



Nautical Lines

Brownsville Yacht Club
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Commodore's Report



I would like to thank all that attended the Installation Dinner, with over 40 members in attendance, everyone enjoyed a great ceremony and great food. My goals for 2013-2104 are continuing the traditions of BVYC, encouraging fellowship with increasing membership and providing guidance for the future of BVYC for years to come. I encourage all to get involved with one event over the year. Also, well done to Ambrosia Catering.

September has flown by but not without another BAD. As the tents went up and the cars arrived, so did the wind and rain. The Classic Boats, Art Show and of course the burgers and dogs were a hit as well. By noon, the wind and rain had gotten a hold on the day so most of the vendors and attendees were busy packing up. I was disappointed. I did not get to spend my hour in the dunk tank. 92°F water was something I was looking forward to as I was chilled to the bone. Thanks to all members that braved the stormy weather to support the BVYC booth.

Looking forward to October, the general meeting is Tuesday, 8 Oct, 7pm at the club house, I will be presenting the yearbook and budget, hope to see all there. The cruise to Poulsbo is scheduled for the weekend of the 18th to 20th. Halloween Party is on Saturday the 26th, Carolyn and I will be in costume for this fun event.

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

Mark your calendars!!!!

Clubhouse Clean-Up
Saturday, November 2nd -- 9:00am.



Rub-a-Dub
Lets Clean up
the Club!

All, Yes ALL club members are invited, welcome and expected!.. Thank you !

Upcoming Events:

- October 8** ~ Social 6:30 pm
General Meeting 7:00 pm
- October 18-20** ~ Cruise to Poulsbo
- October 24** ~ Executive Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- October 26** ~ Halloween Party 5:00 pm
- November 2** ~ Club House Clean-up 9-Noon
- November 12** ~ Social 5:30 pm
Thanksgiving Pot-Luck 6:00 pm
General Meeting 7:00 pm
- November 22-24** ~ Cruise to Shilshole
- November 28** ~ Executive Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- November 30** ~ Christmas Tree Decorating
& Social
- December 6 & 7** ~ Lighted Boat Parade
- December 10** ~ Social 6:30 pm
General Meeting 7:00 pm
- December 26** ~ Executive Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- December 31** ~ New Year's Eve Celebration
- January 1** ~ Brownsville Marina Polar Plunge
- January 14** ~ Social 6:30 pm
General Meeting 7:00 pm
- January 17-20** ~ MLK Cruise to Kingston
- January 30** ~ Executive Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- January** ~ Bi-Laws Committee

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Vice Commodore's Report



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Thank you to all the members and guests that came to the installation dinner in September and supported the installation of the new officers. For me it was quite an exciting event. I really enjoyed watching Mr. John Watson hand out the gifts of appreciation to volunteers and most enjoyed the look of shock on Members Bob and Nancy Bale's face when they were called upon for boating family of the year. I remember all they have done and shared over the past year and truly believe they are a great boating family addition to our club.

I am looking forward to another great year with the Brownsville Yacht club and am excited to be part of the board. I have so many ideas to share with the members and I am anxious to work on reigniting excitement in our club functions and activities and increasing our membership.

When I joined this club I was so inspired by the legacy of the founding members and the more senior members that still played an active role in maintaining the club. I think it is important to build upon this foundation to ensure we continue building a great club so our new potential members get to see and feel the traditions and inspiration our club has to offer.

I have often heard senior members say "we don't do things the way we used too and the old way was better," or I hear "we have forgotten about traditions." I would like to challenge all the members to bring forward the traditions of our club so we can decide as a club which ones are best for club growth and prosperity and which ones will hinder us from continuing on. I have established a Brownsville Yacht Club email and I look forward to receiving your comments, complaints, and COMPLIMENTS. I am proud to be part of the Brownsville Yacht Club and I hope all of you are too.

I am also in search of volunteers for this year's training. Many of the more senior members are a wealth of knowledge and I could use your knowledge to become a better and safer boater. I look forward to this year's volunteers who help keep this club operating with their mentorship. Without your dedication and support, the club would not continue to operate. Many of our members have continued to provide support over many years and your time and dedication are greatly appreciated. As a relatively new member, I have learned a lot from the volunteers. Thank you for all you do!

Please email me at ViceCommodore.BVYC@gmail.com with comments, complaints, or compliments, or to volunteer for a training this year.
Vice Commodore, Jodi Fitchett

Rear Commodore's Comments



I would like to express how honored and proud I am to represent the BVYC as Rear Commodore for this year 2013-2014. I enjoy the communication with members and non-members for the rentals of our club house and in my responsibility of the care of the facility.

Thank you all for your support.

Please except the invitation to sign up to share your special appetizer/snack/desert for our monthly General Meeting Social time. Sign your name on the board in the club kitchen.

Mark your calendars!!!! **Club Clean-Up Saturday November 2nd, 9:00am.** Rub-a-Dub Lets Clean up the Club! ALL club members are welcome and invited to spend the morning with me! Many hands make light work. Thank you!

Rear Commodore Carolyn, s/v Absolutely



Fleet Committee

Rocktoberfest Cruise Port of Poulsbo - October 18-20



The plan is to have a scavenger hunt and at the end of the hunt everyone meets at "Valholl Brewery" and the prize for the scavenger hunt will be given to the winner there. However everyone will be a winner because this will be a lot of fun! The port will be donating a gift certificate of 10 gallons of free fuel towards the prizes.

Friday night will be appetizers in the multi purpose room. We will also have a beer or root beer tasting. Prizes will be awarded for the best tasting and best label. Bring a bottle of your favorite in a brown paper bag.

Saturday will be the scavenger hunt ending at the brewery and Sunday we will have a brunch prior to departure.

Sign up sheets will be at the Everett Cruise and the Installation Dinner. You can also email us. You do not need to make an individual reservation. We have 10 slips reserved. \$5.00 reservation fee per boat.

Cheers! JR & Tina, Sea Hound

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 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 before 1st 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 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 !!

Shilshole Marina cruise -- November 22-24

A HOST BOAT IS STILL NEEDED!!

Reservations have been made for 10 boats.

Individual reservations need to be made by calling the marina office Monday-Saturday 8am-4:30pm at 206-787-3006.

Please mention that you are with the Brownsville Yacht Club while making reservations. All participants will need to provide full payment no later than two weeks prior to arrival to ensure that the group can be accommodated together.

Stay tuned for details of activities.

2013/2014 Cruise Schedule

Dates	Destination	Host Boat
October 18-20, 2013	Poulsbo	Tina & JR Leaman
November 22-24, 2013	Shilshole <i>206-787-3006 to make individual reservations under BYVC no later than 2 weeks prior</i>	NEED HOSTS
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

Halloween Party!

Saturday,
October 26th!!

Brownsville Yacht Club
5:00 pm



Bring an appetizer to share & BYOB

Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes,

and those costumes which *at the time* seemed to be a good idea . . .



We will have a basket raffle with the proceeds going towards our annual Christmas Angels or Food Bank Donations.

If anyone is interested in putting together a basket of goodies to donate to be raffled off please bring it to the party.

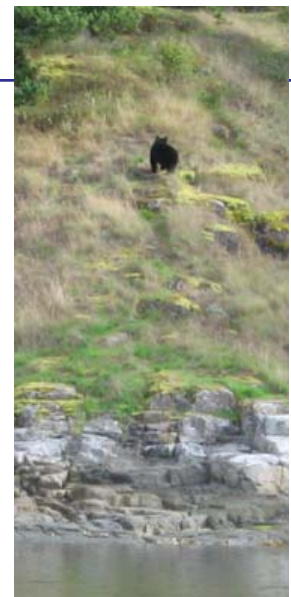
BAD was Good

Thank you to all the members that donated their time and energy, and got soaked to the skin!



In all the rain and all the misery, Brownsville never looked more beautiful.

We were so impressed with the level of support from the community during the storm and the showing of this rainbow is proof that there is never a bad day at the Brownsville marina!



We went to Desolation Sound for 3 weeks in September on our 1976 Catalina 30 sailboat. Attached are some pics of some of the places we went. We went for the first time last year and can't recommend it enough. Salt water up there is around 70 degrees, surreal seeing people leaping into the water from their anchored boats; great fishing: red snapper, ling cod and rock cod; great shrimping. If you go after the kids are back in school you



have the anchorages all to yourself. Crappy crabbing and we have not had any luck seeing any whales up there. :(Sunshine coast is beautiful; it's like Blake Island times 400%. Completely remote, serene, gorgeous weather and uninhabited. It has become our favorite vacation trip every year.

John & Brenda