



Nautical Lines

Brownsville Yacht Club
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Commodore's Report



They say April showers bring May Flowers, let's hope that is the way it will be this year. Opening day of boating season is May 3rd and that is the day of our rummage sale.

April brought lots of activity for the club items, bylaws and policy review. I will be presenting the amendments to the bylaws for the club membership to vote on at the general meeting in May. This requires a 2/3

vote of the general membership. A notice was sent out to meet the bylaws time requirements for notification. Also, May general meeting is when the nominations for next year's officers will be presented. See you all at the May General meeting on Tuesday the 13th.

May Cruise to Des Moines is the annual Bloody Mary Tradition. Your Officers will be serving the libation at breakfast on Sunday.

Let's not forget Mothers day on Sunday the 11th. The world would not be what it is without Mothers. Happy Mother's Day.

June is fast approaching. Items for June are Annual Dues are due. To vote for officers, you must be a member in good standing. June 8th is the boaters education class. It is already starting to fill up. Please call 360-782-6800 to get your name on the list.

Now for my nautical question: **VHF Channel 16 is also known as what? Also, What is the frequency of the transmit and receive on channel 16?**

Commodore Jonathan Thomas.
S/V Absolutely
Clear channel 68 and monitoring
channel 13 and 16

We need your help!

The Brownsville Yacht Club will soon be voting for our new Bridge candidates and we need you to step up for two positions: **Rear Commodore and Fleet Captain**. Please contact me if you are interested in serving our Club in either of these positions. (cozzack@yahoo.com)

Please see page 2 for more detailed information.



Could Be.....

Commodore – YOU GET TO –

- Be the Boss and Make Decisions

Vice Commodore – YOU GET TO –

- Assist the Boss and Welcome New Members

Rear Commodore – YOU GET TO –

- Be in Charge of Club House Rentals

Two Year Board Member – YOU GET TO –

- Be Involved in Important Club Decisions

Quartermaster – YOU GET TO –

- Go Shopping

Treasurer – YOU GET TO –

- Play with Money

Secretary – YOU GET TO –

- Take Notes

Photographer – YOU GET TO –

- Take Lots of Pictures

Newsletter Editor – YOU GET TO –

- Be in the KNOW First hand

YOU - Wanted and Needed!

Upcoming Events

May

- 3 ~ Rummage Sale**
- 9 ~ Cinco de 9-0 - 6:30pm**
- 12 ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm**
- 13 ~ General Meeting - 7pm**
- 17 ~ First Aid - 9am-5pm**
- 29 ~ Executive Board Meeting - 7pm**
- 23-26 ~ Memorial Day Cruise to Olympia**

June

- Annual Dues Due**
- 8 ~ Boaters Education Class**
- 10 ~ General Meeting & Voting for Officers - 7pm**
- 11 ~ Port Commissioners Mtg - 7pm**
- 13-15 ~ Cruise to Bremerton**
- 26 ~ Executive Board Meeting - 7pm**

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CINCO DE 9-0

MEXICAN SOCIAL

FRIDAY, MAY 9

6:30 SOCIAL

7:00 POTLUCK

BRING A DISH TO SHARE & BYOB



Vice Commodore's Report



BOATING SEASON!!!

Opening Day!

My favorite day of the year! Opening day of boating season is a day we all look forward to and this summer is shaping up nicely! The Official Start of Seattle's Boating season this year is MAY 3, 2014! This year's events, sponsored by the Seattle Yacht Club, include a morning of crew races, sailboat races, and the Grand Opening Day Parade.

However, before you head out on the water, take the time to re-familiarize yourself with your boat. Check your equipment, and go over emergency procedures and make sure you are prepared for whatever the water splashes your way. If you need additional guidance the U.S. Coast Guard has a special PDF download available, Special Local Notice to Mariners 2014 U.S. Coast Guard Thirteenth District. This guide

covers who and how to call, first aid, hazards, and communication info. <http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=lnmDistrict®ion=13>

This Navigation center is a wealth of information so be sure to look for other interesting tidbits that will help you enjoy a fun and safe summer.

When you are planning your summer boating adventures, be sure to check out Yachtdestinations.org. Our reciprocals are plentiful and ready for you to take advantage of. I would love to hear about your experiences using Yacht Destinations that I can share with the club.

We also had a new membership application this last month. I am happy to see the club still growing and look forward to continuing to see new faces. Be safe on the water.

Jodi Fitchett, Vice Commodore



Rear Commodore's Comments



With the warm and sunny days we had at the end of April the summer months are looking very inviting. Fun in the sun and Boats off the docks. The Club House has had much activity in April with a weekend visit from Edmonds YC for their annual cruise, rentals and preparation for the BVYC Rummage Sale.

Check out our website for Club information, past events, and Club Rentals. The website calendar is updated for your convince to check date availability for your upcoming event.

May will be bringing more activity to the club house with rentals, Cinco de 9-0 social, meetings, and the Port First Aid/CPR/AED class.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the Des Moines cruise Labor Day weekend and I will be helping to serve Bloody Marys. However, not so much looking forward to dealing with tomato juice and white pants! Ha!

Blessing for a Happy Mother's Day to all the wonderful Mommies.

Carolyn, s/v Absolutely

We need your help! (continued from page 1)

The following is a description of the duties and responsibilities of these positions:

Section 3. REAR COMMODORE. The Rear Commodore shall: A. Assist the Commodore and Vice Commodore in the discharge of their duties. B. Officiate in the event of absence of both the Commodore and Vice Commodore. C. Serve as a voting member of the Executive Board. D. Act as Chairperson of the Housing Committee, overseeing clubhouse maintenance, rental, and cleanliness plus organizing the annual cleanup including time and personnel. E. Perform an annual audit of the club's equipment. The audit will usually be accomplished during the annual club cleaning and the results reported to the Executive Board in writing at their next meeting and provided to the Quartermaster. F. Maintain an inventory list of equipment owned by the club and its location. G. Maintain a list of members responsible for refreshments at the general meetings.

Section 4. FLEET CAPTAIN/ COMMITTEE. The Fleet Captain/ Committee shall: A. Organize all on-the-water fleet activities including club cruises. B. Present a tentative schedule to the Executive Board at the September meeting for approval. Candidates who have stepped up and will be on the voting ballot are:

Commodore: Jonathan Thomas (second term)

Vice Commodore: Carolyn Thomas

Rear Commodore: Open
Fleet Captain: Open

Please it's vitally important that we have candidates for these positions or this could be the end of our Club.

Let me know as soon as you can so I can put your names on the ballots for our May meeting.

Regards and Safe Boating

John Watson,
Junior Past Commodore



Fleet Committee

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Des Moines -- May 23-26

Memorial Day) cruise to Des Moines it's so simple, all you need to do is signup, no need to make individual reservations. If interested please signup at next general meeting or contact our host boat Bryan Johnson & Rob Gelder at bryanj56@comcast.net.

Bremerton Marina -- June 13-15

Cruise destination has changed to take part in National Marina Day activities. We currently have 10 slips reserved and will be providing more details in the weeks to come. A host boat is still needed!



The following boats attended the cruise to Bell Harbor: Last Waltz, Reely R's, Sea Hound, Miss Marlene, Elysian and Emerald Isle (Guests/Prospective new members)

Friday afternoon we socialized on the docks and then many enjoyed dinner at Anthony's Friday night and the beautiful city views, followed by some boat hopping and socializing.

Saturday everyone was on their own to explore downtown. There was a lot of shopping and people watching. Saturday

evening we made the walk to Copperworks Distillery and enjoyed a very informative tour followed by some very tasty Vodka and Gin. After the distillery we made the trek up the many, many, many steps to 1st avenue and the Italian Family Restaurant. We enjoyed

some of the biggest pizzas we had ever seen, great wine, then headed back to the marina.



Sunday we had brunch aboard Last Waltz (Thank you Sue & Carl) prior to heading home.



We spent the evening boat hopping and enjoying socializing with each other.



The trip home was a tad bumpy . . . bumpier for some than others! Everyone made it home safely but there might be some stories to be told!

2014 Cruise Schedule

Dates	Destination	Host Boat
May 23-26, 2014 (Memorial Day)	Des Moines	Bryan Johnson & Rob Gelder
June 13-15, 2014 (Fathers Day)	Bremerton <i>Reservations made for 10 boats</i>	NEED HOSTS
Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 2014 (Labor Day)	Andrews Bay <i>Locks - Lake Washington, Steward Park</i>	NEED HOSTS

FIRST AID, CPR & AED Training

Saturday May 17
9:00am – 5:00pm

The Port of Brownsville is hosting this class and it is open to anyone needing this certification.

Please sign up in the Port Office.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS

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.

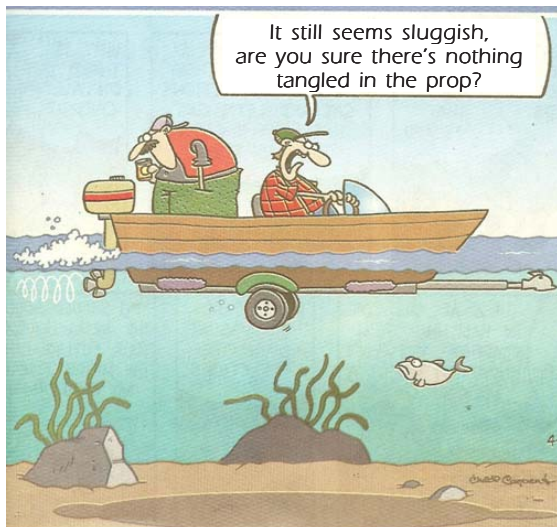
Monthly deliveries are made. -- Thank You!!

Land travels in VW Bus Guy and Carma



It's Spring --

Time to tune up our Seamanship!



Brownsville Yacht Club Purpose

This is a family club and our purpose shall be to encourage and promote the sport of yachting and boating, to further safety on the water, to promote the science of seamanship, and navigation, and to afford a means of good fellowship among the devotees of this sport and recreation.

Agate Pass Power Squadron

Agate Pass and Bremerton Sail and Power Squadrons invited the Members of BVYC to attend their Safety Rendezvous at the Brownsville Marina April 26, 2014.

The people attending were introduced to several different ideas on how to rescue someone that had fallen overboard. They had a volunteer in the water and demonstrated many helpful techniques.

