

COMMODORE BOB YATES

## + COMMODORE'S + COMMENTS

e've made it through the darkest part of the year, especially for those who went without power for more than a week after the mid December storm. We had quite a few temporary live-aboards enjoying the fact the club had power

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and therefore heat. Hopefully we get back to the typical Seattle mild drizzle for the rest of the winter.

As usual December was a busy month around the club. The Seafair Special Peoples Cruise was a real success with 30 captains hosting over 160 guests. Everything went very smoothly thanks to the hard work of Captains Andy Grisham, Bill Field and Tom Youngs. I would also like to make special mention to Santa's favorite elf Diede Janel who seemed to be everywhere herding our guests to and from the busses. Jerry and Linda Dishneau again hosted the chili feed after the event. Thanks to all.

While the weather in November and December was lousy at best, because I ordered up real early Mother Nature was very kind to us for both the Special Peoples Cruise and The Lighted Boat Parade. Capt. Al Rieche kept the fleet on course both nights as he lead 30 or more

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boats around Lake Union out through the Montlake Cut and along the shores of Lake Washington.

President Linda Dishneau and the Tarettes hosted the Captains Dinner on December 7th. It was very well attended and Chef Willie, Peg and their crew prepared a wonderful dinner. Linda then acting as Santa presented the club with some very nice gifts; a computer projector that we can use for presentations, a new meat slicer for the galley and a dock box to hold kids life preservers at the outstation. The Tarettes give generously their time and money to make QCYC the great place it is, thanks.

The Childrens Christmas Party under direction of Sandy Werner was a big success judging by the big smiles at the window as the Brass Tacks brought old St. Nick (Capt. Chris Castrow) into the U. This is always a fun event for kids, parents

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and grandparents alike.

P/C Larrie Chmela and Jackie were in charge of the New Years Eve Ball with the appropriately named Rain City Riff Raff band providing the music for our dancing pleasure.

Coming up in January the Winslow outstation is the focal point of activities as we annually host the Grand 14 Past Commodores Cruise In the weekend of the 5th 7th and the current Officers Cruise In the 26th 28th. Don't forget about the Queen City First of the Season IPBA race on the Saturday the 13th. This is preceded by the Friday Night Social put on by the Past Fleet Captains. Predicted log racing has a long history at QCYC and we have some of the best racers in the world. Come and learn more about it by being an observer, you'll get a nice lunch, a fun boat ride and a memorable experience.

I would also like to say thanks to our staff for their efforts around the club in 2006; our caterers Willie and Peg, office manager Tiffany, and custodian Francisco, they take a lot of pressure off the Commodore.

Bob Yates Commodore

#### VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

he holidays are still ahead as I write this, but will be behind by the time you are reading it. Isn't life funny that way. We spend so much time anticipating what is to come and sometimes it does, or maybe something different happens.

General kudos to Captains Jim Damery and Dick Geving for shepparding us through the fire maintenance/compliance issues. We couldn't exist without such volunteers.

On the moorage front, two items. First, all members (including both mooring and non-mooring members)when mooring in the "U" or at the reciprocal dock are required to register. A number of members have been forgetting to do this. Second, now that the almost entirely new moorage committee has mastered the basics and created a reliable on-line list with the help of Webmaster Kyle Bixby, we are starting to work the storage boats issue. The basic premise of our Club as revealed by our By-Laws and our Rules, is that you must be an active boater who participates in Club events. Article III(D) for example, requires that a prospective member "reside within a distance of the Club that permits participation in regular Club activities" as a prerequisite to being considered for membership. Rule 1.01 defines moorage as a "privilege extended by a license to use the Club's facilities to actively cruising members of the Club". Rule 3.08.05 authorizes the termination of moorage privileges "if the Committee determines that historically and presently the Mooring Member's boat has not been and is not being used by its member owner for cruising or Club functions away from the moorage facility.....or that the boat is not maintained as a seaworthy yacht.." In summary, we are an active club in which it is anticipated that the boats will cruise and members will participate in Club activities. Over the years, a number of vessels have sadly fallen into the status of storage vessel. For the health and vitality of our Club, we believe that active boats are essential and will be making every effort to identify these boats and encourage their member owners to become active

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**On the docks front**, Chairman Dave Svendsen has several projects that are just right for you. The skill levels vary, but the fun never stops. Please call Dave to find out when and how you can contribute a few hours to make our docks a better place. During our big windstorm, member Bill Bressler recorded a 43mph wind gust while moored in the U. Our resident structural Engineer John Alving tells me this is good information to have.

The house should have received its much needed furniture upgrade and a new cabinet should be gracing the galley service area. The house needs your helpif you see a condition that needs attention and you can't do it, please write it on the attention items work sheet in the galley area next to the work-slip sign up.

Outstation agreements should be finished for Deer Harbor and Ganges. We need a volunteer crew to tackle a deck revision at Winslowplease see me if you would be willing to take this on. We need a better battery back-up for our security system at Winslow as the power outages seem to outlast our current battery system.

Bill McGillin Vice Commodore

## **REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT**

W ith 2006 rapidly becoming a memory, the New Year always lifts my spirits and hopefully it does the same for you. The busy holiday season is over, the days are getting just a little bit longer, and in a few months, boating season will arrive!

At this time, we do not have a grounds committee chairman. Since one of my responsibilities as Rear Commodore is to oversee grounds, I've set a date of Saturday, February 10th for a winter clean-up work party. It will start around 9:00am and will run until noon with a pizza lunch to follow. Mark your calendars and I hope to see you there. If any member would like to head up and organize this one day project, your help would be appreciated. This is a project that any member, new or old, could easily undertake. It's also a great way to meet other fellow members. Please email me at:

worked on the Special Peoples Cruise in December. That day made

me very proud to be a member of

Queen City Yacht Club. It was an

event that brought joy to people

who otherwise may never have a

chance to get out on a boat. What a

great way for our club to give back to

the community, and my hat goes off

Thanks to Kyle Bixby, some problems with my email address

(rearcommodore@queencity.org)

have been rectified. If you have any

questions or comments, please get

in touch. Being a fairly new member

myself, I would like to hear from

other new members. Happy New

FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Well the Kingston Cove Apple Cup

Cruise was a great success. With the

help of our Fleet Lieutenants

Lawrence and Dorothy Dubia we

served eye-openers and bagels

(gold, purple, silver and red) on the

dock on Saturday and Sunday

morning. We had a total of 13 boats

and a total of 35 people from QCYC

for the game on Saturday. Kingston

to all those who helped.

Year!

**Dale Roberts** 

Rear Commodore

rearcommodore@queencity.org. if you think you are up to the challenge.

I would like to acknowledge Past Commodore Lynn Montgomery for all work on security issues. It is one of those jobs that no one notices until something goes wrong. With technical assistance from Dick Geving, we have avoided technical I would also like to glitches. acknowledge the efforts that Mark LaFountaine and his committee have done to keep the membership machine running. Since new members are essential to the future of organizations like ours, it is incumbent on current members to recruit prospective new members. Without digressing too far, I would also like to thank our members who

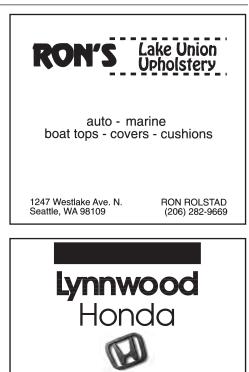
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Cove put on a great bash. They decorated their club house and served burgers, salads and desserts. We had a fun raffle and the game was great. The weather was good all day Saturday but with bad weather forecast for Sunday afternoon the fleet departed very early on Sunday.

Winter cruising is a challenge and so after much deliberation and input from Captains and crews we have decided to hold the Presidents Day Cruise at the Outstation. Please come by car if you don't want to cruise over. We plan to take the bus to the casino for the seafood buffet and some great entertainment on Saturday night. We will have a pancake breakfast on Sunday morning, some presidential trivia in the form of a Jeopardy game with a pie baking contest and a spaghetti dinner on Sunday night. Please consider joining us. Look for a flyer in the bilge pump and RSVP to Dick or George so we can plan the food.

Thanks for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at the Presidents Day Cruise.

George Austin and Dick Storey Fleet Captains

### **OUTSTATION REPORT**

Santa came to the Outstation! There are lots of new items, inside as well as outside.

Santa used some of the pickup meal money earned last summer to purchase some new cabinets to store the DVD and VHS movies in the clubhouse. The DeCooks assembled them, and we placed them on both sides of the TV. It's now much easier to pick out your movie selection for the evening. The DVD and VHS players are up and running. Movie night, anyone? Santa also used some of the pickup meal money to purchase a new electronic wine opener and some wine glasses. It seemed someone was always trying to find a way to open their wine in the clubhouse, and couldn't find an opener. (I've donated several myself but they always seem to disappear after a while.) Anyway, the electronic wine opener is large enough so that I think it will not wander off as easily as the smaller ones have. (Plus, it's fun Eric likes it so much he opened 13 bottles of wine in succession...) The wine glasses are for those that don't want to drink their wine out of a plastic cup.

Santa's helpers, the Tarettes, purchased a dock box to store children's life jackets. We will also put beach toys in it. The box is located on the dock next to the phone booth. It will come in handy this summer. Thank you, Tarettes.

Santa's helper Eric (now there's an anomaly!) just attached some beautiful gold leafed "QCYC" letters to the clubhouse next to the front door, replacing the white plywood ones. The Past Commodores purchased these letters, and they really look classy! Eric is in the process of refinishing the replica of the burgee, too, and hopefully will have it done in time for the Officer cruise-ins in January. Next time you visit the Outstation, take a moment to notice the new letters and refinished burgee.

January will be busy here with two cruise-ins. The Past Commodores from the Grand Fourteen will be arriving January 5, 6 and 7. There is always a big turnout for this event and the docks will be full. On January 26, 27 and 28 the current Officer cruise-in takes place. That is also well attended and the place will be jumping. We're looking forward to a busy 2007, but are enjoying the peace and quiet right now!

Santa's helper, Barb Wood

### FIRST OF THE SEASON RACE OBSERVERS NEEDED

On Saturday, January 13 or Sunday, January 14 2007, depending on the Seahawks playoff schedule, QCYC will host the !st of the Season Predicted Log Race. We need 30-35 observers to spend a few enjoyable hours on the water with some of the best log racers in the country.

Don't miss the fun! This is as easy as reading your watch. Observers are honored guests aboard the contestants' boat and will be treated to an exhilarating cruise on Lake Washington, a free lunch while on board, and the opportunity to meet some very nice people from other clubs (and ours) and find out what predicted log racing is all about.

If you and/or a friend or two would like to join us, please contact Dave Padgett at (425)644-1462 or davidjoanne@msn.com for further details and to sign up.

Dave Padgett Race Committee



#### ANDERSON, ERIC PETER 1935 - 2006

Captain Eric Anderson slipped his moorage for the last time Nov 1, 2006 less than a month of becoming 71 years old. Eric was the son of a Danish father and an Austrian mother who had met while working in Shanghai. Eric grew up in Shanghai speaking "street Chinese" while playing and the family spoke only German at home. At the age of 12, Eric's family moved to the West Seattle area where Eric attended school.

Eric left school early to work and then married and started a family at age 19.

Eric and his first wife had four children: Patti, Phyllis, Eric and Kurt. After a divorce, Eric met Bette and they were married in 1966 and enjoyed 40 years together. Eric and Bette raised the children while he enjoyed a career in construction. He formed a construction company partnership in PUD infrastructure type work, moved to the Ballard Co., then to the Massart Construction Company where Eric was a superintendent and estimator for projects in Oregon, Washington, Alaska and Hawaii. Captain Anderson's last career position was with RCI Construction. Retirement came in 1995 after a 40 year working career.

Eric loved life, boating and his family. He was a friendly man and never met anyone he didn't get to know and was always giving of his time, knowledge, experience and advice. He had a strong sense of right & wrong and based his decisions and actions on what was right.

In retirement, he and Bette spent winters in Arizona, summers on their boat the "White Fox" and traveled to China and Europe, visiting Holland, Denmark, Germany, Austria and Italy. While traveling in China, the Anderson's found Eric's childhood home in Shanghai and while in Europe, found Eric's father's home town in Denmark and his mother's home outside of Vienna.

Captain Anderson joined Queen City in 1989 and was a very active and contributing member. He was chairman of: the Special People's cruise two years, the Lighted Boat Parade three years, the Docks Committee for three years, the Lockers Committee two years, the winter Outstation Manager one year and he and Bette put on the annual Halibut Feed social for about five vears after the Brown's retired. Eric was awarded the Commodores Trophy in 1997 by then Commodore Jeff Ewell. He and Bette attended many of the club socials and three day weekends at Winslow. While a member, the Anderson's owned four boats; the "Boodles", a 41' Roughwater, the "Blithe Spirit", a 50' Monk/McQueen purchased from Dr. Francis Rankin a fellow QCYC member, Eric's best known boat the "White Fox", a 50' Ocean Alexander pilothouse and just this spring, had purchased the "Rapport" from the Morrice's and had renamed it the "White Fox". He loved to tinker and fix his boat and always upgraded the White Fox to the latest electronics.

Eric and Bette cruised the White Fox to Alaska seven times often visiting friends in Wrangell, Skagway, Ketchikan, Juneau and Pelican that Eric had made while he worked up there. Recognizing the Anderson's knowledge and experience in cruising to Alaska, several QCYC members asked to accompany them. When Dale and Linda Miller started their cruise through the Canal to the Great Lakes, Eric crewed for them on the "Bacaruda" from San Diego to Mazatlan.

Eric's friendly, "can-do", attitude will be very much missed at Queen City.

Eric is survived by Bette, his beloved wife of 40 years, his daughters Patti Howe of Oregon, Phyllis Williams of Federal Way, his sons Eric of Mesa AZ and Kurt of Cresent City CA and six grandchildren.

## GUSTAFSON, ROY 1935 - 2006

Captain Roy Gustafson passed away at age 71 on Oct. 25, 2006. Roy was born on July 13, 1935 in Seattle where he grew up. Roy attended Oaklake Elementary and Lincoln High School. During his teen years, Roy had a reputation based on some comical exploits with his brother Harold ranging from crazy paper route schemes to wild motorcycle rides and an ill-fated boat trip that found the two brothers treading water with an unmanned speedboat circling around them!

Roy and Marilyn met on a blind date and were married in 1961. They had two children, Tami and Todd. They were a boating family early on and Marilyn and the kids remember one particular St. of Juan de Fuca crossing when their 26' Owens took on water and sunk about half way across! The whole family was rescued off the bow of the Owens by Tom Clark, a local boat surveyor who arrived just in time in his sailboat!

Roy worked for 30 years at The Seattle Times, both as a paper carrier and District Advisor. At the same time, he had a good head for business and real estate investments and was very successful managing his rental houses and apartment buildings. Close friends remember Roy building and locating around Seattle his (in)famous paper shacks.

He enjoyed boating, water activities, music, theater, attending and watching Seahawks games and spending time on the beaches in Hawaii. His favorite food was ice cream, especially Dairy Queen! He was a member of Queen City Yacht Club and the Swedish Cultural Center. While he liked the finer things in life, he was never ostentatious but kind, respectful, humble and always seemed to be happy and positive.

Captain Gustafson joined Queen City in 1980. Both he and Marilyn were active and participated in club socials, activities and cruises until his long and debilitating struggle with Parkinson's disease prevented his participation. While a member of the club, the Gustafsons owned two boats; a 36' Tolly Home cruiser and the "Scotswede" a 40' Cruise-A-Home that the Gustafsons owned for almost twenty years. Roy is remembered for being able to handle the Scotswede very well even after he was suffering from Parkinson's. Marilyn remembers wonderful summer cruises boating with the Vic Thompsons and the Jim Bradys.

Roy is survived by Marilyn his beloved wife of 45 years; his children, Tami (David) Horiuchi and Todd, both of Seattle; his brother, Harold (Lynn) of Seattle; his grandchildren, Julianna and Elise; and many nieces and nephews.

#### **REGATTA POWER REPORT**

#### **First of the Season Race**

The FOS race will be held on the long ML King Jr weekend in January, the 12th thru

15th. The race itself will be held on the Saturday OR the Sunday, depending on which day the Seahawks are playing. I don't want to jinx the Seahawks or anything but it has been an overwhelming request that we not hold a race on the day the Seahawks may play. The actual race day cannot be determined until the afternoon of Sunday Jan 8th when the results of the Wild Card games on the 7th and 8th are known. If the Seahawks are playing on Saturday, there will be a "football" event in the clubhouse on Saturday and the race will be held on Sunday, early in the day so any racer who must leave Sunday can do so before dark. The Award banquet would then be Sunday night. If the Seahawks are not playing on the Saturday then the race will be on Saturday with a "normal" schedule except that there will be a "football" event on Sunday in the Clubhouse. Go Seahawks!!!

#### **Predicted Log Racing Classes**

We will again offer classes in January. The classes will start with the basics and proceed through the steps in laying out the race, calculations, currents, running the course and the use of the computer with demonstrations of Excel calculation programs and Coastal Explorer, Nobeltec (and other) charting programs. Weekend boat timing demonstration(s) will also be offered at a convenient time. You are also encouraged to sign up as an observer for the First of the Season race to see how a race is run. Meetings will be at 6:30 PM.

Tue Jan 16 Lay out, Tactics, Nobeltec & Coastal Explorer Tue Jan 23 Calculations, Currents

All club members and friends are invited. Please join us. To inquire or sign up - call or email Bob Lindal at 206-892-1234 or bobl@lindal.com or P/C Jeff Ewell at 206-464-4019.

Bob Lindal Regatta Chair

#### MOORAGE COMMITTEE REPORT

Happy New Year! The moorage Committee has every expectation, that by the time you are reading this, the Moorage Lists will be live, and up to date on the web. The lists posted outside the office are up to date as well. The process of application online now includes the measurements, date measured and measurer as required fields. The Moorage Rules require the measurement be in accordance with 3.04. Qualifying Boat Length. & 3.606.1 Measurement. effective July 2004. Any measurements prior to that date require re-measurement to be placed on the Move / Wait lists.

Rule 3.10. Subassignments, requires that all sublets be made through the Moorage Committee, and there are no exceptions. You can apply to sublet your slip, or apply to sublet online, by following the simple instructions and filling in the required information in the online form. Assignments to both the instation and Winslow will be made from the sub-let lists.

The Bridge and Board of Trustees are active in Member compliance with the Rules. Specifically 1.06 Insurance & Ownership. & 3.08.05 Inactive Boat. & 3.08.06 No Registration. Please confirm that your updated vessel documents are on file with the office.

The QUEEN CITY YACHT CLUB is your Club, and these are your Rules. Please help us fulfill the expectations of the Membership.

Bruce Ramon Moorage Committee Chairman

#### SUMMARY OF QUEEN CITY YACHT CLUB RESPONSE TO SR 520 DEIS

This is a summary of the written response of Queen City Yacht Club to the Washington State Department of Transportation Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on the proposed SR 520 replacement project. Questions regarding this summary should be addressed to Gary Stone, Chairman QCYC 520.

#### **Overview**

A draft impact statement is a document created in the early stages of planning a project. The purpose is to inform the public about the project and to solicit comments from the public about perceived impacts and to raise issues. The issuer is required to consider the comments made in making its final decisions about the project.

The purpose of our comments was to identify ourselves and to describe the impacts this project will have on Queen City Yacht Club.

#### Club Profile

- Queen City Yacht Club was founded more than 90 years ago in 1916, making it one of the oldest organizations in the City of Seattle.
- The founding premise was that it was a club for boaters of moderate means, who wanted the sport of boating without unnecessary frills.
- The Club, which has a large membership, is actively involved in numerous civic activities in addition to providing boating opportunities, social events and recreation for our members and their families.
- Queen City purchased its property on Portage Bay at 2608 Boyer Avenue East in 1934, the height of the Great Depression.
- The Club's unique property is integral to the health, growth and development of the Club.
- The Club's property is unique and irreplaceable, because in addition to owning the uplands, Queen City owns the submerged lands on which our moorage is built; conditions which would be difficult if not impossible to

recreate anywhere today.

- The Club's Portage Bay facility consists of a main clubhouse, landscaped grounds, paved parking lot and three docks containing 230 mooring slips.
- The clubhouse is a three story building containing approximately 9800 square feet of improved interior space.
- The clubhouse was constructed by members in the 1930's and remolded with over Two Million Dollars in member funds in 1999.
- The Club's 230 slip moorage facility was largely built by members and is maintained by

members.

Potential Project Impacts I n our letter, Queen City explained to WSDOT, that if our concerns are considered in moving forward with the design however, we believe that many potential project impacts could be materially reduced, if not eliminated, without compromising the Project. Ignoring our concerns may have its own cost implications on the Project. We strongly encouraged the Project team to work with us as the design progresses so that the Project can move forward in a manner that is

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maximally satisfactory to all.

- The DEIS shows a 4-lane, a 6-lane, a 6-lane with Pacific Street overpass, and an 8-lane configuration.
- Each alternative shows an elevated bridge structure which is wider than the existing 4-lane structure across Portage Bay, including bicycle lanes, shoulders and car-pool lanes.
- In each alternative, the new structure is built to the north of the existing location, moving by as much as 120' during construction and 90' in its permanent position.
- While the report comments that one of the goals is to reduce the curve of the roadway across Portage Bay, moving the bridge 120' further north in fact has the opposite effect.
- The Project portends the loss of Queen City's southernmost dock (Dock 3) and a portion of its parking lot, at least during construction.
- Loss of Dock 3 will permanently impact the Club's immediate and long-term finances, and could permanently cripple the ability to regenerate membership which is vital to long-term survival.

**Consideration of Other** <u>Alignments and Properties.</u> We included the following observations and recommendations:

• Significant vacant or lessdeveloped property lies to the south of the current bridge all the way from the west shore of Portage Bay to Interstate 5, however, the DEIS does not appear to give any consideration to an alternative alignment to the south, which could use that vacant or less-developed property and spare the Club's property, particularly Dock 3.

- If a more southern alignment has been considered, the DEIS does not disclose what specific consideration was given and why it is not presented as an alternative in this report.
- The DEIS comments on a desire to "straighten" the portion of the roadway that crosses Portage Bay, however, the diagrams show the roadway jogging north at the west shore of Portage Bay. The roadway would be straighter if it were moved to the south, instead of to the north.
- The DEIS fails to assess the impacts caused by the decision to move the roadway northward and seems to ignore the weighing and balancing process that should be occurring at the DEIS stage.
- The Club's response asked the State to remember, that you are building the Project in an urban environment where curves and alignments are frequently impacted by the need to deal constructively with project impacts.
- If there are benefits to the road alignment from it being pushed further north as proposed, those benefits need to be compared to the cost and impact, including the impact to Queen City.
- The report also does not discuss what alternatives may exist to narrow the bridge at Portage Bay to avoid or lessen the impacts to our Club and to the environment.
- Is it essential to have full ten-foot shoulders at this location?
- It appears from the diagrams that the east and west roadways are separated by some number of feet at the point of the Queen City Yacht Club. Is that truly necessary? Why? Moving the Project even a few feet to the south could have the effect of preserving Dock 3, it is critical to the Queen City Yacht Club that

there be a full consideration of all the alternatives that could move the alignment further south.

- The assumed bridge alignment described the DEIS does not consider whether the existing alignment and right of way of the bridge could be utilized as the permanent alignment for the new bridge by the creative use of traffic detours and construction staging during the construction of the Portage Bay portion.
- We do not understand why a decision to move the roadway to the north when it clearly causes such damage is necessary or desirable and see no discussion of the relative value impacts you considered in reaching this decision.
- Because of the lack of detail in the DEIS in your report, we cannot tell what will occur beneath the bridge and whether you intend to pursue design considerations that will restore our facilities after completion of your project, thus mitigating the impacts of the Project on our use.

Actual State Land Needs.

Queen City remains hopeful that our comments will persuade the designers to select a more southerly route, thus taking none of the Club's property, or only taking a construction and right-of-way easement for the bridge support columns which would allow us to resume use of Dock 3 in the aftermath. This section summarizes our concerns regarding loss of Club lands.

- The DEIS suggests that the Project could take all of our Dock 3 lands
- All that may be needed is a construction easement, particularly if the final design occupies a smaller footprint and is located further south.
- We urge the Project team to very

carefully analyze whether it can get by with only a construction easement, and to engage Queen City Yacht Club in discussion.

- The report fails to analyze and distinguish the state's actual land needs for construction purposes, as well as its actual needs for land acquisition in perpetuity.
- The report does not discuss whether partial construction taking or how Queen City can access its remaining property during construction and thereafter.
- The report does not consider the impact of its taking on the Queen City Yacht Club's ability to rebuild its dock, or in the alternative, gain access to its property north of the construction zone during the Project.
- The DEIS fails to consider that this taking eliminates an irreplaceable piece of fee-owned aquatic

property, one of the few parcels of lake bottom remaining around the Portage Bay, Lake Union and Lake Washington areas that is not encumbered by a DNR lease.

- Few, if any, options for replacing this invaluable land exist for Queen City Yacht Club.
- The report fails to consider less intrusive options such as taking DNR parcels of land to the south and positioning the bridge in that direction.
- The DEIS does not comment on the expense to the public of taking and compensating for such expensive property rights.
- The report fails to identify construction and design alternatives that would minimize the impacts of the final project on our club.
- The DEIS does not address the environmental damage created by the existing structure on the

sediment levels of Portage Bay. As a long term resident on the Bay, our Club has observed that the sediment levels have risen since the construction of the existing bridge. This has steadily made the bay more shallow, diminished waterquality levels in the Bay and made our property less accessible, impacting our ability to maneuver boats within our property and near the existing The report does not bridge. address how the state will remedy the existing sedimentation problem or mitigate and eliminate further silting of the surrounding properties during construction and in the final design of the new bridge.

• The report does not clarify the

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On Sundays in the wintertime, I like to make a big pot of soup or stew. It's nice for Sunday dinner and then we have leftovers for another meal during the week. This stew recipe is the best one I've ever tried and I found it in an old Junior League cookbook I bought in Memphis many years ago. I've even served it at casual dinner parties with salad, homemade cornbread, and apple pie for dessert. What could be better, and easier, than that?

### **Beef Stew**

2 tbls oil 3 lbs stew meat, cubed 2 large onions, chopped 1 - 24 oz can chopped tomatoes 2 cloves garlic, minced 2 stalks celery, chopped <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup chopped parsley
2 bay leaves
1 tsp thyme
1 tsp salt
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tsp pepper
2 - 14.5 oz cans beef broth
<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup red wine
12 small carrots, peeled & sliced
1 box frozen green peas
12 small pearl onions, peeled
6 potatoes, cut in 2 inch cubes
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup flour
<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup water

Brown meat in oil in a large pot. Add next 11 ingredients. Cover and simmer 2 hours. Add next 4 ingredients and simmer 1 hour. Blend flour with water and stir into stew to thicken. Adjust seasonings. Serves 6-8. Great the next day!

Bon appetit,

Cooky's Corner

Shirley Renfrow



# LOOKING AHEAD

## JANUARY 2007

1 New Year
5-7 PC Cruise in Winslow
10 General Meeting
Tarettes Board Meeting
12 Past Fleet Capt. Friday Night Social
12-15 First Season Race
18 Power Squadron Meeting
24 General Meeting
Tarettes Board Meeting
27-28 Officers Cruise in Winslow
Feb. 17-19 Presidents Day Cruise



## THINKING OF SENDING A PICTURE TO US?

When you send pictures for the Bilge Pump; please use the following guidelines for preparing your electronic files. Don't try to adjust the pictures to look lighter or brighter. The pictures should, however, be 2.5" in width, have a resolution of at least 300 dpi. When you're ready to send us the picture, just attach it to an e-mail and send it to Bob Mihailov, Bilge Pump editor, at <u>bmihailov@aol.com</u>. We'll take it from there.

# **ATTENTION MOORAGE MEMBERS!**

When your boat insurance renews it is your responsibility to provide the club with an updated Certificate of Insurance to remain in compliance with moorage rules.



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# **New Member**

# Jim Hess and Family



# Tarette's Corner

## Happy New Year

Wow this year went fast, but I have to go back to Dec 3, Special Peoples Cruise it was great joy for Queen City, I believe it was the biggest turn out we have had in years, every one had fun, I think we all enjoyed the chili and clam chowder, we also had salads this year thanks to Willie and Bob Crystal for the pizza's that also got cooked, I think every one went away with a full stomach, a big thanks go to the bar for the hot buttered rums which we all enjoyed, thank you Carey and Jess.

On December 7, 2006 the Tarettes had a great captain's dinner and

enjoyed wonderful entertainment, thank you Shirley Rogers and Sue Hanson, thank you Willie and crew for the wonderful dinner he prepared for us. The club looked festive and the tables looked just beautiful thanks to Carol Soffell and her crew, Kathleen Lentgis, Shirley Rogers, and Sue Hanson.

Thank you everyone for attending and bringing toys for the Boyer Children's Club to make the children's Christmas and little nicer. When Sue Hanson took the toys there they were in tears with happiness, Thank you all Q.C.Y.C. members for your thoughtfulness. It was a night to remember. For Christmas Barbara Stone has worked very hard to pick just the right family for us to help out this time of the year, thank you Fran Farber, Kathy Fish, Gail brown for all your shopping done for this family, we know they will have a special Christmas.

I hope everyone has a great and safe 2007.

*Linda Dishneau* President

## SEATTLE BOAT SHOWS

The dates for the 2007 Seattle Boat Show are later than usual in January to avoid any potential conflicts with the Seattle Seahawks playoff games. The dates are January 25 (Thursday) -February 3 (Saturday) for both the indoor location at Qwest Field Event Center and in-water location on Lake Union.





P/C Jeff Ewell swears in new QCYC board member Mark Weiss

#### (*Continued from page 10*)

- actual width of the bridge as it passes
  - through the Portage Bay corridor. At present, the report appears to construct the bridge with shoulders that would be appropriate for wide open stretches in eastern Washington, but this design fails to consider narrowing the shoulders and width of the bridge through this area to mitigate harm to the environment and to the surrounding properties. Narrowing the shoulders and overall width would potentially avoid our property altogether.
- The bridge designs depicted in the DEIS significantly impact the value of our remaining property, for it builds the bridge nearly adjacent to our newly renovated clubhouse and diminishes the overall waterfront footprint of our property. We encouraged the Project to consider design and construction that mitigates or eliminates these impacts to our facilities.
- The DEIS is silent on the impact of

construction sequence that would lessen the impact upon our property, considers without comment on its impacts, the construction of a 30-foot wide temporary construction bridge and a new bridge all to the north to permit continued use of the existing bridge which disallows a straightening of the bridge at the west end of the Portage Bay viaduct, displaces the greatest amount of private property, all without demonstrating that alternatives were considered and weighed.

- A method that would mitigate the impact to our property would be to reconsider the alignment across Portage Bay to the south and adopting a construction sequence that uses temporary roadways and detours in conjunction with the existing structure, to minimize impacts on our property.
- Other construction sequencing alternatives would appear to exist, including building portions of the new structure, diverting

some of the traffic onto the new structure and then building the remaining structure.

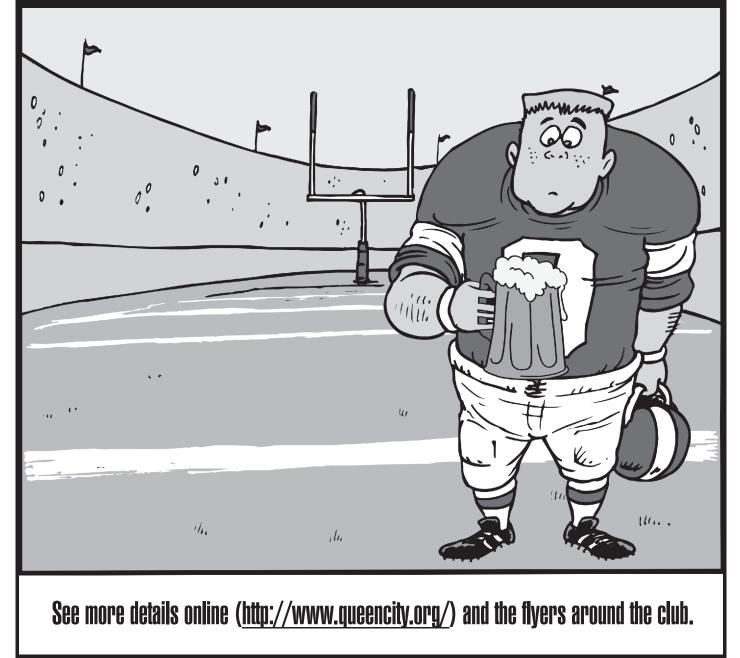
Support for Pacific Street Interchange Option. Finally, Queen City Yacht Club values its neighborhood and endorses measures to enhance the quality of life in the Montlake and Portage Bay communities. In concert, we also recognize the importance of a regional transportation solution. Our review of the options as set forth by the state lead us to the conclusion that the Pacific Street Interchange Option improves traffic flow through the Montlake community better than any other option. Traffic is managed at the point of congestion instead of backing up onto the bridge. Additionally, moving more of the traffic off the bridge at a Pacific Street Interchange would enable the designers to look again at the real needs for capacity over Portage Bay.

# SPECIAL PEOPLES CRUISE - Dec. 3rd



# QCYC Superbowl Party at the Clubhouse February 4, 2007

# Food service and bar will be open.









# Opening Day 2007 - Musical Memories Saturday May 5th, 2007

ONLY 125 DAYS LEFT UNTIL OPENING DAY 2007

Your QCYC Opening Day Committee, Captain Larry Meyers and wife Wendy will be Chairing the 2007 Opening Day Festivities.

We are requesting volunteers to help with the many committees.



Several of you have already volunteered to Chair these committees. We are requesting that everyone interested including those already contacted to email or call us.

We will then list the committees and persons Chairing those committees in the next Bilge Pump.

You can reach Larry & Wendy at 425/391-6733 or e-mail - lfm2wpm@msn.com.





















# Fleet Captains President Day Cruise to the Outstation

# February 17-19, 2007

Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> - Fleet Arrives in Winslow

- During the day play Dominos, visit with friends and get ready for a trip to the casino
  - Saturday Evening: Take the bus to the casino for the seafood buffet, some gambling and some great entertainment.

# Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> -

- Pancake breakfast and eye-openers
- During the day get ready for a game of Presidents Jeopardy-prizes will be awarded. Spend the day with friends getting ready for the Pie baking contest (please no store bought entries)
- Sunday Evening: Beer and Wine served with a Spaghetti Dinner in the club house.

# Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> - Fleet departs

Eye-openers and continental breakfast served in the club house

Cost: 15 dollars per person

Sponsored by George and Nancy Austin and Dick and Elin Storey.

Please RSVP to Dick Storey or George Austin



# FUN IN THE SUN

When the winter blahs seem to be getting you down head to Laughlin and join fellow members and guests for some fun in the sun! Laughlin has a lot to offer visitors besides gambling...there's boat tours, shopping, a ghost town, a car museum, river walks, bowling and a nearby dam, just to name a few! A nightly BYOB cocktail party is the only "planned" function on our schedule so you are free to be a tourist or just sit by the pool and relax! And this year we have some great prizes to award to all our guests! Haul outs, free moorage at some of our finest Northwest marinas, gift certificates and lots more! The cost for our own QCYC cocktail parties (3nights) will be \$20/per person. How can you beat it? That's about \$6.666 per night for good food and camaraderie! This will qualify you for our prize awards and helps defray the cost of the parties. Below are the basics concerning the hotel.

Location: Aquarius Casino Resort Dates: March 20-23, 2007 Room Rate: \$25 per room, per night For Reservations Call 1-800-662-5825 and ask for Group Code C/QCY07 when booking (In order to receive the group rate all reservations must be booked by March 6, 2007)

For further questions please contact Lynn & Kathy Montgomery, 206 276 7185 or Chuck & Dorothy Cooper, 425 204 8828. HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!

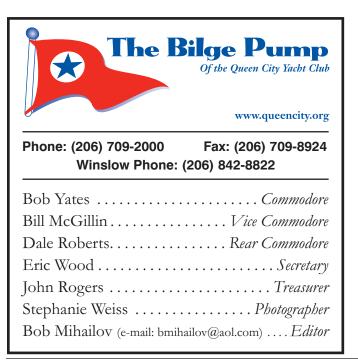


January 2007								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
	1	2	3	4	5	6		
	New Year	11:45am Men's Lunch			PC Cruise in Winslow	PC Cruise in Winslow		
		12:00pm Ladies Bridge			Friday Lunch 12:00-1:30pm	Saturday Breakfast/Lunch 9:00-1:00pm		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
PC Cruise in Winslow	7:00pm Board Meeting	11:45am Men's Lunch	7:30 Gen. Meeting		First of the Season Race	First of the Season		
		12:00pm Ladies Bridge	7:30 Tarettes Board Meeting		Past Fleet Captains Friday Night Social	Race		
			weeting		12:00-1:30pm Fri. Lunch	9:00-1:00pm Saturday Breakfast/Lunch		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
First of the Season	First of the Season	11:45am Men's Lunch		6:00pm Power	Friday Lunch	9:00-1:00pm Saturday		
Race	Race	12:00pm Ladies Bridge		Squadron Meeting	12:00-1:30	Breakfast/Lunch		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27		
		11:45am Men's Lunch	7:30 Gen. Meeting		Friday Lunch	Officers Cruise in		
		12:00pm Ladies Bridge	7:30 Tarettes Board Meeting		12:00-1:30	Winslow		
			weeting			9:00am-1:30pm Saturday Bkfst/Lunch		
28	29	30	31					
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