

BELLINGHAM YACHT CLUB

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Notice: Membership Meeting Feb. 1st!

The BYC Board of Trustees has called a **Membership Meeting** for the Friday at Five, **February 1**. The meeting will convene at 6PM.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and vote upon a proposed change in the By-Laws to institute a new "Crew" class of membership in the Club that is being proposed by the Board.

In addition, the Board will explain new policies that affect the operation of our Bar/ Lounge, and regulations regarding the use of our meeting rooms. (The Board can institute policies without Member approval.)

Although everyone can attend the meeting, note that *only* Active-class, paid-up Members can vote on any issues that come before the meeting. Please bring your Membership Card.

Sign Up for Boat Show Trip Sunday, January 13!

The annual **Bus to the Boat Shows** will be on **Sunday, January 13**.

Leaving at 8:30AM from the Club Parking Lot, the bus will hustle us to Seattle, stop briefly to drop passengers at the In-the-Water show at Chandler's Cove, then proceed to the Exhibition Center near Safeco Field. There will be morning coffee and pastry served aboard the luxurious Hesselgrave coach.

Show-goers will be able to see both shows: the Chandler's Cove show has frequent, free shuttles between the events. And, of course, there's no parking or driving hassle as you enjoy conversation and camaraderie with other BYC Members. (And there's room to carry all the stuff you might buy in the bus's luggage bins!)

At 5:00PM sharp, the bus will depart from the Exhibition Center for Bellingham, and beverages will be served as we head home, arriving before 7PM. The \$25 cost includes everything including Exhibition Hall tickets (a limited number of specially-priced in-thewater show tickets will also be offered during the trip).

Call Jody Erickson, 738-9647 for reservations; we can only accommodate 34, and we have over 20 reservations already; we will have a wait-list for any last-minute calls. *Please note that unless we can fill your seats from the list, your reservation is non-cancelable.*

Club Successes Continue ...

The BYC is enjoying great resurgence. First, the "Open House" in December was a dazzling success. About 200 persons came through the Club on the 13th, and a number have joined as a result of learning about our benefits.

Meanwhile, Club improvements continue to be installed. The new insulated windows are in, and the new furnaces for

the main floor should go in during this month of January. New "strip lights" illuminate the trophy wall, and have made our bar/lounge even more attractive.

Be sure to check the calendar of events in this *Jib Sheet*. You'll see several new ones, as well as some old favorites that will offer even more Member rewards. *And tell your friends about us!*

Commodore's Column

Al and I would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year!!!! We hope that you enjoyed your Holidays as much as we did.

It's hard to believe that another year has sailed by so quickly. Our club has seen a lot of changes in the past year. A sincere thanks to all of you for your continued support leading to the growing success of our BYC.

Our Fridays at Five continue to be a great event. Watch for **Steve Moore**'s flyers with information on F@5's and all of our events. If you are not receiving your flyers or the Jib Sheet by email, please let us know your current e-mail address.

Our Open House was an overwhelming success. The word used to describe the feeling in our club was "electric". Several new members joined that evening with many more showing interest in being a part of the BYC, and applications continue coming in. You can help us by continuing to suggest Club membership to friends. Applications and brochures are available in the lounge. (You might even bring a guest to a Friday at Five so he/she can meet some of us...)

The Lighted Boat Parade showed Holiday Spirit with the number of boaters who joined in the parade, in spite of threatening weather. From the pre-parade dock party, hosted by the Wheel and Keel, to the ending with the *Twelve Days of Christmas*, lead by our own **Joe Coons....** Thank You!!!!

Your Trustees, Flag Officers

and Volunteers are busy organizing this new year's activities and it looks like a great one, filled with lots of fun starting with the Boat Show Bus on January 13th, Boaters Day in March, the Flagpole Raising at Inati Bay and Past Commodore's Cruise to Blakely in April, Opening Day in May, Racing, Cruising and the Pacific Rim International Yachting Challenge in September.

As we enter the New Year I would like to invite you to volunteer for any one of our Committees: Building and House, Jib Sheet, Office, Programs, Racing, Cruising, Junior Sailing or? Give me a call at 676-0784 if you can help....

Smooth Sailing in 2002,

— Karen Callery

Editorial

Have you thought about everything that's happened to your Club in the past year? It's been amazing!

The Club's leadership has made enormous strides through remarkable teamwork and focus.

First, Past Commodore **Steve Moore** helped us arrange a great
lease with our tenants, **Emerald Bay Events**. We couldn't ask for a
nicer affiliation than with **Britain and Gail Walker's** enterprise.

Meanwhile, a devoted group of boaters energized those programs. Gary Baker has Junior Sailing going again in good style. Richard Veach and Joe Bartlett in particular worked on adult sailing. Tom Selman and Quinn Selsor worked on cruises. And Marlene Bolster, in her just-ended capacity as Fleet Captain, kept it all rolling.

And then there was the Building and House Committee. Under the incredible leadership of **Dick Johnson**, gangs of Members have pitched in to accomplish enormous change. Repaired/improved decks. A new, separating wall for the bar and lounge. New paint. A big cleanout (with two huge dumpstersfull of junk) of our lower-floor "storage" rooms. Building and House work continues even now. New insulated windows on the en-

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tire main floor, over \$12,000 worth. New furnaces (about \$43,000) going in, finished in January or February. And the "little" things: Complete upholstery scrubbing, refrigeration repairs, a thorough bar-lounge cleanup.

Oh, yes, don't forget the contribution by two anonymous BYC

members of our great new, over-\$18,000 Mark Boat!

At the same time, our enthusiasm has been infectious. New Members are joining at a rate not seen since the early 1980's. It seems that folks want us to be what we are becoming, a boating-oriented Club, with fun social activities and a serious boating program.

Let's give credit where's it's due: **Dedicated leaders** who listen to, and reflect, the wishes of their constituents. **Hard-working volunteers** who pitch in and help when asked. A group of Past Commodores, led by Blue Gavel President **Bud Peterson**, which has supported us with time, energy and over \$5,500 in donations for our projects during 2001.

And last, and most important, **YOU, the Members!** Without your support, it couldn't have happened.

For everyone who loves this great old Club ... *Thanks*.

—Joe Coons

Death Takes P/C Jim Hildebrand

Past Commodore **Jim Hildebrand** passed away on December 18 after a long illness; he was diagnosed with cancer in 1991, remaining remarkably well until the last few years.

Jim served as Commodore of the BYC in the 1964-1965 Club year, and always was a loyal supporter and enthusiast for the BYC and its programs.

Born in Texas, Jim was Professor Emeritus at WWU, where he taught mathematics beginning when he was hired by President Haggert in 1951, retiring in 1985. He is survived by his wife, Anne, and two successful sons, James Jr., in London, England and Frederick, in Morrisville, NY.

A powerboater, Jim was the proud owner of Tortuga, a Uniflite cruiser.

At his request, there will be no services.

Chili Cookoff & Superbowl Party

The indomitable **Bob Kehoe** is chairing a **Chili Cookoff and Superbowl Party** on *Sunday, February 3*. Game time is 6PM PST, with broadcasts beginning at 3PM on Fox.

A pool has been established at the Club's Bar/Lounge; your entry for \$6.00 is your ticket to the party. First prize for the pool is \$300! The pool surplus will pay for the free food and drink. At the party there will be a Chili cookoff, with the winner getting a trophy (and bragging rights). To enter, contact **Bob** at **676-0898**. You will need to bring a gallon of chili and a hotplate; the Club will have bowls, etc. The judges, according to Bob, will be "an impartial panel of BYC Members and guests, not relatives".

Welcome New BYC Members!

Please help us in welcoming the following new members to our BYC, and be sure to introduce yourselves to them when you see them \dots

Kathy M. Duffey, 3328 McAlpine Rd. #115-B, Bellingham 98225, 671-6187, kat37 greeneyes@yahoo.com.

Bob & Shirley Main Garvie, 4915 Samish Way #73, Bellingham, WA 98226, 738-1618, *Full Circle*, San Juan 24 Sailboat, garvier@aol.com

Larry and Lee Goodrich, 851 Coho Way Suite 312, Bellingham, WA 98225, 398-8074.

Craig and Susan Henderson, 1810 Rosewood Lane, Bellingham, WA 98225, 756-1585, *Iron Wind*, 53' Custom, info@bullfrogboats.com.

Ed III and Myrna Leipheimer, 2611 Harrison Avenue, Butte, MT 59701, (406) 723-5146, 54' Ocean Alexander *Important Business*.

Allen and Beoma Oakley, 5575 Coquitlam Drive, Blaine, WA 98230, 371-3615, 53' Nordlund Camai.

Steven and Laura Olson, 3210 Cedarside Court, Bellingham, WA 98226, 676-5050, 28' Bayliner *Laura Jean IV*, lolson@pacificnwcu.com

David & Katherine Schjelderup Sharp, 1212 Raymond Street, Bellingham WA 98226, 392-8717, 15' Sea Sport

Each Member of our Club is entitled to the following:

- Current Membership card for Member and Spouse;
- A copy of the Roster/Yearbook binder and contents;
- A refrigerator magnet;
- Car decal.

If you haven't received these items, please call **Joe Coons** at 739-1528 and arrange to get yours! THANKS! Sorry if we overlooked you . . .

Featured Advertisers

OVER 26 LOCAL COMPANIES HELP US PUBLISH THE JIB SHEET BY SPONSORING THESE ADS AND THE CLASSI-FIED LISTING ON THE BACK PAGE! PLEASE PATRONIZE THEM AND TELL THEM YOU APPRECIATE THIS SUPPORT.

BELLHAVEN SAILING at 714 Coho Way in the new Marina Square Building is a fine brokerage, sailing school, and charter operation. Operated by Bryan and Faye Archer who have long been involved in the profession of yacht sales, training and charter management, you'll find Bellhaven to be a great choice when you want to buy, sell, charter, or learn how to operate a boat. And check out their listings: You'll likely discover that they have what your looking for! Same goes for checking them out when you want to sell your boat: The Archers are tops. Call (360) 733-6636

Long known as "The Powerboat Professionals", the gang at BEL-LINGHAM YACHT SALES CHARTERS have been caring for powerboaters' buying, selling, and chartering needs for nearly 30 years! As dealers for the magnificent Sabreline and Albin boats, they can offer you a fine new boat to meet nearly any need, and as brokers, they have access through their contacts to thousands of boats offered by the world's brokers. You'll see many of their offerings at their exclusive dock at 1801 Roeder **Avenue #174**, or you can call them at 671-0990. Or check their Web site, www.bellinghamyachts.com.

BOATHOUSE FOR SALE!

Past Commodore Bud Peterson is offering his G-East Boathouse for sale. Priced reasonably, the house accommodates up to a 42' boat. For details, contact John Thomas, Bellingham Yacht Sales, 671-0990. Thanks!

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JANUARY, 2002

- Happy New Year! Come and Enjoy New Year's Day Afternoon at the BYC: The Rose Bowl and Orange Bowl on our Big Screen TV, free popcorn! Details, including starting time, call Dick Johnson, 739-6690. (See page 5)
- 4, 18 Fridays at Five. Come anytime between 5 and 7PM for free refreshments and entertainment.
- Boat Show Bus Trip to both Seattle Shows. Contact Jody Erickson, 966-5549. (See Page 1)
- 17 **Board Meeting** 6PM (Finance Committee 5:30) Open to Members.

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FEBRUARY, 2002

- 1, 15 Fridays at Five. Come anytime between 5 and 7PM.
- 1 MEMBERSHIP MEETING. This Friday at Five includes a 6:00PM Membership Meeting to ratify By-Law changes regarding a new class of "Crew" Membership, and a discussion of new Policies regarding the bar/lounge and meeting rooms, etc. Plan to Attend!
- 3 Superbowl Party and Chili Cookoff. See story on page 4.
- 21 **Board Meeting** 6PM (Finance Committee 5:30) Open to Members.

MARCH, 2002

- Note: As we went to press, the Racing Calendar was being finalized. The first Racing event will be in March, around the 9th, the first "Frostbite" race. Details in the February Jib Sheet and the BYC Roster/Yearbook. *
- 1, 15 Fridays at Five. Come anytime between 5 and 7PM.
- 11-15 Islands Cruise. See page opposite.
- 15-17 Rosario Cruise. See page opposite.
- 21 **Board Meeting** 6PM (Finance Committee 5:30) Open to Members.
- 23 Bellingham Boating Day at the BYC. See story on opposite page.
- * All sailing events, contact Joe Bartlett, 966-5549, unless noted otherwise.

BAR & LOUNGE WINTER HOURS Thursday-Friday-Saturdays, 4—9 PM.

Bellingham Boating Day Set

Bellingham Boating Day at the BYC is the name of a new project set for Saturday, March 23, 2001 at the Club. It revives an activity last conducted by Steve Ross and **Joe Coons** in the early '90's; they are helipng this yerar, too.

Beginning at 9:00AM, the Club will offer a series of seminars, demonstrations, talks, and water-based events for BYC Members and the Public who want to learn more about boating. Plans include sessions on junior sailing, boat operation, buying, selling, and maintenance; fishing; cruising tips for local, northern and southern destinations; safety demonstrations; and late in the day, demonstration rides aboard BYC power and sailing craft.

Jody Erickson is chairing the event. For more details, or to help, contact her at 738-9647.

Prelim 2002 Cruising Dates Set

We are re-printing the updated 2002 Cruising Calendar: March 11-15 Addition! Islands

Cruise: Deer H., Ganges, Telegraph H., SidneyH., Rosario. Call 739-1528 for details;

March 15-16-17, Rosario Spring Shakedown Cruise:

April 20-21, Inati Bay, Power boats serving as mother ships for Vendovi Island race;

April 26-28, Blakely Island, Annual Past Commodore's Cruise;

May 4, Opening Day;

May 25-27, Ganges Cruise;

June 7-9, Fossil Bay, Sucia, Bottom Fishing Derby, Sailors vs. Power Boaters:

June 22-23, Power Boaters join sailors at Point Roberts Race overnight for Shrimp Jambalaya;

June 28-July 1, Annual Victoria Y/ C Cruise, Cadboro Bay:

July 4-7, Boats extend Victoria Y/C

Cruise, go to Bedwell Harbor; July 20-21, Annual Chuckanut Bay Crab Feast Raftup;

July 20, Potluck at Boulevard Park after Moore Invitational Race:

August 9-11, Maple Bay, B.C. Cruise:

September 15, Annual Commodore's Cup and Picnic;

October 11-14, Columbus Day Cruise:

November 8-10, Annual Around the Island Race, Power boats are mother ships at Blakely and Rosario:

December 29-Jan. 1, 2003, Annual New Year's Gourmet Cruise.

If you have questions, contact Fleet Captain Richard Veach at 647-0720; Quinn will be away on vacation for the next several months. More details will be in each month's Jib Sheet as dates draw nearer. Joe Coons

What a Difference!

It started out as a simple dividing wall that had to be completed before our new tenants moved in. It was decided to do this ourselves. It turned into a major project. Members and non members came forward and volunteered their time and expertise. Little did we know that this wall would be the beginning of our new yacht club, not just physically, but with a new spirit and camaraderie that has not existed for a long time.

The new deck is completed; it had to be to take care of major dry rot. It is now attractive and useful. New insulated windows are in, and we can tell the difference in a warmer lower area. The new furnace hopefully will be installed in late January, depending on permits and weather. In the meantime we hope the old one holds out.

We still have lots to do, but our clubhouse is back! It's attractive, warm feeling, and looks like a yacht club should. The bar is open every Thursday—Saturday from 4PM to 9PM and sometimes later. Everyone enjoys themselves and don't want to go home. We are an all volunteer club, even the bar tenders (referred to as Officer of the day). 30 signed up and took a state test. There'll be another class in January, to bring the number to 50. A notice will go to all members who might be interested.

For those who haven't seen your "new" club, come on down. You will be surprised what a large group of volunteers have accomplished in a short period of time.

Dick Johnson, Chairman, Building & House Committee

Bits and Pieces

The Club's New Credit Line will be in place in the next week or so, with Horizon Bank

The Junior Sailors are benefiting from Bar **Tips**, with over \$500 going to them in the first weeks of operations, thanks to all those generous Members

We make about a 50% profit on our bar sales, even though we have virtually the lowest prices of any lounge in town, especially one so nice. Joe Coons' daughter Cathy helped us determine what to stock: she manages a beverage operation at a convention center in West Yellowstone, MT ...

Dick Labadie is "Mr. Finish": He's refinished our bar woodwork, polished our brass, and otherwise adopted a lot of our lounge woodwork. Thanks, Dick!

Dick Johnson welcomes your bar and lounge menu ideas: Let Dick know if you have an idea for snacks or refreshments we should carry. We're anxious to please *all* our Members.

The Health Department's rules are why we only carry cold or pre-cooked, micro-wavable **snacks**. Because we have no complete kitchen, when we have cooked food it has to be brought in by members at a coverdish/potluck party. But this also helps us maintain our facilities more easily . . . A good trade-off, we believe.

Needed: Volunteer office workers, work as few hours as you want. We train. Publications, general office or bookkeeping. Call Joe Coons at 739-1528.

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Trustees who meet 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:00PM:

Ken Chovil, Jody Erickson, Ron Erickson, Pete Foti, Dick Johnson, Tim Mumford, Ray Nelson, Quinn Selsor

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