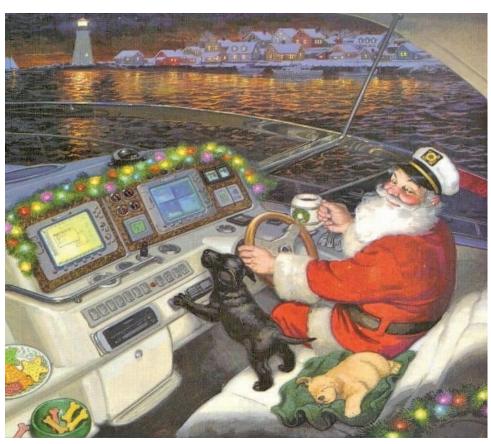
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Make reservations today for the Captains' Christmas Dinner, 12/9; Chet Gibson Memorial Cruise & Electric Christmas Ball, Potluck & Dance Party, 12/11; New Year's Eve Black & White Vaccination Ball, 12/31



Fleet Captains' land cruisers enjoyed Leavenworth



Fleet Captains' 'Land Cruise to Leavenworth Open 'mini-golf outing



Why club leadership instituted Rule 2.08

Breathable welcome mats welcome

# "Customizing" a Slip not a Good Idea

Posted by Chuck Gould, Docks Co-Chair

The last sentence of Rule 2.08 reads: "No alterations or changes shall be made to any of the Club's facilities without the prior approval of the Docks Committee". Certainly "changes", if not necessary "alterations", applies to the practice of adding additional cleats, hardware, "bumpers", etc

Recent discoveries during routine maintenance of the marina seem to indicate that the Docks Committee needs to be far more restrictive in the types of changes allowed. Ideally, there should be none.

to docks.

In this situation, a member attached a plastic "bumper" to the edge of the dock. Partially exacerbated by the fact that the same member had a non-pervious rubber mat unintentionally channeling rainwater to the edge of the dock and the back side of the bumper, rainwater invaded the dock planks by following the fasteners. In the photo, it's easy to see how the worst of the rot lines up exactly with the fastener hole on the bumper.

Rather obviously, that portion of the dock needs to be replanked. \*If\* the rot has spread to the string below, replacements for that structural portion now require the purchase of a 40-foot "glue lam" beamand the last one of those set the club back \$1200.

While there's always a temptation to add bumpers and cleats to your slip, please refrain. Even if you're pretty sure you know what you're doing. In some cases, these additional holes in the docks will raise heck with the structure, no matter how thoughtfully or skillfully done.

Most people really want to do the right thing. Sometimes they aren't sure what the right thing is. When it comes to attaching something to the dock, the right thing is to generally not.

For more information contact gould0738@aol.com

# THE QUEEN CITY YACHT CLUB

# Captains' Dinner, Electric Christmas ball & New Year's Eve Party

Posted by Margaret Krows, Commodore



Commodore Margaret Krows

As I am writing this monthly message, I am anticipating celebrating Thanksgiving with our two sons and their families the day after the holiday. It doesn't matter what day on the calendar families get together, just gathering to celebrate our connections is a blessing. I hope everyone in the Queen City Yacht Club family is able to share the holidays with the ones they love in whatever tradition that is meaningful.

Our pandemic history has quickened a new appreciation for simple festivities.

Everyone who has a boat moored at a Queen City facility needs to have emergency contact information posted on the boat. This should include a contact person whom you trust to act on your behalf if you are not physically able to come to your boat to attend to an emergency. Make sure the information both on your boat and online is current so the office knows who to call if needed. This is especially important for mooring members who spend several months at a time away from the area.

Saturday, December 4, is the morning to be at the main station for the Cover Photo Shoot to grace the 2022 Annual. In order to be successful, MANY members (100+) need to participate. Of course, everybody wants to be on the cover, so we'll see you there!

Thank you to everyone who helped decorate the clubhouse for the holidays. It is always a delight to see the transformed building and enjoy the special ambiance of the lighted trees and garland.

We look forward to the Captains' Dinner and the Chet Gibson Memorial Lighted Boat Linear Cruise followed by the Electric Christmas Ball. And then QCYC will end 2021 with a phenomenal New Year's Eve party orchestrated by Captains Tim and Krissy Connelly. Details for these events are elsewhere in the newsletter, and I am sure our members will come out to celebrate in style.

We close the year anticipating good health and prosperity for our community. As good stewards, we have faithfully kept Covid-19 protocols and we pray that our efforts will be rewarded with a return to normalcy soon. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

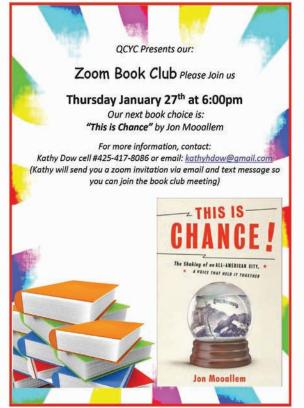
P/C Dave and I send our very best wishes to all of you and your extended families for a Merry Christmas and a Special Holiday Season.



Mooring members must provide emergency contact info



Proof of vaccination bracelets now popular accessory









## BOLT TO GET YOUR BOAT ELECTRICAL INSPECTION

Posted by Michele Bedner, Vice Commodore



Vice Commodore Michele Bedner

Most members by now have heard about the new QCYC annual requirement to pass a Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection. There most likely are members who have questions about this process and how it affects them. Hopefully the information provided below will cover most of your concerns.

The Vessel Electrical Safety Committee (VESC) provides electrical safety inspections to Queen City Yacht Club members per QCYC Rule 3.04.02 which states:

'Every Vessel moored at Queen City Yacht Club at the Mainstation on a permanent, temporary or sublet basis, every vessel assigned to winter moorage at the Bainbridge Island Outstation and every vessel applying for new permanent moorage or sublet shall be required to pass an electrical inspection as described in this rule. The inspections will be conducted by electrical inspectors appointed by the Club'.

Passing of this electrical inspection will qualify the vessel as meeting the Vessel Electrical Safety requirement for one year from the date of inspection. After 365 days if no new Vessel Electrical Inspection has taken place, the Electrical Status Result for that vessel automatically reverts to 'Fail'.

What happens if my Electrical Status Result is in 'Fail Status' and I choose not to get an electrical inspection?

- You will not be able to moor your boat at the QCYC Mainstation. This includes permanent moorage, temporary moorage in the 'U', reciprocal dock, sublets and work slips.
- You will not be able to have Winter Moorage at the Bainbridge Island Outstation or moor your boat at the Bainbridge Island Outstation docks
- You will no longer receive email notifications for slip offerings or locker offerings until you pass an electrical inspection.

# Why is this electrical inspection important?

- A loose electric current in the water could lead to electroshock drowning.
- Prevent electrical fires. It is not just your boat, but your neighbor's moored boat that can catch fire if there is an electrical issue. And this fire can quickly spread down the dock. We see marina fires each year and we want to protect QCYC members' lives, their boats and QCYC marina.
- New GFEP breakers. Our Bainbridge Island Outstation circuit breakers are getting an upgrade to GFEP breakers. And it is not just QCYC that is getting upgraded GFEP breakers. Other marinas are doing the same. With GFEP breakers, if your vessel has an electrical leakage, you will be denied power when you try to connect.

Pease feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns at vicecommodore@ queencity.org

Happy Holidays!



Black & White Vaccination Ball

We've Rolled Out the Red Carpet for New Year's Eve 2022!!!

Join us for the QCYC New Year's Black & White Vaccination Ball.

\$90 per Person

Lavish Buffet Featuring Prime Rib, Smoked Turkey, Peach Cobbler & Apple Crisp ala Mode.

Social House at 6:00 pm & Dinner at 7:00 pm

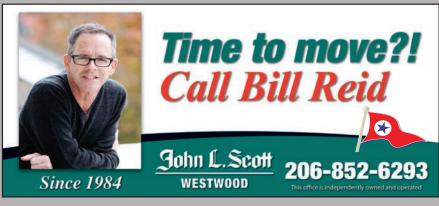
Dance the night away with Soul Siren. (fresh off their World Tour) til Midnight

We will have (Trained Professional on site administering (Booster Shots)!!!

Champagne Celebration at Midnight!

Attire: Cocktail Attire (in Black or White)
Sign-Up Online at queencity.org - Please RSVP by Dec 28<sup>th</sup>

Question? Contact Tim and Krissy Connelly









## FRIGHT NIGHT ROCKED THE MAINSTATION

Decorations for the Halloween Party were phenomenal – witch's legs and candles hanging from the ceiling thanks to Gordy Foote, and other ghoulish stuff. Thanks to event co-chairs, Greg Bolin and Janet Atkins, Jan and Chuck Gould, Susan Joy Burke, bartenders Sherry Weiss and Emily Rapp for orchestrating a fun party and to Three Sheets Blues Band for providing the dance music. A pair of nuns and can buoys won the grand costume prize. The party goers got quite creative with all of their outfits which made the event even more enjoyable. Special thanks to G.B. (Greg Bolin) for making the special concoction, Witches Brew!



A great time was had by all at the Halloween Party



Commodore & friends dressed for the party



David Ewton aims to catch butterfly Veronica Hueso



Halloween party chairs Gandalf (Greg Bolin) and Cruella (Janet Atkins)



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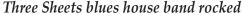
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Thanks to bartenders

# FAQs from the Vessel Electrical Safety Committee

Posted by Sparky & the VESC Crew: Tom, Dick, Terron, Duane, Pete, Miguel, Tom S, Rodger, Rico, and Craig



Sparky (a.k.a PC Terron) with VESC crew inspect

How do I check on my vessel electrical status?

- 1. Sign-in to the QCYC website as a Mem-
- 2. Find the heading MOORAGE
- 3. Scroll down to VESSEL QUALIFICA-TIONS OVERVIEW
- 4. Select: VESSEL ELECTRICAL STATUS
- 5. Find your MEMBER NAME
- 6. Click on your VESSEL NAME beside your name
- 7. View VESSEL ELECTRICAL VALUES including date of last inspection, current imbalance in milliamps and most

importantly, PASS or FAIL status.

How do I Get an Electrical Inspection on my Boat?:

- 1. Log onto the QCYC website as a Member.
- 2. Find the heading CALENDAR.
- 3. Scroll down to BY CALENDAR
- 4. Inspection Events are posted several weeks in advance.
- 5. Pick the date that you want.
- 6. Click on the Event.
- 7. Read the instructions about the inspection process.
- 8. Click SIGN-UP
- 9. Enter your name, vessel name and slip number.
- 10. Click SAVE REGISTRATION

How often is my boat required to have a vessel electrical test?

Club rules require an electrical inspection every year. The database will automatically change your status from PASS to FAIL on the 365th day after the last inspection. Do I need to be present for the Inspection?

Yes. The member or a knowledgeable designated representative must be present to operate all of the AC electrical equipment aboard the boat as instructed by the Inspector and to sign the inspection results form at the end.

Can I make an appointment or reserve a time slot?

Sorry, this is just not possible due to all the variables including weather, number of boats, number of inspectors, location of boats, time to walk between docks, etc, etc. VESC promises that if you are registered for an event an inspector will complete an inspection before the end of the day if you are aboard your boat and weather permits.

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# Our shared meals build camaraderie & trust

Posted by Michael Day, Rear Commodore



Rear Commodore Michael Day

Like just about everyone I am surprised by the fact that it is late November. With the summer months behind us and the busy holiday season at our doorstep, it can feel a bit hectic. I set that aside as I prepared this report to take an inventory of the present. I considered highlighting several of the recent social activities. I also considered the efforts of many related to the maintenance and business activities of the club. Engagement around member safety, including electrical and COVID, came to mind as well. All are worthy topics. However, it was just too much to address them all as Pete Delaunay only gives me 400 words. So instead, I chose to focus on the foundation of these activities our shared meals.

Recently I have enjoyed breakfast, lunch, and dinner at the mainstation. Community meals have a special place across all regions and cultures. They allow us to slow down, tell stories, and connect. Eating together is one of the ways you create lasting bonds. We hear stories from the past, share memories, and make plans. When we eat as a group, devices are stowed. Your mind moves off the day, you relax, and can simply be present with others.

At breakfast recently, the room was buzzing. Members were sharing a meal before various activities, including Docks Fun day, a trip to Leavenworth, and electrical safety testing. This prior Friday's lunch was also well attended. The regular meeting dinner and bingo pizza were similar. It was great seeing everyone enjoy an ice cream bar following the last meeting.

A bit of homework online notes that eating together builds camaraderie among people sharing the same food. Decisions and consensus can be reached more quickly. Through shared meals, you are more likely to respect each other, and it is easier to work together. I see these gatherings as a common thread and foundation of all the other club activities.



Willie & Peggy are open for Friday lunch, Saturday breakfast & membership meeting dinners

Whether a recurring meal, such as Saturday breakfast, Friday lunch, or Wednesday dinner, or a special event, like the upcoming Captain's Dinner hosted by the Tarrettes on Thursday, 9 December, come pull up a chair. QCYC is a fantastic community. Here is a toast to all at the start of this Holiday season. Kitt and I are looking forward to many more meals together.

# Welcome new members & help staff the boat show booth

#### Posted by Val Ohlstrom, Membership Chair

Please welcome new members Michael & Vilma Kelly, who were inducted at the general membership meeting on November 10, 2021. For the Kellys QCYC is a family affair - they were sponsored by their son and daughter-inlaw, Jose Garzon and Ivonne Radovich, who joined the club last year. We look forward to their participation for many years to come!

We are excited for the return of the Seattle Boat Show on February 4-12, 2022, and to have the opportunity to promote boating and our wonderful club and recruit new members. To sign up for a timeslot, please log into your account on the QCYC webpage, then check out the booth schedule on the Forum page under Active Forum Topics. We like to

have 3-4 people scheduled to work the booth for each time slot, so please consider choosing a time that works for you. Then email me at membership@queencity.com and I will enter your selection into the schedule. Let's make it the best boat show yet! Happy Holidays to our QCYC family from the Ohlstroms!

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# Friends Fun Fellowship

#### **TARETTES**

#### Posted by Kathy Dow, Tarettes President

I want to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas! I hope you will all be able to spend the holidays with those you love. A big Thanks to all of you who have participated in the Tarettes activities so far this year! We still have some more fun events planned. Please join us!

Many thanks to Debbie Foote and Shawn Quinn for organizing the Bingo and Pizza Night! Thanks for organizing this event with so much enthusiasm making it Fun for all who were able to attend!

Sunshine Chair- Do you know someone who is ill, had surgery, who has passed away, or just needs a cheer up? Please contact Diane Prestebak at 206-909-4427 or saltymist2@ yahoo.com

All ladies of QCYC are considered Tarettes and are welcome to join all Tarettes' activities.

If you are new to the club and would like to

be set up with a Big Sister, let me know and we will appoint you a Big Sister. They will help feel you feel welcome, call you to keep you informed of what's going on at the club, and help you get involved. You will get to know people, make new friends, and feel part of the club and have lots of fun!

If you'd like to be more involved, we are looking for chairs for the archive, philanthropy, roster, scrapbook, and photography. It would be really great to have some new Tarettes step up. Please let me or any of the officers know if you are interested in one of these chairs. Tarettes' board meetings are open, and all Tarettes are welcome to attend unless otherwise noted. Everyone is welcome to attend general meetings. Please read the Bilge Blasts emails for up to the minute information.

Arboretum tour (date TBD) hosted by Debbie Foote, Tree House volunteering (date TBD) chair-Barbara Wilson. Plus more events to be

announced. If you have another idea you'd like to share/host please contact me and let's make it happen.

\*We'd like to host a Shop & Swap event / a bridge club / WOW- (women out walking) Club / A gardening Club / Decorating your boat event / knitters-quilters-sewing club. If you are interested in hosting any of these or have another idea you'd like to share/host please contact me and lets make it happen. Kathy Dow at 425-417-8086.

We hope you'll plan to join us, make some new friends and reconnect with some old friends. I am honored to serve as your president, and look forward to a great year! We have so much to be thankful for this year! May mercy, peace and love be multiplied to you!



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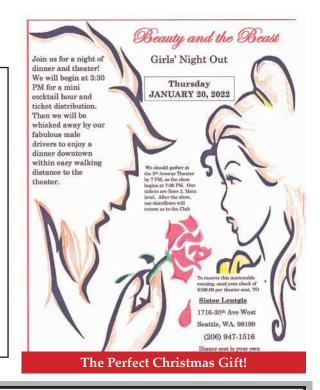
Captain's Dinner 12/9/21

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WIC Luncheon 2/16/22





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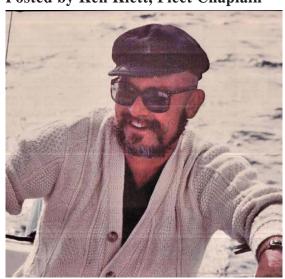






## BOATER, FATHER & TEACHER SLIPS MOORAGE FOR THE LAST TIME

Posted by Ken Klett, Fleet Chaplain



JB Hanna 1934-2021`

Captain James (JB) Hanna, member #456, peacefully slipped his moorage for the last time on September 8th as he started his last outbound voyage at 87 years old.

JB, as he was called, traced his American heritage to the earliest arrivals in this country and his ancestors and family answered the call for every struggle from the revolutionary war to the war on terrorism.

Born in Yakima, JB graduated from Port Orchard High School, joined the U.S. Army, and served for 4 years in the Army Medical Corp. He eloped with Beverly J. Hansen on April 20, 1957, and they traveled the 11 Western States with their three cats and travel trailer, install-

ing VOR (very high frequency omni-directional range) navigation devices in some very desolate places.

In 1959 they settled in Inglewood CA, where daughters Tamara and Arlyn were born. After the military, JB worked as a field engineer, traveling both alone and with his family to nearly every corner of the world. Third daughter Judith was born while the family lived in Athens, Greece. Beverly was fond of telling the story of how she induced the U.S. State Department to get JB released from the clutches of Chilean General Pinochet after completing an assignment at the Santiago Airport in that country. Shortly before the birth of son James in 1964, they purchased a home in Selah, WASH., where they raised their four children. JB started teaching at Yakima Valley Community College in September 1968, where he taught electronics and math and gave apoplectic fits to the administration for 27 years till June 1995 when he retired (he was a teachers' union organizer)!

He served as Commodore of the Yakima Valley Boat Club (YVBC) and subsequently was a proud member of the International Order of the Blue Gavel, an organization that recognizes services that past commodores have made to the boating community. In their travels, he and Beverly enjoyed Blue Gavel functions around

the country, even in England. They were able to enjoy a beverage and a meal in many locations by taking advantage of reciprocity agreements that the YVBC had with other yacht clubs. Following Beverly's death in 2008, he was married to Carma J. Kimball from 2009 until her death in 2017.

In his retirement, he spent time on the board of the YVBC, traveling, working on boat projects in his back yard ("Hanna's Landing"), sailing in the San Juan Islands, cruising and visiting with family and friends.

In 2015, Captain Hanna joined Queen City Yacht Club. While JB had not yet been active in club committees or governance, he was anxiously waiting moorage for his Venture 24 sailboat named, "Salientian," so he could be more involved. He was quite a craftsman and, amongst other modifications, added a mizzen mast to the "Salientian"!

He is survived by his only sister Paddy Snooks and by his four children, Tamara Austin (Glenn) of Morgan Hill, CAL., Arlyn Losey (Robert) of Seattle, WASH., Judith McInnis (Gary) of Yakima, WASH., and James Hanna (Kara) of Blackfoot, ID; in addition, he is survived by 13 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	Private Event - Elert	Private Event - Elert Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Vessel Electical Safety Inspection - All Docks 9:00am to 12:00pm QCYC Annual Roster Photo 10:00am
5	QCYC Board Meeting 7:00pm	Docks Committee Meeting 6:30pm Planning & Finance Meeting 7:00pm	Regular Member Meeting In-Person w/ Dinner & "Virtual" Zoom 7:30pm to 9:30pm Bar Opens 7:00pm Dinner 6:30pm	Tarettes - Captains Dinner	SSAPS Holiday Party Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Docks Fun Day 9:00am Chet Gibson Lighted Boat Parade & Electric Christmas Ball 6:00pm
Music Committee Rehearsal 6:30pm	Rotary Music Rehearsal 2:00pm to 4:30pm	14	Private Event - DeLaunay	Past Commodore Christmas Party	Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	Private Event - Svendsen Saturday Breakfast 8:00am to 10:30am Vessel Electical Safety Inspection - All Docks 9:00am to 12:00pm
HOLD - Cosgrove	20	21	22	23	Private Event - Wise Christmas Eve Office Closed (Holiday)	Christmas 25
26	Office Closed (Holiday)	28	29	30	New Year's Eve Office Closed (Holiday) Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	