

# THE BILGE PUMP

of the Queen City Yacht Club

JULY/AUGUST 2014

## COMMODORE'S REPORT JULY AND AUGUST, 2014

**A**s Laurean and I complete our commodore year filled with 14 formal balls, 64 various social and standing committee events, obtaining a new boat, welcoming 40 new member/families into the club, we are really looking forward to some cruising time and relaxation with you!

Now is the time we all have been waiting for: summer cruising! Please remember as we fly our Queen City burgees that we are all ambassadors of our club. We may meet fellow boaters who may wish to join our club if we are a great example of fun, courtesy, respect and seamanship. Hope to see many of you on the South Sound Cruise!

It was a historical general meeting on June 11th, when seven Intermediate members and four new Active members took the oath of membership: so good to see young faces joins us. Thank you, Chris and Sandy Benson, for all the hours of work on the Membership Committee. Our club is flourishing!

June 11th was also the Old Timers' Cruise. P/C Howard Wilson took over the general meeting and did a great job. Thank you to Captain Gerald Fey



Robert F. Myers

for organizing this fun event and to P/C George Austin and V/C Dick McGrew for providing the fleet.

The electrical project is on time and within budget thanks to Captain John Alving. We hope to have this completed by mid-July.

The Dock One extension had a permit intake hearing with the City of Seattle on June 24th. We hope to know more by mid-July.

If you were at the June 11th general meeting, AAC Chairman Doug Henrikson presented Shaw carpet

designs which reflect our red/navy nautical theme like our burgee/pennant design: truly bright and energetic, very complimentary of our contemporary clubhouse! We were able to purchase this carpet directly from the manufacturer with warranty and expert seam analysis. We hope to have new carpet by late August to early September, so be prepared for installers and carpet layers. We will keep you posted on timelines. Thanks, Doug, and the AAC!

As of this writing, we are eagerly anticipating the QCYC Junior Officers' Ball, June 21. Fins Up! It's 5 o'clock somewhere! Great theme and a fantastic way to honor our vice and rear commodores! This QCYC social is the final event of the 2013-2014 Grand 14 calendar. New Rear Commodore Dave

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### JULY / AUGUST 2014

#### HIGHLIGHTS

<b>July 4</b>	4th of July Office Closed
<b>July 3-6</b>	4th of July Cruise-In at Winslow
<b>July 18-27</b>	Fleet Captain's Summer Cruise (South Sound)

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and Michele Bedner, with V/C John and Shirley Rogers, will begin the 2014-2015 Year with the cruise-in to Bremerton in August! Enjoy every minute. We can hardly believe we are bringing our tenure to a close. It goes toooooo fast!

Another Centennial preparation project has been launched to improve our Boyer Street curb and entry appeal. You may have noticed that we have lost several shrubs in the hard clay gardens and the front of the clubhouse could use refreshing. MaryLouise Alving is heading up this improvement, scheduled for this fall. If you are interested in learning how to properly prepare soil and plant the right shrub in the right place at the right time, please let her know. Thank you, MaryLouise!

4th of July: Captain Rick and Sheri Ashleman and team have a great 4th planned for us at our Winslow outstation. P/C George Austin is the QCYC Parade Master. Please see the flyer for more information.

On Labor Day at Winslow we have Team Hillmann / Brunkhorst providing food and fun to close out our summer season. I hope to see you all there.

Change of Watch will be last meeting of September, immediately followed by the first of the Grand 14 social season of Commodore's Balls on October 4th. Please save the date! Laurean and I will be hosting the event as we honor our 100th commodore, Dick and Teri McGrew! We are looking for lots of help to make this a very special occasion for Dick and Teri. Please let us know if you are interested in joining us!

Fair winds!

—Bob Myers, Commodore

## VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

### THANKS!

Fins Up! The J.O. Ball was a huge success. Thanks to all the club members that attended the J.O. Ball and made the evening memorable for Teri and me. The honored officers of the other Grand 14 clubs felt so at home at our club thanks to the friendly club members that attended the ball.

By the time you read this the Big Brothers Cruise will be nothing more than a fond memory. Jess and Linda Hill rallied a bunch of us together for a great Big Brothers Cruise to Bremerton Yacht Club. BYC is a great host and they raised the bar yet again this year.

### CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

I have sent requests to many members asking to join the Centennial Celebration Planning Committee. This committee will be the core planners for our yearlong celebration leading up to our 100th Anniversary. We only have a year to plan this memorable event and we want to make sure we get it right. If I have not contacted you and you want to become part of the planning team please let me know.

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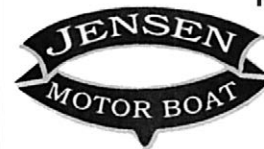
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July 15<sup>th</sup> thru September 15<sup>th</sup>

## MOORAGE

Summer cruising time is here. If you are going to be gone for an extended period and want to sublet your slip, please fill in the form on the web page or let our Moorage Chairman, Jeff Madera, know. If you are looking for some temporary moorage for the summer and want to sublet a slip from another member, please fill in the form on the web page or contact Jeff Madera.

Don't forget to register your boat for 2015. The state isn't sending out reminders any more so it's up to each individual to remember. Don't forget to place the 2015 sticker on the boat too.

There is a new state law this year dealing with the issue of derelict boats. The state now requires the marina office (our QCYC office) to keep a copy of each mooring member's current state registration and a statement from your insurance company naming Queen City Yacht Club as an additional insured in your file. You can bring your boat registration to the office during normal business hours and Deborah will be more than happy to make a copy for you and place it in your file.

## DOCKS

Please, please, please remember that the area around the waste oil tank is not to be used to drop off your full waste oil containers. Either dump the oil in the tank or take your containers to a disposal site for proper disposal there. If you need assistance dumping your used oil almost any member will be glad to show you how it's done.

While I'm at it, the garbage area is not a storage place either. Recently someone left an old gas range from their boat in the dumpster area. It took two people to hoist it up into the dumpster. Please, ask others for help rather than leave your junk there.

## HOUSE

The new clubhouse carpet should be installed before the Change of Watch on September 24th. Woo Hoo!

## OUTSTATION

The entire Outstation team is gone for the summer. They posted detailed instructions before they left so we can all help keep the outstation in great shape while they are gone. We'll miss the "Wood Team" and hope they have a wonderful summer cruise.

—Dick McGrew,  
Vice Commodore

## REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

As this is being written we are only a few days from our "It's Five O'clock in Margaritaville" Junior Officers' Ball. The planning is nearly over but the decorations are just beginning. I would like to thank everyone who participated in making this such a wonderful event. Carol Soffel and her decorating team have a great plan. I am sure V/C McGrew joins me in a special thanks to our spouses for their great support. There is no doubt that our visiting junior officers from the Grand 14 will enjoy the weekend. This was intended to be a relaxing informal theme that everyone could enjoy and not require a great deal of work to come up with special costumes. What better way than a tropical shirt and sandals! Thank you to our dock masters for finding a spot for each visiting boat and for those who volunteered their time greeting our guests serving drinks and contributing to the great weekend.

As the dock electrical project moves along I would like to point out that upgrades are planned to the dock lighting. This will include improvements to the lighting in the parking lot, especially the north end outside Dock

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One and near the park. Andy Gerde is preparing a plan that will not only improve the lighting but hopefully earn a rebate for energy conservation. The intent is to have the electrical contractor make the lighting improvements as part of the overall dock electrical project. My specific interest is involved with the security aspects. After the lighting improvements are in place we will review any additional practical improvements that can be made to improve security around the facility.

Efforts are under way to improve the functionality of our website. Currently we are very reliant on one person to maintain and update the site. This can be an overwhelming task to say the least. Kyle Bixby has performed great for several years, however the board and bridge have decided that we need to give Kyle some help. A review is under way with Kyle's support to look at upgrading the behind-the-scene operating system. This would not only upgrade the current operating system but allow

us to divide and assign many of the functional tasks to different members. The purpose of the project is not to change the look of the website, although some changes may be introduced. There have been several suggestions made that would involve major business systems upgrades. Although welcomed, we are not planning to create expensive changes that could result in increased costs and hired manpower requirements. The board and bridge would like to create a responsive website to communicate with our members and potential members while making it easier to maintain for everyone.

—John Rogers, Rear Commodore

## CLUB MANAGER

### ATTN: ALL MEMBERS

As most of you know by now, Dave Bedner has been elected our new rear commodore. Congratulations, Dave!

Members, this leaves a large void in your bar team. We need

a replacement ASAP to fulfill the duties that Dave has done so well over the past couple of years. Your current club manager, that is me, cannot do it all alone. My full time job is becoming more demanding, and I need some good assistance when it comes to keeping the bar operations running smoothly.

Dave's term will end on September 30th, 2014. I encourage each of you to carefully consider what you have done for your yacht club lately and consider assisting more with the operations of the bar. We can all agree on how much we love the club bar!

We need a bar manager and assistant bar manager as well as some new faces behind the bar. If you have even the slightest interest, please contact me directly to discuss the matter.

I can be reached at 206-999-5606, [agluvs2sail@msn.com](mailto:agluvs2sail@msn.com), or passing through the club randomly.

Thank you,

—Andy Gerde, Club Manager



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## HOUSE COMMITTEE

Over the years the club has lost many sets of silverware: knives, forks and spoons, in the galley on the second floor. There have been times at dinner meetings when we had to go up to the third floor to obtain enough silverware to fill the needed place settings for the dinner. The House has gone out and obtained enough silverware settings to bring up the total to 250. It is important when cleaning your dishes not to drop any silverware in the garbage can.

The main gate bottom roller bearing burnt out. A new bearing been ordered and replaced. It is running smoothly now.

Please contact the House Committee if you see any action items that need attention

—Jim Damery,  
House Committee Chairman

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership currently stands at 390 active members, 8 intermediate members, 109 life members and 8 social members. At the June 11th general meeting we had 12 total initiations. Full active members inducted were Capts. Jeff and Angie Kroeller, sponsored by Capt. Dan Lohse; Capts. Dave and Mary Mehlum, sponsored by Capt. Steve Driscoll; Capts. Bob and Linda Schrader, sponsored Capt. Ron Stevenson and Capt. Karl Seuring, sponsored by Capt. Rick English.

Intermediate members inducted were Capts. Jeff Grimm, Robert Grimm and Matt and Lisa Grimm, sponsored by P/C Scott Grimm; Capt. Daniel Grimm, sponsored by Capt. Paul Grimm; Capt. William Castro, sponsored by Capt. Nick Castro; Capt. Curtis



*BarbEric up North*

Ramon, sponsored by Capt. Bruce Ramon; Capts. Ben and Nicole Krows, sponsored by P/C Dave Krows and Capt. Scott Carlisle, sponsored by Capts. Terry and Diane Carlisle. We welcome all the new members and a big thank you to all their sponsors.

We are now at the start of our summer cruising season. This is a great time to meet new prospective members. While cruising from port to port you will notice that a lot of boats do not have club burgees. Consider their home ports and introduce yourself as a member of Queen City Yacht

Club. This is great way to invite them to our club and a chance to become prospective members.

Thanks to all our members and the bridge who have been so supportive in recruiting members for Queen City Yacht Club.

If you have an interest in helping with the Membership Committee, contact myself or Rear Commodore John Rogers. We appreciate all your ideas and considerations for Membership.

—Chris Benson,  
Membership Chairman



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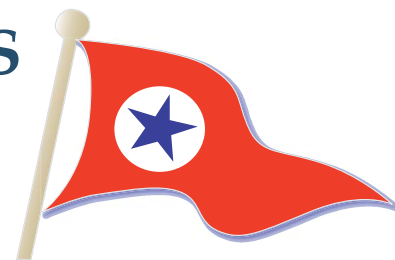
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Jul 18 – 27  
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Summer Cruise – Kick off  
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One Last Cruise – TBD

For detailed information check *The Bilge Pump* or QCYC website or look for the monthly flyers around the club. If you would like to help with any of the above cruises please contact your Fleet Captain's:

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## YARD SALE THANKS

Once again on June 7th, we had a successful yard sale followed by Tequila & Taco Night. We had 18 tables plus five Tarette tables selling everything from boat to house treasures that found many good homes. We served 105 delicious meals provided by Kyle Bixby and crew. Thank you to everybody that donated items for the Tarette tables. Thank you to the following people who gave their time and to the members and neighbors who attended this fun event.



Rich Ashleman  
Michele Bedner  
Carina Bixby  
Cassidy Bixby  
Kyle Bixby  
Deborah Cobain  
Dorothy Cooper  
Gene Cotton

Gary Fisker  
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# Tarettes' Corner

June 7 was a busy day at the clubhouse with the "Dock Party" sidewalk sale and "Taco and Tequila" dinner. I take my hat off to Diane Prestebak and Kyle Bixby for chairing the events and coordinating fabulous teams of volunteers. The funds generated make possible many of the projects the Tarettes do for the club and community. Thank you to everyone who helped and attended.

A new slate of officers and board members came on board June 12 at a delicious dinner meeting prepared by Stephanie and Carl Weiss. The 2014-2015 leadership team is President Margaret Krows, Vice President Becky Garvie, Secretary Joanie Preusser, Treasurer Dorothy Dubia, and Board members Vivian Johnson, Sistee Lentgis, and Debbie Foote. I want to thank outgoing President Vivian Johnson and the entire retiring board for their hard work and support they gave me as Vice President.

One main theme this year for the Tarettes will be enriching our identity as boating women. We are planning educational events in seamanship, boat handling, navigation, etc. as well as practical hints for cruising. Of course, some wine, chocolate, and local excursions will be thrown into the mix! What do you want to do? Becky Garvie prepared a survey that will be sent via e-mail and copies will also be at the club. You can leave completed surveys at the office or send them to Becky or me. We appreciate your input.

Don't forget to mail your dues (\$25 regular, \$10 life member) before September 1.

Treasurer Dorothy Dubia's address has changed from the one in the roster, so please note that the correct mailing address is 7001 Seaview Avenue NW #160-20, Seattle, WA 98117.

Looking ahead, MaryLouise Alving is planning a fabulous steak fry Friday, September 19, in conjunction with Entertainment Night. She needs many volunteers, not only Friday, but

also the day before to do some food preparation at her home. I have been in the "peel, chop, and dice" brigade with her in the past at her house and it was a lot of fun. Contact MaryLouise and offer your time. (206) 522-8302 [moonrivertwo@q.com](mailto:moonrivertwo@q.com)

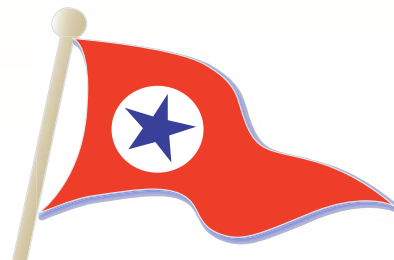
The last issue of the Tarettes' traditional newsletter, *Tattle Tale*, went out in June. Long time editor, Stephanie Weiss, retired from the job so this is an opportunity to take a new direction and expand this column, "Tarettes' Corner," as a trial new forum for getting out the news. Ladies who cannot receive electronic mail will be accommodated. If you do not get a direct link to *The Bilge Pump* sent to you, let Deborah in the office know and she will add you to the contact list.

Grandsons of two Tarettes Past Presidents, Georgia Grimm and Millie Grayson, were installed in the first group of Intermediate Members of QCYC June 11. What a legacy! This is an inspiring time as both the club and women's group are looking to the future with innovative ideas and new enthusiasm.

Thank you for trusting me with the office of president. I can't wait to see what the next chapter with you will bring. The September general meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, September 9. Have a fun and safe boating season.

Until we meet again,

—Margaret Krows, Tarettes President



## LOOKING AHEAD...

- ★ July 4      *Holiday —  
Office Closed*
- ★ July 3-6      *4th of July  
Cruise-In at Winslow*
- ★ July 18-27      *Fleet Captain's  
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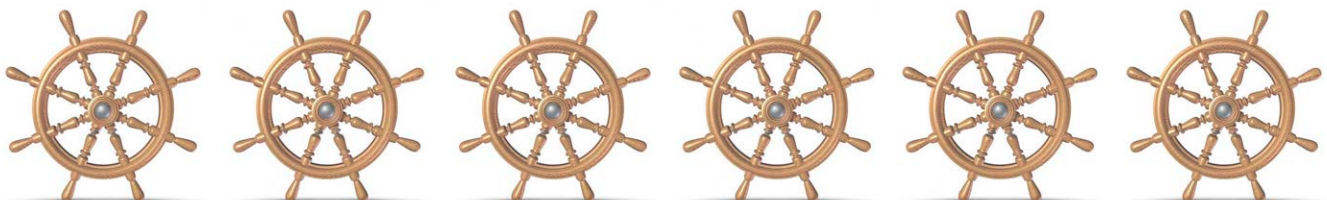
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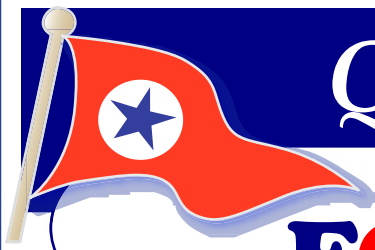
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- Tues-Wed 22-23** • **Swantown Marina** - Eye Openers on Wednesday – Live music on shore-Special Guest Musician  
**\$10 per person**
- Thurs 24** • **Oro Bay (build a wagon wheel)**
- Fri 25** • **LongBranch Marina** – Oysters: A mini Oyster Olympics will be held, **\$10 per person**
- Sat 26** • **Seaport Foss Waterway (Tacoma)**  
Chihuly Glass Museum, LeMay • America’s Car Museum • Maritime Museum
- Sun 27** • **Depart for Home**

**Total cost per person is \$40. This covers \$10 fees plus Eye Openers. Deadline for moorage at Des Moines (206) 824-5700 and Swantown (360) 528- 8049 is 30 days in advance. You must contact them!!**

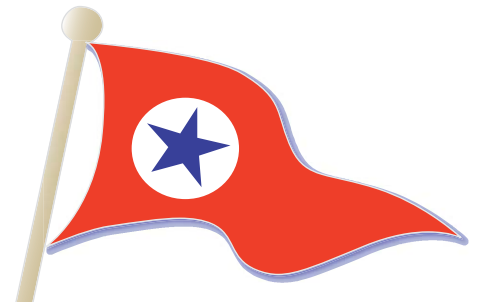
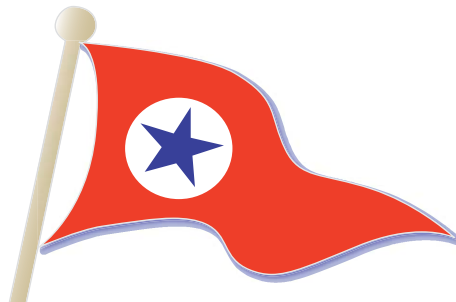
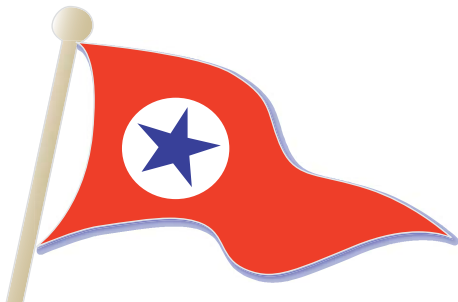
**Fleet Captains have paid a \$5 non-refundable moorage fee per boat in advance. Captain of vessel reimburses Fleet Captains.**  
**Moorage Assignments/Other Fleet Business:** Monitor Channel 16, Use Channel 09 as our cruise communication channel.

**PLEASE CONTACT US WITH QUESTIONS & RESERVATIONS**

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# JULY 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> SSPS Public Boating Class: 1830	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 4th of July Cruise-In at Winslow	<b>4</b> 4th of July - OFFICE CLOSED 4th of July Cruise-In at Winslow No Friday Lunch - Willie Out for 4th of July	<b>5</b> 4th of July Cruise-In at Winslow NO Saturday Breakfast - Willie Out for 4th of July
<b>6</b> 4th of July Cruise-In at Winslow	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> SSPS Public Boating Class: 1830	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Friday Lunch: 1130	<b>12</b> Sat Breakfast: 0700
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> SSPS Public Boating Class: 1830	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Fleet Captain's Summer Cruise (South Sound) Friday Lunch: 1130	<b>19</b> Sat Breakfast: 0700 Fleet Captain's Summer Cruise (South Sound)
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