and invited guests on Friday and Saturday evening, May 3rd and 4th. Opening Day of Boating Season is an activity that is an opportunity to open our clubhouse

to the Grand-14 Yacht Clubs of Puget Sound. Our Queen City activities will conclude on Sunday, May 5th, with a breakfast hosted by the Tarettes. Like many of our successful events, they only can happen with lots of hard work by our members. Our hats are off to this year's successful Queen City participation in the 2013 SYC Opening Day "Hawaiian Magic" festivities.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Memorial Day weekend looks like we have another grand event coming up for our members, kids and invited guests. Captains Jess Hill, Jim Hess, Jerry Zuvich and Jim Damery will be hosting this special event in which we pay honor to all those who have

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THE QUEEN CITY YACHT CLUB

served in the military and civilian service for our country, and a special tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Thank you, captains, for chairing and making this event possible for our members.

HEADSUP:

At the May 22 General Membership Meeting, the Electrical Committee will give the first of two presentations on the Seattle mainstation dock electrical shore power upgrading discussions. We will explain to members why our fifty plus year old system no longer meets our electrical needs and why it is essential to undertake the upgrading of our system at this time. The second presentation by the Electrical Committee will take place at the June 12 general membership meeting, and will cover options for the electrical upgrading of the Seattle mainstation and Docks 1-3.

If we look back we can be proud of the progress we have made in maintaining our facilities over the years and decades. This is the tradition that the members of Queen City are well known for and is remembered in our history. I look forward to our club going forward with that same enthusiasm and resolve as we have done in the past for this important electrical project that needs to be done.

Welcome to our newest Queen City members inducted on April 10, 2013. Our goal at Queen City is to make our new members feel like they are a full part of our club right from the beginning. The best way to get to know our members is to join in on the Queen City action and get involved. We have lots of committee work going on at the club, as well as plenty of outdoor volunteer work on our docks and outstation at Winslow. As you may know Queen City folks love to cruise, and our Fleet Captain, Barry Rutten, is constantly planning for new and more cruises for members to join in on. Remember, don't be bashful, ask questions and come to the general membership meetings.

Lois and I look forward to seeing you at the next general meeting on May 8, 2013.

Regards,

Bob Stettner, Commodore

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

Spring boating is underway and in full swing by now. SYC's "Hawaiian Magic" Opening Day is here and our club is sooooo busy; so volunteer to cook, clean or run a shuttle boat. We would love to see you enjoy "5 days of understanding" as the Seattle boating community comes together for festivities. Remember to attend the Memorial Day Winslow Cruise. Laurean is excited because she gets to go to the Horse Races on the Lawn. She has just informed me that she needs to buy me a million dollar hat for the "Decorated Hat Contest"- which includes both ladies & gentlemen hat entries. Kentucky Derby, here we come!

HOUSE

During a Tuesday morning House Committee inspection of the 3rd deck we noticed the wall next to the French doors had some screws popping through the finish of the wallboard. We also found water damage outside on the small deck and some in the bar area on the 2nd

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deck. We have a leak from the gutter or roof and will have to open the wall up to investigate. This will happen after Opening Day.

DOCKS

Captain Art Maudlin has been taking readings of "stray" electrical current on our instation docks and found Dock 1 to have many grounding issues. We hired Larry Boyer of Boyer Engineering, a specialist in dock electrical systems, and he has found many problems with Dock 1. His full report will be in our hands by the time you read this and we will have to look into an action plan. Captain Art Maudlin has already placed a temporary ground wire on Dock 1.

Planking & bolts & cleats... oh my! Please contact Captain Chuck Gould if you can spend a few hours on the morning of the second Saturday of the month to help maintain our docks.

The fire vent project is completing the City Of Seattle permit process. We expect to begin work by the end of May or June with completion by year's end.

The Dock 1 extension project remains on hold as the board and bridge carefully examine the Muckleshoot Tribe Fishing

Ground mitigation plan. There is a \$10,000 contingency fund to be maintained by QCYC should one of our boats damage a tribal fish net that has been set in the Lake Washington Ship Canal corridor.

Outstation: I'm sure Captains Eric and Barb Wood have a full report on the remodel of the Winslow clubhouse. From what I have seen and heard this has taken on a life of its own. Happy birthday, Eric, we really loved your party!

Thank you,

—Bob Myers, Vice Commodore

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

WELCOME ABOARD! At the April 10th general meeting, Queen City Yacht Club inducted the following new members: Glen and Celeste Stuhling, Timothy and Lori Sandage, John Kenley and Kelly Mann, Terron and Denise Lindholme, Nicholas and Roxanne Corff, Joseph P. Murray, Walt and Rita Braithwaite and Steven Marshall. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to our wonderful new members.

The current membership campaign has been successful thanks to the leadership of Chris Benson, membership chair, and all the members that helped showcase our great club at the Boat Show and the open house.

Daffodil weekend at Tacoma Yacht Club is all but a fond memory of enjoyable festivities and frivolity with our friends from around the Sound. Opening Day is in full swing as we all get ready for the "summer" part of our boating season. Oh, the joys of boating. What a wonderful way to enjoy our boats with all the other members of our fabulous club and those new friends we meet while cruising.

Please remember the club parking rules during the start of this busy boating season. If everyone follows the rules there should be adequate parking for everyone. The parking lot will be routinely patrolled and notices of parking rules violation will be issued to all that do not display a 2013 parking pass. Please park only in marked spaces to guarantee adequate access for emergency vehicles.

A quick reminder about general security: "If you see something, say something."

As your rear commodore I am responsible for grounds, membership, security and reception. I take my responsibilities seriously and encourage all members to contact me with concerns, questions, suggestions and support. The McGrew crew is here for you.

—Dick McGrew,
Rear Commodore

REGATTA POWER REPORT

The Tacoma YC Jack Hyde Memorial Race on March 23rd was held at TYC's Wollochet Bay outstation for the first time ever – or at least that anyone can recall. Again re-emphasizing that the ONLY way to be invited to the out-stations of the Grand 14 without going through the bridge chairs is to be a log racer. The cadets from Curtis High School's Naval Junior ROTC group were observers and several raced on TYC member's boats as the second racer, doing their own calculations.

Tacoma YC were again gracious hosts with a Hawaiian themed weekend: appetizers in the clubhouse on Friday night and a whole roast pig, luau style, at the Saturday night awards banquet.

The bright sunny and warm spring day with calm winds and seas contrasted with the usual



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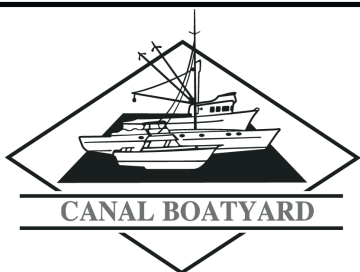
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swirling currents. The course ran from Fox Island to the Narrows Bridge and then around the island clockwise to Fox Island Bridge.

The scores were particularly good considering the currents predicted and observed. Seven racers bested 1% in the field of 20 Racers. Steve Hazlerig of SYC on *Solara* won for the second time in March with a score of 0.6388%. Second overall was POYC/GHYC's Fred Cole on *Mousetrap* with 0.6622%. Ken Klett and Marv Elbon with 0.7121% error on *Klettitat* were 3rd. Bob Lindal and P/C Jeff Ewell on *Suzy Q* were 4th overall and first in Class 3 with 0.7468%. Dave Padgett and F/C Barry Rutten on *Slipaway* were first in class 2 with 0.9217% and 6th overall.

EAGLE HARBOR RACE – APRIL 6TH

The Eagle Harbor Invitational Race was held on the weekend of April 5, 6 and 7 at our Winslow



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outstation. The QCYC race team and other QCYC members pitched in and with the help and financial support of the SYC race team we put on a tremendous weekend of boating. The combination of SYC and QCYC has made this a premier event of the IPBA season and one of the largest events at our outstation. We hosted 23 boats from 8 clubs, with several clubs attending for the first time in many years.

Our outstation was as busy as a summer holiday weekend club event with over 30 boats including other club members and the racers – and as usual we accommodated everyone comfortably. QCYC members handled most of the social events and SYC took care of most of the race functions and the Friday night dinner. Ken Klett and Marv Elbon handled Saturday Night and P/C's Dick Timmerman and Dean Lentgis and Bill Anderson prepared their usual great omelets on Sunday morning. Vince Firlotte was in charge of arranging the observers. As an extra wrinkle this year; the galley remodel was not quite finished on time so ten QCYC members went over early and cleaned up the "mess" from the construction. Kind of like camping out but fortunately not as much "camping out" as Barry and Colleen Rutten's Fleet Captain St Patrick's

Day cruise to the outstation; they didn't have cabinets or running water.

The several inches of rain accompanied by 20 knot winds sure messed up the current predictions but there were still some very good scores. The course ran from Blakely Rock through Rich Passage, back through Rich and around Blake Island.

EAGLE HARBOR RACE

First Overall went to P/C's Dean Lentgis and Larrie Chmela on *Kalos Filos* with a 500 Club score of better than 0.500 % - 0.4532%. SYC's Bill Grady and Todd Prodzinski on *Zorro* took second with a 0.6459% error – beating by less than one second – Bob Lindal and P/C Jeff Ewell on *Suzy Q* who took third with 0.6549%.

QCYC won the Team Trophy with Marv Elbon and Ken Klett and Bill Anderson and P/C Dick Timmerman joining Dean, Larrie, Bob and Jeff for the best team.

QCYC racers won lots of Class awards as well. Ken Klett and Marv Elbon were 1st in class 5 with 0.8049% and 4th overall. Bill Anderson and P/C Dick Timmerman on *The Tillie* were 3rd in Class 4 and 11th overall with 1.6310%. Dave Padgett on *Slipaway* was 14th with 1.9363%. John Rogers on *Niroana* was 18th with 2.1779%.



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UPCOMING RACES

- ★ Poulsbo YC – 5/10 to 12
- ★ Gig Harbor YC – 6/7 to 9
- ★ Barusch – Marina Del Ray, CA
June 29
- ★ ICR - Port Ludlow –
Saturday 7/6
- ★ NAI – Tacoma 10/5

—Bob Lindal,
Regatta Power Chair

OUTSTATION REPORT

Anyone who has ever done a “remodel,” especially a kitchen, knows that it can often take longer than it should. The galley remodel out here is well into its fourth month (started in January), and is still a “work in progress.” The outstation has been cleaned and reconfigured so many times the brooms are wearing out.

The first “reconfiguration” was for one session of the Bainbridge Police Citizen’s Academy (which Eric and I are participating in), where the topics were the Marine Patrol / Harbormaster functions.

Fleet Captain Barry Rutten and first mate Colleen were kept well-informed on the progress of the galley project. They weren’t deterred by the fact there would be no running water or sinks in the galley, and continued ahead with their plans to have a St. Patrick’s Day cruise-in March 15-17 at the outstation.

Barry must have been a Boy Scout and Colleen a Girl Scout in their youth! They managed to prepare a wonderful corned beef dinner with all the trimmings, organize a chili cook off and even prepare a breakfast or two, all while cleaning in buckets and tubs outside! They had a great turnout for this event and all that attended said it was a lot of fun.

The following weekend, a dozen or so boats and about 35 members arrived for an impromptu cruise-in. They arrived on white horses and had plumbing tools in their holsters. (I think they spoke with Eric beforehand, and he told them that sinks had arrived and he had connected water.) In a few hours they had the garbage disposals and new drains hooked up! Chris Castrow and his masked partner (who prefers to remain anonymous, but who Eric says looks a lot like Member #329) get the credit for making the galley at least “usable.” It was timely, as the Eagle Harbor Predicted Log Race was scheduled for two weeks later.

Bob Lindal was also kept informed regarding conditions in the galley as he prepared for the annual log race. Bob and a small crew came out early and transformed the clubhouse and galley so it no longer looked like a construction zone. With tulips in vases on the tables and counters cleared of all of the construction tools, the place looked pretty good!

There was a great turnout for the log race and the docks filled

early. P/C Dean and Sistee Lentgis were side tied to us. As it turned out, Dean won Best Overall for his predicted time. (Only my husband would come up with the notion that Dean won because he was side tied to us.)

Now we’re preparing for the Work PARTY scheduled in a few days — next month you’ll learn all that was accomplished as we get ready for the summer boating season. There is hope that the galley will be done by Memorial Day. (Eric says that Barack Obama ran on “hope,” and he won — twice!)

—Barb Wood

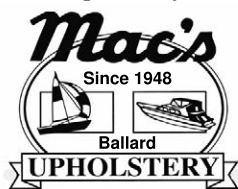
DOCKS COMMITTEE

Docks Committee: It’s a marina even more than just a collection of docks. There’s a lot more going on than just a group of people nailing new planks on a dock.

April’s dock work party dealt with mooring rails and other matters relating to safe moorings for our guests on Opening Day. 13 people attended, while a huge work party simultaneously happened at Winslow. We’re a fabulous volunteer organization to be able to do that. Big thanks to: Dick Dow, Craig Wilbour, Pat Dore, Chuck Talmage, Jim Dorney, Ron Stevenson, Tom Schultz, Rick Ashleman, Jim McFadden, Mitch Garton, Chuck Gould and Arthur Mauldin for their efforts just in advance of a terrible lightning storm with a very near strike and lots of hail. Special thanks and welcome to brand new member, Nicholas Corff. To attend one of these events in your first week with us is a powerful statement of commitment.

As promised, an electrical connections inspection has been completed. The survey led to a lot more stuff than anticipated. It’s been a very big task to deal with some of the findings, and some members

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have worked very hard to improve conditions. At last, we're getting to the time when individual notifications can be made. There are problems with some connections that members will have to deal with. The bridge and the committee are working on notifications.

Remember that these docks are yours and that they are our pride. Please keep them clean and presentable. Paint spills and spatters make our docks look like no one cares. It's not hard to avoid almost all messes, but it's too close to impossible to remove them.

Come see what we are up to at one of our Committee Meetings: 6:00 PM, Tuesday May 28 or June 25.

Have some fun with us. There are a lot of friendships yet to be made on "Marina Saturday" of every month. The next work parties happen: 8:30 AM, Saturday, May 11 and June 8.

Our schedule is easy to follow.

The second Saturday of every month is a docks work session, and the fourth Tuesday is committee meeting night.

—Arthur Mauldin,
Docks Committee Chair

FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

U.S. COAST GUARD BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR

On the last Saturday of March, an intrepid band of 20 QCYC yacht club members gathered at the US Coast Guard Sector Puget Sound base for the Behind the Scenes tour. The sun was shining brightly as we began the event with a tour of the USCG Museum. Queen City's own Larry Dubia, who has been volunteering at the museum for 27 years (!!!), provided us with an outstanding and highly informative tour, chock full of fascinating history and little known tidbits

about the Coast Guard, its equipment and its people. Thank you, Larry, we all learned a great deal.

Then it was off to the Vessel Traffic Service, where we were given a detailed and highly informative look at how this unit of the Coast Guard performs its vital function. It was dimly lit inside the fairly large room so that those on duty could more easily see the huge banks of multiple screens displaying charts, vessel tracks, wind and weather data, AIS data, long-range cameras and other data needed to perform the Vessel Traffic Service function. Our members had lots of questions and they answered every one, but we had to talk in hushed tones as the watchstanders communicated with all manner of vessels! We were told that they encourage recreational traffic (that's you and me!) to contact them on VHF Channel 14 to ask about any traffic in the

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shipping lanes that may be in conflict with your planned route. Identify your vessel, your position and intended destination and they'll do the rest. At the very least, it's an excellent idea to monitor Channel 14, to increase your situational awareness.

Next it was across the hall to the massive and very impressive Joint Harbor Operations Center. This is a Coast Guard facility that is shared with many other agencies when needed, such as the Navy, Seattle Police, Washington State Patrol, Customs & Border Protection & Homeland Security. The center is designed to identify and respond to all threats to maritime safety, port security, and the environment. The room was very modern and the entire front wall was filled with many huge video monitors. Facing these monitors were row after row of workstations, each with four or five monitors as well, which could be displayed on the front wall monitors if needed. Over 70 multi-agency cameras are integrated into the sensor management system. On top of that, watch standers

have access to more than 40 different data sources. It's a very impressive place.

The JHOC is where Mayday and other VHF calls to the Coast Guard are routed and answered. They allowed us to see the new and very impressive Rescue 21 system in action. Simply put, the system upgrades the Coast Guard radio direction finding equipment and related computer software to allow the Coast Guard to locate the source of VHF calls much faster and with far greater accuracy than ever before. They use triangulated radio signal direction finding equipment to get lines of bearing to the source of the transmission. Amazingly, they only need the briefest of transmissions to locate you. One Mayday utterance is all it takes, but all three are better! They told us they highly recommend the use of the Digital Selective Calling (DSC) feature on your VHF radio and to be sure it is tied into your GPS. This allows them to pretty much take the Search out of Search & Rescue

By this time we were starving and so we enjoyed a lovely, sunny picnic lunch under a gazebo that

gave us the energy to tackle the next stop on our adventure, ship tours!! We were given guided tours of a 378 foot high endurance cutter, the USCGC *Midgett* and the 399 foot heavy ice breaker, the USCGC *Polar Sea*. We were up on the bridge of both vessels. We even helped the crew load groceries onto the *Polar Sea*, as they were getting ready for their first deployment in 7 (yes, seven!) years! What a blast we had on these ships. The crews were friendly, professional, very polite and they really knew their stuff.

PRE-DAFFODIL SOUTH SOUND MINI-CRUISE & DAFFODIL FESTIVAL

As this issue went to press, we were preparing to depart for the Pre-Daffodil Mini-Cruise to Blake Island and Gig Harbor and then on to the Daffodil Festival at Tacoma Yacht Club. A full report on these events will be provided in the June issue of *The Bilge Pump*.

FLEET CAPTAIN REQUESTS YOUR PRESENCE AND PARTICIPATION

OK, the weather is improving. spring is here and summer is on the way. It's time to go cruising! Please try to attend one or more of the upcoming cruises. Meet up with old friends and make some new ones. Our membership has grown over the past few months, which is awesome. So new members, I'm talking to you: please contact me (barryrutten@comcast.net or 425-949-2815) if you have any questions about these cruises and most important, please JOIN US! It's the best way to get to know your fellow QCYC members and this, after all, is why you joined a yacht club, right? To go cruising!! See you in the locks and make sure you display your burgee correctly or you'll learn about Screw Up Flags!



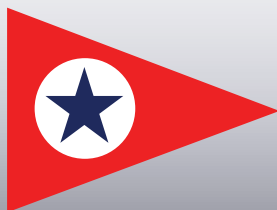
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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR BOATING CALENDAR

- ★ May 4 Opening Day of Boating Season (as if you didn't know!)
- ★ May 25-27 Memorial Day Cruise to Winslow
- ★ June 14-16 South Sound Cruise (may extend into the following week and tie into the Big Brother's cruise)
- ★ June 21-23 Big Brother's Cruise with Bremerton Yacht Club
- ★ July 3-7 Independence Day Cruise to Winslow
- ★ July 26-28 Fleet Captain & Fleet Admiral 50th Birthday Bash – Andrews Bay
- ★ August 10-24 Tentative dates for Fleet Captain Summer Cruise – planning in progress
- ★ August 30 Labor Day Cruise at Winslow
- ★ September Fleet Captain Grand Finale Cruise

—Barry Rutten, Fleet Captain

WIDER SCREEN VIEWING

Club members who haven't been up to Deck 3 recently will be surprised to see a new, very wide, projection screen in a new location providing much improved viewing for all. The new location will also reduce the effects of glare during daylight presentations.

The need for a larger screen struck me during a video presentation last October of the fastest Panama Canal transit ever – barely 5 minutes with transiting ocean liners cruising at 120 knots! The old screen was just too small for most of us to fully enjoy the show. The thought of providing the club with a better screen was presented to Tim and Nadeane Rutledge and then to Bill Field, Karin McLean and Eileen Huggins. They all with agreed with the plan with great enthusiasm and, as long-time

Seattle Sail and Power Squadron members, felt that the squadron might also wish to participate, since the third deck is used regularly for boating classes at no cost to the squadron. Hundreds of new boaters are trained in the room every year. SSAPS Commander Cathy McDonald readily obtained approval from her bridge to share the cost with the group of club members as a way of reciprocating QCYC's generosity to SSAPS.

Tim Rutledge spearheaded the effort, which included approaching the QCYC board for approval, selecting a suitable screen, ordering it, raising the money and installing it.

—Bob Fisher & Barbara Reine

HOUSE COMMITTEE

I would like to thank the Seattle Sail and Power Squadron for the donation of the projection screen. Tim Rutledge had a big part in getting the screen to the club for installation. With the help of the House Committee and the instruction of Tim Rutledge, the screen has been installed. The screen has two controls: a remote and the other hard wired to the side of the screen.

We have jobs for everyone big and small. Hope to see you working on cleaning up and beautifying the grounds as well as the clubhouse. We want to make our club look outstanding.

—Jim Damery,
House Committee Chairman



Wider Screen Viewing

RECIPROCAL MOORAGE

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With Opening Day fast approaching, we have a great need for bartenders. The bar will be open Wednesday night through Sunday morning with multiple shifts available on Friday through Sunday morning. Please contact Dave Bedner and or Tim Connelly to get your names on the list to help throughout this busy weekend.

There are still a great majority of you who are not volunteering to bartend. Please keep in mind that our yacht club does not continue to operate without your efforts, and we need and appreciate any time you can give to continue the traditions here at QCYC. Remember that bartending is not only fun, but a great opportunity to get to know more of your fellow QCYC members.

Thank you,
—Andy Gerde, Club Manager

Tarettes' Corner

A VERY SPECIAL CELEBRATION

On March 23 of this year, the Tarettes, a women's auxiliary to the Queen City Yacht Club of Portage Bay in Seattle, celebrated its 70th year of contribution to the club and surrounding boating communities. Organized in 1943, the Tarettes were originally formed to "give the wives of QCYC male captains something to do." Today, thank goodness, times have changed. The QCYC now encompasses spousal membership. The Tarettes have also grown to become a vital extension of the QCYC family now and looking to the future. From chairing numerous socials and functions, to nurturing valued WIC relationships, to faithfully hosting memorials for our QCYC family, and to forming lifelong friendships, the Tarette organization continues to stand proud. It is only fitting that the Tarettes' birthday party be celebrated with an authentic Victorian tea.

Under the careful direction of Chairpersons Lois Odland and Ann Wilbour, with many Tarette helpers, a profusion of friends and family of Queen City Yacht Club enjoyed an elegant affair on a sunny Saturday afternoon in March at the clubhouse. Incoming guests were greeted with the heady scent of fresh pink roses and spring flowers cascading from tall pilared vases. The serving tables were graced with gleaming silver decanters, sparkling crystal bowls and delicate starched doilies. Specialized almonds, plump strawberries piled high,

shortcake cookies and chocolate mints were offered as nibbles, with a sweet sherbet punch as well. In honor of this Tarette 70th birthday, a luscious cream cake was centered among the many flowers. The 8 to 10 round tables were set precisely in formal Victorian fashion, each place setting hosting a unique tea service of fine china patterned cups and saucers, graciously donated for this event by Lois Odland, Judith Pippin and Elin Storey. Each table boasted a fetching woman's hat of 1940's vintage, completing a perfect centerpiece. A choice of natural teas, with slivers of lemon, tiny rose centered sugar cubes, and a small pyramid shaped tea bag for each guest to take home as a favor, made lasting impressions.

The short program included an interesting presentation on Victorian tea etiquette, including a specially filmed interview of our oldest living Tarette, Margaret Baxter, who is now a very young 101. Margaret joined the Tarettes shortly after its conception in 1943 and left the Seattle area in 1957 to live in Wenatchee, WA, now her permanent residence. Though out of the area, she still maintains her membership and reads the Tarette monthly publication, *Tattle Tale*, without fail. In fact, during the interview made in the spring of 2012, Margaret spoke fluidly and passionately about life at QCYC during the 1940's and the effects of the war on its members. What an archival treasure! Margaret was not able

to be at the tea, but her cousin, Donna Gagner, delightfully attended. Donna also brought her mother, Julia Bick, who is a long time friend of Margaret's. The President of the Tarettes presented Donna with the golden Tarette lifetime pin, which she will give personally to Margaret Baxter. In turn, Donna presented the Tarette Archival Committee with Margaret's original Tarette pin from 1943.

In closing, each Tarette past president who attended received a single English rose in recognition. Guests were slow to disperse, as many lingered with friends in appreciating the Tarette Archival Committee's evolving display of Tarette memorabilia. Using cotton gloves, now tattered pages of many annual scrapbooks reveal customary Tarette newspaper articles of long ago, the many good times captured in fading photographs, and the calligraphy-like handwriting which recorded the small but important details of past meetings and minutes. The Tarette organization realizes that it's important to revisit the past. Indeed, to honor it, to remind us of how far we've come and, based on that foundation, how far we may go in the future.

It was a very special celebration.

My Best,

*Sistee Lentgis,
Tarette President
kathleenl@comcast.net*

LOOKING AHEAD...

- ★ May 1 - *A Taste of Hawaii Dinner*
- ★ May 2 - *Brats with Butch Dinner*
- ★ May 3 - *Whole Hog BBQ Dinner*
- ★ May 4 - *SYC Opening Day*
- ★ May 8 - *General Membership Meeting*
- ★ May 11 - *Docks Work Party*
- ★ May 22 - *Tarette Board Meeting, Dinner & General Membership Meeting*
- ★ May 25-27 - *Memorial Day Cruise to Winslow*
- ★ May 27 - *Memorial Day*

BOWL & A ROLL BOOK CLUB



June 5, 2013, at 6:30 PM we will meet on the main floor of the clubhouse to discuss the classic, *East of Eden*, by John Steinbeck. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see our group expand. This is not a long-term commitment – come as you can and participate in a fun evening with good food and even more delicious discussion.

Gayle Frisch is our hostess for this evening. Please let her know if you want to attend so she can make sure to have plenty of soup and goodies. (425)746-1178

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.



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Queen City Yacht Club

Memorial Day Weekend
May 24-27, 2013



Friday May 24

Fleet arrives – Pot luck hors d'oeuvres – Dinner on your own
Dock master Ch. 69 for moorage assistance

Saturday May 25

Scone breakfast – served on the dock
Premium Bloody Mary Bar – served on the dock (nominal fee)
Gold Fish Races on the lawn
Horse Shoe 2 day Tournament– Steve Coughlin
Kids Activities - Paul & Shauna Bennett
“A” Dock host appetizers
BBQ Chicken Dinner

Sunday May 26

Omelets in a bag – served on the dock
Premium Bloody Mary Bar – served on the dock (nominal fee)
Horse Races on the lawn – bring your \$
Martini Bar, Mint Juleps and Hats!
Everyone welcome to don your own
Stylish and **colorful** hat at the races!
Horse shoe 2 day Tournament– Steve Coughlin
Kids Activities - Paul & Shauna Bennett
“B” Dock host appetizers
BBQ Salmon Dinner
Decorated dingy parade



Monday May 27

Continental Breakfast on the dock
9:30 a.m. Memorial Day Service on the dock - Ken Klett

Cost: Weekend cost \$35 per adult / \$10 under 12

Individual Meal: Breakfast \$8 - Dinner \$12 - under 12 is half price

CHAIR PERSONS : The four “J’s”: Jim Hess, Jim Damery, Jerry Zuvich & Jess Hill

Questions: Jess Hill (206) 948-1237 or jh@redunn.com



Tarette Dock Party



When???

June 8



What Time?? 10:00 – 3:00

Meet us in Front of the Club House and
check out all the Neat Stuff for Sale!

If the weather doesn't behave
then we'll be on the 3rd Level of
the Club House



**Bar will be open
10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**Proceeds from the Bar and ticket sales
go to the Tarettes**

**For tables contact
Diane Prestebak
206 909-4427**



Tequila & Tacos Night

~ A Saturday Night Social ~
June 8, 2013

Come join us for tasty tequila drinks & dig into the steak taco bar.
No pre-registration required.



Various hot sauces and peppers to choose from.



Make the night mild or wild; it's all up to you!

Bar Opens @ 5pm
Dinner Starts @ 6pm - \$10
The Party Never Stops

For questions contact Kyle Bixby | kbixby@queencity.org
Net proceeds to benefit the QCYC Tarettes.

Welcome Back Snowbirds!



QCYC Friday Night Social

June 21st

\$6 per person

Bar opens at 5 PM

Dinner at 6 PM

~Homemade Spaghetti Sauce with Pasta~

~Individual Tossed Salad ~

(with Gourmet Toppings and Choice of Dressing)

~Fresh Garlic Bread~

~Dessert~

No Reservations Required – Pay at the Door

Questions? Contact Diane Prestebak at 206-909-4427

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MAY 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Opening Day Activities Wednesday Dinner: "A Taste of Hawaii": 1730	2 Opening Day Activities Thursday Dinner: "Brats with Butch": 1700	3 Opening Day Activities Friday Lunch: 1130 Friday Dinner: "Whole Hog BBQ"	4 SYC Opening Day Saturday Bfast: 0700 Saturday Dinner: "Benihana Burger Night": 1700
5 Tarette Served Opening Day Breakfast	6 Centennial Refurbishment Committee Mtg - Capt Conference Room: 1030	7 WIC Luncheon at Gig Harbor Planning & Finance Committee Meeting: 1900	8 Dinner: 1800 General Membership Meeting: 1930	9	10 Friday Lunch: 1130	11 PYC Challenge (IPBA) South Sound Opening Day Saturday Bfast: 0700 Docks Work Party - All Members Welcome: 0800
12	13 Centennial Refurbishment Committee Mtg - Capt Conference Room: 1030 AAC Meeting: 1730 Board Meeting: 1900	14	15	16 SSPS Dinner Meeting: 1800	17 Friday Lunch: 1130	18 Gig Harbor YC Commodore's Ball Saturday Bfast: 0700
19	20 Centennial Refurbishment Committee Mtg - Capt Conference Room: 1030	21	22 Tarette Open Brd Mtg: 1700 Tarette Third General Mtg - Next Year's Officers Elected: 1730 Dinner: 1800 General Membership Meeting: 1930	23	24 Friday Lunch: 1130	25 QCYC Memorial Day Cruise to Winslow Saturday Bfast: 0700
26 QCYC Memorial Day Cruise to Winslow	27 QCYC Memorial Day Cruise to Winslow QCYC Office Closed in Observance of Memorial Day	28 Docks Committee Mtg: 1800	29	30	31 Friday Lunch: 1130	

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