



# Nautical Lines

Brownsville Yacht Club  
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## Commodore's Report



I want to express my excitement and give "a big thank you" to Bill and Kathy Mark for hosting our cruise to the Port of Everett this past Labor Day. It is one of my favorite destinations and they know how to make everyone feel special. I especially appreciated having the Husky game projected on the outside screen so we could watch the game on the party dock. Kudos! (And the turkey and pineapple brats were the best.) For further information on this fabulous cruise, please read the Fleet Captain's report.

This is my last News Article as Commodore and I want to assure everyone that the health of our Club is continuing to grow through **everyone's** efforts; especially by participating in committees, being Fleet Hosts, mentoring new members and volunteering for all the extra tasks. I especially want to recognize our long-standing members for all they continue to do to keep our traditions alive. Without your continued participation and generous mentoring of the new members and Bridge Officers, our Club would not be as vibrant as it is today. Our Brownsville Yacht Club may not be the largest club in Puget Sound, but it is the best! Thank you for all you all do to make it special!

I also wanted to remind everyone that our food drive is continuing through the year. You can bring your donations and drop them off at the Club House any time.

This Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, will be our Installation Dinner to install our new Officers. Jonathan Thomas, our new Commodore-Elect, is planning a wonderful event. I hope every member can attend.

Safe and Happy Boating!  
John Watson

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### Upcoming Events:

**September 7** ~ Installation Dinner and General Meeting  
Social 5:00 ~ Dinner 6:00 ~ Installation 7:00

**September 28** ~ BAD

**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 12** ~ Thanksgiving Pot-Luck 6:00 pm  
General 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 31** ~ New Year's Eve Celebration

### You're Invited

The Kitsap 9-11 Memorial Committee invites you to attend the Annual 9-11 Observance and Dedication Ceremony for the Kitsap 9-11 Memorial.

**September 11, 2013**  
**6:00 p.m.**

Evergreen Rotary Park  
1300 Highland Avenue, Bremerton, WA

Please bring a lawn chair or blanket for seating.



# Vice Commodore's Report



Wow, what a year and it has flown by. Looking back over the year at what was accomplished, from USCG Chief Petty Officer Wildes talk about boarding your boat, VHF Radio, Fire Extinguishers, Transiting the Locks at Ballard, Chart Chat for Chart Number One, Anchoring and Ground Tackle. The membership of BVYC has received a lot of training opportunities.

As for Membership, four New Family memberships and one Single membership have joined the club. Two Family memberships and one single have resigned. So, its official, the club has grown this past year.

Looking forward, I have received 39 conformation of attendance at the Installation Dinner this year. This is a strong start for a great year. Hope to see you all at the Ceremony for the Installation of the new Bridge for 2013-2014. The agenda is 5pm Happy Hour, 6pm Dinner and 7pm General meeting and Installation Ceremony.

September, so where did June, July and August go? My wife and I were lucky enough to have spent most of the summer doing fun things such as cruises to the GIG, Officers Picnic and a trip to the Canadian Gulf Islands. Oh, that's right FOG, slow down, look and listen how could have I forgotten that part.

September brings a lot of activity getting ready for BAD (Brownsville Appreciation Day) at the Port of Brownsville. BVYC will have the booth set up to give out membership Information and dinghy rides. So if you can spend some time at the booth, or giving dinghy rides. There will be a sign-up list posted on the board. I hope that members can sign up for two hour shifts so all can get out and see the activities at BAD.

Absolutely looking forward to great year as the Commodore Elect for 2013-2014.

Remember, this is your club, let's make it the best club around the Sound.

Vice Commodore Jonathan Thomas  
S/V Absolutely, Clear 68 and monitoring 13 and 16

## Brownsville Yacht Club In History

The formation of the club, comprised primarily of boaters mooring at the Brownsville Marina.

The Brownsville Yacht Club was the 6<sup>th</sup> yacht club to charter in Kitsap County.

The others five were Bremerton, Poulsbo, Port Orchard, Kingston Cove and Port Madison.

## FOOD BANK DONATIONS

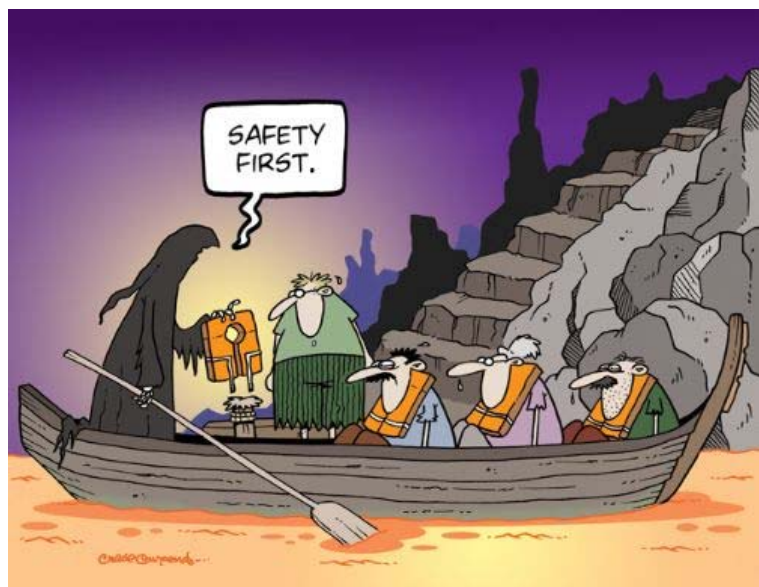
Please continue to bring in nonperishable items to the Yacht Club.

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!!





# Rear Commodore's Comments



August flew by so fast, however not without much activity and sunshine. I was introduced to many new islands in the San Juan and experienced my first trip to the Gulf Islands by boat. There are such beautiful places to see. The highlight was the opportunity to engage with many of our members who were traveling the islands as well.



The Lady Washington and The Hawaiian Chieftain had a wonderful visit to our port again this year. The crew extends a very large THANK YOU to the BVYC for the donation of the club use during their stay here. I had a returning crew member state that she planned her day off when she heard they were returning to Brownsville, because of the wonderful venue and kind people.

Our Labor Day Cruise to Everett was wonderful and relaxing. Commodore John, Vice Jonathan and I served Margaritas as is our club tradition for this weekend. The food and socialization was great! Thank you to Kathy and Bill as hosts.

September brings activity for BVYC, starting with the Installation Dinner, Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. I am looking forward to being reinstated as the 2013-2014 Rear Commodore and seeing many of you in attendance. It has been a pleasure to team up with Commodore John and Vice Commodore Jonathan this past year. I am looking forward to working as a team this new year as Jonathan will be installed as Commodore and welcoming in the new Vice Commodore Jodi.

BAD will be Saturday September 28<sup>th</sup> and the Club House will be displaying the art of the many talented students in our local schools.

I would also like to express my gratitude to all the club members for the help and support I have received in the efforts to maintain our wonderful clubhouse.

Fair Winds and Continued Sunshine,  
Carolyn, Rear Commodore, s/v Absolutely

## 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.



# Fleet Committee

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## 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.

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



## Halloween Party!

Saturday,  
October 26<sup>th</sup>!!

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.

## 2013/2014 Cruise Schedule

Dates	Destination	Host Boat
October 18-20, 2013	<b>Poulsbo</b>	Tina & JR Leaman
November 22-24, 2013	<b>Shilshole</b> <i>206-787-3006 to make individual reservations under BYVC no later than 2 weeks prior</i>	<b>NEED HOSTS</b>
January 17-20, 2014 (MLK)	<b>Kingston Marina</b>	<b>NEED HOSTS</b>
February 14-17, 2014 (Pres Day)	<b>Pacific Beach land cruise</b>	Linda & Lester Dent
March 14-16 2014	<b>Gig Harbor</b> <i>Boats can anchor out, Public Dock (no power), or individual reservations at Arabella's 253-851-1793</i>	<b>NEED HOSTS</b>
April 25-27, 2014	<b>Bell Harbor</b> <i>Reservations made for 10 boats, signup with host boat</i>	<b>NEED HOSTS</b>
May 23-26, 2014 (Memorial Day)	<b>Olympia - Swantown</b>	<b>NEED HOSTS</b>
June 13-15, 2014	<b>Edmonds</b> <i>Reservations made for 10-15 boats, signup with host boat</i>	<b>NEED HOSTS</b>
Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 2014 (Labor Day)	<b>Andrews Bay</b> <i>Locks - Lake Washington, Steward Park</i>	<b>NEED HOSTS</b>

# Labor Day Cruise to Everett

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Home Run and Sea Hound were the vanguard for the Everett cruise arriving Thursday thru driving rain and dodging gillnets.

Friday boats arrived throughout the day, being blessed with sunny and calm skies. The exception being the sailing vessel Absolutely which arrived Saturday with a new starter.

6:00 pm Friday the traditional happy hour started which oddly lasted all evening. Drinking, eating and telling sea stories (which were all true) aboard the party barge provided by the port (thank you, Port of Everett). After eating and drinking too much most of us retired with the exception of the members that participated in the "Event". The event being Annie Girl of Rufy Anne not quite making it on board the boat and having to be helped out of the water by Bill and Kathy with assistance from several members. THANK YOU very much to all who helped!

Saturday we awoke to sunny skies and everyone was on their own to explore or just kick back until 4:00 pm which was the officers Margarita party (thank you officers!) Plenty of drinks and socializing gave way to the 7:00 pm Huskies tailgate party with the game being televised on a makeshift screen on the side of Rufy Anne, with the projector provided by JT, (thanks JT)! After a decisive win and more eating and drinking we all retired to rest up for Sunday.



Sunny Sunday the 10:00 am brunch did not leave anyone hungry or thirsty which provided fuel to get us through the rest of the day until we could eat again later that day. During the day the farmers market was visited by most buying more than we needed along with many of us site seeing at the marine supply store. At 6:00 pm you could find us at the Scuttlebutt brewery drinking, eating and socializing with great food and service. Later that evening the Dents provided the movie Mud to view on the side of Rufy Anne.

Monday found all departing home with the exception of Sea Hound and Rufy Anne which stayed until Tuesday, Sea Hound headed into the San Juan's and Rufy Anne to Seattle Yacht Club on the lake.



## From the Fitchetts ---

When we first moved to Brownsville marina we were 20 steps passed the gate. After being on the waiting list for a few months we were offered a lovely slip on B dock. This was in September, so just before the rain and cold season hit we moved further away from the gate, hmmm. -- After a year or so of enjoying our boating fun we decided we wanted a bigger boat, and went on the waiting list for a 38ft slip. We were lucky and got a call within a few months about an available slip, and we moved even further away from the gate out to E dock right around October, just before the rain and cold season.

Now after almost two years of being on E dock we found the right boat for our family. **Chris can stand up in it!** The kids each have a place to sit and sleep, it's great, except the port was concerned about having two wide boats next to each other, so right before the rain and cold season we have again moved further away from the gate. I have become even more grateful for the dock carts at the marina.

Unfortunately I do not know how to drive our new boat yet and she needs quite a bit of TLC before she will be up to good cruising condition and Chris will be leaving for another patrol, so it will be a while before we will be at another outing, but Jeremy, Rebecca, and I will be around all winter working on her so please come say Hi.



SeaStar and crew enjoyed a wonderful 10 days in the San Juan Islands!



Boats making it to Everett:  
Kathy & Bill - Rufy Anne  
Tina & JR - Sea Hound  
Linda & Lester Dent - Home Run  
Ron & Noreen - Reely R's  
John - Scorpio  
John & Carolyn - Blue Velvet  
Rich & Taffy - Scottish Mist  
Ken & RobbaLee - Liahona  
Bob & Diane - One More Time  
Doug & Isa - Keel's Song  
Troy & Sue - Dream Catcher  
JT & Carolyn - Absolutely