



## BELLINGHAM YACHT CLUB

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## New San Juan 24 Fleet, Etchell Trophy

The racing fleet has agreed to establish two new perpetual trophies. The first is for the top Etchell of the year. In the past we have not been able to compare the annual racing performance of these boats well, because most of them do not race in the long distance series and they typically do not race out of town. This has handicapped the Etchell fleet when it comes to selecting "Boat of Year".

A second perpetual trophy is going to be given to the top boat in the San Juan 24 fleet, a new fleet for our club. Thanks to the hard work of **Jon Seestrom**, we have five San Juan 24 owners who have decided to race with the BYC this year, a welcome addition to Wednesday nights. As many of you already know we expect to expand (*"New Fleet" continued on page 3*)

### March 23 "BYC Boating Day on Bellingham Bay" ...

The Club will hold a "BYC Boating Day on Bellingham Bay" on **Saturday, March 23, from 9AM on.**

Modeled after the "School of Boating" held years ago, the schedule includes **seminars** for juniors, sailors, cruisers, and folks who don't yet have a boat, with a team of leaders who are all pros or expert amateurs.

You'll learn about junior sailing programs from the leaders, cruise destinations from experienced cruisers, safety from the Coast Guard, and buying, selling, insuring, chartering, and surveying from leading businesspersons. In the afternoon after lunch there's an in-the-water rescue demonstration and a docking demo, then boat rides for all those who've been on hand throughout.

If you are a BYC member and have a boat, we'll be calling on you to offer a demo ride on the 23rd. Please call **Joe Coons** (739-1528) or **Steve Ross** (738-ROSS) to volunteer. This is a great opportunity to boost the Club, improve our community P.R., and help ALL boaters!

### Club Scrub Sat. March 2!

Please come down to the Club on **Saturday March 2 at 9:00AM** for our first semi-annual "Club Scrub". We'll all pitch in to get the place cleaned up, fixed up, painted up. Refreshments and lunch served after a morning's work and camaraderie. See you there!

## BYC CREW CARDS AVAILABLE

After a Membership meeting at the Club January 4 that concluded it should be a *policy*, rather than *bylaws* issue, the Board has established a new **Crew Card** system for crew members.

BYC Members can designate persons as regular "crew" aboard their boats, and then a card can be purchased for \$10 for those people. The card then entitles them

to come to the BYC and use the bar/lounge *at the time of regular EVENTS consistent with their crewing*. Example: a sailboat crew member could use the card to get Club admittance before and after a race in which the boat participated.

Cards can be ordered through the fleet and racing officers. *They are not needed for Member's spouses/children.*

## Commodore's Column

### Spring has Sprung at the BYC....

We have our racing and cruising schedules finalized with our first cruise beginning on March 11<sup>th</sup> with the Islands Cruise and the Rosario Cruise on the 15<sup>th</sup>. We will kick off the Sailing Fleet racing season with the Frostbite series on March 9<sup>th</sup> and March 16<sup>th</sup>....And our Juniors will be taking to the waters this month with their racing program. Thank you to **Joe Bartlett, Quinn Selsor**, our member of the month **Gary Baker**, and Fleet Captain **Rich Veach** for their efforts in getting our boating season off to a great start...

And with Spring upon us it's time for Spring Cleaning! The Club Scrub on March 2<sup>nd</sup> will get

our facility ready for the 2002 Boating Season. Sounds like a fun day, with 38 people volunteering so far, it shows the commitment of our members to our club. **Thank You!!!!** Give **Dick Johnson** a call if you would like to help. There's always room for another Club Volunteer.

A lot of work has been put forth by **Joe Coons** and **Steve Ross** in bringing back the BYC Boating Day on Bellingham Bay. They have a great program planned. Hope that each of you can join in for the Great Seminars and the On the Water Programs that are planned for March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The Two Karen's luncheon was wonderful. Thank you to **Gail and Marty Haines** for putting together this program. And

to Joe and Judy Coons who manned the bar for this event. I had a wonderful time and enjoyed **Karen Thorndike's** great program on her around-the-world adventure.

Opening Day preparations are well under way with **Tim Mumford** taking the lead. We will have the details in next month's jib sheet. Get out your Jimmy Buffet music, your tropical shirts and start preparing for "**Changes in Latitude, Changes in Attitude**".

All this, and **24 new BYC Members in the past four months!** We're on a roll ...

See you on the water.

Smooth Sailing,

— *Karen Callery*

*We sadly note here the passing just as we went to press of long-time, Life Member **Roy Anderson**. Roy and his 42' Uniflite *Roy's Rolls* were long a familiar sight on the Bay and the docks. He will be missed!*

## Editorial

As the guy who opens BYC mail, I can't tell you how much fun it is to see us "on a roll" with so many new Member applications coming in! These new folks are fun to meet, anxious to help us with projects, and eager to participate in our activities.

That's where **you** come in! When you see someone at a Friday at Five or other Club activity, make it a point to get to know them. And do it "one-on-one"...

An example: The other day I had lunch with our Commodore, **Karen Callery**, and I learned lots of things that gave me a new perspective on her and husband Al and family. It was the first time we had ever chatted about anything other than the Club and projects and tasks.

Lunch was good, too. But it would have been just as nice over a drink at the Club's bar.

**Gail Haines** put together a fine luncheon tribute to the "Two Karens" (see opposite page) that proved how much one Member can do for our Club's camaraderie and fun. To hear **Karen Thorndike**

talk about her trip was fantastic! Gail created this program herself, just as **Steve Ross** created the first "day" like the "BYC Boating Day on Bellingham

Bay" we're hosting March 23. Now, we hope to make it an annual tradition, just like **Bob Kehoe's "Chili Cookoff and Superbowl Party"** will become. *Thanks, creative ones!*

*Joe Coons*

*About New Members,  
Conversations, and  
New "Traditions"*

## BYC Member of the Month

About 22 years after first joining, **Gary Baker** remains deeply involved in the BYC, working with our Junior Sailor youths, and he is our Member of the Month. "Gary is the embodiment of a great volunteer", says **Commodore Callery**. "He works hard, gets the job done, and keeps increasing our services to Juniors."

Gary crewed for **Bob Diehl** in the early days, joining the Club after he got his own San Juan 24. Now he has *Toast*, an Etchells, and a 16' outboard ski boat on Lake Samish plus a hard bottom inflatable, a Hobie Cat, and a kayak. He's been in 5 national meets with Hobies, and has won the Hobie NW Regional Championship. He's also a runner and a swimmer.

Gary first worked with Juniors in the mid-80's, and was a key to coordinating with Whatcom County Parks.

Gary's a Realtor at Coldwell Banker Miller/Arnason, and **Mary** and kids **Cary, Keith, Katie and Christy** all are sailors. *Congrats!*

(“New Fleet” continued from page 1)

this fleet further by placing junior sailors on our donated keel boats and adding more exciting awards in the future. I would like to suggest we add a third perpetual trophy for top boat in a cruising class, but first I'd like to hear from you.

The February 6 Junior Sailing membership meeting was very successful. Hard work by **Cassandra and Kelsey Overby** and **Gary Baker** resulted in several new members. After pizza and soft drinks, Gary explained the benefits of our junior program. Everyone was excited to learn we now can place juniors on a larger keel boat. Gary also said that our juniors will have the opportunity to race in a regional high school program beginning soon. It was encouraging to see the parents in attendance!

Junior Program needs: First, we appreciate all the **volunteer help** you can muster and second, we need a **trailer** for our two 17ft junior mark boats (ours was stolen). If you know how we can beg, borrow, or buy a trailer(s), let us know!

Soon we'll move many of the junior boats and rafts under the BYC deck, giving the juniors more dock space. It will enable us to place our C&C 24 donated boat on the inside and at the end of our dock. To make it better, **Joe Bartlett** will cover the area below the

## “Two Karens” Lunch a Success

**Gail Haines** organized a luncheon on February 19 at the Club honoring **Karen Callery**, first female BYC Commodore, and **Karen Thorndike**, first American woman to sail around the world single-handed.

About 40 persons attended the session in the Club's lounge to hear Thorndike tell of her trip and show a video of the high and low spots, after which she answered lots of questions from the rapt audience. Triggered by the event and an earlier press release, the *Bellingham Herald* will do a feature on Callery. *Thanks, Gail!*

deck with anti-pigeon mesh.

Joe has indicated he needs at least two more volunteers for the racing program, to help **Dick Johnson** on the committee boat; and at least one other person to assist **Don Dangelmaier** in the new mark boat. This position is reserved for those who get a rush from the element of speed. All these must be individuals who don't object to having fun on the water, while often enjoying a free meal. If you would like a front row seat to the sport of sail boat racing and be the first to the bar, let us know!

*Richard Veach, Fleet Captain*

## 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 . . .*

**Glenn Gelhar and Sherri Weaver**, 2200 Eldridge Avenue, B'ham, 98225, 671-6445, 38' Alajuella sailboat, *Vindsang*. Glenn-gelhar@oppc.org.

**Shireen L. Gorton**, 895 Lake Whatcom Boulevard, Bellingham 98226, 647-0833, shireen@nas.com.

**Allan & Virginia Jorgensen**, 757 Jorgensen Place, Bellingham 98226, 398-2656, have a 24' Sea Sport, e-mail vmjorg@yahoo.com.

**Floyd King & Leigh Squires**, 2310 Pacific Street, Bellingham 98226, 738-7649, 50' Ocean powerboat *Pacific Storm*, floydk@qwest.net.

**Len Schwab**, 8126 Comox Loop, Blaine, WA 98230, (360) 317-4764, has a 42' “one off” sailboat called *Improbable*.

**Each Member gets:** (1) Member & partner Membership Card; (2) Copy of Roster/Yearbook binder & contents; (3) Refrigerator magnet; (4) Car decal; (5) First Mates' Cookbook. If you haven't received these items, call **Joe Coons** at 739-1528 to get yours! **THANKS!** Sorry if we overlooked you . . .

## Featured Advertisers

**MICHAEL K. McGLENN, Marine Surveyor and Consultant**, is the man to see when you're: A) Buying a boat, to be sure it's fit; B) Considering any major repair or improvement to your existing boat, to be sure that all necessary work will be done, and done properly; and C) Selling a boat, to be sure that you can substantiate your vessel's condition and value to prospective buyers. Mike's reputation and National Association of Marine Surveyors membership are your assurances of his skill. **Call (360) 966-4900.**

**SAN JUAN SAILING and SAN JUAN YACHTING** are the two names for the businesses run from the offices near Gate 3 by **Roger Van Dyken**. With a long, solid reputation for sailboat charters, training, and sales, this growing business added a serious commitment to powerboats several years ago and now charter and sell them as well! When you call San Juan Sailing/Yachting at **671-4300/671-8089**, you'll be getting the counsel of an established team of pros. Keep the number handy!

Featuring **MERCEDES BENZ, TOYOTA and DAEWOO Automobiles, WILSON MOTORS** has a fine reputation for *integrity and outstanding service*; you would expect that when you consider their long-established business here, and the quality of the lines they represent. Their showrooms and lots in the area of **405 East Champion Street** here in Bellingham offer you an amazing selection of new and used vehicles, and they'll see you get a good, fair deal for your trade in and new car. Call them at **676-0600.**

### **BOATHOUSE FOR SALE!**

Accommodates up to 42' Boat. Call John Thomas, 671-0990 for details!

**Correction:** Charlie Millsap Fiberglass Repair phone numbers are 224-2266 (Days) and **354-8938** (Other).

# ✓ THE BYC MAIN SHEET— SAVE IT / POST IT ✓

## March 2002

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## May 2002

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### MARCH, 2002

### \* Events

- 1, 15 **Fridays at Five.** Come anytime between 5 and 7PM.  
 2 **Club Scrub, 0900 hours.** Bring work gloves and be prepared to work until noon. (See story, page 1.)  
 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 page 1.  
 \* **Sailing Races (Details: Joe Bartlett, 966-5549)**  
 9 **Frostbite 1 & 2 1100 Hours**  
 16 **Frostbite 3 & 4 1100 Hours**

### April, 2002

### \* Events

- 5, 19 **Fridays at Five.** Come anytime between 5 and 7PM.  
 18 **Board Meeting 6PM** (Finance Committee 5:30) Open to Members.  
 20-21 **Power Boat Raft Up at Inati Bay,** serve as mother ships for sailors' Vendovi Island Race.  
 26-28 **Annual Past Commodore's Cruise** to Blakely Island. Free T-Shirt to all Boaters. **Jack Black, 671-0327.**  
 \* **Sailing Races (Details: Joe Bartlett, 966-5549)**  
 3-10-17-24 **Numb Bum Races 1, 2, 3, 4 1800 hours**  
 6 **Tulip Cup 0900 hours**  
 20-21 **Vendovi Island Race 1100 hours**

### May, 2002

### \* Events

- 3 *No Friday at Five, but bar open regular hours!*  
 4 **OPENING DAY!** "Changes in Latitude, Changes in Attitude". (Jimmy Buffet, where are you?) Members Only Reception at 1100, Ceremonies at Noon, "Boats Away" at 1300. **Tim Mumford, Chairman, 733-4353**  
 16 **Board Meeting 6PM** (Finance Committee 5:30) Open to Members.  
 17 **Friday at Five**  
 24-26 **Ganges Cruise. Quinn Selsor, 676-5709**  
 \* **Sailing Races (Details: Joe Bartlett, 966-5549)**  
 1 **Numb Bum 5 1800 hours**  
 4 **San Juan Cup 1800 hours**  
 8, 15, 22, 29 **Spring Series 1, 2, 3, 4 1800 hours**  
 25, 26 **Swiftsure 2002**

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

## More Roster Corrections

*Doesn't Joe get anything right?*

Here are more Roster updates:

**Kim Alfreds** owns Monkee See, a 47' Bayliner, in addition to his award-winning Cheekee Monkee.

**Joe Bartlett's** boat is Jamoca, no "H".

It should be **Bob Garvie and Shirley Main**.

**Bob and Dorothy Moles** web address is bobndotmoles@attbi.com.

It's **W. S. Peterson** on p. Y-8.

**Bob & Carol Snowball's** boat is named Odyssey, a 28' Bayliner.

**Alan & Gretchen Taylor's** new boat is a 33' X-Yacht, Madam X. (The old boat was Airpower.)

**Arthur Volz' wife** is Sherry, which probably explains why she lives with him!

**Jerry Walton** joined in 1959.

Send your corrections to dumb Joe at [jcoons1058@aol.com](mailto:jcoons1058@aol.com).

## March Cruises Filling Up

The Cruising season will get a warm-up **March 11-15** with a cruise through the San Juan and Gulf Islands, then continue with a rendezvous **March 16-17** at Rosario Resort.

At least four boats have signed up to leave Monday, March 11, with a leisurely cruise to destinations decided by the cruisers at harbors including Deer Harbor, Friday Harbor, and other spots for overnights. These boaters will wind up at Rosario by the 15th.

Then on March 15, 16 and 17 at least three more boaters out just for the weekend will rendezvous with them at Rosario for a relaxed weekend with a meal ashore after a boat/dock party (depending on the weather). It's a great tune-up trip to get any boat season-ready.

Call or e-mail Joe Coons to sign up or for details on these at (360) 739-1528 or [jcoons1058@aol.com](mailto:jcoons1058@aol.com).

## An Important REMINDER

Recently a new BYC Member, probably through ignorance of the policy against it, sent advertising solicitations to many BYC members for his business.

**BYC Policies expressly forbid using the Roster or other BYC materials for any commercial purpose, including creation of mailing lists.**

Please don't violate your Club's policies in this way. And let's be good Club Members and forgive this one, past transgression! Thanks.

**BYC Board of Trustees**

*Editor's Note: Of course, there is a legitimate way to reach all of us: Advertise in the Jib Sheet & Roster! Call the Editor 739-1528 for details.*

## Building & House News

**Dick Johnson** reports that he still needs volunteer mixologists for many dates. Why not call him and volunteer now? It's fun and fulfilling to do, and you sure help our Club! (Just through January 31, the Lounge operations added \$3,718 to our bottom line!)

**The Club Scrub** volunteer turnout is expected to be great, with over 30 folks on the volunteer lists already. Dick and **Joe Coons** are coordinating activities, with "group leaders" assigned to the various tasks. It's said that some folks are planning to work just to get the free lunch...

**The Furnace Project** continues, with decisions regarding vendors and specifications being assessed as this is written. Retro-fitting this big equipment in our nearly-forty-year-old building is not simple! Example: Some air conditioning equipment specified required 3-phase power, but to put it in would have cost over \$10,000. Ouch! The Committee has been heard to be considering providing everyone with Chinese fans ...

**Many of the Improvements** that are in place are simply the result of catching up on maintenance, such as the thorough cleaning of all the upholstered furniture. What a difference! And our professional contractor and Honorary Member and Club booster **Jim Stephenson** has been a great help, identifying things where a little money can make a big difference, and counseling us. *Thanks, Jim!*

## Bits and Pieces

**Marty Haines** suggests you check the web site for the Volvo race, [www.volvoceanrace.org](http://www.volvoceanrace.org). One of the boats, **Djuice**, was designed by prior BYC Member and Bellingham resident **Laurie Davidson**. The race goes around the world ...

**The Great Chili Cookoff and Superbowl Party** chaired by **Bob Kehoe** was another BYC hit event! About 80 BYC-ers gathered to watch what was perhaps the best game in the bowl's history, and eat award-winning Chili. A beautiful trophy featuring a Silver(?) Ladle was presented to **Dick Labadie** for his fantastic chili, while second place was a 14-entry tie. The Football Pool big winner was **Kathy Duffey**, who was also our bartender for the day ...

Speaking of **Kathy Duffey**, our sympathy goes out to her and her family on the loss of her brother to Cancer. He was only 31 ...

Congratulations to our Club's leaders for their outstanding financial performance for the year to date: The Club is well in the black. Results will be in the May Jib Sheet for the first six months ...

**Nick Kaiser** suggests trying the tide picture site at <http://www02.coconet.com:8080/locations/1013.html>. "It works lots of places", he says. Thanks, Nick!

**Bob Garvie** has volunteered to help with office work. Bob is an experienced number cruncher. Thanks, Bob, for being a volunteering kind of guy!

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