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November: Awards Night, Tom & Jerry

November brings two events of special interest to Members: On **November 16**, the Club fetes sailors with the annual **Sailing Awards Night** with its awards. Dinner begins at **7PM**, with the bar opening at **5PM** and the presentations at **8PM**.

On **Wednesday, November 27**, the Club's annual **Tom & Jerry Party** will usher in the holiday season as the Officers and Board serve everyone with the traditional holiday beverage. **5:30—7:30PM** in the lounge for all Members *but no non-family guests!*

See stories pages 3, 5.

Christmas Idea!

The **Ship's Store** is **Overstocked!** We laid in too much inventory so now we're clearing it out.

We have a huge supply of vests, caps, and polos (including the lovely new V-necks for ladies) and they're **20% Off**. Get 'em at any Club event, or call Joe Coons at 739-1528.

'Round Island 11/8-10

The annual "**Around the Island Race**" is scheduled for November 9 and 10, and once again it will be an important **racing event for sailors, and cruising event for powerboats.**

Sailors should sign up in the usual way (contact **Al Callery** at 676-0784 for details) with the first day's racing starting just east of Peavine Pass on Saturday morning, and the second day's just outside of Roche Harbor.

Meanwhile, beginning with a rendezvous at the Blakely Island Marina on Friday night, power boaters will provide berths for sailors that **overflowed available bunks on the blow-boats**. A second gathering at Roche Harbor on Saturday night will require more berthing for sailors there.

To "reimburse" the power boaters who participate by offering berths, the sailors provide the moorage and meals each night, making it a **near-free cruise for the stink-potters**. And, of course, the power boaters can enjoy great views of the racing starts, as well as fish or cruise or whatever they choose to do during the day on Saturday and Sunday.

The social highlight of the event for many is the big party at Roche Harbor on Saturday night; it's a big one, with music and lots of fun.

Call Al at 676-0784 to make reservations.

Did You Return Your BYC Data Questionnaire?

Commodore John & Monica Gargett & the Officers & Trustees of the Bellingham Yacht Club invite you to The Commodore's Ball on Saturday, the 2nd of November at 6 pm at the Club.

No host Bar. Cocktails 6 pm. Hors d'oeuvres 6:30 pm. Dinner 7 pm. Dancing 8 pm to "The Atlantics". For details: John Gargett, 734-3499 by 10/30.

Commodore's Column

It has been a busy month at the club. We have the new point of sale system helping us in inventory control and in accurate member tabs, and we had a great BYC cruise to Fisherman's Bay around Columbus Day, well attended by both sail and power fleets, with a great dinner in Lopez Village.

Cruising is coming back! The next club cruise is the Round the County Race November 8, 9 & 10. This is one of our sail fleet's most fun races and the power fleet joins our sail team serving as "hotel" boats for many of the crew. One of the best things: The sailors pay for power fleet's moorage in return. The non-BYC racers from Seattle to Vancouver are all jealous of the BYC's power fleet support and we take pride in it! It is also fun both at Blakely Friday night and Roche

Harbor on Saturday night. If you have never done this, but would like to, please call **Al Callery**, our Sail Fleet Captain, to volunteer.

John Asmundson, our new Building and House Chair, planned our annual fall "Club Scrub" for the morning of October 26th. It built on our spring scrub, and I expect I saw a lot of you helping make your club look even more spectacular. It is volunteer efforts such as the Club Scrub that make all the difference!

On December 7th we have the Lighted Boat Parade. I hope we have a lot of boats out this year to provide a great show for the citizens of Bellingham. When the boats return to the dock afterwards we are planning a Club Christmas party, where we will be providing Christmas gifts to a local charity. **Tim Mumford** and I are taking the lead

on identification of a charity and if you would like to help organize this, please contact either Tim or myself.

I am starting a new Commodore's Cribbage Tournament, monthly through the end of September 2003, probably held on the 3rd Tuesday, beginning this month, with a fee of \$50.00 for the year, with each night's winner taking home some cash, and the year's winner receiving what I hope will be the first annual award. A share will go to Youth Programs, another program we want to expand this year.

Finally, both **Monica** and I look forward to seeing all of you at the November 2 Commodores Ball. Emerald Bay has a great menu, the Atlantics are a great band and it will be an evening of fun *as we enjoy the water, the boats and the friendship!* **John Gargett, Commodore**

Editorial

The excitement at the BYC is nearly tangible, it seems.

First is our Membership, with new Members continuing to join us every month. At least 50 have come in the past year, and these new, participating Members have enthusiasm and *participate* in our Club events. They are inspiring to us "older folks"!

Second is the high level to which our physical facilities have been brought, with a lot of maintenance and improvements. The place looks better than it has, and runs better than it has, in years! It's a tribute to the work of **Dick Johnson**, the untiring Building and House chairman for last year, and the work of the new committee under **John Asmundson** this year. Though they've spent a lot, it's been efficiently done and carefully prioritized each step of the way.

And finally, there's our financial condition: ***The best it's been in years!*** Although our accountant will be making adjustments for depreciation, etc., during November prior to

Getting Involved, and a Great Picnic

filing our tax returns, it **looks as though 2001-2 was almost \$50,000 more profitable than 2000-2001**, as we went from a loss of over \$30,600 to a profit of almost \$19,000! The main reasons: Increased Membership dues; a building tenant (Emerald Bay Events) that stayed in business (unlike the Breakwater) and paid bills on time; income from our lounge operations; and careful expense control. *And yet, good for us, we increased our spending on our programs, too!*

So, **Here's to Us!** And a toast to all of us who've turned this Club once again into "**Our Place on the Bay**", with a bright future built on the great traditions of the past.

— *Joe Coons*

BYC Members of the Month

It seems only right that this month we single out **Dawn Durand** and **Joe Bartlett** as this month's *Members of the Month*. Yes, they are married, and as owners of *Jamocho*, a J-36, they are involved in a lot of sailing events.

But there's more than that: **Joe** is often out there representing the BYC as he sails in international races of all kinds, including his recent Vic-Maui race on *Charlemagne*. He served us as Sail Fleet Captain this past year, as he has done in prior years, and he's bailed us out on many a project.

As for **Dawn**, she is a consistent and reliable booster of our BYC in spite of her busy life as a successful Windermere Realtor. Quick to contribute time and money to our Club, she yet another hard-working volunteer.

Thanks to **Dawn** and **Joe** for being a terrific example of a dedicated BYC couple!

Bar/Lounge Report

Our lounge has been in operation for almost a year now. *What a difference a year makes.* We have been successful, thanks to the time and efforts of many of you...our volunteer bartenders. However, although operating with volunteers has worked, waiting for members to step forward has been a problem of late.

By now you have received the **questionnaire and bartending schedule**. If you have not returned it, please take the time to complete and return it to the club. Assigning shifts is a new tack that I feel is worth a try. Initial reaction has been encouraging. All that I have spoken to think this approach is a good idea.

New Lounge Hours: Starting November 1, the bar will open at 5:00, not 4:00. So officially for now

that's 5:00 to 9:00, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. The 5:00 opening makes it easier for the volunteers, and rarely do we do much business before 5.

For anyone who didn't know or notice, we have a new point of sale register system. I REALLY like it. It's easy and very user-friendly. Every bartender will be trained in this new system and all will find it simpler than the old register. And it also eliminates filling out the closing forms that no one liked.

For all members who would like to take the class and become bartenders and participate, the next class is **Tuesday, November 12 at 6PM** in the lounge. Call me at 739-6690 or e-mail deejay159@attbi.com. Thanks for your consideration and support!

Dick Johnson, Lounge Manager

“Tom & Jerry” November 27

The beloved annual **Tom & Jerry Party** is coming again to the BYC. Set for **Wednesday, November 27, from 5:30PM—7:30PM**, the event features free legal beverages and appetizers for **Members and their families only** (no-non family guests). Serving will be Officers and Board Members of the Club. There is no charge for the party, which traditionally has kicked off the holiday season for BYC Members. *See you there!*

Keys and Locks are Changing

As we did last year, the Club is changing the locks on its doors that are kept locked, so if you're a “key person”, you'll want to be sure you can continue to have access.

This year, however, we adding another “button” lock like the ones we use on the downstairs outer and office doors. This new lock with controlled access will be on the back door to the bar/lounge. The door itself will be replaced at the same time, since the old weathered one is beginning to delaminate.

The new lock (which costs about \$900 — a lot!) allows the Club to change access codes anytime, permitting better control and security of our facilities, especially considering our bar's inventory and equipment.

Other door locks are being re-organized at the same time. Since the bar back door allows access to all the Club areas on the main floor, there is no longer a need for everyone to have front door keys. The front door, Commodore's Room, and stairway door between the main floor foyer and downstairs will all share a key distributed only to Members needing such access, including officers, Building and House, and office personnel.

If you have questions about the locks, call **Dick Johnson**, 739-6690, **Joe Coons**, 739-1528, or **John Asmundson**, 734-7591. If you are concerned about the combinations to the push-button locks, contact **Al Callery**, 676-0784.

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


NOVEMBER 2002

1, 15		Fridays at Five. 5-7PM, try to bring appetizers
2		Comodore's Ball. The year's biggest event! 6PM cocktails, 7PM dinner. John Gargett, 734-3499.
8-10		Annual Round the Island Powerboat Cruise. Pow-erboats host sailors at Blakely and Roche Harbors.
14		Board Meeting. 6PM (Finance Committee 5:30). Open to all members. Call: Comm. Gargett, 734-3499
27		Tom & Jerry Party. 5:30-7:30 in the bar, all mem-bers free, but NO non-family guests.
29		King-Squires Wedding Party. All Members invited, in lounge, 5PM—7PM, no-host bar.
Racing Program		
9-10		'Round the County Race
16		Annual Sailing Awards Banquet 7PM

DECEMBER 2002

6, 20		Fridays at Five. 5-7PM, try to bring appetizers
7		Lighted Boat Parade. Get numbers, instructions & register at Club. Details: Tim Mumford 354-4509. (Rain date: Next day, December 8.)
12		Annual Membership Drive/Reception. The Club hosts visitors 5:30—7:30PM. Gail Walker, 734-2998
19		Board Meeting. 6PM (Finance Committee 5:30). Open to all members. Call: Comm. Gargett, 734-3499.
28-31		New Year's Gourmet Cruise. Tim Mumford (above).
31		New Year's Eve Party. A gala event hosted by Emer-ald Bay Events. Contact: 734-7832

JANUARY 2003

1		Happy New Year! Come and enjoy New Year's Day Afternoon at the BYC: The Rose & Orange Bowls on the Big Screen TV's. More news next month...
3,17		Fridays at Five. 5-7PM, try to bring appetizers
16		Board Meeting. 6PM (Finance Committee 5:30). Open to all members. Call: Comm. Gargett, 734-3499.
19		Seattle Boat Show Bus Trip. Tim Mumford (above).

**BAR & LOUNGE WINTER HOURS
THURSDAY-SATURDAY, 4—9 PM.**

Sailing Banquet Coming on Saturday, November 16!

One of the most important events on the club's sailing calendar—the **2002 Trophy Awards Banquet**—will take place in the clubhouse on **Saturday, November 16, at 7:00PM.**

This annual prizegiving ceremony will be preceded by cocktails, and the club bar will be open from 5:30PM. The awards ceremony itself is scheduled to begin at 8:00PM.

Tickets for the full-course banquet cost only \$15 per person including tax and tip. Table reservations for this popular event are essential, and to complete the reservations list club officers are attempting to contact

all members who participated in sail races during the 2001-2002 season.

If you wish to attend the banquet and prize giving and have not been contacted, you can still reserve a seat by calling Rear Commodore **Richard Veach** at 647-0720, or Sail Fleet Captain **Al Callery** at 676-0784.

In addition to the presentation of trophies to participants in our regular racing series, the winners of three prestigious awards will be announced at the banquet: the *Sportsman of the Year*; the *Race Boat of the Year*; and the *Junior Sailing Leadership Trophy*.

Reporter: John Vigor

Captain Homie

Retired Member Frank Richardson, "Captain Homie", from time to time sends us a communiqués... From the Ladysmith Yacht Club:

Homie was here once before, but it was all too confusing, and a bit stormy if memory serves. This time the weather was much better, and Homie was more patient!

This is quite a nice Yacht Club. Very friendly folks, aye. The walk into town is about 20 minutes. But the good news is that the first stores that you come to are the Liquor Store, and the Grocery Store. The Grocery Store will give you a ride back to the Yacht Club. Uptown is filled with lots of "SHOPS". I've met some very nice people here, made new friends, and plan to return, and hope to be able to correspond with some of the folks that are members. I even bought a sweat shirt with the LYC logo to remind me of how much I've enjoyed the time here. When you come into the harbor, the LYC is the last building on the left. A sign on the side of the building helps find the place. The reciprocal dock is right in front of the Club. Stop sometime and enjoy this place.

From Telegraph Harbor:

I get to make the decisions on the *CAROLINE*. Like what to have for dinner. Last year while here at Telegraph Harbor (Thetis Island) I had the best banana split in the whole world. But then when it came to dinner I was hard pressed to enjoy the evening meal. So this year, while at Telegraph Cove I *only* had a banana split for dinner and that was quite nice, aye. I'm getting so smart!

I met **Fabrice Roignot** in Vancouver 8/17. We spent a couple of days there. You all know that is one of my favorite places to be. I love it! The first day I showed Fabrice how to use the transit system Bus/Sea-Bus. We went over to the Lonsdale Market, had a bite to eat, and as Homie was walking outside with the tray of food a Seagull swoops down and snatches a piece of bar-b-q'd pork from my plate. I guess that's one of the reasons why they don't want us to bring guns into Canada, Aye.

We went over to Popeye's Second Hand Marine Store (this place is way cool), and both found something that

New Members

Welcome to the following newcomers:

Tom & Linda Britton, 982 Chuckanut Drive, B'ham 98229, 752-0335, *Tom owns Performance sailing, info@performance-yachts.com.*

Gary Cook & Sharon Sahn, P.O. Box 2181, Denton, TX 76202, (940-458-5358, *Free Spirit*, a 36' Cape George sailboat, *sahm@us.ibm.com.*

William D. Thomas, 2877 N. Nugent Rd. Unit M-8, Lummi Island WA 98262, 758-7409, *no boat, wdan-tont@aol.com*

Rick & Susan Thompson, 6209 Azalea Lane, Paradise CA 95969, 530-877-5464, *Blue Skys*, a 30' SeaRay powerboat, *airgeek2@aol.com.*

We're glad to have all of you in our Club!

was exactly what we thought we needed. Then back to the city on the Sea-Bus, stopping at The Steamworks Pub in Gastown. The food was terrific, and so were the beers that we had. Met a nice couple from San Diego who are considering a lifestyle change. So Homie told them to look at Bellingham, and call Joe to advise them on where to charter a boat for the summer! Fabrice and I promised them we would guide them around wherever they wanted to go. I think they were tempted!

Next day we spent boosting the B.C. economy at the Granville Market. We went to a place that does embroidery and had our BYC vests customized by "Justin Stitches". Nice folks, say Capt. Homie sent you.

8/22, we headed back up to Desolation Sound. The day before we saw "Important Business" (a new Non-resident Member); they guided me from Port McNeill to Bishop Bay two years ago. Great boaters! They live in Butte, Montana, but probably use their boat more than average. I like this couple and always look forward to seeing them. We will meet up in Prideaux Haven...

If you didn't meet Homie, just appointed BYC's Reciprocal Chairman, when he was at Lopez or the Friday at Five on 10/18, you can contact him at capt.homie@pocketmail.com to add to his trove of knowledge.

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