Join QCYC Crew for the Daffodil Marine Festival & Parade

Posted by Delly Behen, Fleet Co-Captain & Michele Bedner, Commodore

Please plan to join your Fleet Captains for a fun weekend at the Tacoma Yacht Club (April 14-16). This year's theme is 87 Years Around the Sound. Stay the weekend or drop in for a day. Help support the club with your QCYC Spirit!!

Get your Daffodil on and volunteer for the following:

Decorating of the Flagship/Officers and Theme/Decorated boats (April 15, Saturday 10 a.m.)

Trivia Team Support (Saturday, April 15, 1:00 p.m.)

QCYC presence during the boat parade (April 16, Sunday, 11 a.m.)

The Fleets are collecting CRAYONS and TEDDY BEARS to support Seattle Children's Hospital!! Rather than bribing the judges with candy, alcohol, or treats...we're going to support the needs of SCH and their patients and present this as our "bribe" along with a small monetary donation. Please bring NEW boxes of crayons and NEW stuffed animals to the club. There will be a donation box on the 2nd floor! Your first opportunity is the regular meeting! Who will be the first to donate??



1954 Daffodil Regatta QCYC Grand Prize Winner



Teddy Bears & Crayons' Donation to Daffodil Judges

CONTACT MOORAGE CHAIR ABOUT MAINSTATION SEASONAL SUBLETS

Posted by Dan Heffernan, Moorage Chair

It's that time of year where members start thinking about their Spring and Summer cruising plans. If you have a boat moored at the Mainstation AND you will be cruising for an extended time period, you might think about subletting your slip to another member. If so, now is the time to submit your Request to Sublet. This is an easy process to get through. To indicate your interest to sublet your slip, please complete the Request to Sublet Moorage form found under the Forms heading on the QCYC website. In addition, if you are a member that would like to sublet a slip, please complete the Request for Sublet Moorage form found under the Forms heading on the QCYC website. So far, we have only "2" sublets available with plenty of club member requests. The Moorage Committee will be assigning these sublets during the month of April with priority going to Winter moorage requests. If you have questions, please contact Dan Heffernan, QCYC Moorage Chair by email (nwrunner123@gmail.com).



Contact Moorage Chair about Seasonal Sublets

PITMASTERS & PIT CREW WANTED FOR LOW & SLOW BBQ

Posted by Sean Estrada, Low & Slow Co-Chair

Attention all BBQ lovers! Don't forget to save the date, Saturday, June 3rd, 2023, for the 8th annual Low & Slow BBQ. You'll be treated to the best varieties of backyard BBQ cooked low and slow. Watch for ticket info coming soon! We are looking for Pitmasters to help feed the membership. If you take pride in smoking some good eats and think you can outdo your fellow Captains, this event is for you. We would also like to request volunteers to help us out with the logistics, set-up and teardown for the event. Please consider lending a hand so that our Pitmasters can focus on their craft. If you're interested in being a Pitmaster or a volunteer for the event, please reach out to Sean Estrada (sean.estrada@gmail.com) to get on the list!



Commodore Michele & PC Dave Bedner at last year's Low & Slow BBQ

THE QUEEN CITY YACHT CLUB

Join the QCYC Crew for Upcoming QCYC Seasonal Events

Posted by Michele Bedner, Commodore

Opening Day of Boating Season -Wednesday, May 3- Sunday, May 7 --Opening Day is Queen City Yacht Club's biggest event of the year. The festivities start on Wednesday, May 3rd and run through breakfast on Sunday, May 7th. Chair Peggie Evans has done a fabulous job of planning meals and activities. For Opening Day to be successful, Queen City needs members to step forward and volunteer. Please sign-up for the Opening Day Volunteer Pizza Party on April 2nd from 2 p.m. -4 p.m. so you can be part of one or more of the many teams for Opening Day Week. Whether you like to drive a shuttle boat, help serve, bartend, help cook, manage crowds, decorate, or oversee games, there is a spot for you. If you would like to help and are unable to attend the Volunteer Party, please contact Peggie Evans at pcevans19@gmail.com.

Children's Easter Party -- Saturday, April 8th starting at 12:30 p.m. Please sign up online so we know how many are coming. There will be a visit by the Easter Bunny, egg hunt and entertainment from the Reptile Woman and friends from the Reptile Zoo. If you have children, grandchildren, nieces, or nephews, mark your calendar for this fun event and



Commodore Michele & PC Dave Bedner, Edmonds Yacht Club, Commodore's Ball

thanks to Sherry Weiss for her leadership.

Tacoma Daffodil Marine Festival – Saturday, April 14th – Sunday, April 16th. Join your Fleet Captains and Bridge Officers on Saturday, April 15th to decorate boats and support QCYC trivia team. For more information on Tacoma Daffodil Marine Festival, go to www.tacomayachtclub.org

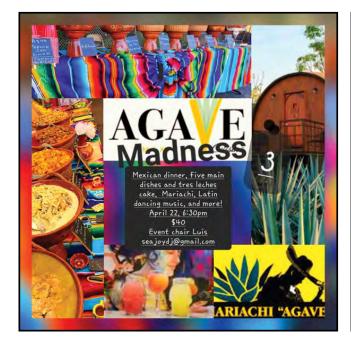
Bainbridge WorkPARTY – Saturday, April 14 – Sunday, April 16th – The annual clean-

up PARTY at our Bainbridge Outstation. Come lend a hand and socialize with fellow members.

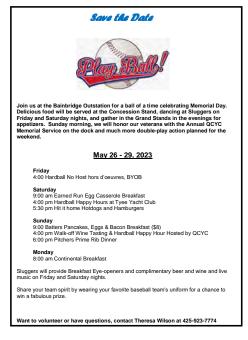
Agave Madness! -- Saturday, April 22nd -Arriba!! It is the return of the popular 'Agave Madness'. Enjoy a Mexican dinner with 5 main dishes, tres leches cake, mariachi and Latin dance music and more. Sign-up at queencity.org calendar. Limited space available. \$40 per person.

Welcome Back Snowbirds – Friday, April 28th -- Chuck Gould is hosting a 'Welcome Back Snowbirds Friday Night Social on the 3rd deck featuring Chef Willie's pot roast dinner and music by Desolation Sounds. \$25 per person.

Low & Slow BBQ, Sunday, June 4 Attention all BBQ lovers! Don't forget to save the date for the 8th annual Low & Slow BBQ. You'll be treated to the best varieties of backyard BBQ cooked low and slow. Watch for ticket info coming soon! Chair Sean Estrada is looking for pitmasters who take pride in their craft. Contact Sean Estrada (sean.estrada@gmail. com) to register as a Pitmaster or to join the logistics volunteer Pit Crew.











Bridge is Open to New Ideas for Events & Activities

Posted by Michael Day, Vice Commodore

When was the last time you looked at the social events on the Queen City calendar? There are so many different types of events. Everyone knows the big ones – like Opening Day at the Mainstation and the Eagle Harbor gatherings on Memorial Day, July 4, and Labor Day. There is also the immensely popular outstation birthday party for Secretary Wood where a little bit of spring cleaning gets done. We also have the cruises led by our Fleet Captains, including the Daffodil festival in Tacoma. And of course, there are parties and dinners throughout the year. What else are you interested in doing?

In the not-too-distant past we have had a few experiments find their way onto the calendar. I am thinking of Agave Madness, Robbie Burns, and Low & Slow. These are just a few crazy ideas members decided to give a try. Tradition and evolution are what keep this club vibrant.

P/C Krows' return of the ice cream social following regular meetings rounded out our Wednesday nights. Commodore Bedner's



Kitt & VC Michael Day at the Fleet St. Paddy's Day weekend

revival of the Friday night socials following COVID has been a success. The Speaker series was reinvented by Captain Rutten. I begrudgingly must acknowledge Closing Day as well.

However, there is something about that dock cart drill team that just isn't right. Kitt and I have been kicking around a few ideas with

other members for next year. For example, we could have competitive trivia with a visiting yacht club. Tyee has expressed interest. We could open the bar on Friday evenings. Building on a recollection of Capt. Redding, we could fire up the grills outside and members could meet for a late happy hour or an early dinner. We could have a home brew tasting competition if we could round a few closet brewers.

When you are out cruising this season, kick around a few ideas. Use your imagination. We are open to giving just about anything a try if there is a little enthusiasm and a low risk of bringing the clubhouse down. If it is really crazy , Secretary Wood prefers we do it at the outstation. Opening Day countdown clock is officially on!

Volunteers Needed for the QCYC Opening Day Crew

Posted by Dorothy Dubia

"Game On!" Is the theme of this year's Opening Day, and whether your "game" is eating, drinking, dancing, chatting, or cheering, there's something for everyone at Queen City Yacht Club during Opening Day week, Wednesday, May 3, to Sunday, May 7. And you can be part of the team that makes it happen. Queen City will get its "Game On!" with several reasonably- priced dinners, a breakfast, a float in the marine parade, a special shirt for your collection, and games. Boaters from visiting yacht clubs will wander our docks and clubhouse, and will be able to access Seattle Yacht Club docks via a free shuttle, which runs all day, Saturday, May 6 (and most of the night). Help is always needed. You can join the team at the Opening Days Volunteer Sign-up on Saturday, April 2, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. or contact Peggie Evans at pcevans19@gmail.com, and she'll steer you in the right direction.

THE OPENING DAY CREW WANTS YOU!

Posted by Opening Day Co-Chairs Peggie & Mike Evans - pcevans19@gmail.com

We are looking forward to Opening Day and we so appreciate the support of our event chairs. Please support them by volunteering!

Contact the following Opening Day Event Chairs to volunteer. Thank you all.

THURS DINNER - Kevin Peterson-kevin.peterson@hotmail.com

FRI DINNER - Jack Connick & Denise Kitchel denise.kitchel@msn.com

SAT DINNER - Rodger McKinley/Mary Green maryigreen@comcast.net

SUN BKFST - Mike & Nancy Kokenge nakokenge@gmail.com

DOCK MASTER - Scott Grimm - cscottgrimm@msn.com

SHUTTLE BOAT - Michael Burke - mrhettburke@outlook.com

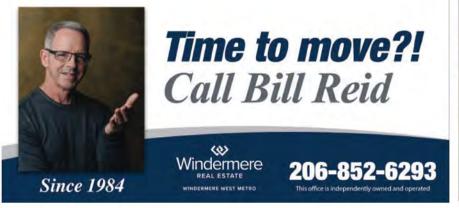
BARTENDING - Sherry Weiss - weiss.s@portseattle.org

TICKETS - Sandy Benson skbenson1@hotmail.com

DECORATED BOAT Ken & Evie Knoke - eknoke@guildmortgage.net

CLUBHOUSE DECORATION - Janet Atkins & Greg Bolin rocketsquirrlley1@gmail.com







FLEET ST. PADDY'S CRUISE-IN

Posted by Delly Behen, Fleet Co-Captain

The weather was amazing for the St. Paddy's Cruise to Kingston. We enjoyed chowder on the dock for lunch, and a wonderful assortment of potluck dishes for dinner, followed by karaoke to round out the evening!



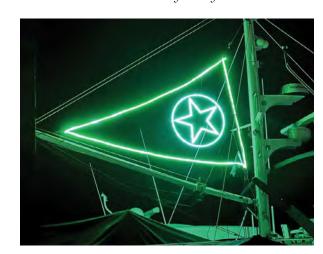
Members Enjoyed Kingston St. Paddy's Day Cruise-In



Sold Out Fleet Captains St. Paddy's weekend



St. Paddy's Day looks at the Fleets Kingston Cruise-In



Burgess' Charlevoix at St. Paddy's Cruise-In

GROUNDS WORK PARTY GOT WET, DOWN & DIRTY!

Posted by Susan Rebello

A big thank you to everyone who came to help with the grounds work party on Saturday, March 4, despite the less than lovely weather. It was 39 degrees and pouring rain for most of our time. Brave souls included Rear Commodore Doug Genord, Shauna Bennett, Mike and Susan Burke, Ken Knoke, Gordy Foote, Dave and Lynne Hancock, Jeff and Mary Green, Jack Connick and Denise Kitchel, Sandy Smith, Eric Lindbeck and the real hero of the day, Kaye Brunson who organized, planned, purchased and did all the background work. We got nearly everything on our list done. We're going into Spring in good shape. Thank you Volunteers!! You make this club great!!

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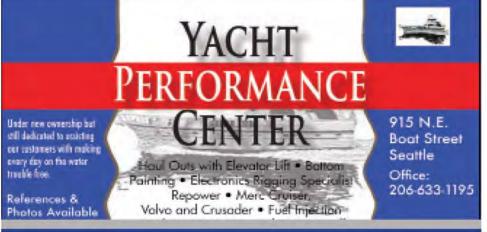
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Spring Fling Shook Off the Winter Blues

Posted by Michele Bedner, Commodore

The Spring Fling Friday Night Social was a success with 71 guests in attendance who celebrated the arrival of Spring with a festive buffet provided by Chef Willie and a night of dancing to The Tropics Band. There were 22 guests from Tyee Yacht Club, West Seattle Yacht Club and Puget Sound Yacht Club. Winners of the Spring Baskets were Debbie Foote and Commodore Scott Schoneman from Tyee Yacht Club.



Great Turnout for Spring Fling



Kevin & Treasurer Joyce Carlson at the Spring Fling



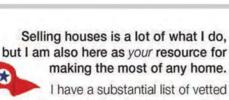
Members enjoyed music from The Tropics



Willie's buffet didn't disappoint



Members & guests enjoyed the Spring Fling



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UNITED YACHT

Join Up for Power Wash Palooza & Pride of Queen City

Doug Genord, Rear Commodore

Before I begin this month's call for volunteers, I wish to extend best wishes to Nick Castrow and his family as he faces serious medical challenges.

Welcome to April. Prime boating season is nearby. Opening Day is just weeks away, and we have much to do to get our vessels and club facilities in shape for the season. Opening Day events take place over five days where we welcome numerous members, yacht clubs and guests to our mainstation. The club has two major events to prepare our mainstation for all this activity. Power Wash Palooza is an event where a dozen or so folks use power washers to clean different areas outside the club house and the club's grounds. Pride of Queen City is another event that entails projects around the grounds, docks, and club house. Pride of Queen City requires the support of dozens of volunteers.

As Rear Commodore, I am responsible for fielding a strong cadre of volunteers to



Doug Genord, Rear Commodore

staff these events.

The Power Wash Palooza starts at 9:00 am on Saturday, April 22nd. We have about 13 different areas that need cleaning. Getting a ½ dozen folks to come out and

support it won't cut it. We need your help to make the work manageable for each of us. If you have a power washer and hose, please bring it. If not, let me know and we will make sure one is available. Please register for the event on the club calendar. Your questions can be addressed by reaching out to me (dcgenord@usa. net, 206-459-6720) or my co-chair Jim Hernandez (jimbo_h69@hotmail.com). Pride of Queen City starts at 9:00 am on Saturday the 29th of April. It will require numerous volunteers for numerous tasks around the grounds, club house and docks. Whatever your skill sets are, we can use your help. Please, Please, Please consider volunteering. Please register for this event on the club calendar. Contact me if you have any questions. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Join the Outstation WorkPARTY April 14-16

Posted by Barb (and the Jr. Editor) Eric Wood, Outstation Co-Chairs

The Bainbridge Island Outstation has a new front door! The old doors did not close completely for some time, despite adjustments by several skilled Members. Of course, some finishing work was needed - Member Rico Adams put his carpentry skills to work and P/C Scott Grimm spent hours connecting the security system, while The Jr. Editor A.K.A. Old-What's-His-Name, Eric, sat around "supervising" (Jr. Editor's note - I managed the laborers).

The Tarettes have purchased a number of items for this site over the years, including the deck box that holds children's life jackets and some toys. That deck box needs replacement and the Tarettes bought a new one! Its assembly will be one of our workPARTY projects (Jr. Ed. note - Whew! Another job avoided).

Speaking of workPARTY, this year it's the April 14-16 weekend. This is a once-a-year event, and it is amazing how much fun 40+ people have, and how much is accomplished! Friday is a prep day, Saturday is the busy day completing projects (inside, outside, yard, docks, etc.), and Sunday will be the final cleanup. Meals and refreshments are provided beginning-to-end. (Jr. Ed. note - that's a lot of managing for an old guy...)

This also happens to be Eric's birthday weekend (Jr. Ed. note - happens to be? Are you kidding???) Something chocolate is always served after Saturday evening's dinner! See you at Bainbridge soon -



Got Nautical Easter Eggs?



"Old What's His Name", Eric Wood staining trim on the new Outstation door



Friends Fun Fellowship TARETTES

Join the Tarettes Opening Day Sunday Breakfast Crew!

Posted by Theresa Wilson, Tarettes President

The Tarettes are making plans to coordinate Opening Day breakfast service. We are expecting a large crowd this year and will need quite a bit of help to set up, serve and clear plates. Please contact Wendy DeLaunay (wendy@delaunay.com) to volunteer for the Tarettes Sunday morning breakfast crew.

Please place the following 2023 Tarettes Board or General Membership meetings on your calendar and join us to discuss Tarettes business, upcoming philanthropic events and meet new friends or re-kindle old friendships. All meetings are held on Fridays at 1 p.m. on the 3rd Floor at the mainstation. Board Meeting Dates: TBD, General Membership Meeting Dates: 4/14.

The Tarettes Board nomination committee will be meeting shortly to make recommendations for the 2023-2024 Tarettes Board. Please let one of the Board members know if you are interested in serving or want to nominate a Tarette to serve on the Board.

Do you know someone who is ill, had surgery, who has passed away, or just needs a cheer up? Please contact our Sunshine Chair, Diane Prestebak, at 206-909-4427. Recently, the Tarettes sent Sympathy cards to Joan Preusser and Dale & Susie Roberts and Get Well cards to Dean Lentgis, George Austin and Nick Castrow.



Dianna Kineburger, Linda Dishneau & Wendy Redding at the Everett YC WIC Luncheon

New Member Orientation, May 19-21

Posted by Barry Rutten, Education & New Member Orientation Chair

The Education Committee is pleased to announce the return of the very popular QCYC New Member Bainbridge Outstation Orientation Cruise on the weekend of May 19-21 at your Bainbridge Island Outstation. If you've joined OCYC within the past 36 months or so and haven't attended an outstation orientation, we invite you to attend this Cruise-In by boat (preferred) or by car (ferries are boats, right?) and learn about your Bainbridge Island outstation. We want to make you feel completely welcome and familiar with the facilities, customs and opportunities presented by this jewel of a property. There'll be a detailed dock, grounds and building tour (old timer secrets revealed) that'll make you an expert on all things outstation in no time! We'll even show you how to light the indoor BBQ without blowing up the building or melting your eyebrows!

We also want to help you become familiar with the town, so you'll want to join in the very popular and highly competitive team photo scavenger hunt, with great QCYC Ship's Store and other prizes! A tradition of this event that

encourages volunteerism and gives you an opportunity to contribute to the outstation in a long-lasting way is the Group Project...the details are super-secret until you're on site, but here's a hint: bring some clothes that can get a little dirty. Don't worry....you'll be very proud of your contribution and make new friends!

There will be group meals and lots of opportunity to get to know your fellow new members and your Outstation. We may even give you a few minutes to relax on your boat! A detailed agenda is being developed and will be shared soon. For now, hold the date and sign up! Please RSVP for the event on the QCYC website, so we can plan for meals and events. The link to the sign-up form can be found on the club calendar or on the Events page. We had to take a break during the pandemic (boo!), so we expect a big turnout this year. In the past, we received so much great feedback that this was a fun and educational event. Most of all, it made new members feel very comfortable to come on out to the outstation on their own, which is what we want you to do! Join us!!



Join Education Chair, Barry Rutten, at the Outstation New Member Orientation







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THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS FOR A HUGE DOCKS FUN DAY

Posted by Chuck Gould, Docks Co-Chair

Record turnout, and then some! Our docks crew assembled the pipe frames that Eric Lindbeck designed for Dock Two. The plan is to build and pre-plumbed enough of these to service all the hose bib locations, install them, and then connect them with the horizontal plumbing runs. This elevates the faucets for easy access, and provides a drain at each location if it gets so crazy cold that it makes sense to shut off the water completely and drain the water out of the lines.



Annual Children's Easter Party, April 8



Docks crew are plumbers AND wood workers too



Docks crew on the job



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April 2023 Sunday Monday Wednesday Thursday Friday Tuesday Saturday IPBA - Eagle Harbor Race/Rally (Outstation) Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection 9:00am to 12:00pm 2 3 4 8 IPBA - Eagle Harbor Friday Lunch Children's Easter Party Race/Rally 11:00am to 1:00pm Saturday Breakfast (Outstation) Tarettes - Lunch & Games 8:00am to 10:30am Opening Day Volunteer Docks Fun Day 12:00pm 9:00am Pizza Party 2:00pm to 4:00pm **Music Committee** Rehearsal 5:30pm 10 **12** 15 Outstation Work Party Outstation Work Party Music Committee Rehearsal **QCYC Board Meeting** Regular Member Fleet Captain - Daffodil Festival Fleet Captain - Daffodil 5:30pm 7:00pm Meeting w/Dinner (Tacoma YC) Festival (Tacoma YC) Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection 7:30pm (Brainbridge Island Outstation) Friday Lunch Saturday Breakfast 1:00am to 1:00pm 8:00am to 10:30am Tarettes- General Flares, Flags & Fire Extinguishers Membership Meeting Open House (SYC) (2nd Floor) 11:00am to 2:00pm Memorial Service - Roberts 1:00pm 2:00pm 16 17 18 19 20 21 Saturday Social 22 **Outstation Work Party** Friday Lunch Saturday Breakfast Fleet Captain - Daffodil 11:00am to 1:00pm 8:00am to 10:30am Festival (Tacoma YC) Power Wash Palooza Music Committee Rehearsal 9:00am 5:30pm **Agave Madness** 6:30pm 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 Music Committee Rehearsal Regular Member Friday Lunch Pride of QCYC Meeting w/Dinner 11:00am to 1:00pm Saturday Breakfast 5:30pm 7:30pm Friday Social - Welcome 8:00am to 10:30am **Back Snowbirds** Vessel Electrical Safety 5:30pm Inspection 9:00am to 12:00pm 30 Hold - Opening Day Music Committee Rehearsal 5:30pm