



# Nautical Lines

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## Commodore's Report



Happy New Year and welcome to 2014. What a spectacular fireworks display on the Space Needle. Next was the song Auld Lang Snye, written by Robert Burns in 1788, everyone knows the tune, but the words are blurred some times. It's a simple reminder to remember friends and things past while looking to the future.

December was a busy month, thanks to Vice Comm. Jodi for officiating the general meeting as I was in North Bend doing some training. Lighted boat parade was well attended as was the white elephant party. Thanks to Carl and Sue for organizing the Christmas Angles.

January 2014 General meeting will be on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup>, hope to see you all there. Some of the items to discuss are the Bylaws review, and getting started for nominations for the bridge in 2014-2015.

Please check the monthly happenings calendar and other Items listed in the newsletter. Kingston is the cruise for January. Hope to see you there. 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

## Upcoming Events:

### January

#### Bi-Laws Committee

- 1 ~ Brownsville Marina Polar Plunge
- 14 ~ Social - 6:30pm, General Meeting - 7pm
- 17-20 ~ MLK Cruise to Kingston
- 24 ~ Movie Night
- 30 ~ Executive Board Meeting - 7pm
- 27 ~ Newsletter Input Due

### February

- 2 ~ Super Bowl Sunday
- 11 ~ Social - 5:30pm, Valentine Pot-Luck - 6pm  
General Meeting - 7pm
- 14-17 ~ Land Cruise to Pacific Beach
- 27 ~ Executive Board Meeting - 7pm
- 24 ~ Newsletter Input Due

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Please send your comments, stories, and club information to: SeaStarSally@hotmail.com

When sending photos please also send them to bobbinantsy@yahoo so that they can be included in the clubs photo gallery. Thank you!!



## Movie Night



Friday, January 24, 2014

## "Captain Ron"

6:00 pm Social time  
7:00 pm Movie and Popcorn



Bring a heavy appetizer, BYOB,  
& your blanket if you would like

Hosted by Jonathan and Carolyn



## Vice Commodore's Report



I am not quite sure what happened to December, but it sure went by in a zip. It felt like we went straight from Thanksgiving to Christmas and there was no time to breathe in between.

Oh wait, that's right I couldn't breathe the first week in December, my lungs were frozen. The first weekend in December was quite a doozy. It was so bad we had to cancel the lighted boat parade on Friday night. I certainly do appreciate all the participants who were ready and willing, especially the Pederson Family, it shows a level of dedication that I had not realized. It makes me proud to represent a club with members so dedicated to providing service and entertainment to the community despite the weather or freezing temperatures. Saturday did provide for calmer weather, but the freeze was unbearable. I tried

to stay up in the fly bridge with Chris, but I wimped out on him and sent Jeremy to keep him company. So to all the captains who stayed outside and braved the cold – Bravo to you!

The boats in the parade looked amazing and I enjoyed watching the land dwellers gesture their appreciation and approval of our parade. We did have a non-member boat join our parade, Emerald Isle. I had many fun conversations with them on the dock while they were decorating their boat and after the parade. This couple fit into the parade perfectly and would be a great

addition to our club. Next time you are taking a dock walk, you may have a chance to meet them and chat, they are moored in Brownsville in slip E53.

We also had some great social gatherings this month. The after parade party on Saturday, the no parade party on Friday, and the before meeting social on December 10 were great fun for all who participated. The two social gatherings brought tons of food and all three provided great opportunities to get reacquainted, so please mark your calendars for the next social gathering, and bring a friend!

### RUMMAGE SALE -- SATURDAY MAY 3, 2014

Time to form the BVYC Rummage Sale Committee

Looking for Volunteers

Contact Rear Commodore Carolyn

All are encouraged and invited to participate, and provide input

*Start saving your treasures Now for another successful BVYC Rummage Sale!*



## Rear Commodore's Comments

As I reflect over the past year of 2013 I realize I have been extremely busy and have enjoyed

ALL the wonderful BVYC cruises, parties, meetings, and activities. My Pom-Poms are in the air waving to all the wonderful BVYC members – Yahoo! — I've had a lot of fun.

The club house has had much usage in December, starting with our Tree Decorating and White Elephant, The Lighted Boat Parade gatherings, New Year's Eve Celebration and all rented out weekends.

Start making your plans with your family and friends for your next activity, event or celebration and get your dates saved for your Club House Rental. Visit our website calendar for availability.

Thank you to all the caring members for your donations to the food bank. For the month of December, a total of 213 lbs was delivered. Thank you Bob S. for the delivery.

Wishing all a safe, happy and joyful 2014.

Carolyn , Rear Commodore



# Fleet Committee

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## January 17-20 Cruise to Kingston -- Still needs a host boat!

Our first cruise of 2014 is being hosted at Kingston January 17-20 which is MLK weekend. If you are planning on attending you will need to make your own reservations by calling the Port of Kingston at (360) 297-3545 and notify us at [rufyannemv@yahoo.com](mailto:rufyannemv@yahoo.com).

We are still looking for a host boat so if you are interested please contact us. Here are some ideas for

weekend activities:

Friday evening meet and greet, possibly at Kingston YC.

Saturday lunch and a movie (great little theater in walking distance)

Sunday root the Seahawks onto the Super Bowl at local sports restraunt

## Annual Land Cruise to Pacific Beach, February 14-17

Just when you think summer would last longer, in drops the cold cool weather of fall, then winter. If you don't take your boat out in the winter here is a great alternative to the winter blues; **The Annual Brownville Yacht Club's Land Cruise to Pacific Beach February 14-17 2014.** It's Valentine's Day on Friday, and President's Day on Monday so it fits with a great three day holiday right in the heart of Winter.

Pacific Beach is the Navy's premium recreational resort on the Washington Coast. If you want to see what it's all about go to their website at <http://navylifepnw.com/site/68/Pacific-Beach.aspx>.

This facility is family friendly and they have lots of things to do. Plus you are just feet away from the ocean and a drive away from Ocean Shores (about 45 mins). There are houses to rent, suites (both allow dogs) and hotel rooms. They have a restaurant/bar, a gym area, a hot tub, movie room, a 6 lane bowling alley, and a game

room. While the town itself is Very sleepy during the winter this is usually clamming time and the beaches fill up fast. We plan a day so you can explore and usually have a pot-luck dinner, along with other activities, but the one thing we've always had was fun!!!

So here are the particulars: The resort is limited to active/retired/reserve military personnel and DOD active and retired employees. **THIS SHOULDNT STOP YOU FROM COMING** because if you do not meet these requirements, we have a number of people that are going who do and we can still get you a reservation by you being a guest. You will owe them the reservation costs, but you can work that out later!!

If you want to be part of this cruise but want to stay in the town of Pacific Beach or nearby Seabrook, there are some options there too, but Google the towns for lodging!

There are three Brownville YC members who have already

reserved three, four bedrooms - 2 bath, beach front homes at Pacific Beach and we'd like to extend an invitation to you to come with us. If you think you'd like to join us and you don't qualify as military or DOD email myself (Linda Dent) at [Rhome4me@hotmail.com](mailto:Rhome4me@hotmail.com) or Kathy Mark at [Rufyannemv@yahoo.com](mailto:Rufyannemv@yahoo.com) and let us know you are interested and we'll help you out. You can also call me, Linda Dent, at (360) 620-9322, or Kathy Mark at (253) 279 3964, and we can make the reservation for you as our guest.

If you do qualify on your own- the phone number to call for Pacific Beach reservations is **1-877-NAVY-BED**. Please let us know by email if you make a reservation or would like us to make one for you!

Sooner is better as reservations go fast, but if you don't mind staying with your YC friends we do have those three houses. Those of us who have done this land cruise the last few years have really had a great time!

## 2013/2014 Cruise Schedule

Dates	Destination	Host Boat
January 17-20, 2014 (MLK)	Kingston Marina	NEED HOSTS
February 14-17, 2014 (Pres Day)	Pacific Beach land cruise	Linda & Lester Dent
March 14-16 2014	Gig Harbor <i>Boats can anchor out, Public Dock (no power), or individual reservations at Arabella's 253-851-1793</i>	NEED HOSTS
April 25-27, 2014	Bell Harbor <i>Reservations made for 10 boats, signup with host boat</i>	NEED HOSTS
May 23-26, 2014 (Memorial Day)	Olympia - Swantown	NEED HOSTS
June 13-15, 2014	Edmonds <i>Reservations made for 10-15 boats, signup with host boat</i>	NEED HOSTS
Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 2014 (Labor Day)	Andrews Bay <i>Locks - Lake Washington, Steward Park</i>	NEED HOSTS

# Social and Tree Decorating



# Lighted Boat Parade

Yo-Ho-Ho. It was a chilly Friday night, the commodore and host decided to cancel the Keyport to Illahee Friday night boat parade due to extremely strong cold winds from the north. The Brownsville guest dock was 6" under water and with Coast Guard small craft warnings the seas were not safe. That did not stop the festivities from happening at the



Yacht Club,

where yacht club members and locals gathered to share a potluck feast. Saturday the winds died down, it was a dark commute down to the BBI fish pens. Once the Christmas boat lights turned on, it was a pleasant journey back to Brownsville up the BBI side. We did a circle around "Last Waltz" to bid them and everyone on the other boats a Merry Christmas. Then it was back up to the YC for Hot Rum Toddies. It was a very nice way to start off the Christmas season. Thank you to all the boats in attendance and participants from the shore. Absolutely, Boxy Lady, Emerald Isle, Last Waltz, Our Sweetheart, Bumbo, Wabbit, Scottish Mist, Elysian and Reely R's



# New Years Eve Party!

Thank you for coming to the New Year's party. I really enjoyed celebrating 2014 with such great friends. I hope everyone had a great time and enjoyed their dinner. The kids worked hard on the meals. There



were a few glitches but we managed to get through them. I am certainly looking forward to the next event.



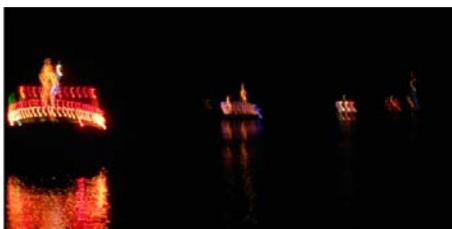
Since we got off to a rough start, Jeremy did forget to set up a table for collecting dinner



funds. I know he managed to put something together, but if he forgot to collect funds from anyone, please let me know and we will make arrangements.

Again thank you so much for helping to make the New Year's party so successful!

Cheers,  
Jodi Fitchett, Vice Commodore



## Here's a List of the Major Issues that RBAW is Tracking:

- Recreation Resource Account — RBAW is attempting to restore the raided \$3.3M back into the Governor's supplemental capital budget. During November there have been meetings with Governor's staff and budget staff pushing for restoration. The Governor's supplemental capital budget is due out in December.
- Derelict Vessels — A work group was established. RBAW has three members on the work group, but it now appears that Oct. 9 will serve as the only work group meeting. We now understand the DNR is working on a bill and we hope it will speak to the need for commercial vessels to contribute to derelict vessel clean-up funding.
- No Discharge Zone — It appears that DOE will petition EPA for a NDZ covering all of Puget Sound. There was a meeting November 25th, attended by RBAW, where various commercial operators expressed concern about the direction of DOE on the NDZ petition.
- Transportation Package — We continue to testify and support removal of the fuel tax lid which would put additional funds into the Recreation Resource Account.
- Expanded Invasive Species Legislation — WDFW is seeking to bring forth an Invasive Species bill next January. Just how an expanded Invasive Species education and enforcement program would be funded continues to be a concern for RBAW. A recent funding concept would put much of the new funding burden on human-powered craft.
- Marine Tourism Bill — Sponsored by NMTA, the bill would increase the amount of time a corporate-owned vessel can be in State waters before a use tax is due. RBAW is supportive.
- Seattle SMP — RBAW has met with City officials in an attempt to ensure that regulations on "house boats" do not spill over to live-aboards on recreational vessels - and do not impose any annual "performance test." We believe we have successfully headed off the performance test idea.
- Excessive boardings — This issue continues to receive attention at various levels. The Washington Boating Alliance devoted a meeting in Olympia, attended by RBAW, during November. A second meeting will take place next February.



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Just want to wish  
all our friends in BVYC  
a Happy New Year.

This is  
the desert South West  
version of a snowman.

Bill & Diana

## Join in the Fun!!! What you get by being a Host Fleet Captain

1. **You get** to pick an un-hosted cruise to host
2. **You get** to contact your Fleet Committee Kathy & Bill Mark at [rufyannemv@yahoo.com](mailto:rufyannemv@yahoo.com) 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 at [seastarsally@hotmail.com](mailto:seastarsally@hotmail.com) before 1<sup>st</sup> of the cruise month
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 BVYC Newsletter by sending a recap and pictures to Sally at [seastarsally@hotmail.com](mailto:seastarsally@hotmail.com) 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 !!

