



Nautical Lines

Brownsville Yacht Club
9790 Ogle Road, Box 16, Bremerton, WA 98311

December 2014
www.brownsvillyachtclub.org



Commodore's Report



As I awoke this morning, I checked the temperature outside and it displayed 28°F. I then looked outside and the little bit of snow was still there with a fresh frosting over. The cold of December is well upon us. It reminds me of Christmas as a child in Ohio. I am very happy that we do not have 14 inches of snow as they do now.

With that, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, December is a month with lots of celebrations occurring and gatherings of family. No matter what holiday you and your family celebrate, I wish you a wonderful season.

December for the Brownsville Yacht Club is full of activity. The Christmas Tree Decorating and White Elephant Party, Christmas Angles, General Meeting, Executive Board Meeting and of course the New Year's Eve Party are some of the happenings for the Club in December. I look forward to seeing you all at one of these events.

November was General Meeting Potluck with installation of the new Fleet Captain Charlene Holmes. Please contact her as we are in need of Cruise Hosts for the future cruises. Please look at the schedule and consider which one of the cruises you would like to host.

The executive board meeting for December is rescheduled for December 18th, 7pm at the club house.

Wishing everyone a wonderful and safe month of December.

Who will join me in the Polar Plunge next year?

This is your club so let's make it the best around the sound.

Commodore Jonathan Thomas

S/V Absolutely, Clear channel 68 and monitoring channel 13 and 16

Annual Tree Decorating and Christmas Gift Exchange

Saturday, December 6th, 6:00 p.m.

Please bring Heavy Hors d'oeuvres
to Share and BYOB

AND... A Wrapped White Elephant
Gift to Exchange - one per person.
(Be creative!)

Santa Ron will officiate the game -
his rules RULE!



Remember Food,
Paper goods or
Toiletries Donations
for Food Bank are
always needed.



Christmas
Angels

Be sure to bring gifts wrapped
to the club, on December 6th.

It's important to have
the child ID # attached.

We have had a wonderful
response from members and feel
we will have four very happy
children on Christmas Day.

Thanks so much to all for your
generosity for this very
worthwhile project.



Info or Questions -
Sue Pedersen 360-613-1888 or Ron Smith 360-710-3599

Upcoming Events

December 2014

- 6 ~ Christmas Tree
Decorating & Social
- 9 ~ General Meeting - 7pm
- 10 ~ Port Com. Mtg - 7pm
- 12-13 ~ Lighted Boat Parade
- 18 ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 30 ~ Newsletter Input Due
- 31 ~ BVYC New Year's Eve
Celebration

January 2015

Bi-Laws Committee

- 1 ~ Brownsville Marina
Polar Plunge
- 13 ~ General Meeting - 7pm
- 14 ~ Port Com. Mtg - 7pm
- 16-19 ~ Cruise to
Port Orchard
- 23-Feb 1 ~ Seattle Boat Show
- 22 ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 26 ~ Newsletter Input Due

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Rear Commodore's Comments



Ho Ho Ho! Wishing all a wonderful December and a Season full of excitement and activities. This is certainly a festive time of year and Very Cold.

December for BVYC is very busy! Wonderful memories are made with sharing our time with each other. The Club House will be well occupied, starting with our Tree Decorating and White Elephant Gift exchange, Lighted Boat Parade evening gatherings, the many Holiday Celebrations Rentals and New Year's Eve.

Rentals of the Club House are booked solid for December and many have come in for the New Year. PLEASE check the website calendar for availability and also for when the club is being rented.

Many Blessings and wishes for a Merry Christmas a Happy, Safe, and Wonderful Holiday Season. May you all have Much Wind in your Sails in the New Year!
Carolyn, Rear Commodore, s/v Absolutely



Our Thanksgiving
Pot-Luck
General Meeting
was well attended and
we all had full happy tummies.



Big Thank you to JR and Tina
for the Deep Fried
Delicious Turkeys
and to Charlene and Carolyn
for hosting and decorating.



The general meeting consisted of a short installation of our new Officer
Fleet Captain Charlene, Treasurer Voni and Secretary Terry.
Welcome Aboard!



Fleet Captain



Hello BVYC Members,
The Last Waltz and it's intrepid crew are the real pirates of November.

As the sole participants in the November cruise, they staked a claim for the Brownsville Yacht Club on Blake Island and held the beachhead alone. Miss Marlene was loaded up and outfitted for the weekend, but her crew, Jim and I, (well I) chickened out before getting under way due to windy conditions and choppy seas. Fair weather sailors at best.

Which brings us to a topic for our December General Meeting. Shall we scale back the cruise schedule during the winter months full of tenuous weather and holiday plans?

Please be prepared to bring your suggestions and advice for discussion at this meeting. We are counting on the membership to express their wishes for the optimum yacht club cruise experiences.

Best wishes for a joyous and memorable holiday season to our members.

Charlene Holmes, Fleet Captain

2014-2015 Proposed Cruise Schedule

- December 12-13, 2014
No cruise due to Christmas Light Parade
- January 16-19, 2015
Port Orchard Marina Washington History/Mystery (reservations)
- February 20-22, 2015
Land Cruise to destination Washington Coast (TBD)
- March 20-22, 2015
Port of Kingston Spring Fever/Outdoor Games
- April 17-19, 2015
Bell Harbor Blues Cruise
- May 15-17, 2015
Gig Harbor Getaway and Chili Cook-off
- June 12-14, 2015
Port of Bremerton Flag Day Fun/Possibly Marina Week (the date not yet set by the Port as of 9/2014) (reservations made)
- July 17-19, 2015
Port of Edmonds Summer Beach Party
- August, 2015 -- NO Cruise
- September 17-19, 2015
Andrews Bay Float (this still sounds fun) open for suggestions



FOOD BANK DONATIONS

The needs of our community build as we get closer to the holiday season. Please keep those donations coming!

Please continue to bring in nonperishable items to the Yacht Club.

Items collected do not necessarily need to be food.

- Collection of Clothing (coats/scarves/gloves), Toiletries (toilet paper/ toothbrushes & paste/combs/ brushes/feminine hygiene products/shaving cream & razors), and Baby needs (diapers/wipes), just to name a few.

As caring and generous boaters, we can make a difference in the Bremerton community. Frequent deliveries are made. -- Thank You!!

Join in the Fun!!!

What you get by being a Host Fleet Captain

1. **You get** to pick an unhosted cruise to host
2. **You get** to contact your Fleet Captain for assistance
3. **You get** to plan creative weekend activities
4. **You get** to spend your \$100 cruise budget for supplies, prizes, food, etc
5. **You get** to advertise your cruise activities in the BVYC Newsletter by sending your advertisement to Sally before the cruise
6. **You get** to watch your fellow BVYC members have a fun weekend
7. **You get** to brag what a great weekend everyone had in the Newsletter by sending a recap and pictures to Sally for newsletter following the cruise
8. **You get** recognition and praise from your fellow BVYC members for being a great Host Fleet Captain
9. **You get** your name entered in the end-of-year Host Fleet Captain drawing for a great prize.
10. **You get** to tell yourself that was easy and I can do this again next year !!

New Years Eve Party!

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This year's party will be hosted by
Charlene Holmes with able assistance
from Carolyn and Jim Holmes.



Our party theme is

"The Codfish Ball"

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yA9gl1kezns>)

Doors open at 7:00 pm
for hors d'oeuvres and libations
followed by a seated dinner at 7:45 pm

Dinner will consist of soup, salad, rolls and butter.
Roast beef entrée with potatoes and vegetable side, all top shelf gourmet faire.
Fancy dessert and coffee to follow.

Music, dancing and merriment
until champagne toast at midnight.

Wine pairing with dinner
and champagne toast
will be provided.

Please BYOB to accompany the
hors d'oeuvres social at 7 pm
and for after dinner partying.

Dress attire for the evening is cocktail/dressy casual.
Here's your chance to start the New Year dressed up
and having fun.

Individual members \$15.00,
member couples, \$25.00,
non-member guests, \$20.00. Pay at the door.

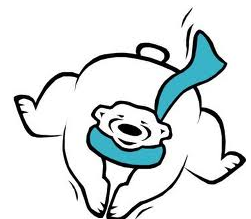
Since this is a plated dinner, RSVP required
no later than Dec 28th please.
email: cholmespi@gmail.com or 206-498-0620



Brownsville Marina
January 1ST -- 12:00 NOON

Diving in from beach area
going to pavilion
Meet in front of Deli

Participants are
encouraged,
bystanders are welcome



Brownsville Yacht Club Happenings

December 2014

- 6** ~ Christmas Tree Decorating & Social
- 9** ~ General Meeting - 7pm
- 10** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm
- 12 - 13** ~ Lighted Boat Parade
- 18** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 30** ~ Newsletter Input Due
- 31** ~ BVYC New Year's Eve Celebration

January 2015

Bi-Laws Committee

- 1** ~ Brownsville Marina Polar Plunge
- 13** ~ General Meeting - 7pm
- 14** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm
- 16-19** ~ Cruise to Port Orchard
- 23-Feb 1** ~ Seattle Boat Show
- 22** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 26** ~ Newsletter Input Due

February

- 1** ~ Super Bowl Sunday
- 2** ~ Newsletter Input Due
- 10** ~ General Mtg -7pm & Valentine Pot-Luck 6pm
- 11** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm
- 20-22** ~ Land Cruise to Washington Coast
- 23** ~ Newsletter Input Due
- 26** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm

March

Nominating Committee

- 2** ~ Newsletter Input Due
- 10** ~ General Meeting - 7pm
- 11** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm
- 20-22** ~ Cruise to Kingston
- 26** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 30** ~ Newsletter Input Due

April

- 8** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm
- 14** ~ General Meeting - 7pm
- 23** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 25-27** ~ Cruise to Bell Harbor

May

- 1** ~ Newsletter Input Due
- 2** ~ **Rummage Sale**
- 12** ~ General Meeting - 7pm
- 13** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm
- 15-17** ~ Cruise to Gig Harbor
- 28** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 31** ~ Newsletter Input Due

June

Annual Dues Due

- 9** ~ General Mtg - 7pm & **Voting of Officers**
- 10** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm
- 12-14** ~ Cruise to Bremerton
- 25** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 29** ~ Newsletter Input Due

July

Financial Audit

- 8** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm
- 11** ~ General Meeting & Officers Picnic
- 17-19** ~ Cruise to Edmonds
- 23** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 27** ~ Newsletter Input Due

August

NO General Meeting

- 12** ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm
- 27** ~ EXB Meeting - 7pm
- 31** ~ Newsletter Input Due

September

- 12** ~ **Installation Dinner**